

HALLOWEEN: Enjoying some skeletal shenanigans in Barnum. **P12**



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Moose Lake becomes second Blue Ribbon City in the world

Over 3,600 Blue Ribbons have been given out to community members in Moose Lake. There are still ribbons available, anyone interested should contact Brad Hubred at brad.hubred@isd97.org to pick them up at Moose Lake School. On October 19, Moose Lake became the second city in the world to host a community wide Blue Ribbon ceremony to honor the good in each person and celebrate that Moose Lake is a community that cares for one another. Above Moose Lake Mayor Ted Shaw presents Brad Hubred, Helice (Grandma Sparky) Bridges and Charles Borak with keys to the city for their efforts in making Moose Lake the second Blue Ribbon City in the world.

Share knowledge in Pine County Child Care survey

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Area residents and businesses are being asked to share what they know about child care in Pine County.

The East Central Regional Development Council is putting together a Pine County Child Care Study Survey, and is reaching out for input through two online surveys – one for residents and another for businesses.

“Child care is critical to

the health of our communities. It impacts more than children and their parents and is central to community health,” said Michelle Thomas of the ECRDC. “A robust economy relies on the availability of excellent child care, but East Central Minnesota faces shortages. East Central Regional Development Commission is assisting in addressing these challenges

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Get ready: Minnesota's open enrollment for health coverage begins next week

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Use three simple steps to prepare for open enrollment.

Starting Monday, November 1, 2021, Minnesotans can find and enroll in affordable, comprehensive health and

dental coverage through MNsure, Minnesota's health insurance marketplace.

November 1 kicks off MNsure's open enrollment period, which is the annual opportunity for Minnesotans to sign up, change

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Nonagenarian adds to adventures by writing first book

BY JAMIE LUND
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While many people worked on hobbies or projects during the pandemic, 90-year-old Andi Carlson wrote her first book. Yes...Virginia! We made it! 90 Plus! The 267 page book is a memoir about the adventures of Carlson's life.

She was born Arlene Virginia Andeline in Virginia, Minn. and graduated from Virginia High School. She said her blood is iron ore red.

“I've had a great life,” Carlson said. She said she was a tom-boy as a youngster and nearly drowned when she was in the fourth grade after she took a dare from friends. She attempted to walk on rolling logs near the sawmill on Bailey Lake in Virginia, Minn. She slipped and fell in and couldn't find a way out. She accepted

her fate and that her life was over. She apologized to God for breaking the rules and walking on the logs.

“We were taught to apologize for everything,” Carlson said. She said a friend reached in and pulled her out. Carlson was traumatized by the event and could not talk about the near drowning for a long time.

A few years later she shared a room with a friend while at camp. A short time later, the friend was diagnosed with polio. Carlson's mom was so concerned that she sent her daughter to stay on an island with her dog for company for several months.

After she graduated high school, she went to nursing school and received her LPN and landed a job. One of her favorite pastimes was dancing. Her eyes lit up as she talked about the different dance styles

of the time, from square dancing to the Jitterbug. She said she misses dancing a lot.

Carlson said she wrote her life story at the urging of her children. She fell a few years ago and moved into an assisted care facility in Sandstone, then later to Moose Lake to be closer to family. During the pandemic she spent long hours in her room alone as the residents were restricted from the common areas. She decided it was a good time to write her book.

Her son, Keith, said they were thrilled when his mom completed the book.

“We bought her a ream of paper and a typewriter,” Keith said. “She had me do a lot of research, including what the weather was like the day she was born. She wanted the book to be as accurate as possible.

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Andi Carlson, 90-year-old author holds the book she wrote during the pandemic with the encouragement of her children.



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Drivers needed to bring veterans to medical appointments

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Many veterans in Pine County use the Veterans Services van program for transportation to medical appointments. While there are plenty of people interested in utilizing the service, there is a shortage of drivers to bring them.

Army veteran, Dan

Larson, 73, said the van service is important for veterans.

"Most of us can't afford to drive to the VA," Larson said. The veterans pay a \$20 donation and say it is worth it. Larson has used the service off and on for many years. The Sandstone resident said he took the van once a month for a while,

but currently uses the service once every six months.

About 100 Pine County veterans take advantage of the low cost service, said Mindy Sandell, county veterans services officer. She said there is a growing need in the county for the service as well as drivers.

"We're in desperate

need of volunteers to drive the county van," Sandell said. "They don't need to be a veteran, they just need to have a valid driver's license and be able to pass a physical. Dennis O'Brien is a United States Navy Veteran and enjoys driving the van and meeting fellow veterans.

"I also do it as a service

for veterans who may not be able to drive themselves," O'Brien said. "I think the guys enjoy it."

He said his family has a long history of military service and he felt it was his duty to help others. O'Brien estimates that the majority of his passengers are over 70-years-old.

Drivers are needed

during week day hours only.

For more information or to volunteer to drive the van visit the Pine County Veterans Services website or call 320-216-4250.

Essentia Health holding virtual advance care planning class

ESSENTIA HEALTH

Essentia Health is hosting an advance care planning (ACP) class from 2-3 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 3.

Advance care planning is a process that helps you think and talk about your choices for health care in the fu-

ture. It's important for every adult to have an advance directive, also known as a living will or health care directive.

To register or for more information visit www.essentiahealth.org/patients-visitors/advance-care-planning/

MNSURE: Get ready open enrollment starts Nov. 1

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plans, or renew their current private health insurance.

"Whether you're looking for the first time or have been enrolling through MNSure for years, this is the best year yet to visit MNSure.org and review your options," said MNSure CEO Nate Clark. "More savings are available than ever before and more Minnesotans are eligible for discounts that will lower their monthly premiums in 2022 – but you can only access these savings through MNSure."

This year Minnesota's open enrollment will run from November 1 until January 15, 2022. To get ready for open enrollment, Minnesotans can follow three simple steps:

Step 1 – Preview plans for 2022

Minnesotans can use MNSure's plan comparison tool now to preview health and dental plans for 2022, compare options, and find out what savings they may qualify for. Minnesotans can explore details about monthly premiums, deductibles, out-of-pocket costs, and more.

Step 2 – Schedule an appointment for free help from MNSure-certified experts

MNSure's statewide network of certified brokers and navigators are ready and able to help all Minnesotans with the enrollment process from start to finish. Minnesotans can access this help – completely free of cost – through virtual meetings, phone appointments or in-person meetings. Appointments will fill quickly, so MNSure encourages Minnesotans

to schedule a free help session today at MNSure.org/help.

Step 3 – Returning consumers should update their MNSure account and report any changes

Current MNSure enrollees can prepare for open enrollment by keeping their account up to date and reporting any important household changes like getting married, having a baby, moving to a new address, or income changes. See the full list of life event changes on the MNSure website.

For help managing an account, Minnesotans can contact MNSure representatives directly through our Contact Center at 651-539-2099 or 855-366-7873. Business hours for the Contact Center during open enrollment are available on the MNSure website.

Historical Reflections



This week's history photo:

Do you recognize anyone in this photo?

Answer to the history photo from the previous edition: In October of 1986 considerable progress was reported on the construction of the Multi-Purpose Building in Moose Lake. The building was right on progress for completion. Star-Gazette photo

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CHILD CARE: Pine County assesses current needs with survey

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by beginning with a Child Care Study in Pine County to gain an accurate picture of current conditions."

First Children's Finance, a national nonprofit is partnering with Pine County and the East Central Regional Development Council to develop a child care study for Pine County and the need for child care throughout the county.

Pine County businesses are asked to take this

survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WWPV3YM>

Pine County residents are asked to respond to this survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WJWTPFQ>

"The more people take the survey, the more accurate a picture we can paint," Thomas said. "Thank you for your help with this."

The survey will be open until Friday, Nov. 5.

For questions, contact michelle.thomas@ecrdc.org

YES...VIRGINIA!: COVID-19 and children inspire 90-year-old to become author

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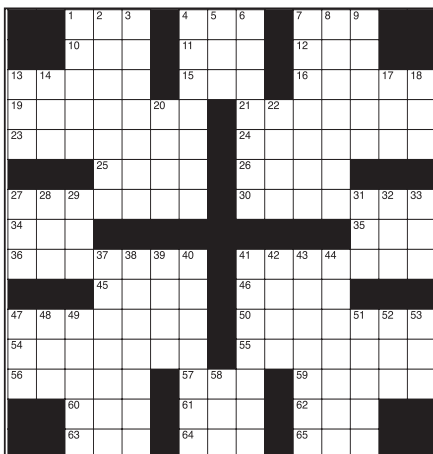
She is a feisty Finlander!" He said Carlson is quite tech savvy and uses her iPad daily. He said the stories in the book are ones he heard many times over the years.

"It felt really good to get the book done," Carlson said.

Carlson said her daughter sent books to her cousins and a few of her friends purchased the book.

Anyone interested in purchasing a book for \$10 can call Keith and leave a message or text 218-380-4917. The book is also available for check out at the Moose Lake Public Library.

