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## Block North Brewpub and Restaurant to open in Aitkin

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By ANN SCHWARTZ  
Peter Lowe, Rich Courtemanche and Dake Olson are partners in Block North Brewpub, on a corner in downtown Aitkin; and it is on target to open on Tuesday, March 5.

A frequenter of downtown places for many years, I gasped with delight at the transformation of the old furniture store. The goal at the furniture store was to keep the background plain and let the furniture stand out.

But the Block North is full of texture and rustic touches, from wood lath to tin, stained glass from Lowe's grandpar-

ents, a gate from his late mother, and more.

The rustic vibe carries through to the lower level, which houses the brewery equipment and the Wine Cellar gather space. Patrons are drawn to that space with a rustic and unique light installation over the stairway.

The epicenter of the brewpub is a 4,400 pound rough-finished concrete bar. The huge bar top was poured on site and coated with three coats of epoxy.

Up and down the avenue, it seems that Aitkin is ready to welcome with a great dining experience and some equally

delicious home-brewed beer.

Olson, of McGregor, is the certified brewer and shares these thoughts:

Trying to explain the complicated uses of the gigantic, stainless steel kettles and barrels in the basement, Olson said, "We'll brew 93 gallons at a time. We try to use as much stuff as we can locally - that will be the emphasis for both the restaurant and the brewpub."

When Block North opens on March 5, they will have five to seven beers on tap, cider and a full bar. It will take some time till they produce the first batch brewed

in Aitkin. Patrons will be

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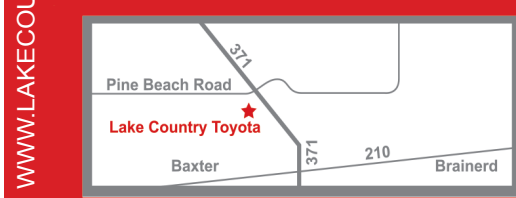
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# OBITUARIES

## MARY ERICKSON

Mary Elizabeth Yowell Erickson (affectionately known as "Mid" by close friends and family) died on Wednesday, February 6, 2019, in Aitkin, Minnesota.

A memorial service will be scheduled in the Spring.

She was born October 18, 1939, to Earnest and Lois Yowell at Reydon, Oklahoma. Mary attended high school in Reydon, OK, where she excelled in sports (primarily basketball) and academic studies. She graduated from Reydon High School in 1957 and immediately accepted employment in Amarillo, TX, where she met Curtis Erickson who was serving in the military at Amarillo Air Force Base. She and Curtis were married on October 16, 1958. They made their home in Amarillo where their son, Erick Randall Erickson, was born on December 10, 1959. Upon Curtis' discharge from the U.S. Air Force, the family moved to Tulsa, OK, where Curtis attended Spartan Aircraft School. From Tulsa, Mary and her family moved to Eagan. She attended the University of Minnesota where she attained a B.S. degree in accounting. She then passed the examination and became a Certified Public Accountant. Mary became active in civil rights for women, when the University of Minnesota refused to place women graduates on the interview roster for employment with account firms. She helped organize a group of women who then brought a class action lawsuit against the University in U.S. District Court citing federal legislation mandating equal employment opportunities for men and women. The women won the lawsuit. Mary, along with other women involved in the fight to

gain employment rights, banded together to form an organization to help other women succeed in business by providing training, business loans, advice and other support. Mary served on the board of directors and as the treasurer during the time she lived in the Twin Cities areas. This organization later merged with what today is known as Women Venture. Mary found employment as an auditor with Sperry Rand Corporation, an international accounting firm. She was assigned to audit their contracts with foreign nations, primarily in Israel where she traveled extensively during her employment with the firm. Later she and a fellow CPA, Denise Ring, formed their own computer software consulting company in the St. Paul area. When Mary's husband retired from his employment with Northwest Airlines, the family moved to Garrison, where Mary opened her own tax accounting firm. In Garrison, Mary became active at Light of the Cross Lutheran Church, and in organization and management of the food pantry and thrift shop to which she was fervently devoted. She also served as President of Wild and Free, a group devoted to the care of orphaned and injured wildlife at its center near Garrison, Minnesota.

She is survived by her husband, Curtis, of Garrison; a sister living in New Mexico, two brothers in Oklahoma; several nieces and nephews; great nieces and nephews, as well as a great many other relatives and friends, including those from her youth and college days.

Mary's only child, Erick Randall, preceded her in death on March 24, 2011.

## EVELYN TURNOCK



Evelyn Marie (Sedlander) Turnock, 94, of McGregor died Saturday, February 16, 2019 at the Aitkin Health Services in Aitkin.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, February 23, 2019 at 11 a.m. at the McGregor United Methodist Church with Lay Pastor Dianne Brennan officiating. Special music will be provided by Mike and Jan Cherry. There will be visitation on Friday from 4 to 7 p.m. and one hour prior to the services on Saturday at the church. Interment will be in the spring at the Salo Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Garry Allison, Bryan Sedlander, Jeff Sedlander, Keith Turnock, Mike Turnock and Roger Yotter. Honorary pallbearers will be: Brian Alberg, David Alberg, Lyle Almquist, Lee Anderson, Rollie Brockman, Paul Goble, Dan Isley, Bob Reich, Darrel Turnock, and Richard Turnock.

