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## Open house to be a hoot with art activities and bird release



Ready for release into the woodlands surrounding Ripple River Gallery, this owl patiently waits while Dr. Katie Baratto describes its recovery from injury. The gallery's annual fall open house is a benefit for Wild and Free Animal Rehabilitation Program.

Ripple River Gallery's 23rd annual fall open house, set for Saturday, Sept. 23, celebrates the season with a colorful combination of art, fun and fall color. Try flower pounding or make an origami bird, take a walk in the woods, see what's new in the gallery and enjoy refreshments—all while supporting Wild and Free Wildlife Rehabilitation Program in Garrison.

Along with the gallery's original work by 60 outstanding regional artists, pottery by St. Cloud artist, Desi Murphy, is featured

in the gallery.

At noon join Minnesota Master Naturalist Volunteer Elizabeth Carls for a leisurely guided walk in the woods. Participants will learn to identify several species of native trees and plants, and perhaps spot some birds along the way. Closed-toe shoes and long pants are advised.

Want to try your hand at something different? Fellow artisans will be on hand throughout the day to help you try flower pounding. This method of printmaking transfers the natural pigment

of delicate plants to paper. Or try origami, the Japanese art of paper folding.

Volunteers with Wild and Free Wildlife Rehabilitation Program in Garrison, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization

dedicated to educating the public about wildlife and habitat will be on hand to talk about the program. Donations for Wild and Free will be accepted. A highlight of the afternoon is the release of

recovered birds that are ready to fly. Ripple River Gallery is located east of Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge. For more information call 218-678-2575 or e-mail: [rippelrivergallery@gmail.com](mailto:rippelrivergallery@gmail.com).

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# Three deaths ruled murder-suicide at Breezy Point's Whitebirch Resort

Three people were found dead Tuesday, Sept. 5 at Breezy Point's Whitebirch Resort after a Maple Grove man shot and killed a woman he was in a relationship with and her daughter before tak-

ing his own life. In a press release on Thursday, Sept. 7, the Crow Wing County Attorney's Office identified the bodies as Melanie Michele Jansen, 54, of Maple Grove, Jansen's

daughter Hannah Nicole Parmenter, 29, of Elk River, and suspected shooter Michael Charles Toner, 59, of Maple Grove.

Breezy Point Police Officer Kiel Rustad responded to

8094 Whitebirch Drive — a multi-unit house in Breezy Point's Whitebirch Resort— after the 911 caller, Jansen's 28-year-old son, said he could see two people on the floor and could see blood.

According to a press release issued by the Crow Wing County Attorney's Office, Officer Rustad found the unit to be locked. Looking through the window he could see people down in the residence. Rustad broke a window adjacent to the front entry door of the residence, reached inside and opened the locked door. Three bodies were found inside the home with apparent gunshot wounds. Jansen's son said his family had been renting the home since Sept. 1.

After autopsies conducted the Ramsey County Medical Examiner's Office, it was reported that Jansen and

Parmenter suffered multiple gunshot wounds, with the manner of death listed as homicide. Toner was found dead from a single gunshot wound to the head, in a suspected suicide.

Based on the observations and investigation so far, it's believed Toner shot the two women before shooting himself, the release states.

The investigation remains ongoing, but there is no evidence of any threat to the public.

The Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension and the Crow Wing County Sheriff's Office assisted police with the investigation.

## Free meals for seniors

Free frozen meals for Crow Wing County seniors aged 60 and older will be distributed in the parking lot of Salem Lutheran Church located at 21276 Archibald Road in Deerwood on Monday, Sept. 18, from 11 a.m. to noon by Catholic Charities of the Diocese of St. Cloud's Senior Dining program.

During the drive-through/

no-contact distribution, seniors will receive pre-packaged bags of 10 frozen meals. Each senior may receive up to 30 meals in a month. The meals are packaged in microwave and oven safe containers and are easy to heat and eat.

For more information, contact CRMC Social Worker Kari Lee Pietz at 218-545-5361.

**CONSERVATION TIP OF THE WEEK**  
SEPTEMBER 18-25, 2023

**REUSE IDEA: TURN PILL BOTTLES INTO SEED CONTAINERS**

It's the time of year when we collect seeds for next year's garden. Instead of glass jars, use old medicine pill bottles. After being thoroughly cleaned, they make great seed containers. The perfect, no-cost solution for seed storage. Plus, they won't end up in the landfill. Win-win!

