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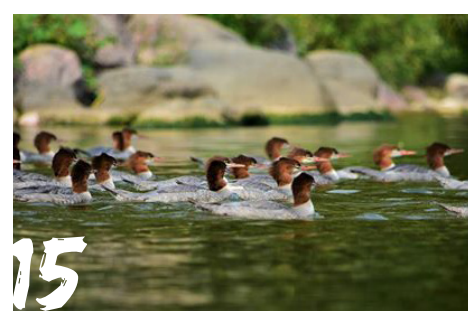
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SCORPIO
10/23-11/21

You might need a lot of patience this month as every little thing can make you angry. Spend more time with family and friends, and try avoiding any drama or conflicts.



SAGITTARIUS
11/22-12/21

Get ready to receive a lot of compliments, even from complete strangers. Good job taking care of yourself! Also, you're going to meet new people and make many friends this month.



CAPRICORN
12/22-1/19

You're going to feel very charming and flirty and willing to work on a new relationship, but try to focus on career success as well.



AQUARIUS
1/20-2/18

You'll be in a good mood even if it's gloomy outside. Your positive attitude is going to spread around brightening up everyone's day.



PISCES
2/19-3/20

Your mental and physical health will be doing well this month, so let yourself have some fun and go out with friends or to events.



ARIES
3/21-4/19

It's a perfect month for spontaneous adventures, and maybe even meeting someone special. It's also a good time to clean out your closet and get rid of all those clothes you were hoping to wear one day.



TAURUS
4/20-5/20

Many changes are coming this month. You might have a dilemma whether to listen to people around you or make your own decision. Remember, the choice is yours!



GEMINI
5/21-6/21

Take your time and let the life flow as it is, don't overstress. Also, try not to spend too much money. Some savings will be useful in the future.



CANCER
6/22-7/22

This month is bringing a lot of existing news and social events, so you won't have any time to get bored! Try to make time for more fun and worry less.



LEO
7/23-8/22

A lot of hard work has to be done this month, but all your efforts will pay off. But, don't be afraid to spoil yourself little. You earned it!



VIRGO
8/23-9/22

Trust your sixth sense when making decisions. You might have a lot of competition going on at work, but don't overstress about it, we all know who's the winner! ;)



LIBRA
9/23-10/22

Expect a lot of exciting surprises, especially from your family. Try not to make too many big plans this month and focus on yourself more.

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Studying for Finals: 10 TIPS TO SUCCESS

by Makayla Griswold

Finals is a struggle for everybody, upperclassmen and freshmen alike. It takes a while to get into a system for success that works for you. While I can't tell you exactly what to do to guarantee an "A", I can give you a few tips to point you in the right direction.

1. No Cramming! Make a study schedule for the two weeks before finals—and stick to it. Breaking up study time helps to retain information better. It's okay to review subjects the day of the exam but leave the bulk of the studying to the two weeks beforehand.

2. Manage stress and anxiety. An overloaded brain retains no information. When you're not absorbing anymore information, take a breather, then return. Make sure to stick to the study schedule to avoid cramming, which is majorly stressful.

3. Stay well rested. At least seven hours of sleep per night gave students 10 percent better scores than those who slept for only six hours according to a study by Stijn Baert et al. The brain processes information of the day during the REM (rapid eye movement) sleep cycle, which only happens after a minimum of six hours of sleep. The less sleep a person gets, the less time the brain has to process the knowledge of the day. In fact, the same

study showed that students with less sleep had a lower GPA than those with more sleep. (To learn more about this, checkout the *link at the bottom of the page.)

4. Healthy foods. Yes, I know. When you're stressed, unhealthy foods are more satisfying. However, healthier foods, like those without excess sugar and caffeine, will go a long way to keep your brain functioning at its best capacity.

5. Avoid distractions. Turn off the electronics, find a calm quiet area and be ready for study time. Come prepared so that you will not need to leave to fetch supplies. If you like music during studying, instrumental works best. Words can pull focus from the material that you're looking through.

6. Create your own study guide. While the professor might be kind enough to provide a study guide for you, make sure to go through your own notes and make your own study guide. Answer the questions that are at the end of the textbook sections to test your understanding of the subject.