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Pouch
4. Cooling device
7. Corporate exec (abbr.)
10. Antidiuretic hormone
11. South American plant
12. Adult female bird
13. Type of snake
15. Soak in water
16. Emerge
19. Church tower
21. Having solidified from lava
23. Eye parts
24. Natural
25. Swiss river
26. Require to live
27. Obstruct
30. Immobility
34. Expression of satisfaction
35. Moved quickly

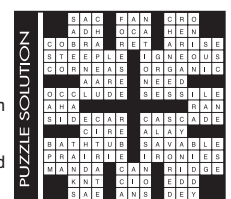
36. Popular cocktail
41. Dish detergent brand
45. Waxed finish
46. Kyrgyzstan mountain range
47. A place to get clean
50. Able to be rescued
54. Large, open grassland
55. Expressions for humorous effect
56. Hindu goddess
57. Beverage container
59. Long narrow hilltop
60. Sir (abbr.)
61. Data executive
62. Doctor of Education
63. Car mechanics group
64. Autonomic nervous system
65. "The Partridge Family" actress

CLUES DOWN

1. Cavalry sword
2. Gland above the kidneys
3. Hat
4. Predict
5. A team's best pitcher
6. Countries
7. Substitutions
8. Peruses again
9. Popular food
13. Reciprocal of a sine
14. Of or relating to the ears
17. Juris; Independent
18. Keyboard key
20. Fat from a pig
22. AC manufacturer
27. Organization of N. and S. American countries
28. 22nd star of a constellation

29. Scoundrel
31. A way to save money
32. Boy or young man
33. Midway between northeast and east
37. Egg-laying mammal
38. Salt of citric acid
39. Barbary sheep
40. Actress de Mornay
41. Gambling hotspots
42. Wing-shaped
43. Basked in
44. Poison
47. Beats per minute
48. Macaws
49. Military vehicles
51. Elderly woman
52. Body part
53. Midway between east and southeast

58. Forearm nerve (abbr.)



OBITUARIES

Scot B. Cervenka

Scot Ben Cervenka, age 58, of Askov, Minn., formerly of New Prague passed away unexpectedly on October 17, 2021.



Scot was born on September 17, 1963, to Benjamin and Dorothy (Preslicka) Cervenka in New Prague, MN, where he lived until August of 1991. He attended New Prague Schools (K-12) and went on to attend Fairbault Area Technical Institute, specializing in marine and small engines. From there Scot attended Dakota Area Technical Institute completing his certification in heavy equipment mechanics. Scot wanted to put

his knowledge to work and opened his own business, Allis Chalmers Sales and Services. On June 16, 1989, Scot married the love of his life Lori Ann Hrabe at St. Patrick Catholic Church in St. Patrick, Minn. In August of 1991, Scot and Lori made the move to Askov, Minn. where they lived until Scot's death. Scot enjoyed spending time in church and sharing God's love with everyone! He had a passion for hunting through-

out his life and passed it down to his children. Scot also shared his passion and knowledge of hunting with all others. He loved taking his wife fishing every chance he had. Scot enjoyed trap shooting and anything that involved guns. Vintage snowmobiles and riding them was another one of Scot's many hobbies. One of the top things that Scot enjoyed was taking his wife out for date night in his '54 Chevy pickup.

Scot is preceded in death by his parents, Ben and Dorothy, his father-in-law, Albert Hrabe, and many aunts and uncles.

Scot is survived by his wife, Lori Cervenka (Hrabe) of Askov, Minn.; his son, Benjamin Cervenka of Askov, Minn.; his daughters, Sonya (Ricky) Koerner of Mora, Minn., Casey (Jordan) Sprouls of Askov, Minn., Hannah Cervenka of Askov, Minn.; brother, Brian Cervenka of Jordan, Minn.; sister, Sherry Cervenka of Farmington, Minn.; mother-in-law, Mary Ellen Simek of New Prague, Minn.; many brother in laws, sister in laws, nephews, and nieces.

A Celebration of Life is being held for Scot at the Church of Victory in Askov, Minn. from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday, October 29, 2021.

Arrangements by Methven Funeral and Cremation Services of Sandstone, MN. www.methvenfuneralhome.com

Faye J. Hurst

Faye Joann Hurst, age 69, died peacefully on Tuesday, October 19, 2021 in her home surrounded by the love and care of her children. She was born in Moose Lake, Minn. on September 7, 1952 to Arthur and Hetty (Aho) Korpela.



Faye grew up in Cromwell and settled down to raise a family in Barnum after she married her true love, Dennis Hurst. Dennis and Faye enjoyed traveling and sight-seeing as well as fixing and remodeling homes for their family. She worked for many years as the Business Manager

for Barnum School District. She loved the U of M Gophers, especially basketball, but her real favorite team was any team her grandchildren were on. Faye enjoyed numerous cruises and vacations with her

friends throughout the years. She was an excellent baker, enjoyed crocheting, and was notorious for keeping a clean home. Above all else, Faye cherished time spent with her grandkids and lived for moments with her family.

Faye was preceded in death by her husband, Dennis; her parents, Arthur and Hetty; grandson, Daniel; and brother-in-law, David Hurst.

She will be lovingly remembered by her children, Dawn Hurst-Valure, Corey (Roxanne) Hurst, David (Shanelle) Hurst, and Cassandra (Brian) Johnson; 10 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; siblings, Marlene, Carol, Jean, Diane, Linda, and Larry; and numerous nieces, nephews, other family members, and friends.

A memorial visitation to honor Faye's life will be held on Tuesday, October 26, from 11:00 until the 1:00 p.m. memorial service in Barnum Community Methodist Church. Inurnment will follow in Barnum Riverside Cemetery.

Arrangements are with Hamlin-Hansen-Kosloski Funeral Home

BOWLING SCORES

TUESDAY SENIOR BOWLING

October 19, 2021

1. Gail 209/549
2. Tony 179/484
3. Ben 175/383

EARLY THURSDAY WOMEN'S BOWLING

October 21, 2021

1. Divots 31-18
2. Farm Chicks 29-20
3. Fjosne Construction 26-23

CORRECTION

IN THE October 21, 2021 edition of the Moose Lake Star-Gazette on page one. We incorrectly named the new outpatient surgery center being constructed as Northern Lights Surgery Center. The new center is called Northern Lakes Surgery Center. We at the Moose Lake Star-Gazette and strive for accuracy in reporting, we apologize for this error.

WEEKLY FORECAST

FROM CBS 3 METEOROLOGIST DAVE ANDERSON

Thursday	52/34	Sunday
Overcast		Partly Sunny
60% chance of rain		44/33
49/40		
Friday		Monday
Mostly Sunny		Partly Sunny
52/39		39/28
Saturday		
Mostly Sunny		

Visit the Moose Lake Star-Gazette website, www.mlstargazette.com

Moose Lake Senior Dining Menu

Serving at 11:30 a.m.
HOME DELIVERY IS STILL AVAILABLE.
Call (218) 485-4937 to place your order.
Please reserve the day before.

\$4.00, Under 60: \$7.50.

There are no income guidelines.

Carry-out meals available. Meals also include veggies, milk and dinner roll. Call Senior Dining 485-4937. Volunteer Drivers Needed.

Mon., Nov. 1. Polish w/Sauerkraut, Mashed Potatoes, Fruit
Tues., Nov. 2. Sweet & Sour Chicken, Rice, Green Beans, Applesauce Jello
Wed., Nov. 3. Chili, Ambrosia Salad, Fresh Roll, Ice Cream
Thurs., Nov. 4. Chicken Strips, Duchess Potatoes, Garlic Biscuit, Jello Poke Cake
Fri., Nov. 5. Porcupine Meatballs, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Wax Beans, Oatmeal Scotchie Cookie

STAR GAZING-UPCOMING EVENTS

Star Gazing is a service to readers to publicize upcoming events and activities as space permits. Free events are given priority. If there is a charge or admission cost to the event, a paid ad is required.

Oct. 28 at 12:30 p.m.

BINGO

On October 28 at 12:30 p.m. Barnum Senior Center will host BINGO. Refreshments will be provided. Every is welcome, vaccinations are preferred.

Oct. 29 from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Chilloween

Chilloween - Friday, October 29, 2021, at Pavilion from 6-8 p.m. for elementary, 8-10 p.m. for high school age. More information is on the Cromwell Area Community Club Facebook page.

Oct. 29 from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

SonLife Community Church Trunk or Treat SonLife Community

Church in Wrenshall will be hosting a Trunk or Treat event on October 31 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. SonLife Community Church is located at 417 Alcohol Road, Wrenshall.

Oct. 30 at 2 p.m.

Costume Parade and Trick-or-Treating

Please join us for a costume parade and trick or treating at Moose Lake Village on October 30 at 2 p.m. Candy will be provided!

Oct. 30 from 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Duquette area Trunk or Treat

Saturday, October 30 "Mask-erade" through Jack E. Berger Park in Duquette from 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. as you trunk or treat.

Oct. 30 from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Forensic Psychologist Frank Weber visits Moose Lake Brewing

Saturday, October 30 Forensic Psychologist Frank Weber will be visiting Moose Lake Brewing from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. He will speak about forensic psychology and writing True Crime mysteries from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. This will be a blast and there is no cost. Moose Lake Brewing Company is located at 244 Lakeshore Drive, Moose Lake, Minn. 55767.

Oct. 31 at 3:30 p.m.

Trunk-R-Treat and Spook House

On Halloween, October 31, at the Moose Lake City Park businesses, organizations, and individuals are asked to decorate their vehicle and pass out treats to the community. Community members are invited to Trunk or Treat at Moose Lake City Park starting at 3:30 p.m. on October 31. This year the Spook House opens 6 p.m. October 29-31. There is a non-scary time for younger

children at 4-6 p.m. on Halloween night only.

Oct. 31 at 10 a.m.

Halloween Hustle

Moose Lake / Willow River/ Barnum Cross Country is hosting a Halloween Hustle Walk or Run on October 31 at 10 a.m. The run will start at Moose Lake Riverside Arena. Registration is \$10 per participant or \$25 per family.

Nov. 1 at 3:30 p.m.

