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## Cuyuna Lakes Chamber's contest results on Serpent Lake



Dextor Abear, Ted Abear and James Souhrada.

Saturday, Feb. 1, provided for ideal 30-degree weather for the estimated 575 anglers who turned out on Crosby's Serpent Lake for the Cuyuna Lakes Chamber's 16th Annual Ice Fishing Contest and Scorpion Homecoming. There was an estimated 1,500 attendees total, with prizes awarded to lucky or skilled anglers for fish of all sizes during the three-hour contest,

as well as raffle prizes from several local businesses.

### Raffle Prize winners:

Leo Jean Schuh of Aitkin won the first place raffle prize of a Eskimo F1 Rocket 8" Ice auger; Kane Johnson of Brainerd won the second place prize of a Marcum M1 Flasher; Gary Lioiland of Brainerd won the third place prize of a Marcum Recon 5 Underwater Camera; Carrie

Rudolph of Crosby won the fourth place prize of an Eskimo Quickfish 3i Fish House; and Dustin Smith of Ironton won the fifth prize of a Grand Casino Mille Lacs One Night

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### Fish Prize winners:

#### Panfish

Terry Rider hooked the first place prize of \$200 with a catch of .12 oz.; Amanda Ash-

ton reeled in the second place prize of \$100 with a catch of .11 oz.; and the third place prize of \$50 went to Wade McCoy with a catch of .11 oz.

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Duane Anderson was happy to take his granddaughter Luella Anderson to the Cuyuna Lakes Ice Fishing Contest on Saturday.

**Northern**  
Tucker Ten Voorde hooked the first place prize of \$200 with a catch of 2.01 lbs; Dale Kaiser pulled in the second

place prize of \$100 with a catch of 2 lbs; and third place prize of \$50 went to David Ellstrom with 1.97 lbs.

**Smallest Fish**  
1st – \$50, Shykia Johnson, .00 (Perch)  
**Scorpion Homecoming**  
Also on Saturday, 173 Scorpion Snowmobiles were on display during the Scorpion Homecoming. Several hundred participants enjoyed mild temperatures and a strong showing of this year's feature machines, the Range Whip and all teardrop designs. Of the feature sleds, 26 of these beautiful original and restored machines were on display – the most ever.  
Numerous unique and rare Scorpions were presented, including the legendary rac-

ing prototype, the "Odd Job" (highly regarded in the snowmobile racing community). As a result, the Scorpion Homecoming presented a wide range of local snowmobiling history, from the very earliest Scorpions to the sleek racing machines of the late 1970's, all designed and manufactured by fellow Rangers right here in the Cuyuna Lakes. Additionally, many locally made Massey Ferguson snowmobiles were also on display. (For a time, Scorpion manufactured snowmobiles for the agricultural giant, Massey Ferguson).  
As is typically the case, collectors came from far and wide, including this year, everal from New York state.

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## READER RIBBETS

### Won't solve itself

As the highest taxed city in Crow Wing County, the Crosby council voted to raise the levy once again — when the city had a surplus of funds from last year.  
The issues on streets, repairs, maintenance are on-going, all cities have the same issues. How they're managed is different. Most cities have a city administrator that is skilled, accessible, with a working knowledge of most of the departments or they listen to city employees with experience, not Crosby. They hire more administrators to listen for the city administrator — people who, by contract, can't touch a shovel, piece of equipment, plow the streets.  
There is proof the city ad-

ministrator collaborated in breaking data privacy laws, the city administrator collaborated with the former police chief and cost Crosby thousands of dollars by placing an officer on paid administrative leave — not in the interests of Crosby residents, but the former police chief and lieutenants personal interests only. The public works department and other departments have filed multiple grievances against the city and the management.  
The council and mayor must open their eyes, ears, ask the right questions, and represent the residents of Crosby. They must suspend the city administrator and investigate the proof.  
There is a reason the res-

idents have been served the second of many potential lawsuits. They're caused by the acts of people the city has or had employed.  
The council and mayor choose to be ignorant to the problem and think it lies outside of city hall.  
Some of Crosby's problems have solved themselves, one abruptly resigned, another prematurely retired, another has or will be closing its law practice, the last one sits at Crosby city hall, wasting taxpayer's time and money when they don't need to, this one won't solve itself.  
**Kelly Avelsgard,**  
**Deerwood**  
**Concerned Observer**

