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Patriotic autumn continues with Veterans' Day celebrations



Students stand at attention at Aitkin High School as the color guard presents the flags to kick off a Veterans' Day Celebration in the Bryan Johnson Auditorium.

By ANN SCHWARTZ

The day always falls on November 11, in honor of the eleventh month, day and hour when the Armistice was called to end World War I.

All across American, veterans got free meals and haircuts. Aitkin High School was one place where a veterans' program took place.

It started with the students rising, removing their hats

and placing their hands on their hearts, as the local color guard brought in the flags.

Kirk and Amanda Schultz took the stage. He is a retired Green Beret who grew up in Isle.

"I was born in a military hospital and joined the Army in 1986," explained Schultz. He served with special forces in Desert Storm in Turkey and Iraq. After getting wounded, he switched to being a recruiter.

As a young man growing up in Isle, he wrestled against Aitkin Gobblers who "whipped our butts."

When it was time to retire, he and Amanda were happy to find a lake home near Aitkin. They bought the Beacon Arch apartments 10 years ago and have worked on remodeling the historic building by the railroad tracks in Aitkin. "How awesome to be part of this community that is so great to its veterans," he summed up.

Linda Amundson presented him with a Quilt of Valor made by the Ripple River Quilters. The quilts are stitched by volunteers who honor the veterans with patriotic quilts designed with intricate patterns in red,

white and blue.

The Aitkin Concert Choir then performed a salute to all the armed forces, singing the various songs for the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines and Coast Guard. Audience members stood when the songs honoring their family members were played.

Brett Workman took the stage. Now a state trooper, he grew up in Aitkin and his wife was most recently the mayor of Aitkin. The couple has six sons, three of whom now serve in the armed forces. Brett's dad Jeff

also is a military man -- a Marine who was wounded in combat.

"Memorial Day is for the fallen, but Veterans' Day is for everyone who chose to raise their hand and pledge to defend their country," said Workman. "I honor everyone sitting in this audience who chose to raise their hand. We need you to raise your hand and give a little of yourself for your country."

He reminded the students that the color guard is present at nearly every sporting event home game.

Entertainment continued with performances by the Fists of Fury handbell choir and the Aitkin Concert Band. Two students read their Voice of Democracy essays.

"Thank you, veterans, for everything you do for our school, our community and the world," Principal Lisa DeMars ended the program.

Students respectfully let all the veterans leave the auditorium first before they filed out, understanding a little more who and what is being honored and remembered on Veterans' Day 2024.



Kirk Schultz gets a Quilt of Valor from Linda Amundson of the Ripple River Quilters. His wife Amanda, center, looks on. Ann Schwartz photos



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Walleye limits on Mille Lacs and Upper Red Lake for winter season

Mille Lacs Lake Winter Walleye Regulations: Two Fish Limit

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has announced that the walleye limit for state-licensed ice anglers on Mille Lacs Lake will remain at two walleye per person for the winter season, running from Sunday, Dec. 1, 2024, through Sunday, Feb. 23, 2025. Under this regulation, anglers may keep either:

- Two walleye, each measuring between 18-20 inches, or
- One walleye within the 18-20 inch range and one walleye longer than 28 inches.

Brad Parsons, fisheries section manager for the DNR, noted that the decision follows positive trends in the

lake's walleye population. "Mille Lacs' walleye population is trending in a good direction for both adult and juvenile fish," Parsons said. "Additionally, juvenile perch and tullibee—important forage species for walleye—are also abundant."

The winter regulations continue the more liberal walleye limits introduced earlier this fall, following the results of the Mille Lacs netting assessment. This year's assessment showed a higher abundance of walleye compared to 2023, with strong juvenile fish numbers that are expected to support the fishery in coming years.

Mille Lacs Lake is subject to a shared harvest between state-licensed anglers and Ojibwe tribes with treaty fishing rights. The total harvest

for the fishing season is determined through discussions and agreements between the state and the tribes. Each party sets regulations to ensure they stay within their respective harvest limits.

As of Sept. 30, 2024, state-licensed anglers had harvested 29,891 pounds of walleye out of the 91,550 pounds allocated for the year.

