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## CITY OF TOWER

# 'The city is in dire straits'

## Interim clerk-treasurer paints grim financial picture

by MARSHALL HELMBERGER  
Managing Editor

Tower's interim clerk-treasurer Ann Lamppa used a flip chart to illustrate the city's financial circumstances. photo by J. Summit

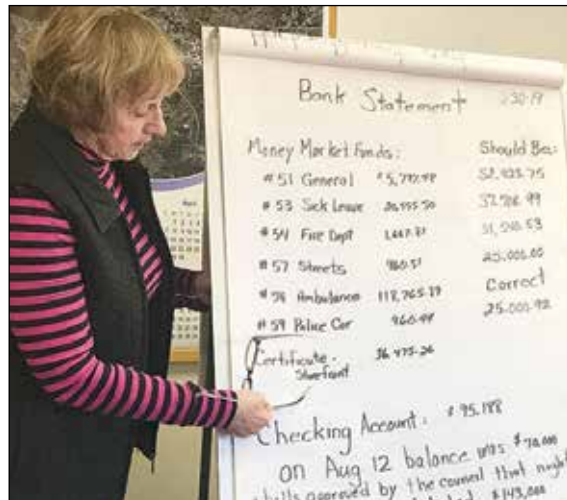
TOWER— Members of the council and the public, Monday, received their most comprehensive look, to date, at the city of Tower's financial circumstances as a result

of chronic mismanagement by the former clerk-treasurer, Linda Keith.

Interim clerk-treasurer Ann Lamppa, using an old-fashioned flip chart because her city computer has

not functioned properly in more than a week, delivered an assessment devoid of sugar-coating.

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## FIRE CALLS

# ORR LANDMARK DESTROYED



## Wally's Auto burned to the ground early Monday morning

by JODI SUMMIT  
Tower-Soudan Editor

Firefighters work to contain a fire at Wally's Auto in Orr early Monday morning. photo courtesy of Pete Makowski/Northland Firewire

ORR— A longtime commercial mainstay here went up in flames early Monday, Sept. 23, leaving questions about both the future of the business and the hole it leaves in Orr's downtown.

Wally's Auto has been a significant employer and key automobile sales and service center in Orr for generations, yet the building that housed the business all

## Pehrson Lodge cabin burned

BEATTY TWP- Fire destroyed a two-story log cabin at Pehrson Lodge Resort, on Lake Vermilion, this past Thursday, Sept. 19. Guests at a nearby cabin reported the fire shortly before 8 a.m. and the Cook Fire and Ambulance, Greenwood Fire Department, and Lake Vermilion Fire Brigade responded, along with the St. Louis County Sheriff's Office.

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these years was declared a total loss following this week's blaze.

"It's a tragedy," said Orr Mayor Joel Astleford. "I really hope they can rebuild. Wally's is a real asset to our community."

Fire departments from Orr, Cook, Crane Lake, Bois Forte, and Buyck responded quickly to the scene, but the auto service center was fully engulfed in flames when responders arrived on

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## CITY OF TOWER

# Finalists named for key city post

## Tower Clerk-Treasurer candidates to be interviewed on Monday

by MARSHALL HELMBERGER  
Managing Editor

TOWER— City officials here released the names of the three finalists for Tower Clerk-Treasurer on Wednesday, with a second and most likely final interview set for Monday, Sept. 30 at a special meeting of the city council. That meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m. and the interviews will be open to the public.

The three finalists include Victoria Ranua, who works in Shakopee but lives in Soudan, Michael Philip Schultz, of Tower, and a third individual who withdrew shortly after agreeing to a second interview.

Ranua comes with a varied background, including a bachelor of science and a master's degree in plant biology from the University of Minnesota in St. Paul. She owned and ran her own bee and honey operation near Shakopee from 2013-2017 and spent eight years with the U.S. Navy Reserve. She was stationed in both Minneapolis and Brunswick, Maine, during her military career, which ended in 2010. Since 2005, she was worked for the Mdewakanton Sioux Community, initially as a realty and environmental assessment specialist and later as the tribe's land manager. She and her family moved to

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## RUN FOR YOUR LIFE

# Weather can't compete with 2019 Ely Marathon

by KEITH VANDERVORT  
Ely Editor

ELY — A cooling rain helped Ely Marathon participants last Saturday, who raced here in unusually mild and humid conditions for late September.

More than 460 full- and half-marathon participants, along with 17 canoe portage racers and

a couple of portage relay teams, traversed the curves and hills of the Echo Trail for the fifth annual event.

"We were very fortunate with the weather this year," said organizer Wendy Lindsay of Stone Soup Events. "We had a nice rain shower just before 11 a.m. that the runners appreciated as it cooled them off in the humid conditions. We were worried about thunder and

Andrew McNamara, 38, of Goodhue won the 2019 Ely Marathon. photo by K. Vandervort

lightning, but we were able to finish all the races."

While the humid weather may have kept some runners away and may have contributed

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# COMMUNITY EVENTS AND NOTICES

## Dream Quilters to meet Oct. 3

TOWER- The Vermilion Dream Quilters will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 3 at St. Martin's Catholic Church Social Hall in Tower. Our program this month will feature tips from fellow guild members on how to work with "tricky" fabrics like flannel, minke, silk, ultra-suede, cork, vinyl, etc. October hostesses are Judith Ulseth and Rita Lakmann.

Our members are from throughout the Iron Range. We encourage, instruct, and share tips with each other. Guests and visitors interested in quilting and creative sewing are welcome. For more information, please contact Corrine Hill in Tower at 218-753-4600.

## Ruby's Pantry on Saturday in Babbitt

BABBITT- Ruby's Pantry food distribution will be held at the Babbitt Municipal Center, 71 South Drive, on Saturday, Sept. 28 from 10-11:30 a.m. A \$20 cash donation buys an abundance of food. There are no income or residency guidelines. Bring two large boxes or baskets. Sponsored by St. Pius X Catholic Church. Volunteers are always welcome.

## St. Luke's Urologist Dr. Nicholas Johnson to start seeing patients at Ely-Bloomenson Community Hospital

DULUTH- Dr. Nicholas Johnson with St. Luke's Urology Associates will start seeing patients at Ely-Bloomenson Community Hospital on Monday, Sept. 30.

Dr. Johnson has been with St. Luke's Urology Associates since 2012 and is board certified by the American Board of Urology. He received his medical degree from the University of Minnesota Medical School in Minneapolis.

Dr. Johnson treats urinary symptoms in men and women, and urologic conditions such as kidney stones, erectile dysfunction, prostate cancer and bladder cancer.

## Recycled Lives missionary visits Tower on Saturday, Oct. 5

TOWER- Recycled Lives missionary, founder and executive director of Recycled Lives, will be visiting Tower on Saturday, Oct. 5. She will be sharing an update on the ministry of Recycled Lives in Guatemala during the Fall Tea and Luncheon which is taking place at Immanuel Lutheran Church starting at 1 p.m. The Fall Tea is an opportunity for folks to come together for fellowship and lunch as well as learn more about Recycled Lives, visit/meet our missionary and support the organization. To reserve your ticket, call the church office at 218-753-2378. We hope to see you there at our Pumpkin Spice and Everything Nice Fall Tea and Luncheon! Bring a friend and a neighbor to enjoy homemade chili (regular and white) served in a bread bowl and everything pumpkin for dessert. To learn more about Recycled Lives, you can visit [www.recycledlives.org](http://www.recycledlives.org).

## Steve Solkela concert, Oct. 13 in Embarrass

EMBARRASS- Sisu Heritage, Inc. is sponsoring a fall concert at the Historic Finnish Apostolic Church on Hwy. 21 in Embarrass. Steve Solkela and his Overpopulated One-Man Band will perform on Sunday, Oct. 13 at 3 p.m. Steve's musical offerings are wide-ranging, from his original and humorous songs about growing up in Palo on the Iron Range, to folk music from various countries, to opera. If you've seen Steve in the past, you know what a treat it is to watch and listen as he entertains with jokes, tells stories, sings, and plays multiple instruments - all at once! He has recently returned from traveling in Finland and will have some new material.

Concert admission is \$5; children under 12 are free.

## GET INFORMED

# Forum to focus on economic inequality, healthcare, and climate change

Event set for Saturday, Oct. 12 at Vermilion Community College

by LEAH ROGNE  
Contributing Writer

ELY- On Saturday, Oct. 12, an afternoon-long program, "Democratic Values in Action: A Northern Minnesota Issues Forum," provides a deep dive into some of the issues that poll consistently as among the most important issues facing Americans today: economic inequality, healthcare, and climate change.

A panel of professionals will address these topics and engage the audience in a conversation about how we can best meet the current challenges we face.

The event takes place at the Vermilion Community College Theatre in Ely Saturday, Oct. 12, from 1 to 4 p.m., with sign-in and light refreshments starting at 12:30 p.m.

The event is free and open to the public. The college is located at 1900 East Camp St. in Ely.

Speakers include Kris Hallberg, Ph.D., World Bank economist; physicist Barbara Jones, Ph.D., and Rose Roach, Executive Director of the Minnesota Nurses Association.

Ken Martin, Chair of the Minnesota Democratic-Farmer-Labor (DFL) Party, will set the stage for the panel with a discussion of DFL values and the policy issues that emerge from its commitment to those values.

The first in a series of educational forums in the works, "Democratic Values in Action" has been organized by North of the Divide DFL and members of the Outreach Committee of St. Louis County DFL Organizing Unit 03, which covers the area from Hermantown to Babbitt, Ely, Tower, Cook, Orr, Nett Lake, and north to the Canadian border.

"For many generations, folks living on the Iron Range and at the end of the road have come together to help neighbors and to solve problems together," said Valerie Myntti, of Eagles Nest, one of the forum organizers, "whether it was working for safer mining conditions and better wages, or raising money to help a sick neighbor, or to rebuild a home lost to a fire. Despite our disagreements, we Iron Rangers come together, learn together, work together, and together find solutions to the challenges we face."

"In that same bold Iron Range spirit, we will come together at the Issues Forum to think about and address the 21st Century challenges our communities face," Myntti said. "Our past has shown us that courageous cooperation is the best path forward."

## How much inequality can we tolerate?

World Bank economist Kris Hallberg, Ph.D., will speak on trends in income and wealth inequality in the United States and the world. She will explain what has been driving the shift to a level of inequality we last experienced in the United States before two world wars and the Great Depression.



Kris Hallberg

"It's easy to show that income and wealth inequality has been increasing since about 1980," Hallberg said. "The greatest increases have been in the top two percent, the top one percent, and even the top tenth of the top one percent."

Levels of inequality as high as we are seeing now can, according to Hallberg, lead to increasing economic and social conflict. "Populist movements on both the right and the left are partially a response to this rising inequality," she said.

Hallberg will discuss what remedies economists and policy makers have suggested to curb these trends, including proposals for a global or regional wealth tax. Short of that, Hallberg said, we could look at going back to a more progressive income tax under which the country thrived for many years, as well as work on greater investments in programs such as early childhood education, healthcare reform, and other policies that strengthen the social safety net.

## Nurses advocating for their patients

Panelist Rose Roach, Executive Director of the Minnesota Nurses Association, says healthcare reform is a priority for her labor union because, "nurses put a focus on advocating for patients when they're not at the bedside."



Rose Roach

"We look at the question of how did they get there. Issues of racism, poverty, affordable housing, transportation, and immigration status all impact our health," she said.

"You don't buy health. You don't decide to have a heart attack

because the hospital down the street is having a sale on bypasses. Healthcare is a public good, not a consumable good. We have hundreds of thousands of people each year with crushing medical debt. You actually have people deciding to die instead of leaving their families with crushing debt."

## Species change and climate refugees

Former University of California San Diego professor and physicist Barbara Jones, Ph.D., is part of two groups in Ely that are working on climate change.



Barbara Jones

The Climate Change Group, which meets each month at the Ely Senior Center, has been gathering about climate change for five years, and the Ely Chapter of Citizens Climate Lobby is working on legislation to help reduce the use of fossil fuels.

At the Issues Forum Jones will be giving a general introduction to climate change and discuss why she is convinced it is real, how it is affecting Minnesotans, what we can do, and, especially, what we expect our politicians to do about it.

Jones pointed out the fact that Northern Minnesota tree species are already being affected by climate change.

"The boundary between the oak and maple forest and the boreal forest is moving north at three miles a year," Jones said. "It doesn't sound like much, but in 20 years, that's 60 miles. That's a long way."

"You may think this is an advantage or a disadvantage depending on how you view it, but it is going to be an impact on our region."

## All welcome at the event

The issues forum is open to everyone in the community.

"It's not just for DFLers," said Myntti. "We welcome all our neighbors who'd like to engage in conversation about important issues that face everyone in the country and, in fact, throughout the world every day."

For more information contact Valerie Myntti -218-365-5500 or [vmyntti@frontiernet.net](mailto:vmyntti@frontiernet.net) or Mary Louise Icenhour 218-365-3204 or [icenhour22@yahoo.com](mailto:icenhour22@yahoo.com).

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SULFIDE MINING

# Court of Appeals suspends more PolyMet permits

by MARSHALL HELMBERGER  
Managing Editor

REGIONAL — A three-judge panel of the Minnesota Court of Appeals has issued a temporary stay of two more permits for PolyMet Mining’s planned NorthMet copper-nickel mine near Hoyt Lakes. The stay, issued late last Wednesday, Sept. 18, puts PolyMet’s permit to mine and dam safety permit on hold until a three-judge panel of the court can hear further arguments on the need for a stay pending further legal proceedings. Those oral arguments are set for Oct. 23.

“The DNR shall be prepared to advise the court on the status of post-permit developments, including its evaluation of the Brumadinho dam failure and its consideration of whether

“Relators raise serious, justifiable concerns about the ongoing regulation of the NorthMet project.

Chief Judge Edward Cleary

Glencore will be added as a co-permittee,” wrote Chief Judge Edward J. Cleary, in his nine-page written order. The dam failure, which occurred earlier this year in Brazil, killed hundreds of mine workers. Brazil has since banned the type of tailings dam construction used at Brumadinho, which is similar to the dam proposed for use at

the NorthMet mine.

In August, the court placed a stay on PolyMet’s water discharge permit over allegations that the the state’s Pollution Control Agency and Trump appointees at the Environmental Protection Agency had attempted to suppress critical comments from professional EPA staff. The court remanded those concerns to a district court for further fact-finding on the actions of the MPCA.

While such decisions are typically temporary, stays are rarely granted unless courts find merit in the arguments of the parties seeking the hold, and Judge Cleary indicated much the same in explaining his latest order. “Relators [environmental and tribal plaintiffs] raise serious, justifiable concerns about the ongoing regulation

of the NorthMet project, and we agree that the post-permit circumstances that relators have identified require close attention, review, and appropriate action by the DNR and other permitting authorities,” wrote Judge Cleary.

The decision is clearly a victory for critics of the proposed mine, and most used the opportunity to call for open hearings, such as a contested case proceeding, to allow for greater scrutiny of agency decisions surrounding the NorthMet permitting.

“With three permits suspended and three investigations ongoing, it’s time for Gov. Walz to take this matter seriously and tell his DNR to hold public hearings to ensure that Minnesotans are protected,” said Aaron Klemz with the Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy.

Water Legacy legal counsel

Paula Maccabee also called for a contested case hearing, which would be held before a panel of administrative law judges. “PolyMet permits should remain stayed until public and unbiased contested case hearings have been held to protect Minnesota’s downstream communities, natural resources, and taxpayers from dam failure and long-term toxic pollution,” Maccabee stated, who said the court appears to be struggling to find a way to get the DNR to take such concerns seriously.

The DNR, in its own statement, found solace in the fact that the court declined to issue a permanent stay on the permits. “The temporary stay is intended to provide the court with the opportunity to understand

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DEDICATION

# Hundreds of ATVers celebrate bridge opening

Politicians, agency officials gather as well to mark the completion of \$1.26 million project

by MARSHALL HELMBERGER  
Managing Editor

CRANE LAKE — There were plenty of kudos offered up here last Friday, Sept. 20, as more than 300 ATV enthusiasts from around the state turned out on a mild and sunny fall day for the opening of the largest bridge ever built by a Minnesota ATV club.

Political leaders were there, as well, and they singled out a number of local boosters who went above and beyond to make the \$1.26 million project a reality. “Specifically,

to Bruce Beste, to Mark Anderson, to Steve Koch and to Gretchen Janssen who have come to the Capitol multiple times to help us secure some funding for projects like this and others,” said Sen. Tom Bakk, DFL-Cook, who spoke at the ribbon-cutting ceremony. “They take time away from their families. They come down and it really helps us to put a local face on a project.”

The 185-foot bridge across the Vermilion River was built by the Voyageur Country ATV club. The project includes a picnic

area near the bridge, and 16 miles of trail that connect Elephant Lake to Echo Lake and other trail networks beyond.

Among the other politicians present were Eighth District Congressman Pete Stauber, as well as Sen. David Tomassoni and St. Louis County Commissioners Paul McDonald, Mike Jugovich, and Keith Nelson.

They were joined by a number of other officials, including representatives of the U.S. Forest Service, the National Park Service, and the Minnesota

Right: Hundreds of ATVers headed over the new bridge over the Vermilion River moments after the completion of the dedication last Friday.

photo courtesy ATVAM

Department of Natural Resources, along with the Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board, which provided the bulk of the funding for the \$1.26 million project. ATV user fees contributed the rest of the funds.

Last Friday’s event

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## Editorial

### PolyMet questions

A politically-driven project faces hurdles with the courts, independent watchdogs

It wasn't inevitable that PolyMet Mining's proposed copper-nickel mine near Hoyt Lakes would face growing skepticism by the courts and by independent government watchdogs. But an environmental review and permitting process that appears to have been driven by political calculation more than science, financial prudence, or the law certainly contributed to the latest series of setbacks for the company.

The Minnesota Court of Appeals has now ruled twice to suspend permits issued by the Department of Natural Resources or the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, including the company's permit to mine. As it stands today, PolyMet is no longer authorized to open a mine in Minnesota and it remains unclear how long it might take to resolve all the issues that have come to the fore in just the past few months. As we reported last week, the Environmental Protection Agency's Inspector General has expanded a federal probe into whether the Trump EPA has failed to conduct proper oversight of major industrial permits. That investigation began by looking into allegations that the MPCA and the EPA's Great Lakes regional office may have coordinated to suppress concerns of professional EPA staff that PolyMet's water discharge permit did not comply with the Clean Water Act. The fact that the inspector general's early findings on the PolyMet case prompted them to expand their investigation certainly points to a substantial concern.

Those who still claim that the legal challenges and allegations raised by EPA whistleblowers are just desperate last-minute attempts to throw sand in the gears may want to rework their talking points. While we don't yet know for certain whether there's something rotten here, the courts and the government watchdogs have made it clear there's a troubling aroma in the air.

The smell was apparent early on. While the DNR and PolyMet have touted the ten years of effort and thousands of pages of studies that went into their environmental review process, the effort ultimately left key questions, such as which direction contaminated groundwater would flow from the mine site, unanswered. While supporters have claimed that the environmental studies resolved all the issues and found the project could be done safely, that's not really the case. On some key questions, the DNR simply acknowledged

they don't know for certain how the project will impact the environment and will rely on "adaptive management" to address problems that crop up. That's a sophisticated way of saying, "We don't know what will happen, but we'll try to figure something out when it does."

We didn't need a ten-year study for answers like that.

The aroma around the permitting process appears even less appetizing to the courts and government inspectors, as we've recently reported.

Unfortunately, this is what happens when political consideration replaces sound judgment and real science in such an important decision-making process. Despite the rhetoric, this has always been a question of votes on the Iron Range.

Legitimate questions remain to be answered, such as:

► Who is really behind this project? Is PolyMet simply a fresh face masking the far uglier visage of the international conglomerate, Glencore, currently under federal investigation for corrupt practices? It appears that's a question that Minnesota courts now want to examine, and rightly so.