7. Study group. Find one to three other people in your class that would be willing to study with you. The questions

at the end of the textbook sections would be good to ask each other to test understanding. Also, take turns quizzing the study group about key topics within the subject.

8. Procrastinate wisely. When your brain is being overloaded with one subject, take a break and then move on to another subject. The break gives your brain time to calm down. An overloaded brain is a brain that's not remembering anything more. Take the break, move around a little to get your blood moving around and eat something healthy.

9. Ten for an hour. For every hour of studying, give yourself time to wake up and give your brain a little respite. Usually the rule is every hour, give yourself ten minutes.

10. Reward yourself. Very few people really enjoy studying, so make the effort worth it by rewarding yourself with something you like. Most people use food or screen time as their reward, but feel free to mix it up. Follow these tips and you'll be able to do your absolute best for success this upcoming finals!

*Sleep Study Looks At Link Between Shut-eye, Exam Scores
acquelina Howard - <https://www.huffington->

Beavers Bundle Up for Hockey Day Minnesota

From January 17-19, Bemidji will be hosting Hockey Day Minnesota.

This is Bemidji's first time hosting the event including outdoor hockey games in celebration of Hockey Day, starting with Bemidji High School girl's hockey team facing off against Woodbury High School. Then on Jan. 18, Bemidji State's men's hockey team will play against Minnesota Mankato, followed by Bemidji State women's hockey on Jan. 19, facing Mankato, as well. The outdoor games will be held at the Sanford Center with preparations already underway to accommodate the outdoor games.

Beaver's Head Coach Tom Serratore said the team is excited and ready to play hard. When asked how the team will prepare for this chilly, outdoor game, Serratore said, "We're not gonna change anything, but I do plan on talking to others who have played games in these elements before and learn the tricks of the trade."

"This is the first outdoor game I've ever played in," Serratore said. "We have had a couple of players who played outdoor games in high school, but by in large, this is the first outdoor game for most of us. But I think, we need to embrace the excitement. It's a throwback game, it's one of those games that you played as a kid in an outdoor game. Embrace it, have fun with it."

It is also quite revolutionary for the Beavers, with



Serratore adding, "We're the first college team to play an outdoor game during Hockey Day. It's always been the high school teams. This is the very first college game outside for Hockey Day. This is our chance, this is our time. I hope we can play another game down the road, but for now we need to enjoy this particular hockey game, embrace it and just have fun with it."

Serratore is thankful for the opportunity and excited for the game, "I really appreciate everybody who is affiliated with Hockey Day, and we are so happy and proud to be a part of it. This is one of those memory games, 100 percent. Our guys and our fans will always cherish this game." He is also happy for the Bemidji community, "We have a great community of hockey people and I'm so happy they get to be a part of Hockey Day. We get to share this special day with everybody, that's exciting."

Serratore isn't the only one who is excited for the upcoming game. Bemidji State's Athletic Director Tracey Dill is also looking forward to it. Dill discussed the layout of the game, mentioning that they are working towards having a designated student section and fire pits to warm up by. Dill says it is a "an unbelievable event for the community, to think that a group of volunteers took this initiative on and the amount of time and energy that goes into it, I think it's really important that Bemidji State is part of this venture. This is the first time they will have a men's collegiate game outdoors at Hockey Day".

By Carli-Rae Manjorin
Photo by Matthew Sauser



HIDDEN GEMS IN BEMIDJI AT 3 DIFFERENT PRICES: Winter Wonderland Edition

01.

By Kendra Hacker

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With the thought of having brisk air stinging your skin and seeing snow everywhere you look, it's sometimes hard to find motivation to go outside. You could stay bundled up in your blankets indoors, but where's the fun in that? You might think that you know everything there is to know about Bemidji, but there's a few cheap activities to do that might surprise you.

