

COMMUNITY

OBITUARIES

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Gladys Welechenko

Gladys Welechenko, of International Falls, Minn., died Wednesday, Jan. 28, 2015, at Sanford Health Center, Bemidji, Minn.
Services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Monday, Feb. 2, at First Lutheran Church, International Falls.
A complete obituary will be announced when arrangements have been completed.
Condolences may be left at www.greenlarsen.com.
Arrangements will be with Green-Larsen Mortuary Inc., International Falls.



Lindy Charles Wallen, 87

Lindy Wallen, 87, of International Falls, Minn., died Monday, Jan. 26, 2015, at the Ranier Roost, Ranier, Minn.
Lindy Charles Wallen, a loving and devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother, brother-in-law, uncle, cousin and friend, was born Aug. 15, 1927, to Hildur and Theodore Wallen in Ericsburg, Minn., or, as Lindy called it, “the capitol of Minnesota.”
He graduated from Falls High School with the class of 1946/1947 following his return from time with the Merchant Marines and having served in the United States Air Force and the Air National Guard.
He met his bride-to-be at a Valentine’s Day dance in 1948, and he and Lena Fedoruk were married Jan. 2, 1949.
Lindy was a long-time employee of Boise Cascade in the Research Division.
He enjoyed fishing, hunting, dancing, traveling and visiting with his children, family and friends.
He had a dry sense of humor which we already miss, but is most remembered and admired for the beautiful waltzes shared with Lena and the loving care and support he provided her following her debilitating stroke in 1999.
Lindy was preceded in death by his wife, Lena in 2010; his parents; father and mother-in-law, Sam and Lucy Fedoruk; brothers, Howard, Clarence, Lawrence and Ted; sisters, Violette Zoupas, Lucetia Johnson and Moneen Narveson; nephews, Jerry Zoupas and Daniel Wallen; sisters-in-law, Bettie, Kathryn, Millie and Ruby Wallen; brothers-in-law, Milton Zoupas, Vernon Johnson and Sambo Fedoruk.
He is survived by his sons, Bruce of Brainerd, Minn., and Lindy (Angela) of Sacramento, Calif.; daughter, Ellen Mae (Gregg) Pederson of Bloomington, Minn.; granddaughters, Felicia (Jon) Morgan of Bemidji, Minn., Megan (Patrick) Welti of Clarksburg, Mass., and Anne Wallen of Brainerd; great-grandchildren, Jesse and Sean Morgan, and Alorah, James, Jasper and Jacob Welti; sister, Phyllis Wallen; sisters-in-law, Mae Fedoruk, and Esther Fedoruk; brother-in-law, John (Cassie) Fedoruk of Fort Frances, Ontario; and many special nieces, nephews and friends.
As we honor Lindy’s life, we also wish to remember Lena and hope they’re once again dancing in each other’s arms to a beautiful waltz.



A memorial service was conducted at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, at Green-Larsen Mortuary.
Interment will be in Ericsburg at a later date.
Condolences may be left at www.greenlarsen.com.
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AGENDA

City of International Falls – City Council Public Hearing
4:00 P.M., Monday, February 2, 2015
Council Chamber, 600 Fourth Street

4:00 P.M. – Public Hearing on Minnesota Small Cities Development Program Grant application to the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development to request funds for rental and commercial rehabilitation

City of International Falls – City Council Regular Meeting
4:30 P.M., Monday, February 2, 2015

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG
CALL TO ORDER
ROLL CALL

APPROVE AGENDA WITH ANY ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA (only by unanimous consent).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
1. Minutes of the Tuesday, January 20, 2015 regular City Council meeting (Council action-motion)

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS AND APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
1. Adopt Resolution No. ____15, Approving Payment of Claims and Accounts Payable (Council action-motion)

AUDIENCE – OPEN FORUM (The Open Forum is an opportunity for the audience to address the City Council on any matter not listed on the agenda. Please limit your comments to five minutes.)

PUBLIC HEARING – ACTION ITEMS
1. Approvals for submitting the final application for Small Cities Development Program (SCDP) grant funds to the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) (Council action-motion)
• Citizen Participation Plan
• Residential Anti-displacement Plan
• Certification letter to DEED that the area proposed for commercial rehabilitation meets the state standard for a blighted area
• Resolution approving submission of the SCDP final application to DEED

OPENING BIDS (AND/OR QUOTES)

OLD BUSINESS
1. Discuss options for annexation of property at the Multi-modal site and City-owned, 40 acre parcel described as the SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4, Sec. 36, T71N, R24W, Steve Shermon (Council action-motion)

