

## CLASSIFIED ADS

**AA MEETINGS: MONDAYS, 7:30 PM,** Clair Nelson Center in Finland.  
**TUESDAYS, 7:30 PM,** Sychar Lutheran Church, Silver Bay, MN. 218-226-3914 or 218-353-7340  
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**HOME FOR RENT in Silver Bay:** 2BR, 1BA. Many updates. Backs to a beautiful wilderness hill. Appliances, storage shed included. \$1,000/mo. plus heat and electricity. References required. Call Jeannie **651-230-4240**

**FOR SALE:** 1-Ton truck, Chop Saws, Table Saw, Chest Freezer, Torch Set. Call **218-220-8946**

**FOR SALE:** 36" Metal Screen/Storm door, \$40.00. Green Lift Chair, \$40.00. Call **218-834-5086**

**Group Living with Anxiety and Depression (GLAD)**, a confidential peer support group, is online (zoom) second and fourth Mondays at 6:30 pm. Contact North Shore Mental Health Group on Facebook or email: nsmentalhealth@gmail.com.

### \$500 Reward

CINDY HUSEBY PROPERTIES  
218-220-7684

Buying • Selling • Rental

### Rentals

#### SILVER BAY:

•Beautiful!! Total Remodel inside. 3 BR, 1BA house with wide open basement. 1+ car garage. Nice, quiet neighborhood. Vinyl plank flooring, closet organizers, stainless steel appliances. WOW! Nice level yard. \$1,500/mo.

•2 BR, 1 BA house with wide open basement. Total remodel! Granite counters. Vinyl plank flooring, stainless steel appliances. Clean! Cozy! \$1,400/mo.

•2 BR, 1 BA, cozy, walk-out bsmt. apt. on Lax Lake. Enjoy a fire by the lake and all the amenities of lake life. All utilities, lawn & snow removal inc. No kids. \$1,400/mo.

•2 BR, 1 BA in country on Airport Rd, beautiful, HUGE fully furnished (just bring your toothbrush). All utilities, lawn and snow removal included. No kids/pets \$1,500/mo.

## 2012 XEROX PHASER 6180 MFP COPIER

The Town of Silver Creek is accepting offers on a used color laser printer/copier. It is in working order but has some issues, call to learn more – it is sold as is, where is. The Town reserves the right to decline any or all offers. Phone 218-834-5255, email [silvercreek@frontiernet.net](mailto:silvercreek@frontiernet.net) or TOSC, 1924 Town Rd, Two Harbors, MN 55616. Offers must be received by Tuesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## Rental Home Wanted

### Reliable, Retired Couple Looking for Rental Home

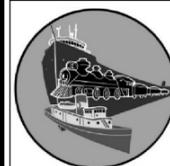
Desire 3- or 4-bedroom, double garage, outbuildings, rural acreage near north shore. 2 adult sons and 2 small dogs.

Rented near Two Harbors for 8 1/2 years.

Landlord selling home.

Call Gary at **(612) 810-1683**

Please leave message if no answer



## Notice of City Primary and Special Election

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a City primary and special election will be held in the City of Two Harbors on Tuesday, August 9, 2022, on which day polls will be open from seven (7:00) a.m. until the hour of eight (8:00) p.m., for the purpose of conducting a primary election for the following offices, and below are listed the candidates who have filed for said offices:

**Council Member at Large - One (1) for a four-year term**

Jackie Rennwald  
Mike Kasell  
Katelyn Cobbs

**Council Member, Ward 1 - One (1) for a four-year term**

Uriah Hefter  
Miles Monroe Woodruff  
Drew Christensen

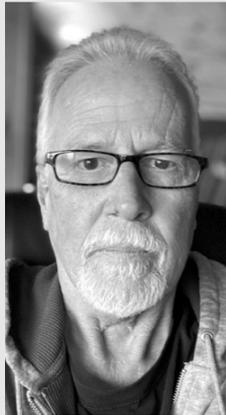
And a special election (question) for the purpose of considering the recall of Mayor Christopher Swanson, and the ballot shall state **“Shall Mayor Christopher Swanson be recalled?”** with voters allowed to vote yes or no.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the polling place in the City of Two Harbors is located in the Community Building, 417 South Avenue.

Patricia D. Nordean, City Clerk  
Dated: July 11, 2022

# The Long Way Home

By Steve Fernlund



as well.

The problem with all of them is they fit a bit of news into their format. Since most of us aren't “news junkies” they need to add theatrical “talk” shows to keep us tuned in. A cadre of guests spouting one gossipy political point of view or another is “zoomed in” on the checkerboard panels to bellow pronouncements that keep eyes on the advertisers' commercials.

I gave up on the talk radio crowd long before the internet and podcasts were just a dream for shouting white guys, and they were almost all white guys.

I decided that if I wanted to hear shrill screams I'd simply walk into the house without taking my boots off. Works every time. I apologize, clean up my mess, and get on with a happy wife, and happy life.

Now, I'm contemplating whether to give up Facebook. I enjoy seeing what friends and family do on vacations, cooking in the kitchen, or playing in the woods. I enjoy sharing the puns and political cartoons and dropping a philosophical point from time to time.

The Grand Marais Community Page on Facebook had a recent post about the City of Grand Marais and Northouse Folk School negotiations over the future of the city property that gave birth to the school 25 years ago. The commenters on the post remind me of the checkerboard panels on the MSNBCs. People who have an opinion tend to shout down any-

one with a contrary one. Tiresome.

In the mid-90s, the USFS vacated two buildings and the land under them adjacent to the campground, gifting the property to the city. Mark Hansen, the man who fathered the folk school, presented a plan to Mayor Andrea Peterson and the council to have the folk school occupy and improve the property in return for a nominal rental payment (currently \$390/month.) Despite some vocal opposition, the plan was approved and things progressed. It was, as my conservative friends might say, a true public/private partnership.

Over the years, the school purchased three other parcels surrounding the old USFS property. In addition to teaching folk arts, it operates as a commercial landlord leasing office space, restaurant, and housing at so-called market rates.

The vocal opposition of 25 years ago has muted, but not gone away. It's especially apparent with long-time business people in town who are amazed that a property unofficially valued at \$1.2 million is earning less than \$5,000 a year in rental income, far less than what it would bring in property taxes. Far below market rental rates.

I believe a deal is a deal until it needs to change. This is one of those deals that should have been reviewed years ago. The lease is expiring and North House would like to purchase the property. The succeeding parties to the original partnership are trying to make something work.

North House isn't going anywhere. It is prospering. Grand Marais isn't going anywhere. It is struggling. The real estate deal that Mark Hansen struck with the city has worked and proven its worth.

Now is the time for the city and the school to negotiate in good faith to maximize the value received by both parties. And Facebook is not the place to do that.

After slaving over this column, I have decided to stay on Facebook and avoid the Grand Marais Community Page.

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