## Administrator's loyalty costs Crosby

The rewards of loyalty were recently exposed when the mayor of Crosby and his cohort council members voted to give a three year contract to the city administrator.  
As seen here before, certain employees seem to get miraculously locked in to their positions prior to upcoming elections or mayoral changes.  
No one can really blame our administrator for playing the game, as it is her livelihood. She has to almost daily clean up other peoples messes, deal with control freaks, and listen to those pesky

citizens concerns all the while pretending to be friends with those who support or agree with her at the moment. She deserves every penny she makes. To have the ability to stand back and enable a mayor to waste the efforts of and attack the very people who formerly stood up for her, shows she's all in. She should be rewarded for drinking our mayor's koolaid and having to live with the fact that her actions under this mayor's reign will forever follow her. So again, she deserves every penny she makes.  
To be able to convince her

friend and former mayor to run for a council seat so that Mr. Novak was assured a victory takes nerve. That very nerve will come in handy during the upcoming court case involving her sworn enemy and our mayor's former political rival. So again, she deserves every penny she makes.  
But its the very voters who so confidently bought into this twisted fallacy of good governance, who will end up paying for every penny she makes, every penny this alliance spends, every penny they loose and every penny taxed to their homes, businesses, etc.  
It is us voters whose pennies pay for increased water bills, supervisors who cant even run equipment and now maybe even a library!  
Under this administration, we will never understand what the saying "a penny saved is a penny earned" even means.  
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**February**  
8th - 2020 Justin Morneau Ice Fishing Tournament to Benefit Military Families at Nitti's Hunters Point Resort on Lake Mille Lacs 9 a.m. - 4: p.m., Awards will be given for the following categories: Northern Pike, Walleye, Perch and All Other Cost: \$20 a ticket  
8th - Mid Minnesota 150 Dog Sled Race from Outing to Remer. Mushers arrive at the Village Inn in Outing about 9 a.m. and the races will begin at noon ending in downtown Remer.  
8th - 45nrth Whiteout Event. Three races to choose from: 30K, 20K and the 10K race/ride at the Cuyuna Country State Recreation Area, 12:30 - 3:30 p.m. After party live music at Cuyuna Brewing Company, Crosby, 4 - 7 p.m. "Dos Guys" following the WhiteOut.  
8th - Cascade United Methodist Pie Social, 1-3 pm, located on Hwy. 6 & 210 between Deerwood and Crosby. Come and enjoy a slice of pie. Ice cream and coffee. Whole pies available for purchase  
8th - DuBray Fund-raiser, Wine & Food Pairing 2020 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Crosby starting at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$35 which include heavy appetizers and desserts. Call 218-454- 7019 for more information.  
11th - Ripple River Quilters, 12:30 p.m. at the Aitkin VFW. There will be a trunk show and merchandize presented by Densie Muller of Coloz Quilts in Baxter. Question or inquiring about membership call Linda Amundson 612 590-4983. The VFW is located ½ mile north of stoplights on the right just past the Fairgrounds.  
11th - Central Lakes College Music Department's winter concert "Winter Bliss" at 7:30 p.m. in the Chalberg Theatre. The concert features the CLC Brass Ensemble, Woodwind Ensemble and Jazz Orchestra. Tickets are \$5 for adults, CLC students and children under 12 are free.  
11th - Lakes Area Unlimited Learning Event presents Recent Developments in the Generation of Electricity in Minnesota. Recently the Governor announced plans to make Minnesota "carbon free" by 2050. Sara Cron, CEO of Mille Lacs Energy Cooperative will point out the benefits and unintended consequences of a "carbon free" Minnesota and how that would impact the energy market, energy producers and end consumers. 1:30-3:30 p.m., Heartwood Senior Living, Everyone is welcome, cost for non members \$5.00.  
12th - Deerwood Civic and Commerce's Committee meeting, at 5:30 p.m. in the Deerwood American Legion's hall. On the agenda is planning for the Gun Show to be held March 7-8 at the Deerwood Auditorium and the Summerfest to be held throughout the city August

