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WreathsForTheFallen.org takes on additional challenge



WreathsForTheFallen.org will be honoring our nation's fallen veterans at the Little Falls, Preston and the new Duluth veterans cemeteries.

This year the date for the National Remembrance Ceremony has been scheduled for Sat., December 14, at 10 a.m. at the Minnesota State Veterans Cemeteries in Little Falls, Preston and Duluth.

The addition of Preston and Duluth will require several hundred additional honor wreaths needed to honor our country's fallen veterans and their families at the Minnesota State Veterans Cemeteries once again this year.

"We are in hopes this year we will again be able to honor all our country's fallen veterans at the Minnesota

State Veterans Cemetery's in Little Falls, Preston and now Duluth Minnesota" said John Thomas, president of WreathsForTheFallen.org. "Now would be an excellent time to send that contribution or sponsorship to honor a veteran."

For a number of years WreathsForTheFallen.org has endeavored to honor all our country's fallen veterans and their families at the cemeteries by placing a wreath on each veteran's grave in December.

"For those that would like to make a general donation to this worthy cause, please feel free to contribute to the wreath general fund for the 2019 event. Information is on the [fallen.org web site. Everyone is invited to join and assist us with this worthy program," said Thomas.](http://www.WreathsForThe-</p></div><div data-bbox=)

For a number of years now the annual ceremony has

been conducted at the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery's honoring those veterans that have served honorably for our country. After the ceremony consisting of represen-

tatives from each branch of the military, several thousand honor wreaths will be placed on the many markers of our fallen veterans. Many

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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 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 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 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, 320-229-3646.

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.

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

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

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

Dance every second Tuesday at Moose in Grand Rapids.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

more information, please contact Sheila York at 218-820-5903 or syork@mfos.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. only 1-5 pm, at 9541 Madison Street; Garrison. For emergency food, call 3320-433-9435 and state needs, name & phone number, or leave message of same if no answer.

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.

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.

December

8th - Visit Santa and Mrs. Claus Dec. 8 at Main Street Nutrition downtown Crosby 11 a.m.- 1 p.m. Please bring a non-perishable food item to donate to the Cuyuna Range Food Shelf.

8th - Friends of the Aitkin Public Library Annual Christmas Tea, 2-4 p.m. enjoy special music by classical guitarist Samuel Hines, poetry readings, cookies, and, of course, tea. Registration is required at ecrlib.org. The library is located at 110 1st Ave. NE in downtown Aitkin and can be reached at 218-927-2339.

11th - A Cuyuna Christmas 4 - 7 p.m. at Heartwood in Crosby. Both indoor and outdoor activities including horse-drawn sleigh rides, live reindeer, entertainment, friendly goats, caroling, craft projects and games for children, cookie decorating, storybook reading, face painting, ice skating and bonfires. Santa and Mrs. Claus will also be on hand to spread Christmas cheer, so bring cameras and have wish lists ready. Free yuletide snacks including hot soup, popcorn, hot chocolate and hot apple cider will be served. Grand finale of an incredible fireworks display which will shimmer and sparkle the skies over Heartwood's pond at 7 p.m.

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Still digesting Thanksgiving?

Thanksgiving can be a great time for family, football, and food. This combination, though, can leave you with more than a memory of the holiday. We commonly see patients with stomach upset and digestive issues following this holiday weekend. We felt it might be helpful to offer some thoughts on ways to get you back on track.

A good starting place to start is in the stomach. Sometimes the stomach upset can be centered around too little stomach acid rather than too much. High stomach acid is something you need to breakdown your food. Acid reflux, leaky gut, IBS and other digestive problems can develop and are signs of too low an acid level. Some of our patients we supervise, are adding HCL and pepsin to help with this. Others, we advise to put a tablespoon of apple cider vinegar in a little water and sip it before each meal.

Next, add digestive enzymes. These are nutrients that help you break down your food. Patients often complain of bloating and pain after eating with this problem. There are specific enzymes for each type of food: protein, fats, and carbohydrates. Your body makes these enzymes, and others, but many times we see our patients need to support this area. Carefully selecting an enzyme mix can give you a substantial relief short term, as well as long term benefits.

For a simple addition to these tips, try sipping on peppermint or ginger tea after your meals. It can sooth and calm the digestive system. Avoiding stress and

stressful programing can also help. A relaxing walk after dinner can help the digestive process. Be careful not to overdo this exercise as it can worsen what you are looking to improve.

We know that your body doesn't function well at all if it has poor nerve function. There are nerves that flow from various areas of the spine that direct and control your digestion. In our office, we have consistently seen patients with a wide variety of digestive complaints get great relief from chiropractic adjustments. So be sure to get your chiropractic check-up.

