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Elders enjoy and thrive with time among families again

By ANN SCHWARTZ
When you ask folks "How many Christmases did you have this year?" many will answer three or four. "But we didn't get together last year so it was exhausting, but so nice."

Elderly folks are thriving on the chance to once again spend time with children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and other extended family and friends as many were isolated and lonely during the Pandemic Lockdown.

Pictured are Kathy O'Brien, 90, and Antje Olson (pronounced Angee), 94. Both are well-known long-time Brainerd residents who spent the holidays with Shawn and Karla O'Brien, Kathy's son and Antje's daughter, and the O'Briens' daughter Shawna and her family – along with Justin O'Brien.

Karla explained that the two great-grandmas have distinct personalities. Kathy is calm and nurturing while



Kathy O'Brien, 90; and Antje Olson, 94, of Brainerd, clown around at a family holiday celebration. Karla O'Brien photo

Antje is outgoing and sparkly.

Kathy was born in Brainerd, the youngest of 12 Klein children. She worked at Northwestern Bell Telephone Company in Brainerd along with many other women who became fast friends. She and her late husband Don have two sons: Mike and Shawn.

Now a resident of Edgewood Vista, Kathy has four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. "She

loves her birthday club with her long-time telephone company friends like Evie Zahn," Karla explained. An avid walker, Kathy keeps in shape walking through the halls of Edgewood Vista.

Antje grew up in Germany and immigrated as a war bride. She obtained an RN degree and then got a master's degree and taught special education. Many former Brainerd students will remember her as the teacher of Dining Room Skills at the Vocational School, where she and George Eder ran the model restaurant. George's daughter Linda later became a world-famous vocalist.

Anytime there is a game to be played, Antje is up to the challenge. "Mom is really involved at the Senior Center. She plays bingo at the Eagles, the Legion and the Senior Center. She loves to play cards and is learning pinochle. She still drives and lives on her own."

Antje is mom to six daugh-

ters, six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren who are all boys.

On Christmas day, the grannies spent time with their grandboys, Shawna and Joe Reed's sons Collin and Carter of Baxter. At one point, they tried on the boys' expensive

PittViper sunglasses, which help anglers to see better when fishing.

"To have those two spend Christmas with us and each other was so special," summed up Karla. The great-grandmas really enjoyed it."

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The \$4,823,654 grant is a part of the Small Cities Coronavirus Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG-CV). The Minnesota Department of

Employment and Economic Development (DEED) awarded \$34,656,956 in grants to 15 Minnesota cities and counties across the state. As part of the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Minnesota received a special allocation to address community needs to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. Most of the funding will be used for broadband improvement projects. Other uses will include housing assistance, food shelf assistance, retrofitting buildings and commercial rehabilitation projects.

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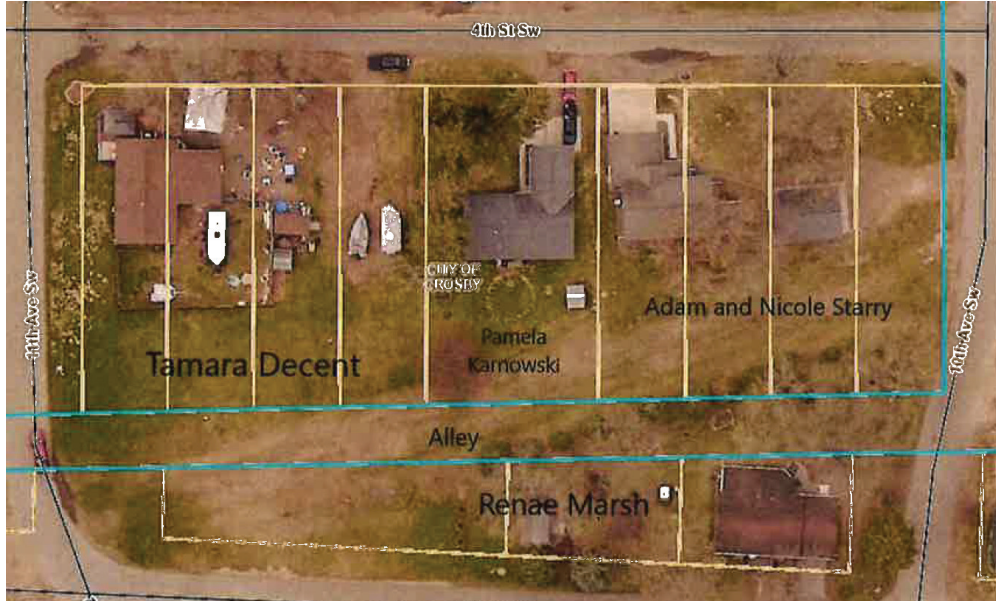
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Crosby denies alley vacation and determines council appointments



City of Crosby Administrator Matthew Hill introduced to the audience and asked them to wave at Kathryn Carpenter the new General Manger at the Hallett Center of Crosby at the Monday, Jan. 10 City of Crosby Council meeting.

