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PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT

## Speaking out on wilderness protections

Former officials frustrated by Trump's mineral lease decisions that could risk BWCAW

by MARSHALL HELMBERGER

Managing Editor

REGIONAL - Former U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack joined two top Forest Service officials, both retired, this week, in voicing frustration over recent decisions by the Trump administration affecting the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness and the Superior National Forest.

Those officials, including former Forest Service Chief Tom Tidwell and former Superior Forest Supervisor Brenda Halter, were together in Minneapolis this week for the 40th anniversary celebration of the 1978 BWCAW Act, which expanded the boundaries of the federal wilderness area and significantly restricted motorized

During their visit, the three took time to talk to the *Timberjay*  by phone about what they see as opportunities lost by the Trump administration's recent decision to reinstate mineral leases for the proposed Twin Metals copper-nickel mine near Ely and end a study of a possible mineral withdrawal across a wide swath of the Superior National Forest. Both of those decisions came in the final weeks of the Obama administration.

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**Brenda Halter** 



**Tom Tidwell** 



Tom Vilsack

#### **ELECTION 2018**



## DFL candidates visit Bois Forte

by MARCUS WHITE Cook/Orr Editor

VERMILION RESERVATION- Two DFLers in hot contests for top political office attended a listening session here on Monday. Joe Radinovich, who is seeking to replace

Eighth District Congressman

Rick Nolan and Peggy

Flanagan, who is running

as lieutenant governor with

Tim Walz, were at Fortune

of a push by the DFL to visit every Native American reservation in the state before Election Day.

Around 20 people attended the hour-long event.

"We're very honored to have Joe and Peggy to be with us today,"Tribal Chair Cathy Chavers said. "I am really honored to have them at Bois Forte. We know where they are at, we don't always know where the Republicans

Bay Resort Casino as part From left, Minnesota Lieutenant Governor DFL candidate Peggy Flanagan, DFL Eighth District Congressional candidate Joe Radinovich, and Bois Forte Tribal Chair Cathy Chavers, attended a listening session Monday at Fortune Bay Resort Casino. photo by Marcus White

are at, which isn't good for

Bois Forte." Flanagan, who is herself a member of the White Earth Reservation in northwestern Minnesota, has used her roots to frame many of the campaign issues including

related to his race

for the Eighth

District con-

gressional seat,

appears to have

been a violation

of a county policy

prohibiting offi-

cials from using

the environment.

"Everything that I have done in the Legislature with the environment has been through treaty rights," she said. "If you look at issues

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## DFL sues county over Stauber's emails

by Marshall Helmberger

Managing Editor

DULUTH-St. Louis County's recent decision to withhold email communications between Commissioner Pete Stauber and the National Republican Congressional Committee, has attracted its first

The Minnesota DFL, on Tuesday, served a lawsuit contending that the county is in violation of the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act by refusing to hand over the emails.

Stauber's use of his county email for communications that may have been



county resources to advance their political careers. **Pete Stauber** Moreover, depending on the contents of the emails, they could reveal evidence of illegal coordination between the Stauber

campaign and the NRCC, which makes

independent expenditures on behalf of Republican candidates. Those expenditures can be unlimited, but the committees are not allowed to coordinate their messaging with candidates, and any communication between candidates and such organizations is typically considered a highly-risky activity given the legal stakes. The *Timberjay* did inquire with St. Louis County Attorney Mark Rubin about whether he had reviewed the emails in question to see whether they could constitute a violation of federal law. Rubin indicated by email that he would look into it, but did

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ISD 696

## **Getting down** to business

Ely School Board, teachers discuss facility planning

by KEITH VANDERVORT

Ely Editor

ELY-With a \$500,000 grant offered by the state, an architectural firm in place, and a looming deadline to develop design and cost estimates, the Ely School Board met with teachers and staff Monday night to begin the process for updating the campus to meet modern-day educational

With a designer from Architectural Resources, Inc. (ARI), of Hibbing, moderating the study session in the high school media center, about a dozen educators came prepared to discuss with school board members several areas of needed building improvements.

Superintendent Kevin Abrahamson said the meeting was the first of many anticipated as ISD 696 moves forward with a multi-million dollar facilities renovation project. This fall, the state preliminarily awarded the Ely School District \$495,000 toward the connection of the three campus building through a School Safety grant program.

That amount, while generous, is likely just one-third of the estimated \$1.5 million needed to connect the Memorial High School, Washington Elementary School, and Industrial Arts buildings. Adding a gymnasium and other proposed improvements could cost much more.

"While we are very grateful," Abrahamson said, "what you need to know is that with preliminary numbers, the grant would cover 37 percent of the amount needed to connect the buildings.'

He called for discussions to focus on the building connections, location of the connections, questions about relocating, expanding, or renovating various educational areas on the campus like the band room, early education and other areas.

"We will need to have more detailed pre-design plans ready before March in order qualify for the (grant) award, Abrahamson said. "The length of time

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## GOMMUNITY EVENTS AND NOTICES

MAJOR LEAGUE EATING

## Fortune Bay hosting 2nd Annual Indian Taco Eating Contest

MLE favorite Joey Chestnut to challenge record-holder Geoffrey Esper at event on Nov. 3

by Jodi Summit

Tower-Soudan Editor

TOWER- If you missed the world championship taco eating contest at Fortune Bay last year, you are in luck because the defending world champion, Geoffrey Esper, along with the number one ranked competitive eater in the world, Joey Chestnut, will both be on hand as the second annual Indian Taco Eating Contest gets underway on Saturday, Nov. 3 in Fortune Bay's Woodland Ballroom.

The free event, which filled the ballroom to capacity last year, gave locals the chance to see a Major League Eating (MLE) event in person. MLE "stomach-centric" sports. The group's flagship event is the Nathan's hotdog eating contest held each year on the Fourth of July. Many MLE events are broadcast live on ESPN.

The event is run by a MLE



Geoffrey Esper (at right) holds the world MLE record for Indian Tacos after out-eating MLE all-star Joey Chestnut last November. Both will be back competing at Fortune Bay on Saturday, Nov. 3. file photo

official emcee, who will keep the crowd on its toes and keep the excitement level high right until the actual eight minutes of taco

eating gets underway.

Last year was the first time any of the professional eaters had tried out Indian tacos, which are made with a chewy frybread crust. So returning contestants will have had time to perfect their technique, which changes

depending on what type of food is being consumed.

Last year Esper out-ate Chestnut 29 to 28.

Both eaters said they had enjoyed the event. After his world-record eating run, Esper continued to finish up the tacos on his plate.

"This frybread is delicious," he said. Esper did say the tacos were relatively hard to eat, and required a lot of jaw strength.

The event also will keep Fortune Bay kitchen staff busy. Last year they prepared over 1,000 pieces of fry bread for the event. The frybread and tacos were all freshly made, starting very early in the morning. Each plate contained four small tacos, and weighed exactly one pound. Indian tacos were also for sale for audience members before the event.

#### **Hunters Supper** Wild Game feed on Nov. 10 in Cook

COOK- Everyone is invited to attend the wild game feed the second weekend of deer hunting on Saturday, Nov. 10 at 6:30 p.m. at the Cook Community Center. Dinner will be served starting at 6:30 p.m. Plenty of food will be provided, but if you want to bring your own contribution, nobody is going to stop you! The event will run from 6:30-8:30 p.m. and will involve

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a short program along with supper. Hope to see you there!

#### Range Fiberart **Guild meets** Thursday

VIRGINIA- The Range Fiberart Guild will meet on Thursday, Nov. 1 at 6:30 p.m. at Gethsemane Lutheran Church, 901 4th St. S in Virginia. Guild member Mary Erickson will present a program on the Warp Weighted Loom.

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## Create a hand-stamped cuff bracelet at your library

REGIONAL- The Arrowhead Library System is pleased to present Jen Anfinson's Jewelry Stamping and Metal Bending Workshop for adult and teen patrons, ages 15 and older. This is a free program where patrons will create a stamped cuff bracelet in a hands-on workshop at Cook Public Library on Friday, Nov. 9 at 4 p.m., Ely Public Library on Friday, Nov. 16 at 3:30 p.m., or Babbitt Public Library on Monday, Nov. 19 at 3:30 p.m.

Learn two different jewelry techniques in this hands-on workshop: Jewelry Stamping and Metal Bending. Create a personalized, hand-stamped cuff bracelet in class.



All supplies are included.

Anfinson is passionate about creating and teaching. She travels extensively around her home state of

Minnesota, leading jewelry and creative workshops. She is thrilled to be returning to the Arrowhead Library System. See more at https://www. facebook.com/jenanfinsonstudio/.

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, follow us on Twitter @ALSLibraryNews, or like us on Facebook at www.facebook. com/alslibinfo.

#### offers free rides to the polls, Nov. 6 Arrowhead Transit

ELY- Arrowhead Transit will provide free rides to the polls in Ely and other Dial-a-Ride Cities on Election Day, Nov. 6. For more information on where and when to vote and same-day voter registration, visit the Minnesota Secretary of State's website at http://www. sos.state.mn.us. Rides to the polls will be provided in Ely from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Please call 800-862-0175 to set

up your free ride to the polls. You will need to tell the dispatcher where you want to be picked up and the location of your polling place.

COOK- Trinity Lutheran Church in Cook will be hosting a Veterans Day luncheon on Monday, Nov. 12 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the church fellowship hall.

This free lasagna lunch is in recognition of the service and ded-

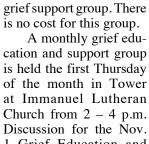
ication our veterans have given for our country. All area veterans and their family members are welcome to attend, as well as surviving spouses of veterans. Any questions can be directed to the church office at 218-666-5965. Trinity Lutheran is

located off Hwy. 53 by the American Bank in Cook at 213 2nd St. SE. Handicapped parking is available in both the north and the south parking lots.

### **Grief Education and Grief Support Group on Thursday in Tower**

Experiencing the death of a loved one can be a very difficult experi-

ence. Learning about the grief process and having support from others can help a great deal. Please consider reserving your spot to participate in this



monthly education and

is held the first Thursday of the month in Tower at Immanuel Lutheran Church from 2 - 4 p.m. Discussion for the Nov. 1 Grief Education and Support Group will be "Special Days, Finding Joy, A Look Toward the Future".

Registration is not required, however it is recommended. Please call East Range Hospice at 218-749-7975 or 1-877-851-2213 to register. This Grief Education and Support Group is sponsored and facilitated by Essentia Health St. Mary's East Range Hospice, Patient and Family Grief Support Services.



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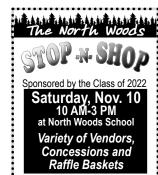
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## Planning and zoning finds support for marathon route

Previous business backlash to Ely Marathon fails to appear at public hearing

by KEITH VANDERVORT

ELY – The city's Planning and Zoning Committee here received mostly positive comments last week at a public hearing held to air public concerns over the Ely Marathon.

Committee members braced for a backlash from residents and business owners at the forum, many of whom voiced their complaints on social media about the inconvenience to locals and shoppers during the running of

A total of three citizens, including organizer Wendy Lindsay who said she was prepared to defend the event and the positive image it brings to the community, attended the hearing last Wednesday night. In the end, no defense was necessary as critics have either changed their minds or opted against criticizing the event in public.

Last June, as plans were finalized for the fourth annual event, more than 40 Ely businesses signed their name to a petition to alter the in-town route of the race, from Sheridan to Camp Street, to allow local access to the business district during the running of the 26.2mile Boston Marathon qualifier. Yet, not a single petition signer, including Marolyn Mathys, who initiated the petition campaign last summer, chose to voice their opposition this time around.

Instead, several residents who did weigh-in via email, offered support. "I think the marathon route is good," wrote Gus Smith. "It works well for the runners and volunteers, and probably causes some inconvenience for some. Any route would cause inconvenience to someone and they would be angry. A little inconvenience is worth the extra business in

Shannon Harding echoed the benefits. "These routes are taking runners on a tour of



Runners, including a runner with a canoe, pass an Ely outfitter during this year's race.

the city," she wrote. "The Ely Marathon is our opportunity to give runners a tour of our city by keeping the marathon/half marathon route on Sheridan Street."

Bonnie Cooley acknowledged that the event is a minor inconvenience, but a temporary one. "It doesn't last forever and there are plenty of ways around it. I think this event is great for the community and it brings people in town which helps local businesses," she stated.

Those messages were pretty indicative of the comments received by Ely Planning and Zoning Administrator Tim Riley. He noted that he had

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#### SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION

## Manick seeks to retain his school board seat with write-in

by MARCUS WHITE

Cook-Orr Editor

REGIONAL - St. Louis County School Board member Dan Manick had a bit of a surprise after finishing third in an eight-way primary contest for county commissioner in August.

"When I entered the commissioner race I knew I was a long shot," Manick said. "I always had thought it was a bit of a bummer because I would lose my seat on the school board. I found out after I lost that no



Dan Manick

one had filed for the seat."

So now, Manick is back in campaign mode, spreading the word that he wants to stay in his current

job representing the Cook area on the school board for another four years. With no candidate officially on the ballot for the school board seat, Manick is asking voters to write in his name on the blank line that will appear. "It was like my version of the

lottery that I could still run for the board after all that," he said.

And Manick said he has work to do on the school board, to help continue the growth of the district's enrollment as well as address areas of concern with school performance.

"I'm not happy," Manick said. "We need to get our test scores (MCA) and ACT scores better. They're not quite where

they should be. I would like to see a better overall report card to show people."

He said board members, in recent years, have been good about voicing their concerns.

"We voice our displeasure," he said. "We try different things, whether it is intervention, we know the buck stops with us. We're spending money on new

"We need to be more pro-active with the curriculum," Manick said. "We need to do a better job with getting kids prepared for trades."

No matter what, said Manick, the school board needs to always improve, and resting on successes, as they come, does not serve the students well.

Voters across the Cook area will have the opportunity to weigh-in on the race on Nov. 6. Because of the unusual electoral boundaries within the school district, residents of Vermilion Lake Township will also be voting for the Cook representative.

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### Editorial

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### Just release the emails

Pete Stauber shouldn't let St. Louis County taxpayers take the hit for his misdeeds

Why won't St. Louis County Commissioner Pete Stauber release his email communications with the National Republican Congressional Committee? That would be the simplest way to resolve the controversy, which has now embroiled the county in a lawsuit over access to government records. That lawsuit will not only cost county taxpayers, potentially tens of thousands of dollars, but makes it appear (rightly or wrongly) that the county is cooperating with the Stauber campaign on some kind of cover-up.

It also creates an issue that can't be welcome as Stauber campaigns for the Eighth District congressional seat now occupied by DFLer Rick Nolan. Why Stauber won't put an end to the matter by simply releasing the emails is a valid question. To date, his actions suggest that the content of the emails could be embarrassing—and possibly worse than that.

We know that Stauber's use of the county email system for political purposes was a violation of county policy.But,depending on the content of the emails, there could be a bigger infraction in play. The National Republican Congressional Committee is defined as a political action committee. and it's one that makes tens of millions of dollars in so-called "independent expenditures," during campaigns, either in favor of GOP candidates or, more likely, in attack ads against Democratic opponents.

Under federal election laws, political candidates are not allowed to communicate directly with groups like the NRCC to coordinate their activities and political messaging as it relates to these independent expenditures. To be accurate, we have no evidence at this point that Stauber might have engaged in such illegal coordination, but release of his emails could easily clear up the question.

This puts St. Louis County in a troubling position. If litigation eventually results in the release of the emails, and they reveal that Stauber engaged in potentially illegal coordination with the NRCC, it will appear that county officials withheld evidence of a federal crime and, in effect, provided aid to Stauber's

election effort by doing so. We can say, comfortably, that county officials don't like being caught in the middle of a mess that Pete Stauber created. Privately, county officials acknowledge they'd like Stauber to just release the emails and leave the county out of it.

Stauber's campaign suggests that the candidate is "abiding by the county's decision," not to release the emails, but that's dishonest since the county is not releasing the emails only because Stauber doesn't want them released. He is perfectly free, at any time, to make them public, at which point the county's involvement goes away.

That's why two of Stauber's fellow commissioners, Tom Rukavina and Frank Jewell, publicly urged Stauber to release the emails to spare the county and its taxpayers from the burden of a lawsuit and the poor publicity for the county that the issue has already generated.

While the Stauber campaign and his supporters have been quick to dismiss the issue, Stauber's email issue is remarkably similar to the one that plagued Hillary Clinton in 2016. In both instances, the candidates in question violated established policy for the use of their government email accounts, and both declined to release some of their communications. In 2016, then-candidate Donald Trump publicly asked Russia to hack Hillary's emails to release 30,000 communications that Clinton had declined to release, labeling them as

Trump repeatedly implied that the emails would show evidence of wrongdoing and the issue, thanks in part to James Comey's decision to publicly re-open a closed FBI investigation just 11 days before the election, likely helped lead to Trump's narrow election.

It's funny how the GOP frenzy over Clinton's emails, which Trump still trots out during rallies to chants of "Lock Her Up," hasn't translated into concern about Stauber's remarkably similar email problem. Or do the laws only apply to Democrats?

Political hypocrisy is nothing new, of course. But that doesn't make it any less tiresome.



### Letters from Readers

## Character shows in Eighth District race

Who is the real criminal? The St. Louis County employee who broke county employee rules by using county email paid for by tax dollars for his own personal use to promote himself as the Republican candidate in the 8th Congressional District race or the Democratic candidate who saved someone from committing suicide and paid his parking tickets with his own money?

A vote for Stauber is a vote for Trump. Save our Democracy. Vote Democrat. Vote for Joe Radinovich.