Evelyn was born June 15, 1924 at Cromwell to John Arthur and Selma (Stoner) Sedlander. She grew up and attended schools in Cromwell where she graduated from the Cromwell High School in 1942. She then attended secretarial school in Duluth. She returned to Cromwell and worked at the Cromwell Coop. Evelyn married Chester Turnock on October 2, 1943 in Cromwell. She had worked as a secretary for the Lawler Local

Farmers Union. She also milked cows and fed dairy calves until the herd was sold in 2000. She was an avid baker. Members of the community knew her as "Coffee Grandma" as she served coffee and homemade cookies each day at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. She has a gift of remembering history and a willingness to share it. She also loved gardening and canning. She loved flowers and was an avid bird watcher.

She is survived by her two sons: Franklin and Darlene Turnock, McGregor; and Kevin Turnock and Jean Rian, McGregor; brother, Charles (Karen) Sedlander, Cromwell; grandchildren: Melanie (Dan) Guida, Tamarack; Samantha (Arturo) Mendiola, Minneapolis; Nathan Turnock, Farmington; step grandchildren: Duane Lindgren, Michael Lindgren, Shawn Lindgren, Nathan Lindgren, and Heather Lindgren; great-grandchildren: Ava Guida, Garrett Guida, Hazel Guida, Mila Turnock, Penelope Mendiola, Mason Guida, step great-grandchildren: Josh Lindgren, Sadie Perrine and Reid Lindgren; and many other nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Chester in 1985; brother, John R. Sedlander; and brother-in-law, Lawrence Turnock.

Arrangements were with the McGregor Funeral Home and Cremation Service in McGregor. Go to [www.srtfuneral.com](http://www.srtfuneral.com) to sign the online guest register.

## MARJORY CARLSON

Marjory A. Carlson, 88, of Aitkin died Friday, February 15, 2019 at Aitkin Health Services in Aitkin.

Funeral arrangements are pending with So-rensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home and Cremation Services in Aitkin. [www.srtfuneral.com](http://www.srtfuneral.com)

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Garrison\* — Pastor Michael H. Palkie; Worship 9; SS 10:30.  
McGregor/Big Sandy — Rev. S. DeMars, 426-3408; E. of Sather's Store; Worship 9:30; Children's Church 10  
Onamia — Vineland Native American Chapel, Hwy. 169 north of casino; Worship 11; Pastor Boeringa 320-532-4449

**ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
Aitkin — Heritage Church, Rev. Hayden Loven ; Sunday Morning Service 10:45  
Crosby — Interim Pastor Greg Kalyvas; Worship 10:30  
Crosslake — Crossroads Christian, Rev. Gary Espeseth; SS at 9:30, Worship at 10:45  
Hill City — Interim Pastor John Koppel, Staff Pastor Lisa Jordan; Worship 10; hillcityyagchurh@gmail.com; 218-697-2662  
Palisade — Pastor Ed Sornberger; SS 9; Worship 10; Kids Church; Small groups during the week 218-845-2726

**BAPTIST**  
Aitkin - The Journey North, Pastor Lynfield Hines, 218-824-5617, Worship 9 and 10:30, thejourneynorth.com  
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Brainerd\* - Faith Baptist Church, Pastor Chris Erickson, 218-829-3191; SS 9:00, Worship 10:30 and 6 p.m., Wed. Classes and Clubs 6:30 p.m.; fbcbraingerd.com  
Brainerd - The Church On The Wise Road, Pastor Todd Stumbo 218-829-4673, Worship 11:00, SS 9:45 www.thechurchontheviseroad.org  
Brainerd — Eagles Nest, Pastor Bob Stockland 218-829-4673, Worship 11, SS 9:45.  
Breezy Point — Eagles Nest, Pastor Bob Stockland 218-562-5252, Worship 9:30, SS 9:30.  
Crosby — Bible Baptist, Pastor G. Fisher; SS 9:45; Service 10:45 and 6 p.m., Bible Study and Our Kids for Christ Wed. 7 pm  
Deerwood\* — Pastor W. Skog; SS 9:30; Worship 10:30 and 6 pm; Wed. Service, 6:30 pm.  
Glory\* — Pastor Chris Meirose; 927-3678; SS 9:15; Worship 10:30 am.; Wed 6pm Glory Family night, KidMin grades kindergarten - 6. Mad4Christ grades 7-12.  
Hill City — Pastor Lonnie Lee; 218-697-2645; Adult SS 9; Worship 10 am; Bible Study, Fri., 7 pm.  
Isle — Pastor Nick Skogen; 676-3171; SS 9:30; Service 10:30; Bible Study, Wed., 7 p.m.  
Opstead — 676-8859; SS 9:30; Worship, 10:30; Bible Study Wed., 7 p.m.

