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Laurel Street regains some of its former glory in Brainerd





A photo of what the building looked like in 1958 when it was the Montgomery Ward store. This photo came from the Brainerd Daily Dispatch, date unknown.

By ANN SCHWARTZ Back in the '60s, downtown Brainerd was a shopping mecca. There was Bye's and Brekken's clothiers, Paul's Shoes, Alderman-Maghan Hardware, Gambles, Scotts Dime Store, S & L Department Store (where money was sent upstairs in pneu-

matic tubes) and many more places where I shopped with my Mom.

I remember the gum machine in the lobby of First National Bank, picking up packages from Sears, my brother's barber shop in a basement, banana splits at Scott's Lunch Counter and

Big Paul measuring me for with the mini-jukeboxes at years ago. Buster Brown Shoes. I ran my little grocery cart through the aisles of Schafer's Model Market, as Mom did serious shopping there for weekly grocery needs. And Lilah at S & L who had dark braids wrapped around her head sold nearly everyone in the area their shoes for years.

Malls were added on Brainerd's east and west side in the late 1960s and early 1980s but downtown continued to thrive. When I lived on the Northside from '74 to '78, downtown still held the delights of Rexall's, Robert's, Nystrom's and Thrifty Drug.

New times brought new stores: The Gallery and Phase I to get the latest albums and posters. I whiled away lots of time looking at sheet music at Cervine's and there were many "jeans" stores we shopped in for the latest fashions. Also, we had to have our Levi jeans and cords from Fieldman's. You got as many different-colored cords as you could. I recall having green, brown, beige, blue, and maybe more.

Kinney's Café, bussing tables at Papa C's, buying craft supplies at the Elf Shelf and still shopping for clothes and at the S & L and also the O'Brien's Department Store (Ehler's by then) where the junior clothes were located

Now, Laurel Street in downtown Brainerd is being restored to its former glory.

upstairs.

O'Brien's (as we old timers

know the building at Eighth and Laurel) is now Bob and Fran's. It was recently restored with new windows and exterior finishes - making that corner as stately as it was

Across the street, the bright and lively Knotty Pine Bakery opened, with a counter of stools looking out at Laurel Street. Marie Kirsch opened the bakery and named it after her Grandma's knotty pine kitchen where she learned to bake.

All up and down the avenue are great little gift shops and eateries for you to try. The revitalization of Brainerd is underway and it is up to us, the consumers, to see that these places thrive to keep the downtown full of tradition while pursuing a optimistic future.



Eva Froehle serves Cindy from Baxter at the Knotty Pine Bakery in There were cokes downtown Brainerd.

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Rain plagues bridge replacement over Malmo Creek on Highway 47



The Highway 47 box culvert bridge at Malmo Creek was replaced and the roadbed raised significantly. Due to rainy weather and delays, the road cannot be paved and is not yet open to traffic. Hopefully, it will open very soon.

Ann Schwartz photo

By Ann Schwartz

The cost of \$1.4 million to replace a box culvert bridge over the Mormon Creek on Hwy. 47 will rise like the water there has. The final cost will increase due to delays and redos – but the final bill has not yet been tallied.

Locals have been frustrated by having to detour all summer

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around the highway as there aren't a lot of alternate routes. Locals were able to take an unofficial detour through private property from the Mille Lacs Trails snowmobile club to the cemetery road — although that has been hard on everyone's nerves — including the local property owner.

