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Community mounted up and galloped to the finish line for new barn Spiffy new, red horse barn dedicated at Aitkin Fairgrounds



A crowd gathers in front of the bright red horse barn for its dedication at the Aitkin County Fairgrounds. Ann Schwartz photos

By ANN SCHWARTZ
A little over two years ago, Lance Baumann was facing a large mountain. He had about \$30,000 raised to build a new horse barn at the Aitkin Fairgrounds, but he needed \$180,000 to build a barn with 50 stalls.

The old barn was removed in 2008 and the fundraising effort to replace it was lagging. Therefore, the 4-H Young Riders and Bit and Bridle Saddle Club didn't have a place to house their horses for the fair or horse shows. They had to tie them up or bring

them home each night – a poor choice between poor security and inconvenience.

An article was published March 2017 in the NewsHopper, and that got the project moving, according to Baumann. Peggy Jones of

American Peat Technologies saw the article, got excited, and soon that local firm pledged a \$50,000 gift for the barn.

One thing led to another as the community saddled up and joined the ride. Govern-

ment, utilities, farmers, horse- men and women, contractors, individuals – everyone needed to make the project a success joined in their ride.

With much sweat equity completed on their own,

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Power Boat Races on Serpent Lake



Randy Harrison photo

Crosby Memorial Park's boat landing will be closed for public use the last weekend of July to accommodate the Power Boat Races. The public is invited to experience the thrills of breath-taking and

heart pounding championship powerboat racing along the shores of Serpent Lake on Saturday and Sunday, July 27-28, from noon to 4 p.m. Cheer on professional race teams as they compete

against each other in pursuit of a Championship Title.

At the Twin Cities' Power Boat Association's races, some boats will top speeds over 100 miles per hour and appear to fly on the water. There is no admittance fee and concessions will be available.

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Aitkin's new flag

Police Chief Tim Catlin raised Aitkin's new flag at city hall last week. In a contest sponsored by Friends of the Arts and the city of Aitkin, Chip Borkenhagen supplied the winning design. Ann Schwartz photo



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VEHICLE: 2008 Chevy HHR 2.4 liter, leather heated seats, sun roof, running boards 51,000 miles immaculate condition, 1987 Chevy Monte Carlo SS reconstruction with 32,000 miles (very nice). **TRACTOR:** Ford 1710 3 Cylinder diesel, 26 HP live power, 3 point, new clutch w/2000 hrs & Koyker 150 loader/bucket, 3 point back blade **TRAILER:** Loadmaster Aluminum trailer 6x10 with ramp, 5x8 lawn tractor trailer **LAWN TRACTORS & RELATED:** John Deere GX345 20 HP riding lawn tractor w/48" cut w/throwing & bagger attachment, Sears 14 HP lawn tractor, Simplicity 738 lawn tractor, Ford lawn tractor, Minneapolis Moline lawn tractor, Massey Ferguson 7 lawn tractor, Craftsman lawn tractor, (2) Briggs & Stratton 6.5 HP engine (new in boxes), Briggs & Stratton 10 HP engine (new in box), Power Boss 6.75 HP pressure washer, Numerous trimming mowers some for parts, jari mower, snowblowers & more, Hand lawn roller **SHOP TOOLS & RELATED:** 1000lb Hydraulic lawn mower or ATV w/ramps, Acetylene torch set w/tanks on cart, Large commercial air compressor, Foley Bell saw, Belt Sander on stand, Two tool chests, Delta radial arm saw, Large quantity of sockets, wrenches an other mechanic related tools, Machinist tools, Rockwell chop saw, Craftsman scroll saw, Various hand power tools, Valve grinders, Battery Chargers, Large quantity of hardware & organizers, Load binders, come alongs & related, Numerous gas cans & related, **LAWN & GARDEN RELATED:** Hundreds of lawn mower blades, Numerous Chainsaws & new bars, Large quantity of chainsaw blades, Weed trimmers gas & battery, Weed trimmer line, Push mowers, hundreds of lawn mower belts, oil filters, trimmer line, mufflers & carb kits, numerous cases of oil & lubes, Lawn tractor & trailer tires **SNOWMOBILES:** 1994 Polaris Indy 500 Fuel injected w/5600 miles, 1979 Polaris Gemini Immaculate condition, Snowmobile dolly's. **FIREARMS:** Mossberg 183 D-A.410 bolt, Etienne Model 1892 French MA S dated 1914 ser. 44875 **ITEMS OF INTEREST:** Rough sawn pine & black ash boards, Chevy S10 or Canyon running boards new in box, Various dealership signs, Large road side advertising sign w/letters, Numerous candle yard Christmas light decorations, Galvanized cans, Live trap, Gas ice auger, Mercury OB motor, Collectible barn lanterns, Horse Hames, **HOUSEHOLD & RELATED:** Numerous Afghans & Quilts, (7) Wrought Iron café chairs (painted white), Flat & round top trunks, Cookie jars, Milk Glass & Pick Depression glass, numerous canning jars & lids, Upholstered furniture, Large China cabinet, (2) Antique wooden rockers, Various porcelain dolls, Children's toys & dolls, Various kitchen household appliances, Regulator wall clock & Koo Koo Clock, Various crocks & relate, Smaller garage freezer, Redwood style deck furniture **PLUS MUCH MORE!**

