



the TIMBERJAY



\$1⁰⁰

Now In Our 28th Year Serving Northern St. Louis County!

VOL. 28, ISSUE 40 October 13, 2017

ELECTION 2018

Phifer seeks DFL endorsement in 8th

Believes Nolan will face backlash for strong backing of sulfide mining projects

by MARSHALL HELMBERGER
Managing Editor

REGIONAL — Eighth District Congressman Rick Nolan's full-throated backing of controversial copper-nickel mining projects in northeastern Minnesota has earned him a challenger for the DFL endorsement.

Leah Phifer, a Two

Harbors native who now lives in Isanti, spent the past summer on a listening tour around the district and it left her uneasy about the prospects of the DFL holding a once-safe seat in a district that has changed considerably in recent years.

Phifer, whose connections to the mining industry go back four generations, isn't running as an opponent

of copper-nickel mining. She said she's heard from both sides in that debate and wants to see due process play out as intended, rather than be short-circuited by congressional action, as Nolan has sought to do in recent months. Phifer said the issue is roiling DFLers, who remain deeply divided on the subject.

"This was the number

one issue I heard wherever I went," said Phifer, who visited all 18 counties in the sprawling district and had in-depth conversations with thousands of residents — and it has left her thinking that Nolan may have miscalculated the degree of anger his recent actions to back such projects have generated. Nolan has recently advanced bills to eliminate funds for

a study of a proposed federal minerals withdrawal that would impact a proposed copper-nickel mine near Ely as well as one seeking to thwart the legal process surrounding a land exchange for the PolyMet project.

Phifer said she understands that Nolan is hoping to win back some of the Iron



Leah Phifer

See...DFL pg. 11

HISTORIC PRESERVATION



Saving history

Northern Bedrock works with Ely mason at Halfway Station

by KEITH VANDERVORT
Ely Editor

ELY - Northern Bedrock Historic Preservation Corps (Northern Bedrock) worked with area stone mason Mike Braun this week to repair and preserve a stone chimney on

the Ranger Dwelling at the Halfway Ranger Station.

The Halfway Ranger Station Historic District (HRSHD) is located on the South Kawishiwi River, approximately 10 miles south of Ely.

See...STONE pg. 10



Top: Mike Braun with Northern Bedrock Historic Preservation Corps members at the Halfway Ranger Station. Above: Samantha Aamot and Shey Peacock remove old mortar from between the stones of the fireplace on the ranger's cabin at the Halfway Ranger Station. photos by K. Vandervort

CITY OF TOWER

Council greenlights Lamppa expansion

by MARSHALL HELMBERGER
Managing Editor

TOWER — The city council gave a green light on Tuesday to moving forward on finalizing an agreement to help Lamppa Manufacturing expand production facilities for the company's line of wood furnaces and sauna stoves, although the final terms of the city's involvement remain to be determined.

The Tower Economic Development Authority has been working with Lamppas for several months, exploring how best to proceed with the expansion, which could significantly expand employment at the local manufacturer.

Options under consideration include a non-recourse loan from the IRRRB to TEDA, which would build the facility for lease to Lamppas, or a direct loan from the IRRRB to Lamppas, which would build the facility privately.

In either case, Lamppas have indicated an interest in a lot at the city's industrial park on the west side of Hwy. 135. The company has also asked that the lot be staked as soon as possible.

City Engineer Matt Bolf noted that the industrial park lots exist only on paper, and that the site has yet to be platted. In drafting a plat, Bolf noted

See...TOWER pg. 12

ELY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Enrollment continues multi-year upward trend

by KEITH VANDERVORT
Ely Editor

ELY — Mark Twin said that reports of his demise were greatly exaggerated. Based on another substantial increase in Ely school enrollment, the same can be said to those who base the community's

economic health on student numbers, and continue to voice their opinion that Ely is dying.

The official Ely school enrollment for grades K-12 stands at 594 students for the 2017-2018 school year, according to ISD 696 Superintendent Kevin

Abrahamson. "That is the number we reported to the state Department of Education on Oct. 2," he said this week. Memorial High School reported 303 students. Washington Elementary reported 291 students.

He told Ely School

Board members Monday night that he is still striving to reach a goal he set when he took the top administrator job. "A couple of years ago, I said my goal was 600 students," he said. "We're close, but we leveled off at 594 for this year."

Enrollment in Ely was at 549 students in the 2014-2015 school year, and has been steadily increasing since then. Enrollment jumped to 565 students in 2015-2016, and 582 students in 2016-2017. In fact, there are 10 percent more students in Ely classrooms

this year than in 2008.

Unlike many local elected officials and sulfide mining advocates who insist that Ely continues to wilt, school officials are optimistic about the upward trend in the

See... ELY pg. 11



Piragis Outlet Final Weekends

Oct. 12 - 15 60% OFF Clearance

Regularly 40% OFF now 60% OFF This Weekend

365-6745 10 to 6 pm Thurs. - Saturday, 10 - 4 Sunday

Contact The Timberjay

218-753-2950
editor@timberjay.com



PUBLIC HEALTH

Sewer line break repaired

Officials unsure on size of sewage spill

by JODI SUMMIT
Tower-Soudan Editor

TOWER- A leak in the main sewer line in Tower caused a bit of concern over the weekend. The leak was discovered Friday morning, Oct. 6, when some readings at the wastewater station indicated a possible problem, according to Wastewater Supervisor Matt Tuchel. The leak meant that untreated wastewater, including sewage, was flowing into the East Two River and eventually into Pike Bay. The city of Tower put out a notice advising no contact with the water until the leak was repaired.

The department immediately shut down the line, and started hauling wastewater using pumper trucks to the wastewater treatment ponds until the break was fixed on Monday morning.

Tuchel said finding the location of the break was a bit tricky,

because of high area water levels.

“We drove the length of the forced main line from the lift station,” he said, “but we didn’t find anything. Then we started to walk the length of the line.”

Tuchel said they concentrated their efforts on the manholes, because the lines between the manholes are all plastic, and not as susceptible to breaking.

The problem was located at a manhole behind South Third Street in Tower, adjacent to the bike trail. As they were inspecting that area, a pump happened to kick on, and they noticed a little movement in the swamp area nearby.

“There was no smell, and no other indication that there was a leak there,” he said.

Tuchel said the high water levels would have prevented them from looking for a leak using a camera.

Tuchel said the break was not complete, and that some of



Above: A hole the size of a large softball broke open on a sewer line in Tower sometime last week.

Above right: A crew from Utility Systems of America work to repair the leak.

the sewage was still traveling in the forced main. The river water dilution ratio in that area is quite high, Tuchel said, with an estimated 9,000 gallons of river water for every gallon of sewage. Tuchel said with the recent rains, water flow at the lift station was about twice the normal flow for



this time of year, so the rain water was already diluting the sewage two to one.

The department has been conducting water testing both downstream and upstream from the break. The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency was informed of the break immediately, and has been overseeing the testing.

The leak was at a manhole that had a broken pipe a few years ago.

The department immediately contacted a contractor, who got their excavation equipment and

supplies moved in later on Friday, and the repairs got underway on Monday. The department decided to replace the entire manhole, to prevent any future problems in that area.

“We figured as long as we had the excavator in the area, we should spend the extra money so we don’t have to worry about a leak in that location for a good long time,” Tuchel said.

Update: As of Wednesday, city officials indicated that it was safe to have contact with the water in the East Two River.

GREENWOOD TOWNSHIP

Officials: Ecklund won’t push hospital district expansion

by JODI SUMMIT
Tower-Soudan Editor

GREENWOOD TWP- Many Greenwood Township residents had hoped to let Rep. Rob Ecklund know that they are not happy with the idea of being forced to join the Cook-Orr Healthcare District, but when Ecklund had to cancel his visit to Greenwood at the last minute, they still filled the town hall for Tuesday’s regular monthly meeting.

About 50 residents listened

as Chairman John Bassing gave a brief review of the issue, and relayed the message from Ecklund who wrote, “I do not intend to introduce legislation forcing townships into a hospital district.” He added that he does intend to explore options for the residents in Kabetogama Township, “since they pay into the district but use the services of Rainy Lake Medical Center.”

The town board passed a motion to send a letter to Sen. Tom Bakk, asking his position on the issue of forcibly annexing

a township into the taxing district.

Township residents have been worried that there will be a legislative attempt to force the township into the tax district. Members of the Cook-Orr Healthcare District have asked legislators to find a legislative solution to the problem of annexing area townships they claim were part of the original district. Kabetogama Township has been seeking a legislative attempt to get themselves removed from the district. That area was an

unorganized township when the district was formed, and St. Louis County made them part of the district. Once Kabetogama became a township, it was automatically made a member.

Greenwood and other area township officials have noted there is no documentation that Greenwood, Vermilion Lake, and three other townships were part of the original district, and the maps used in the enabling legislation do not show them as part of the district. Members of the original district all voted to join.

Research done by the township shows the first attempt at asking Greenwood to join the district was in 1999, during the construction of Highway 115, which created a more convenient link between the township and Cook.

Lee Peterson wrote to the board saying they need to guard against a “legislative trick.”

Bassing, who just attended a township legal seminar, noted that the issue was discussed, and they were told once part of such

See **GREENWOOD...**pg. 5



Giants Ridge
BIWABIK, MINNESOTA

6329 WYNNE CREEK DRIVE, BIWABIK, MINNESOTA 55708

   @GIANTSRIDGE | GIANTSRIDGE.COM





**SEASON PASSES
ON SALE NOW**

EARLY BIRD SALE: OCT 1ST - 21ST

ORDER AT GIANTSRIDGE.COM

OR CALL (218) 865-8005

ROAD CONSTRUCTION

Hwy. 169 work wrapping up for winter

by KEITH VANDERVORT
Ely Editor

Work will resume in the spring for planned mid-July completion

EAGLES NEST TWP—The Minnesota Department of Transportation’s Hwy. 169 realignment project between Ely and Tower will soon be wrapping up work for the season. The final update meeting for this year was held last Friday at Eagles Nest Township Hall.

Project update meetings will resume, according to MnDOT District 1 Project Manager Mike Kalnbach, in May and June of next year, with the project scheduled to be completed by the middle of July 2018.

The project is nearly 65-percent complete in terms of the \$16 million project cost, and 145,000 cubic yards (98 percent) of the rock has been blasted for the project, Kalnbach said. About 80 percent of the excavation for the six-mile project is complete. “A lot of the dollar value of the project includes the bituminous work (asphalt paving). Much of that still needs to be done,” he said.

Crews completed the pouring of a cement curb and gutter portion of the realignment near Clear Lake last week. “This was part of our plan,” Kalnbach said. “The option was to either put in the curb and gutter to keep

the (drainage) water up on the road and channel it into a storm sewer or to construct a ditch in that narrow section that would reach into property owners’ yards.” That will be the only curb and gutter along the project route.

All paving, along with striping, for winter driving on the eastern segment of the realignment will be completed around the end of October, according to Hoffman Construction Manager Tom Dobberthein. The road entrance onto Bear Head Lake State Park Road will include center left-turn lanes for each direction of travel.

“Paving on the far west end of the project, at the transition area to the southern realignment portion, will also be completed,” Dobberthein said. “Our goal is, weather permitting, to start paving in about two weeks, and to be completed with paving and painting in two weeks after that. By Halloween, we hope to have all the permanent surface down.”

Kalnbach said he did some research on providing a traffic pull-out observation area at the peak of the hill along the new alignment portion of the road. “The best thing that we could come up with is initially a poten-



tial for a wider shoulder in an identified stretch,” he said. There are many rock formations in the “woods” portion of the new road and many residents inquired about a point-of-interest or pull-out section for traffic to stop and observe.

“We know people are likely to be stopping along there and looking at the rocks and the view over the landscape,” he said. “I have no promises, but it is something we can evaluate over the winter, and add to the grading plan. We don’t have any extra property along there. We have to ask if want to encourage people

to stop along there, and if we want them walking on private property.”

Crews plan to work on the western off-road alignment section into November, depending on the weather. “If everything goes good we should be complete and shut down by mid-November,” Dobberthein said. The construction equipment will be taken to other projects, but the office and parts trailers will remain at the site across from Trygg Road, he said.

Dobberthein said the wet weather this summer set the project back by several weeks.

“We’re thankful for the days of sunshine that we get,” he said.

As part of the rock mitigation plan for the project, as many as 10 private wells were sampled for presence of sulfide and other metals.

Most of the wells were sampled last fall, Kalnbach said, and the remaining wells were sampled in May. “One of the three wells sampled in May indicated higher levels of arsenic,” he said, “and that one had been drilled as recently as last fall. At the time of drilling, it indicated

See **HIGHWAY**...pg. 5

Briefly

Suspect remains at large after armed robbery

BIWABIK TWP—Authorities have identified Anthony Theodore Wagoner, age 32, of

Crookston, as a possible suspect in a robbery that took place at the Lakeland Store in Biwabik Twp. on Sunday, Oct. 8 at approximately 7:24 p.m.

The Sheriff’s Office reported that a male entered the store wearing a face-

mask and carrying what was described as a “hatchet” in his hand. The male demanded money from the cashier and left the store after receiving an undetermined amount of cash.

No one was injured in

the incident. Wagoner should be considered armed and dangerous. If you see Wagoner, do not approach and call 9-1-1 immediately.

One injured in motorcycle crash on County Rd. 77

GREENWOOD TWP—A 53-year-old man from Grant was injured in a one-vehicle motorcycle

accident last Saturday afternoon along County Rd. 77, near Lake Vermilion.

Charles Mike had been traveling northbound when his motorcycle left the road and collided with a road sign and a mailbox.

Mike sustained non-life threatening injuries and was transported by ambulance to Essentia Health Virginia Hospital. Emergency responders, including the Tower

Ambulance Service, Virginia Ambulance Service, Greenwood Township Fire and First Responders, the State Patrol, the DNR, and the Breitung Township Police Department, were alerted of the incident at 4:05 p.m. Alcohol and speed appear to be contributing factors in the accident, which remains under investigation by the Sheriff’s Office.

From the FLOOR to the CEILING...

WE HAVE IT ALL!

Our Trained Staff

...will help you find that perfect combination of style, function, color and affordability, bringing beautiful results to any project in your home!

The Largest Selection of Brand Name Cabinets and Counter Tops Around!

Great Selection of Flooring!

Carpet
and Carpet Remnants

Ceramic Tile

Laminates
and Hardwoods

 Coupon



\$5 OFF OIL CHANGE

Plus FREE Multipoint Inspection!

 Coupon

Buy 3 Tires, Get the 4th For \$1

Not all brands of tire qualify. See dealer for details.



Get a deal with traction!



908 East Sheridan St. • Ely, MN 55731

218-365-6156

Must have Coupon. Valid thru Nov. 30, 2017



Fall Into Cash!

WIN YOUR SHARE OF OVER \$6,500 EACH NIGHT!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7, 14 & 21

STARTING @ 4PM

16 WINNERS EACH NIGHT!

WIN UP TO **\$1,000 CASH!**

RECEIVE 1 ENTRY TICKET FOR EVERY 10 POINTS EARNED IN OCTOBER.



RESORT CASINO®
ON BEAUTIFUL LAKE VERMILION!

FORTUNE BAY.COM

e-mail: editor@timberjay.com

OPINION

“CONGRESS SHALL MAKE NO LAW...ABRIDGING THE FREEDOM OF SPEECH, OR OF THE PRESS;”
The First Amendment of the United States Constitution

Editorial

Cities and sulfates

RAMS resolution reflects lack of understanding of the process

A resolution currently making the rounds of Iron Range city councils decrying the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency’s proposed new sulfate standard exposes the all-too-familiar willingness of local elected officials to jump atop bandwagons about which they know little or nothing.

Unfortunately, the resolution’s sponsor, the Range Association of Municipalities and Schools, or RAMS, has served only to misinform local officials through a campaign of unabashed scaremongering that rivals anything we’ve seen in the area in years. RAMS officials set the bandwagon rolling in late August with the claim that the adoption of a new so-called wild rice standard for sulfates would bankrupt every city on the Iron Range by forcing their wastewater treatment facilities to invest in massively expensive reverse osmosis technology to reduce sulfate levels to meet the standard. RAMS officials claim they’re working to save area cities from this outcome.

Yet the scaremongering by RAMS suggests an astonishing lack of understanding of virtually every aspect of this issue.

Perhaps most fundamentally, it ignores the fact that Minnesota already has a strict wild rice standard for sulfates, of 10 milligrams per liter, which has been a part of state rules since 1973. That standard hasn’t bankrupted anything other than the patience of Indian tribes who have protested the continuing decline of their single most important source of traditional sustenance. The new flexible standard that the MPCA is proposing would, in many cases, allow for higher sulfate discharges than currently allowed by state rule, depending on the iron content of the receiving water and other factors.

It’s true that the MPCA has only attempted to enforce the current standard in recent years, which is what prompted the mining industry to push for a revision. It’s also true that the agency is likely to face greater pressure to enforce their new rule, if only because the lack of enforcement over the decades has become an issue. But here’s the reality — if RAMS were successful in halting progress on the new rule, the MPCA’s only alternative would be to begin

enforcing the strict rule already on the books.

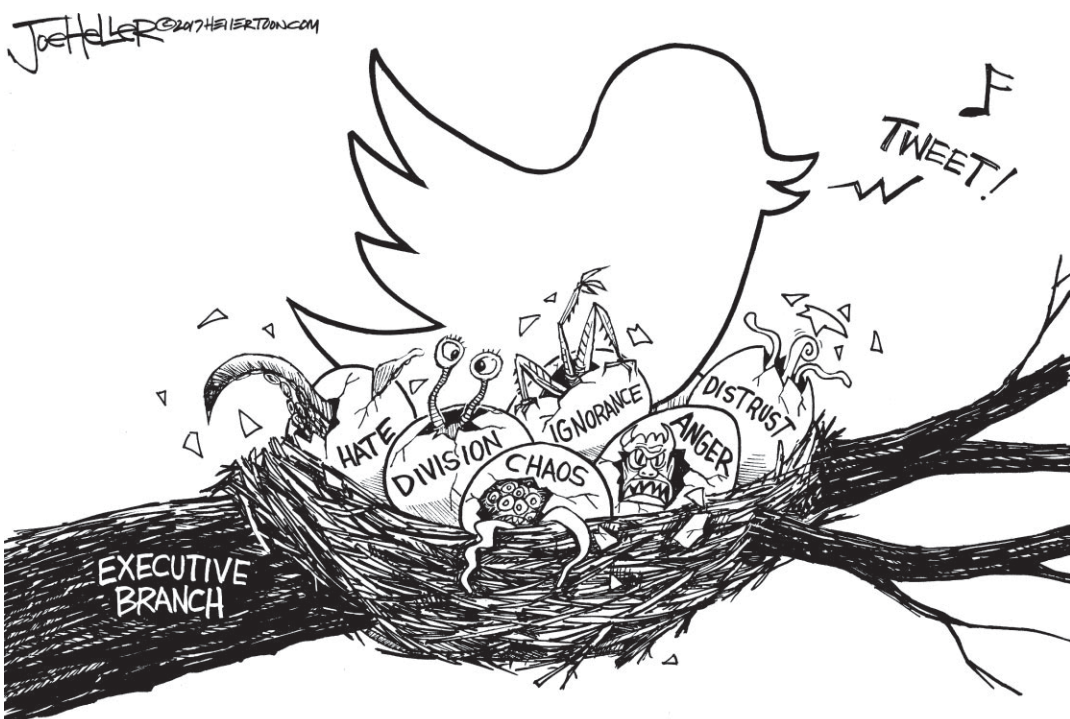
RAMS officials appear equally obtuse about the standard-setting process itself. Had they investigated the matter, they would have learned that standards are supposed to be set based on science, not politics, nor on the cost of implementing the standard. So resolutions from cities decrying the potential costs of compliance, by law, must be ignored.

That’s not to suggest that the costs of implementation don’t matter. They do, just not at this stage of the process. The standard is essentially the ideal, set based on what is needed for protection of existing resources, be it clean water, healthy wild rice, or breathable air. That determination is made on science, not politics.

It is only after the standard is finalized that the regulatory agencies turn to the question of how to achieve the ideal — and that’s where real world considerations, such as cost, intervene. While the Clean Water Act remains a powerful piece of legislation, it was never designed to put industries out of business or push cities into bankruptcy. In fact, it specifically allows for variances in cases where the costs of meeting a standard will present undue financial burdens. That’s especially true for public facilities, such as wastewater treatment plants, where such variances are relatively easy to obtain. While RAMS officials have continuously cited the high cost of reverse osmosis as evidence of the MPCA’s desire to crush Iron Range communities, anyone familiar with how this all works, would recognize that the MPCA is building the evidentiary case to issue variances to all of them.

While such variances might increase costs marginally for treatment plants, they aren’t going to bankrupt cities or force communities to triple their water rates, as RAMS officials have suggested. That’s just hyperbole. RAMS officials either know that they are being disingenuous, or they don’t know what they’re talking about.

We suspect it’s the latter, but then at least RAMS officials can rest comfortably knowing that most of the local officials approving their resolutions know even less. Talk about the blind leading the blind.



Letters from Readers

Klobuchar should get on board with single-payer

I watched Senators Bernie Sanders and Amy Klobuchar debate Senators Lindsey Graham and Bill Cassidy recently about the future of health care. Sanders did an excellent job, and has the facts on his side. We need to join the rest of the world and guarantee health care for all Americans. Republicans Graham and Cassidy tried to defend the indefensible—a rollback of health care for millions of Americans. I thought Amy Klobuchar was a little bit too much in the presidential campaign mode. She spent time touting her bipartisan efforts in making health care better. I haven’t seen any results yet. In fact, some of the Republicans she says she is teaming up with are the very ones who are doing their best to torpedo Obamacare. Wonderful, huh?

Another thing caught my ear: Amy blurted “And I’m no socialist!” during the debate. Really? How then does she define all of the farm subsidy bills that she has voted for? I guess it depends on the crowd you’re playing to. Is it OK to socialize the risk down on the farm, but not to socialize it in the operating room?

**Lee Peterson
Greenwood Twp, Minn.**

No downside to copper-nickel mining near Ely

I always welcome Mr. Carron’s responses to my Letters to the Editor. He’s got his opinions, I have mine; and we both have our “facts”!

However, Reid’s letter exposes the true colors of some of our environmental friends, and it shows the selfishness that’s out there in our country where people with money and one-issue folks care only about their pocketbook and their cause.

Reid’s whole tirade about Rick Nolan is about one issue: mining! He’s a “one-issue” voter. My, my, my.

My letter of support for Congressman Nolan pointed out his progressive stands on matters like good union jobs, health insurance for all, saving Social Security and Medicare for future Americans, opposing the endless wars that cost us thousands of precious lives and trillions of dollars. And yes, his support of our mining way of life. But you, Reid, don’t support him because of his stand on mining. He agrees with you on 95-percent of the issues, but you only care about your issue: stopping mining. Refugees hurting due to war, not a priority; elderly neighbors surviving on Social Security — oh well, they’ll be taken care of; can’t afford college — well, I paid for my own (at a \$120 a quarter)! With all the needy people out there that Nolan helps every day vs. a trip in the BWCAW for 125,000 people a year, I ask you: Where are your priorities?

