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be too cocky, and say we shouldn't rush," said Bloomfield. "They may be right, but we feel we have proven ourselves, have thought through our precautions and can handle whatever comes our way."

PADDLING

That proof lies in the paddling. The pair has been taking canoe trips with their families to the Boundary Waters Wilderness Area since they've been in fourth grade. They've completed a 145-mile trip down the St. Croix River in five days.

Last August, they spent 12 days canoeing approximately 400 miles from Lake of the Woods to Grand Portage through the Boundary Waters.

"As our first long trip, we learned a lot," said Bloomfield. "We had packed lighter than previous trips, but we know now to go even lighter."

"We planned to do the Boundary Waters trip in 17 days and finished it in 12," said Witte. "I think we started to gain the upper hand on anyone worrying about us then."

With the big trips on their résumé, they've recently focused on shorter local outings.

"We've been paddling on the Minnesota River since March," said Bloomfield. "It was 32 degrees and we were paddling in the rain, hail and snow."

The weather only becomes a problem if you're not prepared for it, said Witte. "We've paddled in five- to seven-foot waves on Lake St. Croix, so we know what to expect, but we still plan to stay in sight of the shore along the way," he said. "Besides, it usually doesn't bother you while you're paddling; it's when you stop that it hits you."

This duo won't be spending much time not paddling. "We pretty much paddle from dawn until dusk," said Witte. "Our days will be sleep, eat and paddle."

Their menu is limited to the essentials. Pancakes and peanut butter for breakfast, Rice-a-Roni kits for lunch, spaghetti noodles, without sauce, for dinner and protein bars in between will be the standard fare.

"By the end of the day, you're so hungry, anything tastes good," said Bloomfield. They set out with about a week's worth of provisions and

will head into towns to purchase food as needed.

"If you look at the map, especially in the United States, there are towns all along the rivers," said Witte.

The tandem has thought through precautionary measures, starting with their gear.

"We'll have extra paddles and two identical stoves to scavenge parts off one for the other if needed," said Bloomfield.

They have a light backpacking tent, sleeping bags and not much else. "We always carry our survival pack, with flashlights, first aid, fire starter and so on," said Witte.

They will allow a few luxuries, however, like a bag of sweetened cereals, or a deck of cards. They'll bring a small waterproof speaker, an iPod and a tiny solar panel so they can listen to music or books.

"We'll splurge a little to listen to Jack Johnson or Harry Potter to help keep our sanity," said Witte.

POLAR BEARS

Their knowledge on the weather and other natural elements has led to several safety precautions.

"We usually paddle in shorts, but have the proper raingear or other clothes in case it gets cold," said Bloomfield. Witte made a waterproof aluminum box in the school shop to protect their gear. "It's light and strong, but can fit just about everything we need to keep dry," he said.

Drinking water is crucial as well.

"We'll start with bottled water, because the Minnesota River is so dirty and filled with agricultural pesticides," said Bloomfield. "But we'll use a water purifier after that."

And then there are the polar bears.

"We'll reach Hudson Bay at York Factory, which has a high population of polar bears," said Witte. "The best time to see them is July and August, when we should be getting there." They've done extensive research on passing through polar bear country, which has led them to bring along pepper spray. "Guns only make them mad," said Witte.

They will also carry the Spot Messenger, a satellite locator, which can be used to call for assistance

if needed. "It can also be used by our friends and family to track our progress with Google maps," said Witte. Their route will take them along the Minnesota River to the Red River of the north and into Lake Winnipeg.

"We've done extensive research on our route, so we're aware of things like watching out for the reefs along the eastern shore of Lake Winnipeg," said Witte. Their fathers will meet them in Winnipeg with gear needed for the more remote portion of the trip, like hatchets and bear spray.

"We'll also swap canoes there to have one more suited for the rapids on the Hayes River," said Witte. The pair has also met with Canadian government officials to discuss necessary steps to enter the country and don't expect any issues.

The duo won't be paddling every day. Their itinerary does include four layover days.

"Some friends and family are planning on meeting us in Ortonville and Fargo for a barbecue," said Witte.

ICE AND CRICKETS

So far, nothing has jumped up that would jeopardize the trip.

"The cool spring we've been having has put the weather conditions into the back of our minds," said Bloomfield. "We drove up to Lake Winnipeg recently and the ice was still on the lake, but it was off the river all the way up."

The boys graduated early from high school so they could fit this trip in.

"That went well, except for a senior prank we pulled by releasing some crickets in the school," said Witte.

"That may not have been the best thing to do," said Bloomfield. "There's some things we need to do for that, but it won't impact our trip."

With only their daily paddling preparations left to complete before the trip, each is looking forward to time with friends and family prior to setting out.

"We have our graduation parties and prom is the Saturday before we leave," said Bloomfield. "Other than that, we'll probably have a big family dinner and spend time with our friends."