CONSENT AGENDA The Consent Agenda allows the City Council to take action on routine matters by one motion that shall not be debated and shall be adopted by unanimous vote of those present. Any individual council member may remove an item from the Consent Agenda for discussion on the regular agenda. (Council action – motion)
1. Approve registration and expenditures for the Public Works Director to attend the Minnesota Rural Water Association 31st Annual Water & Wastewater Technical Conference in St. Cloud, March 3-5, 2015
2. Approve registration and expenditures for the Building Official and Building Maintenance personnel to attend the Building Energy Savings Conference in Duluth, MN, February 23-25, 2015
3. Approve/allow expenses for Councilor Jaksa’s attendance at the Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities Board meeting and Legislative Action Day
4. Approve Customized Training Income Contract with Advanced Minnesota for EMT Refresher Training
5. Resolution No. ____15 Authorizing attendance at sessions to meet licensure/certification requirements
6. Approve Grant Agreement with the American Heart Association, Inc. for Ambulance equipment
7. Approve acknowledgement for changes to Aflac Payroll Account and authorize signatures

NEW BUSINESS
1. Approve locations for proposed kiosk/interpretive sign(s) on City property as part of the proposed bike trail reconstruction project along Trunk Highway 11 to the City of Ranier (Council action-motion)
2. Review of proposals and approve agreement to provide Professional Auditing Services (Council action-motion)
3. Approve 3-year Labor Agreement Between the City of International Falls, Minnesota and Woodworkers Lodge W-33, IAMAW, AFL-CIO, for the Police Department (Council action-motion)
4. Approve 3-year Labor Agreement Between the City of International Falls, Minnesota and Woodworkers Lodge W-33, IAMAW, AFL-CIO, for the Firefighter Engineers and Paramedics (Council action-motion)
5. Mayoral appointment of Health Officer for City Council confirmation (Council action-motion)
6. Review statute regarding EDA terms and consider Mayor’s appointment of EDA Commissioners (Council action-motion)
7. Resolution No. ____15 approving application for exempt permit for Minnesota Deer Hunter’s Association, Trail End Chapter (Council action-motion)
8. Year 2015 license renewal – Miner’s Inc., dba County Market, 3.2 off sale, cigarette, and gasoline pump licenses (Council action-motion)
9. Resolution No. ____15 placing on hold a Public, Educational and Government (PEG) Access Channel Fee until all Subscribers in the International Falls, Ranier and Koochiching County Area System will be required to pay such a fee (Council action-motion)
10. Approve Public Works evaluation committee recommendation to hire for Maintenance Lead-Bottom Man position (Council action-motion)
11. Any other business.

REPORTS OF ALL BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND DEPARTMENT HEADS
1. **Reports of the Administrator, Attorney, and Department Heads**
a. Police Monthly Report, January 2015 (Council information)
b. Fire/Rescue/EMS Monthly Report, January 2015 (Council information)

2. **Reports of the Mayor, Council Committees, Boards and Commissions**

AUDIENCE – OPEN FORUM

CORRESPONDENCE
1. November 18, 2014 – Friends Against Abuse meeting minutes
2. November 26, 2014 – International Falls-Koochiching County Airport Commission meeting minutes
3. December 8, 2014 – Housing & Redevelopment Authority of International Falls meeting minutes
4. December 10, 2014 – International Falls Public Library meeting minutes
5. December 15, 2014 – North Koochiching Area Sanitary District meeting minutes
6. December 17, 2014 – Koochiching Economic Development Authority meeting minutes
7. December 17, 2014 – Convention and Visitors Bureau meeting minutes
8. January 23, 2015 – Letters of appreciation from the Chamber of Commerce to the Police, Fire, and Public Works personnel and Mayor and Council

REMINDERS
1. Next regular City Council meeting is ** Tuesday, February 17, 2015 at 4:30 P.M.

** Note Council date change due to the President’s Day holiday

ADJOURNMENT
Note: Matters inappropriate for consideration at the meeting or not in the order specified shall not be considered except 1) with the unanimous consent of the members of the City Council, or 2) scheduled public hearings or bid lettings, but not before the time stated in the notice.
The City of International Falls complies with the Americans with Disability Act. Individuals with disabilities requiring special aids should contact the City Administrator, 600 Fourth Street, International Falls, MN, 56649, 218-283-9484, at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting.

