

Falls man killed in crash

JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

An International Falls man was killed and his passenger injured at about 8 p.m. Wednesday on Gamma Road in Kabetogama when the vehicle they were in rolled and struck a tree.

Driver Jonathon E. Stevenson, 43, was killed at the scene, according to a release from the St. Louis County Sheriff's Department. Passenger Tara D. Reller, 38, International Falls, was taken by helicopter to a Duluth hospital for non-life

threatening injuries. The car, traveling south-east on Gamma Road, was coming out of a curve when the driver appears to have lost control, over corrected and rolled, said the release. The car struck a tree on the opposite side of the road.

Excessive speed and alcohol appear to be factors in the crash, according to the sheriff's department. The Minnesota State Patrol, Kabetogama Fire and First Responders and the International Falls Ambulance assisted at the scene.

PASTOR

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months, the school's enrollment shrunk from 39 to 26 students in kindergarten through eighth grade. The school collects about \$2,750 in tuition per student and the loss amounted to around \$35,750. Principal Dawn Flesland said the decision to eliminate four grades was budget-driven and a bulk of the school's operating expenses are covered by tuition.

"Money should never be a deterrent from somebody coming (to the school)," Hadrich said. "Jesus said, 'Let the children come to me,' not 'Come if they can pay.'" With that in mind, Hadrich said the parish finance council and the school's advisory committee will focus on ways to make the school more affordable. "I am helping make the needs known to our parish and community," he said. "Right now, I know five to seven kids we could get into

school if we could help them financially." He added the effort is twofold. "As Catholics, we're pro-family," he said. "We can't have our own Catholic family not afford to come here... We're asking them what they can pay and what kind of sacrifices we both can make. We don't want cost to be a deterrent, and at the end of the day, that is a sacrifice we can make as a parish." He continued that by making the financial need known both at the end of

Mass instruction and in the church bulletin, contributions have been "very generous." "People have responded," Flesland said. "They felt heartbroken about the situation and they want to help." The principal added she and Hadrich have set a goal to incorporate fifth and sixth grade back into the school. How soon? "ASAP," Hadrich said confidently. "We offer God. That is something no other place can offer."

RRCC

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NEHEd President Sue Collins said Helland will serve well in her role at RRCC. "She is a seasoned leader with a wealth of academic experience, having served as dean of Academic Affairs and interim provost at Mesabi Range College," Collins said in a release. The last provost at RRCC was Wayne Merrell, whose time at the school ended in May 2009. As provost, Helland said she'll work to support the ac-

ademic priorities at RRCC, and to cultivate partnerships with local businesses and industries. "I'll be building the college through outreach, collaboration, and partnerships, and serving our students," Helland said. A release said the relationship created by Helland serving as provost at MRC and RRCC will create a stronger educational partnership between the schools, and will provide for greater collaboration between them. Helland said she's worked with the Falls High School in the past, and has devel-

oped relationships with district officials Kevin Grover and Tim Everson. "I've worked with the RRCC faculty and staff for years, so this isn't new to me," Helland said. "I'm coming in with experience and a good background." One of the specific ways the new partnership will benefit RRCC is by improving its technical education program, Helland said. RRCC has always been strong in its liberal arts program, she said, but she felt it could grow in their technical programs. For example, the returning Industrial Maintenance program

has 22 students enrolled, and classes will be held at Greentech Manufacturing on Crescent Drive in International Falls. "Mesabi Range is known for its technical, millwright, and nursing programs," Helland said. "So I have that background, and can bring that to the region." Helland has been at MRC since 1991, when she served as a faculty member in the English department. She earned her master's of education degree from the College of St. Scholastica, and her bachelor's of science degree from Winona State University.

DEER

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Cody Christensen, 42, was sentenced July 21 for gross misdemeanor game and fish violation — take, possess big game out of season. He was sentenced to one year jail and \$3,700 fine and fees. The jail time and all but \$800 were stayed on court conditions and he was placed on three years probation. He may not hunt large or small game in Minnesota for five years. Christensen says he didn't know he needed to first obtain a permit from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources before taking the antlers from a dead deer. In Borderland, many people decorate homes and shacks with antlers and deer skulls, he said. He said many may come from road-killed deer.