And, most of your facts are so off the wall, they don’t deserve a response. But I can’t help myself, so here goes. First, to claim those “million dollar” homes are in jeopardy of losing value if copper-nickel mining occurs is absurd. The reason people “work and/or live near the Boundary Waters” is because they are NEAR, not IN! Their home values won’t be affected at all. If anyone wants to move, there’ll be 10 families standing in line to buy their places so they, too, can either live or recreate on clean, beautiful lakes NEAR the BWCAW. I humbly point out, lakes where they can have a roof over their head, indoor plumbing and electricity, a motorboat, and a car. And they don’t have to paddle to get to the front door! Most are here to stay. They’ve been around mining areas for 135 years and they’ll continue to be around mining areas for the next 100 years. That is, of course, unless you and your cohorts are successful in shutting down taconite

plants, too. Which is, in my opinion, your ultimate goal.

I could go on and on dispelling the b.s. contained in your anti-mining diatribe. Your argument that mining doesn’t drive the economy of NE Minnesota defies logic. Your denial that children aren’t being forced to mine precious metals in other parts of the world is just plain nuts. Your analogy about the nuclear bomb is not just (as you admit, Reid) hyperbole, it borders on the insane. And, implying that our economy can exist on broadband and craft beer — what can I say except that’s beyond stupid?

Finally, to show how out of touch you are with us common folk, you criticize Nolan for working with the other side of the aisle. Don’t you see what’s going on in D.C.? You have total gridlock; most congressional Democrats and moderate Republicans are begging for bipartisanship. The public is screaming for bipartisan cooperation. And you criticize Rep. Nolan for reaching across the aisle to help expedite a wonderful land exchange and to stop an unnecessary study instigated by you and your partner because of your political connections, not science. Well, let me inform you, my friend, that we elected Nolan to represent us, not you or your buddies.

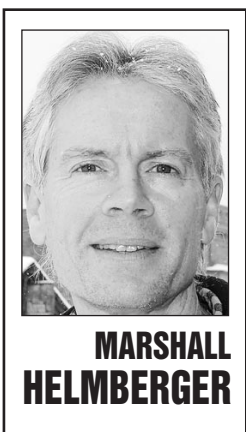
Again, after 50 years of precious minerals exploration in NE Minnesota, it’s time to permit any copper-nickel mine that meets our environmental safeguards. We’ve been mining for 135 years and we’ve not destroyed our woods and lakes. Let’s work together with our land-grant university that has a long history of supporting our mineral-based economy so we can start mining our precious mineral resources that will keep our economy going, and supply our country with the minerals modern society demands for the next 135 years.

**Tom Rukavina
Pike Twp., Minn.**

Why resort to guesswork when a study can inform debate?

The ongoing debate in our pages between County Commissioner Tom Rukavina and Reid Carron, of Morse Township, is strong evidence of the need for a social and economic analysis of the effects of proposed copper-nickel mining in the Ely area.

Clearly, Mr. Rukavina and Mr. Carron disagree on the relative economic risks of copper-nickel mining within the Boundary Waters watershed, as well as the nature of our region’s economy — and this difference of opinion is at the heart of the current



MARSHALL
HELMBERGER

debate over the wisdom of the Twin Metals project in particular.

Mr. Rukavina opposes a social and economic study of a possible withdrawal of mineral rights from the area in question, apparently preferring to substitute his own beliefs for independent analysis. Mr. Carron has his own views to be sure, but is apparently willing to consider an independent perspective.

In his latest retort in this week’s paper, Mr. Rukavina accuses Mr. Carron of using facts “so off the wall,

they don’t deserve a response.” Yet, in attempting to bolster his allegation, Mr. Rukavina makes a number of claims that are not well supported by evidence.

Mr. Carron, in a previous letter, had stated that the creation of a mine risks diminishing the values of residential properties in the vicinity. Mr. Rukavina claims otherwise, stating that “home values won’t be affected at all.”

Yet there is substantial economic analysis that has been undertaken throughout the world and in the U.S., on the property value effects of what most economists refer to as “disamenities,” which can include anything from industrial plants, to noisy highways, from wind turbines to

mines.

These studies have consistently demonstrated that the introduction of such factors has a negative impact on residential property values, generally in direct proportion to proximity. Mr. Rukavina’s claim that there would be “ten people in line to buy” million dollar lake homes near a copper-nickel mine is exactly the kind of hyperbole for which he takes Mr. Carron to task. Wouldn’t it be advantageous for policymakers like Mr. Rukavina to actually have some basis for such claims? Or, conversely, wouldn’t it be best to know ahead of time the

See **STUDY...**pg. 5

Letters from Readers

Up North Jobs forgot lost pension benefits for miners

The Oct. 6 letter from Up North Jobs touting the mining industry was lengthy but incomplete. They mentioned retiree benefits but forgot to mention

the mining families that lost half their pensions and all their health care in mining industry bankruptcies.

Virginia certainly has a more developed mining economy than Ely and has a poverty rate over twenty percent. Up North Jobs didn't give us any solution for how Ely would cope with the

elevated poverty that seems to accompany a real mining economy.

Adam Smith, the patron saint of economists, observed in 1776 in The Wealth of Nations that projects of mining "...commonly absorb both capital and stock. They are the projects, therefore, to which of all others a prudent

law-giver, who desired to increase the capital of his nation, would least choose to give any extraordinary encouragement."

Roughly a hundred years later, Mark Twain, in less scientific language, is given credit for saying that a mine is a hole in the ground with a liar standing beside it.

We're more likely to have economic success by acting on the wisdom of Adam Smith and Mark Twain rather than on the unicorn-hunting enthusiasms of Up North Jobs.

Bob Tammen
Soudan, Minn.

STUDY...Continued from page 4

potential downsides of a copper-nickel mine? That's what a study could provide.

Mr. Rukavina further suggests that the people who are living in lake homes near the proposed mine have been around mining areas for 135 years. That's just not accurate. There hasn't been active mining on the Vermilion Range for more than half a century, and a significant portion of the residents in question have never lived in mining areas, as Mr. Rukavina suggests. He also disregards survey data from a 2014 study by the University of Minnesota-Morris, in which 23 percent of residents of the four townships surrounding Ely indicated that mining would be an activity, or disamenity, that would prompt them to leave the area. Mr. Rukavina might question that data, but on what basis? Where's Mr. Rukavina's study on the question? If he doesn't have one, why not take the time to gather the data? That's what a study would accomplish.

Mr. Rukavina and Mr. Carron also disagree on the nature of the economy in northeastern Minnesota. Mr. Rukavina says that mining drives the region's

economy, while Mr. Carron suggests that fewer than three-in-100 jobs in the region are now directly attributable to mining. That particular debate is somewhat tangential, since the economic impact of mining is due to taconite mining, which is far less controversial than copper-nickel mining. But let's take a look nonetheless.

While Mr. Rukavina's perspective may have once been true, more recent data points to a far more diversified economy than what Mr. Rukavina might remember from forty or fifty years ago. A November 2014 study by the University of Minnesota Extension, entitled Economic Composition of Northeastern Minnesota: Industries and Performance by Senior Economic Impact Analyst Brigid Tuck, notes that the mining sector provides four percent of employment in the seven-county Arrowhead region, which is dominated by St. Louis County. Health Care is the single-biggest job creator, representing 18 percent of total employment, followed by Government (17 percent), Professional and Business Services (16 percent) and Trade

(14 percent).

The study did indicate that mining provided \$3.9 billion in output, or 27 percent of total gross regional product in the Arrowhead, the most of any sector. Then again, that figure was based on the value of the taconite produced in the region in 2012, which was the most recent year examined in the 2014 study. At the time, the price of iron ore was at near-record highs, averaging about \$130/ton. Today, it's running about \$70/ton, which would put the sector's current output at about \$2.1 billion, or less than 15 percent of the region's total output.

I would certainly agree that the economy of the Mesabi Iron Range is significantly dependent on mining, but the Arrowhead is a big place and outside the confines of the Mesabi Range, the impact of mining on the economy is actually quite limited.

What is disturbing is the notion that major decisions regarding the future of the Ely area economy (which is not part of the Mesabi Range) could be made without a better understanding of the true and current nature of the local economy and

the benefits and risks associated with copper-nickel mining. We shouldn't be making major decisions based on preconceived notions and our own biases.

Mr. Rukavina and others have regularly tried to portray this debate as one of "mining versus tourism." As my own research on the subject (see Ely's Golden Goose, *Timberjay*, Aug. 4, 2017) has revealed, while the Ely area economy certainly benefits from mining incomes and the influx of tourism dollars, the primary economic driver is locally-based spending derived from residents, both permanent and seasonal, living in the surrounding townships. These are families with above average household incomes, the vast majority of whom work in professional sectors, government, or own and operate their own businesses. They are, in many cases, not dependent on local employment and many have indicated they would move if the amenities that have attracted them to the area are diminished in any way. And nearly a quarter have pointed to copper-nickel mining as the factor most likely to cause them to leave the area.

For a policy maker to put this well-established economic model at risk, without fully understanding its nature and the downside risks associated with copper-nickel mining near Ely, is sheer foolhardiness. Mr. Rukavina certainly recognizes that the Twin Metals mine isn't going to happen any time soon. That means we have the luxury of time to take a hard look at the questions and the debate highlighted by the exchange between Mr. Rukavina and Mr. Carron.

While some might have suspected an analysis undertaken by the Obama administration would have leaned too far to the environmental perspective, surely they can't believe the same about a review overseen by the Trump administration. Yet here they are, fighting tooth and nail, to prevent any independent analysis of the costs and benefits associated with copper-nickel mining on the edge of the Boundary Waters. It kind of makes me wonder... what is it about gathering actual data that has Mr. Rukavina so rattled?

GREENWOOD...Continued from page 2

a tax district, it would be basically impossible to be removed. State law says that all the other members of the district must approve any withdrawal, but doing so would increase the taxes on their own township or city's residents. State law also currently gives town boards the authority to join such a district, as well as giving the township residents the opportunity to call for a referendum to approve or deny the action.

Calculations based on information from St. Louis County show that at present taxing rates, Greenwood residents would be assessed approximately \$470,000 per year if part of the health-care district, an amount that exceeds the township's own local tax levy.

Resident Rick Stoehr asked township residents to think about reconsidering their opposition to the district. He talked about his recent experience at the Cook Hospital, which correctly diagnosed an atypical heart attack and had him transported to Duluth before he experienced any permanent damage. He noted the area has a lack of ambulances able to do transfers. In his case, he said, he waited three hours but no ambulance was available to do a transfer to Duluth. At that point, he required a very costly helicopter transfer, something he wasn't sure will be covered by his insurance.

"If there was some

way we could work with the hospital board," Stoehr said. "Look around, I don't see many people under the age of 65 in this room. Standing in my shoes, the hospital levy looks like a good deal if it would upgrade their ambulance service."

Greenwood Township residents were surveyed on the question, as part of the recent comprehensive plan, and the vast majority of residents (481-84) were not in favor of joining the district. St. Louis County estimated the cost for township residents would be approximately \$100 per \$100,000 in property value, per year.

Other business

In other business the town board:

➤ Took no action on a request to have a potable water supply at the pavilion. The board noted the township well's water supply was limited, and options would include either digging in a new line from the town hall under the existing blacktop, or drilling a new well. The pavilion does have water supplied via a hose during the summer, but the water is not drinkable.

➤ Heard that the recreation committee is holding a fundraiser on Monday, Oct. 30 at 5 p.m. at the Vermilion Club, with pizza and many terrific auction items available. The committee is organizing a 40th anniversary township celebration for Aug. 18, 2018,

and is looking for ideas for entertainment, and bits of township history for a planned booklet. The new playground equipment has arrived and is being stored indoors until it can be assembled.

➤ Received one bid for snowplowing from Vermilion Snow Management/T.J. Kladivo for plowing and snow shoveling services for \$100 per hour. The board accepted the bid, noting that T.J. Kladivo supplied snow removal services last winter and did a good job.

➤ Approved applying for a state grant that will pay half the cost of an updated voting machine. The DS200 machine will cost \$6,000, and the township will be required to pay half the cost.

➤ Approved repairs and annual maintenance to the fire department's airboat at a cost of approximately \$1,500.

➤ Approved the purchase of two sets of turnout gear for two new fire department members who have completed their required training. The board also approved two new department members, a couple who live on Echo Point.

➤ Approved changes to the fire department personnel and operating policies relating to Emergency Medical Responders. The newly-adopted policies were written for fire fighters, but it was noted that EMRs have different train-

ing requirements.

➤ Again discussed the issue of vehicle logs for fire department equipment. The board approved use of an updated run report, which will include vehicle/maintenance data. The motion passed 4-1, with Bassing voting against because he hadn't reviewed the new form. It was noted that the board had passed a motion last April requiring the use of vehicle logs, which the fire department has yet to implement.

➤ Noted the township has a new email address, due to ongoing issues with Frontier email. The new email is greenwoodtnw@outlook.com.

➤ Will post job openings for fire department administrative assistant and assistant chief. The two positions were filled last May on an interim basis, but others in the department will be given the opportunity to apply if desired. According to the newly-adopted township personnel policies, positions must be posted for a period of 30 days at the town hall before hiring decisions are made.

➤ Heard from Supervisor Larry Tahija who said the Tower Area Ambulance Association is looking at changing its funding formula to move from a per capita annual payment to a per parcel annual payment to increase the amount of available annual funding from member townships. The

department is hoping to purchase a third ambulance, to be used mainly for transfers. The department would also need additional storage space for a third ambulance, since the current hall is full.

➤ Discussed establishing some sort of billing system for non-emergency fire boat calls. Chief Fazio was asked to find if other area departments have similar policies. The boat is sometimes paged out by 911-dispatch, and is asked to assist boaters in non-emergency situations. The board noted there are township businesses that can offer such services. "This is an expense to the township," said Supervisor Mike Ralston.

➤ Heard that the township has received a \$15,000 annual donation from the Bois Forte Band for fire protection services.

➤ Fazio reported that two department members participated in the live burn training in Soudan last weekend, and that several other department members brought the fire boat to McKinley Park, where it was successfully able to provide enough water to the tenders that were used to fight the two training structure fires. Fire boat one is being taken out of the lake shortly, and fire boat two will be moved to Gruben's Marina until closer to freeze-up. Fire boat two is smaller, and easier to get in and out of the lake.

➤ Noted that progress was being made on determining the route for the Lake Vermilion Trail section in Greenwood.

➤ DeLuca noted concerns that a "non-professional" had been brought in as a volunteer to help with a computer issue. He asked that only town board approved vendors be allowed to work on township computers because of confidentiality and liability issues. The board voted, 4-1 with Bassing voting against, to only have previously-approved computer vendors help with issues on the township computers. Clerk Sue Drobac noted that the problem involved had to do with troubleshooting email issues, and that she was present the entire time, and there were no issues with confidentiality. Bassing noted that the town board did not have the authority to supervise how the clerk does her job. DeLuca said he only wanted someone who was insured working on the computers.

➤ Heard a complaint from fire department member Jeff Maus about the conduct of Supervisor DeLuca regarding the open meeting law, and also DeLuca's behavior towards the clerk. "There is no place for bullying here," Maus said.

HIGHWAY...Continued from page 3

no traces of arsenic."

In the last month, the Minnesota Department of Health returned for new samples of the nearby wells. The mitigation plan calls for sampling at least annually for the next five years, according to Kalnbach. "We are well aware of the situ-

ation and (the Dept. of Health) will continue to monitor it."

More information about the project is available online at www.mndot.gov/d1/projects/Hwy169eagles.

SIGNING UP FOR MEDICARE?

CHOOSE a drug plan-or face a penalty.
Have more questions? Give us a call.
Our trained Sr. Link volunteers can help.

PESHEL
ACCOUNTING



218-365-2424

1704 E Camp St. | PO Box 89 | Ely, MN 55731 | askjean.net

The support you need to find quality

SENIOR LIVING SOLUTIONS

A Place for Mom has helped over one million families find senior living solutions that meet their unique needs.

There's no cost to you!

CALL (844) 347-2104



aPlaceforMom.

! We're paid by our partner communities

Soudan Men’s Group to meet Oct. 14

SOUDAN- Soudan Baptist and St. Paul’s Lutheran men will meet on Saturday, Oct. 14 at 8 a.m. at St. Paul’s for breakfast. Jordan Metsa will be present to speak on behalf of Rep. Nolan, and Ida Rukavina will speak on behalf of Sen. Amy Klobuchar. All men are welcome to attend.

Red Hat Belles to meet Oct. 26

TOWER- The Northern Red Hat Belles will meet on Thursday, Oct. 26 at the Tower Café at 12 noon. Please call Kay at 218-753-3202 or Barbara at 218-753-2091 to RSVP before Oct. 19.

St. James adult class

TOWER- St. James Presbyterian Church in Tower is hosting an adult class at 9 a.m. on Sunday, Oct. 22. The faith lesson will be “Fire on The Mountain,” part of the series called “That the World May Know” by Ray Vander Laan filmed in historic locations. The class meets every Sunday at 9 a.m.

St. James Movie Night on Sunday

TOWER- St. James Prebysterian Church in Tower is hosting a free movie night on Sunday, Oct.22 at 6 p.m.
“The Case For Christ” is one man’s journey to solve the biggest mystery of all time. Working to disprove the growing Christian faith of his wife, an investigative journalist chases down the biggest story of all time...with unexpected, life-altering results! The Case For Christ is based on the true-life story of Lee Strobel, author of the best-selling book. What will be your verdict?

Little Church meeting on Oct. 14

VERMILION LAKE TWP- There will be a meeting for the Little Church of Vermilion Lake Township on Saturday, Oct. 14 at 9 a.m. at the church on Wahlsten Rd. The board will be discussing this summer’s projects as well as possible projects needed for the upcoming year. Anyone is welcome to attend.

Erin Murphy, Democratic candidate for governor, will visit Cook on Oct. 19

COOK- Democratic candidate for governor, Erin Murphy, will be at the Cook Community Center on Thursday, Oct. 19, at 6:30 p.m. Come meet Erin and learn why she is running for governor of Minnesota. This civic event is sponsored by Northern Progressives, and is first in the “Why I’m Running” series, bringing constituents and candidates together.

Explore the History of Aprons on Oct. 18 with Tower Soudan Civic Club

TOWER- This month’s meeting of the newly-titled Tower Soudan Civic Club will be on Wednesday, Oct. 18 at 7 p.m. at the Tower Civic Center. The speaker for the evening will be Patti Norrgard from Cook and her topic will be the history of aprons.
Does seeing an apron bring back childhood memories for you? It might have been the memory of your mother, grandmother or aunt wearing one. Or have you worn aprons when working in the kitchen yourself? If you can answer “yes” to either or both of these questions, you will enjoy this presentation entitled “A Walk Down Apron Memory Lane.” Come join us as we look back at aprons from by-gone days. Norrgard has examples of aprons from her mother’s past that will entertain you. Bring a friend, and if you have an apron to share, bring that too!
Hostesses for the evening are Pauly Housenga and Mary Batinich. Coffee and dessert will be served. Hope to see you there!

NWFA Winter Writers Group begins Saturday, Oct. 14

COOK- To authors in the region of Cook: Ellie Larmouth will begin holding the Winter Writers Group on every second Saturday each month starting Oct. 14 at Northwoods Friends of the Arts Gallery from 1 to 3 p.m.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Area firefighters train at live burn in Soudan



The Breitung Fire Department hosted their second live burn this fall on Saturday, Oct. 7. Two houses were burned. Thirty firefighters from Breitung, Tower, Greenwood, Vermilion Lake, Embarrass, Morse/Fall Lake, and Plke-Sandy-Britt were on scene to receive “live” training under the direction of fire instructors from Mesabi Range College.



The Greenwood fire boat, stationed at McKinley Park, provided water for the tender trucks, giving additional practice for water supply for the two burns, allowing the firefighters to bypass use of the hydrants.
photos by S. Ukkola

BREITUNG POLICE DEPARTMENT

August 2017

Calls: 221
Assist Other Agency: 16
Traffic Stops: 68
Arrests: 4
Citations/Formal Charges: 31
Warnings: 54
Monthly Mileage: 3,507
(Gold Tahoe: 1,590, Charger: 998, Explorer: 919)



August Police Report

Breitung Police Chief
Jesse Anderson

Call summary

Citations/Formal Charges/Arrests: (2) (F) 2nd Degree Manslaughter-Charges Requested/Jailed; (1) (F) Theft of a Motor Vehicle- Charges Requested/Jailed; (1) (F) St. Louis County Warrant (Drugs)- Jailed; (2) (GM) 3rd Degree DWI (.22, .23) Charges Requested/ROR; (2) (GM) 5th Degree Possession of a Controlled Substance; (1) Methamphetamine, (1) Pending Analysis)- Charges Requested/Jailed; (1) (GM) 2nd Degree DWI Test Refusal- Charges Requested/Jailed; (3) (M) 4th Degree DWI (.08, .10, .11)- Cited/ROR; (2) (M) Disorderly Conduct- Cited/Jailed; (1) (M) Possess Hypodermic Syringe- Cited/ROR; (1) (M) Obstruct Legal Process- Cited/Jailed; (1) (M) Theft- Cited/ROR; (9) Speed- Cited/ROR; (2) Driving After Revocation- Cited/ROR; (2) Open Bottle- Cited/ROR; (1) No Proof of Insurance- Cited/ROR; (1) Driving After Cancellation- Cited/ROR; (1) No Insurance- Cited/ROR; (1) Fail to Update Address on Driver’s License- Cited/ROR
Assist Other Agencies: (7) Tower Ambulance; (4) Bois Forte Police Department; (2) St. Louis County Sheriff’s Office; (1) Minnesota State Patrol; (1) Babbitt Police Department; (1) St. Louis County Court Administrator
Call Categories: (99) Business Check; (68) Traffic Stops; (16) Agency Assists; (5) Check Residence; (4) Attempt to Locate (1) Driving Complaint; (4) Call Back; (3) Animal Complaint; (3) Damage to Property; (3) Public Assist; (2) Check Welfare; (2) Suspicious Activity; (2) Property Damage Accident; (1) Disturbance; (1) Informational; (1) Intoxicated Person; (1) Assault; (1) Threat; (1) Theft Complaint; (1) Warrant Pickup Attempt; (1) Permit to Purchase Handgun; (1) Vehicle Theft; (1) Structure Fire.

Additional shifts

During the month of August, the Breitung Police Department worked 16 hours of DWI Enforcement through the Toward Zero Deaths (TZD) Grant.

Training

During the month of August, Officer Nylund attended the Minnesota D.A.R.E Conference.


Squads

We did not have any mechanical issues with our squads during the month of August. Current end of the month mileage for the Gold 2012 Chevy Tahoe (Tower) is 57,728. Current end of the month mileage for the Blue 2008 Dodge Charger is 86,731. Current end of

School bus safety

In Minnesota, school buses make at least 10,000 school bus trips daily. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, school buses are the safest mode of transportation for children — children are eight times safer riding in a bus to school than any other vehicles.
In the past five years (2011 - 2015), there were 3,396 school bus crashes in Minnesota, resulting in 13 deaths.
Motorists must stop at least 20 feet from a school bus that is displaying red flashing lights and/or its stop arm is extended when approaching from the rear and from the opposite direction on undivided

roads.
Red flashing lights on buses indicates students are either entering or exiting the bus.
Motorists are not required to stop for a bus if the bus is on the opposite side of a separated roadway (median, etc.) — but they should remain alert for children.
Altering a route or schedule to avoid a bus is one way motorists can help improve safety. In doing so, motorists won’t find themselves behind a bus and as a result, potentially putting children at risk.
Watch for school crossing patrols and pedestrians. Reduce speeds in and around school zones.
Watch and stop for pedestrians — the law applies to all street corners, for both marked and unmarked crosswalks (all street corners) — every corner is a crosswalk.