Joann Halunen
Lake Vermilion, Tower

## There's more to voting "pro-life"

Out here in Arizona while visiting with my friend Chrissy Mitchell I was impressed by her comments: Giving away National Parks is not pro-life. Not passing assault gun control and bump-stocks is not pro-life. Voiding environmental protections is not pro-life. Failing to fund education is not pro-life. And not supporting affordable healthcare is not pro-life.

Judith Ulseth Cook

## Paul McDonald is a real "people" person

I am proud to endorse Paul McDonald for our 4th District County Commissioner. I have known Paul for 50 years, so I speak with confidence of his character and his ability.

Paul has been a proven leader: as an instructor, as a coach, as an administrator. I feel Paul understands the issues facing us. He will work hard for every one of us: the student, the parent, the senior citizen, the worker, the taxpayer. Paul's vast knowledge of the issues facing the young and the old gives him great insight into the challenges each of us faces.

Paul will stand up and fight for what we need: jobs, decent wages, health insurance, good schools, infrastructure for our communities, programs for people with special needs, drug education and treatment, police and fire protection.

Paul will be a real voice for us on the county board. He is a true "people person". Please join me in voting for Paul McDonald for County Commissioner on Nov. 6.

Jerry Chiabotti Soudan

## Unfounded claims against town board

In last week's *Timberjay*, Jeff Maus (a protege of John Bassing) made several unfounded statements about the Greenwood Township Board and implies that he knows how to campaign for a spot on the town board. Fortunately, the citizens of Greenwood Townhip recognize a charlatan when they see one: In the March 2017 election, Maus received a whopping 22 votes out of the 289 cast. Fellow citizens, keep up the good work!

Steve Rodgers

# Greenwood Township Enough of trickle down health care

With frightening frequency we see community benefits in our local papers for someone with a serious illness. Most of the time the reason for the benefit is to help defray the costs of medical treatment, travel expenses, or other medical costs.

The very real statistic is that health care costs are the leading cause of bankruptcy in America. We see these benefits and our inner voice expresses firstly sorrow for that person and their family, but we also know at any moment it could be any one of us. As age progresses, we realize with increasing strength that life is very short and we all want to live what is left with a quality of life that we envision.

A person can have a good high-paying job, the nicest car, beautiful home on the lake, hunting shack deep in the woods, but none of it is worth anything if one does not have their health.

The health care system in America is broken, and under the Republicans it is only getting worse with their latest promised legislation to allow insurance companies to once again allow denial of coverage to anyone with a pre-existing condition. The House GOP's 2019 budget promises \$537 billion in cuts to Medicare, while Medicaid is slated for \$1.5 billion in reduced funding. Pete Stauber stated in the latest debate, "promises made, promises kept".

If those are promises the Republicans are keeping, I'm voting for Democrats! I'm voting for Joe Radinovich.

George Pliml Cook

#### Open letter to St. Louis County officials

Mr. Rubin and Mr. Gray, As St. Louis County elected officials, we are requesting that the county comply with the Minnesota Department of Administration's advisory opinion 18-013 that Pete Stauber's emails with the National Republican Congressional Committee are public data. Pursuant to the Minnesota Data Practices Act, we request the emails be released to the public at the St. Louis

We understand that Pete Stauber could simply consent to releasing the emails but has refused to do so, putting the county in the awkward position of having to do it for him. The State of Minnesota clearly stated that the emails are public data and the county must release them.

County Board meeting on

Tuesday, Oct. 23.

As stewards of St. Louis County property taxpayers, it's our job to protect our constituents from having to foot the bill for an avoidable lawsuit or lawsuits that St. Louis county will certainly face for refusal to honor state law and make Mr. Stauber's emails public.

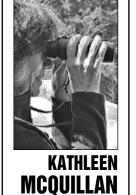
Thank you.

Jason Metsa,

State Rep., Virginia Rob Ecklund, State Rep., District 3A Liz Olson, State Rep., Duluth Tom Rukavina, St. Louis County Commissioner Gary Skalko, Mayor of Mt. Iron

## When the sun shines, fall is irresistible...

I don't know what other people think, but there is something very special about this time of year. It's a wonderful feeling to awaken to a beautiful sunny autumn day. Most all the leaves have fallen and only those glorious tamarack offer that last golden blast of color. After



weeks of rainy grey, the tree line across the field, set against one of our deep blue skies, is truly a "sight for sore eyes". Even the Vikings on television can't make me stay inside on a day like this.

Late season

Late season "outdoor chores" make my spirits zing. Hmmm... How about washing

a few windows before hanging those storms? And what about these mums that might winter over if I make the effort to bundle them up? I just finished putting the last of the brussels sprouts in the freezer, so the garden is done for another year, except for that last row of beets I could grind up for a batch of that "superfood beet powder" I heard about on TV. Oh, and then of course there's the wood pile — popple cut from our woods last winter, but not yet split. We'll burn it

mixed with well-dried ash that's already in the woodshed.

All these tasks have just rewards. A crystal clear view of the sunrise out the living room window is not only a wonder to behold but also produces a great sense of satisfaction. And although I don't like to say "adieu" to the final vestiges of life in the flowerbeds, I know that I will appreciate any survivors come spring. No need to justify the investment of time and energy in growing and preserv-

ing homegrown veggies. The scrumptious tastes of summer that are set out on the supper table each evening between now and next year's harvests will be indescribably delicious!

Sitting inside the house

Sitting inside the house for any length of time makes me sleepy or lazy, or both. To change that I only need to rise, put on my jacket and step out the back door. With just that first breath of fresh air, my blood

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#### McDonald has shown integrity

During my campaign for St.

Louis County Commissioner for District 4, I spent a lot of time studying my opponents. I would look at their strengths and weakness just in case I didn't make it through the primary. As a candidate in this race I had the unique opportunity to learn a lot about my opponents from voters as I was doing my door knocking. I've had numerous conversations with Paul during the campaign and also after the primary and I believe he has what it takes to be our next County Commissioner. He has a firm grasp of the needs of both District 4 and the county as a whole. There are many different concerns by voters in all the different regions of the county and Paul seems to have a sincere understanding of our wants and needs, whether it's health care, mining, logging or our tourism industry. This is the time of year when most politicians will say anything to get your vote. Across the board Paul has impressed me with his ability to address the issues and has proven to me he is not afraid to give you the answer you might not want to hear.

Outside of being qualified to be Commissioner, Paul has demonstrated to me the most important thing that I consider when I go to the polls. He has the integrity, character and family values that I look for in a candidate. Those are the things that take a lifetime to accumulate and you just can't snap your fingers and make those up because you are running for public office. I've known of Paul for quite a long time, but it has been an honor to spend time with him and get to know him as a colleague and friend. Please consider Paul when you go to the polls Nov. 6; he will be a great representative

#### for all of our communities. **Daniel Manick**

#### Radinovich backs affordable health care for everyone

Joe Radinovich will be an excellent representative for the Eighth District in Congress. He takes the welfare of northeastern Minnesotans to heart. Joe knows that accessible health care, equal educational opportunities, a diverse economy, and good jobs will help improve all of our lives.

A major issue on Joe's

agenda is reforming our electoral system by getting corporate and anonymous money out of our politics. He talks about how money has corrupted our elections and our entire political system. Joe has taken no money from any corporate PACS and thinks that all the time that Representatives have to spend "dialing for dollars" lessens the time they can spend serving their constituents.

We've all seen the rabid, untrue attack ads against Joe over and over again. I see them even when I'm looking something up on my phone. The millions of dollars that have been pumped into this district to discredit Joe come from shady super PACS funded by uber-wealthy corporate owners who'll do anything to maintain their control of Washington. They pretend to worry about working people, but all they really care about is increasing their unbelievable wealth. It has to give us a clue where Pete Stauber will weigh in if he gets to vote on legislation.

Affordable health care for all is one of Joe's major aspirations. He advocates for a process that would lead to universal, single payer Medicare for All. Our own doctors and clinics would remain, but costs would be lowered because of, among other things, more negotiating power with drug companies and much less paperwork. How many times have you gotten a bill and wondered what could have cost so much? And even what you were paying for? He wants transparency in what we have to pay. As he says, "Health care is a right." A pre-existing condition should absolutely not prevent anyone from getting medical insurance.

Joe's website has details about many important issues with actual good ideas. Read Stauber's. Each issue has a one sentence statement in which he avoids saying anything concrete. He doesn't want us to really know what he'll do if elected. Joe addresses several issues that don't even appear on Stauber's website, such as Jobs, the Environment, Seniors, Women's Issues, Education, Infrastructure, Agriculture, Native American and Tribal Issues, Reform Agenda, and Cannabis Reform.

Vote for Radinovich for a new politics in our district.

**Carol Orban** 

#### Lislegard will carry on for the Range

I've known Dave Lislegard for over 20 years. At that time he was a young, energetic miner who helped me door knock. I've seen him grow from being that young, energetic miner to becoming a thoughtful, passionate guy who cares deeply about the Range and our way of life.

His concern for his neighbors is evident; after all, he's served the people of Aurora for over a decade as both a councilman and Mayor. The job he has done to get the PolyMet project up and running has been second

I know he will carry on our Range tradition of supporting good wages and benefits for our workers, strong unions for the middle class, and thoughtful support for the most vulnerable among us - our kids and our

After serving for 26 years in St. Paul, I know how the Legislature works. I'm confident that it will work well for the people of the Range when we send Dave Lislegard to the Capitol to be our next State Representative. I know Dave will do a great job for all of us.

Tom Rukavina St. Louis County Commissioner, Dist. 4 Pike Township

#### I'd appreciate your support again for the state Legislature

As your state representative, I carefully consider my positions on legislation—especially issues of economic concern to our region. As you know, I've lived in northern Minnesota my entire life, and I've worked in a paper mill for 29 years, 10 as a machine tender. I was the union president for nine years, served as a Koochiching County Commissioner, and served in the United States Marine Corps.

I think folks who know me and my background recognize this: I know right from wrong, good information from bad, and political truth from political attacks. That's why I need to set the record straight from the unfounded attacks on my candidacy for representative from Scott Dane—who does not live in our district.

I supported the cities of Virginia and Hibbing in their effort to receive \$142 million from Xcel Energy—and none

from the taxpayers—in their drive to refurbish their municipal utilities, preserve union jobs, and to take advantage of Xcel Energy's offer for this capital infusion prior to the ending of their contract providing biomass electrical energy. I took this position for two major reasons: first, the cities of Virginia and Hibbing requested it; and second, at the time, the ten logging companies who supplied biomass to these utilities supported it.

As a result, each of the ten loggers received between \$275,000 and \$450,000 from this legislation, for a total buyout of \$3.5 million. Each of the ten loggers accepted this payment. In addition, the municipal utilities in Virginia and Hibbing are continuing to burn biomass to produce steam and electricity, albeit at a reduced level, and area loggers are continuing to supply this biomass.

I've spent a career in the natural resources industry, and I've supported forestry and mining on the front line on every issue. I'm afraid to say, however, it is pretty easy for a guy like Scott Dane or outside groups to run negative attack ads during a heated campaign. I am fortunate, and honored, that so many people tune out these attacks and look at the entire record, and take their vote based upon the facts.

To that end, I'd appreciate your support and pledge to work hard every day for your best interests and to be fair to all who come before the Legislature.

#### **State Representative 3A International Falls** Paul McDonald is

Rob Ecklund

the clear choice In what promises to be an extremely close race for the St. Louis County District 4 commissioner's position, Paul McDonald is the clear choice for several reasons.

During his career as an educator, coach and sports official, Paul has been a visible presence in virtually all corners of the district. His travels have further brought him into contact with individuals literally throughout the state, and nobody with whom he has interacted would ever question his integrity, honesty or dedication to whatever task he was undertaking at the time.

I personally worked with Paul over several decades at Vermilion Community College, and witnessed his influence not only on students but on campus activities in general. He has been and remains a strong voice for the faculty union, works well as an interface between faculty and administration, and generally displays a knack for working with and bringing diverse groups together to reconcile potential differences. I was particularly impressed with Paul's concern for student-athletes enrolled in my science courses; he displayed a genuine interest in their success, full well understanding that education had to be their primary reason for attending the college.

Beyond Vermilion, Paul has represented northeastern Minnesota for over 25 years in diverse roles at the State Capitol, including faculty union representative, member of the State High School Board of Directors, and president of the MCAC. His work has included lobbying for both union issues and local bonding projects, along with advocating for general concerns of northeastern Minnesota. Needless to say, his presence in St. Paul has established a positive contact with not only Range and Duluth legislators, but with power brokers throughout the state. And, while District 4 issues are purposely local, no resident of greater Minnesota can argue that outstate needs and issues are not ultimately tied to St. Paul. Along with his political connections, it should also be noted that Paul has been endorsed by the Teamsters, Steelworkers and assorted education-related groups. Perhaps most importantly, Paul has also received the endorsement of current District

4 Commissioner Tom Rukavina. In addition, Paul, Tracy and their two daughters, Megan and Natalie, have been involved in scores of activities in both school and community, along with volunteer work at St. Anthony's Catholic Church. In short, they epitomize the strong commitment to family and community, so important in maintaining the fabric of our small communities.

As the most rural district in St. Louis County, District 4 needs a voice not only in Duluth and the Range, but in St. Paul as well. That voice must be knowledgeable, articulate and decisive. The individual who best represents those qualities is Paul McDonald; he deserves our vote on Nov. 6.

**Pete Doran** 

See more letters ...next page

#### **FALL**...Continued from page 4

gets circulating. I feel invigorated! The woodpile suddenly becomes my Fitness Club. I don't have to drive anywhere, and the membership fee is cheap! Since giving up the axe and maul years back, it comes to about \$2.79/an hour, the cost of gas for the splitter. For a hefty hour's workout coupled with another halfhour of stacking thrown in for free, that's one helluva good deal!

Then there are all the sounds and smells.... A hint of leaf mold as I stroll around the yard; the scent of bam (balsam poplar) and balsam as the logs break in half on the splitter's wedge; the "whoosh" of raven wings overhead as he dives in to investigate

my stacking job; jays squawking to friends about some sunflower seeds found strewn beneath the feeders. There's a "POW!" from the neighbor's place as he sights in his deer rifle, and then a holler from the back door that it's time for a popcorn break! But you know what I love the best? All the memories that drift by on the stream of thoughts that accompany

solitary work. Fall has always been a time when the past comes calling. Like that of my pre-trampoline childhood in southeast Michigan, where tall hardwoods with huge leafy crowns produced mountains of colored leaves. We'd rake them into gigantic mounds,

perfect for jumping. Oh, that crackle and pungent scent of maple! Or the one where our hungry gang of kids would scavenge for fallen apples from under our neighbor's trees, enticed by their rich, musty smell and taste of superripe appleness.

Fall also evokes feelings of loss, triggered, I suppose, by the passing of one season and the boding of the next. It was September when I lost my much too young daddy who "got sick and then just disappeared". October was a spooky time as the days shortened and ghosts began to inhabit shadowy corners. And November was forever marred by the assassination of John Kennedy, the first Catholic President elected in the U.S. His win brought elation to my Irish Catholic family, his death another wave of crushing grief to a little girl of ten. Fifty-five years later, I still do not forget. Yes, the autumn months are a powerfully moving time of year, on all the senses and dimensions

of my Self. Fall also has significance on the levels of "community and country" because it is on the first Tuesday of November that "we, the people" celebrate the privilege of our democracy and head for the polls. We cast our ballots on Election Day to select the people who will represent us and our core values, at every level of government — town, county, state and nation. This is as important to me as all the other aspects of this special season, as necessary to my survival as my garden and my woodpile. Influenced by the values of my immigrant grandparents, I do not take my government, its freedoms or its benefits, for granted. They instilled a deep appreciation for my right to vote and I have exercised that right in every election since turning eighteen. After 47 years, with gratitude and a spirit of civic duty, the thrill of participating in the electoral process has never left me. And this year, at such a critical time for our

country and for our world, I am more on fire than ever to show up and weigh in on the future.

It is worthwhile to take notice of the ways in which autumn uniquely touches our individual and collective lives. I'm taking time this year to engage fully in the many events, ritual experiences, memories and emotions present at this special time of year. I'm examining my priorities and am ready to rise above the chatter and decide what really matters. After all, winter is right around the corner.

#### **HEARING...**Continued from page 3-

received a total of eight comments, seven of which were supportive of the current route and only one opposed.

Ely resident Chris Chandler spoke at the public hearing last Wednesday. She said she ran over 140 races in the last 20 years, and was a race director and volunteer for dozens of races. "I have to say that this race is very well organized and very well done. One of the best things is

the grassroots support. You can tell that the community is behind it," she said. Planning and Zoning

Committee chair and Ely Police Officer George Burger said, officially, he is not aware of any issues with traffic and/or runners

during the marathon. Ely Events Bureau Coordinator Wendy Lindsay said permits and agreement from the state, county, city of Ely, city of Winton, and town of Morse

are required each year. "I think if we make changes (to the route), then they too will start asking for changes," she said, "and outside of the city of Ely, we don't have any other options."

She also noted that recertifying the Boston Marathon qualifier with ongoing route changes

and official measurements would add more expenses to the event. A preliminary balance sheet from the 2018 Ely Marathon shows expenses of \$35,262, and

she said. There were a total of 1,000 runners from the 5K run on Friday night and the half and

revenues of \$102,289. "We have

not received all of our bills,"

full marathons on Saturday morning. "We almost doubled the number of runners from last year," Lindsay said

The Planning and Zoning Committee did not make any recommendations or proposals following the hearing. The

hearing was required, according to Burger, as part of the review process for granting the Interim Conditional Use Permit needed to hold the annual event on city streets on the last weekend of September. Committee member Mauro Caruso said any changes to the 2019 Ely Marathon will be made on an earlier timetable next year.

