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ELECTION 2018

Michelle Lee doesn't sound like a politician

by MARSHALL HELMBERGER
Managing Editor

REGIONAL — Michelle Lee admits she doesn't have political experience. And she doesn't have the most money or the most political endorsements of the five candidates currently vying for the DFL endorsement in the Eighth District.

But she does have a secret weapon in an era when most voters aren't looking for more of the same: Michelle Lee doesn't sound like a politician.

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Michelle Lee

Rep. Metsa touts 'Northern New Deal' for Eighth District

by MARSHALL HELMBERGER
Managing Editor

REGIONAL — State Rep. Jason Metsa is harkening back almost a century to make his case for a government that works for, rather than against, average Americans. The three-term legislator from Virginia is touting his "Northern New Deal" as he makes the rounds of the Eighth District ahead of the Aug. 14 primary in his bid for the DFL nomination to replace Congressman Rick Nolan.

"For way too long, government has been serving the big corporations, and leaving working people to fend for themselves," he said. "In the last 40 years, the average CEO pay has gone

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Jason Metsa

A night at the opera

'The Barber of Seville' cuts up Ely audience

by KEITH VANDERVORT
Ely Editor

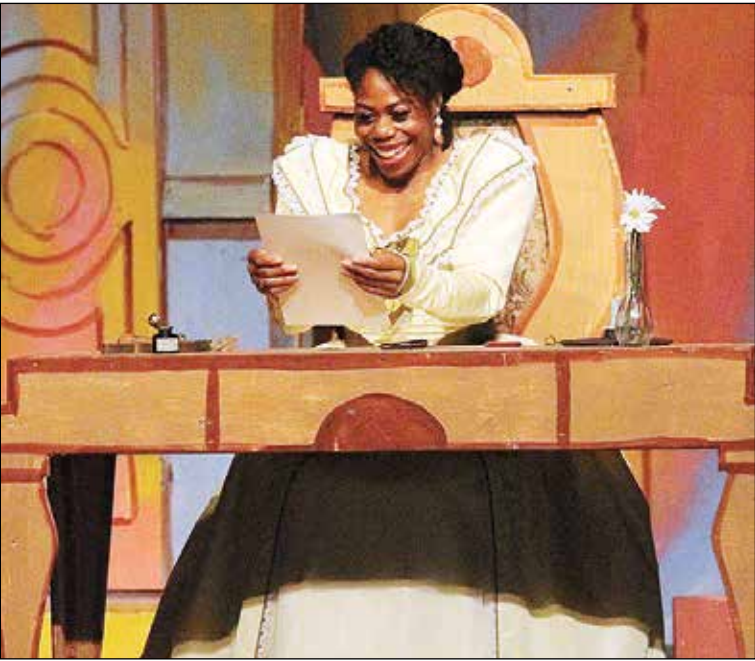
ELY- The Northern Lights Music Festival Opera presented "The Barber of Seville" Monday night at the Washington School Auditorium.

The popular and well-known comic opera was also presented

in Aurora and Chisholm last weekend as the music festival closed its 15th anniversary season.

Conductor Gavriel Heine is the music director for the Northern Lights Festival Opera. He is currently a resident conductor at the Marinsky Theatre in St.

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'The Barber of Seville' main characters include Figaro, above, and Rosina, right. The Northern Lights Music Festival conductor, Gavriel Heine, left, is shown in action in top photo at Washington Auditorium in Ely. photos by K. Vandervort



CITY OF TOWER

Tower's harbor committee conducts another illegal meeting

by MARSHALL HELMBERGER
Managing Editor

TOWER — Officials here held an illegal special meeting of the city's harbor committee on Friday, July 13, in an apparent effort to bridge an impasse with town home developers over a recent city demand for a letter

of credit from the developers to cover the cost of road and utility construction to the site in case the project fails to move forward.

The *Timberjay* has learned that the full harbor committee, comprised of Steve Altenburg, City Clerk-Treasurer Linda Keith, and Mayor Josh Carlson, was present for the meeting.

SEH consultants and the principal developers were also in attendance, either in person or via teleconference.

Under the state's Open Meeting Law, the city was required to provide advanced notice of the meeting to the public and the media, but failed to do so, which makes holding

the meeting a violation of state law.

Under Minn. Stat. 13D.04, governmental bodies in Minnesota are required to provide three-days-notice of special meetings when an individual or media requests such notice in writing. The city is also required to post such meetings

at city hall at least three days in advance, but no such posting was apparent as of the day before.

The *Timberjay* has provided a written request to the city of Tower for notice of special meetings of several city committees, including the harbor committee.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS AND NOTICES

Supper on the Farm on Thursday, July 26 at Cook's Country Connection

COOK- Bringing city and country folks together to learn about farms and food is the purpose of a "free to the public event sponsored by the Arrowhead Regional Farm Bureau. Supper on the Farm is being held at Cook's Country Connection on Thursday, July 26 from 5-8 p.m.

Almost all of our food comes from farms. Knowing where it comes from and how it is produced is important to consumers. This event invites non-farm families to the farm to meet farmers. Producers from the Hibbing Farmers Market will be on hand to talk about what they produce and answer questions about why it is important to buy locally produced food.

There will be free food, entertainment, barnyard tours, horse drawn wagon rides and children's activities. No dogs, please.

Cook's Country Connection is located at 1953 Vermilion Drive in Cook. Questions, call 218-780-8611.

Eagles Nest Fireflies Bake Sale and Ice Cream Social on July 26

EAGLES NEST TWP- The Eagles Nest Fireflies will be having their annual Bake Sale in conjunction with the Eagles Nest Seniors Ice Cream Social on Thursday, July 26 from 7 - 8:30 p.m.

If you can help us by donating baked goods, please bring them to the Eagles Nest Town Hall between 4 and 6 p.m. on July 26. All donations will be used for the Eagles Nest Fire Department. This event is open to everyone, please come and join us. For questions, please call Barb Burns at 218-365-3621.

Trunk show and talk by quilter Katie Hennagir set for Aug. 2 in Tower

TOWER- Vermilion Dream Quilters is happy to bring Katie Hennagir, the in-house designer of Bay Window Quilt Shop in Perham, to the Tower Civic Center on Thursday, Aug. 2 at 6:30 p.m. Katie will present a Trunk Show and talk, Let's Have Fun with Fabric. She also currently designs fabric collections for Andover Fabrics and publishes her own line of quilt patterns under the company name Katie Hennagir Designs. The show is open to the public and other guilds at no charge but please consider a free will donation for school supplies.

Katie Hennagir has been crafting and sewing with fabric since she was 10 years old when her mom started Bay Window Quilt Shop in Perham. Over 20 years later, she is still an avid sewer and enjoys creating her own quilt designs. Katie Hennagir Designs is her line of originally designed quilt patterns that are available in stores nationwide. As a fabric designer for Andover Fabrics, she enjoys creating unique prints for kids of all ages. Katie's inspiration comes from her kids and the world around her. She and her husband live in the beautiful lakes country of west central Minnesota with their three kids.

The 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. Members encourage and instruct each other and share tips. Guests and visitors are welcome. For more information, please contact Corrine Hill in Tower at 218-753-4600.



Katie Hennagir

OPEN AIR PAINTING

Art show fundraiser held July 26-29

Preview gala tickets still available for evening of July 26

TOWER- A pop up art show in July will showcase original art and artists and proceeds will benefit the Lake Vermilion Cultural Center in Tower. The art will be framed oil, watercolor, and pottery. All items will be available for purchase with the artist setting the price. The location of the show will be 6412 Hwy. 169 in Tower, two blocks south of the Y Store.

The Preview Gala is on Thursday, July 26 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. on the grass and under a tent. The gala will include Chef Rozy, from Kunnari's, crafting unique appetizers to go with beer and wine. Tickets for the Gala Preview will be \$25 per person or



\$35 at the door. Tickets are available in advance at artonthelake.eventbrite.com.

On July 27-29 from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., art will be available to view and purchase for the general public free of charge. A Plein Air

Demo (artist painting in the open air) will be conducted by artist Marie Miller on both Friday and Saturday at 2 p.m. Questions, contact Julie Baxley at JMbaxley12@gmail.com or call 706-581-3584.

BABBITT

Wizard of Oz on stage July 27 at NER

BABBITT- Mark your calendars for 6 p.m. on Friday, July 27, the Wizard of Oz will be performed at the George E. Moe Auditorium at Northeast Range High School. This is the second production of the summer from the Camp Broadway crew. Following on the heels of the highly entertaining Camp Broadway production, "A Little Bit of Magic," local acting/music students have been rehearsing hard to bring you this fresh new production of the Wizard of Oz, the familiar story based on the novel by L. Frank Baum. The cast will be singing some of your old favorites from the show as well as some new songs as they tell the timeless story of Dorothy's struggles and adventures in the Merry Old Land of Oz. The cast for this show consists of Hanna Littler, Grace Erickson, Amelia Pluth, Karissa VanVickle, Ruby Milton, Hailey Lindquist, Shane Geiger, Cassie Grotberg, Tuuli Koivisto, Zoey Cameron, Ronan Littler, Drew Rouse, Alison Poppler, Ashton Mattison, and Coral Mattison, and is directed by Crystal Poppler and Michael Rouse. Please join us for an evening of fun and music at 6 p.m. on July 27.



Old Time Fiddle Championships set for Saturday, Aug. 4

MT IRON- The Minnesota State Old Time Fiddle Championships are in their seventh year at Mt. Iron's Merritt Elementary and will take place on Saturday, Aug. 4. This tradition is continued from the competition that started 37 years ago in Cotton.

The contest is open to all U.S. and Canadian fiddlers as well as all other stringed instrumentalists. Our championship division is certified by the National Old Time

Fiddlers Association, so our State Champion will qualify to compete at the National Old Time Fiddle Championships at Weiser, Idaho. We have cash and prizes for the top four fiddlers in five different age divisions. The Non-Fiddle and Twin Fiddle divisions are open to all ages. Registration information and contest rules can be found on our website, mesabisymphonyorchestra.org. Contestants must check in between 10:30 a.m. and noon on Aug. 4. The preliminary round starts at 1 p.m., and the final round starts at 6:30 p.m. Both rounds are open to the public for a modest fee.

Three past state champions will be in attendance

Eli Bissonett is one of this year's judges and will also be performing.



this year, adding an extra competitive edge.

Our judges are Alita Weisgerber, Eli Bissonett and Gilmore Lee, who will also be performing at each show. For contestants who don't bring their own accompanist, Tom Weisgerber will be on guitar.

These activities are made possible in part by

the voters of Minnesota through a grant from the Arrowhead Regional Arts Council, thanks to appropriations from the Minnesota State Legislature's general and arts and cultural heritage funds, and in part by Natural Harvest Co-op's Change Within Reach.



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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Snafu puts Lamppa lease back on city agenda

City had failed to update the lease to incorporate changes sought by company

by MARSHALL HELMBERGER
Managing Editor

TOWER— A planned lease signing for the new Lamppa Manufacturing building in the city’s industrial park provided a bit more drama than observers had expected last Friday when Lamppa officials declined to sign a lease that failed to include changes they had requested months ago.

The lease signing had been arranged as a celebratory bit of publicity for the city project, which was set to begin construction as early as this week. Half of the 9,000 square-foot facility will house the expansion of Lamppa’s stove and

wood furnace fabricating operation.

Representatives from the city and Lamppa Manufacturing sat down back in March to review the specifics of a ten-year lease for its portion of the facility. The company had requested two changes to the proposed draft, including a minor adjustment to the timing of step increases in the monthly lease rate as well as an emergency escape clause in the event of a major change in the market or new government regulations that could force the company out of business. But those changes had apparently never been made and the city had never provided the company a copy of the final lease ahead of the planned signing.

Neither of the changes appear to be deal-stoppers, and the city hastily called special meetings of TEDA and the city council for Thursday, after the Timberjay’s Wednesday deadline, presumably to approve the requested changes.

When company owner Daryl Lamppa and general manager Dale Horihan arrived for the scheduled signing last Thursday, they quickly reviewed the lease at city hall, which is when they realized the changes had never been incorporated into the final document. It was then that Horihan recommended that company owner Daryl Lamppa hold off on signing the lease.

DEVELOPMENT DELAYS

City misses another EQB deadline on RV park

by MARSHALL HELMBERGER
Managing Editor

TOWER— City officials here have missed yet another deadline for completion of the environmental assessment worksheet, or EAW, on a proposed RV park along the East Two River.

The delay comes after the city held a special meeting of its planning and zoning commission on July 9 and took action to approve the final EAW at its city council meeting later that evening in order to meet a deadline for submission to the state’s Environmental Quality Board for publication in the agency’s July 16 EQB Monitor. EQB officials had granted the city an extra day or two last week to finalize its submission in time.

Yet more than a week after those meetings, state officials have yet to receive anything from the city of Tower, and the agency issued its July 16 Monitor without the required publication by the city of Tower. And as of Wednesday this

week, the EQB had still not received anything from the city.

As it is, the July 9 approval by the city council came more than two months past a deadline set in state law. Those rules give local units of government 30 days from the completion of an environmental assessment worksheet to determine if the document is adequate and whether or not a more detailed Environmental Impact Statement is required. An EIS is typically limited to major projects, such as mines or other very large developments that could impact hundreds or thousands of acres, so there was little likelihood that an EIS would be required for Rose’s project, which involves 20 RV sites on about 4.5 acres. On July 9, the city council voted to accept the EAW as adequate, with no further study required, but the process is not complete until the determination and its justification is published by the EQB.

Under state rules, the city had until May 4 to make that decision, although it could have requested

a 30-day extension. The city did not make such a request, which would have extended the deadline to June 3.

The ongoing delay has become a growing frustration for the RV park developer, Dave Rose, who has been in frequent contact with the EQB in recent weeks hoping to get the process wrapped up so he can move on with his conditional use permit request. Rose noted that he already has spent nearly a year-and-a-half, and more than \$15,000 on his EAW, without a clear sense of when he’ll be able to take the next step.

“This is killing me,” said Rose.

Among the expenses was a \$7,500 check that Rose paid in escrow to the city of Tower to cover the cost of a review of his 60-page document by the city’s engineering firm, SEH. Rose has complained repeatedly that he has never received an accounting of how much time SEH has spent on the review or how much money might be remaining.

LAW ENFORCEMENT

Yernaticch jailed on new drug charges

by MARSHALL HELMBERGER
Managing Editor

VERMILION LAKE TWP— A 49-year-old resident here is in the St. Louis County Jail after his arrest for possession and sale of methamphetamines on July 10.

Robert James Yernaticch was remanded to county custody, with no bail, following his arraignment in a St. Louis County courtroom on July 12. Yernaticch was taken into custody by members of the Lake Superior Drug and Violent Crimes Task Force after they executed a search warrant at the Black Bear Café, where Yernaticch

works. Yernaticch’s late parents were the longtime operators of the café, and he has been involved in the operation of the restaurant since their deaths.

According to a statement issued by the St. Louis County Sheriff’s Office, law enforcement officers recovered 128 grams of meth and a large amount of cash during their search. In addition to the methamphetamine charge, Yernaticch is facing charges of possession of ammunition and a stun gun by a convicted felon.

Yernaticch was previously convicted on felony drug charges in 2015, 2013, and 2007.



Robert Yernaticch

Briefly

McDonald gets backing of Steelworkers

REGIONAL- The United Steelworkers Local 1938 announced its endorsement of Paul McDonald in the Fourth District County Commissioner election.

McDonald has been a union/community activist throughout his 29 years in Ely. He has held numerous positions with the Minnesota State College Faculty union during his teaching tenure at Vermilion Community College.

“Paul McDonald knows the importance of dedication, service, and integrity and stands with working people,” said Local 1938 president John Arbogast.

Correction

A statement attributed to ISD 696 School Board Chair Ray Marsnik in the July 13, 2018 issue of the *Timberjay* regarding the cost of the heating system at Ely Schools should have read \$2.8 million, and not \$100 million. The *Timberjay* strives to relay factual information and regrets the error.



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OPINION

“CONGRESS SHALL MAKE NO LAW...
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Editorial Plenty of Pawlenty

A former governor with an abysmal record seeks an encore. Voters should say, “No thanks.”

Enacting massive funding cuts to Minnesota’s schools and local government. Denying affordable health care access to hundreds of thousands of the state’s working class residents. Refusing hundreds of millions of dollars in federal transportation funding that could have improved Minnesota’s infrastructure. Pitiful economic growth and job creation. Leaving office with a \$6.2 billion budget deficit.

As GOP primary voters in our region go to the polls in just over three weeks, they would do well to remember the eight years that gubernatorial candidate Tim Pawlenty already spent in the Governor’s Mansion.

They were among the worst years in Minnesota since the Great Depression.

Pawlenty ran on a pledge of “no new taxes,” but his policies prompted record jumps in property taxes statewide, hitting Main Street businesses and small-town homeowners especially hard. By no new taxes, of course, he meant no new taxes on the wealthy. The rest of us paid through higher health care costs, skyrocketing public college tuition, new and higher fees on just about everything, and those higher property taxes.

Pawlenty argued that his tax and spending cuts would reinvigorate Minnesota’s economy and create thousands of new jobs. That’s always the promise made by proponents of supply-side economics, and time after time, such promises are exposed as hollow. As hollow as a Trojan Horse, in the infamous words of former Reagan budget director David Stockman.

