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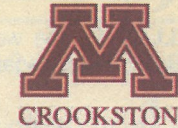
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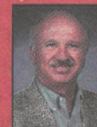

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Region

EERC's Groenewold fired GRAND FORKS, N.D. (AP) — UND has fired the director of the school's Energy and Environmental Research Center.

Gerald Groenewold had been placed on paid administrative leave in early May.

The EERC is UND's primary research facility and

WORLD WAR II: 70TH ANNIVERSARY OF D-DAY

Soldier and Crookston native to be honored

• Art Tobias' war experiences to be featured in exhibit at 'In Their Own Words' Museum in Perham; unveiling is June 13
Mike Christopherson
Managing Editor

If Art Tobias were alive today, on the 70th anniversary of the fateful World War II invasion of Hitler's Europe by Allied Forces, his daughter, Ronni Nordby, said he would likely be his typical low-key and humble self.

He would likely be no different on another milestone day a week from today, on Friday, June 13 in Perham, Minn., his daughter added, when he will be the latest soldier featured in the "In Their Own Words" (ITOW) Museum in that city.

"Dad was a humble man, especially regarding his war stories," Nordby said of her father, a Crookston native born in 1925 who served in the 493rd Bomb Group in the 8th Army Air Force during

World War II in Europe. Art's wife and Nordby's mom, Sarah, still lives on the family farm near Angus. Nordby lives in Crookston but spends much of the week on the farm with her mom.

So why the ITOW Museum in Perham? Well, Nordby said, she has an incredible amount of mementos and artifacts from her dad's time in the war, items that include the actual letter Art authored after the B-17 bomber he was in crashed shortly after takeoff with a full load of bombs.

"...suddenly the entire plane began to shudder," Art wrote. "The engines were roaring their all, it

seemed, but we were losing altitude." Art's letter will be part of the exhibit. He actually survived two plane crashes during his time in the service, Nordby added.

"Perham was my decision because I had so much of dad's World War II things, including his leather flight jacket, helmets, goggles, airplane parts from the crash, manuals," she said. "I didn't want it lost, or just forgotten. I knew about the ITOW Museum, and they were very honored and excited to take these items and make an exhibit from them."

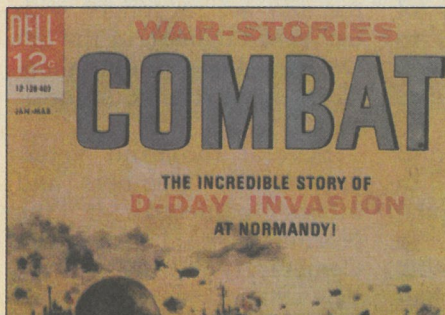
The opening of Art's exhibit will be celebrated on Friday, June 13 at the ITOW Museum. A free wine and cheese reception will get things started before the program honoring Art gets underway. Nordby will be there as a "special guest." The museum is located at 805

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Ronni Nordby
Art Tobias' daughter



Art Tobias



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MISS CROOKSTON SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATIONAL MEETING will be at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, June 11 at Happy Joes in the back room. All girls entering their senior year or grads of CHS may participate up to the age of 20. Come and learn more about it.

RIVERVIEW STROKE SUPPORT GROUP will be at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, June 11 in Meeting Room 2 at RiverView Health. The group is hosted by Marie Johnstad, Speech-Language Pathologist. For more info, call the RiverView Speech Language Pathology Department at 281-9438.

UNION LAKE SARAH IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 11 in the back room of the Ness Cafe in Erskine. All members are welcome to attend.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING REFRESHER COURSE will be at 1 p.m. on Thursday, June 12 at Andy Oman State Farm Office. The cost is \$10 and the instructor is Suzie Coquette.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY MEETING will be Thursday, June 12 and it will be "Cook's Night Out". The restaurant is to be determined. There will be elections and installation of officers and an evaluation of the year program.

MARK GUNDERSON AND PAULINE SANCHEZ BENEFIT will be from 5-8 p.m. on Friday, June 13 at the Crookston Inn & Convention Center. There will be a spaghetti dinner, silent auction, raffle drawing, live music and free will offerings accepted. The event is sponsored by Thrivent Financial and the Crookston Inn. Donations can also be mailed to: Crookston National Bank, c/o Mark Gunderson/Pauline Sanchez Fundraiser, 1901 Sahlstrom Drive, P.O. Box 619, Crookston, MN 56716. All proceeds will help Mark & Pauline rebuild.

HAFSLO CHURCH CEMETERY ANNUAL BOARD MEETING will be at 5 p.m. on Saturday, June 14 at RBJs.

CROOKSTON ROTARY PANCAKE BREAKFAST will be from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sunday, June 15 Father's Day in Brown Dining Hall at UMC. Join them for pancakes, eggs, sausage, fried potatoes, muffins, juice and coffee. A free will offering will be accepted for the newly established Walt Keller Memorial scholarship and other scholarships that the Crookston Rotary provides.

TRI-VALLEY HEAD START TAKING APPLICATIONS for the 2014-2015 Early Head Start and Head Start programs. Head Start is a comprehensive child development program that provides services for both children and their families. The services include: Early Childhood Education, Family Services, Nutritious Meals & Snacks, Parent Activities and more. Every interested family is urged to apply. There is no charge for any Head Start Services. For more info, contact Trudy or Marilyn at 281-1343 or stop by the Community Family Service Center at 1407 Erskine Street in Crookston.

RIVERVIEW CELIAC SUPPORT GROUP will meet at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, June 16 in Meeting Room 2. The group is hosted by RiverView Gastroenterologist Dr. Basit Baig. For more info, please call the RiverView Specialty Clinic at 281-9371.