At one point, the project

appeared to be finished, but then had to be redone. It was to be paved the week of Oct. 21 but there was lots of rain and wind and it looks like the paving, striping and opening of the road won't commence until the week of Oct. 28

Mathew Indihar, the project manager from MnDOT, had this to say:

"There have been several difficulties with the Highway 47 bridge project. The bridge part of the project went quite well and was removed and installed in a few weeks. The issues we have been having are

The Garrison Food Shelf,

located at 9541 Madison

Street in Garrison, previously

served customers weekly on

Tuesdays and Thursdays. Due

to lack of volunteers being

available, the hour will be cut

to being open only on Tues-

Anyone who lives within 10

miles of Garrison and registers

(fills out a brief family info

card initially), then checks in

with a volunteer each time

they come in is eligible to visit

the food shelf once monthly

and pick out food that their

The Garrison Food Shelf

family may need.

days, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Food shelf hours

due to raising the elevation of the road several feet to prevent water overtopping the road in this area. That additional weight from raising the road causes the sub-soils to give way and start moving into the swamp adjacent to the road.

"We then determined that we needed to add lightweight fill to the road grade to take some of this weight off. When the road got opened up to perform this corrective work we received a 4-inch rain event that flooded our excavation -causing delays. That took a lot of rework to get the road dried

was originally housed in a

building at Pike's Point. After

changing locations in the

area several times, the Food

Shelf finally "settled" into the

current building in 2010, on

Madison Avenue in Garrison

under the "Dorothy's Rain-

The thrift store, housed

in the same building, next

door to the food shelf, was

also established in 2010, and

donates all of their sales pro-

Dorothy and Norman

Barthel were instrumental

in establishing the current

food shelf/thrift store building

ceeds to the food shelf.

bow" sign.

back out.

"There continues to be significant rain events without enough dry days to be able to pull the moisture out of the subgrade. We have the road built up again right now [last Tuesday] but again we are having to do corrective work tomorrow [last Wednesday] because the rain has made the road too soft to pave again.

"MnDOT and the contractor are doing everything that we can to get this road build in a timely manner but the conditions have not been co-operating so far. There will be additional cost associated with all this additional work. I do not have a final figure on what those will be yet. I thank the locals and all who use this stretch of highway for their patience and understanding so far."

Due to the delays on Hwy. 47, the second bridge replacement on Mormon Creek at Hwy. 18 won't be completed until the 2020 construction

Fun at Ruttger's Lodge



Kensey and Jemma of Apple Valley had fun while dressed festively for Oktoberfest at Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge. Crowds were large as many enjoyed the great weather, food, music and shopping. The fun will continue on Saturday, Oct. 26 with the second annual Zombie Apocalypse 5K Insane Brain Terror Run. There will also be a Zombie Apocalypse Zero K Beer Sit. As the name suggests, these participants begin at the starting line and walk directly to the beer tent where a beer awaits them. Zero K Beer Sit participants, like all racers,



where they are located today. was set up in 2004 and #164 Independent Order of Odd Fellows 22 - 2nd Street, Aitkin will receive a race T-shirt. Ann Schwartz photo (Above Riley Auto Parts NAPA) Meets the 4th Monday at 2 p.m.



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Ongoing Events:

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

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 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

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 Tues-

days 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

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.

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

AITKIN COUNTY

Aitkin County has opened a yard waste

composting site adjacent to the Oak Ridge

Demolition Landifill, which is located 5 miles

south of Aitkin on Highway 169 and then right on 310th Ln. Access is through the Oak Ridge

Demolition Landfill.

Only leaves, grass clippings (no plastic bags)

and brush less than one inch diameter are

accepted at the site, NO TREE STUMPS. The site will be open 8:00am to 4:00pm, Monday

thru Friday (No Holidays) from May thru Novem-

ber 15, 2019. Citizens are strongly encouraged

to not bring prohibited materials.

Prohibited materials could result

in the closing of the facility.

Questions can be directed to the

Aitkin County Environmental Services Department

at 218-927-7342 or aitkinpz@co.aitkin.mn.us.

YARD WASTE

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

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 AN-GELS 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-

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. Ait-

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

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 (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.

26th - Cascade UMC Deerwood Pumpkin Palooza festivities for all ages, 1 - 4 p.m.

