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loor Education



Northern Tier outreach program takes VCS students into BWCA

by JODI SUMMIT

Tower-Soudan Editor

TOWER- Can a single trip into the Boundary Waters transform a teen's life? For some Vermilion Country School students, the answer may be yes.

Thanks to a program

funded by Northern Tier High Adventure Base in Ely, groups of VCS students have been taking guided wilderness trips, both in the summer and winter, into the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness. Northern Tier is run by the Boy Scouts of America,

Students planning for the trip included, from left, VCS teacher Karin Schmidt, Leah Anderson, Danica Starkman, Shaylin Peliska, Jacob Karasti, Jules Schmidt, Daniel Kuriatnyk, and Northern Tier Leader Mike Joint. photo by J. Summit

but does outreach to teens in underserved populations who are not in Scouting. The base outfits over 4,000 scouts each year on wilderness trips.

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COUNTY SCHOOLS

Officials say school threat not credible

by Marshall Helmberger Managing Editor

NORTH WOODS SCHOOL-Classes were held here on Wednesday after law enforcement and school officials determined that threatening messages on Snapchat from a 13-year-old student at the school were not credible.

"We feel strongly that our school continues to be a safe place," said ISD 2142 Superintendent Reggie Engebritson on Wednesday morning. "We are meeting with students today and answering questions from parents. Some parents did choose to keep their children home due to inaccurate information that was posted."

Social media posts had indicated that the student had made threats, including

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ECONOMIC GROWTH

IRRRB approves funding for **Tower projects**

Includes dollars for new Lamppa facility, LV Cultural Center

by Marshall Helmberger Managing Editor

TOWER — The Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board approved funding to build a new home for Lamppa Manufacturing and to continue to advance work on the Lake Vermilion Cultural Center here. Funding for the projects will be directed through the city's Economic Development Authority, or TEDA.

The IRRR board gave approval to the funding contingent on a resolution of acceptance from TEDA for the cultural center and the completion of a Lamppa business plan that's consistent with the IRRRB's format requirements. The board acted on the requests and other business during their quarterly meeting held Monday in St. Paul.

Funding for the Lamppa project was approved in two pieces, the largest in the form of a \$1.85 million non-recourse loan to build a 9,000 square-foot commercial building in the city's industrial park, on the west side of Hwy. 135. The loan should be sufficient to cover the construction costs and related engineering. Lenci Enterprises, of Virginia, provided the low construction bid of \$1.591 million.

Lamppa Manufacturing, which manufactures top-of-the-line wood furnaces and sauna stoves, will initially occupy 4,500 square feet, leaving the remainder available for another business or for future expansion by Lamppa. The company is the only stove manufacturer in the world that currently meets strict federal emissions standards that take effect in 2020,

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SUPERIOR NATIONAL FOREST

Forest Service prescribed burn projects now underway

Almost 200 acres burned Tuesday south of airport

by KEITH VANDERVORT

Ely Editor

ELY - Moderately dry conditions have made for an excellent prescribed fire season this spring and U.S. Forest Service officials are taking advantage.

The agency plans to implement several prescribed fire projects on the Superior National Forest, including recent blazes near Ely and on Lake Vermilion (see page 3).

On Tuesday, as many as 50 fire crews were on hand south of the Ely Airport for the Kangas Stewardship prescribed burn.

"The actual date and time of ignition is dependent on many factors including fuel moisture, relative humidity, temperature, and wind," said USFS Assistant Fire Management Officer Ben Roy as he drove on Hwy. 1 in the prescribed burn unit. "There is a lot of planning that goes into one

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A plume of smoke, above, rises into the sky along Highway 1 Tuesday afternoon during the early stages of a prescribed burn project. Fire at left could be seen from the roadway. photos by K. Vandervort

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COMMUNITY EVENTS AND NOTICES

Ely Women's Golf Association begins season with meet and greet

ELY- Any woman who is interested in golfing is invited to a meet and greet at the Grand Ely Lodge to register for the season on Tuesday, May 29 at 5:30 p.m. The first day of play will begin on Tuesday, June 5 at 4:30 p.m. at the Ely Golf Course. All abilities of golfers are welcome.

Contact Barb Hall at 218-365-7853 or see the EWGA website at ewgaelymn.wordpress.com for more information on the meet and greet or to register for the season.

Lunch with the History People on **June 21 features Robert Pearson**

DULUTH- Lunch with the History People will be held on Thursday, June 21 from noon – 1 p.m. in the Ruth Maney Room on the first floor of the St. Louis County Heritage and Arts Center (the Depot), at 506 W Michigan St. in Duluth.

Robert C. Pearson grew up on the Iron Range. He is an attorney with Johnson, Killen, and Seiler specializing in business law, financial transactions and estate planning with offices in both Duluth and Tower. Pearson has served on the Duluth Airport Authority Board of Directors as both a director and the president. Recently, he authored a book about the Vermilion Club with the assistance of Stephen M. Hennessy.

Pearson will preview his book entitled The Life and Times of the Vermilion Club and discuss how he came to write it. Discover how this social and fishing club was developed back in 1890. Hear captivating stories and learn about the club's rich history. There will be limited theater-style seating (no tables), but feel free to bring your own bag lunch. Seating is first-come, first-served (no reservations). Admittance to this event is free to the public. ARCO coffee is provided. This program is brought to you by the St. Louis County Historical Society.

For more information, contact Julie Bolos at 218-733-7568 or julie@thehistorypeople.org.

Vermilion Dream Quilters meet June 7

TOWER- Vermilion Dream Quilters will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 7 in the social hall at St. Martin's Catholic Church in Tower.

Our program for June, TOOLS – Good, Bad and Ugly, will draw from everyone present – bringing and sharing what we like about various tools we really love and those we really hate. What do we use on almost every project and what is at the bottom of the stack, never retrieved, and was a waste of money? We also will discuss the Aug. 2 trunk show and Aug. 3 workshop with Katie Hennigar from Bay Window Quilt Shop in Perham.

Our hostesses for June are Colleen Junnila and Kristine Jonas. Vermilion Dream Quilters is a guild with members from throughout the Iron Range and Arrowhead Region and is open to anyone interested in quilting and creative sewing. Guests and visitors are welcome. For more information, please contact Corrine Hill in Tower at 218-753-4600.

Ely Community Health Center Fun Run on Saturday, June 16

ELY- Ely Community Health Center will hold a fun run on Saturday, June 16. Registration is at 8 a.m., race begins at 9 a.m. on the Trezona Trail. Entry fee is \$10 for adults and \$5 for youth. Please pre-register by June 6. For more information or to pre-register, contact Sara Jue at director@elycommunityhealth.org or 218-235-9562. Participants are invited to walk or run. All proceeds go directly to Ely Community Health Center. ECHC is committed to access to health services for all.

EMBARRASS

Celebrate National Sauna Day on June 2

EMBARRASS- A celebration of sauna is set for Saturday, June 2 at the Nelimark Homestead in Embarrass. To celebrate Sauna Day there is a full schedule of recreational activities and a number of guest exhibitors planned. It was five years ago that Sisu Heritage of Embarrass highlighted the beginning of summer by declaring the first Saturday of June as National Sauna Day. The declaration has evolved to become a community holiday every June since that year. Hot coffee with fresh baked goods are featured at the community gathering spot as folks congregate for conversation with neighbors and friends, enjoying sitting in the sunshine over lunch and listening to live music. We can't think of a better way to welcome summer. The Nelimark will be open on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Nelimark Museum is across from Timber Hall and next door to the Embarrass Fire Hall on Highway 21. Finnish music will be featured, along with food

A number of traveling saunas will be on display, including at least one that will be fired up for use by visitors. Carl Forsman is bringing the sauna he had at the Super Bowl earlier this year; he'll have the stove going and people are welcome to take sauna that day.

Sauna Day will include history tours. Embarrass has seven sites registered on the National Register of Historic Places. Guided tours of the Embarrass community sites and homesteads will be available by appointment on Friday and Saturday, June 1 and 2 at 1 p.m. Please make reservations at 218-984-2084. You



Come tour the historic Nelimark sauna, or take your turn in one of the travelling saunas that will be fired up and ready for visitors at Sauna Day on June 2. file photo

can enjoy a leisurely and educational three-hour tour of a number of community points of interest.

Stay and camp out. RV and tent camping sites will be available for rental at the neighboring Heritage Park and Campground. Call ahead for reservation of campsites, 218-984-2084. The Nelimark Homestead is a short walk from the campground on the community exercise trail. Stroll down to the Embarrass River and visit the Pyhala Homestead site in the evening.

Have a picnic. Families are invited to bring their picnic baskets and chairs to Saturday's event. Hot

dogs, chips and brats and all the fixings will be available for sale at the Sisu Heritage tent. Sit in the shade and enjoy the music and conversation. And, if you want to watch, there is a full day of youth baseball slated next door at the Embarrass ball field.

National Sauna Day is generously sponsored by these local businesses: Lamppa Mgf., Wintergreen Northern Wear, Benville Service, Fortune Bay Resort, C&C Winger, Garson Tile & Stone, Embarrass-Vermillion Credit Union, and Mealey's Sauna Shop.

World War II memorial art on display in Cook



ation, "Arsenal of Democracy," will be on display May 25 to June 29 at The Northwoods Friends of The Arts Gallery, 210 S River St. in Cook. The term "Arsenal of Democracy" was used in a speech by President Franklin D.

COOK- Artist, Jean Roosevelt in reference three to four were printed cre- to America's position of influence in the world on Dec. 29, 1940 (almost a full year before the attack on Pearl Harbor).

This WWII memorial is a three-piece (triptych) compilation of military obituaries of veterans, men and women whose names were printed in past years in the Minneapolis Star-Tribune newspaper. When O'Keefe began collecting the obituaries years ago,

daily. Those numbers have diminished greatly today.

"Arsenal Democracy" was among 130 works submitted to a juried exhibit in October 2017 at The Hopkins Center For The Arts. Of the 130 works, 52 pieces were selected for exhibit. O'Keefe was recognized with positive comments from other artists and received notice with an article in the Minneapolis

Star-Tribune last year.

O'Keefe was born and raised in Virginia and graduated from Virginia's Roosevelt High School. She now lives in Hopkins. Her son, Matt, is a career U.S. Army liaison officer assigned to the U.S. embassy in Montenegro.

NWFA is a non-profit membership organization and O'Keefe's exhibit is one exhibit in the "Spring Art Expo 2018" which begins on June 8 and ends on June 29. During "Spring Art Expo" art is exhibited throughout the community of Cook in businesses and Trinity Lutheran Church. The gallery is open Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday from 10 a.m. 4 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Visit the NWFA website at nwfamn.org or email nwfamn.org@gmail.com.





WATER QUALITY

Governor still weighing veto of new wild rice sulfate legislation

by MARSHALL HELMBERGER
Managing Editor

ST. PAUL— Gov. Mark Dayton has yet to decide whether he'll veto a last-minute rewrite of legislation that would prevent

enforcement of the state's strict sulfate discharge limit for wild rice waters. The governor had earlier vetoed an outright repeal of the water quality standard, but legislators huddled in the final hours of the session to rewrite the

bill in hopes the governor might sign the modified version.

Gov. Dayton

The governor has 14 days after receiving the bill to sign the measure, issue a veto, or let the law take effect without his signature. Dayton spokesperson Matt Swenson said the governor is still reviewing the bill and

hadn't made a determination on what he'll do with it.

The governor called the previous measure "extreme" and said an outright repeal would invite a federal lawsuit.

The latest version of the bill would establish a wild rice work group made up of a wide range of stakeholders, from tribes to the scientific community to the taconite industry, electrical utilities, and municipal dischargers. The group would be tasked with

issuing a report by next January on ways to protect and restore wild rice in the state. At the same time, the bill would prohibit the state's Pollution Control Agency from enforcing the existing 10 mg/l sulfate standard until a cost-effective treatment technology is available.

Determining whether a technology is cost-effective would include an analysis of impacts to ratepayers and profitability, impacts to regional employment, availability of public funding for implementation of new technology, and the effects of disposal and energy costs associated with the treatment.

"This is a responsible path forward for wild rice in Minnesota," said Kelsey Johnson, president of the Iron Mining Association of Minnesota. "It provides an opportunity to answer outstanding concerns about wild rice science while responding to Governor Dayton's concerns when he vetoed wild rice legislation earlier this session." Johnson said her group has support from Iron Range local governments, organized labor,

ment technology is available. See WILD RICE...pg. 5

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Canada's rail woes have L-P eyeing Cook again as next site for siding expansion

by MARSHALL HELMBERGER
Managing Editor

R E G I O N A L — Manufacturers and farmers across Canada are irate about a shortage of rail cars that has caused substantial delays in

caused substantial delays in deliveries of a wide range of products, from lumber to grain. But bad news in Canada could be good news for northeastern Minnesota, as the situation appears to have put Cook back on the front burner for a planned Louisiana Parific siding plant.

The wood products manufacturer purchased the former Ainsworth mill site near Cook in late 2016, with the intent of converting the facility to the production of Smartside, an engineered wood siding product that has been a breakout success in the market for L-P and a growing contributor to company profits.

But the timing of the plant conversion has been unclear ever since company officials opted to convert an OSB plant in British Columbia to siding as the first step in growing its production capacity. In an investor call earlier this month, L-PCEO Brad Southern said he expects the B.C. plant to undergo its conversion in the fourth quarter of this year.

The Cook facility has been in competition with another of L-P's recent acquisitions— a former OSB plant in Val d'Or, Quebec— to be the next in line for conversion to siding production, which could take place as early as 2019 or 2020. Val d'Or, which has an existing wood press, had

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FUEL MANAGEMENT

Forest Service prescribed burn goes according to plan



Above: Forest
Service fire
personnel begin
to light the
prescribed burn
on Lake Vermilion,
with the Vermilion
Fire Brigade boat in
the background.

Right: Flames leap as burning conditions grew hot during the fire operations.

photos courtesy T. Roach

by MARSHALL HELMBERGER Managing Editor

LAKE VERMILION— Forest Service fire officials conducted a successful prescribed fire near Norwegian Bay late last week— and it all went according to plan.

"We met our objectives," said Tom Roach, who served as fire boss on the project. The 38-acre fire was designed to reduce fuel loads on a federally-owned 40 on Norwegian Point where the Forest Service maintains a campsite and a day-use site, both with fire rings.

The recreational use of the parcel naturally puts it

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at higher risk for fire, and Forest Service officials were concerned about the build-up of dead and downed balsam fir on the property, which was located near privately-owned parcels. "It was an incredibly heavy fuel load," said Roach.

Forest Service crews have been working on the site for the past couple years in preparation for the burn. "They worked to cut some of the thicker balsam and conducted some smaller preliminary fires," said Tim Engrav, Forest Service information officer on the LaCroix District.

Roach said the fire crew

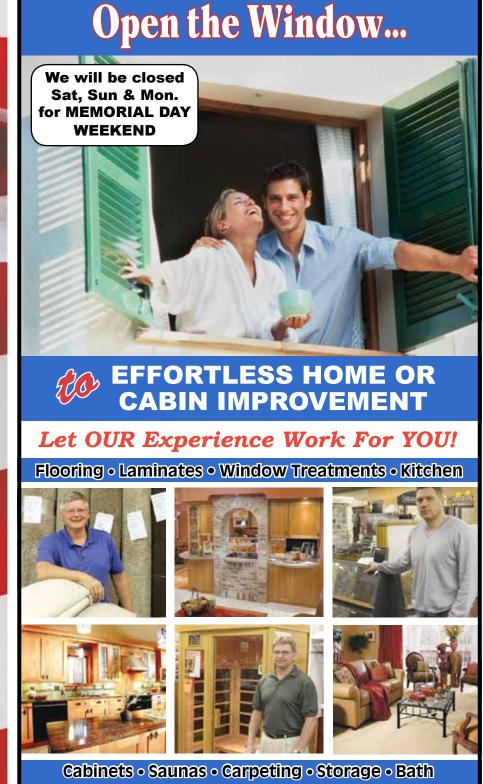
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Editorial

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Trump on drug prices

Trump offers scapegoats rather than solutions to high drug prices

The U.S. drug industry breathed a big sigh of relief when President Trump strode to a Rose Garden rostrum earlier this month and made it clear he doesn't plan to do anything meaningful to address the skyrocketing cost of pharmaceutical drugs.

During the campaign, of course, Trump had promised he was going to end the drug companies' greedy exploitation of American patients. He was going to negotiate a better deal for the American people, like most other advanced countries do. So, when he announced his plan to address drug prices last week, Big Pharma execs were understandably nervous— until the substance (or lack, thereof) of Trump's plan became clear.

Trump can talk a good game, but in the end, he reverted to form on the issue of high drug prices. He didn't blame the drug companies for charging hundreds of dollars for medications that cost pennies to manufacture. Instead, he blamed the problem on foreigners.

That's right. According to the president, when other countries negotiate better prices for their citizens, it prompts drug companies to charge Americans more to make up the difference.

"In some cases, medicines that cost a few dollars in a foreign country cost hundreds of dollars in America for the same pill with the same ingredients in the same package made in the same plant, and that is unacceptable," said Trump.

