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# Downtown Brainerd Block Party features classics, pop music

Sat., August 5, 2023

The Lakes Area Music Festival will take to the streets on Wednesday, Aug. 9 at 7:30 p.m. with its annual Downtown Brainerd Block Party. At this free event, you can bring a chair, grab a beer at Sage on Laurel, and be treated to a professional string orchestra playing familiar classics and pop tunes. From Mozart to Copland to the Beatles and more, this activity featuring the string players of LAMF's symphony coming from the best orchestras in the nation for this year's Festival season. The Downtown Brainerd Block Party is a family-friend-

 ly celebration of the community and is produced
 in partnership
 with Brainerd
 Restoration and
 is sponsored in part by Country Inn & Suites
 of Baxter and
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 Union.

At the event the organization will also celebrate its team of 250 volunteers from around the area who offer housing, transportation, meals, and more to



the visiting artists. Interested volunteers can contact Sherri DeLaHunt (sherri@lakesareamusic.org) or sign up at the event for future seasons.

The Lakes Area Music Festival is Minnesota's summer home for world-class opera, orchestra, and chamber music. Celebrating its 15th anniversary season, over 200 artists from the nation's top orchestras and opera companies will present over 50 concert, education, and community outreach activities in July and August. Nameyour-price tickets for mainstage performances at downtown Brainerd's Gichi-ziibi Center for the Arts can

be reserved online through the LAMF website. For assistance, please call 218-831-0765. Tickets will also be available at the door beginning 60 minutes prior to each performance.

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# **Public input sought on Highway** 371 Nisswa to Baxter corridor

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VEHICLES: Ford F150 FX4 Crew Cab with Triton V8 motor (has broken frame) LAWN & GARDEN: Related, Bolens hydro H1502 Diesel Tractor w/mower deck & front hydraulics Hustler Fastrak zero turn lawn mower 36 in., Swisher 44 in. rugged cut pull style mower, Terrain Tough pull style ATV disc/cultivator packer on rubber, Sled Bed by Newmans 8x10 aluminum snowmobile trailer, DR 18 HP chipper shredder on wheels, Briggs 8HP walk behind rear tine tiller. John Deere 826D snow blower. Honda EX 1000 generator & other generator, Chainsaws, Agri Fab lawn sweep & pull style lawn fertilizer spreader Pacific Hydrostar pressure washer, Briggs 6 1/4 HP walk behind weed trimmer, Gas powered weed trimmers & large quantity of weed trimmer line, Big red mule 4 wheel lawn & garden trailer, Aluminum ATV or lawn mower ramps, Honda GX31 mantis style tiller SHOP TOOLS & GARAGE RELATED: Enco metal cutting band saw, South Bend Metal lathe, Bland Diamond drill grinder, Central Machinery 3/4 HP mini lathe, Menards DL300 drilling & milling machine 2 HP, Craftsman 150 drill press, Niagra number 36 metal shear Sanborn industrial upright generator, Vertical belt sander 4 in. & smaller Delta belt sander, Craftsman radial arm saw, Wards Powr-Kraft high frequency arc stabilizer, 30 ton shop press, Blue M mechanical convection oven model RG-2090A-3, (2) Engine hoists, Large variety air hand power tools, Numerous Craftsman sockets, wrenches & other mechanic hand tools, Large variety of hammers of all different sizes & styles. Milwaukee, Bosch & Dewalt power hand tools corded & battery, Century 6 & 12 Volt battery charger/booster on wheels, Dual wheel metal sharpening stone floor model Manley manufacturing 325 S hand press bench model, Metal chop saw, Dual wheel grinder floor model, Waterloo nine drawer upright toolbox, New style anvil, Lawn mower/ATV jack, Hardware organizers full of machine bolts, nuts, washers & related, Automotive related supplies, Wood machinist style tool box, Long shank metal wood clamps & other clamps, (2) Bench vises & machinist vise, Kennedy style tool box, Large variety of drill bits, reamers & related, Step & extension ladders, Numerous lubes, oils grease guns & other automotive related, Tow straps, ratchet straps & receiver hitches. Battery chargers/maintainers, Power Safe 4 ton hydraulic service floor jack, High lift jack, jack stands, bottle jacks & other related, Electrical cords, gas cans & other garage related items, Large variety of spray paints, stains & other painting related FIREARMS & SPORTING RELATED: Ruger Ranch rifle semi auto .223 w/scope stainless synthetic, Interarms Mark X .375 hybrid bolt action w/bull barrel & 4x12x50 Redfield illuminated scope, Ruger 10/22 semi auto .22LR w/ scope, Stevens model 87 .22 LR, Approximately 5,000 rounds of .22 ammo plus 9mm, .44 Mag & other ammunition, Large quantity of reloading supplies bullets, powder, brass, reloading dies, primers, shell holders ammo boxes & more, Leather pistol holster belt style & other pistol/rifle cases Hunting clothing orange & camo, Large variety of knives, HOUSEHOLD & RELATED: Glass front book case 5 tier upright style, Curio cabinet corner style, Framed Artwork, Large flat top trunk ITEMS OF INTEREST: (2) Hand carved wood statues, Large variety of electrical wire, Welding steel & related This Auction bill is a tip of the iceberg. Many unlisted items, this auction offers a large selection of clean shop and power tools.

