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MOVIE SCHEDULE Nov. 1-6	ENDERS GAME (PG13)	Fri 7:20, 7:00 9:35	Sat & Sun 1:00, 4:20, 7:00, 9:35	Mon-Wed 4:20, 7:00
	FREEBIRDS 2D (PG)	Fri 6:45	Sat & Sun 12:45, 2:45, 6:45	Mon-Wed 6:45
	FREEBIRDS 3D (PG)	Fri 4:45, 9:00	Sat & Sun 4:45, 9:00	Mon-Wed 4:45
	THE COUNSELOR (R)	Fri 4:15, 7:00, 9:30	Sat & Sun 12:45, 4:15, 7:00, 9:30	Mon-Wed 4:15, 7:00
	LAS VEGAS (PG13)	Fri 4:35, 7:10, 9:30	Sat & Sun 12:15, 2:25, 4:35, 7:10, 9:30	Mon-Wed 4:35, 7:10
	BAD GRANDPA (R)	Fri 4:40, 7:10, 9:20	Sat & Sun 12:30, 2:35, 4:40, 7:10, 9:20	Mon-Wed 4:40, 7:10

FAA eases rules on electronic devices

Associated Press
 WASHINGTON — Airline passengers won't have to "turn off all electronic devices" anymore — they'll be able to read, work, play games, watch movies and listen to music from gate to gate under new guidelines from the Federal Aviation Administration. But they still can't talk on their cellphones through the flight.

plans to implement the new policy. Airlines will have to show the FAA that their airplanes meet the new guidelines and that they've updated their flight-crew training manuals, safety announcements and rules for stowing devices to reflect the new guidelines.

It sounded like good news to passengers heading out from Reagan National Airport on Thursday.

Ketan Patel, 24, said he's happy that regulators have debunked the idea that the devices pose a safety problem. "If it isn't a problem, it should be allowed," he said as he stepped into a security line, a smartphone in his hand.

Monica Lexie, 50, entering the same line, said the change will enable her to use her Kindle to read longer. But then she was never bothered by the restrictions. "You just shut it off and wait for the little light to go on," she said. "Our safety takes precedence."

Currently, passengers are required to turn off their smartphones, tablets and other devices once a plane's door closes. They're not supposed to restart them until the planes reach 10,000 feet and the captain gives the go-ahead. Passengers are supposed to turn their devices off again as the plane descends to land and not restart them until it

is on the ground.

Under the new guidelines, airlines whose planes are properly protected from electronic interference may allow passengers to use the devices during takeoffs, landings and taxiing, the FAA said. Most new airliners and other planes that have been modified so that passengers can use Wi-Fi at higher altitudes are expected to meet the criteria.

Passengers will also be able to connect to the Internet to surf, exchange emails, or download data below 10,000 feet if the plane has an installed Wi-Fi system, but not through cellular networks. Passengers will be told to switch their devices

to airplane mode. Heavier devices such as laptops will continue to have to be stowed away because of concern they might injure someone if they go flying around the cabin.

The guidelines reflect the evolution in types and prevalence of devices used by passengers over the past decade. In 2003, 70 percent of passengers carried electronic devices with them on planes, and the most common device was a cellphone that wasn't capable of connecting to the Internet, followed by a calculator, according to a survey by the Consumer Electronics Association. A follow-up survey by the association this

year found that 99 percent of passengers carry some device with them, with smartphones the most common followed by notebook or laptop computers.

In-flight cellphone calls will continue to be prohibited. Regulatory authority over phone calls belongs to the Federal Communications Commission, not the FAA. The commission prohibits the calls because of concern that phones on planes flying at hundreds of miles per hour could strain the ability of cellular networks to keep up as the devices keep trying to connect with cellphone towers, interfering with service to users on the ground.

Vote: Rides provided for voters Tuesday

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 done 20 years ago. We're trying to be forward-thinking and plan for the future."

To Westby and "vote yes" supporters, the plan is the best decision for the future of the students. The relocation would include a bond of more than \$12 million, but in the school district's documentation, there would be a negligible impact on taxpayers.

"Vote yes" supporter Courtney Puchalski is worried that if the relocation does not pass, school programs or activities could be cut. To her, bringing all students together is an inevitable move and should be done while it is as affordable as possible.

But Save Our Community Schools also has problems with the financial numbers provided by the board. Rapp and fellow member Zach Gordon said the findings of the consulting group hired by the school board are based on assumptions rather than facts.

"It's not fiscally sound for the school districts or the communities involved," Gordon said.

Both Rapp and Gordon are fathers. Rapp has one child enrolled in Elbow Lake and another at

the high school in Barrett, while Gordon's young children will eventually be enrolled in the school system.

But Gordon said this is not a personal issue for him; rather, it is simply about his concern for the district's future and that of the cities in the district as well.

"I've tried to leave emotions out of this and stay as objective as possible," he said.

Puchalski is a member of "vote yes" group Committee for a Brighter Future. She recently returned to teaching as a substitute after taking seven years off to raise her children. As a teacher, she feels moving all students to Barrett would benefit everyone involved.

"This would allow the teachers to work together and share ideas and resources," said Puchalski, who added that it would be a positive for younger and old students to be mixed together earlier.

The relocation plan would mean kindergarten students would be in the same facility and high schoolers.

Both groups have been busy door-to-door campaigning, handing out fliers and trying to win over residents. Elbow Lake and Kensington have been the hardest sells for the "vote

yes" movement, but Puchalski said there are many "silent yes" votes that could come out at the polls.