► Is PolyMet serious about pursuing its current mine plan? The company's existing plan to process 32,000 tons per day is marginally profitable, at best, at least at current metal prices. Company officials have already revealed that they've been looking at much larger projects with faster rates of production in order to improve the economics. We have no idea what the environmental consequences of such plans might be.

► Would the tailings dikes be safe if the amount of waste material involved doubles or triples? There are already serious questions about the safety of the tailings dike in the aftermath of the failure of similar dikes in Brazil.

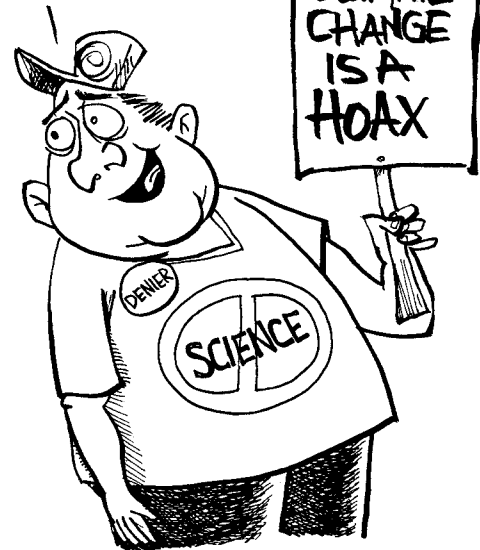
Many of these questions might better be explored through a contested case proceeding, which is what environmental groups and the tribes have long sought. They recognize that their concerns have been dismissed as unwanted noise by a political process that had already made the decision, years ago, to advance the PolyMet project.

The courts are far less subject to such political pressures and it appears they are going to take their obligation seriously to conduct a thoughtful review of some of the issues the politicians preferred to sweep under the rug. That might not bode well for the project. Time will tell.

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## Letters from Readers

### Don't dismiss your most active citizens as "packsackers"

I have become increasingly discouraged at *Tower News* reporter Anthony Sikora's comments and tallies about those who attend the Tower City Council meetings. He seems to think that if you are not a resident of Tower you should have no interest or concern about what goes on in Tower governance.

I beg to differ. Many of us (residents of Greenwood Township, Vermilion Lake Township, Soudan/Breitung Township, Embarrass Township, Eagles Nest Township, summer residents and more) care about Tower and how things are run by the mayor and city council. We are hopeful the current Tower leaders will meet expectations for a bright future since it is our closest town and we feel we are part of the greater Tower community. While we may live and vote in another community, Tower is where we grocery shop, go to the post office, support businesses (including the newspapers), eat at the restaurants, attend church and volunteer. As a non-resident of Tower, I started thinking about the number of non-Tower residents who volunteer in Tower. I don't think any of these volunteers consider themselves to be "packsackers," just caring and interested citizens. Here are some numbers regarding non-Tower residents who support the city by serving on boards or volunteering for organizations that impact the entire Tower area:

**Tower-Soudan Historical Society:** Twelve members are on the board, and ten are not Tower residents. This group runs the historic depot museum, keeps up the historic train, and is restoring the old fire hall building on Main Street, etc.

**Main Street Committee:** Four members are on this committee, and two are not Tower residents. This committee has worked on several projects to improve Tower's Main Street, including installation of the

new entrance and welcome signs to Tower, completion of the new entrance and sidewalk at the Civic Center, and addition of the solar-powered speed calming and pedestrian crosswalk signs on Main Street, etc.

**Tower-Soudan, Lake Vermilion Area Events Board:** Ten are on the board. Eight are not Tower residents. This board plans the Tower 4th of July parade among other events.

**Tower-Soudan Civic Club:** The club has 28 members, 25 are not Tower residents. This organization works on beautifying the city, raises funds for children's backpacks through the bi-annual Home Tour, plans and hosts the Memorial Day Service, plans and hosts the 4th of July Pancake Breakfast, helps the Tower fire department and ambulance service host a children's Halloween party, etc.

**Tower-Soudan Food Shelf:** At least half of the core volunteers are not Tower residents. It goes without saying what important work this group does.

**Tower-Soudan Athletic Association:** None of the core volunteers live in Tower. The funds raised by this group go to youth activities in Tower-Soudan.

**Operation Santa:** Most of the volunteers are not Tower residents. This group purchases Christmas gifts for area children who use the Tower-Soudan Food Shelf.

**Friends of the Vermilion Country Charter School:** None of the core volunteers live in Tower. In addition to supporting the school, this organization sponsors and hosts the monthly senior bingo and luncheon at the Civic Center and sponsors the Lake Vermilion Fun Run on the 4th of July, etc.

**Lake Vermilion Cultural Center:** None of the board members live in Tower. The LVCC is restoring the historic St. Mary's Episcopal Church to become a center for arts, music, lectures, etc., as well as provide an auditorium and another community gathering space in Tower.

As I review this list I think many of these organizations would be delighted to have more Tower residents involved. But I also counted how many non-Tower residents are invested in the community. They

should be considered community assets, not dismissed as "packsackers." These many volunteers and good citizens should feel justified having an interest in Tower's governance.

**Elaine McGillivray  
Greenwood Twp Resident  
Supporter of Tower**

### The red herring is Trump's favorite fish

We will be seeing a revival in the use of the term "red herring." It means leading people away from the truth by telling them something that sounds or looks more interesting even though the story is entirely false or beside the point.

Trump and his four thousand political appointees will be using a great many red herrings in their desperation to get past the six-year statute of limitations on so many things he and his crew of amoral misfits have done.

Putin had to defeat Clinton after her meddling in Ukraine as Obama's Secretary of State because Russia has always viewed Ukraine as the entry point for invasions from the west. Clinton underestimated Putin in her strategic gamble. Obama relied on her judgment, which proved faulty, and Obama lacked the gumption and resolve required to check Putin's efforts to subvert the 2016 election.

Given that the gross domestic product of Russia isn't much greater than Italy's, asymmetric warfare is the route they had to take. Thus the interference in our most vulnerable area - our electoral process.

Republicans - who view "winning" and control as their highest goal - aren't going to stop the Russian meddling and subversion until it's too late. Mitch McConnell and the Fox News crew are too short-sighted and too comfortable their current luxurious Senate majority tent to see the rest of the camel behind the soft and friendly nose of their current power.

And the rest of us will have to clean up the mess for years to come.

**David K. Porter  
Attorney  
Minneapolis**

## Fool me once... why we regularly fall for fake news

Why in the world do people fall for fake news? I have labeled this alternatively as willful ignorance, gullibility, the failure of the public school system, the dearth of critical thinking and civics instruction, too much drug use,



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fish oil, while still seeking other options. Last week I overheard a conversation in the laundromat that propelled me to dig deeper. Two men were conversing across the rows of washing machines: "Yeah, that's how the Clintons got rich. When people try to get an application for citizenship, they see something

that guarantees they can stay for seven years if they pay a bunch of money, and that goes right to the Clintons." My internal Wise Woman was urging me not to engage with them, and although I didn't trust that I could stay cool-headed, my self-righteous, politically correct guardian of accuracy was straining at the leash. However, the change machine was broken, so I had to leave to get quarters. Wise Woman sighed with relief, "Close call. Good move."

However, when I returned one fellow was saying, "Yeah, those baby farms Planned Parenthood has charge \$50,000 for every baby." "Yeah, we've got to cut them off from any funding." Wise Woman was groaning. Somewhere in that mass of amazing untruths, one of the men said something about fact-checking. I put my quarters in the washing machine, told Wise Woman to stuff it, and said as I walked by the closest man on my way out, "You really need to

do a whole lot more fact-checking." He asked, "About what?" I replied, "About absolutely everything you said."

For the sake of the integrity of this column, I did, in fact, fact-check their claims on Snopes.com, Factcheck.org and Pulitzer prize-winning Politifact.com.

I couldn't find a reference to baby farms of any kind, but I did find an even more imaginative and disgusting accusation that

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# Letters from Readers

## Addressing the elephant in the room

This letter is a conglomeration of random thoughts that have been in and out of my head for a long time. The events that plague our country have many origins and have taken many paths to arrive at this congruence in our present state of affairs, that everyone, and no one, has a qualitative solution to this momentous dilemma.

I am a writer, inventor, and an avid thinker. I am also an elder in my Tribe with traditional beliefs. I have been consumed by politically-driven rhetoric that has turned continually more violent and nasty as the days go by. I ponder the scope and direction of where this all started and where it will end.

I can see where the subjects of the campaign points of contention get their traction as they are contrived to attract a given base of voters to get more votes.

I have just finished a book that was started 12 years ago and now with new directions of the political winds, I rewrote the book to be more attuned to the present. In that first book, I

brought up the fact that is now being discussed by some of the candidates of reparation for the descendants of the African people brought here as slaves, during the settlement and colonization of this country. I have also mentioned this despicable crime in my new book.

I have also mentioned that Indigenous People have been wronged by the colonization of this continent. They also have been wronged by the forcible taking of their land by warfare, along with war crimes, genocide (the largest numbers ever recorded in world history), and numerous other actions. I also believe that these actions are the main cause of racial issues in this country and possibly the entire world. I will explain.

► If I happened to be of another race that bore the major responsibility for these crimes, I might have an underlying guilt complex that will hide in the dark crevices of my brain but sneak out when not expected.

► I could even fleetingly entertain a thought like, "How many people had to die so I can claim this property as mine?" Then, consequently, blame the victim.

► The titles to the land are all suspect due to unscrupulous acquisitions that would prove to be tainted and/or falsified, if there were ever a serious forensic investigation conducted.

► According to my research, the advent of racist activity started in the mid-1500s when the then-leaders of the Catholic Church made a proclamation that European adventurers could claim the lands that they "discovered" on other continents for their countries, and disregard the Indigenous inhabitants because they were not really human. They were then allowed to do whatever they needed to do to eradicate the problem.

These attitudes are prevalent today in covert circumstances and are the "go-to" place when there are controversial issues that develop. The toxicity is automatic and takes a sharp turn away from respect, civility, and honor.

Until we confront and deal with our violent past there will be no real peace for anyone who lives on this continent. Somewhere I read that "something stolen will never bring you happiness." This is natural law. The law of the universe.

**Stan Day  
Nett Lake**

## Will America finally recognize the bully in the White House?

I would agree with the editor in saying Trump is un-presidential. The writers who responded to this commentary are not seeing Trump for who he is — a self-serving game show host.

Not a president.

His many examples of buffoonery are being overlooked in part because he is perceived as being tough. Tough on politicians here and abroad. Many times I have heard someone talking about him as being a good president and when I give them an example, and there are many, of how he has misspoken on a subject or how he has stated, for example, he knows more than the generals or the CIA, I hear them interpreting what he meant. As if they know him personally.

I would also call this man a bully. Plain and simple. As, for example, his recent portrayal of a learned weatherman. Word has it he made it clear to the NOAA folks that the original path of Dorian was supposed to hit the Gulf Coast namely Alabama and he called them out on it, prompt-

ing a scathing comment to the folks in Alabama in charge of forecasting. I love their response to his tweets. Apparently he wouldn't give up on it because he kept tweeting and tweeting. The path had changed before he announced it would hit Alabama in his newscast from the White House. Notice on that tape, when he told a Homeland Security guy to get the map with the famous Sharpie stripe on it, how that guy snapped to attention and handed it over? Everyone who works for him, I'm sure, is just waiting for the ax to fall on them and they don't really want to tell him he was wrong for fear of being ostracized on Twitter and his form of media coverage. I hear people tell me he is a good president and that he means well. But so did Nixon. And look at what he did. He lied and got caught. Time will tell about this guy. It took six years to get the goods on Tricky Dick.

**Brian LaFrenier  
Embarrass**

## FAKE NEWS...Continued from page 4

Pepsi and other companies were using fetal tissue from aborted babies in their products. Will people believe anything? (It was false in case there lingers any question.)

Nor could I find any reference to the Clintons getting rich selling visas or citizenship or old campaign buttons, but I have to confess I did not wade through the ten pages of creative and unrelated stories that popped up.

Art Markman, PhD, a cognitive scientist at the University of Texas, explains that evolutionary biology is responsible in part for our tendency to believe what we hear. He claims that being skeptical takes more effort and that our brains would rather just believe. As social creatures, we've survived by being naturally credulous, fitting in, and mimicking the rest of the clan. He says that one damaging result of all the misinformation is the continued

influence effect. Research has shown that people tend to continue to believe the first pieces of information they hear even when it is later contradicted. This is true whether they first hear something is true and later reported as false, or if they first hear it is false and later reported to be true.

For example, unproven claims about the dangers of various vaccines have been around for years, leading many people to not vaccinate their children. In February of this year, Darla Shine, the wife of Bill Shine, President Donald Trump's deputy chief of staff for communications, tweeted to "bring back" childhood diseases because "they keep you healthy and fight cancer" along with other misleading information. A Facebook meme later blamed the Democrats for letting in "unclean" immigrants from Mexico who were inflected with measles. The irony in

that accusation is that the measles virus was eliminated by 2000 in the U.S., and by 2016 in all of North and South America, but there has been an upsurge in measles outbreaks in 2019, caused by unvaccinated international travelers visiting other areas that have not eliminated measles.

Another aspect of the continued influence effect is that the more emotionally vested we are in believing a fake fact, the harder it is to change our stubborn minds. Research at the Brain and Creativity Institute at the University of Southern California showed that when people were given evidence that a belief they held was false, functional brain imaging showed a lot of activity in the part of the brain connected with identity. Scientists also saw activity in the amygdala, an area that helps perceive threat and anxiety. This was interpreted as people defending

an attack on their beliefs, just as the body braces itself for a physical attack. The lead researcher, Jonas Kaplan, Ph.D., said that people's erroneous positions become stronger with a "newly fortified defense." He explained, "the work suggests that neural systems for emotion and feeling are central to this process, and that the brain has repurposed some of its oldest systems for protecting us against threats to protect us against information that might threaten our sense of who we are."

An important factor in all of this is that we are deluged with more information than we can process, and we rely on social information to help, or what we think other people are thinking. It's a rational and reasonable response to uncertainty. We've always done this, checking out what others are doing and imitating them. Isn't that where fads

and trends come from? When I lived in Iowa, I learned that older farmers would sometimes decide what to plant based on what they saw neighboring farmers doing rather than seeking out their own answers. The result could be poor crops that weren't suited to their soil conditions, but they believed that others knew better, and they followed their lead. Tom Chatfield, author and tech philosopher, states, "the understanding of this tendency underlies the online age: what people are thought to be thinking makes the digital world go round."

Fake news includes deliberately invented stories to make money or manipulate people, distorted partially true stories to propagandize and mislead, or President Trump's specialty of calling anything fake news that is factually accurate but that he doesn't agree with. The fallout from the proliferation of

misinformation is serious if people become so leery and exhausted from the mind games, that they become less likely to seek out or accept information.

Be on the alert for questionable news. We can be subtly influenced when we're unaware, and apparently most of us overestimate our ability to recognize false news. Keep a critical mindset about the purpose of the story, avoiding an emotional response. Check out the source. URLs that end in extensions like "infonet" and "offer" are suspect. Has the story been picked up by other well-known news outlets? Examine the evidence. Look for fake images: you can use tools like Google Reverse Image Search to see if an image has been altered or used in the wrong context. Use your common sense! And speak up if you hear questionable stories being passed off as true.

## BRIDGE...Continued from page 3

kicked off the annual convention, ride and rally of the ATV Association of Minnesota, or ATVAM, which is one reason it drew so many riders to the area. The annual event also featured 12 different trail rides in the area on Saturday, followed by a banquet and auction.

Bakk lauded the volunteer involvement within the ATV community and predicted that the bridge and trail connections were going to provide further opportunity for a growing industry.

"This trail system from here to Ely to Silver Bay is going to be an incredible economic development engine for those communities along the way. So to ATVAM and my colleagues who have helped build out this system, I want to say thank



**State Sen. Tom Bakk, DFL-Cook, cuts an ATV tow strap rather than a traditional ribbon to mark the opening of the new bridge.** Courtesy: ATVAM

you," said Bakk. Tomassoni, a Chisholm DFLer, thanked Senate committee chair Bill Engbritson, a Republican, who supports

ATV trail development across the state. "We share the same interests even though we're from different parties. It's kind of neat we can cross party lines

for these kinds of issues and we can get together and have really important things done. This is really a big deal to see all of these ATVs out there today." He

also thanked Rep. Mike Sundein, Rep. Dan Fabian and Rep. Dave Lisgard who were in attendance, and recognized Rep. Rob Ecklund who was on the LCCMR committee and was able to help get another \$400,000 for the Voyageur Country ATV trail system.

An ATV tow strap took the place of a ribbon and, once cut, everyone rode across the bridge, then headed for the new picnic area at the Vermilion River Falls, enjoying lunch provided by the ATV club, a ground-breaking ceremony for a new ATV trail, and additional presentations and comments.

Organized in 2015

with 66 members, Voyageur Country ATV now has a membership of over 800, covering Crane Lake, Buyck, Camp Five, Cook, and Orr, and is growing to include Ash River, Lake Kabetogama, and International Falls. It has been influential in opening a number of U.S. Forest Service roads and St. Louis County roads in the area to ATVs, connecting hundreds of miles of existing wooded trails. The club's mission is to provide safe, signed corridors for ATV riders, connect local communities, promote responsible riding and positively impact local tourism.

## PERMITS...Continued from page 3

DNR's consideration of these issues before work authorized under the Permit to Mine and Dam Safety Permits proceeds," stated the DNR.

"The DNR welcomes the opportunity to directly address its thorough consideration of the post-permit developments with

the Minnesota Court of Appeals."

The DNR is also pleased that the court rejected the appellants' request to present new evidence, ruling that their appeal must be based on the information that the DNR used in reaching its permit decisions. The judges,

consistent with the nature of the appeal process, noted that cases that review agency decisions are typically reviewed based on the record available to the agency at the time of the decision.

PolyMet officials expressed disappointment in the decision. "But we're

pleased that the issues will be addressed soon, within the already established court schedule," said spokesperson Bruce Richardson. "For this reason, we don't anticipate any negative effect to the overall project schedule at this time," he said.

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ELY-BLOOMENSON HOSPITAL RETIREES



This large group of retirees and former employees from the Ely-Bloomenson Community Hospital gathered at Sulu's in Tower last week for one of their twice-annual get-togethers. The group included staff from all hospital departments, and the outing was organized with help from Sulu's co-owner, and former hospital nurse Brenda Winkelaar. photo by J. Summit

COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Lyme Disease Discussion**

TOWER- Join us for a discussion on treatment, prevention, and education of Lyme Disease and the multiple tick-borne illnesses that have become epidemic in this region. We will also cover how Lyme mimics many autoimmune disorders such as MS, Chronic Fatigue, Lupus, Parkinson's, ALS, Fibromyalgia, etc. Discussion will be led by Mike Keenan and Gina Empey, Thursday, Oct. 3, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Tower Civic Center. No charge.

**Community Ed instructors wanted**

REGIONAL- Community Education looking for new people to share their knowledge and instruct new classes. Please call or email Leone Graf to discuss options for locations and times at 218-343-3744.

**Vendors needed for St. Martin's Christmas Bazaar**

TOWER- St. Martin's Catholic Church in Tower is happy to announce that they will once again be hosting a Christmas Bazaar. The event will be held on Saturday, Nov. 16 in the church social hall. We are in the early planning of the event and are now looking for local crafters to participate. The cost for a table is \$20. If you are interested, please contact Maryann at the rectory at 218-753-4310 by Oct. 15. Office hours are Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

**Vendors needed for Tower Holiday Craft Show set for Saturday, Dec. 7**

TOWER- The Tower Holiday Craft Show will be held on Saturday, Dec. 7 from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Tower Civic Center. Tables are \$20 each (limit two 8-ft. tables per vendor) and must be reserved and paid for in advance. Checks can be made out to Friends of VCS and mailed to Vermilion

Country School, PO Box 629, Tower, MN 55790 or can be dropped off at the charter school or at the Timberjay office in Tower. For more information, call Jodi Summit at 218-753-2950.