Auctioneers Note: This is a large quality Auction, be certain to attend and bring a friend. Vic operated a small engine and lawn mower repair shop at is home for years, including selling weed trimmers, lawn mowers, chainsaws and all the repair parts associated with it. When it comes to lawn and garden accessories, if Vic doesn't have it you don't need it! Thank you in advance, *Janzen Auctioneers*

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Mark Munson Rock Music Camp concert



Begun as a legacy project by The Crossing Arts Alliance to honor longtime board member Mark Munson, the third year of Mark Munson Rock Music Camp teaches youth musicians how to become rock stars. The camp brings talented young musicians together to work on the skills needed to become a band and to perform on stage. Under the guidance of an established local musician instructor, students develop skills and friendships, and learn and perform two classic rock songs. The camp culminates with a rock concert to be held at the Tornstrom Auditorium on Thursday, July 25. The public is encouraged to attend. Tickets are \$7 in advance, \$10 at the door. Tickets are available online at crossing-arts.org. 2018 concert images by Rob Fitzsimmons.

Tickets for Superhero Storytime at area libraries

Two popular superheroes will revisit their adventure with help from kids in the audience and a trusty sidekick during Superhero Storytime, a program of East Central Regional Library's Summer Learning Program. All library branches will be hosting this exciting, interactive event!

After the stories conclude, the characters will be available – for 30 minutes – to meet and greet the guests and take pictures. Children are encouraged to wear their favorite hero attire. Parents and caregivers

are asked to bring their own devices for photos.

Attendance is limited. Tickets, at no cost, will be handed out starting Tuesday, July 23, at the library. Pick up your tickets at the branch you wish to attend to reserve your spot:

Tuesday, July 30

- 10:30 a.m. Milaca Community Library, 235 1st St. E., Milaca
- 1 p.m. Mora Public Library, 200 W. Maple Ave., Mora
- 3:30 p.m. Rush City Public Library, 240 W. 4th St., Rush City

Wednesday, July 31

- 10:30 a.m. Wyoming Area Library, 26855 Forest Blvd., Wyoming
- 1 p.m. North Branch Area Library, 6355 379th St., North Branch
- 3:30 p.m. Chisago Lakes Area Library, 11754 302nd St., Chisago City

Thursday, Aug. 1

- 10:30 a.m. McGregor Fire Hall, 101 E. Center Ave., McGregor
- 1 p.m. Aitkin Public Library, 110 1st Ave. NE, Aitkin
- 4 p.m. Mille Lacs Lake

Community Library, 285 2nd Ave. S., Isle

Tuesday, Aug. 6

- 10:30 a.m. Pine City Public Library, 300 5th St. SE, Pine City
 - 1 p.m. Hinckley Public Library, 106 1st St. SE, Hinckley
 - 3:30 p.m. Sandstone Public Library, 119 N. 4th St., Sandstone
- Thursday, Aug. 8**
- 10:30 a.m. Cambridge Public Library, 244 S. Birch St., Cambridge
 - 1 p.m. Princeton Area Library, 100 S. 4th Ave., Princeton

Aitkin horse barn dedication | Continued from Page 1

along with substantial discounts, donations and in-kind labor and materials, the new barn was dedicated in time for the Aitkin County Fair.

Baumann was visibly moved and close to tears as he read page after page about how everyone pulled together to make the project a success.

The horse barn spurred



Lance Baumann spearheaded the barn effort. He is flanked by helpers David Hommes and Linda Weimer.

built, and the hog and sheep barns were also moved to the south of the horse barn.

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noted Baumann back in 2017. "We have a really strong horse culture in the area. We really want to see this succeed – to support our kids and our community."

And those kids, dressed in their green T-shirts, were there, along with members of their supportive community, when the horse barn was dedicated.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

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AA - Aitkin - 322 1st Ave. NE 218-927-6240 Sun. Women's Meeting 5:30, Mon. Step Study 7:00pm Open, Tue. Big Book Discussion Meeting 6:30pm Open, Open Meeting 8:00pm, Wed. Women's Meeting 6pm, Thu. Sober Sailors Open 9am.

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.

ALANON Garrison: Wednesday 7:30 PM at Community Alliance Church, 9475 Jefferson St.

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 Lions meet on the 3rd Tuesday at 6 pm at the Aitkin Forty Club restaurant. Call 218-839-3954 for more info.