"A lot of people do that, when they see a buck on the side of the highway," he said. Christensen said he now fully understands the law, but isn't sure the majority of people in Borderland know about that part of the law. "If you found it, I guess you're supposed to contact the DNR..., like if you're cutting the tail off a raccoon on the road," he said. "It seems like a simple little thing and it's a gross misdemeanor." He said he understands the reason behind the law. "If it's a shed, then fine, but if it has skull or antlers, people could hunt deer out of season and shoot a deer and cut the skull and antlers off, and say they weren't hunting" he said. "I understand exactly why, but a lot of people don't realize. It's kind of severe, and if they realize you did not shoot it out of season, they don't give you the \$3,000 and one year jail." Minnesota Conservation Officer Darrin Kittelson said

state law requires some type of permit or license in the taking of any wild animal that specifies a person can legally possess the animal. During hunting seasons, animals can be taken legally with the correct license during the correct season. "When it comes to road-kill, you need a permit from the DNR to take any type of wild animal killed," he said. "That applies to any part of the animal." He said road-kill permits for deer may be obtained also from the local sheriff and police departments, as well as the Minnesota State Patrol. But permits for any other animals protected by state law, including raccoon, must come from the DNR, and may be obtained from he or another conservation officer. Kittelson said the permit requirement protects the state's wildlife from being taken illegally. "There needs to be checks

and balances out there," he said. For instance, he said, the law is there to protect a buck from being shot illegally out of season for its antlers or its meat. "They need a piece of paper or permit to show they can legally have it," he said. This part of the law is not new and has been in place for a very long time, he said. "And, it's not only animals — you can't go on state property and dig out trees or plants," he said. Kittelson said shed antlers are handled differently, because it can easily be determined they have fallen off a deer naturally. In Christensen's case, the antlers he took from a road-killed buck were still in velvet. Kittelson said the law is simple: "To take road-kill deer or raccoon — something protected by state statute, they need permit for it. It's nothing more than that."

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Fri.	Biscuits & Gravy w/eggs & hashbrowns	
Sat.	Cinnamon Swirl French Toast with ham & eggs	
Sun.	Blueberry Cream Cheese Crepes with eggs & ham	

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Mon.	Half Chicken Dinner	\$10.99
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Separate sealed BIDS for the furnishing of all labor, materials and equipment for the **City of International Falls Automatic Meter Reading System** will be received by the City of International Falls, Minnesota until the hour of 1:15pm on Wednesday, September 10, 2014, in the office of the Deputy City Administrator, 600 4th Street, International Falls, MN. At such time they will be publicly opened in the City Council Chambers and read aloud.

The proposed work includes, but is not limited to the following major items;

- Completely operational two-way migrateable radio frequency advanced meter reading (AMR)/ advanced metering infrastructure (AMI) system which is compatible with & capable of migrating to the City's fixed based Caselle/Sensus metering program.
- A migrateable meter reading vehicle based AMR system with laptop and software compatible with the City's Sensus metering system.
- One (1) handheld meter reading and end point installation device capable of capturing the GPS locations for all of the City's water meter locations. Unit shall be capable to be used as an installation and testing tool and compatible with City's metering system.
- Mapping module/software system capable of handling the City's water meter distribution area.
- System shall be compatible with the City's existing water records accounting system, capable of producing the operation and accounting reports as required by the City. A minimum of two (2) days, with a maximum of four (4) days on-site start-up services and training shall be provided.
- Furnishing of 2800 radio transceivers which provide inbound and outbound access to water measurement and are compatible with the City's Sensus metering system.

The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined and are available at the office of Betty Bergstrom, Deputy City Administrator, located at 600 4th Street, in the International Falls Municipal Building.

Pre-bid approval by the City of all materials, equipment and software proposed to be bid shall be a prerequisite to bidding.

The City reserves the right to waive any informalities, to reject any or all bids and to accept the bid considered to be most advantageous to the City.

No bidder may withdraw his bid within (60) sixty days after the actual date of opening thereof.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a bid bond or certified check in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total amount of the bid, made payable without condition to the City of International Falls, as a guarantee that the bidder, if awarded the contract, will promptly execute the agreement in accordance with the bid and other contract documents.

Dated this 20th day of August, 2014.

Betty Bergstrom
Deputy City Administrator
City of International Falls

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Harold Christian's 80th Birthday Party

Black Bear Casino Resort
Otter Creek Event Center
1785 Hwy 210, Carlton, MN
Saturday August 30, 2014
4:00 - 8:00 pm

Doug and the family of Kelly Wall would like to thank Everyone who was there for us on the loss of Kelly. A sincere thank you for the cards, flowers, thoughts and prayers.

Thank You Rev Winkleman for the service, Kathy Siltman for the music and Green-Larsen for your services.

Doug and the Family of Kelly Wall



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