For full details on the winter fishing regulations for Mille Lacs Lake, visit the Minnesota DNR website at mndnr.gov/millelacslake.

Upper Red Lake Winter Walleye Regulations: Four Fish Limit

The winter walleye season on Upper Red Lake will also see a continuation of liberal fishing regulations, with a four-fish possession limit for state-licensed anglers. How-

ever, only one walleye in the possession limit may exceed 17 inches.

This regulation is based on the results of the fall netting assessment, which indicated that the lake's walleye population is in a surplus condition. "Our fall assessment placed us in a surplus condition, which allows us to set a more liberal target harvest," said Brad Parsons. "The state waters of Upper Red Lake have a high number of spawning-aged female walleye, and we're also seeing abundant numbers of young walleye, which bodes well for the future."

The fall netting results revealed a healthy walleye population, with high catches of juvenile fish. Half of the fish caught in the netting were smaller than 14 inches, and there were also strong numbers of walleye in the 17- to 20-inch range.

Walleye management on Upper Red Lake is a joint effort between the Minnesota DNR and the Red Lake Nation, with a harvest plan governed by the Red Lakes Fisheries Technical Committee. The Upper Red Lake Citizen Advisory Committee provides input on harvest totals and fishing regulations

for the state waters of Upper Red Lake.

For more information on fishing regulations for Upper Red Lake, visit the Minnesota DNR website at mndnr.gov/fishing/upper-red-lake-regulations.html.

These updated regulations reflect the Minnesota DNR's ongoing commitment to sustainable fisheries management and support for healthy walleye populations in both Mille Lacs and Upper Red Lake. Anglers are encouraged to check the DNR website for additional updates and details ahead of the winter season.

Sweeten your holiday season



Get into the holiday spirit with some sweet treats and support local history at the Aitkin County Historical Society's Cookie Walk on Saturday, December 7, starting at 9:00 a.m. at the museum, located at 20 Pacific St. SW, Aitkin. The popular event will run until the cookies are sold out, so be sure to arrive early! For just \$8 per dozen, you

can pick up a variety of delicious homemade cookies, all pre-wrapped in convenient packages of 1, 2, 3, or 4 dozen. Whether you're looking for classic holiday flavors or something new to share with friends and family, there's something for everyone.

If you want to guarantee your cookie supply, pre-ordering is available. Simply call 218-927-3348 or email ACHS@aitkincoh.s.org to reserve your cookies. Pre-ordered cookies must be picked


up by 11:00 a.m. on the day of the sale.

Proceeds from the Cookie Walk will benefit the Aitkin County Historical Society, helping to preserve and share the rich history of Aitkin County for future generations. It's the perfect way to enjoy a festive treat while supporting a great cause.

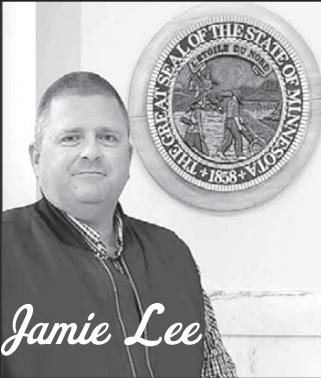
Don't miss out on this sweet holiday tradition. Mark your calendar and stop by for a box (or two) of homemade cookies—while they last!