14-15. Community volunteers are needed to help with event vendors, donations, raffle tickets, concessions, logistics and marketing.  
13th - DIY Spa Night at Aitkin Library create your own bath bombs and body scrubs at Do-It-Yourself Spa Night at 6 p.m. We will be using essential oils, so please note any allergies when registering. This event is recommended for ages 13 and up, and registration is required. Visit the events calendar at eclib.org to get registered. Space is limited! The library is located at 110 1st Ave. NE in downtown Aitkin and can be reached at 218-927-2339.  
15th - Fishing for Ducks on Mille Lacs Lake, Garrison, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
15th - Annual Valentine Dinner/Dance at Waukenabo Community Center/Town Hall Roast Beef Dinner at 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.; Dance: Jerry & Joyce at 7:30-10:00 p.m. Door Prizes (Must be present to win) Grand Prize (Need not be present to win) Donation: \$10.00 Adults, \$5.00 Children 12 and under  
20th - Great River Eye Clinic in Crosby is hosting Business After Hours from 5 - 7 p.m. Admission is \$3 and includes door prizes, hors d'oeuvres, refreshments and an opportunity to network your business.  
22th - Annual Rabbit Lake Fishing Contest on Rabbit Lake. Sign-up at the Woodtick Inn in Cuyuna. Call 218-772-0252 for more information.  
26th - Community members are invited to a Law Enforcement Job Fair at Central Lakes College from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. in the gym of the Brainerd campus. This event is perfect for those who are thinking about a career in law enforcement, corrections or probation. Representatives of the career field from across the region will be there to speak with visitors. The career fair is sponsored by the CLC Criminal Justice Program. Questions? Contact CLC Counselor Suzie Karsnia at suzanna.karsnia@clcmn.edu or 855-8015 or CLC Criminal Justice Instructor Gae Davis at gae.davis@clcmn.edu or 855-8264.  
29th - Frozen Crappie Flop Fishing Contest. A fund-raiser for Cl High School Fishing Team. Sign-up at Oars 'N Mine in Crosby or Town Tavern in Ironton  
29th - Aitkin Women of Today Happy Hour for a Cause at Block North in Aitkin, 2:00-5:00 p.m. to raise money for Aitkin City Park renovations. Event admission tickets are \$20 and can be purchased from Women of Today members, and at The Office Shop and Block North. For any questions, or donations, contact Leslie Goble at 218-820-0465.

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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 Jacques Art Center in Aitkin, 1-3 pm  
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## askdrsmith.com featuring Dr. Murray Smith Immunity goes viral

It is difficult to find a news feed, pick up a paper, or listen to a news cast that doesn't mention the global concern for rapidly spreading illnesses. While the illnesses come in all forms, some worse than others, it is good to ask what can be done to hopefully decrease the chances of contracting one. Let's look at some ways to enhance your immune system and other defenses that may help.

Elevate your intake of Vitamin C. It is one of the biggest immune system boosters of all. We know that having a lack of vitamin C can even make you more prone to getting sick. It is not unusual to see patients taking 1000mg, or more, to boost immunity. Next, let's add Vitamin B6 to the arsenal. Vitamin B6 supports important reactions that help the immune system work. A powerful antioxidant that helps the body fight off infection is Vitamin E. Like many vitamins, this important addition can also help a number of other vital bodily processes. Now, add in a high-quality probiotic. It's important to get the right one, but this helper may reduce the incidence of respiratory and gastrointestinal infections. These, and other nutrients, are critical to getting and staying healthy. That's why one of the first things we do with our patients is get them access to medical grade nutrition they can get on their own or with our recommendation.

Now let's turn our attention to the foods that contain these vitamins. Citrus fruits such as oranges, grapefruits, and tangerines are high in Vitamin C. So are strawberries, spinach, kale and broccoli. Surprisingly high in Vitamin C are bell peppers. For B6, try cold water fish such as salmon and tuna. Chicken and green vegetables are high in this, as are chickpeas (usually seen as Hummus). Vitamin E can be found in spinach, nuts, and seeds. Some fermented foods that contain probiotics, either naturally or added to them, are sauerkraut, pickles, miso, tempeh, kimchi, yogurt, kefir, kombucha, sourdough bread and some cheeses.