TOWER FLU SHOT CLINICS

October 11th8:30-4:00


October 25th8:30-4:00

No Appointment Necessary

Bring your [Insurance Card](#) and [Photo ID](#)

Please Wear Short Sleeves

Allow 10 Minutes for Registration



Tower Medical Clinic

415 N 2nd St. Suite 2

218-753-2405

www.ScenicRiversHealth.org



Cook VFW

Open Daily at Noon

CLOSED on TUESDAYS

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

Event Rentals
Welcome
218-780-6709

Pull-Tabs Sold Daily
Lic. 00390

Sunday FREE Pool

Thursday Bingo
Early Bird 6 p.m.
Progressive Prizes

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

Take-Out 666-0500

HYDRANT FLUSHING

Breitung Township
will be
flushing hydrants
in Soudan on

Wednesday, Oct. 18
starting at 8:30 a.m.

Residents should expect
discolored water.

VERMILION COUNTRY SCHOOL

Fall chores with a smile

Vermilion Country School students helped with outdoor chores in Tower and Soudan last week, as part of a school-wide community service day. Students (from top) Heather Nappa, Andrew Sauls, and Leah Anderson all helped out at Golden Horizons. Other students volunteered in Soudan, as well as completing projects on the grounds of the school in Tower. photos by S. Ukkola



Northeast Range home-coming week schedule

BABBITT- This week is home-coming week at Northeast Range. The coronation will be at 10 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 13. Running for King are Zach Anderson, Quintin Pecha, Ethan Bergan, Bryce Duncan, Austin Erickson, and Marshall Backe. Running for Queen are ShaRee Kachmarzinski, Mylea Laulunen, Melissa Nelmark, Betty Runquist, Emma Barret, and Courtney Kilmister.

Please note that the football game scheduled for Friday at South Ridge has been canceled. Monday, Oct. 16 is Blayze Orange, Camo, Hillbilly, or Flannel Day. The volleyball teams will play Cherry at 5:45 p.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 17 is Color Wars Day. Each grade will wear a different color. Grade 7 wears green, grade 8 wears red, grade 9 wears purple, grade 10 wears gray, grade 11 wears blue, and grade 12 wears black. The volleyball teams will play Silver Bay at 5:15 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

The Pep Band will play at the volleyball games. Cross Country will compete at Proctor at 4 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 18 is School Spirit Day. Elementary dress up is \$1 for Nighthawk Spirit Day. The Pep Rally will be at 9 a.m. The football team will play Silver Bay at 3:15 p.m. The Pep Band will play at the football game. On Thursday and Friday, school will be closed for MEA Weekend.

THE NEWS OF THE WEEK FROM MS. VERA MILION



Dear Hearts,

Moose and the boys are trying to attach a windshield wiper to the front of our Motorola TV. WE HAVE A PROBLEM! Hilda has twisted her ankle and has to keep it propped up for a week or two! She fell off a tall stool at a local refreshment bar. Her ankle got caught between the rail and the bar. It had to be removed (the rail not her ankle) and we have been sharing her pain ever since. Every morning she hobbles to her recliner, grabs the TV remote, yells for coffee, and so begins another day on Lake Vermilion! She watches everything and anything from old Road Runner cartoons to “R U Faster than a Redneck” and “Bull.” Her favorite channels are those

twenty-four-hour news channels. The problem for the rest of the household and why we need a TV screen window washer is the PILLOW MAN!!! The Minnesota Pillow Man is always butting in, she says, to otherwise tip-top TV entertainment. He is everywhere—like flies at a picnic. I found out the other day why she abhors these commercials to the point that she throws her food at the TV screen. My two junior Thomas Edisons, tired of the Windex solution, felt that a TV screen windshield wiper was the “...clear ticket!” She did miss the TV once with a plate of Spaghetti-O’s. We left the red blob for a while because it did look a bit floral... but the flies got to be too much! So, taking the bull by the horns, I asked her one day, “What is your problem?” “He is on everything all the time! I worry that eventually if you ask, “Who is the most famous person from Minnesota?”, they’ll immediately answer,

“Why, the Pillow Man of course. He must be famous; he’s on TV.” How can you compare him to such famous Minnesotans as Roger Maris, Dave Winfield, Bob Dylan, Prince, Walter F. Mondale, Garrison Keillor, Judy Garland and Marion, Ross “Richie” Cunningham’s mom! Years from now these people will be forgotten. Who will be remembered as the representative of our noble Gopher State, the quintessential North Star person... Mike Lindell, the “Pillow Man?” Hilda has never expressed any allegiance to all things Minnesotan before the arrival of the Pillow Man. She did have a crush on Walter Mondale for a while. She tackled him once at a fundraiser in Duluth and started to drag him to an exit. Before any sort of meaningful relationship could develop, she was covered with Secret Service agents yelling, “Swarm, swarm, swarm,” and Hilda was hustled off for questioning by the FBI. Mondale was rushed to St.

Luke’s with head injuries. Hilda’s escape route included a series of cement steps, which resulted in a lot of bruising and maybe some brain injuries- for Walt, not Hilda. The incident had a lasting effect on Mondale. For the rest of the campaign he only took elevators—just in case. This quirk help give the presidency to Ronald Reagan. Ronnie labeled Walt “... as an elevator elitist.” Reagan always worked Mondale’s flaw into his campaign speeches, “There you go again, Walter, up in the elevator.” I have no idea how long Hilda’s ‘tic’ will last. I sense if we stop bringing her food and People magazine she will recover before Tuesday. One of course cannot talk about the occupant in the White House. (I had to sign a paper with a pen dipped in Timberjay ink that you-know-who was off limits.) However, the tale of the two First Lady Trumps: Melania and Ivana... well I won’t take the risk. Ta, ta loves, off to plant some crocus. Ms. Vera Milion

Bookmobile Schedule

Wednesday, Oct. 18; Nov. 8, 29, Dec. 20

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.

For further information call the Arrowhead Library System at 218-741-3840 or www.arrowhead.lib.mn.us

Transfer station

Soudan Canister

Expanded hours year-round

Monday	8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Wed.	8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Saturday	8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday	8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

For info: 1-800-450-9278

Hwy. 77 Canister

Winter hours now in effect

Thursday	12 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday	12 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Recycling canisters available daily at the Greenwood Town Hall. For info: 1-800-450-9278

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 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 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.

Week of Oct. 16
Monday- Chicken Noodle Soup, Cheesy Bread Sticks w/Marinara
Tuesday- Pizza, Fruit Salad
Wednesday - Friday- No school, no lunch.
Week of Oct. 23
Monday- Meat Calzone
Tuesday- Tater Tot Hot Dish, Dinner Roll
Wednesday- Grilled Cheese, Tomato Soup
Thursday- Chunky Chicken Gravy over Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Dinner Roll
Friday- Hot Italian Sub, Vegetable Soup

Week of Oct. 16

Monday
TOPS - Immanuel Lutheran Church, Tower, at 8:45 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. 17.

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

Wednesday
St. Paul's Bible study- meets from 2-3 p.m. at the Soudan Apartment activity room.

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

Thursday
Vermilion Country School Board- Fourth Thursday of the month at 5 p.m. (except near holidays). Meetings posted online at vermillioncountry.org.

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

Subscribe to the TIMBERJAY! Call 218-753-2950



Subscribe Today (218) 753-2950



the TIMBERJAY

The Tower-Soudan Timberjay and Cook-Orr Timberjay are published weekly on Friday by The Timberjay, Inc. Offices are at 414 Main St., Box 636, Tower, MN 55790 [218-753-2950], PO Box 718, Ely, MN 55731 [218-365-3114]. Fax number is 218-753-2916. E-mail address is: editor@timberjay.com. Visit our website: www.timberjay.com.

Entered as Periodicals at the Post Office in Tower, Minnesota. POSTMASTER: Send address changes to: The Timberjay, P.O. Box 636, Tower, MN 55790. Three award-winning community editions are published each week for Tower/Soudan, Cook/Orr, and Ely.

Publisher	Marshall Helmberger
General Manager	Jodi Summit
Staff Writers	Melissa Roach Stephanie Ukkola Keith Vandervort
Ely Editor	M. M. White
Office Manager	Scarlet Lynn Stone
Graphics/Ad Sales	Jay Greeney

Official Newspaper:
City of Tower, Orr, Townships of Bearville, Breitung, Crane Lake, Eagles Nest, Embarrass, Kugler, Vermilion Lake, Greenwood, Field, Morcom, Leiding, ISD 707.

Member: Minnesota Newspaper Association, Lake Vermilion Resort Association, Lake Vermilion Area Chamber of Commerce, Ely Chamber of Commerce, Orr Chamber of Commerce, Laurentian Chamber.

Subscriptions Available:
St. Louis County: \$34 year Elsewhere: \$49 year. We accept VISA/Mastercard/Discover. Please specify Tower/Soudan, Cook/Orr or Ely edition.
NOTE: Changes of address must be sent or called in to the Tower office. Out-of-state delivery may take 2-3 weeks. For prompt out-of-state delivery try the First Class Subscription: \$100 year or \$10 per month.
Read the entire paper on-line every week. On-line subscriptions cost \$27.95/year; details at www.timberjay.com.

Moving? Questions about your subscription?
Call the Tower office at (218) 753-2950.
© Copyrighted in its entirety 2017

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, First
Lutheran Church,
915 E. Camp St.
WOMEN'S AA - Noon
Mondays, Ledgerock
Community Church, Ely -
use 15th Street entrance
BABBITT AA - 7 p.m.
Tuesdays, Woodland
Presbyterian Church.
AL-ANON - Sundays 8-9 p.m.
at St. Anthony's Catholic Church
in Ely. For persons who
encounter alcoholism in a
relative or friend.
BABBITT AL-ANON -
Thursdays, 7 p.m., Babbitt
Assembly of God Church.
CO-DEPENDENTS' 12-step
support group, noon Fridays, St.
Anthony's Catholic Church, Ely.
ELY AREA FOOD SHELF - third
Wednesday each month. 15 W.
Conan St.
ADULT BASIC EDUCATION
GED Study materials and pre-
test available. Ely Community
Center Thursday 10 a.m.-4
p.m.; Tower by appointment.
Call 365-3359, 827-3232, or
1-800-662-5711.
CAREGIVER SUPPORT
GROUPS: Babbitt: 3rd
Monday of Month: 6-7:30
p.m. at Carefree Living
Ely: 4th Monday of Month:
10-11:30 a.m. at Ely-
Bloomenson Hospital
Conference Room B

by KEITH VANDERVORT
Ely Editor

ELY – The push for better Internet service in the Ely area continues to gain momentum. Residents and business owners within the geographical boundaries of the Ely School District have until Nov. 10 to complete a survey responding to the service they receive and the needs they have.

Members of the Ely Economic Development Authority discussed the project this week and pushed for participation in this next step of a feasibility study to create a broadband fiber service loop in the downtown area and other high-speed Internet improvements in the area.

“We would like to get this all wrapped up by Thanksgiving,” said Ely

Clerk-Treasurer Harold Langowski, “so we can have some data in hand during the legislative session this year.”

Ely is one of six north-east Minnesota communities taking part in the Blandin Foundation Broadband Communities initiative. Grant monies totaling \$25,000 are helping to fund the feasibility study, according to Langowski.

“Before this project can go forward, we need to know how people feel about their current service, and what can be improved,” he said. “It seems like an obvious question. We can assume everybody wants faster service.”

The survey can be found on the city’s website (www.ely.mn.us). For those with no Internet service, hard copies of the survey are available at the Ely City Hall and the Ely Public Library.

“According to Rachel (Ely Library director), she has had a lot of people come in to get hard copies to fill out,” Langowski said. “Those surveys can be returned back to the library or city clerk’s office.”

He also noted that the Ely Chamber of Commerce has provided survey information to its members. “This is all about broadband and online marketing. Hopefully we get a good response. Area newspaper advertising will continue to run for the next month,” he said.

Community Center
Langowski reported to the EEDA that at least

one unnamed party remains interested in purchasing the vacant Community Center building. “

“We have met with that person a couple of times. John Fedo (the city’s economic development advisor) has met with them. They are formulating a business plan. It does look like that will take some time,” he said.

“In the meantime, we have done a little bit of work on the building to winterize it,” he added. “We put heat tape in the roof drains. We installed a temporary electrical service for those heat tapes. We hope that will help.”

Langowski revealed that there appear to be multiple interests in the historic landmark, but did not provide further details.

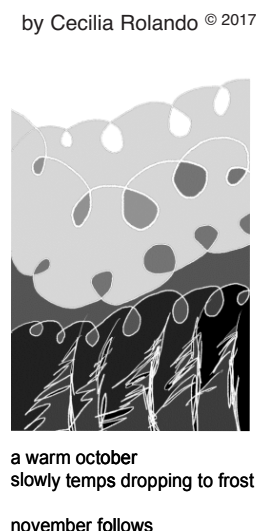
“We are hopeful,” he added.

The city of Ely listed the vacant building with a commercial real estate agent in May. The building has been closed for about three years. The 80-year-old landmark, which housed the city’s library, was appraised at approximately \$85,000.

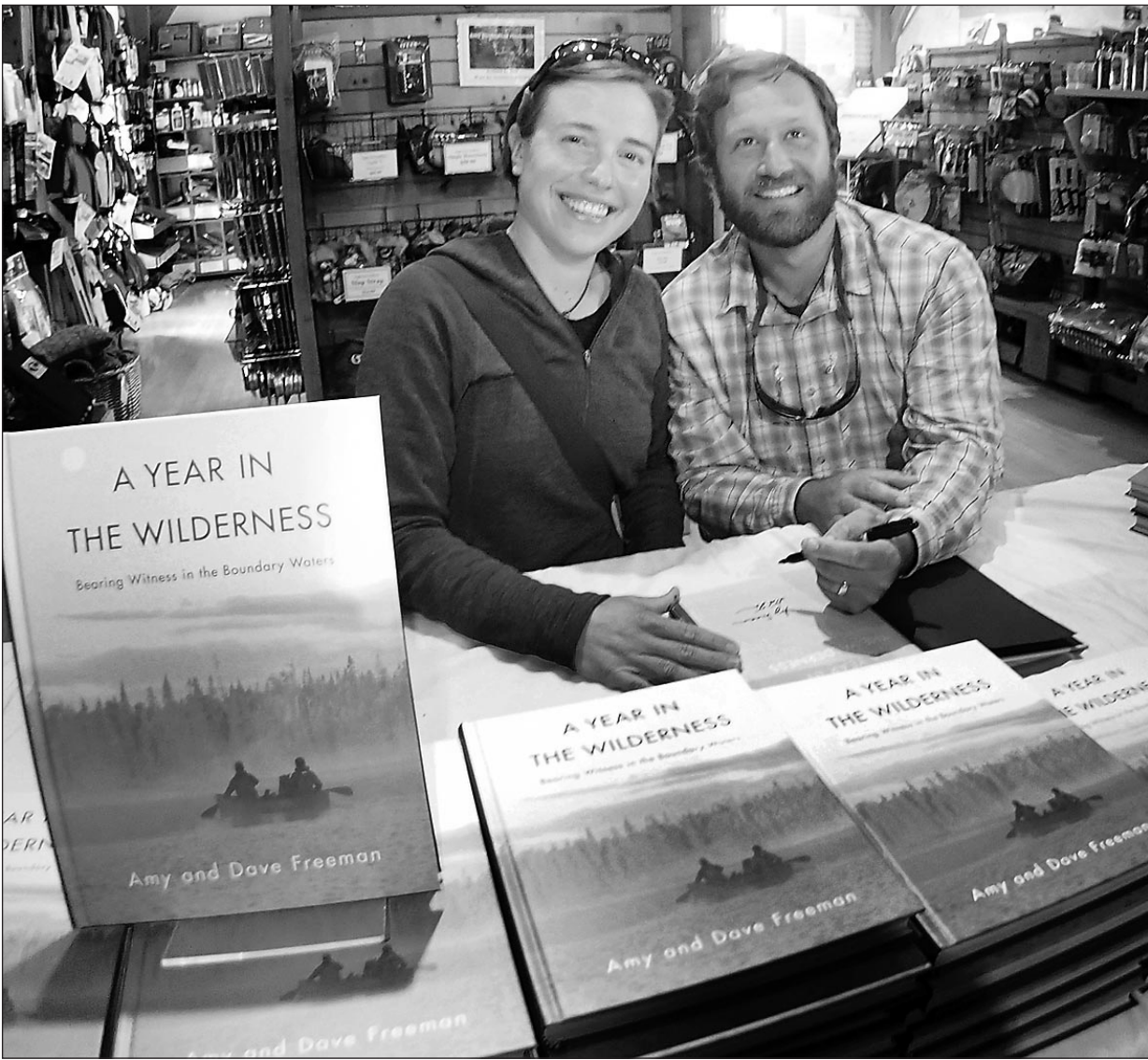
A proposed data center in the building fell through after a private investment group failed to provide a business plan, despite a one-year exclusive window to formulate a plan to purchase the building.

The building suffered significant water damage last winter. Repairs were covered by the city’s insurance carrier.

Breathing Out



ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCACY



Dave and Amy Freeman held an autograph party at Piragis Northwoods Co. Sunday afternoon to celebrate the publishing of their book, “A Year in the Wilderness: Bearing Witness in the Boundary Waters.” Through personal narrative and nature photography, the Freemans chronicled their yearlong journey, beginning in fall, 2015, of canoeing and dog-sledding through Minnesota’s Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness. The work was conceived as a piece of witness activism designed to warn against the dangers of proposed sulfide-ore copper mining in the region.
photo by K. Vandervort

News in Brief

Superior National Forest crews burning debris in Ely area

REGIONAL - Fire crews on the Superior National Forest began burning piles of woody debris in various locations on the forest last week and will continue while conditions are conducive.

By reducing the amount of material available to burn in these areas, the Forest Service reduces the risk of wildfires that could spread quickly, become difficult to control and potentially threaten private lands and residences. Conducting these burns enables the Forest Service to reduce wildfire hazards during a time when visitor use is relatively low.

Piles to be burned are located in timber sale units, next to privately-owned lands, and in several campgrounds, including Fenske Lake Campground, South Kawishiwi Campground, Salo Lake, Birch Lake Campground, and the Sawbill Campground.

All of the planned activities will be conducted with the safety of the public and firefighters as the highest priority and will occur only when appropriate resources are available.

If you have any questions regarding these activities, please contact the Gunflint Ranger District at 218-387-1750 or the Kawishiwi Ranger District at 218-365-7600.


Winter Farmers Market to open in Ely

ELY – The traditional summer Ely Farmers Market is changing with the season. Beginning Tuesday, Oct. 17, and every other Tuesday after that, the basement of Grace Lutheran Church, 301 E. Conan St., will host a winter market from 5-7 p.m.

“This is the first year that the Ely Farmers Market has done a winter market, and to us it makes sense,” said organizer Brian Naykki. “We have a lot of vendors who bake, craft, create, and can grow some produce all year long, so why not have them get their product out all year long and make a few bucks,” he said.

“Also, this helps get the community together for a fun outing during the winter cold. While you are shopping for some local goodies this can be a great way to pick up some holiday gifts for others,” he added.

The Ely Farmers Market is looking for vendors who grow produce in the winter, bakers, artists and crafters. “Space is limited, so call me for details,” he said. For more information, call Brian Naykki at 218-410-5600.



the **TIMBERJAY**

The Ely Timberjay is published weekly on Friday by The Timberjay, Inc. Offices are at 414 Main St., P.O. Box 636, Tower, MN 55790 [218-753-2950], and PO Box 718, Ely, MN 55731 [218-365-3114]. Fax number is 218-753-2916. E-mail address is: editor@timberjay.com. Visit our website: www.timberjay.com.

Entered as Periodicals at the Post Office in Tower, Minnesota. POSTMASTER: Send address changes to: The Timberjay, P.O. Box 636, Tower, MN 55790. Three award-winning community editions are published each week for Tower/Soudan, Cook/Orr, and Ely.

Publisher	Marshall Helmberger
General Manager	Jodi Summit
Ely Editor	Keith Vandervort
Staff Writer	Stephanie Ukkola
Office Manager	M. M. White
Graphics	Scarlet Lynn Stone
Ad Sales	Jay Greeney

Official Newspaper:
City of Tower, City of Orr, Townships of Bearville, Breitung, Crane Lake, Eagles Nest, Embarrass, Kugler, Vermilion Lake, Field, Morcom, Leiding, ISD 707.

Member: Minnesota Newspaper Association, Lake Vermilion Resort Association, Lake Vermilion Area Chamber of Commerce, Ely Chamber of Commerce, Laurentian Chamber of Commerce.

Subscriptions Available:
St. Louis County: \$34 year Elsewhere: \$49 year. We accept VISA/Mastercard/Discover. Please specify Tower/Soudan, Cook/Orr or Ely edition.

NOTE: Changes of address must be sent or called in to the Tower office. Out-of-state delivery may take 2-3 weeks. For prompt out-of-state delivery try the First Class Subscription: \$100 year or \$10 per month.

Read the entire paper on-line every week. On-line subscriptions cost \$27.95/year; details at www.timberjay.com.

Moving? Questions about your subscription? Call the Tower office at (218) 753-2950.

SUBSCRIBE (218) 753-2950

ELY ANGLERS

Fishing season winds down

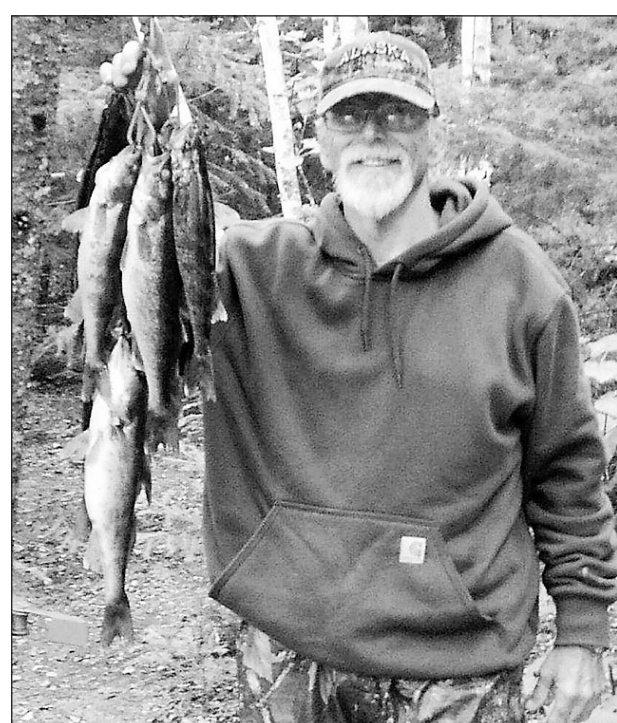
Ely-area anglers know where the fish are biting



Ashton Cook took a bike ride to Miners Pit and caught this three-pound, ten-ounce, 19-inch smallmouth by using a crawfish he caught on site for bait. submitted photos



Dennis Portinen and a friend had a great time fishing on Basswood Lake with the harvest of this fine stringer of walleyes.



Mike Sibley portaged into Basswood Lake to fill his stringer with these nice eating-size walleyes.



Walt Weissinger and his daughter, June, had a great time catching these walleyes on Burntside Lake.



Michelle Butterfass hefted a nice northern pike taken from White Iron Lake.



Check out the size of the lure that Trenton Monson used to catch this 26-inch walleye from Wind Lake. That's a Butchertail bait, normally used for pike and muskie. It shows that hungry walleyes aren't leader shy.



Celia Domich caught a 28-inch walleye from Burntside Lake with a jumbo leech.