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

November
16th - The Deerwood Legion Ladies Auxiliary Hunting for the Holidays 10th Annual Craft and vendor show, 9 a.m.- 3 p.m. at the Deerwood Legion, 23659 Forest Road in Deerwood. A Walking Taco lunch available for \$7.
16th - Hilltop Chapel's Hunters Supper featuring turkey with all the trimmings 4:30 p.m.- 7 p.m. at the Waukenabo Community Center, 36797 Grove Street, Palisade. Cost for adults is \$15, children ages 6-12 is \$5 and ages 5 and under is free.
17th - Jacob's Crew Specialty Lions Club Charter Night at the Brainerd American Legion. You are invited for a day of celebration and fun as a brand-new chapter to the Lions family is welcomed to the area. Kicking off the day from 12:00-3:00 p.m. a Vikings viewing party/ Lakes Jam Pre-Jam Party followed by live music from Wayside and AJ Spoff 4-7p.m. Dinner and ceremony to meet your new Lions Club 5 p.m. RSVP Janelle at 218-829-2249. All are welcome.
23rd - Crosby Fire Department Auxiliary's turkey bingo, raffle and bake sale, 6 p.m. at the Crosby Fire Hall. Hot dogs available.
25th - Turkey Bingo and Meat Raffle hosted by the Deerwood Fire Department at the Deerwood Auditorium, 23770 Forest Road in Deerwood, starting at 7 p.m. with 20 rounds of bingo and 10 rounds of meat raffle packages. Proceeds from the concessions will be donated to Grad Blast.
30th - Lions 26 Club raffle tickets for sale with 26 chances to win cash prizes with the top prizes of \$500. Drawing starts at 7 p.m. at the Town Tavern in Ironton. For more info contact Mark Boike at 218-349-2234
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READER RIBBETS

Some questions after the election

Some questions:
Trump won the 2024 election; is the U.S. voting system rigged this time? In four years, will our schools and public places be safer from shooters? Will interest rates be lower? Will lower and middle-class wage earners pay fewer or less taxes? Will employers be willing to share their increase in profit with workers? Will worker's pay and benefits stay the same, rise, or decrease? Will the world be free from Russian aggression? Will this global world be working together on a safe clean environment? Will national parks and public lands increase or decrease? Will women and minorities

have fewer rights or more? Will there be less rape and domestic abuse? Will the public school system be strong, well-funded and a place where freedom of ideas, creative thinking, and problem solving are encouraged? Will there be freedom of choice in reading material? Will there be trust in professionals, doctors, scientists, and teachers? Will all types of insurance be affordable and available to all? Will freedom of religious beliefs for all exist? Will inflation be 2.5% or lower and if higher will Social Security increase by that amount as it is today? Will gas prices still be below \$3.00 or just above? Will businesses have enough

employees, or have they been deported? Will there be an immigration policy that is fair to all? Will our national debt increase or decrease? Will people fear putting out opposing signs or writing opposing editorials for fear of reprisal on both sides? Will all be above the law? Can all storm government buildings without fear of consequences? Will this 2024 president be a role model you want your children to emulate? Will all remember the "Golden Rule"? Will the U.S. be the kind of place God has asked of all, "love your neighbor as yourself"?

Kathy Hachey, Crosby

Truth is stranger than fiction

We the American people have been grossly deceived by both parties about our lawful sovereign America, we are all state citizens (de jure citizens). It matters not who is in power, but rather or not, you know the actual law, and where it comes from. We are continually to be lied to, and told that we are US citizens. If you don't believe this, all you have to do is look up the slaughterhouse cases shortly after the Civil War. This has occurred through an onslaught of public policy and practice, government lies, deception, and propaganda, public media and education, and bureaucratic threat, duress and coercion, and the manipulation of the political, economic and legal system since the Civil War. If the governments lips are moving, they are lying to you. Mostly because we are all ignorant of the law nowadays. I do not have civil rights I do not want civil rights, I want my God-given rights. We the people have been stripped of our sovereignty and our basic unalienable rights of self-determination guaranteed to us by the Declaration of Independence and the Articles of Confederation and the Northwest Ordinance. Unalienable rights are inherent, sovereign, natural rights that existed before the creation of the state, and which being antecedent to and above the state, can never be taken away, diminished, altered, or levied by the state, except by due process of law. Nor can any unalienable right be fundamentally removed or

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12. The right to a trial by jury being an impartial panel of one's peers.
13. The right to appeal in law

against conviction or sentence, or both.
14. The right to expose knowledge necessary to one's rights and freedoms.
15. The right to peaceful association, assembly, expression, and protest.
16. The right to practice a religion, and have beliefs, of one owns choosing.
17. The right to love, and to consensual marriage with children, as a family.
18. The right to security from abuse, persecution, tyranny, and war.
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LOOK WHOSE BABY JUST ARRIVED

VERONICA GEHLING

Veronica Faustina Gehling, a girl, weighing 7 lbs., 15 ozs., was born October 23, 2024, in Aitkin, to Janelle and Brian Gehling of Deerwood.