Mayor Diane Cash read the consent agenda that included the new IRS Mileage Reimbursement Rate change to 58.5¢ per mile.

A public hearing for a proposed alley vacation request between 10th Avenue and 11th Avenue in southwest was being held.

The owners of Block 2, Keating's Addition to Crosby: Adam and Nicole Starry, Pamela Karnowski, and Tamara Decent properties are north and Renae Marsh owns the three parcels south of the unused alley. They were seeking approval from the council to vacate the 25 foot wide platted alley that runs along

the south side of their parcels. The surface of the alley is unimproved and the city currently has not maintained it. There are no city utilities within it, but a sanitary sewer forcemain pipe owned by the Serpent Lake Sanitary Sewer District crosses through it in the old railroad bed.

After Mayor Cash commenced the public hearing, Adam and Nicole Starry sat at the public table and Adam spoke about their reasons for filing their petition to acquire half of the alley adjoining their property. Jeff Andrews a Crosby resident at 916 Poplar Street spoke about the property history from his perspective.

Pamela Karnowski talked about a quit claim deed prepared by Renae Marsh's attorney splitting the alley in half, if the city approved the vacation. Then Renae Marsh spoke about the proposed alley split and her efforts of

maintaining the property.

Administrator Hill spoke about some rules that needed to be followed, "No vacation shall be made unless it appears in the interest of the public to do so after a hearing. Ultimately the council unanimously voted to deny the application to vacate.

In the public comments portion of the meeting, Pamela Karnowski asked Administrator Hill what the city plans to do with the alley property?

Hill responded it would be maintained similar to other city owned properties.

2022 City Council Appointments and Organizational Assignments

The first recommended change by Mayor Cash was to replace the *Brainerd Dispatch* with the *NewsHopper* as the secondary official city newspaper. City Attorney Langel asked if the *NewsHopper* was a legal newspaper? Eric Heglund of the *NewsHopper*

said, "Absolutely."

Councilman Heglund said that he had a "big problem" with Mayor Cash's appointments. He said he had worked in Public Works for over 41 years, was on the council for another five years "and now you think you are going to pull me off of [the] Public Works [committee], for what reason I don't know... but that is pretty low... I think I should be on Public Works a hundred percent... You do not know...what's going on."

Mayor Cash replied, "Let me clarify, I have 45 years of business management experience. My last nine years was spent managing a shopping mall and a business retail center in St. Cloud, which had 185,000 square feet.

I supervised the staff of 10 maintenance workers and 40 fitness center employees. I was general manager and I answered to the owners. In my career, I have hired over 500 employees and fired approximately 50. I know these human resources rules. I know the construction rules. I spent 10 years with a general contractor. I hired all the sub-contractors and nobody got paid unless I gave the approval. My experience on the general contracting end, my experience on the business management end is extensive. I was responsible for the sewer cleaning on the building in St. Cloud, located over a city sewer line. They vacated an alley that had a city sewer. I was responsible for having that jetted every

six months. I took care of the parking lot. I hired the roof repair. I hired the snow removal. I was responsible of all of the safety issues that are necessary to prevent insurance claims."

After the heated discussion between Cash and Heglund, Cash asked for comments.

Ryan said that for the most part Cash did a good job assigning the committee appointments, but he would stand by Heglund for his insights on the Public Works committee. Cash said that she was surprised at Ryan's comment because he had voiced concerns over Heglund.

Jarvela said he thought Heglund should approach people differently, but that he deserves to be on the Public Works committee.

Cash felt that Heglund was not respectful, violated personnel rules by discussing wages and the Assistant Working Foreman position with current city employees.

Heglund agreed that he spoke to the employees about applying for the Assistant Working Foreman job. He said, "We need an assistant foreman, we don't have one now, that's the big problem out there right now."

Heglund felt that he treats everyone with respect at the Public Works meeting and said that "when there is work to be done; it should be done, that's all that I'm saying. And if they can't do the work, we will go out outside and get that work done. I don't care if its plowing, hauling or

cleaning hydrants."

He said that although it was a Public Works responsibility, he was glad that the fire department cleaned snow away from the fire hydrants.

Councilman Traylor volunteered to be removed from the Public Work committee and Cash took his spot to resolve the issue.

The council approved the following: Acting Mayor Jim Traylor; City Administrator-Clerk-Treasurer Matthew Hill; Deputy Registrar Kay Nephew; Police Chief Andrew Rooney; City Attorney Ratwik, Roszak & Maloney; City Engineer Bolton & Menk; Fire Chief Jay DeCent; Assistant Fire Chief Shayne Jacobs; Librarian Abby Smith; Health Officer Crow Wing County Emergency Services Coordinator Andrew Rooney; Building Inspector Scott Sadowsky; Planning and Zoning Administrator: Sourcewell; Official Newspapers: Crosby Ironton Courier as primary and NewsHopper as secondary; Official Depositories: Unity Bank and Northland Securities; and the council meetings will be at 6:00 p.m. on the second and fourth Mondays of each month in City Council Chambers.