Ice Skating- \$

Ice skating is a popular pastime in the winter and enjoyable for everyone, and for just \$4 a person or \$35 for a 10-visit punch card, how could one say no? If general ice skating seems too boring to you, open hockey is also available. Bemidji even has a few different ice rink locations:

- Bemidji Community - 3000 Division Street W
- Sanford Center - 1111 Event Center Drive NE (Convention & Conference Center)
- Nymore Arena - 200 Pershing Ave SE (School District #31)
- Neilson Reise Arena- 1115 23rd St NW, Bemidji, MN 56601

Check out the City Arena and Outdoor Rinks page on <https://www.ci.bemidji.mn.us> for more information and for the free skate schedule.

If you don't have skates or need yours sharpened, check out Top Shelf Hockey Shop (1000 Paul Bunyan Dr. NW, Bemidji, MN 56601). Neilson Arena also offers skate sharpening at various prices.

Buena Vista- \$\$\$

Buena Vista Ski Area is another popular attraction for the winter months. Whether it be tubing, skiing or snowboarding, there's always something to do here that will warm you up with excitement and get your heart racing.

Equipment Rentals:

Ski Rental (skis, boots, poles): \$23
Snowboard Rental (board, boots): \$30
Helmets: \$8

Now, if you're like me you might need to touch up on your skills before you hit the slopes. Thankfully Buena Vista offers lessons.

Check out www.bvskiarea.com/index.html for more information on lift and ski lesson prices.

Sometimes you have to brace the cold with your friends to have a good time. It might be tempting to be surrounded by the comfort and warmth of your room while binge-watching Netflix, but sometimes it's good to do something different and exciting. Whether it's ice fishing or skating, make the most out of your winter in Bemidji. Winter will end faster than you think!

Photo by Stacey Kaslon



03.

HUMANS OF BSU: Eric J. Bovold

Photo and Story by Skye Iwanski

"I'm 28 years old. I may have the face of a cherub, but I have the heart of an 80-year old man beating inside me. Get off my lawn."

"Alright bruh, strap yourselves in for the wild ride that is Dungeons and Dragons. I have never had more fun hanging out with friends and acting like fools for an evening. Like, I did the whole party-hard college quote unquote experience. And it was alright. But until you watch the same gnome paladin get eaten by seven different creatures on seven separate occasions only to be puked up and rescued each time, you have not truly lived. I recommend it to everyone and anyone to try at least once.

"I'm passionate about coming up with characters to play the part of as the DM [dungeon master] in my Dungeons and Dragons games. I like it because I find it delightful to develop these individuals with these crazy and rich backstories and figuring out what kind of person would

they be. Then taking that person, and figuring out how to use that character to interact with the bunch of fools that are my players. Fools as in goofy buggers, not meaning they're dumb."

"I'm also passionate about psychology. Since mental health is such a big deal in everyone's lives, [psychology is] just how I think I can make a positive impact in the world, through helping people get through whatever issues they happen to be going through. Gotta be helpful, yo."



"Right now, I'm most afraid of screwing up my job and not passing my final classes. I don't think I'm in really severe danger of screwing up at my job, but due to the whole work-life-balance thing I do sometimes get nervous about how my classes are going. Because sometimes I just straight up forget to check on my classes and my course-load. Leads to this vague sense of anxiety about whether I'm doing everything I need to do."

"Between work, school, maintaining friendships, and remembering to take time for myself, it can often be really difficult to keep everything together. Honestly it can be pretty tricky sometimes to maintain a positive attitude or keep strong control of my mental health when all of those different factors start pulling in their own directions. Sometimes it will feel like I am not gonna be able to make it through a day without cracking. But overall, it boils down to actually being pretty manageable, just with some practice."



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Work & Study:

By Emily Dukek

The Struggle for On-Campus Jobs



Doreen and Jheanelle Channer help students at the International Program Center informational desk.

As another school year gets underway at Bemidji State University, freshmen walk across campus, wide-eyed and eager for their new adventure — but all the excitement comes with expenses. While off-campus jobs are available for students, they are unobtainable for some, causing them to seek out on-campus jobs.

An issue students face when looking for on-campus employment though, is how the job is funded. If a student job is funded as a work-study job and a student was not allocated work study funds in his or her financial aid package, he or she isn't eligible to apply for the job.