**CATHOLIC**  
Aitkin — St. James, Fr. David Forsman, 218-927-6581; Mass Sat. 5 pm, Sun. 10 AM. Confession Sat. 10:10-45 am and 4-4:45 pm.  
Brainerd — St. Andrew's, Fr. Daniel Weiske, Sat.4:30; Sun. 10:00 and St. Mathias Sunday 8:00.  
Brainerd — St. Francis, Fr. Anthony Wroblewski, Sat. 5:00; Sunday 7:30, 9:00, 11:15 and All Saints Saturday 4:00 and Sunday 10:30.  
Cromwell/Wright — Immaculate Conception, Mass: Sat. 5 p.m.  
Crosby — St. Joseph's, Mass: Sat. 4:30 pm; Sun 10:30.  
Crosslake — Immaculate Heart, 218-692-3731; www.ihmstmilys.org; Mass: Sat. 4 pm; Sun. 8:30; Confession Sat. 3 pm.  
Emily — St. Emily, Mass: Mon. & Wed. 8; Sun. 10:30; Confession 1st Sat. 11 or by appt. 218-763-2101.  
Garrison — Our Lady of Fatima, Fr. Elias Gieske, Mass Sun. 8 am. Confession Sun 7:15-7:45 am.  
Grand Rapids — St. Joseph's, Fr. Jerry Weiss, Mass: Sat. 5 pm; Sun. 8 & 10:30. 218-326-2483  
Hillman — Holy Family, Sun. 10 to Mass Sat. 6:30 pm (only through Labor Day) w/ confession before or by appt.  
McGregor — Holy Family, Fr. David Forsman, 218-927-6581; Mass Sun. 8 am. Confession 7:15-7:45 am.  
Vineland — St. Therese, Mass Sun. 11; Holy Days 8:30.

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Baxter, Lakes Area — Nondenominational; 7001 Highland Scenic Road; Bible Study every Wed. 7 pm; Worship 10:30-11:30. 218-828-1362  
Tamarack — Pastor Terry Banker, 608-475-1528, Worship 9:30; SS 10:45; Wed Youth 4 pm.

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Aitkin — Nondenominational; 927-2749; at 219-1st Ave. NE., Aitkin, Services Sun. 10, 218-927-6959  
Brainerd - Community of Hope Church of the Nazarene- Pastor Dave McGaffey Sunday worship at 10:45, SS 9:30 -16549 Johnson Rd -church phone 218-829-9005  
Glen — Pastor R. F. Stauter, 218-838-1981; Worship 9 May-Oct.  
Grand Rapids — Solid Rock Church of God, Pastor Robert Kimberling; 218-326-0711; Sun. BS 9:30, Worship 10:30; Wed. BS 6:30 pm  
Jacobson — Jacobson Community Church, Pastor George Collins, 218-252-5938, Sun. SS (All ages) 9:30, Worship 10:30; Family Time 2nd & 4th Sundays; Wed. BS 7 pm  
Kimberly — Nature Ave. Rev. Rick Perry; Worship 9; Adult Bible Study & Sunday School 10:30; 218-927-6256.  
McGregor — Amazing Grace Christian Church; Worship 10; 99 South 1st Street (at the McGregor United Methodist church [shared] in downtown McGregor) Pastor Joel Seibel.  
McGregor — Victory Mission, Pastor J. Gould, 218-768-2160; Sun. 10; Wed. Bible Study, 7:30 pm.  
Merrifield — Community Church of the Nazarene, Pastor Ron Christenson; Service 11 & 6 pm. Wed. Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m.; 218-829-7536.  
Merrifield — Ossipee Community, SS 10; Service 11; Wed. Bible Study Prayer, 7:00 p.m.  
Nisswa — Christ Community Church, Pastor Dave Uhrich; Service 10; Fellowship 9:30-10  
Outing\* - Narrows Community Church, Pastor Stanley Mikles, 218-792-5530 Worship 9:30; Children's Sunday School 9:30; Clothes Closet 8 am - noon 4th Saturday, 6297 Woods Bay NE, just north of Hwy. 6 bridge  
Palisade/Waukenabo Twp. — Hilltop Chapel, Pastor B. Hite; Service 10 a.m.; Adult and Children's SS 9 a.m.; between Esquagama & Round Lake. Handicap Accessible.  
Tamarack — Church of Christ, 218-768-3898; Service 9:30; SS 10:45.

**CONGREGATIONAL**  
Aitkin — First (UCC) Rev. Susan Cline; Sun. 10; Comm. 1st Sun; Council Mtg. 2nd Sun. Spiritual fellowship, Sun. 9.

**EPISCOPAL**  
Aitkin — St. John's, Holy Communion or Morning Prayer 9 \*Brainerd - St. Paul's, Holy Communion Sunday 10

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Baxter — Lakewood EFC, Pastor Brian Erickson: Worship at 9 & 10:45; Wed for all ages 6:45 pm  
Crosslake — Interim Pastor Mark Holmen; Call for Service Times at 218-692-4141, email thelogchurh@crosslake.net  
Isle — Pastor Kerry Johnston; Worship 9; SS 10:15; Wed. Youth Group 6 pm; Adult Prayer 6:30 pm  
Malmo — Pastor Glenn Browning; SS 9:30; Fellowship 10; Worship 10:15  
Wright — Pastor Ken Mitchell, 218-426-5115; SS 9:30; Worship, 10:30; Thu., Bible Study, 7 pm.