The Minnesota Depart- seeking the traveling public's way 371 between Nisswa feedback for a study of High- and Baxter in Crow Wing County.

> The public can share their experiences traveling along or across Highway 371 via an online survey and an interactive comment map on the study website.

This road is critical for both the local community and the greater region. The purpose of the study is to gain an understanding of transportation needs, identify potential future improvements, and determine how and when these improvements should be implemented. The study will include an analysis of traffic, safety, land use and demographics.

To learn more about the project and sign up for email updates, visit the MnDOT project website at https:// talk.dot.state.mn.us/hwy-371-nisswa-baxter-study.

MnDOT invites and encourages participation by all. If you need an ASL, foreign language interpreter, or other reasonable accommodation, or need documents in an alternative format (such as braille or large print), please email your request to Janet Miller at ADArequest@state. mn.us or call 651-366-4720.

# New no-till drill available to rent

The Cass and Crow Wing Soil and Water Conservation Districts have purchased a native seed drill which can be rented out by landowners. The Truax 7516

drill has a 10-foot planting width and can plant things like cover crops, native prairie, and pasture

mixes. It can be planted directly into wheat stubble, soybean residue, pasture, or corn stalks. The Crow Wing and Cass SWCD's goal is to make equipment more readily available to landowners considering soil health practices. Instead of one landowner purchasing a drill for their operation, this can be used by many and allow landowners to try these practices without fully

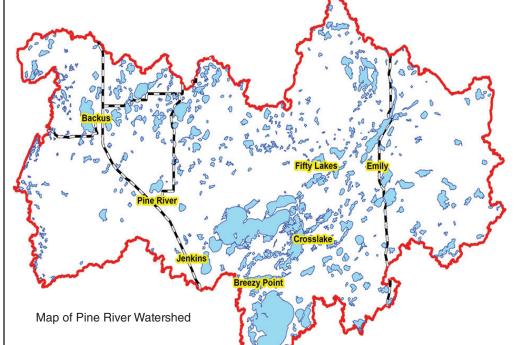
committing purchase to a \$50,000 piece of equipment. "This is a real opportunity for landowners to rent this piece of equipment and to see how it could work into their operations on items like cover crops," said Crow Wing SWCD District Technician Adam Maleski.

The Drill will be rented out at \$14.00/acre + \$200 down deposit is required when renting the drill. The deposit

will be returned when the drill is returned in satisfactory condition. Landowners that fall within the Pine River Watershed (reference map below) would receive first priority.

The Truax drill will be located at Hunt Utilities Group Campus in Pine River.

For use of the drill, please contact Adam Maleski at 218-828-6197 or adam@ cwswcd.org.







(Published in NewsHopper Sat., July 29 & Aug. 5, 2023) **PUBLIC NOTICE** FOR BAY LAKE

#### TOWNSHIP

Due to construction of a new Bay Lake Town Hall building, the Bay Lake Township Board will be holding Township Board meetings beginning on August 8, 2023 at the: Deerwood Township

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# **READER RIBBETS Rep. Ben Davis legislative update**

[As of ]Aug. 1, a whole new round of laws passed by the Democrat trifecta earlier this year [took] effect.