Rita Katheryn Eisterhold, 70

Rita Katheryn Eisterhold, 70, of Littlefork, Minn., died Sunday evening, Jan. 25, 2015, at Rainy Lake Medical Center.
Rita was born Feb. 9, 1944, in Owatonna, Minn. She grew up and graduated high school in Owatonna and then attended beauty school in Austin, Minn.
She worked as a beautician in Austin and Rochester, Minn.
The former Rita Katheryn Neigebauer was united in marriage to Eugene Eisterhold on June 28, 1969, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Owatonna.
After their marriage they lived in Minneapolis, Minn., before moving to Prior Lake, Minn., in 1972. The couple moved to Williams, Minn., in 1990 where Rita worked at the Williams Senior Center as a cook.
In 2006, Gene and Rita retired and moved to Littlefork.
Rita loved to spend time in her garden, doing craft work, fishing and painting. She enjoyed canning jams and jellies.
She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Williams and a member of St. Columban Catholic Church in Littlefork.
She was preceded in death by her parents, William and Katheryn Neigebauer; brother, Clarence Neigebauer; and half-sister,

Florence Schroeder.
Rita is survived by her husband, Eugene Eisterhold of Littlefork; son, Joseph (Jamie) of Lake George, Minn.; brothers, Robert (Theresa) Neigebauer of Waseca, Minn., Walter Neigebauer of Gaymon, Okla., and Daryl (Jan) Neigebauer of Owatonna; sister, Norma Bonnie Baffoe of Waseca; and many nieces and nephews.
Mass of the Resurrection was offered at 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 30. Recitation of the Holy Rosary was at 9:45, with visitation from 10 to 11 at St. Columban Catholic Church, Littlefork.
Interment will take place at St. Theodore’s Catholic



Cemetery in Laporte, Minn.
Condolences may be left at www.greenlarsen.com.
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LOOKING BACK

25 YEARS AGO

The Amigos, a foursome of Falls High School students, took first place in the Ice Box Days X Smoosh Races. The students are Jamie Sullivan, Todd Kockelman, Brett Belanger and Chris Lepper.
Anne Steele, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Steele, and a 1989 graduate of Falls High School, has successfully completed one quarter at St. Cloud Business College.
40 YEARS AGO
The Falls Broncos romped to an easy 15-3 victory over Chisholm in the

range city Tuesday night as John Villalta, Kevin Nagurski and Dave Olsen all registered hat tricks to lead the way.
Miss International Falls 1975, Ronda Peterson, left for the St. Paul Winter Carnival, where she will be featured guest with more than 50 other visiting queens during the four-day celebration.
The Bemidji State College indoor track team has four ex-Bronco thinclads trying out for this year’s squad. They are Wayne Carrier, Scott Pearson, Daryl Mannausau and Neil

Bruce.
50 YEARS AGO
Mr. and Mrs. Mario Del Pup, 114 Park Ave., announce the engagement of their daughter, Virginia Mary, to Walter G. Bennick of Virginia.
International Falls BPO Does were honored at their regular meeting Monday night to learn of the appointment of Mrs. Earl Anderson, 1964 president, as attendant to the Supreme Junior Counselor for the coming national convention.
Karen Grotberg, 5-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Graydon Grotherg, 500 10th St., came home Sunday to her parents’ home. Her mother and father accompanied her from Methodist Hospital, Rochester, where on Jan. 12 Karen submitted to major surgery.
Representing the Border Figure Skating Club in the Junior Ladies’ event of the Northern Section Championships will be Rochelle Gladu and Mary Martha Klymko.

today at Falls Memorial Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Strand, Tyson’s Cabins; weight, 7 pounds, 7 ounces.
New officers of Girl Scout Troop 145 are: Sandra Hill, president; Darlene Averill, vice president; Barbara Lemke, secretary; Janice Dahlvang, treasurer; Marilyn Custer, scribe.
70 YEARS AGO
Pvt. and Mrs. Phillip Moorman, 620 Fourth Ave., are parents of a son born this morning at Northern Minnesota Hospital.
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Perrault and daughter, Jay, and Leonard Bergvall went to the Littlefork Hospital to visit A.W. Scott on his birthday. They report that Mr. Scott, who has been suffering from a painful ear infection for over three weeks, was too ill to enjoy the occasion.
Pvt. George Christensen, paratrooper, was wounded Dec. 29 in Belgium and is reported to be in a Belgium hospital suffering from cuts and burns about the face and eyes. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Carl Christensen, 416 Fifth St.
Pfc. William L. Gregurich, of the U.S. Marine Corps, was recently awarded the Purple Heart for wounds suffered July 26, 1944, in action in Guam, according to word received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Matt Gregurich of Liberty Addition.

Starting Monday, February 9
Same telephone number but the option number has changed
800-862-0175
option 5

Koochiching Senior Center
would like to say Thank You to Stewart’s Super One for letting us use the building
Congratulations
to our winners of our drawing!

1 st Place – Julie Jespersen	\$500.00
2 nd Place – Chase Phillips	\$300.00
3 rd Place – Darren Breneman	\$200.00

Thank you!

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