Moose Lake Health Care Volunteer Service Organization meeting

Moose Lake Health Care Volunteer Service Organization will meet on November 1 at 3:30 p.m. at Hope Lutheran Church. New members are welcome, masks are optional. For more information call 218-485-5544.

Nov. 5

Hunter's Supper

Hunter's Supper - Scheduled for Friday, November 5. Additional helpers

are needed for preparing food, cooking, bussing tables, putting out posters, or whatever you can do. If you are interested and can help out, please contact Deb Switzer @ 218-340-1968 or by email @ debswitzer@hotmail.com.

Nov. 5 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Red Bird Bazaar

Red Bird Bazaar will be held Saturday, Nov. 6 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at Cromwell - Wright School.

Nov. 6 at 7:30 p.m.

Annual Deer Hunter's Mass

St. Joseph's Church will hold their Annual Deer Hunters Mass on Saturday, November 6, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. Bishop Felton, celebrant.

Nov. 6 at 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.,

Try Hockey for Free Day Moose Lake Area Hockey

Association will be hosting a try hockey for free day on Saturday, Nov 6 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. for ages 4-9 at Riverside Arena in Moose Lake. Participants need to pre-register, but there will be goodies and swag for those who attend. Registration can be found at www.tryhockeyforfree.com/event_detail/505

Nov. 6 at 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.,

Antique Appraisals

Moose Lake Area Historical Society is proud to sponsor Antique Appraisals by Steve Wesely of Cresent Auctioneering on November 9 at 1 p.m. at The Fires of 1918 Museum, 900 Folz Blvd., Moose Lake, Minn. Please bring no more than two items per person. A donation of \$3 per person would be appreciated. For more information call 218-485-4159 or 218-485-4234.

Affording to work

I have heard from multiple sources lately that there is no one out there who wants to work. Most of these comments have been made in a snide sort of way. Each time I have heard this inwardly I have flinched, until lately when outwardly I have been attempting to explain some reasons for it to folks.



A Millennial Mile
Alanea White

It is hard for me to believe that the number of job openings I have seen are just not being filled by people not wanting to work.

Taking a minute to think things through we really need to realize that COVID-19 hasn't just hit us in the lungs and the heart, but in the pocketbook as well.

I read recently that one in 500 people in the United States has died of COVID-19. Another rather shocking statistic was that one in three women have needed to rearrange their work schedules, or not return to work at all because they simply cannot find affordable child care. Also a reported 2 million folks retired during the COVID-19 pandemic.

When thinking about where the people who are missing from the workforce are, I tend to think that maybe they fit in one of those groups more often than folks simply not wanting to work. It isn't that folks don't want to work, I think it could also be that they simply can't afford to. Some big problems have really been compounded by the pandemic, most of them involving a vicious economic cycle.

Current wages are just not enough for folks to be able to afford all of the rising prices. Not being able to afford going to work is a very real thing. I have several people in my acquaintance who cannot afford to have an increase in their hourly wage or number of hours worked without losing their health insurance coverage.

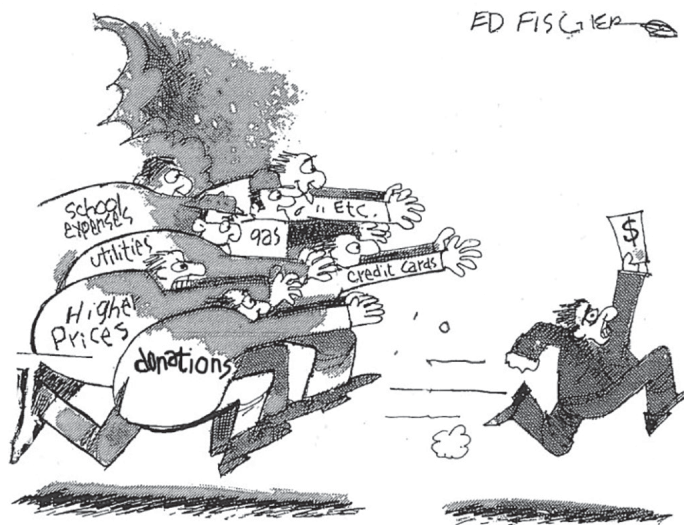
Even for those able to have a reliable income, there is still a very real danger out there of catching COVID-19 and being caught in a place where you are sick and have no resources for income while you recover.

Astronomical rent and housing costs and ever increasing utility prices combined with ever increasing prices are compounding the issue. Natural gas prices have skyrocketed. Child care cost increases are now compounding with a nation wide shortage on available places to seek out childcare. Gasoline prices are once again far over \$3.00 a gallon. Shipping shortages have caused empty shelves in stores and sky high prices, reports have been that this is shaping up to be one of the most expensive Thanksgivings in history.

During the pandemic unemployment stop gaps were there to help and support those who were not able to work because their jobs were closed. These stop gaps are no longer there and now we seem to be barreling full steam ahead into a serious financial crisis.

The next time you find yourself thinking that somewhere is understaffed, perhaps think of those missing groups for the answer and be kind to those brave enough to be out there working.

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Talking Halloween and holiday safety with U of M

According to the National Retail Federation, approximately 65% of people in the U.S. plan to participate in

Halloween-related activities this year and households with children are more likely to celebrate Halloween traditions like handing-out candy and trick-or-treating.

While the current state of the pandemic may feel like we are in a different place than Fall 2020, University of

Minnesota Medical School expert Beth Thielen explains why it is still important for parents and community members to practice COVID precautions while celebrating Halloween this year.

Q: What do we know about SARS-CoV-2 now that we did not know a year ago?

Dr. Thielen: The most important

factor that we did not fully anticipate a year ago is how the novel variants — most notably the delta variant — have changed the course of this disease. Many people are frustrated that it seems like the rules of the game are changing. We are back to wearing masks indoors, being advised against gathering in large groups and hearing about health care facilities being overwhelmed by the large number of COVID-patients despite having an effective vaccine.

The main reason for this is the fact that the delta variant is much more infectious than previous strains. It is causing severe disease, hospitalization and death in younger people — including children — which we did not see as commonly a year ago. Along these lines, we are seeing infections even among vaccinated people and even in spaces that, last year, we thought were safer, such as outdoor gatherings. The good news is that the vaccine is still highly effective in preventing severe disease, hospitalization and death, which means it is critical for

everyone who is eligible to get vaccinated to do so as soon as possible. This is particularly important for teenagers, who are making up a larger fraction of those we are seeing infected.

Q: How are traditional Halloween activities during a pandemic a concern for Minnesotans?

Dr. Thielen: Many Halloween traditions involve activities that we know are a risk for spread of SARS-CoV-2. Trick-or-treating often involves face-to-face contact with many people and touching common items, like candy buckets, that can easily become contaminated with viruses. Here in Minnesota, late October means cooler weather, so we are more likely to be indoors for activities like crowded costume parties or haunted houses. For many of us, Halloween is about scary activities and screaming, which can generate more respiratory droplets that can travel farther and spread infection.

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Talking with the U of M
Beth Thielen

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WILLOW RIVER NEWS: Consider joining Willow River City Council

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The way things are now politically, it is easy to feel powerless. One way you can be a part of keeping your community a safe and decent place to live is to get involved with your local government and school board. If you have some time to give to your community and are interested in being a member of

the Willow River city council, please submit a letter of interest to city hall before the November 1st city council meeting. You may use the drop box by the front door. The council needs to fill a vacant seat.

Please remember that the City of Willow River has a leash law and you must have your dog on a leash when walking them on city streets. There have been numerous

complaints about dogs being loose around the bank, post office, and down by the Dollar General. Please keep them under your control when out in public. People don't like being scared by dogs growling at them, jumping on them, and even biting them. This ordinance is not only to protect the public. This also protects the dog from people who might get angry with the dog

and protect themselves in a physical way.

At the school: November 8 there is No School, Monthly PTO Meeting November 9 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. meeting virtually please email pto@isd577.org for more information, the end of the 1st Quarter is Nov 12. There will be a Halloween costume parade on Friday, October 29, 2021 at the school starting at 1:30 p.m. Students will exit

the door Y and go around the outside of the school. Families are welcome to line the area around the school and come watch the parade.

At St. Mary's/ St. Isidore's Church: Mark your calendars for Saturday, November 6, 2021 and Sunday, November 7, 2021. Bishop Felton will be here to celebrate the weekend Masses. On November 6 at 7:30 there will be the annual Deer

Hunter's Mass at the St. Joseph Church (Split Rock Area). There will be a reception after the 10:30 a.m. Mass at Holy Angels to meet the Bishop. St. Isidore's CCW will meet at 6:30 on November 9 at the parish hall. They will meet to discuss the future including the structure and activities for the next few months. Please attend as we need everyone's ideas.

BARNUM NEWS: Community Club moves forward with Christmas plans

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The Barnum Area Community Club met on October 6, 2021 at the Barnum Senior Center at 6:30 pm with 9 members present.

Wayne Suronen, President, called the meeting to order. Secretary's report was read. Financial report was read.

Old business: None.

New business: A donation of \$750. was approved for the Barnum High School upcoming Orlando trip for the music program in the month of November.

A donation of \$150. was approved for the Barnum Community Education Halloween party on October 31 at the Barnum Fire Hall to go towards games/food/ etc..

Our annual Tree

lighting ceremony for the community will be held November 28, 2021 at 6 PM in the City Park. Rose Suronen will be making cookies. Details for finalizing this event for advertising will be at next meeting. Due to Covid -19 modifications for event may happen.

A Christmas lighting contest will be held with prizes of 1st-\$150. 2nd-\$100. 3rd-\$50 will be awarded. Details will be discussed more at next meeting in advertising and posting details. This will be open to the Barnum School District.