Keep these tools in mind as we move through this Christmas season. Make this SHIFT today to a healthier you!



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•The deadline for the Dec. 28th NewsHopper issue (after Christmas) will be Fri., Dec. 20

•The deadline for the Jan. 4th NewsHopper issue (after the New Year) will be Fri., Dec. 27

OBITUARIES

EDNA NEITZEL



Edna H. Neitzel, 94, of McGregor died Friday, November 22, 2019 at the Aitkin Health Services in Aitkin. A memorials service will be held Wednesday, December 11, 2019 at 11 a.m. from Grace Lutheran Church with Rev. Cindy Fleckenstein officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service. Interment will take place at a later date on North Dakota. Edna was born March 30, 1925 at Morango, ND to of Edward and Helena (Roeszler) Maier. She grew up and attended schools in Ellendale, ND. She then moved to Minneapolis and mar-

ried Arnold Neitzel on February 22, 1952. She worked as a secretary for an airline. They lived in Minneapolis until moving to the McGregor area in the mid 1970's. She was a member of Grace Lutheran Church in McGregor, and the McGregor Lions/Lioness Club for many years having served as its president. She enjoyed volunteering. She is survived by her son William Neitzel of McGregor and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, daughter Laurice Jozen, two brothers and five sisters. 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.

JERALD GLAUVITZ



Jerald Earl Glauvitz, 62, of Big Lake died on Tuesday, November 26, 2019 at Mercy Hospital in Coon Rapid. A Memorial Service will be held 11:00 a.m. Friday, December 6, 2019 at the Koop Funeral Home in Crosby. Burial will be at the Lakewood Cemetery in Crosby. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the funeral home on Friday. He was born on January 29, 1957 in Robbinsdale to Lawrence Bergliot (Togstad) Glauvitz. Jerry graduated from the Osseo High School. He was self-employed in construction and was owner of Tomahawk Construction. Prior to having Tomahawk Construction he worked with his sons

with Triple J Construction. Jerry loved socializing with people in the community and spent a lot time talking to everyone. He will be remembered for being a very proud grandfather. Jerry is survived by his two sons, Joshua (Telsy) Glauvitz, Princeton and Jered Glauvitz, Milaca; two daughters, Mia Glauvitz, Sioux Falls, SD and Cassandra (Brandon Almsted) Glauvitz, Princeton; nine grandchildren: four brothers: Erik (Kim) Glauvitz, Coon Rapids; Mark (Debbie) Glauvitz, Zimmerman; David (Sherry) Glauvitz, Brooklyn Park and John (Gail) Glauvitz, Foreston. He was preceded in death by his parents and his wife, Kari. Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home of Crosby.

ARTURO OROSCO



Arturo Orosco, 79, of McGregor died Monday, November 25, 2019 at the Community Memorial Hospital in Cloquet. A memorial service was held Friday, December 6, 2019 at 2 p.m. from Grace Lutheran Church with Rev. Cheryl Fleckenstien officiating. Visitation was one hour prior to the service at the church. Interment will be at a later date at Ft. Snelling National Cemetery in Minneapolis. Military honors will be provided by the McGregor VFW and American Legion Posts. Arturo was born October 13, 1940 at Yoakum, TX the son of George and Guadalupe (Del Bosque) Orosco. He grew up and attended schools in the San Antonio area. He then served in the U.S. Air Force for 20 years. He married Lynne Joslyn on May 21, 1969 in Stockton, CA. Arturo retired from the Air Force in 1977 and went

to work for the General Electric Company and was involved with the Space Shuttle program. He then worked for the State of California Department of Labor as a Veterans Representative. They retired to Lake Minnewawa near McGregor in 2002 and they have lived here since. He was a member of the McGregor American Legion and was a past commander, he organized the veteran's dinner for returning veterans, he had served on several board at Riverwood Health Care Center and was the McGregor Angels number one patient. He is survived by his wife, Lynne; Children: Veronica, Gary, Bruce, Ernest, Sandy, Jennie and Carrie; 17 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; two brothers: David and Gilbert and five sisters: Irene, Yolanda, Cecelia, Leona and Rosalinda. He was preceded in death by his parents, one sister and one brother. Arrangements were with the McGregor Funeral Home and Cremation Service in McGregor. Go to www.srtfuneral.com to sign the online guest register.