These new laws are not to be confused with the ones related to our state budget that took effect July 1 and included some of the \$10 billion in tax increases Democrats put into law despite a \$17.5 billion surplus.

These Aug. 1 laws are related to policy and include some of the hyper-partisan agenda the Democrat trifecta pushed this year. Some of the extreme changes they made already are in effect, including legislation allowing a 13-year-old girl to become legally sterilized at an unlicensed abortion clinic without parental consent or knowledge and repealing the Born Alive Act.

Here is a look at just some of what does become law as of today:

• Adult-use cannabis legalized, and prior low-level cannabis convictions expunged. Adults aged 21 or older can possess or publicly transport 2 ounces of adult-use cannabis flower, and up to 8 grams of cannabis concentrates. Adults can also possess up to 2 pounds of adult-use cannabis flower in their home. Penalties are established for violating possession limits, making illegal cannabis sales, selling to a minor, and exceeding personal cultivation limits. Criminal records of Minnesotans with petty misdemeanor and misdemeanor cannabis convictions will begin to be expunged. Although the records are not destroyed, they are removed from public view and will not appear in criminal background

checks. • Statement of faith re-

quirement removed from PSEO. Higher education institutions participating in the postsecondary enrollment option program (PSEO) for high school students will no longer be allowed to require a faith statement from applicants for admission. House Republicans fought hard against this provision, which now is the subject of a lawsuit. While this law officially takes effect Aug. 1, a judge already has ordered state officials to not enforce it pending the outcome of this case.

• Universal Background Checks. Private transfers of pistols and semiautomatic weapons without a firearms eligibility background check will be prohibited. A gun purchaser will be required to apply for a permit to carry first. Private transfers must complete a record of transfer which includes detailed information about the weapon and individuals involved. Violent crime remains abnormally high in our state and must be addressed. But this new law seems to place more of a burden on law-abiding citizens than deter bad actors. We could do much better to rid our state of senseless shootings by enforcing current laws and adhering to sentencing guidelines to stop the revolving door in our courts. (Side note: The Red Flag firearm confiscation law does not take effect until Jan. 1, 2024.)

While there certainly were controversial, radical provisions placed into law this year, others received more broad support, including:

• Increased penalties for

catalytic converter thefts. The new law prohibits the possession of a detached catalytic converter with a few narrow exceptions and provides that individuals found with illegally acquired detached catalytic converters could be charged with up to a felony.

• New labor trafficking law. A new law creates a new crime of labor trafficking that results in death with a maximum penalty of 25 years in prison and a \$40,000 fine. It also creates enhanced penalties for labor trafficking a person over an extended period or when a labor trafficking victim suffers great bodily harm because of the trafficking. This crime could be punished by up to 20 years in prison and a \$40,000 fine if the victim is under age 18, labor trafficking occurs over an extended period, or the victim suffers great bodily harm, and the harm was proximately caused by the labor trafficking conduct of the offender.

• Permitting electronic signatures on wills. A new law allows a will to be witnessed and, where allowed, electronically notarized and completed.

[Go to] https://www. house.mn.gov/hinfo/leginfo/08012023NewLaws.pdf for more information regarding new laws from the non-partisan Minnesota Public Information Services office.

Your thoughts on these or other issues always are welcome. Hope to see you around at local community events soon as we enjoy the rest of this summer.

Sincerely, Representative Dale Lueck Minnesota House District 6A

#### August

4th & 5th - Crow Wing County Fair. Parade of Colors, midway, grandstand events, entry judging, live animals, baja rally races, horse racing, barrel racing, chainsaw carvings, coloring contest, beer garden and more! www.crowwingcountyfair.com

4th & 5th - Aitkin County Historical Garage Sale, 9am-4pm at the Aitkin County Fairgrounds. 5th - Emily Wesleyan Church Community Market in the church parking lot, 9 am- 1pm.