Council members Paul Heglund and Chris Ryan are assigned to the Community Center and Economic Development. Mayor Diane Cash and council member Jim Traylor are assigned to the Finance, Library and Park & Recreation/Cemetery

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LEGAL NOTICE

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NOTICE AND REQUEST FOR BIDS BAY LAKE TOWNSHIP

The Town Board of the Town of Bay Lake will accept sealed bids for Bituminous Reclamation, Aggregate Base Class 5, Bituminous Paving, Class 1 Shouldering, Mailbox Support:

- Nel's Johnson Road - 4485 LF by 20 feet wide
- Obrien Road - 1480 LF by 20 feet wide
- Clearwater PT Road - 4940 LF by 19 feet wide
- Road project to be completed prior to 9/01/2022.

Plan and specifications examined and obtained from the Town Attorney: Virginia J. Knudson, Borden/Steinbauer, Kreuger & Knudson, P.A., 302 South Sixth Street, PO Box 411, Brainerd, MN 56401 (Telephone 218-829-1451; e-mail vjknudson@brainerd-law.com). Bids must be received by the Town Clerk by 7:00 o'clock p.m. on the 12th day of April, 2022. The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive irregularities. Authorization for the sealed bidding process to be completed by Donald Hales and Virginia Knudson.

The successful bidder must be a "responsible contractor." The term "responsible contractor" means a contractor as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 16C.285, subdivision 3. Any prime contractor, sub-contractor, or motor carrier that does not meet the minimum criteria or fails to comply with the verification requirements is not a responsible contractor and is not eligible to be awarded a construction contract for the project or to perform work on the project.

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OBITUARIES

RUTH HAMDORF



Ruth Arline Hamdorf, 99, of Deerwood, died on Tuesday, January 4, 2022 at the Cuyuna Regional Medical Center in Crosby.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, January 12, 2022 at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Iron Hub. Burial was at the Lakewood Cemetery in Crosby. A visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the church on Wednesday. Ruth's motto in life was thank God every day for what you have and love life.

Born on December 26, 1922 to Gerd and Cora (Kief) Alfs. She graduated from the Aitkin High School in 1941. She was employed as a secretary at Aitkin Skelgas and Western Union in Duluth as a Teletype Operator. In December of 1943, she married William A. Hamdorf. They owned and operated a dairy farm west of Aitkin for 45 years. She was confirmed a St. John's Lutheran in Aitkin in 1947. In May of 1987, they sold the dairy farm

and moved to Deerwood. Her husband William passed away on May 7, 2011; they were married for 68 years. She then moved to the Indian Carry Apartment on November of 2011. Ruth enjoyed many friends there. She was a member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church of Iron Hub, where she enjoyed teaching Sunday School and helping with the Christmas Program. She also enjoyed playing the violin and her chord organ, listening to country western music, her favorite singer was Elvis Presley.

She was blessed with five children: Ladonna (Richard) Hejny of Ramona, CA; Larry (Carolyn) Hamdorf of Aitkin, Bonnie (Randy) Schwartzhoff of Hayward, WI, Duane Hamdorf of Togo and Bruce (Diane) Hamdorf of Summerville, SC; 10 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren.

Preceding Ruth in death are her parents, husband William, brother and sister-in-law, Jim and Diane Alfs and daughter-in-law, Julie Hamdorf.

Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home in Crosby.

JEROME PAULSON



Jerome "Joe" Paulson, 90, died on Friday, January 7, 2022, after a short stay at Carefree Living Center in Brainerd.

Services were held at 11 a.m. on Friday, January 14, at Good Shepherd Free Lutheran Church, Brainerd. Visitation was one hour prior to the service.

Jerome was born June 14, 1931, in Pierpont, SD to Alma (Mahlen) Paulson and Bennie Paulson. Jerome lost his sight as a teenager in a hunting accident. He graduated from Webster High School in SD, then after a year at Augustana College in Sioux Falls, SD, he spread his wings and went to the Twin Cities for employment. Eventually he was employed at Swedish Hospital (Metropolitan Medical Center) where he worked for 33 years until his retirement as a dark room technician in the X-Ray Department. Many other blind people were trained by Jerome and then

went on to work in other facilities.

Jerome enjoyed people, especially children, and his handicap never hindered him in his zest for living. He was always up for a challenge. He took lessons in woodworking, learned to canoe, ice skate, and snowshoe. Jerome loved to fish and learned to tie his own lures. He taught his wife how to run the boat motor and maneuver the trailer at the boat launch. He had a keen memory and was a great story/joke teller; the life of the party. Jerome was an active Jaycee member for years, played Santa in a beautiful velvet Santa suit for hospitalized children, especially those in iron lungs.