A Turkey Bingo will be held at the Barnum High School on Friday, November 12, 2021. Gambling permit issued by the state is XB-04151-21-006. Turkey's will be purchased from KJ's of Moose Lake. A collection of non perishable food items for the

Moose Lake Food Shelf will be held at the event. Additional drawings will be held with in event. Fundraising raffle tickets will be sold at event. Barnum Baseball will be our host for event with volunteers coordinating the games. Barnum High School Band & Choir will be asked to run concessions for their fundraising for upcoming music trips.

A donation from Randy Myhre/REMAX of \$250. was received to our club.

Raffle tickets were distributed. They were donated from Lisa Rimolde of Valley Printing. Cost of each ticket is \$5.00 with various cash prizes. Drawing will be held on facebook live at 12:00pm on December 31, 2021.

Meeting adjourned-Secretary notes taken by Rose Suronen and typed by Linda Langness.

KETTLE RIVER NEWS: Remember Day Light Savings time is coming soon

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Kids Club at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church is Wednesday, 4:15 - 5:30 pm. Games, Music, Bible Lessons, Crafts, and Snack. Call Mary at 218 565 8864 for more information. Masks are required. Open for ages 5 - 12.

The next city of Kettle River city council meeting is Tuesday, November 9 at 7 p.m. at the Kettle River Senior Center. It is important for all residents of Kettle River to attend the city council meetings. Thank you to everyone who attended the meetings the last two months.

Quilting at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church is every Wednesday at 9 a.m. You do not need to be a member of

Holy Trinity to join us at our quilting sessions. Most of the quilts made are donated to various charities. We try to keep a majority of the quilts locally.

The Kettle River American Legion Post 360 rifle drawing is Friday, November 5 at the Tower Tap beginning at 7:30 pm.

Ma & Pa Kettle Days Hunter's soup supper is Saturday, November 13, at the Kettle River senior center from 4 pm - 7 pm. Take out will be available. Dan Reed will also be there to sign his new book, We speak of many things. So plan to come for a variety of soups, bread and desserts

Just a reminder that Daylight Saving time ends on November 7. Remember to turn your clocks back one hour.

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WRIGHT CROMWELL NEWS: Living where the Post Office is small

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CHILLOWEEN will be held on Friday, October 29th at the Cromwell Park Pavilion. 6th grade and younger kids (must be accompanied by an adult) from 6-8 p.m. and 7th grade and older kids from 8-10 p.m. There will be snacks, music, dancing, games, costume contests and face painting. Bring your own already-carved jack-o-lantern to enter a contest. This is an indoor event; kids will not be allowed to wander outside or play at the playground. Volunteers are needed to make this a fun, free event. Please message or call Brenda at 218-390-4570 or Jackie at 218-838-6275.

The Spooky painting party will be on Friday October 29 at the Sno-Gophers from 5-8 for anyone 13 and older.

The CACC's Hunter's Supper is scheduled for Friday, November 5 serving from 4 - 7 p.m. with turkey and all the trimmings including Pumpkin Pies. Additional helpers are needed for preparing food, cooking, bussing tables, putting

out posters, or whatever you can do. If you are interested and can help out, please contact Deb Switzer @ 218-340-1968 or by email @ debswitzer@hotmail.com.

Red Bird Bazaar will be held Saturday, Nov. 6th 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. @ Cromwell - Wright School.

The nurse's office at the school is in need of boys' and girls' pants size 10/12 and 14/16. Please drop off donations at our school district office.

Student Council is selling Cardinal Gear until October 29th. Please visit our school website or the following link to purchase any cardinal gear <https://fancloth.shop/V7TJC>

ECFE Classes Tuesday's 8:30-10:00 10:30-12:00. Contact Mrs. Moyer for more information pmayer@isd95.org

Yoga - Monday Yoga at the Cromwell Pavilion will resume on November 1st at 11 AM - noon. Questions, email Ann Markusen at markusen@umn.edu

Ray and Alice Gurski will be celebrating their 75th Wedding Anniversary on Sunday, October

31st from 1 - 3 PM at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Wright. Please pass the word. If you are unable to attend, cards can be sent to them at 1576 Kibart Rd, Wright, MN 55798.

I think Ray Gurski, age 95, is the oldest living WWII Veteran in our area and possibly the oldest one in Carlton County, but not sure of that. If you know of any others, please let me know so they can be recognized.

The Cromwell-Wright School will be honoring all area Veteran's on Veteran's Day at the school from 1 - 1:30 with coffee and treats followed by a program from 1:30 - 2:30 PM. All area Veterans and community members are welcome to attend.

The Area Clothing Depot will be having a FREE Coat and Sweater giveaway on October 26th, 28, and 30th - One free coat and two free sweaters per customer excluding priced items.

The last YOT Senior Dance for this year will be at the Cromwell Pavilion from 1 - 4 PM on Thursday, October 28th with music by Jerry's

One-Man Band.

The National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day event at the Cromwell Fire Hall on Saturday was a big success. Thanks to the city of Cromwell for sponsoring this event.

Answers to last week's quiz: A girl fell off a 20-foot ladder. She wasn't hurt. How? She was on the bottom step. A man has 2 coins in his hand. Together they equal 30 cents. One of them is not a nickel. How is this possible and yes, it is possible? Answer he had a quarter and a nickel, I said one coin is not a nickel, but the other one was! What two words, added together contain the most letters? The Post Office.

And speaking of the Post Office, Marsha Peterson will retire from over 30 years on the rural routes delivering the mail in the Tamarack and Wright area on Saturday, October 30. Please wish her well by decorating your mailbox or leaving her a note of appreciation. We thank her for the years and years of dedication and always being available to answer

questions or be helpful in any way she can! There will also be treats at the Post Office on Saturday during window hours if you want to stop in.

Here's some Post Office Humor: So, I got a phone call from the post office today complaining that my dog is attacking a postman on a bike. But I told them "It can't be my dog... he doesn't even know how to ride a bike".

Then, I was at the Post Office...When I saw a blonde woman shouting into an envelope.

I asked, "What are you doing?" The blonde replied, "I'm sending a voice mail!"

A preacher asked the small boy to show him the way to the post office and the boy courteously obliged "Thank you", said the preacher. "You are a bright and polite young man. How would you like to listen to my sermon this evening so that I may show you the way to Heaven?" "You're going to show me the way to Heaven?" the boy said in astonishment. "But you don't even know the way to the post office!"

I got a letter that was just addressed to "You Id-

iot". What bothers me is that the post office knew where to deliver it.

And for real many years ago, we got a letter addressed to the folks that sell firewood and yup we got it. I also got a letter once addressed to "Jesus Jennie" and got that one, too. I guess it pays to live where there is a small local Post Office.

That's all the news from The Edge of Wright - Happy Halloween and have a great week!

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SPORTS

Moose Lake/Willow River beat the 7-0 Tigers 40-6

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On a cold, wet, rainy Wednesday night, the Moose Lake Willow River Rebel football team defeated Rush City 40-6 on the Tiger's turf on October 20.

The Rebels' kicker Sam Knezevich started the game with a boot to Rush City's own 26-yard line. The Tigers ran a keeper after losing 2-yards on third down. On fourth down, in a punting situation, the Tigers faked a punt to keep their drive alive. They continued to use up the clock on offense almost the entire first quarter with the help of an illegal shift and pass interference on the Rebels. With 1:32 left in the first quarter, MLWR got the ball back on a fumble recovery by Nick Jusczak.

On MLWR's fifth offensive play, Logan Orvedahl went 77-yards to the end zone. Kenezvich's kick for the point after touchdown was good, Rebels on top 7-0.

In the second quarter, after a couple more penalties, Tigers' ball, Coach Louzek took a time



SHANNA WATRIN | WATRIN 6 PHOTOGRAPHY

Jackson Thompson takes it down the middle with the help of his offensive line and scoring four touchdowns in the 40-6 victory over Rush City.

out. Rush City had the ball on their own 23-yard line and 1:36 left until half time, Tigers' pass was intercepted by Jackson Thompson for the second Rebel touchdown. The kick after touchdown was not good. Rebels led 13-0 at half-time.

In the second half, the rain

started coming down harder and the ball was slippery to handle. With 9:30 left in the third quarter, Orvedahl ran it in 22-yards for his second touchdown and also took in the two-point conversion. Rebels led 21-0.

To finish out the third quar-

ter, Thompson scored on an 8-yard run with 9:03 left in the third quarter and a 48-yard run with 5:45 left, to go ahead 34-0.

Thompson scored his fourth touchdown of the night in the fourth quarter, to put the Rebels ahead 40-0. The game had a minute left to play when the Tigers passed for a 5-yard touchdown, the conversion failed. Game ended with a Rebels' victory 40-6. Rebels finished their 2021 regular season undefeated. The last undefeated regular season was in 2013.

Orvedahl and Thompson led the offensive ground attack for the Rebels with a combined 376 yards and all six Rebel touchdowns.

Thompson was on top defensively with 5 tackles and 12 assists. Myca Helfman, Ethan Burton, Nick Jusczak, Zach Danielski, Duane Broughton, Jimmy Walker and Alex Watrin along with 16 other players helped keep the Tigers out of the end zone.

The men in stripes blew the whistle seven times for Rebel

violations, calling back several touchdowns.

With this win, Coach Louzek becomes the winningest coach in Laker/Rebel football history with 201 victories. In Wednesday's game, Orvedahl surpassed the 1000-yard rushing mark in only six games this 2021 regular season. Congratulations!