Trump's analysis is correct. It's his solution that turns logic on its head. Rather than Americans paying less, Trump argues that foreigners should pay more. Forget going to Canada to stock up on cheap medications. If Trump has his way, there will be no escape from the predatory pricing of American drug companies. No wonder drug company stocks soared on the president's announce-

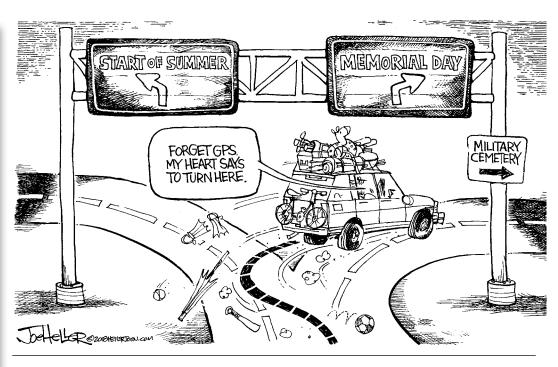
There is no doubt that if other countries paid more for pharmaceuticals that drug companies would make bigger profits. Yet there is no rational basis for believing that such a fact would lower drug prices here at home. Drug companies aren't non-profits, looking to make just enough to pay the bills. They'll charge exactly what they can get away with here in the U.S., regardless of what they make elsewhere. If the U.S. government truly wants to lower drug prices in America, it needs to use its massive bargaining power to get a better deal. Period. End of story.

That's what Trump said he would do during the campaign. His latest proposal is a promise broken.

It's also an example of the confusion and misunderstanding that seems to drive policy development in this administration. His Council of Economic Advisors recently reported that drug prices should reflect their actual value in the marketplace and should not be artificially set by government-controlled markets, an opinion that signaled Trump's subsequent decision against negotiations. Yet the drug marketplace has never been competitive — in fact, the entire economic model of most drug companies is focused on the lack of competition created by patent rights. Drug companies game the system all the time, paying off competitors not to produce cheaper, generic alternatives, or extending patent protections through minor modifications that often have little therapeutic benefit, except to their bottom line. The abuses are legend, and certainly not limited to the Martin Shkrelis of the world. If Trump's economic advisors don't recognize such basic realities of the drug market, it's no wonder their policy proposal is so off-base.

This kind of abuse doesn't take place in other advanced foreign countries- because their governments don't allow their citizens, nor their public budgets, to be so abused. Only in America, where Big Pharma pours billions into lobbying and campaign contributions in Congress, are these corporate predators allowed to run amok.

Trump, the self-proclaimed champion of the forgotten man, said he would go toe-to-toe with them. Instead, he took the easy way out. Toss out a few platitudes and do-nothing policy proposals, then blame it all on foreigners. That may sell with much of his base, but it will do absolutely nothing to bring down the cost of prescription drugs.



Letters from Readers

Dear Mr. Milwaukee's Best and Mr. Bud Light

We just picked up well over 100 of your empty beer cans on the HooDoo Point-McKinley Park Loop. Don't you think it's about time to quit littering (polluting) and become better citizens? Recycling your cans is the prudent thing to do! Incidentally, I believe it's illegal to litter our roads with cans and trash. In some states, stiff fines are issued. Less advanced countries may even throw you in jail for this behavior. If you know who's doing this, please tell them to stop, or else join in the fun running up and down the banks picking things up.

Daryl and Cheryl Lamppa **Tower**

Nelson represents county bureaucracy

Recently, I received a whining response from an Aaron Nelson to a Facebook post pertaining to my last letter to the editor where I requested that St. Louis County Commissioner Keith Nelson retire and give the Iron Range taxpayers a break. I assume it is Keith Nelson, since this is how he operates through

First, my real estate taxes have gone up by 20 percent over the past four years and Nelson slapped a county sales tax on us all. Now if you think that is reasonable.....YOU ARE NUTS!

Second, the Hermantown Mills Fleet Farm: The Stewart Mills clan did a financial marketing study to see whether the store is a go or not. When it is a go, then a poker game is played with local government to see what they can get out of them, otherwise known as a shakedown. Nelson and his cohorts on the county board failed miserably, a half a million bucks of taxpayer money to a retail operation that was a go any

way....YOU DUMMY! Lastly, I write my own letters to the editor. But since Nelson brought up Tom Rukavina, I have run against both of you. Tom is a stand-up guy. He fights on his own two feet, no minions for him, and he confronts you head on, he is not a backstabber. Nelson is the worst... he

represents the Duluth county bureaucracy, not the poor working people of the Iron Range.Irepeat,RETIRE,collect that taxpayer-funded pension, and give us Rangers a break!

Matt Matasich The Northside Republican Virginia

Government on our side? Hilarious!

I got a big chuckle out of comments by Gov. Mark Dayton (*Timberjay* 5/18) "Everyone on the Range should know: Your state government is on your side". In fact, I still can't stop laughing.

Reminds me of the old adage "The three biggest lies: the check is in the mail, of course I'll still respect you in the morning and I'm from the government...I'm here to help you".

Does Dayton think we will believe him? Or does he think we are so stupid we will believe him? Are we?

James L. Saranpaa

A charlatan's tweets no substitute for facts

Education is a journey, not a destination! This journey, propelled by curiosity, question and inquiry must be a life-long quest in learning, affording no rest. I hinking is the force behind the power of change within the mind. Learning is the currency of this change. Change results with acquisition of knowledge to lead us toward understanding. Without understanding, not much changes.

Who, what, where and when are questions that demand answers made up of facts or content to describe what we know. The human brain is not merely a receptacle to be filled with disconnected facts to be recalled on tests, called rote learning. Descriptive knowledge involves recall of facts, essential to all learning, but facts must be put in context.

Questions of how and why begin the process of connecting facts in a context that give us meaning and understanding. At this analytical level of learning, skills and concepts allow the brain to form patterns essential to thinking through problems and decision-making. Analysis leads us to creative problem-solving and critical thinking to shape how we live our lives toward fulfillment.

Fulfilling human potential activates thinking about what should or ought to be. This realm of learning, the prescriptive level, brings us to what is important in terms of values and principles. Evaluating leads us to adapt and adjust in response to reality with compassion and connection with our living and nonliving, real world environ-

Sound bites, slogans and tweets of a charlatan coupled with wishful thinking of cult-like followers cannot replace the hard work of being informed to fulfill America's promise. Facts, not feelings, allow us to see what is; critical analysis, not belief, explains their meaning; and knowledge that prescribes building-from-the-bottom-up, not by a heaven-on-earth promise from on high.

Harold Honkola Tower

And don't forget the Golden Rule...

As Lawrence Welk would say, "One, two, three, all together now." Let's go back to the Old Testament which Muslims, Hebrews, and Christians all share equally. Some years ago certain people objected to the Ten Commandments being displayed in Washington, D.C. Why?! All civilized societies have to have a basis of rules to live by, and I believe Moses did really good when he conjured up the Ten Commandments. Where the problems are found is in the translations thereof. Creative adjustments by religious leaders with personal agendas is where the simple rules are twisted, torqued, and wrung out of any original recognizable shape. As a citizen of this world I do not want to listen to harangues, endless accusations, and excuses. It's simple. Obey the Ten Commandments and also what my grandma Cora taught me - The Golden Rule. do unto... hey, you know that one, don't you?

Janet Y. Schultz Sturgeon Twp.

My experience in Africa offers signs of hope

In May of 2016, I travelled to Zambia. It's a rather long story how I happened to visit a remote region of southern Africa that, prior to this trip, I knew next to nothing about, and yet discovered it to be nothing short of a "life-changing experience".



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when I received the invitation from a former co-worker to join in a humanitarian mission focused on Zambia's orphaned children. Vast numbers have been left parentless due to disease, political unrest and other issues largely related to persistent poverty. The impact is so great I was newly retired. I was that it actually threatens the

free to say "Yes!"

future of entire countries as they struggle to address the most basic needs of their children.After examining the itinerary from Hands At Work, the sponsoring organization, I realized that this trip might fulfill a long-held dream of mine. When I was twenty, a

college sophomore, I enrolled in Dr. Fadiman's "Non-Western Civ" class. He announced that he was organizing a student research team for a trip to East Africa. The cost was something like \$1,800. I was working my

way through school. That sum seemed so far out of my reach that I told myself to "just forget it", a hasty decision that I would always regret. Although this trip to Zambia would also be a financial stretch, I decided to 'grab the ring" knowing it might never go by again! I booked a flight out of Minneapolis - final destination, Lusaka.

After twenty-something hours of planes, layovers and bus rides, my in-country experience began with a two-day

its breathtaking Victoria Falls, one of the Seven Wonders of the World. Our first morning was spent hiking a mist-soaked trail below the falls and along the banks of the mighty Zambezi River. A wildlife boat tour up the river and a helicopter ride over the Falls made for a grand introduction to the magnificence that is Africa! Next, we travelled north to

Kechele Farm, the base camp for our mission stay. Here I, and

stay in Livingstone, known for See AFRICA...pg. 5

Letters from Readers

True Stories from the Edge proved a hit in Ely

True Stories from the Edge wrapped up the season with stories about "animal encounters". We'd like to sincerely thank everyone who attended the four monthly events at the Ely Senior Center over the winter. Many in the audience told us they really enjoyed these informal evenings of sharing their stories around a theme. The fact that about 45 people came each night to listen to each other's stories shows what a special community we have here in Ely.

At the last event, one person told about walking across frozen Lake Insula and calling to a wolf pack in the distance. It didn't seem like such a good idea when the pack came closer to investigate. Another storyteller told us about swimming in a misty BWCA lake and finding herself eye to eye with a loon. Watching each other at eye level for a few minutes felt like a spiritual experience.

Have you ever had a ball of garter snakes hibernating on top of your refrigerator? Quick thinking allowed this person to catch them in a pot as they came rolling off so she could toss them out the front door. True story! One camper on Isle Royal heard someone relieving themselves for an incredibly long time outside her tent. In the morning she realized a bull moose was the culprit. Steve told about his border collie who was so smart she could understand human language. We also heard about a bear in the Smoky Mountains who came by a campsite just in time to scare off some campground thieves.

What would you do if you

were on a solo camping trip in Alaska and a wolverine had sniffed you out and came running toward you? What if you woke up with a grizzly bear hugging your tent? It's amazing that everyone

One storyteller forgot that her dog was zipped in the tent when she went running out of the campsite scared by a bear. She also remembered visiting Dorothy Molter who was training a bear cub to swim at the time. We learned that one person's special gift of love is just a toad to someone else. And some newlyweds on Isle Royal were fooled into thinking they heard wolves every night on their honeymoon when it was just a biology class howling to no avail.

Do you know how to find a turkey vulture nest? We learned there are some in the Ely area. One young man was working in a desert out west. The crew's only source of water was a large water tank that mysteriously filled with thousands of dead bees. There was a memory of being a little boy and having to deliver newspapers to a house with a German Shepherd staked out front. One day it finally got loose and gave chase! Finally, there was a story of trying to raise rabbits in West Africa while on assignment with the Peace Corps. Things did not go as planned.

A good time was had by all. Terry's homemade sugar cookies were in the shape of Minnesota and Julie's ginger snaps were all snapped up.

We hope to see you at the next True Stories from the Edge event, whenever that may be! Julie Nester and

Terry Cooper Ely

Magic happens at Whiteside Park

A magical team of "gamers" and "fairies" descended on Whiteside Park for the annual ECR spring cleanup! The gamers gobbled up old plants and trash and the fairies collected the debris and loaded wheelbarrows and made it disappear to another place. A hardy energetic group of about a dozen students managed by the ECR staff and assisted by the "Whiteside Bloomers" (former garden club members) made quick progress getting the gardens ready for the season. There are many gems in this town and along with the lovely Whiteside Gardens is the gem of the organization of Ely Community Resource and their staff.

> Thanks to all the help! Whiteside Bloomers

AFRICA...Continued from page 4

my team, were housed in simple quarters to receive our orientation to Mwaiseni, a village located an hour's drive away by van, where we would engage in "service work" beside a dozen or more care workers.

Hands At Work, is a faithbased non-governmental organization (NGO) dedicated to providing vital support to southern Africa's most vulnerable children. Based in South Africa, it works with community organizations (CBOs) in seven countries. The villagers that form and run the CBOs actually take care of the children they identify who are most in need of support. Hands at Work creates partnerships between the CBOs and "donor groups" made up of volunteers in wealthier countries who provide financial assistance. I belong to a donor group called "Friends of Mwaiseni". Our mission trip is designed to create lasting bonds between the CBO's

care workers in Africa and donors who visit from abroad.

Mwaiseni's CBO started from the spontaneous generosity of one woman who saw the needs of orphaned children living around her. While caring for her own children, she began offering what food and guidance she could spare. Nearly eight years later, she and over twenty other women now work together to support 150 children! Many are widows themselves, raising their own children and grandchildren, and yet they find the capacity to open their arms to children who have no one else to protect them.

The CBO's also provide basic education to enhance the children's language and social skills. Weekly home visits are made to assess other unmet needs the children have, building a wall of protection for children who have no other support. This is the reality for many African children. For most Americans, it is difficult to imagine children raising themselves and their siblings with such meagre resources. This trip offered me the opportunity to witness this reality first-hand.

Living on the edge of extreme poverty leaves families vulnerable to unpredictable tragedy. Each family had its unique story resulting in a migration from what might have once been a functional community to a place like Mwasieni, a mecca for displaced people seeking a better life with no guarantee that they would find one. Mwaiseni is comprised of hundreds of desperate, and brave, people devastated by drought, disease, death, disabling injury of the family provider, or political conflicts which have ravaged communities. These stories, coupled with some amazingly beautiful memories, have made me a willing captive, tethered with love and gratitude to my

friends in Mwaiseni!

It's been four years since I first joined my donor group. Monthly, I make my \$20 contribution, the amount needed to provide one child one meal per day for one month. If I ponder the scope of need around the world, it's easy to question how this small amount of money could possibly make a difference? After all, does feeding one child really matter? Honestly, I don't have a concrete answer. But I do have another story that may help.

Most of the children I met on my trip were in their first decade of life, many clearly fearful, and physically very fragile. However, also present was a small group of Mwaiseni's youth who attended the government secondary school for half a day a few days a week. They would get back to the village in time to assist with meal serving. Healthy, handsome and brighteyed as teens can be, they told me how they had been "adopted" by the women of the CBO when they were very small. "Without them", they added, "we do not know where we would be." They talked about becoming teachers and doctors. They had visions for their country. They were thinking about the future! For me though, most moving of all, was seeing these young people working beside the women who had so lovingly cared for them, helping to now feed and nurture others. They provided the answer to our question. Indeed, everything we do to make the world a better place, no matter how small it may seem, really does matter!

Kathleen McQuillan is a volunteer Advocate for the people of Mwaiseni. She is available to share more about her trip to Zambia and the opportunities to partner with Hands At Work.

COOK PLANT...Continued from page 3

appeared to have a leg up on the Cook site based on the comments of company officials last November.

But the rail situation in Canada has company officials reconsidering after shipment delays reportedly cost the company more than \$4 million in sales and production cost increases in the first quarter. "While to delay orders for siding,"

we love the other competitive advantages from being in Canada, the inability to get consistent rail service every year will be something we put in our consideration for future siding conversion projects," said Southern in a May 7 investor presentation.

"It's very painful to us

said Southern. "Unlike with OSB, our customers have nowhere else to go."

"I don't want to put words in your mouth," stated an analyst who sparked Southern's comments, "but might this move the needle towards Cook as opposed to Quebec?"

"It will be one of the actually dipped. Company

factors we consider when we compare the two," said

Southern. The prospects of a Cook siding plant remain contingent on continued growth in demand for Smartside, and the first quarter results indicated the first time in the past few years that sales volume officials said they believe the decline was simply a combination of a number of factors, including a price increase and a chilly spring in much of the country, and they remain confident that demand will continue to grow for the product.

Even so, company officials state that labor shortages in the home

construction sector and rising interest rates remain potential headwinds to new housing starts, which would likely impact demand for their products.

FIRE...Continued from page 3

spent two days on the fire, mostly using backing fires to keep things under control. The Forest Service received substantial

support from the Lake Vermilion Fire Brigade, which staffed its boat on site both days of the burn. Roach said the site,

which is dominated by mature red and white pine, white cedar, and white spruce, has been transformed as a result of the

fire. "It looks amazingly different and will be a great nursery for young pine to grow," he said.

Still, for a time, the

site may appear unsightly, since the fire is likely to brown the needles on the lower branches of spruce, pine, and cedar. But Roach

said most of the trees will survive and will shed the brown needles and grow new ones eventually.

WILD RICE...Continued from page 3

businesses, and municipal waste dischargers and she urged the governor to sign the measure. "House File 3422 will create a broad and diverse work group of key Minnesota stakeholders to find science-based solutions and best management practices for wild rice habitat in Minnesota," Johnson said. "We have heard the governor, and we have improved the legislation as he requested."

Not so fast, said Paula Maccabee, legal counsel for Duluth-based Water Legacy. "This bill is not a compromise. It's a way of shutting down enforcement," Maccabee said. And she questioned the Legislature's urgency on the issue, which comes just as PolyMet Mining is seeking a wastewater discharge permit from the MPCA. "PolyMet has promised to use reverse osmosis and said it would comply with the current 10 milligram standard, and now there is a big effort to block enforcement."