EDUCATION NOTES

Doug Smith and Sue Nielsen, both of Shakopee, were honored for their academic achievements during the 2008 winter quarter at The Art Institutes International. Smith earned a 4.0 grade point average and was named to the president's list and Nielsen was named to the dean's list for achieving a GPA between 3.7 and 3.9.

Several Shakopee residents have received scholarships from Holy Family Catholic High School in Victoria. **Emma Sperr** was presented a \$1,500 Lasallian Scholar Award (LSA) and **Amanda Besser, Steven Latery** and **Patrick Smith** were each awarded a \$500 honorable mention. All are students at Shakopee Area Catholic Schools. The LSA scholarships are given to qualified eighth-grade students enrolled for their freshman year at Holy Family. Applicants submit a recommendation and typed essay detailing their qualifications for the LSA as they pertain to the school's four pillars of excellence: integrity, scholarship, leadership and faith. More than 60 students applied for the awards.

Tessa Berens, daughter of John and Susan Berens of Shakopee, is studying in South Africa during spring semester 2008 through the Office for Education Abroad at the College of St. Benedict in St. Joseph. Berens is a junior biology major.

Robb Kaufenberg of Shakopee has been admitted to the University of Minnesota Duluth for the 2008-09 academic year. The son of Dave and Mary Kaufenberg, he will graduate from Shakopee High School in June.

Mollie Annen, a student at Shakopee Junior High School, was accepted into the People to People Leadership Summit at UCLA July 3-12. All students accepted into the program must meet rigorous academic and leadership requirements. Annen was nominated based on outstanding scholarship merit, civic involvement and leadership potential.

Several Shakopee resident received degrees from Metropolitan State University during a commencement ceremony Dec. 18 at the Minneapolis Convention Center. They are: **Tammy Berndt**, master of public and nonprofit administration; **Pamela Eide**, individualized bachelor of arts; **Robert Gebtuba**, bachelor of science in nursing; **Kristy Kaluzne**, bachelor of science in business administration; **Eliseba Kiyeny**, bachelor of science in finance; **Tammi Schrupp Walgrave**, bachelor of science in management; and **Binh Tran**, bachelor of arts in criminal justice.

Tyler Dose, son of Brian and Jill Dose of Shakopee, has been accepted into the marine and small engine mechanic program at Alexandria Technical College for fall 2008.

Paul Banwart of Shakopee is one of several area students to receive a \$1,000 scholarship from the Cargill Community Scholarship Program, which also presented Shakopee High School with \$200 in Banwart's honor to support the school's library. Banwart will graduate from SHS in June.

Cole Cameron of Shakopee recently participated in the ninth annual Bemidji State University Student Scholarship and Achievement Conference. Cameron, a senior majoring in computer science, presented an exhibit at the conference.

Tessie Nelson of Shakopee is student teaching in Spanish this semester at Christian Academy in Guatemala. Nelson is a student at Northwestern College in Orange City, Iowa. In order to be accepted into the teacher education program, students must maintain a 2.5 cumulative grade point average, submit an entrance portfolio and successfully take the Pre-Professional Skills Test. Prior to student teaching, students spend more than 100 hours in school settings.

Allison Kelly, a College of St. Catherine senior from Shakopee, has been named to Who's Who Among Students, a national honors program that recognizes student leaders at more than 2,300 institutions of higher learning across the United States. Kelly is the daughter of Tim and Judy Kelly and a 2004 graduate of Shakopee High School. Students are nominated for Who's Who for their outstanding service to the college and the community. Nominations are made by fellow students, college administrators and faculty members.

Kaitlyn Mulcrone of Shakopee has been accepted to and will attend the University of Minnesota, Morris (UMM) beginning fall 2008. Mulcrone, who will graduate in June from Shakopee High School, is the recipient of the Chancellor's Scholarship from UMM. Students graduating in the top 5 percent of their high school class will receive \$12,000 with this automatic \$3,000 per year scholarship.

Several Shakopee residents are among 614 students to graduate May 10 from Southwest Minnesota State University in Marshall. They are: **Matthew Hanson**, master of science in education; **Amanda Bohr**, bachelor of science in justice administration; **Kara Bohr**, bachelor of arts in art; and **Jennifer Link**, bachelor of arts in history with magna cum laude honors.