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## Radinovich will protect Medicare

For months, candidate Stauber has been promising at the various forums that he'll protect Medicare, Social Security and Medicaid. Listening to him, you'd swear ol' Pete is running as a Democrat. He's not. If you think Stauber would vote against the wishes of the Republican Party when their draconian legislation, some of it already written to reduce benefits, comes to the floor, you would be in for a dismal surprise concerning your family's health and income security. Do you want to have your Social Security benefits, benefits you paid for, to be reduced to cover the Republican tax cuts that went to the extremely wealthy? And to pay for a \$25 billion dollar wall that the Republicans promised to be paid for by Mexico that is now to be paid for with borrowed money if their legislation passes? This is dangerous stuff for our future. We need to elect candidates who we can trust to vote against cuts to Medicare, Social Security and Medicaid. Stauber is certainly not one of them who can be trusted. Stauber will vote the way Trump wants him to vote. The DFL ticket can be trusted to protect and to strengthen Social Security, Medicaid and Medicare. That is one of the reasons that I'm proud to be voting for Joe Radinovich to represent us in Congress. I know how he will vote. I trust him on this. I hope you will too.

We need to vote.

Lee Peterson

Greenwood Twp.

#### Vote family values? Think about it first

Recently a letter to your paper strongly suggested that in order to protect the unborn from abortion, values voters should vote "pro-life". If only it were so simple.

Before the current occupant of the White House had his miraculous and undocumented conversion to Christianity, he was married, but he was still the playboy he always was and got his girlfriend, Marla Maples pregnant. Later, in a public interview, Ms. Maples stated that Mr. Trump had promptly told her to "get an abortion". She courageously refused, of course, but later she married him anyway after he divorced his first wife. Mr. T is on his third marriage and apparently is still a philanderer and serial adulterer, Stormy Daniels and a Playboy bunny being the most recent revelations.

If this fall the evangelical conservative politicians keep power in Congress while the court is stacked with like-minded conservatives, it is quite possible that Roe vs. Wade will soon be overturned. This, however, will not stop abortions. People will get out their credit cards and go to Canada, Europe, Russia or even China to get abortions. Or, there even might be a reversion back to dangerous underground "back alley" operations sought by poorer women. Black market demand for "morning after" and similar drugs might flourish. As usual, women will suffer the most from the

unscrupulous.

I have proposed to

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my conservative Christian friends that perhaps Congress should set up a system of homes for single and even married mothersto-be so those women who cannot afford to raise or choose not to raise their babies can go and stay until they give birth. An in-house adoption system could be set up.

The system could be faith-based or operated

The system could be faith-based or operated by states or counties. Education would be provided for those needing and wanting it. Ideally, it would be a system without judgment and tempered with kindness, support and mentoring.

Most cast this off as impractical, too expensive, and too much like an "entitlement" of Big Government. In short, they talk the talk, but don't want to pay for any programs for women in hard situations. Instead, they are in favor of spending billions on never-ending wars overseas, or on a Great Wall that Mexico never will pay for.

Mark Sanford was "family values" governor of South Carolina when he became news by becoming "missing in action". He later turned up in Argentina where he was having an affair with his so-called female soulmate. The voters of SC apparently forgave him (not sure about the wife), because now he is their federal senator!

The landscape is littered all across the political spectrum with affairs and marital unfaithfulness. However, it is the evangelicals and family values candidates that rail against immorality and big government. They all too often, though, can't walk according to their own talk. They want others to tow the line, but like the Pharisees of old are the biggest hypocrites when it comes to living out their

#### Mark Roalson Hoyt Lakes

## Letter writer can't back up his claims

Last week's letter to the editor from Steve Rodgers was rife with erroneous statements that cannot be backed up by printed or recorded record. Mr. Rodgers states the Fire Chief handed something out but does not tell us it is a revision to the Standard Operating Guidelines. Nor does he inform us the clerk and the public were not provided a copy from the Chief. I requested an opinion from the Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Administration (not the auditor as Mr. Rodgers stated) on an Open Meeting Law violation by the board. The board, through its attorney, responded to my claim by stating, "The Fire Chief asked those in attendance if anyone needed copies. He then passed out copies to those who had asked for one." This

board statement was false since the Commissioner determined the audio recording supported Mr. Bassing's contention the Fire Chief passed out copies to board members only. The Commissioner's final opinion on the matter was the board did not comply with MN State 13D.01sub(6) of the Open Meeting Law. To back up my assertions, I refer Mr. Rodgers to MNIPAD opinion 18-011 and to the audio recording of the May 2018 Greenwood Board meeting. Further, it has become disturbingly apparent that some members of the board and others are willing to take unsubstantiated "pot shots" at the clerk without the slightest modicum of contrition.

In regards to the recycling canisters, Mr. Rodgers states Supervisor Ralston said there may not be room at the Hwy. 77 site and the canisters may need to go to the Soudan site. Here again we have an ill-informed Mr. Rodgers. On review of the audio recording, Supervisor Ralston never uses the word may and was adamant the canisters would go to the Soudan site. Rodgers falsely claims I called someone else at the county. I called Mark St. Lawrence, Director of SLC Environmental Services, and he and his Program Administrator, Dave Fink, are the ones who sent Supervisor Ralston a letter describing the county's position on the Greenwood canisters which stated the Hwy. 77 site could be used. The county did not give conflicting information, and I can substantiate all of the above information by the county's letter to Supervisor Ralston, audio recording of the August 2018 Greenwood Board meeting, and the recorded message Mr. St.Lawrence left on my answering

I have substantiated my assertions with written and recorded word and have been vindicated by an independent state agency. If you or anyone else would like to see the documents or listen to the recordings, let me know

let me know.
Finally, in answer to
Mr. Rodgers' repeated
question,"WHO DOES
THAT and WHY?" I did
that because I too expect
integrity and transparency from the board.
Unfortunately, I find that

John Bassing Greenwood Twp.

## I think I can help contribute

In lieu of being able to have a candidate forum in Embarrass, I would like to give a candidate profile of myself, Gary Rantala, for your readers. I hope the other two candidates will do the same. I am a long-time resident of the Town of Embarrass,

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a former business owner of GR Greenhouse. I am married to Sharon, my life partner and best friend for 52 years. We have three adult children, Kristin, Bryan, and Lora. We have been blessed with eight grandchildren.

My educational credentials:
Graduate of the University
of Minnesota with degrees
in Horticulture and
Agricultural Education.
I am two courses shy of
also having a degree in
Chemistry.
My work history:

Owner-operator of GR Greenhouse for 42 years. Agricultural, industrial arts educator at Cherry High School for 30 years. During this time I had the honor of coaching 18 state FFA winners, four national finalists and one national winner. My wife and I were named St. Louis County farm family of the year in 2015.

My community and other affiliations: Former board member and chairperson of Northern Electric Cooperative (now known as Lake Country Power). Current member of St. Louis County Extension committee. Current board member and vice chairperson of North St. Louis Soil and Water Conservation District. Current member and vice chairperson of Hope Lutheran Church. Current member and vice chairperson of Sisu Heritage, a Finnish cultural heritage group. Current member and leader of Conversational Finnish classes. Former school board member and clerk for ISD 2142.

My interest in running for the township board includes broadening the long term perspective of the township agenda, trying to get more people to be active in township governance, repairs and maintenance of certain township facilities, while keeping a careful eye on the budget. In other words , you need a plan to get where you are headed. Fortunately, we nave a great contingent of people working for the township at the present time. I believe I can help to contribute to this cause and get people of all ages to become more involved in their community.

Gary Rantala
Embarrass

## Why I'll be voting for Paul McDonald

For the past number of years we have had Tom Rukavina, first as representative and then County Commissioner representing us in District 4. With Commissioner Rukavina vacating his position on the county board due to health problems, it gives us time to reflect on the past and look to the future as to who we want to represent us in this area. My vote will be for Paul McDonald. The reasons are numerous.

First, I know we can trust him and take him for his word. He has always been a good listener and doer of his word. He follows through on what he says. Throughout his adult life he has been a dedicated servant to the young and at the high school and college levels. This takes dedication, intelligence, patience, commitment, and leadership. He shows all these qualities in his everyday living. Paul gives his time freely and is supported by his family in his efforts to improve and help those around him.

Second, he has an impeccable record of following up and keeping in touch with the students he has had contact with. He will do the same with voters in District 4.

Third, as we look to the future, we keep asking the question, Where are our new young leaders of today? Who truly shows the qualities of leadership? Who shows the people he has their interests at heart? Who shows he has the knowledge of the problems facing our district? Who has the strength and conviction of his beliefs and is willing to work to carry them through?

carry them through?

Knowing Paul, his family, his parents, and siblings, Paul has the background and attributes listed above to fulfill the duties of commissioner and will work unceasingly with others on the board to do the best for our area. Vote Paul McDonald to represent us all.

Tom Gillach
Aurora

## Greenwood board should walk its talk

At the end of the last Greenwood Township meeting Chair Ralston admonished John Bassing, suggesting that "If you were to put as much energy into doing something positive for this township as you do to try to blast this Board, and blast that Fire Department, and blast that

Fire Chief, and the Rec Board and all they do, this township would be better served."

After hearing that statement, my question is, can we cite any actions by this board that have been of any significant "positive" benefit to Greenwood Township? Is disregarding the opinion of the township attorney pertaining to the negligent hiring and negligent retention of a registered sex offender a positive act? Have we seen anything from the attorney saying he's satisfied with the board action on this matter? Is refusing to settle a simple grievance as suggested by the attorney and the subsequent actions by the board resulting in additional grievances a positive thing? The fact is a simple settlement of roughly \$350 dollars as recommended by the township attorney followed by changes in the language pertaining to what is permissible in training claims may save the township what could result in expenditures in the thousands by the time all is said and done. That would have been a posi-

Is the continuing disregard for the wishes of the majority of the taxpayers as illustrated in the results of the Comprehensive Plan a positive thing? Considerable time and expense went into developing the Comprehensive Plan and it is one of the few opportunities the non-voting taxpayers of Greenwood Township have had to express their views and opinions as to the direction they'd like to see Greenwood Township take in its further development. Utilizing the results of the Comprehensive Plan would be a positive act.

I'll certainly agree with Chair Ralston that "We have made mistakes with this board," and we all make mistakes. But we have three board members, Chair Ralston, Carmen Deluca and Larry Tahija, who have had previous experience with the workings of township boards and city government. Knowledge of open meeting laws and proper procedure for the paying of bills should be second nature.

As to John Bassing's actions not being "positive" in the Chair's eyes. I have to wholeheartedly disagree. The taxpayers of Greenwood Township would suffer the consequences of what appears to be a lack concern by this board if the board actions were left unchecked.

Rick Stoehr Greenwood Twp.

## **Write In Dan Manick**

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#### **TOWER**

## **Meet the four candidates for Tower Council**

### **Editor's Note:** The Timberjay is

publishing these unedited statements from candidates for Tower City Council (mayor candidates were in the paper last week and all are online at www.timberjay.com). Four candidates are on the ballot for two open council seats. All the candidates were scheduled to participate in a forum on Oct. 24, watch for our reporting on the forum in next week's paper.



**Steve Abrahamson** 

My candidacy for the position of city councilor is driven by my strong desire in continuing to make the city of Tower an outstanding place to live

I have been fortunate to have served the good citizens of Tower previously both as a city councilor and mayor for 16 years. During those years, I was active both personally and as a city leader in economic development, planning and zoning, development of the comprehensive plan, zoning ad-

ministrator, pursuing and securing funds for major projects, and many other city committees.

My goals as a city councilor are to continue the difficult task of economic development, supporting existing businesses, the pursuit of new housing development via existing lots and the creation of new lots, the development of Main Street, providing support to volunteer groups and their enhancement projects, the continued development of the harbor project, the expansion of the sewage treatment facility, making Tower a hub for recreational activities, to provide open and efficient government, and being open to new and creative ideas for growth.

The retention of existing business is as important as new development. I applaud the efforts of those involved in the expansion of Lamppa Manufacturing, the rede-

velopment of the marina, and the reopening of the MarJo Motel, as this is what it takes to keep the

community moving for-I will bring a wealth of experience, patience, positivity, and determination in my service to

Thank you for the opportunity to serve our community.

munity. I will bring an

objective view to help

navigate our city into the

future. I recognize there

are multiple visions for

the community and city

council.



#### Rachel Beldo

Hello, my name is Rachel Beldo, and I am one of Tower's newest residents! I was born and raised in Eveleth, where

I grew to love Northeast Minnesota. When I was a child, my parents purchased property on Lake Vermilion which brought me to Tower and the surrounding area on a regular basis. I would come to the lake every chance I had to fish, hike, and explore. While living away from Northeast Minnesota, I missed the area dearly and made many trips home.

I graduated from The College of St. Scholastica's nursing program in 2007, after which I moved to Rochester, and started my career as a registered nurse at Mayo Clinic. I then attended the University of Minnesota and Mayo School of Health Sciences, earning my Doctorate in Nursing Practice with a Family Nurse Practitioner focus in 2013, and have served as a primary health care provider since then. While I am grateful for my time at Mayo Clinic I always felt a strong pull to move back home, and the right opportunity arose with Scenic Rivers Health Services, where I have provided primary care services to patients of all ages since November 2017 at our Cook and Tower Clinics. It is a privilege to serve others as a nurse practitioner as I enjoy working with peo-

While living Rochester I served first as secretary, then as treasurer of the Association of Southeast Minnesota Nurse Practitioners. I also served on various committees professionally at Mayo Clinic. These experiences have strengthened my ability to work with others through challenges towards common

I was drawn to Tower after moving back, recognizing the great place it is to live. In June 2018, I purchased a home in Tower where I plan to stay. I have a desire to contribute to our community and feel that I will have a positive impact.

As your city councilor, I will work to be a voice for all residents of our community. I feel strongly about being fiscally responsible while continuing to build and maintain a strong comthe future of our city, and I will listen to our community and work to incorporate positive ideas into the decisions being made by our city council. Thank you for welcoming me to your community, and please feel

free to reach out with any questions. I look forward to working to keep our city a special place for years to come!



#### Michael Larsen

I've never done anything political before. I am a member of the Tower Fire Department.

I think the city should give more leeway for private property owners to do what they want with their property, along with developers. Planning and Zoning makes it take ten years to do anything in this town. I would like to see the city look at going

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to St. Louis County for planning and zoning.

It's so hard for people to do something on their own land. I am for property rights, unless you are hurting the person living next door.

The harbor project should be more public land, not private, with perhaps a pavilion. I don't think anyone is going to buy private townhouses down there. There is lake property all over, why would anyone want to build on a river?

There are plenty of vacant lots, empty parcels, and old housing that needs to be developed.

I was born and raised here. I think people from Tower should be making decisions for Tower. That's how I feel.



#### **Mary Shedd**

My name is Mary Shedd. I am running for City Council because, after nearly 30 years of living in Tower, I am ready to roll up my sleeves and work for the long-term sustainability and quality of life of our town. It may sound corny, but I really do believe that in a democracy, citizens need to step up and serve if their circumstances allow it. I share the belief of so many others here that Tower has tremendous potential to thrive now and into the future. We have a vision for our community that was developed through citizen participation, the

2015 City of Tower and Breitung Township Joint Comprehensive Plan Update. I support that plan with its almost endless great ideas and projects.

My own priorities from the comprehensive plan include:

➤ Economic development: Continuing to promote economic opportunities and jobs recognizing that our economy is largely driven by local businesses, tourism, and community services like schools and clinics.

➤ Housing: Promoting a range of quality

housing options. ➤ Recreational opportunities: Capitalizing on our incredible 'Northwoods' setting to promote our town as a gateway for the amazingly abundant and diverse outdoor recreation opportunities available

➤ Collaboration: No one person or entity can easily "get 'er done"! We need to support and collaborate with our neighbors to better promote our area and to more efficiently provide the services that Tower residents expect.

I believe my background and experience have prepared me well for service to the com-

➤ I worked for over 30 years with the Superior National Forest. In my early years I was a "boots on the ground" worker on field projects in wildlife, fisheries, timber, reforestation, soils, and recreation. In my middle years, I was a professional wildlife biologist. I ended my career as Natural Resources Team Leader, with oversight on the management of natural resources listed above, plus environmental review, and mining and minerals exploration.

➤ In the communithe last four years on the board of the Tower-Soudan Historical Society with a special interest in managing and promoting our Train Museum. I am president of our newly revitalized city of Tower/ Wagoner trails working

with a great group of volunteers to improve and promote these trails. I also love helping out on the many activities that are at the heart of community such as oursfrom supporting our two schools to senior bingo to our 4th of July road race to Operation Santa to quilting at the church.

These jobs and experiences taught me how to listen, plan, problem-solve and get projects done, to be fiscally responsible and accountable, how to manage conflict, how to lead and how to follow. I learned the incredible value of teamwork- in a town our size it is the only way.

I would, indeed, be a newcomer to city management, but I believe by being open-minded, ty here I have served for hardworking and willing to learn, and by bringing my values to the table (honesty, fairness, respect, fiscal responsibility), I could contribute positively for our common good.



#### **Trick-or-treat on Tower's Main Street** on Wednesday, Oct. 31

TOWER- Area children are invited to trick-or-treat on Main Street after school on Tuesday, Oct. 31 starting at 2 p.m. Participating businesses will have signs on their doors welcoming children. Trick-or-treating will start an hour earlier than in previous years, because elementary students have an early release time on Wednesdays.

Any participating business that did not get a sign can pick one up at the Timberjay office.