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Glen — Beth Shalom Tabernacle of Truth, Rabi Frank Dell, for information 320-684-2804

**LUTHERAN**  
Aitkin — Bethlehem (ELCA), Rev. Rebecca Hinz; Worship 9:30; Holy Comm. 1st & 3rd Sun each month.  
Aitkin — First\* (ELCA) Pastor Darrell Pedersen, Pastor Jordan Gades; worship Sat. 5pm, Sun. 10am (coffee fellowship at 9am); communion every Sat. and 1st & 3rd Sun.; contemporary service 2nd & 5th Sun.; staffed nursery for Sun. service. Sun. service broadcast live on KKK (94.3FM) and on TV cable channel 181 at 9am on Wed.; community meal every Mon. & Thurs. 5pm; food shelf 2nd & 4th Thurs. each month 9:30am- 5pm.  
Aitkin — St. John's (Missouri Synod), Pastor D. Becker; Worship Sun. 9, SS 10  
Baxter — Christ Lutheran Church and Preschool (WELS). Pastor Bill Werth. Sunday Worship 9. Sunday School/ Adult Bible Class 10:15. 13815 Cherrywood Dr. in Baxter. (Corner of Inglewood and Cherrywood). 218-829-4105. www.christbaxter.com.  
Baxter — Prince of Peace (LCMS); Communion every Sunday 9, Fellowship 10:15, Adult Bible Class & Sunday School 10:30 am 218-829-7092 www.pobaxter.org  
Beaver Township — Finnish EA, Hwy. 27, Worship 1st & 3rd Sun., 10:30.  
Brainerd — Good Shepherd Free Lutheran Church, AFLC, Sunday School 9, Worship 10 coffee fellowship 11, Wednesday evening 7 pm adult Bible study. Located at 5878 Pine Beach Road, Brainerd, 218-824-3052, www.goodshepherdfreechurch.org  
Brainerd - Laestadian Lutheran Church; 1501 So. 8th St. - Sunday Worship Services 11 am. (www.lchurch.org)  
Brainerd — Trinity Lutheran Church (ELCA) 1420 South 6th Street Brainerd — Pastor David P. Holte and Pastor Hans Anderson - Summer Sunday Worship Time is 9 a.m. and Wednesday evening at 6 p.m. — Phone: 218-829-5147 Website: www.trinitybrainerd.org Email: trinity@trinitybrainerd.org  
Brainerd — Truth Lutheran Church (LCMC, Pastor James Walth, Corner of 5th and Kingwood, Worship 9  
Breezy Point\* — Eagles Nest, Pastor Jonathan Lemaster, 218-562-5252, Worship 10:30 a.m. SS 9:30 a.m.  
Cedar Lake, Norwegian Lutheran — Third Sun 11, May - Oct. Cedarbrook — St. John's (ELCA); Worship 8:30; Holy Comm. 1st & 3rd Sun.  
Crosby — Immanuel (LCMC, NALC) Rev. Paul Mattson; Sun. 9 & 10:30 worship; SS (Sept.-May) 10:40.  
Crosby — Zion (LC-MS) Pastor Dean Stolz; Worship 8:30; SS 10; Bible Study Wed. 7 pm; handicap accessible. 218-546-6910  
Crosslake — (ELCA), Indoor worship 8:30; Coffee Fellowship 9:30; outdoor worship 10. 218-692-3682.  
Crosslake — Mission of the Cross (LCMS), Pastor Leslie Uhrinak; Worship 9:30 with every Sunday Communion, Fellowship 10:30, Adult Bible Class 11, 218-692-4228, www.missionofthecross.org  
Deerwood — Salem (ELCA), Pastor Michael Briggs; Worship: 8:15 (traditional) & 10 (contemporary); Sunday School 9:15.  
Garrison — Light of the Cross (ELCA), Pastor Juli Sutton-Deem; Worship 9 SS 9; 320-692-4773 or 877-406-9101.  
Garrison — Shepherd of the Lake (LCMS), Rev. Tom Petersen. Worship 10 with Communion Every Sunday. Adult Bible Study 8:30am, Sunday School Sept-May, 8:30am. Fellowship 11am. 320-692-4581. www.shepherdofthelake.org.  
Giese — Immanuel, Rev. R. Langhorst & Rev. R. Lovaas; Worship 9; SS 10; Holy Communion 1st Sun. of month 8:45.  
Hill City — Trinity, (Missouri Synod), Pastor M. Eckert; Worship 9; Bible Study 10:15.  
Hillman — Immanuel, (ELCA) Sun. Worship 9:30, SS 10. Located on the corner of Hwy. 27 and Co. Rd. 47. (Handicap accessible)  
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Jacobson — Carmel, Vicar Mark Wagner; SS 1st & 3rd Sun. 10, Service 11, fellowship follows.  
Lake Shore — Living Savior Lutheran Church, 8327 Interlachen Rd.; Worship 9:00 Sunday mornings, followed by fellowship and Bible study. (Located on Co. Rd. #77 N)  
Malmo — Bethesda (ELCA) Sun. Worship 9 (winter) 8:30 & 10 (summer); Fellowship after first service; Comm. 1st & 3rd Sun.