Aitkin Rebekah lodge. 151. Meets the 1st 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

Aitkin Women of Today meet 2nd Mon. of month, 6:30 pm, Mille Lacs Energy Coop, info call 218-927-4558. Evening care is available and free. All are welcome!

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

American Legion Aitkin Lee #86 & Unit 86, meets the 2nd Thurs. of each month at 7 p.m.

Art Club meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays at the Jaques Art Center in Aitkin, 1-3 pm "Ask An Attorney" Workforce Center - 20-3rd St. NE, Aitkin, 4th Tuesday of month at noon Pre-registration required call 218-723-4005

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

Buddhism-Nichiren meetings held at the Brainerd Public Library conference room on the 3rd Saturday of every month at 1 pm. For information contact Mike Engblom-Bradley 936-525-7843.

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.

Circles of Support meets every Tue., 6-8 pm If you are living paycheck to paycheck and are ready for a change, Circles may be right for you, call Brandi, 800-997-5723.

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.

Clothes Closet offers free clothing to men and women in need, open the fourth Saturdays of each month from 8 a.m. - noon. Located at 6297 Woods Bay Drive NE, just north of the Hwy. 6 bridge in Outing. For more information call 320-857-0182. Donations of clean, repair free clothing accepted that time also.

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 caregiv-

ers 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

Friends of Rice Lake National Wildlife Refuge meet 3rd Wed. each month, at 1 pm. at the Visitor Center at 36289 State Hwy. 65, McGregor 218-768-2402

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 every 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.

Food Shelf (Aitkin) Emergency Food Shelf at St. James Catholic Church, Aitkin. Hours are Tuesday from 12 to 3 pm. To enter the food shelf go to the South side of the building, go to the 4th door and look for signs.

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.

Heart 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.

Marsh and Meadows Hunting Retriever Club, Mon. 5:30 pm in Pequot Lakes, for more info call Brett 651-270-5648 or facebook/Marsh and Meadows Hunting Retriever Club

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.

North Central MN Farm & Antique Assn. meet 1st Wed. of month, Blackberry Town Hall. Info: Bruce 218-752-6592.

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.operationminnesotanice.com.

Overeaters Anonymous 9:30am at Aitkin Library, 7:00pm at 112 1st Ave SW - house next to New Life Church. Everyone is welcome, especially newcomers. OA is a 12 step program fashioned after AA. Not a diet club, no dues or fees or weigh-ins. For more info: OA.org, or call meeting contact Cheryl at 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.

Pickleball 9 a.m.- noon on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at the Rutger's Bay Lake Lodge. For more information, contact Ron Mogen, u-equity@usa.net.

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 Immanuel Lutheran Church, Crosby. Call Mabel Semler 218-546-6523 for meeting location information.

Weight Watchers (now called WW) meets at Hallett Center in Crosby every Wednesday at 5:45 pm. 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.

July

20th - Emily Day in Emily. Parade, food, raffles, games for kids and beer garden.

20th - Malmo Evangelical Free Church Outdoor Gospel Concert, 7 pm, Due North - Coming from Duluth to share their original and amazing music with us. Bring a lawn chair. In case of rain or excessive heat, the concert will be inside the air conditioned church. Refreshments will be available and a free will offering will be received. Malmo Church is located near the junction of Hwys. 47 and 18 on near the north east corner of Lake Mille Lacs.

22nd - Minnesota blues musician Mike Munson will be performing from 6-7 p.m. at East Central Regional Library in Aitkin. This program is recommended for all ages, and no registration is necessary.

24th - Cuyuna Rolling Hills Ladies Golf Association will host a 9 Hole Rally For The Cure 10:45 a.m. and 9 hole Memorial Tournament at 8:30 a.m. All area women are invited to participate. There is a \$20 tax deductible donation for the Rally event. There will be a special "Rally" rate for green fees, if you are not a member of Cuyuna Rolling Hills. Lunch will be available. A variety of proximity prizes will be awarded. Call Cuyuna Rolling Hills 534-3489 or Sandy 546-6506 or Edie 927-2168 to register.

25th - Egg-static' over rockets! Kids can make simple rockets from plastic Easter eggs and household materials 1-2 p.m., at East Central Regional Library-Aitkin. Weather permitting, they will then launch the rockets outside. This event is recommended for ages 8 and up, and no registration is necessary. The library is located at 110 1st Ave. NE in downtown Aitkin and can be reached at 218-927-2339.

25th - Crossing Arts Alliance Mark Munson Rock Music Camp Rock Concert at the Tornstrom Auditorium. Tickets are \$7 in advance, \$10 at the door.

25th - The Crow Wing County Genealogy Society meeting at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, Family History Center, 101 Buffalo Hills Lane, Brainerd. This meeting is for Research and as a social gathering open to the Public. Several members will be present to assist you in your Research. Anyone interested in Genealogy is welcome to attend. Research and Social hours will be from 6 to 8pm. Any questions call 218-828-9178 or 218-851-4819.