According to Karen Snorek, BSU's Vice President for Finance and Administration, BSU's budget this year

has \$607,100 budgeted for regular payroll student jobs and was allocated \$999,018 for work study student jobs. Work study jobs are funded through financial aid programs on a state or federal level, and regular payroll jobs are funded through BSU's general fund. Snorek added that the regular payroll job budget doesn't include where differential tuition or student fees pay for student workers.

This means that almost 62 percent is funded through the state and/or federal financial aid systems specifically for work study positions and 38 percent is designated for regular payroll by BSU.

Even with 38 percent of funds going toward non-work study positions, finding on-campus employment can be a struggle for some students.

Mariah Coan, a junior at BSU knows this challenge, "I have had a hard time finding a job on campus as I do not have work study. Most student employers will not hire you if you are looking for a payroll job."

"I have applied for four jobs on campus within the last two weeks, and I have yet to hear anything from anyone," said Coan.

Though the overall budget split between work study and regular payroll is about 38 percent and 62 percent, the percentages of how much each BSU department or office is allotted for the two types of employment does not always equal this same ratio. For example, The Department of Integrated Media has a budget of \$6,400 for regular payroll positions, but is

allocated \$24,000 for work study positions. This means only 21 percent of their student employment funds is for regular payroll jobs. The two budgets are not interchangeable, so the work study budget can only be used to hire students eligible for work study.

In an attempt to connect students with on-campus employers, BSU started a job fair in 2017. This on-campus job fair now takes place at the beginning of every semester. The turnout for events such as this range from 90-100 students.

Sheree Jacobson, a customer service specialist at the Student Employee office believes in the power of student employment. "We as an institution could not live without our student employees," Jacobson said.

BSU has an average of 5,100 undergraduate students, with 800-900 on-campus student employment positions offered each year, according to Jacobson.

Even the students who do qualify for work-study may have a hard time getting by on their work-study jobs alone. "Working on campus, I make \$9.65 an hour. I would 100 percent make more money working off campus," said Marquice Page, a student worker for the front desk of Career Services. "In fact, I made \$12 an hour working at Super America this summer. Without the help of financial aid, I'm not sure I could afford groceries, let alone rent every month."

Other students are in similar situations struggling to stay afloat. "With only being allowed to work 20 hours a week and with being paid an average of \$9.75 an hour, it is hard to maintain

a life that is sustainable," Coan said adding, "It simply is not enough. I wouldn't make enough money on campus alone to pay for my rent, school, my car, and groceries. But I guess anything helps."

"Work-study jobs are to help out, not to cover all expenses," said Snorek. "We try to limit it to 20 hours per week during the academic time so that students can focus on their studies first, then their employment."

As for first-year international students, those who want a job are not allowed to work off-campus as a condition of their visas, and they cannot qualify for work-study jobs. They may work on-campus, as long as it is a regular payroll position. According to international student Jheanelle Channer, "we have to work regular payroll jobs because we don't get help from federal assistance." After their first academic year, international students are permitted to work off-campus if they desire.

Finding an on-campus job can be difficult for some international students though. International student Doreen Ondeyo initially had a hard time finding a job that was regular payroll. "They said we aren't hiring regular payroll right now, because we only have a small amount of money for that," Ondeyo recalls.

Channers also initially had a hard time finding a job at first. "When we look for jobs most offices say, 'oh we only do work-study,'" adding, "I did find this job pretty easy though." Channers and Ondeyo both currently work at the International Studies desk.

For all students, a lot of factors go

into deciding on whether to apply for an on-campus versus off-campus job. These include, transportation, availability, and for a lot of students, convenience. "I would make more money working off campus, but it's the convenience and flexibility with on-campus jobs that pushes me to strive for an on campus job," Coan said.

For students who don't have transportation or availability to have an off-campus job and who rely on their on-campus positions, the hourly pay often is not enough to get by. Nathan Larsen a junior at BSU, works two jobs just to make ends meet.

"The money I make on campus, I consider to be my play money. There is no way anyone, let alone a student, could survive off the money you make on campus," Larsen said. "Luckily I have a second job off of campus where I get paid \$11 per hour, 24 hours a week."

While the number of hours student workers are allowed to work per week are limited to 20 hours a week to prioritize their studies, Snorek added that "we (BSU) have been keeping up with the Minnesota state minimum wage, so when that increases in January, we will meet that."