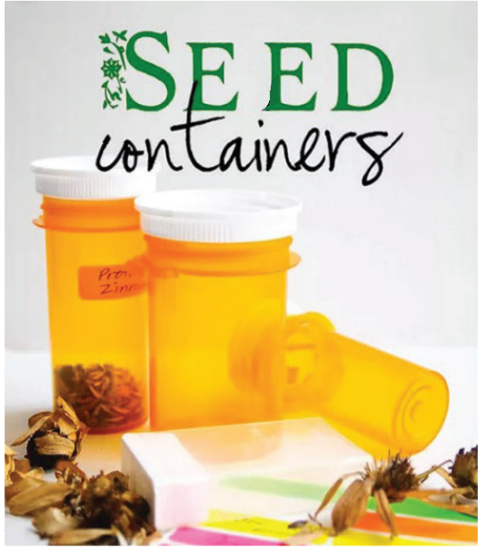
**Nature Notes:**

- Common Loons begin to gather in large groups, preparing to fly south.
- Apples are ripe for the picking. Happy eating.
- Tamaracks will be approaching their full golden color. Find them in a bog or low wetland, give them a shake and be covered in a shower of needles. Fun.

**STARGAZING NOTES, provided by the Minnesota Astronomical Society**  
**What's happening in the starry sky this week?**  
The autumnal equinox is on Sept 23. We're halfway to winter!  
The International Space Station is visible every evening this week. All passes cross the northern sky from west to east. More detailed information at heavens-above.com.

- Sept 18: appears 8:47 pm, disappears 8:51
- Sept 19: appears 7:59 pm, disappears 8:05
- Sept 20: appears 8:48 pm, disappears 8:52
- Sept 21: appears 8:00 pm, disappears 8:06
- Sept 22: appears 8:49 pm, disappears 8:53
- Sept 23: appears 8:01 pm, disappears 8:07
- Sept 24: appears 8:50 pm, disappears 8:53

**LONG LAKE CONSERVATION CENTER**



As part of its ongoing mission to educate the public about wise use of natural resources, Long Lake's team of Environmental Educators will share simple, everyday Conservation Tips that everyone, including kids, can do. If everyone makes the effort to consume resources more wisely, we can help ensure a brighter future for the planet and make life better TODAY!

**LOOK WHOSE baby JUST ARRIVED**

**VICTORIA LEIGH MITCHELL**

Victoria Leigh Mitchell, a girl, weighing 6 lbs., was born September 4, 2023, in Aitkin, to Nellie and Justin Mitchell of McGregor. Grandparents are Denny and Barb Smith of Aitkin and Ken and Cindy Mitchell of Tamarack.



## Order delicious hearty pasties now

Orders are now being taken for the Annual Pasty Project sponsored by the Council of Catholic Women (CCW) of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Crosby available on the following Wednesdays: September 27, October 4, 11, 18, and 25.

The pasties sell for \$8 each

and are made following a recipe for the pastry-enclosed meat and vegetable treat that dates back to the days when iron miners on the Cuyuna Range and tin miners in England took them to work in the mines. Each pasty is large enough to serve as a full meal for one or two people.



Gravy is available (12 oz.) for \$2. A reduced number of pasties will be made each week. Please call Kay early to reserve your pasties at 218-232-2312. If necessary, leave a message — your call will be returned.

Pasties are picked up on the Wednesday they are baked.

St. Joseph's Catholic Church is located at 617 Poplar Street in Crosby.

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# COMMUNITY EVENTS

**September**

15th - Armed Forces Tribute Event take place at Crow Wing County Historic Court House, All Vetrans Memorial at 1 pm & Guest Speakers & Festival take place after program East Side Parking lot of CWC Jail. POW MIA HOT AIR BALLOON ON Display Open to public Free.

16th - Emily Wesleyan Church Community Market in the church parking lot from 9 am-2 pm.

