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By ANN SCHWARTZ Consultant SRF Consulting Group, Twin Cities, hired by the Baxter City Council, is developing a master plan for the Mississippi Overlook Park.

According to Josh Doty, community development director, ideas and input from neighbors, recreation enthusiasts and the general public are sought to design a park to meet many needs.

"SRF is a leading consult-

Mississippi Overlook Park Planning Process January to March 2022: Inventory and analysis March 31, 2022: Open house (recently finished). April 1-15, 2022: Develop concepts and alternatives April 1-30, 2022: Get feedback, ideas, input May 2022: Draft master plan May 2022: Open House June, July 2022: Master Plan Completion and Adoption The goal is to conclude the study in early summer.

Wing State Park and to Sylvan Township on the west. "We are looking at passive recreation and outdoor education with such activities as hiking, biking and skiing," said Doty.

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to keep it natural."

"We are able to get some funding from the Department of Defense as they want to minimize noise and battle

"The spirit of the park idea is impact on nearby properties," Doty explained.

> A LCMR grant helped with property acquisition. Sourcewell and the Initiative Foun **Continued on Page 3**







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The Warm Up to be presented by Lakes Area Music Festival April 10

The Lakes Area Music Fes- Welcome Spring is curated tival (LAMF) continues its Winter Series with a recital on Sunday, April 10 at 2 p.m. at the Gichi-ziibi Center for the Arts in Brainerd featuring guitar, flute, viola, and harp. There is no set admission fee to attend; tickets must be reserved in advance through the organization's website.

gram welcomes the change of seasons featuring a Piazzolla tango, Ferdinand Rebay's Sonata for Viola and Guitar, and Stephen Paulus' Petite Suite for flute, viola, and harp, performed by international guitar soloist Bokyung Byun The Warm Up: Music to and friends from the Minne-

by Garrett McQueen, artistic

advisor for LAMF. The pro-

sota Orchestra.

Praised by Classical Guitar Magazine as "confident and quite extraordinary," Korean guitarist, Bokyung Byun enjoys a reputation as one of the most sought-after guitarists of her generation. Byun holds the distinction of being the first female winner of the prestigious JoAnn Falletta International Guitar Concerto

Aitkin landmark burns, not ready to retire owners hope to rebuild Aitkin Tire Shop goes back to 1960s



Emergency vehicles at the scene ot the Aitkin Tire Shop fire on Saturday, April 2. A. Gabrio photo

By ANN SCHWARTZ

Aitkin's Tire Shop, a local landmark since 1969, burned over last weekend and is not usable.

According to Betty Evans, half owner, the fire started in the shop. Both workbays are destroyed and the office is not usable.

"We are hoping to rebuild," Betty said at press time.

An insurance adjuster flew in and was going to spend three days with them going over everything.

The late Ray (Betty's husband) and Tom Evans continued the work of their parents, Shorty and Esther.

Shorty moved from Meadowlands and started the Tire Shop in his garage in the house around the corner from the present lot. Tom worked there and Ray had other jobs. In 1983, the sons went into

business together until Ray died in 2013.

They specialize in changing tires and they do tractor tires for farmers. When Ray was alive, they did other mechanic work but with Tom it is mostly tires

Brother-and-sister-in-law Tom and Betty both work full-time and operate the shop together. They have guys who hang out and lend a hand but no employees.

"We talked about it but we aren't ready to retire," laughed Betty, keeping her spirits up.

She said they have already received community support and donations.



The fire started in the north work bay. Insulation was torn out of the attic to help to stop the fire, according to Aitkin Fire Chief Brian Pisarek, Ann Schwartz photo



Garrett McQueen

Competition, where Falletta herself described Byun's performance as "stunning, showcasing her gorgeous tone, immaculate technique, and sophisticated musicianship." This win is among many wherein Byun excelled in the competitive circuit, including winning the grand prize at the Guitar Foundation of America International Concert Artist Competition, known as the most prestigious guitar com-



Roma Duncan

petition in the world. Roma Duncan joined the Minnesota Orchestra in 2003 and has been a featured soloist with the Lakes Area Music Festival, Minnesota Bach Ensemble, l'Orchestre Symphonique de Trois-Rivières, l'Orchestre Symphonique de Québec and the Windsor Symphony. Prior to her Minnesota appointment, Duncan was a member of the Fort Wayne Philharmonic,

Orchestra London in Canada, and the Ann Arbor, Windsor and Warren Symphony Orchestras. Her first professional position, as second flute and piccolo in the Windsor Symphony, kindled her interest in the piccolo and led her to study with Jeffery Zook, piccolo player of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. She has also performed with the Chicago Symphony, New York Philharmonic, St. Louis Symphony and Detroit Symphony Orchestras.