Jerome is survived by his loving wife of over 48 years, Ardis (Farr) Paulson, numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, in-laws and many loving friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers Lloyd, Bernard, Clarence, Donald, Alan, and Raymond.

For more info, call 218-568-7353.

DANIEL BARTO



Daniel Frank Barto died peacefully on Friday, January 7, 2022 with his wife of 68 years and family at his side.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, January 15, 2022, at 1:00 p.m. at Nelson-Doran Funeral Home, Brainerd. Friends and family are invited to gather for two hours prior to the service. The family asks that attendees please wear their masks and respect socially

distancing.

He was born to Frank and Nellie on September 18, 1932 in Brainerd. Dan was the fourth of nine children. He completed high school in 1951 and joined the Air Force in 1952. Dan was very proud to be a radar technician on the F94 Starfire Fighter planes. With great joy, he married the love of his

life, Shirley Ann McGuire on October 20, 1953. Dan and Shirley were stationed in New Castle, DE when they were first married and lived in a 21 ft. trailer. Their first son, Gregory Daniel was born November 5, 1954 so they upgraded to a 37 ft. trailer. Dan was honorably discharged from the Air Force in 1956 and they moved to Beaver Bay, MN where he worked at Reserve Mining as an electrician. Their second child, Richard Charles was born on August 31, 1957. Shortly after that they moved to Silver Bay where their third child, Cynthia Ann was born on March 14, 1959. The family moved to Brooklyn Park in 1967 where Daniel continued his career as an Electrician. After their children graduated, Dan and Shirley had a home built on the other side of Brooklyn Park. They lived there until Daniel retired and they moved to their "dream home on a lake" in Brainerd. They moved into Northern Lakes assisted living in March of 2020. For more info, call 218-829-4755.

WILLIAM HOLBROOK



William (Bill) Holbrook, 80, of Brainerd died on Friday, January 7, 2022 at Essentia St. Joseph's Medical Center in Brainerd.

A Celebration of Life will be held on January 22, 2022 at 2 p.m. at Heritage Church in Baxter. It will be live-streamed.

Bill was born on July 11, 1941, in Brainerd to Orvie W. and Alice M. (Rardin) Holbrook. He went to school in Brainerd where he graduated in 1959 and attended Northwest College in Kirkland, WA—where he met the love of his life—Toni A. Gibson. They were married six months later and raised three children together.

Bill is survived by his beloved wife and sweetheart of 60 years, Toni; two sons, Brian Holbrook (Kim) of Andover and Brad Holbrook (Jodi) of St. Stephen; daughter, Traci Holbrook of Anoka; eight grandchildren: Mikaela (Jason) Kuehl, Katrina (Eric) Kelzenberg, Kristiana Holbrook, Kendra (Andy) Lauck, Michael Holbrook, Brianna Enget, Tyler (Robert) Taylor and Jenna Specht; seven great-grandchildren: Jayda, Madilyn, Riley, Collin, Zachary, Raelynn and Logan; sister, Sharon Chaney; and two brothers: Gene (Gaylene) Holbrook and Jack (Sherry) Holbrook.

Preceding Bill in death were his parents; two sisters: Delores (Roy) Starkey and Evelyn (Bob) Steinbrook; and brother, Robert (Shirley) Holbrook.

For more info, call 218-829-3581.

ARLENE STROMBERG



Arlene Esther Stromberg, 89, of Baxter formerly of Deerwood died on Tuesday, January 4, 2022 at Essentia St. Joseph's Medical Center in Brainerd.

A Memorial service was held Tuesday, January 11, 2022 at the Salem Lutheran Church in Deerwood. Burial was at the Scandia Cemetery in Deerwood. If desired memorials are preferred to the Salem Lutheran Church Building Fund.

She was born on August 28, 1932 in Leeds, North Dakota to Arthur and Esther (Engstrom) Waller. From many years Arlene and her husband Arley owned and operated Stromberg's

Market in Deerwood. She was a member of the Salem Lutheran Church in Deerwood, The Deerwood Civic League and the Walter Scott Erickson American Legion Auxiliary Post #557, Deerwood.

Arlene is survived by two sons, Terry (Sandra) Stromberg of Erhard, Jay (Susan) Stromberg of Deerwood; one daughter, Patty Davis of Park Rapids; two sisters, Yvonne Halverson of Brainerd and Janice (David) Gustafson of Renton, WA; six grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Preceding Arlene in death are her parents; her husband Arley in 2006 and one brother, Arlo "Bud" Waller.

Arrangements are with the Koop Funeral Home in Crosby.

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READER RIBBETS

Pickleball mania sweeps the U.S.

What is the fastest growing sport in the U.S. today? Answer: Pickleball!

Pickleball is a paddleball sport combining elements of badminton, table tennis, and tennis. Two or four players use solid paddles made of wood or composite materials to hit a perforated polymer ball, much like a wiffle ball, with 26-40 round holes, over a net.