27th - Because of Brandon Cuyuna Iron Range Riders ATV club ride at 9am. Open to the public and no fee. A donation bucket will be passed around. Meet in the parking lot next to the Great River Eye Clinic in Crosby. A guided ride will take you through the Miller Black ATV trails. A light lunch will follow at the Cole Lake Shelter upon completion of the ride. For more information contact Ken Irish club president 651-470-2601 ironrider@comcast.net

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27th & 28th - Powerboat Races on Serpent Lake at Crosby Memorial Park noon to 4 p.m. Free admission Note: The boat landing will be closed to the public from 6 p.m. Friday, July 26, through 5 p.m. Sunday, July 28.

August

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OBITUARIES

MARGARET WGEISHOFSKI



Margaret D. Wgeishofski, 86, died on Friday, July 12, 2019 at Cuyuna Regional Medical Center surrounded by family.

She and her son, LeRoy A. Wgeishofski will be laid to rest at Evergreen Memorial Gardens Cemetery Friday, August 9, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

Margaret was born February 4, 1933 at Ft. Collins, CO. She was married to James Wgeishofski in Toppenish, WA. in 1953. Margaret was a home-

maker, wife, mother and grandmother. Margaret is survived by sons, Eugene A. (Laurie Peka), Glenn (Linda), Jimmy, Larry (Cheryl) and daughter, Kathy Nicholson (Roger); brother, Bobby (Betty); sister-in-law, Ray; 22 grandchildren; 31 great-grandchildren and nine great-great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, James; son, LeRoy; parents; 11 brothers and sisters. Arrangements were with the Brenny Family Funeral Chapel, www.brenny.com.

JAMES FOSSUM



James Douglas Fossum, 88, died peacefully on Thursday, July 11 in his home on Serpent Lake, a place he called Heaven on Earth.

Funeral Services were held on Wednesday, July 17, 2019 at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Crosby. Burial was at the Lakewood Cemetery with full military honors given by the Myrin-James American Legion Post #443, Ironton.

Jim was born and raised in Crosby. A graduate of the University of Minnesota Dental School, Jim used his skills in the service of the United States

Airforce before moving to Montevideo where he served as a dentist while raising his family with wife Ilene. Upon retiring he moved back to the Crosby area. Though Jim faced the challenges of multiple strokes in his later years, he never lost his enjoyment of the simple pleasures of life or his ability to encourage those around him. He was a blessing to many.

He is survived by his daughters: Kris (Hugh), Karin (Dave), Kathryn; six grandchildren: Erin, Alli (Jacob), Alex, Tim, Marco, and Karina. He was preceded in death by his parents, Segard (Doc) and Rose Fossum; beloved wife, Ilene (Huff); and sister Jean Overby. Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home in Crosby.

HARVEY JUNG



Harvey Joseph Jung, 78 of McGregor died Sunday, July 7, 2019 at his residence.

A gathering of Family and Friends will be 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 27, 2019 at the McGregor VFW Larson-Duneen Post #2747, 80 East Dellling Avenue, McGregor, MN. Military Honors will be accorded by McGregor VFW Larson Duneen Post #2747 and American Legion Dale Wayrynen Post #23.

He was born October 7, 1940 in Osakis, MN. to Joseph V. and Florence (Bergstrom) Jung. He graduated from Alexandria High School. Harvey was married to Letha Opal Mackenzie on November 11, 1961 in Dover, NH. He was a U.S. Navy Veteran serving in the Vietnam War. He worked as a Meat Cutter – Butcher in New Hampshire and then in Brooklyn Park at Red Owl and Super Value as a manager – meat cutter. He

was a member of the Minneapolis Retail Meat Cutters and Food Handlers, Meat Cutters Union, MRMC Local #653 and the VFW. Harvey enjoyed socializing with anybody he would meet.

Harvey is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Tim and Julie Jung; four grandchildren: Jenny Jung, Nicky Jung, John Jung, and Tim Jung, Jr.; brother and sister-in-law, Tom and Bonnie Jung; sister, Jan Brock; and many other special relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Letha on February 27, 2014; great-granddaughter; brother, Dennis; and his parents.

McGregor Funeral Home & Cremation Services assisted Harvey's family with the arrangements.

Arrangements were with the McGregor Funeral Home and Cremation Service in McGregor. Go to www.srtfuneral.com to sign the online guest register.

MICHAEL CUMMINGS



Michael A. Cummings, 83, of Aitkin and Puerto Vallarta, Mexico died Monday, July 15, 2019 at the Riverwood Health Care Center in Aitkin.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Saturday, July 20, 2019 at 11 a.m. from St. James Catholic Church in Aitkin with Fr. David Forsman officiating. Visitation will be Friday from 5 to 7 p.m. with a Rosary service at 7 p.m. and also one hour prior to the service at the church Saturday. Interment will be in the St. Thomas Cemetery in Aitkin.