Rather than being remembered for “no new taxes,” Pawlenty should be remembered as the “no new jobs” governor. Pawlenty presided over the worst job growth in Minnesota in more than 70 years. As then-state Rep. Tom Rukavina put it back in 2011 in a letter to the editor of this newspaper, in eight years under Pawlenty, Minnesota generated just 1,201 jobs.

“In the exact same time period that Pawlenty was governor of this state, there were about three million jobs created in the entire United States economy,” Rukavina continued. “Minnesota is about two percent of the population and GDP of the United

States. Had Minnesota realized its share of the three million new jobs created in this country during Pawlenty’s eight years in office there would have been 60,000 new jobs for Minnesota. Instead, we got only 1,201. Pawlenty’s no new tax pledge left us not only a massive \$6.2 billion budget deficit, but he also is leaving a 59,000-person job deficit. That will very likely be the most painful cost of Pawlenty’s legacy.”

Rukavina had it right. We will give Mr. Pawlenty credit for supporting the creation of the new state park on Lake Vermilion, but his position on the park was a marked exception to his usual aversion to public investment for the common good.

In most other ways, Mr. Pawlenty governed mostly with an eye towards his eventual presidential bid, as he abandoned some of his more sensible policies, such as support for a renewable energy standard and carbon cap-and-trade, to placate big Republican donors and a climate-change-denying GOP base.

Pawlenty’s about-face on the merits of Donald Trump is just another in a series of examples of the former governor’s willingness to shamelessly pander. While Mr. Pawlenty is personally affable, it remains unclear whether he maintains actual principles or beliefs.

After his 2012 presidential bid foundered, Pawlenty left Minnesota for a job as the chief pitchman for Wall Street’s largest and most powerful banks and financial institutions. From there, among other things, he’s sought to weaken the regulations put in place in 2009 to head off another financial collapse and to undermine consumer protections against the often-predatory practices of large banks.

Most DFLers seem eager for Pawlenty to win the Aug. 14 primary. He certainly would make an inviting target, much more so than Jeff Johnson, a relatively little-known Hennepin County Commissioner. With an abysmal record as governor, followed by five years at the beck and call of the fat cat bankers, Pawlenty would seem to be the GOP’s worst possible pick in a populist state like Minnesota.

GOP voters might want to keep that in mind as they head to the polls on Aug. 14.



Letters from Readers

A naysayer responds

In response to Mike Ralston’s letter to the editor titled, “Naysayers fuel the fight in Greenwood,” my assertions on how the Greenwood Township Board of Supervisors acted on this grievance have been based on the clearly stated facts in the June 22 issue of the *Timberjay*, in the audio recording of the grievance hearing on this matter, and in the Greenwood Township Attorney’s memo on this issue. All of this information leads to one simple question: Why, after such a complete and thorough recommendation by the Township Attorney, would any Supervisor vote against the Attorney’s explicit advice?

I regret the fact I’m going to quell Chair Ralston’s amusement of my absence at the grievance hearing, but recordings of all Greenwood Board meetings are done by both the Township and citizens in attendance of said meetings. Writing articles using audio recordings is simple, truthful, and is a practice used by citizens and print media both locally and worldwide.

Mr. Ralston has labeled us as “naysayers,” and at this point, I would like to give Mr. Ralston a brief, yet incomplete, history lesson on what the “naysayers” have accomplished in Greenwood Township.

The “naysayers” are the ones who uncovered the overblown reserves and levies of Greenwood Township and successfully fought to see them reduced; thus, lowering taxes for residents.

“Naysayers” worked diligently until Greenwood Planning and Zoning was moved to St. Louis County control.

“Naysayers” saved the tennis court.

“Naysayers” brought the Township into IRS compliance.

The “naysayers” are the only ones who sat at Carmen DeLuca’s table stuffing envelopes for his campaign for Supervisor.

Finally, I learned long ago that name calling is a form of intimidation and was addressed millennia ago by Socrates in his famous quote. “When the debate is lost, slander becomes the tool of the loser.”

JoAnn Bassing
Greenwood Township

Mettler would work tirelessly as a county commissioner

I have known Bernie Mettler for 26 years. I have known Mettler to be very honest and hard working. He has served the people of the Fourth District with the upmost integrity. While serving the communities of the Fourth District Mettler proved himself to be a valuable public servant. He proved his leadership abilities as a Patrol Sergeant for the Sheriff Department. He was responsible for managing and scheduling as the sergeant in Aurora. Bernie has always taken an interest in the communities he served. In Mettler’s 25 years with the county he has worked virtually all areas of the Fourth District. He knows the people, the area, and the issues. I know Mettler would be a full-time county commissioner and work tirelessly for the people of the Fourth District and the county as a whole.

I fully endorse Bernie Mettler for county commissioner in the Fourth District and I ask my friends to do the same. The primary is Tuesday, August 14, please remember to VOTE!

David Akerson
St. Louis County
Deputy Sheriff (retired)

Sandinistas have improved life for Nicaraguans

Today most Nicaraguans celebrate another anniversary of the July 19, 1979 triumph of the Sandinista Revolution over the tyranny of the US supported Somoza dictatorship. Nicaragua today is free of this pariah and has made great strides in democracy, education and health care for the poor and an improvement in the standard of living for everyone.

The U.S. government does not appreciate this as it interferes with the flow of profits to the wealthy in the U.S. The U.S. tried to get rid of the Sandinistas in the 1980’s by arming, funding, and training the Contra which succeeded in killing 70,000 Nicaraguans (mostly civilians as is normal in war) but did not succeed in

defeating the Sandinistas. As in Venezuela, the U.S. continues to try to destroy the revolution and funds the often violent opposition through the U.S. National Endowment for Democracy (George Orwell would get a kick out of that one), the U.S. AID, and the Organization of American States (U.S.-controlled).

Lately the U.S. has stepped up its war against the people of Nicaragua, trying to bring down the government. There has been some destruction and death because of what the U.S. is doing and they are trying to blame this chaos on the Sandinista government.

The U.S. media would have us believe that this is so but it isn’t. The U.S. media generally supports U.S. foreign policy.

That’s why the Palestinians are painted as the bad guys and Israel the victim, why Americans know almost nothing about the terrible cholera epidemic and famine in Yemen caused by the U.S. arming of Saudi Arabia and using these weapons against Yemen, and historically why the U.S. has killed millions in wars across the world, such as in Iraq, Afghanistan, Vietnam, Panama, Grenada, etc., etc.

Anyways, let’s congratulate the people of Nicaragua for their anniversary of the Sandinista victory. They have not only vastly improved the lives of common Nicaraguans but have been an inspiration to the world.

Steve Johnson
Ely

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The *Timberjay* encourages letters to the editor. You can submit letters by mail at PO Box 636, Tower, MN 55790, or email letters to marshall@timberjay.com.

We ask that letters be limited to 300 words.

Letters are subject to editing, primarily for length and clarity.

DFL candidates show they’re ready to be bold

While some Democratic leaders in Washington still haven’t learned the lessons of the 2016 election, there are hopeful signs across the country that the next generation of party leadership is ready to begin the work of repairing the social contract between the



MARSHALL HELMSBERGER

American people and the government that is supposed to represent them.

We’re seeing it right here in the Eighth District, where all of the candidates for the DFL nomination to replace Rick Nolan are espousing policies that could, once again, allow every-

one the opportunity to reach their full potential, without the fear and limitations currently imposed on so many people by high healthcare costs, student debt, and the day-to-day fight for basic survival.

State Rep. Jason Metsa has dubbed his proposals a Northern New Deal, but whatever term candidates are applying to these policies, they are designed to make life better for the vast majority of us. They include

universal healthcare, such as Medicare-for-all, along with free or debt-free four-year public college or university tuition, and investments in critical infrastructure, particularly broadband.

They also include a focus on training and retraining, with the understanding that the world of work is rapidly changing and that Americans are going to need to improve their knowledge base and their skills throughout their working lives.

Such policies are a sharp turn back to the party’s New Deal roots, with the appropriate updates for the economy of the 21st century.

It’s a recognition that, as a country, America can only succeed when Americans themselves succeed. And we’ve done a poor job over the past forty years of making that possible. When parents are forced to

Letters from Readers

Mining with renewable energy is a great idea

I was surprised and pleased to read that Antofagasta has announced it will be the first mine to use 100-percent renewable energy. The Minera Zaldivar copper mine (in Chile) will be powered “with clean energy reducing the emissions of gases that cause climate change.” The renewable sources of hydro, solar and wind (when fully operational, in 2020) “will replace emissions equivalent to 350,000 tons per year of greenhouse gases, equivalent to about 87,000 vehicles per year.” Mining engineer Robert Colombo praises Antofagasta by pointing out that “they are doing it because they want to and not because they have to.”

This announcement is good news indeed for our planet! While I am greatly

concerned about the risks of proposed copper/nickel mining in the watershed of the BWCAW, I see global warming as a far more serious issue, because it is already causing great harm to the health and welfare of people everywhere. Thank goodness that Antofagasta recognizes that climate change is real, and that modern mining must move away from powering its operations with fossil fuels. So, if our government finally decides that copper/nickel mining in the Duluth Complex is worth the risk to clean water, then at the very least new mines should not be permitted until it can be done without burning coal, natural gas, or petroleum. The precious metals aren't going anywhere, and there is no urgency to mine them until it can be done with 100 percent renewable energy.

Elton Brown
Morse Township

Proud to call Paul McDonald a mentor, partner, and friend

I have had the privilege of knowing Paul McDonald for over 20 years, and in that time I have known him in a variety of roles that make him uniquely qualified to be our Fourth District County Commissioner.

I first met “Mac” at his summer basketball camp when I was an aspiring NBA-star in third grade. Along with thousands of other campers throughout the years, I learned the values of team work, building relationships, and always pushing myself to be better, all while learning a few basketball skills. Mac has been an educator and role model to kids and young adults his entire career.

I have also been fortunate enough to officiate both high school football and basketball games with him for the past ten

years. Whenever we see Mac in the distance talking with a coach, player, or fan at the game, we affectionately say that “he’s off running for mayor.” But that’s what he does best, and what he loves to do, connect and build relationships with people of all walks of life from different communities.

By building these relationships, Mac has time and time again earned the trust of his colleagues and those around him. He has been a union representative for his fellow educators. He has deservedly earned the endorsements of multiple labor unions. He has been trusted by parents to educate and coach their children during the formative years of their lives.

Mac has also put these relationship building skills to good use while serving on the Minnesota State High School League Board of Directors for the past four years. On the board he has been a tremendous advocate for the Iron Range and all

of greater Minnesota. He played an essential role in the reinstallation of the state consolation rounds in the Girls and Boys State Basketball Tournaments by being able to bring a coalition of diverse interests together to achieve a common goal. It was no small task, but our kids and communities have reaped the benefits.

Most importantly, Mac’s greatest quality, and what makes him the best candidate, is his devotion to family and friends. Even with all of his athletic and coaching accomplishments, he’s always first to praise and talk about his family. He has always been there to lend a helping hand whenever called upon. He has always provided sound, honest advice when asked. I’m proud to call him a mentor, partner, and friend.

Join me in voting on Aug. 14 for Paul McDonald for Fourth District County Commissioner.

Kyle Lamppa
Sandy Township

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juggle multiple jobs, the expense of childcare, and the high cost of putting food on the table, not to mention rent, mortgages, medical bills, and everything else, it’s easy to fall into the kind of hopelessness that appears rampant across wide swaths of America’s heartland.

“We’re so caught up in the day to day that we often can’t see the big picture,” said candidate Michelle Lee during a recent interview with me that turned into an engaging and hopeful discussion.

How do we fix the problem? By investing in our people. That’s what successful countries do and it’s what America used to do. That changed beginning in the 1980s and it’s been downhill ever since as the focus of our economic agenda shifted from New Deal policies that supported broad public investments, bolstered unions, and built a safety net to ensure nobody went without, to a far more ruthless form of capitalism that increasingly benefitted those at the very top at the expense of our public sector and the vast majority of Americans.

Rather than investing in our communities and our people, leaders of both parties in recent years have sat back as economic consolidation and globalization have hollowed out thousands of communities across Middle America, leaving tens of millions of Americans with few prospects. Once-robust communities are today wracked by persistent poverty, drug addiction, and lack of opportunity, particularly for the next generation.

It’s no wonder that

so many Americans have come to dislike government. The policies that our political leaders have pursued over the last 40 years have made life harder and coarser for so many of us. We have a government that would rather lock people up than invest in ways to lift them up.

Some choose to blame globalization, and there is no question that outsourcing of manufacturing employment has been a factor in the decline of the middle class in so much of the country. Yet globalization didn’t have to be the death knell for communities. It was the lack of reinvestment in these communities and the Americans who lived there that left a gaping hole in the heartland.

The policies that DFL candidates in the Eighth are espousing undoubtedly sound familiar to many of us, since they are policies that Vermont Senator Bernie Sanders advocated in 2016. Sanders’ campaign caught fire because it was the first time in decades that most Democrats heard a candidate who understood the political and economic conditions that Americans face today and offered a bold set of policies to address them.

Yet this is more than a set of policies. They represent a remaking of the social contract in a way that allows Americans to reach their full potential without the fear and uncertainty created by our current reality. Such policies allow a would-be entrepreneur to pursue their dream for a new business without having to worry how they’ll pay the high cost of health insurance while they wait for their business to

grow. Such policies would allow a single mom, who is stuck in series of part-time, dead end jobs, to obtain the training she needs to make a better life for herself and her family without fear they’ll go hungry, become homeless, or lose their access to healthcare in the process. Such policies open opportunities for rural residents to pursue careers in technology, sales, or other skilled professions, without having to leave for the big city.

Americans have no limit of talent, creativity, and entrepreneurial drive. But they need a sense that our government and our society is there to back them up as they strive for success.

None of these policies are radical. Indeed, to any American of the baby boom generation or earlier, most of these will seem very familiar because this is, by and large, an updated version of the social contract of the New Deal. America thrived under very similar policies, because the American people thrived and as a society we built the largest middle class the world had ever seen.

Sizable majorities of the American people consistently tell pollsters that they support these policies, but their voices have held little sway in the halls of Congress or the White House in recent decades, regardless of which party was in charge. Many Democrats became alienated from their own party as they watched Wall Street and other big donors increasingly set the agenda, even within their own party leadership. Hillary Clinton personified Wall Street’s capture of the

Democratic establishment and it’s no surprise that many who once reliably voted for the party’s candidates began to stray.

The good news is that there’s a new generation of Democrats, including right here at home, who have been inspired by leaders like Sanders and motivated by the horror of the Trump administration to set forth a truly bold agenda that has the potential to put more Democrats in office and, more importantly, to improve the lives of the vast majority of Americans.

At this point, I can already hear my conservative friends asking how we can pay for these kinds of investments. My answer is simple. In the long term, we pay one way or another. When we fail to invest in our people, we fail to invest in America and we suffer the consequences in higher crime, greater drug addiction, poorer health, and, most significantly, in the enormous cost of allowing millions and millions of Americans to fail to meet their full potential. By giving Americans the tools to make their lives better, we will see the economy expand and see new jobs created. That generates new tax revenue, creating the kind of virtuous cycle that can build on success. We could actually make America great again — for everyone.

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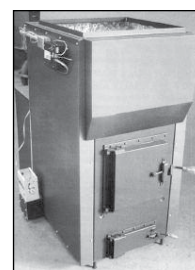
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2-5pm.....Pioneer Mine/Ely Arts & Heritage: Historic Ely Pioneer Mine Museum Open

4pm.....City Hall: Guided Walking Tour (Meet in front of city hall)

5-7pm.....Steger Mukluks: Book signing by Will Steger

5-7pm.....Whiteside Park: Ely Farmers & Art Market

6-7pm.....Whiteside Park Pavilion: City Band Concert

5-6pm.....Ely Folk School: Canoe Museum Tour

6-9pm.....Ely Folk School: Birch Bark Canoe Building (Come watch)

6-9pm.....Rockwood: Music-Washboard Road

6-10pm.....Zaveri's: Karaoke with Ely Ed

5:30-6:30pm.....Mealey's Tiki Deck: Polka/Accordion by Bernie Palcher

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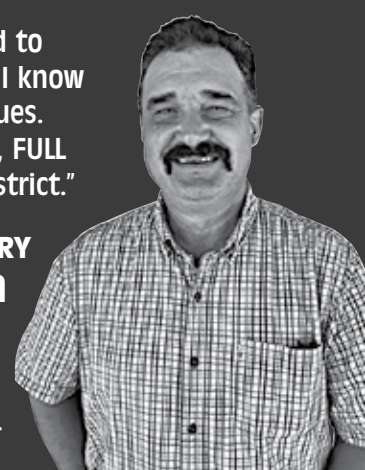
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A Night at the Movies

A movie night experience is coming to Ely!
Michael Hornblow, son of Golden-Age, Hollywood Producer Arthur Hornblow, Jr, will host a special screening of 'Singin' in the Rain'.

The movie will be followed by Q&A with Michael.
Please arrive a few minutes early to grab some popcorn and find a seat!