PolyMet, in its latest financial and technical report, indicated that it does not believe it will have to comply with the current sulfate standard, which suggests that company

to eliminate, or block

officials were aware that

a plan was in the works

enforcement of the sulfate



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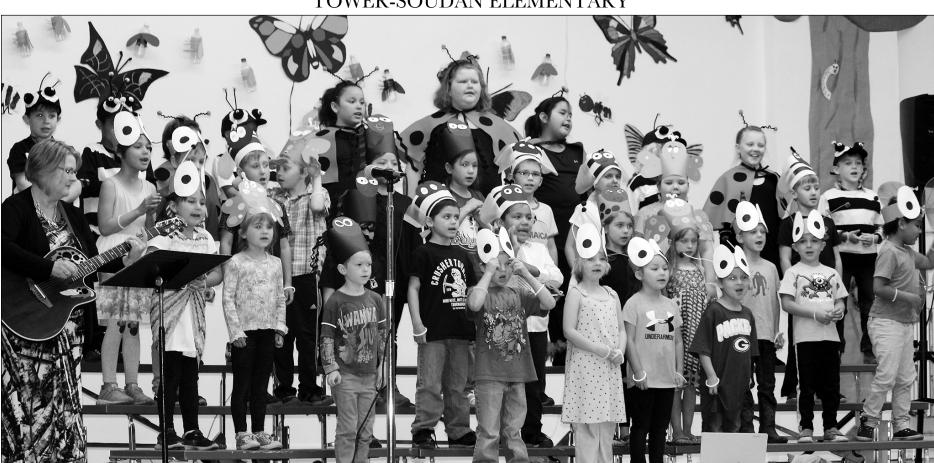
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TOWER-SOUDAN ELEMENTARY





Bugs were front and center (both in song and costume!) at the **Tower-Soudan Elementary Spring** Concert. Above: Grades K-3. Left: Grades 4-6. Below: Destiny Koivisto was a light-up firefly, and had some dancing help from Aydrien.







The entire elementary school took to the stage and the gym floor for an enegetic dance number. Above: Katie and Eva Larson were featured dancers on stage. Other students circled the gym, giving everyone a good view. photos by J. Summit

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Fourth of July donations starting to come in; many more needed!

TOWER- The Tower-Soudan-Lake Vermilion Events Board is currently seeking donations for this year's event. Funds raised pay for Fourth of July expenses include parade prizes, parade bands, children's races, and other Fourth of July event costs. Checks can be made out to and mailed to: T-S Fourth of July, P.O. Box 461, Tower, MN 55790. Donation cans are also set out at area businesses in Tower and Soudan. The Fourth of July celebration costs as much as \$15,000 per year to put on, and this does not include the cost of fireworks, which are donated by the Tower Fire Department Relief

Association.

needed

Parade entries

TOWER- Registra-

tions are being taken for

floats, bands, and other

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Estate Planning class on June 13

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MEMORIAL DAY

Tower-Soudan Memorial Day Service on May 28

TOWER- The community is cordially invited to the Tower-Soudan Memorial Day Service on Monday, May 28 at the Tower Civic Center from 10 a.m. to noon. This tribute will honor the military service and sacrifice of our men and women in uniform, their families at home, and those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our

The Bois Forte Honor Guard will provide the Flag Ceremony, 21 Gun Salute, and Taps. The names of local veterans killed in action and deceased veterans will be read

The program will conclude with a traditional Memorial Day wreath placed on a symbolic Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in a ceremony to be held outside the Tower Civic Center.

Refreshments, provided by the Tower-Soudan Civic Club, will be served before and following the tribute. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend this heartwarming event.

The American Legion Women's Auxiliary Unit 220, of Mt. Iron, will be selling fundraiser poppies and will present the wreath in the ceremony.

A new coordinator is needed to lead this committee next year. Most of the workers and volunteers are already in place. If you are interested in learning more about this volunteer opportunity, please call LuAnn Zaudtke at 218-235-7434.

A big head start!



Above: Vermilion Head Start graduates (from left) Kailani Gesick, Ivy Russel, Dylan Crego, Shenzi Chavez, and **Tanner Lahti posed for pictures** after the ceremony.

Right: Meredith TwoCrow helps her daughter Aniyah (right) and niece Miikawaad (left) with

Below: Silas Snyder, who completed his first year of Head Start, with his mom Tara, sisters Sadie and Seija, and grandfather Chimpy Tuominen. **Bottom right: Kassie Bjorgo** with daughters lvy and Lily. photos by J. Summit





Virginia grief support group registration deadline is June 1

VIRGINIA- An eight-week grief education and support group will take place on Monday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m. on June 4, 11, 18, 25 and July 2, 9, 16, 23 at Peace United Methodist Church, 303 9th Ave. S in Virginia. There is no cost for this group. Please call East Range Hospice at 218-749-7975 or 1-877-851-2213 to register by Friday, June 1.

Grief education and support group meets June 7 at Immanuel Lutheran

TOWER- A grief education and support group meets the first Thursday of each month from 2 4 p.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 304 Spruce St. in Tower. The next session will be June 7. There is no cost for this group. Registration is not required, however it is recommended. Please call East Range Hospice at 218-749-7975 or 1-877-851-2213 to register.

The topic for the June 7 group will be "Sharing Memories and Mementos." You are welcome to bring photos and/or mementos of your loved ones to share with the group if you'd like. The death of a loved one can be a very difficult experience. Learning about the grief process and having support from others can help a great deal. This Grief Support Group is sponsored and facilitated by Essentia Health St. Mary's East Range Hospice, Patient and Family Grief Support

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ion Country School and AEOA sponsor a senior dining site at the charter school in Tower. All meals include salad bar, fruit, choice of beverage and dessert.

from 12:30 - 1 p.m. on days when the charter school is open. Call the school at 218-753-1246 ext. 1003 for reservations, or call AEOA at 1-800-662-5711 ext. 7323 for the one-time registration process.

> **May 28** Monday-

Tuesday- Chicken Noodle Soup, Cheesy Bread Sticks, Marinara Sauce.

Wednesday- Pork Tips in Gravy over Mashed Potatoes, Dinner Roll, Vegetable

Thursday-Chunky Chicken Gravy over Mashed Potatoes, Dinner Roll, Green Beans

Friday-Turkey Wrap, Vegetable.

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Week of May 28

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Embarrass Al-Anon Family Group- Hope Lutheran Church, 5088 Hwy. 21, 6 p.m.

Tuesday

Tower Area Food Shelf- Open on the third Tuesday of every month from 2:30-5:30 p.m. Located in the back of the Timberjay building on Main Street. Next food shelf day is June 19.

Greenwood Fire Dept.-Meetings on the first (drill) and third (business meeting) Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.

Wednesday

Tower AA- Open Basics-7 p.m. at St. James Presbyterian Church. Questions, call 753-2332.

Thursday

AA Meeting- Lake Vermilion 12x12 (Open). 6:30 p.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Tower, use the rear side door entrance.

Vermilion Country School Board- Next meeting is Thursday, June 28 at 4:45 p.m. Meetings posted online at vermilioncountry.org.



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Support groups

AA - Alcoholics Anonymous AA - 7 p.m. Mondays, First Lutheran Church, 915 E. Camp St. WOMEN'S AA - Noon Mondays, Ledgerock Community Church, Ely use 15th Street entrance. BABBITT AA - 7 p.m. Tuesdays, Woodland Presbyterian Church. AL-ANON - Sundays 8-9 p.m. at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Ely. For persons who encounter alcoholism in a relative or friend.

BABBITT AL-ANON -Thursdays, 7 p.m., at Woodland Presbyterian Church.

CO-DEPENDENTS' 12-step support group, noon Fridays, St. Anthony's Catholic

Church, Ely. ELY FOOD SHELF -Third Wednesday each month, 15 W. Conan St..

ADULT BASIC EDUCATION

GED - Study materials and pre-test available. Ely Community Center Thursday 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Tower by appointment.

Tuesday Group

ELY - The upcoming Tuesday Group schedule (subject to change) is listed below. All talks are at 12 noon on Tuesday at Grand Ely Lodge.

May 29 - Pam Ransom - Incredible

June 5 - Lynn Evenson - Mesabi Symphony Orchestra

Youth golf camp starts June 5

ELY - The Ely Youth Golf Camp will be held June 5-8 at the Ely Golf Course from 9-11:30 a.m. each day. Proven to be a fun

time learning golf for beginners to experienced players, all area youth or visitors are welcome, ages 5–15.

Sign up at the Ely Golf Course by June 3. All equipment is provided.

The fee is \$20 for the first child and \$10 for additional children. Scholarships are avail-

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OUR COMMUNITY

Mayor begins re-election campaign

Candidate affidavit filing period ends June 5

ELY-Ely Mayor Chuck Novak began his re-election bid as early as possible this week. He filed candidacy papers for the two-year term on Tuesday, the first day of eligibility, in his bid to keep his seat as the city's top official. He ran unopposed two years ago. The filing period for the city of

Ely general election for mayor and city council began May 22 and runs through Tuesday, June 5.

Besides the position of mayor, three City Council positions (fouryear terms) expire at the end of 2018. A primary election will be held on Tuesday, Aug. 14 if three or more candidates file for the mayoral position, and/or six or more candidates file for the open council seats. The general election will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 6. The council seats up for election

are now held by Albert Forsman, Heidi Omerza and Daniel Forsman. Omerza also filed for re-election on Tuesday.

Candidates may file in person or by mail between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. at Ely City Hall, 209 E. Chapman St.

The cost of filing is \$5. Affidavit of Candidacy forms are available at the Ely Clerk's office, and on the city of Ely website. For more information, call the city clerk's office at 218-365-3224.

The filing period for the open Ely School Board positions will be held July 31-Aug. 14. Three four-year terms, currently held by Ray Marsnik, Scott Kellerman and Rochelle Sjoberg, expire at the end of the year. That election will also be held on Nov. 6.

Fire damages Ely Habitat for Humanity home

ELY - An early-morning fire last week resulted in damage to a home in Ely that was built by Habitat

The Ely Fire Department was called to the blaze, reported at 463 N. 11th Ave. East, near the Ely Rec Center, last Wednesday at 4:30 a.m.

According to a press release from the Ely Fire Department, upon arrival, firefighters found smoke coming out of both house doors. Fire was found just inside the side door. The fire was attacked and

knocked down immediately and contained mostly to the utility room with some smoke and water damage to the rest of the house, according to Fire Chief Tum Erchall.

"The occupants, two adults and two children, had already evacuated, but two were treated by Ely Ambulance for possible smoke inhalation and burns," he said.

AssistingtheElyFireDepartment were the Babbitt Fire Department, Morse/Fall Lake Fire Department, Ely Ambulance, and Ely Police Department.

The Minnesota State Fire Marshall Office is assisting the Ely Fire and Police Departments in determining the cause of the fire.

Highway 1 lane closures in effect

REGIONAL Motorists traveling on Highway 1 are encountering single lane closures and flagging operations beginning this week in Lake County. Short duration closures for rock blasting may

Work will take place from just south of the Kawishiwi River to just west of T-273 and from just southeast of County Road 2 to Isabella. Drivers should use caution and be prepared

The finished project will result in improved drainage, safety, and driving surface.

For more information visit: http://www.dot.state. mn.us/d1/projects/hwy1isabella/index.html

For updated road condition information, call 511 or visit www.511mn.org.

Ely History Nights start June 13

ELY - The Ely Winton Historical Society will again offer Summer History Nights programs this summer. All programs begin at 7 p.m. on Wednesday evenings in room CL 104 at Vermilion Community College. A free-will donations appre-

The schedule includes: June 13: Annual Meeting and Dinner in the VCC Cafeteria. Dinner starts at 5:30 p.m., with the meeting to follow. Make reservations by calling EWHS at 365-3226. The guest speaker, Art Skantz, will discuss his book "A Kid From Ely," beginning at 7 p.m. in room CL 104.

June 27: Pam Brunfelt speaks on Cooperatives and the Common Good.

July 11: Tim Cochran talks about the Basswood

of the U.S. Forest Service will present his program "Older Than Dirt". He will analyze the soils of this area and talk of his love of gardening and collecting foods from the fields and

Aug. 8: Celia Domich will teach participants photo by K. Vandervort how to research their own family tree in "Tools For Researching and Documenting Your Family

History."

Economic Development



A ground-breaking ceremony for a new respite center in Ely was held last week. Shown from left, Don and Leanne Negley, Rural Living Environments; Chuck Novak, Ely City Mayor; Paul Kess, Ely City Councilor; Jerome Debeltz, Ely City Councilor; Harold Langowski, Ely City Clerk. submitted photo

New respite center under construction

Ely and Rural Living official groundbreaking corner of the community. last Wednesday for the new Crisis/Respite facility

in Ely. The new facility is located in a new area developed by the city for

and/or residential devel-Environments hosted the opment, in the southwest

Located Pattison Street West, the residence will serve up to four individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, said Donald

ELY - The city of possible future business Negley, CEO for Rural

Living Environments. Upon completion it will add another 24 full-time and two parttime positions to the Ely community. Construction completion is planned for Aug. 31 with occupancy

to start on Sept. 1.



July 25: Jeffrey Kroll Ely hospital pharmacy opens

A ribbon cutting for the new pharmacy that serves patients at Ely-Bloomenson Community Hospital was held recently. Shown from left are, Dave Sebesta, of the Ely Chamber of Commerce, John Schindele, EBCH pharmacist, Chuck Novak, Ely Mayor, and Albert Forsman, facilities manager at EBCH. The new pharmacy is located on the patient floor at EBCH and includes newly-installed required air handling equipment. EBCH received a \$125,000 grant from the Minnesota Department of Health to help fund the construction. The community-based pharmacy remains in operation at the entrance to Essentia Clinic.

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STUDIO NORTH DANCE STUDIO



We Came to Dance

Studio North presents Ely's Spring Recital 2018



Dakota Hanninen peeks under the stage curtain looking for family and friends in the audience prior to the Saturday afternoon performance of "We Came to Dance," presented by Studio

Above: The Monday afternoon presechool group performed "Snowman."

Right: Senior Dancer Emma Larson took part in the opening number, "Make me Dance."





Charlize Carlson and Isabelle Schiltz perform "That's My Girl."

Below:

Sunny Weissert, Fletcher Chopp and Bryanna Cook dance to "Someday My Prince Will Come." photos by K. Vandervort

Letter to the Editor

Music program needs new equipment

Hello Elv. I'd like to thank the community once more for

your wonderful help and support with the trash cans we needed for a percussion piece. It was truly amazing and quick to boot. In the past three years, the Ely Public Schools

Band Program has experienced 267 percent growth but our equipment has remained stagnant. Our percussion in particular is starting to show its age and it's time to start updating the 40-plus year old equipment.

The most desperate instrument is our marimba. It has been a part of this program since the 1970s and has been repaired on and off since then by our industrial arts teacher. It quite literally falls apart when we're moving equipment for concerts. The welding breaks apart, it's missing pieces, and the keys are out of tune. It's high time we start saving up for a new one. After many months of research, the marimba we

would like to purchase is one that will last for years to come. It is a "tough terrain" marimba, meaning

that when we cart our equipment outside in the snow over bumps and rocky ground for our concerts in another building, it will remain a solid instrument. It is a Yamaha 4.3 Octave Intermediate Acoustalon Tough-Terrain Marimba and will cost \$5,329.95 before shipping. Please attend our percussion ensemble concert on

Friday, May 25 at 7p.m. in the Ely Elementary School Washington Auditorium. Come hear and support our talented percussionists. This will be a benefit concert to raise money for our new marimba.

Sarah Mason Ely Band teacher

Yesterday's news, this week

from the archives of

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Courtesy of the Ely-Winton Historical Society

MAY 24, 1918

Visit by land department

L.B. Arnold, in charge of the land department of the Duluth & Iron Range, accompanied by Mr. Britt, special writer on "Outing" magazine, were in the city Saturday.

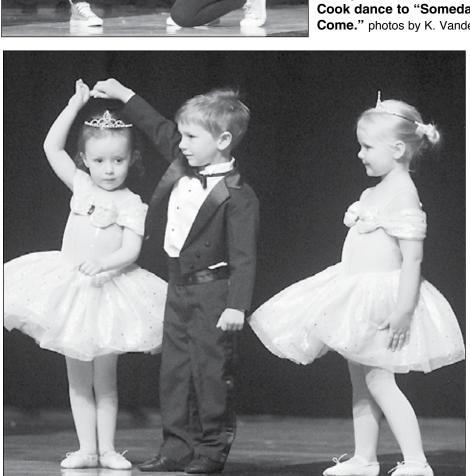
Mr. Britt was securing material for a series of stories calling attention to the outing possibilities of this section of Minnesota. He was loud in his praise of the automobile ride from Duluth to Ely and the many fine sections of country traversed.

In Mr. Arnold he had excellent guidance as he knows the range country and its beauty spots like a book.

'The Playground of the Nation' is coming into its own as many agencies are recognizing this section of the state as of the best in the United States.



1910 Ely policemen, Steve Banovetz, Sr., Henry Mattila, Tony Kochevar. photo courtesy of the Iron Range Historical Society



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Register soon for Acrylic Painting with Kris Musto, class on June 16

COOK- At Northwoods Friends of the Arts, a fun instructional class for acrylic paint techniques will take place on Saturday, June 16 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cost for members is \$30, nonmembers cost \$45. For an additional \$15 you may use supplies.

If you are not sure where to start, we will touch on color theory, mixing paint, acrylic media, palette layout, brush choice, composition, mark making, smart cleanup and of course, painting. Participants will leave with a small, completed painting on canvas and ideas and techniques for making more. This class is great for beginners and advanced painters. For questions or to register for class, go to nwfamn.org or contact Alberta at nwfamn.org@gmail.com or 218-666-2153.

Meet congressional candidate Michelle Lee in Cook on May 30

COOK- DFL candidate for Congress, Michelle Lee, will be at the Crescent Bar and Grill on Wednesday, May 30 at 6:30 p.m. Come meet Michelle and learn why she is running for Congress to represent Minnesota's 8th Congressional District. This civic event is sponsored by Northern Progressives, and is part of the "Why I'm Running" series, bringing constituents and candidates together.

Women's golf league begins May 29

COOK- The Vermilion Fairways Women's Golf league is starting their 2018 season on Tuesday, May 29 at 5:30 p.m. This will be our FUN night with our monthly meeting and potluck dinner following golf.

Our regular league play will start on Tuesday, June 5. Our league is FUN and we play individual play. All skill levels of golfers welcome. If you have any questions, please call Carol Green at Vermilion Fairways at 218-666-2679.

