Last Week’s Wrapup—the Lightning football squad finished the regular Lake Conference season with a decisive 35-20 victory over neighboring Lakeville. EVHS used a masterful mix of ready running and pinpoint passing to post the convincing win.

The Wager—the game’s sideline wager was a back-to-basics classic chosen by Sticktender Hokkanen: the winning margin at game’s end. The last Lightning touchdown, resulting in a margin of 25 points for EVHS, gave chaining-emeritus Percival the win. Matt jumped up and down on the sideline ranting with unbridled joy, leading one observer to remark that perhaps Matt needed to get out more. The pressure is now on Percy to come up with a playoff-quality wager for tonight’s contest. Be sure to find Percy, compliment him on the victory, then ask him what the wager will be, and get your number in before game time.

This Week’s Preview—The Lightning play their first-round sectional game against Winona, a Big Nine team from southeastern Minnesota. The Winhawks (yup, that’s their nickname) have had a tough go of it this season, finishing near the bottom of their league. Should the Lightning be victorious, a home game against the Mayo/Faribault winner would be on tap for Saturday night.

Chain Gang Assignments: Game day breakfast Tuesday at 6:00 am sharp AND ON SATURDAY AT 7:00 AM if we have a game. Chief Vollmer: leadership; Bailey: halftime sodas; Hokkanen: prepare training curriculum for new guy, Petrich: sunflower seeds, Raymond: wager records and maintenance. Standard dress code applies. Current forecast is dry and warm.

New Faces: last week, the CG made integration history when Ms. Jodi Hanson filled in on sticks at the last minute. The new feature that required an extra member: an across-field first down marker, much like the pros and collegues use. This week, Mr. Brad Coulthart makes his debut as a guest ganger.

Booster Spirit!—the post-game at Strey’s last week set records for attendance, spirit, snack quality and quantity. A big booster thanks goes out to hosts Tom and Ann. (probably mostly Ann) The Tuesday post-game is at Bailey’s (maps in office) and Saturday at Hokkanen’s. Hope to see you there.

Featured Booster Club Members—this week’s special edition featured boosters are the front office gang of Deb Winslow, Joan Beckman, Carol Meszaros, Barb Highum, and Nancy Snoeyenbos. These folks support the Lightning football program in dozens of ways and always have the Lightning spirit. Thanks!!

SEE YOU AT THE GAME!! GO LIGHTNING FOOTBALL!