Please RSVP for this event by email.
abigail@savetheboundarywaters.org

Fourth of July afternoon races results

Youngsters scrambled to find the coins buried in the large pile of sawdust during the Fourth of July Sawdust Scramble held before the start of the afternoon races. photo by S. Ukkola



Winners listed in order, first, second, third, by age class	
6-Yard Dash Boys, 2-3, Tommy Erickson, Tyler Peterson, Ben Morley Girls, 2-3, Aidy Nelson, Carmen Peters, Josie Quick	Ellyn Engels, Hannah Cheney Boys, 14-15, Noah Zobitz, Ben Erban, Preston Hansen Girls, 14-15, Ava Fink, Toni Sistad, Greta Engels
10-Yard Dash Boys, 4-5, Kai Standish, Nickson Levens, Gabe Larson Girls, 4-5, Kate Starich, Abbie Taft, Phoebe Zobitz	Sack Race Boys, 7-8, Isaac Tuchel, Kooper Dostert, Jordan Peters Girls, 7-8, Summer Peters, Brecken Lee, Brea Skajewski Boys, 9-10, Caz Carlson, Kaston Clarke, Eli Heehn Girls, 9-10, Kenzie Moeckel, Channing Haycraft, Emily Majerle Boys, 11-12, Dominic Silhol, Nolan Suhtos, Bennie Bengtson Girls, 11-12, Makenna Scheller, McKinley Haycraft, Allie Fink Boys, 13-14, Noah Zobitz, Preston Hansen, Sean Majerle Girls, 13-14, Greta Engels, Naomi Peters, Ava Fink
20-Yard Dash Boys, 6-7, Carter Peterson, Quentin Lefebvre, Finn Allen Girls, 6-7, Summer Peters, Amelia Osmundson, Brea Skajewski	Backwards Race Boys, 2-3, Sawyer Skajewski, Blair Sistad, Hudson Cobby Girls, 2-3, Josie Quick, Cecelia Majerle, Zaija Schroeder Boys, 4-5, Grant Zobitz, Cooper Wright, Nickson Levens Girls, 4-5, Abbie Taft, Phoebe Zo-
50-Yard Dash Boys, 8-9, Andrew Combs, Kaston Clarke, John Engels Girls, 8-9, Maia Taft, Channing Haycraft, Sophia Silhol Boys, 10-11, Dominic Silhol, Connor Morcom, Eli Heehn Girls, 10-11, Skyler Scheller, McKinley Haycraft, Alli Fink Boys, 12-13, Sean Majerle, Nathan Pepworth, Treyden Hoheisel Girls, 12-13, Makenna Scheller,	bitz, Mila Hansen Boys, 6, Collin Zobitz Girls, 6, Bella Raj, Taya Waitalla, Bryn Svatos
	Wheelbarrow Race Boys, 7-8, Carter Peterson & Kruz Rabbers, Dominic Wright & Isaac Tuchel, Kooper & Kasson Dostert Girls, 7-8, Tyme Waitalla & Brecken Lee, Brea Skajewski & Kayla Dougherty, Bella Raj & Taya Waitalla Boys, 9-10, John Engels & Kaston Clarke, Luke Winkelaar & Caz Carlson Girls, 9-10, Mia Domiano & Kinslee Skajewski, Sophia Silhol & Maia Taft, Emily Majerle & Channing Haycraft Boys, 11-12, Jack Werner & Caleb Lefebvre, Dominic Silhol & Connor Morcom, Kaden Scheller & Chance Sandnas Girls, 11-12, Alli Fink & Kelsey Kramer, Makenna Scheller & Skyler Scheller, Maija Peterson & Abbi Lamp-pa Boys, 13-14, Nolan Svatos & Sean Majerle, Preston Hansen & Peyton Hansen, Jayden & Josh Vennemann Girls, 13-14, Ava Fink & Abby Kramer, Greta Engels & Ella Lefebvre,
	Makenna Scheller & Sam Kvistad

Adult 50-Yd Dash
Men, 15-25, Daqari Shanks, Noah Zobitz, Jacob Marshall
Women, 15-25, Madison Schmidt, Sara Kelly, Abby Reed
Men, 26 & up, Tony Lefebvre, Matt Tuchel, Mike Geisdorf
Women, 26 & up, Allie Marshall, Whitney Cobby, Pam Peterson

He/She Sack Race
Ages 15-25, Noah Zobitz & Sophia Kelly, Jordan & Jacob Marshall, Madison Schmidt & Carter Schmidt
Ages 26 & up, Allie Marshall & Charlie Reed, Linda & John Schmidt, Tim & Liz Haycraft

Water Balloon Toss
Ages 15-25, Jake & Jordan Marshall, Abby Reed & Dominic Silhol, Connor Schmidt & Chris Sanganoo
Ages 26 & up, Pam & Brent Peterson, Whitney & Ryan Cobby, Tom & Karen Reed

Race organizers apologize for any misspelled names.

Community Notices

Hoodoo Point 50th Birthday Bash

TOWER- Hoodoo Point is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. The campground invites everyone to stop by on Saturday, July 21 from 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. for hot dogs, games, and a bean bag tournament. Come and celebrate this milestone together.

Tower-Soudan Fourth of July donations

The Tower-Soudan Lake Vermilion Events Board would like to thank the following individuals and organizations for their generous donations to this year’s Fourth of July Fund:

Kathleen Paulson
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RSVP by Aug. 1 for Greenwood’s 40th Anniversary Celebration

GREENWOOD TWP- Greenwood Township will be celebrating its 40th anniversary on Saturday, Aug. 25. Everyone in Greenwood Township should receive an announcement page, hand-delivered to your home by the end of next week. Everything is free. If you are a past or present resident or a visitor, you are invited to attend.

The only catch is you must tell us by Aug. 1 that you are coming. We have to plan for the food and drink.

There will be food, drinks, music, games, a slide show, and hopefully a pamphlet on the history of the township, as well as plenty of conversation. Our first township chairman, Loren Turner, will be the keynote speaker.

The committee has received seven stories so far from different families on how their roads were named. The committee is looking for information from families: interesting stories about the families, who named the road and why, and how long they have been coming to Lake Vermilion. Photographs are also needed. Rod Lundstrom

will be setting up a slide show of pictures about Greenwood families and their times on Lake Vermilion. All photographs will be returned. All the information for the pamphlet and slide show must be turned in by July 30.

Everyone is invited to visit the new playground by the pavilion at any time. Anyone who has questions or other ideas to make the celebration better can call Pam Lundstrom at 218-753-3006. To make a reservation for the picnic, call the township clerk, Sue Drobac, at 218-753-2231.

Upcoming events at St. James Presbyterian

TOWER- Join us for two events in August.

The Annual Block Party with The Mattson Band on Friday, Aug. 10 at 6 p.m. Invite your friends and neighbors.

The Church Picnic is on Sunday, Aug. 19 at Greenwood Town Hall Park after services, about 11:30 a.m. It’s also Holy Humor Sunday, and Invite a Friend to Church Sunday.

Peterson named to Minnesota Super Lawyers list

VIRGINIA- Andrew R. Peterson with the law firm of Cope & Peterson, Ltd. in Virginia has been selected to the 2018 Minnesota Super Lawyers list. No more than five percent of the lawyers in Minnesota are selected by Super Lawyers.

Mr. Peterson represents individuals who have been injured in accidents and has successfully represented hundreds of personal injury clients in northern Minnesota. Mr. Peterson also practices in the areas of real estate law, criminal law, and business law.

Mr. Peterson is certified as a Civil Trial Law Specialist and a Real Property Law Specialist by the Minnesota State Bar Association (MSBA). In addition, the MSBA has recognized Mr. Peterson as a North Star Lawyer for providing 50 hours or more of pro bono legal services in the 2017 calendar year.

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A big thank you goes out to Maxine Hughes, Dan and Andrea Alto, and Pastor Gary Watts for helping with the Kiddie Parade and judging the children’s floats, bikes, and other entries for this year’s Fourth of July Kiddie Parade. You are the best!

Thanks again,
Pam and Rod Lundstrom

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My thanks goes out to Mary Jo Hyland, head artist; Kathy Vogh, Judy Politano, Betty and Will Irons, Arlene Berquist, Jean Seppelt, Jim Galaski, Mary Levy, Rod and Leanne Lundstrom; and our parade driver Tim Hughes. Thanks to our Township Chairman Mike Ralston and his two lovely grandchildren who rode on the float in the Fourth of July parade and gave out candy. Thanks again, Mike, for being such a good sport and partaking in the parade.

I’M TRULY PROUD OF ALL OF YOU!!!
Pam Lundstrom, 40th Greenwood Chairperson

OLD SETTLERS

Head over to McKinley Park on Saturday

BREITUNG TWP- Is this the year to start a new tradition in your family? Come by McKinley Park Campground on Saturday, July 21 and see. Old Settlers is open to anyone born or living on the Vermilion Iron Range (Tower and Ely). Booyah serving begins promptly at 12 noon, and you will want to be in line with your pot (to hold the booyah for your family) by then.

This now 104-year-old tradition includes a booyah dinner cooked up in huge iron kettles over a wood fire. About 200 gallons of the tasty meat stew is cooked overnight. No one is quite sure why this booyah is better than any other, but thoughts are that the ancient patina on the cast iron kettles lends a unique flavor when blended with the aroma from the wood smoke below.

The Old Settlers Committee and other volunteers meet the evening before the picnic to cut and chop the hundreds of pounds of potatoes, carrots, onions, celery, and cabbage that is added to the stew. The secret recipe, guarded by long-time chef Nicky Tekautz, is written out by hand on a rather crumpled piece of paper, which was given to him over 30 years ago, when he became the master booyah chef.

The booyah is dished out promptly at 12 noon, and while



the line seems long, within ten minutes the hundreds of guests have been served. If you haven't come before, you need to bring a pot, to hold your servings of the booyah, along with plates, bowls and utensils, and whatever else you want to have as part of your picnic. There is plenty of picnic table seating available, though many bring their own portable tables to set up in the grassy areas. The booyah, bread and butter, and

coffee are provided. Pop and other drinks are for sale at the McKinley Park Campground Store.

There is swimming at the campground beach, along with a playground and basketball court.

There is a brief program, and then many door prizes are awarded. Live entertainment follows the meal.

Dues are \$8 and can be paid the day of the picnic.

birth announcement



Flora Marie Siemsen

Flora Marie Siemsen was born May 23, 2018, at 1:43 p.m. She weighed nine pounds and was 21 inches long.

Parents are Ripley Siemsen and Abigail Frazee, Hermantown. Grandparents are Scott and Dawn Frazee, Lake Vermilion-Tower, and Mike and Cindy Siemsen, Hermantown. Great-Grandparents are Donald Dean, Virginia; M. Kay Dean, Cook; Lois Frazee, Tower; Emray and Linda Siemsen, Hermantown; and John and Rene Pearson, Wrenshall.

THE NEWS OF THE WEEK FROM MS. VERA MILION



If one more person asks, "Is it hot enough for you?"...I shall not be responsible for my actions!

"Is it hot enough for YOU?"

Hot or cold our solution is ALWAYS ice cream at the Soudan Store. We know there are many sources for that hand-dipped frozen dessert made with cream.

The Soudan Store even has a picnic table at the corner of Main Street and Main Street (that's what the sign says) where you can sit and enjoy EVERY lick of your cone and play the latest summer game "Back-Up Bingo!"

The game is best played on a Thursday or Friday. The primo time is

just before a major summer holiday! The Fourth was great but Labor Day lies ahead!

The backbone of the game is really people not following signs and that no one uses a map any more just the GPS... whatever that is? The huge camper with a boat or two attached confidently turns right, pauses, and then realizes this is not the site they sought.

So they back up into possibly oncoming traffic!

If they make that turn- you get one point.

If the boat jackknifes and blocks traffic from the McKinley Park, you get a point for each car, van or truck that has to stop before the tourist has completed their turn.

If a car, van or truck, lays on the horn...one more point.

If a car, van or truck tries to drive around the behemoth, two points!

If a car, van or truck, while trying to drive around the camper goes into the ditch, two points.

If the driver of a car lays on the horn and the van driver exits his van with a baseball bat and shatters the car's window and badly dents the hood and fender...we HAVE A BINGO!

You really DON'T need an official card- just sit back, enjoy your cone, watch the chaos and enjoy where we live.

We have friends that live in Edina so we decided to motor down and see what was what in the LAND OF THE GOP... we love to live on the edge Edina, we discovered, has hosta in the barriers between highway lanes.

HOSTA- I should have kept a closer eye on Hilda the Hosta Hoarder.

The phone rang at 1 p.m.!

"Is this Miss Mil-

ion? We have a prisoner here who was caught stealing. She says you will stand bail for her!"

"I'll be right there! Why was she arrested?"

"Hosta rustling!"

Hilda gives into temptation quite easily, which is why we are friends.

There she sat dressed in camo looking like Sylvester Stallone in "Rambo."

"The trunk of the car was full of hosta she had dug up! While she is NOT a first time offender we are willing to let her go in your custody if she replants the hosta."

And so we did. Dawn was breaking by the time we replaced the last of the Giboshi- Edina for hosta!

We are happy to be home, eating our SOS ice cream cones, and playing Back-Up Bingo!

Ms. Vera Milion

Passing the Family Cabin to Next Generation on July 26 and Aug. 15

TOWER- If your goal is to pass on the family cabin to the next generation, planning ahead is crucial. Together with a local attorney, Kelly Klun, from the Klun Law Office in Ely, you can determine how the cabin will best fit into the family's future. A cabin trust is just one estate planning tool that can be utilized to help maintain and pass on the family

hideaway. Learn about the specific trust provisions that could provide future instruction to your family on important issues such as taxes, maintenance, insurance, ownership and potential sale. Learn about the preparation of an estate plan and how it should be thought of as a priceless preventative tool. Learn the process of taking the next step of developing an estate plan that protects both your family and your private hideaway on Thursday, July 26, or Wednesday, Aug. 15 in the Tower Depot Coach Car at

4 p.m. You must pre-register so we can plan accordingly for class space and materials. Please call or text Leone Graf to pre-register at 218-343-3744. If no answer, please leave a

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Smoke and Suds Aug. 3 at St. Martin's

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Cost for the dinner is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children ages 5 to 12, and children under five attend free. Tickets will be on sale before and after Mass at the rectory and at Jeanne's Card Shop. Tickets will be available at the door, but we prefer pre-sales to ensure there is enough food.

For questions, call the rectory at 218-753-4310. We hope that you will join us.

Week of July 23

Monday

TOPS - Immanuel Lutheran Church, Tower, at 9 a.m.

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 August 21.

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

Breitung Town Board- 1 p.m. on July 24

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.



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noon Fridays, St.
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ing Tuesday Group
schedule is listed below.
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on Tuesday at Grand
Ely Lodge.
July 24 - Lane
Johnson/Forestry
Researcher - People,
Fire and Red Pine in the
Border Lakes Region
July 31 - Kathryn
Hoffman from MCEA
with an update on the
PolyMet mine.
Aug. 7 - Martha
Phillips/Author
"Border Country - The
Northwoods Canoe
Journals of Howard
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tion, call 218-365-5678,
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www.elycommunity-
health.org, or Facebook
page.

Breathing Out
by Cecilia Rolando © 2018



sweet joy of swimming
a quick jump in the water
heat relieving lake

BLUE HERON BED & BREAKFAST



Tiffany and Chad Davis cut a ribbon recently at a grand-opening celebra-
tion hosted by the Ely Chamber of
Commerce for the Blue Heron Bed and
Breakfast on the shores of Farm Lake
on Kawishiwi Trail. They re-opened
the facility this spring after it had been
closed for several years. The Blue
Heron is open year-round, has five
bedrooms, including two rooms that
can sleep four, private baths, a sauna,
and kayaks and canoes available for
use on the lake and into the Boundary
Waters Canoe Area Wilderness.
top photo by K. Vandervort



ELY/WINTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Tribute to Basswood resorts

ELY - Mention the name
Basswood and it is like opening the
doors to fairyland. No other word in
this area has the ability to bring back
the dreams of those who grew up
around the many resorts that dotted
its shoreline.
Now the public can revisit some
of those places as they recall the
resorts that once brought tourists to
the area in droves. Visitors can locate
the resorts on Jerry Fink's detailed
map of Basswood Lake. They can
reminisce over brochures for many
of those resorts and fishing camps,
brochures that are rare and true
treasures. The calendars of Connie
Loisel help to bring the resorts alive
again in word and picture.
Part of the display is a large fir
tree cut from plywood and painted



green. The tree and the poem printed
on it were done by Ely-born Albin
Zaverl. The tree along with the
helm wheel from the logging barge
Nakomis, makes up a part of the
display that isn't tourism related
but reminds us of the logging done
on Basswood and also of the white
pine research project run by Frank
Hubachek. That research continues
today but in Winton and through
the auspices of the University of
Minnesota.
The Ely-Winton Historical
Society's museum and office are
open Tuesday through Saturday,
noon to 4 p.m.
The EWHS reminds readers that
it is the perfect repository for those
family photos that you don't know
what to do with. They will accept
them whether or not you know who
they are.
of projects on the Superior
National Forest and make
recommendations to help
minimize impacts. Kroll
said he hopes to continue
to learn more about the
landscapes of northern
Minnesota and ways to
improve management of
sensitive environments.
The History Nights
programs are free and open
to the public.