Michael was born January 26, 1936 in Aitkin the son of Francis and Oveline (Cartie) Cummings. He moved with his family to Brainerd at a young age and attended schools in Brainerd graduating from the Brainerd High School. He then attended St. John's University for two years and received his AA degree. Michael then enlisted in the U.S. Navy and was a naval pilot for 12 years. He married Joan E. Williamson on July 30, 1960 in Iwakuni, Japan. They lived in Norfolk, VA and

also Milton, FL. He had served on the Aircraft Carrier the USS America. When he left the U.S. Navy at the rank of Lt. Commander he went to work for Northwest Airlines as a pilot flying DC 10's. They lived in Bloomington, MN; Honolulu, HI and Seattle, WA. He flew for Northwest for 28 years. Upon his retirement he and his wife would spend summers in Aitkin and wintered in Puerto Vallarta. He enjoyed traveling with family and friends, watching the lake and walks in the woods, deer hunting and boating. Family was very important to him.

He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Joan Cummings of Aitkin and Puerto Vallarta; sons: Steve Cummings and husband, Bill Miller of Minneapolis; David Cummings and wife, Jill of Maple Grove; two grandchildren: Logan and Berit Cummings; sister: Marlene (John) Arnold of Menlo Park, CA. and sister-in-law, Jan Cummings of Brainerd, Mn.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Francis Wayne Cummings. Arrangements were with the Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home of Aitkin. Go to www.srtfuneral.com to sign the online guest register.

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Baxter* — Pointway Alliance Church; Rev. Charles Bolstridge, 218-537-6505; 7756 Highland Scenic Road; Worship 10; www.pointway.org
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 — Pastor Dustin McCaleb; 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; hillcityagchurch@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: 30 and 11, thejourneynorth.com
Baxter - The Journey North, Pastor Mark Bjorlo, 218-824-5617, Worship Saturday 5, Sunday 9, 10:30, 11:45, thejourneynorth.com
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.; fcbraainerd.com
Brainerd- The Church On The Wise Road, Pastor Todd Stumbo 218-829-4673, Worship 11:00, SS 9:45 www.thechurchonthewiseroad.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.ihmstemiys.org; Mass: Sat. 4 pm; Sun. 8:30; Confession Sat. 3 p.m.
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.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS
Aitkin — Co. Rd. 12, Chapel Ph. 218-927-4454; Kevin Haffner 218-792-5684; Sacrament Mtg. 10

COMMUNITY
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 Mikies, 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

EVANGELICAL FREE
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 thelogchurch@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.

HEBREW/MESSIANIC
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 KKIN (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 Ingewood 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.pcpbaxter.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.goodshepherdfreelutheran.church
Brainerd - Laestadian Lutheran Church; 1501 So. 8th St. - Sunday Worship Services 11 am. (www.llchurch.org)
Brainerd — Trinity Lutheran Church (ELCA) 1420 South 6th Street Brainerd — Pastor Hans Anderson Worship times September through May are 8:15 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.; Summer Worship time is 9:00 a.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.
Giessie — 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)
Iron Hub — Immanuel (LC-MS), Pastor Dean Stolz; Worship 10:30; 218-534-3069.
Isle — Faith (ELCA), Interim Pastor Rev. Henry French; Worship 9:30; handicap accessible.
Isle — Holden (ELCA), SS 9:30; Worship 10:30.
Isle — Trinity (Missouri Synod), Rev. Mark Maunula; Worship 8:30; Fellowship follows; SS 9:45; Adult Bible 10.
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 Peter Rosenkvist, Worship 9.
Palisade* — Bethel (ELCA), Rev. Wm. J. Sass; Worship 9:30.
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; 1st, 3rd and 4th Sundays 10 am; 41163 Kestrel Ave 3.3 mi. South of Hwy 210
Thor — Zion, Pastor G. Salmonson; Worship 11; 1st and 3rd Sun. April through December.
Wright —Bethlehem, Worship; SS 9.
Wright — St. John's (Missouri Synod), Pastor Joshua Reinke; Worship 10:30; Bible Study and Sunday School Sun. 9:30; Lent services Wed. 5:30 pm.

NON-DENOMINATIONAL
Brainerd —Oak Street Chapel, Pastor Todd Wooden, Worship service is Sunday at 9:30 am, 523 SE 11th Street, Brainerd, 218-454-0984

PENTECOSTAL
Emily — Cornerstone Church; Pastor Earl Ready; Worship 10, 41536 Birchwood Drive, Emily; 218-763-2939.
Ironton — Iron Range Christian Center; Pastor Dwight Semler; 218-546-6523; meeting at Irondale Town Hall , Co. Rd. 12, (Deerwood Shortcut); Worship 10 & Wed. 7 pm.
Tamarack — Warriors of the Rainbow Ministry, Pastors Ken and Ron Fairbanks, Sat. 11. 218-768-3585

PRESBYTERIAN
Crosslake — Pastor Tony Oltmann, 218-692-4769; Worship 10; Fellowship 11:15; Bible study on Wednesdays at 10:14444 Daggett Pine Road just passed the Community Center; www.crosslakepres.org
McGrath — Calvary, Pastor - Todd Oltmann; Worship 9.
McGregor/Round Lake — Pastor Talley; Worship Sat. 5 pm.
Tamarack — First, Rev. J. Yingling; Worship 11.