16th - 4-Wheelin' for Kids with Cancer Fund-raiser Ride. Guided trail rides, lunch, presentation and more. Cost: \$20 per machine; ride starts at 10 a.m. on Miller-Black Bear trail system near Trommald. Register at centrallakesatvclub.com by Sept. 4. All proceeds benefit the Zachary Johnson Kids with Cancer Fund at Riverwood Healthcare Center, Aitkin.

16th- Fifth Annual Car Show at Heartwood Senior Living Community, Crosby, 1a.m. -1 p.m. Free mini burger baskets, root beer and cupcakes while supplies last.

16th - Kinship Partners Coats for Kids event at Cuyuna Range Food Shelf Building located at 302 Cross Avenue in Crosby. Contact Tyler Scull, Program Coordinator at tylers@kinshippartners.org or call 612-212-5772

22nd-Deerwood Technologies 23rd annual Golf Challenge to benefit the Scholarship Fund for area youth. Check-in/registration, noon. Register at deerstech.com/golfregistration.

30th - Emily Wesleyan Church Community Market in the church parking lot from 9 am-2 pm.

30th - Cascade United Methodist Church Harvest Supper, 4:30- 6 p.m.

**October**

7th - Jaques Art Center's Gala Harvest Dinner, 5-8 pm, Heartwood Conference Center, Crosby. Call 218-927-2363.

# READER RIBBETS

## Don't toss mail from Montana!

If you get a letter from an address in Montana, do not throw it out. **That's your \$260 rebate check!**

Why is it coming from Montana? Because rather than use the resources at our own Department of Revenue, Gov. Walz farmed out the job to a company in Montana – at a cost of \$21 million to Minnesota taxpayers.

So, to recap:

- Minnesota over-collected \$19 billion from Minnesota taxpayers
- Gov. Walz and Democrats in the Legislature spent all of it, increasing government spending by nearly 40% in one year
- Then they raised taxes another \$9 billion.
- Despite promising checks of \$2,000, they ended up authorizing rebate checks of \$260 per person for some Minnesotans.
- And then they sent \$21 million of your money to a company in Montana to send out the checks.

It's out of touch with what people are dealing with right now. With a record surplus, high inflation, and personal debt rising, you should have been given much, much more relief. Unfortunately, Democrats care more about special interests than helping the common man.

**Help shape the mission of the DNR!**

Most of us who live in north-

ern Minnesota do so because we love Minnesota's outdoors. We enjoy having convenient access to waterways, forests, and so much more. Regardless of which side of the aisle you fall on, we all want to be good stewards of our environment.

We all have our criticisms of the DNR, but that makes it even more important that folks up here get involved in shaping the mission of the DNR in a way that aligns with northern Minnesota values.

One easy way to get involved is to apply for one of the DNR's advisory groups or task forces. Right now there are openings on the task forces that address Aquatic Invasive Species, Minnesota's coasts, National Heritage, and Parks and Trails. You can also sign up to be alerted when new openings are posted.

For more information, visit the DNR's website at <https://engage.dnr.state.mn.us/advisory-group-appointment-opportunities> or send me an email and I would be happy to connect you.

**Student loan aid for Ag teachers**

Did you know that Minnesota has a program to help Ag teachers repay their student loans? It's called the Minnesota Agricultural Education Loan Repayment Program, and it provides financial assistance for teachers in agricultural education for grades 5-12. This

program will help teachers repay up to \$3,000 per year, with a maximum of \$15,000 total. To qualify for this program, an applicant must:

- Have completed an undergraduate or graduate program in agricultural education at a college or university approved by the State of Minnesota to prepare persons for teacher licensure
- Be employed by a Minnesota school district, charter school, private school, or tribal contract school (eligible to receive aid) to provide agricultural education in any grade from grades 5 through 12
- Have outstanding qualified educational loan debt

Applications are due September 30, 2023.

More information is available here: <https://bit.ly/MNAg-StudentLoanProgram>

If you have any questions or comments about the issues we are working on, please contact me anytime. My email is [justin.eichorn@senate.mn](mailto:justin.eichorn@senate.mn), or you can call me at 651-296-7079.

Don't forget to follow me on Facebook: <https://www.fb.com/SenatorJustinEichorn>.

It is a privilege to serve you!