McGrath — Grace; Wed. potluck 5 pm, Bible study 6 p.m.; SS 10; Worship 11.  
McGrath — Zion (ELCA), Pastor Elliott Malm; Worship 9; SS 9.  
McGregor/Big Sandy Lake — Grace Lutheran Log Church (ELCA), Pastor Ericka Foss; Worship 9, Fellowship follows, SS 10.  
McGregor — Our Savior's (Missouri Synod), Pastor Joshua C. Reinke; Worship 9; SS 10; Bible Study Tue. 9, Wed. 7 pm Outing — Our Saviors ELCA; Pastor Michael Gustafson, Worship 9.  
Palisade\* — Bethel (ELCA), Rev. Wm. J. Sass; Worship 9:30; Wed. School classes 4:15 p.m.  
Pequot Lakes\* - Our Savior's Lutheran Church (ELCA) Rev. Peter Rosenkvist, Worship 9:00 a.m. SS 9:15 am. Adult Ed — 10:15 am. Wed. Worship 5:45 pm. Free Community Supper Wednesdays at 5 pm.  
Rossburg — Bethesda (ELCA); Comm. 1st & 3rd Sunday each month.  
Tamarack (AFLC) — Pastor Ron Staudinger; 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays 10 am; 41163 Kestrel Ave 3.3 mi. South of Hwy 210  
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# Seniors stay busy helping neighbors with tax preparation assistance



Taxpayers wait for free help from volunteers. Ann Schwartz photos

By ANN SCHWARTZ  
 It was standing room only at the Aitkin Public Library on Valentine's Day. The occasion? Free in-person AARP tax preparation assistance. Customers waited in anticipation, filling out forms and taking numbers, to be seen by the volunteers who work hard every Thursday from 10:30-2:30 through April 11. According to their literature, volunteer tax preparers

work hard to assure that taxpayers get every tax credit and deduction they are entitled to. The program is open to taxpayers of all ages and the volunteers are re-certified each year. Right: Lending a hand, **Front Row:** Frank Kingsley, Deidre Gustavson and Muriel Kingsley. **Back Row:** Louise and Gary Clipper, Vickie Reinhardt, Gary Rodgers and Randy Brunet. Roberta Elvecrog and Debbie Schultz are not pictured.



# Wrestlers to cruise cityward this week as danceline returns victorious



The Aitkin Gobblers are Section 7A Champions. **Front Row:** (left to right) Tyler DeCent, Quin Miller, Marshall Larson, Luke Pelarski, Student Manager Bethanie Gravelle, Assistant Coach Shawn Hankel **Middle Row:** Student Manager Payton Berg, Student Manager Olivia Tibbetts, Nathan Rom, Carson Kullhem, Jack Gravelle, James Erickson, Tyler Spolarich, Hunter Hills **Back Row:** Assistant Coach Keith Larson, Head Coach Larry Liljenquist, Daniel DeCent, Craig Ashton, Jack Workman, Cody Snyder, Carter Endrizzi, Austin Espeseth, Nathan Stifter, Tanner Hills, Student Manager Nora Ashton, Assistant Coach Greg Hills



Above: Aitkin All Starz team

By ANN SCHWARTZ  
 The firetrucks and police cars of Aitkin County will hardly get any rest. Observing a cherished

small-town tradition, teams heading to state tournaments get a police-and-firetruck escort to and from Aitkin. The Aitkin All Starz Danceline returned on Sunday, afternoon, Feb. 17, after facing very tough competition at state. Still, they achieved a third place in High Kick and a fifth place in the Jazz Kick divisions.

It was on to the Aitkin High School Cafeteria for cake and congratulations for this outstanding team.

**Wrestling**  
 There was hardly time to clean up from the fun the day before. Aitkin hosted the Section Tournament and



Seniors on the Aitkin All Starz team seniors are **Front Row:** Captain Maddy Slette, Captain Jessica Shaver, Captain Arianna Richardson, **Back Row:** Jadyne Cline, Amira Smith, Megan DuRose. Not pictured: Brittaney Wilson.

wrestling took number one in sections! That means the whole team will go to the state tournament. The Minnesota State High School Wrestling Tournament is set for Feb. 28-March 2, at the Excel Energy Center, St. Paul. No doubt drivers are shining up their firetrucks and testing their horns in anticipation of escorting Aitkin wrestlers south for victory!

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(Published in NewsHopper Sat., Feb. 24, 2019)  
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## OBITUARIES

### JOEL CARLSON



Joel Brian Carlson, 56, of Duluth formerly of Fifty Lakes died at his home on February 11, 2019 from diabetic complications. A Memorial Service will be held at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, February 24, 2019 at the Crosslake Lutheran Church. Visitation will be one hour prior to the services at the church on Sunday. Memorials are preferred in lieu of flowers. Please send all memorials and flowers to the Crosslake Lutheran Church. He was born on December 25, 1962 in Cambridge to Roger and Faye (Ranum) Carlson. Joel was a switch installation technician for 32

years, serving AT&T Mobility, Siemens Stromberg-Carlson and NTT. He was a member of the Fifty Lakes Sportsman's Club, Crosslake Lutheran Church and the Cuyuna Range Rock Club. Joel loved spending time at his Mitchell Lake home. Joel is survived by his son, Logan Carlson, Pequot Lakes; daughter, Brynn Carlson, Pequot Lakes; mother, Faye Carlson, Crosby; brother, Jeffrey (Deena Cavanagh) Carlson, Shevlin and sisters, Jody (Ron) Carnes, Brainerd and Amy Carlson, Crosslake. He is preceded in death by his father, Roger Carlson. Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home in Crosby.