It is played on half a tennis court in C-I at the high school tennis courts during the outdoor season and in the Deerwood Auditorium in the winter.

And, since the court is smaller than a tennis court, pickleball is easier on the knees and hips than tennis and other court sports like basketball. It's a blend of accessibility and competitiveness. All ages and abilities can participate and have fun.

You can learn it with a one-hour lesson and a couple of hours of open play. All you need is a pickleball racket, balls, and tennis shoes, mak-

ing it extremely inexpensive compared to other sports or activities. Tennis courts are being converted into pickleball courts and dedicated pickleball centers are developing throughout the country.

Anyone who visits winter getaways like Florida, Texas and Arizona is no doubt exposed to this healthy and fun sport.

The Cuyuna Lakes area is no different. There are a growing number of enthusiasts both seasoned players and newcomers looking for a way to play a sport providing enhanced fitness opportunities and, more importantly, social interaction with a new group of fun-loving people.

The Cuyuna Lakes Pickleball Association was recently formed by core area players. We advocate for better health, social interaction, sportsmanship and fun. We provide education, training and special events to enhance recreational and competitive play in a dedicated and safe environment.

Currently, our main goal is to build a dedicated six court pickleball facility in Ironton, behind the Post Office, just east of the basketball court. The city of Ironton has graciously provided the land for the facility. This will be a great addition to the Ironton Park system, attracting more people to the area.

The CLPA is now fundraising for the approximate \$125,000 need to create this unique facility for all area residents and visitors to enjoy. The only other similar dedicated pickleball center is in Crosslake.

All donations are welcome and needed for us to realize this great asset that will add to the many unique characteristics that define the Cuyuna Lakes area.

Visit: <https://cuyunapickleball.org> for more information about our organization and our goals for constructing this facility. Your donations are tax deductible and much appreciated!

Brad Miller, Crosby

Decline to participate in drama

Dear Mr. Avelsgard-

For some time now, you have been warning us all about the evil misdeeds and conduct of certain public officials, some of whom are no longer in office. You have alleged things that even the courts have yet to examine. You have asked for a call to arms, to combat the rampant corruption you are seeing. Your style of writing has been a campaign of prejudice, bias, half-truths, and anger-filled accusations and allegations. A request for balance and fairness was met with ridicule and insults. There were insinuations that anyone who does not share your opinion is ignorant, uninformed, and/or does not care. These are statements of fact, evidenced by your own hand.

(In the for-what-it's-worth column, that 61-page report from the Department of Transportation you referenced was another side to it also, but that means looking at the other side of that story. You will excuse me if I don't hold my breath waiting for that to happen).

It has become abundantly clear that any request for an unbiased look at both sides of a story is not going to happen. Just so you know, human history suggests that if you haven't convinced people by now, odds are that's not going to change.

I simply do not see the same level of corruption you see. (If you have some disparaging words for that, so be it). I adamantly disagree with misinforming people by leaving out critical parts of a story, such that it gets slanted in one direction only, but I do not hate those who do it. The

only 'haters' I see are those who use bias, prejudice, and half-truths to tell their stories. If anything, that is something that needs forgiveness. So, I forgive you, Kelly. I forgive you for all the anger, prejudice, and bias that has emanated from your keyboard for so very long.

I'm sorry that you equate poor judgment and unethical conduct with corruption. (They really are not the same things). I'm sorry you seem to see corruption around every corner. I think the vast majority of people are not innately stupid. I credit people for being capable of thinking and forming their own views – without a need to repeatedly beat the "correct" opinion into them. Therefore, I decline to participate in this little drama any longer.

Dan Stiner, Crosby

Bottom of the hill

A recent letter contributor implied there was some sort of anger fueling the relentless pursuit of accountability, the fuel is accountability, period. There is zero malice in these letters, there is no relationship between the letter writer, the Sheriff, or the former failed Crosby police chief and lieutenant. The people subjected to this accountability had the support of this writer, until their actions became knowledge, the opinion of their job performance and status changed. They were/are threats to the public trust, they violated our trust, they behaved in a manner that placed us all at risk. As the

demand for police accountability continues, we cannot ignore those who believe and act like they are untouchable, they are the ones we must hold accountable first.

There is a military saying, poop rolls downhill, the deputies in Crow Wing County have been dealing with massive amounts of it since we elected Goddard as Sheriff, the exodus of deputies is clear. Goddard's actions attempting to embarrass, demoralize, and discredit two local police departments is an abuse of power we cannot ignore.

It is the little things that destroy careers, or relationships.

It's the little things that prove Goddard is not capable of making sound decisions and proof Goddard believes as the highest law enforcement official in the area, his actions are not to be questioned, challenged, or observed, that mindset is dangerous to us all. We must demand our county commissioners call for Goddard's resignation, we must continue to call for his resignation, if we don't express our demands, we, along with all our local police departments, are at the bottom of the hill, and we know what piles up at the bottom of the hill.