REFORMED
Crosby — Lifespring Church, a member of Fellowship of Independent Reformed Evangelicals, 9:30, 30 Hallett Ave NE 218-545-5433, www.visitlifespring.com

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST
Aitkin — Pastor Peter Emig; Worship Sat. 9:30 a.m., Bible Study 10:30 a.m.; Prayer Mtg. Wed. 5:30 p.m.; www.aitkinadventist.org; 423-805-0933

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST
Pequot Lakes — 28877 State Hwy 371, Pequot Lakes 10:30 1st and 4th Sundays. 218-330-3476

UNITED METHODIST
Aitkin* — Pastor Dawn Houser; high school & adult SS 9; Worship 10:30; fellowship follows.
Crosby/Deerwood* — Cascade, Reverend Dr. Genia Garrett; Worship 9:45; fellowship follows.
Cutler — Pine Lake Chapel, Rev. Laurence Foote; Worship 9.
Cromwell — Pastor Tim Homstad; Worship 10; SS 9
Emily — Pastor Dawn Houser; Worship 8:45; fellowship follows; handicap accessible.
Fleming* — (Northern Lights Parish) SS 9:15; Worship 10:30; fellowship follows.
Hill City — Pastor Roger Lynn; Worship 10
McGregor* — (Northern Lights Parish) Worship 8:45; fellowship follows.
Onamia — Pastor Rick & Judy Wilder; Worship 11; fellowship 10; 2 blks north of Post Office; handicap ramp; 320-532-3150; office: 218-546-7656; cell: 218-360-1947

WESLEYAN
Emily — Pastor Ryan Fish; Worship 9; Friendship Time 10; SS 10:30; Wed. Activities 6:30 p.m.; 218-763-HOPE.

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OBITUARIES

BEVERLY BOYER



Beverly Matilda Boyer, 80, of Aitkin, died Saturday, July 13, 2019 at Oaklawn Rehabilitation Center in Mankato.

Memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, July 20, 2019 at Northview-North Mankato Mortuary, 2060 Commerce Drive, in North Mankato with visitation one hour prior to the service. Burial will be at Pequot Lakes Cemetery at a later date.

Bev was born February 16, 1939 in Brainerd to Gilbert and Edna (Hollingsworth) Tornell. She was raised in Pequot Lakes with her brother DeWayne Tornell. On April 1, 1986, Bev moved

to Aitkin with her life partner, Steve Collins and her son, Kevin. Her cats brought great joy in her life, as did her many arts and crafts. Bev was well known for her beautiful quilts and afghans. Bev served as the secretary and treasurer for the Double M Saddle Club.

Bev is survived by her life partner, Steve Collins; son and daughter-in-law, Kevin and Margaret Noren; daughter and son-in-law, Karen and Jason Schuur; and six grandchildren: Tiffani, Brittani, Miranda, Draven, Nevada, and Sierra.

She is preceded in death by her parents; and brother, DeWayne.

Arrangements were with the Mankato Mortuary, www.mankatomortuary.com.

Because of Brandon trail ride



The Cuyuna Iron Range Riders ATV club is hosting a Because of Brandon trail ride on July 27 at 9 a.m.

There is no fee to participate and the event is open

to the public. A donation bucket will be passed around. The group will meet in the parking lot next to the Great River Eye Clinic located on East Main and Third Ave. in

Crosby, across the street from the Cuyuna Regional Medical Center.

Participants are asked to leave their four wheelers on their trailers, as there will be a short introduction meeting and then the riders will trailer to the Cole Lake Shelter to unload the machines.

A guided ride will take you through the Miller Black ATV trails.

A light lunch will follow at the Cole Lake Shelter upon completion of the ride. All money raised will support education and sponsor youth to attend Camp Needle Point. Come ride and support a great cause.

For more information contact Ken Irish club president 651-470-2601 or a at ironrider@comcast.net.

Blues musician at Aitkin Library

Spend an evening with Minnesota blues musician Mike Munson who will be performing from 6-7 p.m. Monday, July 22 at East Central Regional Library-Aitkin.

From sad and somber slow tunes to swampy, caterwauling stompers, Munson's mu-

sic is a master class in creative blues composition and performance. He's lyrically compelling, full of unique twists and turns, and he never loses sight of his art form and the music's roots. His influences include Fred McDowell, Jack Owens, and Jesse Mae

Hemphill – all from areas of rural Mississippi.