- 5th Malmo Free Church Outdoor Gospel Concerts featuring Fool 4 Old School from Jordan/Belle Plaine, this group shares a love of old-time gospel and bluegrass music at 7pm. Come as you are and bring a lawn chair. In case of rain, the concert will be inside the air-conditioned church. A freewill offering will be taken to help pay for the concerts. Malmo church is located near the junction of Highways 47 and 18 on Highway 18 near the north east corner of Lake Mille Lacs.
- 6th Free Summer Farm Festival celebrates all things local at 11am-3pm at Clear Lake Gardens, 31213 292nd St. Aitkin, Glen Township. For more infor contac Kelley Rajala 707-331-6850, clearlakegardens.org/events, clearlakegardens@gmail.com
- 10th Music in the Park at Crosby Memorial Park on Serpent Lake. Hosted by the Cuyuna Lakes Chamber of Commerce.
- 11th & 12th Summerfest in Deerwood. Live music, food, vendors line the streets of Deerwood, bake sale, meat raffles, bag tournament, pull tab extravaganza and so much more! Contact the Deerwood Civic and Commerce at info@deerwoodcommerce.org or leave a message at 218-534-2936.

12th - Riding with Rory Suicide Awareness/Prevention Ride hosted by the Over the Hills Gang ATV Club. 12th - Malmo Free Church Outdoor Gospel Concerts featuring Headin' Home Quartet, a Men's Gospel

Quartet from Iowa, at 7pm. Come as you are and bring a lawn chair. In case of rain, the concert will be inside the air-conditioned church. A free-will offering will be taken to help pay for the concerts.

# Send Us Your Photos and Community Events!



Got an interesting photo and story to share? Just send it to hopper@crosbyironton.net, along with your name, city and a description of the photo. We also accept news and community events. And who knows, you may see your submission next week in the NewsHopper!

# **Pelican Lakes in Crow Wing County**

Join Unlimited Learning on Monday, August 14 at 1:30 p.m., to hear James Henderson describe his dedication to Pelican Lakes. The program will be at the Crosby-Ironton High School in Crosby. It's free for members and \$5.00 for non-members.

For more information, contact Sally Ihne at sinnecharter. net or log onto our website: lakesareaunlimitedlearning. org.

Learn about the history of Pelican Lakes, from the time lakes formed as the

last glaciers receded to the logging industry. Through never-published history and photographs, we will see how the automobile brought tourism and resorts to the lakes area. We will learn about the early history, how the bays were named and how major weather events impacted the area. lames D. Henderson is a retired veterinarian and bio-medical researcher. An accomplished digital photographer, he has most recently served as editor and contributing author of

"Life on the Lakes — A History of the Pelican Lakes in Crow Wing County."

Lakes Area Unlimited Learning engages and energizes older adults who embrace lifelong learning and are endlessly curious about the world around them. Our philosophy is "learning without limits," and we live that philosophy by offering programs, events and field trips that are stimulating and relevant. People join Unlimited Learning for the learning opportunities and stay for the friendships.





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# **OBITUARIES**

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Alan Gaylord Van Horn, 59, died Friday, June 30, 2023 at his home in Deerwood.

held at 11 a.m. on August 5, 2023 at Mission Cemetery (located at 28056 Ct Rd 19, just east of Mission Cutoff), with a

luncheon and celebration of life to follow at Roxie and Merle Robert's home (16127 Mission Way. just off Co. Rd. 11).

Alan was born October 13, 1963 to Thomas and Mary Jane (Wgeishofski) Van Horn in Aitkin. Alan was a loved father, brother, uncle, and friend. He attended Crosby-Ironton High School before moving to Texas for work. He eventually moved back to Minnesota to work for his family's logging company, where he became a successful logger. In

David Will Blakesley, 67, of Aitkin died Thursday, was able to enjoy one last fishing trip. July 27, 2023 at his home.