**Get your tickets now for TSAA Fall Auction on Thursday, Nov. 7**

TOWER- Tickets are now available for the Tower-Soudan Athletic Association Fall Auction on Thursday, Nov. 7 at the Wilderness at Fortune Bay.

This once-a-year event features an appetizer buffet, live and silent auctions, karaoke, and many games and raffles. While the event is known as a "ladies" night, men are also welcome to attend. A cash bar is also available.

We are also looking for donations of prizes for the games and auctions. Hand-crafted items, gift baskets, wine and spirits, and gift certificates are needed. Please consider donating items, gift certificates, or baskets that can be used for the silent auction.

All the funds raised go to youth activities in Tower-Soudan. This is the group's only fundraiser each year, so please consider helping out this important community event. In the last two years, TSAA has donated over \$8,500 in the community, including: Tower-Soudan Little League and Junior Legion baseball, T-S Elementary Ely Marathon

entry fees, Tower-Soudan Elementary Track and Field Day, community family events at Vermilion Country School, athletics and choir fees at VCS, and more.

**Clarification**

At the Sept. 10 Greenwood Town Board meeting, Supervisor Mike Ralston said the township attorney recommended that the town board not give out any information to fire department member Jeff Maus, without first getting permission from the attorney, for as long as the township is in "litigation" with Maus. At this time, townships are not bound by the state's data practices rules that apply to cities and school districts.

Jeff Maus contacted this newspaper and wanted the public to understand that he has never been involved in litigation with the township but is involved in a complaint that is currently being investigated, and was involved with a previous complaint that was settled. Maus said he is unsure why the town board is using that language, because it is incorrect.

Maus is an active member of the Greenwood Fire Department and is also a First Responder.

**St. Martin's Annual Fall Dinner**

TOWER- St. Martin's Catholic Church in Tower is happy to announce the date for this year's Fall Dinner, set for Sunday, Sept. 29. The

dinner will be served in the church social hall from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. This year we will be serving a beef dinner. Ticket prices are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children ages 5-12, and free for under 5's. Families (two adults, two children) are \$25. Tickets may be purchased from any member of our Ladies Circles, at the rectory, or at the door. Take-outs are available. We hope that you will join us in celebrating the beautiful fall season!

**Tower-Soudan Joint Powers Recreation Board to meet Oct. 4**

TOWER- The Tower-Soudan Joint Powers Recreation Board will meet on Friday, Oct. 4 at 8:30 a.m. at Sulu's. All requests for funding must be in writing and should be turned in to Terri Joki-Martin at Tower City Hall or to Julie Suihkonen.

**Tower-Soudan Area Singers begin rehearsal on Sept. 30 for Christmas Concert**

TOWER- Rehearsals for the 2019 Tower-Soudan Area Singers Christmas Concert will begin on Monday, Sept. 30 at 6 p.m. at the Tower-Soudan Elementary School music room.

This year's theme, A Classic Christmas, will give every singer and listener a change to sing or hear their favorite tune.

There are no auditions for this group, so you can just come and share in the joy of singing with others. The concert is sched-

uled for Sunday, Dec. 15 at 2 p.m. As in the past, a freewill offering will be taken to cover music, advertising, and decorating expenses. Seasonal goodies will be served immediately after the concert.

The singers would like to add more basses to the group of 25, but any interested person can give a call to Rolf Anderson, 218-753-3262, for more information.

**Chalk Couture class on Sept. 28**

TOWER- Chalk Couture is a collection of products that you use to create professional-looking chalkboards and so much more! You can make stunningly beautiful home décor without any artistic skills at all. It is a kid-friendly craft. The class is aimed at adults or adults with an accompanying child who is seven years or older. One registration and fee required for each set of materials. Class fee includes the magnetic board, size A (5"x7") transfer, small squeegee and paste. Please call or text Leone Graf at 218-343-3744, or email at camplake@earthlink.net, to pre-register before the class. We need to know how many to supply materials for. Paige Olson is the instructor. Class will be held on Saturday, Sept. 28 from 9 - 10:30 a.m. at the Tower Civic Center. Cost is \$25.

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WATER

# Lightning strike hit the water tower

## Insurance to pay replacement costs, and reimburse for wages

by JODI SUMMIT  
Tower-Soudan Editor

TOWER- It was the water tower that took the lightning hit that damaged the electronics at the adjacent water treatment plant on Sept. 17, Water Plant Supervisor Matt Tuchel told the Tower-Breitung Wastewater Board at their regularly-scheduled meeting on Sept. 18.

"This will be covered by our insurance," Tuchel said, "along with costs for the additional work hours that will be required until the electronics are repaired."

"The insurance company understands this is an emergency situation," Tuchel said, noting that they understand the city needs to get the repairs done quickly, and that the board is allowed to consider the time it will take to get the new electronics installed, as well as the actual price, in choosing the vendor for the new parts.

The board authorized Tuchel along with two wastewater board members to authorize awarding the

quote. Tuchel hoped to have the information needed within a few days.

Tuchel said the plant is being operated manually, and customers will not be seeing any issues with water safety or water quality during this time.

Tuchel said the only main concern is a water leak, since they are unable to monitor the water level in the tower.

"Normally this is all automatic, and it will notify me if the water level drops," he said. "I will manually check the water levels during the day but can't monitor it all night."

Wastewater board members asked if the water tower had sustained any damage. The tower was built in 1995.

Tuchel said he would have the water tower inspected by an engineer.

"The pumps and the wells are fine," he said.

Tuchel said the headframe at the Soudan Mine was also hit during the storm.



**Matt Tuchel showed the board a bottle of pre-filtration plant water which he had used in his presentation, earlier in the day, to the state bonding committee that visited to learn about the Tower-Breitung bonding request for a secondary water treatment plant.**

# birth announcement



## Dot Irene Swanson

Big brother Edwin Swanson, age 19 months, is pleased to announce the arrival of his baby sister, Dot Irene Swanson. Dot was born on Aug. 30, 2019, at 10:56 a.m. in Duluth. She weighed seven pounds, three ounces, and was 19.25 inches long. Parents are Mack Swanson and Stephanie Ukkola, of Soudan. Grandparents are Bill and Jackie Sommersness, of Duluth; Keith Swanson, of Carlton; and David and Debbie Ukkola, of Virginia.

## THE NEWS OF THE WEEK FROM MS. VERA MILION



Dear Hearts,

Hilda was at the local beauty salon waiting patiently for her cut and curl. You didn't hear it from me, but it has been a couple decades since she had ANY color other than 'old lady grey.' She had one of those cards with wisps of hair suggesting hair color.

Hilda will be the first to admit it, but she has food issues. Her name and picture are in the archives of EVERY weight loss group in America.

When she is weighed for the first time, she has filled her pockets with lead shot. Each week she removes some of the lead and wins all sorts of prizes. Mostly cookbooks for the overweight and over-

wrought distraught dieter.

After a few weeks, it is brought to the attention of the weighers-in that while she has lost fifty-two pounds, she still looks like a Mack truck heading north. They pelt her with those little cartons of fat-free yogurts and put her on a national list.

The reason she is perusing a hair color chart is that she hopes to disguise herself and rejoin the local chapter of TOPS!

Her favorite hair colors so far are Champagne, Butterscotch, Red Hot Cinnamon, and Espresso!

There is no hope for Hilda hair-wise!

She is also on a kick to improve here memory AND vocabulary, so she has taken to crossword puzzles.

As she munches on Mallomars from Zup's, she searches for answers to queries like: Poet Pound... Verb in the first telegraph message... Large corn holder...big toe did not work! Art Deco...artist...

We spent several hours last week trying to

come up with synonyms for... Canterbury's County, big name at Ep-cot, French diarists, Angelina Jolie \_\_\_\_\_, and largest Greek Island.

Hilda and I have switched to 'The National Enquirer,' whose puzzles have answers such as: ALIEN ABDUCTION... a frequent National Enquirer topic ! SCANDAL, RUMOR, DIRT, BAD PR ...."National Enquirer" fodder!

We have waited with baited-breath for the arrival of the Gilbert H. Wild and Sons fall catalog.

To Hilda and me, this is akin to the arrival of the Sears and Roebuck Christmas Catalog when we were tots.

However, instead of 'Betsy Wetsy' dolls, games, and electric trains, it's all hostas, peonies, and daylilies.

I can hardly breathe and I have been staying up nights making lists. I NEED a 'First Dance,' 24 inches by 58...yellow centers that 'mellow' to chartreuse. 'Night Before Christmas,' 18 inches by

36 inches, AND it attracts both hummingbirds and songbirds.

AND the peonies... 'A bushel of blooms,' a come on, five peonies for \$35...the car insurance can lapse for a month or two...we never go anywhere anyway!

Perhaps a garden of peonies named after famous people... Benjamin Franklin, Dr. Alexander Fleming, Carl Rosenfield, Sarah Bernhardt, America's Little Darling, Shirley Temple.

I was going to include the names of perennials that deter deer, maybe I should buy some, plant them and see if they don't become a brunch for Bambi.

However, I came across a planting list for a 'Night Garden'...which will, 'fragrance your evenings and attract the Faire Queen!' What could be better than a Faire Queen who might grant me three wishes?

Ta ta...

Ms. Vera Milion

## Bookmobile Schedule

Wednesday, Oct. 2, 23; Nov. 13; Dec. 4

Bois Forte Boys/Girls Club	11:00-11:30 a.m.
Greenwood Town Hall	12:00-12:30 p.m.
Soudan Fire Hall	1:45-3:00 p.m.
Tower Civic Center	3:15-4:15 p.m.
Embarrass, Four Corners	5:15-6:00 p.m.

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## Fall Beef Dinner

### Sunday, Sept. 29

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Tickets are available from  
Ladies Circle members, at the rectory, or at the door.

## 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, and dessert.

Reservations are appreciated the day before, or morning of, but walk-ins are always welcome. Take-outs are 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 Meals on Wheels, or for more information, please call AEOA Senior Nutrition at 218-735-6899.

### Week of Sept. 30

Monday: Chicken ala King in a Bread Bowl

Tuesday: Mac & Cheese, Bread Stick, Green Beans

Wednesday: Hot Italian Sub Sandwich

Thursday: Hamburger Gravy over Mashed Potatoes, Dinner Roll, Corn

Friday: Pigs in a Blanket (Hot Dog), Baked Beans

## Week of Sept. 30

### Monday

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

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

### Tuesday

Tower Area Food Shelf- Open on the third Tuesday of every month from 2:30-5:30 p.m. Located in the back of the Timberjay building on Main Street. Next food shelf day is Oct. 15.

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- Meetings posted online at vermillioncountry.org.

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**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 Noon-6 pm  
Friday Noon-5 pm  
Phone: 827-3345

**Support groups**

**AA - Alcoholics Anonymous**  
AA - 7 p.m. Mondays, and 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays, First Lutheran Church, 915 E. Camp St., Ely

**WOMEN'S AA - Noon**  
Mondays, St. Anthony Church basement, Ely

**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**  
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**Tuesday Group schedule**

ELY - The upcoming Tuesday Group schedule is listed below. All talks are at 12 noon on Tuesday at the Grand Ely Lodge.

**Oct. 1 - Meet New Elyites**

**Oct. 8 - To be announced**

**Play Smear**

ELY - Smear tournaments are held the first and third Mondays at the Ely Senior Center, 27 S 1st Ave E, starting at 6 p.m.

**Ely Free Clinic**

ELY - The Ely Community Health Center is open every Thursday evening from 5:30-7 p.m. in the AFU Building, 111 S 4th Ave. E.

For more information, call 218-365-5678, or visit their website, [www.elycommunityhealth.org](http://www.elycommunityhealth.org).

**Breathing Out**  
by Cecilia Rolando © 2019



a slow fall approach  
yellow leaves cover sidewalks  
warm days cooler nights



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WINDOW INTO YESTERDAY

# Before Ely had supermarkets

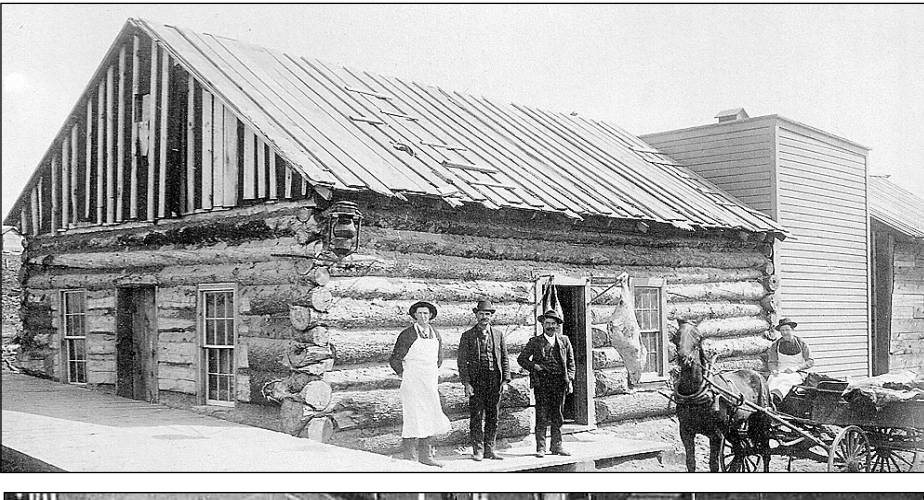
by DAVID KESS  
Ely-Winton Historical Society

“Run to the store, will you? I need eggs right away! Just charge it,” my mother would say. And off I would go either walking or on my bike. Depending on her tone of voice I could tell how soon she really needed the eggs. Several grocery stores were only three or four blocks away and my family had charge accounts at most of them. My dad was a local merchant and so we traded at most all of them, at least the nearer ones.

Some were probably “mom and pop” stores or corner stores. A surprising number had fresh meat besides the usual produce and canned goods. Fresh fruits were not always available but quite often oranges, apples, and bananas were when in season. Potatoes, beets, rutabagas, and carrots came in from outlying farms in burlap sacks or bushel baskets. Milk and eggs often came from farms in the country. Sausage-making was an integral part of the butchering operations. Older ladies in babushkas carefully examined produce with extreme care. Frequently a few older men were seen in the back of the store jawing with the butcher. There was something about all this that seemed as if it were a page of a Norman Rockwell calendar.

The cash registers really did go “cha-ching” back then. There were no credit or debit cards but many customers did have charge accounts. It seemed everyone working in those stores wore a white apron of some sort, including the cashiers. At the end of the day, one of them would spread some sawdust on the floor and then sweep it all up.

Until the late 1940s and early 1950s there were more than two dozen stores that sold groceries in Ely and Winton. Now there are only two “real” grocery stores, beside the



One of the first food markets in Ely was Brownell and Company Meat Market, top, in 1889. Miller's Market, above, carried a variety of food items. photos courtesy of Ely-Winton Historical Society

convenience stores that sell a limited amount of food items. Supermarkets, and a town half its former size, have changed all that.

The names of grocery stores on record at the historical society include the Brownell and Co. Meat Market (probably the first one of its kind), Cormack's Store, John Mark's, Grahek Market, Skala's Market, Economy Cash (which eventually became Ely Northland Market), National Tea Co., Blue Ribbon Market, Kobe's, Corner Grocery, Seme's, Smekar's, Bernie Hutar's, Tom Harri's, Miller's, the Ely Co-op, the Winton Co-op, Ely Table Supply, Klun's, Zupancich Bros., Kapsch's, Kovach Bros., the Sheridan Market, and Piggly Wiggly (also known as Allied Grocers — it is now Insula), Popesh Market, and City Meat and Grocery. Perhaps there are more but these are the ones

we have on record.

Most of the above establishments slowly went out of business as bigger stores with lower prices made for tough competition. The Pucel brothers moved the Economy Cash Market to the east end of town where it first became Joe's IGA, then Ely Northland Market. Zup's first expanded to the east and then moved across the street into space formerly occupied by the Bethany Lutheran Church. Forest Chevrolet was razed and became a parking lot for Zup's. Mention should be made of Johnny “Bucca's” City Meat and Grocery which was also known as “the biggest little store in town.” It, like many others of the time, offered delivery service.

Our pictures show an amazing number of canned goods stacked in the background. Large

refrigerated cases were not part of the scene for many years. Chilled butcher rooms were located in the back of the establishments. For many years, goods came to town by train with refrigerated cars for meat and other perishables. Cash was commonly used for purchases but charge accounts were not uncommon. Miners came in on paydays to settle their bills but proprietors got “stuffed” more often than was known. There were always bones for the family dogs.

One might think we really lost something in losing the small friendly stores and we probably have. However the clerks in our Ely markets are still especially friendly and helpful. The customers and clerks often know each other by first names. Ely still has that small town feel to it.

**St. Louis County Board tours Twin Metals Minnesota facility in Ely**



Twin Metals Minnesota's Chief Geologist Kevin Boerst explains to members of the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners the importance of core samples in determining the amount of precious metals at the Ely company's proposed sulfide mining project. The County Board's meeting in Ely Tuesday included a tour of the facility. photo by K. Vandervort

**News in Brief**

**Northwoods Partners host aging expo**

ELY - Northwoods Partners will host their 10th Annual Health Aging Expo on Thursday Oct. 10, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. at Amici's Event Center, 10 W. Pattison St. The Healthy Aging Expo is dedicated to senior adult healthy lifestyles, education and caregiver support.

This year's event features a wide variety of presentations by area experts.

Doors will open at 9 a.m. for vendor table viewing. EBCH will be providing free flu shots throughout the day. Speakers will begin at 10 a.m. The \$5 admission will also cover lunch.

For more information, contact Lisa Porthan at 218-365-8019.

**Scrooge In Love!**

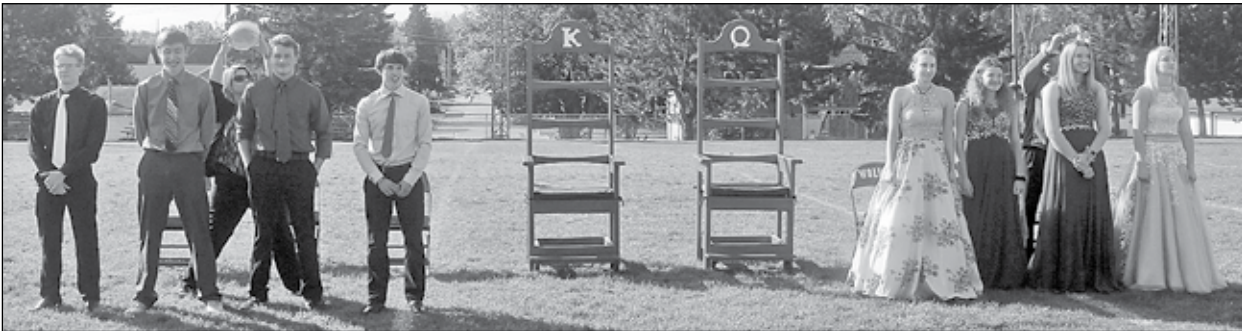
ELY - What happens after “A Christmas Carol?” A year has passed and Ebenezer Scrooge is now a happy man. But is he, really? Is there something lacking? Old pal Jacob Marley and a trio of brand new ghosts arrive to give Scrooge a new chance at a love he once threw away.

Tryouts for this Northern Lakes Arts Association production, under the direction of Crystal Poppler and Michael Rouse, will be held Sunday and Monday, Oct. 6 and 7, at the Vermilion Community College Auditorium, beginning at 6 p.m.