While students are thankful for the on-campus opportunities, there are some things they wish to see changed. "If I could give any advice to Student Employment, I would tell them to open up more positions, be more forgiving in terms of work study, and be more enthusiastic to hire," Page said.

Madeline Hodgkins contributed some reporting for this piece.

GIVING BACK TO GO FORWARD

by Makayla Griswold

As the holiday and finals season approaches, it's easy to get sucked into our own little worlds studying, finding gifts, writing papers and planning events. We forget the 13 volunteer hours for our class, and, more importantly, we forget to take time to help others. Many classes across disciplines on campus have volunteering as a requirement, and Bemidji is full of opportunities to get involved. Being that there are so many organizations, here is a short list of a few organizations that are always looking for volunteers.

Support Within Reach is an organization that hopes to "reduce the impact and harm of sexual assault" in the communities that they are a part of. Thanks to past volunteers, the organization was able to save \$62,730 in 2012 that they were able to put forward to help the victims of sexual assault.



Photo by Anna Haynes

Opportunities for students include: crisis intervention via Crisis Hotline, internships, support group facilitation, participating in fundraisers and events, as well as community education via awareness activities and events. The organization will be relocating closer to campus to be more available to students in the coming future.

Great River Rescue is the Bemidji-area animal shelter, which has provided forever homes for felines and canines alike since 1977. A payment of \$15 covers volunteer training and necessary paperwork. Volunteers have the opportunity to walk dogs, play with cats, help with feeding time or even assist with special events. Help is always needed, especially for walks during the winter months. This shelter is a no-kill shelter that supports the university during the Destress with Pets event right before finals week each semester and by providing many of the emotional support animals for students on campus.

Bemidji Community Food Shelf is a combination of several churches in the Bemidji area that banded together to help feed our community. Most of the people involved at the food shelf are volunteers with only a few paid staff sprinkled in. Operating hours are on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Located in the Industrial Park in Bemidji, this organization not only serves our community but provides an average of five thousand pounds of food on the days they are open. Since volunteers are the backbone of this organization, more people are always needed to keep the system running as smoothly as possible for the clients.

These are just a few of the local organizations in need of good people to help keep things up and running, especially during the winter season. For volunteering opportunities with these organizations and other nonprofits in the Bemidji community, go to <http://www.volunteerbemidji.org>.

Fall Student Senate Update

By Carli-Rae Manjorin



Student Senate President Connor Newby and Vice President Corey Stockman both ran for office last spring with the hope of making real change on campus for students. Holding true to their promise, Newby, Stockman and the senate are actively addressing concerns of students this fall.

They have chosen to focus more on ending the stigma of Mental Health, something never tackled to this extent in the past by Student Senate. They plan to help stamp out the stigma by hosting events such as the One More Light Music Festival that was held on Oct. 11 for mental health acceptance and suicide prevention. Stockman will also be on the search committee for the new counselor

position at the Student Center for Health and Cousey. Stockman says this third counselor is important so "Lora and Amanda (BSU's current counselors) can have more time to go out and do more on campus to help with mental health awareness." Stockman also said that faculty have been supportive and helpful to Student Senate in this year of transition and focus on Mental Health.

Newby also discussed their plans to try to make parking passes purchasable through financial aid. Currently, students must pay for their parking passes in the form of cash, credit or check. Newby is hoping to change this by allowing students the option to charge them to their

student account, similar to how the Bookstore operates book charging to student accounts.

Newby is also planning to work on textbook affordability with the Bookstore and administration, as well as helping ease the process of transferring for transfer students.

Both Newby and Stockman acknowledge that this is a big year for the Student Senate, and that they are passionate and excited for what is to come. They encourage all students wanting to make a change on campus to come to Student Senate (their office is on the second floor of the Upper HMU) or become active in other organizations on campus.

Joe Vene Thanks BSU Student Senate

Joe enjoyed visiting with students from the *Bemidji State University Student Senate* on 10/10/18. If elected, he would be excited to get BSU students involved in city government through internships, serving on committees, and addressing ongoing traffic and parking issues on and around campus.