JOHN WAFFENSMITH



John Ray Waffensmith, 87, of Bay Lake Township died on Saturday, November 30, 2019 at Golden Horizons in Aitkin. A Pray Service will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, December 8, 2019 at the Koop Funeral Home in Crosby. A memorial gathering will be from noon until 2:00 p.m. Burial will be at the Bay Lake Cemetery in Bay Lake Township. Memorials are preferred to St. Croix Hospice. Reception will be at the Deerwood Legion following the committal at Bay Lake Cemetery. He was born on October 11, 1932 in Brainerd to Ralph and Ida (Swing) Waffensmith. John graduated from the Agriculture School in Grand Rapids. He farmed in the Bay Lake Area with turkey and beef operation for many years. He married Delores Ferrari on September 13, 1952. John was co-owner and operator of the Crosby Bar, Snow Hut Marina and Snowmobile dealership, earning the honor of having the largest Scorpion dealership in the world. For 20 years

he was employed at the Mille Lacs Lake Grand Casino as a security guard. He was well known as "Lamont Sanford" of the "Sanford and Son" fame in many local parades. John married Amy Beach-Hale on October 15, 1988. John is survived by his wife Amy; two sons and daughter-in-law: John Waffensmith, Englewood, CO; and Greg and Kim Waffensmith, Deerwood; three daughters and son-in-law: Pam Weber, Clearwater; Sue and Bill Gordon, Crosby; Debbie Vukelich, Buffalo; stepson, Steven Hale, Sartell; two stepdaughters, Lori (Rick) Paulson, Deerwood and Sherri Phillips, Hackensack; former spouse, Delores "Dode" Waffensmith, Deerwood; one brother, Albert Waffensmith, Glendale, AZ; 13 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren, 3 great-great-grandchildren; seven step-grandchildren and 13 step-great-grandchildren. Preceding John in death are his parents; one brother, Robert Waffensmith and two grandchildren, Maria Waffensmith and Zachary Waffensmith. Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home of Crosby.

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Baxter* — Pointway Alliance Church; Rev. Charles Bolstridge, 218-537-6505; 7756 Highland Scenic Road; Worship 10; www.pointway.org
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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; hillcityyagchurch@gmail.com; 218-697-2662
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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.; 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 Zach Broom 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.

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.ihmstemilys.org; Mass: Sat. 4 pm; Sun. 8:30; Confession Sat. 3 pm.
Emily* — St. Emily, Mass: Mon. & Wed. 8; Sun. 10:30; Confession 1st Sat. 11 or by appt. 218-763-2101.
Garrison — Our Lady of Fatima, Fr. Elias Gieske, Mass Sun. 8 am. Confession Sun 7:15-7:45 am.
Grand Rapids — St. Joseph's, Fr. Jerry Weiss, Mass: Sat. 5 pm; Sun. 8 & 10:30. 218-326-2483
Hillman — Holy Family; Sun. 10 to Mass Sat. 6:30 pm (only through Labor Day) w/ confession before or by appt.
McGregor — Holy Family, Fr. David Forsman, 218-927-6581; Mass Sun. 8 am. Confession 7:15-7:45 am.
Vineland — St. Therese, Mass Sun. 11; Holy Days 8:30.

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

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 Mikles, 218-792-5530 Worship 9:30; Children's Sunday School 9:30; 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.

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 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 theologchurch@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 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. 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.
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Giese — Immanuel, Rev. R. Langhorst & Rev. R. Lovaas; Worship 9; SS 10; Holy Communion 1st Sun. of month 8:45.
Hill City — Trinity, (Missouri Synod), Pastor M. Eckert; Worship 9; Bible Study 10:15.
Hillman — Immanuel, (ELCA) Sun. Worship 9:30, SS 10. Located on the corner of Hwy. 27 and Co. Rd. 47. (Handicap accessible)
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 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. 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, 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, 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 bks 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

JOHN PIERCE

John Henry Pierce, 66, of Cambridge and Palisade died Saturday, November 30, 2019 at Riverwood Health Care Center in Aitkin. A complete obituary will be posted in next weeks edition. Funeral arrangements are pending with Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home & Cremation Services of Aitkin. www.srtfuneral.com

MARIAN BILL



Marian Bill, 84, of Deerwood died early Monday morning, December 2, 2019 at home. A family and friends gathering is being planned, no date has been set yet. She was born January 13, 1935 in Minneapolis to Floyd and Myrtle Grahman. Marian graduated Northwestern Bible College. She married Norman L. Bill on September 2, 1961 in Minneapolis. She worked at Powers Dry Goods Department Store in Minneapolis. Marian also worked at Riverwood Health Care Center in Aitkin for 10 years. She will be missed so much. She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Julie and James Riley, Aitkin; brother-in-law and his wife, Mark and Victoria Bill, Deerwood; three grandsons: Michael, Kevin and Scott; three great-grandsons and another great-grand-baby on the way. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Norman Lawrence (Larry) Bill; and daughter, Cynthia Lee Diehl.

