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Aitkin baseball takes second place in Legion tourney



Aitkin Legion Junior Baseball team placed second in the tournament on July 29 in Aitkin.

By ANN SCHWARTZ
Although they beat Parkers Prairie 13-0, the Aitkin Legion Junior Baseball team lost the final game to Upsala-Swanville in a battle for the championship on July 29 at Wook Field in Aitkin.

Upsala-Swanville won the championship of the Northwest Substate American Legion 2021 Baseball Tournament. Upsala went into the contest with a #1 ranking. Aitkin was rated sixth and

Ironton, ninth of nine teams. Earlier on July 29, Aitkin beat Parkers Prairie 13-0. Then they lost to Upsala-Swanville 5-6. Zach Enstrom pitched through the sixth inning and

Josh McGuire pitched the seventh. They were behind 1-3 in the top of the fifth but scored four runs to go ahead by 2. Landon Janzen hit a home run.

Upsala-Swanville came back and tied it up in the bottom of the 5th inning. Upsala-Swanville won when the bases were loaded and Aitkin made a throwing error.

Other teams in the competition included Ironton, Breckenridge, Browerville, Crookston, OTC and DGF.

The Aitkin American Legion Color guard open the contest.



Photos courtesy of Jennifer Ehnstrom

Crosby Mayor Hunter turns in resignation

City of Crosby Administrator Matthew Hill announced during a special Crosby Council meeting on Monday, Aug. 2, that he received a letter of resignation from Mayor James Hunter. Hill received the letter Aug. 2, however the

resignation letter was dated July 27. The letter stated that Hunter was regrettably resigning effective July 26, 2021 due to health issues:

"It is with deep regret that I am turning in my resignation as the Mayor of Crosby effective July 26, 2021.

As my health declines, I am not able to give the community 100 percent in which it deserves. I am very grateful for the opportunity to serve as the Mayor of Crosby. I would like to thank those who voted for me and put their trust in me to make Crosby a better

place. I fought the good fight and gave it my all. You are in good hands with the current administration and wish you all the best of luck in the future of Crosby.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS Final Where's Munchy? scavenger hunt winners

August

- 7th - Tamarack Hey Day Diamond Jubilee 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. with 10 a.m. marathon, 11 a.m. parade. Also music, exhibits, softball, races and games
- 7th - Grace Lutheran Church Book & Bake Sale 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. east of Sather's Store, north of McGregor.
- 8th - Aitkin Fly-in / Drive-in Wild Rice Pancake Breakfast 8 a.m. - noon at the Aitkin Airport. Free admission sponsored by the Aitkin Flyers
- 10th - Lakes Area Unlimited Learning will present Bill Marchel, wildlife author and photographer
- 12th - Music in the Park Serpent Lake in Crosby 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. Zachary Scot Johnson. Bring lawn chairs or blankets.
- 13th & 14th - Deerwood Summerfest with crafters and food vendors in Deerwood. Go to deerwoodcommerce.org
- 13th & 14th - Deerwood Lakes Lions Rummage and Bake Sale, Deerwood Auditorium, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
- 14th - Deerwood Fire Summerfest 5K and 10K Run/Walk. 10K starts at 8:30 a.m.; 5K starts at 9 a.m.; Registration/check in at 7:30 a.m. at the Deerwood Fire Station. T-shirts, refreshments and more.
- 15th - Manna for Malawi Fund-Raising Event, 2 to 6 p.m. Live music with Johnny Holm, pork roast, raffle and silent auction at the Bridge Tavern located north of Crosby.
- 18th - 22nd Crosby Heritage Days Celebration. Entertainment, arts & crafts show, food vendors, car show, in Crosby Memorial Park on Serpent Lake from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
- 19th - Everyone is welcome to the Summer Reading Program Closing Carnival, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. at Jessie F. Hallett Memorial Library in Crosby.
- 21st - Annual Corn Feed (all you can eat corn), will be held from 4:30 - 7:00 p.m., at Bethesda Lutheran Church in Malmo. Adults \$10, children 12 & under \$5.00. Pulled Pork on a bun, corn, beans, coleslaw & beverages.



The winner of the grand prize is Mary Lou Smith. She was selected from all participants of the scavenger hunt.

The Cuyuna Lakes Chamber Downtown Committee announced MaryLou Smith as the grand prize winner of the Where's Munchy? scavenger hunt. Smith will receive an InstaPot from Lakeside Loot, fleece blanket from CRMC, coffee mug and BOGO Yoga from Uplifted Wellness Studio, t-shirt from Red Threads and gift cards from GuidePoint Pharmacy (\$30) and Ironton American Legion (\$25).