A celebration of David's life will be at a later date. He was born February 6, 1956 in Aitkin to Lester and AltaMay (Woodrow) Blakesley. He graduated from Aitkin High School in 1974 and then diesel mechanic school in Saint Cloud. He worked for Jim Cunningham at Bon-Aire Estates. Mack Truck and then was employed as a mechanic for MNDOT for almost 40 years. He enjoyed league bowling in his early years. David was an avid outdoorsman who loved hunting, fishing, traveling to Alaska and hunting Elk for over 30 years. This past July David

May of 1995, he welcomed his son Garrett Gaylord A graveside service will be

ALAN VAN HORN

Van Horn. He loved playing basketball and was an avid Minnesota sports fan. He could often be found cheering on his favorite teams with friends or his son. Alan will be remembered for his kind heart and generous spirit. He will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

He is survived by his son, Garrett (Shaylene) G. Van Horn of Ironton; two sisters: Roxie (Merle) Roberts of Crosby; Wendy Dickie, of Brainerd; one brother Brad Van Horn of Crosby and many cousins, nephews, and nieces.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and a daughter, Jessica Van Horn.

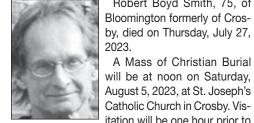
Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home of Crosby. To leave a message of condolence go to www.koopfuneralhome.com.

### DAVID BLAKESLEY

David is survived by his sisters and brothersin-law: Judy (Dennis) Carpenter, Leslie (Eugene) Peters, and Linda Blakesley; 10 nieces and nephews, many other special relatives, friends, fishing buddies and hunting buddies.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother Jack Blakesley.

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



itation will be one hour prior to the Mass at the church. Burial will be at Lakewood Cemetery in Crosby. In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to Jessie F. Hallett Memorial Library, 101 1st St. SE, Crosby, MN, 56441, or hallettlibrary.org.

Bob was born to Bovd and Jeannette (Ruoko) Smith on February 18, 1948, in Crosby. He graduated from Crosby-Ironton High School in 1966 and attended UMD where he played football with several of his high school classmates. Bob lived life to the fullest, working as a ski instructor in Snowmass, CO, hiking in the mountains with friends, and cross-country skiing. He was also an avid cyclist

> Jacobson (Boot Lake) and wintered in Arizona, died Friday, July 28, 2023 at her home. A celebration of Patricia's life

A Mass of Christian Burial

will be at noon on Saturday,

is being planned. She was born July 15, 1956 in

Minneapolis to Edward and Ardythe (Crozier) McCaleb. She graduated from St. Louis Park High School in 1974 and then earned an A.A. degree in accounting from Century College. Patricia was united in marriage

**ROBERT SMITH** Robert Boyd Smith, 75, of known for 100-mile bike rides. He later excelled

as a ballet performer in Denver. CO. and Charlotte. NC. Beyond his athletic interests, Bob loved bird watching, painting, and making homemade crafts. He treated others with kindness and compassion and looked for ways to bring out the best in others. Bob spent countless hours with his sons, as well as nieces and nephews, who all cherished their time with him. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

Bob is survived by his wife, Marianne; sons: Jason and Nicholas; siblings: Susan McCloskey, Richard (Mary) Smith, Maureen Alaboud, and Janet Smith; father-in-law and mother-in-law. James and Virginia Skeim; and many other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his son, Aaron; parents; and siblings: Patrick Smith, Peggy Modler, and Pamela Smith.

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

### PATRICIA SOUTER

Patricia Ann Souter, 67, of to Randy R. Souter on June 18, 1977 in Hopkins. She worked in revenue and accounting for several counties including Aitkin and Itasca. She lived on Boot Lake near Jacobson and wintered in Arizona where she enjoyed the warm sunshine, riding her Harley Davidson motorcycle, hot tubbing, baking, watching the Minnesota Wild and all of her Golden Retreivers and Labs.

Patricia is survived by her husband Randy Souter; children: Eddy (Stephanie) Souter of Stillwater, Nicky (Galen) Booth of Brainerd and Beth (Tyler) Obinger of Columbus; eight grandchildren: Jack,

> Tommy, Trevor, Alex, Brooke, Riley, Hailey, and a baby girl on the way; sister, Michele Bargmann of Chaska; and many other special relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by

her parents.