*Sincerely,*  
**Justin D. Eichorn**  
Minnesota Senate, District 6  
Itasca, Cass, & Crow Wing Counties

# OBITUARIES

## SUSAN BARUTT



Susan Edna Barutt, 61, of Deerwood died on Friday, September 8, 2023 at Essentia St. Joseph's Medical Center in Brainerd.

A Memorial Mass was held on Thursday, September 14, 2023 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Crosby. Burial was at the Scandia Cemetery in Deerwood.

She was born in Fairbault on October 24, 1961 to Orville and Elizabeth (Hough) Barsness. Susan married James Barutt on April 13, 1991 in Burnsville. She was a former Elementary Teacher serving St. Francis

Catholic School in Brainerd and the Crosby-Ironton School District. Susan was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Crosby and former Director of the "Spirit of Life" and the youth choirs, a former Christmas Cantata Choir member and was an avid quilter.

Susan is survived by her husband, James; son, Corey (Brittany) Barutt of Ironton; daughter, Ashley (AJ) Gross of Minneapolis; brother, Bill (Susan) Barsness of Kenyon; sister, Kerri Mader of Minneapolis; and three grandchildren.

Preceding Susan in death are her parents. Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home of Crosby. To leave a message of condolence go to [www.koopfuneralhome.com](http://www.koopfuneralhome.com).

## BETTY BORDWELL



Betty Ann (Johnson) Bordwell, 82, of Fridley died at home on Monday, July 17, 2023, after a courageous nine-month battle with stomach cancer.

A graveside service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, October 6, 2023, at Vaale Cemetery. Friends and family are welcome to attend and are asked to join us for refreshments at Trinity Lutheran Church following the service.

Born on March 12, 1941 to Joseph and Helen Johnson in Brainerd. Betty graduated from Brainerd

High School in 1959, from Brainerd Junior College in 1961 and attended St. Cloud State University. Betty worked as a freelance assistant food stylist in the film and photo industry, a job she dearly loved.

She is survived by her husband of 60 years, Dave; son, Matthew; daughter, Lisa Metusalem (Dave); granddaughter, Kayla; two grandsons: Nick and Jake, great-grandson Riley, great-granddaughter Gracie; brother, David Johnson; sister, Deb Smith (Rick); special godchildren: Joe and Natalie Smith and many cousins, nieces and nephews.

Preceded in death by her parents; brother, Robert G. Johnson and infant twins.

## CINDI ALBISTON



Cynthia Lou "Cindi" Albiston, 69, of Eden Prairie, formerly of the Brainerd Lakes Area, died Wednesday, September 6, 2023, at Mayo Clinic - Methodist Campus in Rochester.

A Celebration of Cindi's Life will be held at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, September 16, 2023, at Nelson - Doran Funeral Home. Family and friends are welcome to gather one hour prior to services and to stay for a luncheon to follow. Interment at Fort Snelling National Cemetery will happen at a later date.

Cindi was born January 1, 1954, in Fridley, the

daughter of Floyd and Betty Lou (Larson) Demery. After high school, Cindi began a long career as an administrative assistant. She is survived by her mom, Betty Lou; children: Joe Johnson and Kevra (Derrick) Cherne; stepchildren: Sean (Annie) Albiston and Sheila Albiston; grandchildren: Piper Johnson, Matthew Cherne, Christopher Cherne, Rayah Unger, Emily Cherne, Bruce Unger, Jordan Cherne, Ruby Albiston, Rex Albiston, Sierra Freid, Bode Albiston and Brent Albiston; and siblings, Tammy Dingman and Steven (Lori) Meyer.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Gary (2011); dad, Floyd; stepson, Scott Albiston (1997); grandson, Timothy Freid; and brother, Paul.

## LARRY JOHNSON



Larry Lee Johnson, 76, of Nisswa, died unexpectedly on Thursday, September 7, 2023.

Services will be 11 AM on Saturday, September 16 at Grace United Methodist Church, Pequot Lakes. Visitation will be from 6 to 8 PM on Friday at Kline Funeral Home, Pequot Lakes, and one hour prior to the service at the church.