26th - Ruttger's 2nd Annual Zombie Apocalypse 5K Insane Brain Terror Run (or walk). Call 678-2885 or visit ruttgers.com/zombie-apocalypse for more information.

26th - Northland Arboretum Vampire Ball 7 pmmidnight. The Arboretum is famous for their scary Haunted Trail, but the Vampire Ball brings Halloween to the 21+ crowd. Two drink tickets from the Tito's Bloody Mary Bar, hors d'oeuvres and music by "Lolah" with "Wild Bill" emceeing the festivities between sets, games and more. Costumes are expected. Costume contest, trivia, and dance-offs are planned for the event. Guest space is limited, reserve your tickets today.218-829-8770

29th - Kaleidoscope, A Celebration of Courage at Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge in Deerwood. A fund-raiser for cancer patients in our commu-

31st - Magic and Mysteries Escape Room, 6:30-7:30 p.m., at East Central Regional Library-Mille Lacs in Isle. All ages welcome, puzzles are better suited for ages 12 and up.



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OBITUARIES

MICHELLE MAE



Michelle 'Shelly" Mary Mae, 35, of Outing died on Thursday, October 3, 2019.

A celebration of life will be held 1:00 p.m. at the American Legion in Pequot Lakes on Sunday, October 20, 2019 at 1:00 p.m.

Shelly was born November 15, 1983 in Anoka, to DeAnn Evanson and Donald Imgrund. She worked as a merchandiser for Driveline Retail Merchandising. Shelly loved family, friendship and music. She was a loving and caring mother; her babies were her true passion in life.

Shelly is survived by her children: Michael Kroll, Dominick Kroll and Serenity Krebsbach; parents, Donald Imgrund and DeAnne (Chris) Evanson; siblings: Sarah (Charlie) Young, Joseph Imgrund and Jonathon Larson; and many more friends and family.

She is preceded in death by her son, Tobbie Krebsbach.

Arrangements with Nelson-Doran Funeral

Brian Andrew Kokesh, 49, experienced and demonstrated his prosthetics. of Palisade, died in the early morning hours of Wednesday, Oct. 16, 2019, surrounded by family.

BRIAN KOKESH

Funeral Service will be 11:00 a.m. pm Saturday, October 26, 2019 at St. James Catholic Church, Aitkin with Father Da-

vid Forsman officiating. Visitation will be 5-8 p.m. on Friday, October 25 at Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home, Aitkin and will con-

tinue one hour prior to the service at the church. Military honors will take place at the church and then everyone is invited for a Remembrance and celebration of Brian's life at the 40 Club, Aitkin.

He was born October 18, 1969 to Guy Howard Kokesh, and Mary Frances Cullen Kokesh in Montreal, Quebec, Canada. Brian went to school in Canada until the eighth grade then moved to Garrison, MN and attended Aitkin High School from which he graduated in 1988. He married his high school sweetheart, Kaija Reinhardt December 1, 1990 in Aitkin. Brian was a member of the MN National Guard following high school and attended St. Cloud State University for Aviation. He joined the Army full time upon his junior year to attend flight school in Alabama. A son, Broc Stephen Kokesh was born in 1993 and Brian and Kaija made their home in Palisade, MN. Brian served in Korea for one year and then Alaska for another year before daughter, Kassie Carol Kokesh was born in 1995. He returned home and worked for Reinhardt Auction Service, Brainerd Helicopter, and finally North Memorial Air Care II, out of Brainerd. Wyatt Guy Kokesh, was born in 1998, and Kate Frances Kokesh was born in 2000, completing their family. Brian returned to the MN National Guard and was sent to Iraq for 18 months in 2007-2008. He retired as a Chief Warrant Officer II from the United States Army. He flew EMS for North Memorial for 14 years before losing all four limbs to frostbite following a snowmobile accident. He endured a long recovery and beating all odds, was walking with the use of prosthetics and living independently. He adored children's reactions to his disability and talked with many young groups and classrooms about what he had