EWHS History Night features 'Older than Dirt'

ELY-TheEly-Winton
Historical Society's next
History Night features
Jeffrey Kroll, of the U.S.
Forest Service. His pre-
sentation "Older than
Dirt," will be held on
Wednesday, July 25 at
Vermilion Community
College, beginning at 7
p.m. in CL 104.
In his youth, Jeff grew
gardens, harvested fish,
deer, berries and wild
rice from the water and
woods. Jeff's passion for
gardening and promoting
local foods is a major
part of his life with his
wife, Dawn, and two kids,
north of Virginia. Each
year they raise a garden,
chickens, and collect foods
from the woods and waters
throughout the year.
Kroll applies the
knowledge he has gained
regarding soil-land-
scape-biotic relation-
ships to help manage the
Superior National Forest
in a sustainable way. He
assists with the updates
of the Ecological land
types and Ecological land
type phases on the Super
National Forest. He is also
part of the interdisciplinary
teams to review a variety

ELY PUBLIC LIBRARY



Known throughout the
Midwest for juggling just
about anything, Sean Emery
visited the Ely Public Library
recently for a show.
photos by K. Vandervort



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Work continues this week on the major renovation project on Seventeenth Avenue between Camp Street and Miner’s Drive. According to the Ely Mayor Chuck Novak, a ribbon cutting ceremony for the new roadway, that runs adjacent to Vermilion Community College, will be held around Labor Day. The Seventh Avenue renovation project between the high school and ball fields will begin at the end of July and should be completed before school starts, he said. photo by K. Vandervort

DOROTHY MOLTER FOUNDATION

Donuts at Dorothy’s set for Sunday

ELY - The Dorothy Molter Museum will hold its annual Donuts at Dorothy’s community coffee an’ event on Sunday, July 22 from 11a.m. to 2 p.m.

Coffee an’ is a common term for a friendly gathering where coffee and doughnuts or cake are served. The Museum’s coffee an’ is an homage to the days when Dorothy would leave her coffee pot

out on the wood stove for visitors whether she was home to welcome them or not, and will include fresh doughnuts from Ely’s Plum Bun Bakery and Dorothy Molter Blend Gene Hicks Gourmet Coffee.

Refreshments will be offered until the doughnuts run out, stawff will be in cabins to answer questions, and a take-home craft activ-ity will be available for all ages. Admission will be

free all day.

The Dorothy Molter Museum preserves and interprets Northwoods wil- derness heritage through learning opportunities inspired by Dorothy Molter, the last non-indigenous resident of the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness (BWCAW).

Through Dorothy’s story, the museum aims to inspire the next generation of Northwoods stewards.

As people continue to remember Dorothy and keep her spirit alive, it is the museum’s hope that others will dedicate their lives to live as Dorothy did, in harmony with the environment, with great dignity, courage, helping humankind, and making a significant contribution toward a better world.

For more information, go to : www.rootbeerlady.com.

Dorothy Molter Museum marks 25 years



New exhibit features 25 items marking her life

ELY – It was a big day at the Dorothy Molter Museum on Sunday, June 24. That day was a celebration of both the museum’s 25th anniversary and the opening of a new exhibit titled “Creating the Boundary Waters: 25 Objects, 25 Stories.”

The new exhibit is an informational exhibit that highlights the long and often controversial process of how the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness was established as a federal wilderness. From the exhibit, visitors will learn how the process affected Dorothy, residents and visitors through a visual timeline featuring 25 collection items—and their stories—representing difference eras.

The Dorothy Molter Museum isn’t just about the last resident of the

Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness, or about the home-made root beer she bottled and sold out of her Isle of Pines cabin. The Dorothy Molter Museum tells the story of simple living, self-sufficiency, nature and the wilderness, and one thing Ely has in abundance - controversy.

The tiny museum on the east edge of town tells the lessons of Dorothy. “Perhaps the most important lesson Dorothy’s story teaches us is to never yield to adversity. Although Dorothy faced a diverse array of challenges throughout her life in the wilderness, she always stood her ground and stayed true to herself.”

A ribbon-cutting ceremony was held on June 24 to dedicate a new exhibit in the Cady Cabin.

The museum features

several buildings, including the interpretive center and gift shop, Dorothy’s Winter Cabin, the Point Cabin, an outhouse, the Cady Cabin, formerly displaying the life and times of Dorothy’s friend Bob “Jackpine” Cary and now home to the Boundary Waters 25 for 25 exhibit, Birds’ Landing at Dorothy’s, and Dorothy’s Discovery Trail.

Dorothy used broken canoe paddles left behind by visitors as fencing around her Knife Lake resort. There are many paddles, most with names added and all with stories, at the museum.

The Winter Cabin was Dorothy’s home during the winter months at the Isle of Pines. During the summer, she lived in a tent. The Point Cabin, formerly a guest cabin, houses the

“Dorothy Molter: Living in the Boundary Waters” exhibit.

New members of the museum are always welcome. There are a variety of membership levels, starting at \$10 for students, \$30 for individuals, \$50 for a family. Business, patron and lifetime memberships are additional options.

To learn about upcoming programs and other special events at the Dorothy Molter Museum, visit www.rootbeerlady.com, call the museum at 218-365-4451, or email info@rootbeerlady.com.

During the summer, the museum is open daily from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. There are optional guided tours on the hour starting at noon. Fall hours begin after Sept. 9.

Higher Education Briefs

Farley graduates from St. Scholastica

DULUTH - The College of St. Scholastica announced its list of students who completed their doctoral degrees during the Spring 2018 semester.

Ann Farley, of Ely, graduated from The College of St. Scholastica with a Doctorate of Physical Therapy.

Cook graduates from Bethel University

ST. PAUL- Natalie Cook, of Ely, graduated from Bethel University, St. Paul, Minnesota, following the Spring 2018 semester. Cook earned a Bachelor of Arts in Athletic Training. She is the daughter of Timothy and Deanne Cook.

News in Brief

EWHS receives gift from U.S. Bank

ELY - The Ely-Winton Historical Society has been the recipient of a \$500 U.S. Bank Foundation gift through their Community Possible giving platform.

This program focuses on the building blocks that make this country great: a stable job, a home of your own, and community connections through the arts, recreation, and play.

EWHS applied for this grant last winter hoping to receive funding to make it possible to purchase more mannequins. Mannequins add a dimension to displays that items and words alone lack. With this money a yearly display of military uniforms will be made more realistic and enjoyable.

Ely Clinic extends hours for students

ELY – Essentia Health is making it easier for students to get ready for school and sports by offering evening appointments for back-to-school and sports physicals. Essentia Health-Ely Clinic, 300 W. Conan St., will extend its hours from 4-7 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 1. The evening hours are by appointment and for physicals only.

“In an effort to offer a more convenient time for working families, we are excited to offer evening physicals,” says Dr. Jane Rudd, an Essentia physician. “A sports physical is one of the few times that many adolescents see a medical provider—it is an important visit that allows us to review their current health concerns.”

Dr. Rudd said sports physicals allow physicians to not only assess physical measures, but also review personal and family risk factors in general and more specific to their sport. “By doing this visit at an Essentia Health clinic, we are also able to review and update immunizations and manage any other health concerns,” she adds.

Most physicals are covered by insurance, but it’s always a good idea to check with your provider. To schedule your appointment call 218-365-7900.

St. Anthony’s Catholic Church-Ely

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Crane Lake News by the Singing Teapot Dames



If you like hot, this is your kind of weather. Highs were in the high 80s for a weekend of activities.

Just in case you are the sort who always looks to the future, the official countdown as of July 20 is that there are 103 days left until Halloween, 125 days left until Thanksgiving, 158 days until Christmas, and 165 days left until the New Year! Time flies! Someone was lamenting just the other day that the summer is nearly over; soon kids will be doing their school shopping and vacations will be added to memory books until next year.

Trump just met with Putin in Helsinki, Finland. Time will tell if anything was accomplished by their meeting. An interesting competition in Finland is the World Wife-Carrying Championship, which began as a lighthearted, fun celebration in the small town of Sonkajarvi, and has since become a world-recognized sporting competition. The competition is a modern evolution of an ages-old tradition of wife-stealing. This is a practice that was once common in villages of eastern Finland. Young men would sneak into nearby villages, steal the wife of another man, usually carrying her away on his back. The stolen wife was then forced to marry her abductor. Today, in the competition, the ladies are willing participants who happily volunteer to assist their partners in the race. The couple who finishes first receives the wife's weight in beer. This leads to the question: does one want a plumpish partner in order to get more beer? Or if the person being carried is plumpish, does that increase or decrease chances of winning?

Like many grandparents, Mike and Linda Lang have been attending baseball games. Jaden Lang and his teammates have been playing a lot of games against area teams. Parents have traded the pace of school activities for summer practices and games celebrating "America's game". Baseball is played by young and old alike and enjoyed by players and fans. It is always enjoyable, but more fun when your selected team wins!

The Art Show was the kick-off event for Voyageur Days. Patrons enjoyed viewing the work of local artists and meeting the artists. The goal of the Art Show committee is to provide a venue for local artists to display their talent and meet appreciative patrons while enjoying local facilities in a social setting.

Saturday morning featured children's events with the ever-popular piñata- the highlight of the day. Minnow races were also a big hit, and Voyageur tattoos were available for everyone.

The fish fry at the Vermilion Falls was a huge success with a delicious pan-fried walleye dinner with all the trimmings. Added entertainment was Steve Johnson playing the Nelson's Resort piano. A big thank you goes to Brenda and Jerry of Nelson's for providing Steve and the piano, and to Randy Clemmer who drove the truck and trailer with the precious cargo of the piano. Also many thank you's to the crew that fried the fish in very hot weather. It requires a lot of help to manage a fish fry of the size the crew presents. It is always rewarding to see community cooperation.

The ice cream social at Handberg's was a big hit, as it certainly is ice cream weather. July 16 is National Ice Cream Day. Wouldn't it be unpatriotic to allow a national holiday to pass without observation? Have an ice cream cone today to celebrate if you missed it.

The Crane Lake Chapel bazaar is always an attraction for tourists and locals. The Chapel Auxiliary which was formed in the late 1950 started the bazaar. Members of the auxiliary worked on projects all year long to sell at the bazaar which has been a fantastic fundraiser for the chapel.

Work is being completed on the outhouse at the Handberg Road parking lot. The new "Outhouse" will have electricity, running water and all the accommodations of a big city outhouse. This improvement is the result of a huge grant the Sewer District received. Congratulations to the Sewer Board. The flushing toilet was invented by John Harington in 1596. Joseph Bramah of Yorkshire patented the first practical water closet in 1778 in England. George Jennings in 1852 also took out a patent for the flush-out toilet. It took a few years to reach Crane Lake.

Don't forget to purchase your ticket to the Ladies of the Lake Luncheon. The theme this year is A Crane Lake Garden Party. You are encouraged to wear garden party attire. Sounds like fun!

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.

Read us online at www.timberjay.com

BLANDIN FOUNDATION

Grizzly Broadband reports on progress

by MELISSA ROACH
Staff Writer

COOK-The Grizzlies Community broadband group met in Cook recently to discuss the outcomes of the high-speed internet access project. This group, formed two years ago, was one of ten Blandin Broadband Communities to have access to \$750,000 of funding from the Blandin Foundation to improve broadband access and technical training and support for the communities of Cook, Orr, and Nett Lake.

Reliable high-speed rural internet access has been a problem shared by many rural communities across the state. The strides the Grizzlies group has taken in terms of internet access and education have indeed helped the communities take a step forward. Advising the group from the beginning of the effort, Bill Coleman of Community Technology Advisors stressed the importance of the communities working together, acknowledging the challenge for communities undertaking the endeavor by comparing the project to efforts of the past in getting electricity to every farmhouse.

One of the initial focuses of the initiative was placing Wi-Fi hot spots within each of the communities. The Cook Library acquired five hot-spot mobile internet access units for library patrons to check out. Library Director Crystal Phillips said the hot spots are very popular and there has been a waiting list for people to check them out. As hoped, the library has become a tech-hub, seeing an increase with in-library computer use as well as people coming in with their own devices to use the Wi-Fi. Additionally, Wi-Fi boosters were installed for a stronger signal, reaching out to the city park. A SMART-TV has also been beneficial for community activities and training. An expand-



Randy Long speaks to the group in Cook. photo by M. Roach

ed effort for computer literacy was also pursued through the distribution of refurbished laptops for eligible individuals or families.

Education and training has been another component of the initiative. Once the needs were identified, targeted training was held to help businesses and individuals with problematic technical areas. Both Phillips and Bois Forte IT Director Randy Long created the training curriculum and, along with local media specialists, taught a variety of internet use basics and computer classes. Feedback responses for the program show the personalized Quick Books and web design training proved helpful to many area businesses and organizations. Other areas of education and outreach include Tech Tuesdays, a time designated for people to come in and get individual help on their own devices at the Cook Library.

The ORR Center was also identified as a hot spot and has also received the laptop computers and a SMART-TV for classes. The ORR Center is however, still without internet access. President Wendy Purdy said, "So, we wait." Frustration with Century-Link's lack of capacity to add any new customers still looms in Orr. Long was happy

to report progress has been made with the internet service provider, saying that people should be getting contacted once the equipment is in place.

The community effort has also brought in opportunities for new businesses. Long noted that T-Mobile has expanded to the area, with some service in Nett Lake. "They should crank up with internet service soon." He also said that T-Mobile may be working with the Nett Lake School, possibly providing hot spots for students without access. "Working with the Blandin Foundation and building awareness, community support and involvement in the project helped create more opportunities," Long said in referencing the opportunity to partner with T-Mobile.

Looking to the future, the remaining component of the project is the need for actual connectivity that comes from internet service providers. Long is hopeful that will be soon. The group will continue to strategize community priorities, holding classes and training to work on the identified needs. Long said, "The result of this project is, overall, a huge upgrade in service to this area."

Conaway and Johnson of Cook Hospital complete advanced certification training



ST. PAUL - Shirley Conaway and Barbara Johnson of Cook Hospital and Care Center completed advanced certification through the Minnesota Hospital Association's trustee certification program. The comprehensive certification process prepares hospital trustees to effectively meet the growing demands of serving on a hospital board and to be strong health care and community leaders.

By participating in MHA's voluntary certification program, hospital trustees receive training on current health care trends, governance best practices, ethics, gov-

ernment regulations, patient safety and quality. Participants undergo 35 hours of coursework, making Minnesota's initiative the most comprehensive in the nation.

Trustees who have completed MHA board certification are eligible to participate in an additional eight hours of coursework to obtain advanced certification, which provides education to ensure excellence, innovation and accountability in health care governance.

"In Minnesota, more and more hospital trustees are formally preparing themselves to address the complex issues facing hospitals

and health systems today," said Lawrence Massa, MHA president and CEO. "Our trustee certification program proactively ensures that hospital leaders are equipped to make good decisions. Earning certification demonstrates a trustee's commitment to the patients and communities the hospital serves."

For more information about MHA's hospital trustee certification program, visit www.mnhospitals.org/trustees. For more information about Minnesota hospitals, visit www.mnhospitals.org.

NWFA offering evening art classes for adults and children

COOK- Northwoods Friends of the Arts has scheduled numerous art classes for all ages during July and August. Classes will be held at NWFA Gallery, 210 S River St., follow the sidewalk art next to Dream Weaver Spa and Salon.

Pre-register for any of these classes by calling Lisa Hyppa at 218-780-1151.

Upcoming July classes

Upcycled Bird Feeder: Thursday, July 26 from 6 to 8 p.m. Ages

Kindergarten through adult. Explore Les Fauves (the wild beasts) and create a birdfeeder from reused materials.

Upcoming August classes

Watercolor Botanicals: Tuesday, Aug. 7 from 6 to 8 p.m. Grade 9 through adult. Inspired by the life of Laura Ingalls Wilder.

Color the Tropics in Oil Pastels: Thursday, Aug. 9 from 6 to 8 p.m. Kindergarten through grade 8. Explore the life and works of Paul

Gauguin utilizing symbolism and new color theories.

Crayon Watercolor Resist: Tuesday, Aug. 14 from 6 to 7 p.m. Kindergarten through grade 3. Create Fabulous Fairy Princesses, Elves, and Trolls.

Calligraphy and Handwriting: Thursday, Aug. 16 from 6 to 8 p.m. Grade 9 through adult.

LOCAL HISTORY

Crane Lake celebrates community and history at this year's Voyageur Days



by CRISTINA HENDERSON
Timberjay Contributor

CRANE LAKE- With thick French-Canadian accents, colorful ribbons, red caps, and paddles, two "Voyageurs" stand in front of a 22-foot long traditional canoe in front of Voyagaire Lodge in Crane Lake. Belevia and Leon, the French names the two characters have taken for the day, are posed as Voyageurs, not just for fun, but as a part of an event called Voyageur Days, a weekend long extravaganza connecting Northern Minnesota to its roots in the French-Canadian fur trade.

Voyageur Days is far from a new thing in the border county, but this year's events, which marks the third annual Voyageur Days since it was discontinued in the 1980s, proved a little different. This year's weekend long extravaganza began the week after Independence Day, after the Fourth of July rush in Crane Lake. However, if Belevia and Leon's relentless attempts to explain the fur trade to a foreigner doesn't show the community's die-hard Voyageur spirit, the locals effort put into Voyageur Days surely does.