The number one seeded Section 7AA MLWR Rebels' football team (6-0) will play at home one last time this season at Frank Magdziarz Field in Willow River, Saturday, October 30, at 2 p.m. They will play the winner of the 7AA Quarter-final matchup between number 4 International Falls (2-6) and number 5 Crosby-Ironton (1-6). During the regular season, the Rebels defeated International Falls 55-0 on September 10. The Rebels' game with Crosby-Ironton was canceled due to COVID protocol. Prior to Saturday's game, a short ceremony recognizing Coach Louzek on his 200th career win will be held on the field.

Cross Country runners win double medals in Proctor

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On Thursday, October 19 the Rebels cross country team was at the Proctor Lions Invite. This would be the last meet of the season for most of the JV and Junior High runners. It was once again a beautiful day with sunny skies a light wind and temps in the mid 60s. The Proctor Lions have always put on a great meet when it comes to dividing the classes and giving out ribbons and medals. With three classes this year they had 1 AAA, 8 AA and 11 A teams present for the meet. Ribbons were given to the top 45 runners in Junior High regardless of what class you were in. The top 15 girls and boys

Varsity runners in each class received medals along with the top girls and boys Varsity teams in each class also receiving medals, so some kids came away with two medals at the meet.

Congratulations to the boys Varsity team for their 1st place finish in the meet. Receiving two medals for the meet were Joseph Mikrot, Shawn Bailey, Gavin Thiry, Murray Salzer and Elliott Wasche with Jonathan Danielski and Magnus Koecher receiving medals for being a part of the Varsity team. Also receiving medals were Brooklyn Wasche, Amelia Olson, Rayna Klejeski and ribbon winner Abby Vargo. There were eight runners with career personal best times at the meet.

They were Chet Giersdorf-Thompson, Matthew Bohnsack, Ryden Anderson, Carl Halverson, Ray Henriquez, Brooklyn Wasche, Amelia Olson and Isabel Dewey.

Next up is the Section 7A Championship at the Cloquet Country Club on Thursday, October 28 with the top two teams and top six individuals, not a part of those teams, going to the State meet on November 6 at St. Olaf College.

JUNIOR HIGH GIRLS

109 runners
Abby Vargo 40th 11:49.9
Nia Petty 72nd 13:04.6

JUNIOR HIGH BOYS

125 runners
Ledger Johnson 55th 10:55.9
Jackson McDowell 58th 11:06.2

JUNIOR VARSITY GIRLS

9 runners

Brooklyn Peterson 2nd 25:09.0
Sophie Petty 4th 25:48.5
Elle Nielsen 6th 26:05.7

JUNIOR VARSITY BOYS

23 runners
Chet Giersdorf-Thompson 1st 19:55.9
Matthew Bohnsack 2nd 20:05.9
Ryden Anderson 3rd 20:11.7
Carl Halverson 4th 20:47.2
Max Petty 11th 22:43.1
JJ Skalko-Olesiak 12th 22:52.4
Ray Henriquez 19th 24:57.5

VARSITY GIRLS

3rd out of 6 teams
44 runners
Brooklyn Wasche 9th 21:52.5
Amelia Olson 10th 21:54.1
Rayna Klejeski 14th 22:33.1
Isabel Dewey 18th 22:40.6
Lilly Petty 23rd 23:49.4
Shannon Granquist 27th 24:05.7
Ella Heaton 31st 24:09.7



SCOTT OLSON | SUBMITTED

Front: Abby Vargo, Brooklyn Wasche, Amelia Olson, Rayna Klejeski
Back: Shawn Bailey, Joseph Mikrot, Gavin Thiry, Murray Salzer, Elliott Wasche

VARSITY BOYS

1st out of 4 teams
44 runners
Joseph Mikrot 5th 18:18.9
Shawn Bailey 6th 18:34.7
Gavin Thiry 12th 19:06.1
Murray Salzer 14th 19:15.6

Elliott Wasche 15th 19:31.6
Jonathan Danielski 16th 19:34.7
Magnus Koecher 31st 21:10.0

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Barnum Bombers defeated Greenway/Nashwauk-Keewatin 10-6

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On Wednesday, October 20, the Barnum Bombers football team took on Greenway/Nashwauk-Keewatin in Coleraine for their final regular season game. Barnum came out ahead winning 10-6 over GNK, a Section 7AAA team.

Barnum was seeded third for the Section 7A playoffs and played Mille Lacs, seeded sixth, on

their home field on Tuesday, October 19, at 6 p.m.

The winner of that game will play on Saturday, October 30, at 2 p.m. against the winner of the North Woods/East Central game on the field of the team with the highest seed. North Woods is seeded second, Barnum third, Mille Lacs sixth and East Central seventh.



FRIENDS OF THE BOUNDARY WATERS CANOE AREA | SUBMITTED

Students at Barnum High School learned about the Boundary Waters Canoe Area during a visit from Friends of the Boundary Waters Wilderness. They learned about water quality and how to navigate using a map and a compass.

Friends of the Boundary Waters Wilderness bring Boundary Waters adventures to Barnum students

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On Tuesday, October 19, over 50 students at Barnum High School got a chance to learn about water quality and how to find one's way with a map and compass in the Boundary Waters.

They were visited by Alison Nyenhuis, the Education Director for Friends of the Boundary Waters Wilderness, a non-profit organization dedicated to protecting northeastern Minnesota's Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness and educating students about Minnesota's northland.

The 7/8th grade students participated in the "Topography and Trails: Map and

Compass in the BWCA" class, and the 11th/ 12th grade high school environmental science class participated in the "Clear, Deep Water: Water Quality and the BWCA" course. A total of 56 students participated.

Prior to the visit, both classes had a virtual visit the week before with Alison Nyenhuis, Education Director with the Friends, to introduce students to the Boundary Waters. Students learned more about this natural resource and followed a "day in the life" of a BWCA traveler using the online introduction unit to get them ready for the in-person visit.

The 7th and 8th graders worked together to use a compass and navigate a course that had been set up in their

schoolyard, and discussed the reasons why navigation is so important in wilderness areas, and particularly the BWCA.

The 11th and 12th grades explored the water quality of two different sites at their school, and investigated how factors near the water affect different indicator of water quality, and how these factors play into water-rich environments like the BWCA.

"It was a great day at Barnum High School. The students came with a lot of excitement and curiosity for the activities. I loved seeing the middle school students explore their school yard in a new way, and I was so impressed with the connections the high school students were making with

water quality and how the nearby land affects it. They started to come up with some great solutions to protect their water," says Nyenhuis.

The No Boundaries to the Boundary Waters program works with schools across the state to deliver a Boundary Waters curriculum to students at no cost to schools. In addition, the No Boundaries program provides scholarship opportunities for students from diverse and underserved communities to go on weeklong Boundary Waters adventures.

Nyenhuis also teaches units on animal skull identification, Leave No Trace principals, and more as students get to experience hands-on elements of the Boundary Waters. In addition,

she works with a network of experts to provide virtual presentations on climate change in the BWCA, fire ecology, BWCA history, and more.

Funding for the No Boundaries to the Boundary Waters program was provided by the Minnesota Environmental and Natural Resources Trust Fund as recommended by the Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources (LCCMR). For more information on the program or to get your school signed up, visit www.friends-bwca.org/outdoor-education

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New effort aims to bring \$100k grant for better Pine County broadband

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Pine County is ranked near the bottom of the state when it comes to high-speed internet access, but those involved in a new county-wide effort hope to get things moving to bring resident faster connections through a \$100,000 grant. "The pandemic has shown us that access to affordable and reliable high-speed internet is no longer a luxury," said Pine County Economic Development

Coordinator Lezlie Sauter.

She noted that Pine County is currently ranked 86th out of 87 counties for having access to wireline internet with download speeds of 25 Mbps and upload speeds of 3 Mbps.

A report generated by Connected Nation shows that out of 11,373 households in the county, only 52% have access to wireline service with those speeds. And speed tests conducted this spring show there may be more households unserved than this.

Pine County officials are inviting the public to attend a Blandin Broadband Community Vision meeting where priorities will be determined, and projects developed to improve internet access and use.

"Pine County was named one of six new Blandin Broadband Communities, a program that provides planning, technical and financial support to communities that demonstrate the determination to bring the benefits of a broadband-enabled economy to their com-

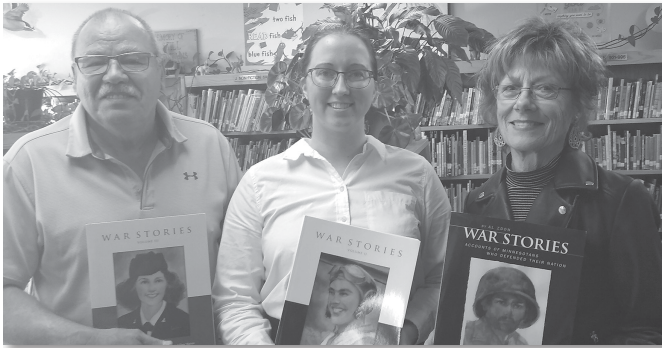
munities," said Pine County Economic Development Coordinator Lezlie Sauter. "These six communities will have access to a special grant fund, but projects will have to meet Blandin Foundation standards to be funded."

All interested community members can join a Zoom meeting at 10:30 am on Monday, Nov. 15 to help identify Pine County's strengths and gaps, and again on Monday Nov. 22 to brainstorm project ideas and make decisions about

potential projects.

Once those projects are determined, local non-profits, schools and governments will have the opportunity to apply for up to \$100,000 in total grant funding over two years.

To join the effort, complete a pre-registration survey at www.surveymonkey.com/r/KDBLCR2 or contact Lezlie at 320-591-0019 or lezlie.sauter@co.pine.mn.us by Nov. 12 to receive a survey.