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**Block North Brew Pub | Continued from Page 1**



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able to drink there or take a growler-sized half gallon of product home.

“We want to be sustainable for the long term — to be an anchor for more businesses to commit to Aitkin,” he said about their vision.

Castle Danger brewing has done much for the city of Two Harbors, for example. “Hopefully, with our huge investment in capital and the permitting process, we’ll have success for the long term,” said Olson. “We want to tie in as many other businesses as possible, like the movie theater, and make

Aitkin a destination town.

They hope to draw patrons from a 50 miles area.

The food will be great and a draw itself. “We’re trying to get away from standard fare to more unique food,” explained Olson. “It will be a great dining experience with chef-prepared food. And we’ll have a seating area near the kitchen so you can watch the food being prepared.”

Courtemanche and Olson boast home-brewing backgrounds and Olson holds a general certificate in brewing from the Institute of Brewing and Distilling.

The permitting and educational process has been exhaustive, Olson conceded, with the establishment obtaining a city liquor license, federal permits and state permits and much more. Strict preparation and distribution rules govern brew pups.

Block North will offer a chef-prepared dining experience that will be unique to the area and make it a destination for a date night or family event, summed up Olson. And a great flight of beer and cider will be offered, along with a full bar in a well-designed and purposed space.



Downtown Aitkin will now have its own local beer brewing here in the basement of Block North Brewpub, the former Aitkin Furniture Store building.

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AA Garrison: Monday Night AA (open) 7:30 PM and Wednesday 7:30 PM at Community Alliance Church, 9475 Jefferson St.

ALANON - 322 1st Ave NE, Aitkin 6:30 pm Thursday evenings.

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Aitkin Friends of the Library meet 4th Tue. each month, 1 pm, Aitkin Public Library.

Aitkin IOOF 164 meeting every 4th Monday at 2 pm

Aitkin Rebekah lodge. 151. Meets the 1 st and the 3rd Tuesday of each month. Come join us. We meet at the IOOF hall. 22 2nd st. Above the Napa auto parts store. The 1st tues. is a business meeting. The 3rd one is a social meeting

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Alzheimer's Support group meetings at ANGELS in McGregor meets the 1st Thurs. every month at 1 pm.

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Art Club meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays at the Jaques Art Center in Aitkin, 1-3 pm

Blow-Hards, a lung disease support group, meets the 4th Thu. of each month, Kanabec Hospital in Mora. Contact Carol, 320-225-3646.

Care N Share Community Cafe Community Meal, Wednesdays Located in the fellowship hall in the Wesleyan Church on Highway #6 in Emily. Please call Sharon - 612 669-3295

Caregiver/Memory Loss Support Group. Meets the first Wed., 1-2 p.m. at Birchstreet Center, downtown Aitkin. 218-9271383.

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Clear Lake Grange meets second Tue. each month, 6 p.m. potluck, 7 p.m. meeting. Meets at the Aitkin Library Community Center. More info call Bonnie 218-927-3485 or Roxy 218-927-4558..

Co-dependants Anonymous meeting. 332 1st Av. NE Aitkin. Wednesday evenings. 5:30.

Cooks Night Out - 3rd Wed of month, McGregor Comm. Ctr., 5:30 p.m., no restrictions, donations welcome.

Cuyuna Rock Gem & Mineral Club, meet 2nd Sat. each month, 2:30 at the lower level of the Franklin Arts Center at 1001 Kingwood St, Brainerd.

Dance every second Tuesday at Moose in Grand Rapids.

Dance at VFW in McGregor every 1st Monday of the month, except holidays which will be on the following Monday

Dance at Waukenabo the second and last Wednesday of the month.

Deerwood Lakes Lions meet the 2nd Monday of each month at the Heartwood Senior Living Complex. Social begins at 5:30pm followed by Dinner/Meeting at 6:00pm. We are very involved in community events and would love to have you join us. If you would like to come to a meeting and see what we do or going to be doing, please call Lion Nancy at 218-678-4165 and let me know by the Thursday before our meeting.

Dyed in the Wool Spinners meeting 1st Tuesday of the month 1-4 p.m. If you knit, crochet, spin, weave or do any other fiber arts please join us in the Club Room at the Security State Bank, 402 Minnesota Ave. N., Aitkin.

Emily Community Care N Share is serving meals on Wednesdays in the fellowship hall at the Wesleyan Church, Highway 6, Emily

Evergreen P.A.C. ATV Club meetings 1st Thu. each month, 7 pm, Jackson Hole, Lawler, open to public.

FASD Caregiver Support Group - For caregivers of individuals with a diagnosed or suspected Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD). Meet with other caregivers (adults only please) for support, understanding, and networking. Meetings are 9 am the second Saturday of each month at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 418 8th Ave. NE, Brainerd. For more information, please contact Sheila York at 218-820-5903 or syork@mofas.org

Food Addicts in Recovery Anonymous Meeting Tuesday evenings, 6:30 pm small conference room at Aitkin Library. No dues, fees or weigh ins. For more information call: 217-248-6434. www.foodaddicts.org

Food Shelf (Aitkin) Open ev-

ery Wednesday, 10:30 am - 3 pm. 102 4th St. NW, Aitkin

Food Shelf (Aitkin) at First Lutheran Church open on 2nd and 4th Thurs, 9:30 am-5 pm, at 107 2nd St SE, Aitkin. Must register by 4:45 pm to be served.