He was born to Arnold and Evelyn Johnson on July 21, 1947, in Laurens, Iowa. Larry graduated with the class of '65 from LeRoy-Ostrander High School, where he and Peggy were high school sweethearts. They married on November 27, 1966. He enlisted in the

Air Force and was stationed at RAF Woodbridge Air Force base in England, where they both experienced the adventures of early married life together. Upon being honorably discharged, they returned to Minnesota, where Larry continued his employment with IBM in Rochester where they started their family. IBM moved them to the Twin Cities where they first lived in Brooklyn Park, then raised their children in Lakeville. After retiring at 46, as empty nesters, they eventually moved to Burnsville, and enthusiastically bought their lake home on Gull Lake where they have lived permanently since 2000. Larry's passions were his grandchildren, restoring dozens of El Caminos, being a Mr. Fix-it to all, and serving as a faithful member of Grace United Methodist Church.

More obituaries on Page 4

# LEGAL NOTICES

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**ORDINANCE AMENDMENT SUMMARY CITY OF CUYUNA**

On September 11, 2023 the City of Cuyuna adopted Ordinance Number 01-2023, amending Section No. 903.13 "General Requirements" Sub. 3, "Accessory Buildings," of the Cuyuna Zoning Ordinance. The amendment allows one accessory structure to be placed or constructed on vacant lots without the establishment of a principal use and creates performance standards for accessory structures on lots that do not contain a principal use.

This notice is a summary of the ordinance amendments that were adopted by the City. A full copy the amendment and the City Code are available at City Hall. This amendment goes into effect upon publication.

Dated: September 11, 2023  
BILL BEDARD,  
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City of Cuyuna  
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**CITY OF CUYUNA NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Notice is hereby given the Cuyuna City Council will convene on Monday, October 9, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the Cuyuna Fire Department to conduct a public hearing regarding the following:

Consideration of Ordinance 02-2023 regarding regulation of the use of cannabis and cannabis derived products in public places.

All interested persons are invited to attend these hearings at the Cuyuna Fire Department, 24849 Minnesota Avenue, and be heard or send written comments to City of Cuyuna, PO Box 536, Deerwood, MN 56444 or via email at [info@ci.cuyuna.mn.us](mailto:info@ci.cuyuna.mn.us). A staff report is made available at the Cuyuna Fire Department typically one week before the scheduled meeting.

Dated: September 11, 2023  
BILL BEDARD,  
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City of Cuyuna  
5.0

## JANZEN AUCTIONEERS

**AITKIN/RABBIT LAKE AREA AUCTION**  
Saturday, September 23 • 10:00 a.m.  
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MARK & BECKY CLASEN PROPERTY AUCTION