News In Brief

Tuesday Group Schedule

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

Oct. 17 – Bo DeRemee – Great Lakes Science from onboard the S/V Sullivan

Studio North celebrates 19 years

ELY - Studio North will be celebrating 19 years of business with a grand-re-opening celebration, ribbon cutting and community appreciation on Saturday, Oct. 14, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The party starts at 9:30 a.m. with a free Zumba class. A ribbon cutting follows at 10 a.m. to celebrate the facility's newly remodeled gym. Live Streaming of the "Polka Pal Ron Show" from WELY will be held from 10:30 a.m. to noon, featuring polka dancing in the studio.

Visitors will have an opportunity to tour the remodeled gym and try out the equipment. A bouncy house will be available for children.

The party will continue from noon to 2 p.m. with live accordion music by Bernie Palcher. As long as he is playing there will be dancing.

The celebration will feature food, door prizes, games, fitness and fun.

Yesterday's news, this week

from the archives of

THE ELY MINER

Courtesy of the Ely-Winton Historical Society

October 12, 1917

New trial denied

Judge Edward Freeman in District Court Saturday denied a new trial in the case of Chas. Litke v. the city of Ely. The case was tried at the late term of the court in this city and a verdict rendered by the jury in favor of the city.

Counsel for Litke claimed to have discovered new evidence and the motion for a new trial was argued before Judge Freeman several weeks ago.

Accidentally shot

Friday evening at the headquarters camp of the St. Croix Lumber Co., Michael McCarthy, an old and trusted employee of the company, while cleaning a gun was accidentally shot through the lungs and was instantly killed. Coroner J.C. Russell deemed an inquest not necessary after listening to evidence in the case.

It seems that McCarthy was cleaning a rifle and that in the operation he pulled the gun toward him, muzzle first, when the weapon discharged. The location of the body and the gun indicated such, as did the wound which caused death.

He was 45 years of age and has been employed in this vicinity for several years. The funeral took place Monday morning from the residence of his brother, James McCarthy. The remains were taken to the Catholic Church where Rev. Father Buh conducted the services. A large concourse of friends escorted the remains to the Ely Cemetery.

Two fires

The Ely Fire Department was called Monday morning to the St. Croix Lumber Co. warehouse where a fire had started in the floor under the kitchen range. The damage was slight.

Wednesday evening, the fire department was called to a shed on the alley between Harvey and Conan streets where a fire had started in some stored mattresses. The fire had gained considerable headway but the department soon had the blaze under control. The new truck made the first run to the fire and clearly demonstrated that it could get there. The shed was partially destroyed. It was owned by August Tuomala.

ATTENTION ELY RESIDENTS Input Needed On Broadband

The Ely Area Broadband Coalition (ELY ABC) has been working the past year to utilize and improve broadband in the Ely area. The Ely Area was selected as a Blandin Broadband Community and received grant funding to complete a broadband feasibility study. The feasibility study is being completed by Design Nine, a professional consulting firm with extensive knowledge and experience. If you are a resident or business within the Ely school district ISD 696 please visit the link to fill out a quick online survey concerning broadband. If you do not have internet access you can get a paper copy at Ely City Hall or the Ely Public Library. It is important to hear from everyone in the study area to complete the feasibility study.

The deadline for filling this out is November 10, 2017. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Harold R. Langowski at 218-235-3083 or elyod@ely.mn.us

<http://projects.designnine.com/survey/ely-residential-broadband-survey>

<http://projects.designnine.com/survey/ely-business-broadband-survey>

Published in the Timberjay, Oct. 6, 13, 20, 27 & Nov. 3, 2017

Call
753-2950
to subscribe
to the
Timberjay!



**St. Anthony's Youth
Fall Boutique**

**Sat., October 21
10 AM-3 PM**

St. Anthony's Social Hall

Featuring:
Crafters, Vendors,
Bucket Raffles,
Fantastic Prizes

• CAFE •
featuring homemade
SOUPS & BREAD

All proceeds support
St. Anthony's Youth Group

Erin Murphy, Democratic candidate for governor, will visit Cook on Oct. 19

COOK- Democratic candidate for governor, Erin Murphy, will be at the Cook Community Center on Thursday, Oct. 19, at 6:30 p.m. Come meet Erin and learn why she is running for governor of Minnesota. This civic event is sponsored by Northern Progressives, and is first in the “Why I’m Running” series, bringing constituents and candidates together.

NWFA Winter Writers Group begins on Saturday, Oct. 14

COOK- To authors in the region of Cook: Ellie Larmouth will begin holding the Winter Writers Group on every second Saturday each month starting Oct. 14 at Northwoods Friends of the Arts Gallery from 1 to 3 p.m. Arrive early and enjoy the annual members’ show, “October Festival of the Arts”.

This NWFA group is open to anyone who enjoys writing and spending time with others who share an interest and passion for putting words together to tell a story. Individuals share their personal writing as well as writing together as a group on an assigned topic during the meeting and in-between meetings.

NWFA Gallery is located between Gustafson Motors and Dream Weaver Spa and Salon.

Cook Public Library offers computer and Internet classes

COOK- The Cook Public Library will offer computer and Internet classes starting in October. Classes will be held at the library on the first and third Tuesday of the month, October – April. A morning and evening session will be offered on the same topic. No registration or fee necessary for participants. Space may be limited. Everyone welcome. Funding for these classes is provided through the Blandin Broadband Grant. This grant was awarded to the Grizzlies community to support projects and raise awareness about Internet resources and services.

For more information, call the library at 218-666-2210 or visit the library website at www.cookpubliclibrary.org.

Tuesday, Oct. 17

Morning class: 11 a.m., evening class: 5 p.m.

Bring Your Own Device: Do you have questions about your laptop? Are you wondering how to download apps to your smart phone, e-reader, or tablet? Bring your questions and your device to the library.

NWFA invites you to a Peace Pole celebration on Sunday, Oct. 15

COOK- The Cook community will be linking with Peace Poles planted on all continents of the world proclaiming the prayer, “May Peace Prevail on Earth”. The celebration will take place Sunday, Oct. 15 at noon in front of Cook City Hall.

Bring your singing voices and a message of peace in our community and across the globe. At the ceremony, a pop up choir will sing “Let There Be Peace On Earth”. Everyone is welcome to enjoy the ceremony. Warm cider, coffee and cookies will be provided.

The Cook Peace Pole is the third phase of the NWFA’s Summer Art Program entitled “Peace Begins With Me!” The Lions Peace Poster Contest, entitled “The Future of Peace”, is going on right now and is the second phase.

NWFA meets on Oct. 17

COOK- Northwoods Friends of the Arts holds its monthly meeting next Tuesday, Oct. 17 at 12 noon at NWFA Gallery in Cook, 210 S. River St., between Gustafson Motors and Dream Weaver Salon and Spa. Meetings are about two hours long.

Those who are curious are welcome, as well as members. Discussion centers on programs, concerts, grants, budgets and how to provide free education to the community of Cook. NWFA is a 501(c)3 organization. The website is www.nwfamn.org and the email address is

ORR CENTER

Orr celebrates all-things pumpkin

by MELISSA ROACH
Staff Writer

ORR- Fall was in the air as the Orr Pumpkin Fest was held this past weekend at the Orr Center. The event included horse drawn wagon rides, arts and craft vendors, children’s activities, a garage sale, a pumpkin recipe cook/bake-off, and lots of pumpkins. Orr Carefree Living was the big winner of the Pumpkin Cook-Off, winning the Peoples Choice Award for their classic pumpkin roll and also winning Most Original Recipe Award for pumpkin taffy. Sandy Wardas won the Judges Choice Award with her pumpkin cake. The event was a fundraiser for the Orr Center to complete the building’s heating system. Donations for the heating system can be made at www.gofundme.com/heating-fund.



Above: Waylon Pozniak won first place for his 84-pound entry.

Right: Irene Semon cuts pieces of a pumpkin roll that was entered into the pumpkin cook-off. Attendees could sample and vote for their favorite and most original recipe made with pumpkin.



Leah Las getting her face painted. photos by M. Roach

CRANE LAKE

Crane Lake News by the Singing Teapot Dames

C R A N E

LAKE- I think we can say that Fall has fallen! It is hard to believe that some states have temps still in the 80s while we are having trouble reaching highs in the 60s. “Frost” has become a word in our vocabularies again, and it is possible that “snow” is another word we will soon be uttering. Filling propane tanks and gathering wood for the coming winter are the activities with which we are now concerned.

October is the month of witches, goblins, and tricks or treats. Did you know that Anoka was the first town in the U.S. to celebrate Halloween? It happened on Oct. 31, 1920, and was a result of their attempts to counter-act “rowdy” teens. The previous year, the town had endured a band of



pranksters who had run amok, causing damage to the town. The citywide celebration was an attempt to keep these mischief-makers occupied. Halloween is thought to have its roots in Celtic pagan traditions to acknowledge the transition of the harvest season to the harsh winter to come.

Rumor has it that there is a bear getting into garbage areas around Joe Bonner’s and Handberg’s Marina. Handberg’s will be relocating their shop to a temporary location for the building of an enlarged brand new shop where the old shop is now located. There has been a lot of activity in that area of our town lately.

Voyageur Days activities for this year are but

memories, but the committee is already making plans for next year’s activities.

The Andersons had California visitors here last week. Emmy Lou’s sister and other family joined in for a very nice dinner Saturday night at Voyageaire Lodge. Voyageaire is now closed until snowmobile season begs them to open again. Snowmobilers are hoping for a snowy year, while the rest of us maybe not so much. Your view on snow depends on your age, activity level, and hobbies.

Sympathies are sent to Zelda Bruns’ niece and her husband who lost their home in Santa Rosa, California due to the recent fire. Rebuilding, while possible, is a long, frustrating, often depressing, experience. Stay strong, Terrie and Mark!

Christian conspiracy theorist David Meade, who had predicted that the world was going to end on Sept.

23, now says that the media misunderstood him- it is actually happening on Oct. 15. He claims that the end is going to involve a fatal collision between the Earth and the planet Nibiru, which supposedly entered our solar system on Aug. 21, the date of the great American eclipse. He has offered no explanation as to why the collision hasn’t happened, but claims the hurricanes are proof that the end is coming. The Dames have decided that, if Oct. 15 is the date, house cleaning is definitely not a priority.

Send news by e-mail to info@thelakecountry.com, by fax to 218-757-3533, or by phone to Sandy at 218-757-3233 and it will be added. So fire away with your news.

Until next time, the Teapot Dames are singing off.

DOMESTIC ABUSE

Domestic Abuse Awareness Month

COOK- Last year a group of grassroots ladies assembled after learning about the abuse of women and children in this region. All of the ladies live in this area, including Alango, Angora, Cook, Britt, Buyck, Orr, Crane Lake and Tower. Our purpose was to take one step at a time attempting to change the local culture so that women and children would be free to live full and joy-filled lives.

How would we start? We educate the public through local print media. We are grateful for the *Cook News Herald*, *The Timberjay*, and *Hometown Focus* for publishing our submissions. We distributed helpful resources, collected stories from victims and their families (confidential unless publicity is desired), and networked with prosecutors, police, attorneys, and parents. By promoting the Advocates for Victims of Abuse (AVA), we researched safe houses, therapy ranches for victims, and connecting with agencies and charities that fight sex trafficking and

abuse. Sex is such a powerful connection that victims are vulnerable to a perpetrator’s promises to treat her better, so she sometimes reveals where she is protected! Safe places for victims are rare because perpetrators threaten violence to all who dwell there. But we applaud those who secretly take a victim in, offering protection until she can get a new start. PAVSA in Duluth (24 hr helpline 218-726-1931) is NE Minnesota’s aid agency to help victims navigate the state’s help resources and stop sex trafficking. NW Minnesota has a Safe Harbor office in Grand Rapids, 218-326-5008. On the Range, Advocates for Family Peace offers safety and education, 218-326-0388 or 218-263-8344.

AVA brochures educate the public, and have been distributed to all Cook churches. Yvonne DeVaughn, the founder of AVA, told her story on video at covchurch.tv/yvonne-devaughn-story/. Jenny Rae Armstrong wrote “A Broken Trust: Talking About the Epidemic of Domestic Violence.” Bob Smietana wrote “Pastors Seldom Preach About Domestic Violence.”

A cultural effort that has worked well in other localities is a “Chivalry Ball” where young men have an opportunity to practice respectfully good manners for dating a young lady. Families in a region who share similar values of civility and kindness can band together to provide wholesome fun, raising considerate young men and women.

Locally, we’ve appreciated Zup’s Grocery hosting our cookbook sale in June 2016, which provided funds to begin offering Comfort Care kits for victims of assault who came to the Cook Hospital’s Emergency Room this past year. Herberger’s in Virginia gave Cook Covenant ladies an opportunity to earn through the sale of Community Days coupon books over the winter of 2016-17, and will again for November’s Community Days. 100-percent of donations help local AVA; no salaries, fundraising or administrative costs are involved. Contact Shirley Woods at 218-666-2417 to buy, or help sell, a \$5 coupon book that provides the buyer with \$500 in Herberger’s coupons for its Community Days.

Subscribe Today
(218) 753-2950

Bookmobile schedule

Visit your library on wheels, the Arrowhead Library System Bookmobile. Local stops and times include:

Thursday, Oct. 26; Nov. 16; Dec. 7, 28

Nett Lake – Community Center 9:30-10:15

Orr – City Hall/Tourism Center 11:00-11:45

Buyck – Vermilion River Tavern 1:15-1:45

Crane Lake – Ranger Station 2:00-2:30

Kabetogama – “Town” Hall 3:45-4:15

For further information on the Bookmobile or Mail-A-Book services, write or call the Arrowhead Library System, 5528 Emerald Ave., Mt. Iron, MN 55768 218-741-3840, or check our website at www.alslib.info.



LIVE MUSIC

Piatgorsky musicians perform at North Woods School

FIELD TWP- Mezzo-Soprano Katherine Calcamuggio Donner and pianist Nicholas Shaneyfelt performed together for North Woods Elementary students last week. The performance included songs in French, German, and Spanish. Piatgorsky Foundation presents live music throughout the country focusing on performances for schoolchildren, seniors, the economically disadvantaged, and communities in geographically remote areas.



YOUTH GROUP FUNDRAISING

Trinity Lutheran Youth host Oktoberfest fundraiser



COOK- Youth from Trinity Lutheran Church in Cook hosted an Oktoberfest at the VFW in Cook. The youth served up a traditional German meal of bratwurst, sauerkraut, red cabbage, German potato salad, Bavarian pretzels and dessert. The kids are raising money for their trip to Houston in June 2018 for the National Youth Gathering. The gathering will consist of about 30,000 Lutheran youth from around the United States who will be doing service projects, including cleaning up parts of the city.



Jennifer Zaller along with her son Kory collected money and handed out tickets for the many basket raffles.



Above: Trinity youth served up the Oktoberfest meal along with help from many of their parents.

Left: Kayla Palm and Brenna Simpson greeted customers at the door with a smile and collected for the meal tickets.

photos by B. Smith

North Woods School named to "Top High Schools in Minnesota" list

COOK- Did you know that North Woods School has received a national honor and made the list of "Top High Schools in Minnesota" with a bronze medal award? U.S. News and World Report looked at over 28,000 high schools across the U.S., and North Woods was one of 158 Minnesota schools to make the list. You can find the information at <https://www.usnews.com/education/best-high-schools/minnesota/dis->

tricts/st-louis-county-school-district/north-woods-secondary-138844.

You also can type "U.S. News and World Report North Woods School" into your search bar to find the information.

Congratulations to our students, teachers, support staff, coaches, and our entire school community for all that everyone does to make North Woods a great place to be a student. It takes a village to raise our children, and everyone

has an important role in helping our kids develop into wonderful young adults.



201 Hwy 53 SE Cook, MN
666-0205

Fall/Winter Hours
Sun: 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Mon-Sat: 7 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Effective October 1



Cook Optical
Quality Eye Care for less Stop in & Compare

HOURS: 9-4:30 Mon.-Fri.
Jerel D. Johnson, ABOC Certified
23 E. Vermilion Dr., Cook

EYE EXAMS • 666-2879
Call for Appointment
with Dr. Jensen, Optometrist

A Tradition of Trust

- Traditional Funerals
- Graveside Services
- Cremation
- Transportation Arrangements
- Pre-Need Planning



MLAKER FUNERAL HOME
Cook, Minnesota
218-666-5298
24 hours a day



the TIMBERJAY

The Cook-Orr Timberjay is published weekly on Friday by The Timberjay, Inc. Offices are at 414 Main St., Box 636, Tower, MN 55790 [218-753-2950] and Box 718, Ely, MN 55731 [218-365-3114]. Fax number is 218-753-2916. E-mail address is editor@timberjay.com. Visit our website: www.timberjay.com.

Entered as Periodicals at the Post Office in Tower, Minnesota. POSTMASTER: Send address changes to: The Timberjay, P.O. Box 636, Tower, MN 55790. Three award-winning community editions are published each week for Cook/Orr, Tower/Soudan, and Ely.

Publisher	Marshall Helmlinger
General Manager	Jodi Summit
Staff Writers	Melissa Roach
	Stephanie Ukkola
Ely Editor	Keith Vandervort
Office Manager	M. M. White
Graphics/Ad Sales	Scarlet Lynn Stone
Ad Sales	Jay Greeney

Official Newspaper:

City of Tower, Orr, Townships of Bearville, Breitung, Crane Lake, Eagles Nest, Embarrass, Kugler, Vermilion Lake, Greenwood, Field, Morcom, Leiding, ISD 707.

Member: Minnesota Newspaper Association, Lake Vermilion Resort Association, Lake Vermilion Area Chamber of Commerce, Orr Chamber of Commerce, Ely Chamber of Commerce, Laurentian Chamber.

Subscriptions Available:

St. Louis County: \$34 year Elsewhere: \$49 year
We accept VISA/Mastercard/Discover.
Please specify Tower/Soudan, Cook/Orr or Ely edition.

NOTE: Changes of address must be sent or called in to the Tower office. Out-of-state delivery may take 2-3 weeks. For prompt out-of-state delivery try the First Class Subscription: \$100 year or \$10 per month.

Moving? Questions about your subscription?
Call the Tower office at (218) 753-2950.

© Copyrighted in its entirety 2017



Scenic Rivers HEALTH SERVICES

Say Boo! to the Flu!

Flu Clinic Oct. 31st 7:30 - 5:00

Cook Medical
20 Fifth St. SE
218-666-5941
No Appointment Necessary!
Bring your Insurance Card and Photo ID
Please Wear Short Sleeves

COMMUNITY EVENTS AND NOTICES

Amy Shreve to perform at Free Church on Sunday, Oct. 15

EMBARRASS- The Evangelical Free Church of Embarrass will host a concert by Amy Shreve on Sunday, Oct. 15 at 6:30 p.m.

Amy Shreve is a singer, songwriter, and accomplished harpist, who has recorded sixteen records and been nominated for a Dove Award.

She is accompanied on guitar and mandolin by her husband, Gary, and by her daughter, Elise, on percussion.

The resulting sound creates an appealing Celtic folk/pop genre. All are welcome for an inspirational night of music.

Time to buy your ice candle for Embarrass Ice Candle Holiday Celebration

EMBARRASS- With the change of the season, we are now thinking about the Embarrass Ice Candle Holiday Celebration. This is a reminder to buy your ice candles! As in past years, they will be \$3 each. We will be selling ice candles until Nov. 1. If you plan to buy a candle in remembrance of a loved one, please let us know as soon as possible by stopping by the clerk's office or calling us at 218-984-2084. We would like to get all the marked stakes put out at the gravesites by the first week in November. The Ice Candle and Holiday Gathering will be held this year on Saturday, Dec. 16 at the Embarrass Cemetery with Christmas goodies to follow at the Embarrass Town Hall located at 7503 Levander Road. Mark your calendars!

Sons of Norway annual meatball dinner on Oct. 21

VIRGINIA- The Sons of Norway annual meatball dinner and bake sale will be held from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 21, in the south room of the Miners Memorial Building in Virginia. The meal of meatballs, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetable, coleslaw, dinner rolls, lefse and cookies is \$9 for adults and \$4 for children under 12. There will be a Scandinavian gift table and lefse and krumkake baking demonstrations. Take out dinners are available, and meatballs will be sold by the dozen. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Ruby's Pantry Oct. 28 in Babbitt

BABBITT- Ruby's Pantry will be distributing food on Saturday, Oct. 28 at the Babbitt Municipal Center, 71 South Drive from 10 - 11:30 a.m. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. A \$20 cash donation buys an abundance of food. There are no income or residency guidelines. Bring two large boxes or baskets. St. Pius X Catholic Church sponsors this event, which always takes place on the fourth Saturday of each month. Volunteers are always welcome!

NAMI support group for families

VIRGINIA- NAMI Minnesota (National Alliance on Mental Illness) sponsors free support groups for families and friends of individuals living with a mental illness. Led by trained facilitators who also have a family member with mental illness, the support groups help families develop better coping skills and find strength through sharing their experiences. A family support group meets in Virginia on the second Tuesday of each month, from 6 - 7 p.m., at Essentia-Health Medical Arts Clinic, 901 9th St. N, in McMillan Room B. For information, call Dan at 218-290-5461.

COOK

NWFA launches October Festival of the Arts

COOK- Percy The Lion, a life-sized chicken wire sculpture that was exhibited at the St. Louis County Fair, guards the arts and crafts at Northwoods Friends of the Arts members' show, "October Festival of the Arts," now showing until Saturday, Oct. 28 at the NWFA Gallery in Cook.

Percy the Lion guards the hand-made quilts, "The Gypsy Wife" and "Over The River," knitted mittens, hats, weavings, photography, felted wool hats and more, arranged near brilliant glass platters and stunning pottery, jewelry and paintings created by your neighbors and friends on the Range.

The annual event opened with a flourish when fifty people attended the reception at NWFA Gallery in Cook on Friday, Oct. 6 from 5 to 7 p.m. The exhibit continues until Saturday, Oct. 28. The gallery is open on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. next to Dream Weaver Spa and Salon.



The October Show includes glass platters created by Sally Ludlow. submitted photo

NWFA has continued providing exhibit space, meetings and classes, and encouraging students, writers and artists since 2010, when it was organized as a non-profit by those who love art in the region of Cook. The next writers' meeting is on the second

Saturday, Oct. 14 at 1 p.m. The website is www.nwfamn.org and the email address is nwfamn.org@gmail.com.

ELY

Ely Winter Festival Oktoberfest Fundraiser on Oct. 18

ELY- No, it isn't quite time for the Ely Winter Festival. It is just our annual Oktoberfest party at the Winton Roadhouse to raise money for this year's event. From 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesday evening, Oct. 18, for \$20 you can enjoy two German beers or wines, brats with kraut,

potato-and-cheddar soup, and live accordion music from Joe Baltich Sr. Such a deal! Buy your tickets in advance from any festival board member, or online at www.elywinterfestival.com, so we know you're coming.

Furthering the festivities will be

a raffle of two gift baskets, one from the Festival, one from the Roadhouse. You can inspect them that evening, then buy one ticket for \$3 or two for \$5. Your dough supports the Ely Winter Festival, the biggest, best mid-winter party in the north, because.... "Nobody Does Winter Better!"

TOWER



Tower's Pine Street bridge reopens

The new Pine Street Bridge, which crosses the East Two River by the old Iron Ore Bar, is now open to traffic. The old bridge was torn down in July. The bridge had been identified as "critically failed" and was replaced as part of a larger county bridge project. photo by S. Ukkola

Family Discovery Day: International Archaeology Day

CHISHOLM - Celebrate International Archaeology Day at the Minnesota Discovery

Center on Saturday, Oct. 21 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 21 is International Archaeology Day. Come to the Family Discovery Day to talk with Sam Olson and Erin Dinneen, archaeologists who work for the Superior and Chippewa National Forests. Learn what these ladies and other archaeologists study, why they study it, and how they do their research. Fun activities for kids include putting a broken pot back together, throwing an atlatl, and

participating in a mock archaeological dig. It's sure to be a blast from the past!