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Food Shelf (Emily) First Wednesday of the month for produce and bakery only, 9:30 - 11:00 am. Third Wednesday distribution 9:30 - 11:00 am, followed by Thursday distribution 5:30 - 6:30 pm. Enter from south door.

Food Shelf (Garrison) Open Tue. & Thu. 1-5 pm, at 9541 Madison Street; Garrison. For emergency Food Shelf, call 320-692-5399 and leave a message.

Food Shelf (Hill City) Trinity Lutheran Church 3rd Saturday 8 am - Noon or by Appt.

Food Shelf (Jacobson) Carmel Lutheran Church 60346 240th Ave, 1st and 3rd Thursday, 4 - 6 pm

Food Shelf (McGregor) 45898 Hwy 65 2nd and 4th Wednesday of Month 9 am - Noon

Garrison Fire Auxiliary meets 2nd Thu. 7:30 pm, Garrison Fire Hall.

Garrison Thrift Store, Thurs.-Fri. 10-4, Sat. 11-4.

Gamblers Anonymous 7 pm Thursdays at the Heritage Church on College Drive in Brainerd. This is a closed meeting. Anyone who has a desire to stop gambling is welcome. For more info call 715-821-1749.

Hearth to Heart Support Group, 4th Tue. of month, 2 pm, Kanabec Hospital, int. of Hwy. 65 & 23, Mora.

Jacobson Seniors meets every Thu., 10-2 pm at Jacobson Comm. Ctr. Potluck at noon. Beverage provided. All are welcome. For more info., 752-1515.

McGrath City Council, first Thu. of the month, 6:30 pm at fire station hall.

McGrath Senior Center meets every Mon. 1-4 pm, cards & games, all are welcome.

McGregor Community Meal sponsored by ANGELS served at the Community Center on Highway 65 on the 3rd Wednesday of each month serving from 5:30 - 6:00 pm.

McGregor TOPS (Take off Pounds Sensibly) meets Thu., 4 pm weigh in, 4:30 meeting, Minnewawa Sportsman's Club, Goshawk St. (Co. Rd. 6). 218-768-2340 for more info.

McGregor VFW hosts a dance the 1st Monday every month at 1pm.

MS Support Group, meets the 1st Thu. of the month at 7 pm, 606 NW 5th St, Brainerd, 218-824-5228.

Mystic Masonic Lodge meets 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month at 7 pm except June, July & August meet only 1st Tuesday at 7 pm over the Eye Care Center in Aitkin.

National Alliance on Mental Illness meet Fri., 2:30, Community Presbyterian Church, 703 Pokegama Ave., room 105, Grand Rapids, Call Terrence at 218-327-1347.

ORDER OF EASTERN STAR, Woodland Chapter #122 in Aitkin meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays each month at 7PM, EXCEPT January, February and July which are dark. 4th Tuesday in June and 2nd Tuesday in August also are dark. Meetings are held on 2nd floor of the EyeCare Center 312 Minnesota Ave No. Aitkin, MN

Operation Minnesota Nice meets 3rd Monday each month at 6 pm at Trinity Lutheran Church, Hill City. For info call Tina Harcey at 218-697-8144. www.operationminnesotainice.com.

Overeaters Anonymous Open Meeting, Sat. 9:35am, Aitkin Library. Everyone welcome, especially newcomers. OA is a 12-step fellowship of people recovering from compulsive eating. OA is not a diet club. We are dedicated to helping individuals recovering from compulsive eating, anorexia, bulimia, food addiction and obesity. If you are struggling, you are not alone any more. For more info: OA.org, or

call Cheryl, meeting contact, 770-576-5984. Praise & Worship Services, 101 S. Maddy St., McGregor, Intercessory prayer Wed 6-7 p.m.; Praise & Worship Services Sat. 2 pm, Sun 10 am.

Recovery Worship Service, Cascade United Methodist Church, Crosby/Deerwood, 1st Sat., 5 pm. Everyone is welcome.

Rosary is ongoing the fourth Tuesday of each month at 1 pm at the Big Fish, Garrison, contact Jean at 218-764-2665 for more info.

RSVP Bone Builders (Osteoporosis exercise program) Tue & Thu: 10-11 First Lutheran Church, Aitkin; 11:30-12:30 Blackrock Terrace, Aitkin; 12:45-1:45 Journey North Church, Aitkin; Wed: 10-11 Malmo Evangelical Free Church, Malmo & Fri: 10-11 Bethesda Lutheran Church, Malmo. Free of charge. Info call 218-927-1383.

Second Tuesday Card Party, Deerwood American Legion. Open to public, 1 pm social, card playing 1:30-3:30 pm. Cost \$3 per person. Refreshments.

Senior Dance at Deerwood Legion, 1-4 pm, 1st and 3rd Fri. each month.

TOPS Aitkin (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Every Tues at East Entrance, First Lutheran Church, 101 2nd St SE, Aitkin Weigh in at 4:30pm and meeting at 5pm

TOPS Ironton (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meet Monday, 4 pm weigh-in, 4:30 pm meeting at Immanual Lutheran Church, Crosby. Call Mabel Semler 218-546-6523 for meeting location information.