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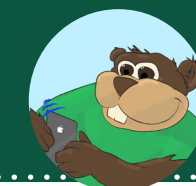


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Dear Bucky, What should I do?

by Carli-Rae Manjorin



Anonymous @anonymous • 5h
 @DearBucky is it too late to find a job on campus? I don't have a car so I need to work at school but am not sure how to get started and find a job. #Between-Jobs Beaver

Bucky @BSU_StudentNews • 4h
 #Between-Jobs Beaver Bemidji State has great part-time employment opportunities for students! Be sure to check out the Student Employment Office, either in person at Deputy 202 or online through the BSU website. There are lots of on campus jobs, whether you have work study or not, or work in dining, grounds or as an office assistant, the opportunities are endless.

Bucky @BSU_StudentNews • 4h
 To ask Bucky your questions, private message The Northern Student on Facebook @ [thenorthernstudent](#) or on Twitter @BSU_StudentNews

Counting on GROUSE

by Zachary Malm



With the lush summer green now gone and cool temperature averages descending daily, there is but one comfort for many BSU students—hunting season has begun! As of September 15, properly licensed hunters can begin harvesting ruffed grouse along with other small game until the end of the year.

However, there is a dim outlook on this year's grouse season. A news release from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources issued in July indicated that the drum counts were down as much as 29 percent, which is one method of measuring a season's success. This "grouse drumming" occurs during mating season, which peaks in April, when the male grouse can be heard as he stands upon a boulder or a log and compresses air beneath his wings in rapid fluctuations in an attempt to attract a female mate.

Grouse seasons are notoriously hard to predict. Their population fluctuates as well, rising and falling in a decade-long cycle that does not seem to have a cause or an origin. According to the MN Department of Natural Resources Animal Information pages, annual harvests range as well across the state, varying from 250,000 to one million

birds depending on the year. The intensity of previous harvests do not affect the following year's population. With drum counts low, a successful harvest may depend upon knowing where to look.

Typically born in clutches of 10-14 eggs, bird species information available from the DNR suggests grouse are fully grown within 16 weeks and spend most of their lives on just a few acres. Relying on buds, twigs, roots and berries to complement their diet of insects, ruffed grouse can be spotted beneath groves of aspen or among the low growth of recently-logged woodland. Grouse are not especially social creatures. They live solo as adults, but can be found together during mating season or if they have congregated around the same patch of berries.

Varying in color from grey to reddish brown, ruffed grouse are a medium-sized bird similar to the sharp-tailed grouse found in southern Minnesota. Standing about a foot tall and weighing over a pound, humans are not the only predators who seek out these

birds. Foxes, fishers and bobcats are able to locate grouse nests hidden in the darkest parts of the forest while birds of prey such as owls and hawks threaten them from above. Turkeys too have been seen disturbing grouse eggs in the spring.

To start hunting now, hunting licenses may be purchased for \$22 online at the official DNR website or at local sporting goods stores. The Chippewa National Forest east of Bemidji offers nearly 300 miles of non-motorized walking trails, perfectly suitable for novice and experienced hunters alike. For birds harvested within 60 miles of the Bemidji and Grand Rapids areas, samples for the West Nile virus have been requested. To participate in the collection process, contact Ted Dick at ted.dick@state.mn.us or call 218-395-0577 for more information.

Photo by Thomas Anakkala.



PIPELINE CONTINUES to Divide Minnesotans

by Madelyn Haasken

After years of controversy surrounding Minnesota pipelines, the conversation still continues as Enbridge Line 3 pipeline divides Minnesotans between economic growth and environmental risk.

Reconstruction of the Line 3 Pipeline appears to be underway after the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission approved the project this summer. On July 28th, the PUC granted the Line 3 Replacement Program a certificate of need and a route permit.

According to an article in the Minneapolis Star Tribune, the current pipeline is aging and breaking down, and Enbridge wants to abandon part of the existing pipeline that runs across Northern Minnesota (including areas near Bemidji) in order to construct a larger, more efficient one that goes further south. The current pipeline was built in the 1960s, and spanned from Alberta to Wisconsin. It currently crosses through three of Minnesota's largest Indian reservations and is also close to the headwaters of the Mississippi River.