Cook Library summer reading program

COOK- Discover a wonderful world of reading at the Cook Public Library starting Friday, June 1 during the Reading Takes You Everywhere Summer Reading Program. Pick up a summer reading passport or fill out a teen punch card and let the adventure begin.

Story time for young children and Book Club for upper elementary kids are both held Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. during June and July. Teens are invited to join TAB (Teen Advisory Board) meetings and special events. Teen volunteers are needed.

Kids who complete their passport will receive a reward. Teens who participate in the 100-point TAB challenge will be invited to an overnight Marvel movie party in the library. Journey to the Cook Public Library for excitement and fun this summer.

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NORTH WOODS HIGH SCHOOL



The North Woods Choir, directed by Isaac Haugen, sang Let it Go by Kristen Anderson Lopez and Count on Me by Bruno Mars.



The North Woods Junior High Band, directed by Peter Micholic, played Bandology, Mars, Jupiter and Go the Distance.



Daebwae Chosa and Francis Littlewolf performed a duet at intermission. Refreshments were provided by the North Woods junior high band as a free will donation to raise money for upcoming events. photos by B. Smith

CRANE LAKE

Crane Lake News by the Singing Teapot Dames



The weather has been wonderful. Birds are busy building nests. Hummingbirds are drinking at the feeders, and the suckers are running. Leaves and grasses are turning to the gorgeous Minnesota green. The dandelions, marsh marigolds and cherry trees are blooming. It is the wonderful time of spring in Minnesota. One of the Dames put away her snow shovel.

Saturday, May 26, Memorial Day will be observed on Monday, the Crane Lake Chapel May 28. The custom of invites everyone to the honoring ancestors by Book and Bake Sale. This cleaning cemeteries and is a wonderful opportunity to stock up on your decorating graves is an ancient and worldwide summer reading material by purchasing a "Bag of tradition, but the specific Books for a Buck". The origin of Memorial Day, or Decoration Day as it bake sale is sure to appeal was first known, is unto many with the wonderful cooks of Crane Lake. Champagne corks

were popping at Ruth Carlson's house to celebrate the wedding of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle. The wedding reception was for ladies who were good sports and arrived at the party at 8 a.m. fully-dressed in wedding attire. The hats were the main attraction of interest and comments with Jodie Driggs stealing the show in her authentic fascinator hat directly from England. Mimosas were the morning drink which accompanied rolled sandwiches, fruit salad, nuts and mints and cupcakes. Everyone sends good wishes to Harry and Meghan.

Graduations are the news this time of year. Mike and Linda Lang will travel to Michigan to attend the graduation of their grandson, Nicholas Jeffrey Lang. Nick is graduating with high honors as Valedictorian of his class. Locally, our Crane Lake graduate is Sabrina Francke. She will be graduating with honors from North Woods High School. She has been admitted to Hawaii Pacific University in a Biochemistry-Pre-Health Professions program for the fall of 2018 with a Provost Scholarship. In recognition of her outstanding

academic achievements

she was awarded and

accepted to the residen-

tial Honors Program and awarded another scholarship. She also was awarded three scholarships from North Woods High School. The community is very proud of her and she will be missed. Everyone wishes her the very best as she ventures

Wedding bells will ring out this year for Greg Hunter and Joanna Ulrich, August 18, Harvey Parvi and Robin Hoyt, August 26, and Brandon Anderson and Hannah Copp on October 6. Best wishes to all of the soon-to-be newlyweds.

out into the world.

Bingo! The magic word is echoed at Voyagaire Lodge for another season at Thursday evening beginning at 7 p.m. Be sure to check out the dinner specials which are always a big attraction and run every Thursday with bingo. This weekend there will be live music at Voyagaire Lodge. Glen Everhart will perform from 7 - 10 p.m. The Crane Lake Bar

and Grill is also featuring the popular "Bling" beginning every Thursday following bingo. Good luck to all the bingo and bling players!

The sandflies have arrived. They arrived hungry!

Let us hear from you! Send news by e-mail to info@thelakecountry.com, by fax 218-757-3533 or by phone to Sandy at 218-757-3233 and it will be added.

Until next week, the Dames are singing off.





Looking for some extra cash this summer?
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clear. In early rural America, this duty was usually performed in late summer and was an occasion for family reunions and picnics. After the Civil War, America's need for a secular, patriotic ceremony to honor its military dead became prominent, as monuments to fallen soldiers were erected and dedicated, and ceremonies centering on the decoration of soldiers' graves were held in towns and cities throughout the nation. After World War I, the day expanded to honor those who have died in all American wars. No less than 25 places have been named in connection with the origin of Memorial Day, and states observed the holiday on different dates. In 1971, Memorial Day became a national holiday by an act of Congress; it is now celebrated on the last Monday in May. The flag is always flown at half-staff on Memorial Day. The term "half-staff" means the position of the flag when it is one-half the distance between the top and bottom. In addition to the Flag Code protocol there are special requirements for flying the U.S American flag on Memorial Day. On this day, flags are flown at half-staff from dawn until

noon. At noon, the flag is

raised briskly to full-staff

until sunset, when it is

lowered completely.

NORTH WOODS HIGH SCHOOL

Awards Night

President's Awards 2017-18

*Must maintain 3.5 GPA average over last three years.

12th grade: Kayla Bodri, Austin Chaulklin, Grace Johnson, Tanner Lokken, Tate Olson, Stacy Palmer, Timothy Pierce, Isaiah Squires, Xari Mankowski

grade: Jocelynn Carver, Emily Fosso, Samuel Frazee, Olivia Fultz, Aubrey Koskovich, Ian Olson, Brynn Simpson, Elijah Squires, Austin Sokoloski, Cole Thiel, Zoe

North Woods Academic **Awards 2017-18** *GPA of 3.35 and above in quarters

1, 2, and 3

7th Grade: Cooper Antikainen,

Kohen Briggs, Mason Clines, Grace Koch, Kaden Ratai, Karah Scofield, Elias Smith, Steven Sopoci, Avery Thiel, Emily Trip, Skyler Yernatich

8th Grade: Haley Bogdan, Morgan Burnett, Ethan Byram, Trey Gib-



Members of the the class of 2018 receiving the President's award, which is for students who have maintained a 3.5 GPA average over the last three years. photo by B. Smith

son, Erik Hagen, Michelle Hagen, Alex Hartway, Elsie Hyppa, Taylor Jones, Abby Koch, Owen Land, Francis Littlewolf, Michaela Luecken, Sean Morrison, Shea Oveson, Jacob Panichi, Kaya Tschida, Olivia Udovich, Brandie Walk-

Academic Letter Awards

9th Grade: Jocelynn Carver, Zachary Cheney, Emily Fosso, Samuel Frazee, Olivia Fultz, Aubrey Koskovich, Joey Lakoskey, Ian Olson, Brynn Simpson, Elijah Squires, Cole Thiel, Zoe Trip

10th Grade: Lauren Arvila, Katrina Chapman, Bethany Cotten, Kenzie Fox, Hailey Hakkila, Clayton Janssen, CeCilia Martinez, Trevor Morrison, Olivia Niska, Nicole Olson, Karlyn Pierce, Nicole Roy, Neiva Smith, Sasha Strong, Sara Szweduik, Nadine Todtenhausen, Kayla Towner

11th Grade: Madison Antikainen. Claire Beaudry, Emily Benoit, Bria Chi-

abotti, Kristen Cook, Samantha Fultz, Katlyn Hartwig, Jakob Hyppa, Stefen Johansen, Parker Jones, Chase Kleppe, Regan Ratai, Alanna Rutchasky, Ian Sherman, Anna Trip, Rebecca Triska

12th Grade: Kayla Bodri, Austin Chaulklin, Grace Johnson, Tanner Lokken, Tate Olson, Stacy Palmer, Brendan Parson, Timothy Pierce, Xari Siman.

North Woods graduates earn over \$650,000 in scholarships, awards

ALWORTH MEMO-RIAL SCHOLARSHIP-\$20,000, \$5,000 per year for four years: Grace COOK CHAMBER

COMMERCE SCHOLARSHIP- \$500: Brendan Parson COOK HEALTH-

CARE **AUXILIARY** SCHOLARSHIP- \$1,000 each: Grace Johnson, Tanner Lokken COOK HEALTH-

CARE LIONS CLUB SCHOLARSHIP- \$500: Tanner Lokken TIMBER-COOK

WOLVES SCHOL-ARSHIP- \$500 each: Madison Rautiola, Xari Mankowski

VFW COOK SCHOLARSHIP- \$1,000 each: Lillian Wheeler, Karina Bristol, Alternate Xari Mankowski

VOLUN-COOK TEER FIRE DEPART-MENT- \$500: Xari Mankowski

DANIEL E. MOR-RISON MEMORI-SCHOLARSHIP-ΑL \$1,000: Stacy Palmer

BOROWIEC MEMORIAL SCHOL-ARSHIP- \$1,000: Tate Olson

JACK BANOVETZ MEMORIAL SCHOL-ARSHIP- \$300: Tate Ol-

son LAKE COUNTRY POWER LES BEACH MEMORIAL SCHOL-ARSHIP- \$1,000 per year for four years: Tate Olson

NATIONAL WILD TURKEY FEDERA-TION SCHOLARSHIP-\$250 each: Kayla Bodri,

Tate Olson NORTH STAR CREDIT UNION

SCHOLARSHIP- \$750: Xari Mankowski NORTHWOODS

RIDERS SCHOLAR-SHIP-\$250: Isaiah Squires SCHOLAR-PEO

SHIP- \$500: Stacy Palm-

Brittany White to be

awarded Masters of

Nursing degree

ONS CLUB SCHOL-ARSHIP- \$500: Brendan

TIMBER DAYS SERVICE SCHOLAR-SHIP- \$250: Karina Bris-VIRGIE **HEGG**

HOSPICE PARTNERS-\$1,000 each: Tanner Lokken, Xari Mankowski ALFRED & ETHEL

STONE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP- \$1,000 per year for four years: Xari Mankowski ARNIE KANGAS

MEMORIAL SCHOL-ARSHIP- \$1,000: Isaiah **BRECKENRIDGE**

CHARITABLE TRUST:

\$4,421.67: Grace John-**CHARLES AND** IDA JYRING MORIAL SCHOLAR-SHIP- \$500 each: Austin

ken. Tate Olson COOK AREA ZUP'S SCHOLARSHIP-\$250: Brendan Parson

Chaulklin, Tanner Lok-

LIONS COOK CLUB SCHOLARSHIP-\$500 each: Grace Johnson, Xari Mankowski

COOK NEWS HER-ALD SCHOLARSHIP-\$200: Lillian Wheeler

CRANE LAKE $C\ O\ M\ M\ U\ N\ I\ T\ Y$ AWARD- \$400: Sabrina Francke

DOUG JOHNSON SCHOLARSHIP- \$1,000 to Stacy Palmer, \$1,000 to Madison Rautiola, and \$500 to Korynn Fisher.

FRANK FORTUN MEMORIAL SCHOL-ARSHIP- \$500: Brendan GABE VOGT ME-

MORIAL SCHOLAR-SHIP- \$250: Madison Rautiola **GRACE ELLEN**

WHITESIDE MARTIN MEMORIAL SCHOL-ARSHIP- \$300-Grace Johnson, alternate Lily Wheeler. Josh RUTAR ME-

PINE RIVER LI- MORIAL SCHOLAR-SHIP-\$500: Garrett Abramson MEMORIAL

CENTERS BLOOD SCHOOL HIGH SCHOLARSHIP- \$600: Tim Pierce NANCY **PARVI**

ARSHIP- \$500: Kaya Membreno ORR AMERICAN LEGION SCHOLAR-SHIPS- \$500: Sabrina

MEMORIAL SCHOL-

Francke ORR LIONS CLUB/ LOUISE WOLFF SCHOLARSHIP- \$1,000 each: Sabrina Francke, Stacy Palmer, Brendan Parson

SEAN MICHAEL SARAZINE MEMORI-AL SCHOLARSHIP-\$500: Tate Olson

STEEL DYNAMICS SCHOLARSHIP- \$3,000 per year for four years: Tim Pierce

VERMILION MENS CLUB SCHOL-ARSHIP- \$250: Tate Ol-

MINNESOTA TEAMSTERS PUBLIC AND LAW ENFORCE-MENT EMPLOYEES' UNION LOCAL 320: \$1,000: Tanner Lokken

TEAMSTERS LO-CAL 346 SCHOLAR-SHIP-\$1,000: Grace Johnson

PAUL ANDERSON MEMORIAL SCHOL-ARSHIP- \$1,500 each: Grace Johnson, Tim Pierce, Isaiah Squires

ENDEAVOR FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP: \$8,000 each: Kayla Bodri, Austin Chaulklin, Sabrina Francke, Stacy Palmer, Isaiah Squires, Lillian Wheeler; 11th grade recipients: Alanna Rutchasky, Rebecca Triska

College **Scholarships**

College of St. Scholastica

Tanner Lokken: \$15,000 Benedictine Scholarship (per year for four years), \$300 CSS Alumni Referral (per year for four years, \$61,200 total

Xari Mankowski: \$17,000 Benedictine Scholarship (per year for four years), \$68,000 total

Concordia College-Moorhead

Karina **Bristol:** Over the course of four years: \$52,000 Concordia Excellence Scholarship, \$16,000 Concordia Grant, \$4,000 Cobber Edge Award, \$4,000 Visit Award, \$4,000 Brew Scholarship, \$8,000 Diversity Scholarship, \$16,000 SEOG grant, \$104,000 total

Hawaii Pacific University

Sabrina Francke: \$10,000 Provost's Scholarship (per year for four years), \$7,170 Raise.me Scholarship (per year for four years, \$1,000 SEOG Grant, \$69,680 total

Grace Kisch: \$10,000 Provost's Scholarship (per year for four years), \$7,349 Raise.me Scholarship (per year for four years), \$69,396 total

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nesota Duluth

Austin Chaulklin: \$20,282 Best of Class Scholarship and the U Promise Scholarship (per year for four years), \$81,128 total

Vermilion Community College

Korynn Fisher: \$1,000 St. Louis County Mineral Royalties Scholarship, \$2,500 Vet Tech Workforce Development Scholarship

Winona State University

Grace Johnson: \$1,500 Winona State University Presidential Scholarship (per year for four years), \$6,000 total

Local/Regional Scholarships: \$126,221 College Scholar**ships:** \$531,904

Total: \$658,125

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MANKATO- Brittany White, of Cook, is being degree at Minnesota State University, Mankato during

awarded a Masters of Nursing the university's graduation ceremonies on May 5.



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STATE GOVERNMENT

Dayton vetoes tax bill; no plan for special session

by Marshall Helmberger

Managing Editor

ST. PAUL— Gov. Mark Dayton tore into Republican leaders this week following the end of a legislative session that the governor described as "appalling."

The session adjourned by law at midnight on Sunday with major legislation, including the bonding bill, facing potential vetoes by the governor. Dayton made good on one of his veto threats on Wednesday, nixing the tax bill which he said was loaded with hefty breaks for multinational corporations and the wealthy. "Never have I seen a legislative session so badly mismanaged, less transparent, and more beholden to monied special interests," Dayton wrote in a letter to legislative leaders accompanying

Dayton said he'd given

Republican leaders clear guidance for months on what he'd need to see from the Legislature in order to give his signature to legislation— but he said the leaders disregarded his input.

Republicans, he said, have put wealthy interests ahead of the interests of average Minnesotans and of solving major state issues, such as improving school safety, bringing Minnesota's tax law in line with federal changes, and addressing the state's vehicle licensing system, known as MNLARs. The GOP offered some additional emergency school funding, but not as much as the \$138 million the governor had requested. And much of the funding came not as new money, but by allowing districts to tap state dollars earmarked for other uses, such as teacher training or community education. Dayton said the plan simply shifts money around rather than giving new

money to schools.

"Rather than just send things they know are unacceptable to score political points, why don't they collaborate with us to solve some problems?" the governor asked in an end-of-session press conference. "Their objective is to sign up with every money interest, every special interest available to them, the big drug companies, the big multinational corporations, the NRA, and the nursing home chains...everyone who has something they want for

Meanwhile, he said, "The people of Minnesota have been left out in the cold."

Dayton said he has no plans to call a special session, accusing the GOP leaders of squandering the two-and-half months they spent in session. "I think this session has been a shambles," calling management of the final days "the worst I've ever seen."

Dayton said he's still reviewing the bonding bill and wasn't sure if even that would gain his signature. Dayton had called for a \$1.5 billion capital improvement plan; the one sent to him by the Legislature includes about \$825 million. Republicans claim the measure is actually larger than that, but that's because they added Legacy dollars earmarked for clean water projects.

Complicating the situation is the fact that the GOP heaped dozens of funding and policy provisions into a giant omnibus bill. Legislative leaders noted that the governor had vetoed some standalone bills, and apparently reasoned that it might be tougher to veto bills that contain some things the governor might

Nicknamed the Mega-Omnibus, it contains about \$150 million in new spending (the two-year budget is \$46 billion) and is mostly a collection of disconnected policy bills that are bundled to gather votes and make the bill harder to veto.

House Majority Leader Joyce Peppin, R-Rogers, said the GOP gave a lot after listening to Dayton. "A lot of things he wanted to get rid of were priorities for Republicans," Peppin said. "But it's not fair that we would throw away all of the concerns that the House and Senate have identified as priorities."

A Dayton spokesperson said the GOP threw a lot of policy provisions into the omnibus bill that they knew the governor wouldn't support and then pulled them to make it appears they had given ground."Idon't know how they can keep representing these things that are patently untrue," said Dayton.