READER RIBBETS

I hear a train a coming

It is difficult to modify the behavior of adults. There are military options that are very effective, they're called consequences — from wall to wall counseling, to loss of pay, loss of rank, and the big one, a dishonorable discharge. There have been zero consequences for the former Crosby police chief. Arbitrators found they lie, distort the truth, alter documents, make three ring binders disappear, conduct biased, flawed, prejudiced investigations. Judges found the former chief not credible and ruled they arbitrarily and discriminately enforced laws and policies. They destroyed an officer's career and their life. A former mayor stepped up, and they were criminally charged with seven false charges, acquitted of some, others dismissed, life destroyed. Personally, I would've fired the former chief, lieutenant and city administrator shortly after the first failed wrongful termination lawsuit. There wouldn't have been a second, and a former mayor would not have been falsely accused of seven crimes. The council and mayor are negligent. They didn't modify or attempt to change the behavior. The result — the residents have been served the second of many potential lawsuits. It wasn't the wrongfully terminated officer's, nor the former mayor's behavior that needed to change. The bad behavior continues today, the city, it's residents, and surrounding communities are at risk. The city administrator participated in a breach of data privacy laws, created a hostile workplace environment, collaborated with the former chief to get an officer placed on paid administrative leave. The city administrator has the former chief loitering at city hall, because they know what they've done. They're not protecting the city, they're protecting themselves. That's a sign of something bigger coming down the track. The loitering at city hall couldn't have been about getting the officer on paid administrative leave. Could it be about the X-Files that protect the current mayor from harm? It could be several things, but as Johnny Cash put it, "I hear a train a coming, it's rollin' round the bend." Psst, Crosby, there's another train a coming, it's rollin' around the bend. The former chief and city administrator know it. They're trying to get off the track to make sure the train hits you, not them. **Kelly Avelsgard, Deerwood Concerned Observer**

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LEGAL NOTICES

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LEGAL NOTICE

The following individual who was convicted of crimes in Crow Wing County has applied for relief from the Minnesota Board of Pardons. The application will be considered at the meeting of the board scheduled for December 16, 2019, commencing at 9:00 a.m., at the Minnesota Senate Building, St. Paul, MN:
- Evans, Seth
Leaving the Scene of an Accident
Convicted: 5/7/2001

Fourth-Degree Sale of a Controlled Substance

Convicted: 5/7/2001

Second-Degree Possession of a Controlled Substance

Convicted: 9/19/2003

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Convicted: 9/19/2003

Issuing Dishonored Checks (NSF Checks)

Convicted: 4/5/2004

Victims of this individual have a right to be present at the meeting, submit an oral or written statement to the board summarizing the harm suffered as a result of the crime, and make a recommendation to the board as to whether a pardon should be granted or denied. To submit an oral or written statement, or to obtain scheduling information, call the Board of Pardons at 651-361-7171. The meeting is open to the public pursuant to Minn. Stat. Ch. 13D.

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REBID 2020 WATER TOWER COATINGS RECONDITIONING IRONTON, MINNESOTA SEH NO. Iront 151795

Notice is hereby given that sealed Bids will be received by the City Clerk until 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, December 17, 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 REBID 2020 Water Tower Coatings Reconditioning. Major components of the Work include:
• Reconditioning of a 100,000 gallon hydrocone water tower:
• Pressure washing and spot touch-up of tank exterior.
• Complete overcoat of tank exterior.
• Spot touch up on the interior dry portions of the tank.
• Blast preparation of all surface to SP7 and spot failed areas to SP10 of the interior wet (Approximately 10% failed area).
• New safety climb on access tub ladder.
• Replace tank mud valve with Babco style valve.
• Caulk all penetrations and lapped plates above water line.
• Clean overflow and replace screen.

• Replace manway gaskets and hardware.

• Replace all light bulbs with LED.

• Install new roof locks as provided by owner.

• Miscellaneous repairs.

Bids shall be on the form provided for that purpose and according to the Bidding Requirements prepared by Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc. (SEH®) dated November 20, 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.

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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.

B Bids shall be directed to the City Clerk, securely sealed and endorsed upon the outside wrapper, "BID FOR REBID 2020 WATER TOWER COATINGS RECONDITIONING, IRONTON, MN, Iront 151795."

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AMANDA MEYER
City Clerk
Ironton, MN 56455

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