The final weekly prize win-

ner for Clue # 8 (week of July 21-27) was Anna Grabrian. She found Munchy at Mixed Company --A Kava House and won a gift card.

The goal of the promotion was to engage the community in the area's history while encouraging shopping locally throughout summer to help offset the economic impact experienced by businesses in Crosby, Ironton, and Deerwood during the Highway 210 construction.

During the weekly scavenger hunt, participants searched for the Munchy the Miner figurine, which was hidden in plain sight at several downtown Chamber member businesses.



Anna Grabrian found Munchy at Mixed Company --A Kava House by following Clue #8 (week of July 21-27) and won a gift card.

Water tower removed



The old Deerwood water tower originally built in 1914 was disassembled last week. The photo was taken early morning on July 28 while workers labored with poor air quality under smoke laden skies arising from wildfires in Canada.

Photo courtesy of Murray Smith

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OBITUARIES

WARREN HOEKSTRA



Warren Dale Hoekstra, 70, of Deerwood died on Friday, July 23, 2021 at his home. A Celebration of Life will be held at the Walter Scott Erickson American Legion Post, Deerwood on Saturday,

August 7, 2021 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. He was born on January 24, 1951 in Sioux City, IA to William and Marie (Torgerson) Hoekstra. Warren was a member of the Son's of the American Legion, Deerwood. Warren is preceded in death by his parents and one brother, William Hoekstra.

JAMES DUSBABEK

James C. Dusbabek, 95, of Garrison died at his home on July 27, 2021. A private family mass is being held. Burial will be at the Holy Family Catholic Cemetery in

Hillman. The family would prefer no memorials or flowers. Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home in Crosby

WARREN TIBBETTS

Warren Roger Tibbetts, 76, of Garrison, died Wednesday, July 28, 2021 in Riverwood Health Care Center, Aitkin.

years, Mary Tibbetts; 2 sons, Roger and Tim Tibbetts; grandchildren, Brett, Kole, Hannah and Faith; brother, John; sister, Ann.

To honor Warren's wishes, no services will be held. He was born May 8, 1945 in Aitkin to Albert and Gladys (Spangenberg) Tibbetts. Warren is survived by his loving wife of 56

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EUGENE ANDERSON



Eugene "Gene" Anderson, 77, of Klondyke (Irondale Township), MN, died Sunday, August 1, 2021 at Abbott Northwest Hospital in Minneapolis from complications due to lung cancer.

time with his family. He is survived by his beloved wife Raechin Anderson; five children: Danita (Don) Eberhardt, Denise (Todd) Saatzer, DeAnn (Chris) Evanson, Rodney Anderson, Dana (Larry) Nelson; 12 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and sister Julann Anderson. Proceeded in death by his father Howard Anderson, mother Francis Anderson and granddaughter Shelly Mae.

There will be a private family service. He was born on December 3, 1943. In his retirement he had a passion for woodworking, tractors, agates, the lake, and spending

Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home of Crosby. To leave a message of condolence go to www.koopfuneralhome.com.

ROGER CARLSON

Roger John Carlson of Palisade died Sunday, August 1, 2021 at his home in rural Palisade.

hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Burial was in Fleming Cemetery. Arrangements were with the Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Aitkin. Leave online condolences at www.srtfuneral.com.

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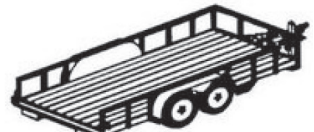
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from 12:00 - 12:30 p.m., followed by a closing reception on the same day from 12:30 - 2:00 p.m. Free will offering at the door. Light refreshments will be served. This exhibition encompasses the beauty and abundant scenery and wildlife that Minnesota holds, through a collaboration of paintings by Calihan Yliniemi and pottery by Lindsey Personius. Inspired by lake horizons, sunrises and sunsets, and

reflections on the water, each of the mediums on display portrays fond memories of growing up on and around lakes in Minnesota, spending time with loved ones, and enjoying the sweet sounds of nature. Lindsey Personius is a part-time artist that lives in Pillager, Minnesota who enjoys crafting functional, handmade pottery and paintings from her home studio. Her work is inspired by life in Minnesota and all things on, in, and around the lakes. She primarily does wheel-thrown ceramics, with stoneware clay in a traditional and min-

imal style. Calihan Yliniemi is a Minnesota-based artist, currently residing in Minneapolis. She found her true passion for art, especially in drawing and painting, in college. Her work is inspired by the beauty found in nature, as she continues to paint and draw landscape scenes. The majority of art she creates encompasses the vivid colors of the subject matter and the joy it evokes.

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