PUC to hold hearing on Frontier service issues in Ely this summer

REGIONAL— The state's Department of Commerce will be bringing its investigation of Frontier Communications to Ely later this summer. Department staff have selected Ely as the location for one of at least five public hearings to be held in Frontier service territory around the state of Minnesota. A date, time, and venue for the hearing in Ely have not yet been set. The *Timberjay* will report that information as soon as it becomes available.

The hearing is part of the department's ongoing investigation into Frontier's service quality and billing practices. The investigation was initiated following the Timberjay's reporting last November on customer complaints against Frontier in the Tower and Ely area.

The department is undertaking its investigation at the behest of the state's Public Utilities Commission, which has oversight authority over telecommunications providers in Minnesota. The PUC requested the inves-

tigation after an initial solicitation of public comments on Frontier's service in January generated several hundred critical comments and complaints from around the state — which PUC officials noted is far in excess of the usual response to such a request for comment.

The PUC ordered the broader investigation in late March and staff from the Department of Commerce are still in the process of establishing public hearings. In the meantime, the public can submit complaints and comments by visiting www.mn.gov/ puc and selecting Speak Up! on the home page. Use the docket number 18-122 to direct your comments specifically to the Frontier investigation.

Iron Range mayors endorse Dave Lislegard for Minnesota House of Representatives 6B

AURORA - Mt. Iron Mayor Gary Skalko, Biwabik Mayor Jim Weikum, Babbitt Mayor Andrea Zupancich, Hoyt Lakes Mayor Mark Skelton, and Ely Mayor Chuck Novak have all endorsed DFL candidate Dave Lislegard for the Minnesota House of Representatives 6B seat.

They noted that as mayor of Aurora and president of the Range Association of Municipalities and Schools, Lislegard understands the issues facing Iron Range families and communities first

"Dave Lislegard's ability to bring people together for the greater good of our region is a strength that will benefit us all down at the State Capitol," said Babbitt Mayor Andrea Zupancich.

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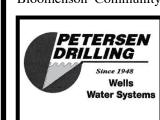
Briefs

Celia Domich hurt in crash

ELY - An Ely woman was injured in a one-vehicle rollover accident on Highway 169 Sunday

Celia Domich, 67, was driving a 2013 Subaru northbound on the highway near Mud Creek Road in Breitung Township at about 11 p.m. Sunday, according to the Minnesota State Police, when the vehicle left the roadway, went into the ditch and rolled several times.

The Tower ambulance responded to the scene, according to the incident report, and transported Domich to the Ely-Bloomenson Community



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Hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

The roadway was dry at the time of the crash. Domich was wearing a seat belt. Alcohol was not involved, the report said.

Breitung Police respond to death in Tower

TOWER-The Breitung Police Department responded to a report of a deceased woman at 316 Main Street in Tower shortly after 4 a.m. on Tuesday, May 22.

Breitung Police Chief Dan Nylund said the department is working with the Midwest Medical Examiner's Office on the case, and cannot release any further information at this time. The Timberjay will have additional information next week.





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"Trust me until we get out there," said Northern Tier Staff Mike Joint, who was doing a pre-trip meeting with the group of six students and one teacher who had signed up for this summer's adventure. "You are going to love it."

Jules Schmidt is doing a repeat trip, having participated in last year's adventure. She said while she had been camping with her family before, this experience was completely different.

"I separated from everyday life," she said. "I embraced nature and was a part of a team. When we are in the woods we depend on each other." She said the trip helped her understand how her actions affect others. "That makes me want to work my hardest," she said.

The trip also challenged her entire world

"I paddled a canoe, carried it on my shoulders, and traveled miles just to see a world that I knew was there but had never truly embraced," she said. "The one trip I went on last year has changed my ambitions in life. I want more. More adventure, more teamwork, and more nature."

Jules will have a leadership role on the trip this year. As crew leader, she will help assign camp chores, and help make decisions on where to set up camp, when to have rest stops, and more.

Joint, a long-time Northern Tier instructor, who previously worked as a paraprofessional at VCS, has helped arrange these trips for the school. Most of the students taking advantage of the trips have never been on overnight wilderness trips before. Most do not own the gear required. But as part of the trip, all the equipment needed, including sleeping bags, tents, canoes, packs, rain gear, canoe-friendly footwear, and even wool socks, are provided. Northern Tier is also covering the costs for food, and the overnight at the base camp. The program is made possible by private donations,

Joint said. "Our Northern Tier canoe trip was possible through Mike," said VCS teacher Karin Schmidt, who has also participated in these BWCAW trips. "He still connects to our students, and he respects that we integrate environmental learning into our curriculum.'

Schmidt said the trip was more than a few days outside of regular school.

"I saw strength, grit, and persistence grow in each and every student," she said. "They rose to higher expectations than any classroom teacher could imagine as we mastered teamwork skills. A classroom teaches to a limit, but the outdoors goes far beyond."

Karin is certain that this year's trip will be just as transformational, and once again she is participating as a second adult leader.

Joint reviewed the gear and attitudes that will be needed on the trip, which will leave on May 25. Students brought in the clothing

and footwear they were planning to bring. If their gear wasn't up to snuff, Joint said Northern Tier will be able to lend the clothing and footwear needed to make the trip safe and comfortable.

Northern Tier will also be hosting a presentation including songs and skits for VCS students on Thursday, May 24. This presentation will be a pre-trip orientation for the students venturing out first thing on Friday morning. "We want to be

over-prepared, not under-prepared," he said. "The name of the game is to stay warm and dry."

Safety is also a major

concern. Joint explained that the students would need to wear their life jackets at all times when out in the water, even if they decide to brave the cold water for a swim.

The group, with three canoes, five students, Joint, and one VCS teacher, will have a send-off by the Tower Harbor, but the trip will enter the BWCAW on the Little Indian Sioux River, and travel up to Lac LaCroix.

Daniel Kuriatnyk has never been on a canoe trip before, let-alone a five-day wilderness trip. He was excited and a bit apprehensive, but certainly up to the challenge. And if his trip is anything like the group that went last year, he won't be disappointed. Jacob Dorman participated in the trip last year.

"The trip was very memorable," he said, "because I had never been camping before. When we got to base camp I was a little nervous due to all the equipment that had to be carried and the size of the backpack!" he said. Jacob said his attitude to being out in the wilderness changed after the trip. Though he noted that taking a hot shower when he got home really felt good.



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TOWER...Continued from page 1

which means the business is poised to show significant growth in market share. The company has been manufacturing its stoves from a tiny former creamery in Tower for decades, and the new facility is expected to allow the company to significantly ramp up its production capacity. The company

expects to increase its workforce from eight employees to twenty by next year.

The IRRRB approved a separate reallocation of \$350,000 in grant funding previously approved for the city of Tower's harbor project infrastructure to fund infrastructure costs associated with



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The city had sought an extension of the grant, given delays in advancing the harbor project, but the IRRRB had wanted funding assurances for the project before granting an extension. With the private project funding still in process, the city opted to redirect the funds to the Lamppa project. IRRRB spokesperson Sheryl Kochevar said the agency anticipates the city will make a new funding request for the harbor when the project is ready to move forward, which is expected to happen later this year.

the Lamppa project.

The reallocation of funds caught the harbor prise. Developers Orlyn Kringstad and Jeremy Schoenfelder had not been informed by city officials of the plan to reallocate the harbor dollars. The city recently provided an updated development agreement to the developers indicating that it had obtained grant dollars to fund at least a portion of the infrastructure work the city had agreed to undertake for the effort. In fact, the city does not have that funding in place at present. City officials did not respond to questions on the issue.

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Lake Vermilion Cultural Center

Meanwhile, the IRRRB approved a separate \$268,000 grant to TEDA to help fund ongoing work on the Lake Vermilion Cultural Center building. The center will be housed in the former St. Mary's Episcopal Church, which was moved to the city's Main Street in 2015. The building has experienced some structural problems and it has taken time to address them. Center organizers are now hopeful that the grant, which they plan to match dollar-for-dollar from private contributions, will enable completion of the center building in the near future.

The cultural center applied for \$300,000, and the agency was able to provide the bulk of the

request. The money is being directed through TEDA because the agency is authorized to provide funding to a nonprofit organization, which is something that neither the IRRRB nor the city of Tower are authorized to do. TEDA officials were unaware of the funding request and will have to approve a resolution accepting the funds at their June meeting in order receive the money.

FIRE...Continued from page 1

of these burns, and careful monitoring of conditions during the operation is vital to our success."

Fire crews burned two adjacent areas on Tuesday afternoon, including Kangas Unit 1 (134

acres and Kangas Unit 2 (111 acres), located just a couple miles south of the Ely Airport to the Birch Lake Campground access

Fire officials designed the project to better prepare the ground for tree planting by reducing slash and vegetation competition in units that were harvested for fuels treatment. "Fire will reduce tree encroachment and stimulate the growth of grasses and sedges. All of the Kangas units are part of a greater Ely area hazardous fuel reduction effort," said

Ignition methods from the ground and from a helicopter will be used to start the fires. Natural and/or constructed lines were be used to control and hold the fires. Hose-lays supplied crews will monitor the prescribed fire until it is declared out. Additional firefighting resources including a hotshot crew and a job corps crew assisted the

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May 24, 2018

Dear Parents/Guardians,





Spring is an exciting time of year with graduation and many end-of-the-school-year celebrations! With these events just around the corner, we would like to remind you of the important role you play in ensuring that your teen has a safe and memorable experience - without the use of alcohol, marijuana or other drugs.

Did you know each year about 5,000 young people under the age of 21 die as a result of underage drinking, and that underage drinking and drug use is related to violence, poor performance in school, sexual assault, and more? Despite the risks, 75 percent of high school students will have consumed alcohol by the time they reach 12th grade.

What can you do to help your teen stay safe and successful?

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- ▶ Refuse to supply alcohol to underage youth. Never buy alcohol for anyone under 21. Do not allow your teen to have parties with alcohol on your property -whether you're present or not. Both of these are illegal and you can be held legally responsible.
- ▶ Provide safe alternatives. Plan chaperoned chemical-free parties for your teen and their friends during this time of celebrations. When your child is invited to a party, let them know you're available to get them out of a situation where other teens are using.
- ▶ Be a role model. Set a good example with your own alcohol use and response to underage drinking. Talk with other parents to ensure they are modeling the same behavior.

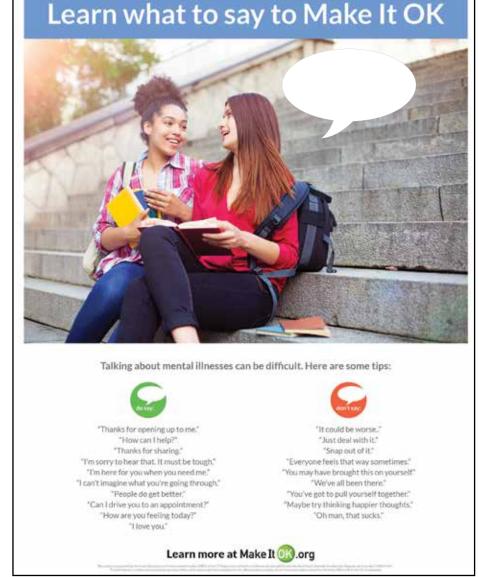
Graduation Party Tips for Parents:

- ▶ Review your child's plan with them, and tell them to check in with you periodically.
- ▶ Store alcohol in a secure location where kids don't have access.
- ▶ Know who is driving. Encourage seatbelt use.

You play an important role in preventing substance abuse during celebrations. Teens say one of their top reasons for not using is the knowledge that their parents would be upset if they did. Does your teen know where you stand? We are thankful so many Ely parents support a safe, strong school and community. Please join us in making all celebrations and events safe for our teens,

Megan anderson

Megan Anderson, Ely Memorial Principal In collaboration with the Ely Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition





Ely School District looks for lobbying help

by KEITH VANDERVORT he asked.

ELY With Minnesota Gov. Mark Dayton and the legislature fighting over how much or how little funding for schools should be included in budget bills, tax bills, bonding bills and emergency school aid bills during the just-finished legislative session, school districts throughout the state are looking for ways to get their voices heard in St. Paul.

The Ely School District voted this week to rejoin the Minnesota Rural Education Association and will be part of the effort to add another lobbying voice for rural school districts at the state capital. Specifically, MREA's platform and advocacy efforts focus on closing the rural-metro school funding inequities in Minnesota.

During a board study session this week, Superintendent Kevin Abrahamson said the MREA offered a halfprice one-year membership offer to ISD 696 for \$837. The typical full year's dues, based on enrollment, would be approximately \$1,674.

Board member James Pointer noted his skepticism in joining another lobbying group. "What are they really hoping to get from us as a district, and what is our benefit?"

"Their claim to fame is they have the majority of school districts in the state, and the more (school districts) they can get the they more they can say they represent the rural school districts."

Board chair Ray Marsnik noted that the real lobbying power in the state has always been in the metro areas around the Twin Cities. "That's where the real power is," he said. "The state legislature is really influenced by lobbyists. That's how state government runs."

He noted that the Ely School District has other lobbyists working on its behalf, including the Minnesota School Board Association (MSBA) and the Range Association of Municipalities and Schools (RAMS). "The more people we have advocating for education down there, the better off we will be in the long run,"

In the membership contract letter, MREA spelled out benefits that directly impact the Ely School District and tax-

➤ A reduction in Ag2School Ag Land credit for school facility bond levies resulted in a savings of \$11,622 annually in the Ely School District;

➤ Through MREA preservation efforts, Ely will continue to access additional Long Term

Facility Maintenance funding that will increase to approximately \$106,977 next year;

➤ Ely receives approximately \$123,900 in Small School Revenue. MREA was the only education organization to testify in favor of the bill in 2011;

➤ Ely began to receive \$20,000 to support American Indian students in 2015-2016 through MREA's lobbying efforts. School Board member

Heidi Mann noted that the broadband issue in the Elyarea would be an important area of lobbying efforts that MREA could tackle for rural school districts. "That would be really good to have them push our interests in that," she said.

After the study session, the board reconvened in a special business meeting and authorized the superintendent to sign the contract to rejoin the MREA at \$837 for the 2018-2019 school year.

In other business, the

➤ Agreed to hire Alyce Dusich for the Cafeteria Aid position;

➤ Approved a memo of understanding between AFSCME Local 295 and ISD 696 to include cafeteria aides and cashiers in the current collective bargaining agreement;

➤ Approved the 2018-2019 Memorial High School class schedule as presented.

Schools wait on veto decisions

School leaders in Ely and around the state are in wait-and-see mode after the end of the legislative session. Several wide-ranging bills include one-time funds for school district safety improvements and other uses, but the bills have also drawn a veto threat from Gov Dayton.

Tax and spending bills passed over the weekend would set aside \$50 million that districts could use for any purpose, and about \$20 million for school safety improvements. There is also money for other safety-related items like mental health programs, security audits and school police officer

Minnesota School Boards Association director Kirk Schneidawind said schools need the funds, although advocates had hoped for \$138 million in one-time school money Dayton proposed earlier this month.

"The [bill] provides districts flexibility, there's no question about it, but the dollar amounts — it's a difference," Schneidawind said.

The school safety funds are also one-timeonly, which means school districts would probably

do one-time spending, said Scott Croonquist of the Association of Metropolitan School Districts.

"In all likelihood, school districts would need to spend the vast majority of that on facilities upgrades and enhancements, as opposed to hiring staff like school counselors or social workers," Croonquist said.

Lawmakers also

passed a bonding bill with money for school safety.

The spending bill also contains several policy measures that would affect schools. One would require state officials to assign each school an annual rating on a scale from zero to 100.

Dayton will have 14 days to approve or veto lawmakers' work.



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Saturday, June 9

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BREITUNG TOWNSHIP

Gazebo and ballfield planned for Breitung Recreation Area

by STEPHANIE UKKOLA Staff Writer

BREITUNG TWP-Breitung's Recreation Area (skating rink area) will likely see some new additions in the future including a gazebo, a new baseball field, and an update to the hockey rink. This is in addition to the work recently done at the ballfield with the newly-installed flagpole, scoreboard, and new fencing.

Supervisor Greg Dostert, who helped create the Breitung Recreation Department earlier this

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year, has been the primary driver behind most of these improvements. Dostert said he has been focused on recreation because he wants to support the community's youth, their safety and well-being. He envisions a strong recreation culture for the kids, to give families a reason to move to and stay in the Tower-Soudan area.

At Tuesday's meeting, Dostert came to the board with a sketched plan for the new ballfield and gazebo and confirmed there would be enough space to fit both

in the space available. The gazebo would be adjacent to the playground and Church St. The baseball field would be in the back corner, next to the gazebo. He also presented a preliminary estimate and architectural drawings for the gazebo and ballfield, with \$104,000 estimated cost for the entire project, which would include the 30x30 ft. gazebo, electricity, landscaping, fencing, bleachers, and architectural services.

The board approved paying up to \$3,000 to INS Architectural for gazebo plans. They also approved Al Reller to write a grant request for the project.

Other business

In other business, the board:

➤ Heard an update on the work being done at the Thompson Farm/Landfill road. The township will install "No Trespassing" signs around the whole gravel pit.

➤ Have not made a decision on whether to sell the old police building or

tional comments from

use it for township storage. If the township keeps the building, Swanson would like to have electricity and will have to get a quote from Minnesota Power on the cost of electric hookup. After seeing the cost, the board will make a decision

on the building. ➤ Approved having a daycare at St. Paul's Lutheran church.

➤ Accepted partnership agreement with AIS Watercraft Inspection.

➤ Jason Sanderson, new police officer, will start June 1.

THREAT...Continued from page 1

posting a photo of what appeared to be an assault rifle with the accompanying comment, "Ready for my school dudes."