Avoiding some things can also help. Sugar shuts the immune system down. So does drinking too much alcohol which can make you more vulnerable to lung infections. Second-hand smoke is a threat to your lungs, heightening the risk of bronchitis and pneumonia. Avoiding stress, if possible, because it affects the hormone cortisol, which high levels over time decrease your immune function.

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OBITUARIES

PHYLLIS FLANNIGAN



Phyllis E. Flannigan, 89, of Crosby died on Tuesday, January 28, 2020 at the Cuyuna Regional Care Center in Crosby.

A memorial service will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 11, 2020 at the Crosby Assembly of God Church. Burial will be at the Lakewood Cemetery in Crosby. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the church.

She was born on February 8, 1930 in Alberta to Charles and Bertina (Larson) Tomoson. Phyllis was a retired employee of the Cuyuna Regional Medical Center in Crosby with 22 years of service. She was a member of the Crosby Assembly of God Church, was an auxiliary member of the

Walter Scott Erickson American Legion Post #557 of Deerwood, serving as Chaplain for several years. For many years Phyllis played the role as Mrs. Santa for the area.

Phyllis is survived by two daughters: Bonnie (Jim Hann) Manske of Deerwood; Linda (Brock Flower) Flannigan of Crosby; son, Tom (Sarah) Flannigan of Brainerd; daughter-in-law, Wendy Flannigan of Crosby; 12 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; two brothers: Clifford (Diane) Tomoson of Alexandria, Ron (Mir'lam Connelly) Tomoson of Gassville, AR; and two sisters: Charlotte (Bob) Stier and Mary Scott both of Alexandria.

She was preceed in death by her parents; son, Mike; grandson, Michael David Flannigan; six brothers and one sister.

Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home in Crosby.

MURIEL LUND

Muriel Lund, of Aitkin died Sunday, February 2, 2020 at her residence in Baxter.

Funeral arrangements are pending with Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home of Aitkin.

LYLE CHRISTENSEN

Lyle Joseph Christensen, 65, of Crosby formerly of Sioux Falls, SD died on Tuesday, January 28, 2020 at the Little Falls Care Center.

A memorial mass is being planned for spring. Burial will be at Saint George Cemetery in Hartford, SD.

He was born on August 8, 1954 in Sioux Falls, SD to Harry and Theresa (Siemonsma) Christensen.

Lyle is survived by brother, Roger (Olivia) Christensen of Deerwood; two sisters: Marilyn (Gordon) Griffith of Lake St. Louis, MO and Linda Christensen of Sioux Falls, SD; many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother Loren Christensen.

Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home in Crosby.

HERMAN EKELUND



Herman Ekelund, 88, of Big Sandy Lake died peacefully on Saturday, February 1, 2020 at his home after spending the day with his family by his side.

Funeral service will be at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 8, 2020 at Grace Lutheran Church, McGregor with Reverend Cheryl Fleckenstein officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the church. Private Burial will be in Pine Needle Cemetery. Military honors will be accorded by McGregor VFW Post #2747 and American Legion Post #23.

He was born July 28, 1931 in Aitkin to Richard and Ethel (Warner) Ekelund minutes after his twin brother, Harry. Graduating from McGregor High School in 1949, he then joined the Navy with Harry. He was stationed at Whidbey Island, WA where he served as a radio operator on a P2V Neptune Patrol Bomber during the Korean War for four years and flying a total of 1,800 hours. In 1952 at Mt. Vernon, WA, Herman married his high school sweetheart and lifetime love, Doree Boelter. They had a double ceremony with twin brother Harry and his fiancee' Barbara just before leaving for a six month tour in Japan. Together they raised their family in the Big Sandy Lake area. He worked with his father Richard at his small sawmill which later became Ekelund Lumber. Ekelund Lumber is well known for its native

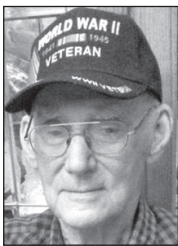
paneling which is showcased around in many of the local homes and businesses, including Grace Lutheran Church. Herman was active in the Larson-Deneen VFW Post and American Legion. He and his brother Harry proudly carried the colors for Memorial Day Services for over 50 years. He taught his family the meaning of patriotism and that you always stand for the American Flag. Herman was an avid hunter and fisherman that loved to share his passion for the outdoors with his family and friends. He never missed a chance to make any occasion fun. He never missed a chance to make any occasion fun. The highlight of family gatherings were always fish fries with the big Northerns from his spear house, with a close second being his famous deep fried turkeys.