The proposed reconstruction would entail replacing the existing 282 miles of pipeline with 337 miles of new, wider pipeline. The overall line (1,097 miles) would be one of the largest of its kind on the continent.

According to a story on MPR, Line 3 Pipeline commissioners who supported

the project during the summer vote argue that the pipeline will create jobs for Minnesotans and provide access to a necessary fuel that society highly demands.

Environmentalists and community members who oppose this construction share their concerns that the pipeline will pollute aquatic ecosystems,

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and that new jobs are not worth the harmful impact it would have on Minnesota's environment. Possible harm includes oil spills which could cause leakage into lakes, and greenhouse gasses that are emitted through the production and use of oil. Concern for potential oil spills is not irrational. According to Pulitzer-winning, environmental author David Hasemyer in his article, "Enbridge Fined for Failing to Fully Inspect Pipelines After Kalamazoo Oil Spill," the largest inland oil spill in the United States occurred in 1991 just outside of Grand Rapids, MN. The Enbridge pipeline 6B leaked more than 1 billion gallons of oil into the Kalamazoo

River over the course of 17 hours before the line was shut down. Reaching nearly 40 miles down river, the spill closed off the river for nearly two years and cost the company over \$1.2 billion to clean up.

Protests and other events have occurred multiple times throughout the last few years in the northern Minnesota area. This year, on Aug. 29, a group of over 100 activists blocked off a downtown Bemidji intersection for nearly four hours resulting in 26 people receiving citations for disorderly conduct. All of this was in an effort to urge the state government--Governor Dayton in particular--to recognize the environmental risks and take action.

Dayton declined to release a statement following this protest, but instead referred to a statement he made after the PUC vote in July, in which he said that the decision is not a final approval of the Line 3 project. "Rather, it only allows Enbridge to begin to apply for at least 29 required federal, state, and local permits," Dayton explained.

Currently, the Line 3 Replacement Program is going through with their plan, despite strong resistance from environmental activists and those who see importance in protecting native reservation land. This concern highlights the bigger issue of our dependence on oil reserves and the threat they pose to our environment.

BSU Madrigal Dinners Celebrates Its 50th year

By Meghan Trimble

For the past 49 years, the annual Madrigal Dinners have been a university and community-oriented holiday tradition hosted by Bemidji State University's Music Department.

This unique take on dinner theater simulates a renaissance world, complete with Christmas carols, traditional cuisine and yuletide charm.

According to the Music Department's web page, the dinners were founded by Paul Brandvik in 1968, starting out as musical dinner theater productions. When they introduced the masque, a short play presented in the middle of the performance, students from all departments had an opportunity to showcase their musical, instrumental and theatrical talents.

The Madrigals continue to uphold their reputation as an outlet for music majors, minors and even non-majors to gain experience on the stage. They also provide students the ability to build their resume, confidence and musicality.

Every cast member is vital to the production, whether they're a waiter serving patrons or a royal court member presenting their musical talents to their audiences.

Claire Johnson, a Vocal Music Education major and senior at BSU, further explained the Madrigals and how they have impacted the community.

"The Madrigal Dinners are a very unique experience. It's very much like a dinner theater, you get to experience



the meal and entertainment at the same time. There's always something going on between the beggars, the cellar keepers, the royal court and recorder players everywhere. It's just a really fun atmosphere. As a future music educator, being in a role where I needed to act was really helpful."

Not much has changed since its induction, minus the numerous amounts of students who have since become alumni.

The dinners were formerly located on campus, but last year the dinners were relocated to the Concordia Language Villages at the Salolampi Finnish village.

Since the introduction of the off-campus location just 15 minutes outside of BSU, shuttle buses, medieval architecture and traditional cuisine have created opportunities for cast members to fully engage with their audiences. The Music Department found that new location

naturally left regular patrons skeptical, but the majority of people who experienced the Finnish Village for the first time gave positive feedback.

"It's a really magical experience," Johnson said. "There isn't anywhere else where you can get such an authentic meal and entertainment. What we present is extremely high quality: the costumes, the meals, the performance. Just give it a try!"