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

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Baxter\* - Pointway Alliance Church; Rev. Charles Bolstridge, 218-537-6505; 7756 Highland Scenic Road; Worship 10; www.pointway.org

Garrison\* — Worship 10:30am Onamia — Vineland Native American Chapel, Hwy. 169

north of casino; Worship 11; Pastor Boeringa 320-532-4449

#### ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Aitkin — Pastor Andrew Jergenson; 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 Crosslake — Crossroads Christian, Rev. Gary Espeseth; SS

at 9:30, Worship at 10:45 Interim Pastor John Koppel, Staff Pastor Lisa Brainerd - Community of Hope Church of the Nazarene-Pastor Dave McGaffey Sunday worship at 10, SS 9; 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 Kimberlina: 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.

School following worship. Services also available on YouTube and Facebook. 218-829-9552 flcbrainerd.com

424 8th Street South, Brainerd  ${\rm Brainerd}^{\star}$  — 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 (ELCA) 1420 South

6th St. Brainerd, Worship time September through May 8:15am & 10:30am; worship (June through August) 9 am. 218-829-5147. Website: www.trinitybrainerd.org. Email: trinity@trinitybrainerd.org

Brainerd — Truth Lutheran Church (LCMC, Pastor James Walth, Corner of 5th and Kingwood, Worship 9

Brainerd - Zion Lutheran Church (LCMS) Pastor Steve Benson, Sunday Worship 9, Monday Worship 6 pm. Education hour Sunday 10:15 am. 220 N. 8th St. Brainerd. 218-829-4317. www.zionbrainerd.com.

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, 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

Baxter - Christ Alive, 12485 Forestview Drive, Baxter,

- HIII CITV Jordan; Worship 10; hillcityagchurch@gmail.com; 218-697-2662
- Palisade Pastor Charlie Bell; SS 9; Worship 10: Kids Church; Small groups during the week 218-845-2726

#### BAPTIST

- Aitkin The Journey North, Pastor Tom Hoffman, 218-996-6369, Worship 10:30, thejourneynorth.com
- Baxter The Journey North, Pastor Jeremiah Rice, 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 9:30, SS 11.
- Crosby Bible Baptist, Pastor Jon Thorson; SS 9:45; Service 10:45 and 6 p.m., Bible Study Wed. 7 pm
- Deerwood\* 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. Mike Patullo, 218-927-6581; Mass Sat. 5 pm, Sun. 10:30. Confession Sat. 10-10:45 and 4-4:45 pm.
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- 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. Eli Gieske, Mass: Thurs. and Fri. at 8; Tues at noon, 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.
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- Hillman Holy Family; Sun. 10 to Mass Sat. 6:30 pm (only through Labor Day) w/ confession before or by appt.
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#### **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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#### COMMUNITY

Aitkin - Nondenominational; 927-2749; at 219-1st Ave. NE., Aitkin, Services Sun.10, 218-927-6959

- Merrifield Community Church of the Nazarene, Pasto 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 —Hilltop Chapel (Waukenabo Twp)\*- service 10 a.m.; Adult and Children's SS 9 a.m.; 49448 Osprey Avenue, Palisade
- 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.
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#### **EVANGELICAL FREE**

- Baxter Lakewood EFC, Pastor Matt Nagel; Worship at 9:00 and 10:45. Wednesday for all ages 6:30 pm.
- Crosslake Pastor Troy Nelson; 218-692-4141, check website for service times www.crosslakeefc.org
- 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
- Pastor Glenn Browning; SS 9:30; Fellowship 10; Malmo · Worship 10:15
- Wright Pastor Ken Mitchell, 218-426-5115; SS 9:30; Worship, 10:30; Thu., Bible Study, 7 pm.