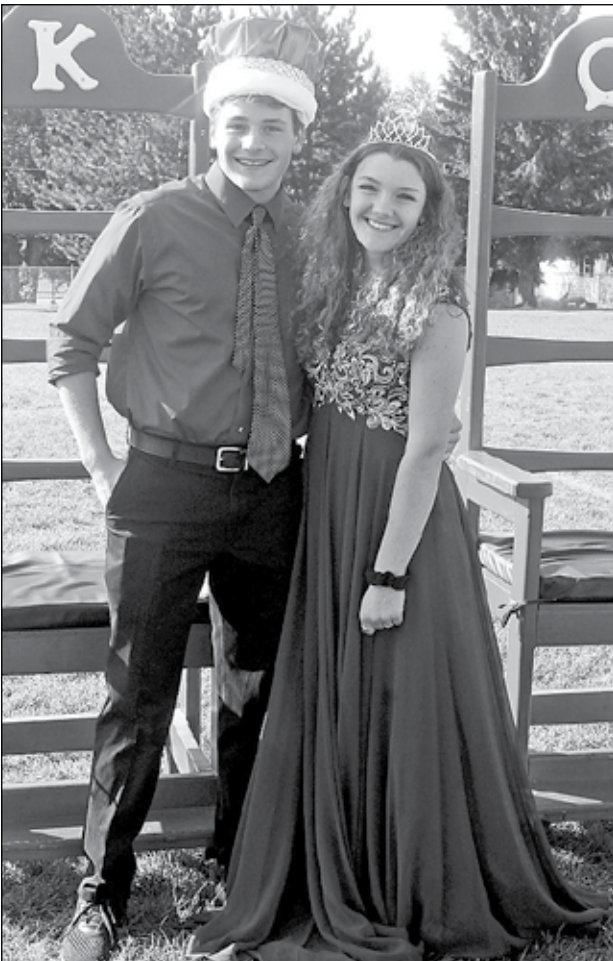
For more information, call Sara Skelton at 218-235-2142, or email her at [s.skelton@vcc.edu](mailto:s.skelton@vcc.edu).



ELY MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL



# Homecoming 2019



Royalty candidates for the 2019 Ely High School Homecoming, top, included Jenna Merhar, Erika Mattson, McCartney Kaercher, Holly Dirks, Dylan Fenske, Dalton Schreffler, Nate Nettifee and Raif Olson. Nettifee and Kaercher, above left, were named King and Queen. Band member Apolonia Homer, above, taps her drum sticks on the bleacher railing during a pep rally Tuesday morning. Senior Bryce Longwell, left, struggled through the hot dog eating contest. Freshmen Cedar Ohlhauser and Audrey Thomas, below, helped decorate the hallways. photos by K. Vandervort



The High School fall dance team, above, and band, below, performed during the pep rally held Tuesday morning on the football field. A Homecoming parade will begin at 2 p.m. on Friday.



News In Brief

**Christmas singers wanted**

ELY – Singers are wanted for the Ely Area Christmas Choir Cantata. Rehearsals begin on Wednesday Oct. 9, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. at Grace Lutheran Church 301 E. Conan St. Child care will be provided. The performance is at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 8 at Washington Auditorium, 600 E. Harvey St. For more information, call Patti at 218-929-3214, or Donna at 218-365-6320.

**Miss Ely pageant set for Oct. 4**

ELY – The fifth annual Miss Ely and Little Miss Ely competition will be held Friday, Oct. 4 at Washington Auditorium, beginning at 7 p.m.

**Ruffed Grouse Society banquet slated**

ELY – The Crazy Flight chapter of the Ruffed Grouse Society will host their annual banquet on Thursday, Oct. 17 at Grand Ely Lodge. Tickets are available by calling 218-365-5550.

**Senior lunch program held daily in Ely**

ELY – The Ely Senior Lunch program is held daily at the Ely Senior Center, 27 S First Ave. E, from noon to 1 p.m. Must be at least 60 years of age to participate.

**Yesterday's news, this week**

from the archives of

**THE ELY MINER**

Courtesy of the Ely-Winton Historical Society

**September 26, 1919**

**Homecoming for service men**

The homecoming celebration Saturday afternoon and evening was one of the most successful events ever given in this city and this is saying much as Ely has pulled off some very successful celebrations in the past.

Automobiles by the dozens loaded with visitors began to arrive Friday afternoon and kept up a constant stream up to Saturday at noon. Every train arriving also brought in more and it is estimated that at noon Saturday there were over a thousand strangers here which added to the population of the city, Winton and Section Thirty and the farming district of White Iron, and filled the streets of the city to the curbs.

Notwithstanding the threatening weather, the whistles, bells and other noisemaking instruments, coupled with the music of the bands, gave the signal for the beginning of festivities at exactly 1 o'clock.

The several divisions forming in the parade had assumed their stations near the Community Center and began to move. We have had some parades in the past but this one surpassed them all. All the service men and Red Cross workers occupied automobiles and were given the honor place in the parade following the standard bearer.

The societies, citizens, floats, yama-yama girls, bands, school children, fire department and more made up the balance of the mile-long column. With the large number of handsome flags and banners and the gaily-colored costumes, the parade was an imposing one.

After traversing the principal streets of the city, the parade rested at City Hall where memorial services were conducted for the fallen heroes. A beautiful white cross had been erected, suitably inscribed with the names of those who made the great sacrifice.

The address by Mayor Knudson was replete with historical facts and was one of the best heard here in years. As the names of our soldier dead were called, the mayor placed a handsome floral offering at the foot of the cross.

The Mayor then announced that everyone was expected to have a good time and that the jail was locked for the day.



**Area Solid Waste Facility site hours**

**Northwoods Transfer Station**  
9384 Hwy 21 N. Ely/Babbitt  
Winter Hours  
Mon, Thu, Fri, Sat: 8am-3pm  
Tue: 9:30am-3pm  
Wed: 11am-5pm

**Aurora Transfer Station**  
5910 Hwy 135 N., Aurora  
Hours  
Mon, Thurs, Fri: 8am-4pm  
Tue, Wed: 10am-4pm  
Sat: 8am-noon

**Embarrass Canister Site**  
7530 Koski Rd., Embarrass  
Hours  
Sat: 12:30-4:30pm  
Thu: 10am-5pm

**Soudan Canister Site**  
5160 Hwy 169, Soudan  
Hours  
Mon, Wed, Sat, Sun:  
8am-5pm

**Household Hazardous Waste Facility**  
5345 Regional Landfill Rd, Virginia  
Hours  
Tues and Sat: 8am-1pm

**Regional Landfill**  
5341 Regional Landfill Rd, Virginia  
Hours  
Mon-Fri: 8am-4:30pm  
Sat: 8am-3:30pm

Winter hours effective October 1st through April 14th

St. Louis County Environmental Services Department  
1-800-450-9278  
Office hours 8-4:30 Monday through Friday  
www.stlouiscountymn.gov/recycle





## Susan Martin Memorial Members Show opens Oct. 4; public reception from 5 - 7 p.m.



This metal sculpture, "Moose", by Curt Conaway, is part of the upcoming exhibit. submitted photo

COOK- On Friday, Oct. 4, there will be an exciting reception at the NWFA Gallery in Cook from 5 to 7 p.m. to open the Susan Martin Memorial Members Show. The public is welcome to join us for the exhibits and refreshments. The Gallery is located at 210 S River St. next to Dream Weaver Spa and Salon.

The show runs from Oct. 4 to Oct. 26, featuring the members of Northwoods Friends of the Arts. The arts and craft show and sale is exhibiting dozens of the stunning works of the talented members of NWFA. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday.

In 2020, NWFA will be celebrating its tenth year as a non-profit arts organization inspiring, nurturing and celebrating the arts in the lake country of Cook. NWFA sponsors free summer art programs, a photo contest, a Spring Art Expo, concerts, a writers group, a carving group, and art workshops and classes. Membership in NWFA is \$25. You may seek more information at [NWFAMN.ORG](http://NWFAMN.ORG) or email at [nwfamn.org@gmail.com](mailto:nwfamn.org@gmail.com). The mailing address is PO Box 44, Cook MN 55723.

by JODI SUMMIT  
Tower-Soudan Editor

FIELD TWP- A new two-mile-long loop trail that begins and ends at the North Woods School is now open to the public. The trail is the result of almost six years of work, spearheaded by former North Woods science teacher Rick Pierce.

"It was like pulling a boat uphill," said Pierce, "and not on a trailer."

Science students in Pierce's classes back in 2013 helped initiate the plans for the trail, but then work shifted to a team of adult volunteers. Work crews from the Minnesota Conservation Corps and Sentence to Serve also helped with most of the clearing of the trail, and with construction of some bridgework needed for wet areas and stream crossings.

Final work on the trail was scheduled to be completed by the end of September. Once the trail is complete, students will take ownership of the trail, and will have the option of creating more routes by adding in additional loops, Pierce said. Longer term plans involve finding funding for a trail between the school and the city of Cook.

The trail will be open for non-motorized use, including mountain biking and cross-country skiing. The terrain is moderately rugged, said Pierce, so will have some challenges for bikers and skiers.

The trail received support from the Minnesota DNR's School Forest program, which is also providing training and educational materials for North Woods teachers to use with their students throughout the year. Teachers have already been taking their classes out on the trail.

"Trail systems are important to our residents, visitors and our communities," said State Senator Tom Bakk, in a letter of support for the creation of the trail.

"This really is a community trail," said Pierce, who noted the project was done in cooperation with Field Township and sits on township lands.

The project was made possible with support from Lake Country Power's Operation RoundUp, AMFA Education Trust, KGM Contractors, Seppi Brothers, Northland Foundation's Kid Plus program, CERT, Minnesota Conservation Corps, Thistledeew Camp,

## COMMUNITY TRAILS

# Two-mile North Woods-Field Township School Forest Trail now open



Above: Steve Ball, of NSL; Keith Aho, Field Township; John Vukmanich, North Woods Principal; Jen Ball with baby Ruby; Steve Wolf, construction manager from Tip Top Chimney.

Below: Conservation Corp members helped build a bridge over a wet area.

Bottom: A map of the winding loop trail. North Woods students helped create the trail route.



and Northern Solar Light (which donated the lights). Financial support came from ISD 2142, Field Township, and the DNR Trails Program.

The trail group has applied for some additional funding to add benches and trail markers, and also to install two smaller bridges and add additional gravel to some areas.



## COMMUNITY NEWS

### American Legion membership now open to all who have served in the military

ORR- The Legion Act, recently passed by Congress, has opened up American Legion membership to an additional 4.2 million military veterans.

Previously, only veterans who had served during a combat era were eligible for membership. This also applies to those who have served in the National Guard. Now, any veteran who served on active duty, and was honorably discharged, is eligible to join.

Robert Galaz, of the Orr Legion Post 480, said they wel-

come all area veterans to consider joining.

### Cook Hospital Health Fair winners announced

COOK- Congratulations to all the winners from the Cook Hospital Health Fair:

Levi Las - Infection Control Booth - Jar of Gummy Worms

Sharon Ratai - Linkage Booth - Big Candle

Miina Leinonen - Kids Grand Prize \$100 gift card

Jack Schmol - Kids Grand Prize \$100 gift card

Wyatt Morrison - Kids Grand Prize \$100 gift card

Eric Ljosenvoor - Adult Grand Prize - Paddle Board

Michael Sarazine - Adult Grand Prize - Wild Tickets with Hotel Stay

Megan Grams - Adult Grand Prize - Smart Watch

Kim Martinson - Adult Day Services Booth - Instant Pot, Accessories and Instant Pot Cookbook

Eva Hannine - Medical Records Booth - Fall Floral Arrangement

Patty Norrgard - Infection Control Booth - Air Fryer and Cookbook

Marilyn Jenkins - Rehab Booth - One-Month Free Gym Membership

Marjorie Wallin - Rehab

Booth - One-Month Free Gym Membership

Erika Foss - Activities Booth - Brain Activity Basket

Lori Gordon - Activities Booth - Brain Activity Basket

Rebecca Leinonen - Memorial Blood Drive Booth - Drill

Cook Public Library expands Tuesday hours

COOK- Starting Oct. 1, the Cook Public Library will be open on Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Additional hours are Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thursday from 10 a.m. to

6 p.m., and Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Cook Public Library offers public computers, printer, copy and fax machines, and Wi-Fi. Books, audio books, and DVDs are available for check out with a library card. The library hosts programs and special events throughout the year including summer reading, winter reading, Fiber Arts month and Legacy events. The Friends of the Cook Public Library plan and organize fundraisers including the annual book sale and holiday basket raffle. Come check us out!

### CARNIVAL TODAY!

Friday, September 27

10:30 am - 5:30 pm

The Care Center at Cook Hospital will be hosting a

CARNIVAL THEMED FUNDRAISER

Tickets available for purchase AT EVENT for food, games and cake walk.

CRAFT SALE TOO!

Proceeds for this event benefit the Care Center Activities.

This is a family event and the public is encouraged to attend.

218-666-5945  
10 Fifth Street SE,  
Cook, MN 55723



### "Felt Here" Pop-up Storytelling Shop in Cook on Wednesday, Oct. 2 at NWFA from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

COOK- On Wednesday, Oct. 2, from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m., NWFA will host a creative workshop called "Felt Here: Pop-Up Storytelling". Pop-up storytelling events have been presented as a series of pop-up art-making spaces at local cultural venues, farmers markets and street festivals across the Iron Range in 2019. This workshop will offer a hands-on felting activity with storytelling prompts. Northwoods Friends of the Arts Gallery is located at 210 S River St., next to Dream

Weaver Salon in Cook. No registration is necessary...just Pop Up!

This is a new program created by a new network of local artists and community organizations, convened by public artist Shanai Matteson and the statewide ecological arts organization, Water Bar & Public Studio. This activity will be facilitated by the Overburden/Overlook Project Partners.

This art shop is best described by Shanai Matteson herself. She says, "Felt Here is a pop-up art-making space de-

signed by myself and other collaborating artists to look like an industrial shop, with work tables and a crew of people getting their hands dirty while making something together. In contrast to the many workshop spaces on the Iron Range that manufacture parts for mining machinery, in this shop, the work of telling stories, healing, and repairing is led by women. Storytelling happens around circular tables as public participants are invited to felt wool taconite pellets. These soft,

felted, taconite pellets are made by hand from locally-produced wool and dyed with earth gathered from sites across the region. Once finished, the pellets can be used to make keepsakes, including jewelry which funds healing practices. Most of the pellets and some of the stories shared in these workshops will be incorporated into an Overburden/Overlook gallery exhibition that will debut in 2020."



# NORTH WOODS SCHOOL Meet Indian Ed Support Staffer Liz Burton



**JOHN  
VUKMANICH**

In continuing the tradition of introducing our teachers and staff to you, I would like to welcome Liz Burton to North Woods School. Liz is the Indian Education Support Services Interventionist and comes to us with much experience in education, albeit at a college level.

Where are you originally from and where did you go to high school and college?

I am originally from Manitou Springs, Colorado, at the base of Pikes Peak. I graduated from high school there. I received my undergraduate degree in Communica-

tions and Marketing from Whitworth University in Spokane, Washington. I went to Oregon State University and received a Master's in College Student Personnel Administration and a Minor in Counseling.

Were there teachers who were an influence on you? Please name a few if you can.

Anna Hamry was fresh from graduate school, and she was my band and choir teacher. She really made an impact on me. Mrs. Fiola, my seventh-grade Language Arts teacher also.

What characteristics did these teachers have that were important to you?

They instilled a passion and a curiosity for learning. They also held us to a very high standard.

What do you teach at North Woods?

I am the American

Indian Student Support Interventionist. I work as an academic support for our kids to help them be successful in school.

Why did you choose teaching as a profession?

I have experience in college and university settings in several roles. I do not have teaching experience, and I am not a teacher. My role is to support students and staff in any way that I can to help our kids find success in school.

What are your hobbies?

Skiing, camping, hiking, music, art, and I am looking forward to what Minnesota has to offer.

What is something you like about North Woods?

The staff is amazing, caring, and friendly. I would want my kids to be in school here if they were still of school age. Great students, I can't say

enough.

What is a professional goal for you?

I want to increase my knowledge about American Indian culture and connect as much as possible with my students and families.

What is something you love about northern Minnesota?

The people, the trees, the beauty of the landscape. Everyone is saying "wait for winter", though!

What is a piece of advice you'd give your students?

Be organized. Plan ahead. Work hard. Set goals. Ask questions.

Do you have a favorite saying or expression?

My seven "P's": Proper prior planning prevents poor, pitiful performance.

What do you hope your students remember you for?

That I was sincere



in caring about them and their success.

Welcome, Mrs. Burton, to the North Woods

team! We are happy to have in our school community.

## Cook-Orr Calendar

### October is Fiber Arts Month at the Cook Public Library

COOK- We've expanded Quilt Month to include all Fiber Arts!

Come to the library all month long to see local fiber art pieces including quilting, knitting, crocheting, embroidery, weaving, spinning, and felting. Fiber-art themed books for all ages will be available for check out. Each check out earns a chance to win one of several prizes. The Friends of the Cook Public Library are sponsoring a ticket raffle for a chance to win a beautifully hand-embroidered wool wall hanging, donated by a local artist.

A special event in October is the Fiber Arts Tea on Tuesday, Oct. 29 at 5 p.m.

### New Cook Thrift Shop donation hours

COOK- Due to continued theft, vandalism of the donation bin, and

donations that are unacceptable and need to be disposed of (at our cost), the Thrift Shop Auxiliary board recently made the decision to only accept donations when workers are on site. Donation hours are now on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and the second and fourth Saturday of the month from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Other than these times, the donation bin will be locked. Thrift Shop volunteers understand that this change in policy will be a great inconvenience to many, but even after posting signs and sending out public requests, issues have continued and we see no other course of action. Thank you for your continued patronage and we appreciate the support of our many shoppers and donors.

### Woodcarving group meets Thursdays

COOK- The NWFA woodcarving group will meet on Thursdays at the gallery from 6 to 8

p.m. Dates are Oct. 10, 24; Nov. 7, 21; Dec. 5, 12, and 19. The curious and carving beginners of all ages are encouraged to attend and share this learning experience together. Call Howard Hilshorst for more information at 218-741-7941.

### Open Studio Art at NWFA Gallery on Saturdays

COOK- On Saturdays, artists meet at Northwoods Friends of the Arts Gallery at 210 S River St. in Cook to enjoy working on their art from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. All artists and would-be artists are welcome to share the time and space every Saturday.

### Calendar of Art Events in Cook

September Exhibit: "Fish, Flora & Fauna", an exhibit of paintings by Jane Wertanen from Virginia and Jim DeVries from Britt, during open hours at the NWFA Gallery on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday

from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., through Sept. 28.

Susan Martin Memorial Member Show: Exhibit from Friday, Oct. 4 to Saturday, Oct. 26. Opening reception from 5 to 7 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 4. The members of NWFA are "the stars of the show". Calling all NWFA members to exhibit. Contact Alberta at 218-666-2153 to participate.

Winter Writers Group: Begin the season on Saturday, Oct. 12, from 1 to 3 p.m. All writers and wannabe writers will enjoy this group that meets once a month on the second Saturday.

Jazz at NWFA Gallery with Bill Conger, Monday, Oct. 28 from 7 to 9 p.m.

Look for a concert, Oct. 25 to 28...the date will be announced soon for a Piatigorsky evening concert in Cook and a concert at North Woods School.

## Bookmobile Schedule

**Thursdays: Oct. 10, 31; Nov. 21; Dec. 12**

Nett Lake Community Center	9:30 - 1:15
Crane Lake Ranger Station	11:15 - 12:00
Orr Lake Country ReMax Bldg	1:45 - 2:30
Kabetogama Town Hall	3:15 - 3:45

For further information, call the Arrowhead Library System at 218-741-3840 or [www.arrowhead.lib.mn.us](http://www.arrowhead.lib.mn.us)

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FIELD TWP- The University of Minnesota and Minnesota Department of Health will be providing a free homeowner education class in our area. The class will be held from 5-7 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 30 at the North Woods School, 10248 Olson Rd. E in Cook. This free class will cover the basics of how septic systems function, well water testing, and how to help protect your well from contamination

sources.