Korean violist Jenni Seo is the Minnesota Orchestra's Assistant Principal Viola, joining the ensemble after performing in the viola section of the Baltimore Symphony during its 2017-18 season. She is a frequent substitute with the New York Philharmonic, Los Angeles Philharmonic

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Joyous Easter activities at Brandl





Brandl Motors of Aitkin had a new mission on Sunday, April 3. Children, parents, grandparents and Woman of Today gathered and were joyous at an Easter Carnival. There was a bake sale, kids games, prizes to win with tickets and more. (Above) A whole crew of Women of Today and friends keeps the carnival humming. (Left) Nathan mans the table for the Egg Shoot. (Far left) Sophia from Pierz tries a game. Her sister Samantha was also participating. Ann Schwartz photos

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READER RIBBETS

It's time to end Minnesota's special education cross-subsidy

There seems to be a constant chatter at the Legislature about the \$9.25 billion surplus. Many organizations want a piece of the surplus. It is my opinion that the first thing the Legislature must do is pay for services that school districts are required to provide, but which have never been fully funded.

For many years, the state and federal government have "mandated" programming and services for students with special needs (which is good) but have grossly underfunded these mandates (which is bad for local districts), forcing districts to use "regular" education funds to pay for the mandated special education programs. These unfunded mandates have impacted the educational programs in districts across the state unequally and unfairly.

Imagine, the additional educational programming Aitkin Public Schools could offer if there were \$832,675 a year of available funding that now must be spent to meet the special education mandates! Again, the mandated services for students are needed and appropriate. No one questions that. But the legislature is obligated to fund them, especially at a time when the funding is available.

Every school district in Minnesota has a special education cross-subsidy. Each school district must pull money from a general fund, which could pay for much needed counselors, social workers, or other expenses.

Earlier this session HF 2657, a bill submitted by St. Cloud Rep. Dan Wolgamott, was heard in the House Education Finance Committee. And the Senate companion bill (SF 4124) has been introduced by Sen. Kari Dziedzic. The bill would eliminate the special education cross subsidy that every school district in Minnesota is experiencing. This would cost about \$750 million but would, in my opinion, be the best things the state Legislature could do for public education in Minnesota! For the first time, we now have the funds to eliminate this unfunded mandate!

Please contact your legislator and encourage support for HF 2657 and SF 4124. We need to encourage the fight for public education funding of mandated programs so that all districts are on equal grounds, all taxpayers receive equal educational benefits from their tax payments and all students have a fair opportunity for a quality education.

Daniel J. Stifter Aitkin Public Schools Superintendent

billion in overcollections

from taxpayers. The Case

for Permanent Tax Cuts

for Minnesota makes a

strong case that Minnesota's

state government is already

spending at historically

high levels. In 2020, Min-

nesota's state government

spent \$4,348.20 for every

state resident, the high-

est amount on record and

5.9 percent higher than in

2016. Minnesota also has

the sixth highest rate of state

personal income tax in the

United States. American

Experiment recommends

using the ongoing structur-

al surplus to permanently

cut personal income taxes

across the board.

Rep. Dale Lueck legislative update

This week the House Capital Investment Committee heard a bill that would provide \$7.9 million for the National Loon Center at Crosslake. The funding represents what is needed to push the project onto final completion. The legislature is assembling a comprehensive capital investment bill that will be dealt with toward the end of session next month.

Over the past five years, the National Loon Center has been moving steadily on a path to create a world class research, education and interruptive center focused on Minnesota's state bird the loon. Since its inception the National Loon Center project has attacked several million dollars in private donations, as well as a \$4 million competitive grant from Minnesota's Environmental and Natural Resources Trust Fund.

The 2022 open water Mille Lacs Lake walleye regulations were recently released by the DNR. A limit of one walleye

Sensible thing to do

out of control when people don't stop it when it's going mildly out of control. It multiplies when sensible people say nothing when they should say something.