Herman is survived by his wife of 67 years, Doree; son, Gordon Ekelund; two daughters and sons-in-law: Jeanne and Hank Mosier; and June and Jon Hawkinson; and brother, Harry Ekelund; six grandchildren: Jenny, Joanee, Jordan, Jamie, Nicholas, Mindy; honorary grandson, Scott; ten great-grandchildren: Kessiah, Kaleb, Brandon, Katy, Oliver, Sven, Niko, Isaac, Ella and baby Koen (on the way) special niece, Diane; many other special relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; four brothers: Wally, Cliff, Pete, and Ralph; sister Doris Eddy, infant granddaughter, and his special uncle, Lyman.

Arrangements are with McGregor Funeral Home & Cremation Services of McGregor. www.srtfuneral.com

DONALD JACOBS



Donald Edwin Jacobs, 95, of McGregor died Tuesday, January 14, 2020 at The Emeralds in Grand Rapids.

A service with military honors will be held in the spring/summer of 2020. Burial will be in the Round Lake Cemetery, Shamrock Township, Aitkin County, MN.

He was born March 27, 1924 in Louisville, KY. to Mark Edwin and Gwendolyn Hope (Widger) Jacobs. He was a US Army veteran serving in Normandy, Northern France, Ardennes, Rhine-

land, and Central Europe Battles and Campaigns during WW II. Donald was united in marriage to Joyce (Broich) November 27, 1976 in Hill City. He was a heavy equipment operator in the mines on the Range in northern Minnesota, he also logged and farmed for a living, and was an avid Minnesota sports fan.

Donald is survived by many special nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Joyce, in 2007 and four brothers: Gordon, Bruce, Robert, and Curtis Jacobs.

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**ALLIANCE**  
Aitkin\* — New Life; Larry Burg & John Baker, pastors; Worship 10:15 am & 5:30 pm; "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; www.pointway.org  
Garrison\* — Pastor Michael H. Palkie; Worship 9; SS 10:30.  
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 Jurdan; Worship 10; hillcityagchurch@gmail.com; 218-697-2662  
Palisade — Pastor Ed Sornberger; SS 9; Worship 10; Kids Church; Small groups during the week 218-845-2726

**BAPTIST**  
Aitkin - The Journey North, Pastor Lynfield Hines, 218-824-5617, Worship 9: 30 and 11, thejourneynorth.com  
Baxter - The Journey North, Pastor Mark Bjorlo, 218-824-5617, Worship Saturday 5, Sunday 9, 10:30, 11:45, thejourneynorth.com  
Brainerd\* - Faith Baptist Church, Pastor Chris Erickson, 218-829-3191; SS 9:00, Worship 10:30 and 6 p.m., Wed. Classes and Clubs 6:30 p.m.; fbcbraainerd.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.  
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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 Richie Bean; 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. Lijia 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 thelogchurch@crosslake.net  
Isle — Pastor Kerry Johnston; Worship 9; SS 10:15; Wed. Youth Group 6 pm; Adult Prayer 6:30 pm  
Malmo — Pastor Glenn Browning; SS 9:30; Fellowship 10; Worship 10:15  
Wright — Pastor Ken Mitchell, 218-426-5115; SS 9:30; Worship, 10:30; Thu., Bible Study, 7 pm.