He played volleyball and wake boarded following his accident, drove a car well, and continued to tinker and fix everything. His most recent project was adapting a throttle on his snowmobile so he could ride it this winter. During his young adult life Brian served a short time on the Palisade Volunteer

Fire Department, coached youth hockey, coached JO volleyball, attended every single game/match/ meet/concert of his four children. He enjoyed boating, skiing, snowmobiling, playing volleyball, golfing, camping, cooking/grilling, his golden retrievers, cats, and (believe it or not!) goats, hunting, playing poker at the shack, tearing apart and fixing things at home, watching football and hockey, flying for North Memorial Air Care, and being with friends and family. Brian was an excellent listener and so very brilliant. He had the uncanny ability to network and trouble shoot computer issues. The greatest achievement of Brian's was his four smart, talented, kind, well-adjusted children. He was above all proud of them and loved them so much. He was so completely selfless and wanted only their happiness. He was their biggest cheerleader and did not own any article of clothing that

didn't say, Aitkin, Morris, Stout, SJU or CSB on

it. His common question before leaving the house

dressed was, "Do I look too Rah Rah?" Our answer

was always, "No. You look great." He never left

his children without saying, "I love you" and he

Brian is survived by: Kaija Reinhardt Kokesh; children: Broc Kokesh, Kassie (Kokesh) and Benjamin Peterson, Wyatt Kokesh and Kate Kokesh; mother: Mary Frances Kokesh; sister: Julia (Kokesh) and Dan Hammer: In-Laws: Steve and Carol Reinhardt, Dan and Shanen Weimer; nieces: Maddy Hammer, Meg and Jade Weimer and Nephews: Kirk and Kegan Workman, Dillon Hammer, Colton Weimer; many, many aunts, uncles, and cousins and other special relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his father, Guy Howard Kokesh; brother, David Kokesh; and many fondly remembered aunts, uncles, and cousins. Arrangements were with the Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Aitkin. Go to www.srtfuneral.com to sign the online guest register.

KRISTIN DERRICK



Kristina Joy Franzen Derrick,49, died on Monday, October 14, 2019.

A memorial service celebrating Kristina's life was held Tuesday, October 22, 2019, at Glory Baptist Church, Aitkin. Memorials to the family

are preferred in lieu of flowers. Her cremains will be interred at a later date. She was born in Aitkin, Minnesota on Decem-

ber 5, 1969, to Michael Franzen and Kathleen Pearson Franzen. She was the oldest of two daughters. She graduated from Apple Valley High School in 1988, where she was active in DECA (Distributing Education Clubs of America), a business, marketing and advertising club. She served as secretary for two years and competed in state and national competitions. In 1990, she moved to Las Vegas. Nevada, where she lived for 14 years. Kristina held a number of positions there as a Skip Tracer, cashier, and secretarial jobs. When she returned to Minnesota, she became reacquainted with family and friends. She worked as a home care staffing coordinator, medical tech for Life Line Screening and various service positions.

Although Kristina wasn't blessed with children. she loved other people's children and her precious dogs. She played with, bought gifts for, and attended birthday parties for neighborhood children. She was "auntie" to many of them. She loved gardening, crafting, reading, watching Minnesota sports, especially her beloved Minnesota Vikings! Her favorite color was purple; in fact, she had recently colored her hair purple and on her, it was cute! She had a wonderful sense of humor and a loud belly laugh. Kristina had a big heart and loved people of all ages.

Kristina is survived by her father, Michael Franzen, Prior Lake; mother, Kathleen (Mark) Campbell, Brainerd; Kara Franzen (Jason Nordin), Eagan; many aunts, uncles, cousins and

She is preceded in death by her grandparents: Howard and Delores Franzen: Albin (Beanie) and Doris Pearson; aunt, Peggy Franzen Massood; and her faithful yellow lab, Maya.