**WHEELED FISH HOUSE:** 2017 Zero 4 Outdoors 5x8 lightweight all aluminum fish house crank style easy up & down, fits four wheeler inside, 2021 Otter cabin two man portable fish house on sled with bench seat & hitch (like new) **BOATING & RELATED:** 2004 Crestliner 1650 fish hawk 16 ft. fishing boat on Yacht Club trailer & 50 HP Yamaha 4 stroke motor, minnkota trolling motor & hummingbird helix 8 fish locator (excellent package), 17 ft. Aluminum canoe, Sun Dolphin style two person paddle boat, **SNOWMOBILES:** 2011 Skidoo 600 HO E-Tec one up or two up seat w/cover 6700 miles excellent condition, 2008 Skidoo MXZ Renegade 600 rotax SDI snowmobile w/cover 8200 miles excellent condition **ATV:** 2008 Polaris 500 HO four wheeler w/winch & plow 4000 miles **TRAILERS:** 2016 Triton Elite aluminum two place snowmobile trailer w/drive on drive off features, Built Rite 5x8 high sided trailer w/front tool box, 4x6 two wheel lawn tractor or ATV trailer **GARAGE TOOLS & RELATED:** Craftsman planer/jointer, Craftsman 12 in. two speed band saw 1 1/8 HP, Combination belt/disc sander, bench model, 16 in. Craftsman scroll saw, Set of Ryobi battery powered hand tools, Numerous corded hand power tools, Milwaukee, Craftsman, Bosch & others, Bench top tool box, Large variety of mechanic & carpenter hand tools, Step & extension ladders, Metal bar & wood clamps, Aluminum folding saw horses, Variety of hardware & hardware organizers, Air hoses & electrical cords, Variety of lubes & oils, Various battery chargers, Car ramps, two wheel dolly, 16 in. Truck tire chains **LAWN & GARDEN:** Toro 6.5 HP self propelled 22 in. trimming mower w/new blades, Husqvarna rancher 61 chainsaw w/16 in. & 20 in. bar, Husqvarna 125BT back pack blower, Lawn Boy trimming mower w/new blades, Snapper LE 19 in. snow blower, Four wheel hose reel w/200 ft. of hose, Gas powered hand held brush saw & weed trimmers, (2) Wheelbarrows, (2) Propane grills, Smaller Bolens front tire tiller, Propane 2 burner fish fryer, lanterns & propane tanks **SPORTING GOODS RELATED:** Otter outdoors two wheel trailer, Eureka tent & sleeping bags, Various snowmobile helmets, Large whitetail mount 168 in. Boone & Crocket Score, Smaller plastic ice fishing sled, Cross country skis, Various wildlife furs, Aqua view camera & flats screen fish locator, Clay pigeon thrower & clay pigeons, Summer & winter fishing poles, tackle & life vests, Minnkota trolling motor **ITEMS OF INTEREST:** Garage refrigerator & chest freezer, Large variety of canning jars, Floor model electric heaters, Maytag window air conditioner, Collapsible wire dog kennel, One & two man saws, Collectible wood block planes, Variety of quilting materials & home built collapsible quilting table on wheels **HOUSEHOLD FURNISHINGS & RELATED:** Oak style dining room table & 4 chairs, Oak style buffet w/6 drawers, Glider rocker w/ ottoman, Oak dressers & chest of drawers, Queen bed w/oak style head & footboard, Cedar chest, Night stands oak style, Quilt rack, Pine dresser & matching pine twin beds, Variety of wildlife & sporting goods artwork

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# OBITUARIES

## JAMES SULLIVAN



James Michael Sullivan, 71, of Ironton died on November 14, 2022 at his home.

A Graveside service will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 23, 2023 at the Lakewood Cemetery in Crosby with full military honors presented by the Myrin-James American Legion Post #443. Visitation will be on Saturday at the Koop Funeral Home in Crosby from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. He was born on September 22, 1951 in Virginia,

MN to Guy and Grace (Sorensen) Sullivan. He served for two years in the U.S. Army as a Tank Commander for the M60 Tan. One of years he was stationed in Germany. His hobbies include hunting, fishing, feeding the birds and riding his motorcycle.

Jim is survived by two brothers: Terry (Linda) Sullivan of Rogers, MN and Steven (Theresa) Sullivan of Moses Lake, WA; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Preceding Jim in death are his parents; and his two feline companions, Sassy and Wilson.

Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home of Crosby. To leave a message of condolence go to [www.koopfuneralhome.com](http://www.koopfuneralhome.com).

## ROBERT MELLEMA



Robert L. Mellema, 75, of Aitkin died Friday, August 25, 2023 at his residence.

Memorial service was held noon on Friday, September 15, 2023 at Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home in Aitkin. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery, Morrison Township, Aitkin County, MN.

Military Honors will be accorded by the Aitkin VFW Roberts-Glad Post # 1727 and Aitkin American Legion Lee Post #86.

He was born December 29, 1947 in Aitkin to Otto and Anna (Weistroffer) Mellema. He graduated from Aitkin High School in 1965. He was a U.S.

Navy serving in the Vietnam War. Robert worked as a secretary for the United States Department of Defense. He was an avid outdoorsman and would go hunting and fishing as often as possible. He was preceded in death by his parents and his sister Lindie Martin.

Robert is survived by his children: Bevanna Mellema, Tina (David) Fisher, Dalarial (Misty) Ashley and Lewis Mellema; 11 grandchildren: Robert, Mariah, Nickoles, Joshua, Markia, Sabrina, Da-Shell, Roman, Reiana, Hailey and Ava; three great-grandchildren: Cedar, Myrical and Ivie; brothers and sisters: Julie (Robert) Midthun and Frederick (Julie) Mellema; and many other special relatives and friends.

Arrangements were with the Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Aitkin. Leave online condolences at [www.srtfuneral.com](http://www.srtfuneral.com).