This year's Voyageur Days celebration began with a Trading Post Poker Run, where shoppers collected poker cards at local businesses to win prizes, getting tourists and visitors acquainted with all the small local businesses in the area. On Friday, locals did their heritage proud as a new record was set on the annual Portage, Paddle, Swim Race. The single participating team hiked the Vermilion Gorge, swam to Pine Point Lodge, and then canoed or kayaked around Bayliss Island, all while sporting 20-pound packs, in a time of one hour and thirteen min-

utes, three minutes faster than the previous record set in 2015.

On Saturday, more changes came as the annual all-you-can-eat walleye feast known as "Fry for All" kicked off. Organizers hoped to attract even a wider audience with the meal price ten dollars lower than last year. As the staff of Nelson's Resort and Voyagaire Lodge cooked the walleye over an outdoor fire, Brenda Pohlman, who put together the cookout, reminisced on the origins of the "Fry for All."

"The whole community worked on it," she said. "A fish fry. You went to Mukooda Lake where you would have to drag your boat up there and anchor out in the bay. You would go across and have this fish fry like this. It was an adventure." According to Pohlman, this



original fish fry which was discontinued about 30 years ago became the inspiration for the modern "Fry for All."

"They did that for years, so we decided to find a place to do this and this is the best we could figure."

Christina Henderson is majoring in journalism at Emerson College in Boston, Mass. She is working at Nelson's Re-

sort in Crane Lake this summer.

photos by C. Henderson



Now and then: a look at Crane Lake's "Fry for All"

There are few things that act as more of a symbol of the Northern Minnesota border waters than walleye and the stoic voyageur. This past Saturday, July 14, the Crane Lake community brought both together at the third annual "Fry for All," the all-you-can-eat walleye dinner hosted at Vermilion Falls as part of the community's Voyageur Days celebration.

Reminiscing on the Voyageur Days of the 1980s, Brenda Pohlman, local owner of Nelson's Resort who was responsible for putting the "Fry for All" together said, "The whole community worked on it."

The adventure didn't end there either; according to Pohlman, locals would dress up in traditional voyageur garb complete with the iconic red cap. Once at the fish fry they would be initiated into the life of a voyageur. "They would serenade you into being a voyageur, and they would hit you with a branch," Pohlman recalls.

Nearly 30 years after the original fish fry on Mukooda was discontin-

ued, the new generation of Voyageur Days began in 2015. This year's cookout event brought a local familiarity with it as volunteers helped set up the tent tops and staff members of local resorts such as Voyagaire and Nelson's helped cook up the walleye over outdoor fires. Keeping with the local lake vibe, pianist Steve Johnson, based in Duluth but known to play in Crane Lake during the summer season, kept the crowd pleased, exhausting "every Johnny Cash song he knew" while playing his piano moved, conveniently, on top of a trailer, to the cookout site.

As the cookout came to a close and the tents began to come down, Brenda Pohlman thought back to the original fish fry one last time "They did that for years so we decided to find a place to do this and this is the best we could figure," she smiled as she watched the community come together one last time to break down the last of this year's Voyageur Days.



City Mouse and Country Mouse at Cook Library on Friday, July 20

REGIONAL- The Arrowhead Library System is pleased to present CLIMB Theatre's City Mouse and Country Mouse: The Mouse-ical! This fun, interactive mini-play teaches kids age 3-10 about accepting differences and combines the characters of Aesop's famous fable with games, music and interactive play at Cook Public Library on Friday, July 20 at 10:30 a.m. The program will also be presented on Tuesday, July 24 from 1 – 2 p.m. at the Babbitt Public Library.

This program, sponsored by Arrowhead Library System, was funded in part or in whole with money from Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund. To learn more about Arrowhead Legacy Events, please see our calendar at www.alslib.info, find us on Twitter at twitter.com/Arrowhead-Legacy, on Pinterest at pinterest.com/alexisleitgeb/legacy-events/, or like us on Facebook at facebook.com/alslibinfo.

Stephanie Lantry graduates from St. Scholastica with Doctor of Nursing

DULUTH- The College of St. Scholastica has announced its list of students who completed their doctoral degrees during the Spring 2018 semester.

Stephanie Lantry of Cook graduated from The College of St. Scholastica with a Doctor of Nursing Practice. St. Scholastica held its Spring 2018 Commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 12 in the Amsoil Arena in Duluth.



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Ruby's Pantry food distribution July 28

BABBITT- Ruby's Pantry food distribution will be at Babbitt Municipal Center, 71 South Drive, on Saturday, July 28 (4th Saturday of each month) from 10 - 11:30 a.m. \$20 cash (no checks) donation buys an abundance of food. No income or residency guidelines. Bring two large boxes or baskets. Ruby's Pantry is sponsored by St. Pius X Catholic Church. Volunteers are always welcome.

Lake Vermilion Home Tour set for Saturday, Aug. 4

TOWER- Save the date for this summer's Home Tour sponsored by the Tower Soudan Civic Club and St. James Presbyterian Church. Proceeds will provide the Tower-Soudan school children with backpacks and school supplies, and go to beautify public spaces in the community. The Home Tour will feature coffee, lemonade, cookies and bars at St. James Presbyterian Church from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The tour will include four lovely homes: one in Tower and three on Lake Vermilion. It is set for Saturday, Aug. 4 from noon to 4 p.m. Tickets are \$15 per person and may be purchased in Tower at Sulu's and Nordic Home North. They will also be available at St. James Presbyterian Church and at each home the day of the tour. A map is included on each ticket with the location of all four homes. Come and enjoy the afternoon tour benefiting community projects.

Any questions, contact: Louise Gately at 218-753-2577 or 515-229-8757.

North Star Stampede Rodeo begins on Friday, July 27

EFFIE- The 63rd Annual North Star Stampede in Effie will get underway on Friday, July 27 at 5 p.m. and July 28-29 at 2 p.m. rain or shine. There is a full slate of contestants from throughout the United States. We will be bucking over 50 broncs and 60 bulls plus hundreds of timed event over the weekend. Fast Freddy Waltz from Hudson, Wis., will provide the comedy. Camping is available but everyone in the campground must purchase a three-day pass. For more information, call 218-743-3893. The rodeo grounds are located at 68270 County Rd. 5 in Effie.

LAKE COUNTRY POWER

Operation Round Up® gives \$49,000 to community programs

REGIONAL- Through the assistance of Lake Country Power's participating members, the Operation Round Up® Trust Board recently approved \$49,000 in contributions to local community programs during its quarterly meeting.

The cooperative's Trust Board reviewed and considered 52 grant applications and distributed funds to 50 projects and programs this past quarter. Since the program's inception in October 2004, more than \$2 million has been distributed to community-based projects and programs.

Most recent recipients in our area include: Happy Days Preschool, Children's Discovery Museum, Grace Lutheran Quilters, Washington Elementary P.I.E., Northern Lights Music Festival, Inc., Special Olympics-MN-Roadrunners, Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry, North Homes Children and Family Services, Immanuel Lutheran Church Quilters, Story Portage, ElderCircle, Boundary Waters Choral Festival, Northern Lakes Arts Association, Ely's Youth Ski League at Hidden Valley, Northwoods Friends of the Arts, United in Christ Lutheran Quilters, Mesabi Family YMCA, Well Being Development/Northern Lights Clubhouse.

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Operation Round Up® recipients are pictured receiving their community program funding at Lake Country Power's service center in Mt. Iron. Front left to right: Shawn Apel, Special Olympics MN Roadrunners; Jean Collins and Joi-Lin Sanchez, Quad City Food Shelf; and Nik Sunbun and Dylan McBride, Special Olympics MN Roadrunners. Second row left to right: Caroline Andrican, Debbie Jarvi, Markie Skog, Joyce Guggisberg, and Pat Mattson, Grace Lutheran Quilters; Darlene Saumer, Friends of Wirtanen Pioneer Farm; Leola Hey and Roxanne McMillen, Special Olympics MN Roadrunners; and April Larson and Ty Pulkkinen, Hibbing Public Library. Back row left to right: Kristen Cooper, Cherry School speech/drama teams; Sonja Simonson and Lauri Oates, United in Christ Lutheran quilters; Natalie Beck, Friends of Wirtanen Pioneer Farm; Laura Moberly, Northern Lakes Arts Association; Chad Buggert, Mesabi Family YMCA; and Bobbi Maish, Operation Round Up® Trust Board member. submitted photo

"rounding up" members' electric bills to the nearest dollar. The average donation of each participating Lake Country Power member is less than \$6 annually.

More than 71 percent of Lake Country Power members participate in the program through voluntary contributions. Interested members can opt

into the Operation Round Up® program by calling Lake Country Power at 800-421-9959 or using an online form at lakecountry-power.coop.

Applications are available online at www.lakecountrypower.coop. The next application deadline is Aug. 15.

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Touchstone Energy® cooperative serving parts of eight counties in northeastern Minnesota. The rural electric cooperative provides services to nearly 43,000 members and has offices located in Grand Rapids, Kettle River and Mt. Iron.

Jazz guitarist Sam Miltich in concert in Cook on Aug. 10

Performance to focus on intersections of mental health and creativity through jazz

COOK- Minnesota jazz guitarist Sam Miltich was recently awarded a Minnesota State Arts Board "Arts Tour Minnesota Grant" for his proposal, "The Improvised Life: Exploring Intersections of Mental Health and Creativity through Jazz." The program will highlight cultural contributions of famous artists with mental illness and inspire hope through Miltich's own story and original compositions. In five communities throughout Minnesota, the tour will present a free daytime program at a community mental health center and a ticketed evening performance at a performing arts center.

On Friday, Aug. 10, Scenic Rivers Health Services is sponsoring the program for health professionals and their invited guests at 1 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, 231 2nd St. E. in Cook. Scenic Rivers Health Services provides primary medical, behavioral and dental health services with locations in Cook, Tower, Floodwood, Big Fork, Big Falls and Northome.

The performance will be pre-



sented by Northwoods Friends of the Arts at 7 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 10 at Trinity Lutheran Church, 231 2nd St. E in Cook. Tickets may be purchased at the door or in advance at NWFA Gallery, 210 S River St. in Cook, on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Or call Lauren at 218-750-1989.

Miltich's dialogue will explore intersections of mental health and the creative process and his pursuit of well-being amid the daily challenges of

living with a serious mental illness. He will describe his definition of recovery and the sense of purpose he cultivates through quality engagement in career and family life. The tour expands exposure to jazz in rural communities and increases awareness of the issues faced by a vulnerable population. This program will explore Miltich's own experience with schizophrenia plus that of other accomplished musicians who achieved great personal and professional success while living with mental illness.

The project is closely related to Miltich's personal artistic mission. He experienced his first major psychotic break at age twenty-two and was eventually diagnosed with schizophrenia. Already a working jazz musician at the time, he connected with the music of jazz composer and pianist Thelonious Monk and has continued to use Monk's music as part of his recovery. After reading a biography that went into great detail about Monk's own struggles with mental illness, concurrent with his deep dedication to his art and family, Miltich was inspired to share that story with a wider audience.

The grant is thanks primar-

ily to the Minnesota Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund established as part of the November 2008 clean water, land, and legacy amendment to the Minnesota Constitution. The Arts Tour program is specifically aimed at connecting high caliber artists and artistic works with audiences outside the artist's home region. The program also encourages education and outreach activities that cultivate broader or deeper connections between artists and audiences.

For further information, visit www.sammiltichmusic.com/theimprovisedlife.

Northwoods Friends of the Arts was established in 2010 as a non-profit membership organization in support of artists and art in all forms in the Cook region. The NWFA board of directors made the decision in 2017 to support Sam Miltich's request for this touring grant. Cook is the first city to present this musical, cultural and educational concert in support of all families concerned about mental illness. See NWFA's website, at www.nwfam.org.

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CITY OF ORR

Orr mayor: 'Cleanest audit I've ever sat through'

by MELISSA ROACH
Staff Writer

ORR-The city council here reviewed the annual audit of the city's finances for 2017. "Cleanest audit I've ever sat through," said Mayor Joel Astelford. The general fund ended the year with a decrease in fund balance of \$8,526, remedied by a transfer of \$8,000 from the liquor store fund. The ending cash balance for the general fund was \$42,408. The liquor store took in \$586,975 last year, showing an increase of \$19,370 over 2016. Sales of both food and liquor were up from the previous year, adding to the profits.

The airport showed a loss of \$97,295, with the city using funds from its wastewater fund to cover the deficit. City Clerk and Treasurer Cheri Clark noted the city will probably amend the budget to reflect any deficit be

borrowed from the general fund or liquor store fund. The Tourist Information Center showed a loss of \$1,385, to be offset with lodging tax administrative revenues.

The auditors have suggested the city maintains funds to cover three to six months of expenses. The city currently has funds to cover three and a half to four months of expenses.

In other business, the council discussed a proposal to rent tables and chairs from the Orr Community Center (formerly Orr American Legion). Mayor Astelford did not feel it was something the city wanted to get into. Councilors discussed rental options but felt if the city did go that route, a rental policy would need to be drafted, as well as a rental fee and security deposit aid. "My thought is at this time is

no," said Astelford. "I would just assume we set a policy that the table and chairs don't leave the building."

The council also approved a resolution authorizing the city to commit and transfer a community fund balance of \$367 to the ORR Center. The community library was moved to the center in June. The community fund was donations and book sales specifically for the support and operation of the library.

In other action, the council:

➤ Approved an invoice from Ziegler for

\$2,787 for repairs to the generator at the water plant.

➤ Approved the slate of 2018 election judges: Dana Erkkila-Head Judge, Laura Manai, Rosemary Hoffer, Carol Woehle, Roni Carr, Loretta Ahola, Arlene Johnson.

➤ Approved the transfer of funds from the liquor store fund to ATM bank service charges and credit card fees for July through December in the amount of \$294.

➤ Conducted evaluations of full time employees: Paul Koch, Rocky Hoffman, Laura

Manai, Cheri Carter, Chet Nieman, and Tyae Pattenn.

Reports from departments

Airport department head Rocky Hoffman addressed repairs needed for the hangar. He said he is obtaining quotes for the repairs, which would take about a week. The project would include repairing the northwest wall, as well as possible issues with the man door and garage door.

Chet Nieman said the liquor store had a great Fourth of July holiday. He also reported the need for a new refrigerator.

Ambulance Director Donna Hoffer reported on new medical director Dr. Jay Knaak, as well as updates on training sessions with Knaak and eight new first responders. She also asked for council approval for shelves at the ambulance hall in the amount of \$522.

Cheri Carter reported the new City of Orr brochure was now available at the Tourist Information Center. The brochure has a listing of businesses and area attractions.

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The *Timberjay* made its most recent request by email on Feb. 9, 2018 to the city clerk, who is responsible for providing public notice. Such requests are good for at least a year, or longer if a city does not have a policy limiting them to a year. The violation is just one in a series of Open Meeting Law violations that the *Timberjay* has documented involving the city of Tower in the past year, including previous meetings of the harbor committee.

Development agreement

Details of last Friday's meeting were not available since the *Timberjay* was not notified of the special meeting, but the meeting was apparently called to

address the impasse over the updated development agreement.

The original town home development agreement signed by both parties did not include a requirement for a letter of credit, which is a recent demand made by the harbor committee. It's unclear, however, whether the committee ever voted on the change since the committee has met without taking minutes for more than a year. The developers have told the city that the request poses too great a financial risk—one that they are unwilling to incur. The impasse has lingered now for months, with the developers continuing their efforts to advance the project in hopes of getting construction underway this year.

IN BRIEF

Gheen man hurt after rear-ending semi

VIRGINIA - Peter Dale Lamusga, age 82, of Gheen, received non-life threatening injuries after rear-ending the trailer of a semi-truck on Hwy. 53 and Ashawa Rd. in Cook. Lamusga was wearing his seat belt at the time and his airbags deployed.

Steven Novosel, age 43, of Hoyt Lakes, was driving the semi-truck, a 2007 International 9200 Tractor and was stopped northbound on Hwy. 53 attempting to make a right turn when the Honda rear-ended the trailer. Novosel did not receive any injuries.

Minnesota State Patrol, St. Louis County, and Cook Ambulance responded to the incident. Alcohol was not a factor.

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CITY OF ELY

Ely City Council grapples with recycling issues

by KEITH VANDERVORT
Ely Editor

ELY – The issue of how to handle recy-

clable items in the Ely community has been a struggle for city officials for some time. A young entrepreneur has stepped

up with a plan.

Nicholas Jordan, owner of Ely Safe Ride taxi service, approached the City Council this

week with a proposal to offer curbside recycling services for city residents.

Jordan is a former student at Vermilion Community College, and after graduating he moved back home for a while before returning here to run the cab company.

“For the last couple of years, I have toyed with the idea of looking at recycling,” he told the council Tuesday night. “I hit a snag in that there is another company that has a contract on the books to offer curb pickup recycling. I ask the council to review that contract.”

Jordan said the contract is not being utilized at this time and there is no curbside recycling service offered for city residents. “As a town that prides itself on recycling, and because there is no service such as this here, I offer my services.

Mayor Chuck Novak said he was concerned with what constituents currently pay for recycling. Every property tax payer in the city pays \$60 a year to St. Louis County for the availability of the transfer station and recycle bins located on the west end of town. “They are already paying for a service,” he said.

The limited hours of operation sometime lead to residents dumping material at the gate, and continuing problems with full recycle bins, along with material and household garbage often dumped next to the bins make the arrangement for residents less than desirable.