LAINEY HOGLUND

Lainey Marie Charlene Hoglund, a girl, weighing 7 lbs., 7 ozs., was born November 4, 2024 to Alaycia Proulx and Logan Hoglund of McGregor. Grandparents are Chris and Tina Proulx of McGregor; Katie and Luke Gould of McGregor and Orville Hoglund of Aitkin. Great-grandparents are Don and Penny Fiester of McGregor; Barbra Garland of Merrifield; (the late) Lawrence Boyd, Jr. of Aitkin; Brad and Balinda Bailey of Moose Lake and Susan Schultenover of Duluth. great-great-grandmother, Ruby Fiester of Coon Rapids.

OBITUARIES

BILL WALLACE



Bill Wallace, 85, stepped into Heaven on Monday, October 14, 2024 as a result of bone cancer and a massive stroke.
Celebration of Life was held at Bill's home on Lone Lake on October 20, 2024. Arrangements were with Cremation Society of Minnesota, Duluth.
Bill was born and raised in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. He was always a faithful Hawkeye football fan. He competed in the Silver Skates speed skating as a teen. It was in high school that he met Pat Wolleat. They were married in 1961 and were best buddies for 63 years. After a stint in the Army, they moved to

Minnesota where Bill was employed by the Minnesota Dept of Corrections at the State Reformatory in St. Cloud, at Willow River Camp, and finally at the Moose Lake Correctional Facility as a Lieutenant. After retirement in 1993, Bill and Pat moved to his beloved home on Lone Lake in Aitkin. He took a job at Ruttger's Resort mowing fairways. He loved that job and stayed there for seven years.
Bill is survived by his wife, Pat; daughters: Joan and Jackie; six grandchildren; six great-grandchildren, and brother, Patrick.
He was preceded in death by his daughter, Sandy and one granddaughter.

ROBERT ROESCHLEIN



Robert "Shorty" Allan Roeschlein, 78, of Aitkin, died Tuesday, November 5, 2024 in Aicota Health Care Center, Aitkin.
A memorial visitation for Shorty will be held Thursday, November 21, from 1-3 p.m. in Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home, Aitkin.
He was born July 2, 1946 in Milaca to Frank and Inez (Miller) Roeschlein. Shorty enjoyed wood-working, ice fishing, making his chocolate covered cherries. He especially enjoyed making the rounds

on his golf cart and visiting with his friends.
Shorty is survived by his daughter, Susan (Larry) Sorem of Deerwood; grandchildren: Nathan Johnson, Madison (Tanner) Horn and Isaiah Sorem; great grandchild, Nixon Horn; siblings: Mike (Sharon) Roeschlein and Tim (Karrie) Roeschlein; nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.
Shorty is preceded in death by his parents; step-mother, Marjorie Roeschlein; brother, William Roeschlein; sister, Marjie Davis.
Arrangements were with the Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Aitkin. Leave online condolences at www.srtfuneral.com.

ANDREW RAUSHEL



Andrew Mario Raushel, 59 of McGregor died Sunday, November 10, 2024 at his home surrounded by his family.
Funeral service will be 1pm – Saturday, November 16, 2024 at the McGregor Community Center in McGregor.
Lunch will follow the service at the center. Visitation will be 5pm to 7pm Friday at McGregor Funeral Home in McGregor.
He was born August 28, 1965 in Cloquet the son of Frank and Mae (Paoli) Raushel. Andrew was united in marriage to Cheryl Ankrum on November 24, 1986 in Wrenshall. He was the

owner, (along with his three brothers and son), of Savanna Pallets. He enjoyed snowmobiling, auctions, working on cars, captaining the pontoon on the lake and spending time with his family. He was preceded in death by his parents and nephew Evan.
Andrew is survived by his wife, Cheryl Raushel of McGregor; four children: Blaine (Jennifer) Raushel, Ashley (Denis) Campbell, Felicia (Aaron) Tri, and Hannah (Nick) Anderson; five grandchildren: Savanna Campbell, D.J. Campbell, Everett Tri, Vivian Andymae Tri, and Ian Anderson; brothers: Frank, Lawrence, Douglas, Allen Raushel; sister, Virginia and best friend Curt Raveill.
Arrangements were with the McGregor Funeral Home and Cremation Service in McGregor.