## JILL SCARCELLA



Jill Pauline Scarcella, 76, of Aitkin died Monday, September 4, 2023 at her home. She was born July 23, 1947 in Minneapolis to Paul and Doris (Myers) Shaw.

A graveside service was held on Saturday, September 9, 2023 at Malmö Cemetery, Malmö Township, Aitkin County, MN.

She graduated from Fridley High School in 1965. Jill was united in marriage to Michael G. Scarcella on September 9, 1967 in Fridley. She worked as a contract administrator at FMC – Unit-

ed Defense for 27 years. Jill enjoyed gardening, fishing, Bible study and “Red Chair Time” with family and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents.

Jill is survived by her husband, Michael; children: Kimberley (Blake) Lanagan and Stacey (Donna) Scarcella; four grandchildren: Zachary (Jordan) Lanagan, Jamie (Taylor) Lanagan, Michael Lanagan and Noah Lanagan; brother, Jack Shaw; nephew, Daryl Shaw and many other relatives and friends.

Arrangements were with the Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Aitkin. Leave online condolences at [www.srtfuneral.com](http://www.srtfuneral.com).

## JEAN HICKS



Jean Harker (Pfau) Hicks, 99, of Aitkin/Cedar Lake, died Monday, September 4, 2023 in Aicota Health Care Center, Aitkin.

Services were held Monday, September 11, 2023 at Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home, Aitkin with Pastor David Peterson officiating. Interment was in St. John's Cemetery at Cedarbrook.

She was born February 17, 1924 in Duluth to John “Ben” and Mary “Maybelle” (Harker) Pfau. Jean grew up in Duluth and had a family cabin on Cook Lake. In her youth, she participated in tennis, skating and swimming. Jean enjoyed flying and had 200 hours of Pilot Training. Jean's greatest passion was her art. She painted hundreds of oil

paintings along with her husband, Don. She also gave many away to friends and family and currently has paintings on display at St. John's Lutheran Church at Cedarbrook as well as Aicota Assisted Living facility in Aitkin.

Jean is survived by her husband of 47 years, Donald Hicks; daughter, Sandra (Wayne) Soboy; two grandchildren, Andrea (Darin) Tysdal and Eric Minge; two great-grandchildren, Elliot and Lydia Tysdal; son-in-law, John Minge.

Jean is preceded in death by her parents; first husband, Ken Anderson; two daughters: Sheryl Minge and Victoria Anderson; brothers: John and Leon Pfau.

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### ALLIANCE

Aitkin\* — New Life; Larry Burg & Tyrel LaValle, pastors; Worship 10:15 am & 6pm; youth group Wed. 6pm; 11-1st Street SW; [newlifeaitkin.com](http://newlifeaitkin.com) 218-927-2823.  
Baxter\* — Pointway Alliance Church; Rev. Charles Bolstridge, 218-537-6505; 7756 Highland Scenic Road; Worship 10; [www.pointway.org](http://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](http://iamheritage.org)  
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](mailto: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](http://thejourneynorth.com)  
Baxter — The Journey North, Pastor Jeremiah Rice, 218-824-5617, Worship Saturday 5, Sunday 9 & 10:30, [thejourneynorth.com](http://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](http://fbcbrainerd.com)  
Brainerd - The Church On The Wise Road, Pastor Todd Stumbo 218-829-4673, Worship 11:00, SS 9:45 [www.thechurchontheiseroad.org](http://www.thechurchontheiseroad.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](http://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.  
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### 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.  
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. 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](http://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. Eli Gieske, 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. Mike Patullo, 218-927-6581; Mass Sun. 8; Tues. 5:30-6:30 pm  
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 — 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, 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 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 —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. 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 — The Log Church 9:30, Pastor Troy Nelson; 218-692-4141, 37218 County Road 66, [www.crosslakeefc.org](http://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 Connect 6:30 pm  
Malmö — Pastor Glenn Browning; SS 9:30; Fellowship 10; Worship 10:15  
Wright — Pastor Ken Mitchell, 218-426-5115; SS 9:30; Worship, 10:30; Thu., Bible Study, 7 pm.