The Crow Wing County Sheriff's office is out of control. Scott Goddard routinely abuses his power and protects his deputy chief Galles who is terribly out of control. Abuse of power reflects utter contempt for the position, role, and those they are supposed to serve.

Wearing a mask won't protect us from it, there is no vaccine, the only cure is accountability and resignation. We have an ethical respon21-23 inches or one longer than 28 inches begins Saturday, May 14 and ends on Monday, May 30. After May 30, catchand-release will be in effect until early July when a twoweek walleye fishing closure is imposed to reduce hooking mortality.

The DNR expects the onefish walleve limit to return Sept. 1. Anglers should consult the DNR website and review the full spectrum of special rules that apply to Mille Lacs Lake, which also includes special rules related to fishing hours, and muskellunge and northern pike anglers.

The legislature sent a bipartisan bill (SF3472) to the governor that continues Minnesota's health care reinsurance program. The bill extends the program for five years and appropriates funds to cover the next three years of operation. The bill passed the Senate on a 47-20 vote, and I was pleased to add my support to the 106-

been dealt with at a local triv-

ial level, it has multiplied to

where it must be dealt with at

not upheld the Code of Con-

duct, they trampled it. They

have no respect for the Brain-

erd, Ironton, or Deerwood

police departments. They have

no respect for subordinates,

as Galles instigated and par-

ticipated in affairs with them.

Galles instilled fear in a coffee

shop employee where the

employee called for police to

A formal complaint has been

filed against Galles, Goddard

Goddard and Galles have

a social level.

25 vote in House.

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The legislature put the current reinsurance program in place in 2017, which resulted in stabilizing sky-rocketing health insurance rates for those that purchase health insurance in the individual marketplace. About 167,000 Minnesotans are impacted including many small businesses, farmers, independent contractors, and other self-employed workers.

Without continuation of this program health insurance rates for this group are estimated to increase by about 20-25% next year. Much work remains on getting health costs under control. Those costs drive the cost of health insurance for everyone, whether the insurance is purchased in the independent market or provided by one's employer.

Be safe as we enjoy this warm spring weather.

Representative Dale Lueck Minnesota House District 10B

has done nothing, our county commissioners have done nothing. There is no tool to measure how one will act when in power, it becomes visible only in hindsight. Goddard and Galles are dangerous in positions of power, they need to be removed from office and have no place in the political arena.

The silence of our county commissioners indicates they're not sensible representatives of our county. Our silence indicates we are not sensible residents of our county. Our voices are the best tool to bring an end to the abuse.

Kelly Avelsgard, Deerwood

Baxter has 880 acres to develop for wild and scenic park Continued from Page 1

escort them home.

dation grants helped to fund the \$74,923 study. The City of Baxter will pay the remaining estimated \$60,000 for the study. Three firms answered the request for proposals for the park's master plan development. It was discussed at a Baxter Park Commission for such sports as biking or meeting in the fall of 2021 that several different recreational groups and neighbors should be included in the planning. We will report on the meet-

ing with landowners and open house in part 2, along with more parkland details ..

"Our goal is to approve a master plan for property, along with a community use policy that gives the city guidance to handle user-group requests

on the project. "We want the community to come up with the plan," summed up Doty. "We want the city to be prepared for citizens to use it. Let's leave it natural and focus on developing trails and gaining access to the property. We need a plan in order to move forward. Hopefully, the Baxter City Council will end up approving a master plan for the Mississippi Overlook Park."

Tax rally April 23 at State Capitol

to tap into that same energy

Center of the American Experiment will host a tax rally on the steps of the Minnesota State Capitol on Saturday, April 23 at 11:00 a.m. The rally will allow Minnesotans to gather in St. Paul to pressure Gov. Tim Walz and the legislature to return the record \$9.3 billion budget surplus to the people in the form of permanent tax cuts. Speakers at the rally will be announced soon. Gov. Walz is scheduled to deliver his State of the State address the next day (Sunday, April 24).

"Twenty years ago, thousands of Minnesotans came to St. Paul to demand their money back and we hope to convince the governor and legislature to give it back," said John Hinderaker, president of Center of the American Experiment. The tax rally is part of American Experiment's ongoing

Give It Back campaign that includes a landing page with information on the surplus and a call to action so Minnesotans can easily craft and send an email or video to the governor and their state representatives.