PAULETTE ABEAR



Paulette "Pauly" Marie Abear, 72, died peacefully early in the morning of November 10, 2024 at her home after a long battle with Parkinson's disease.
A Memorial Service will be held at 1:00 p.m. Saturday, November 16, 2024 at the Deerwood Baptist Church.
Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the church on Saturday.
Pauly was born October 26, 1952 to Lansin and Deloris Hamilton. She grew up in Deerwood and attended Crosby Ironton High School. After graduation, Pauly attended Brainerd Vocational Technical School where she received a degree in Banking and Finance. She went on to marry Bill Abear in 1972 and they have two children. Pauly had many jobs, but she is probably most remembered for being a dedicated school bus driver for over 25 years with

CI Transportation. She found much joy in driving for the Schiffler family. Pauly Co-Owned Everygreens Up North with her daughter for five years and had a special knack for decorating. Pauly also had a passion for horses from the time she was a young girl up until she could no longer physically care for them. She was most proud of her grandchildren and she loved spending time with them.
She is survived by her husband, Donald "Bill" Abear Jr.; two children: Jon (Trisha) Abear and Bobbie (Ryan) Kovatovich; seven grandchildren: Cory, Valerie, Mattie, Maddie, Katie, Colter and Piper; two sisters; two brothers and many nieces and nephews.
Pauly is preceded in death by her father, Lansin and mother, Deloris.
Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home of Crosby. To leave a message of condolence go to www.koopfuneralhome.com.

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AGNES HALGRIMSON



Agnes Lorraine (Handt) Halgrimson, 92, of Palisade died Tuesday, November 5, 2024.

Funeral Service was held on Tuesday, November 12, 2024 at Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home in Aitkin. Burial was in Pine Grove Cemetery, Palisade.

She was born April 18, 1932 in Belgrade the daughter of Carl and Agnes (Paulson) Handt. She grew up and graduated high school in Belgrade. Agnes was united in marriage to Christ E. Halgrimson on June 30 1950 in Rockford, IL. They lived in Rockford, IL and Palisade where she worked on the family farm and was a homemaker. They also lived in Ontonagon, MI and worked in the ship yards. She enjoyed camping, fishing, gardening,

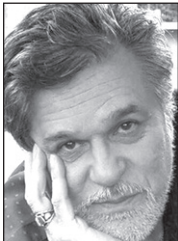
and trips to Canada. She was a member of the Crow Lake Lutheran Church in Belgrade.

Agnes is survived by her children: Dale Halgrimson of Palisade, Maxine Miller (Kenneth Myers) of Remer, Darrell (Carol) Halgrimson of Palisade; Grandchildren: Christopher (Rebecca) Miller, Thomas Miller, Eric (Casie) Halgrimson, Amanda (Jason) McQueen; great-grandchildren: Grace and Paul Miller; sister Carol Beauchem of Palisade; brother-in-law: Harold (Barb) Halgrimson in Tucson, AZ. and many other special relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Christ; sisters: Arline and June, brothers: Paul and David, son-in-law Bill, and her parents.

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

GREGORY BICKFORD



Gregory Alan Bickford, 64, died on Saturday, November 9, 2024 in Aitkin surrounded by his family.

Services will be Saturday, November 16, 2024 at 11 a.m. in St. James Catholic Church, Aitkin with Father Keith Bertram officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the church. Interment will be in Bennettville Cemetery, Hazelton Township.



He was born July 1, 1960 in Northridge, CA to Robert and Teresa "Teri" (Forbes) Bickford.

Gregory was God fearing and spent his life paying it forward as much as possible. He loved motorcycles and playing guitar. He had a passion for fishing, golfing, hunting, music, auto racing,



Carrie Joanne Hagman, 93, of Aitkin, died Sunday, November 3, 2024 in Aicota Assisted Living, Aitkin.