Essentia Health St. Mary's Hospice seeks volunteers

REGIONAL- East Range Team is seeking volunteers within a 60-mile radius of Virginia. Are you looking for a fulfilling volunteer opportunity? Come and join the team at East Range Hospice and make a difference in your com-

munity one family at a time. The volunteer opportunities are varied: visiting in the home, bereavement follow-up, office support, veteran peer-to-peer support, and 11th hour.

Join us Thursday, Oct. 12, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the McMillan A room on the lower level of Essentia Virginia Hospital, 901 9th St N. Pre-registration is required. Some computer knowledge is recommended but not required. To register, please call Dee Dee at 218-749-7875.

14th Annual TSAA FALL AUCTION

Thursday, Nov. 9

The Wilderness at Fortune Bay

5 p.m. Social Hour ♦ 6 p.m. Auction begins
Tickets \$25 in advance or \$30 at the door

(seating is limited, tickets should be purchased in advance)

A Fun-Filled Evening

- ♦ Social Hour ♦ Karaoke with LuAnn Zaudtke
- ♦ Door Prizes ♦ Split the Pot
- ♦ General Raffle ♦ Special \$1 Raffle ♦ Plinko
- ♦ Last Woman Standing ♦ Live Auction ♦ Silent Auction

Reserve your Ticket Today

Call Jodi at (218) 753-2950

or stop by the Timberjay office in Tower

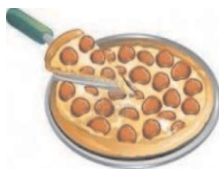
or mail to TSAA Auction, PO Box 636, Tower, MN 55790

Sponsored by the Tower-Soudan Athletic Association & Friends of Vermilion Country School

Money raised goes towards Tower-Soudan Little League, Babe Ruth, T-S Unicycling, T-S Elementary, Vermilion Country Charter School, & other youth educational opportunities

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY RECREATION BOARD

Silent Auction
and
all you can eat PIZZA
at the
VERMILION CLUB



SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 21, 2017

from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Please support our fundraiser to help build a playground for kids!
Everyone is Welcome! - Free-will donation for pizza

Silent Auction includes:

- Minnesota Wild Tickets
- Lake Vermilion Stuntz Bay B/W print by Lauren Nelson
- Dock & Lift Cooler by Rhino
- Wilderness Round of Golf for 4
- Plus many more auction items

\$5 Raffle Tickets - separate drawings for a Crown Royal Quilt and an Apple Series 2 Watch

Get a Start on Your Holiday Shopping

For auction item donations or questions call Gene Baland at 753-2104.



Call Us For All Your
LP Gas Needs!

Hoover Rd, Virginia
741-7393
1613 E. Camp St., Ely
365-8888

24 Hour
Emergency
Service

• Toll Free •
1-800-862-8628

Subscribe to the
TIMBERJAY!
Call
218-753-2950



COMMUNITY EVENTS AND NOTICES

COOK

Paul Metsa will perform at Comet on Oct. 14

COOK- Paul Metsa, eight-time MN Music Award Winner and Virginia native will be performing his new one-man show, “Blackie and Paul, A Dog and His Man, and the Meaning of Life” on Saturday, Oct. 14 at the Comet Theater in Cook. Metsa, who the Huffington Post called “the other great folksinger from the Mesabi Iron Range” created the show in honor of his 15-year relationship with his rescue dog Blackie, “who I rescued in 2002 and then spent the next 15 years having Blackie rescue me.” It is the story of how Metsa and Blackie developed a relationship that helped them both navigate the ups and downs of modern life. The show features some of Metsa’s classic tunes as well as visual images. Metsa envisions taking this show all over the country and using it to raise money for animal shelters wherever he goes. The show at the Comet will have a donation and portion of the proceeds component that will benefit Contented Critters in Makinen where Blackie adopted Paul in 2002.

Metsa will have copies of his new CD, “Judas Sang the Blues”, a solo disc recorded live at the Guthrie Theater in 1991 for sale. Metsa also hosts a weekly radio show, “The Wall of Power Radio Hour” on AM 950 in the Twin Cities, and a weekly TV show, “Wall of Power TV” on www.mcn6.org, and is the author of “Blue Guitar Highway” University of MN Press-2011.

Come see the show, “Blackie and Paul, a Dog and his Man, and the Meaning of Life- A One Man Show



by Paul Metsa” at Cook’s Comet Theater, located at 102 S. River St. The show will take place on Saturday, Oct. 14 at 7 p.m. Tickets are available at the door, \$10 each. For questions, call the theater at 218-666-5814

or Paul Metsa at 612-203-2526, email metsa@black-hole.com, or go online to the website www.paul-metsa.com.

INCREDIBLE ELY

Small business conference set for Nov. 1-2 in Ely

ELY- Incredible Ely, the University of Minnesota-Duluth Center for Economic Development, and the Entrepreneur Fund, are pleased to announce their second joint Small Business Conference, Wednesday and Thursday, Nov. 1 and 2 at the Grand Ely Lodge.

The purpose of the conference is to provide an opportunity for entrepreneurs in Northeastern Minnesota to build the skills they need to make their businesses succeed, and to network with business advisors as well as other entrepreneurs. The conference is designed for both established businesses and new start-ups – and even for those just thinking about starting a business.

The conference will kickoff on Wednesday evening with a keynote address by Jim Bensen who is an innovative leader, consultant of change, and international speaker. Conference attendees will hear firsthand how Bensen spearheaded a venture called “Bemidji Leads!” This 15-year effort, supported by hundreds of volunteers, transformed Bemidji into a thriving epicenter in the western region

of the state.

Bensen’s leadership and inspirational message will emphasize the importance of small business owners and their impact on their community. Bensen states, “The first 100 years of this nation were built on who could have the biggest farm, the second 100 years on who had the biggest factory. But the next 100 years will be on who has the best ideas.”

On Thursday, participants will be able to attend a wide variety of sessions, including:

Human Resources: How J1 VISA Programs Can Support a Labor Shortage - presented by Tamara Lowney, APEX; HR Tips and Tools - presented by Stacy Johnston, HR Solutions; How to Create and Maintain a High-Performing Team - presented by Sarah VanderMeiden, Sarah VanderMeiden Coaching.

Marketing: Keynote Morning Marketing Session: Telling Your Story for Real Engagement – Create “Likeable” Content and Land Juicy News Stories – presented by Lucie B. Amundsen; Growing Your Business: Resources and Tools to Make the Process A Whole Lot Easier! - presented by

Julie George, Entrepreneur Fund; Mobile Search: Why and How to Rank High in Mobile Search Results - presented by Curt Walczak, UMD Center for Economic Development; Nine Concrete Tips and Tricks for Instagram and Facebook - presented by Jane Pederson, Glensheen Historic Estate.

Finance: Non-Traditional Lending: Financing for Future Growth - Panel Discussion with Members from Entrepreneur Fund, Northland Foundation, Northspan, Great River Energy; Starting a Business in Minnesota - Betsy Olivanti, UMD Center for Economic Development.

The conference will also include panel discussions with successful entrepreneurs who will share the lessons of their experience. “The content and networking opportunities will be fantastic,” stated Elaine Hansen, Director of UMD Center for Economic Development. “If you want to grow your business or expand the opportunities in your community – this is the place to be.”

This year, the conference received a Small Business Administration (SBA) Portable Grant award through the efforts

of UMD CED, providing significant support to the conference.

There will also be panel presentations as well as a Resource Room where attendees will be able to meet one-on-one with experts in the areas where they need guidance and support.

To register for the conference, please visit www.IncredibleEly.org/conference. The registration fee, which includes a Wednesday night Food Station Tasting plus meals on Thursday is \$120. Lower fees are offered for Wednesday-only or Thursday-only attendance. For out-of-town participants, rooms are available at the Grand Ely Lodge at a reduced rate.

Incredible Ely is a non-profit 501c3 organization whose mission is to revitalize Ely’s downtown and support economic growth in the Ely area by connecting people, knowledge, ideas and resources. Our vision is a dynamic, innovative, and distinctive community with a diversified and seasonally-balanced economic base.

Mesabi Symphony Orchestra celebrates 40 years Oct. 21 and 22

REGIONAL- We’re celebrating 40 years on the Iron Range! Your Mesabi Symphony Orchestra starts the season with “A Celebration” on Saturday, Oct. 21 at 7 p.m. in Hibbing High School, and Sunday, Oct. 22 at 2:30 p.m. in Virginia High School’s Goodman Auditorium. The concerts feature Brahms’ Second Symphony, amazing young soloists, and coffee an’. More information is available at www.mesabisymphonyorchestra.org.

Vendors needed for Tower Holiday Craft Show set for Dec. 9

TOWER- The Tower Holiday Craft Show will be held on Saturday, Dec. 9 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.

“Are We What We Eat?” on Oct. 15 at Mesabi Unitarian Universalist

VIRGINIA- On Sunday, Oct. 15, “Are We What We Eat?” will be presented by Reverend Eric Northgard. We live in an era where food and food security are important issues. Despite amazing increases in food production over the past 50 years, millions of people around the world still face food shortages and famine. The issue is not that there is not enough food to feed the world, rather it is a distribution issue with gross inequities in food resources and access to adequate nutrition. What are some of the issues with food security and how can we make a difference? This service will be informative, reflective and action-oriented. We encourage all who are able to bring something to share with the local food bank.

Mesabi Unitarian Universalist Church is located at 230 7th St. S in Virginia. Usual services are Sundays at 10:30 a.m. For more information, visit www.mesabiuu.org. A parent/infant area is provided, as is toddler care, and religious education is provided for the over fives. All are welcome and we are handicap accessible.



LITTLE GOLD MINE
ANTIQUES

END-OF-SEASON SALE
Saturday & Sunday
October 14 & 15 • 9-5

50% off Everything!
No early birds please!

218-753-2333 • 30 Center Street, Soudan
vermilionparkinn.com

HARVEST FEST



“Be Thou My Vision”
Cook Covenant Church
October 22 • 4 PM

Musical Guests: Don Fultz, Dave Peterson, Warren Mlaker

Guest Speaker: Rev. Jerry Drebelbis
FULL THANKSGIVING DINNER
Free Will Offering



Wood Gasification by

KUUMA TM **Vapor-Fire**

The World’s #1 Hot Air Woodburning Furnace!

Tested by EPA Certified
Lab-Intertek Testing
(Madison, WI)

.45 gr/hr. emissions
99.4% comb. eff.
99% smokeless burns



- Save Wood
- Save Money (\$)
- Enjoy Burning Wood Safely
- Protect Your Home & Family
- Enhance Our Environment
- 8-12 Hours Useful Heat Per Load

TAX CREDIT ELIGIBLE!

Fantastic Wood & Electric
Sauna Stoves!

Lamppa Mfg., Inc.
1-800-358-2049
email: lampmfg@gmail.com • www.lamppakuuma.com



Pizzas, Pasta & More!
Homemade on site

Dine-in and Take-out Available!

Winter Hours • Open 4 PM to 9 PM Daily
WE DELIVER!



Bed & Breakfast
Retreat & Conference Center

- Adjacent to the Mesabi Trail
- Next to Soudan Underground Mine
- Close to Lake Vermilion
- Affordable Rates
- Comfortable & Cozy

Book your holiday parties now

Plan a fall get-a-way!
call & see what we have to offer

218.753.2333 • 30 Center St. Soudan
vermilionparkinn.com

Subscribe Today • (218) 753-2950

STONE...Continued from page 1

The crew of young adults involved with Northern Bedrock learned repair techniques including tuck-pointing joints, washing stone surfaces and training on how to rebuild the top section of chimney to match the existing chimney.

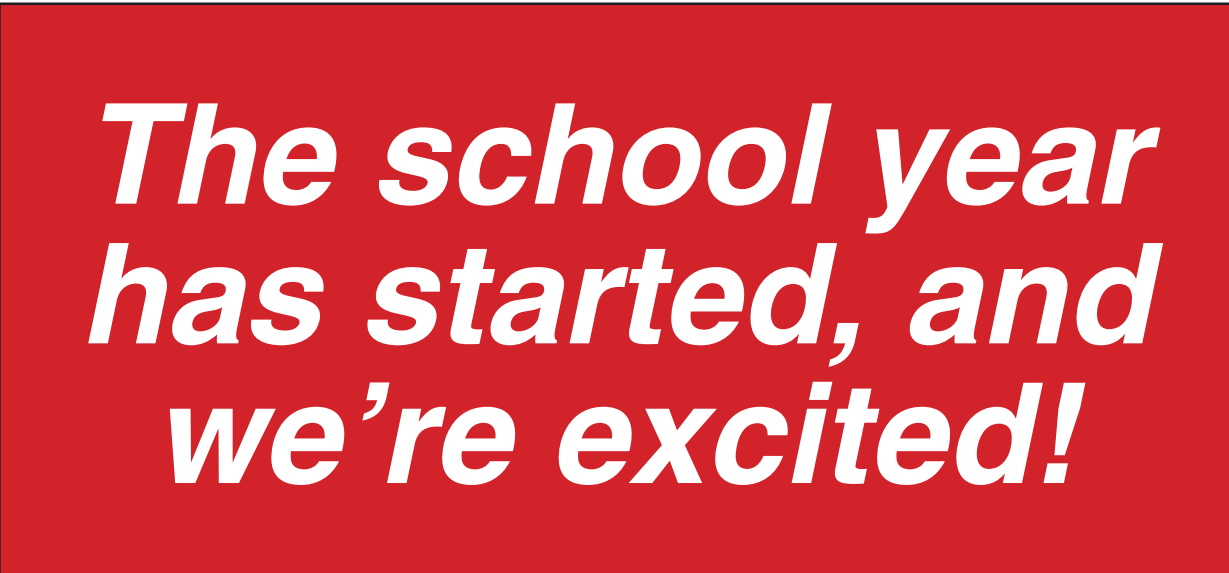
The five-person crew endured frosty morning temperatures, but otherwise dry conditions during their stay at the station. Northern Bedrock crews sleep and eat at the job. “It was pretty cold first thing this morning when we crawled out of our tent,”

said Samantha Aamot on Friday. “We warmed up quick when we got to work.” Mike Braun is co-owner of Mike Braun Construction Inc., which has been in existence for thirty-years. The company has established a reputation

of creating high quality fireplaces, foundations, chimneys and patios. Northern Bedrock crews previously learned new masonry skills, with Braun’s guidance and expertise, to restore stone fire pits and grills and complete necessary main-

tenance on various stone buildings in Semer’s Park in Ely. Three stone grills were built between 1938 and 1941, by the National Youth Administration (NYA) which was comprised of local Ely youth. That group created five stone fireplace grills, seven stone tables, a stone council ring, the foundation for a kitchen, and a bathhouse. The Halfway Ranger Station Historic District, consists of eleven buildings and one structure on twelve acres of land along the Kawishiwi River, which includes buildings built by the Works Progress Administration and the Depression-era Civilian Conservation Corps. Located in the Superior National Forest, the site was first established as a Ranger Station in the early twentieth century and later used as a site for Forest Service research. However, the 105-year-old site entered a nearly 20-year period of

little to no use. In 2010, with no future plans for the site and deteriorating conditions, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Forest Service Northern Research Station (NRS) proposed disposal of the site. In reaction to the negative response to demolition from the community and the Minnesota State Historic Preservation Office, alternatives were considered. It was at this time, that Northern Bedrock proposed an adaptive-reuse plan for the site, to serve as a training site for the organization. In collaboration with NRS, Northern Bedrock listed the site on the National Register of Historic Places in November 2011. Northern Bedrock Historic Preservation Corps has entered into a participating agreement with the Forest Service to preserve the site for its adaptive re-use as a training facility for corps members.



The educators of Ely Public Schools look forward to another engaging, energizing year with students. We thank the families and community of Ely for their support. Together, we will continue to make Ely’s public schools strong.



Paid for by Ely Education Association. USMTMPD



Ely Mason Mike Braun, left, works with a Northern Bedrock crew on the roof of the historic Ranger’s quarters building. photo by K. Vandervort



STAY WARM & COZY

WITH HEAT PUMP TECHNOLOGY

Air-Source Heat Pumps and Ground-Source Heat Pumps offer a smart way to stay warm and cozy when the temperatures drop. The equipment is up to 350 percent efficient – helping you save on your energy costs. Lake Country Power’s rebates will help you save even more.

Contact Lake Country Power for more information at 1-800-421-9959 (press 6 for the member service department), or visit www.lakecountrypower.coop.



Lake Country Power

A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative 

ELY...Continued from page 1

School Board member James Pointer asked about a policy

Indeed, Phifer, at just 33, is leading by example. And she has a ready answer when asked if she's too young to be considered ready for the Congress, noting that Nolan was first elected to represent what was then Minnesota's Sixth District when he was just 31 years old. Despite her relative youth, Phifer does bring a considerable background in government, having served in the Department of Homeland Security, and more recently as an FBI agent based in the Minneapolis field office. She said her law

While Phifer had originally jumped into the race when it looked like Nolan would run for governor, she decided to continue her listening tour even after Nolan announced he would seek to remain in Congress instead. She said her visits around the region made her concerned that the DFL was poised to lose

Rogne, a longtime progressive, said she's

Phifer said she's read a tremendous amount on the copper-nickel issue and has an appreciation for both sides of the debate, although she acknowledged "serious misgivings" about whether it is right for Minnesota. Regardless, she said she'd prefer to foster due process that allows all sides a voice in the discussion. "Due process is sacred to me."

The problem Nolan could face is that it is dedicated DFLers, like Rognie and Peterson, who show up at caucuses and endorsing conventions and spread the word to others. Phifer said she'll bow out if she doesn't win the endorsement. Nolan hasn't indicated at this point whether he'll do the same.

GREAT SELECTION OF 125 NEW CARS, TRUCKS AND SUVS TO CHOOSE FROM!

2017 F150 XLT 4X4 CREW CAB Ecoboost, Htd. Seats, Remote Start. <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p>\$49,765 MSRP - \$2,000 XLT Chrome Disc. - \$6,043 FOH Disc. - \$300 Ecoboost Cash - \$2,500 Customer Cash - \$1,250 Ford Credit Cash * - \$250 Retail Bonus Cash - \$1,500 Bonus Cash</p> </div> <div style="width: 40%; text-align: center;"> \$35,922 +TAX & Lic <div style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 5px; transform: rotate(15deg); display: inline-block;"> Save \$13,843 </div> </div> <div style="width: 10%; text-align: right;">  #21260 </div> </div>					
2017 F150 XLT 4X4 SUPERCAB Fx4, Trailer Brake Controller, rearview Camera, 5.0L V-8 <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p>\$48,135 MSRP - \$1,750 XLT Chrome Disc. - \$4,088 FOH Disc. - \$2,500 Customer Cash - \$1,250 Ford Credit Cash * - \$250 Retail Bonus Cash - \$1,500 Bonus Cash</p> </div> <div style="width: 40%; text-align: center;"> \$36,797 +TAX & Lic <div style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 5px; transform: rotate(15deg); display: inline-block;"> Save \$11,338 </div> </div> <div style="width: 10%; text-align: right;">  #21354 </div> </div>		2017 F250 4X4 XL STX Pkg., Snow Plow Pkg., Brake Controller. <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p>\$41,685 MSRP - \$3,080 FOH Disc. - \$750 Super duty Cash - \$1,500 Customer Cash - \$1,250 Ford Credit Cash *</p> </div> <div style="width: 40%; text-align: center;"> \$35,105 +TAX & Lic <div style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 5px; transform: rotate(15deg); display: inline-block;"> Save \$6,580 </div> </div> <div style="width: 10%; text-align: right;">  #21404 </div> </div>			
2017 EXPLORER 4X4 XLT Heated Leather, Heated Steering Wheel, Voice Activated Navigation. <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p>\$43,335 MSRP - \$800 Ford Disc. - \$2,704 FOH Disc. - \$2,500 Customer Cash - \$500 Ford Credit Cash * - \$850 Bonus Cash</p> </div> <div style="width: 40%; text-align: center;"> \$35,981 +TAX & Lic <div style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 5px; transform: rotate(15deg); display: inline-block;"> Save \$7,354 </div> </div> <div style="width: 10%; text-align: right;">  #21342 </div> </div>		2017 EDGE SEL AWD Navigation, Htd. Leather, Htd. Steering, Remote Start, Hands-Free Tailgate <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p>\$41,300 MSRP - \$1100 AWD Disc. - \$2,539 FOH Disc. - \$2,500 Customer Cash - \$1,000 Ford Credit Cash * - \$1,250 Bonus Cash</p> </div> <div style="width: 40%; text-align: center;"> \$33,501 +TAX & Lic <div style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 5px; transform: rotate(15deg); display: inline-block;"> Save \$7,889 </div> </div> <div style="width: 10%; text-align: right;">  #21333 </div> </div>			
2017 FIESTA SE 5 DR HATCHBACK Automatic Transmission, Heated Seats <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p>\$17,450 MSRP - \$766 FOH Disc. - \$3,000 Customer Cash</p> </div> <div style="width: 40%; text-align: center;"> \$13,684 +TAX & Lic <div style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 5px; transform: rotate(15deg); display: inline-block;"> Save \$3,766 </div> </div> <div style="width: 10%; text-align: right;">  #11225 </div> </div>		2017 FUSION SE FWD Remote Start, Heated Seats, Sync 3 8" Touch Screen <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p>\$27,275 MSRP - \$990 SE Tech Disc. - \$1,916 FOH Disc. - \$500 Ecoboost Cash - \$3,400 Customer Cash - \$500 Bonus Cash</p> </div> <div style="width: 40%; text-align: center;"> \$19,969 +TAX & Lic <div style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 5px; transform: rotate(15deg); display: inline-block;"> Save \$7,306 </div> </div> <div style="width: 10%; text-align: right;">  #11001 </div> </div>			
2017 MUSTANG GT COUPE GT Performance Package, 5.0L V8 <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p>\$37,090 MSRP - \$2,823 FOH Disc. - \$2,500 Customer Cash</p> </div> <div style="width: 40%; text-align: center;"> \$31,767 +TAX & Lic <div style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 5px; transform: rotate(15deg); display: inline-block;"> Save \$5,323 </div> </div> <div style="width: 10%; text-align: right;">  #11117 </div> </div>		2017 TAURUS SEL Power Moon Roof, 20" Wheels, Heated Leather <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p>\$35,250 MSRP - \$2,553 FOH Disc. - \$4,000 Customer Cash - \$1,500 Ford Credit Cash * - \$1,250 Bonus Cash</p> </div> <div style="width: 40%; text-align: center;"> \$25,947 +TAX & Lic <div style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 5px; transform: rotate(15deg); display: inline-block;"> Save \$9,303 </div> </div> <div style="width: 10%; text-align: right;">  #11226 </div> </div>			

*Must Finance thru Ford Credit. **Price May vary Depending on equipment.

FORD OF HIBBING USED DEALS!