### HEBREW/MESSIANIC

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

### LUTHERAN

Aitkin — Bethlehem (ELCA), Rev. Rebecca Hinz; Worship 9:30; Holy Comm. 1st & 3rd Sun each month.  
Aitkin — First\* (ELCA) Pastor 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](http://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](http://www.princeofpeace.lutheran.church)  
Beaver Township — Finnish EA, Hwy. 27, Worship 1st & 3rd Sun., 10:30.  
Brainerd — First Lutheran Church (ELCA) Pastors: Patty Bjorklund and Jordan Gades, Sunday worship 9, Sunday

School following worship. Services also available on YouTube and Facebook. 218-829-9552 [fcbbrainerd.com](http://fcbbrainerd.com) 424 8th Street South, Brainerd

Brainerd\* — Good Shepherd Free Lutheran Church (AFLC), Pastor David Franz, find service info at [www.goodshepherdfreelutheran.church](http://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.lchurch.org](http://www.lchurch.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](http://www.trinitybrainerd.org). Email: [trinity@trinitybrainerd.org](mailto: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](http://www.zionbrainerd.com).

Cedar Lake, Norwegian Lutheran — Third Sun 11, May - Oct. Cedarbrook — St. John's (ELCA); Worship 8:30; Holy Comm. 1st & 3rd Sun.

Crosby — Immanuel (LCMC, NALC) Rev. Paul Mattson; Sun. 9 & 10:30 worship; SS (Sept.-May) 10:40.

Crosby — Zion (LC-MS) Pastor Dean Stolz; Worship 8:30; SS 10; Bible Study Wed. 7 pm; handicap accessible. 218-546-6910

Crosslake Lutheran Church (ELCA) [www.crosslakelutheran.com](http://www.crosslakelutheran.com) • 218-692-3682 Kristin Oltmann, Senior Pastor; Becky Swanson, Associate Pastor Labor Day-Mem. Day: Sun. 9:30am, Wed. 6:15pm; Mem. Day-Labor Day: Sun. Indoor 8:30am, Outdoor 10am

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](http://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](http://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; handicap 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)  
Malmö — 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.

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 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., Fellowship 10:15 a.m. Wed. Adult Bible Study 11:00 a.m.  
Rossburg — Bethesda (ELCA); Comm. 1st & 3rd Sunday

each month.  
Tamarack (AFLC) — Pastor Ron Staudinger; 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays 10 am; 41163 Kestrel Ave 3.3 mi. South of Hwy 210  
Thor — Zion, Worship 11; 1st and 3rd Sun. April through December.  
Wright — Bethlehem, Worship; SS 9.  
Wright — St. John's (Missouri Synod), Pastor Joshua Reinke; Worship 10:30; Bible Study and Sunday School Sun. 9:30; Lent services Wed. 5:30 pm. \

### NON-DENOMINATIONAL

Brainerd—Oak Street Chapel, Pastor Todd Wooden, Worship service is Sunday at 9:30, 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, MN 56425  
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 Ironton 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](http://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](http://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](http://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

### UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Brainerd — First Congregational UCC, 415 Juniper St, Brainerd. Sunday worship at 10. Pastor; Leslie Moughty. Handicapped accessible.

### UNITED METHODIST

Aitkin\* — Aitkin - Pastor Dawn Houser; Worship 10, Wednesdays at 5:30 pm Bible & Brew, Facebook live.  
Crosby/Deerwood\* — Cascade, Pastor Gary Taylor; Sunday Worship with YouTube live streaming 10 am with fellowship to follow. Cascade Ladies meet on the first Wednesday of each month at noon. Come & Eat Community dinner on the third Wednesday of each month at 5:30 pm. Please call the office to sign up: 218-534-3507.  
Cutler — Pine Lake Chapel, Worship 9, fellowship follows.  
Cromwell — Pastor Tim Homstad; Worship 10; SS 9  
Emily\* — Pastor Gary Taylor; Sunday Worship with Facebook live streaming 8:30 with fellowship to follow. UJWF meet on the first Sunday of each month following worship. Mer's prayer breakfast 2nd Saturday of each month at 8. Bible Study Thursday at 6 pm.

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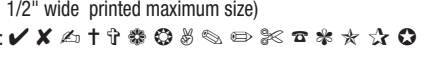
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