This event is organized by the North St. Louis Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD), in coordination with the University of Minnesota Water Resources Center, the Minnesota Department of Health, St. Louis County, North Woods School Community Education, and the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency.

Registration is encouraged, to plan for materials, through the North St. Louis SWCD website at [www.nslswcd.org](http://www.nslswcd.org). For questions, please contact Becca at the North St. Louis SWCD at [becca@nslswcd.org](mailto:becca@nslswcd.org) or 218-288-6143.

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## IRPS presents first annual Pasty Festival, Oct. 5 in Mt. Iron

REGIONAL- Join us for the first annual Iron Range Pasty Festival, a fundraiser for the Iron Range Partnership for Sustainability. Homemade pasties, containing all local ingredients, are the stars of the show. \$10 buys a pasty, slaw, and a beverage, served from 3-7 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 5 at the Mt. Iron Community Center. (\$8 for a frozen pasty to take home, with a limit of five.)

The day features family activities, including a scavenger hunt, rutabaga bowling, Mrs. Rutabaga Head contest, Play-Doh pasty-making for the young ones, music by Sara Softich and Friends, an exhibit by the Virginia Historical Society, raffles, "People's Choice" pasty award featuring Iron Range pasty makers, Slovenian button box music, a DIY Mining photo booth, and s'mores over an open fire. For the adults, a local craft beer garden opens at 6 p.m. featuring brews from around the Range. At 7 p.m., we'll join in with KAXE radio's Saturday night call-in trivia show "Green Cheese", also celebrating the pasty and featuring questions about Iron Range history and food traditions.

Tickets are available at [www.brownpapertickets.com](http://www.brownpapertickets.com) (search for pasty festival) and at the door. The Mt. Iron Community Center is handicap accessible and located at 8586 Enterprise Dr. South, just off Hwy. 169 at Emerald Ave.

Contact Melissa Roach, Executive Director of Iron Range Partnership for Sustainability, with questions, [melissa.roach@irpsmn.org](mailto:melissa.roach@irpsmn.org) or 218-969-6872.

## Lyric stages The Tin Woman, Oct. 4-6

VIRGINIA- The Lyric Center's Northern Stage Works production of The Tin Woman, by Sean Grennan, will be performed Oct. 4 through 6, at the Lyric Annex on Chestnut St. in Virginia. Curtain time is 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and 2:30 p.m. on Sunday.

Like the trek to Oz, The Tin Woman is equal parts life's twists and turns, human resilience, and laughter. Joy, a young graphic artist, gets a new heart, and doesn't quite know what to do with it...or if she even deserves it, but feels a need to seek out the donor's family. No one's life will remain as it was, as old 'baggage' surfaces and can no longer be ignored. Oz was never like this... There will be an opportunity for a talk-back at the end of performance on opening night, Friday, Oct. 4.

Directed by Mary Lou Conaway, The Tin Woman features a cast of locals, including Pete Pellinen, Tucker Nelson, Sarah Packa, Carol Zakula, Sarah Simek, Marlys Goerdt and Darby Sauer.

Northern Stage Works is grateful to its sponsors for "The Tin Woman" performances: Essentia Health, Pohaki Lumber, Range Reliable Agency, Super 8 Eveleth, Frandsen Bank & Trust, American Bank, Blue Cross Blue Shield, Country Financial, Edwards Oil/Lucky Seven, Quad Cities Rotary, First National Bank of Gilbert, First National Bank of Mt. Iron, Lake Country Power, Northern State Bank, and North East Technical Services.

Tickets are available online <http://our.show/lyriccenter4arts/the-tin-woman>, at The First Stage Gallery, and at The Card Shop in downtown Virginia.

## Create Your Own Comic Character Workshop at local libraries

REGIONAL- The Arrowhead Library System is pleased to present Create Your Own Comic Character Workshop with Trisha Speed Shaskan and Stephen Shaskan, a free two-hour workshop being offered for ages grade five and older on Thursday, Oct. 10, 1 p.m. at Babbitt Public Library and 6 p.m. at Cook Public Library

Do you like to read graphic novels or comics? Do you like to draw? Write? Have you ever drawn a character from different angles? In this class, you'll learn different tools that will help you create a comic character and start your own story. The instructors, Minnesota author Trisha Speed Shaskan and Minnesota author/illustrator Stephen Shaskan, are the creators of the picture book Art Panels, BAM! Speech Bubbles, POW! Writing and Illustrating Your Own Graphic Novel and the Q & Ray graphic novel series. This two-hour workshop is appropriate for fifth graders and older. Registration is capped at 40 attendees.

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](http://www.alslib.info), follow us on Twitter @ALSLibraryNews, or like us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/alslibinfo](http://www.facebook.com/alslibinfo).

# TOWER Lamppa Manufacturing ready to expand

## Council directs Steve Altenburg to appear at TEDA meeting

by JODI SUMMIT  
Tower-Soudan Editor

TOWER — Lamppa Manufacturing is ready to expand, again. The company, which just moved into half of the new city-owned manufacturing building, has told the city that it is soon going to need to lease the entire building, a development that city officials hailed.

"This is really good news," said Mayor Orlyn Kringstad, "and kudos to Lamppa Manufacturing."

The south half of the building has yet to have a concrete floor poured, which Lamppa will need before they can use the space. The city is working to finalize the specifications for the cement bid and will call for quotes once the specifications are finalized and approved by the council.

The TEDA-built building, which Lamppa moved into in August, was built larger than Lamppa initially felt it needed, with the extra space earmarked to accommodate either a second business or an expansion by Lamppa. But the news that Lamppa was ready to expand into the space within a month of moving into the building, meant the TEDA plan to build a larger building was a sound decision. It will also allow TEDA to pay back the IRRR construction loan more quickly.

"We've confirmed that the cost would be covered by our existing funding," said TEDA vice-president Marshall Helmberger, who said initial estimates show the cost to be around \$40,000.

Helmberger, speaking on behalf of the TEDA board, also asked the council to require city employee Steve Altenburg to appear at the next TEDA meeting, set for Thursday, Oct. 3.

"The TEDA board is very concerned about the defamatory statements that Altenburg wrote in the *Tower News*," Helmberger said. "It does stain the entire TEDA board on the work that we did... We feel this is unprofessional and irresponsible."

Helmberger noted that Altenburg never contacted TEDA, or any members, about what the actual process was regarding the IRRR loan for the harbor project.

"Once he understands that the grant and loan from our [TEDA's] end was done responsibly, then we would like him to retract his comments," Helmberger said.

Kringstad agreed that TEDA was the correct place to air the issue.

"From the city's point of view," Kringstad said, "it would be very nice to put this thing to bed."

Altenburg said he would consider attending, but did not feel the city could order him, as a citizen, to attend.

"Everything that I said is supported by actual documentation," Altenburg said. "The city's documentation."

Altenburg has never shared any of his documentation with either TEDA or the city council.

Council member Steve Abrahamson agreed that having Altenburg meet with TEDA was important.

"A lot of issues can be taken care of if people would show each other information," Abrahamson said. "This is a great idea. Since you are an employee of the city, I don't have a problem having the council direct you to attend."

Council member Mary Shedd questioned how Altenburg could claim this was a separate issue from his employment with the city, when he had filed his complaint with the state auditor as a whistleblower, which would only apply to a city employee.

Altenburg said he wouldn't be able to bring his documentation to TEDA "because it is in the state's hands now. Anyone could find out by communicating with the state."

The council backed the TEDA request and unanimously passed a motion directing Altenburg to attend the next TEDA meeting and to bring any relevant documentation.

The city has no knowledge that the state auditor is actively investigating any of Altenburg's claims.

## Hoodoo rates to rise

The council approved a recommendation from the Hoodoo Point Committee to raise rates for the 2020 camping season at Hoodoo Point. Seasonal rates will rise to \$3,000, a \$300 increase, and daily rates will rise \$3, to \$45 per night for lakeside sites and to \$40 per night for interior sites.

"This will raise about \$25,000 per season in revenue," said campground manager Randy Pratt. "The campground does need a lot of work."

Campground rates haven't been raised in two years and are still a bit lower than other campgrounds in the area, including McKinley Park. Still, Pratt admitted, the seasonal campers were getting "the brunt of it."

Pratt said the only work that needs to be done before the campground reopens next spring is the replacement of the store's pressure tank and hot water heater, which is estimated to cost around \$12,000. This can be funded from the campground's improvement monies, which are funded by a dollar a day surcharge on each site, including seasonals, and raises about \$8,000 a year, Pratt said. The fund currently has \$20,000 on hand.

The rest of the work needed, Pratt said, is on their wish list, although the addition of wifi, which had been on that list, is now completed and is "working wonderfully," he said.

Other items on that list include upgrading electric service to accommodate the new, larger RVs, adding 50-amp service and water to the seven sites located by the campground store, bathroom upgrades, and new playground equipment (grant monies may be available for the playground).

Pratt said the cost of upgrading electrical service on existing sites was as high as \$50,000 to update seven sites, and the return on that investment would be quite low.

"Campers are not getting smaller," he said, "but I don't think it's the city's responsibility if the

campers upgrade their RVs."

Pratt also asked the council to look at changing the way the seasonal campsite waiting list is managed. There are currently 150 names on the list, and they are required to offer any opening to the top name on the list. The top dozen or so, he said, have never camped at Hoodoo, but others do visit the campground, and pay higher rates to stay all summer.

"We have four people who pay \$5,200 a season for a lakeside site," he said.

Pratt would like to see some way to rotate the names on the waiting list and would also like to set a 10-year maximum for any new seasonal campers.

Pratt also reported that revenue at the campground was down about five percent from last season, or about 200 billable nights. He said the campground lost a few monthly campers this season.

During public input, the council heard from seasonal camper Greta Tuominen, speaking on behalf of a group of campground regulars. Tuominen asked that the city appoint one seasonal camper to the Hoodoo Point Committee, and that the committee do regular visits throughout the season and be sure to talk with campers to get feedback. The letter asked that any electrical upgrades be first done at the seasonal sites. "Seasonals feel they should have first consideration because they become summer members of the community and support local businesses."

Of larger concern was the proposed \$300 seasonal rate increase, which she said would be hard for many seasonal campers, who are retired and living on a fixed income.

## Other business

In other business, the council:

- Approved applying for a \$3,000 IRRR grant which will help cover about half the costs for grant-writing for the water main project. Larson said most of this will help cover the time spent by the city's engineering firm on the grant proposal, and that her cost would not exceed \$1,500. Larson noted that grant-writing work is different from the grant management work she has been doing for the city since June.

- Heard a request from developer Dave Rose that the city council work with him on his development proposal since the planning and zoning board has refused to work with him. Kringstad said the council would review the information that Rose submitted at the meeting, and will see if this is something the council can do.

- Hired Steven Freshour and Kristal Strong as EMRs. Altenburg said both had completed the EMT training, and just needed to do the required testing. The city also hired Dean Dowden as a firefighter. Dowden is already a member of the ambulance department.

- Received a letter from city attorney Andrew Peterson, who was just appointed as a district judge and will no longer be able to serve as city attorney. The council voted to advertise for a new city attorney.

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Questions?  
Contact Sara Skelton @ 235-2142 or [s.skelton@vcc.edu](mailto:s.skelton@vcc.edu)

**TOWER BINGO**  
**Monday, Oct. 7**  
TOWER- Senior Bingo will be held in Tower on Monday, Oct. 7 at the Tower Civic Center from 11:45 a.m. - 3 p.m. There is a \$10 charge for the bingo party, which includes lunch. All ages are welcome to attend this community event. Lunch is served starting at 11:45 a.m., and bingo begins at 12:45 p.m. Senior Bingo is organized by the Friends of the Vermilion Country Charter School. In case of inclement weather school closure in Tower, bingo will be cancelled. Questions, call Jodi Summit at 218-753-2950.  
**Upcoming dates for 2019:**  
Monday, November 4  
Monday, December 2  
No bingo in January



CRIMINAL JUSTICE

# Jury finds Orr man, 58, guilty in 2018 bank robbery

by JODI SUMMIT  
Tower-Soudan Editor

HIBBING- A jury here has found William Arnold Lindeman, age 58, of Orr, guilty of two counts of first degree aggravated robbery stemming from his 2018 robbery of the American Bank branch office in Orr. Lindeman faced a

short trial at the Hibbing Courthouse and the jury rendered its verdict on Sept. 19.

The court set sentencing for Oct. 17, and Lindeman will remain in custody until then at the St. Louis County Jail.

Lindeman robbed the small bank office, located in the Pelican Bay IGA building, shortly before

noon on March 14, 2018. Lindeman entered the bank and used pepper spray to disable the two bank employees during the robbery. Afterwards, he fled the bank on an ATV with an undetermined amount of cash. A member of the public had called 911 and reported seeing Lindeman's ATV enter a property just

north of Orr following the robbery. Squads responded to the address and took Lindeman into custody without incident.

The bank employees were treated at the Cook Hospital for pepper spray exposure.

The incident was investigated by the St. Louis Co. Sheriff's Office with assistance from

the FBI. The St. Louis County Attorney's Office in Hibbing prosecuted the case. Other assisting agencies included the Bois Forte Police, the State Patrol, DNR, U.S. Forest Service, Koochiching County Sheriff's Office, and Orr Ambulance and First Responders.



William Linderman

# Wally's Auto has been family owned for three generations

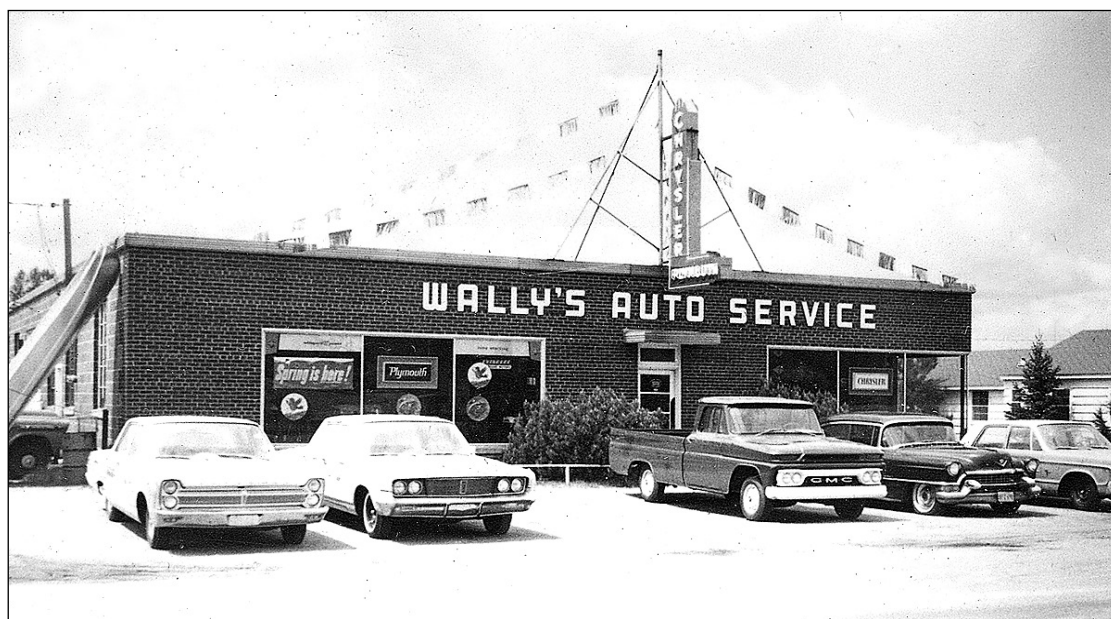
Wally's Auto was started in 1938 by Wally Zick and has been family-owned for three generations. The following is an excerpt from the book "Unforgettable Orr- A colorful first century in a remote timber town" by Tom Klein and Marshall Helmerger.

Wally Zick's skills as a mechanic were in such demand that Orr residents tried to keep the military from drafting him during World War II.

Their appeals failed and Zick was given three weeks to find someone to replace him or sell his business.

He never needed to make the choice. After the United States dropped an atomic bomb on Hiroshima and forced Japan's surrender, the military did not require Zick to serve.

Wally's Auto Service has reminded a fixture on the Orr business scene for 69 years [now 81 years]. Zick and his wife Katherine ran the service for 40 years before turning over the business to son-in-law Leonard Mankus and his wife Evie [Zick]. Leonard and Evie later transferred the business to their son Mark and his wife, Gina.



Wally's Auto Service as it look in 1965. Wally Zick began his business as an auto repair business, but expanded to auto sales following a fire that burned his original shop. submitted photo

Zick got his start in the auto business in 1935 when he joined Ellsworth Madden, who ran a gas station and was seeking a mechanic for his shop.

"We were the only place in town that had hot water," Zick recalled. "A bunch of guys used to hang around in the winter time to keep warm."

Zick had a steady stream

of cars to repair. As soon as he would finish fixing one in the cramped, two-stall garage, another would be ready to take its place.

After a year at that site, Zick decided the place was too small for an auto repair business. A local businessman offered to construct a new building for Zick. While the businessman

scouted a location for the building, Zick went to work fixing machinery for the Civilian Conservation Corps.

Zick started business in his own shop in 1938 in a new building located where Pelican Bay IGA is now. He remained there until 1947 when a fire destroyed the building.

Zick moved the auto dealer-

ship to its present location along Hwy. 53 following the fire. The building constructed at that site is still in use today.

Zick was renowned for his service. When logging trucks experience mechanical problems, Zick would drive to the camps to repair the trucks on site. In winter, when temperatures dipped below zero, Zick would have fires built on each side of the truck to keep warm while he worked on it.

Although he worked solo when he first opened his own shop, Zick added employees over the years. One of those Alden Lindgren went on to land a top position with the Ford Motor Co.

In the early 1940s, Zick expanded his business into auto sales after being offered a Chrysler dealership. The dealer promised Zick a car for \$50 down and \$50 a month.

Zick kept few cars on his lot in those days. Usually there was just a demonstrator model on site. When a customer ordered a car, Zick would take the train to Minneapolis and then drive back in the vehicle. It seemed only fitting that Zick sold his first car to the train depot agent.

## FIRE...Continued from page 1

scene. Firefighters were able to protect the adjacent structures, although a number of vehicles that had been parked outside the building were also destroyed in the fire.

"My heart goes out to everybody involved," said Astleford.

The fire was reported at 1:45 a.m.

"The fire departments did an unbelievable job of protecting Norman's One Stop and Motel," said Astleford. "It was only 20 feet from Wally's. The closest wall actually started smoldering at one point, but they kept the fire from spreading and kept Norman's safe."

The night's weather helped the firefighters

keep the fire from spreading.

"The fire was really hot," said Astleford. "But when the roof of Wally's caved in, flames shot straight up. There was absolutely no breeze. We were really lucky."

Orr Fire Chief Dallas Johnson said that while they deal with automotive fires regularly, this was on a much larger scale.

"We knew there were a lot of used oil and lubricants present," he said.

"We took a defensive approach which helped keep us somewhat out of harm's way," he said. "And yes, quick action by the first arriving crew was key to saving Norman's Motel." The first fire-

fighters on the scene were assistant chief John Barto and firefighters Patrick Hoffer and Karen Barto.

"They deployed what is called a Blitz Fire Portable Monitor with a capacity of 500 gallons per minute," Johnson said. "This device is pre-connected to our truck and works wonderfully."

Johnson also had praise for their mutual aid partners: Crane Lake, Cook, Bois Forte, and Buick, for securing water supplies, and providing trucks and personnel.

Astleford noted this is the second time in recent history that Orr has lost a major business to fire.

"Everybody remembers the fire in the 90s that

took out half our downtown," he said, speaking of the fire that destroyed Mel's IGA and the building that housed the T. Patten Cafe.

"That was a wake-up call," he said. "Our fire fighting equipment is improved since then." The department was also able to pump water directly from Pelican Lake, ensuring a steady supply of water all night long.