#### **Tower Fire Department hosting** children's Halloween Party on Oct. 31

TOWER- Area children and their families are invited to the Community Halloween Party sponsored by the

Tower Fire Department. The party will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 31 from 4-6 p.m. at the Tower Civic Center. The event is free and all area families are welcome.

Stop by for spooky fun and games, along with dinner!

#### Trick-or-treaters invited to Vermilion **Senior Living on** Oct. 31

TOWER- Trick-or-Treaters are invited to stop by Vermilion Senior Living, 1232 Birch St. N, on Wednesday, Oct. 31 from 3:30 - 5 p.m. Residents will be passing out candy! Stop by and you and your children are sure to bring smiles to the faces of our residents.

#### HALLOWEEN



#### Cook **VFW** Open Daily at Noon **CLOSED on TUESDAYS**

**Happy Hour** Daily 4-6 p.m. All Beer & Drinks Bar Menu & Pizza

Available **Event Rentals** Welcome

218-780-6709

**Pull-Tabs Sold Daily** Lic. 00390

**Sunday FREE Pool** 

**Thursday Bingo** Early Bird 6 p.m. Progressive Prizes

Friday 4:30-7 p.m. Hamburger Special

Take-Out 666-0500

#### **AEOA Senior** Dining Menu

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

Reservations are appreciated the day before, or morning of, but walkins are always welcome. Take-outs available. Seniors age 60 and older who have registered for the program and their partners qualify for special pricing of \$4 per meal, but all ages are welcome at the regular rate of \$5.75. There are no income guidelines.

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

Homebound seniors can sign up for meal delivery. To register for the new Meals on Wheels, or for more information, please call AEOA Senior Nutrition at 218-735-

#### Week of Oct. 29

Monday- Cheese En-

Tuesdaywith Meat Sauce, Garlic Bread Stick

Wednesday- Breaded Pollock, Bread Stick, Baked Potato

Thursday- Salisbury Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Dinner Roll, Veg-

Friday-Pizza, Mixed Fruit

#### Week of Oct. 29

#### **Monday**

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

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

Tower City Council-5:30 p.m. on Oct. 29

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 Nov. 20.

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

#### Wednesday

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

#### Thursday

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

Vermilion Country School Board- Next meeting is Thursday, Nov. 15 at 4:45 p.m. Meetings posted online at vermilioncountry.org.

#### **BRIDGING CULTURES**

## **East African-Minnesotans visiting Tower-Soudan on Saturday, Oct. 27**

Community invited to a potluck meal at the Tower Civic Center

TOWER- Somali and other East African Minnesotans will be visiting Tower-Soudan on Saturday, Oct. 27. This will be the second year in a row a group of these "new" Minnesota immigrants have traveled up north to visit with some of the state's "old" immigrants. This will be the first trip "up north" for most of these visitors. And it may be the first time local residents get to know some of the many Somali and East African immigrants who have made our state their home.

This year's trip, once again organized by Paul Winkelaar and friends in the East African Twin Cities community, was made possible through a crowd-funding campaign, which raised the money needed to rent a charter bus for the trip and help pay other expenses. The group will have lunch at the Tower Civic Center, then go to the Soudan Underground Mine for the tour, led by park tour guides, including Karel Winkelaar, Paul's father.

The community is invited to a potluck dinner, starting at 5 p.m. at the Tower Civic Center. The guests will be bringing along an assortment of ethnic foods to share, and everyone attending is asked to bring their own favorite ethnic food for the meal (no pork or alcohol please!).

The community event begins with a non-alcoholic social hour



Last year's trip included Minnesota Rep. Ilhan Omar, who is now running for Congress. file photo

at 5 p.m., potluck dinner at 6 p.m., and then a time for Iron Range ethnic music and presentations on Somali culture at 7 p.m. People are welcome to stop by for all or part of the evening.

Last year's visit included newly-elected state Representative IIhan Omar, who is now running for U.S. Congress in her Minneapolis-area district. This year, a group of at least 50 are planning on attending, so organizers are hoping at least that many local residents will attend the potluck and get to know some of our state's new res-

"Telling people to be more compassionate or understanding or less fearful does not work," said Paul Winkelaar. "We must experience it together and from there share our stories."

Winkelaar said the visit last year was an amazing experience for all involved.

BREITUNG POLICE DEPARTMENT

"One of my favorite mem-

ories from last year is the story that Imam Adam told of going down the cage in the Soudan Underground Mine," he said. "Imam Adam said as their group was going down in the cage into the mine, people started getting scared and someone behind him started reciting the Quran. But as he told the story something funny happened. Everyone in Sulu's [where the group was sharing dinner] starts laughing. And a Ranger yells above the laughter, "That's ok ... we all say a Hail Mary! And the room erupts with laughter."

This sharing of cultures is what the event is all about, said

"Addressing some fears.... maybe the unknowns...with laughter," he said. "And we want to have those laughs over a dinner. And we want to learn about each other in the process."

Anyone with questions can call Brenda or Karel Winkelaar at

## timberjay.com (218) 753-2950

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#### **Additional shifts:**

During the month of August the Breitung Police Department worked two additional TZD shifts.

#### **Training:**

Chief Nylund attended Emergency Vehicle Operating Certification (EVOC) training. Chief Nylund and Officer Sanderson attended search warrant training.

#### Squads

Current end of the month mileage for the Gold 2012 Chevy Tahoe (Tower) is 73,724. Current end of the month mileage for the Ford Explorer is 14,659.

#### September **Police Report Breitung Police Chief**

Dan Nylund

#### **Change your smoke** detector battery

According the U.S. Fire Administration (USFA), smoke detectors should be tested at least once a month and batteries should be replaced at least once or twice per year. A good way to remember to so this is to change your batteries when you change your clocks for daylight savings time. Make sure to review your smoke detector's user manual - you may need to check more often if any of the following apply. The smoke detector often gives false alarms. The alarm emits soft beeps regularly without anyone touching it. Frequent kitchen smoke has caused it to activate often, which

may wear it out faster.

#### Call summary

Citations/formal charges/arrests (1) 5th degree

assault- charges re-(1) Felony theft of

a schedule 1 or 2 medication- charges requested (1) Felony 2nd degree assault-

charges requested (2) Speeding

(1) Domestic assault– charges

(2) Gross misdemeanor child endangerment – charges requested.

Chief Nylund would like to remind all Breitung Township residents of ordinance 93-07. "No vehicle shall be parked on any township street, roadway, or thoroughfare between the hours of 12 a.m. (midnight) and 8 a.m. from Oct. 15 to April 15 to facilitate efficient snow removal."

#### COMMUNITY NOTICES

#### **Christmas Bazaar at** St. Martin's, Nov. 10

TOWER- St. Martin's Catholic Church is hosting the annual Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 10 from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Social Hall.

There will be eleven private vendors participating, and several others that we are waiting to hear from. All of the usual St. Martin's tables will be there and we are introducing one new table - the Cookie Walk. You will be able to purchase your own choice of cookies – sold by the dozen. There are two children's

events that are returning, the Make and Take Table and the Christmas Shop. The Make and Take table will offer a variety of decorations that the children can make.

The Christmas Shop is only for children - they can do their own Christmas shopping for their family and friends.

As always, the St. Martin's Café will be open featuring five different soups, caramel rolls, bars, coffee, and tea.

#### TSHS Class of 1959 reunion July 5, 2019

SOUDAN- TSHS class of 1959, reserve Friday, July 5, 2019, to celebrate our 60th class reunion. Our reunion will be held at the Vermilion Park Inn (old Soudan Hospital) starting at 2 p.m.

If anyone needs accommodations, Vermilion Park Inn is offering our class a special rate,

four nights for the price of three,

Wednesday through Saturday, with

the mid-week rate. Get your reservation in early stating you are from TSHS 60th class reunion.

More information will follow as details come together. Committee Chairs are Diane Grigal and Karen Karne.

#### **Election Day Chili Feed** and craft sale at St. Paul's, Nov. 6

SOUDAN- The annual Election Day Chili Feed and craft sale will be held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church on Tuesday, Nov. 6 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Cost is \$7 and includes chili, bread, beverage, and dessert. Take out is available, call 218-753-5341.

### Bookmobile Schedule

#### Wednesday, Oct. 31; Nov. 21; Dec. 12

For further information, call the Arrowhead Library

System at 218-741-3840 or www.arrowhead.lib.mn.us

Bois Forte Boys/Girls Club Greenwood Town Hall Soudan Fire Hall **Tower Civic Center** Embarrass, Four Corners

11:00-11:30 a.m. 12:00-12:30 p.m. Monday 1:45-3:00 p.m. Wed. 3:15-4:15 p.m. Saturday 5:15-6:00 p.m. Sunday For info: 1-800-450-9278

**Soudan Canister** Expanded hours year-round

8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Transfer station

8 a.m. - 5 p.m. 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

#### Hwy. 77 Canister

Winter hours now in effect Thursday 12 p.m. - 5 p.m. Sunday 12 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Recycling canisters available daily at the Greenwood Town

Hall. For info: 1-800-450-9278

#### Libraries

**Ely library** Hours: Monday — Friday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturdays — 8 a.m. to noon Closed on Sundays Phone: 365-5140

Babbitt library

Monday Noon-6 pm Tuesday Noon-6 pm Wednesday Noon-6 pm Thursday Friday

Noon-5 pm Phone: 827-3345

#### Support groups

AA - Alcoholics Anonymous AA - 7 p.m. Mondays, First Lutheran Church,

915 E. Camp St. WOMEN'S AA - Noon Mondays, Ledgerock Community Church, Ely use 15th Street entrance.

BABBITT AA - 7 p.m. Tuesdays, Woodland Presbyterian Church.

AL-ANON - Sundays 8-9 p.m. at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Ely. For persons who encounter alcoholism in a relative or friend.

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

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

Church, Ely. **ELY FOOD SHELF -**Third Wednesday each

month, 15 W. Conan St.. ADULT BASIC **EDUCATION** 

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

#### **Tuesday Group** schedule

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

Oct. 30 - Meet New Elyites

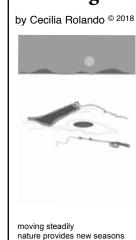
Nov. 6 - Eva Sebasta - Ely Chamber of Commerce

Nov. 13 - Valerie Myntti - Traveling the Silk Road

#### **Christmas Choir** rehearsals begin

ELY - The Ely Community Christmas Choir rehearsals started this week and continue on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. at Grace Lutheran Church. All singers are most welcome to join.

#### Breathing Out





long cold one comes next

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#### COMMENTARY

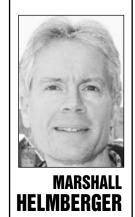
## Our Ely circulation is on the rise

At the *Timberjay*, we hate to waste ink addressing the comments of fellow newspaper publishers, but business is business, which forces us to address comments by Ely Echo publisher Anne Swenson, that appeared in that newspaper on Oct.

Newspapers are required to print their publisher's statements every year in early October, disclosing their circulation for the same late-September period every year.

In her recent commentary, Ms. Swenson had made vague references to a rival newspaper in Ely and suggested that "a competitor" had seen a 17-percent decline in circulation over the past year based on a recent publisher's statement.

Because Ms. Swenson's claim was so imprecise, it's impossible



to know what competitor she was referring to. We had taken little notice initially, because we knew that our circulation in Ely and elsewhere has been remarkably stable. Indeed, our circulation for our Ely edition even grew somewhat in the past year when measured from September 2017 to September this year. Over the same period, our paid electronic circulation was up by more

But as others brought

than 15 percent.

the Echo publisher's comments to our attention and queried whether Ms. Swenson was talking about us, we recognized that we had to address her comments. We still assume that Ms. Swenson is referring to another newspaper. We actually put that question to Ms. Swenson via email, but never received a reply.

We recognize that some newspapers are experiencing circulation declines, but we have always believed that community newspapers can still succeed in the digital era if they continue to focus on quality, professional reporting. The Timberjay's continued success is evidence that quality matters to readers.

At the same time, more of our readers choose to subscribe online every year, and our website traffic has grown accordingly.

As a result, we have also seen a major jump in our online advertising. In fact, we are no longer accepting national advertising on the website because every available ad position is occupied by local advertisers.

The gradual transition to digital delivery will likely affect print circulation over time, but for now, our print numbers are quite stable even as our paid digital circulation continues to grow. If a competitor of the Echo has seen a 17-percent circulation decline, that's unfortunate for that publication. Fortunately, the Timberjay has seen no such decline. Indeed, our overall circulation is up over last year, as is our subscription revenue. I hope this clears up any misunderstanding that Ms. Swenson's comments generated.

#### COMMUNITY EDUCATION

#### Learn to weld in Ely

ELY - Ely Community Education is offering a four-week Introduction to Welding course beginning after Thanksgiving.

The course is designed for the beginner who would like to learn how to weld. Participants will learn about the safe use of basic welding processes (gas, arc, mig-wire feed, cutting-gas/plasma). The class will allow individuals to learn their own interests. There will be no projects. Safety equipment will be available

The course begins on Tuesday, Nov. 27 and will run three more weeks, Dec. 4,11,18, from 6-8:30 p.m. in the welding lab at the Industrial Arts Building at Ely High School. The class will be taught by Ely High School industrial arts teacher Rob Simonich.

The course fee is \$80. Materials

For more information, go to www.elyclasses.com.

#### HALLOWEEN FUN



#### Studio North hosts Halloween Carnival on Saturday

Studio North's Annual Halloween Carnival, Costume Party and Hayride Festivities will be held on Saturday, Oct. 27 from 2-4:30 p.m. A \$10 admission includes everything from unlimited carnival games, hayrides, dancing, fun and friends for kids age preschool through fifth grade. Pirate's Cove Concession Stand will be open during the event. Submitted photo

#### TRIPLE S DANCE COMPETITION



The Studio North Mini Competition Team won gold in the jazz and musical theater categories at the Triple S Dance Competition in Duluth. Team members include: back row from left, Chezne Nicholson, Charlotte Hegman, Isabelle Chick, Madison Jonas, Ala Harding, Emily Moravitz, Cylvia Debeltz, Grace Flynn; middle row, from left, Ella Perish, Sabrah Hart, Jane Murphy, Sadie Rechici and front row, from left, Bella Davis, Clare Thomas, Madelyn Moen, Rylee Larsen.

#### **OUR COMMUNITY**

# Car fans brave the cold for the Ely Burnout

## Proceeds from Jake Forsman memorial event benefit scholarship fund

by KEITH VANDERVORT

ELY - A cold and windy October day, with snow flurries in the air, didn't dampen the enthusiasm for the hearty participants at the second annual Jake Forsman **Burnout Competition and** Scholarship benefit event held Saturday in front of the Ely City Hall.

Al Forsman, a city council member and father of the late Jake Forsman, coordinated the event last year in memory of his son who died the year before in an automobile accident.

"The snow significantly lowered our car show entrant numbers," he said, "but Team Orange (a group of volunteers) busted their butts to make it happen. The show went on as planned. We had an estimated maximum attendance at the (second) Burnout Contest of about 500 people."

"The Jake Forsman Memorial Car Show and Burnout Competition was created to commemorate the life of a young man who had consistently reached out to help and comfort people who needed it whether he knew you or not," Al Forsman said.

"My son Jake had the aptitude, training, skills, attitude and smile to have a long career providing service for our area's heating and cooling

The void created when he died gave birth to Al's idea of The Jake Forsman Memorial Scholarship for Ely High School graduates pursuing vocational education in the blue-collar trades - especially those seeking a career in the heating and cooling field.

"We had a number of car enthusiasts with discerning eyes serving as judges again this year,' Forsman said.

The weather prompted many Ely-area car enthusiasts to keep their collectibles in the garage this year, but there were still 44 car show entrants and prize medals in 17 categories were awarded,

according to Forman. Original Pre - 1935 -Gary Morris - 1930 Ford Model A Patrol Car

Original 1960 – 1969 - Warren Johnson - 1965 Ford F100

Original 1970 - 1979 - Mike D. Forsman - 1977 Chevrolet Caprice

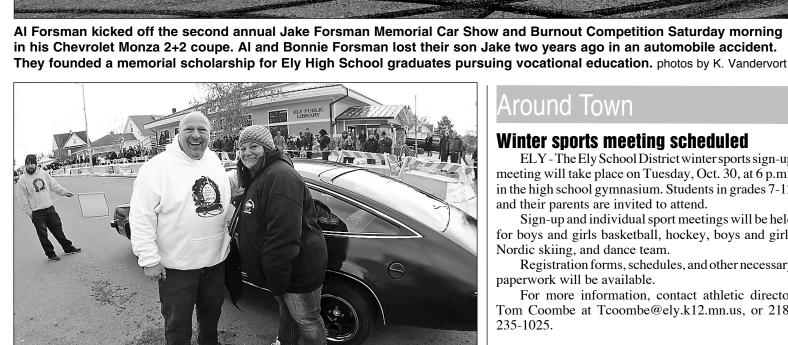
Original 2000 - Up -Jeff Olson - 2015 Dodge

Challenger Hellcat Modified 1935 - 1949 - Michael Christianson -

1948 Pontiac Streamliner Modified 1950 - 1959 - Dave Vesel - 1951 Ford

F1 Pickup Modified 1960-1969 - Mike C. Forsman - 1964 Chevrolet Malibu SS

Modified 1970 – 1979 Dan Lenci - 1970 Buick GSX





A total of 17 medals were awarded to 44 entrants in the car show.

Modified 1980 – 1989 - Mike C. Forsman - 1985 Chevrolet CUCV M1009 Modified 1990 - 1999

- Dan Forsman - 1994 Chevrolet Camaro Z28 Modified 2000 - Up -

Doug Whitney - 2017 Ford Mustang Best Chevy - Mike D.