This program is recommended for all ages, and no registration is necessary. The Aitkin Public Library is located at 110 First Ave. NE, Aitkin, and can be reached at 218-927-2339.

Kids 'egg-static' over rockets!

Kids can make simple rockets from plastic Easter eggs and household materials on Thursday, July 25, from 1-2 p.m., at East Central Regional

Library-Aitkin. Weather permitting, they will then launch the rockets outside. This event is recommended for ages 8 and up, and no registration

is necessary.

The library is located at 110 1st Ave. NE in downtown Aitkin and can be reached at 218-927-2339.

Concert and community picnic

Emily United Methodist Church again welcomes the Jumpin' Jehosafats in concert on Thursday, August 1, at 6:00 p.m., following a 5:00 Free Community Picnic in the church yard. The public is invited to enjoy a spirit-filled evening of food and fellowship with friends, plus this energetic combo playing Dixieland, jazz and gospel music. The group is currently on their 2019 annual "world tour of northern

Minnesota."

The Jumpin' Jehosafats, together since 1985, have played over seven hundred benefit concerts in the Midwest and Caribbean. Proceeds from the free will offering at this concert will benefit the Emily Food Shelf. To date, they have helped raise close to \$500,000 for United Methodist related ministries such as Operation Classroom, United Methodist Committee on Relief

(UMCOR), and many other ecumenical causes such as Habitat for Humanity and disaster relief.

The church is located across from the Emily Post Office, just west of the intersection of Highway 6 and Co. Rd 1.

Bring your chair or blanket and bug repellent! Rain location: Indoors at Emily United Methodist Church.

Call Judy at 218-546-3770 for more information.

Cuyuna Crusher mountain bike race

More than 500 mountain bikers their friends and families will come to Crosby the weekend of August 17-18 for the Fifth Annual Cuyuna Crusher Race sponsored by the Cuyuna Lakes Chamber and the Minnesota Mountain Bike Series.

All our welcome to celebrate at the Cuyuna Crusher Happy Hour on Saturday, August 17, located on Cross

Avenue in front of the Spalding House from 5 to 8 p.m. There will be live music by lolah, and food provided throughout the evening.

The Minnesota Series Race takes place in the Mahnomen Unit of the Cuyuna Country State Recreation Area on Sunday, Aug. 18. Registration begins at 8 a.m.

The Cuyuna Crusher has received the Minnesota

Mountain Bike Series 2015, 2017, and 2018 Race of the Year Awards. Five hundred Cuyuna Crusher racers voted on the recognition, rating the course and volunteer support of the event as outstanding.

For more information on the race, including times, lengths, maps and pre-registration visit www.mnmtb-series.com.

Guest Opinion – In the end citizens pay the price

By KELLY AVELSGARD, Concerned Observer

Crosby will now have to suffer through the *Courier* publishing their version of the former mayor's trials and dismissals. It is their version because the editor printed, they need to sort through it, so their readers will be able to digest the information. Leave it to the *Courier* to attempt to defend and alter the information for the Crosby chief of police.

You may be interested to know, that the editor of the *Courier* is also the reserve police clerk for the city of Crosby — don't expect them to be unbiased.

The county attorney can release any information they like. It doesn't matter, the former mayor won, and should not be retried in the *Courier's* court of opinion.

The chief of police has never been tried for their massive violation of the public trust, which is an issue Crosby will continue to suffer for.

The *Courier* falsely, with possible malice, inaccurately reported information about BMS Case No 17-PA-0260, wrongfully attributing findings from BMS

Case 17-PA-0260 to BMS Case No13-PA-0659, 13-PA-0660. Unless the *Courier* publishes the complete unaltered files of the documents, it can't be trusted. Publishing the findings will expose the chief further and strengthen any and all potential future lawsuits. Hearsay is not evidence and that is what they will publish.

The editor of the *Courier* has been named in the defamation lawsuit Crosby is facing — willingly participating in the efforts to damage citizens and employees.

It appears the *Courier* would like to hamper the justice system after it has been served and continue defaming the former mayor on their own. Wish them the best in that lawsuit.

The Crosby chief of police violated the public trust on a massive scale, justice was not served, and accountability has not been forthcoming. The findings in BMS Case No 17-PA-0620, BMS Case No 13-PA-0659, 13-PA-0660 need to be acted upon by the council and mayor.

It is quite possible, if the arbitrators were taken seriously and the chief terminated, disciplined, or charged, the former mayor

would have never faced two years of prosecution.

Crosby refuses to identify the chief as the problem, the county attorney now has first-hand experience that the chief is a problem, but like most entities, no one wants to solve the problem. Crosby is in the first of many potential lawsuits, and when the X-Files, the files for the eyes of the Crosby chief of police are open, it will be another concern for Crosby.

The chief has placed Crosby and its citizens in an indefensible position and will cost the city millions in the long run.