The student had first posted comments that school officials described

as "inappropriate" on Tuesday, and school officials indicate that they responded through law enforcement, who removed the student from class and the school. But the student posted addi-

home later in the day and school officials again contacted the St. Louis County Sheriff's Office for assistance. Sheriff's deputies visited the student's home and talked to the student and his parents. "After the investigation was concluded, law enforcement deemed the information posted by the student, while inappropriate, did not pose any specific or imminent threats to anyone or the school," according to a press statement issued by the sheriff's office on Wednesday. "The matter, due to the nature of the content posted by the student, will be referred to the St. Louis County Juvenile Attorney's Office for review for any potential charges," added the statement. School officials insist

they are taking the incident seriously and sent out an informational alert to parents of students at the school on Wednesday morning in an effort to keep the public apprised of the incident. "What was posted outside the school day could have been perceived as a threat," acknowledged Engebritson, "but once it was investigated it was determined that the student was talking about social media and not about causing harm to others." Engebritson said school officials acted according to district policies and worked to assess any possible threats to students and staff. "If we thought that there was a risk in having school today, I would have closed it," she said.

While the student's name was used in some social media posts, the Timberjay is not identifying the student because he is a minor.





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EXCELLENCE

Ely's Gaulke hurls perfect game

by Marshall Helmberger Managing Editor

ELY - High school hurler Carter Gaulke achieved something last Friday that few pitchers could ever hope to accomplish— perfection.

Gaulke, who pitched a no-hitter earlier this season, topped even that

Left: Carter Gaulke winds up during Friday's perfect game against Virginia. photo by K. Vandervort

illustrious performance in the opening matchup of a weekend tournament. Gaulke, a senior, retired 18 Virginia batters in a row, including 13 on strikeouts to pitch a perfect game. Gaulke allowed no hits and issued no walks in the standout performance. The Timberwolves ten-runned

the Blue Devils in the sixth inning, preventing Gaulke from pitching a full seven-inning game.

"I tried not to think about it too much," said Gaulke as he continued to

retire Virginia batters. "It was about the third inning that I knew I had a perfect game going. Heading into the sixth inning, Gaulke acknowledged his nerves were starting to fray, especially when he racked up a 3-1 count on a batter. But Gaulke went on to hurl two more strikes to retire that batter as well and keep his perfect game alive.

"Going into the game, I prepared

See GAULKE...pg. 2B

SOFTBALL PLAYOFFS

Ely falls in opening round

Slip to MI-B in extra innings





by JAY GREENEY Sports writer

ELY – The Wolves beat Mt. Iron-Buhl twice in the regular season but the Rangers won when it counted as they rallied to beat Ely 2-1 in extra innings.

It was a pitchers' duel from start-to-finish, with strong defensive play on both sides that kept the game tight through seven innings. After Ely took a 1-0 lead in the bottom of the fourth the Rangers added one of their own in the top of the fifth. The Wolves had a chance to take the lead in the sixth but an Ely runner was called out at home on a very close play.

After each team went scoreless in the seventh it was on to extra innings. Mt. Iron-Buhl scored a runner from third on a hard-hit line shot that was just out of reach of Ely's defense. Ely was unable to score in the bottom half, to bring their 9-8 season to a close.

Jenna Merhar rips a hit during

Tuesday's playoff game with MI-B.

Left: Erika

Mattson

while an

infielder

photos by J. Greeney

looks on.

MI-B

rounds second

In late regular season action, Ely topped Silver Bay 7-2 last Thursday with both teams playing for home field advantage.

"We played very well defensively against a very

See GIRLS...pg. 2B

Spartans end Grizzlies' season

North Woods slips 9-1 in playoff opener on the road

by Marshall Helmberger

NASHWAUK — The softball season came to an end for the Grizzlies on Tuesday as they lost 9-1 to the second-seeded Spartans. It was a disappointing end to a season in which the Grizzlies struggled at times, notching just four wins against 11 losses.

No other information on this game was available prior to press time.

Right: The Grizzlies Maddy Serna looks for the double play after getting a force out at second during Tuesday's matchup with Nashwauk-Keewatin. photo by C. Stone



TRACK

Ely boys dominate ahead of sub-sections

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HIBBING-In the final tune up before sub-sections, the Ely boys dominated at the Hibbing Rotary Invite, taking first while the girls took fourth in a mixed field of Class A and 2A schools.

The boys scored 135.5 points, finishing almost 40 points ahead of the second-place finisher. With that score came a number of strong performances showing Ely's depth.

James Schwinghamer con-

tinued his dominance in the 3,200 4x100 meters. Ely took second as he won that event by over ten

Isaac Gawboy had a second-place finish in the 100 meters for Ely's best finish in

The hurdles added points as Eli Conaway took third in the 110s while in the 300 race Henry Dirks and Raif Olson finished

second and third. The relays were good for the Wolves as they placed in the top three in every race but the 4x200, and took first in the

in both the 4x400 and 4x800. In the field events, Eric

Omerza had a leap of 37-07.00 to win the triple jump.

Nate Nettifee and Henry Matthys finished less than four inches apart to take first and second in the discus throw.

The girls had better luck in the distance runs as Zoe Devine took first in a close race in the 1,600 while Ryne Prigge won the 3,200 meter race by almost

40 seconds. The only relay team to take a top three finish was the 4x800, which finished third.

Brielle Kallberg had a big day in the field events as she won the long and the triple jump

The Wolves will compete at sub-sections next Wednesday back in Hibbing.

BOYS TOP THREE **FINISHERS**

100 Meter Dash 2. Isaac Gawboy 11.90 3200 Meter Run

See TRACK...pg. 2B

GOLF

Olson tops large field at Virginia Invitational

by Marshall Helmberger Managing Editor

VIRGINIA— A total of 83 high school golfers from northern Minnesota and Ontario took part in the Virginia Invitational meet last Friday, and North Woods'

Tate Olsontopped the field, shooting a 71 on the 18-hole course.

Two other golfers tied with Olson. but Olson

won in the scorecard playoff to take the top prize and help lead his team to a sixth-place finish among the 17 teams competing at the event.

Sam Frazee also placed highly for North Woods. carding a 79, while Chase Kleppe scored an 83. Davis Kleppe carded an 87, finishing in the top half of the field.

The Grizzlies golf team was set to compete in the Section 7A finals on Wednesday and Thursday in Virginia to determine who will advance to the state tournament. Watch for results in next week's edition.

BASEBALL

Schultz leads Grizzlies over Northeast Range

FIELD TWP-North Woods's Matt Schultz displayed strong pitching and power hitting as he helped lead the Grizzlies to a 7-1 win over Northeast Range here last Friday. Schultz pitched four innings, allowing just one run on two hits and striking out seven Nighthawks batters to notch the win. Zach Cheney came on in relief, allowing no runs on three hits and two strikeouts for the save.

At the plate, Schultz racked up five RBIs, two of them on a home run. He also hit a double, going 2-3 for the game. Tate Olson also went 2-3, with a double, while Jake Hyppa went 2-4.

Zack Anderson took the loss for the Nighthawks, allowing seven runs on ten hits, while striking out nine in seven full.

BASEBALL

Ely locks up 15th win and Arrowhead title

ELY – The Wolves continued to show their dominance on the diamond as they pounded the Golden Bears here on Monday to claim their 15th win of the season and lock up the Arrowhead Conference title.

Two big innings made the difference for Ely as they put up six runs in the bottom of the fourth and four more in the fifth to turn a 2-1 lead at the midway point into a 12-3 blowout.

Starting pitcher Trevor Mattson continued his solid season on the mound as he scattered ten hits and struck out eight to notch his fifth win. Dalton Schreffler led the Wolves with four RBIs on three hits while Mattson added two hits and two RBIs.

The solid win came on the heels

the Veterans Memorial Showcase held in Ely over the weekend.

Ely battled International Falls in the final game of the showcase on Saturday. Ten runs in their final two at-bats opened up the game and gave Ely a 17-11 win.

The Wolves capitalized on eight walks and four errors committed by the Broncos that kept the Ely rallies going.

Gage Merhar started on the mound, allowing four runs on just three hits, while striking out eight Bronco batters. The Broncos then scored seven more runs off of relievers Cody Davis and Tyler Housey in their final three at-bats.

Ely made good use of their 11 hits to produce the 17 runs. Tyler Housey was a perfect 3-3 at the plate, scoring three times and knocking in two RBIs. Nils DeRemee scored three times and sent two runners home as well on a 2-4

The Wolves took on Mound Park Academy in the Friday nightcap and used timely hits and solid pitching to win 10-5.

The Panthers had a tough time against Ely starter Dylan Kienitz as he scattered four hits while giving up three runs and striking out four. Cody Davis came on in relief with two outs in the sixth and allowed two more runs in an inning and a third. Gage Merhar drove in two runs

and scored three times on two hits, while Dalton Schreffler had a pair of hits and scored twice. Right: Ely's Taylor Housey

lets a high pitch go by during

photo by K. Vandervort

action on Friday in Ely.



Grizzlies win "confidence builder" as playoffs loom

by Marshall Helmberger Managing Editor

FIELD TWP- The Grizzlies have lost more than their share of one-run games in this weather-shortened baseball season. On Tuesday, they helped even that record with a 6-5 win over Deer River. "This was a character builder," said Grizzlies Head Coach Jeff Smerud.

The Warriors had won four straight and nine of their past 11 games coming into Tuesday's contest, and were poised to be seeded third in Section 7A heading into next week's play-

offs, so the win was a big test for North Woods. "We needed this to build some confidence heading into playoffs," said Smerud.

After two scoreless innings to start the game, the Warriors drew first blood with three runs in the third inning. But the Grizzlies responded with three in the fourth and three more in the fifth to take a 6-3 lead. The Warriors added two more in the sixth but came up empty in the seventh to give North Woods the win.

Isaiah Squires notched the victory, allowing three runs in five innings, only one of them earned. He allowed just two hits, struck out four, walked four and hit four batters. Matt Schultz came on in relief, giving up two earned runs on four hits.

Schultz proved the slugger once again, knocking in three runs on two hits, including a double. Squires went 2-4 at the

In Monday's action, North Woods spotted Virginia a fiverun lead before the second out in the first inning and eventually fell 8-5, despite tying the score later in the game. Pitcher Tate Olson struggled against the Blue Devils, and came out early, replaced by Jake Hyppa, who gave up two runs on four hits and a walk in four and twothirds innings. He also struck out two batters.

The Grizzlies rallied for five runs in the fourth inning to tie the score, but Virginia went on to add three in the later innings, which gave Hyppa the loss.

Smerud said another costly error in the fifth inning may have made the difference, when a North Woods outfielder dropped a routine fly ball with runners on base and two outs, which allowed the Blue Devils to put two more points on the board. "It's been

the story of our season," said Smerud. "The big mistake has been our nemesis."

Olson had a big day at the plate, going 3-3, including a double, accounting for three of the Grizzlies five hits in the

The Grizzlies were set to host Eveleth-Gilbert on Thursday and finish up their regular season at home against South Ridge on Friday. Game time for both is 4:30 p.m.

Sports briefly

Canoe portage added to Ely Marathon

ELY - The Ely Marathon will include a Canoe Portage division for the full marathon this year.

The Ely Marathon takes place on Saturday, Sept. 22. The Portage Division will include options for those who are searching for the challenge of portaging a canoe for the entire 26.2-mile race on their own, or a team relay division that will allow up to six members on each team.

The Boundary Waters Bank Half Marathon, which takes place on the same day, added a canoe division in 2017. Those not quite up to a 26.2-mile trek can take part in the half mara-

A canoe used for the Ely

Marathon or Boundary Waters Bank Half Marathon must be a traditional canoe designed to be paddled by one or two people, commonly used for extended time in the Boundary Waters Canoe Area. Kayaks, models, plastic, inflatable and cardboard are not allowed.

This is the fourth year that the Ely Marathon and Boundary Waters Bank Half Marathon

have drawn thousands of people to the edge of the wilderness for this memorable race. Weekend events also include a 5k Glow Run and a "Kids Marathon" coined the Dorothy Molter Root Beer Run. A fitness expo, live music, obstacle course and food trucks will also grace this year's event.

The Ely Marathon and Boundary Waters Bank

Marathon is hosted by the Ely Chamber of Commerce, City of Ely and Incredible Ely. It is coordinated by Stone Soup Events. Registration and additional information can be found at elymarathon.com or by emailing: run@elymarathon.com.

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like any normal game but when I got on the mound in the first inning, I could feel that it was going to be a special game," he said.

Special is the word for it. "It doesn't happen very often," said Bob Madison, associate director for baseball at the Minnesota State

High School League. "And it shouldn't... it's quite a feat."

league records, it's been a perfect game against six years since a pitcher tossed a perfect game in a league-sanctioned matchup in Minnesota. Indeed, only eight perfect

games have been recorded in league play, dating back to 1964, when Dan In fact, according to Somrock, of Ely, pitched Tower-Soudan.

And Gaulke just missed a perfect game in a 22-0 rout against Mt. Iron-Buhl earlier this month, when he struck out 15 Rangers batters. In that game, Gaulke had allowed one walk while another batter reached on an error to spoil the run at perfection.

Head Coach Frank Ivancich said Gaulke has had an outstanding spring on the mound for Ely and that he tried to keep the team focused on defense and putting some runs on the board after the game went scoreless through better as the game went three innings. "I knew he had a no hitter but no one really said anything about it," said Ivancich. "Carter

was plain and simply dominant. You don't see a pitcher strike out the side in three innings as he did on Friday. His control got

GIRLS...Continued from page 1B

good opponent," said Ely Head Coach Tom McDonald. "They hit the

ball hard but we made all of the plays to get the win." Starting pitcher Jenna Merhar struck out four and gave up just one earned run. She also helped her cause by hitting her first career home run.

McCartney Kaercher

had two hits including a big three-run double to break the game open in the

fourth inning.

32-06.00

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1. James Schwinghamer 10:32.75

> 4 x 100 Meter Relay 1. Ely 46.80

> 4 x 400 Meter Relay

2. Ely 3:50.50 4 x 800 Meter Relay 110 Meter Hurdles 3. Eli Conaway 17.05 300 Meter Hurdles

2. Henry Dirks 43.16 3. Raif Olson 47.70 Triple Jump

1. Eric Omerza

37-07.00

125-07.50

Discus Throw

1. Nate Nettifee 125-11

2. Henry Matthys

GIRLS TOP THREE **FINISHERS**

> 1600 Meter Run 1. Zoe Devine 5:52.78 3200 Meter Run

1. Ryne Prigge

12:04.65

Julia Schwinghamer 13:51.22

4 x 800 Meter Relay 3. Emma Terwilliger,

Evelyn Bercher, Phoebe Helms, Zoe Devine 11:05.77

Long Jump 1. Brielle Kallberg 15-04.00 Triple Jump Brielle Kallberg

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Ely Summer Art Camp begins June 11

from 9 a.m. until noon at a cost of

ELY- Calling all young Elyarea artists, the countdown has begun. Just one month from now the Annual Ely Arts and Heritage Center Summer Art Camp for kids 7-12 will begin. Camp opens Monday, June 11 at 8:45 a.m. until noon at the Miners Dry Building located just below the Pioneer Mine Head frame. This portion of the Ely Arts and Heritage Center is at 105 Miners Lake Landing Road. The popular summer camp will be Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, June 11-13. After opening day, camp is

\$50. Students visiting family and friends in the Ely area are welcome to register and attend. This year's art camp features clay molding, stone carving, paper sculpture, stepping stones, drawing and watercolors of fish, silk scarf painting, a T-shirt, jewelry making, and a few surprises. Artists/teachers include Sandy Brandley, Bill Griffin, Cindy Otto, Nicole Selmer, Lisa Ledel, Bill Defenbaugh, Judy Fredrickson, and Mike Sinesio. Each student has four class sessions each day along with a

healthy snack break. On Wednesday at noon, parents and friends are invited to the Miners Dry Building for an art exhibit featuring the works of the students.

Applications have been distributed at the Ely Elementary School and are available from Muffin Nelson at muffinely@gmail.com or at the Ely Public Library. Questions should be directed to co-chairs. Muffin Nelson at 218-235-1912 or Sue Syverson at 319-610-3812.

Vermilion Ridge Campground ribbon cutting, June 7 BREITUNG TWP- The new

Vermilion Ridge Campground at Lake Vermilion-Soudan Underground Mine State Park will hold a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Thursday, June 7 at 11 a.m. at the Ojiig Group Camp. For more information, contact Dawn Voges at dawn.voges@state.mn.us or 218-300-7004.

Red Hat Belles to meet on Thursday, May 31

GREENWOOD TWP- The Northern Red Hat Belles will meet on Thursday, May 31 at the Wilderness at 12 noon. Everyone will order off the menu. Please RSVP by May 25 to Gwen at 218-753-6695 or Carol at 218-753-3220. Welcome back snowbirds! New members and guests always welcome

Ruby's Pantry on May 26 in Babbitt

BABBITT- Ruby's Pantry Food Distribution will be at the Babbitt Municipal Center, 71 South Drive, on Saturday, May 26, the fourth Saturday of the month, from 10 - 11:30 a.m. A \$20 cash donation buys an abundance of food; no checks accepted. There are no income or residency guidelines. Bring two large boxes or baskets. St. Pius X Catholic Church sponsors Ruby's Pantry. Volunteers are always welcome.

Author of Gunflint Burning, will sign copies on Thursday, May 31

ELY- Author Cary J. Griffith will sign copies of his new book, Gunflint Burning: Fire in the Boundary Waters from 2 - 3 p.m., on Thursday, May 31 at Piragis Northwoods Company in Ely.

On May 5, 2007, two days into his twenty-seventh trip to the Boundary Waters, Stephen Posniak found a perfect spot on Ham Lake and set about making a campfire. Over the next two weeks, the fire he set would consume 75,000 acres of forest and 144 buildings. More than one thousand firefighters would rally to extinguish the blaze, at a cost of 11 million dollars.

