

# COMMUNITY

## A LOOK AT BORDERLAND

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### OBITUARIES

The Journal publishes paid obituaries in Wednesday and Saturday editions and on its Web site at [www.ifallsjournal.com](http://www.ifallsjournal.com).

Obituaries must be submitted by 10 a.m. Tuesdays to be published in the Wednesday edition, and by 10 a.m. Thursday to be in the Saturday edition.

All obituaries must be prepaid before they are published.

Obituaries can be faxed to the Journal at 285-7206; e-mailed to [tammiec@ifallsjournal.com](mailto:tammiec@ifallsjournal.com); or mailed to The Journal at 1602 Highway 71, International Falls, MN 56649.

We encourage electronic delivery of obituaries and any accompanying photos.

If desired, The Journal will e-mail or fax a proof of the obituary to the funeral home handling the service.

For more information, call Tammie Calder at 285-7411.

## Backus offering After School Arts classes

### BACKUS STAFF REPORT

After School Arts at Backus seeks to provide a wide variety of joyful, extended-learning opportunities for children in grades K-12. Instructors are passionate, experienced and enthusiastic about sharing their knowledge and subject matter with their classes. Class sizes are small, with excellent individual attention and many opportunities for students to learn and grow. Every class will feature creative and fun, hands-on projects to enhance content and engage learners. All classes take place at Backus Community Center, with various dates and starting times for different age levels. Betsy Ward is coordinator of the program.

*Intro to Architecture - Great Spaces and Places.*

Class meets Mondays from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., for five weeks, March 3-31. Ward is instructor for students in grades 4 through 7.

*Life Drawing -* Learn new techniques and improve your skills. Instructor is Andrea Koppleman for students in grades 5 through 8. Class meets twice on Mondays, March 10 and March 24, from 4 to 6 p.m.

*Spanish I for Beginners -* Introducing Spanish language through cultural games, stories and activities. Meets 4 to 5 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays for six weeks, March 4-April 10. Doug Lowthian is instructor for students in grades 4 through 6.

*Spanish II -* Some Spanish language experience necessary. Class meets Tuesdays and Thursdays

from 5:15 to 6:15 p.m. for six weeks, March 4-April 10. Suggested for grades 7 through 9. Call instructor Doug Lowthian at 502-693-5139 for information.

*Theater Games -* Explores voice, timing and dramatic play. For students in grades 4 through 7. Class meets Wednesdays, 4 to 5:30 p.m., for six weeks, March 5-April 9. Instructor is Doug Lowthian.

*ArtSmart! -* Impressionists - Draw, paint and design like the masters. Class meets Thursdays 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. for four weeks, March 6-27. For students in grades 1 through 3. Beth Nelson is instructor.

*ArtSmart! -* Modernists - Compose and design and learn about modern art. Class meets Thursdays, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. for four weeks, April 10-May

1. Beth Nelson is instructor for students in grades 1 through 3.

*KinderArt! -* Exploration, creativity, expression, fun. For students in kindergarten and grade 1, class meets for six weeks, 3:45 to 5 p.m. Mondays, April 7-May 12. Betsy Ward is instructor.

This program is sponsored by a grant from The Otto Bremer Foundation. A limited amount of funding is available for student scholarships. Registration forms have been sent to area schools with information on dates, times and fees charged.

Call Betsy Ward, arts coordinator, 283-2590 or Backus Community Center, 285-7225, with questions or for more information. Forms are also available at the Backus office and on the web site [www.backusab.org](http://www.backusab.org).

## Donna Valentine, 79

Donna Valentine, 79, of International Falls, Minn., passed away Thursday, Feb. 20, 2014, at the Good Samaritan Society-International Falls.

Memorial services will be conducted at 10 a.m.

Monday, Feb. 24, at Zion Lutheran Church.

Condolences may be left at [www.greenlarsen.com](http://www.greenlarsen.com).

Arrangements are with Green-Larsen Mortuary Inc., International Falls.

# LOOKINGBACK

## BLAST FROM THE PAST

Looking Back is compiled by the Falls Public Library  
Visit them online at [www.internationalfallslibrary.us](http://www.internationalfallslibrary.us)

### 25 YEARS AGO

Andy Anderson of City Drug has been named this year's honorary chairman of Daffodil Days.

Falls High School Drama Club has announced the cast and crew of the upcoming spring play, "Nightmare High School." The cast includes the following seniors: John Devlin, Nicky Soger, Nova Bement, Brenda Perreault, Stacie Peterson, James Shipley and Andy Noland. Senior tech members include Anne Karsnia and Annette Sullivan.

### 40 YEARS AGO

A special invitation is extended to friends and relatives of Melvin and Dolly Kirvan for their 25th wedding anniversary open house tomorrow from 5 to 10 p.m. at their home, 1401 First Ave. E.

Mrs. Nancy Espe, chairman of the Heart Fund drive in Ray and Beaver Township, announced today that due to the gas shortage, no house-to-house solicitation will be conducted this year.

### 50 YEARS AGO

A girl was born Feb. 19 at

Falls Memorial Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. James Smart, 5 pounds, 15 3/4 ounces.

A girl was born Feb. 18 at La Verendrye Hospital, Fort Frances, to Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Jean, 9 pounds, 3 ounces.

Bronco seniors John Gouin, Ralph Miller and Jeff Buchholz will play their final home basketball games tonight and Saturday afternoon against Ely and Hibbing.

### 60 YEARS AGO

New officers of Girl Scout

Troop 149 are: Sandra Nelson, president; Carol Engeling, secretary; and Gail Jameson, scribe.

New officers of Brownie Troop 158 are: Pattie Orvala, president; Susie Sellman, scribe; Pattie Sop, treasurer; and Vickie Constantine, secretary.

Rodney Johnson, YNUSN, arrived home by bus for a leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alf Johnson, 904 Ninth St.

Mrs. Dean Acker, the former Donna Steingas of the Falls, has been elected

secretary of the Minnesota State Dental Hygienist Association.

### 70 YEARS AGO

George Washington, father of the country, and John Pollard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Pollard, share Feb. 22 as a birthday anniversary date. It is Mr. Pollard's 18th anniversary today. He celebrated by registering at the local draft office for service with Uncle Sam and is at work as usual at the local Insulite plant.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fulton,

Oveson Apartments, are parents of a baby born today at the Laurion Maternity Home.

Eleven young friends helped Miss Helen Bromberg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Bromberg, celebrate her birthday at a theater party. After attending the movies together, they gathered at the Chicago Café for refreshments.

Jack R. Culbertson arrived home from Skagway, Alaska, where he has been employed for nine months. He is at home at 800 Second St. with his wife and family.

St. Thomas Parish

## RAISE THE ROOF RAFFLE

**2 - \$1,000 Prizes**  
\$10/ticket  
Only 1,000 Tickets Available

Drawing will take place Saturday, March 1 9:00pm, Aquinas Hall

Tickets available at the Parish Office, Forestland Sales & Service and Espresso Lane. Proceeds from this raffle will assist with the costs of Parish roof repairs.

*Tickets donated by TruStar Federal Credit Union*  
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