Arrangements were with the Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Aitkin. Go to www.srtfuneral. com to sign the online guest register.

JERRY WESTON

Jerry A. Weston, 67, of Aitkin, died Saturday, October 19, 2019 at Aicota Health Care Center in Aitkin.

Arrangements are pending with Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home & Cremation Services in Aitkin. www.srtfuneral.com

* Indicates handicap accessible. NOTE: All times are Sunday morning (a.m.) unless indicated otherwise.

ALLIANCE

Aitkin* — New Life; Larry Burg & John Baker, pastors; Worship 10:15 am & 5:30 pm; Adult Sunday School 9 am; "Elevate" youth group for 7th-12th graders, Wed 6:15 pm; 112 - 1st Ave. SW 218-927-2823.

Baxter* — Pointway Alliance Church; Rev. Charles Bolstridge, 218-537-6505; 7756 Highland Scenic Road; Worship 10; wwwpointway.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-

Palisade — Pastor Ed Sornberger; SS 9; Worship 10; Kids Church; Small groups during the week 218-845-2726

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.; fbcbrainerd.com

Brainerd- The Church On The Wise Road, Pastor Todd Stumbo 218-829-4673, Worship 11:00, SS 9:45 www.thechurchonthewiseroad.org Breezy Point — Eagles Nest, Pastor Bob Stockland 218-562-

5252, Worship 10:30, 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.

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.

Crosby* — St. Joseph's, Mass: Sat. 4:30 pm; Sun 10:30. Crosslake — Immaculate Heart, 218-692-3731; www. ihmstemilys.org; Mass: Sat. 4 pm; Sun. 8:30; Confession

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 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

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. Lilja Behr; Sun.10; Comm. 1st Sun; Council Mtg. 2nd Sun. Spiritual fellowship, Sun. 9.

Aitkin — St. John's, Holy Communion or Morning Prayer 9

Brainerd* — St. Paul's, Holy Communion Sunday 10 **EVANGELICAL FREE**

Baxter — Lakewood EFC, Pastor Steve Anderson; Worship at 9 & 10:45; Wed for all ages 6:30 pm

Crosslake — 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.

Malmo — Pastor Glenn Browning; SS 9:30; Fellowship 10; Worship 10:15

Youth Group 6 pm; Adult Prayer 6:30 pm

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 Doug Larson, Pastor Jordan Gades; worship Sat. 5 pm, Sun. 8 am & 10 am, Wed. 5:30 pm w/supper; communion every Sat. and 1st and 3rd Sun.; contemporary services 2nd & 4th Sun.; nursery staffed during 10 am Sun. service; Sunday service is live streamed on YouTube (First Lutheran Church Aitkin); broadcast on KKIN (94.3FM) and on TV cable channel 181 at 9 am Wed.; community meal every Mon. & Thu. 5 pm; food shelf 2nd & 4th Thu. 9:30 am-5 pm.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.popbaxter.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 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.

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 Sut-

ton-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

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. (Hand-

icap 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; handicapped 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

will, eternally.

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. Peguot Lakes* - Our Savior's Lutheran Church (ELCA) Rev. Stephen Blenkush Worship 9:00 a.m., SS 9:15 a.m., Fellowship 10:15 a.m. Wed. Adult Bible Study 11:00 a.m. 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 Bange 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, Wednesdays at 5:30 pm Bible & Brew at Block North Brew Pub. . 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* — Pastors Luke and Bethany Nelson; Worship 8:30;

fellowship follows. 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

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

DONALD LENT



Donald Theodore Lentz, 67, of Crosby died on Tuesday, October 15, 2019 at Essentia St. Joseph's Medical Center in Brainerd.

A Memorial Gathering will be held on Friday, October 18, 2019 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Koop Funeral

Home in Crosby.

He was born on April 9, 1952 in Pipestone, Minnesota to Theodore and Agnes (Haraldson) Lentz.

