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New Life Lutheran Church Pastor Randy Whitehead

Worship Times: 8:45 a.m. @Little Bethany

New Life: 9:00 a.m. - Sunday School 10:00 a.m. - Worship

Loyalty's Reward



If we follow Jesus and obey His commands, the payoff is superb: God will reward us.

Our journey may not be easy and may take everything we have in us.

But nothing outdoes God's approval.

Continue to follow and obey Jesus this week in church.

Whoever serves me, the Father will honor. John 12:20-33

Jeremiah 31:31-34

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Otter Tail County Sees Housing Growth Progress

County's Big Build initiative saw progress and success for housing growth. In 2020, \$39.3 million in housing investment was added in the County from 656 new and rehabbed housing units, 427 of these being new construction and 229 being rehabbed units. This success is great progress toward the Big Build's goal of 5,000 new, preserved, or significantly rehabbed units by 2025, and represents a 19 percent increase in new construction county-wide compared to 2019.

The Otter Tail County Community Development Agency (CDA) launched the Big Build at the end of 2019 as a housing growth and Applications to the tax rebate investment initiative. The initiative was created because the expansion of housing opportunities is a countywide priority to address workforce needs and existing residents' needs.

"The Big Build initiative is truly an economic engine for the County," said Otter Tail County Commissioner, Lee Rogness. Rogness explained the domino effect of housing growth on communities. "New twin homes open opportunities for older people to move into lower maintenance, smaller homes, which frees up multiple bedroom homes for families. When single-family homes open, new families can move to our communities. This benefits our schools, helps close the workforce gap, and brings welcome local spending to our business community." With more than 1,000 available jobs in the County right now, increasing the housing supply will help meet the needs of newcomers filling these job openings and existing residents seeking more suitable housing options.

The County's property tax rebate

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The kickoff year of Otter Tail program is one component of the larger Big Build initiative that was put into place to specifically encourage new investment and construction of single and two-family homes. This program also saw great success in its first year with 102 applications from across the County. Applicants to the program can receive up to a \$10,000 rebate of their future property taxes, up to \$5,000 of the County portion of property taxes as well as the City portion of taxes in select communities.

More information about the Big Build including details on how to apply for the tax rebate program can be found at bigbuildotc.com. program must be submitted before construction begins.

Rogness said, "The timing for this initiative is impeccable with a surge in demand for small-town living and wide-open spaces. The partners that are doing the work to amplify The Big Build are better equipped than ever to write this success story.'



The family of Bill Rose would like to thank the rescue squad and neighbors and friends in Rothsay for all of their kind help.

A special thank you for all of the letters and cards with many personal memories. He would have enjoyed reading them too! All donations went to the

scholarship fund so a student can have a start in their future. Also thanks for the many donations to PARTNERS, New Life Church and many designated in memorials. Thank you.

Dar Rose Tad and Myrna Tim and Marcia Terri and Mitch, Tami and Toni 2-22-1c

Ralph Baade Passes Away



RALPH BAADE

4, 1938 and died Sunday, January

they built a home in Stillwater, Minnesota, a cabin in Pine City, Minnesota, and built Ralph's plumbing together, which he ran with her and his older boys and Charlie an old friend. Ralph was proud of his business and a very hard worker. Ralph's Plumbing installed the plumbing in many homes in the east metro of The Cities. His plumbing career ended when he had a debilitating stroke in 1984.

After his stroke which left him paralyzed and unable to communicate well, he took to traveling in his car, and spent time in Las Vegas, Nevada, and ended up settling in Rothsay, Minnesota, near his childhood town of Hackensack,

While his body and speech failed him, he made many friends throughout the years in his travels and was welcomed by all. Even with everything against him, he kept going and forging forward, dad was not one to give up. Many with his disabilities would not have been able to live the 35 plus years he was able to do on his own.

Guam while in the service. While in Rothsay, he was known to build and deliver to those around him many beautiful things made from wood.

a vet, check out your local veterans home.

While in Rothsay, he was also a frequent visitor of the flea markets and enjoyed driving in his car to visit Charles, son, Paul, his wife, Mandy and kids.

Ralph is now where he can walk tall with no physical ailments and hopefully now doing all of the talking he could not do over the

His favorite thing to say was "Green Bay all the way" and his last words were telling Jenny he loved

Ralph is survived by his previous wife, Marge; brother, John; sister, Catherine (Bud); his children, Dawn, Dan (Gelene), Troy (Beth), Shayne, Amy (Gary), Jenny (Rodney), and Matt (Carly); many grandkids and great-grandkids, Ollie, Joshie and Ethan all loved going by grandpas and watching the planes or going out to eat with him at McDonalds or Burger King.

He is also survived by many friends from the Rothsay area, Bruce (Kim), Scott and Harold (Donna), thank you all for being kind to our dad and helping him in his community over the years. All of you were very important to him and I know he missed everyone when he moved

Ralph is preceded in death by his parents, Elizabeth and Henry; brother, Charles; and great-grandson,



Ralph J. Baade was born March He met Marge through bowling,

Minnesota.

Ralph was a carpenter during his time in the Air Force during the Vietnam War Era and spent time in

Swings and chairs were his specialty. The last five years found Ralph down in The Cities and spent the last couple of years living at the Minneapolis Veterans Home. To everyone at the veterans home, thank you for making dad's life enjoyable. He loved razzing the staff about the Packers beating the Vikings, playing blackjack with other residents and taking trips out. A special thanks to Lana, Kim K. (who visited him at the hospital when family could not), Sara B, and Kate from Rec. Kate your time playing checkers with him, doing the scratch offs and making sure the Skype calls worked out this past year, thank you. All of you are amazing and such a gift for all of the residents there. If you love

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ROTHSAY AREA **CHURCH** NOTES

ROTHSAY BAPTIST CHURCH

Rothsay, Minnesota Pastor Wendell Wahlin Church: 218 867-2268 Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. Worship, 10:30 a.m.