Services were held Tuesday, November 12, 2024 in First Lutheran Church, Aitkin with Pastor Reggie Denton officiating. Interment will be at a later date in Minnesota State Veteran's Cemetery, Little Falls.

She was born December 11, 1930 in Aitkin to Anthony and Glendora (Ferguson) Klee. She attended school in Aitkin and graduated with the class of 1948. She attended college at St Cloud State, graduating in 1950. Joanne was united in marriage to John Richard Hagman on December 30, 1950 at 1st Congregational Church, Aitkin. They built their first home south of Aitkin and she was employed at the Aitkin Independent Age until 1968 when they moved to Wayzata. Joanne was an employee with Honeywell until retiring to their lake home on Bay Lake in 1986. In 1999 they moved

back to Aitkin. Joanne also worked part time at Security State Bank for a few years. She and John spent many years wintering in Mesa, Arizona. She was a member of First Lutheran Church, Aitkin, 60+ year member and past matron of Woodland Chapter O.E.S., 50+ year member of the America Legion Post#86 Auxiliary, life member of Aitkin V.F.W. Post #1727 Auxiliary and Riverwood Hospital Auxiliary.

Joanne is survived by sister-in-law, Norma Lehmann; nieces and nephews: Patty and Jeff Swedberg, Roger and Josie Weber, Barb and Gary Tveberg, Tony and Jenn Klee, Bill Hagman, Alice and Bill Spangler, Kathy and Jim Lundin, Steve and Chris Hagman and Debbie Petrowski; several great nieces, nephews, and her dog, Jill.

Joanne was preceded in death by her husband, John; parents; brother, John Klee; sister-in-law, Mary Hagman; niece, Diane Lund; nephew, Ron Petrowski; best pals: Chips, Duke, Daisy, Coco, Heather and Kasey.

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

NANCY WARRINER



Nancy Carol Warriner, 76, of McGregor, died Thursday, November 7, 2024 in St. Joseph's Medical Center, Brainerd.

A Memorial Visitation will be Thursday, November 21, 2024 from 2-4 p.m. in McGregor Funeral Home, McGregor. Interment will be at a later date in Round Lake Cemetery, Shamrock Township.

She was born December 28, 1947 in Pine City to William and Rhea (Martin) Tuma. Nancy married the love of her life, Danny Warriner on July 9, 1965 at age 17. Together they moved to McGregor in 1971 where they raised three children: Michelle Worms,

Daniel Warriner (Shelly) and Dayna (Rob) Geving and have resided for 53 years. Nancy's joy for quilting, friendships, her grandchildren and great grandchildren showed us her gift of giving and her love was always unconditional and unwavering.

Nancy is survived by her husband, Danny; her children; grandchildren: eight Ashley (Travis) Deegan, Meagan (Matt) Blanco, Shelby (Cody) Geving, Nicholas Worms, Nathaniel Worms, Maddy Warriner, Neil Worms, Carly Worms; eight great-grandchildren; and sister, Betty (Jerry) Deboer.

Nancy is preceded in death by her parents.

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Baxter* — Pointway Alliance Church; Rev. Charles Bolstridge, 218-537-6505; 7756 Highland Scenic Road; Worship 10:00; 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; 8:30, 10 & 11:30 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
Hill City — Interim Pastor John Koppel, Staff Pastor Lisa Jordan; Worship 10; hilcityagchurch@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 - Northwoods Community Church, Pastor William Verbeke, Worship 10:30, northwoodscommunitychurch.org
Baxter - The Journey North, Worship 9 & 10:30, 218-824-5617 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* — Jeff Shadrick, SS 9:30; Worship 10:30 and 6 pm; Wed. Service, 6:30 pm.
Glory* — SS 9:15; Worship 10:30 a.m.; 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.
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; 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; Confessions 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.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS
Aitkin — Co.Rd. 12, Chapel Ph. 218-927-4454; Kevin Haffner 218-792-5684; Sacrament Mtg. 10