American Experiment also released a report on the state budget that serves as a guide to Minnesota legislators and Gov. Walz as they determine what to do with \$9.25

COMMUNITY EVENT

April

- 9th Crossing Arts creativity kits 10 am noon, are free to the public. Kits are limited. First come, first served. For more information contact Crossing Arts at 218-833-0416, info@crossingarts.org. Crossing Arts is a 501c3 nonprofit located in the heart of downtown Brainerd at 711 Laurel Street. 9th - 10th - Aitkin Concert Choir Spring Musical, Mama Mia, Aitkin High School auditorium.
- 11th Dr. David Gray, Cuyuna Range native and Central Lakes College history professor, will examine the
 - tragedy of the 1920 Duluth lynching at 1:30 p.m. in the Forum Room at Crosby-Ironton High School The

Abuse of power goes terribly sibility to confront and stop the abuse of power. It hasn't

fee is \$5.00 for non-members, and it's free for members.

- 20th Fond du Lac Tribal and Community College Law Enforcement Career Expo and Campus Visit Day from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. in the Lester Jack Briggs Cultural Center on campus. During the event, attendees can meet with representatives from a variety of local, county, state, and federal agencies to learn about job openings and the communities they serve. The event is open to the public and admission is free.
- 29th St. John's Lutheran Church Carry Out Chicken Dinner, 5-6 pm. Menu: Chicken Breast, Mashed potatoes and Gravy, Dressing, vegetable, and dessert. Pre-orders are preferred by calling 218-927-3170 between 10am-4pm on Monday, April 25 to Friday, April 29. Pick up from 5-6pm. Adults--\$12 for adults, 6-12 are \$6 and 5 years and under are free. located at 324 3rd St. NW Aitkin.
- 30th ATV Safety Field Day in Fifty Lakes, 12:30- 4:00pm. All students must pre-register with Cindy Thompson. Additional information will be sent once registration is confirmed with instructor. To pre-register or for questions contact Cindy Thompson at 763-592-9330 or email cindythompson0203@gmail.com. Requirements: Must be 10 years of age before class start date listed above and have taken the AT-Vcourse.com in order to be eligible to take this class.

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skiing."

While a state agency is not overseeing the project, per se, the city and Camp Ripley have many agency partners working



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OBITUARIES

KERRY MCCOLLISTER



April 9, 2022

Kerry Marta McCollister, 36, died at her home in Deerwood on Saturday, January 15, 2022, surrounded by her family who loved her. She had battled alcoholism and an eating disorder for years.

A Celebration of Kerry's life will be held on Sunday, April 10, 2022 at Heartwood in Crosby from 1:00 p.m.to 4:00 p.m. There will be a sharing of memories at 3:00 p.m. All are encouraged to participate.

Born in Virginia, MN, Kerry graduated from

Crosby-Ironton high school. She attended college in San Diego and returned to live and work in Minneapolis. Kerry's smile and laughter lit up a room and the surrounding universe. She had a brilliant mind, quick wit, and memory like a trap. She never forgot the lyrics to a song, lines from a book, or dialogue from movies or TV shows. You never wanted to watch something with her that she had already seen. Kerry never forgot a friend and was always there for them. She had a heart of gold. Things Kerry loved in life included family, cats, horses, reading, her time on the lake, the Fourth of July, unmatched socks, the Green Bay Packers, playing Pokemon Go with Deedles, and in her later years, the culinary arts. She was always singing and playing music. Dragonflies were drawn to her.

She is survived and missed by her parents Howard and Sally McCollister, brother Jess, very special niece DeeDra, AKA Deedles and her surrogate sister Jennifer Peterson. She also leaves behind her adoring cats Bastian and Nox. Kerry will be missed by three uncles, five aunts, fifteen cousins, two nephews, and numerous friends including her "peeps" at CRMC and The Cuyuna Range Alano Club.

Kerry was preceded in death by her grandparents.

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

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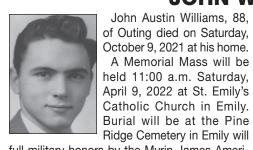
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Lake in Crosslake.

