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Crosby's legal fees pile up as garbage contract still unresolved

As fireworks erupt at council over garbage contract timeliness, 4th of July fireworks at park may remain unlit

At the City of Crosby Council meeting on March 14, Kathy Karl Crosby Resident at 505 Franklin Avenue asked for \$50 to compensate her for cleanup of dirt in her waterlines, appliances and fixtures connected to a contaminated city's water supply. The council approved Karl's request for \$50.

Following the council's decision, Clerk/Treasurer Lisa Sova asked whether Karl would like a credit on her water bill or check for \$50. Karl indicated she would call Sova and let her know.

Mayor Joanna Lattery suggested the council's decision was setting a precedent for the next door neighbors who also had dirt in their water lines. No other resident had made a formal complaint. At Mayor Lattery's suggestion, a motion to not award any

additional claims on this incident was passed by the council.

In reference to the on-going organized collection contract, attorney for Range Disposal Mark Severson sat waiting at the presenter's table in front of the Council and Mayor.

The question, as stated by Mayor Lattery, is whether the City of Crosby would continue doing the garbage billing or would Range Disposal be handed the responsibility?

Currently and historically, the City of Crosby sends the garbage bill along with the sewer and water bill to residents. The City of Crosby has had this relationship with Range Disposal for 20 years. Mayor Lattery wishes that would change, because she believes there is a potential of liability to the city.

Although tipping fees will be increasing at the Crow Wing County landfill, Shellie Wynn of Range Disposal stated at the workshop on March 7 that Range did not increase the rate to the city.

There is also an issue with the workload on the city clerks. Currently, there are three full-time clerks and one part-time clerk, in the City of Crosby office.

Councilman Jim Goshey said, "I'm in favor of keeping the billing the way it is. I think it is the best value for the residents. I think to change that process it's going to require a lot of ordinance changes. It would actually prolong this process, add more expense to this process and I don't see significant savings I guess in the long run. If this had been discussed in September or October, it might have been

a different story but this is going on six, eight months now."

Councilman Paul Heglund said, "I disagree, I think Range should do the billing. They got the contract for five years. I just feel, they should do the billing. They do a wonderful job, you know, picking up garbage and what have you. So why not do the billing? If you own a business and do something, you usually do your own billing. You don't have someone else do your billing. And these gals here, they're working, they're in the office, they have got a lot of stuff to be doing."

Councilman Ron Prushek asked what the rates would be for the City compared to Range doing the billing, "How much are we going to have to raise the rate to continue to have the city do

the billing?"

The Mayor indicated the rate that Range Disposal would charge would go up to what everyone else was paying, if they had to do the billing.

Lattery said, "In my opinion, when we have organized collection, we want to get the best rate that we can. There are 30 percent of Minnesota that have organized collection. Out of that 30 percent, 15 percent do the billing. [It was not stated where the Mayor got the statistics.] We carry a liability with that, if there's any errors or omissions in taxes. We run in a deficit every month because bills don't always come in on time, but we still have to pay the bill in full within 32 to 35 days."

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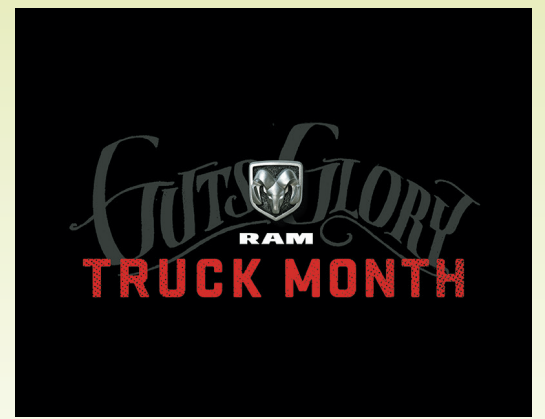
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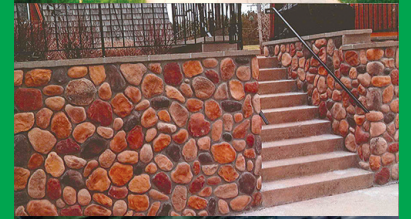
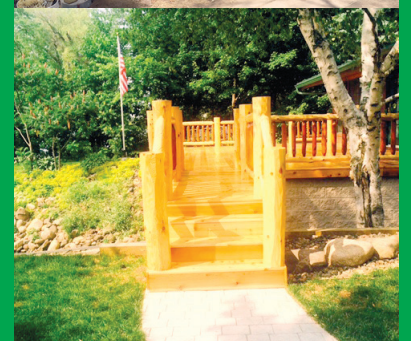
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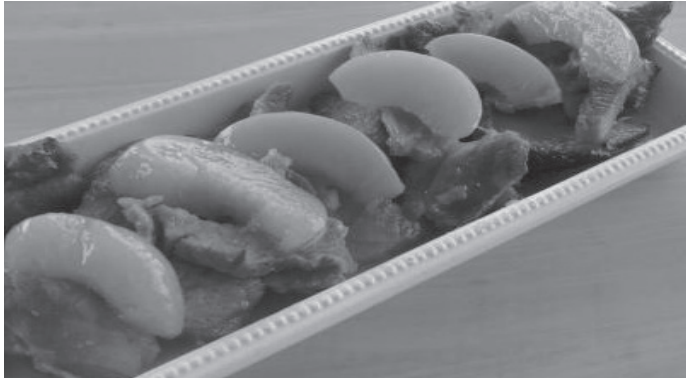