Forsman - 1977 Chevrolet Caprice Best Mopar - Aaron

Nicholson-1966 Plymouth Best Ford - Doug

Whitney - 2017 Ford

Mustang Eco Boost Best Brand X - Dan Lenci - 1970 Buick GSX Fan Favorite - Dave Vesel - 1951 Ford F1

Pickup Best In Show - Jeff

- 2015 Dodge Olson Challenger Hellcat

The morning burnout session, with Al Forsman setting the bar in his 1977 Chevrolet Monza 2+2

coupe, included 11 other

competitors. The afternoon

burnout session listed 26

competitors.

The Best Burnout award went to Dan Forsman in his 1994 Camaro Z28.

The first Runner Up Burnout went to Bryan Seliskar in his 1995 Chevrolet C1500. The second Runner Up Burnout award went to Brandon Perushek in his 1996 Ford

Donations can be sent to the Jake Forsman Memorial Scholarship, 641 E. Camp St, Ely, MN 55731.

#### **Women Who Care meets Oct. 28**

ELY - Women in the Ely area can make a difference in their community by joining 100+ Ely Women Who Care to support local nonprofits. Their next event is Sunday, Oct. 28, at 4 p.m. at the Ely Senior Center.

At their last event in May, 100+ Ely women from all walks of life joined together and voted to contribute over \$7,600 to Northwoods Partners, one of Ely's many non-profits serving the community.

By joining together and donating a significant sum at one time, the selected charity is able to provide services and programs they may otherwise be unable to afford. To date 100+ Women Who Care hasdonated over \$22,400 to local charities.

After a social time, participants use a process of nominations and votes to select one local charity. Members donate \$25 to \$100, depending on whether

they register as part of a team or as an individual. For more details and to register, go to 100ElyWomenWhoCare.org. Please register in advance even if you donated previously so organizers can confirm

attendance and plan accordingly. Hard copies of the registration form can be printed from the website and Can't attend? Check the website for instructions

on how a donation can still be counted as part of the

Around Town

#### Winter sports meeting scheduled

ELY-The Ely School District winter sports sign-up meeting will take place on Tuesday, Oct. 30, at 6 p.m., in the high school gymnasium. Students in grades 7-12

and their parents are invited to attend. Sign-up and individual sport meetings will be held for boys and girls basketball, hockey, boys and girls Nordic skiing, and dance team.

Registration forms, schedules, and other necessary

paperwork will be available. For more information, contact athletic director Tom Coombe at Tcoombe@ely.k12.mn.us, or 218-235-1025.

#### Ely Free Clinic open Mondays

ELY - The Ely Community Health Center is open every Monday evening from 5:30-7 p.m. in the lower level of the Frandsen Bank building on 1st Ave. in

downtown Ely. For more information, call 218-365-5678, or visit their website, www.elycommunityhealth.org, or Facebook page.

#### **Co-dependents meets Friday**

EL 1 – The Ety co-dependents support group meets Fridays at noon at St. Anthony's Church in Classroom

3. Use west side entrance. For more information, go to www.coda.org.

**Ely Library events** Friday, Oct. 26 - 3:30 p.m. - Pinterest Projects

A program for creative patrons of all ages. This is part of a series of programs based on a crafting theme. The theme for this month is the moon. This is the perfect craft session for you if you find yourself pinning lots of ideas on Pinterest that you never go back and

use. The library will supply materials. Monday, Oct. 29 - 4 p.m. - NASA@My Library

Learn about dark matter and dark energy - distance presented by Drew Altman, a particle astro-physicist currently working at Augustana University. This program will explore the question of how do we know what exists if we can't see it. There will be a handson activity during the program. For grades three and older, this program is part of our NASA@ My Library partnership. The NASA@ My Library project is led by the National Center for Interactive Learning at the Space Science Institute. Partners include the American Library Association (ALA) Public Programs Office, Pacific Science Center, Cornerstones of Science, and Education Development Center. NASA@ My Library is made possible through the support of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) Science Mission Directorate as part of its STEM Activation

Wednesday, Oct. 31 – 10 a.m.-6 p.m. - Trick or

Treat at the Library - all ages

Stop by the library during open hours in costume. We'd love to give you some treats and take a photo for our wall! Treats sponsored by Friends of the Library.

Thursday, Nov. 8 - 3:30 pm - Movie Matinee all ages

Looking for a fun way to spend the afternoon? Join us for popcorn and a movie at our monthly Movie Matinee series. Each month, we have a new movie for you to enjoy in our meeting area. This month's title is Bambi. We'll have the popcorn ready for you! This program is sponsored by Friends of the Library.

**INTERNET** 

## **Company expresses interest in Orr Internet expansion**

A slow response from CenturyLink to bring faster and more reliable Internet to the area has a hopeful entrepreneur circling

by MARCUS WHITE Cook-Orr Editor

ORR - A local man is hoping to rid Orr of its Internet woes if the city council gives the greenlight for him to install a wireless antenna on the city's water tower. If approved, it could create a wireless network spanning both the city and Pelican Lake.

John-Paul Metsa is working with a southwestern Minnesota-based company, known as Back 40 Wireless, to establish a broadband network to compete with CenturyLink. Currently, Century Link cannot provide any additional Internet connections in

The idea has city officials listening with

"Most everyone on Pelican Lake should be able to get Internet if this falls into place," City Administrator Cheri Carter said. "They (Back40) want to place antennas on the old school and water tower."

Carter said she has been in touch with her counterpart in Jackson, Minn., where Back 40 Wireless is based. The clerk there told her the company has a good track record. Carter said she is working with the League of Cities to see what the legal requirements of such an agreement would mean for the city if the plan were to move ahead.

The company is offering free Internet access to city offices in exchange for access to the

Wireless broadband works like a giant version of a home wireless network. A company will place transmitters on cell towers or other high points. Customer in turn place small receivers outside their home that are connected to a traditional WiFi router inside.

The end result to the customer is the same as if the connection were routed underground through cables, but requires no work on the outside of the property other than installing the

"Deployments can be quicker because we aren't running a ton of cable," Metsa said. "Interactions with customers are a lot simpler."

Metsa said this type of project is easier for communities to develop. "It's beneficial to do it this way because we are in a rural area," he said. "We're stuck in the 1990s with the amount of bandwidth we are getting. The network is being stressed. We're offering an easy solution that is a bit more modern."

Bandwidth is the amount of data that can pass through an Internet connection at any given

According to Metsa, if the city approves, Back 40 Wireless can have all of the infrastructure in place within 3-5 months.

Cell tower owners

north of Orr have already signed onto the project, and Metsa said he hopes tower owners on Gheen Hill will do the same.

The new system would be managed from Back 40 Wireless at their offices in Jackson, however, Metsa would be working directly with customers in person around the Orr area.

"We want a mom and pop feel to keep jobs local," he said.

Metsa has yet to release any estimate for the cost of the service, but said the system would offer considerably faster speeds that CenturyLink is currently offering.

The company hopes to expand the network north and south to include communities such as Gheen, with Orr as the

For now the project will go before the Orr City Council at their Nov. 13. The public is invited to attend.

## Briefly

#### **Lyn Reed and Ron Maki Exhibit**

COOK - Northwoods Friends of the Arts of Cook is proud to announce the opening of an exhibit of new work by two former art instructors from ISD 2142. Lyn Reed and Ron Maki, who taught a combined 50-plus years in the Cook and Orr schools, are showing to the public what they have been creating since retiring from the classroom.

Lyn will be showing a new line of ceramics/ pottery. Ron will be exhibiting some of his current large abstract paint-

The opening reception, including time to visit with the artists, will be on Friday, Nov. 9, from 6 to 8 p.m. Reacquaint yourself with the artists or come and meet them for the first time. Join us to view something new, challenging and different, from two people who taught our students how to think in different ways and to create new worlds. The show runs the whole month of November, starting Nov. 1.

Gallery hours and days are Thursday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

#### **Cook Candidate** Forum

Cook Area Chamber of Commerce will be hosting a candidate forum between Paul McDonald and Bernie Mettler on Tuesday, Oct. 30 at 6 p.m. at the Cook Community Center. Mr. McDonald and Mr. Mettler are the candidates for the St. Louis County District 4 Commissioner seat. Hear what they have to say on the different issues that affect our

area. During the forum, if there is a topic that has not been discussed, you will have the opportunity to write your question down and the moderator will present the questions to the candidates.

If you are unable to attend this forum in person, you can watch it on a live stream on the Cook MN Facebook page. You can also ask a question for the candidates by simply commenting on the live feed.

The Chamber is hosting this event as we feel it if important for you the voters to learn and understand the views of each of the candidates so that you can make an informed vote on Tuesday Nov. 6th.

#### **Highway 1 Detour**

A culvert replacement project on Highway 1 in Linden Grove will require motorists to use a detour route began Monday, Oct 22.

Motorists traveling west on Highway 1 will be detoured north on Highway 73, west on County Road 114 and south on County Road

Motorists traveling east on Highway 1 will be detoured north on County Road 139, east on County Road 114 and south on Highway 73. The detour route is about eight miles long and will be fully signed.

The work is expected to be completed Nov. 2 and the detour will be

MnDOT thanks the public for their patience during this project.

**GRIZZLY UPDATE** 

# Meet Mr. Jason Limp

North Woods Principal John Vukmanich interviews one of the school's newest teachers

Our final "brand new" teacher to North Woods is Mr. Limp. Starting next week I will highlight teachers randomly, starting with some of our more seasoned staff.

Vukmanich: Where did you grow up?

Mr. Limp: I grew up in the southwest suburbs of Chicago in Frankfort, Ill. I went to high school at Lincoln Way East High School, home of the Griffons, and graduated with 1,000 classmates!

Mr. V: What is a 'griffon?"

Mr. L: An animal that is half lion and half eagle. Mr. V: In a school that large, did you feel you were able to have positive relationships with your teachers?

Mr. L: Yes, but as a student you needed to choose who you were going to try to build the relationship with. You would rarely ever have the same teacher for a second time.

Mr. V: Was there a teacher who influenced

Mr. L: Yes, Ryan Gaby was my history teacher. He was a great teacher and I actually



**VUKMANICH** 

three times, which was

Mr. V: What do you teach at North Woods?

Mr. L: I teach 10th grade health along with 9th, 11th, and 12th grade social studies.

Mr. V: Why did you choose to become a teacher?

Mr. L: It was not my first career choice. I initially had planned on going to college and then entering the Army as an officer. I started that process, and while in college I took an education class. That was it. I loved it, and never looked back.

Mr. V: What are your hobbies?

Mr. Lifting weights and running. I use the fitness center at



LIMP

ended up having him the school every day, and it is a great facility. I swim in the master's swim program in Virginia, and also play water polo. I am an avid reader, and I enjoy gaming. I talk to my students a lot about gaming, and because so many of them do it, it gives us something in common.

Mr. V: What is something you like about North Woods School?

Mr. L: I love the students. They're just really good kids. I feel that we have already built connections in the seven weeks I have been here. The staff is awesome,

Mr. V: What is a goal for you?

Mr. L: I taught Special Education for three

years. The classes were smaller. So, I am working on my large group skills because my classes are about twenty students now. This includes classroom management and content delivery for wider-ranging abilities.

Mr. V: What is something new or unexpected about northern Minneso-

Mr. L: When I first moved up here, a student was telling me about fishing in a creek, but he pronounced it "crick." I had no idea what he was talking about until another adult said "creek, like a stream." You guys say some words differently!

Mr. V: What is something in Minnesota you would like to do that you haven't done?

Mr. L: Believe it or not, I have never travelled in Minnesota west of Hibbing or south of Duluth. I want to see more of the state.

I want to thank Mr. Limp for his time and for letting us get to know him better!

Also, best of luck to all of our area sports teams as they enter the playoffs.

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## Little Grizzlies homecoming cheer sqaud

FIELD TWP - The Grizzlies football team got some extra support from the school's Little Grizzlies Cheer leaders during last week's game against Ely. The cheerleaders helped cheer on North Woods in defeating Ely 43-16. More on the game can be found on Page 1B.



Above: Back row: Olivia, Sophie, Marley, Tori, Merilee, Arianna, Ella, Bailey, Kate, Mallory, Alice Middle Row: Michaela, Felicity, Melody, River, Evelyn, Donelle, Kiley, Chloe, Elizabeth, Rebecca, Lila. Front row: Kady, Lina, Bayla, Lumen, Kayla, Sarah, Laurin, Savannah, Ile, Brylee, Annalee. photos by C. Stone

TEEN SUBSTANCE USE

## North Woods has substance abuse forum for parents

Even with rise of new problems, such as e-cigs, schools continue to see a drop in teen substance use

by MARCUS WHITE

Cook-Orr Editor

FIELD TWP - With a rise in the use of e-cigarettes among teens, school and law enforcement officials offered an information session for parents on substance abuse here earlier this

"It's awareness for the community," School Resource Officer Deputy Brock Kick said. "This is what you look for when it comes to youth using anything, whether it is vaping (using e-cigarettes), alcohol or tobacco, whether it is on school

grounds or at home." Principal John Vukmanich said there has

been a rise in the popularity of e-cigarettes and the school treats them the same as tobacco use by students. "They are easy to hide, available online, and the checks and balances regarding legal buying age seem to not always work on the Internet," he said. He noted that marijuana use was the biggest concern among teens since students are becoming more open about usage and access to it has become

Nearly thirty parents showed up for the event, and had questions ranging from the effects of marijuana to how e-cigarettes actually work and what the side effects of

their use could be.

Parents also showed concern about prescription drug abuse and what they could do to dispose of excess medication Both Vukmanich and

the school dean, John Jirik, pointed out, however, that while drugs were a concern, the idea that North Woods has a problem is a false perception. "No doubt, there are teens who use, but it's extremely rare at school," Vukmanich said. "The large majority of our kids still avoid using chemicals."

Jirik said there has been a culture change among teenagers in the past decade that has led to increasingly low numbers of substance abuse problems among students. "One of the biggest things that has happened was the anti-smoking campaigns," Jirik said. "Growing up, you could walk into schools and the teachers' lounge would have smoke coming out of it. It has been a culture change."

Jirik added the same was true of alcohol use.

Jirik's assertion is largely backed up by the statewide student survey from the Minnesota Department of Human Services, last published in 2016. In that year, self-reported tobacco use among high school upperclassmen had fallen by nearly half between 2007 and 2016— from 47 percent among high school males to just 23 percent. The numbers were similar for female students.

St. Louis County, as a whole, tends to be higher than state averages, however, by about seven percent.

North Woods uses a combination of preventative education with enforcement to keep substances out of the hands of students. Teachers can request presentations from either the school counselor or school resource officer. Jirik said if administrators get wind of anything, the school investigates. The school also does random sweeps of the school with the St.

Louis County drug dog from time-to-time during

"If we all talk to each other about our kids, eventually we catch the ones who are using," Vukmanich said. "I really appreciate the staff, students, and parents who step up in the best interest of keeping our kids healthy and safe."

Jirik said parents or guardians who have a concern about their students should call the school counselor or the resource officer. Both can be reached at North Woods by calling 218-666-5221.

#### **Architect David** Salmela to speak in Hibbing

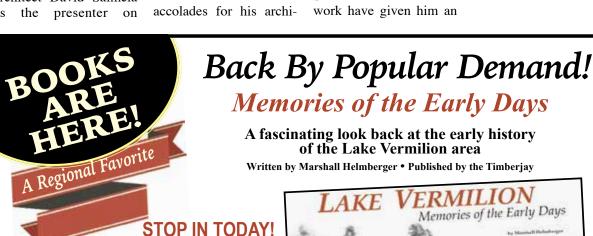
HIBBING- Finnish Americans and Friends are honored to have the architect David Salmela Tuesday, Nov. 6 at 2 Cinema).

Salmela has received numerous regional and national awards and

tecture. Living all of his p.m. at Grace Lutheran life in Minnesota, he Church, 4010 9th Ave. in has chosen to have his Hibbing (across from the work reflect the landscape and history of the region .His unique education and symmetrical Scandinavian-influenced

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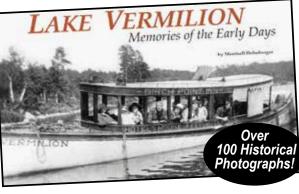
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through that lens, we will get it right. We want to make the state 100-percent renewable."

Flanagan, who is a supporter of mining, did not say whether she was in support of the proposed copper-nickel mining on the Range, but did say she believed environmental stability and healthy families were connected issues, citing the recent United Nations report on climate change, which she views as a dire warning for world.

"We need to build trust in the capacity for us to be a world leader when it comes to this issue," Radinovich said. "The problem is that we (the United States) shared a vision with people around the world, and then we had an administration that reversed that."

Radinovich said voters needed to stop looking at immediate issues and look at the bigger, long-term picture and understand that certain jobs in all mining sectors were not sustainable in the future because of corporate incentives to automate more of the operations.

"The dilemma here is that there are people who are in fear of Democrats getting control and eliminating jobs in non-renewable sectors," he said. "The challenge is how do we move with our partners, people who are very concerned with immediate problems." He noted that changes in the economy are inevitable but can be addressed by investing in retraining to help people qualify for jobs in growing sectors. "Changes in the economy wouldn't be so

bad if people knew they could go back and be educated to do something else," he said.

Radinovich said negative long-term economic effects of mining job losses would go away if the government directed more money into education giving access to job skills. He said his idea wasn't a DFL one and pointed to Republican plans in Tennessee that would do the same.