Rapp wrote a letter to the editor in the Grant County Herald in June and has been working with Gordon and others from Save Our Community Schools to spread their message.

Their group will be providing rides to voters who are unable to get to the polls in Barrett, specifically elderly citizens.

"I have an optimistic confidence that it will be a "vote no," but I think oftentimes optimism can lead to apathy," Gordon said. He has cautioned himself against getting too excited about the outcome.

Westby would not be surprised by any outcome. A double "no" vote would mean residents rejected both the relocation and the current bond continuation, which would send the district back to the drawing board. To him, only one thing is certain.

"We'll know Tuesday night what our taxpayers want," Westby said.

To vote, a person must be a registered voter and a resident of the West Central Area School District. Polls open at 7 a.m. Tuesday and will remain open until 8 p.m. at the high school in Barrett.

Minnesota's 500,000 hunters help local businesses

Associated Press

LITTLE FALLS — Hunting is big business in Minnesota, with nearly 500,000 people expected to head into the woods this year.

The businesses catering to hunters include Thielen Meats in Little Falls. Owner John Thielen tells WC-CO-TV that his family typically produces about 1,500 pounds of elk, bear and venison sausage per week at this time of year. He says that will grow to about 5,000 pounds per week during deer hunting season.

Thielen says it takes about four days to make sausage from start to finish and County and Polish Sausage is the top seller.

Businessman wants to buy Philadelphia Inquirer

PHILADELPHIA — Multimillionaire businessman and philanthropist Raymond Perelman is hoping to buy the Philadelphia Inquirer, but he doesn't expect the current owners to sell.

Perelman said his goal is to end the strife between two factions that are bat-

tlung in court for control of the company's three media properties, the Inquirer reported Sunday.

"Something has to happen," Perelman told the paper. "The feuding can't continue."

The 96-year-old Perelman has pursued The Inquirer, the Philadelphia Daily News, and Philly.com before. His latest expression of interest comes amid the ongoing legal battle between co-owners George E. Norcross III and Lewis Katz, and other partners.

LOCAL MARKETS

LOCAL GRAIN	
Monday, Nov. 4	
Corn	3.87
Soybeans	12.01
Wht. Mill	6.85

LOCAL HOGS	
Monday, Nov. 4	
Butchers 50% lean \$60; Sows: \$56 to \$60; Boars: Call 736-5464 for price.	

OTC FSA PRICES	
Monday, Nov. 4	
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HRW	6.92
Sun (Oil)	19.05
Soybeans	12.09

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The 12,700-square-foot library as it is known today was built in 1986 and is about half the size of libraries serving similar-sized populations.

Library: Separate children's area needed

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ies in the state. Hibbing, Grand Rapids and Red Wing libraries are all between 26,000 and 29,000 square feet. The Fergus Falls building sits at just 12,700 square feet.

Space needs studies in the late 1990s and 2007, also indicated a significant need for more space.

One of the things identified in the needs assessment was a separate, larger children's area. The size of the space for kids even changes how people visit the library.

"We had people who would bring their children to the library and don't stay as long as they would like," Smith said.

A survey participant indicated that he or she doesn't visit the library as often because his or her children were noisy.

He or she felt bad disturbing other groups.

Other facility needs identified in the needs assessment included a separate children's programming and activity area; separate

Library has evolved over time

- 1872: A library started in Fergus Falls, by membership only.
- 1891: Fergus Falls Public Library was established with \$500 donated by the local school board and private donors.
- 1903: Fergus Falls City Council voted for a tax to fund the library.
- 1906: A public library was built on North Union Avenue and Cavour Avenue with a \$15,000 grant from the Carnegie Foundation.
- 1961: Outgrowing its space, an addition was made to the library

- building.
- 1976: Fergus Falls, nine other cities and four other counties formed the Viking Library System.
- 1986: The current 12,700 square-foot library at 205 E. Hampden Avenue was built.
- 2012: More than 152,000 visits were made to the library, with more than 10,000 visits to library programs.
- February 2012: Library Renewal Task Force forms and the Library Renewal Project gets started.

Source: Fergus Falls Public Library

teen area; more quiet spaces; handicap accessible and family-friendly restrooms; more comfortable seating; outdoor seating; more flexible community meeting and programming rooms; a food/beverage area; used

book sale area for Friends of the Library; more computers; media lab classes; more physical resources; more digital resources; larger, improved staff office and work room areas; more main floor storage space.

1 in 5 school districts seeking property tax boost

Associated Press

ST. PAUL — More than one in five Minnesota school districts are seeking a property tax increase in Tuesday's election.

Minnesota Public Radio reports that's a typical number for an off-year election. But, the requests come after the state legislature boosted school funding by \$485 million last session.

Scott Croonquist is executive director of the Association of Metropolitan School Districts. He says the funding increase amounts to a 1.5 percent boost per student in each of the next two years, and that's not enough to keep up with inflation.

FARM PROPERTY TAX NOTICE

The second half of your real estate tax is due on or before November 15th. Mail early to avoid late postal cancellations. All mail postmarked the 16th of November or later will be returned for penalty.

If the first half of your taxes are paid, there will be a penalty of 6% on homestead or 8% on non-homestead property on the second half of your taxes if postmarked November 16th.

Please include the second half stub of your real estate statement with your check.

Steve Andrews,
 Otter Tail County Treasurer

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