Weight Watchers meets every Wednesday at 5:45 pm at the Deerwood VFW. Weigh in begins at 5:15 pm. For more information, call 218-820-9725.

White Pine Riders ATV Club meet 2nd Sat. each month (Feb. - Oct.) at McGrath Fire Hall, 10 am, open to public.

**2019 February**

23rd - Perch Extravaganza, 8 a.m. - 2 p.m., Mille Lacs Lake, Nitti's Hunter Point Resort.

24th - Central Lakes Community Performing Arts Center and the Central Lakes College Foundation will present A.R. Gurney's "Love Letters" at Prairie Bay's Baxter restaurant. Social hour with light appetizers and a cash bar will begin at 5 p.m. with Act I of "Love Letters" beginning at 6 p.m. All proceeds will go to the Joseph Plut Scholarship Fund. Tickets for "Love Letters" are available from the CLC Foundation, and can be purchased at www.clcmn.edu/events/loveletters. Seating for the event is limited to 50 audience members, so early purchase is recommended. For questions, call 218-855-8135.

25th - Killer Vees 'Remembering Bobby Vee' perform at the Tornstrom Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. Tickets for 'Re-

membering Bobby Vee' are available from the CLC Theatre Box Office at 218-855-8199.

31st - Neighborhood Energy Workshop at Wadena-Deer Creek High School 5-7pm. Find steps to save energy and money, get help reading your utility bill, learn about energy assistance, connect directly with service providers and a free dinner! To register people can call Community Ed at 218-632-2323.

**March**

1st - Friday FUNdraiser with S.A.M. at the Moose Lodge in Aitkin 4:30 p.m.

2nd & 3rd - 22nd Annual Gun Show at Deerwood Auditorium 9 a.m.- 5 p.m. Buy, sell or trade.

2nd - Frozen Crappie Flop Fishing Tournament. Sign up at Oars 'n Mine in Crosby. \$10

## askdrsmith.com featuring Dr. Murray Smith Shovel out sluggishness

With the excitement of the holidays in our rearview mirror and the cold snowy weather pressing in, the mid-winter months can often leave us feeling sluggish and bloated. These feelings can be a great motivator for us to clean up our habits and our bodies for a healthier year. This can start with recognizing our bodies can become "toxic" and in need of cleansing.

When our body's natural detoxification system has been overloaded beyond its limits, we can become what is commonly referred to as "toxic". This can come from something as simple as our normal muscle metabolism. However, it is more notably from environmental pollution in our food, water and air. Unfortunately, this can affect every part of our body.

**So how do I know I'm "toxic"?**

Although we can experience a major toxic exposure that affects our health, it is more often the slow gradual buildup that affects us over time. The symptoms can start with something simple like tiredness and sluggishness. It can spread causing achiness in joints and muscles, or perhaps causing headaches. Unfocused thoughts and foggy-nosed can begin to increase or we may have digestive issues. Essentially, there can be a wide array of symptoms from allergies to hormone issues that each can indicate the need to detoxify.

**So how does our body detoxify?**

Our bodies have an extensive process to handle this big chore. The liver is a primary organ for eliminating toxins, cleaning the blood throughout the day. The kidneys, intestines, lungs, lymphatics, and skin all help, as well. All are important to support during our daily living and all can be used to engage the body to detoxify.

In the coming weeks, we'll go more in-depth in the actual process and procedures that can help in cleaning up our body and improving our health.

*Dr. Murray Smith is the co-founder of SHIFT Integrative Medicine serving the Cuyuna Lakes and Brainerd Lakes areas of central Minnesota for over 25 years.*

For more information, log on to [www.askdrsmith.com](http://www.askdrsmith.com) or call 218-851-9626.

## READER RIBBETS

### Binding arbitration

Arbitration is a legal binding dispute settlement process. The findings may be appealed, most courts rule when arbitration is used, the findings stand as fact. BMS Case No 17-PA-0260 was not appealed, the findings stand as fact, read it at [www.newshopper.net](http://www.newshopper.net).

The findings disparage the Crosby police leadership for a reason; what they did was wrong. Their acts were deliberate, calculated, and malicious, the arbitrator couldn't ignore what occurred. The police leadership lied, distorted the truth, conducted a biased and prejudice investigation.

This was the second time they were unable to prove

their allegations. Three failed attempts to prosecute a prominent citizen failed, two acquittals, one dismissal, unable to prove allegations again. The continued employment of the police leadership is destructive, their honesty and integrity shall forever be called into question.

The failure of the city council and Mayor to unite and immediately terminate them will burden the city for years to come.

The arbitrators and jurors did the job they were asked to do, the people who did not do their job, the Crosby police leadership. The danger citing and hiding behind data privacy laws is despicable,


it's understandable, they are trying to save their careers.

It is tragic the city council and Mayor are supporting them, hiding along with them behind data privacy.

The POST Board members have been asked to read the report, a complaint has not been filed, which means, amateurs like me must do most of the investigative work to give to professionals.

BMS Case No 17-PA-0260 stands as the definitive legal document the Crosby police leadership, city council and Mayor of Crosby, will not escape.

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