On the topic of education, Flanagan pointed to schools in the state's

southern half which already employ a variety of vocational/technical school opportunities, which give students a head start on vocational careers by completing much of their training while still in high school.

She added the state should encourage the expansion of apprenticeships and cooperative programs.

Radinovich said investments in education had to go beyond high school and post-secondary and should begin as

soon as a child is ready for school.

He also criticized federal GOP tax cuts passed last year and said politicians who cut taxes shouldn't complain there is no money for the government to spend.

Monday's campaign stop was one of three stops of the Radinovich campaign. The candidate also stopped at Fond du Lac College in Cloquet and in Deer River.

#### **EMAIL** ... Continued from page 1

not respond further as of presstime.

While Stauber's actions are the primary issue, the matter has now clearly embroiled St. Louis County, which has come under increasing fire since the Minnesota Commissioner of Administration issued an advisory opinion last week that found the emails in question are public and should be released under state law.

County officials, including Rubin, argue that the law makes communications between elected officials and "an individual," private, unless one of the parties involved agrees to release the emails. So far, however, Stauber has refused calls, including by two fellow county commissioners, for him to release the communications in order to spare the county the cost of litigation.

The Commissioner of Administration rejected the county's argument, finding that the definition of "individual" does not apply to representatives or agents of an organization like the NRCC.

The Republican Stauber is engaged in a heatedpoliticalcontestwith DFLer Joe Radinovich, and Stauber has been the beneficiary of more than \$6 million in outside money that has paid for thousands of attack ads against Radinovich over old parking tickets and other traffic citations, which Radinovich has since paid.

Now, Stauber is facing questions that he abused his office for political purposes.

'The public has the right to know what is in the emails Pete Stauber sent from his taxpayer-funded county email account while he was on county time," said DFL Executive Director Corey Day in a press statement announcing the lawsuit. "Transparency and accountability are vital in maintaining trust in government and in our public officials, and thus far, Pete Stauber has fallen

far short on both counts. Stauber could put this entire issue to rest in ten minutes if he wanted to by voluntarily releasing the emails in question. His continued refusal to do so raises serious flags about their contents."

Stauber's campaign accused the DFL and Radinovich of playing politics with the issue. "It's not surprising that

to the county, who already cleared Pete Stauber of any wrongdoing." St. Louis County officials indicated that they had reviewed Stauber's

Joe and his DFL friends

are playing politics, but

as we have all along, we

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actions and determined that no further inquiry was warranted.



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Vilsack, who oversaw the Forest Service as head of the Obama USDA, said he wasn't surprised by the Trump administration's decision, but had hoped that the administration would have used the opportunity of the withdrawal study to better understand the economic trade-offs involved with the Twin Metals project. "When Trump took

office, his focus was clearly on jobs," said Vilsack. "In that sense, it was not surprising that they reversed our decision.' Yet Vilsack said the Trump administration got it wrong by putting its faith in the potential for mining jobs down the road, even as a growing body of evidence suggests that the economic benefits of protecting

the BWCAW watershed from copper-nickel mining would outweigh any economic boost from a mine.

"There's only one independent study that clearly looks at the difference between the two alternatives and it shows more jobs and more income by not having a mine," said Vilsack. "That is a point that needs to be continuously stressed. More jobs and more income can be realized by not mining," he said.

The study, released earlier this year by two Harvard economists, ran 72 separate scenarios through a standard economic model and concluded that, over a 20-year period, an economy based on outdoor recreation and the region's natural ame-

nities would provide more jobs and greater income in the Ely area in 69 of the 72 alternatives studied.

"That would have shown the true tradeoffs,' said Tom Tidwell, who commissioned the withdrawal study as Chief of the Forest Service. "Whenever you stop studying something, it raises the question: Why not seek more information?" While many support-

ers of the Twin Metals project argue that the Ely area can have both mining jobs and maintain and grow its outdoor recreation economy, Brenda Halter disagrees. "I don't think you can have a mine and a protected Boundary Waters. We know it's a very high-risk activity and that somewhere along the line, there is going to be some kind of catastrophic, or even a gradual, release of pollutants into the wilderness. And this isn't a place where you can put your finger in the dike."

Halter said she understands the desire for good jobs in northern Minnesota. "I get it; I wanted my good-paying job. We want the same things, but we need to figure out what is the best way to do that." Which is why Halter

was so disappointed in the decision to halt the withdrawal study. "That gave us an opportunity to pause and make a thoughtful decision." While the Trump administration indicated that there was no new information to review, Halter said that wasn't the case. "There was a lot of new information, good information, that would have provided for a solid. science-based decision."

#### Science or politics?

For the Trump administration, the issue of copper-nickel mining has been front-and-center of the president's divisive political pitch in Minnesota, pitting miners against environmentalists.

Tidwell noted that his agency had tried to set aside the emotions that tend to surround Boundary Waters controversies and really develop a fuller understanding of which direction made sense, and whether the risks of copper-nickel mining upstream of the BWCAW were simply too high.

Tidwell, who spent most of his 41 years in the Forest Service working in the western U.S., saidhehas experience working with similar mines in Nevada and Montana. "Sulfide ore, when exposed to air and water, converts to sulfuric acid," said Tidwell, and the acid drainage that such mines have generated has created historic legacies of pollution all throughout the West. "We have almost always had problems with these types of mines," he said, even in more arid regions.

Tidwell said his first view of the Boundary Waters was from the air and he said he was struck by the immensity of the wilderness as well as the prevalence of water on the landscape. "The idea of having any kind of largescale mining operation in an area of so much standing water is problematic," he said. "Look, the Forest Service has a long history of approving mining projects. Our decision didn't come from a position of opposing mining. But there are places where the

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science is so clear. And this is just not a good place to mine.'

Halter echoed Tidwell's comment, noting the Forest Service's longstanding mandate for multiple use. "We have worked hard as an agency to maximize opportunities for industry and the public on the national forests. But just because we have the multiple use mandate, doesn't mean that all things can happen in every place. This is simply not the place."

For Tidwell, it comes down to the fundamental question of how decisions will get made in the U.S. in the future. "I worked for a variety of administrations, but when I look at the decisions that I made as chief, it was always driven by science. The decisions weren't made until the information was gathered and the public had a chance to offer its opinion."

"I think there is a bigger message here," said Vilsack. "About whether we are going to respect and follow science generally in this country. The public needs to understand what's at stake if we as a nation disregard the scientific process.'

Vilsack said that in his experience, agency decisionmakers throughout the federal government work hard to make the right calls, based on the results of their established process. "They've been dedicated to going where the facts lead," he said. "There are significant risks we run when we move away from that."

It leaves a question for the public, said Vilsack. "The people have to decide whether science needs to be respected. Or whether it's the wild West and anybody's belief can be the basis for a decision."

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it takes to complete the project is not as critical right now as it is getting a plan in place for those building connections."

ARI designer Katie Hildenbrand presented a background and summary on the project. "These buildings belong to you," she said. "You know how the spaces are used, how you are going to use the spaces, and how you educate in these spaces. It is important to hear from you."

She suggested using the building-connection concept as a conversation starter. As far back as 2009, the Ely School Board has talked about connecting the campus buildings, some plans called for connecting the buildings on the north end, near the parking lots. Recent designs have called for connecting the buildings closer to the Industrial Arts building, and on the south ends of the Memorial and Washington buildings as a way to reduce construction costs.

Any building connection concept will require the removal of the vacant and unused heating plant building, and the rerouting of underground infrastructure and utility elements.

Hildenbrand suggested that while some learning spaces, like the elementary school media center, could be affected by connecting the buildings, the proposed building connecting corridors could be widened to accommodate learning spaces more conducive to a modern educational atmosphere.

She asked for the entire campus program to be reviewed to take a look at how all learning spaces are being used and could be changed to be used more efficiently. "Let's not get too hooked on these concept plans at this time," she said, and suggested the whole educational picture be taken into account.

A second phase for the school district to consider includes the addition of more gymnasium space, as well as utilizing the unused swimming pool space located on the lower level of the Memorial building. "In light of reusing existing space and not adding more square footage, how can we best use the space that is already here?" she asked.

One of the first areas of discussion involved the proposed secure entrance to be used during school hours. Abrahamson said school drop-off and pick-up procedures, using the existing front doors of both the Memorial and Washington buildings, could be maintained.

"Once the school day starts, the school would go into lock down and the one central entrance would be used," Hildenbrand noted. "It would be a (school) visitor entrance only during the school day."

Abrahamson added that administrative offices would need to be located and staffed at the schoolday entrance. "That has to be a monitored, secured entrance," he said. "That is a requirement of the grant. Some kind of office would have to be there. That hasn't been determined yet."

Teacher James Lah stressed the importance of school board members hearing the thoughts, ideas and concerns of the teachers and staff. "We want to tell you what we as professionals think has to be here, what we need and what we think the kids need. We hope we can enter this dialogue in the most positive way that we can."

He cited the teaching

staff's opinion that the secured entrance to the school should be located between the Memorial and Washington buildings on the north end, or roughly where the vacant heating plant building is now located. "On any campus, you will see how any kids or people will avoid what is impossible to get to," Lah said. "The main entrance should be across the front. It can be consummate with the architecture and it can be beautiful and lighted and allow movement into a commons area. The (administrative) offices can have open windows to watch everyone come in, and split left for the high school and right for the elementary school. Kids gather in a commons area at the beginning of the day. That's the concept that I see."

Teacher Ruth Lah added that common space could be organized in a way to centrally locate those areas that are used by the entire school. "For instance, the nurse is on the other side of (Washington) the school. There are so many things we can put together. This is an opportunity to put together things that are shared by both buildings, so everybody has equal access."

Teacher Kelly Noble stressed the importance of the teachers and students being able to be involved in the planning process. "This is the first time we are having our voices heard, which is amazing. We need to listen to the people that are here on a day-to-day basis, the largest stakeholders, to make the best learning environment for our students."

Board Chair Ray Marsnik pushed back on the assertion that teachers have been left out of the discussion. "When we first started out, we had the facilities improvement committee that included teachers and staff, the community and school board members," he said. "We had good discussions. It is our job to listen to everybody."

Teacher Tim Omerza highlighted many areas of buildings improvements that staff members were ready to present at the meeting. "I have to admit that many of us did not do a very good job last spring when (Supt. Abrahamson) started to organize the committee meetings. I don't think we got ourselves to provide as

much information as we probably should have. We have a lot of thoughts now and have tried to organize ourselves."

Various teachers and staff individually addressed the concept of a new cafeteria and commons area, the central entrance concept, additional gymnasium space, early childhood and family education facilities, handicapped-user accessibility under the American With Disabilities Act, and the process of providing feedback to the school board as the communication and planning process moves forward.

James Lah asked Hildenbrand to provide a concept, incorporating all of the ideas and concerns presented Monday night, in time for a teachers' meeting scheduled for Nov. 5, or some later date. "I love meeting with the (school) board. You're great people, but I would love to meet with the faculty and you and have a dialogue about what we are saying," he said.

Abrahamson reminded Lah that Hildenbrand and ARI work for the school board. "I don't have any argument with that, Jim, but it has to go thru the board," he said.

"This is a kick-off to

"This is a kick-off to many more meetings," Hildenbrand said. "The process is to listen and understand. Rest assured, you don't just get one shot at this. This is not my building. I am here to get you a space and a building that works for you."

Ruth Lah also noted

that having another discussion with the proposed Ely Regional Community Complex facility might be prudent.

"Marsnik said the board has also considered that issue. "It really hasn't been determined if they are going to go forward with their plan. But if they are going to put up a new gymnasium, then that is something we have to think about."

Omerza made the suggestion to the school board that a group be formed to visit some area schools that have recently gone through renovation projects to get ideas. "There are new schools out there, but I'm talking about those schools, like Mesabi East, and Littlefork, that have melded the old parts with new construction," he said.

He also noted that the faculty looks forward to participating in more meetings with the school board, whether in a large or small group, to continue the conversation.

"I've heard from many people, if we are going to do this, let's do it right," Omerza said. "Then ask the community if they are willing to help. If it's no, then that's fine. If we are going to do this we want to do it the right way."

In closing, Hildenbrand said a two-year window exists for the Safe School grant money to be spent on the facilities project. "My guess is that we need to have a final plan and concept budget in place by that March deadline."



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SECTION 7 NINEMAN PLAYOFFS

## Ely loses playoff heartbreaker at Littlefork

Game went to the final seconds as the Timberwolves' season comes to an end

by Marshall Helmberger

LITTLEFORK — Early on, it appeared the Timberwolves would cruise to an opening round win in the Section 7 Nineman playoffs held here on Tuesday night as Littlefork-Big Falls coughed up the ball three times in the first quarter. Ely turned two of them into touchdowns, to take a 14-0 lead in the opening stanza.

But the Vikings recovered

from their opening iitters and went on to score three unanswered touchdowns to take an 18-12 lead en route to a 30-28 final margin. The Wolves, meanwhile, added eight more points before the end of the second half and took a 22-18 lead into the break.

Ely's momentum didn't last long, as a series of turnovers let the Vikings take the lead for good. Ely fumbled on the first play from scrimmage in the

second half, and the Vikings wasted no time in capitalizing, thanks to a 67-yard breakaway on their next play, staking them to a 24-22 lead.

Ely coughed up the ball again after some initial success on their next drive, but got it back on an interception, leaving the Wolves with the ball down by two points to start the fourth quarter. Ely hustled down the field before stalling in the Vikings' red zone, handing it

On their next possession, the Vikings hit pay dirt once again, to take a 30-22 lead.

Starting from midfield with less than two minutes to go, the Wolves struck fast, connecting on a 46-yard pass to leave them first-and-goal from the Vikings' five-yard line. A little over a minute later, the Wolves pushed past the goal line for six. The conversion would have tied the score, but the Wolves came

up short, leaving them with 18 seconds for a miracle.

Ely's onside kick surprised no one and when the Vikings recovered the ball, it was all over.

"It was a very physical game," said Ely Head Coach Cory Lassi. "I can't fault the effort of the guys... they battled until the very end. You never want to see your season end, but this was a great game between

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#### SECTION 7 NINEMAN PLAYOFFS

## Grizzlies shine in opening round



Left: Freshman runningback TJ Chiabotti heads to the outside while Mariner defenders pursue.

Below: Senior **Tanner Barto** leaps high for a catch between the outstretched arms of two Silver Bay defenders.

C. Stone



by Marshall Helmberger Managing Editor

ELY- High school junior Luke Olson isn't sure where running will ultimately take him, but so far this year it's taken him to the front of the pack in more than one cross-country meet in the section.

Olson, who finished 21st at the state cross-country tournament last year, was hoping for a repeat performance during the Section 7A finals, scheduled for Thursday, Oct.

25, in Cloquet. "My goal is in the top three," said the soft-spoken Olson who, barring a mishap, is almost certain to qualify as an individual for the state tournament this year. The entire Ely boys team is a contender as well, although the team's prospects have suffered with the loss of James Schwinghamer, due to injury earlier this season. According the Ely Cross Country Head Coach Javne Dusich, Schwinghamer has consistently been the team's number

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North Woods manhandles Mariners to advance to semi-final contest with Cook County

by MARCUS WHITE

FIELD TWP— The Grizzlies extended their winning streak to three Tuesday night, easily downing Silver Bay 20-6 in the first round

of the Section 7 Nineman playoffs. North Woods now goes on to a rematch with number one-seeded Cook County this Saturday for a right to play in the section championship. The Vikings narrowly beat the Grizzlies 38-26 in a hard-fought match-up on Sept. 21 and come into their playoff tilt looking less than invincible after a 24-28 loss to South Ridge on their final game of the regular season.

"I thought we played well, especially on the defensive end of the ball," North Woods Head Coach John Jirik said after Tuesday's game. "We are excited to play the number one seed and are hoping to continue to improve. There are

I thought we played well, especially on the defensive end of the ball.

**Head Coach John Jirik** 

no easy games in the semi-finals and we are looking forward to the challenge."

North Woods nearly shutout Silver Bay, scoring three unanswered touchdowns before their opponents notched a scoring run.

In the first quarter, quarterback Chase Kleppe connected with Tanner Barto for a nine-yard touchdown strike.

Nathan Crain would take over in the second quarter with

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**VOLLEYBALL** 

## Nighthawks bow out in opening round of playoffs

A season that looked promising lost momentum in wake of injuries

by Marshall Helmberger Managing Editor

BABBITT -

Nighthawks' season came to an end before a home crowd on Monday as they fell to Mt. Iron-Buhl in four sets in the opening round of the Section 7A playoffs. The Nighthawks fell behind early, dropping the first two sets, 18-25 and 16-25. They rebounded in set three with a 26-24 win before losing the fourth set 19-25.

It was the fourth time the two teams had met this season, and the Nighthawks had every set and match in previous

It was a season that began full of promise, with a team dominated by upperclassmen and front-line height and hitting ability provided by freshman Hannah Reichensperger. The

team won its first two games of

the season and five of their first

Right: Senior Maija Maki goes up high at the net for a kill. J. Greeney

eight. But a string of injuries, including a season-ending ankle injury for Reichensperger, sent the season into a spiral, as the Nighthawks managed just three

wins over the next 16 games. "Ibelieve that I can speak for the whole team in saying that we

wish things could have gone dif-

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## **Grizzlies stop T-Wolves in homecoming tilt**

Second straight win for North Woods provided momentum as both teams headed to Section 7 Nineman playoffs

**FOOTBALL** 

by MARCUS WHITE Cook-Orr Editor

FIELDTWP—Two historic powerhouse Section 7 teams entered the North Woods football stadium last week with 2-5 records, and it was the Grizzlies who would emerge with a 43-16 win, to the delight of a homecoming crowd.