“The timing is perfect on this issue,” said Clerk-Treasurer Harold Langowski. “As the Sanitation Committee, we have discussed how we are going to progress with recycling in the future.”

The St. Louis County recycling center will have to be moved when the new trailhead facility is constructed in the area.

Langowski said another Sanitation Committee meeting will be scheduled soon. “That’s a big part of the puzzle as we look at how we can do curbside recycling and how we manage it. This is a problem across the Range, especially this summer, for whatever reason. In Greenwood Township has been really bad.”

He called for the community to come together to figure out a solution. “I’m not quite sure how that’s going to work right now,” Langowski said. “In the past, the Ely site has been the highest volume recycling center in the county, and it probably continues to be. People in the Ely area do recycle a tremendous amount compared to other parts of the county.”

G-Men Environmental Services has a contract in Ely and many surrounding areas for refuse pick-up services. “We have had the discussion (with them) on how we can do curbside recycle pickup,” Langowski said.

“I have been contacted by that business and was told to cease and desist in not very polite terms,” Jordan said.

“They do have an exclusive contract with the city,” Langowski noted.

Portage for the record books

Novak reported that the 2018 Ely Marathon continues to grow as it enters its fourth year. “This year looks to be bigger than before,” he said. “We have some (runners) who continuously end up in the top 25 of the Boston Marathon, so we are getting some recognition.”

Two years ago, someone had a great idea of running the Ely Marathon while portaging a canoe. Last year, a total of four people took a canoe with them as they ran. “This year, we have 13 runners in the half marathon and three runners in the full marathon, and it has now become an event for the Guinness Book of World Records,” he said. “We will have a world record holder this year. That’s not bad coming up on just our fourth year. That is huge for us and will draw a lot more people next year.”

State Theater parking

Council members continue to struggle with how to handle the parking and curb clearance issue in front of the State Theater in an effort to protect the renovated marquee from being damaged by high clearance vehicles.

Alley A Realty owned by John and Tanne Ott, continues to renovate the building near the corner of Sheridan Street and Third Avenue. The iconic marquee in front of the theater was renovated and relit, and continues to face damage by trucks that get too close to it.

Earlier this month, the Otts proposed to install three metal bollards in front of the building near the curb as a way to keep trucks at bay.

Langowski said that a memo from the Minnesota Department of Transportation indicates that a conditional use permit would be required to have the bollards installed. The City Council voted to apply for the MnDOT permit this week, but continued to discuss the problem and could not agree on issuing the permit.

“The state has a problem with snow plow access in the curb bump-out in the winter and proposed not allowing parking in those space in the winter months,” Langowski said.

Council member Paul Kess called to have the sidewalk and curb ripped up and re-installed like the rest of the state-maintained roadway. “We made a mistake and should fix it. Anything else is like putting lipstick on a pig,” he said. “We are losing a half-block of parking in our downtown.”

Council member Al Forsman echoed Kess. “We need to fix our mistake,” he said.

Council member Heidi Omerza admitted to not thinking too much about the issue before saying, “We wanted to save this beautiful front to this theater and were so thrilled when it got restored. So now we are willing to sacrifice that for a few parking spots? I’m a little perplexed. We need to find the common ground on this. We are lucky to have that sign restored. Hopefully, by this time next year we will actually be seeing movies in there.”

Public Notice

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will hold a public meeting for amending the Lake Vermilion Public Islands Coordinated Resource Management Plan (CRMP) for the 87 BLM-administered islands located in Lake Vermilion and seven smaller lakes in St. Louis County, Minnesota. A Notice of Intent to Amend the CRMP was published in the Federal Register on June 8, 2016. The Notice of Intent to Amend comes in response to changing conditions and demands on public lands managed by BLM in the Lake Vermilion area. The public meeting will be an open-house format held in the community of Tower, Minnesota on August 8, 2018.

The Environmental Assessment to support the CRMP amendment will consider many issues, including the use of recreation sites, protection of cultural resources, mitigating the spread of invasive species, and regulatory consistency with other jurisdictions in the area. This plan amendment will only address surface lands managed by the BLM in the Lake Vermilion area; there will be no subsurface or mineral management addressed. Comments on the proposed amendment will be accepted up to 15 days after the public meeting.

The Public meeting will be held at the following location:
Tower, Minnesota: August 8, 2018, Fortune Bay Resort - Birch Room, 1430 Bois Forte Road, 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

If you have any comments or issues that we should consider addressing in our analysis, please provide comments using one of the following methods:

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All submissions from organizations, businesses, and individuals identifying themselves as representatives of organizations or businesses, will be available for public review.

For additional information regarding the amendment to the Lake Vermilion CRMP for BLM-administered lands in Minnesota, please visit the web site at <https://go.usa.gov/xUKKV> and/or contact Kyle Schumacher, Natural Resource Specialist, at (414) 297-4463.

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August 8: Kathleen Cargill from the St. Louis County Historical Society will speak on researching our family trees.

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She knows what’s she’s up against and yet she exudes genuine optimism and an enthusiasm for retail politics. “I’m enjoying every minute of it,” said Lee, who took a break late last week to talk about the campaign with just over three weeks to go until the Aug. 14 primary that will advance one of the five candidates to a general election showdown with the expected GOP nominee, St. Louis County Commissioner Pete Stauber.

It’s crunch time in the race and every day is another seemingly endless round of events and meet-and-greets across a congressional district that is larger than many Eastern states.

“I’m amazed at the reception I’m getting,” said Lee, the longtime news anchor for KBJR in Duluth. A recent internal poll by one of her competitors suggests why Lee may be getting a reaction from those she meets along the way. With nearly 40-percent name recognition in the district, she is known by nearly as many voters in the region as the rest of the candidates put together. That’s a bigger advantage in a general election, versus a primary, which tends to bring out more informed voters who are less likely

to be swayed simply by name recognition.

But this year could be different. Lee said she’s amazed at the political engagement and excitement she’s seeing in people across the district. She said she suspects that primary turnout, especially among DFLers, is likely to be high this year.

And she’s taken a cue from another politician who proved extremely popular in the district two years ago— Bernie Sanders. Like Sanders, Lee is an unapologetic progressive, who firmly believes in universal, single-payer health insurance and free public college and university tuition. Sanders also eschewed donations from political action committees, relying instead on small money donations from a vast network of supporters. Lee, too, has relied on small donations, although her network is considerably smaller than that enjoyed by the Vermont Senator. Lee has raised just over \$50,000 in the race so far, based on the latest campaign finance reports that came out this week. That’s less than the two leading fundraisers, Joe Radinovich and Jason Metsa, but it’s enough to give someone with her name recognition a credible shot.

“I haven’t raised as much money as some of the candidates, but a lot of people tell me they want big money out of politics anyway,” she said. “We are doing a different kind of campaign.”

Fundraising is likely to be less an issue in the general campaign, since both sides are expected to spend millions on this hotly-contested race, which could decide the control of the U.S. House of Representatives.

While Lee backs free four-year public college tuition, she acknowledges that a traditional college education isn’t for everyone, and she believes the country needs to lower the barriers for people to learn a trade.

“We don’t have a lack of jobs,” she said. “We have a lack of trained workers.”

She recounted a recent conversation with a woman who runs a trucking company in International Falls. Despite paying a solidly middle-class salary and full benefits, Lee said the woman is just one of hundreds of business owners across the district who can’t fill job vacancies.

“I think parents have a role to play in this, in showing what’s a noble profession,” said Lee. “We have to start telling

young people that if they want to work with their hands, they should be going into the trades.”

And it’s not just young people starting out, said Lee. “We have to continuously be re-training people because the economy is changing so rapidly,” she said.

Technology is also changing rapidly and she said rural areas can’t be left behind. “We have to build up our broadband capacity,” she said. “If we can build out just like we did with rural electrification, imagine what that would do for our rural areas and for small businesses.”

Lee says she sees lots of heads nod when she starts talking about education and the economy. “There’s a multitude of issues in which I’m finding support from voters,” she said. “People also recognize that we have to fight the anti-union push from the right. We know how important unions are to workers.”

Political divide

She said the two issues that still divide DFL voters are sulfide mining and a woman’s right to choose. She said the politics surrounding abortion, which have existed mostly in the background

in the past several election cycles, have jumped to the fore since the announced retirement of Supreme Court Associate Justice Anthony Kennedy. Lee said many of the women she’s hearing from are worried that the new court could overturn the 1973 decision that legalized abortion in the U.S.

She said she hears some excitement from those on the other side that more restrictions could be placed on abortions, although few expect that the procedure would be outlawed altogether.

On mining, Lee’s position is perhaps the clearest and most unequivocal of any of the candidates in the race. She’s a strong supporter of the taconite industry but believes that sulfide-based copper-nickel mining is too big a threat to northeastern Minnesota’s clean water to support.

“I feel strongly about it and I have never wavered,” she said.

Lee believes that sulfide mining will do nothing to even out the boom-and-bust nature of the Iron Range economy, and could negatively impact property values, and discourage the kind of new economic activity that could create a more sustainable economic

environment. “That’s why I am really promoting the idea of sound economic growth that stabilizes the economy, rather than encourages more boom and bust,” she said. “It’s about good-paying, sustainable jobs, and protecting our natural resources, like our clean water.”

While her stand may hurt her prospects on parts of the Iron Range, she said she hears lots of support for her position elsewhere in the district, and even from some on the Iron Range. “I had a good reception at the Hibbing parade,” she said. “Although I noticed I got a lot more high-fives from women.” Lee said she’s not sure whether the issue helps or hurts her in the district, although she’s clearly picking up support from voters who agree with her on the issue. “I guess we’ll find out ultimately on Aug. 14,” she said.

“It’s ultimately up to the power of choice for the voters, and I’m hoping that people make the choice to exercise their right,” she said. “I don’t know how this will work out, but win, lose, or draw, I feel we’re getting our message out.”

METSA...Continued from page 1

up 937 percent, while the wages of working people have barely budged. I’m committed to changing that,” he said.

Metsa has laid out his new deal in a series of policy papers that call for universal Medicare-for-all health insurance program, debt-free public college and university tuition, greater funding for skills retraining, and student debt relief. His 21st Century Jobs plan calls for a \$15 minimum wage, investing in the rapidly-growing renewable energy economy and apprenticeship programs.

It’s part of a growing push by progressive Democrats around the country to advance a bold new vision for empowering people to reach their full potential. “This is absolutely intentional,” said Metsa. “The way our economy works right now is really unfair.”

During a recent series of community conversation that his campaign held throughout the district, Metsa said he heard broad support for a new deal from government. “Every single item in our platform we heard from people over and over again,” he said. “I think the people of this country are ready for a dramatic shift in our policies that really puts them first.”

Metsa noted that previous generations could pay for college tuition with summer jobs. “Right now, students have to work 20 years after college to pay for it,” he said. “That’s why we want a debt-free alternative.”

While the availability of jobs has long been an issue in many parts of the Eighth District, Metsa said a lack of skills among the existing workforce has become a problem for employers,

and that’s where he sees a major role for investing in apprenticeships and other training programs to bridge the skills gap. Metsa cited a recent state study which found that 68 percent of employers indicated they were having difficulty finding workers with the needed skills. Metsa said diversification was also key to economic success in the region, and he cited the recent growth in the Heliene solar panel manufacturing facility in Mt. Iron as an example of the kind of investment that could help create new, good-paying jobs that can be sustainable long-term.

Metsa also touts expanded broadband access, which he says is likely to “unleash a new wave of creativity, innovation, and productivity in rural economies across the Eighth.”

On the controversial

subject of copper-nickel mining, Metsa is a supporter of new mines.

“I’ve always supported mining because I support our miners,” he said. But Metsa also introduced a bill in St. Paul last session to put a production tax on copper-nickel mines. That tax currently only applies to taconite mines. Metsa’s measure never became law, but he said the need remains and said it’s something that could be considered on a national level. Metsa said he’d like to see some of the funds raised through a production tax go to support the Natural Resources Research Institute in Hermantown and its ongoing research on methods to reduce sulfate pollution, a common problem associated with mining. At the same

time, Metsa sponsored legislation backed by the mining industry to substantially weaken or eliminate the state’s strict sulfate standard to protect wild rice. That measure was ultimately vetoed by Gov. Mark Dayton.

Like all of the DFL candidates in the Eighth, Metsa is well aware that Republican Donald Trump won the district by a wide margin in 2016. But Metsa believes that most voters were really voting for change. “When Donald Trump went out and promised that change, I don’t think they thought that meant bailing out Chinese telecoms,” said Metsa, referring to Trump’s unusual decision to allow ZTE, a massive Chinese telecom with a record of violating U.S. sanctions against Iran and North

Korea, back into the U.S. market.

Trump also campaigned on tax cuts for the middle class, notes Metsa, yet he signed a tax cut plan that sharply and permanently cut tax rates for corporations and the wealthy, while offering only modest and temporary tax cuts for average Americans.

“It was kind of like Robin Hood in reverse,” said Metsa. “I think we need to get back to focusing on tax cuts that would benefit families, such as helping with the cost of childcare or investing in college and education,” he said.

“People are excited about these kinds of ideas,” Metsa. “I think the people of this country are ready for a dramatic shift in our policies that really puts them first.”



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Petersburg, Russia.

The Barber of Seville takes place in Seville, Spain, in the 1800s. In a nutshell:

► The composer: Rossini. An Italian composer famous for his comedies.

► The music: Rossini wrote beautiful and catchy melodies, often with fiendishly difficult embellishments for his singers to perform.

► The big hit: 'Largo

al factotum.'

► The history: Everything went wrong on opening night, and the premiere was a disaster. The second night was a different story and Barber is now regarded as Rossini's biggest hit.

► A quirky fact: Born in a leap year, Rossini enjoyed the idea that he only had a birthday every four years. On his 76th birthday, he invited friends around to celebrate

his 18th.

Rossini is a giant of the Italian opera world (both in terms of output and girth—he was a gourmand as well as a musical genius). People called the composer Signor Crescendo, because he often used the musical device of starting soft and getting louder, louder, louder as the action gets crazier on stage. One scholar describes Rossini's crescendos as "tempests in teapots that

begin in a whisper and rise to a flashing, glittering storm." Some of his music is dazzlingly difficult to perform—he wanted to show off the technical skills of his artists. He wrote forty operas before the age of 40 and promptly retired to enjoy his fortune.

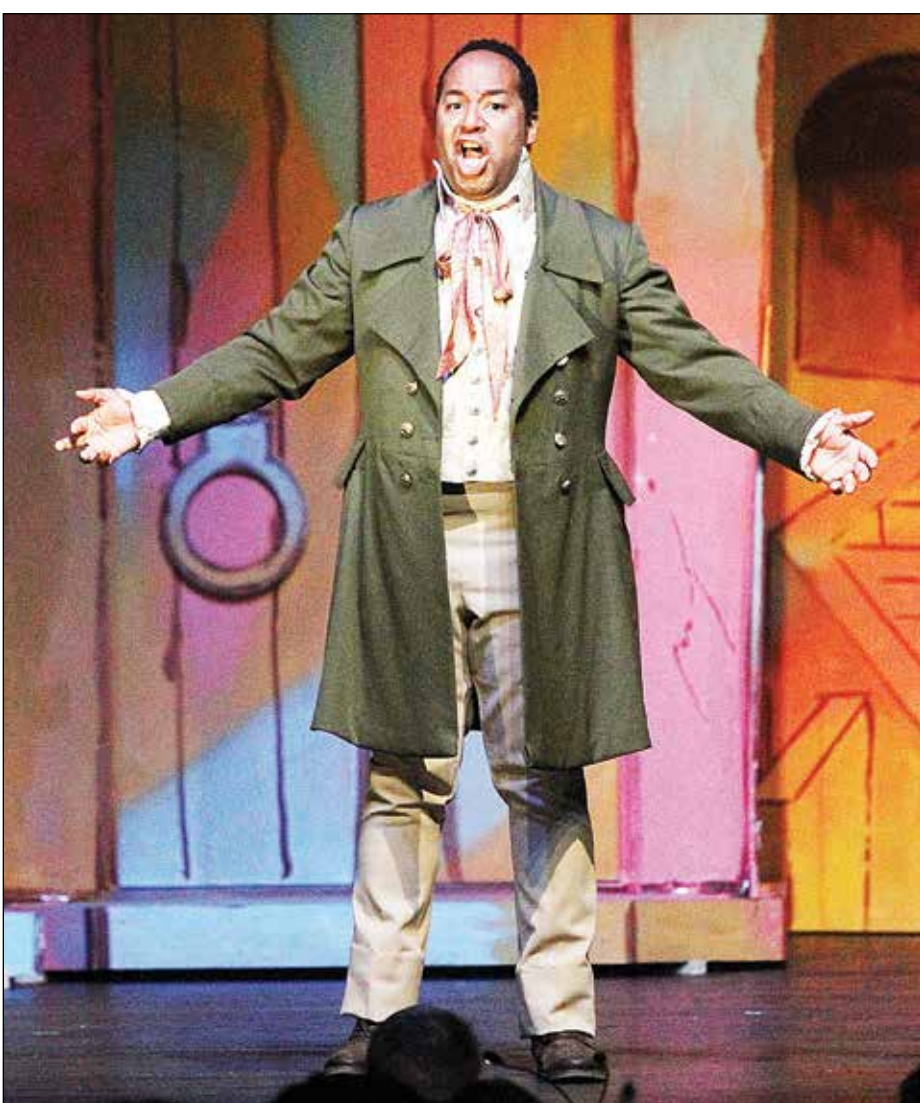
The story

Handsome Count Almaviva has fallen head over heels for the pretty

Rosina, but wants to make sure she's into him, not his title. He disguises himself as a poor student and serenades her. But he's getting nowhere, and if Rosina's guardian Bartolo has his way, no suitor will get anywhere near his ward. Thwarted, he enlists the help of Figaro, a neighborhood barber with plenty of tricks up his sleeve, and more importantly, access to Bartolo's household. Disguise and deception

win the day for romance.