Don is survived by three sons: Jeremy (Cassie) Lentz, Deerwood; Adrian (Sara) Lentz, Buckeye, AZ and John Motchenbacher, Perham; three daughters: Sarah (James) Markfort, Big Lake:-Stephanie Lentz, Onamia and Wendy Johnson, Brainerd; 14 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; one brother, Ron (Diane) Lentz, Wilson, NC; and one sister, Ramona Sandberg, Merrifield.

He was preceded in death by his parents and wife, Kathleen (Motchenbacher) Lentz.

Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home of Crosby.

RONALD PANKRATZ



Ronald J. Pankratz, 88, of Deerwood died on Monday, October 21, 2019 at Aicota Health Care Center in Aitkin. He was born on June 18, 1931 to Ralph and Estelle (Thielman)

in Valders, WI to Ralph and Estelle (Thielman) Pankratz.

Mass of Christian Burial will be 11:00 a.m. on Monday, October 28, 2019 at St. Joseph's

on Monday, October 28, 2019 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Crosby. Burial will be at the Scandia Cemetery in Deerwood with full military honors by the Walter Scott Erickson American Legion. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the church on Monday.

He was a Korean Conflict Navy veteran. Ron married Margery Hughes on May 31, 1958 in Dodge County. Ron was a retired employee with Peoples Natural Gas in Rosemount with 37 years of service and was a retired Rosemount Fireman with 17 years of service. Ron was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Crosby; a member and past commander of the Rosemount American Legion Post #65 and a member of the Walter Scott Erickson American Legion Post #557 of Deerwood.

Ron is survived by his wife, Margery; son, David Pankratz, Brainerd; two daughters, Vicky (Pat) Ruiz, Rosemount and Pamela Boyd, Garrison; nine grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; brother, Gary Pankratz, Fairbault; and sister, Sandy Pankratz, Fountain City, W.

Ron was preceded in death by his parents; e son, Richard Pankratz and brother, Thomas Pankratz.

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Swatara man arrested

On Oct. 4 upon location of missing person Michelle Mae's 2004 Jeep Liberty, investigation and searches began. Mae's vehicle was transported to the BCA for processing.

During the investigation of the missing person, on Oct. 5, Joshua Emil Karjala, 34, of

Swatara, was arrested for Probation Violation and is currently in custody.

Over the course of the following 10 days numerous agencies participated in daily ground searches and K-9 searches in a five mile radius of the location where the vehicle was recovered. Drone searches and water searches were conducted. Search warrants were issued for cell account data. In addition, search warrants were

executed at a rural private property near Swatara.

On Oct. 15, while executing another search warrant at the rural private property, the body of Michelle Mary Mae was located. Mae had been missing since Oct. 3. Mae was transported to the Ramsey County Medical Examiner for autopsy.

The medical examiner's preliminary findings conclude that the likely cause of death is homicide. Toxicology reports are pending. The rural private property where the deceased was located was the residence of Joshua Karjala. This investigation will be forwarded to the Aitkin County Attorney.

The Aitkin County Sheriff's Office again extends its gratitude to the many agen-



cies that assisted in locating Michelle Mae including the Cass County Sheriff's Office, Department of Natural Resources, St. Louis County Search and Rescue personnel, Grand Rapids Police Department, the Aitkin County volunteer Search and Rescue, Wisconsin Department of Justice, and the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension.

READER-RIBBETS

The sound of silence

The bike/walking trail between Deerwood and Crosby is now open for business, so is the tunnel north of Crosby. The signs for "no motorized vehicles permitted" are on the trails. It will be interesting to see what happens when those signs are posted at the tunnel. Also, it will be interesting to discover, if the state representatives who pushed the money through IRRB and the board members who approved the grant, knew in advance, the tunnel would restrict the use of snowmobiles and ATV's, essentially lying to misappropriate taxpayer's money.