Gunflint Burning is a comprehensive account of the dramatic events around the Ham Lake fire, one of the largest wildfires in Minnesota history. Cary J. Griffith describes what happened in the minutes, hours, and days after Posniak struck that fateful match—from the first hint of danger to the ensuing race to flee the fire or defend imperiled property to the incredible efforts of firefighters and residents battling a blaze that lit up the Gunflint Trail like the fuse to a powder keg.

We meet locals faced with losing everything: the sheriff and his deputy tasked with getting everyone out alive, tourists caught unawares, men and women using every piece of equipment and modern firefighting technique against impossibly high winds and dry conditions to suppress a wildfire as it grew to historic proportions, and finally, Stephen Posniak, who in the aftermath tragically took his own lifethe fire's only fatality.

Obituaries and Death Notices



Gary L. Clements

Gary L. Clements, of Eagles Nest Township and St. Paul, died peacefully in his sleep, surrounded by love, in the early morning of Saturday, May 12, 2018. A memorial service will be held in St. Paul on Saturday, June 2 and another gathering for friends will be sometime this summer near the family cabin.

Gary was born and raised in Nebraska, loving the land and small town life, attending YMCA Camp Widjiwagan, where his love for wilderness and adventure and faith grew strong. He built a cabin on Eagles Nest Lake and it is "home". He was a counselor, coach, teacher, mentor, librarian, media specialist and web designer. He loved the world and all the people he met along his journey.

He is survived by Jane, Kathryn, Greg, Katie, Trish, Claire and Jordyn and many, many friends and family. He will be eternally missed by those who knew him.

Charles R. Mattila

Charles R. Mattila, "The Muck", 63, lifelong resident of Soudan, died on Thursday, May 17, 2018, at St. Michael's Health and Rehabilitation in Virginia. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. until the 11 a.m. memorial service on Friday, May 25 at Vermilion Funeral Home in Tower. Bill Bauman will be the celebrant. Inurnment will be in Lakeview Cemetery in Tower. Family services are provided by Bauman-Vermilion, a Bauman Family Funeral Home in Tower.

He was born on Oct. 12, 1954, in Soudan, the son of Charles H. and Carol M. (Bodine) Mattila. He attended Tower-Soudan High School. Chuck started working at Hoover Construction, and later worked at US Steel Minntac before working as a carpenter for Kultala Brothers Construction. He was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Chuck enjoyed hunting, fishing, and carpentry.

Chuck is survived by his siblings, Cathy (Christopher Larson) Neault of Mt. Iron, Rebecca Lauer of St. Cloud, Patrice Purskey of Mt. Iron, Gloria (Douglas) Ahlgren of Bear River, Craig Mattila of Embarrass and Keith (Kim) Mattila of Soudan: numerous nieces and nephews; and his beloved dog, Mandy.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and brother-in-law, Roger



Helen M. Folstad

Helen Mae Folstad, 86, of Soudan, passed away on Thursday, Feb. 22, 2018, at Ely-Bloomenson Community Hospital. A Celebration of Life will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, June 2 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Tower with Pastor Liz Cheney officiating. Visitation will be for one hour prior to the service at the church. Burial will be in the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery in Duluth. Arrangements are with Landmark Funeral Home of Virginia.

Helen was born to Arthur and Ruth (Harrington) Wills on March 20, 1931, in Crosby, the sixth of ten children. She dropped out of school during ninth grade to help raise her younger brothers and sister. Helen was working as a waitress at Hulls Hotel in Moose Lake in 1946 when she met her beloved husband, Clarence Folstad. They were united in marriage on Feb. 23, 1947, in Moose Lake. They raised their family in Moose Lake for 10 years and then moved to Tower. Helen was a mother and homemaker, planted trees for the State of Minnesota, and in 1970 began working as a nurse's aide at Ely-Bloomenson Community Hospital, where she was very active in the union and held an officer position. After retirement, Helen worked at Parkside Homes in Soudan and did home health care.

Helen was a member of St. Paul's and Immanuel Lutheran Churches. She taught Sunday School and was an active quilter. She enjoyed hunting, fishing, snowmobiling, sewing, crocheting, reading, painting, and baking her famous Christmas cut-out cookies. Helen's family was very important to her. She was happiest when caring for her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, cheering them on at their school programs and sporting events.

Survivors include her two sons, Kenneth "Shorty" Folstad and Lawrence "Peanuts" (Linda) Folstad, both of Soudan; two daughters, Kathryn (Harold) Fuson of Soudan and Lynell (Michael) Yancey of Tower; 13 grandchildren, Kenny, Keith, Larry, Jeremy, Tony, Lisa, Lori, LeeAnn, Tammie, Lorrie, Julie, Joseph and Melissa; 28 great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren; a brother, Harvey Wills of Babbitt; two sisters, Alta Rogers of Moose Lake and Eleanor Fralich of Silver Bay; brother-in-law, Robert (Maxine) Folstad of Brooklyn Center; numerous nieces and nephews; and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Clarence; siblings, Leslie, Elsie, Dorothy, Lawrence, Robert and Arthur; great-granddaughter, Kendra Folstad; and sister-in-law, Pearl Northrup.

Marie J. Fink

Marie Josephine "Dolly" Strezishar Fink, 95, of Ely, passed away on Monday, May 21, 2018, at Boundary Waters Care Center in Ely. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, May 25 at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Ely with visitation one hour prior to the service at the church. Family arrangements have been entrusted to Kerntz Funeral Home

She is survived by her children, James (Victoria) Fink of Bemidji and Marjorie (Blaine) Hoff of Volga, S.D.; sister, Patricia Lammi of Ely; grandchildren, Sandy (Nate) Hanson, Tia (Jason) Hartzell, Brad (Teresa) Hoff and Justin (Megan) Fink; and great-grandchildren, Gianna, Rocco, Liam and Grady.

June M. Johnson June Marie Fritz Johnson, 74, passed away on Monday, May 21, 2018, at Boundary Waters Care Center in Ely, after a long battle with cancer. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 26 at Grace Lutheran Church in Ely with visitation being held one hour prior to the service at the

church. Memorials may be sent to the American Cancer Society or Grace Lutheran Church in Ely. Family arrangements have been entrusted to Kerntz Funeral Home of Ely.

She is survived by her husband, Paul; son, Kyle (Jolene) Johnson; daughter, Tracey (Dan) Schlueter; granddaughter, Amber Johnson; grandson, Noah Schlueter; sisters, Carol (Bob) Etelemaki, Maeve Wohlers and Deanna (John) Brownlee; special cousin, Diane (John) Evan; and several nieces and nephews.

James F. Dunstan

James F. Dunstan, 74, of Richland Hills, Texas, originally of Ely, passed away on Wednesday, May 16, 2018, at North Hills Hospital with family at his side. A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. Jim's family wants to give a heartfelt thank you to the staff at Brookdale Assisted Living; they were an amazing addition to our family and loved Jim in a way that turned a building into a home for him.

He is survived by his son, Grant (Melissa) Dunstan; daughter, Jaime (Jeff) Sather; grandchil-

dren, Emily and Lucas Sather; sisters, Mary (Tom) Witherow and Bonnie (Jack) Swanson; sister-in-law, Lynn Dunstan; brother, Richard (Desi) Dunstan; brothersin-law, Dennis (Paula) Niemi and Allen (Judie Kauchick) Niemi; many nieces, nephews, cousins and other extended family.

David R. Pagel

David Roger Pagel, 49, died on Friday, May 11, 2018, in Virginia. A memorial service was held on Tuesday, May 22 at Ziemer-Moeglein-Shatava Funeral Home in Aurora with Pastor Eric Thiele officiating.

Survivors include his children, Amber Pagel of Virginia and Calvin (Tori) Pagel of Babbitt; mother, JoAnne (David) Moore of Crossville, Tenn.; grandchildren, Jayden, Aubrey, Jordan, Allie, Charlotte and one expected; sister, Brenda (Leland) Nelson of Hoyt Lakes: brother, Ron (Sue Hemminger) Pagel of Mt. Iron; stepbrother, Thomas A. (Britt Miller) Berrigan of Duluth; several nieces and nephews; and his dog, Eddie.



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FISHERIES

Stocking trout, and restocking old memories

Working to restore trout populations in northwest St. Louis County

by MARSHALL HELMBERGER

Managing Editor

KINMOUNT— The swish of jumping trout broke the placid water of Kinmount Creek north of Ash Lake late last week. For Julian Brzoznowski, who grew up on the adjacent farm, it brought back memories.

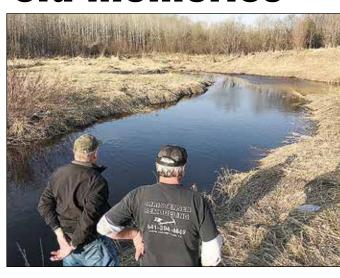
As a boy, and a Catholic, his parents would send him and his siblings to the stream most Fridays to catch a limit of fish for dinner, and they caught their fill, of mostly brook trout, from the stream's bog-tinted waters.

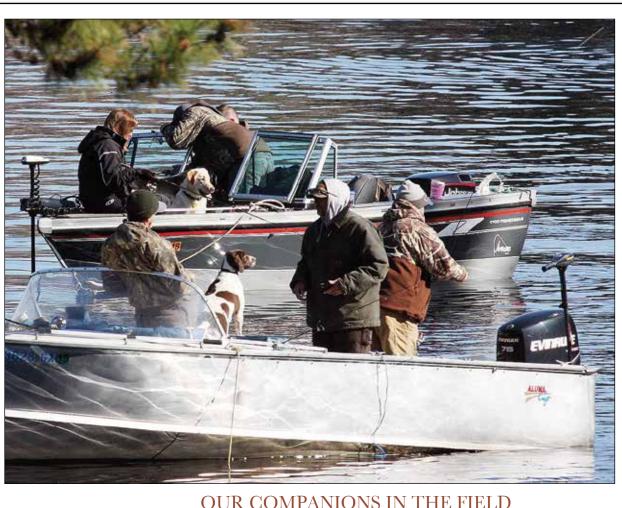
This time, it was brown trout that were jumping in the evening light. They were new recruits, of sorts, 500 freshly-stocked young fish from a DNR rearing pond near Lanesboro, and they appeared to be hungry as they broke the surface repeatedly, grabbing insects from the surface of the creek.

It's part of an ongoing effort to restore trout populations to Right: (I-r) Julian Brzoznowski and Jerry Christenson, the new owner of the Brzoznowskis family farm, watch just-stocked brown trout surfacing to feed in Kinmount Creek. photo by M. Helmberger

streams in this portion of northwestern St. Louis County, including Kinmount and Fawn creeks. The DNR had previously main-

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by their dogs, ply the waters below Silver Rapids on this year's opening day of the walleye season

accompanied

Analers.

Below: Watching and waiting for some walleye action on Lake Vermilion.

Bottom: lt's all concentration with a walleye in the net.

photos by M. Helmberger

> identify. It's a member of the Buttercup family. Fishing reports

Wildflower Watch

This week's featured flower

MARSH MARIGOLD

This is an early spring

favorite for many of us- a

flower so bright that it can make

a swamp seem to glow on even

the darkest day. Look for Marsh

Marigold, Caltha palustris in wet areas, particularly in black ash swamps and alder thickets. The large, heart-shaped leaves and large, golden, five-petaled flowers make this one easy to

Elv area

The walleye spawn is nearly over and feeding activity levels are increasing. Many walleyes are still being caught in relatively shallow water, and this should continue until lake water temperatures rise. Minnows have been the go-to bait, but leeches are taking their toll on some fish as well currently. Most activity has been around moving water such as where creeks and rivers merge with lakes. Some anglers are finding their success with slow trolled crank baits in the drop offs leading to the shallower flats late in the day. Bait fish are moving into the warmer waters near shore, and the hungry predators are there to welcome them.

Some big pike are being caught on live sucker minnows fished under a slip bobber or dead ones fished right on the bottom. Folks have discovered that frozen baits such as smelt will take the bigger fish that don't have to expend much energy chasing bait. This scenario is playing out in shallow water close to shore as opposed to deeper water later in the season.

Some crappies are being caught, but they seem to be a by-catch of walleye anglers fishing deeper waters. If you are going to target them, look for schools to be bunched up adjacent to shallow flats, where they will be spawning in the weeks

Some decent lake trout have been actively hitting in twenty to thirty feet of water on Burntside Lake. Trolled crank baits and spoons have resulted in several fish in the ten-pound-plus range

being taken there. Courtesy Babe's Bait at Ely's

west entrance.

It's a dog's life...

We bring our dogs fishing because why would we do anything else?

ver the years I've photographed hundreds of people fishing on area lakes — and if there's one thing that I've learned in that time it's that Minnesotans love fishing with their dogs— at least with a certain kind of dog.

You won't find many toy breeds out there on the water. Yet to a lab,

a springer, or a setter, a northern Minnesota fishing boat is hallowed ground, the next best thing to sitting in a duck blind or working an alder thicket along a woods road for ruffed grouse. While we may be distracted out on the water, checking our phones or grabbing a beer or a pop from the cooler, a dog in a fishing boat is an image of concentration.

In this day and age

when most dogs are kept simply as pets, it's easy to forget that, for centuries, dogs had a purpose beyond companionship and, for the hunting breeds in particular, that purpose centered around the gathering of game in close cooperation with their human masters.

HELMBERGER

We may see our day out on the water as mere recreation, as a lark, or a chance to be with friends or family. To a dog, it's about reengaging ancient instincts, about shared experiences passed on through countless generations of dogs who hunted with their masters or herded

and protected livestock. It's the essence of what it means to be a working dog — to be in the outdoors with their humans on a mission in the primal quest for food.

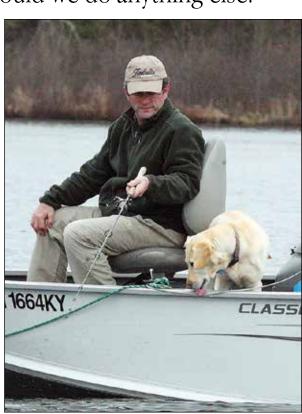
I think it says something also about those of us who fish. It speaks to our relationship with the natural world. You take a dog fishing

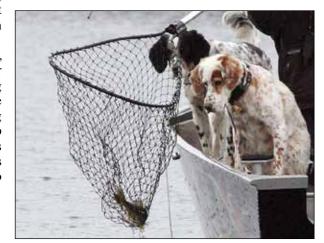
because, for us, the dog is part of our experience in the outdoors, just as it's been for centuries. Humans turned to dogs as helpers because they had abilities and senses that often put ours to shame. We relied on their speed, their acute hearing, and their incredible sense of smell to give us the advantage over the game we sought.

While we may not need those same skills in our quest for walleye,

that really doesn't matter. The dog comes along because they are part of just about everything we do in the outdoors.

They are our companions, always ready, always eager, whether it's hiking in the woods, jumping in the canoe, or heading out in the fishing boat. And when evening comes, they're at home, curled up by our feet, dreaming of the day's adventures. We bring our dogs fishing because why would we do anything else?





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Fishing reports



Hudson Caldwell, age 5, of Duluth, gets some help holding this big northern pike he helped catch on Lake Kabetogama. submitted photo

Lake Vermilion

Despite the cold water temperatures the walleye bite over the past week has been very good. There are days where the weather changes have shut the bite down, but those slow periods are lasting less than

Fishing slow in 24 to 36 feet of water is key. If you are moving more than 0.5 miles per hour you will be missing a lot of the non-aggressive fish. Minnows on Lindy rigs and jigs are working best, but leeches are also putting a few fish in the boat. While fishing deep you will be sorting through a lot of small walleyes to get your keepers so if you want more of the bigger fish, but slower action, key in on the 12 to 16 foot gravel shore lines adjacent to the

Crappie fishing has been getting better everyday. Look for the newly-emerging weeds and you will find the crappies. Small plastics in 3 to 7 feet of water is working best. Water temperatures in these shallow bays is already reaching the mid-60s during the day.

Courtesy Steve Krasaway,Lake Vermilion Guides League.

Kab-Nam area

Fishing is still fantastic as we have seemed to skip spring and

jumped into summer! Water temps have also taken a jump into the mid-50s. Larger walleyes are still being consistently caught in shallow while the eater variety out deeper, say 20-30 ft. While dock fishing has slowed a bit, it is more than likely due to the multiple weather fronts we have had move through recently which has pushed them a little deeper.

Shoreline and island points

are producing more fre-

quently now. Island areas

like Martin, Cuculus and

Three Sisters have been

good as well as entrances

to Peterson and Slatinsky

bays. Windswept areas

will produce more fish. Northern pike are an easy catch as usual and smallmouth bass are becoming more frequent.

Crabby Phil's Tip of the Week!

Last week found keeper walleye deep and big fish shallow. Now that the water has warmed up almost 10 degrees, try this.

Using a jig head or slip sinker rig, stay inside 30 ft. finding a windswept shoreline. Slowly traverse the depths between 30 ft. and 10 ft. and see what depth fish respond. Concentrate at the productive depth. Last week was a soft bite so use light tackle if possible.

Courtesy Gateway General Store, Lake Kabetogama.

LAKE COUNTRY FORECAST

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One of 500 brown trout recently stocked in Kinmount Creek as part of an effort to revive trout populations in several streams in northwestern St. Louis County.

Kevin Peterson, of the DNR fisheries, releases a bucket load of trout in the creek. photos by M. Helmberger

tained the rivers for a trout fishery starting as early as the 1940s and running through the 1980s, when the stocking and other management work was discontinued and the rivers became increasingly choked with beaver dams.

"Beaver dams ruined the river," said Brzoznowski, who helped lobby for grant dollars to help with habitat work associated with the stream restorations.