2014 Fusion SE with Roofs! 30K miles 3 in stock Starting At \$12,900 	2015 Mustang Wheel & stripe package, only 5,500 miles! \$21,900 	2016 Ford F150 Northland Ed.! ONLY 19,000 Miles! \$32,900 
2015 Ford Edge SEL AWD \$22,900 	2014 Ford F-150 XLT Crew w/ leather Only 24K miles! \$29,900 	2013 Explorer Limited \$16,900 

2008 Titan Crew #21364A.....	\$14,900	2003 GMC Sierra #211229B.....	\$2,900	2007 Pontiac G6 Coupe GT #11243A.....	\$5,900
2006 Grand Cherokee #7209A.....	\$6,900	2005 Suburban LTZ #20114C.....	\$2,900	2014 Ford Explorer 4x4 #21371A.....	\$21,900
2014 F					

TOWER...Continued from page 1

that the site has only two MnDOT-approved access points. That prompted some discussion, but no decision, on the need for platting of driveways or access roads into the site.

In other development-related action, the council approved interest-only loan payments for Tower Harbor Shores through June 1, 2018, but not before tempers flared. Mayor Josh Carlson took issue with a letter from project manager Orlyn Kringstad requesting the loan revision, which suggested that the “city’s inability to determine and define the location/ placement of Harbor Drive” had delayed the project’s start. In the letter, originally addressed to TEDA, Kringstad stated that the delay will push the start of construction to spring of 2018, adding to the project’s expense.

“This, frankly, pisses me off,” said Carlson, arguing that the city has faced too much criticism for delays on the project. Carlson said he didn’t appreciate what he called a “dagger” being tossed at the city along with a request for a loan adjustment. He questioned Engineer Bolf on the subject, who agreed that the delays were created by both parties. “To me it’s been a process of both parties trying to agree on the details. I wouldn’t blame 100 percent on either party,” said Bolf.

Kringstad agreed that the parties have worked amicably to get the project started, but said the lack of legal descriptions for the lots have prevented Tower Harbor Shores from executing purchase agree-

ments. “That’s all true,” responded Bolf, “they can’t execute their purchase agreements. But the legal descriptions today are different than they were a week ago.” Bolf had earlier noted that the parties had recently agreed to a significant realignment of the town homes that will significantly reduce wetland impacts and likely reduce construction costs for both parties.

“It’s taken time,” said Carlson. “It’s a unique project, but it certainly does not allow either of us to throw daggers at one another. I have no problem with TEDA’s recommendation. We’ve put a lot of work into it. We aren’t going to cancel it now.”

The council then agreed to the request.

Kringstad tried to tone down the discussion, stressing the need to continue to work productively. “I apologize for that dagger, as you say, and I thank you for the extension,” he said.

Continuing with development matters, the council approved a recommendation from the city’s Planning and Zoning Commission that the maximum number of lots that could be allowed in the RV park proposed by Dave Rose is 20, although City Clerk-Treasurer Linda Keith indicated that number could still be reduced as all applicable rules are applied. “I’m not promising 20 sites, just saying that’s a starting point. It may be less than that.”

Rose also presented his completed Environmental Assessment Worksheet to the city for

review. Keith said that she will forward the document to SEH for review as soon as Rose has placed funds to cover the cost of the review into escrow.

In other matters, the council discussed how to respond to a letter from Breitung Township, indicating continued support for merging the city and township fire departments even though interest in a joint emergency services facility has diminished. “I’m for it,” said Councilor Brooke Anderson. “I would still like to be joined with them if we could make it happen.” Councilor Kevin Fitton asked about the original purpose of the merger. “It was all about space,” said Keith. Since the merger, however, the township has obtained the now-vacated MINOS surface building, eliminating the township’s need for additional space.

“If the original issue was about space, why would we want to continue the joint fire department?” Fitton asked.

But Breitung supervisor Greg Dostert, who was in the audience, noted there were economic advantages to the combined department and indicated that the township is likely still interested in a joint fire station, just not the expanded facility that some city officials were advocating. “The firemen in Breitung agree 100 percent that a merger is necessary with or without a building,” said Dostert. “I think this is an opportunity we should not let go by.”

Fitton agreed that the city should make a decision soon on how to

proceed, but suggested the issue be tabled until a full council can weigh the issue. Councilor Matich was absent from the meeting and Mayor Carlson arrived late, not in time for the fire department discussion. The council agreed to table the matter for now.

In other action, the council:

- Approved a bid of \$4,900 from Vermilion Painting for repainting the interior of the civic center, using grant dollars raised by the Main Street Committee.
- Approved a resolution drafted by the Range Association of Municipalities and Schools opposing a proposed change by the Minnesota

Pollution Control Agency in the regulation of sulfates.

- Approved a supplemental agreement with SEH to cover costs associated with the harbor project. Bolf indicated that some of the expenditures may be reimbursable from future grant funds and that separating those expenses into a separate project account makes it easier to seek those funds.
- Approved a financial letter of intent and bond resolution related to anticipated expenditures for a sewer reconstruction and a sewer line extension to Hoodoo Point Campground.
- Denied a request for an adjustment in the size of a hangar at the airport

due to encroachment on required setbacks.

- Approved the hiring of Hunter Gilbert as a new emergency medical responder.
- Accepted two donations from the Bois Forte tribal government, including \$2,000 for the ambulance and \$7,500 for the fire department.
- Approved a transportation partnership grant resolution with MnDOT.
- Referred Orlyn Kringstad to Minnesota Power to address his request for a light at the entrance to the Marjo Motel.

Scenic Rivers

HEALTH SERVICES

Providing Quality and Compassionate Care

FOR

Every Patient at Every Visit

COOK MEDICAL

20 5th St SE, Cook MN

Open Monday - Saturday

(218) 666-5941

COOK DENTAL

12 S River Street, Cook MN

Open Monday - Friday

(218) 666-5958

TOWER CLINICS

415 N 2nd St, Suite 2, Tower MN

Former High School Building

Open Monday through Friday

MEDICAL (218) 753-2405

DENTAL (218) 753-6061

Your Local Providers

Bruce Garbisch, MD

Matthew Holmes, MD

Harold Johnston, MD

Josie Norberg Lopez, MD

Nicholas Vidor, MD

Charles Tietz, MD-GYN Services

Emily Hadrava, CFNP

Aaron Heaslet, PA

Bruce Baker, DDS

Richard Devorak, DDS

Ehab Rezk, DDS

Duane Sushoreba, DDS

f

in

1-877-541-2817

www.ScenicRiversHealth.org

24 Hour Emergency Care Available
Through Cook Hospital

CLEAN.DRAIN.
DRY.

BOATS, TRAILERS & GEAR
STOP INVASIVE SPECIES

COUNTY OF SAINT LOUIS

ESTAB. MAR. 17, 1855

Wildlife Forever.

CLEAN DRAIN DRY

TM

FOREST SERVICE
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

www.CleanDrainDry.org



SPORTS

Serving northern
St. Louis County
since 1989

FOOTBALL

North Woods wins fifth-straight



Parson rushes for 306 yards as Grizzlies top South Ridge 56-36

by MARSHALL HELMBERGER
Managing Editor

SOUTH RIDGE— Brendan Parson stole the show as he rushed for an astonishing 306 yards and four touchdowns to carry North Woods to a 56-36 win over a strong

Left: The Grizzlies’ Cade Goggleye is poised to make the second of two touchdown receptions against South Ridge last Friday. C. Stone

South Ridge team last Friday. Quarterback Tate Olson bolstered the cause, completing 13 of 25 passes for an additional 270 yards and two touchdown strikes to Cade Goggleye, as the Grizzlies racked up 636 total yards to record their fifth straight Section 7 Nineman victory.

It was a shootout from start to finish as neither side demonstrated much ability to stop the other side’s offense. The Panthers came into Friday’s match at 4-1, on the strength of their offensive performance, and

they showed plenty of firepower, but not enough to keep pace with the surging Grizzlies. South Ridge drew first blood on a six-yard run by Joe Janke for six, but the Grizzlies came right back with a 39-yard Olson-to-Goggleye touchdown pass. Parson took it in for the two-point conversion. The Grizzlies added 16 more points in the second quarter, on a 25-yard run by Parson and a 35-yard last-second touchdown strike, again to

See FOOTBALL...pg. 2B

VOLLEYBALL

North Woods sweeps Ely

Both teams set to wrap up regular season next week

by JAY GREENEY
Sports writer

ELY – The Wolves were looking forward to Tuesday’s rematch with North Woods after losing to them in the semi-final round of the Mesabi East tournament just three days earlier. But the Grizzlies proved to be the better team yet again, as they dispatched the Wolves in three straight sets, 25-17, 25- 21, and 25-11.

With the regular season winding down, both teams were playing to stay in the top half of the conference for home playoff advantage.

The Grizzlies took advantage of every opportunity, and seemed to avoid mistakes from some earlier matches. “North Woods did a nice job of finding our holes and we struggled at times to get a good block up,” said Ely Head Coach Andrea Thomas.

North Woods Assistant Coach Dee Sandberg returned the compliment. “Ely came out to play,” said Sandberg. “They have some really good hitters. We were finally able to get some blocks on them, which helped us a lot. This is a big improvement for us.”

The Wolves may have been running low on gas as they had played seven matches over the past six days. “We were definitely competitive in sets one and two,” said Thomas. “We had a tough outing in set three.”

North Woods put up impressive numbers, with Coley Olson notching seven kills, three blocks, two digs and an ace, while Regan Ratai notched five kills, three blocks, five digs, and an ace. Claire Beaudry put up 19 set assists, three digs, and ace and a kill, Kayla Tschida recorded six blocks



and a kill, and Hanna Sandberg tallied three aces, three digs, and a kill. Kate Stone notched five digs and two kills, while Karlyn Pierce recorded six blocks and a kill.

Ely had a number of contributors on offense starting with Erika Mattson who had seven kills and six digs followed by Brielle Kallberg adding six kills, 13 digs, and four blocks. Winter Sainio contributed seven kills and two ace serves while Junior Lida Dodge had a team high 22 set assists.

See VOLLEYBALL...pg 2B



Above: Ely’s Erika Mattson goes up high for a spike as North Woods’ Karlyn Pierce and Claire Beaudry try to block.

Left: North Woods’ Kayla Tschida goes high for a kill.

photos by J. Greeney

Sports week

Football

Thursday, Oct. 12
North Woods hosts Floodwood, 7 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 13
Ely at Silver Bay, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 18
Ely hosts North Woods, 7 p.m.
NER hosts Silver Bay, 3:15 p.m.

Volleyball

Thursday, Oct. 12
North Woods hosts Floodwood, 7 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 13
Ely at Silver Bay, 7 p.m.
NER at South Ridge, 7 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 18
Ely hosts North Woods, 7 p.m.
NER hosts Silver Bay, 3:15 p.m..

Cross Country

Thursday, Oct. 12
NER/Ely at I-Falls, 5 pm.

Saturday, Oct. 14
NER/Ely at Taconite Invite, 1 pm.

Swimming

Tuesday, Oct. 17
SR/NER/NW at Proctor, 4 p.m.

FOOTBALL

Wolves shut out by Vikings

Third-straight loss for Ely as offensive struggles continue

by JAY GREENEY
Sports writer

GRAND MARAIS— The Timberwolves had hoped to get their offense back on track here last Friday, but took the long bus ride back home nursing a 14-0 loss, their third-straight, to Cook County.

It was a defensive battle throughout, and Ely had the opportunity to take an early lead late in the second quarter with a first-and-goal on the Vikings’ four-yard line.

But that’s where Cook County stiffened and Ely turned it over on downs, giving the Vikings a big boost heading into the break.

Cook County started the third quarter with a 65-yard drive that put the first points on the board. The two-point pass conversion was good, giving the home team an 8 – 0 lead.

The Vikings then caught Ely off guard with a squib kick, which they recovered on Ely’s 49-yard line. They appeared headed for six more points when the Wolves mounted a goal line stance of their own, halting the Cook County drive on the one-yard line.

The teams traded scoreless possessions to start the fourth

quarter, burning up valuable game time. The Vikings then drove to Ely’s two-yard line for first and goal. The Wolves held tight again, forcing a fourth and goal before Cook County finally punched it into the end zone. The two-point conversion run was no good, leaving the Wolves trailing 14-0.

It’s been a frustrating stretch for the Timberwolves, who won their first three games of the season by a combined score of 128-0. Since then, they’ve managed just three touchdowns in three games, losing by a combined score of 88-20.

Injuries and other factors have

See WOLVES...pg 2B

CROSS COUNTRY

Ely runners take first, second at I-Falls Invite

by JAY GREENEY
Sports writer

I-FALLS — Ely’s cross country teams are running well as the regular season winds down. The girls finished first while the boys took second on Tuesday at the International Falls Invitational.

“Most kids ran their best times this meet, even the ones that just ran Swain on Saturday,” said Ely Head Coach Jayne Dusich. “They were happy, I was happy.”

Temperatures in the mid 50s and a dry course provided the opportunity for good times.

“Ryne Prigge came in second and is down to the times she ran at the section and state last year,” said Ely’s Head Coach. “Luke Olson’s goal has been to get under 17:00 and he sure did that by running 16:38 and getting second.”

The girls had four runners place in the top 20. Ryne Prigge finished

See RUNNERS...pg 2B

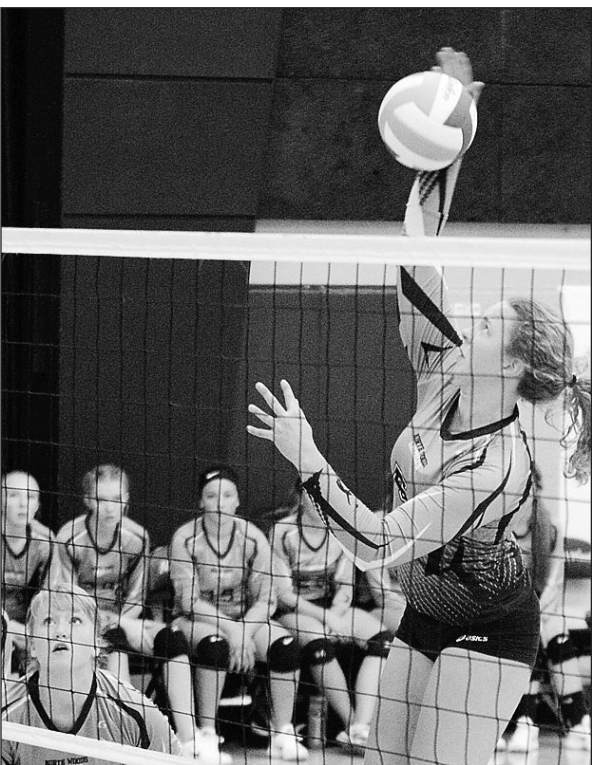
VOLLEYBALL

Grizzlies looking increasingly strong
Win four straight to take Mesabi East tournament championship

by MARSHALL HELMBERGER
Managing Editor

NASHWAUK— Two straight road victories lifted the Grizzlies to 10-6 on the season with just three games remaining ahead of the playoffs. On Monday, North Woods finished off the Spartans in three straight sets, 25-14, 25-22, and 25-15, despite a number of errors. “We didn’t play up to the level we can,” said Grizzlies Assistant Coach Dee Ann Sandberg. “We had lots of missed serves. We just need to try to find that drive to play up all the time.” Junior Regan Ratai put up 11 digs, nine kills, and an ace serve,

while junior setter Claire Beaudry tallied 29 assists and two aces. Coley Olson notched nine kills and two aces, while Kayla Tschida tallied nine kills. Hanna Sandberg notched seven digs, while Kate Stone tallied four digs and an ace. Playing in the Mesabi East tournament, the Grizzlies took four straight matches to claim the championship. “This was great for our girls,” said Assistant Coach Dee Ann Sandberg. “Hopefully it will give them something good to look forward to for the end of the season. The Grizzlies beat Floodwood 2-0, Chisholm 2-1, Ely 2-1, and Duluth-Marshall 2-0 in the championship match.



North Woods’ Regan Ratai goes up high for another kill.
photo by C. Stone

Wolves win five of six on the week

by JAY GREENEY
Sports writer

MT. IRON— Ely had little trouble dispatching Mt. Iron/Buhl on Monday, winning in three straight sets, 25-18, 25-12, and 25-16. “The girls showed that they can be a widespread offensive threat tonight,” said Coach Andrea Thomas. “This is the best night of stats we’ve had as far as everyone contributing.” Ely had success on both sides of the net. “Defensively, we played well too – lots of digs,” said Thomas. Lida Dodge had a huge

night with 32 set assists and six digs. Erika Mattson was the leader on offense with 18 kills and ten digs and was followed by Brielle Kallberg who had nine kills, seven digs, and three blocks. Junior Kenzie Peterson had a huge night serving that included ten in a row in the second set. The Wolves took part in the Mesabi East Tourney on Saturday, Oct. 7 and finished the day 3-1. The morning session had Ely beating Floodwood 2-0 in their opening match. They then lost a tough match to North Woods 2-1. “Definitely was a tough loss to North Woods,” said

Thomas. “We look forward to another chance to play them on Tuesday.” In the afternoon session, the Wolves beat Chisholm in two straight sets, then beat Wrenshall 2-1 after losing the opening set. “We had our ups and down throughout the day,” said Thomas. “Offensively, we really spread out our hits against Floodwood and Wrenshall.” Ely hosted Bigfork on Thursday, Oct. 5 and started strong to win in three straight sets 25-8, 25-17, and 25-23. “Winter Sainio served eight points and helped us get

a nice lead early on in set one,” said Thomas. “The girls played well defensively.” Offensively the Wolves were led by Winter Sanio with nine kills and six ace serves, while Brielle Kalberg added eight kills, three blocks, and three ace serves, and Erika Mattson had four kills and eight digs. Lida Dodge led the team with 20 set assists. “We were able to dig a lot of their hits and really hustled after the ball tonight,” said Thomas. “This was an important win for us as we look ahead to section seedings.”

FOOTBALL...Continued from page 1B

Goggleye. The last second score sent the Grizzlies into halftime with a 24-14 lead. South Ridge bounced back with 22 points in the third quarter, thanks to two more Janke touchdowns, but were nearly matched by the Grizzlies’ 18 points. And the Grizzlies finished it up with 14 unanswered points in the final stanza, to put the game away.

“It was a defense-optional game,” said Grizzlies Head Coach John Jirik after the game, during which the two sides combined for a whopping 92 points. “It was a very good win against a very good team, and it was also nice to see what we still need to work on,” he said. “We’ll have to improve on trying to stop other teams.” If the Grizzlies still have

work to do on defense, their offense appears to be operating like a well-oiled machine as the team has 47 points a game in their past five outings, and demonstrated a nice balance between the run and the pass. “South Ridge couldn’t key on Parson because the pass was working so well for us also,” said Jirik. With the win, the Grizzlies improve to 5-1 and now enjoy

a commanding lead in the 9-North Blue division standings heading into the final two games of the regular season. They were set to host 4-2 Floodwood on Thursday night, and finish the regular season with a Wednesday, Oct. 18, showdown at Ely, where the Timberwolves have struggled in recent games.

WOLVES...Continued from page 1B

contributed to some degree to the midseason funk, but the Wolves were back at more or less full strength against Cook County. Ely rushers found tough going, as Matt Gerzin rushed 23 times for 48 yards, followed by sophomore Eli

Conaway who had 27 yards on 12 carries. Carter Gaulke completed one of six pass attempts for 40 yards. Defensively the Wolves played a good game and it showed as they held a powerful Viking offense to just 14 points.

Cook County had scored 30 or more points in every game this season ahead of last Friday’s tilt with Ely. Defensively the Wolves were led again by Conaway, with 14 tackles, followed by Tjæe Banks and Blaise Lah

who added nine apiece. Ely, 3-3 and 1-3 in conference play is on the road again on Friday, to play 2-4 Silver Bay. Game time is 7 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL...Continued from page 1B

The Wolves will host Nashwauk-Keewatin on Thursday Oct. 12 for their final

regular season home match with varsity starting at 7 p.m. They close out their regular

season on Monday, at Silver Bay. North Woods travels to Chisholm on Monday before

hosting South Ridge in their regular season finale. Game time is 7 p.m.

RUNNERS...Continued from page 1B

with a time of 20:20.30 just nine seconds behind the winner. Following her was Emma Terwilliger in ninth, Zoe Devine sixteenth, and Evelyn Bercher seventeenth. Luke Olson finished second with a time of 16:38.40 to lead a group of four who finished in the top ten. James Schwinghammer took fourth, Ben Gustafson was eighth, and Emmett Faltesek finished tenth. Overall it was a great meet for both teams. They have one final meet, the Proctor Invitational, on Oct. 17 with race times starting at 4 p.m., before the 7A section meet. The complete list of Ely runners and times is as follows:

VARSITY GIRLS
2. Ryne Prigge 20:20.30
9. Emma Terwilliger 21:06.20
16. Zoe Devine 21:54.80
17. Evelyn Bercher

22:01.00
27. Kalyssa Eilrich 23:05.70
35. Julia Schwingerhamer 23:35.40
37. Sarah Isbell 23:44.90
63. Adrianna Bishop 25:57.40
71. Lindy Dalberg 27:09.70
85. Lucy Stouffer 30:04.40
86. Haley Hopkins 30:25.60

VARSITY BOYS
2. Luke Olson 16:38.40
4. James Schwinghammer 17:07.20
8. Ben Gustafson 17:37.10
10. Emmett Fatesek 17:41.60
33. Raif Olson 18:48.40
49. Jasper Johnston 19:24.90
53. Gabriel Pointer 19:38.40
76. Dylan Fenske 20:53.70

78. Leo Georges 21:03.80
85. Sean Prigge 21:23.70
87. Eric Omerza 21:29.30
91. Nils DeRemee 21:42.30
106. Mitch Peterson 22:36.80
128. Henry Matthys 28:52.70

VARSITY GIRLS TEAM RESULTS
1. Ely 71
2. Gwy/Nash/Kee 95
3. Grand Rapids 102
4. Hibbing 107
5. Mesabi East 124
6. Eveleth-Gilbert 128
7. International Falls 153
8. Dryden 188
9. Mt. Iron/Buhl 219
10. Fort Frances 245
11. Deer River/Nland 271

VARSITY BOYS TEAM RESULTS
1. Gwy/Nash/Kee 46

2. Ely 57
3. International Falls 76
4. Hibbing 106
5. Eveleth-Gilbert 149
6. Deer River/Nland 150
7. Grand Rapids 160
8. Mt. Iron/Buhl 162
9. Dryden 273
10. Chisholm 288
11. Mesabi East 302

Both Ely CC teams took part in the Swain Cross Country Invitational in Duluth that had A and AA teams participating. The boys team finished fifth and the girls finished seventh in a huge field of runners on a less than ideal course. “Varsity racers did very well as teams considering it was super muddy and slippery,” said Coach Dusich. “Luke did very well placing fifth.”

COLLEGE

Ironmen notch second win of the season

by JAY GREENEY
Sports writer

DULUTH— The Ironmen drew first blood against Fond du Lac on Saturday, and that allowed them to run a more balanced offense for the first time in several games. The result was a 22-18 VCC victory, the team’s second this season. The Ironmen, who have been plagued by slow starts their last couple games, had been forced to play catch-up, allowing opponents to key on their passing attack. But Saturday’s early lead allowed the Ironmen to keep Fond du Lac guessing and Jackson Long took advantage, picking up 93 yards on 18 carries for VCC. Quarterback Dejohnntae Grant completed 15 of 36 attempts for 250 yards, three touchdowns, and two interceptions. Rasheed Cameron notched five receptions for 110 yards and two touchdowns, followed by Antonio Alexander with three receptions for 83 yards and a touchdown. Glenn Smith added four receptions for 42 yards. On defense the Ironmen forced five interceptions with Cedric King picking off two. Anthony Miranda led the team in tackle points with 14, while Dawayne Heard added 11 and Dondre White and Anthony Conrad were right behind with 10 points apiece. Vermilion, 2-4 overall and 1-3 in the conference, has had an up and down season. Injuries and player suspensions have left them playing short-handed much of the season. “There’s a lot of parity in this league,” said VCC Head Coach Sterry Etheridge. “Any team can win on any given day.” The Ironmen face a must-win in their next two games to have a shot at the playoffs, which includes the top four teams in the conference. Vermilion will host 4-2 Mesabi Range in a key conference showdown on Saturday, Oct. 14. Game time is 1:30 p.m.