Small town tragedies tend to bring the community closer, he said. "I am very proud of the people here in Orr. They've reached out to Mark Mankus, offering any help he may need. And Mark knows he will get it."

Johnson said that

Tony Norman, owner of the adjacent convenience store and motel, spent the night supplying firefighters with refreshments, and opened up his parking lot area for emergency vehicles. The Orr Ambulance provided rehab operations and was on stand-by all night in case of medical emergencies. The city of Orr was also an essential partner, with Rocky Hoffman keeping the water system working throughout the fire, and city hall employees in the office manning the phones. Astleford was on the scene from start to finish, Johnson said.

"Everyone is hoping they rebuild," he said.

Astleford also wanted

to thank the Orr EMS service, which stayed on site the entire night. Luckily, no one was injured in the fire.

The cause of the fire is under investigation by the Sheriff's Office and the State Fire Marshal's Office.

Astleford said dealing with the aftermath of an industrial fire can be complicated. The fire marshal was on scene immediately after the fire. The MPCA was also in Orr, making sure no hazardous chemicals were released and that the water running off the fire scene was safe. The city's lift station was also cleaned, and cleared as safe, Astleford said.

## PEHRSON LODGE...Continued from page 1

"People in the neighboring cabin heard the smoke alarm going off," said Mary Hanson, who along with her husband Eric own and operate the Lake Vermilion resort. "Then they saw the smoke and raced up to the lodge."

While the cabin, built in 2002, was never fully engulfed in flames, the fire did cause a window to break outwards from the heat. The interior of the cabin was totally destroyed, the result of heat, smoke, and the water used to douse the fire.

Eric Hanson used fire extinguishers to try to douse the flames through the broken window while waiting for the fire department to arrive. Mary said other resort guests helped round up other cabins' fire extinguishers to try to keep



the fire in check.

"Everyone was so helpful," she said. The

resort had a dozen occupied cabins that week. The fire didn't seem to dampen

any of their guests' vacation time. People came and went, she said, and were

The interior of this two-story cabin at Pehrson's Resort on Lake Vermilion, was totally destroyed by a fire last week. submitted photo

out fishing and kayaking while the firefighters were on the scene.

"Someone did come in while we were talking with some of the emergency responders," she said, "and asked if it was a bad time to ask for more firewood."

Mary obliged, but noted that it was only to be used in the outdoor fire rings!

Firefighters were able to contain the fire to the interior of the cabin and kept it from spreading to any of the nearby cabins. "They dumped a whole

tankerful of water into the cabin," Mary Hanson said.

The St. Louis County Sheriff's Department and the Minnesota State Fire Marshal are investigating the cause of the fire. No one was injured in the incident.

Mary said they are unsure if the cabin can be salvaged or will need to be rebuilt. Their insurance agent was on scene during the fire, so the process of getting repair and rebuilding estimates is already underway.

Both Mary and Eric were grateful for the quick response of all the area first responders who were on scene and wanted to be sure to thank all those involved.

Pehrson's has operated as a resort since 1900.



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

# Could Ely's vacant Shopko Hometown building be reused?

by KEITH VANDERVORT  
Ely Editor

ELY—For the second consecutive month, John Fedo reported to the Ely Economic Development Authority that he is continuing to work with a local business on a reuse of the former Shopko building.

Fedo, who serves as economic development advisor to the city, provided few details at the EEDA meeting Tuesday night but sounded optimistic about the potential for the local economy.

The 38,000-square-foot Shopko Hometown facility on the east end of town closed in June, leaving a gaping hole in the regional retail economy, and as many as 18 people without a job.

The Wisconsin-based retailer initially sought bankruptcy protection, but plans for corporate restructuring were unsuccessful. The company owed \$67 million to a pharmaceutical supplier.

Shopko had 134 stores and another 176 Shopko Hometown outlets across the Midwest. Shopko and

its predecessor brand, Pamida, had a presence in Ely for at least five decades.

Fedo would not comment on the identification of the existing business that is considering a move to the vacant building. “Our emphasis has been to help the existing business person in their consideration in terms of expansion at their existing location or potential for expansion onto the (Shopko) site,” he said.

He emphasized that if the business expansion project proceeds, “it would mean positive job creation as well as local investment.”

He said that a meeting he held this week with the Department of Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation and the anonymous business focused on leveraging expansion of existing activities as well as what they are proposing for a new area.

“The business plan is the bottom line here on how we might assist immediately in getting that individual business

to sit down and work with their existing lenders in streamlining the decision-making,” Fedo said. “When those decisions are made in the next few weeks, they will be well-founded, well-researched, and for them, hopefully, the right decision.”

City council member Jerome Debeltz inquired about the possibility of re-establishing a bowling alley in Ely, mentioning that Babbitt just recently lost their facility. “Many people like to go bowling around here in the winter

because there’s not a lot of things to do,” he said.

Fedo noted that he offered to help the existing Ely bowling center operator as that business faltered. “There has not been a lot of new inquiries in that particular area of business. Certainly we can help if an opportunity presents itself,” he said.

The EEDA agreed to add “high quality, affordable childcare in Ely” to their list of continuing priorities for the coming year.

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“The city is in dire straits,” said Lamppa, noting that it was the first time in more than 30 years that the city has had to resort to short-term borrowing to cover its bills. She noted that the city has been forced to borrow \$750,000 in just the past month and a half and is still facing a significant cash flow problem.

Lamppa recited a long list of examples where poor management had cost the city funds or substantially delayed reimbursements for grant-funded city projects. She noted that when she took over the clerk-treasurer duties back in June, the city had seven major projects, some dating back years, that were still in limbo due to unfinished paperwork. Lamppa said the city’s new grant manager, Nancy Larson, has since completed reporting for those grants, and the city has now received reim-

bursements on six of the seven, which has helped, but not solved, the city’s cash crunch.

The mismanagement of the city’s latest walkway and lighting project around the harbor has proven to be the city’s biggest financial headache. Lamppa noted that the city spent \$802,284 on the project, without receiving any reimbursement to date. “This is the biggest reason the city is in so much trouble,” she said. “The work was great. The harbor looks great, but as far as the work in the office, nothing was done since 2016.”

The harbor project was supposed to have received 100-percent reimbursement from the Legislative-Citizens Commission on Minnesota Resources, or LCCMR, through a \$679,000 grant. But the former clerk-treasurer failed to include \$123,000 in engineering costs, which were eli-

gible to be covered by the grant. Instead, Keith and SEH engineers made significant changes to the project, which added to the costs and consumed the entire grant amount just for construction. And Keith never sought the required LCCMR approval for an amendment to the project; given the significant changes, Lamppa said the city may now only receive partial reimbursement. She noted that staff from the LCCMR and the Department of Natural Resources had conducted a recent site visit to better understand what happened with the project. “They told us we stand to lose \$250,000 because of the way the project was handled,” Lamppa said. If so, the project—which was supposed to have been entirely grant-funded—will end up costing the city nearly \$375,000.

Larson noted that the second phase of the project, for which the LCCMR had previously approved \$600,000, was now at risk of cancellation. The LCCMR board won’t decide on how to proceed with the reimbursement for the first phase, and whether to offer an extension for completion of the second phase, until they meet this December.

Meanwhile, the *Timberjay* has learned that Keith’s mismanagement of the LCCMR project included false reporting to the state. In project updates provided by Keith in 2016 and 2017, the former clerk-treasurer wrote that the city was actively working with the Tower-Soudan Historical Society and the Vermilion Lake Association on the development of a kayak route that was supposed to be designed and built

as part of the project. The *Timberjay* has confirmed that Keith, in fact, had never spoken to either organization about the project, much less engaged their input in any capacity related to the project during her tenure as clerk-treasurer.

Keith’s mismanagement has forced the city to delay payments on some checks when possible, as well as temporarily borrow funds to pay those that can’t be delayed. At a council meeting last month, Lamppa said the city had \$70,000 in available cash, while the council approved more than \$140,000 in bills.

She said the city borrowed \$500,000 from Frandsen Bank and \$250,000 from the League of Minnesota Cities to cover the city’s bills. She said the city is set to receive the second half of their property tax payments and Local Government Aid in December, which normally keep the city operating until the following June. This year, however, much of it will have to go toward paying off the loans. While the 2020 city budget is balanced, Lamppa said the city will be going into next year “with a lot of baggage.”

### New issues arise daily

Lamppa said city staff continue to discover new issues and examples of mismanagement almost daily, most often as a result of contacts by other public agencies or contractors who call to alert them to long unpaid bills or potential reimbursements for which Keith had failed to apply. She said that the Minnesota Department of Transportation recently notified them that the city had failed to submit paperwork for final reimbursement on two airport related projects. The city was still owed \$100,511 on a project dating back to 2016 and \$23,175 from a project from 2018. Keith had also failed to apply for operating and main-

tenance funds for the airport in recent years, leaving another \$11,000 on the table. Lamppa said the city has since applied for reimbursement for all those funds and that they expect to receive the revenue shortly.

Lamppa said management of the Lamppa Manufacturing construction project has faced a number of issues, including Keith’s failure to segregate costs that were covered by the project’s \$1.8 million loan and those that were covered by a separate grant for site work and infrastructure. She said Chris Ismil, of the IRRRB, is “having a nightmare,” trying to sort it all out. “Nothing was divided out based on whether it was grant money or loan money. Chris Ismil has spent two days sorting out vouchers and payments trying to decide which one came from which fund. They’re quite upset that it wasn’t done properly from day one.”

Larson, who ended up handling the project after Keith’s suspension, called the project “a real mess in the books,” noting that Keith had submitted the same invoices for payment in some cases as many as three times. “It was not handled cleanly at all,” she said.

Some of the issues involve employees as well. Lamppa said she discovered that Keith had never submitted premium payments for life insurance policies that are guaranteed to city maintenance staff and the deputy clerk by their union contract. In addition, she said mandatory annual reports to the Public Employees Retirement Association, or PERA, for city workers, have not been submitted since 2014. Lamppa said the reports are somewhat time-consuming and she was frustrated when she learned that she would now have to complete five years of reporting because of Keith’s failure. “I just wanted to scream when I got that call,” she said.

Lamppa also cited

examples of needless waste and overspending. She noted that the city had reams of unused and expensive letterhead, with an older city logo, that had been tossed in a storage room. She noted that the city’s telecommunications bill still included data charges for a number of computer tablets that were out of service, in some cases for several years. “These are the kinds of issues we’re dealing with day after day,” she said.

### Finding funds

Lamppa also reviewed the veritable shell game that Keith engaged in as she sought to juggle payments by constantly moving money between various city accounts, leaving many of them almost entirely drained. That includes the city’s funds for police car replacement and streets, both of which should have had \$25,000 available. Instead, both had been drained to under \$1,000. The fire department fund, which should hold \$31,540, according to Lamppa, was now at just \$1,667. The general fund account, which should hold \$52,423 was left with just \$5,787, according to a chart presented by Lamppa.

Meanwhile, Lamppa said all of the transfers require city council authorization, but Keith never obtained the council’s consent. And while money has since been restored to the ambulance subsidy account, which currently totals \$118,765, Lamppa said even that fund had been drained almost entirely at various points. She said that fund is considered a special fund from which even the council could not authorize transfers for anything other than the dedicated purpose of ambulance and equipment replacement.

Mayor Orlyn Kringstad praised Lamppa’s efforts to get the city’s finances and management processes back on track. “You’ve done tremendous work for us, Ann,” he said. He noted that since Keith’s suspension in June, Lamppa, Larson, and other financial professionals who have volunteered their services have worked to identify problems and have, to date, recovered more than one million dollars in grant funds for which the city had previously failed to apply or had mismanaged.

Kringstad said he and others on the council felt it was important to get the information out to the public to ensure better transparency about city finances than was offered in the past. “We didn’t want to be accused of sugar-coating things,” he said.

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JUSTICE SYSTEM

# Attorney Andrew Peterson appointed to district judgeship

by MARSHALL HELMBERGER  
Managing Editor

VIRGINIA — Virginia attorney Andrew Peterson will soon be known as “Judge Peterson.”

Gov. Tim Walz made that announcement this past week, as he appointed Peterson to fill the vacancy left by the retirement of Judge Gary Pagliacetti, who served for years

as a district court judge at the St. Louis County Courthouse in Virginia.

“I am honored to appoint Andrew Peterson as a District Court Judge in the Sixth Judicial District,” said Governor Walz. “He demonstrates remarkable well-roundedness in both his legal career and community involvement that will serve the people of St. Louis County well.”

Minnesota’s Sixth

Judicial District consists of Carlton, Cook, Lake, and St. Louis Counties (Duluth, Hibbing, and Virginia).

Peterson is currently an attorney and shareholder of Cope & Peterson Ltd. where he represents clients in all aspects of civil litigation, criminal law, real estate, business law, and municipal law. He has been city attorney for a number of area

communities, including the cities Tower and Orr, both of which will now be searching for new legal counsel. Peterson is expected to begin his duties on the bench as soon as November.

Peterson is certified by the Minnesota State Bar Association as a Civil Trial Specialist and a Real Property Specialist. His community involvement includes the Volunteer

Attorney Program, Range Bar Association, Domestic Violence Court Exploratory Committee, Virginia Educational Fund, Quad Cities Rotary Club, Minnesota Association of Justice, and others.

Mr. Peterson received his BA from Gustavus Adolphus College and his JD from William Mitchell College of Law.



Andrew Peterson

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to slower finishing times than previous years, a record 116 full-marathon racers posted an average time of 4:34:44 on the 26.2 mile course through the north woods. Andrew McNamara, 38, of Goodhue, took home first place with a time of 2:52:13, according to the Ely Marathon website. The Ely race is a qualifier for the prestigious Boston Marathon.

Other top finishers in the full marathon included Nick Gardner, 23, of Stillwater, 3:06:14; Evan Odean, 28, Duluth, 3:12:47; Hudson Kingston, 36, Ely, 3:13:22; and Job Pazos-Avila, 37, Salem, Ore., 3:14:09.

Stacy Torkelson, 37, of Brainerd, was the top women’s finisher, 14<sup>th</sup> place, with a time of 3:44:30.

Ely Marathon course records were set in 2016 with the top men’s time of 2:47:25 and the top women’s time of 3:00:14.

As many as 346 half

-marathon participants (288 finishers) posted an average time of 2:26:41 for the 13.1-mile course. Joey Chmelick, 23, of Grand Marais, took first place with a time of 1:23:50, followed close behind by Lisa Smith, 37, Hibbing, with a time of 1:24:47 that was good enough for a women’s half-marathon course record. Top five half marathon finishers included Brian St. George, 43, Mt. Iron, 1:25:20; Aiden Winn, 23, Red Wing, 1:29:41; and Maria Richert, 33, Northfield, 1:29:49.

Lindsay said there were many upsets this year with past winners bested by newcomers. “About 70 percent of past winners were registered this year,” she said. “That is great to see. Forty-four runners have competed in all five Ely Marathons.”

She said there were 67 Ely runners registered this year.

“There were lots more spectators along the route



Ely Outfitting’s portage relay team, from left, Bob Winkelman, Eliza Vistica, Jasper Johnston, Hannah Nixon, Ben Johnson, Kristen Larsen and Jason Zabokrtsky, took home the Golden Paddle Award. photo by K. Vandervort

this year,” she added. There were lots of folks sitting in lawn chairs at the edge of their driveway. That was great to see. Winton had a huge crowd of spectators. They definitely get the Spirit Award.”

The fan favorites again this year were those racers brave enough to carry a canoe with them on the course.

The idea of portaging a canoe in the race took off a couple of years ago, according to Lindsay, after a few participants focused in on the race’s marketing pitch for the full marathon as an “8,390-rod portage,” a reference to the number of rods in 26.2 miles. Portages in the nearby Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness, where canoes and camping gear are transported between lakes, are measured in rods.

Anthony Peter, 39, of Mounds View, won a NorthStarNorthwind solo canoe, and his name in the Guinness Book of World Records, by besting last year’s full marathon canoe portage race with a time of 05:00:01, about 24 minutes faster than last year’s winner, Dan Drehmel, 31, of Ely. Drehmel finished in

second place this year with a time of 05:00:58. Ben Gardner, 25, Stillwater, was third with a time of 05:27:01.

The half-marathon portage division winner was Chris Johnson, 39, of Plymouth, with a time of 02:52:39. Dana Gilbertson, 26, of Duluth, took second place with her time of 02:53:27. Craig Sinclair, 59, Waconia, Wis., took third with a time of 03:40:57.

Two canoe portage relay team divisions, a full and half-marathon, were introduced at this year’s Ely Marathon. Local outfitting company Ely Outfitting Co., with a time of 05:08:10, bested the team from Northern Tier, at 05:16:42, to win the Golden Paddle award.

The Ely Outfitting Co. portage relay team includ-

ed, Bob Winkelman, Eliza Vistica, Jasper Johnston, Hannah Nixon, Ben Johnson, Kristen Larsen, and Jason Zabokrtsky.

“We had a ton of fun,” Zabokrtsky said. “The other runners, portagers and event volunteers were really supportive and cheered us along. Our Ely Outfitting team is already looking to defend the ‘Golden Paddle’ title next year.”

Ely’s Spirit of the Wilderness team won the half-marathon portage relay team race with a time of 02:38:38 over a team of women from Duluth who finished with a time of 03:01:22.

The 1.2-mile kids marathon, coined the Dorothy Molter Root Beer Run, included kids who ran 25 miles prior to race day and finished out the last 1.2 miles of the marathon route at the official marathon finish line. Of the 77 participants and 64 finishers, Greyson Reichensperger, of Tower, finished in first place with a time of 08:25, followed by Brock Rohowetz, Oconomowoc, Wis., 08:54; Avery Buschman, Babbitt, 09:08; Oliver Hansen, Duluth, 09:13; and Trevor Anderson, Duluth, 09:13.

“We are already making plans for the 2020 Ely Marathon,” Lindsay said. “We have 27 runners already registered for next year.”

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Soudan a few years ago, but she has continued to work for the Mdewakanton since.

Schultz, who now lives in Tower, has an associate arts degree from Mesabi Community College and a bachelor of arts degree in political science from University of St. John’s

in Collegeville. He has worked mostly in the field of debt collections, first with Financial Recovery Services in Edina and most recently, since June 2018, with the Minnesota Department of Revenue, working from the Ely collections office. He also worked four and a half

years as a developmental training manager with National Recoveries, Inc., in Arden Hills.

Both Ranua and Schultz have confirmed their attendance at the Sept. 30 special meeting.

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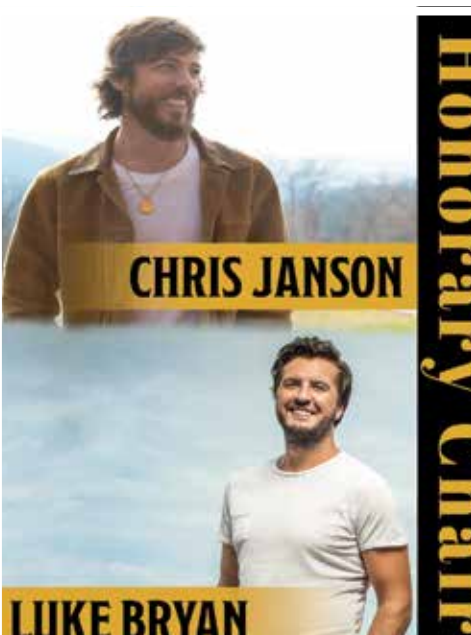
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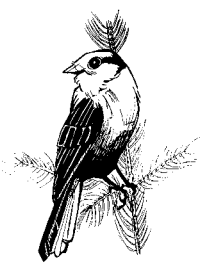
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## 11-MAN FOOTBALL

# North Woods downs Barnum for first win

by MARSHALL HELMBERGER  
Managing Editor

Grizzlies gain 339 yards to improve to 1-3 in 11-man competition

BARNUM— The Grizzlies put their first “W” in the record books as an 11-man squad this past Friday, as they beat the Bombers here, 30-12. It was an all-hands-on-deck performance as five North Woods players had a hand in the Grizzlies’ four touchdowns. Junior quarterback Zach Cheney connected with freshman Jared Chiabotti in the first quarter to put North Woods

up 8-0. The Bombers answered with six points early in the second quarter, but a failed conversion left the Grizzlies clinging to a two-point margin. Sophomore T.J. Chiabotti, who rushed for 127 yards on 17 carries on the night, put the Grizzlies up by eight minutes later as he scampered 15 yards into the end zone to complete a North Woods

scoring drive. On the Bombers’ next drive, senior Nathan Crain picked off Barnum quarterback Blaze Hurst and ran 49 yards to put North Woods up by 14, and the conversion left the Grizzlies up 22-6. “Nathan’s interception gave us a big spark before halftime and we were never in any danger of losing the game after the big play,” said Grizzlies Head Coach

John Jirik. Senior Clay Janssen added six more for the Grizzlies on a five-yard run in the third quarter. The conversion left North Woods up 30-6. The Bombers went on to add six more in the game’s final stanza, but by then it was too late to matter. North Woods showed real offensive spark, as they racked

up 339 yards, including 281 rushing yards. While Chiabotti led the way in rushing with his 127 yards, Janssen had a good night as well, racking up 83 yards on 11 carries. Sophomore Ty Fabish rushed for 32 on three carries, while junior Austin Sokolowski added 28 yards on three carries.