LAURA HELWIG | SUBMITTED

Moose Lake Public Library welcomes new books

The American Legion Moose Lake Post 379 donated a series of three books, *War Stories* by Al Zdon are wonderful books, full of old photographs, information to help you understand, and stories from war, to the Moose Lake Public Library on Monday October 18. Karen Johnson found the books and recommended their addition to the library collection. Mike Peterson and others from the American Legion covered the cost of the books. They presented the set to the Library Director Laura Helwig.

In the picture, from left to right, is Mike Peterson, Laura Helwig, and Karen Johnson

Cool down could come for us in November

BY CBS 3 METEOROLOGIST
DAVE ANDERSON

The other Sunday, I just had to go down to the cities and see the Rolling Stones. Those guys are my father's age but I just can't envision my dad moving like Jagger. That day, traffic stopped moving just south of Cloquet and I'm told didn't start moving freely again until Forest Lake. So, I got off in Bar-num and headed over to HWY 65 once I got to Moose Lake.

I know I told Jamie Lund last month that I like the fall colors found on HWY 23 but HWY 65 can certainly rival that!

And, once you get to the area due west of Hinckley, the colors are still holding on for the time being. If one wants to prowl for any last lingering fall colors in early November, your best bet appears to be south of Hinckley. Bundle up on such a journey, though, because signs are there saying that this November could take a turn for the cooler.

Long range forecasters feel November 2021 will be 7 degrees colder than normal on average. And, precip totals may continue to be shy of normal to the tune of an inch which will hamper snowmobiling and deer

tracking. November 1-7 should be chilly with flurries, the 8th to 11th will be sunny and mild for Veterans Day, the 12th to 19th will go back to cold with flurries, the 20th to 25th could be bitterly cold with only flurries falling from the sky and the rest of the month will stay cold with slightly better snow chances finally coming across.

Best wishes this November, of course, as we honor on Veterans Day those who have served from Carlton and Pine Counties.

Moose Lake School Board praises Legacy of Excellence for innovative program

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Enthusiasm for academic achievements were announced at the monthly Moose Lake School Board meeting Monday, October 18. Legacy of Excellence took the stage to present the success of one of their pioneering programs called Student Bridging the Gap for elementary students. This tutoring program is gaining ground to be an excellent legacy in the lives of many youth with hopes to make it an annual programming opportunity.

Spokesperson, Sasha Narayan, an administrator of this free access program, reports that all the students showed improvement in either reading, math or both throughout this nine-week summer tutoring program. The program enrolled 26 students who met twice weekly with

eight fantastic student tutors either in small groups or one-to-one. In merely three hours a week, students K-6 achieved improvement in both the phonics-based curriculum and math fundamentals.

"The tutors really enjoyed this!

They provided such personalized and thoughtful feedback to the students and families they worked with" says Narayan.

The goals of the program have been 1) reinforcing the previous grade level standards, 2) decreasing the loss of retained information over the summer, 3) building a strong foundation for the new school year, 4) providing a beneficial service that the Moose Lake Community School is not normally able to fund. In accordance with the Minnesota Academic Standards, the Plaid Phonics curriculum measured fluency, accuracy,

and comprehension. The findings show concern that in pre-testing, only 11 students were at their appropriate grade level, five students were two grades below, two were three grades below and one student was one grade above their appropriate grade level. Phonics post-testing yielded positive results with an increase of 12 students at their appropriate grade level, only one student two grades below, one student three grades below and four who surpassed appropriate grade levels. Mathematics was similar through the Evan Moor math curriculum in achieving post-testing of 81-100% fluency for 12 students, contrary to the eight in pre-testing and zero students were below 40% math fluency.

Not only is the program successful academically, but it is meaningful for the students to learn from each other and foster peer support.

Through community sponsors and grant funding, Legacy of Excellence has been able to invest in this program for future Student Bridging the Gap opportunities.

Legacy of Excellence is a foundation that supports and enables innovative programs in the Moose Lake School. They have also been essential in helping fund the equipment to the ML Early Childhood playground and creating the sensory path in honor of Drew Nordstrom. They anticipate providing scholarship opportunities, continuing to purchase school supplies and future tutoring through Student Bridging the Gap.

Other News
Superintendent Billie Jo Steen, highlighted the ongoing Strategic Planning Sessions aimed to address and target necessary changes for the district. She also identified the decline in student

enrollment since the onset of the school year; this is impacting funding but does not appear to be related to COVID-19 protocols and preparedness planning. Kraig Konietzko, principal, provided an elementary report thanking the Moose Lake Fire Department for their annual contribution to the children and faculty for fire prevention & safety. This year's MEA includes professional development to offer training on the STAR Assessment for reading and math evaluation. The school has collaborated with Brad Hubred to provide the Blue Ribbon School and Community Kick-Off that educates on suicide prevention and positivity. Konietzko closed to provide an update that the annual Fall Festival Parade will be on October 29 and will be streamed like last year to be seen live via YouTube on the athletic network. Ryan Stewart,

High School Principal reports that they are moving forward with the reading and math intervention program for 7th and 8th graders, reviewing fidelity and necessary adjustments. Stewart commended the high school students for adapting so positively to the new mask wearing requirements as well as the student council and teachers for their tremendous work and perseverance to make Homecoming Week a success. Parent teacher conferences for high school students will be held traditionally/ in-person on October 26 and Elementary conferences are on November 18. Regular School Board Meetings are open to the public and are typically held the third Monday monthly; due to scheduling conflicts, the next meeting will be held on November 29, 2021.

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Above or below the bar in education?

Moose Lake Community School focuses on change as data reveals academic concerns

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Curiosity peaks in October's Strategic Planning follow-up session hosted by the Moose Lake School District and Minnesota School Board Association in effort to define the district's future for 2021-2026. The planning committee participated in the State of the District presentation and reviewed the Stakeholder Engagement Reports. The focus remains on the possibilities for change as data revealed academic concerns.

Superintendent Billie Jo Steen's overview of the State of the District addressed academic trends in addition to a variety of other topics including budgetary obligations, enrollment, vocational offerings, support services, early childhood programming and community education. Stakeholders of the planning committee emphasized educational standards as a priority for strategic plan development.

Minnesota Comprehensive Assessment (MCA) reading data for grades 3-11 indicate that since 2018 the overall percent of all Moose Lake School students is significantly

below the state average. Math results show a similar decline in achievement. Reading highlights for 2021 show 7th graders above the state average whereas 6th, 8th and 10th graders were 3% or more below the average. Math results for 2021 indicate 3rd, 4th and 5th graders to be considerably below the state average with an alarming 13% proficiency for 5th graders compared to the state average of 41.3%. Grades 6, 7 and 11 portrayed positive results with above state average proficiency ratings.

Additionally, information from the World's Best Workforce, as governed by MN legislature, identify goals and achievements from 2019 to 2022. Due to COVID-19 challenges, some data was not accessible for result reporting in 2020. It was reported that Kindergarten readiness programming is excelling in their achievements with 97% of the School Readiness students being in the normal range using the Brigance III Inventory and 71% at or above benchmark using the Star Screen Early Literacy. Concern was raised for elementary students and special education proficiency. Third grade literacy did not

achieve their goal of 63% as seen in their 53.7% proficiency ratings from 2021; goals will remain the same for 2022. Special education aims to increase standards for students in grades 3-5 from 38.4% in 2019 to 46.32% in 2022. High school students gauged on career and college readiness from Pre-ACT and ACT benchmarks with scores 18 and above were identified with 67% success in 2020. High school graduation rates for Moose Lake Community School have increased from the goal of 93% to 97.1%, above the state average!

The State of the District report also indicates that Moose Lake Community School has 577 children enrolled in education; numbers have declined because of fewer open enrollment students and residents in the community. However, the smaller class sizes have been a benefit for the children. Due to enrollment and COVID-19 changes, funds have been appropriated differently for variables such as distance learning, lunch reimbursements, altered programming, staffing, busing, etc. The district has achieved an increase in savings of approx. \$89,000 for unassigned funds that are

not reflected in general funds such as basic expenditures, revenue, food services, operations, and community service education.

High school students continue in both full and part time courses for Post-Secondary Enrollment Options (PSEO) through Lake Superior College and Fond Du Lac Tribal and Community College as well as college in the school courses. The district also maintains the ability to offer vocational programs for construction and manufacturing courses through industrial technologies. There is a variety of high school athletics and extra curriculars offered; students indicate that there are adequate offerings for their development. The district has been successful in providing outdoor athletic facilities, playgrounds and forest/ outdoor learning space. Early Childhood Programming continues to receive high regard for their ECFC programming, School Readiness and Mini Moose Childcare.

The Engagement Report supplements with strengths and possible opportunities for change from both internal and external stakeholders in the

district. Positive reactions are given for the district's ability to provide safety, security and well-maintained facilities and outdoor areas. The superintendent's availability and transparency is seen as a strength in addition to the teachers in general. Folks are satisfied with the procedures to monitor curriculum standards, strategies and assessment measures yet the follow-up to evaluate and ensure they are utilized is a shortcoming. Stakeholders indicate opportunity exists for equal access to coursework and academic programming to ensure equitable education taught with fidelity. Communication is another area that provides for opportunity in various capacities.

The planning committee will continue to discuss these variables and factors that impact these outcomes both as concerns over deficiencies as well as assets to continue supporting as plans are developing. November will host further Strategic Planning Sessions to appraise the mission and beliefs for the district in preparation for the school board's adoption of a 2021-2026 Strategic Plan.