Ridge Cemetery in Emily will full military honors by the Myrin-James American Legion Post #443, Ironton. A gathering of friends and family will be one hour prior to the mass on Saturday.

Arthur Llovd "Art" Patterson, 81, of Emily died

on Saturday, March 26, 2022 at Whitefish on the

A May service is being planned.

He was born in Richmond, MN to George and Mabel (Rodgers) Williams. He was a U.S. Army veteran. John married Annie "Nancy" McGarry in Minneapolis on August 11, 1955. He retired

> Judy Ann Dotzler, 69, of Aitkin, died unexpectedly, Monday, March 28, 2022 at her home.

Memorial Mass was held Monday, April 4, 2022 in St. James Catholic Church, Aitkin with Father David Forsman officiating Interment

will be at a later date in St. Thomas Catholic

She was born September 12, 1952 in Duluth to Arnold and Bonnie (Knaack) Stofferahn. Judy graduated from McGregor High School in 1970. Judv was united in marriage to Philip Dotzler on October 3, 1970 at Holy Family Catholic Church, McGregor. Judy worked in daycare for 30 years and considered many of the children her family. She was a member of Moose Lodge #1060 of Aitkin. Judy enjoyed photography, scrapbooking, making cards (birthday, graduation, etc.) and especially spending time with her family.

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

JOHN WILLIAMS John Austin Williams, 88,

ARTHUR PATTERSON

to Outing in 1992.

John is survived by his two sons: George (Nancy) Williams of Lincoln, NE and Vernon (Colleen) Williams of Outing; three brothers: Mike (Joanne) Williams of Anoka, Pat (Hanna) Williams of New London Spicer and Gene (Lou) Williams of Outing, four grandchildren: Haley, Cameron, Alix (Andrew Guessouroun) and Keegan (Kelsey) and three great-grandchildren: Abigail, William and Emmett John.

Preceding John in death were his parents; wife Annie "Nancy" and son, William; five brothers: Buddy, Ray, Frank, Jim, and Jerry Williams; and one sister, Monica Hirdler.

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

JUDY DOTZLER

Judy is survived by her loving husband, Philip Dotzler of Aitkin; three sons: Christopher (Claudia) Dotzler of Aitkin, Neil Dotzler of Aitkin and Matthew (Michelle) Dotzler of Clarissa; six grandchildren: Kassandra Jo (Jason) Larson, Jessica Dotzler. Marissa, Alexis, Jacob and Allison Dotzler; siblings: Steve Stofferahn of Wyoming, Marty (Ruth) Stofferahn of Tamarack and Linda Dotzler of Aitkin; brothers-in-law, Gary Smith of Coon Rapids and Ronald and Sharon Dotzler of Aitkin; sisters-in-law: Ruth and Jerry Erickson of Hopkins and Elaine and Ron Schafer of Oak Park; many nieces and nephews, other relatives and friends.

Judy is preceded in death by her parents; sister, Peggy Smith; brothers-in-law: William Dotzler and Donald Dotzler; sister-in-law, Eileen Ternus.

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

CHURCH DIRECTOR

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

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.
- Baxter Heritage Church, Pastor Heath Beard; 9 & 10:45 Sundays, 6:30p Wednesdays, iamheritage.org
- Crosby Pastor Dustin McCaleb; Worship 10:30
- 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.
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- 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 Mav-Oct.
- 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.princeofpeacelutheran.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)
- Brainerd Trinity Lutheran Church (FLCA) 1420 South 6th
- 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.

Cemetery, Aitkin.

- Crosslake – Crossroads Christian, Hev. 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. theiournevnorth.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.

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- 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 Waweru, 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. 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. 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.

- 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.
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- 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.

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- 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 Konnect 6:30 pm
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- 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
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- 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.
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- 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

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Expansion plans for 2024 Riverwood Healthcare Center's facilities

By ANN SCHWARTZ Big expansion plans are moving to the front burner for Riverwood Healthcare Center's facilities in Aitkin and McGregor, it was reported at the 2022 annual meeting held on-line on March 29.

Board Chair Kathleen Ryan facilitated the meeting, along with Lisa Kruse.

Plans with architects and construction companies are in the works to expand Riverwoods' surgical suite at the Aitkin hospital. Operating rooms will be added along Hwy. 210. Planning beand enlarged to hold today's technology.