The main players include: Figaro, a barber, fix-it-man, all round helpful guy; Rosina, the pretty young ward of Dr. Bartolo; Count Almaviva, a young, rich man, in love with Rosina; Dr. Bartolo, Rosina's cantankerous old guardian, a doctor.



Tenor Norman Shankle played the role of Count Almaviva in "The Barber of Seville" at the Northern Lights Music Festival opera in Ely Monday night. photo by K. Vandervort

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ENTERTAINMENT

Wrestling mania to hit the area July 29

Fortunebaynia to bring wrestling legends to the North Country

by BRIAN ANDERSON
Fortune Bay Public Relations

TOWER — When you lead the life of Fortune Bay’s Events and Promotions Manager Sammy Richter, sometimes work is really like being on

vacation—and that will especially be true when Sunday, July 29 rolls around. “It’s going to be huge,” said Richter about the upcoming Fortunebaynia wrestling event. “It’s no secret that I absolutely love pro wrestling and this event

is going to be the best wrestling event anyone has seen in northern Minnesota.” The idea to introduce Fortunebaynia began a year ago when Richter attended See **WRESTLING...**pg. 2B

Right: Fortune Bay Events and Promotions Manager Sammy Richter is already decked out in anticipation of the upcoming pro wrestling extravaganza planned for July 29. submitted



THEATER FOR KIDS



Left: Grace Erickson, Tracy Thibodeaux and Coral Mattison do a song and dance number around the campfire during their performance last weekend. photos by K. Vandervort

Below: Kat Schmidt, center with paddle, joins Erickson, Thibodeaux and Mattison in another song from the original play developed by Susan Hawkinson, which is set in the Boundary Waters.

BUDGETS



Craig, an employee at the East Range Developmental Achievement Center, works on a project. The center is facing significant budget cuts from the state of Minnesota. submitted

State cuts to affect disability services

by STEPHANIE UKKOLA
Timberjay staff writer

REGIONAL- State funding allocated to disability service providers was cut by seven percent by the Minnesota Department of Human Services according to information recently released by the Minnesota Organization for Habilitation and Rehabilitation (MOHR). This substantial cut will have a negative impact on people who receive services from the East Range Developmental Achievement Center (ERDAC) and at similar organizations throughout the state. ERDAC serves people with developmental disabilities on the Mesabi Range, including Babbitt, Tower, and Embarrass. Several groups sued to stop the cuts but were unsuccessful. “This was a complicated case, and ultimately we respect the ruling of the court,” said Julie Johnson, president-elect of MOHR. Legislators supported a fix, said Johnson, but by combining that fix with other unrelated items, it got caught up in a political battle. “The great tragedy here is that Minnesotans with disabilities and the hardworking staff who support them have been allowed to become collateral damage of partisan battles at the State Capitol.” Robin Harkonen of ERDAC said their clients will see negative impacts, primarily in staffing. She said that ERDAC will not replace some workers lost through attrition and may have to cut some management positions. Harkonen said the organization may have to limit new client intake but will not cut any programming and aims to provide the same services,

Paddle off the Map

Local student makes directorial debut with Whiteside Park performance

by KEITH VANDERVORT
Ely Editor

ELY — High school student Kat Schmidt made her directorial debut last weekend with “Paddle off the Map,” an original play performed outdoors at Whiteside Park. “Paddle off the Map” was written by Susan Hawkinson, and is set in the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness. The play, Hawkinson said, is still undergoing revisions. This is Hawkinson’s first effort at playwriting and she has been working with a mentor/editor to get the play ready for production. Hawkinson offered to act as a mentor to Schmidt, a junior at Vermilion Country School in Tower, who is also attending Vermilion Community College. StoryPortage’s Jeanette “Jet” Cox made the match between the two a reality. “She helped me write the grants and connected me with Hawkinson,” Schmidt said. StoryPortage received a \$1,000 grant from the



Northland Foundation for the project. A second grant of \$500 from Ann Bancroft Foundation’s Dare to Dream program funded the mentorship portion of the project. The cast included Kat Schmidt as Aunt Tina; Grace Erickson, Christina; Tracy Thibodeaux, Sissy; Coral Mattison, Kit; Allison Poppler, the bear and birch tree; and Ashton Mattison as the Whiskey Jack.

HOCKEY

Stanley Cup to be in Virginia on Sunday

REGIONAL — The Stanley Cup is coming to Virginia on Sunday, July 22 from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Miners Memorial Building. Washington Capitals player Matt Niskanen, a 2005 Mt. Iron-Buhl graduate, will be appearing at the showing of the cup. Due to time constraints, organizers ask that only one photo per

family/group be taken, and notes there will not be time for autographs. The primary goal for the day is for as many people to get a picture with the Stanley Cup as possible. Donations will also be accepted during the Stanley Cup viewing with all proceeds going to Virginia Youth Hockey. Fans are asked to park on the

north side of the arena, and enter on the north side of the main lobby. The 2005 Mountain Iron-Buhl graduate was also honored recently as the Mt. Iron City Council proclaimed July 22 as Matt Niskanen Day in the city of Mt. Iron when he brings the famous Stanley Cup home.



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Court report

Charges filed in drug cases

REGIONAL- The Lake Superior Drug and Violent Crimes Task Force recently made a number of arrests on the Iron Range, including the following:

Stephanie Lee Meittunen, 34, Virginia

On Feb. 2, Stephanie Meittunen was formally charged in St. Louis County District Court in Virginia with one felony count of fifth degree possession of methamphetamine. Her next scheduled court appearance is pending in Virginia.

Cazembe Osie Franklin, 44, Virginia

On March 8, Cazembe Franklin was indicted in U.S. Federal Court (in Duluth) with Conspiracy to Distribute Heroin. Franklin was one of 12 defendants charged in the case and the lone defendant from the Iron Range area.

Ashley Dawn Wright, 32, Embarrass

On March 28, Ashley Wright was formally charged in St. Louis County District Court in Virginia with one felony count fifth degree possession of methamphetamine. Her next scheduled court appearance is Aug. 8, in Virginia.

Darin Leland Harder, 52, Virginia

On April 13, Darin Harder was formally charged in St. Louis County District Court in Virginia with first degree sale and first degree possession of methamphetamine. On July 16, Harder pled guilty to one count of first degree sale of methamphetamine. His next scheduled court appearance is Aug. 13 for sentencing.

Christopher James Hammer, 30, Virginia

On May 5, Christopher Hammer was formally charged in St. Louis County District Court in Virginia with one felony count, felon in possession of a firearm and fifth degree posses-

sion of methamphetamine. His next scheduled court appearance is Aug. 8 in Virginia.

Mark Anthony Grahek, 48, Virginia

On June 7, Mark Grahek was formally charged in St. Louis County District Court in Virginia with one felony count possession of methamphetamine in the third degree. His next scheduled court appearance is Aug. 14, in Virginia.

James Bruce White, 57, Aurora

On June 8, James White was formally charged in St. Louis County District Court in Virginia with one felony count possession of methamphetamine in the fifth degree. His next

scheduled court appearance is Aug. 6, in Virginia.

Dike Kofa Franklin, 41, Virginia

On June 14, Dike Franklin pled guilty to one felony count, sale of heroin in the third degree. His next scheduled court appearance is Aug. 14, for sentencing in Virginia.

Roger Allen King, 65, Virginia

On July 12, Roger King was formally charged in St. Louis County District Court in Virginia with one felony count sale of methamphetamine in the first degree, possession methamphetamine in the third degree and felon in possession of ammunition. His next scheduled court appearance is Aug. 6.

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despite the cut to funding.

ERDAC is a day program that helps clients to learn and use life skills, participate in community life, and participate in meaningful work or rec-

reation. ERDAC serves 96 clients and has a total staff of 25. They receive funding from federal, state, and county sources.

The program helps people with developmen-

tal disabilities participate in meaningful employment in the community at businesses such as Lundgren Motors in Eveleth, the Virginia Serviceman's Club, the US Hockey Hall

of Fame, and many other area businesses. ERDAC also has an in-house job program where clients make products like industrial rags, hand-made wood products and crafts, and

fire starters.

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enacted by the Minnesota Legislature may have been incorrectly structured.



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a Heavy on Wrestling (HOW) sponsored event. He was enthralled with seeing many of his former pro wrestling idols back in action, so he made a point to talk to the promoter after the event.

“I talked a bit with the owners and we just started rolling with it,” said Richter of the event, which takes place in the back parking lot between Fortune Bay and The Wilderness at Fortune Bay. “Working with Heavy D (the owner of Heavy On Wrestling) is a blast. We both have similar ideas and like to bounce ideas back and forth.”

Richter said not a day goes by without him calling or texting Heavy D, or vice versa, to talk about new ideas for the upcoming event, which begins with

a Meet and Greet in The Woodlands Ballroom at 3 p.m. with many of the wrestlers.

“Packages are available at Heavy On Wrestling.com and some wrestlers will be offering autographs and pictures on a walk-up basis,” said Richter. “The prices vary from each of the talents. Of course, the BIG draw is the New World Order, consisting of Kevin Nash, Scott Hall, X Pac and Eric Bischoff.”

In addition, Richter said that WWE Hall of Famers Stan Hansen, Mean Gene Okerlund and Ricky “The Dragon” Steamboat, will also be at the Meet and Greet. Others slated for the Meet and Greet are Lanny Poffo, Larry “The Axe” Henning, Bruce Pritchard, Pat Patterson, “The Claw” Baron Von Raschke, Koko B Ware, Jack Swagger and Zeb Colter, and recent addition, Jerry Lynn, who wrestled in what was supposed to be his final match at a Heavy On Wrestling event.

The doors to the wrestling matches will open at 4:30 p.m. rain or shine. All of the reserved seating has already sold, but there are plenty of seats available in the bleacher section. Richter said all visitors must enter through the ticket station that will be located at the southwest corner of the back lot. Unlike outdoor concerts, Fortunebaynia will be open to all ages, meaning kids are encouraged to come out and cheer on, or boo, their favorite wrestler or villain. “We felt it was worth a try to let the kids get to experience this,” said Richter. “We will have a drawing during the event for children 17 and under to win an autographed title belt and drawings in the casino after the event for adults.”

He said that the card is packed with action and some last-minute entries might still be added.

“HOW champion Ken Anderson will defend his title. Legends Lanny Poffo and XPac will both

be in action and we added an ambulance match last week,” said Richter.

Richter said that as the show comes together, his excitement has grown. He jokingly said that pro wrestling is essentially a soap opera for grown men, but you never know how the plot will turn out.

“I’m not at liberty to issue any spoilers at this time, but I heard there are a few guys gunning for Ken Anderson’s HOW title. So we may see many competitors in a match,” said Richter. “When you see the list of people coming in you immediately have memories surface.”

“Mean Gene Okerlund was the man who made all the interviews fun and entertaining,” said Richter, who was decked out in his “Macho Man” Savage costume for this interview. “And the now? These guys changed everything about wrestling in the 90’s. It’s all nostalgia. Revisiting the youthful times!”

Area business owner Rich Chalupsky is one ticket holder who is absolutely thrilled with the upcoming event. He and 20-plus friends are taking a shuttle to the event. For shuttle details call 218-262-1042.

“My kids and I love wrestling and many of my friends are bringing their kids as well,” said Chalupsky, who owns Sammy’s Restaurant in Hibbing. “I’ve been to all kinds of wrestling and these guys (Heavy On Wrestling) know what they are doing—it’s going to be great!”


Chalupsky will get an added bonus as Pat Patterson, the First Intercontinental Champion, will be mingling in the casino after the matches.


“He’s going to be singing some karaoke in the Northstar Lounge,” said Richter of Patterson. “It’s going to be a great way to end the night as we’ll also have signed belts to give away and cash to be won.”

While Richter will be too busy to take in many of the matches, he knows that he will have some downtime to soak in all of the festivities.

“I won’t have the luxury to be a fan watching, but I’ll be making sure the wheels are greased and people are enjoying themselves,” he said.

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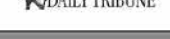





















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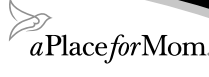
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Obituaries and Death Notices



Edna H. Lamppa

Edna Helena Lamppa, 89, of Tower, passed away on Saturday, July 14, 2018, at Diamond Willow Advanced Care Assisted Living in Mt. Iron. Funeral services were held on Thursday, July 19 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Tower with Pastor Liz Cheney officiating. Burial was in Lakeview Cemetery in Tower. Arrangements were with Landmark Funeral Home of Virginia.

She was born at home on May 9, 1929, the daughter of Henry and Anna (Knutti) Hiltunen, in Vermilion Lake Township, where she grew up. Edna was united in marriage to Herbert Lamppa on Jan. 24, 1948, in Vermilion Lake Township. They made their home in Tower where she and Herb owned and operated the Tower Dairy for over 25 years.

Edna was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church of Tower, where she was active in the ELCA and also was a past member of the Homecraft Club. She was an avid sports fan while raising her children and grandchildren. She was a wonderful baker who was known for her great pies. Edna had a way with animals and loved all the pets she had over the years.

She is survived by her husband of 70

years, Herbert Lamppa of Tower; children, Faye (Nick) Tekautz of Soudan, Daryl (Cheryl) Lamppa of Lake Vermilion-Tower, Gayle (Philip) Lamppa of Chicago, Randall (Sharon) Lamppa of Texarkana, Ark., and Steve (Sonja) Lamppa of Duluth; grandchildren, Brendon Lamppa, Garrett Lamppa, Blaine Lamppa, Andrea Vlamnick, Lindsey Lamppa, Delia Durfee and Reece Lamppa; great-grandchildren, Taimi Lamppa, Henry and Elizabeth Vlamnick and Weston and Everett Durfee; nieces and nephews; and sister-in-law, Maryann Hiltunen.

She was preceded in death by her parents; siblings, Elsie Hiltunen, Emily (Chester) Kangas, Leonard Hiltunen, Elma (Hugo) Hanka, Hazel (Harvey) Mattson, Toivo (Louella) Hiltunen, Helia (John) Murphy, Evelyn (Robert) Hendrickson, Arvid Hiltunen, Margaret Hiltunen and twin brother Edward Hiltunen (in infancy); niece, Donna Mattson; and nephews, Russell and Marvin Kangas.

Mary Joy Lenont

Mary Joy Giblin Lenont, 66, of Eagles Nest-Ely, and Lake Vermilion-Tower, passed away on Wednesday, July 11, 2018, at the Boundary Waters Care Center in Ely. A Celebration of Life will be held at 5 p.m. on Monday, July 23 at Virginia Elks Lodge 1003 with Kristin Foster officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service. As she requested, family and friends are invited to celebrate Mary Joy's life with good food, libations, live music and much dancing, immedi-

ately following the service. The family invites friends to bring an "MJ story" with them to share during the evening of celebration. In lieu of memorials, MJ requested that her friends plant a tree in her memory. Burial will be at a later date. Arrangements are with Landmark Funeral Home in Virginia.

Mary Joy was born on March 25, 1952, to James and Joy (Lenont) Giblin Sr. in Virginia. During her formative years she spent many summers at her family's cabin at Eshquaguma Country Club in Gilbert, where she enjoyed swimming, golfing, playing tennis and, in general, living the Life of Reilly.

She graduated from Virginia High School, attended Hamline University and graduated from St. Cloud State University. As a young woman she owned the Biwabik Times and the Range Facts and was the youngest female newspaper publisher ever in the state of Minnesota. She lived for a number of years in the Twin Cities where she worked in public relations for Kamstra Communications and Tennant Co.

Appropriately named, MJ was a joyous person who was interested in everyone and everything. Her imagination knew no bounds, she saw possibilities where others saw none, and if anyone told her she couldn't do something she wanted to do, she did it.

Mary Joy was an accomplished fisherwoman and loved nothing more than wetting a line - except, perhaps, music. Music, she believed, could heal the world.

Mary Joy was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis in her early 30s and through modern

medicine and strength of will, triumphed over that disease. Sadly, her battle with cancer didn't go so well despite her trademark feistiness and positive attitude.

MJ is survived by her brother, James "Mick" (Kathy Nelson) Giblin Jr. of Gilbert; sister, Kathleen "Kate" Giblin of Gilbert; longtime partner and friend, Jim Laine Sr. of Lake Vermilion-Tower; best friend, Jean Cole (Tom Rukavina) of Pike Township; and her beloved dog, Rico.

She was preceded in death by her parents.



Claude T. Lakoskey

Claude Thomas "Tom" Lakoskey, 68, of Tower, passed away on Friday, July 13, 2018, at St. Michael's Health and Rehabilitation Center in Virginia. A Celebration of Life will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, July 20 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Tower with Pastor Liz Cheney officiating. A gathering time for family and friends will be for one hour prior to the service at the church. Burial will be in Lakeview Cemetery in Tower. Arrangements are with Landmark Funeral Home of Virginia.