Cook’s Viita helps Scholastica take conference title

by STEPHANIE UKKOLA
Timberjay staff writer

DULUTH- The College of Saint Scholastica won the Upper Midwest Athletic Conference Title by a slim six strokes on Oct. 7. Coach Eric Anderson said that the team has had an interesting season, playing at eight different tournaments, with seven different lineups, without a win. Anderson said they must have finally gotten the lineup right, to win the conference title. Spencer Viita, a 2016 graduate of North Woods High School, finished all conference and had a low final round in the conference, securing the team’s win. He started the championship competition with scores of 80 and 78, finished the event with a score of 233 (+17) to tie for eighth with fellow teammate Liam Butch. Viita has had a good sophomore season, shooting a program record of 69 in the second round of the Twin Ports Collegiate at Nemadji Golf Course in September.

Supt. Sallee planning video State of District presentation

by JODI SUMMIT
Tower-Soudan Editor

TOWER- ISD 2142 Superintendent Steve Sallee is planning a video “State of the District” report this year, with the option of including individualized messages from each building principal. The video would be available on the district website, as well as through social media. He noted that the previous years’ talks at each individual school site were not well attended, and felt that this would be an easier way to get information out to district residents.

“I am also willing to speak to any area groups or clubs that are interested,” he said.

Sallee noted the district will be able to track how many views the video receives.

Business Manager Kim Johnson gave the update on the preliminary levy, for \$6,906,076 for 2018. This is a 1.03-percent reduction from the 2017 levy. The board will have the option of reducing the levy further when they adopt the final levy in December. Johnson said the actual final levy, if any additional reductions are possible, will depend on the final costs for the Northeast Range projects. Johnson said the state has eliminated the health and safety and

deferred maintenance levy amounts, and created a new category, long-term facilities maintenance levy. The district is levying significantly less, \$469,050, in this category than in 2017. The district is also seeing a reduction in retiree health benefits, from \$411,559 to \$186,827. The total amounts received via referendum market value levies are increasing from approximately \$1.56 million to \$1.68 million.

Tower-Soudan Elementary Principal Kelly Engman reported on academics and activities.

“There are a lot of great things happening at Tower-Soudan,” she said, noting the school has been on track for academic achievement, with students showing a five-percent increase in math proficiency (school-wide proficiency at 70 percent), and a 60-percent proficiency for reading. She said the reading scores for the school’s fifth- and sixth-graders were outstanding. The school is continuing to focus on improvement in reading achievement, and has arranged instruction to accelerate students who have already mastered grade level material, as well as making sure those who have not hit benchmarks are receiving appropriate instruction.

The school hosted a well-attended parent night,

featuring bingo, a book sale, and dinner. Early Childhood has sponsored Big Truck Night, as well as a family fun night. Elementary flag football and volleyball are underway, with student practice time during recess.

Engman reported that school enrollment is at 74, and that they are hoping the addition of the new day care center will help grow enrollment.

Engman said the staff is working on implementing classroom and learning strategies from trainings held last year, focusing on making sure students understand what their learning targets are on a daily basis. The staff is also being trained on school-wide safety measures, and will be working with the SRO officer and local officers from

Breitung.

Other business

In other business the board:

➤ Heard that members of the North Woods football team made a donation to a player from the South Ridge team, Evan Wolfe, who had been injured in an accident. The donation was matched by the North Woods PTSO.

➤ Approved change orders for the NE Range Heating Project totaling \$35,671.

➤ Approved fencing, playground, and sidewalk improvements at the Tower-Soudan School totaling \$18,429.

➤ Approved a proposal for a chemical inventory and compliance system.

➤ Ratified the 2017-2020 Clerical Unit Contract, which had only

minor text changes from the previous contract, and a new pay scale.

➤ Hired probationary teaching staff: Katie Dye/Cherry/Pre-school and Title I; Anita Leander-Flores, NW/Title I.

➤ Hired Coaching Staff for 2017-2018: Will Kleppe/Assistant Football (half stipend)/NW; Justice Janke/Assistant Volleyball/SR; and Terry White/Head Girls Basketball/SR.

Rehired coaching staff: Cherry: Timothy Sauter/Head Coach/Girls Basketball; Taylor Feth/Assistant Coach/Girls Basketball; Robert Asuma/Head Coach/Boys Basketball; and Jordan Christianson/Assistant Coach/Boys Basketball.

North Woods: Robbie Goggleye/Head Coach/Girls Basketball; Will Kleppe/Head

Coach/Boys Basketball; Jerry Chiabotti/Assistant Coach/Boys Basketball; Dan Squires/Assistant Coach/Boys Basketball; and Gerald Goggleye/Assistant Coach ½ stipend/Boys Basketball.

NE Range: Paxton G o o d s k y / H e a d Coach/Girls Basketball; Melissa Schroeter/Assistant Coach/Girls Basketball; Ron Marinaro/Head Coach/Boys Basketball; and Mark Fabish/Assistant Coach/Boys Basketball.

➤ Accepted resignations from: Dye, Long-Term Substitute Teacher/Cherry; Riley Pecha, Paraprofessional/NE Range; and Danni Grotberg, Asst. Coach Boys Basketball/Cherry.



NORTHERN COMMUNITY RADIO
KAXE 91.7 FM Grand Rapids
89.9 FM Brainerd
KBXE 90.5 FM Bagley/Bemidji
Independent, nonprofit community radio
serving Northern Minnesota.
NOW BROADCASTING IN ELY
103.9 FM



Please join us in celebrating
20 years of a bountiful harvest!

Ely Young Life
Friend & Fundraising Dinner Banquet
Sunday, October 29, 2017
6:30—8:00 pm
Amici’s Event Center



Child care will be available.
RSVP by Friday, October 20.
Contact Cindy Bina at
cindybina@gmail.com or 365-2854.
Bring a friend or two!



Dinner with a WITCH!
3 Seating Choices:
Saturday, October 28
• 3 PM or 6 PM
Fun For All Ages!
Tuesday, October 31
12 Noon

VERMILION COUNTRY SCHOOL

LIMITED SEATING!
BY RESERVATION ONLY!!!

TICKETS by reservation only:
Registered Seniors: **\$8.20**
Adult: **\$9.95**
Children: **\$7.95 (10 & UNDER)**
May not be appropriate for toddlers

NEW This Year... GRAVEYARD CAKE WALK

FEATURING: MANY EYE POPPING DELICACIES!

ENTERTAINMENT:
Spooky Performance by VCS Choir

Call today to reserve your seat at this popular community event!
Cindy 218-753-1246 ext. 1003 during school hours or email
cpettinelli@vermilioncountry.org

Vermilion Country School • 1 Enterprise Drive, Tower, MN



RHINO

Halloween Bash
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27
FREE SHOW! DOORS OPEN @ 7PM RHINO STARTING @ 8PM
\$5,000 COSTUME CONTEST!
CONTEST RULES CAN BE FOUND AT FORTUNE BAY.COM.
FORTUNE BAY RESERVES ALL RIGHTS.

Fortune Bay
RESORT CASINO®
ON BEAUTIFUL LAKE VERMILION!
FORTUNE BAY.COM



Outdoors

Our lives in the
Northwoods

COMMENTARY

The best bird hunting? It's about the math

Much has been written about this autumn's upland bird hunting season, and a lot of it is numbers. Yet the numbers that are truly important are one and two. One, are you going to go bird hunting? And two, are you going to ask someone new to join you?

Hopefully, your answers are "yes." Clearly, this is an ideal autumn to hunt ruffed grouse because the population is at or near the top of its 10-year up-and-down cycle. This peak means it is also the perfect autumn to introduce a child or adult to grouse hunting, especially if they have an interest in adventure, wild food or the means to get out again if the hunting bug bites.



PAUL
TELANDER

Many who accept an invitation to hunt are often back in the woods soon, for the forest is a special place in autumn. Golden leaves. Pungent aromas. Mucky footfalls. A buck rub here. A scrape over there. All cool. And when a grouse explodes into flight a new memory takes wing too. Sometimes in that moment – when startled by sound and confused by a flying football of feathers – a new hunter is born.

Regrettably, pheasant numbers are trending in a different direction. Their decline mirrors a landscape that has some 770,000 fewer acres of Conservation Reserve Program habitat than it did just 10 years ago. Still, some pheasant hunters are likely to do very well when the season opens Saturday, Oct. 14, and there is no reason you can't be among them. Those who watch the corn and soybean harvest and look for tracks in snow will have a leg up on those who look no further than headlines, which while admittedly disappointing, cannot predict the human hunting experience.

I say this because there is a personal geometry that transcends the ups and downs of wild game populations. This geometry is real yet has no formula. For how do you measure the closeness of friends? How do you quantify the volume of acquired wisdom? How do you calculate the dimensions of personal growth over a day, year or lifetime of hunting?

As a young wildlife biologist, I spent much of my early career collecting, analyzing and extrapolating numbers. Much of it was statistical analysis. Most of it was fun. Yet the math I most enjoy now is simply this: One, go hunting. And two, take someone with me. The sum of these actions always adds up to something special for both of us.

What follows is advice I often share about grouse hunting:

Perspective: Minnesota is the premier national destination for ruffed grouse hunting. Top grouse-hunting counties include Aitkin, Cass, Itasca, St. Louis, Beltrami and Koochiching, yet quality hunting can be found across much of central and northern Minnesota. Though not abundant, grouse can also be found in the forested hill country of southeastern Minnesota.

Where to hunt: Grouse tend to prefer younger forests, especially those areas where most trees are smaller than the diameter of an

Oohs & Aaahs

The signs of fall in the North Country



Clockwise from top, aspen and spruce contrast in this view near Grand Portage; colorful leaves atop a mossy log; A birch tree with a maple backdrop; brilliant scarlet maple leaves; oranges and yellows mix in a clump of bush honeysuckle; biking along a maple-draped road in Superior National Forest; yellow and red maples.

photos by M. Helmberger



Keeping it fresh from the garden to the table

Handle produce with care. Nicking, breaking and bruising



Clean your counters and cutting boards before you start slicing, cutting and dicing your vegetables. Trim stems, remove

Store roots crops like beets, turnips and radishes as well as cabbage and Brussels sprouts in a cold, moist condition. A spare refrigerator works great for these. Those in colder climates can store their carrots and parsnips right in the garden. Once the soil gets a bit crunchy, cover them with straw or evergreen boughs for easier digging in winter. Then dig as needed or harvest during the first winter thaw.

Use slatted crates or other vegetable storage solutions (gardeners.com) to maximize storage space and increase storage longevity. These systems provide ample storage space, so fruits and vegetables do not touch. Keeping stored fruit separated prevents rot from spreading from one fruit to the next. Plus, the slatted sides allow airflow to extend storage longevity.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including *Small Space Gardening*. She hosts *The Great Courses* "How to Grow Anything: Food Gardening For Everyone" DVD set and the nationally syndicated *Melinda's Garden Moment* TV and radio segments. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for *Birds & Blooms* magazine.

Walleye action remains steady for the most part with fish holding in twelve to twenty feet of water. Reports of lake turnover are at best premature. Water temps are

Crappie action has been heating up as well. Cooler temps are triggering a fall pattern where they start to bunch up. Fall and Birch have been leading the pack, but smaller lakes like Armstrong, Johnson, and East Twin have been turning out good stringers of crappies, and some fat sunnies. Crappie minnows or some of the myriad of soft baits such as Gulp or twister tails on a small jig will work just fine.

*Courtesy Babe's Bait
located at Ely's west
entrance*

57 39

Ely	Hi	Lo	Prec.	Sn.	Emb.	Hi	Lo	Prec.	Sn.	Cook	Hi	Lo	Prec.	Sn.	Orr	Hi	Lo	Prec.	Sn.	Tower	Hi	Lo	Prec.	Sn.
10/02	62	52	0.07		10/02	57	49	0.15		10/02	59	52	0.11		10/02	57	52	0.27		10/02	52	51	0.02	
10/03	60	52	1.06		10/03	56	53	1.26		10/03	58	51	0.73		10/03	55	43	0.30		10/03	59	52	1.14	
10/04	64	38	0.15		10/04	55	54	0.04		10/04	57	41	0.16		10/04	52	39	0.11		10/04	60	38	0.10	
10/05	56	35	0.00		10/05	52	37	0.00		10/05	53	38	0.02		10/05	57	36	0.00		10/05	52	33	0.00	
10/06	60	28	0.01		10/06	55	32	0.00		10/06	57	34	0.00		10/06	54	27	0.00		10/06	59	28	0.00	
10/07	57	28	0.00		10/07	54	25	0.00		10/07	55	34	0.00		10/07	66	37	0.00		10/07	55	28	0.00	
10/08	67	36	0.00		10/08	51	34	0.00		10/08	65	36	0.00		10/08	61	43	0.00		10/08	67	36	0.00	
Totals			26.51		Totals			33.81		Totals			25.79		Totals			NA		Totals			27.77	

Step saver: Minnesota has 30 million acres of forest so finding a place to hunt isn't a problem. However, finding a place that suits your interests can be a challenge. So, to save

time, go the Recreation Compass on the DNR website. That site, which

identifies public hunting
lands on an aerial photo,
allows you to zoom in and

out so that you can easily find a place that works for you.



The helpful place.

OCTOBER RED HOT BUYS

Now through October 31



SALE \$24.99
-\$5 with card
\$19.99
43" LEDShopLight
 3769858 Limit 1 at this price.

SALE \$10.99
-\$3 with card
\$7.99 Ea.
Rayovac® Batteries
 AA or AAA 30/pk., C or D 12/pk., or 9-volt
 8/pk. 3149465, 3149432, 3149382,
 3149184, 3149424 Limit 4 at this price.



\$19.99
Stanley® FatMax®
 25" x 1-1/4" Tape Rule
 207439
 Limit 4 at this price.



SALE \$3.99
-\$1 with card
\$2.99 ot.
Pennzoil® Motor Oil
 SAE 30, 5W-30, 5W-20,
 10W-30 or 10W-40
 8120453, 84381,
 84382, 84383, 89703
 Limit 5 at this price.



SALE \$ 8.99
-\$5 with card
\$3.99
Drano® Max Gel® Clog Remover, 80 Oz.
 4314092
 Limit 1 at this price.



SALE \$ 7.99
-\$3 with card
\$4.99 dal.
Peak® Long Life® Prediluted Antifreeze & Coolant 8208233
 Limit 2 at this price.



SALE \$ 2 for \$5.00
RV Antifreeze 81003



*Ace Rewards card Instant Savings (Instant Savings) amount is available as mail-in savings for non-Ace Rewards members (see store for details). Where applicable by law, tax is charged on the sale price before application of Instant Savings or mail-in savings. You must present Ace Rewards card to receive Instant Savings in store. You cannot redeem Instant Savings and mail-in savings on the same purchase. Instant Savings (or mail-in savings for non-Ace Rewards members) listed in this advertisement are valid through 10/31/17, at participating stores.

The best tools for saving money.*



Apply Today!
Visit www.acerewardsvisa.com 39194
or see your local participating Ace Rewards retailer for more details.
The creditor and issuer of the Ace Rewards Visa Card is U.S. Bank National Association, pursuant to a license from Visa U.S.A. Inc. and the card is available to United States residents only.

Proud Partner of
Children's Miracle Network Hospitals®
Helping Local Kids



Visit acehardware.com for store services, hours, directions and more...

FIND US ON:      



PRICES GOOD THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2017

SEE YOUR HELPFUL HARDWARE FOLKS

Merhar's Ace Hardware
 48 E. Chapman St., Ely • 218-365-3129

Ace stores are independently owned and operated. The prices in this advertisement are suggested by Ace Hardware Corporation, Oak Brook, IL. Individual retailer regular and sale prices may vary by store, which may impact actual savings amounts in either direction. Except for Red Hot Buys, which extend through the end of the month, and except as otherwise stated, prices advertised in this circular are valid at participating stores through October 31, 2017, while supplies last. Sale and Instant Savings dates set forth herein are national dates suggested by Ace Hardware Corporation and may vary by local retailer. See local retailer in-store signage for details. Offers, Ace Rewards® benefits, product selection/color, sale items, clearance and closeout items, Ace everyday savings, return and rain-check policies, and quantities may all vary by store, as well as from store to store. ©2017 Ace Hardware Corporation. All rights reserved.

A Cauldron of SAVINGS
awaits you...

at **MIKE MOTORS**

2017 RAM



CREW, BIG HORN!

MSRP \$45,542
Rebates \$7,750

#4128D Black Crystal

\$37,792

*You Pay...
Wow!*

Spooktacular!

Must finance with Chrysler Capital With all Discounts, Plus Tax, Title & License Fees.

PRE-OWNED SPECIALS!

2001 CHEVY MALIBU Mechanic's Special	\$1,980
2010 CHEVY SUBURBAN LTZ, 4x4, DVD, Loaded	\$19,995
2015 CHEVY IMPALA Limited, GM Certified	\$12,870
2012 CHRYSLER 300 All Wheel Drive, Heated Leather, Loaded!....	\$13,700
2010 CHEVY IMPALA LT, Clean Car!	\$8,995
2012 DODGE CARAVAN Mainstreet.....	\$8,995
2004 GMC Sierra Ext. Cab, 4x4, Heated Leather	\$6,900
2007 CHEVY TAHOE 4X4, LT	\$7,995

\$\$\$ FINANCING AVAILABLE ON APPROVED CREDIT \$\$\$
See Joe Hiller or Nels Pierson for details!

MIKE of Minnesota, Inc.
MOTORS

908 E. Sheridan St., Ely
800-569-4186 or 218-365-6156

www.chevroletdeals.com

Obituaries And Death Notices

Katherine P. Carlson

Katherine Patricia Ann Preblich Carlson, 84, of Ely, died on Sunday, Oct. 1, 2017, at Boundary Waters Care Center in Ely, surrounded by her family. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Tuesday, Oct. 10 at St. Anthony’s Catholic Church in Ely with Fr. William Skarich as celebrant. Burial was in the Ely Cemetery. Arrangements were with Landmark Funeral Home in Virginia.

She is survived by her husband of 65 years, Roy Clarence Carlson; children, Robert (Sandra Nyman), LeRoy (Sheila Moravitz), Thomas and DeAnn (Dave Smrekar); grand-children, Shannon (Dennis) Wallisch, Chad Carlson (Meghan Moravitz), Shalee (Bryan) Hansen, Garrett Carlson (Melissa Portinen), Marissa Carlson and Brianna Carlson; great-grandchildren, Skyler, Grayson, Cameron, Wyatt, Brynn, Preston, Peyton, Mila, Reagan, Kayla, Austin, Aiden and Easton; sisters, Mildred Mock, Lorraine Phelps, Margie Nelson, Florie (Donald) Maroney and Rosie

(Gale) Maroney; and many other relatives.

Anna E. Fuhrmann

Anna Evelyn Schick Fuhrmann, 76, of Ely, went to heaven on Sunday, Oct. 1, 2017, at Boundary Waters Care Center after a nine-month struggle with a hem-orrhagic stroke. Her devoted husband was at her side. A Funeral Mass was celebrated on Thursday, Oct. 12 at St. Anthony’s Catholic Church in Ely. Interment was at Fort Snelling National Cemetery. Family arrangements were entrusted to Kerntz Funeral Home of Ely.

She is survived by her best friend and husband, Gerald C. Fuhrmann; daughter, Theresa (Craig) Thompson; grandchildren, Maxibillion, Bethany Rose and Shepard Thompson; sisters, Katy (Jerry) Patten, Elizabeth (Stephen) Schick-Robins and Margaret (Chris) Kuffenkam; and brothers, Henry (Sara) and Meinrad.

Salvation Army accepting rummage donations Oct. 13 and 14

VIRGINIA- From 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 13 and 14, we will be accepting donations of clean clothes and small house-hold appliances. The Salvation Army will be having a rummage sale at our 230 Chestnut St. location on Nov. 3 and 4 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. All money raised will be used for The Salvation Army supper club and food shelf.

The Virginia Salvation Army has been serving Minnesota’s Iron Range com-munities since 1907. Our

Worship and Service Center currently serves over 25 ZIP codes in northern and eastern Saint Louis County, providing food, youth programs, spiri-tual care, and other critical services. Nearly 1,900 house-holds and 19,000 hot meals are served per year.

To volunteer with The Salvation Army or make a donation, call 218-741-1889 or toll free at 800-SAL-ARMY (800-725-2769). Checks made out to The Salvation Army may be sent to 507 12th Ave. W., Virginia, MN 55792.

For more information or to make an online donation, visit SalvationArmyNorth.org/virginia. Find us on social media at Facebook.com/ VirginiaSalvationArmyMN.

Job Fair set for Friday, Oct. 20

The Salvation Army will be hosting a job fair for local businesses and people on Friday, Oct. 20 from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. at the Virginia Salvation Army, 507 12th Ave. W.

Let’s Make Lefse at MDC on Thursday, Nov. 9

CHISHOLM- Learn how to make lefse at Minnesota Discovery Center on Thursday, Nov. 9 at 6 p.m. Lefse is a soft, Norwegian flatbread made from potatoes and flour, mixed with cream. Traditional lefse is made with leftover potatoes and flour. Some current vari-ations of lefse are made out of flour and milk, or cream (or sometimes lard), and cooked on a griddle.

Mara Brownlee will be demonstrating how to make this Norwegian delicacy. This will be a hands-on demon-stration where everyone will get to experience the prepara-tion at three different stations: measuring the dough, rolling out the dough, and cooking the dough. Since the recipe requires the dough to rest overnight, we will not be preparing the dough in-

house. Brownlee will have the dough premade. As a partici-pant, you will get the recipe so you can make your own dough at home.

The cost of the class is \$10 per person. Pre-paid reserva-tions are required. Please call 218-254-7959 to sign up today. There is a maximum of 12 people. Please bring an apron.

PUBLIC NOTICES



CITY OF TOWER PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Tower advises the public it is no longer necessary to avoid contact with water in the East Two River and South Shore of Pike Bay in Lake Vermilion.

To the best of our knowledge no additional partially treated wastewater was released into the East Two River after Friday, October 6, 2017.

All repairs have been completed successful-ly. In an effort to avoid further issues in the future, the City of Tower proactively complet-ed upgrades to the adjacent infrastructure. The system is now fully functioning.

For more information, contact Tower City Clerk Linda Keith at 218-753-4070.

Published in the Timberjay, Oct. 13, 2017

Advertisement for Bids Hoo Doo Point Campground Improvements City of Tower, Minnesota SEH No. TOWER 138989

Notice is hereby given that sealed Bids will be received by the City of Tower until 11:00 a.m., Friday, October 27, 2017, at the Tower City Hall, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud, for the furnishing of all labor and material for the construction of Hoo Doo Point Campground Improvements. Major quantities for the Work include:

Item	Unit	Quantity
Aggregate Surfacing CL 5	CY	270
8" PVC Sanitary Sewer	LF	1054
2" Forcemain – HDPE (Horizontal Directional Drill)	LF	4092
Duplex Grinder Station	LUMP SUM	1
Topsoil Borrow	CY	270

Bids shall be on the form provided for that purpose and according to the Bidding Requirements prepared by Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc. (SEH®) dated October 2, 2017.

