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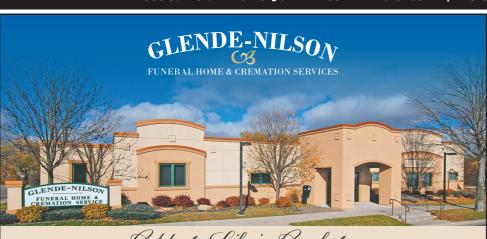


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After working together with a temporary joint powers board to explore the feasibility of joining our human services agencies, both the Grant County and Pope County Boards have made the decision to enter into a permanent joint powers agreement together. On January 1, 2022 entities now known as Grant County Social Services and Pope County Human Services will join together and will be one agency named Western Prairie Human Services.

We want the citizens of both counties to know that both offices will remain fully staffed and open, and the County Commissioners of both counties will be members of the Western Prairie Human Services Board, the governing body in charge of making decisions for the new entity.

We believe this joint venture as one agency will increase service options and program availability without exponentially increasing costs, increase staffing capacity, and slow the growth in the overall agency footprint by sharing expertise and administration.

Western Prairie Human Services follows the path of other county partnerships in this process, taking from their successes that we can also provide personcentered care to the communities we serve while also providing an environment of growth for our staff. As we work toward a full merger as one agency in 2022, we continue to critically assess things like access and services levels, and look toward improvements we believe we can achieve together.

Look for our Western Prairie postcard coming to all residents of both counties. Additional access to information will be provided for both counties. Please join us in our excitement to serve our community to the best of our ability.

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We hope to be back to our original printers in a week or so and resume our normal delivery schedule.

We thank you for your understanding.

Rick Anderson, Publisher

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OBITUARIES

Thomas Murphy

Age: 81 Visitation: One hour prior to the service

Service: Sat., Oct. 9, 11am with Loggers Lunch at 12pm Location: Pinewood Church (former Assembly of God), Menahga, MN

Funeral Home: Karvonen Funeral & Cremation Service of Wadena,

Online condolences may be sent to www.karvonenfuneralhome.com

Barbara Mattfeld

Age: 82 From: Perham, MN Visitation: Fri., Oct. 8, 4-7pm at Karvonen Funeral Home in New York Mills, MN and one hour prior to service at the church

Service: Sat., Oct. 9, 11am Location: First Baptist Church of Detroit Lakes, MN

Funeral Home: Karvonen Funeral and Cremation Service, New York Mills, MN

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Theodore Edward (Ted) Fischer

Age: 93 From: Wadena, MN Passed Away: Sat., Oct. 2 Where: His home Visitation: One hour prior to the

service Service: Thu., Oct. 7, 11am Location: Karvonen Funeral Home, Wadena, MN

Funeral Home: Karvonen Funeral & Cremation Service, Wadena, MN Online condolences may be sent to www.karvonenfuneralhome.com

James "Jimmy" Graf

Age: 92 From: Fergus Falls, MN Passed Away: Sat., Nov. 14, 2020 Visitation: One hour prior to service Service: Memorial service for both Jimmy and his wife, Mary, will be

held Sat., Oct. 16, 10am Location: Olson Funeral Home of Fergus Falls

Clergy: Father Alan Wielinski Interment: St. Otto's Cemetery,

Fergus Falls, MN Funeral Home: Olson Funeral Home

in Fergus Falls, MN Online condolences may be sent to www.olsonfuneralhome.com

Janice Birkholz

Age: 87 From: Fergus Falls, MN Passed Away: Sat., Oct. 2 Service: A private family service is planned for a later date Memorials: Preferred to the Humane Society of Otter Tail County, the Fergus Falls Senior Center, or the Fargo Air Museum Funeral Home: Olson Funeral Home

in Fergus Falls

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Sydney MacLean

Age: 79 From: Fergus Falls, MN Passed Away: Sat. Oct. 2 Where: MN Veteran's Home in Fergus Falls, MN Gathering: Sun., Oct. 17, 11am-1pm with Military Honors at

12:45pm Location: Olson Funeral Home in Fergus Falls

Funeral Home: Olson Funeral Home in Fergus Falls Online condolences may be sent to

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Darlene Clarice Boeder

Age: 67 Passed Away: Fri., Oct. 1 Where: Essentia Health, Fargo, ND Visitation: One hour prior to service at the church

Service: Sat., Oct. 9, 10:30am Location: Zion Sarpsborg Free Lutheran Church in Dalton, MN Clergy: Rev. Mark Johnson Interment: Zion Lutheran Cemetery, Dalton, MN

Funeral Home: Olson Funeral Home in Fergus Falls Online condolences may be sent to

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Mary Graf

Age: 88 From: Fergus Falls, MN Passed Away: Sep. 15, 2021 Visitation: One hour prior to service Service: Memorial service for both Mary and her husband, Jimmy, will be held Sat., Oct. 16, 10am

Location: Olson Funeral Home of Fergus Falls Clergy: Father Alan Wielinski Interment: St. Otto's Cemetery,

Fergus Falls, MN Funeral Home: Olson Funeral Home in Fergus Falls, MN

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Charlene Motschenbacher

Age: 66 From: Wadena, MN Visitation: Fri., Oct. 8, 5-7pm at funeral home with prayer service at 7. Resumes one hour prior to

service Service: Sat., Oct. 9, 2pm Location: Karvonen Funeral Home

in Wadena Funeral Home: Karvonen Funeral and Cremation Service

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Sharon Rautio

Age: 81 From: Perham (formerly of New York Mills, MN)

Visitation: Thu., Oct. 7, 4-7pm at Karvonen Funeral Home of New York Mills, MN and one hour prior to service at the church

Location: First Congregational United Church of Christ in New York Mills, MN

Funeral Home: Karvonen Funeral Mills, MN

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Gary Becklund



Gary Robert Becklund. born in Jamestown, ND to Lauretta and Robert Becklund, passed away peacefully on September 28, 2021 at the age of 80.