PUBLIC NOTICES

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4000 Minneapolis, MN 55402 Telephone: (612) 492-7000 Fax: (612) 492-7077 Attorney Registration No.: 0280070 Email: mvvyvan@fredlaw.com Approved as to form this 14th day of April, 2008 Bryce D. Huemoeller Examiner of Titles (Published in the Shakopee Valley News on Thursday, May 1, 8 and 15, 2008; No. 5145)

ASSESSMENT NOTICE Notice is hereby given, that the Board of Appeal and Equalization of the City of Shakopee, in Scott County, Minnesota, will meet at the Office of City Clerk in said City, at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, the 13th day of May, 2008 for the purpose of reviewing and correcting the assessment of said City for the year 2008. All persons considering themselves aggrieved by said assessment, or who wish to complain that the property of another is assessed too low, are hereby notified to appear at said meeting, and show cause of having such assessment corrected. No complaint that another person is assessed too low will be acted upon until the person so assessed, or his agent, shall have been notified of such complaint. Given under my hand this 24th day of April, 2007. Judith S. Cox Clerk of the City of Shakopee (Published in the Shakopee Valley News on Thursday, May 1, 2008; No. 5146)

ORDINANCE NO. 795, FOURTH SERIES AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SHAKOPEE, MINNESOTA, AMENDING THE CITY'S ADOPTED 2008 FEE SCHEDULE TO IMPLEMENT CHANGES IN THE DEVELOPMENT FEES AND DEMOLITION PERMIT FEES, AND IMPLEMENT NATURAL RESOURCES FEES WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is desirable to modify the 2008 Fee Schedule

related to certain Planning, Building, and Natural Resources fees; and NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, that the City Council of the City of Shakopee hereby revised the Adopted 2008 City Fee Schedule by amending certain Planning, Building Inspector/Electrical Inspector, and Natural Resources Fees as follows: (Language that is struck through is proposed for deletion and language that is underlined is proposed for addition) I. Land Division Administration Fee: B. Major Subdivisions, Planned Unit Developments, and Conditional Use Permits 1. Pre-application review fee \$350.00 Pre-application site review escrow \$1650.00 Notes for the Planning Department Fee Schedule Administrative Costs - Actions requiring payment for administrative costs may be billed to the applicant. Administrative costs may include but are not limited to the following: staff time (including regular City employees and contracted employees), publishing costs, copying, printing and mailing. The actual hourly rates of the employees will be used plus a multiplier of 2.0 times for benefits. Administrative costs will accrue after the first meeting with the applicant. Any escrows received by the City shall be monitored to ensure sufficient escrow funds are held by the City. When an escrow account reaches a balance of 10% of the original escrow amount, the City shall invoice the applicant for the submittal of additional escrow funds in an amount consistent with the original escrow submittal. This process shall continue until the City has completed all necessary reviews. Building Inspector/Electrical Inspector Demolition Permit (pg. 7): \$100.00, or 1.27% of contract price, whichever is greater. Work commencing before Demolition Permit issuance:

\$200.00, or 2.54% of contract price, whichever is greater. Natural Resources I. Tree Management Regulations: A. Financial Security An applicant shall provide the City with security in the form of either a cash deposit or a letter of credit in favor of the City, in an amount of one hundred fifty (150) percent of the Tree Replacement Requirement estimate prior to approval of a grading or building permit. B. Preliminary Plat Review A fee of \$400.00 for each Preliminary Plat Tree Management Plan submitted by the applicant or his or her designee is due at the time of application submittal. C. Preliminary Plat Tree Protection Fence Inspection Inspections will be charged on an hourly basis at actual hourly rates plus a multiplier of 2.0 for benefits. The City is authorized to draw against the Tree Management Regulations financial security for Tree Replacement Requirements to pay for inspections. Adopted in adj. special session of the City Council of the City of Shakopee, Minnesota held this 22nd day of April, 2008. /s/ John J. Schmitt Mayor of the City of Shakopee Attest: /s/ Jeanette Shaner Deputy City Clerk (Published in the Shakopee Valley News on Thursday, May 1, 2008; No. 5147) JACKSON TOWNSHIP 920 ROSEWOOD CIRCLE SHAKOPEE, MN 55379 April 25, 2006 Notice of Public Hearing for the Scott County and Credit River, Jackson, Louisville and Spring Lake Townships Storm Water Pollution Prevention Programs You are hereby notified that Scott County and the Townships of Credit River, Jackson, Louisville, and Spring Lake will hold a joint Public Hearing on Tuesday, June

3rd, 2008, at 9:30 AM in the County Board Room of the Scott County Government Center, 200 Fourth Avenue West, Shakopee, Minnesota. Purpose of the Hearing: The purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive comments on the Scott County and Credit River, Jackson, Louisville, and Spring Lake Townships Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plans (SWPPPs). As annual requirement of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Storm Water Permit for Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s), Scott County and the four townships must receive public comment and opinion on the adequacy of their Storm Water Pollution Prevention Programs. This public hearing is offered to solicit that input and to provide the public with an opportunity to participate in the development and implementation of the program. If you would like to be heard in reference to this matter, you should attend this meeting. Oral and written comments will be accepted by the Natural Resources Department up to the time of the Public Hearing. Comments for Jackson Township should be directed to the Roselyn Menke, Jackson Township Clerk 920 Rosewood Circle Shakopee, MN 55379. For more information contact Jason Swenson in the Scott County Natural Resources Department at 952-496-8881. (Published in the Shakopee Valley News on Thursday, May 1, 2008; No. 5148)

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