The Bidding Documents may be seen at the Issuing Office of Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc. located at 615 9th Street North, Virginia, MN 55792.

The Bidding Documents may be viewed for no cost at <http://www.sehinc.com> by selecting the Project Bid Information link at the bottom of the page and the View Plans option from the menu at the top of the selected project page.

Digital image copies of the Bidding Documents are available at <http://www.sehinc.com> for a fee of \$30. These documents may be down-

loaded by selecting this project from the PROJECT BID INFORMATION link and by entering eBidDocTM Number 5391681 on the SEARCH PROJECTS page. For assistance and free membership registration, contact QuestCDN at 952.233.1632 or info@questcdn.com.

Paper copies of the Bidding Documents may be obtained from Docunet Corp. located at 2435 Xenium Lane North, Plymouth, MN 55441 (763.475.9600) for a fee of \$100.

Bid security in the amount of 5 percent of the Bid must accompany each Bid in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.

A Contractor responding to these Bidding Documents must submit to the City/Owner a signed statement under oath by an owner or officer verifying compliance with each of the minimum criteria in Minnesota Statutes, section 16C.285, subdivision 3.

This Work shall be subject to minimum wages and labor standards in accor-dance with State of Minnesota.

Bids shall be directed to the City Clerk - Treasurer, securely sealed and endorsed upon the outside wrapper, "BID FOR HOO DOO POINT CAMP- GROUND IMPROVEMENTS, TOWER 138989."


The City of Tower reserves the right to reject any and all Bids, to waive irreg-ularities and informalities therein and to award the Contract in the best inter-ests of the City of Tower.

Linda Keith, City Clerk - Treasurer
City of Tower, Minnesota

Published in the Timberjay, October 6, 13, & 20, 2017.

EMPLOYMENT

POSITION AVAILABLE

Experienced automotive repair technician, full-time with benefits. Apply in person or send resume to: Cassandra Dejno, Waschke Family Chevrolet, 126 N Hwy 53, PO Box 549, Cook, MN 55723; 218-666-5901 or 800-238-4545. 

CHILDCARE CENTER OPENINGS

Classroom Teacher

The Little Eagles Childcare Center is hiring a lead teacher to provide quality, engaging and safe care for the children in the Tower/Soudan area. The lead teacher will teach and supervise the children alongside a team of like-minded caregivers to promote the development of their social, emotional, physical and intellectual growth. Pay Scale: \$14/Hour, .75 to full time hours per week.

Teacher Assistant

The Little Eagles Childcare Center is hiring a daycare teacher assistant to provide support to a lead teacher by helping the Lead Teacher to teach and supervise the children and promote the development of their social, emotional, physical and intellectual growth. Rate of Pay: \$11.75 per hour, 20-32 hours per week.

Classroom Assistant

The Little Eagles Childcare Center is hiring a daycare classroom assistant to provide support to the teaching staff and director and provide supervision to the children in the center. The classroom assistant will also promote the development of the children's social, emotional, physical and intellectual growth under the direct supervision of the center lead teacher or director. Rate of Pay: \$11.75 per hour, 20-32 hours per week.

For complete job description, responsibilities, and minimum and preferred requirements, email littleeagleschildcaremn@gmail.com, or marshall@timberjay.com, or stop by the Timberjay office in Tower.

SOUDAN RESIDENTS SNOWPLOW ASSESSMENTS DUE NOVEMBER 1

The Breitung Township snowplowing assess-ments for Soudan residents (\$10 per house-hold) are due November 1, 2017. Please submit your payment to the clerk's office or mail to Breitung Township, PO Box 56, Soudan, MN 55782. Call 218-753-6020 with questions.

Valeda McDonald, Town Clerk

Published in the Timberjay, Oct. 13 & 27, 2017

FUNERAL SERVICES

Range Funeral Home



Virginia
741-1481

Hibbing
263-3276

“Friends Helping Friends”

Super Crossword

Answers

F	A	L	A	N	A		E	Q	U	A	T	E		C	L	A	W	I	N	G
O	R	E	G	O	N		N	U	L	L	E	D		A	U	R	A	L	E	E
C	E	M	E	N	T		G	A	M	B	L	I	N	G	C	A	S	I	N	O
A	N	O	N			O	A	K		L	E	O	N		T	E	E	S		
L	A	N	D	I	N	G	G	E	A	R		N	E	A	L	E				
		A	M	O	R	E		P	U	L	L	E	Y	S	I	S	T	E	M	
A	S	H		P	S	I		G	O	T	O	U	T		A	S	T	A	N	A
C	H	E	E	S	E	S	H	O	P		O	R	S	O		I	R	O	C	
C	O	L	D		S	H	E	A		E	S	E		G	A	S	M	A	S	K
R	E	P	O	S			A	P	P	L	E		P	O	L	L	E	N		
A	R	M		P	O	T	T	E	R	Y	S	T	D	I	O		T	E	L	
		A	D	O	R	E	S		E	S	T	O	P		E	T	U	D	E	
J	A	N	I	T	O	R		B	E	E		D	I	E	D		A	L	I	A
E	M	U	S			A	J	A	M		P	A	L	L	E	T	J	A	C	K
R	E	A	S	O	N		E	M	P	L	O	Y		A	N	I		S	T	Y
I	N	L	I	N	E	S	K	A	T	E	S		S	P	E	E	D			
		M	A	T	E	Y			S	H	I	P	S		B	R	I	D	G	E
E	S	A	I		A	L	T	E		N	I	E		L	A	R	A			
R	O	L	L	I	N	G	L	U	G	G	A	G	E		P	L	A	N	A	R
R	O	S	A	N	N	A		G	O	O	G	O	L		E	A	T	S	I	N
S	N	O	R	K	E	L		S	N	O	O	T	S		W	H	E	E	L	S

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

	6		4		7		
2					7	1	5
	5	8		1			9
3			8			6	
		2			6		4
	1			2			7
	3				5	2	7
			5	9	3		
							6
1		6		8			9

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

© 2017 King Features Synd., Inc.

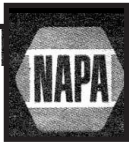
Online at timberjay.com



TIMBERJAY CLASSIFIEDS

Considerations of personal privacy, time and resources prevent the newspaper from investigating ads placed in the classified section. If you respond to an ad, we urge you to use the same care and prudence that you would use when conducting business in any other situation.

AUTOMOTIVE



NAPA PARTS CENTER, INC.
45 E. Chapman Street
ELY
365-3132

Langevin Auto & Truck Repair

Full Service
Auto Repair & Garage



Hours: 8 AM-5 PM M-F
2 Miles South of Tower
218-749-0751

ANTIQUES

VERMILION COTTAGE ANTIQUES



STOP IN!
221 Hwy 53, Suite B
Cook, MN (Next to Subway)
Thur-Mon 10-5 • 218.666.3139

HAIR CARE

VERMILION SHEAR IMAGE-
Men's & Women's hairstyling.
314 Main St., Tower, 218-753-
2928. Open Tuesday-Friday,
9am - 5pm. tfn

HOSPICE

VIRGIE HEGG HOSPICE
PARTNERS can provide help
for patients and their families in
ways such as: comfort care,
messages, last wishes and
more. For more information,
contact Program Director Liz
Cheney at 218-780-8907 or
vhpdirector@yahoo.com. This
ad is paid for by Virgie Hegg
Hospice Partners.

LICENSE BUREAU

COOK AREA LICENSE
BUREAU- 221 S. Hwy 53,
Cook. Open M-F 9-5,
FastTrack Title Service-MVR-
DNR-Limited DL, Dry Cleaning
Drop off/Pick up,
CDL/Motorcycle/ Drivers
Manuals. Now accepting
Visa/MC/Discover. Questions
call 218-666-6199. tfn

REAL ESTATE

Search ALL MLS listings at
www.pfremmerrealty.com. tfn

LAKE SHAGAWA. Spectacular
lot w/425+ feet level, sand
shoreline AND 5+ wooded
acres on a secluded bay.
Sunset views. Property this
nice is rarely available! (same
owner for 75 years) \$198,000.
763-229-5666. 10/27

NICE EMBARRASS COUN-
TRY HOME FOR SALE- Built in
2005, many new updates, in
good condition, approved sep-
tic and well. Energy-efficient.
Asking 129,000. Will consider
contract. Please text 218-290-
5370. 10/13

SNOWPLOWING

VERMILION SNOW MANAGE-
MENT- Serving the entire Lake
Vermilion area. Roads,
Driveways & Sidewalks. Free
estimates, insured. tj@verm-
ilionsnowmanagement.com or
218-290-0966. Online at verm-
ilionsnowmanagement.com. tfn

BUILDING SERVICES

EAST DHU RIVER SAWMILL INC



Superior Quality
• Plank Paneling
• Trim
• One-Of-A-Kind Moldings
• Industrial Lumber
218-744-1788
8825 Hwy 101, Iron, MN 55751

DOG GROOMING

Boundary Waters Dog Grooming
218-753-1228
305 Birch St, Tower
(behind Jeanne's Cards & Gifts)
Owner
Eileen Kronmiller
Over 30 years experience!

STORAGE

RED ROCK STORAGE- Boats,
Cars, Household Items. Ideal
Location. Many sizes. Also
Mobile Storage Containers
delivered to your location.
www.redrock-storage.com. Call
218-753-2375. tfn

BUBBA'S MINI STORAGE-
Self-storage units for rent.
Multiple sizes available. 3/4
mile outside Cook on Hwy. 24.
Now Offering Camper/Trailer
size units. Call 666-5512 tfn

WANTED

Wanted: SPRUCE TIPS, BAL-
SAM and NORWAY BOUGHS.
Looking for individuals to cut
spruce tops and boughs. Call
612-290-8817 for more infor-
mation. 10/13

WANTED TO BUY: Will pay
cash for junk cars and pickups.
Will pick up. Also, we collect
used oil. Call 218-757-3255 or
218-780-2579. tfn

SELIGA CANOES WANTED:
We'll buy old Seligas in Good
Shape. Turn your classic
canoe into cash. Call Steve at
365-6745. tfn

Subscribe to the
TIMBERJAY!
Call
218-753-2950



APARTMENTS FOR RENT

Vermilion Housing Corporation

currently is taking applications for
1 and 2 bedroom apartments in
Tower and Soudan.

RENT SUBSIDY AVAILABLE
CALL 218-753-6111

Please leave your name and address
and application form will be sent.



Answer

9	6	1	4	5	8	7	3	2
2	4	3	6	9	7	1	5	8
7	5	8	2	1	3	4	6	9
3	9	7	8	4	1	6	2	5
5	8	2	3	7	6	9	4	1
6	1	4	5	2	9	3	8	7
8	3	9	1	6	5	2	7	4
4	7	5	9	3	2	8	1	6
1	2	6	7	8	4	5	9	3

Classifieds run in all 3 editions of the Timberjay.

Line classifieds cost 30¢/word, \$6.00 minimum.
Classified ads can be run a second time at half price
(private parties only). We now accept payment by Visa,
Mastercard and Discover. Call your ad in to 218-753-
2950. Display (boxed) classifieds are billed by the
“inch” - please call for prices and information on discounts.
Call Today - 218-753-2950 or 218-365-3114

MARINE

TIMBUKTU MARINA
ON LAKE VERMILION
218-666-2434
7401 Oak Narrows Rd - Cook MN
Cabin rentals
Year round boat storage and dockage
Boat and pontoon rental
Convenience store Gas, bait & liquor
timbuktumarina.com

TIMBUKTU MARINE
LAKE VERMILION
218-666-2276
2475 Vermilion Dr - Cook MN
Ranger Premier
Boats Pontoon WEERES
G3 Boats
SUZUKI YAMAHA
Sales, service, storage, boat lifts, docks, trailers and accessories
timbuktumarine.com

MERCURY OUTBOARDS
Frank's Marine
Sales & Service, Orr, Mn 55771
Mercury Outboards, MerCruiser, Crestliner, Lund, Spartan Trailers, Ercos Pontoons.
Call 218-757-3150

MOCCASIN POINT MARINE
4655 Moccasin Point Rd
Lake Vermilion
218-753-3319
Storage, Boat Rentals, Service/Repairs/Sales
Mechanic on Duty
moccasinpointmarine.com
YAMAHA

Grubens MARINA & VILLAGE
The Heart of Lake Vermilion
• Boat launch, rental, store & repair
• Cabins for a great, fun vacation
See us at: www.grubens.com
Call us at: 218.753.5000
4296 Arrowhead Point Rd,
Tower MN 55790

ARONSON BOAT WORKS
LAKE VERMILION, TOWER
Located two miles southwest of Tower on Hwy. 169
Summer Hours: M-Sat 8-6
Sunday 9-4
MERCURY LUND HONDA
Storage • Complete Service • Sales

Super Crossword

GOING FOR A SPIN

ACROSS

- 1 Entertainer
Lola
7 Analogize
13 Attacking like a cat
20 Eugene locale
21 Canceled out
22 Civil War song about a maiden
23 Sidewalk material
24 Place with lots of slots
26 Presently
27 Sturdy tree
28 Ponce de —
29 Golf bag items
30 A pilot lowers it during approach
35 Greasy of the gridiron
38 Love, in Livorno
39 Aid in raising heavy weights
45 Grayish color
48 Chi follower
49 Escaped
50 Capital of Kazakhstan

- 51 Brie and feta seller
54 About
56 — -Z (old Camaro)
57 Freezing
58 Bygone New York stadium
59 Suffix with Siam
60 Biohazard face wear
63 Many seized autos
65 iPod maker
67 See 83-Across
68 Weaponize
69 Place to make earthen-ware
73 — Aviv-Yafo
76 Reveres
78 Bar legally
79 Chopin composition
81 Custodian
83 With 67-Across, protein source for a hive
84 Conked out
87 Et — (and more)
88 Big outback birds
89 In — (stymied)

- 91 Simple forklift
93 Motive
96 Put to work
98 "Evolve" singer
DiFranco
99 Porkers' pad
100 Bladers' wear
102 Barrel along
104 Brit's buddy
105 Helm locale
110 Morales of "La Bamba"
113 "Der —" (Konrad Adenauer's nickname)
116 Never, in Berlin
117 Actress — Flynn Boyle
118 Easy-to-travel-with suitcases
123 Two-dimensional
125 Arquette of "Crash"
126 1 followed by 100 zeros
127 Dines at home
128 Swim at a shoal, maybe
129 Stuffed shirts

- 130 Things that nine answers in this puzzle have
DOWN
1 Central
2 Vying venue
3 Bright yellow
4 To-do list
5 Prefix with stick
6 Tiny colonist
7 Occupy
8 Tremble
9 German city
10 Tirana's nation: Abbr.
11 Tattle
12 Emmy winner Falco
13 "— & Lacey"
14 Follower of "Jean," often
15 Coach Parseghian
16 Dillydallies
17 "Nasty" Nastase
18 Maui goose
19 Old GM cars
25 Some jazz combos
27 Like a cruel beast: Var.
31 Wee devils
32 Snouts
33 Per item
34 Deep groove
36 Dry — bone

- 37 Fleur-de- —
40 Least strict
41 Decoy
42 Big spiders
43 Actress Mireille —
44 Big name in big trucks
45 Capital of Ghana
46 Smithy, e.g.
47 Relative of a user's guide
49 Have a cow
52 Tokyo, to the shoguns
53 Warms (up)
55 Psalm starter
59 Mother on "Family Ties"
61 Late boxing great
62 — gin fizz
64 Primer pooch
66 Forestall
67 Iris center
70 Tijuana gold
71 Part of TB
72 In the present era
74 Official order
75 Like a sieve
77 Not alike
80 — Mahal
81 Actress Ryan
82 Call in church
124 "— -di-dah!"

- 83 Crimson Tide, to fans
85 Tick away
86 Bright star in Cygnus
90 — and Hyde
91 Ritzy
92 Level
94 Out — limb
95 Take home
97 Arles article
101 Martial arts actor
Steven
102 Sales pitches
103 Distend
106 Metallic bar
107 Ballet, e.g., in Brest
108 Object of a knightly quest
109 Takes home
110 Is off base
111 Momentarily
112 Additionally
114 Yanks (on)
115 Von Furstenberg of fashion
119 Ballpoint fluid
120 LA-to-IL dir.
121 Oozy gunk
122 Past
123 Chapel bench
124 "— -di-dah!"

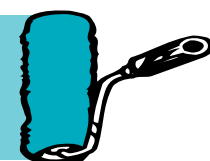
1	2	3	4	5	6		7	8	9	10	11	12		13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20							21							22						
23							24						25							
26						27				28						29				
30				31	32				33	34			35		36	37				
				38					39		40	41						42	43	44
45	46	47		48				49						50						
51			52				53				54			55		56				
57				58					59					60	61	62				
63				64			65		66				67							
68				69	70	71						72						73	74	75
			76	77					78							79	80			
81	82							83				84		85	86		87			
88							89	90				91					92			
93				94	95		96			97				98				99		
100						101							102				103			
				104						105		106						107	108	109
110	111	112					113		114	115		116					117			
118				119	120						121	122					123	124		
125									126								127			
128									129								130			

Get Results!

Advertise in the Timberjay!



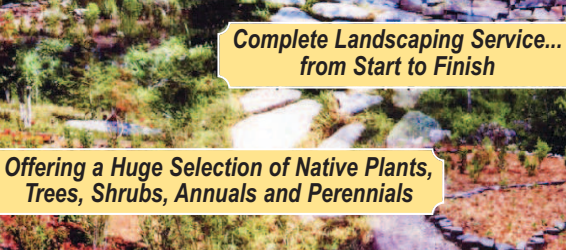
HOME IMPROVEMENT GUIDE



(218)365-6037
2331 Old Hwy. 169, Ely
1/4 mi. E. of 88 & 169
greenstonenursery.com

• In Business Since 1979 •

Landscape Design & Supplies • Natural Rocks
Pavers & Wallstones • Assorted Flagstones



Complete Landscaping Service...
from Start to Finish

Offering a Huge Selection of Native Plants,
Trees, Shrubs, Annuals and Perennials

Fall Project Headquarters

- Shingles
- Siding
- Paint
- Lumber
- Hardware
- Tools



We are a UPS Shipping Drop-Off
Sawblade & Chain Sharpening Drop-Off

VERMILION LUMBER



HOME OF THE PROFESSIONALS
218-753-2230
302 Main St., Tower, MN
M-F: 8 AM-5 PM; Sat: 8 AM-Noon



WE SERVICE ESTATES!

Bring in your car, 4-wheeler or boat and let us
help with all your auction needs.
NOW SELLING USED CARS & MORE!



AFFILIATE OF DO-BID.COM

1307 E. Sheridan St, Ely • HOURS: Mon-Thurs: 1-5 PM
651-260-4228 • jmgreen40@earthlink.net

Check out DO-BID.COM

REAL ESTATE



**COLDWELL
BANKER**
PROPERTIES NORTH

TIM LILLQUIST, Realtor

Serving Lake Vermilion, Tower, Soudan, Breitung,
Cook, Ely and surrounding communities

612-834-5769 (Cell)

Your Home, Your Cabin, Your Wilderness™

www.yourwilderness.com



RE/MAX
www.TheLakeCountry.com
Lake Country
218-757-3233



Elbow Lake-\$59,500 Boat-access acreage. 21.9 acres
and 950 ft of lakeshore. **MLS#132195**

Elbow Lake-\$49,000 12.5 wooded acres and 950 ft of
lakeshore. **MLS#132194**

Ash Lake-\$95,000 4 acres with 200 ft of shoreline.
MLS#132447

Ban Lake, Orr-\$110,000 11.67 acres and 1,590 ft of
shoreline. **MLS#132786**

Ban Lake, Orr- \$100,000 550 ft of shoreline and over
6 acres. **MLS#132788**

Winchester Lake-\$149,500 Over 40 acres and 1,320 ft
of shoreline. **MLS#132804**

DO YOU NEED PLANS?

North Country's Premier Design and Drafting Service

- Custom Homes
- Garages
- Remodels
- Additions
- Site Planning



CADline Design

218.827.8166 - Office
218.349.6838 - Cell
plans@cadlinedesign.us
www.cadlinedesign.us

Your source for Building Plans,
Site Planning and CAD Drafting Services

FOREST CONCRETE READY MIX



Concrete Steps & Sidewalk Pavers

We have Crushed & Washed Rock,
Sand, Garden Soil,
Crushed/Screened Gravel & More,
Different Types of Concrete Blocks
FREE ESTIMATES for site development,
roads, fill and excavations,

*Celebrating
Over
44 Years!*

*From Ely to Tower-Soudan and
Virginia, using local gravel pits
to support all your needs.*

**FOREST CONCRETE
PRODUCTS**



1715 E. Sheridan, Ely, MN 55731

office 218-365-6161 • plant 218-365-4030
fax 218-365-6985 • cell 218-341-3197



COOK, MN
12181 666-3173

2020 Burtress Rd.
Cook, MN 55723
Sheldon Sandberg, Owner
Cell: 218-780-7153

- General Contractor
- New Construction
- Remodeling
- Garages
- Boathouses
- Property Maintenance
- Island Work
- Skidsteer Work

License #BC385748

JDL Landscaping Cook, MN

Schedule Your Work Today!

- Cut/trim trees & brush
- Brush removal
- Stump grinding



Jack Luecken
780-9750

Brad Luecken
780-1852

YOU CALL! WE HAUL!

**Cement Trucks • Building Material
Septic-pumping Trucks • Dirt
Well-drilling Equipment
Propane Delivery**

Carl Anderson

Anderson Barging, Inc.

Phone: 218-993-2288 Cell: 218-780-4955
www.andersonbarging.com

Covering all of Lake Vermilion



SHAMROCK LANDING

www.shamrocklanding.com



Blackduck Bay, Lake Vermilion
4551 Bradley Road, Tower
www.shamrocklanding.com

218-753-5457

Introductory rates available

**Tired of wrestling
with that
boat lift cover
every spring and fall?**

**We will do it
for FREE...**

**When you store your boat
with us for the winter.**

**Stop in and get the details.
We also detail your boat
before it is picked up for FREE.**

We Pick Up and Deliver Boats at NO CHARGE!



(218) 666-5352
www.bicrealty.com
info@bicrealty.com



#131618 LAKE VERMILION 3 BR, 2 BA year-round home
w/ 100 ft lakeshore. Sun porch, central vacuum, main floor
laundry, and more. Large garage, lift-out dock, warm south-
ern exposure and scenic views! **\$389,000**

#132945 LAKE VERMILION 2 BR year-round home w/
ample yard space for kids, quiet and protected 100 ft
lakeshore, large dock, and garage w/ upper level office/bunk
space. 10x12 unfinished bunk house w/ front deck and
2 storage buildings. **\$349,900**

#131194 ANGORA 80 acres of heavily wooded land right
off Heino Rd. Mixture of high and low land. Additional
acreage available. **\$63,800**

#132612 GHEEN Recreational cabin on 80 wooded acres.
Large, open living/dining/kitchen area w/ wood stove, large
bunk room w/ propane space heater. Property has electricity,
privy, wood shed and more! **\$82,500**

#132951 LITTLE FORK RIVER 1,300 ft of river frontage,
south-facing, wooded with some pine and large cedar trees.
High wooded land, numerous building sites and year-round
access. Enjoy solitude and sports year-round. **\$93,500**

Visit us at timberjay.com

News from all three editions...

Ely, Cook/Orr and Tower/Soudan

**plus subscribers get free access to our
e-edition, online most weeks
on Thursday morning!**