18TH ANNUAL RALLY FOR THE CURE GOLF TOURNAMENT will begin registration at 5 p.m. and tee off at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 17 at the Minakwa Golf Course. The event is held to raise funds for Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. All women golfers can register individually or as a four person team by calling Minakwa at 281-1774 by Monday, June 16. The event is limited to the first 72 golfers.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING FULL COURSE will be at 10 a.m. on Thursday, June 19 at Andy Oman State Farm Office. The cost is \$20 and the instructor is Suzie Coquette. Call to register, limited seating.

RELAY FOR LIFE WEST POLK COUNTY EVENT will be from 5 p.m. to 2 a.m. on Friday, June 20 at the Crookston Sports Center. The Survivor's Reception and Pulled Pork meal will begin at 5 p.m. A 5K Run/Walk will start at 6 p.m. next to the CSC along with opening ceremonies at 7 p.m. Also included is an open TURF ARENA for the kids to play, a Tae Kwon Do demonstration, the survivor's lap, silent auction, band Neon Plus +, band 4 Wheel Drive, a midnight cake walk and many more! For more information, add them on Facebook (Relay for Life West Polk County MN) or contact Brenda Langved at 218-574-2378.

these beaches, and it will endure for eternity." World War II and Europe's

Tobias/World War II

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West Main Street in Perham.

Art died just over four years ago and he is buried in Crookston's Oakdale Cemetery. At his graveside sits a wooden cross that he crafted himself, Nordby said. He made the cross to be placed at the grave of his only son and Nordby's brother, Bruce, who was killed in a motorcycle crash while stationed in California. Bruce was in the Air Force and was a tanker crew chief during the Vietnam War, his sister said.

But the wooden cross remains at Art's gravesite. "I've been trying to find someone to make another wooden cross just like it, because I just think my Dad and my Brother should each have one," Nordby said. "So far I haven't been able to find anyone."

During the war, Art was based at Debach Airfield in Suffolk, England. He flew 14 combat missions over the Rhineland, Ardennes and

Central Europe as a waist and ball turret gunner aboard B-17 bombers. After the war, he also made five food drops in Holland.

Art and his family returned to his base in 2002, where they also visited his crash site. There, the family used metal detectors to recover several of the artifacts that will be part of the exhibit at the Perham museum.

"It was quite a trip," Nordby recalled.

After his time in the service, Art farmed for many years before enrolling in a new aviation school in Thief River Falls, where he was a member of the first graduating class. "He was an airplane mechanic all over the place and worked for many years at the Crookston Airport fixing crop sprayers and anything else," Nordby said. "Everybody who has anything to do with aviation in our area knew Dad really well."

License/Bacon's Dray

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smaller companies," explained Steiner. "This can potentially become a public health issue. We don't want garbage disposed of illegally

or to pile up. We are working closely on this issue and hope Bacon's can work on a payment plan to get back into good standing."

Corrections Center

Danielle Jaylen-Terese Hanks, 22, Naytahwaush, was arrested June 4 by the Mahnom County Sheriff's Department for failure to appear. She was released on her own personal recognizance.

Risa Christine Fafara, 48, unknown address, was arrested June 4 by the Polk County Sheriff's Department for failure to appear. She remains incarcerated.

Gary Andre Mitchell, 32, Fosston, was arrested June 4 by another state for a parole violation. He remains incarcerated.

Steven Michael Bak, 43, Winger, was arrested June 4 by the Polk County Sheriff's Department for first degree burglary. He remains incarcerated.

Christian Peter Traaseth, 20, Fosston, was arrested June 4 by the Polk County Sheriff's Department for failure to appear. He remains incarcerated.

Pavis Lee Blakley, 24, Twin Valley, was arrested June 4 by the Minnesota Department of Corrections for a parole violation. He remains incarcerated.

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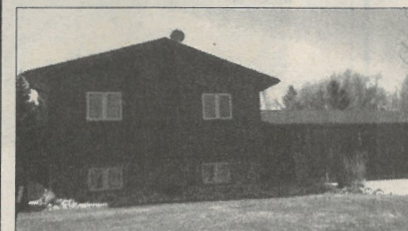
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MARKET SUMMARY

U.S. stocks closed higher for the fifth time in six days after Tyson Foods offered to buy Hillshire Brands for \$6.8 billion, trumping the bid from Pilgrim's Pride Corp. In economic news, fewer Americans filled applications for unemployment benefits last week, a sign the labor market continues to strengthen. A separate report showed the U.S. economy contracted for the first time since 2011 last quarter. U.S. Treasuries closed lower for the day.

The Dow Jones Industrial average was* up 65.50 at 16,698.68
The Standard & Poor's 500 index was up 10.25 at 1,920.03
The Nasdaq Composite index was down 22.87 at 4,247.95

Looking at the S&P 500: The best-performing sectors was Basic Materials, while the worst-performing sector was Telecom.

IN STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST:

COMPANY	PRICE	CHANGE
Otter Tail Company	28.43	+0.11
Titan Machinery	17.81	+0.55
Arctic Cat Inc	37.58	+0.27
Xcel Energy	30.57	+0.07
Polaris Industries	130.93	+0.52
MDU Resources	33.55	-0.44
Kodiak Oil & Gas	12.75	+0.28

In commodity markets, the spot price of gold fell \$1.84 to \$1,256.30 The spot price of silver rose \$0.01 to \$19.04. Crude oil prices rose \$0.83 to \$103.55

In bond markets, the 30-yr. Treasury yield closed at 3.32%, The 10-yr. Treasury yield finished at 2.46%.