Crosby spearheaded the project, being led by a city administrator willing to breach data privacy laws, a mayor with an executive, do as I say, mentality— admitting morals and ethics are not applicable in their administration, and the mayor refuses to represent the residents. A get-along council with no intentions of protecting the city. Their negligence evident by not acting on BMS Case No 17-PA-0260 where their former chief of police was found to lie, distort the truth, alter documents, conduct biased, prejudiced, flawed, investigations. Instead of preventing the former chief from creating a conflict of interest and allowing a criminal investigation into a former mayor that resulted in seven false charges, the council and mayor did nothing. That failure has resulted in the citizens of Crosby being served the second of many potential lawsuits.

Now that the tunnel is built, will anyone care when the signs restricting motor vehicles get posted? Will anyone care the funds were appropriated on lies? Will anyone in the snowmobile, ATV community be outraged? They were used. And will they fight to use the tunnel?

The threat to the public trust in Crosby has retired, the other resigned, a threat to Crosby remains

remains.

Recently the residents on the Serpent Lake Sanitary Sewer District were played like a fiddle by the council, mayor, and city administrator of Crosby. The cities of Deerwood, Ironton, and Cuyuna stepped up and displayed as the Cros-

by mayor puts it, "Minnesota Nice," and the mayor and his council spits in the face of sewer district users by voting no on paying 75% of \$60,000, half of the \$120,000 shortfall Crosby forced the sewer district into by shoving a \$240,000 tunnel down their throats.

The major threat on the range now, is the sound of silence from the residents.

Kelly Avelsgard Concerned Observer Deerwood



Thank you very much to all friends and family that attended our Trilogy Party and helped celebrate our 60th Wedding Anniversary!

Harlan and Harriet Simonson (Published in NewsHopper Sat., Oct. 26 & Nov. 2, 2019)

ADVERTISEMENT
FOR BIDS
2020 WATER TOWER
COATINGS RECONDITIONING IRONTON,
MINNESOTA
SEH NO. IRONT
151795Y

Notice is hereby given that sealed Bids will be received by the City Clerk until 10:00 a.m., Friday, November 15, 2019, at City Hall located at 309 3rd Street, Ironton, MN 56455, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud, for the furnishing of all labor and material for the construction of 2020 Water Tower Coatings Reconditioning.

Major components of the Work include:

- Reconditioning of a 100,000 gallon hydrocone water tower:
- o Pressure washing and spot touch-up of tank exterior.
- o Spot touch up on the interior dry portions of the tank.
 o Blast preparation of all surface to SP7 and spot failed areas to SP10 of the interior wet (Approximately 10% failed
- o New safety climb on access tub ladder.
- o Replace tank mud valve with Babco style valve.
- o Caulk all penetrations and lapped plates above water line.
- o Clean overflow and replace screen.
- o Replace manway gaskets and hardware. o Replace all light bulbs
- with LED.
 o Install new roof locks as
- provided by owner.
 o Miscellaneous repairs.
- Alternate Pricing will also be received for:
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- o Complete overcoat of tank exterior.

Bids shall be on the form provided for that purpose and according to the Bidding Requirements prepared by Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc. (SEH®) dated October 16, 2019.

The Bidding Documents may be seen at the Issuing Office of Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc. located at 416 South 6th Street, Suite 200, Brainerd, MN 56401-3540, 218.855.1700.

The Bidding Documents may be viewed for no cost at http://www.sehinc.com by selecting the Project Bid Information link at the bottom of the page and the View Plans option from the menu at the top of the selected project page.

Digital image copies of the Bidding Documents are available at http://www.sehinc.com for a fee of \$30. These documents may be downloaded by selecting this project from the PROJECT BID INFORMATION link and by entering eBidDocTM Number 6537622 on the SEARCH PROJECTS page. For assistance and free membership registration, contact QuestCDN at 952.233.1632 or info@questcdn.com.