Although they are a local holiday tradition, every Madrigal Dinner is a little bit different, with various cast members exhibiting their own personalities into each of their recurring characters. According to those involved in the event, it is a one-of-a-kind experience that has left local audiences amazed and musically impressed for five decades.

Photo by Lindsay Marketon

Our Artist's Outlet

A space for the creative work of BSU students - fiction, poetry, photographs, and art. To submit work, please email northern.student@gmail.com

Thomas Anakkala: Capturing Wildlife within Walking Distance

By Stacey Kaslon

Thomas Anakkala is a freshman who is a member of the BSU Birdwatching Club, and who is currently looking for a major relating to environmental science. Between his classes, Thomas spends his time wandering off the beaten paths of campus and Diamond Point Park capturing glimpses into the wildlife of BSU.

"I've been a member of the Bee-nay-she Birdwatching Club for seven or eight years. That sort of sparked my love of nature," Thomas said. "My goal is to try to tell the subject's story with one photo."



EVENTS



NOV 1

ASK AN ADVISOR
(Every Thursday)
Lakeside, noon

*WAYNE TANABE-
INSTRUMENT REPAIR AND
DESIGN WORKSHOP*
Bangsberg Recital Hall, 5 p.m.

*NATIVE AMERICAN
HERITAGE MONTH KICKOFF
SPEAKER, RICKY WHITE*
AIRC, 6-8 p.m.

NOV 2

FEEL BETTER FAST
(Every Friday)
Student Center for
Health & Counseling, 1-2:30 p.m.

NOV 6

FEEL BETTER FAST
(Every Friday)
Student Center for
Health & Counseling, 1-2:30 p.m.

*FREE TRADITIONAL
BEADING CLASSES*
(Every Tuesday)
AIRC, 5 p.m.

*M&M NIGHT- MASS &
A MEAL*
(Every Tuesday)
St. Philip's Catholic Church,
6:30-7:30 p.m.

NOV 7

DINING SERVICES FEEDBACK
Viking Room, HMU, noon-1 p.m.

*OJIBWEMOWIN:
OJIBWE LANGUAGE TABLE*
(Every Wednesday)
AIRC, 6 p.m.

KEVIN BOZEMAN (COMEDIAN)
Beaux Arts Ballroom, HMU, 7-8 p.m.

NOV 8

SYMPHONIC BAND
Bangsberg Hall, 7:30 p.m.

NOV 9

SPA YOGA
(Every first Friday of the month)
Gillett Wellness Center, 5 p.m.

NOV 10

*DEGREE RECITAL:
KAITLYNN MEINE-VOCAL*
Bangsberg Recital Hall, 7:30 p.m.

NOV 11

*BEMIDJI SYMPHONY
ORCHESTRA*
Bemidji High School Auditorium,
3 p.m.

NOV 12

VETERAN'S DAY- NO CLASSES

NOV 13

TROMBONE CHOIR
Bangsberg Recital Hall, 7:30 p.m.

NOV 14

*MENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY
BOARD GROUP MEETING*
Leadership Center, 5-6 p.m.

NOV 15

*HONORS LECTURE SERIES-
DR. THOMAS DIRTH*
Hagg-Sauer Hall 112, 6 p.m.

*DAMENSTIMMEN WOMEN'S
CHORUS & MUSIKANTEN
MEN'S CHORUS*
Bangsberg Recital Hall, 7:30 p.m.

NOV 16

*WORDPRESS TRAINING:
400 SERIES*
Memorial Hall 270, 3 p.m.

BLUE ICE JAZZ BAND
Bangsberg Hall, 7:30 p.m.

NOV 21

*THANKSGIVING BREAK-
NO CLASSES*
(Nov. 21-25)

NOV 26

*HONORS LECTURE SERIES-
DR. WILLIAM SEA*
Hagg-Sauer Hall 112, 6 p.m.

D AND CHI
Eco-Grounds, 6-7 p.m.

NOV 29

BRASS QUINTET
Bangsberg Hall, 7:30 p.m.

NOV 30

MADRIGAL DINNER
(Nov. 30, Dec. 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9)
10915 Oiukangastie NE Bemidji, 7 p.m.

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