TALKING HALLOWEEN SAFETY: COVID-19 concerns and how to stay safe while enjoying this holiday season

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Even though outdoors activities are generally safer, we have seen more infections with the delta variant occurring outdoors so this year. We would still recommend taking precautions like wearing face covering, limiting the size of gatherings and maintaining physical distance even outdoors.

Q: What can people do to help lower the risk of spreading COVID-19 and other viruses during Halloween activities?

Dr. Thielen: These are some actions people can take to help lower the risk of spreading COVID-19:

- Get vaccinated if you are eligible. Booster doses are now being offered for those over the age of 65, those with health conditions like cancer or transplants and those with heavy occupational exposure, such as people who work in healthcare or schools.
- Get vaccinated against seasonal influenza if you are able. Most people over six months old are eligible. You cannot get the flu from the flu shot.
- Focus on activities that can be done with members of your household or outdoors in places where physical distancing can be maintained.
- Use alcohol-based hand sanitizer or wash your hands frequently with soap and water.
- Wear a face covering over your nose and mouth when you are around people outside your household.
- If you are sharing candy or other treats, consider handing out individually wrapped "grab-and-go" goodie bags, rather than directly handing treats to children.
- If you plan to get together with people from outside your house-

hold, limit the size of gatherings and practice precautions for a few weeks before to avoid bringing an uninvited guest — like SARS-CoV-2 — to the party.

- If anyone in your household is feeling unwell, it is best to stay home to avoid spreading infection to other people. This is good advice to prevent other infections like influenza, as well.

Q: As we await Centers for Disease Control guidance on COVID-19 vaccination for kids under the age of 12, what do people need to know about navigating the upcoming holiday season?

Dr. Thielen: We had some good news recently that the data supporting the safety and efficacy of the Pfizer vaccine in children ages 5-11 has been submitted to the FDA for review. Pediatricians expect that we may see an emergency use authorization for the vaccine in children ages 5-11 before the end of the year. Children 12 and older can get the vaccine today, and I encourage parents to do so as soon as possible, particularly for children with underlying medical conditions that put them at risk for severe disease. We are seeing more severe disease in teens who are not yet vaccinated, and it is important for families to know that the risk of serious heart and lung disease is much greater for natural infection than it is from the vaccine. Also, the COVID vaccine can be given at the same time as other vaccines.

BETH THIELEN, MD, PhD, is an adult and pediatric infectious diseases physician at the U of M Medical School and M Health Fairview. Her research is focused on the molecular epidemiology and viral pathogenesis of human respiratory viral infections. Her clinical interests include clinical immunology, immunocompromised patients and travel medicine.

Pedestrian crashes, fatalities increase during fall months

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

More hours of darkness this time of year can contribute to an increased number of crashes between people driving and walking, and the Minnesota Department of Transportation is urging travelers to use caution. October is National Pedestrian Safety Month.

Motor vehicle crashes

have killed 45 pedestrians in 2021, which is nine more pedestrian deaths than this time last year. According to crash facts from the Department of Public Safety, 45 people died and 654 others were injured in crashes with vehicles while walking in 2020.

"One life lost on our roadways is too many. Fall and winter months are especially dangerous for people walking

because we have fewer hours of daylight," said Brian Sorenson, state traffic engineer. "We can keep ourselves and each other safe when driving by slowing down and stopping for people crossing the road. When you are walking, stay alert and look in all directions before crossing the street because drivers may not see you, day or night."

PUBLIC NOTICES, CONTINUED ON PAGE 10

Carlton County Bids 009-603-038
The Carlton County Transportation Department will receive bids for the following project(s): SAP 009-603-038. The bids must be submitted electronically to [bidVAULT https://bidvault.mn.uccs.com](https://bidvault.mn.uccs.com) before November 22, 2021, 10:00 AM CST. The majority of the work on this project involves City of Cloquet sanitary sewer and water main utility improvements, Carlton County storm sewer improvements, curb and gutter, ADA compliant pedestrian

ramps, sidewalk and shared use path, roundabout, and bituminous surfacing. The Proposal and Specifications and the Plans are available at the Department's OneOffice website at <https://oneoffice.co.carlton.mn.us/oneoffice>. After an acceptable audit of the bids received, a recommendation for award to the lowest responsible bidder will be presented to the Carlton County Board of Commissioners at the County Board Meeting, 1630 County Road 61, Carlton MN, on November 22, 2021, 4:00 PM CST.

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Division of School Finance		District Revenues and Expenditures				ID-00114-44	
1500 Highway 36 West Roseville, MN 55113-4306		Budget for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 and FY 2022					
General Information: Minnesota Statutes, section 123B.10, requires that every school board shall publish the subject data of this report.							
District Name:	Barnum Public Schools	FY 2021 Beginning Fund Balances	FY 2021 Actual Revenues and Transfers In	FY 2021 Actual Expenditures and Transfers Out	June 30, 2021 Actual Fund Balances	FY 2022 Budget Revenues and Transfers In	FY 2022 Budget Expenditures and Transfers Out
Fund							
General Fund/Restricted	\$ 291,268	\$ 686,302	\$ 951,172	\$ 338,284	\$ 785,334	\$ 785,334	\$ 381,626
General Fund/Other	\$ 475,358	\$ 7,963,470	\$ 7,616,032	\$ 1,430,795	\$ 7,339,284	\$ 7,339,284	\$ 1,530,272
Food Service Fund	\$ 21,140	\$ 387,061	\$ 333,782	\$ 74,410	\$ 326,380	\$ 330,391	\$ 70,128
Community Service Fund	\$ 163,770	\$ 354,317	\$ 273,038	\$ 195,069	\$ 254,977	\$ 358,991	\$ 141,055
Building Construction Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Debt Service Fund	\$ 63,037	\$ 299,393	\$ 299,398	\$ 63,931	\$ 297,564	\$ 298,895	\$ 62,000
Custodial	\$ 292	\$ 988	\$ 1,016	\$ 184	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 184
Internal Service Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
* OPEB Receivable Trust Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
OPEB Irrevocable Trust Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
OPEB Debt Service Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total - All Funds	\$ 1,416,463	\$ 9,841,360	\$ 9,564,418	\$ 2,093,385	\$ 9,064,369	\$ 9,985,788	\$ 2,167,864
Long-Term Debt		Current Statutory Operating Debt per Minnesota Statutes, section 123B.81					
Outstanding July 1, 2020		Amount of General Fund Deficit, if any, in excess of 2.5% of expenditures 06/30/2021					
Plus: New Issues							
Less: Redeemed Issues							
Outstanding June 30, 2021		Cost per student - Average Daily Membership (ADM) 06/30/2021					
		Total Operating Expenditures					
Certification of Indebtedness		FY 2021 Total ADM Served * Totalized Cost ADM * Adjusted Extended ADM					
Other (Long-Term Indebtedness)		FY 2021 Operating Cost per ADM					
The complete budget may be inspected upon request to the superintendent.							
Comments:							
The FY 2022 information is based on the budget adopted by the School Board in June 2021. This information may also be found on the school website at www.mn.gov under Districts>FY Budget/Audit Documents.							

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Carlton County Bids 009-603-040

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Public Notice

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To: Lori Westmoreland, at last known address:
4678 West Road, Moose Lake, MN 55767

As of this date, you owe Tom Kraemer Inc. storage rent fees of \$1,159.68 for account 79638300. As of this date, Tom Kraemer Inc. has sent you invoices, statements, in regards to this balance, but has received no payment from you on your account. At this time Tom Kraemer, Inc. is storing SKYU 227565-3 containing unknown contents at its facility.

Minnesota statutes 33.7-209 allow Tom Kraemer, Inc. to sell the property that you have stored in it if you do not pay its storage fees. Please pay all amounts that you owe Tom Kraemer, Inc. by November 15, 2021.

If you do not pay within the time specified, we will commence proceedings to sell you property to pay the outstanding balance.

THIS INSTRUMENT DRAFTED BY:

TONI BECKER
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16994 County Road 158, PO Box 443
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Telephone: (320) 685-8226
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To: Kalan Swanson, at last known address:
2065 County Road 6, Barnum, MN

As of this date, you owe Tom Kraemer Inc. storage rent fees of \$1,811.70 for account 79637600. As of this date, Tom Kraemer Inc. has sent you invoices, statements, in regards to this balance, but has received no payment from you on your account. At this time Tom Kraemer, Inc. is storing container 580108-9 containing unknown contents at its facility.

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To: Sarah Fredrick, at last known address:
3739 Main Street, Barnum, MN

As of this date, you owe Tom Kraemer Inc. storage rent fees of \$1,208.20 for account 79631400. As of this date, Tom Kraemer Inc. has sent you invoices, statements, in regards to this balance,

but has received no payment from you on your account. At this time Tom Kraemer, Inc. is storing container 216898-1 containing unknown contents at its facility.

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To: Phillip Christopherson, at last known address:
1443 Selby Avenue, Saint Paul Park, MN 55071

As of this date, you owe Tom Kraemer Inc. storage rent fees of \$1,306.56 for account 79629800. As of this date, Tom Kraemer Inc. has sent you invoices, statements, in regards to this balance, but has received no payment from you on your account. At this time Tom Kraemer, Inc. is storing 400517 containing unknown contents at its facility.