Kelly Avelsgard, Deerwood

COMMUNITY EVENTS

January

15th - Northland Arboretum Full Moon Snowshoe Hike 7:30-8:30pm. Bring snowshoes and/or winter boots and plan for an hour hike. If it's cloudy, bring a headlamp. Warm up after the hike with hot chocolate and cookies. \$10 Arb members/\$20 non-members. To register, stop by Northland Arboretum at 14250 Conservation Drive, Brainerd or call 218-829-8770.

15th -17th - Take a Kid Fishing Minnesota residents can go ice fishing for free if they are with a child 15 years old or younger. Minnesotans 15 years or younger don't need fishing licenses any time of the year.

22nd - Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championships at the St. Francis School Gymnasium at 9am. All boys and girls ages 9 to 14, as of January 1, 2022 are invited to participate in the local level of competition. Participants can only compete in one local event. For entry forms or additional information contact Leonard Skillings 218-232-6688 for those in Brainerd, St. Mathias, Pillager, Crosslake, Pequot Lakes, Pine River and Emily.

22nd- Annual March For Life - Participants should gather at the corner of South Sixth and Oak streets in Brainerd. The march will begin promptly at 11:30am to the Courthouse for an outdoor rally. Signs and banners will be provided. Please plan to join the marchers to support the unborn. This march is being sponsored by the Crow Wing County Chapter of MCCL.

23rd - Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championships at the Crosby-Ironton High School Gymnasium at 12:30pm. All boys and girls ages 9 to 14, as of January 1, 2022 are invited to participate in the local level of competition. Participants can only compete in one local event. For entry forms or additional information contact Justin Smith at 218-330-1431 if you in the Crosby-Ironton, Aitkin and McGregor areas.

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OBITUARIES

DAVID STRELNIKS



David John Strelnieks, 52, died on January 1, 2022, in McGregor.

Dave's life will be celebrated and remembered Saturday, January 15, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. at Grace Church Chaska (Southwest Christian High School) 1981 Bavaria Road, Chaska, MN 55318. Due to Minnesota's cold winters and frozen ground, Dave will be buried on May 14 in Cromwell. Time and detail for burial to follow.

Dave loved traveling, carpentry, and spending time with family and friends. Dave had a humble, gentle, and comfortable personality. Dave's personable nature created many lifelong friendships in high school. While attending St. Olaf College, Dave spent a semester abroad in Thailand. After college, Dave and his good friend Mike Johnson traveled around Alaska. Dave loved to tell stories of their adventures together. While working at

the Chanhassen Dinner Theatre, he met his wife, Marilyn. Together, they moved to Bend, OR to enjoy life in the mountains. Dave and Marilyn were married in Lake Tahoe in 1998. It was in Oregon where Dave discovered his passion for authentic log home construction and mastered the craft. Over his lifetime, he used his skill to construct many log homes in Oregon and Northern Minnesota as well as hundreds of pieces of beautiful log furniture. After years of travel and living in Oregon, Dave and family moved back to Minnesota to be closer to family and friends. Being close to family was an understatement as he built his dream log home on Eagle Lake side-by-side with his brother Mark building a cabin and later, his sister Julie building their cabin. After many years, the three kids recognized their dream of having the three lake homes/cabins side by side on Eagle Lake. For years to come, the families all shared summers on the lake together. Dave described the lake as a "full-time vacation spot" and spent many evenings on the dock watching beautiful sunsets with his family.

Dave is survived by his son Sawyer, daughter Breana, mother Irene, stepfather Bob, brother Mark, sister Julie, and former wife and friend Marilyn.

Arrangements were with the McGregor Funeral Home and Cremation Service in McGregor. Leave online condolences at www.srtfuneral.com.

ISAAC FULTON



Isaac Lawrence Fulton, 16, of Aitkin and McGregor passed away tragically on Sunday, January 2, 2022.

A Memorial Mass will be held Saturday, January 15, 2022 at 11 a.m. in St. James Catholic Church, Aitkin with Father David Forsman officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the church. Memorials are preferred in lieu of flowers. To sign the guestbook online, go to: www.srtfuneral.com.

He was born September 12, 2005 in Aitkin to Lawrence Fulton and Lisa Jackman. Isaac was a Sophomore at Aitkin High School and enjoyed fishing, hunting, snowmobiling, dirt biking, four wheeling, driving his car, target practice and spending time with his friends.

Isaac is survived by his mother, Lisa (Dan Dobson) Jackman; father, Lawrence Fulton; brother, Tyler Fulton; grandparents: Colleen Butorac, Randy Butorac and Joyce Fulton; aunts and uncles: Lori (Randy) Akins, Lynette Fulton, Amber Erickson, Joseph (Tanya) Butorac, Michael (Jill) Butorac, Brian (Delaney) Butorac and Edward Erickson; cousins: Chase Butorac, David (Nikki) Weiner, Danyielle Johnson and Justan Johnson; godparents: Chad Demenge and Erin Demenge; other relatives and friends.