In addition to digital plans, Paper copies of the Bidding Documents may be obtained from Docunet Corp. located at 2435 Xenium Lane North, Plymouth, MN 55441 (763.475.9600) for a fee of \$80

A pre-Bid conference will be held at 10:00 a.m. on October 30, 2019 at City Hall located at 309 3rd Street, Ironton, MN 56455 Representatives of Owner and Engineer will be present to discuss the Project. Bidders are encouraged to attend and participate in the conference.

Bid security in the amount of 5 percent of the Bid must accompany each Bid in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.

A Contractor responding to these Bidding Documents must submit to the City/Owner a signed statement under oath by an owner or officer verifying compliance with each of the minimum criteria in Minnesota Statutes, section 16C.285, subdivision 3.

This Work shall be subject to minimum wages and labor standards in accordance with the State of Minnesota.

Bids shall be directed to the City Clerk, securely sealed

(Published in NewsHopper Sat., Oct. 26 & Nov. 2, 2019) **ADVERTISEMENT**

FOR BIDS
2020 WELL NOS. 1 & 2
REHABILITATION
IRONTON,
MINNESOTA
SEH NO. IRONT
151800

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Major components of the Work include:

1. Remove pumping equipment, rehabilitate well, and repair/replace pumping equipment at two (2) wells (Well Nos. 1 & 2) with submersible pumping equipment.

2. Furnish and install 2 new pitless adaptors with security enclosures.

3. Install approximately 200 lineal feet of 6" ductile iron raw water main and appurtenances extending from each well to the existing water treatment plant as shown in the Drawings.

4. Maintain or Replace one 250 gpm submersible pump and motor at Well No. 1.

5. Replace 250 gpm Vertical Turbine pump at Well No. 2 with a 250 gpm submersible pump and motor.

equipment to service the site and power each well.
7. Install new grassed pav-

6. Install new electrical

7. Install new grassed paving system to access road to Well No. 1.

8. Demolish the existing Well No. 2 well house building and all process, electrical, and mechanical equipment located inside the building.

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This Work shall be subject to minimum wages and labor standards in accordance with the State of Minnesota.

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WHEREAS, the City of Cuyuna has changed the time of the next regular public meeting, to allow for Veterans Day;

THEREFORE, the next meeting of the Council will be held at 7:00 P.M. on November 4, 2019 in the City Hall in the City of Cuyuna.

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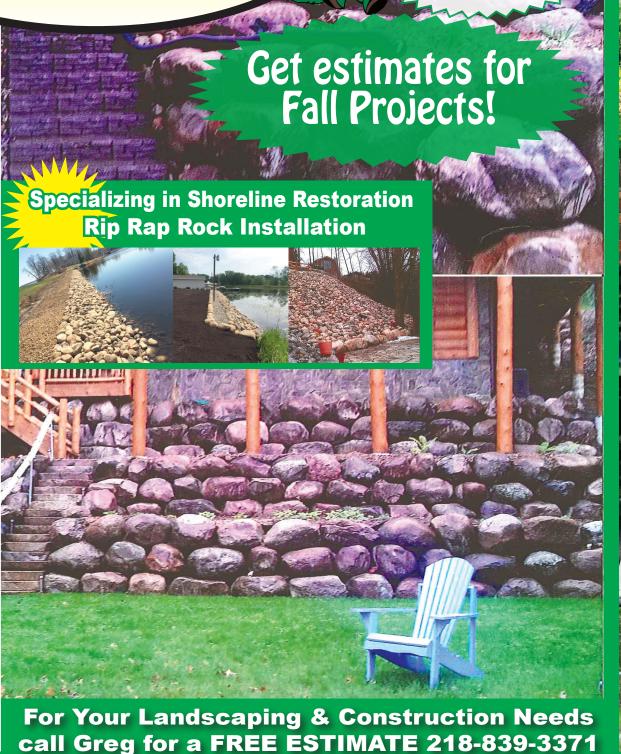
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