LITTLE BETHANY **LUTHERAN CHURCH** Parish Office 218 867-6557

8 Miles SE of Barnesville Sunday, February 28 - Worship,

Sunday, March 7 - Worship, 8:45

Sunday, March 14 - Worship, 8:45 a.m.

Sunday, March 21 - Worship, 8:45 a.m.

LAKES AREA WORD **FELLOWSHIP**

Vergas, Minnesota Spirit-filled Family Church Pastors Larry and Terry Vosika Telephone: 218 847-8499 Church: 218 342-2620 Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. Worship service at 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays - Midweek services,

Remember a church that's alive is worth the drive.

SOUTH IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Mailing Address: PO Box 93 Pelican Rapids, MN 56572 Location Address:

38041 Cty Hwy 21, Rothsay, MN Pastor Phil Tobin Telephone: 218 731-4353 Church Secretary: 218 863-4085 Sunday, February 28 - Worship,

Sunday, March 7 - Worship, 9 a.m. Sunday, March 14 - Worship, 9

Sunday, March 21 - Worship, 9

NEW LIFE

LUTHERAN CHURCH Parish Office 218 867-6557 Pastor Randy Whitehead Wednsday, February 24 - Lenten

Bible Study Online Recording. Sunday, February 28 - Parking Lot Worship, 10 a.m. Indoor

Worship, 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 3 Confirmation, 5:30 & 7 p.m. Sunday, March 7 - Parking Lot

Worship, 10 a.m. Indoor Worship, Wednesday, March 10 - Council,

Sunday, March 14 - Parking Lot Worship, 10 a.m. Indoor Worship,

Monday, March 15 - Newslettet

Deadline. Sunday, March 21 - Parking Lot Worship, 10 a.m. Indoor Worship, 11 a.m.

NORTH IMMANUEL

LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCMC) 12713 Cty Rd 30, Pelican Rapids Office: 218 863-5447

Wednesday, February 24 - Lenten Worship, 7 p.m.

Sunday, February 28 - Second Sunday of Lent. Worship, 9 a.m. Bible Study, 10 a.m.

Wednesday, March 3 - Lenten Service, 7 p.m.

Sunday, March 7 - Third Sunday of Lent. Worship with Holy Communion, 9 a.m. Bible Study, 10

Wednesday, March 10 - Lenten Service, 7 p.m.

Sunday, March 14 - Fourth Sunday of Lent. Worship, 9 a.m. Bible Study, 10 a.m.

Wednesday, March 17 - Lenten Service, 7 p.m. Sunday, March 21 - Fifth

Sunday of Lent. Worship with Holy Communion, 9 a.m. Bible Study. 10

Rothsay Feels Like Coming Home To Ramy Ragheb



This sign designed by Ken Rhodes, was given to Ramy Ragheb by his good friends, Tolly and Connie Tollefson. The sign reads, "Merry Christmas Captain Ramy from all your friends in Rothsay, Minnesota.'

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in the summer in Cairo and the air quality isn't great."

When Ramy visits the Tollefsons he often cooks them specialties of Egypt such as various seafoods. "Cairo has the best seafood," states Ramy.

The capital of Egypt, Cairo, is located in the northeast corner of the country and near the Red Sea, Mediterranean Sea and on the Nile

Cairo is known as being a very densely populated city as well as being the center of Egypt's culture and politics.

In the future, Ramy would like

to find employment and live in the United States. His dream would be to live close to Rothsay or in the northwestern states. He is a young man but when the

here in Rothsay. In the meantime Ramy continues to enjoy his visits to the area. "I think I know or have met almost everyone in Rothsay," said Ramy. "Everyone

day comes to retire he would very

much like that time to be spent right

is so warm and friendly here." Ramy Ragheb is an example of how, even in a small rural community, one can impact a life, changing someone and making a permanent difference.



Question: We had a semi truck-tractor and trailer stolen recently and the thief put red fuel in the tanks. We are planning on draining the tanks and replacing the fuel filters on this truck. Is that enough or does the system need to be flushed? I don't want to get stopped and have red fuel detected in the truck. Are there any guidelines on this? Any info would be appreciated. Thanks.

Answer: If you do a thorough job when draining the tanks that should be enough to get rid of the red dyed fuel. The clear fuel will flush the lines and filter. When checking for red dyed fuel, it is done by drawing fuel out of the fuel tank. It might be a good idea to have a copy of police report from the

For people wondering what red dyed fuel is, here is some basic information. Red diesel is a fuel that is used for machinery and off-road vehicles across a wide variety of industries including farming and construction. This product is just like regular diesel, but is dyed. Fuels are occasionally required to be dyed so that they can be identified. Identification of fuel is important because some are subject to specific fees, taxes, and other regulations from which others are exempt. If violating this, a person would be subject to a fine.

If you have any questions concerning traffic related laws or issues in Minnesota, send your questions to Trooper Jesse Grabow - Minnesota State Patrol at 1000 Highway 10 West, Detroit Lakes, MN 56501-2205. You can follow him on Twitter @MSPPIO_NW or reach him at, jesse.grabow@ state.mn.us.

BANKING Q & A What is typically the longest

term CD available? Local banks typically have a five year

max term on their CD's.



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