Pre-and-post-op areas will be larger and more private, with glass panels rather than just curtains.. Surgery patients will have their own wing of the hospital for overnight stays, said Cindy Baker, chief operating officer, in her report.

East on Hwy 210–23 miles to McGregor – the little town with the big heart is getting a brand new Riverwood clinic

Why expand the surgical wing?

The number of surgeons and specialties have grown dramatically.

We need additional operating rooms and larger rooms that can accommodate the use of our cutting-edge technology, including da Vinci robot, VELYS orthopaedic robot and Uroskop Interventional Urology Operating Room Table.

The new surgical wing will include a 24-hour overnight hospitality surgical model. Patients may be able to stay in the same room before and after surgery for up to 24 hours and will be discharged home directly from the surgery center.

We have outgrown our pre-operative space and need more rooms to accommodate larger surgery volumes while providing for privacy needs our patients expect and deserve.

gin in earnest the summer of 2022 on acreage Riverwood already owns with highway frontage. The existing downtown McGregor clinic building was remodeled numerous times but is not adequate for the large number of providers and patients in McGregor. The groundbreaking for the new McGregor Clinic should be in the summer of 2023 with completion in 2024.

"The surgical suite and the clinic should both be completed about the same time in August or September 2024," predicted Baker.

Hospital use and revenue

Hospital use has been strong due to the pandemic, but revenue also suffered. While the operating margin was a negative -1.5 percent, Chief Financial Officer Casey Johnson assured meeting attendees that the local facility's metrics are strong: cash on hand is adequate and debt service at 3.5 percent. "Our cash flow is at a good number to be at. In March we saw demand bounce back. January

Easter Worships

HOLY THURSDAY — THURSDAY, APRIL 14

Aitkin — St. James Catholic Church, 7 pm. Crosby — St. Joseph Catholic Church, 6:30 pm. McGrath — Our Lady of Fatima Chapel, 6 pm.

GOOD FRIDAY — APRIL 15

Aitkin — St. James Catholic Church, 3 pm. Crosby — St. Joseph Catholic Church, noon, Way of the Cross - public procession of the Cross through Crosby with prayer, meditation and song. All are welcome. Crosby — St. Joseph Catholic Church, 3 pm. McGrath — Our Lady of Fatima Chapel, 10 am. Palisade— Hilltop Chapel, Esguagamah Lake, 49448 Osprey Avenue, Communion Service 7 pm Tamarack—Tamarack Christian Church, 219 Nelson Ave. E., 6 pm. HOLY SATURDAY / EASTER VIGIL — SATURDAY, APRIL 16

Aitkin — St. James Catholic Church, Easter Vigil Mass 8 pm. Crosby — St. Joseph Catholic Church, Easter Vigil Mass 9 pm. McGrath — Our Lady of Fatima Chapel, 10 am.

EASTER SUNDAY — APRIL 17

Aitkin — St. James Catholic Church, 10 am. Crosby — St. Joseph Catholic Church, 10:30 am. Garrison — Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church, 8:30 am. McGrath — Our Lady of Fatima Chapel, 10 am.

to a new year for insurance calendar-year deductibles. Also, snowbird patients have not yet returned but we expect, starting in April, to have stronger revenue numbers throughout the year."

The pandemic caused hospital stays to bounce up and down and really strained the staff, said Chief Medical Officer David Taylor. They lost providers who took traveling jobs.

All providers associated with Riverwood complete a Comprehensive Advanced Life Saving course, explained Taylor. It is also certified as a "stroke read" hospital.

Quality is perceived as great by patients, he said. Despite pandemic woes and staffing crises, all aspects of Riverwood's services were ranked at 90 percent or higher by consumers.

Volunteers and donors

Foundation Dlrector Katie Nelson noted strong fundraising with \$205,664 dispersed to programs. The foundation contributed over \$40,000 each to such programs as infusion, nurses and hospital technology, and the more aesthetic Riverwood Reads, scholarships and the Healing Garden. "We work with our donors, volunteers and staff to make our area a great place to work and play," summed up Nelson.

Auxiliary President Joyce Knappers said their members stay busy helping around the hospital. "Everything we help with is something that the staff doesn't have to do."