Tom was born in Cook

on Nov. 14, 1949, the son of Claude and Marjorie (Edwards) Lakoskey. He lived in Gheen until moving to Tower at the age of three. Tom worked as a millwright and owned and operated C.C. Construction in Tower. He managed the Iron Ore Bar in Tower the last 20 years, for his mother, before retiring. Tom enjoyed gardening, hunting, fishing and woodworking. He especially enjoyed spending time with his family.

He is survived by his children, Tommy Lakoskey of Hoyt Lakes, Todd (Heidi Olson) Lakoskey of Island Lake, Stefanie (Aaron) Gornick of Soudan and Larissa (Luc Karpik) Lakoskey of Virginia; 14 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; brother, Jerry "Kuby" Lakoskey of Chicago; sisters, Cindy Precht of Tower, Judy Rodriguez of Las Cruces, New Mexico, and Nancy (Con) Jamnick of Virginia; numerous nieces and nephews; uncle, Tommy Edwards of Biwabik; cousin and longtime friend, "Tick" Edwards of Britt.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Claude and Marjorie Lakoskey; brother, Jack Lakoskey; nephew, Jason Lakoskey; and grandson, Treyce Lakoskey.

Clyde A. Koskela

Clyde Andrew Koskela, 83, former resident of Lake Vermilion-Cook, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, July 11, 2018, with his daughter Jennifer by his side. A Memorial Service will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, July 20 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Cook. Visitation will

begin at 10 a.m. Pastor Peter Rosenqvist will be the officiant. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the American Lung Association of the Upper Midwest or directly to the family. Arrangements are with Mlaker Funeral Home of Cook.

He is survived by his only child, Jennifer.

Wes Kutsi

Wes Kutsi, 80, of Chisholm, died peacefully on Tuesday, July 10, 2018, at St. Luke's Hospital in Duluth, surrounded by family. A Celebration of Life will be held on Sunday, July 15 at Rupp Funeral Home and Cremation Service Chapel in Chisholm with Siyanda Elizabeth, Life-Cycle Celebrant, officiating. Private inurnment will take place at a later date in the Alango Township Cemetery.

He is survived by his children, Kevin Kutsi (cat, Maddy) of Ely and Judy (Dennis) Koponen (dog, Aunna-Liisa) of Babbitt; fiancée, Carolyn "Cari" Nelson; and many special cousins.

Amelia Hill

A memorial service for Amelia "Molly" Hill, of Ely, will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, July 21 at the Ely United Methodist Church with a gathering of family and friends taking place one hour prior to the service at the church. In lieu of flowers, the family prefers a donation to Northwoods Partners. Family arrangements have been entrusted to Kerntz Funeral Home of Ely.

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WOMEN IN THE OUTDOORS

Workshop to teach outdoor skills to women

Enjoy fall hiking and more along the North Shore during a three-day course at Wolf Ridge

by MARSHALL HELMBERGER
Managing Editor

REGIONAL— Are you a woman who would like to learn more skills for enjoying the outdoors? Then you'll want to make note of an upcoming workshop on the North Shore sponsored by the Department of Natural Resources.

Participants in the three-day course can hike to spectacular views of autumn

colors, with Lake Superior on the horizon, and learn a variety of outdoor skills through the Becoming an Outdoors Woman program.

Getting to that view includes 330 feet of elevation gain on the Superior Hiking Trail – the kind of physical and mental challenge known well to Jo Swanson, trail development director for the Superior Hiking Trail Association and the keynote speaker for the fall workshop.

“One of my themes is empowerment – learning to overcome fears of adventuring in the outdoors,” Swanson said. “We live in a culture of fear and people react strongly when women go on outdoors adventures, especially when they go alone. The truth is that with planning and preparation, the outdoors can be a very safe place.”

The fall workshop is Friday, Sept. 14, through Sunday, Sept. 16, in a

Right: Women can gain confidence and skills in outdoor experience at this fall's BOW workshop at Wolf Ridge.

courtesy MNDNR

new location this year at Wolf Ridge Environmental Learning Center near Finland. Attendees will hear from Swanson and Minnesota state park naturalists. Session topics include Ojibwe heri-

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LAKE VERMILION

Loon count shows increase

Long-term loon monitoring is helping researchers better understand threats to the species

LAKE VERMILION— Common loons continue to do well on Lake Vermilion, according to the results of the 2018 loon count – and that suggests that the 2010 BP oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico may not have affected loon reproduction – at least not yet.

Volunteers from the Vermilion Lake Association conducted the annual count on July 9, and tallied 235 loons, including 197 adults and 38 chicks, which is above the long-term average of 31 chicks.

A total of 143 of the sighted loons were found on the lake's east end, with the remaining 92 loons found in the lake's western basin.

Those numbers represent an increase over last year's tally of 173 adults and 29 chicks, and are more in line with recent years, when the tally has averaged about 250 loons.

Minnesota is home to more common loons than all other states in the U.S. combined, except Alaska. And as the state bird, interest has long been high in this iconic resident of the state. In the wake of the 2010 oil spill, researchers have been closely watching loon numbers for signs that the incident on the Gulf could be impacting loon numbers and reproduction.

Above: A male loon's throat expands as he lets out a mournful cry.
M. Helmbarger

Right: A loon and chick swim together.
file photo

Previous research has demonstrated that loons in Minnesota and Michigan were exposed to the 2010 spill, but it remains uncertain how quickly any effects from that exposure might show up in population trends and reproductive success.

“We’re still waiting to see what kind of results that could have,” said Gaea Crozier, a DNR nongame specialist in Grand Rapids who works on loon monitoring programs. “That’s why these long-term monitoring projects are so helpful,” said Crozier, noting that they provide good baseline data for detecting changes in populations and reproduction. The Lake Vermilion count is one of the longest-running loon counts in Minnesota, having just completed its 35th year without interruption, and that makes it particularly valuable for researchers watching the long-term health of the state’s loon population.

While Lake Vermilion is home to a very large number of loons, not all appear to be breeders and that’s one reason that reproductive success can appear limited on the lake. It can take 3-4 years of returning to



a summer range before an adult loon settles on an available territory and during that period the loons are simply non-breeding adults. In some cases, if territories are not readily available, an adult male without a territory may attempt to take one from a rival male. Such attempts are typically violent and result in the death of one of the rival males in about a third of the cases.

Ongoing research in northcentral and northeastern Minnesota shows that Itasca County has the highest density of loons in the region, and also has the highest breeding success, with a reproduction success ratio of 0.63 chicks per adult pair. The county has a large number of small lakes, often with clear water, which are ideal for loons.

Research in Cook and Lake counties, by contrast, shows long-term breeding success of about 0.45 chicks per adult pair, among the lowest in the region. It’s

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Wildflower Watch

This week's featured flower
SHINLEAF



The **Shinleaf**, *Pyrola elliptica*, is a petite, but spectacular, wildflower found most commonly in pine forests in our area. While the blossoms on other pyrola look similar, Shinleaf can be told from other species by its several bright white blossoms arranged all around the stem.

Pyrola flowers are waxy and nodding, with a noticeable green pistil that hangs like an elephant's trunk. Shinleaf isn't rare, but it's far from common and is always a fun discovery in the woods.

Outdoors briefly

State park events

REGIONAL— A number of fun and informative activities are regularly offered at both the Lake Vermilion Soudan Mine State Park and Bear Head Lake State Park.

Here's a selection of upcoming activities:

LAKE VERMILION Photography Scavenger Hunt

Friday, July 27, from 1-3 p.m.
Meet at the Armstrong Bay Day Use Area

Capture the beauty of nature while learning some tips and tricks to make all your pictures look professional. Explore this beautiful state park and test your new skills with a nature scavenger hunt. This program is designed for all ages and abilities. A limited number of digital cameras will be available for participants, although personal cameras and cell phones are also welcome.

Common Mammals of Minnesota

Friday, July 27, from 5-7 p.m.
Meet at Armstrong Bay Day Use Area.

Do you hear animals in the woods but never get a chance to see them up-close? Join us as we learn about the mammals of northern Minnesota through pelts and skulls. Visitors will have the opportunity to touch and observe various artifacts of the mammals that call this campground home.

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BEARHEADLAKE Fishing 101

Friday, July 20 from 5-7 p.m. and Thursday, July 26 from 9 a.m.-12 noon.

Meet at Fishing Pier. Learn the basics of fishing and try firsthand how to cast, reel and possibly catch a fish. Stop by anytime during the program. This free program is open to all ages and skill levels. A limited number of supplies are available for use or you are welcome to bring your own. Make sure you dress for the weather.

Geocaching 101

Thursday, July 26 from 1-3 p.m. Meet at the Beach Picnic Pavilion.

Join us as we learn about the exciting and adventurous opportunity this worldwide recreational

sport has to offer. Learn how to use a GPS and find some hidden treasures. A limited number of GPS units are available for use or you are welcome to bring your own. This free program is open to all ages and skill levels. This is a come and go as you please program.

From Needles to Leaves: Let's Learn Some Trees

Saturday, July 28 from 2-4 p.m.

Meet Outside Trail Center

Did you know Minnesota is home to 52 native coniferous and deciduous trees? Trees are one of Minnesota's most valued resources. They not only provide oxygen, but they also provide habitat for animals and products we use every day. Join us as we take a short walk and learn different trees, identification tricks, and how trees are useful to animals.

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uncertain why there's such a difference, but Crozier notes that loon reproduction could be lower there because lakes on the Canadian Shield are

generally less productive for fish than lakes in other parts of Minnesota. "So there's probably less of a prey base," she said.

LAKE COUNTRY FORECAST

from NOAA weather

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What's In YOUR BOATHOUSE?



by ROBERT MATSON
Columnist

My featured boat this week is another boat that came from Ely. It's a 1959 Larson Pla Mate, powered by a 1957 Evinrude 35HP Big Twin. It's owned by Adam Tome of Minneapolis. He was told that in 1959, the boat was shipped by rail from Little Falls, where it was built, to Ely. It's shown here sitting on a National brand trailer. Although garaged, the boat had not been used for some time, and needed cosmetic restoration. Adam used rubbing compound and TONs of elbow grease to clean the fiberglass and restore the lipstick red color. The motor though, purred like a kitten and required nothing more than fresh gasoline. Since it's purchase



in 2006, the Pla Mate has lived on Duck Lake near Park Rapids, exploring the lakes of the great Mississippi Headquarters.

If you would like to see your boat featured here, contact me at 218-343-5719, or email at rcmely@frontiernet.net.

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tage, Voyageurs, archery, canoeing, and the animals, plants and geology of the North Woods.

Linda Bylander, coordinator of the Becoming an Outdoors Woman program, said that along with the new location, the workshop offers a new selection of classes this year. "Women who attend the fall

workshop gain a whole range of experiences in a supportive environment," Bylandersaid. "We chose dates when the fall colors should provide a beautiful backdrop."

The cost of the workshop is \$205, which includes lodging and meals beginning Friday evening through noon on Sunday.

The workshop is designed for women ages 18 and up but girls ages 14 to 17 are welcome to attend with parents or guardians. Visit mndnr.gov/bow for more information and to register.

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Gilbert/Eveleth Area: Lake Ore-Be-Gone: Fri-Sun, 10 AM-6 PM



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PUBLIC NOTICES

MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 707
Nett Lake, Minnesota
55772-8122
REGULAR MEETING
June 11, 2018

M E M B E R S
PRESENT:
Beverly Steel,
Vice-Chairman
Karlene Chosa, Clerk
Jane Villebrun, Treasurer
Tara Geshick, Director
Marilyn Geshick, Director

ALSO PRESENT:
Jim Varichak, Supt./Prin.

ABSENT
Brandon Benner, Chairman

Vice-Chairwoman Steel called the regular meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 707 to order at 8:18 a.m.

18-134 Motion was made by M. Geshick and seconded by T. Geshick to approve the agenda with two additions. MOTION CARRIED 5-0-0

18-135 Motion was made by Chosa and seconded by M. Geshick to approve the May 14, 2018 regular meeting minutes. MOTION CARRIED 5-0-0

18-136 Motion was made by M. Geshick and seconded by Villebrun to approve the May 24, 2018 special meeting minutes. MOTION CARRIED 5-0-0

18-137 Motion was made by M. Geshick and seconded by Villebrun to approve the bills

in the amount of \$299,758.10 (list attached). MOTION CARRIED 5-0-0

18-138 Motion was made by M. Geshick and seconded by Villebrun to approve the May 31, 2018 Financial Report. MOTION CARRIED 5-0-0

Superintendent /Principal report was given: Elementary and High School Banquets went well—Thank you to the LIEC for all their work. Graduation Ceremony attended. Summer School starts next Tuesday. Students enjoyed the Spring concert and the Orbit Earth presentation.

18-139 Motion was made by M. Geshick and seconded by Chosa to approve the Consent Agenda. MOTION CARRIED 5-0-0

18-140 Motion was made by T. Geshick and seconded by M. Geshick to hire Angela Rendulich for the ECFE teacher for the FY2019 school year. MOTION CARRIED 5-0-0

18-141 Motion was made by Villebrun and seconded by M. Geshick to approve the FY2019 contract for services with Bois Forte Headstart MOTION CARRIED 5-0-0

18-142 Motion was made by M. Geshick and seconded by Villebrun to approve the FY2019 preliminary budget. MOTION CARRIED 5-0-0

18-143 Motion was made by T. Geshick and seconded by Chosa to approve the Range Mental Health (ADAPT) contract for FY2019. MOTION

CARRIED 5-0-0

18-144 Motion was made by M. Geshick and seconded by Villebrun to approve the Arrowhead Regional Computing Consortium FY2019 Specific Services Contract. MOTION CARRIED 5-0-0

18-145 Motion was made by T. Geshick and seconded by M. Geshick to approve the Contract for Services with Bois Forte Medical Clinic. MOTION CARRIED 5-0-0

18-146 Motion was made by M. Geshick and seconded by Villebrun to adopt Resolution Relating to the Election of School Board Members and Calling the School District General Election. MOTION CARRIED 5-0-0

18-147 Motion was made by T. Geshick and seconded by M. Geshick to approve the contract with MacNeil Environmental. MOTION CARRIED 5-0-0

18-148 Motion was made by Chosa and seconded by M. Geshick to approve the moving the next school board meeting to July 16, 2018. MOTION CARRIED 5-0-0

Superintendent Varickak had discussion on various capital projects.

18-149 Motion was made by M. Geshick to adjourn the meeting at 9:26 a.m.

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FILING NOTICE
EAGLES NEST TOWNSHIP

Affidavits of candidacy may be filed with the Town Clerk during regular office hours at the Town Hall from July 31 - August 14, 2018 for the offices of:

Township Treasurer- 4-year term
Supervisor A- 4-year term
Supervisor D- 4-year term
Supervisor E- 4-year term

Filing fee is \$2.00

Filing Period for township offices is July 31, 2018-August 14, 2018 until 5:00 p.m. for the November 6 General Election.

Primary Election Day is Tuesday, August 14

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KUGLER TOWNSHIP
ELECTION FILING NOTICE

Affidavits of candidacy may be filed with the Town Clerk at her home from Tuesday, July 31, 2018, until Tuesday, August 14, 2018, at 5 p.m., for the offices of:

SUPERVISOR SEAT C – 4 YEAR TERM

TREASURER – 4 YEAR TERM

Filing fee: \$2.00
Please contact the clerk at 218-753-3314 or 218-750-0337 to set up an appointment.

The last day to file is Tuesday, August 14, 2018, at 5 p.m. The office will be open for filings on August 14 from 1 - 5 p.m.

Julie Suihkonen, Town Clerk

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KUGLER TOWNSHIP
MEETING NOTICE

The Kugler Town Board will hold its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, July 24, 2018, at 6 p.m. at the Kugler Town Hall.

Julie Suihkonen, Town Clerk

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Town of Embarrass
Notice of Primary Election
and
Notice of Candidate Filing

Notice is hereby given to all qualified voters of the Town of Embarrass, County of St. Louis, State of Minnesota. **Primary election** will be held Tuesday, August 14, 2018. Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Embarrass Town Hall.

Affidavits of candidacy may be filed with the Town Clerk at the Clerk's Office located at the Embarrass Town Hall, 7503 Levander Road. Filing dates are from July 31, 2018 to August 14, 2018. The Clerk's Office hours are from Noon- 3:00 pm Monday-Thursday. The following Township Offices are to be filled in the November Elections:

(One) Board Supervisor and
(One) Town Treasurer
Each position is a four-year term.
A two dollar fee is required with each filing.

Filing for offices closes on Tuesday, August 14, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. (The Clerk's Office will remain open until 5:00 p.m. on August 14.)

Please call the Embarrass Clerk's Office with any questions, 218-984-2084.

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Supper on the Farm! Bringing city and country folks together to learn about farms and food is the purpose of a "free to the public" event sponsored by the Arrowhead Regional Farm Bureau, Cook Farmers Market and other local sponsors. Supper on the Farm will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday, July 26, at Cook's Country Connection, 1953 Vermilion Dr., Cook. 218-780-8611.www.CooksCountryConnection.com. 7/20

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

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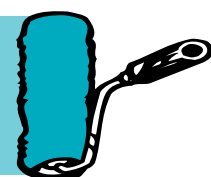
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