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**FORECLOSURE SALE
THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that default has occurred in the conditions of the following described mortgage:

DATE OF MORTGAGE: April 10, 2017

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$124,000.00

MORTGAGOR(S): Jacob S. Viebahn, A Single Individual
MORTGAGEE: Woodlands National Bank

LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON THE MORTGAGE: Woodlands National Bank
SERVICER: Woodlands National Bank

DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Filed April 11, 2017, Carlton County Recorder, as Document Number A000473621

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: Southeast 1/4 of Southwest 1/4 and Southwest 1/4 of Southeast 1/4, Section 7, Township 49, North of Range 16, West of the Fourth Principal Meridian

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 263 North Cloquet Road West, Esko, MN 55733

PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 78-020-1240 & 78-020-1270

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Carlton

THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON THE DATE OF THE NOTICE: \$124,674.61

THAT all pre-foreclosure requirements have been complied with; that no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof;

PURSUANT, to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: November 30, 2021, 10:00AM

PLACE OF SALE: Sheriff's Main Office, Second Floor Law Enforcement Center, 317 Walnut Ave, Carlton, MN 55718

to pay the debt secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any, on said premises and the costs and disbursements, including attorneys fees allowed by law, subject to redemption within 12 months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s) the personal representatives or assigns.

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: If the real estate is an owner-occupied, single-family dwelling, unless otherwise provided by law, the date on or before which the mortgagor(s) must vacate the property, if the mortgage is not reinstated under section 580.30 or the property is not redeemed under section 580.23, is 11:59 p.m. on November 30, 2022, or the next business day if November 30, 2022 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

Dated: September 21, 2021
Woodlands National Bank Mortgagee
LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP BY
Melissa L. B. Porter - 0337778
Gary J. Evers - 0134764
Joseph M. Rossman - 0397070

Attorneys for Mortgagee
LOGS Legal Group LLP
12550 West Frontage Road, Suite 200
Burnsville, MN 55337
(952) 831-4060
THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR (Published in the Moose Lake Star-Gazette on Sept. 30, Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28, Nov. 4, 2021)

Office of the Minnesota Secretary of State

Certificate of Assumed Name
Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 333

The filing of an assumed name does not provide a user with exclusive rights to that name. The filing is required for consumer protection in order to enable customers to be able to identify the true owner of a business.

ASSUMED NAME: **Cromwell Little Cardinals**
PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS: **5624 MN 210, Cromwell, MN 55726 USA**

NAMEHOLDER(S): Name: **Kaitlin Joy Korpela**
Address: **1191 West Rd, Wright, MN 55798 USA**

If you submit an attachment, it will be incorporated into this document. If the attachment conflicts with the information specifically set forth in this document, this document supersedes that data referenced in the attachment.

By typing my name, I, the undersigned, certify that I am signing this document as the person whose signature is required, or as agent of the person(s) whose signature would be required who has authorized me to sign this document on his/her behalf, or in both capacities. I further certify that I have completed all required fields, and that the information

in this document is true and correct and in compliance with the applicable chapter of Minnesota Statutes. I under that by signing this document I am subject to the penalties of perjury as set forth in Section 609.48 as if I had signed this document under oath.

SIGNED BY: **Kaitlin Korpela**

MAILING ADDRESS: **None Provided**

EMAIL FOR OFFICIAL NOTICES: **littlecardinals16@gmail.com**

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/s/ Steve Simon
Steve Simon
Secretary of State
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NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 577 (WILLOW RIVER)

STATE OF MINNESOTA
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a special election has been called and will be held in and for Independent School District No. 577 (Willow River), State of Minnesota on Tuesday, November 2, 2021, for the purpose of electing one (1) school board member for a term of three (3) years. The ballot shall provide as follows:

SPECIAL ELECTION SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER VOTE FOR UP TO ONE (1) - 3-YEAR TERM
Candidate #1-Aziz Al-Arfaj

Write-in, if any

The polling place at which all the voters of Independent School District No. 577 may vote in the special election has been designated as: Rutledge Community Center, 7369 Co Hwy 61, Rutledge, MN 55795. Voting Hours: 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Any eligible voter residing in the school district may vote at said election at the polling place designated above for the precinct in which he or she resides. A voter must be registered to vote to be eligible to vote in this election. An unregistered individual may register to vote at the polling place on election day.

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NOTICE OF TESTING OF AutoMARK ISD 577 Willow River Area School

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that ISD 577 Willow River shall perform a public accuracy test of the AutoMark system to be used in the November 2, 2021 School Board Special Election. The test shall be conducted at the Rutledge Community Center, 7369 Co Hwy 61 Rutledge, MN on October 29, 2021 at 11 am. Interested individuals are authorized to attend and observe. If you have any questions please contact Tara Prachar, at 218-372-3131 or trprachar@isd577.org

Tara Prachar
Administrative Assistant Willow River Area School
(Published in the Moose Lake Star-Gazette on October 28, 2021)

Willow River Area Schools ISD #577

8142 Pine Street Willow River, Minnesota 55795

Unofficial Minutes for the Regular Meeting of the

School Board 6:00 pm Tuesday, October 19, 2021 High School Library, Room 139

Call to Order-The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance by Chair David Prachar at 6:00pm. School Board members present were Sonja Roach, David Prachar, Bruce Bohaty, Aziz Al-Arfaj and Jennifer Burlak. Connie Mikrot was absent. Others in attendance were Superintendent and High School Principal Bill Peel, Assistant to the High School Principal Melissa Johnson, Elementary Principal Neil Schiller, Business Manager Laura Carlson, District Administrative Assistant Tara Prachar, Student Representative Annika Meyer and four visitors.

Comments and Requests from Visitors-None.

A motion was made by Al-Arfaj and seconded by Burlak to approve the agenda.

The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Bohaty and seconded by Roach to approve the consent agenda.

The motion passed unanimously.

a. Minutes from the September 21, 2021 Regular Board Meeting.

b. Bills and Claims for September, 2021.

c. Treasurer's Report for September, 2021.

d. Resignation of Lisa Radzak, Special Education Paraprofessional.

e. Resignation of Sandy Mikrot, Kitchen Aide.

f. Hiring of Colombe Anderson, Before/After School Care Coordinator.

For discussion, Bill Peel presented and discussed the current enrollment update.

For consideration, Burlak presented and discussed, as appropriate, the six policies noted below:

A motion was made by Bohaty and seconded by Roach to adopt Policy 534-Unpaid Meal Charges.

The motion passed unanimously.

Policy 721-Uniform Grant Guidance Policy Regarding Federal Revenue Sources

No board action needed.

Policy 806-Crisis Management

No board action needed.

Policy 903-Visitors to School District Buildings & Sites

No board action needed.

Policy 602-Organization of School Calendar & Day

No board action needed.

Policy 604-Instructional Curriculum

No board action needed.

A motion was made by Prachar and seconded by Burlak to approve the resolution accepting donations totaling \$1,550.00.

The motion passed unanimously.

Reports:

Student Representative - Annika Meyer shared that Homecoming was successful and the Student Council had good attendance at the semi formal dance.

Elementary Principal - Neil Schiller shared that he is enjoying seeing student artwork displayed in the halls. Elementary Art teacher Tina DeRungs has been busy working with students to create a few larger group projects. Parent Teacher Conferences are scheduled for October 26th and 28th from 3:30-6:30pm. Meetings are available via Google Meet, phone or in person with masks.

Assistant to the Secondary Principal - Melissa Johnson shared that families can sign up online for conferences. Next week, Pine County Public Health will be presenting the Lion Heart Crew to students in grades 5-9. This presentation focuses on

mental health and finding your identity.

Board Members/Committees: Facilities/Activities - Al-Arfaj shared that the committee discussed the upcoming hiring of two new drivers, as well as adjusting the routes. New vans have been ordered and we will be making some adjustments to the garage doors, so we have more parking flexibility in the garage.

Finance/Personnel/Negotiations - Prachar shared that the committee had a budget and enrollment update. We have one property sold and have tabled the sale of the other property until next Spring.

Curriculum/Policy - Burlak shared that the committee had reviewed the Covid learning model and heard an update on the Elementary math curriculum pilot. Policy 425-Staff Development was tabled until next month. Next month they will be reviewing policies 425, 620, 501, 502, 516, 605, 606 and 607.

Sports Liaison - No update.

BMW - Prachar shared that the committee had discussed how each district was impacted by and handling Covid related measures. Additional discussion was about the future of the committee. They will be reaching out to gather more information from other districts, as well as the Minnesota School Board Association.

Superintendent / High School Principal - Bill Peel shared that we will be returning to a full in person learning model next week. There will be no school on Monday, October 25th for a staff development day. The DoBid auction has been completed and items will be picked up by the end of the week.

Willow River Ride: Head Football Coach Dave Louzak for his 200th win.

Kitchen staff, bus drivers, and paraprofessionals for successfully delivering 5,322 meals along with homework during our 2 weeks of online learning.

Paraprofessionals for providing daycare to 12 students of Tier I Critical Workers.

Crystal Peterson for her tireless efforts to operate the nurse's office efficiently and with fidelity as we navigate the ever-changing landscape of Covid-19.

Our interventionists and teaching staff for completing the Fastbridge testing.

Pam, Tara, and Tori for helping to continue to communicate and explain information shared with our families and community.

Upcoming Meetings:

November 2 1:15 pm Facilities/Transportation/Activities

November 9 10:00 am Curriculum/Policy

November 9 4:15 pm Finance/Personnel/Negotiations

November 9 6:00 pm Special Election Canvas Meeting

November 11 6:00 pm Pine County Leadership Meeting

November 16 6:00 pm Regular Board Meeting

A motion was made by Bur and seconded by Roach to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 pm.

The motion was passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

David Prachar, Board Chair
E. Bruce Bohaty, Clerk
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0154 EMPLOYMENT

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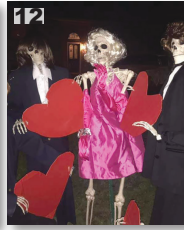
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