Isaac is preceded in death by grandparents: Cynthia Butorac and Lawrence "Pudge" Fulton; great grandparents: Sydney Butorac and Donna Killeen; uncle, Randy Butorac, Jr.

Arrangements were with the Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Aitkin. Leave online condolences at www.srtfuneral.com.

WESTIN JUSTEN



Westin Luke Justen, 18, of Aitkin died Monday, January 3, 2022 at the Hennepin County Medical Center in Minneapolis.

A memorial Mass was held at 11a.m. on Friday, January 14, 2022 at St. James Catholic Church in Aitkin with Fr. David Forsman and Fr. Marcus Milless officiating. Visitation will begin at 9:30 a.m. until the service at the church. In Memory of Westin please take a kid fishing. It was his passion and his happy place.

Westin was born November 29, 2003 in Crosby, to David Joseph and Dana Rose (Miller) Justen. He has lived his whole life in Aitkin and was currently a senior at the Aitkin High School. He loved to fish and was a member of the Aitkin Anglers Fishing Team through High School. He was also a member of the MLF (Major League Fishing), SAF (Student Angler Federation), St. James Catholic Church in Aitkin and worked at The Joint Restaurant. He was an avid deer

hunter and gun enthusiast. He enjoyed learning history, listening to music, singing, driving his truck and snowmobiling. He loved to make people laugh.

Westin is survived by his parents: David and Dana Justen of Aitkin; brother, Gavin David Justen of Aitkin; grandparents: Gary and Patty Miller of Aitkin, and Don and Paula Justen of Remer; aunts and uncles: Venessa and Dave Fiedler of Richfield, Jacob Miller and Angie Klemetson of Fargo, ND; Charlie Miller and Shannon Gallagher of Boston, MA; Dan and Jen Justen of Brook Park, Jeremy and Dene' Justen of Aitkin, Michael and Maggie Justen of Stillwater, Aimee and Mick Schmit of Cambridge, Paul and Erin Justen of Ramsey, Joy and Clinton Bridewell of Pierz, Maryrose and Shane Knutson of Pierz, and numerous cousins, other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his cousin, Nic Justen.

Arrangements are with the Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home and Cremation Services in Aitkin. Go to www.srtfuneral.com to leave a message of condolence.

LORRAINE HAUGEN

Lorraine V. "Lorri" Haugen, age 67 of Aitkin died on December 21, 2021.

Arrangements are pending with the Koop Funeral Home in Crosby.

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ALLIANCE
Aitkin* — New Life; Larry Burg & John Baker, pastors; Worship in the church building 10:15 am & 5:30 pm, check the website for the time of service NewLifeAitkin.com; 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 — Interim Pastor Mark Boone; Sunday Morning Service 10.
Crosby — Pastor Dustin McCaleb; Worship 10:30
Crosslake — Crossroads Christian, Rev. Gary Espeseth; SS at 9:30, Worship at 10:45
Hill City — Interim Pastor John Koppel, Staff Pastor Lisa Jordan; Worship 10; hillcityagchurch@gmail.com; 218-697-2662
Palisade — Pastor Ed Sornberger; SS 9; Worship 10; Kids Church; Small groups during the week 218-845-2726

BAPTIST
Aitkin - The Journey North, Pastor Lynfield Hines, 218-824-5617, Worship 10:30, thejourneynorth.com
Baxter - The Journey North, Pastor Lynfield Hines, 218-824-5617, Worship Saturday 5, Sunday 9 & 10:30, thejourneynorth.com
Brainerd* - Faith Baptist Church, Pastor Jim Stephens, 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. aitkinchurch.com
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. Confession Sat. 10-10:45 am and 4-4:45 pm.
Brainerd — St. Andrew's, Fr. Gabriel Wawer, Sat. 4:30; Sun. 10:00 and St. Mathias Sunday 8:00.
Brainerd — St. Francis, Fr. Michael Garry, 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, Fr. Anthony Craig, Mass: Tues. Noon, Thurs. 8, Sun 8:30 & 10:30
Crosslake — Immaculate Heart, 218-692-3731; www.ihmstili.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. Anthony Craig, Mass Wed. 9 & Sat. 4 pm, Confession Sat. 3:30 - 3:50 pm
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 Richie Bean; Service 10; Fellowship 9:30-10
Outing* - Narrows Community Church, Pastor Kenny Holm, 218-792-5530 Worship 9:30; 6297 Woods Bay NE, just north of Hwy. 6 bridge
Palisade/Waukenabo Twp. — 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.

EPISCOPAL
Aitkin — St. John's, Holy Communion or Morning Prayer 9
Brainerd* — St. Paul's, Rev. Joyce A. Rush. In-person worship service at 10 am Sunday. Online at 5 pm Saturday. Call the church 219-829-3834 and leave a message with email to receive a Zoom invitation.

