

# Two local residents achieve Eagle Scout rank

## JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

Two local International Falls residents have earned the highest rank the Boy Scouts of America can bestow.

Jeffrey Klow and Nicholas Riley have earned the rank of Eagle Scout.

Klow and Riley will be recognized at 2 p.m. Sunday at Faith United Church. Both are members of Troop 145, chartered by the Men's Club of Faith United Church.

A candidate must earn 21 merit badges and complete a community service project to earn the Eagle Award. Klow partnered with the International Falls Public Library and Rainy River Community College Library to collect, catalog and donate used books. Riley partnered with Koochiching County to construct a picnic pavilion at the Birchdale Rainy River wayside rest.

An Eagle Scout service project belongs to the Eagle Scout. The scout can have



Jerry Klow

Nicholas Riley

help, but the scout must be the leader. The service project is the application phase of what a scout has learned; leadership, responsibility,

managing projects and applying the Scout Oath, "To help other people."

Scouts prepare a project proposal, develop a final plan, complete a fundraising application and a final report. The project proposal describes how the project will be beneficial. The final plan must list materials and permissions needed, preliminary cost estimates, project phases, and logistics and safety issues. Recruiting volunteers is a component of the project

along with providing leadership.

Klow and Riley join other notable American citizens who have become Eagle Scouts, among them former President Gerald Ford, Neil Armstrong, first man to walk on the moon and Mike Rowe, host of the Discovery Channel's "Dirty Jobs."

Klow is a 2013 graduate of Falls High School. He recently earned an AA degree from RRCC and plans to attend Cornell College in Mount Vernon, Iowa and

major in computer science.

Riley is a 2013 graduate of Falls High School. He recently earned an associate in arts degree from RRCC and plans to earn an associate in science degree from RRCC, with plans to major in wildlife biology at Bemidji State University.

Boy Scout Troop 145 is led by Scoutmaster Steven Bruess and Assistant Scoutmaster Greg Crow. The troop belongs to the Northern Lakes District of Voyageurs Area Council.

# Harala spends week at Camp RYLA

## RYLA STAFF REPORT

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards Camp took place recently on the University of Minnesota, Crookston campus. International Falls Rotary Club sponsored Gary Harala to attend Camp RYLA.

Each camper is sponsored by their local Rotary club. This year, 148 RYLA campers were sponsored by 56 Rotary International Clubs from District 5580.

Most of the students participating in this year's RYLA camp will be high school seniors in 2013-14. Camp RYLA's mission is to provide outstanding high

school students with a variety of educational and recreational activities. These activities provide numerous opportunities for leadership and team building, and are designed to expand, improve and refine the participants' leadership skills.

Campers are hosted by the Crookston Rotary Club, Rotary International District 5580, and UMC. Students resided in the residence halls on campus during the week-long program.

Information about camp RYLA is available by calling 218-464-1213 or at the RYLA website at [www.district5580ryla.org](http://www.district5580ryla.org).



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Model building in artscience.

# Perpich Arts High School recruits for innovative artscience program

## PERPICH COMMUNICATIONS AND ADMISSIONS REPORT

Perpich Arts High School, a two-year arts-based program open to all Minnesota juniors and seniors, is offering admission opportunities for this fall in its newest program, artscience.

Using a different scientific theme each year as a jumping-off point, artscience students explore the world and how to make it better, using multiple disciplines to do research, analyze information, work in collaborative teams and create projects. Artscience students at Perpich pursue ideas and possibilities using in-depth, self-directed study. They work

across disciplines — combining art and science — to produce innovative projects.

Perpich arts and science teachers, along with community experts and university professors, provide support and guidance to help students develop ideas that improve people's lives. The artscience program has worked with graphic and furniture designers, horticulturalists, playwrights, biologists, physicians, photographers, scientists, musicians, dancers and ethicists.

"We believe our artscience students gain social skills, learn how to develop and manage a project and build a basic foundation in creativity

and the design process," said artscience instructor Tory Peterson. "We help them become accustomed to making presentations and explaining their work to others. They develop both the confidence to project a dream or idea into concrete and realizable steps and the ability to convince others to invest in the realization of those dreams."

Interested students and their families may contact the admissions office at Perpich Arts High School: [admissions@pcae.k12.mn.us](mailto:admissions@pcae.k12.mn.us) or 763-279-4168/1-800-657-3515. The application deadline for this fall's program is Aug. 9. The application form

is at <http://www.pcae.k12.mn.us/ahs/admininfo.html>. Admission review for qualified candidates will be the week of Aug. 12. Classes begin Aug. 26.

Perpich Arts High School is part of Perpich Center for Arts Education, a state agency serving all school districts in Minnesota. Created in 1985 by the Minnesota state legislature, the agency seeks to advance K-12 education throughout the state by teaching in and through the arts. Perpich is home to a professional development and outreach program for school administrators, teachers and teaching artists, a public arts education library and the high school.



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International Falls Rotary Club sponsored Gary Harala, left, to attend Camp RYLA. He is pictured with facilitator Cory Netland.

## EDUCATION BRIEF

### EARLEY NAMED TO UW-LACROSSE DEAN'S LIST

Michael Earley has been named to the dean's list for academic honors by Bruce V. Riley, dean of the College of Science and Health, at the University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse, for spring, 2013.

The dean's list is recognition of high academic achievement of a 3.50 or above semester grade point average.

Earley is the son of Paul and Karen Earley, Ashland, Wis., and the grandson of Elvira Earley, International Falls.

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