While beavers themselves don't harm trout, the dams slow the rushing of the water and leave it more exposed to sunlight, causing the water to warm. Trout like cold, oxygen-rich water and they won't survive without it. Even without beaver, streams like Kinmount and Fawn creeks can be marginal for trout because they rely mostly on surface runoff, which tends to be warm enough in the summer months to make conditions less-than-ideal for species like brook trout, which are particularly fond of cold water. The best trout streams are typically fed by springs and other underground sources, which help keep the water cool even in hot weather.

International Falls DNR area fisheries manager Kevin Peterson said the brown trout he's stocking here should do well because they can

thrive in somewhat warmer waters than the brook trout he stocked here a few years ago. Along with the stocking, the DNR has provided technical help to the Koochiching and North St. Louis Soil and Water Conservation Districts as they use grant funds to remove beaver and their dams, restore some tree cover around beaver ponds to provide shade on streambanks, and create riffles and deeper pools in the stream channels themselves. It all helps to create better trout habitat and keep the water cooler, increasing the survival of the fish.

So far, the effort has proven successful, according to DNR fisheries specialist Dan Schermerhorn, with the International Falls area office. Schermerhorn said electrofishing surveys conducted in recent years have shown that the stocked trout are carrying over, particularly in the Ash and Lost rivers. There's now evidence of some natural reproduction in the Lost River, although Schermerhorn said it's not clear that it would be sufficient to sustain the population with significant fishing pressure. The appearance of trout in the Ash River appears to be related to the stocking in Kinmount Creek, a tributary to the Ash River. While they found little sign of brookies

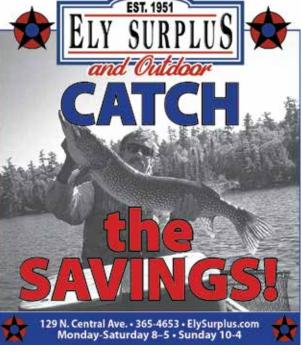
in the creek, they found plenty of their previously-stocked fish in the Ash River, including some as big as 14 inches. It's possible that the Ash River, with its larger flow, has more deep pools that can provide a refuge for brook trout during warm

Peterson said it's unclear if the fish will successfully reproduce on their own, but he said the brook trout should be close to the age and size when they're likely to start trying.

If the brook trout can survive, there's certainly hope for the brown

"We're pretty optimistic," said Schermerhorn, who said the streams are now scheduled for annual stocking given the recent success. "Hopefully we'll get a pretty decent trout fishery," he said.

That's the kind of outcome that Brzoznowski was hoping to see when he started advocating for the trout restoration. "I enjoy watching folks come here to fish again," he said. "And I fish here again, too," he added.





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A special thank you to Amici's Event Center, Insula Restaurant, Ely Northland Market, Zup's Food Market and the Ely Echo for playing a significant role in the success of our auction.

PUBLIC NOTICES

signed off on the Waiver

GREENWOOD TOWNSHIP REQUEST FOR **SEALED QUOTES FOR** LAWN MOWING AT **GREENWOOD TOWN** HALL COMPLEX, **2018 SEASON**

The Greenwood Township Board is accepted sealed quotes for the lawn mowing at the Town Hall for the 2018 state the cost of mowing all areas of the Town Hall complex at 3000 Hwy. 77, Tower,

The contractor must provide a certificate of insurance as to general liability insurance coverage. Successful quotes must carry equipment and general liability insurance for no less that \$1,000,000.00 for personal injury and property damage. Sealed quotes will be accepted until 1:00 p.m., June 8, 2018.

Sealed quotes are to be sent or delivered by June 8, 2018. to Sue Drobac, Greenwood Township Clerk, 3000 Hwy. 77, Tower, MN 55790.

The township reserves the right to reject any or all quotes, to waive any irregularities, and to accept any quote deemed most advantageous to the Township.

Sue Drobac, Town Clerk

Published in the Timberjay May 25 & June 1, 2018

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S EXECUTION SALE OF REAL PROPERTY Under and by virtue of an

Execution issued out of and under the seal of the of Minnesota, in and for the Fourth Judicial District and County of Hennepin.

On the 5th day of October, 2015, upon a judgment rendered and docketed in said Court and said County in an action therein, between e5 Solutions Group LLC; Peter Wolf; George James Ryan; Joseph Lincoln; Troy Baak, Plaintiff/ Judgment Creditor; and Kurt Grotenhuis, Defendant/ Judgment Debtor, in favor of said Plaintiff/Judgment Creditor and against said Defendant/Judgment Debtor, Kurt Grotenhuis, for the sum of Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Sixty and 48/100 Dollars (\$350,060.48), as appears by the judgment roll filed in the Office of the Clerk of said District Court for said

County. Said judgment was docketed in the Hennepin County District Court on the 15th day of December, 2015, at 8:34 a.m., and was subsequently docketed in the St. Louis County District Court on January 19, 2016 at 1:44:16 p.m. sum of Four Hundred Forty Thousand Two Hundred Sixteen and 13/100 Dollars (\$440,216.13) is now actually due thereon with interest of \$95.91 per diem, increased costs and for all Sheriff's fees, costs and disbursesale, additional cost may be incurred and added.

Which said Execution has to the Sheriff of St. Louis County been duly directed and delivered, said Sheriff has levied upon and will set at public auction to the highest cash bidder, in the lobby of said Sheriff's main office, 100 North Fifth Avenue West, Room 103, in the City of Duluth, Minnesota 55802, in St. Louis County on the 5th day of July, 2018 at 10:00 o'clock a.m. the fee simple interest that the above named Defendant/Judgment Debtor had in and to the real property, commonly known as 1147 Ring Rock Road, Ely, Minnesota, and hereinafter legally described on the 19th day of January, 2016, that being the date of rendition of said judgment or any interest therein which said Defendant/Judgment Debtor Kurt Grotenhuis has since that day acquired the legal description of the real property being as follows, to wit:

Lot Ten (10), Block One (1), Ring Rock, St. Louis County, Minnesota

according to the plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Registrar of Titles in and for St. Louis

The real property is encum-

bered by a mortgage exeand Mary Grotenhuis, husband and wife, as mortgagors, to Wells Fargo Bank, dated October 31, 2011. filed November 8, 2011. as Document No. 906873.

Sheriff, St. Louis County Dated: May 14, 2018 By: /s/ Sgt. C M Nylund Deputy Sheriff (Signature) Sgt. C M Hylund Deputy Sheriff (Printed)

Ross Litman

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MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 707 Nett Lake, Minnesota 55772-8122

REGULAR MEETING February 12, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT: Brandon Benner - Chairman Marilyn Geshick. Vice-Chairman Karlene Chosa, Clerk Jane Villebrun, Treasurer Beverly Steel, Director Tara Geshick, Director

ALSO PRESENT: Jim Varichak, Supt./Prin. Christine Hampson. Business Mngr. Whiteman,

regular meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 707 to order at 8:10 a.m. 18-086 Motion was made

Chairman Benner called the

by M. Geshick and seconded by Villebrun to approve the agenda, with addition of adding Boiler Repair on the Boiler Pump at the Nett Lake Clinic to the Action Agenda. MOTION CARRIED 6-0-0

18-087 Motion was made by M. Geshick and seconded by T. Geshick to approve the January 8, 2018 regular meeting minutes. CARRIED MOTION

18-088 Motion was made by M. Geshick and seconded by Villebrun to approve the bills in the amount of \$52,602.81 MOTION CARRIED 6-0-0

18-089 Motion was made by T. Geshick and seconded by M. Geshick to approve the January 31, 2018 Financial Report. MOTION CARRIED

Superintendent report was

given: The school celebrated Paraprofessional week. The staff pitched in money to buy a meat/cheese tray for the paras. The teachers took over their lunch hour. the paras were able to enjoy their lunch hour. I attended the State of Band at Fortune Bay, was well attended. Michelle Long, Tribal Dental Hygienist came in and did presentation to each class on dental hygiene. Went to a Collaboration meeting with Tribal Council at Fortune Bay, on ideas for Impact Aide. Cathy Chavers

for Impact Aide, the needs were met. Mike Connor and Rachel Graff came in and did Aide to the teachers. We had our Book Fair, and also had an event last Thursday called Breakfast Books. Parents came in and had breakfast/ toured the Book Fair with their child. 5th/6th grade went on a field trip to the Heritage Center last Friday Vince Shute staff will come up to Nett Lake to have a presentation on Bear Safety on Thursday, Feb 15th, at 10:00 a.m.

Technolgy Report was

Discussion on the Invitation for the 38th Annual Reception Honoring Officials Legislators of the State of Minnesota. Mr. Varichack will look at his calander to see if he available to attend this

18-090 Motion was made

by Steel and second-

ed by Villebrun to hire Lisa Squires as Part-Time Paraprofessional effective February 5, 2018, at \$11.50 an hour. MOTION CARRIED 18-091 Motion was made

by Steel and seconded by T. Geshick to approve the Consent Agenda. MOTION CARRIED 6-0-0

18-092 Motion was made

Steel and seconded by Chosa to approve the FY 2019 Impact Aide MOTION CARRIED 6-0-0

following

Members were appointed to the Personnel Committee: Marilyn Geshick, Villebrun, and Beverly Steel.

18-093 Motion was made by Chosa and seconded by M. Geshick to approve repairs on the Clinic Boiler System. The cost is yet to be deter-MOTION CARRIED 6-0-0

Discussion on Emergency

Grant update. Not sure of the outcome on the grant because of the Federal Shut Down. Still hoping on getting the grant, should know by the end of February.

Discussion on Staffing Needs for the 2018-9 School Year. Possibly 3 retirements.

At 9:16 a.m., the Board Meeting went into Closed Session regarding Teacher Negotiations.

t 9:46 a.m., Superintendent Varichak made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

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MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 707 Nett Lake, Minnesota 55772-8122 REGULAR MEETING

March 12, 2018 MEMBERS PRESENT:

Brandon Benner - Chairman Marilyn Geshick, Vice-Chairman Karlene Chosa, Clerk Jane Villebrun, Treasurer Beverly Steel, Director

ALSO PRESENT: Jim Varichak, Supt./Prin. Christine Hampson, Business Mngr. Whiteman, Corinne

Tara Geshick, Director

Chairman Benner called the regular meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 707 to order at 8:25 a.m.

The Board Meeting went into

for the purpose of discipline. The regular meeting resumed

18-094 Motion was made by M. Geshick and seconded by Villebrun to approve the agenda, with addition of adding action # 6 Terminate Ken Villebrun effective March 12, 2018, adding action # 7 Terminate David Villebrun, Jr. effective March 12, 2018, adding action # 8 Post Custodian position at 40 hours a week, and add Post a Part-Time Custodian position at 30 hours a week. Adding State Boys Basketball Tournament, as a discussion item. MOTION CARRIED 6-0-0

by Steel and seconded by Villebrun to approve the February 12, 2018 regular meeting minutes.MOTION CARRIED 6-0-0 18-096 Motion was made by

18-095 Motion was made

Chosa and seconded by M. Geshick to approve the bills in the amount of \$39,112.57 (list attached). MOTION CARRIED 6-0-0

18-097 Motion was made by Villebrun and second-

ed by Steel to approve the February 28, 2018 Financial Report. MOTION CARRIED 6-0-0

Superintendent report was

given:Presentation for 4th.

5th. and 6th Grade on Nano Organisms, Dartmouth University will be visiting this week. On the 19th of this month (March). The whole school will be going on Field Trip to the Wolf Center. On April 6th, there will be a celebration, and at the celebration there will be story telling, crafts, and games. On April 12-13 there will be a Pennies for Playground, all students will collect pennies at home, help the costs for playground equipment. The MCA testing schedule was sent out. We will be preparing for the MCA's, our goal this year is to get out of a Priority School. The Boiler Pump at the Clinic has been replaced. I will be notified by March regarding the Emergency Grant. There was no Technology

Report.

Discussion on School Safety.

18-098 Motion was made by T. Geshick and seconded by Villebrun to approve the Consent Agenda, MOTION CARRIED 6-0-0

18-099 Motion was made by Chosa and seconded by T. Geshick to accept the Letter of Resignation for the purpose of Retirement, from Bonnie Anderson. Elementary Teacher effective June 1, 2018. MOTION CARRIED 6-0-0 18-100 Motion was made

by Steel and seconded by

Villebrun to approve the Letter of Resignation for the purpose of Retirement from Loretta Rankila, Elementary teacher effective June 1. 2018. MOTION CARRIED 6-0-0 18-101 Motion was made by Steel and seconded by

Chosa to accept the Letter of

Resignation for the purpose

of Retirement, from Julie Whiteman, Indian Home School Liasion/Home School Coordinator and Music Teacher effective June 8, 2018. MOTION CARRIED 6-0-0 18-102 Motion was made

Steel and seconded by Chosa to approve the Elementary Teacher Postings. MOTION CARRIED 6-0-0

18-103 Motion was made by T. Geshick and seconded

by Steel to approve the ED MN Contract. MOTION CARRIED 6-0-0

18-104 Motion was by Geshick and seconded by Chosa to terminate Kenneth

Villebrun as Head Custodian, effective March 12, 2018. MOTION CARRIED 6-0-0

18-105 Motion was made by Chosa and seconded by T. Geshick to terminate David Villebrun, Jr. as Part-Time Custodian effective March 12, 2018. MOTION CARRIED 6-0-0

18-106 Motion was made by T. Geshick and seconded by Steel to approve a 40 hour per week and a 30 hour per a week, Custodial positions. MOTION CARRIED 6-0-0

Superintendent Varichak will ask for a proposal from At-will employees.

Discusssion:

Maple Sugar Camp: Gene Goodsky, Harvey Thompson, Karen Drift will all help out with Maple Sugar Camp. We are waiting on the weath-Regarding pow-wow, Corinne will help coordinate

State Basketball Tournament: If the Northwoods Boys Basketball team, make it to the State Tournament. Nett Lake School will offer a Fan Bus for the Championship game only, if there is more than 20 people signed up. Cost is \$5.00 a person. Published in the Timberjay,

May 25, 2018



EMPLOYMENT

FIRE CHIEF WANTED

Eagles Nest Township is accepting applications for the position of Fire Chief. For information and applications please call Town office @218-365-4573 or 218-290-1986, Applications are being accepted through June 15, 2018.

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Nett Lake School Indian Home-School Liaison/Director

The Nett Lake School is seeking applications for an Indian Home-School Liaison/Director. This is a 35 hr./wk for 42 weeks position. A complete job description and application can be found a <u>www.nettlakeschool.org</u> or you may stop by the Nett Lake School. Salary will be based on qualifications and experience.

The district will begin reviewing applications on April 20, 2018. This position will remain open until filled. tfn

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by Linda Thistle

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FIT COLORADO MAN seeks fit canoeing woman as life partner. Call Paul, 234-214-7332 email ptboof@yahoo.com.

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RUMMAGE SALE-Virginia Senior Center, 511
W Chestnut St, WednesdayFriday, June 6, 7, and 8, from 8:30am-5pm. 50-plus donations! Furniture, exercise equipment, small to plus-size clothing, lotza bric-a-brac. Something for everyone. 6/1p

ESTATE SALE- Something for everyone, guys too! West of Cook, 12583 Hwy 1, Sat/Sun, May 26-27, 9am-5pm. Don't Miss This One! 5/25p

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SUPPORT GROUPS

SUPPORT GROUP-MS meets the second Friday of the month at 1 p.m. at the Babbitt Municipal Building, senior room. Open to all. For information contact Mary at 218-827-8327.

ORR AA and AL-ANON meet Tuesdays, AA at 8 p.m. and Al-ANON at 7 p.m. Holy Cross Catholic Church, Orr.

EVENTS

The farm will be open on Memorial Day 10-4! Half price for all veterans. Free hotdogs chips and a drink 11:00 to 1:00 or while supplies last, www. CooksCountryConnection.com. 1953 Vermilion Dr., Cook. 218-780-8611. 5/25

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OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS-Meetings every Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Virginia.

MEETING in Fly! "New Ideas" WOMEN IN RÉCOVERY: 12 Steps. For women seeking help and hope to recover from any addiction: drugs, alcohol, food, gambling etc. Every Thursday noon at St. Anthony's Catholic Church. Come join us! Q: 218-235-3581.

CO-DEPENDENTS MEETING- Fridays at noon-St. Anthony's Church Classroom 3-Use west side entrance. For more information go to coda. org on the web.

AL-ANON FAMILY GROUP-Are you troubled by some-one's drinking? Al-Anon Family Group is a community-based mutual support program for the friends and families of alcoholics. It is confidential and open to anyone affected by someone else's drinking. Hope Lutheran Church in Embarrass hosts an Al-Anon group on Monday evenings at 6 p.m. 218-984-2037.

AΑ OPEN MEETING-Thursdays at 7 p.m. at Presbyterian Woodland Church, Acacia Blvd Central Drive in Babbitt. Blvd. and

BABBITT AL-ANON- meets Thursdays at 7 p.m. at the Babbitt Assembly of God

VIRGINIA AA WOMEN'S MEETING- Ladies by the Lake. Tuesdays at 12 noon. Peace United Methodist Church, 303 S 9th Ave, please use side door

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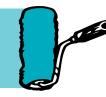
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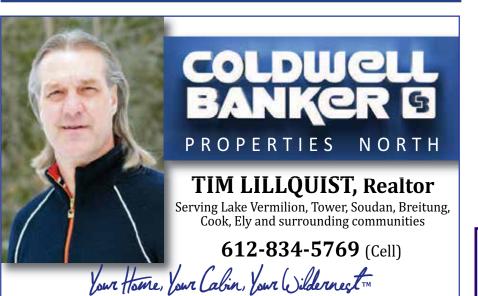
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