COMMUNITY
Aitkin — Nondenominational; 927-2749; at 219-1st Ave. NE., Aitkin, Services Sun.10, 218-927-6959
Brainerd - Community of Hope Church of the Nazarene- Pastor Dave McGaffey Sunday worship at 10, 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 — The Lighthouse 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
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, 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 KGIN 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 (Cedarbrook) — St. John's (ELCA) Pastor Sarah Stadler, 602-318-6876, 27452 St. John's Church Road, Aitkin. Worship on Sundays at 9:00 am and Wednesdays at 6:30 pm. VBS Aug 5-8; register online at stjohns-cedarbrook.weebly.com.
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 Ingelwood 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.princeofpeaceclutheran.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 fbcbrainerd.com 424 8th Street South, Brainerd
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.lchchurch.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.
Cedar Lake, Norwegian Lutheran — Third Sun 11, May - Oct. Crosby — Immanuel (LCMC, NALC) Rev. Paul Mattson; Sun. 9 & 10:30 worship; SS (Sept.-May) 10:40.
Crosby — Zion (LC-MS) Worship 9 (alternates with Immanuel Iron Hub) 218-546-6910.
Crosslake Lutheran Church (ELCA) www.crosslakelutheran.com Kristin Oltmann, Pastor / Becky Swanson, Pastor 218-692-3682 September 8-Mid-May: Sunday at 8:30am & October-Mid-May: Wednesday at 6:15pm
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 11, fellowship follows. Located on the corner of Hwy. 27 and Co. Rd. 47. (Handicap accessible)
Iron Hub — Immanuel (LC-MS) Worship 9, (alternates with Zion of Crosby) 218-534-3069
Isle — Faith (ELCA), Pastor Josh Blair; 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)
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), Worship 9; SS 9.
McGregor/Big Sandy Lake — Grace Lutheran Log Church (LCMC), Pastor Lorelie Robinson; 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 - Gloria Dei Lutheran Church (LCMS) Pastor Monte Meyer Worship 9 am, Fellowship 10 am, Sunday School and Adult Bible Study 10:15 am
Pequot Lakes* - Our Savior's Lutheran Church (ELCA) Rev. Stephen Blenkusch 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 Lutheran (LCMC) Congregations in

Mission for Christ) 11:30 service. Communion 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, 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, Pastor Walter Starr, 763-316-7270, Sunday Worship 10:00am, Wednesday Bible study 6:30pm
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

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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* (South Aitkin County) — Pine Lake Chapel, Pastor Gary Taylor; Worship Sunday 1 p.m. 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. UWF meet on the first Sunday of each month following worship. Men's prayer breakfast 2nd Saturday of each month at 8. Bible Study Thursday at 6 pm.
Fleming* — (Northern Lights Parish) SS 9:15; Worship 10:30; fellowship follows.
Hill City — Pastor Roger Lynn; Worship 10
McGregor* — (Northern Lights Parish) Worship 8:45; fellowship follows.
Onamia — Pastor Rick & Judy Wilder; Worship 11; fellowship 10, 2 bks north of Post Office; handicap ramp; 320-532-3150; office: 218-546-7656; cell: 218-360-1947

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Emily — Rev. Jason Gressman; Worship 9; Friendship Time 10; SS 10:30; Wed. Activities 6:30 p.m.; 218-763-HOPE.

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To make the event a success, the library is asking for donations of gently used or like-new holiday items. Whether it's wreaths, ornaments, or string lights in good working condition, your unwanted decorations can find a new home—and help brighten the season for someone else.

Donations of all types of holiday decor are welcome, and the library is also accepting holiday lights that are fully functional. As the season of giving approaches, this is a perfect opportunity to share the spirit of the holidays and help support the local community.

In addition to shopping for decorations at the Recycled Joy event, attendees can enjoy family-friendly activities, including games and crafts, as well as refreshments to keep everyone in a merry mood.

The library is accepting donations now through the day of the event, so gather up those extra decorations and stop by to drop them off during regular library hours. The Recycled Joy open house is free to attend and promises to be a fun, festive way to kick off the holiday season.

For more information or to arrange a donation, visit the Jessie F. Hallett Memorial Library's website at www.hallettlibrary.org.

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