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## VOLLEYBALL

# Ely sweeps North Woods

Ely improves to 9-2 with the win, looks increasingly strong heading into second half of season

by MARSHALL HELMBERGER  
Managing Editor

ELY— North Woods found a tough go here last Thursday as they fell to the Timberwolves in straight sets, 25-13, 25-16, and 25-21. It was the Wolves’ fifth-straight sweep and it improved their season record to 9-2. Consistency has been a strong suit for Ely as the season has moved into the second half and they reaped its benefits against a North Woods team that has shown promise at times this season.

“Ely was a tough team with a strong attack,” said North Woods Head Coach Kandi Olson. “We worked hard on our blocking and digging all night and tried to answer their offense with an attack of our own.”

The Wolves showed plenty of balance, with four players posting double digit stats. Senior Brielle Kallberg had a big night, posting 13 kills, nine digs and seven blocks, while fellow senior Erika Mattson tallied 14 kills and two blocks. Junior McKenna Coughlin added nine kills and 21 digs, while senior setter McCartney Kaercher added 35 assists and seven digs.

“We played really well the first two sets,” said Ely Head Coach Andrea Thomas. “We were aggressive offensively and spread out a number of kills between players. Winter Saino did a great job serving for us in set one. She had a string of six serves the first time she served and four the next. In set three we struggled to get anything going early on. We

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Above: The Grizzlies’ Coley Olson puts a block on a shot from Ely’s Brielle Kallberg.

Left: Coley Olson goes up for a kill, while Ely’s Jenna Merhar and Winter Saino jump in unison to block.

photos by J. Greeney

## VOLLEYBALL

# Nighthawks struggling at mid-season

by JODI SUMMIT  
Tower-Soudan Editor

CHISHOLM— The Nighthawks had a tough week, falling here to the Bluestreaks on Monday after finishing in 11th place at the Virginia Tournament this past Saturday.

The team lost in five games to the Bluestreaks, 26-24, 25-18, 19-25, 21-25, 12-15.

“We came out strong in the first two sets,” said Nighthawks Head Coach Jodi Rogers-Reichensperger, “but then we hit a third-set lull which we could not pull ourselves out of.”

Rogers-Reichensperger said the match was a “battle of the middles” with sophomore Hannah

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# Sports week

## FOOTBALL

**Friday, Sept. 27**  
North Woods hosts Braham, 7 p.m.

Ely hosts Silver Bay, 7 p.m.

Northeast Range at Cherry, 3:30 p.m.

## VOLLEYBALL

**Monday, Sept. 30**  
North Woods at Cook County, 7 p.m.

Ely at Northeast Range, 7 p.m.

**Tuesday, Oct. 1**  
Ely hosts Lakeview Christian, 7 p.m.

Northeast Range at Nash-Kee, 7 p.m.

**Thursday, Oct. 3**  
Ely hosts Bigfork, 7 p.m.

Northeast Range hosts Hill City, 7 p.m.

## SWIMMING

**Thursday, Oct. 3**  
Northeast Range vs multiple schools at Cloquet Middle School, 5 p.m. Girls Varsity Triangular

## CROSS COUNTRY

**Tuesday, Oct. 1**  
Ely Invitational, 4 p.m.

## NINEMAN FOOTBALL

# Ely falls to Cook County in overtime

by KEITH VANDERVORT  
Ely Editor

Wolves had led by 14 into the final minutes of play

GRAND MARAIS – This one hurt.

That’s the only way to describe what had appeared to be the season for Ely as they faced Cook County here last Friday. The Timberwolves’ offense, which had yet to score this season, put two touchdowns on the board against the Vikings. Ely’s solid defensive play had left Cook County scoreless up to the final minutes of the game. Then, with less than four minutes remaining, it all fell apart. Cook County

“The guys felt like we should have won this one.”

Head Coach Cory Lassi

scored back-to-back touchdowns to tie the score at 14 as regulation time expired. They would add one more in the overtime period to emerge with the win, leaving

the Timberwolves shellshocked. “This loss hurts a lot more,” said Ely Head Coach Cory Lassi. “The guys felt like they should have won this one. Just a couple of plays made all the difference. I’m proud of the way they played. They didn’t give up.”

Senior halfback Dalton Schreffler took control of an improving offense, rushing for 169 yards on 27 carries, including a 57-yard scorcher in the second quarter that put six on the board. “Dalton scored on a broken play,” Lassi said. “We were in a

wildcat formation where he took the direct snap from center. It was low and he bobbled it, cut right, then cut back left and ran it all the way in.” The two-point conversion failed.

Later in the quarter, Ely capitalized on its sudden momentum, recovering from a holding penalty with first-and-goal at the two yard-line. After a couple runs showed little progress, senior quarterback Bryce Longwell went to the air on fourth and

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SWIMMING

# NER/Ely falls short against Two Harbors

by MARSHALL HELMBERGER  
Managing Editor

TWO HARBORS — Northeast Range and Ely varsity swimmers couldn't get past a Two Harbors team that dominated the top positions during their meet on Tuesday. Two Harbors won, with 98 points to 65 for the Nighthawks.

Freshman Lily Tedrick was the only exception, as she finished in first place in the 200-yard individual medley with a time of 2:40.05. Senior Brooke Pasmick finished second in the

50-yard freestyle with a time of 27.47, and eighth-grader Abby Koivisto took second in the 100-yard freestyle. Freshman Morgan McClelland also took second in the 500-yard freestyle with a time of 6:58.59, while Aili Bee took second in the 100-yard breaststroke with a time of 1:30.92. The Nighthawks' 200-yard freestyle relay team of Tedrick, Koivisto, McClelland, and freshman Cedar Ohlhauser also claimed a second-place finish with a time of 1:58.42, while the same team, with Bee substituting for Koivisto, took

second in the 400-yard freestyle relay with a time of 4:32.78. During the Soderlind Invitational in Duluth last week, the Nighthawks had a few bright spots in competition against a large field. Senior Brooke Pasmick posted the best performances of the day for the Nighthawks, placing fifth in the 100-yard backstroke, with a time of 1:10.16, and eighth in the 50-yard freestyle, with a time of 26.84. The Nighthawks' 400-yard freestyle relay team, including Pasmick, freshmen

Kelly Thompson and Morgan McClelland, and eighth-grader Abby Koivisto, took ninth in the 400-yard freestyle relay with a time of 4:20.72. Thompson anchored the 200-yard freestyle relay, along with Koivisto, and freshmen Cedar Ohlhauser and Lily Tedrick, to take tenth in that competition, at a time of 1:57.00. Pasmick, Tedrick, Koivisto, and sophomore Aili Bee combined to place 11th in the 200-yard medley relay (2:13.86). Tedrick also notched 12th in the 200-yard individual

medley, with a time of 2:43.53, and took 15th in the 100-yard butterfly with a time of 1:16.26. McClelland was the only other Nighthawk with a top-20 finish, placing 18th in the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 2:26.88. The Nighthawks were set to host Eveleth-Gilbert on Thursday, Sept. 26, at 5 p.m., in Babbitt. They be in Cloquet next Thursday to take part in a varsity triangular meet.

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seven. "We ran what we call a swinging gate and Longwell threw a nice pass to sophomore half-back Mason Davis for the score," said Lassi. Davis also converted on the two-point conversion to give the Timberwolves a 14-0 lead at the half.

"We played really well defensively almost all night long," Lassi said. "Again, we bent some but didn't break until late in the game."

Late in the fourth quarter, an injury to a Viking player delayed play for about 30 minutes. "We had a couple of huge penalties on us after that delay, and they drove down and scored," Lassi said. Cook County recovered their onside kick and another quick Vikings' score tied

the game. In overtime, the Timberwolves failed to score on their possession from the 10-yard line. The Vikings found the end zone to end the game. On defense, Schreffler led the team in tackles with 11. Longwell had an interception and junior defensive tackle Lane Anderson had a fumble recovery. "After this effort, we are looking to be in every game," Lassi said. We know we are able to play. We have to find a way to finish it." Ely hosts Silver Bay (3-1) Friday night for homecoming at 7 p.m. The Wolves travel to Northeast Range on Friday, Oct. 4. That game will begin at 4 p.m.

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Reichensperger going up against Abby Thompson of Chisholm. The two standouts played together on the Minnesota North Club Team out of Duluth in the off-season.

"They almost went hit for hit throughout the match," said Rogers-Reichensperger, "with Hannah totaling 27 kills and Abby tallying 21."

Despite the loss, Rogers-Reichensperger said she saw plenty of good things from her team. "This was the best defensive match we have played so far this season," she said. "If we can just maintain our level of play throughout, we will be able to get some wins."

The team is now 5-9 on the season. Reichensperger led the Nighthawks against the 'Streaks, adding 23 digs, and eight blocks to her 27 kills. Senior setter Lara Poderzay had 33 assists, while sophomore Jenna Smith tallied 18 digs and classmate Natalie Nelmark posted six kills.

The team also played at the Virginia Tournament this past Saturday, where the 'Hawks lost their first two matches, 2-0, to Mt. Iron-Buhl, and then to Virginia.

"Although the scores were close in the MIB match, 23-25 and 20-25, we struggled to finish strong," said Reichensperger.

The Nighthawks looked better in afternoon action, but still ended up losing to Nashwauk (22-25, 25-14, and 10-15). "We waited until our final match to pull everything together to defeat North Woods 27-17 and 25-19," said Reichensperger.

Team stats for the day were respectable, said Reichensperger, with Poderzay tallying 49 assists, while Reichensperger tallied 51 kills, six blocks, and 25 digs. Nelmark posted 10 kills, while senior Maude Lenz added 41 digs. Jenna Smith tallied 31 digs, and senior Makaya Bodas posted 21.

"The stats are telling me that the team needs to get better at putting the ball away, so we don't have to be on the defensive so much," said Reichensperger.

The team was set to meet North Woods on Sept. 26. They'll host Ely on Sept. 30, before traveling to Nashwauk next Tuesday. They'll be back home Thursday, Oct. 3, to host Hill City.

## VOLLEYBALL

# Wolves continue to dominate

by MARSHALL HELMBERGER  
Managing Editor

ELY—The wins keep coming for the Timberwolves' volleyball squad, as they easily downed Duluth Marshall here on Tuesday night to improve their season record to 13-3. The Wolves took it in three sets, 25-8, 25-13, and 25-20.

"McKenna Coughlin served ten consecutive points in set one," said Ely Head Coach Andrea Thomas. "We lacked a little energy in set three and got burned by some tips but recovered to finish in three sets."

The Wolves were playing without senior standout Brielle Kallberg, who sprained her ankle in set two against Cromwell-Wright during tournament action on Saturday. Thomas said she hopes to have Kallberg back in the lineup by the end of next week.

The Wolves had plenty of back-up for Kallberg. Coughlin, a junior, had a big night, posting nine kills, 11 digs, and three blocks in addition to her serving streak. Senior Erika Mattson worked the

net, posting 11 kills as well as eight digs. Senior Jenna Merhar added six kills, three blocks, and two ace serves. Senior setter McCartney Kaercher added 25 assists and two kills.

### Virginia tournament

Ely took three of four matches at the Virginia tournament last Saturday as they showed again that they've become a formidable volleyball squad as the season heads towards the section playoffs in just over three weeks. "We played well all day considering the conditions," said Coach Thomas. "It felt like we were playing in a sauna with a slippery floor most of the day." Ely took third place for its performance.

The Wolves led off tournament play with a win over Cloquet in straight sets, 25-17 and 25-19. Kallberg, before her injury, led the way with six kills, seven digs and four blocks, while Coughlin added seven kills and two ace serves. Mattson posted four kills, six digs and two ace serves, while Kaercher added 17 set assists and eight digs.

Ely narrowly edged South Ridge in the second match of the tournament, taking both sets 25-23. Coughlin had a strong match, posting eight kills, nine digs, and two ace serves, while Kallberg posted five kills, nine digs, and four blocks. Mattson tallied six kills and as many digs, while Kaercher added 23 set assists and eight digs.

The Wolves' only loss of the tournament came against Blaine, which beat Ely in three sets, 19-25, 26-24, and 8-15. "Blaine had terrific net play and took advantage of our poor passing in set one," said Thomas. "Set two we stepped up our defense and played aggressively and pulled out the win. Set three our serve-receive gave us problems and we had trouble running our offense in system."

Ely recovered in time to beat Cromwell-Wright in three sets, 25-19, 25-18, and 16-14. Coughlin led with nine kills, ten digs and two ace serves, while Mattson posted seven kills and six digs. Kaercher added 20 assists and ten digs.

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Crain led on defense, with six tackles and nine assists, while senior Levi Byram tallied five tackles and four assists.

"It was nice to win our first game," said Jirik. "Our team

needed to realize that we can have success in 11-man. Although we still showed our inexperience at times, we were able to overcome mistakes by playing solid defense and establishing a dominant running game."

Jirik said his team will need to play error-free football this Friday when they host Braham. Kickoff is at 7 p.m.

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were down 9-16 before we turned things around and fought back for the win."

Senior Coley Olson proved

the workhorse for the Grizzlies, posting 14 kills and 11 digs, along with seven set assists. Senior Kayla Tschida added six kills and

as many digs, while sophomore Olivia Udovich added ten digs and 13 assists.

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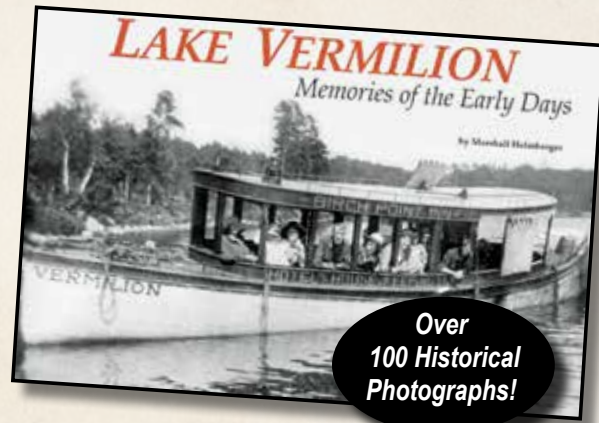


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Obituaries and Death Notices



**Roger D. Berglund, M.D.**

Roger Dale Berglund, M.D., 77, of Lake Vermilion-Soudan and Mt. Iron, died on Monday, Sept. 23, 2019, in his Mt. Iron home. A Memorial Service will be held at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 29 in Bauman's Vermilion Funeral Home in Tower. A gathering time for family and friends will begin one hour prior to the service. Inurnment will take place in the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery in Duluth. Family services are provided by Bauman-Vermilion, a Bauman Family Funeral Home in Tower.

Roger was born on Aug. 17, 1942, in St. Paul, the son of Dale E. and Edythe (Newman) Berglund. Roger graduated from Washburn High School in Minneapolis in June 1960 and enrolled in the Institute of Technology at the University of Minnesota, majoring in Chemical Engineering. In 1964 he changed his field of study to Zoology and graduated in March 1965 with a degree in Zoology. In September 1965, Roger enrolled in the Medical School at the University of Minnesota and graduated with a Medical Degree in 1969. In his second year of medical school he was selected a member of the National Honorary Medical Fraternity, Alpha Omega Alpha. Admittance to this fraternity was given to students in medical school having an outstanding scholastic and academic record. Upon graduation, he received the Borden Foundation, Inc. Award which is the undergraduate research award in medicine at the University of Minnesota School of Medicine. Up to that time, only 23 other students had received this award for proficiency in research.

His internship was at San Francisco General Hospital. During the Vietnam War, Roger enlisted in the Public Health Service as a military surgeon. From 1970 to 1972, he worked at the Public Health Hospital in Anchorage. Roger enrolled at the University of Minnesota in 1972 for his residency in Ophthalmology, graduating in 1975. In August 1975, he became employed by East Range Clinics, Ltd. in Virginia as one of the ophthalmologists.

In February 1991, Roger was awarded Board Certification in the sub-specialty field of cataract/implant surgery from the American Board of Eye Surgery. This certification ensures the ophthalmolo-

gist maintains a high level of surgical excellence as measured by his peers.

In July 1993, Roger terminated his employment with the East Range Clinic. In February 1994, he entered into his own practice headquartered in Virginia. He also maintained offices in International Falls, Ely and Duluth. He established the Northern Refractory Surgery Center and went on to hire partners Dr. Jeff Weis and Dr. Bridget Sundell. At age 77, Roger was still practicing medicine at the Essentia Clinic in Virginia and with Dr. Weis in Hermantown.

Roger was very hard-working and honest. His ethics and talents as a surgeon were beyond compare. He was an innovative surgeon and had performed surgery on thousands of patients, yet he remained humble. He was a carpenter, a landscape designer, and an electrician. He built many projects, did finishing work on his homes, and designed and built two ponds with waterfalls and koi fish at his lake home. He liked to garden, do woodworking, and liked to be intellectually challenged. He was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather.

Roger is survived by his wife, Amy Berglund; children, David (Jami) Berglund of Big Lake and Christina "Nina" (Gus Chung) Berglund of Sacramento, Calif.; stepson, Charles Crayne of Soudan; siblings, Richard (Pat) Berglund of Wyoming, Minn., and Judy Listberger of Minneapolis; grandchildren, Avi, Lily, Juliet and Jonah; nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

**Earl Ahlstrand**

Earl Ahlstrand, of Ely, passed away at his home on Friday, Sept. 20, 2019, surrounded by family. Services will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 28 at Kerntz Funeral Home in Ely.

He is survived by his wife, Georgann Sterner Ahlstrand; five daughters, Roxanne (Ron) Perttula, Brenda (Gary) Pieper of Pinopolis, S.C., Shelly Bach, La-Rae Olson and Lisa (Barry) Burton of Hibbing; sisters, Dorthy (Eugene) Maki and Betty Mather (Tony) Erner; brother, Bill (Lillian) Ahlstrand; nine grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.



**Stanley E. Stenbeck**

Stanley Erwin Stenbeck, 89, of Cook, passed away on Thursday, Sept. 19, 2019, at St. Luke's Hospital in Duluth. There will be a private family committal at a later time. Arrangements are with Mlaker Funeral Home of Cook.

Stanley was born to Wayne and Hilda (Makela) Stenbeck on May 30, 1930. He grew up and attended school in Cook, graduating from Cook High School in 1948. Stanley became a mechanic right out of high school, working until he joined the U.S. Marine Corps in 1952. He remained stateside, serving in the Motor Pool division until he was honorably discharged in 1954. Soon after, he was united in marriage to Mary Leah Larson in October 1954 in Trinity Church in Cook. They were married just one month shy of 65 years at the time of his passing. During this time, Stanley continued his mechanical career, working at Maki Motors, Gentilini Motors and Waschke Auto Plaza in the Virginia-Eveleth area, until his retirement in 1992.