In addition to making comfort bags and sponsoring students, they made a lot of money for local healthcare. "We put \$4,000 toward new infusion room chairs; \$1,000 for the Healing Garden and more"

Fundraising in fiscal year 2021: gift shop \$21,500; Lights of Love \$3,988; plant sales \$1,349, fudge, \$800 and scrub sales, \$341.

"The auxiliary recently paid off our fourth \$100,000 pledge to Riverwood and I'm sure we'll be announcing a large pledge for the nex

expansion project."



New Chief Executive Officer Ken Westman

have more vendor sales of which they take a portion.

The auxiliary also stays busy at local festivals and events.

"Our volunteers are wonderful advocates for Riverwood and we will continue to do our best for our Riverwood Family," declared

Knappers. Brand new CEO

Chief Executive Officer Ken Westman said coming to northern Minnesota was" coming home." He praised the warm welcome his high school daughter, himself and his wife have received from the community and the school over the last month.

Westman, a University of Minnesota Public Health graduate, has worked in Minnesota and Montana as an operations officer, nursing home administrator and assistant hospital administrator.

A Michigan native .he and wife Missy have three offspring. Anders and Erik are college students while Brita is a high school student. The kids like athletics and the family is dog-friendly. Westman enjoys fishing, hunting, hiking, biking, boating, skiing and just about anything outdoors. He also plays the violin.

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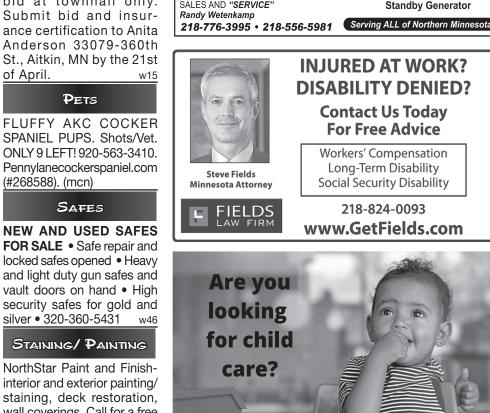
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and New York City Ballet orchestras, and makes reoccurring appearances at the Music at Menlo, Montecito, Bad Leonfelden, Keuka Lake and Perlman Music Program festivals. She has appeared on stage alongside Itzhak Perlman, Lynn Harrell, Donald Weilerstein and David Finckel, as well as members of the Cleveland, Takacs and Juilliard String Quartets. She has been presented by the WQXR Midday Masterpieces series, the Harvard Club of New York and at the Neue Gallery. The winner of the 2011 ASTA National Solo Competition,

Seo received undergraduate and graduate degrees from The Juilliard School, where she was a student of Cynthia Phelps, Heidi Castleman and Steven Tenenborn, and served as principal viola of the Juilliard Orchestra.

Kathy Kienzle was named principal harpist of the Minnesota Orchestra after winning an international audition in April 1994. Previously Kienzle appeared frequently as harpist and soloist and recorded with the Saint Paul

Chamber Orchestra. The top American prize winner at the Sixth International Harp Competition in Jerusalem, Israel, in 1976, she was also awarded a top prize in the 1975 American Harp Society National Competition, the

Ruth Lorraine Close Fellowship from the University of Oregon and two Juilliard School scholarships. She performed the world premiere of Lowell Liebermann's Concerto for Flute and Harp with James Galway and the Minnesota Orchestra in November 1995.

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to be presented live at the Gichi-ziibi Center for the Arts through May, featuring favorite Lakes Area Music Festival artists and internationally acclaimed guest soloists. This program will also be presented Thursday, February 7 at the Woman's Club of Minneapolis where the Lakes Area Music Festival serves as Artists in Residence.

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Artist work featured in Brainerd

A new exhibit of artwork by Lucy Nesheim is on display at the Brainerd Public Library, 416 S Fifth Street, Brainerd through June 2022. The exhibit includes 14 pieces of artwork in oil on canvas. The predominate theme of the pieces is

nature, with a focus on water. A couple of the pieces on display have an abstract quality to them, while the rest of the exhibit's paintings are realistic renderings of nature scenes.

Nesheim has used a vivid palette that helps the life-like scenes stand out. The artwork will be on display at the Brainerd Library for all to appreciate. While browsing for your next read, be sure to look not only on the shelves, but enjoy the view the paintings on the wall have to offer.

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