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- Aitkin First\* (ELCA) Pastor Reggie Denton; worship Sun. 99am (9am service also available via livestream on YouTube - First Lutheran Church, Aitkin and broadcast on KKIN 94.3 FM radio at 10am), take out community meal every Mon. & Thurs. 5pm and Tues. 12pm; food shelf 2nd & 4th Thurs. each month 9am- 4pm.
- 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
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- Crosby Immanuel (LCMC, NALC) Rev. Paul Mattson; Sun. 9 & 10:30 worship; SS (Sept.-May) 10:40.
- Crosby -Zion (LC-MS) Pastor Dean Stolz; Worship 8:30; SS 10; Bible Study Wed. 7 pm; handicap accessible. 218-546-6910
- Crosslake (ELCA) www.crosslakelutheran.com Kristin Oltmann, Pastor 218-692-3682 May 21-Labor Day: Sun. Indoor 8:30am, Outdoor 10am; Indoor: 35960 CR 66, Outdoor: 14019 Daggett 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 Amanda Kempthorne;
- Worship: 9; Sunday School 9:50.
- Garrison Light of the Cross (ELCA), Worship 9 SS 9; 320-692-4773 or 877-406-9101.
- Garrison Shepherd of the Lake (LCMS), Rev. Caleb Worrel. 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, (alternates with Zion of Crosby) 218-534-3069
- Isle Faith (ELCA), Interim Pastor Rev. Henry French; Worship 9:30; handicapped accessible.
- Isle Holden (ELCA), SS 9:30; Worship 10:30.
- Isle Trinity (Missouri Synod), Rev. Mark Maunula; Worship 9; Fellowship follows; SS 10:30; Adult Bible 10:30. 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 Sunday mornings, followed by fellowship and Bible study. (Located on Co. Rd. #77 N)
- Malmo Bethesda (ELCA) Rev. James Muske: Sun. Worship 9am. Fellowship following Service. Communion
- every Sunday. McGrath - Grace; Wed. potluck 5 pm, Bible study 6 p.m.;
- SS 10; Worship 11. - Zion (ELCA), Pastor Elliott Malm; Worship McGrath 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 Luke Lekander,
- Worship 9. Palisade\* — Bethel (ELCA), Pastor Steven Teff; Worship 9:30.
- Pequot Lakes\* Our Savior's Lutheran Church (ELCA) Rev. Stephen Blenkush Worship 9:00 a.m., SS 9:15 a.m.,
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- Emily Cornerstone Church; Pastor Earl Ready; Worship 10. 41536 Birchwood Drive. Emily: 218-763-2939.
- Ironton Iron Range Christian Center; Pastor Dwight Semler; 218-546-6523; meeting at Irondale Town Hall\*, Co. Rd. 12, (Deerwood Shortcut); Worship 10 & Wed. 7 pm. Tamarack — Warriors of the Rainbow Ministry, Pastors Ken and Ron Fairbanks, Sat. 11. 218-768-3585

#### PRESBYTERIAN

- Crosslake Pastor Mark Ford, 218-692-4769; Worship 9; Fellowship 11. 14444 Daggett 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, Bible Study 10:30; Prayer Mtg. Wed. 5:30 p.m.; www.aitkinadventist. org; 423-805-0933
- Brainerd Pastor Roger Hagen; Worship Sat. 11:20, Bible Study 10; Bible Study & Prayer Mtg. Wed. 6:30 p.m.; 2910 Oak Street, Brainerd, 218-829-1676

#### UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

Pequot Lakes - 28877 State Hwy 371, Pequot Lakes 10:30 1st and 4th Sundays. 218-330-3476

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Cutler — Pine Lake Chapel, Worship 9, fellowship follows.

Emily\* — Pastor Gary Taylor; Sunday Worship with Facebook

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and continuing need insulin is implemented by MNsure, affordability programs, visit MNinsulin.org. The Minnesota Insulin Safety Net program

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# **Tennis courts under construction**



If you want to play tennis in Aitkin this summer, you may be out of luck. The Aitkin School District is replacing the tennis courts, now under construction at the western edge of town. Aitkin School District Superintendent Dan Stifter gives this update: "We are completely replacing the tennis courts. We are adding two courts so we will now have seven tennis courts. This will match the number of matches at each meet so we can better host our meets and tournaments. Our goal is to have the courts done by September 1 or before. The tennis court project will include new fencing and nets and two courts will be lighted."

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• Ragweed is beginning to shed pollen. Canada Goldenrod is in bloom. The bees love Goldenrod!

STARGAZING NOTES, provided by the Minnesota Astronomical Society What's happening in the starry sky this week?

- This week's highlight is the Perseid meteor shower. The peak activity is Aug. 12 and 13. The best viewing is between 1-5 a.m on August 13.
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