EVANGELICAL FREE
Baxter — Lakewood EFC, Pastor Matt Nagel; Worship at 9:00 and 10:45. Wednesday for all ages 6:30 pm.
Crosslake — Pastor Mark Holmen; Call for Service Times at 218-692-4141, email thelgchurch@crosslake.net
Isle — Pastor Mark Lee; Sunday School 9:00 am; Worship 10:30 am, Sun. Youth group 6:00 pm, Wed. Adult Prayer 6:30 pm and Kids Connect 6:30 pm
Malm — 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 — (ELCA) Pastor Reggie Denton; worship Sun. 8am, and 10am (10am service also available via livestream on YouTube — First Lutheran Church, Aitkin and broadcast on KKIN 94.3 FM radio), Wed. 5:30pm with supper; Sun. school at 9am, take out community meal every Mon. & Thurs. 5pm and Tues. 12pm; food shelf 2nd & 4th Thurs.

each month 9am-4p
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.princeofpeace-lutheran.church
Beaver Township — Finnish EA, Hwy. 27, Worship 1st & 3rd Sun., 10:30.
Brainerd* — Good Shepherd Free Lutheran Church (AFLC), Pastor David Franz, find service info at www.goodshepherdfreelutheran.church, 5878 Pine Beach Road, Brainerd, 218-824-3052
Brainerd - Laestadian Lutheran Church; 1501 So. 8th St. - Sunday Worship Services 10:30 am. (www.llchurch.org)
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Brainerd — Truth Lutheran Church (LCCM, 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 (LCCM, 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 • 218-692-3682 Kristin Oltmann, Pastor • Kurt Hagestuen, Pastor Labor Day-Mem. Day: Sun. 9:30am, Wed. 6:15pm Mem. Day-Labor Day: Sun. Indoor 8:30am, Outdoor 10am 14019 Dagggett Pine Rd
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. 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 am 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)
Malm — 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
Brainerd—Remnant Ministry Center, Pastor Ben Davis, Worship service is Sunday at 10am, 512 S 8th St., Suite 2, 218-829-2989.

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 Irontone 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 Mark Ford, 218-692-4769; Worship 9:00 AM; Fellowship 11:00 AM. 14444 Dagggett Pine Road, Crosslake, 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
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Pequot Lakes — 28877 State Hwy 371, Pequot Lakes 10:30 1st and 4th Sunday of 2018-330-3476
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Brainerd — First Congregational UCC, 415 Juniper St, Brainerd, Sunday worship at 10:00. Pastor; Leslie Moughty. Handicapped accessible.
UNITED METHODIST
Aitkin* — Aitkin - Pastor Dawn Houser; Worship 10 am, Wednesdays at 5:30 pm Bible & Brew, Facebook live.
Crosby/Deerwood* — Cascade, Reverend Dr. Genia Garrett; Worship 9:45; fellowship follows.
Cutler — Pine Lake Chapel, Worship 9, fellowship follows.
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 — Rev. Jason Gressman; Worship 9; Friendship Time 10; SS 10:30; Wed. Activities 6:30 p.m.; 218-763-HOPE.

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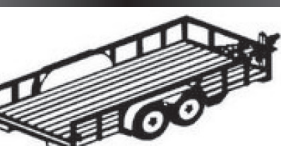
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committees. Council members Shawn Jarvela and Heglund are assigned to the Fire Relief Association and the Refuse Committee. Cash and Ryan are assigned to the Personnel and Planning &

Zoning committees. Ryan and Jarvela are assigned to the Police Advisory committee. Cash and Heglund are assigned to Public Works committee. Jarvela's assignment to the Serpent Lake Sanitary

Sewer District will expire Dec. 31, 2022 and Traylor's will expire Dec. 31, 2024.

Other

It was agreed that snow will be removed by city on the sidewalks on 1st Street North and 1st Street South.

There will be a non-union pay increase of about three percent for DMV Assistants to about \$15 per hour.

Police Chief Andrew Rooney submitted two part-time police officers resignations for council approval. Pat Pickar and Glen Knutson resignations were accepted with regrets.

Hallett Community Center Manager Kathryn Carpenter gave her report. The Center is offering two new programs figure skating and marital arts. Silver sneakers and One Pass programs are available.

Hallett Library Head Librarian Abby Smith gave her report. The Library will be closed Monday, January 17 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr Day. Teen Advisory Board is hosting Movie Night

with "Luca!" Friday, January 21 at 4:30 p.m. Tech Help will be offered Saturday, February 5 from noon - 2:00 p.m.

Jingle Books goal was exceeded, \$13,139 of the \$12,000 goal was raised.

The Hallett Library will not offer Tax Help this year. They hope to have it back next year, but those looking to make an appointment will need to contact the Brainerd Public Library.



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