The game opened with senior quarterback Chase Kleppe blocking an Ely punt attempt deep in Ely's own territory. Seconds later, he recovered the ball in the Ely end zone for a

Kleppe would add to his team's momentum later in the half, connecting with Tanner Barto on an 18-yard touchdown strike. TJ Chiabotti ran it in for the conversion to put the Grizzlies up 10-0.

Ely would answer on their next drive, scoring a five-yard rush by Nick Mattila. Nate Nettifree added two on a con-

North Woods clinched the deal, however, with a strong second half which soon put the game out of reach. The Grizzlies added eight points early in the third quarter, on a rush and twopoint conversion by Chiabotti. They added six more on an 81-yard Kleppe bomb to Trevor Morrison. Zach Cheney kicked the extra point.

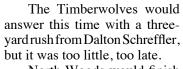
In the fourth quarter, Nathan Crain added a third unanswered touchdown for the Grizzlies five-yard rush into the end zone.



Above: Ely senior Nick Mattila squeezes up the middle through a pile of North Woods defenders.

Right: Grizzlies junior runningback Nathan Crain finds plenty of daylight against Ely's defense.

photos by C. Stone



North Woods would finish the game with a one-yard rush from Carter Holman, who also took in the two-point conversion.

While the scoring tells the story of a game dominated by North Woods, Coach John Jirik said defensive errors still plagued his team, particularly in the early-going.

"The first half was filled with mistakes from both teams,"

he said. "We had a goal line stance at the end of the first half which gave us a boost going into halftime. We were able to come out strong the second half and fix our defensive errors. The combination of passing and rushing helped us pull away in the second half."

The North Woods offense proved effective, totaling 529 yards, including 317 yards

Kleppe added to the mix, completing seven of 13 attempts for 198 yards and two touch-

Chiabotti led on the ground, with 105 yards and two touchdowns on 18 carries. Crain added 48 yards and a touchdown on 12 carries. Austin Sokoloski would add nine of his own tackles.

For the Timberwolves, Nick Mattila racked up 68 yards and a touchdown on 17 carries.

Mattila also completed 11 of 19 passes for 128 yards. Dalton Schreffler notched 28 yards and a touchdown on nine carries.

The Grizzlies headed into their opening round playoff tilt with Silver Bay (see separate story) with a two-game winning streak and extended it on Tuesday. "It is nice going into the playoffs after playing well for a few weeks," said Jirik. "Hopefully we can play mistake-free football and make a run in the playoffs."

They were set to face the section favorite, Cook County, on Wednesday evening as the Timberjay went to press.

#### **NER...**Continued from page 1B

ferently," said Head Coach Jodi Reichensperger. "We were plagued with injuries most of the season but I could not be more proud to have coached such an amazing group of young ladies.'

Even in losing, the team never seemed to quit, as they consistently gave superior opponents a real battle. "We had many challenges, but it did not keep this team from playing their hearts out all season," said Reichensperger. "When we had someone out with an injury, the team was able to rally and pull together to pick up the Right: Northeast Range senior Sophie Lenz leaps for a block during Monday's playoff game with Mt. Iron-Buhl. Lenz was one of four Nighthawks seniors whose high school volleyball careers came to an this week.

J. Greeney

Monday's game was no exception, despite the disappointing loss. Seniors set the pace for Northeast Range, with Sophie Lenz posting an impressive 16 kills and 13 digs, while Maija Maki notched seven



kills and 12 digs. Junior Maude Lenz tallied five kills and 14 digs, while Lara Poderzay posted 30 set assists. Freshman Jenna Smith tallied 25 digs.

The Nighthawks will lose a considerable amount of talent to graduation, including Sophie Lenz, Shayler Lislegard, Maija Maki, and Chloe Aase, which means the team will be looking to regroup next year under the leadership of this year's juniors, Lara Poderzay, Maude Lenz, and Makaya Bodas.

#### **OLSON...**Continued from page 1B

two runner, right behind Olson, and the two acted as running partners, constantly pushing each other to greater success.

"The rest of the boys have been working hard to also improve and move up," said Dusich. Whether the team

goes to state will likely be determined by the team's fourth and fifthplace runners. "I think we have a decent shot," said Olson. "We just have to outwork everyone."

For Olson, long distance running just rarely

seems like work. "I just started doing it and I guess I liked it," he said. "When I saw that I had some talent for it, I started working with it and began running year-round."

It might run in the family. His sister Lauren, a freshman, competes for Ely's girls track team.

Olson participates in other high school sports as well— he'll be suiting up for hockey this winter and baseball come springbut cross-country is where he's truly found his niche. "I like all of them, but

cross-country is my best sport," he said. "I like to be around my friends on the team and I like to succeed in something, and it's good just to stay in shape.'

Dusich says Olson is a naturally-talented runner, and she credits his decision to commit himself to the sport as a major factor behind his success. "Luke takes his practices as seriously as his races so he has been focused on reaching his times," said Dusich.

While cross-country runners are part of a team, individual performance is also important, and once on the course, it's a singular pursuit. Olson said he likes the feel of running and the experience of "getting in the zone," where running can feel almost effortless and the pain that running can bring fades into the background. "It happens a lot," said Olson, "especially on longer runs or during races."

Olson said the distance doesn't matter to him, whether it's the standard 5K of high school cross-country competition or something significantly

longer. "Mainly I just go out and run how far I feel,"

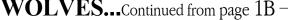
he said. Olson said he's sure he'll continue to run in the future, and would eventually like to compete in marathons, but he's less sure if he'll pursue cross-country beyond high school. "I'm not really thinking about colleges yet," he said. "I'll be starting to do that later this year."

As a junior, he'll have

another year to compete in the sport before he has to decide. And his performance at the state tournament this year (assuming he qualifies) will likely provide some guidance. He said he hopes to improve on his 21st-place finish last year. If so, he'll definitely

be making his mark on the

cross-country course.



**GRIZZ...**Continued from page 1B

two evenly matched teams."

The Wolves ended their season at 2-7, although the team probably outperformed its record said Lassi. "We lost some very tight games this season, ending up with three losses

a seven-yard carry for

less in the third quarter, but

Kleppe would return to

Both teams went score-

another six.

by a total of ten points," he said. "I thought this team was a class act on and off the field doing multiple community service projects along with dedicating their time on Saturday mornings for flag football."

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Barto again in the fourth, this time on a 48-yard bomb, good for six. Jake Hyppa would score on the Monson put the Mariners on the board late in the quarter, when it was too late to matter.

Overall team statistics were unavailable as of press time. TJ Chiabotti had a huge night, rushing for 224 yards on 19 carries. Hyppa added 84 yards on 11 carries.

two-point conversion. Silver Bay's Westom

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#### Briefs

#### **Vermilion Dream Quilters to meet** on Nov. 1

TOWER- Vermilion Dream Quilters will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 1 in the social hall at St. Martin's Catholic Church in Tower.

Snow in October - one redeeming thing about nasty weather is that it gives us a really good reason to cuddle in a homemade quilt – and an excuse to make even more! We invite you all to join our friendly group for discussion, learning and sharing. Our November program features Cindy Lind who will show some of the Woolie Trees she has made and share information on how they are constructed from strips of felt, wire, florist tape, and a block

As always, please bring your own projects to share for show and tell since we all gain inspiration when we see what is

Our hostesses for November are Alberta Whitenack and Lois Garbisch.

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.

#### **Living with Grief** program held Oct. 29

VIRGINIA- Hospice Foundation of America's 2018 Annual Living with Grief program, Transforming Loss: Finding Potential for Growth is moderated by Frank Sesno, Director of the School of Media and Public Affairs at George Washington University. This program is sponsored by Essentia Health St. Mary's East Range Hospice and will be shown at Essentia Health Medical Arts Building, McMillan Room A (lower level) on Monday, Oct. 29 from 1 to 3 p.m. The program explores the most current theoretical perspectives on loss and grief, emphasizing that loss engenders not only grief, but also growth. The presentation addresses the phenomena of post-traumatic growth and includes self-help tips for individuals grieving a loss and strategies professionals can use to assist individuals.

Pre-registration is recommended, but not required. Please contact Essentia Health St. Mary's East Range Hospice by

email to mary.vidmar-billman@essentiahealth. org or by phone to 218-749-7975 or 1-877-851-2213. Registration begins at 12:30 p.m. You are welcome to bring a bag lunch; coffee an' will be available. This workshop is open to the public as well as health care professionals.

#### **Nelimark will** open on Nov. 9 **and 10**

EMBARRASS-Sleigh bells ring, are you listening? In the lane, snow is glistening. The holiday season comes alive at the Nelimark... Beginning Nov. 9 the Nelimark Homestead across from Timber Hall in Embarrass will be given a fresh update and turned into a winter wonderland with branches of pungent cedar and pine greenery and sparkling lights to accent

the latest items the artisans have created for you to enjoy this holiday season. Practical authentic examples with items borrowed from earlier times promise a sparkling wonderland for visitors to experience firsthand this year. The heating system has been updated with a new gas furnace to make sure guests are toasty warm and comfortable as they mingle and enjoy a cup of tea, strong coffee, or spiced cider along with samples of numerous tasty goodies. With the mouth-watering smells of breads and cakes fresh from the ovens of experienced bakers, the melt-in-the-mouth sugar-sprinkled cardamom "pulla" and crispy kringle in the air greets you as you enter the front door. You won't be disappointed if you arrive early. The old house will be open at 10 a.m. on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 9 and 10 and again on Dec. 7 and 8. Doors will remain open until 4 o'clock each day. Fresh goodies baked early each morning will be available for you to share along with numercreations. The sleigh bells are calling you....

#### **Ruby's Pantry** Oct. 27 in Babbitt

BABBITT- Ruby's Pantry food distribution will be on Saturday, Oct. 27 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the Babbitt Municipal Center, 71 South Dr. A \$20 cash donation at the door buys an abundance of food. No checks will be accepted. There are 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.



#### Jerome L. Kolstad Jerome Lee "Jerry"

Kolstad, 84, of Lake Vermilion, passed away peacefully on Friday, Oct. 19, 2018, with his family by his side. He was called up to supervise a remodeling project that is sure to have beautiful lake views, knotty pine paneling, and a wooden dock where he can throw in a line to catch a walleye. Jerry leaves a legacy of hard work, loyalty, generosity, and great storytelling. Jerry maintained a steadfast faith and a positive spirit even as his health failed

A Memorial Mass will be held at 12 noon on Saturday, Oct. 27 at St. John's Catholic Church in Biwabik with Fr. Peter Lambert as celebrant. Visitation will be for one hour prior to the service at the church. Inurnment will be in Calvary Cemetery in Virginia. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the Vermilion Lake Association or the Tower-Soudan Fourth of July Celebration. Arrangements are with Landmark Funeral Home in Virginia.

May 26, 1934, in a duplex on 8-1/2 Street South in Virginia, to Cecelia Rebecca (Lambert) Kolstad and Carl Stevens Olson. (Sorry folks, we still haven't figured out the last name situation.) Jerry was the oldest of seven children who came in rapid succession, and his mother raised the kids in a two-bedroom house right next to the railroad tracks in Parkville.

Jerry was born on

When Jerry was a young boy, the family lived in Panama, where Carl worked on the Canal. Jerry had epic tales to tell of this time. He was left alone to supervise his younger siblings as they traipsed around Panama, climbing trees and stealing bananas in their wagon (until a very large spider

intervened), attempting to

tame a wild monkey, and stealing away to New York City on a British frigate after Pearl Harbor was bombed and it was feared the Panama Canal was the next target.

Back in Parkville, while Carl traveled the world and Cecelia singly supported the family as a nurse, Jerry and his brother Tommy kept a horse in the backyard and roamed free in the woods with their Parkville buddies, sliding down Parkville Hill, playing by the train tracks (stuffing their ears with pussy willows when the trains grew too loud), and generally engaging in mischief. When Jerry was akid, his family had a small cabin on Lake Vermilion, and that is where Jerry first fell in love with the lake.

In 1952, Jerry graduated from Mt. Iron High School, where he was a three-sport athlete. He was an excellent football player, a strong shotput and discus thrower, and once made a buzzer-beater 3/4-court shot in a clutch basketball performance. Until the end, Jerry relished his regular lunches with the Mt. Iron Class of '52. He was recently inducted into the Mt. Iron High School Football Hall of Fame.

After high school, Jerry attended Virginia Junior College for a short time, and then left college to financially support his younger brother Tom's college education. Jerry drove a cement truck for Virginia Ready Mix and worked for Lambert Industries.

In 1959, Jerry married the love of his life, Carol Ann (Garden), and they had four children - Jeanne, James, Jon and Laura.

A proud U.S. Army veteran, Jerry was stationed in Japan during the Korean War and then called back to serve during the Cuban Missile Crisis. On his return, he worked hard and eventually co-owned Virginia Ready Mix and later founded Mining Services, which he ran for a number of years. In the late 1970s, Jerry realized his dream of moving to Lake Vermilion, where he sold real estate and owned Northland Realty with Carol. The real estate business provided a perfect opportunity for Jerry to do some of his favorite things: meet new people, tell stories, dream of what he could remodel next, and

drive around the lake in his boat. Jerry served on the Tower-Soudan School Board, and kept busy with the Lake Vermilion Sportsmen's Club, the fish hatchery, the local chapter of Ducks Unlimited, and his coffee buddies.

Jerry loved to fish, and he took many fishing trips to Lake of the Woods, Sioux Narrows, and Alaska to catch lake trout, salmon, and halibut. But he was just as happy to sit at the end of the dock with his kids and grandkids, catching perch and walleye on a bamboo pole and admiring the natural beauty of Lake Vermilion.

Jerry knew everyone, and wherever he went in the world, he found someone who had a connection to Parkville or Lake Vermilion. His kids inherited Jerry's ability to connect with people out of context, and they often share their "Jerry Kolstad moments" upon realizing that someone who appears to be a complete stranger is actually connected to their past.

Jerry was a kind and loving husband, a great dad, and a very proud grandfather. Even though he taught us all to be independent, we knew he always had our backs. He was generous and kind, and he and Carol always welcomed friends and family members who dropped into their home unexpectedly - the more, the merrier. More than anything, Jerry loved being at home surrounded by family, telling stories, and taking a nap in a reclining chair after a big meal. Jerry had a story for every occasion, and we will never forget the many funny things he said. Generations to follow will learn that a cow is really called a "hookoobossy," baby skunks do indeed have "stinkers," an early evening sky is "sky blue pink," and no matter whose birthday it is, we will

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Jerry will be deeply missed by his children, Jeanne (Jim) Prittinen of Fayal Township, James Kolstad (partner Louise Lincoln) of Duluth, Jon (Joy) Kolstad of Merrifield and Laura (Todd) Johnson of St. Paul; twelve grandchildren, Haley, Natalie, Tom, Joe, Kelsey, Anders, Greta, Jona, Gunnar, Lilli, Per and Ingrid; siblings, Robert (Louise) Kolstad, Roger (Sylvia) Kolstad, Douglas (Sue) Kolstad and David (Laura) Kolstad; and many dear friends and relatives.

Jerry was preceded in death by his dear wife, Carol, in February 2018; his parents; brother, Commander Thomas C. Kolstad, who was killed in Vietnam; and sister, Patsy.

#### Darlene M. Karakas

Darlene Marie Pappone Karakas, 76, of Virginia, passed away unexpectedly at her home on Wednesday, Oct. 17, 2018. A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 26 at Range Funeral Home in Virginia with visitation for one hour prior to the service.

She is survived by her children, Steven (Tami) Karakas of Lindstrom and Jamie (David) Ford of Gilbert; grandchildren Ryan Tuuri, Nick Demorrett and Lisa Ford; sisters, Andrea (Robert) Champa of Cook, Lee Pappone (Kathy Busio) of Barnum and Diane Zamlen (Ron Montano) of Chiloquin, Ore.; companion and beloved dog, Nissa; and numerous nieces and nephews.

#### **John Akkanen** John Akkanen, 86, of

Babbitt, passed away on Monday, Oct. 15, 2018, at Babbitt Carefree Living. A celebration of life will

Vermilion Park Inn

be held from 12 noon to 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 27 at the Junction Inn Hotel and Suite in Babbitt. Burial will be held in the Argo Cemetery in Babbitt following the celebration. Arrangements are with Landmark Funeral Home of Virginia. He is survived

by his wife, Marlene of Babbitt; children, John (Jean) Akkanen of Embarrass, Gust Akkanen of Brainerd and Linda (Steven) Graupman of Cloquet; grandchildren, Questa (Jon) Knapper of Aurora, Lanay (DJ) Asmus of Alexandria, Jenna (Patrick) Rosenquist of Crystal, Ross (Dawn) Graupman of Eagan, Neil (Kristina) Graupman of Hermantown, Amy (Matt) Eldridge of Inver Grove Heights, Ben (Amanda Hilde) Akkanen of Virginia, Darren Akkanen of Hibbing, Rachel (Jesse) Wiitanen of Embarrass, Lindsay Allrich and Michael Allrich, both of Andover; 11 great-grandchildren; daughter-in-law, Lori Akkanen; and son-in law, Scott Allrich.

#### **Kelli Laine**

Kelli Laine, 38, of Babbitt, passed away peacefully on Monday, Oct. 15, 2018, at her residence with her loved ones at her side. A service was held on Saturday, Oct. 20 at Kerntz Funeral Home in Ely.

