

The Cloquet Educational Foundation is honored to announce

The Bromme—Johnson endowment for art, athletics and education

Natives of Cloquet, both Bob and Carol (Johnson) Bromme had strong ties to the community from the very beginning.

Daughter of Garfield Elementary School teacher Katherine Johnson and sister of Bob Johnson, a retired Sheboygan high school instructor, Carol hailed from a family of dedicated teachers and role models for education. Carol graduated from Cloquet High School at age 16, and earned her B.A. in Home Economics, with honors, from the University of Minnesota Duluth at age 20. Marriage to her CHS sweetheart Robert Bromme—himself a high school and college educator—soon followed.



Bob, son of Alice (Cartwright) and Robert Bromme, grew up with an ever loving passion for sports and credits the Cloquet Civic Center for helping to mold him into an all around athlete at Cloquet High School, where he excelled in basketball, baseball, football and tennis. He earned All Conference honors in basketball at both Hibbing JC and Bemidji State, where he also quarterbacked the football team and played golf. Bob fondly recalled his days of playing fast pitch softball with Cloquet's Diamond Match Team in the 1950's.

Beginning his teaching and coaching career in 1956, he went on to earn his masters in education from Moorhead State University in 1966. The importance of athletics remained thru-out Bob's life—be it through playing, coaching, umpiring or spectating. He was named to the Cloquet High School All-Century Basketball Team in 2001.

Carol had a keen interest in the arts that was inspired by her aunt, Dr. Gertrude Esteros—the longtime head of the University of Minnesota College of Design. In turn, Carol instilled in her children a deep love of the arts and interior design. As a wife, homemaker, and mother of three, Carol found time to run a popular seamstress business for many years. She was well engaged in her community and enjoyed several years as an adjunct instructor at Moorhead State University.



The family is grateful for Carol's guidance in the arts and education and of Bob's unwavering commitment and understanding of the overall impact that athletics have on an individual.



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