It is true, opinions do not matter, mine included, actions count and failure to act is the same as acting improperly. It is impressive the chief has held on to the reward of retirement. It is better than being charged with a potential crime, several ethics violations and having to serve in jail and pay fines.

The chief is not paying for their acts, the city is. The city is paying the chiefs fines and suffering the repercussions from their actions, the city council, mayor, and city administrator are happy to use your money to pay the bill.

Cuyuna Lakes Chamber position

The Cuyuna Lakes Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors has an open board of director position, beginning January 2020 for a three-year term commitment. The Cuyuna Lakes Chamber Board of Directors is responsible for ensuring excellent management of the organization. The Board of Directors will work along-side the Executive Director to enable the Chamber to achieve its' mission and vision.

The mission of the Cuyuna Lakes Chamber is as a voice of business for the Cuyuna Lakes, the Cham-

ber of Commerce seeks to enhance economic growth through partnerships with businesses, community organizations and government agencies to better ensure the region is a vibrant, prosperous place to work and live.

As a membership driven organization, the Cuyuna Lakes Chamber of Commerce vision is to provide opportunities for member businesses to obtain a higher degree of success through networking, referral and marketing. They serve as a catalyst for attracting new businesses and enthusiastically develop and support tourism to positively

impact area communities while reflecting on the historical character of the Cuyuna Lakes. They promote the area's environmental resources that play a vital role in making this a great place to live, vacation and conduct business.

If you are interested in becoming a Cuyuna Lakes Chamber Board member, please contact Jessica Vukelich, Executive Director at 218-546-8131 or email jessica@cuyunalakes.com. T Applications will be accepted through end of business, Monday, September 9, 2019.

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Cuyuna Lakes Chamber of Commerce golf tournament results



Taking first place was the Christenson Agency: (left to right) Brad Hanes, Mark Severson, Mikael Christenson, and Erik Christenson.

Over \$10,000 was raised to promote area businesses, tourism and economic growth at the Cuyuna Lakes Chamber of Commerce's 19th Annual Golf Tournament held at Cuyuna Rolling Hills on July 10. Twenty-six teams participated and generously donated to raffles and contests. First place winners were Christenson Agency with its team of Erik Christenson, Mi-

kael Christenson, Mark Severson, and Brad Hanes. The second-place winning team of Deerwood Bank included Lee Midthun, Brett Midthun, Josh Midthun, and Tom Burgstaler. Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge won third place with its team of Dave McMillan,

Tim Hill, Bart Law, and Dale Lundgren. The Best Dressed was Aitkin Body Shop's team of DeeAnn Cluff, Amanda Lowe, Krista Bordwell, and Theresa Lashyro. For more information on any of the Chamber's events, visit cuyunalakes.com.



Taking second place was Deerwood Bank Team #2: (left to right) Tom Burgstaler, Brett Midthun, Lee Midthun and Josh Midthun.

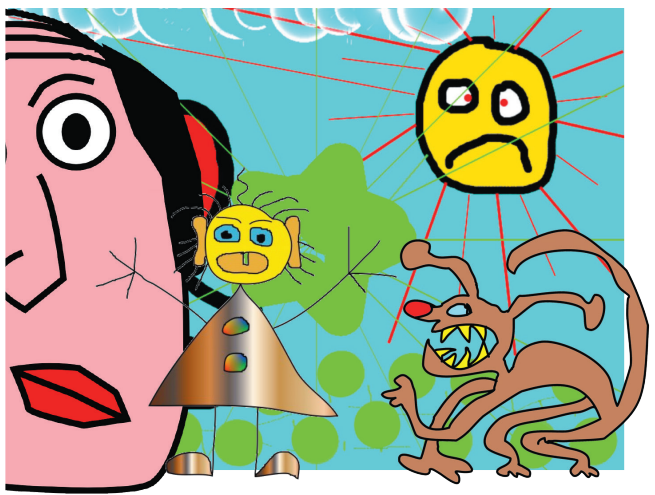


The best dressed team was Aitkin Body Shop: (left to right) Amanda Lowe, Krista Bordwell, Theresa Lashyro, and DeeAnn Cluff.



Placing third was the Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge team: (left to right) Dale Lundgren, Bart Law, Dave McMillan and Tim Hill.

Bad Art Night in Aitkin



Teens in the mood for a laid back, fun time creating some-

thing awful will want to check out Bad Art Night from 6-7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 8 at East Central Regional Library-Aitkin. In fact, you're encouraged to make the worst piece of art possible, as the most dreadful

will be earn prizes. Bad Art Night is recommended for ages 16 and up, and registration is required. Visit the events calendar at eclrlib.org to reserve your spot today! Space and supplies

provided, but limited.

This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Aitkin Public Library and East Central Regional Library.

The library is located at 110 1st Ave. NE in downtown

Aitkin and can be reached at 218-927-2339. Looking for more things to do? Check out our events calendar at eclrlib.org and follow East Central Regional Library on Facebook.

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