Stanley and Mary Leah both loved the water, so they followed their dream and moved to a home on Lake Vermilion, where they lived for 47 years. Stanley loved spending time with his wife, especially when they were fishing, hunting, and snowmobiling together. His wife and family remember Stanley as a soft-hearted, kind and gentle man. He will be dearly missed.

Stanley is survived by his loving wife, Mary Leah; sister, Shirley Reichel; brother-in-law, Edward Larson Sr.; 10 nieces and nephews; and numerous great-nieces and great-nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Wayne and Hilda; sister, Dorothy Whiteside; brothers-in-law, Jack Whiteside and Dick Reichel; nephew, Marty Reichel; great-nephew, Trevor Reichel; niece, Ann Katzenberger; and

great-great-niece, Peytynn Russell.



**David M. Glowaski**

David Marshall Glowaski, 73, of Orr, passed away on Wednesday, Sept. 18, 2019, at his home surrounded by loved ones. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Monday, Sept. 23 at Holy Cross Catholic Church in Orr. Arrangements were with Mlaker Funeral Home of Cook.

David was born to Joe and Helen (Lehtonen/Wardas) Glowaski on July 8, 1946. David lived most of his life in Orr. He attended and graduated from Orr High School, where he was an avid sportsman, participating in football, basketball, baseball, track and cross country. After high school, David went to Virginia Junior College where he continued his love of playing sports. He played college football, basketball and track. He then enrolled in St. Cloud State University, earning a Bachelor of Science Degree in Education.

After teaching jobs dried up, David moved back to Orr and began working for Abramson Construction, where he remained for years. He then worked for Ulland Brothers. Dave logged in the winter and the allure of the woods compelled him to work in logging "year-round". He became an independent logger and formed his own logging business, Glowaski Logging. David saw a lot of problems that affected his industry, therefore, he got involved at the local and national level and during this time he became the co-founder of the Associated Contract Loggers. Dave was also a pilot and he co-founded the Pelican Flyers Flying Club. He also served as the Mayor of Orr for several years after the 1994 fire. Dave was a member of Holy Cross Catholic Church in Orr.

David is survived by his daughters, Kirbie Glowaski of Orr

and Jeaniel Glowaski of Virginia; grandchildren, Niamoni Kingbird, Nahvaya Kingbird, Marriah Kingbird, Celice King, Bonzelle Walker and Michael David Griffith; brothers, Harvey (Merrie) Glowaski of Wyoming, Minn.; and Peter (Nancy) Glowaski of Orr; sister, Karen Prew of Rosemont; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Joe and Helen; and sister, Joanne Johnson.



**Aaron J. Lokken**

Aaron James Lokken, 36, of Cook, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, Sept. 15, 2019. A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 28. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service. Arrangements are with Mlaker Funeral Home of Cook.

Aaron was born to James and Linda (Neimi) Lokken on Dec. 26, 1982, in Chisholm. He attended school in Cook, graduating from Cook High School. He furthered his education by attending three years of Votech School in Eveleth, becoming an auto body repair and mechanical specialist. He was employed at Arrowhead Paint and Repair in Gheen.

His love for all things mechanical was ingrained in him. As a child he loved remote control (RC) race cars, planes and helicopters. When Aaron was a teenager, he competed in the RC car races in Chisholm.

Aaron also had a quiet side. He enjoyed the peacefulness of the outdoors. He spent his spare time fishing, hunting and four-wheeling. When he wasn't outside, he could be found working on cars and trucks.

Aaron was a quiet and thoughtful person, who in recent years moved in with his father so that he could help care for him. His family remembers him as a happy and easy-going free spirit, with a little bit of stubbornness mixed in.

He liked to do things his own way. Aaron will be dearly missed.

Aaron is survived by his father, James "Jim" Lokken; brothers, Jack and Dale; and sisters, Tina and Eileen.

Aaron was preceded in death by his grandparents, Gilbert and Alice Lokken; and mother, Linda.

**Walter A. Fendt**

Walter A. Fendt, 87, of Ely, passed away on Saturday, Sept. 21, 2019, at the Boundary Waters Care Center in Ely. Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 28 at Ely United Methodist Church. A gathering of family and friends will be held one hour prior to the service at the church. Family arrangements have been entrusted to Kerntz Funeral Home of Ely.

**Leo G. Pullar**

Leo George Pullar, 89, of Hoyt Lakes, formerly of Embarrass, died on Friday, Sept. 13, 2019, at the Essentia Health-Northern Pines Nursing Home in Aurora, surrounded by loving family. A memorial service was held on Tuesday, Sept. 24 at Trinity United Methodist Church in Hoyt Lakes with Pastor Barbara Hegfors officiating. A Masonic Service was also held on Sept. 24. Military honors were accorded by the Aurora-Hoyt Lakes Color Guard. Arrangements were by Ziemer-Moeglein-Shatava Funeral Home in Aurora. Memorials are preferred for Trinity United Methodist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Merna; sons, Chris (Tammy) of Hoyt Lakes and Steven (Karin) of Shafer; daughters, Julie (Stephen Vanderburg) Johnson of Barnes, Wis., and Patricia (Richard) Vonderhaar of Sauk Rapids; grandchildren, Angela, April, Richard, Jennifer, Theresa, Matthew and Amy Jo; 11 great-grandchildren; one great-great-granddaughter; sisters, Jacquelyn (Floyd) Christianson, Doreen (Gordon) MacMurray, Judith (Herb) Fuller and Cathie Eldridge, all of International Falls, and Karen Tupper of Fort Frances, Ontario, Canada; and numerous nieces and nephews.

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# Outdoors

Our lives in the Northwoods

## HUNTING

# MEA weekend youth deer hunt new this year

Young people can get a jump on the firearms deer season with special four-day hunt

by MARSHALL HELMBERGER  
Managing Editor

REGIONAL— The traditional mid-October break from school, known as MEA weekend, has long been a great time for young people in the North Country to spend time in the outdoors. Starting this year, however, they'll have a new reason to head to the woods from Oct. 17- Oct. 20.

The first annual youth deer season, recently approved by the Minnesota Legislature, is a

four-day special firearms deer season designed specifically to allow young people to learn the ropes of deer hunting during a great time of year.

Youth ages 10-17 qualify to take part in the hunt, although there are a number of rules that apply. Young hunters ages 10-13 must be accompanied by an adult mentor at all times during their hunt. The adult need not be licensed. Older kids can hunt on their own, but they must have a firearms safety certificate or

apprentice hunter validation to do so. They must also have a valid deer permit. For young people between the ages of 10-12, the license is free.

The usual requirements for wearing blaze colors apply to youth hunters, as is the case with all deer hunters. Party hunting is not allowed during the youth hunt and young people must tag their own deer. The bag limit is one.

"This is a neat opportunity," said Tower Area DNR wildlife manager Tom Rusch.

**Right: Introducing young people to deer hunting is the primary purpose of the MEA weekend hunt.**

"At that time of year, the deer are undisturbed and you can't beat the potential for great weather. The leaves are generally down and the hunt can really focus on the kids, rather than the usual deer camp experience."

The youth hunting season  
See HUNT...pg. 5B



## PREDATORS

# Hawks on the move

With migration well underway, sharp-shinned hawks are looking for a meal

It's been busy at our bird feeders in recent days. The blue jays are scarfing down the sunflower seeds and cracked corn to fill their various caches ahead of the coming winter. The white-throated sparrows are fattening up for the migration ahead. And the chickadees are adjusting to the longer nights and cooler temperatures, which prompts them to feed more just to maintain their body temperature.

So, when the birds all suddenly vanished in a rush the other morning, I knew something was up. It's migration season for most birds, and that includes the birds of prey. In this case, it was an immature sharp-shinned hawk, who swooped down just over the tops of the feeders, that sent the other birds scattering. Sharp-shinned hawks feed predominantly on other birds. In fact, songbirds make up about 90 percent of their diet and it has to be a challenging way to make a living, especially as bird populations have declined across North America. The



immature hawks are just barely getting the hang of it, and this one appeared to come up empty-handed. While wild birds can become used to our activity when they're around the feeders, they are endlessly alert to predators, especially those that come from above. It's always amazing to watch a feeder full of noisy birds instantly vanish into the brush whenever a hawk drops out of the sky. While you might expect that most birds will attempt to fly away, in fact, many of them prefer to hide, often under logs or rocks. Hawks are far more powerful flyers than chickadees or sparrows, so for these small birds, hunkering down is usually the best defense.

Hawks know this and will sometimes hunt on the ground after the birds have scattered, slowly working across the forest floor, like a deadly version of hide and seek. I've watched them do this before and when you watch them it's easy to recognize the velociraptor, among the deadliest



of dinosaurs, that still exists deep in their DNA.

The immature sharp-shinned is easy to distinguish from adults because of the brown back, brown-streaked head, chest, and belly, as well as its yellowish eyes. The adult of the species sports a blue-gray cap and back, very fine rusty streaking on the front neck and chest, and red eyes.

Sharpies are small, long-

**Top and above right: An immature sharp-shinned hawk recently kept an eye out near our bird feeder. Most hawks are now following the ongoing bird migration, feeding on songbirds along the way.**

**Above left: An adult sharpie with its red eye and rusty breast.**

See HAWKS...pg. 5B

## Nature Notes

This week's feature  
**LOBSTERMUSHROOM**



With all the recent rain and humidity, the woods are full of mushrooms and other fungi. Among the more unusual is the **Lobster Mushroom**, *Hypomyces lactifluorum*, which is one of the better edible fungi in our area woods. It's called the lobster mushroom because of its bright orange color (like a cooked lobster) which remains even after cooking.

Despite its name, it's not a mushroom. Instead, it's a parasitic fungus that grows on certain species of mushrooms, transforming them into these mushroom-like shapes. I find them most frequently in conifer stands, particularly with sandy or gravelly soil. Clean them up a little bit and prepare them in butter, add them to stew or soup, or put them on your pizza. The meat remains quite firm even after cooking.

## Fishing report

### Ely area

Fall has arrived, and has brought with it some cooler temperatures, which can be great news for anglers wishing to get in on the late season bite. Walleyes are beginning to migrate towards deeper waters as opposed to the shallows where they have been prowling for the past couple of months. This is prime time to break out those deep running crank baits to take advantage of fish that are beginning to put on the feed bag in earnest, before the big chill of winter arrives. Some anglers are beginning to see the uptick in catch rates as they probe the depths for many species to include northern pike, smallmouth bass, crappies and, of course, the much sought after walleyes. Crawler harnesses are still a good option as you are able to present these offerings at any depth. The fish will still be actively seeking a meal in shallower areas as the heat of the day warms things up.

Pike are still hitting spinner baits and spoons, but this is also a great time of year to land some monster size fish on crank baits.

Courtesy of Babe's Bait at Ely's west entrance.



MARSHALL HELMBERGER



CHANGING SEASONS



From maroon to gold and every shade in between. A great fall color season remains underway, with the maples at or slightly past peak, while the aspen and birch are just coming into color headed toward what is typically an early-October peak.  
photo by M. Helmberger

Fishing reports



Some nice Lake Kabetogama slabs. Fall crappie fishing has been hot on Kab in recent days. With the fall pattern continuing, anglers will want to check out their favorite crappie holes.

Courtesy Cooper's Gateway Store, Lake Kabetogama

LAKE COUNTRY FORECAST

from NOAA weather

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Outdoors briefly

Darwin Myers WMA remains open for hunting despite construction

EMBARRASS— The Darwin Myers Wildlife Management Area remains open for hunting despite ongoing work by a contractor for the Mesabi Trail. The DNR has limited work within the WMA to Monday-Thursday in order to minimize any conflicts between hunters and workers building the latest addition to the Mesabi Trail, which passes through the area.

A gate providing access

for the contractor is being closed beginning Thursday evenings. Despite the road closure, the WMA remains open for hunting and other recreational activity throughout the week, according to DNR Tower Area wildlife manager Tom Rusch. No motorized access is permitted, however, beyond the gate.

For more information, contact Tom Rusch at 218-300-7861.



A new bridge at the Darwin Myers Wildlife Management Area in Embarrass is now completed. Courtesy MNDNR

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has been available in some parts of Minnesota in recent years, but this is the first time the hunt will be offered throughout the state. It comes at a time when DNR officials and many hunters' organizations are working to encourage young people to take part in traditional outdoor pursuits,

like hunting and fishing.

"The hunter recruitment part of this is huge," said Rusch. "It's about getting them involved in deer hunting at an early age. And it's nice to give them the experience when the weather is likely to be warmer."

Youth hunters who are unsuccess-

ful during the youth hunt will still have the opportunity to fill their tag during the regular firearms season, which kicks off Nov. 9 in northeastern Minnesota and runs through Nov. 24.

HAWKS...Continued from page 4B

tailed hawks, the smallest of the genus *Accipiter*, which is characterized by fast and agile hawks found mostly in forests. Here in the North Country, the accipiters include the sharp-shinned, which is the smallest of the group, followed by the somewhat larger Cooper's hawk, and finally by the much

larger and more powerful goshawk. Most of our other common hawks, like broad-winged and red-tailed hawks, are members of the genus *Buteo*, which typically have broader bodies and wings, and shorter tails.

Sharp-shinned hawks breed in northeastern Minnesota and points north, nearly to Hudson Bay. They

winter as far north as southern Minnesota, although the sharpies moving through our area right now are probably headed further south than that. They'll be following the waves of migrating snowbirds as they go, picking off the occasional meal along the way.

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The November - February meetings will also be held at the Clerk's residence.

Pat Chapman/Clerk

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**CITY OF ORR COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS STATE OF MINNESOTA**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON VACATION OF ALLEY PURSUANT TO MINNESOTA STATUTE SEC. 412.851**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a hearing will be held before the City Council on the 15th day of October, 2019, at 5:00 p.m., in the City Hall located 4429 Highway 53, Orr, to consider a proposed vacation of the alley located between 4628 Lake Street and 4632 Lake Street legally described as:

The alley adjacent and contiguous to Lot One (1), Block Two (2), and Lot Ten (10), Block One (1), Lake End, in the City of Orr according to the recorded plat thereof on file at the St. Louis County Recorder's Office, State of Minnesota. Subject to and reserving an easement for utility purposes for utilities located in said alleyway together with the right to enter for the purposes of maintaining, repairing and replacing said utilities.

Dated this 9th day of September, 2019. Cheri J. Carter, Clerk/Treasurer

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**GREENWOOD TOWNSHIP REQUEST FOR SEALED QUOTES FOR SNOW REMOVAL AT GREENWOOD TOWN HALL COMPLEX 2019-2020 SEASON**

The Greenwood Township board is accepting sealed quotes for the snow removal at the Town Hall 2019-2020 season. The quote should state the cost of removing the snow per hour for the entrance, driveways and parking areas, additionally shoveling the walk to the entrances, at the Town Hall 3000 Hwy 77, Tower MN 55790.

The contractor must provide a certificate of insurance as to general liability insurance coverage. Successful quotes must carry vehicle and general liability insurance for no less than \$1,000,000.00 for personal injury and property damage. Sealed quotes will be accepted until 1:00 PM October 8, 2019.

Sealed quotes are to be sent, emailed or delivered by Oct 8, 2019 to Sue Drobac, Greenwood Township Clerk at 3000 Hwy 77, Tower MN 55790.

The township reserves the right to reject any or all quotes, to waive any irregularities and to accept any quote deemed most advantageous to the Township. 9/27

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Application and resume deadline Thursday, Oct. 10, 2019 at noon at the clerk's office. Starting date TBD. 10/4

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by Linda Thistle

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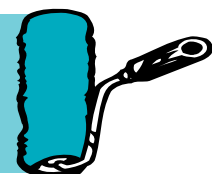
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  - 5 Bohr studied them
  - 10 Really toil
  - 15 Mule or flat
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  - 21 Evita of "Evita"
  - 22 Bigwig's benefit
  - 23 Units of absorbed dose
  - 24 Ending theme for Roy Rogers' show
  - 26 Mata — (famous spy)
  - 27 Ultimately occupy
  - 29 Fencing implements
  - 30 Added to the database
  - 32 Unsaturated solid alcohols
  - 33 "Cybill" actress Pfeiffer
  - 34 Dozing audibly
  - 35 Sam of "Sirens"
  - 36 Rouse
  - 37 Kind of PC terminal
  - 39 Stephen of "Roadkill"
  - 40 Conscious
  - 45 Summertime drink
  - 46 Whale herd
  - 49 Most uncanny
  - 51 Expand
  - 52 Ancient region in Asia Minor
  - 54 Perfume
  - 55 Forest clearing, e.g.
  - 58 Under oath
  - 59 Smell — (be leery)
  - 60 Rub away
  - 61 Kitchen appliance producer
  - 63 Piled up debt
  - 64 Fix as a cobbler might
  - 68 Tea brand
  - 70 French water
  - 71 Tim Tebow's 2007 award
  - 74 Turn sour
  - 75 Sunlit courts
  - 77 Noble-women
  - 78 Provide (with)
  - 80 Really must
  - 82 Picks up and hauls in
  - 84 Herring's kin
  - 88 Solitary sort
  - 91 Navy inits.
  - 94 Actor Ed
  - 95 "... lion, out like —"
  - 96 Parked it
  - 99 Famous
  - 102 Parts of dols.
  - 103 NBC show since '75
  - 104 Company maxim
  - 106 Churchill Downs, e.g.
  - 109 Impish kid
  - 112 Forming a single entity
  - 113 OPEC vessel
  - 115 Troublesome critter
  - 116 Part of IRS
  - 117 Pig's sound
  - 118 Person flying the coop
  - 119 Plaits of hair
  - 120 Present perfect, e.g.
  - 121 Fishers using nets
  - 5 "Iliad" hero
  - 6 Bilingual person, at times
  - 7 Alley- — (hoops play)
  - 8 Bike with a small engine
  - 9 Big name in voice chat
  - 10 Lively outing
  - 11 Sublet, say
  - 12 Shapiro of NPR
  - 13 Beetle producer
  - 14 Port in Lower California
  - 15 Marble, e.g.
  - 16 Going in the direction of
  - 17 Hatch on the Senate floor
  - 18 Struggling to earn, with "out"
  - 25 "Life" director Demme
  - 28 French fashion designer Paul
  - 31 Rustic types
  - 37 The "C" of C-section
  - 38 Enact again
  - 40 "Super!"
  - 41 Place to order a Chianti, say
  - 42 They may be classified
  - 43 Buffets, e.g.
  - 44 Inflames with love
  - 47 Supplied with ventilation
  - 48 Official charges
  - 50 Turned on by
  - 53 Missing, militarily
  - 56 Analyze in grammar school
  - 57 Birchbark craft
  - 60 Extra-wide, as footwear goes
  - 62 Gray color
  - 65 City in Tibet
  - 67 Ethyl or propyl ending
  - 69 — Rock (central Australian landmark)
  - 72 Nano and others
  - 73 Sacred hymn
  - 76 Driver's lic. and such
  - 79 Maiden-named
  - 81 Nonsense song syllable
  - 83 Back stroke?
  - 85 Cuzco native
  - 86 Buyer's bottom line
  - 87 Author Caldwell
  - 88 Thin slices of bacon
  - 89 The U.S., to Mexicans
  - 90 Phone up
  - 91 Not injured
  - 92 Oklahoman, informally
  - 93 Try very hard
  - 96 Gnu or okapi marking
  - 97 Expiating person
  - 98 Calorific cakes
  - 100 Eleanor of kid-lit
  - 101 College officials
  - 104 French kin of "danke"
  - 105 TV financial adviser
  - 107 Not made up
  - 108 Deli loaves
  - 110 Fashion's Saint Laurent
  - 111 Stun, as with a police gun
  - 114 Silent film star Chaney

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