She is survived by her soulmate and best friend, Aaron Holmstein; parents, Kathy and Dave Laine; sisters, Carmen (Roy) Saari and Karen (Gordy) Fiske; nieces and nephews, Ashley, Mark and Emma; and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

#### **Jo-Ellen Patterson** Jo-Ellen Kotzian

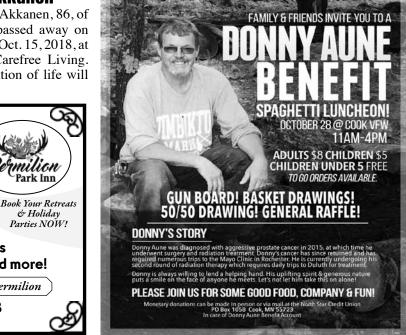
Patterson, of Ely, passed away on Sunday, Oct. 14, 2018, at the Boundary Waters Care Center in Ely. There will be a celebration of life gathering at Ward and Karen's house, 2528 Verbick Road in Ely, on Saturday, Oct. 27 from 1 to 5 p.m. Arrangements are with Landmark Funeral Home of Virginia.

She is survived by her son, Ward (Karen) Patterson; daughter, Kim Puzel (special friend Brian); grandchildren, Cheri (Dean) DeBeltz, Alaina (Dustin) George, JJ (Ronda) Puzel, Becky (Nate) Moyer and Brynn Patterson (special friend Patrick); and 11 great-grandchildren.

#### **Glen Zorman**

Glen "Scratch" Zorman, 61, of Ely, lived until Saturday, Oct.13, 2018, at home cared for by his loving wife, family, friends, and faithful dog Jani. A memorial service was held on Sunday, Oct. 21 at Kerntz Funeral Home in Ely. A binge of life will be held at a later date to be announced.

He is survived by his wife, Lynn of Ely; mother, Betty Ann of Ely; brothers, Sam (Marlene) of Winton, Dale (Patty) of Remer and Baudette and Jack (Nancy) of Ely; sister, Donna of Tower; sons, Ken (Ashley) Larson of Chisholm and Michael Zorman of New York City, N.Y.; stepchildren, Kelly Levine of Los Angeles, Calif., Jonathon (Cate) Levine of Chicago, Ill., Jessica Gantt (Harrison) of Eagan, Max Gantt and Ben Gantt of Ely; grandchildren, Raven, Maddie, Hannah, Grayson and Gabriel; numerous nieces, nephews and friends.



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#### WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT

## **Local hunters blast Little Rice refuge status**

But written comments reflect broader support for continued designation

by Marshall Helmberger Managing Editor

TOWER— Turnout was light, but those who did show up for a public input session on the future of the Little Rice Lake wildlife refuge, had plenty to say - most of it strongly opposed to a continuation of the refuge.

The input, at an Oct. 16 meeting at the DNR area office here, comes as the Department

of Natural Resources is set to decide whether to continue the refuge status, which took effect for five years, beginning in 2012. The 288-acre lake was actually open to hunting this year, although few hunters were aware of the change in

TomRusch, DNR wildlife manager for the Tower work area, said duck surveys at Little Rice have shown that ducks, mostly ringnecks, are using the lake in significant numbers. That's the goal, according to Rusch, since it allows ducks to remain in the area longer, providing better opportunity for duck hunters on neighboring lakes. The lake's refuge status had run from Sept. 1- Nov. 25.

Nearby Big Rice Lake has been heavily hunted for years, but Rusch said when ducks face hunting pressure on both lakes, they tend to move **Right: DNR Tower Area** wildlife manager Tom Rusch gestures as he discusses the status of Little Rice Lake. J. Summit

on quickly. By providing a safe zone, he said, ducks will remain in the area longer, and tend to move back and forth between the two rice lakes.

That might be good news

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### Reflections of fall



Freshly fallen leaves lie in a forest pool, reflecting bare branches above in a scene from the Superior National Forest near Pfeiffer Lake. M. Helmberger

#### Outdoors briefly

#### **Ruffed grouse** reports more encouraging

REGIONAL -Expectations weren't high for the 2018 ruffed grouse season after last year's predictions of high bird numbers proved overly-optimistic. And early season reports were lackluster for the most part, according to DNR Tower Area wildlife manager Tom Rusch.

"Up until mid-October, people reported they weren't seeing many birds. Now I'm hearing better reports," Rusch said. It's a fairly typical phenomenon, notes Rusch, as the leaves fall and broods begin to disperse, it can suddenly appear there are more grouse in the woods.

"I'm not saying it's going to be the best year, but it's certainly looking more encouraging for those who hunt well into October," he said.

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downers in the North Country, it's the ultimate nightmare. You're enjoying a walk in the woods on a beautiful fall afternoon, when a sudden, shortened yelp signals potential

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ground in agony, suffocating.

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are different from leg-hold traps in that they're designed to quickly kill the animal they capture. to do?

It's supposed to be more humane, but it also poses a greater risk for pets that happen to wander into one. If it happened to your best friend, would you know what

Across Minnesota, the trapping season for many common game animals got underway last week, and the baits and scents that trappers deploy to attract target species like foxes, coyotes, or raccoons are equally irresistible to our favorite pets, who often lack the natural wariness inherent in wild animals. That can make them easy victims when their paths happen to cross someone's trapline. The good news is, you don't

have to watch your dog die, if

follow the rules, the likelihood of

you know how to respond. **DNR** Conservation Officer Mark Hopkins, who assisted with this story, notes that if trappers



Above: CO Marc Hopkins demonstrates how to string a leash through the spring on a conibear trap, then (see next page) how to pull up to compress the spring and reduce the pressure. photos by M. Helmberger

a dog wandering into a conibear trap is very low. It's most likely illegally-set traps that will cause the problem, particularly beaver sets, which tend to use larger traps that could easily suffocate

a medium-sized dog.

There are three key steps involved that can make the difference between life and death.

First, don't panic. Your dog needs you to remain calm,

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because his or her life is depending on it.

Second, if you can, carefully turn the conibear trap 90 degrees to relieve pressure on your dog's windpipe. Think of the trap, once sprung, as a sandwich, which clamps down on whatever is caught in its grip. The traps are typically set so the pressure on a captured animal is applied from the

means that it will close off your dog's windpipe if the pressure isn't relieved. If that's the situation your dog is in, you can reduce this danger by turning the trap so the pressure is being applied to the sides of your dog's head and neck, rather than the top and bottom, where it impacts its windpipe. This step won't free your dog, but it gives you

top and bottom, and that



more time to remove the trap and it often will calm the dog somewhat since it usually allows it to resume breathing relatively normally.

Third, you then have to reset the heavy conibear springs to relieve all the pressure and free your dog from the trap. Depending on the size of the trap, or the willingness of your dog to cooperate, this can be difficult. In fact, larger conibear traps typically require that you use a tool of some kind to reset them. Trappers bring such a tool with them, but most of the rest of us most likely won't have one with us. But you can use a belt or the dog's leash to do the same job.

Here's how: drop the buckle or clip end of

Far left: With the leash (or belt) looped through the spring as shown, pull up hard to compress the spring.

Left: With the spring compressed, the safety clip (see white arrow) can now be put in place to keep the spring compressed.

photos by M. Helmberger

the belt or leash near the trap and step on it. Take the other end and thread it through the small metal loop on the one end of one of the two springs (they're V-shaped and located on either side of the square portion of the trap). Then thread it down through the other loop and pull up hard, while continuing to step on the other end. This should give you enough leverage to compress the spring. You'll have to pull hard because the springs are pretty strong.

You need to compress the springs enough to attach the safety clips to at least one of the springs. Then, you can use the same method to release the pressure on the second spring. In most cases, you're dog should free itself once the pressure is released.

Without a leash or a belt, releasing a dog from a larger conibear could be very difficult, which is one reason for putting a leash in your pocket, even if your dog is going to be running free.

If your dog does get caught in a conibear, you will at least have a way to free it in time.

With fall in the air, it's the best time of year to spend time in the woods. And for most dog owners in the North Country, that means being out with your dog. Don't let a tragedy spoil a good thing.

#### Fishing reports

#### Kab-Nam area

As most turn their attention to the woods, the walleye bite has still been quite good. For those willing to brave the still unseasonably cool fall weather, walleyes are being caught in their traditional fall haunts. A jig and minnow is the go to right now but jigging raps and trolling over deeper water is still producing. For the most part the lake is quiet and preparing for an early ice up. Water temps are a balmy 39-41 degrees. One last note, keep an eye out for whitefish nets as

netting has begun. You will find them on reefs in 4'-6' of water. They are easily visible as they have floats and markers.

Grouse hunting has been a bright spot. Most are seeing lots of grouse now that the trees have lost most of their leaves. It's not uncommon to spend a day in the woods and see dozens of one of MN's favorite game birds. Right now is the time to give it a try as deer hunting is less than two weeks away.

Courtesy Gateway General, La ke Kabetogama

#### **Outdoors** briefly

#### Whitefish netting netting Thursday, Nov. dates set on more area lakes

REGIONAL - The DNR has set the following dates for whitefish/tulibee netting on the following

➤Shagawa, open to

1 through Sunday, Nov. 25, 2018 (minimum 3.5 inch mesh size).

➤ Bear Island and Ojibway lakes, open to netting Saturday, Nov. 17 through Sunday, Dec. 16, 2018 (minimum 1.75 inch mesh size).

### LAKE COUNTRY FORECAST

Saturday

Monday **Tuesday** 

from NOAA weather

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Sunday

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for hunters on Big Rice, but it hasn't sat well with some of the hunters who traditionally spread their decoys on Little Rice. Robert Croteau, of Biwabik, said he built a hunting shack a quarter mile from Little Rice for the express purpose of hunting the lake, and now he's been shut out. He said he doesn't think the refuge has attracted any more ducks to the lake. "I was there on Friday, and there

was not a damn duck on the lake, just three swans. Is that what we are protecting? They aren't protecting ducks anywhere in the country except these few

little lakes." Steve Vukelich also voiced his opposition. "In theory the refuges do work, but in practice it's a whole different game," he said. "The few times I was out on Little Rice this fall, maybe my timing is off, but I was not seeing birds...there is nothing. I am not hearing shooting from Big Rice either."

Jeff Borges, who also owns a hunting shack near Little Rice, questioned whether DNR surveys are accurately recording the number of ducks that use the lake. "I haven't seen near those numbers," he said. "To me it is not doing what is meant to do."

All involved seemed to agree that the deterioration in the rice crop on Big Rice Lake likely has more to do with the disappointing duck hunting on the lake than anything else, which is a separate issue that the DNR is hoping to address through improved rice management efforts

on Big Rice. Rusch noted that state policy encourages the use of wildlife refuges as a means of holding ducks during the hunting season. adding that northern St. Louis County only has four small wildlife refuges. including Little Rice. "They provide secure feeding and resting habitat for migratory waterfowl," said Rusch. "That prevents hunters from pushing ducks south, and prolongs

hunting opportunities." After five years, Rusch said the DNR's own duck surveys show the refuge is attracting ducks along with the brickbats of former hunters on the lake.

So far, said Rusch, written comments have been largely supportive of the refuge. The comment period on the issue ended Tuesday, Oct. 23. According to Rusch, the comments go first to a DNR hearing officer. who forwards them to the regional wildlife manager for a decision. "You'll read about it when it comes out in the papers," said Rusch.

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## What's in Pete Stauber's County Emails to the National Republican Congressional Committee?

- "...last spring, the Minneapolis Star Tribune had sought emails between Stauber, the Republican candidate in the 8th Congressional District race, and the National Republican Congressional Committee."
- "A state data practices opinion on Tuesday said campaign correspondence found in Pete Stauber's county email account ought to be reviewable by the public."
- Commissioner Rukavina stated "... you can release them on your own. So be a big boy and just do it. Don't make the taxpayers of St. Louis County waste their money defending you in court case that need not happen. What are you hiding, what are you afraid of?" The Duluth News Tribune October 16, 2018 & October 19, 2018

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#### **PUBLIC NOTICES**

#### KUGLER TOWNSHIP

**Notice of General Election** 

Notice is hereby given to all qualified voters of Kugler Township, County of St. Louis, State of Minnesota. General election will be held Tuesday, November 6, 2018. Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Kugler Town Hall, 9072 Hwy 135 N. Polls are open to elect the following:

(One) Board Supervisor C – four-year term (One) Township Treasurer – four-year term

Please call the Kugler Town Clerk with any questions, 753-3314.

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#### LEIDING TOWNSHIP CAMP FIVE TOWNSHIP

Notice of General Election

Notice is hereby given to all qualified voters of Leiding Township and Camp Five Township, County of St. Louis, State of Minnesota. General election will be held Tuesday, November 6, 2018. Polls will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Leiding Town Hall.

Marie Milan, Town Clerk

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#### LEIDING TOWNSHIP

Will conduct a Public Accuracy Test on the AutoMark Assistive Voting Machine on Tuesday, October 30, 2018, at 4:00 p.m. at the Leiding Town Hall.

Marie Milan, Town Clerk

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#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST **KUGLER TOWNSHIP**

Notice is hereby given that Kugler Township will conduct their Public Accuracy Test on Monday, October 29, 2018, at 6 p.m. at the Kugler Town Hall.

Julie Suihkonen, Town Clerk

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#### MORCOM TOWNSHIP

**Notice of General Election** 

Notice is hereby given to all qualified voters of Morcom Township, County of St. Louis, State of Minnesota. General election will be held Tuesday, November 6, 2018. Polls will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Bear River School, 12512 Hwy. 22, Cook.

Sasha Lehto, Town Clerk

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The Board of Canvass will meet at 6:15 p.m. prior to the regular board meeting November 14 in order to canvass the results of the November 6 General Election and declare the winners of the election. All meetings are open to the public.

Kathy Cressy, Bearville Township Clerk

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#### **VERMILION LAKE TOWNSHIP**

Will conduct a Public Accuracy Test on the AutoMark Assistive Voting Machine on Monday, October 29, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. Vermilion Lake Town Hall, 6703 Wahlsten Road.

Steve Peterson Jr., Town Clerk

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#### **CITY OF ORR** NOTICE OF CITY AND GENERAL ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, the City of Orr will be holding a City Election in conjunction with the General Election on Tuesday, November 6, 2018, for the purpose of electing candidates for the City offices listed

> One (1) - Mayor (Two-Year Term) Two (2) - Councilmember seats (Four-Year Terms)

The polls are located at the Orr City Hall, 4429 Highway 53, Orr, MN.

Polls open at 7:00 A.M. and close at 8:00 P.M.

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### FIELD TOWNSHIP **NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION**

Notice is hereby given to all qualified voters of Field Township, County of St. Louis, State of Minnesota. General election will be held Tuesday, November 6, 2018. Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Field Town Hall, 1627 Highway 25.

Pat Chapman, Town Clerk

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Pat Chapman, Town Clerk

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STATE OF MINNESOTA **COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS DISTRICT COURT** SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No: 69VI-CV-18-786

#### NOTICE

the Matter of the Application of DALE C. OLSON AND ADRIANNE OLSON AS TRUSTEES OF THE ADRIANNE M. OLSON REVOCABLE TRUST UTA DATED AUGUST 30, 2016 to Vacate the Plat of DALE'S

Pursuant to Minn. Stat.

WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Applicants will be present at a Special Term of Court at the St. Louis County Courthouse, 300 S Fifth Avenue, City of Virginia, County of St. Louis, State of Minnesota, on the 20th day of November, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as counsel may be heard to present the Application, attached hereto and on file with the Court, to the Court and for a hearing before the above-named Court to determine whether or not the relief requested therein shall be

Dated this 10th day of

October, 2018. DEFENBAUGH OFFICE By: Rae Bentz (MN Lic. No. 218376) 107 E Camp St Ely, Minnesota 55731 218-365-4977

Case Type: Real Estate In the Matter of the Application of DALE C. OLSON AND **ADRIANNE M. OLSON** AS TRUSTEES OF THE

Attorney for Petitioners

ADRIANNE M. OLSON **REVOCABLE TRUST UTA DATED AUGUST** 30, 2016 to Vacate the Plat of DALE'S DELL

#### **APPLICATION**

Pursuant to Minn. Stat 505.14

YOUR APPLICANTS allege and show to the court the following facts to wit: This action is brought pursuant to the terms of Minn. Stat. 505.14. Applicants, DALE C. OLSON AND ADRIANNE M. OLSON AS TRUSTEES OF THE ADRIANNE M. OLSON REVOCABLE TRUST UTA DATED AUGUST 30, 2016 are the owners of the following described property in Town of Beatty, St. Louis County, Minnesota, Lots 1 and 2. Block 1. Dales

Taxes are currently assessed against the Land under Tax

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Parcel Codes 250-0042 00020 and 250-0042-0010 and have been paid and there are no delinquent taxes due and owing as of the date hereof.

That on May 22, 2014, DALES DELL was recorded. A copy of said plat is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and made a part hereof. The intent of said Plat appears to have been to create two (2) platted lots out of the Land. None of said lots have been sold or otherwise transferred Applicants wish to vacate the plat in its entirety.

Applicants are the sole owners of the Land. There are no other property owners in There are no parties that will

be affected by the vacation of

the Plat itself. Petitioner owns

all of said lots and is accessed

via St. Louis County Highway No. 24. The plat does not abut public water. WHEREFORE, Applicants pray for an Order of the Court vacating DALES DELL Plat as set for in this Application. DATED this 25th day of September, 2018 DEFENBAUGH OFFICE By: Rae Bentz (MN Lic. No. 218376) 107 E Camp St Ely, Minnesota 55731

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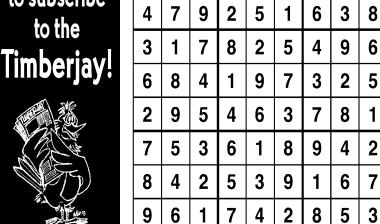
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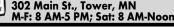
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