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

**LUTHERAN**  
Aitkin — Bethlehem (ELCA), Rev. Rebecca Hinz; Worship 9:30; Holy Comm. 1st & 3rd Sun each month.  
Aitkin — First\* (ELCA) Pastor 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.pppbaxter.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.lchurch.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), www.crosslakelutheran.com, Pastor Kristin Oltmann, Pastor Kurt Hagestuen, 218-692-3682, Sunday Worship 9:30 am, Wednesday Worship 6:15 pm  
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 9; Sunday School 9:15.  
Garrison — Light of the Cross (ELCA), Pastor Juli Sutton-Deem;Worship 9 SS 9; 320-692-4773 or 877-406-9101.  
Garrison — Shepherd of the Lake (LCMS), Rev. Tom Petersen. Worship 10 with Communion Every Sunday. Adult Bible Study 8:30am, Sunday School Sept-May. 8:30am. Fellowship 11am. 320-692-4581. www.shepherdofthelake.org.  
Giese — Immanuel, Rev. R. Langhorst & Rev. R. Lovaa; 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 9 am Alternating with Zion of Crosby; 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; 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays 10 am; 41163 Kestrel Ave 3.3 mi. South of Hwy 210  
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 Roger Hagen;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

Brainerd – Pastor Roger Hagen; Worship Sat. 11:20 a.m., Bible Study 10:00 a.m.; Bible Study & Prayer Mtg. Wed. 6:30 p.m.; 2910 Oak Street, Brainerd, 218-829-1676

**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 10:30; 2 blks north of Post Office; handicap ramp; 320-532-3150; office: 218-546-7656; cell: 218-360-1947

**WESLEYAN**  
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At the 3:00 p.m. on-ice ceremony, the following awards were presented:

**Honorary Awards**  
Jerry Garner of Blaine received the Sno-Serpents Award for a 1974 Super Stinger (Original). Steve Martinson of Milaca received the Chamber's Choice for a 1971 Stinger Trimmed Wedge (Custom); The Scorpion Traveler went to Marc Shuknecht, Elba NY for traveling 1,105 miles. Eileen Harrison Memorial Award went to Rick Kocher, West Bend WI for a 1979 (Purple Custom.)

**Era Awards**  
Tara Shuknecht, of Elba, NY, received first place Original Trail-A-Sled Era award for 1971 Super Stinger. Runner-up was Samantha Martin-

son of Columbia Heights with a 1967 SnoCraft.

Matt Mattich of Brainerd received the first place Restored Trail-A-Sled Era award for a 1970 Stinger. Dave Klein of Cold Spring was the runner-up with a 1971 Super Stinger

Al Emme of Glencoe received the first place Original Scorpion Era award for a 1976 Massey Cyclone. Jerry Garner of Blaine was the runner-up with a 1974 Super Stinger.

Stephanie Steinhof of Brooten received first place Restored Scorpion Era award for a 1972 Stinger III. The runner-up was Joe Bergquist of Twig for a 1975 Lil Whip.

First place Scorpion Custom went to Dwight Bartel of West Bend WI with a 1975 Odd Job. Runner-up was Dylan Bishop of Pike Lakewith a 1966 Sears.

**Feature Sled Awards**  
Sandra Schutz of St. Cloud received Honorable Mention I for a 1971 Mark IV. Honorable Mention II went Scott Vouk of St. Stephen for a 1970 Stinger. Honorable Mention III went to Jared Wasserzieher of Pillager for a 1969 Mark I. Honorable Mention IV went to Ed Schutz of Rockville for a 1968 Mark I. Honorable Mention V went to Roger Sparrow of Jordan for a 1971 Mark IV.

First place went to Ron Rooney of Emily for a 1971 Mark II. Second place went to Dave Emme of Glencoe for a 1977 Ranger Whip Sting. Third Place went to Mark Schraut of Royalton for a 1969 Mark II 300.

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**NOTICE CITY OF CUYUNA: PUBLIC MEETING CHANGES**  
WHEREAS, the City of Cuyuna, for 2020 and ongoing, changed the scheduled time of Regular Public Meetings, setting them on for the Second Tuesday of each month;  
THEREFORE, the next

Regular Public Meeting of the City Council will be held at 7:00 p.m. on February 11, 2020, and further regular meetings shall occur every 2nd Tuesday of every successive month, in the City Hall in the City of Cuyuna.

The public is invited to attend.  
Dated this January 22, 2020  
BILL BEDARD,  
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