Gary and his family moved to Fergus Falls, MN where his dad started the Texaco Service station and Becklund Oil. Garv graduated from St. Cloud State University and was passionate about cars, planes, golf, hunting/ fishing, stock trading, and good food and wine. He traveled much of Europe and the US buying and selling cars, opened a pizza restaurant in Fergus Falls while still in High School, worked with his brother in the family business, sold HydraTroll motors with his dad, worked for a radio station in Denver, attempted to open a diaper factory off of Greece, dabbled in real estate investments and eventually became a catastrophic insurance adjuster later in life.

He was married and divorced twice, first to Karen Lund, then Florence

Service: Fri., Oct. 8, 2pm

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Laborde. He was the proud father of three girls (Sim, Stacey & Alexia) and two boys (Scott &

He is preceded in death by his parents and is survived by his brother Tom (Jan) Becklund, sister Robin Newcomb, daughters Sim Talbot, Stacey Becklund, Alexia Becklund Cross, sons Scott Becklund and Andre (Karissa) Becklund, grandchildren Hunter (Sim Talbot), Rawnson (Stacey Becklund), Evan, Andrew and Rylie (Alexia Becklund Cross), Sage and Mae (Scott Becklund), and Camden and Hadley (Andre Becklund), as well as three great grandchildren, Aubree, Dayton

He will be missed dearly and will be remembered for his charismatic personality, humor, great friendships, dashing good looks (you're welcome, Dad), and incredible stories about his travels and adventures.

and Asher.

Family and Friends are welcome to attend a memorial service at Olson Funeral Home in Fergus Falls at 4pm on Friday, October 15th. A burial following the service will be held at Oak Grove Cemetery and the family will be toasting drinks to Gary at the Eagles after that.

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By Kristi Lausch, HSOTC Board of Directors



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WHY IS THE DIALING PLAN CHANGING? On July 16, 2020, the Federal Communications Commission adopted an Order (FCC 20-100) approving 988 as the 3-digit abbreviated dialing code to reach the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline, starting July 16, 2022. Customers must continue to dial 1-800-273-TALK (8255) to reach the Lifeline until July 16, 2022.

WHY IS 10-DIGIT DIALING GOING TO BE REQUIRED IN THIS AREA CODE? The Federal Communications Commission ordered that any area code that has the 218 or 605 prefix and has 7-digit local dialing be transitioned to 10-digit local

dialing to ensure everyone is able to reach the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline using the 3-digit 988 code.

WILL EVERYONE IN THE 218 AND 605 AREA CODES HAVE TO DIAL 10-DIGITS FOR LOCAL CALLS? Yes. Every customer with a number from the 218 and 605 area codes will change to mandatory 10-digit dialing for local calls. Dialing 7-digits for local calls will be prohibited for all customers in the entire area

WHAT WILL BE THE NEW **DIALING PROCEDURE?** To complete local calls, the new dialing procedure requires callers to dial the area code + telephone number. This means that all local calls in the entire 218 and 605 area codes that are currently dialed with 7-digits will need to be dialed using the area code + telephone number.

WHEN WILL THE DIALING CHANGEBECOMEMANDATORY? Beginning October 24, 2021, you must dial 10-digits (area code + telephone number) for all local calls. On and after the date, local calls dialed with only 7-digits may not be completed, and a recording will inform you that your call cannot be completed as dialed. If you get the recording, you must hang up and dial again using the area code with the 7-digit telephone

WHAT OTHER CHANGES NEED TO BE MADE? In addition to changing your dialing patterns, all services, automatic dialing equipment, or other types of equipment that are programmed to complete local calls using only 7-digit numbers will need to be reprogrammed to complete calls to 10-digit numbers. Some examples are: phone contact lists, speed dialers, call forwarding settings, voicemail services, fax machines, life safety systems or medical monitoring devices, fire or burglar alarms and security systems. Be sure to

check your website, personal business stationery, advertising materials, personal and business checks, contact information, your personal or pet ID tags, and other such items to ensure the area codes is included.

WHAT WILL REMAIN THE SAME? Your telephone number, including current area code, will not change. You will continue to dial 1+ the area code + telephone number for all longdistance calls. You will continue to dial a prefix when dialing from a multi-line telephone system (i.e., in a hotel, office building, etc.) as required. You can still dial just 3-digits to

reach 711 (relay services) and 911 (emergency services). If 211, 311, 411, 511, 611, or 811 are currently available in your community, continue to dial these codes with just 3-digits. The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline can still be reached by dialing 1-800-273-8255 (TALK) even after the 988 code is in effect.



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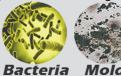
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