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By Janet Tharpe

Juicy and Delicious Ham with Peachy Brown Sugar Glaze

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Annette W.'s Ham with Peach Brown Sugar Dijon Glaze is peachy! Traditionally, I use pineapple with my ham so the peach added a great, new flavor. The glaze is wonderfully sweet. By preparing the ham early and keeping it warm in a slow cooker, it'll leave you tons of time to work on the rest of your Easter meal.

See step-by-step photos of Annette's recipe plus thousands more from home cooks nationwide at: www.justapinch.com/peachyham

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Annette W.
Lincoln, NE
(pop. 258,379)

-Janet

Ham with Peachy Brown Sugar Dijon Glaze

What You Need

- 9 lb bone-in spiral cut ham, fully cooked
- 1 c peach preserves
- 1 c brown sugar
- 3/4 c dijon mustard
- 1/2 c white cranberry/peach juice
- 1 pinch ground cloves
- 1 can sliced peaches, for garnish

ADDITIONAL GLAZE FOR SLOW COOKER

- 1/2 c peach preserves
- 1/2 c brown sugar
- 6 tbsp dijon mustard
- 1/4 c white cranberry/peach juice

Directions

- Preheat oven to 350. Put about 1 c of water in the bottom of a roasting pan with a rack. Place ham meat side down on rack.
- Mix remaining ingredients in a large cup you can pour from.
- Pour 1/2 the glaze over ham. Make sure to get in-between the spirals but leave plenty to pour on top to drip down the sides as well.
- Cover ham loosely with aluminum foil.
- Bake on for 50-60 min.
- Remove foil. Pour the other 1/2 of glaze on ham

and return to oven for an additional 20-30 min uncovered.

- While ham is cooking, make additional 1/2 batch of glaze. Set aside.
- Remove ham from oven.
- Cut ham off bone and place in slow cooker.
- Pour juices from the pan over ham as well as the additional glaze.
- Turn slow cooker to warm or low to keep warm.
- Place ham on a serving platter and surround with drained sliced peaches for garnish.

Submitted by: Annette W., Lincoln, NE (pop. 258,379)
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Conversation on domestic violence

The first Community Conversation on Domestic Violence, will be held on Monday, April 4, at the Westside Church from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. During this event, Brittany Schneider will present her story about how domestic violence impacted her life. Brittany Schneider's husband, Officer Shawn Steven Schneider, was fatally shot while responding to a domestic violence call in December 2011. With final release of court documents Brittany knew her husband's murder could have been prevented. Over the past three years Brittany has spoken at various events titling her work "Black and Blue" and advocating for Do-

mestic Violence awareness and change.

Attendees will have the opportunity to participate in small group discussions. Their input will be sought to help answer some very important questions about domestic violence and to come up with solutions to this pervasive problem. RSVPs preferred to 218-927-2327 or to aada@aadamn.com.

Every 9 seconds a woman is beaten by her partner in the United States. Every day at least 3 women are murdered by their male partners in the US. Domestic Violence victims lose nearly 8 million days of paid work each year. The costs of intimate partner violence in the US alone exceed \$5.8 billion per year: \$4.1 billion are for direct

medical and health care services, while productivity losses account for nearly \$1.8 billion. Over 90% of homeless women have experienced physical and sexual assault. Up to 57 percent of homeless women report that domestic violence was the immediate reason for their homelessness. At least 10 percent of American families experience domestic violence. At least 1 in 4 women will experience domestic violence in their lifetimes and at least 1 in 7 men. Women report only quarter to half of the physical assaults that they experience.

Domestic Violence affects the whole community.

Crosby City Council meeting| Continued from Page 1

She continued, "I don't think a city should be held liable for a private business."

Councilman Dusty Paul indicated he would like to see the rate for Range Disposal doing the billing compared to the City of Crosby doing the billing.

The city currently plans to increase the administration fee for garbage collection from \$1 to between \$2 to \$5. This fee would be added to each garbage customer's monthly bill.

Councilman Goshey said, "I think we as a council would decide what that rate increase would be, as far as an administrative raise."

The discussion continued to repeat the same topics. The council expressed an interest in settling the issue. It was decided to make a decision at the next council meeting on Monday, March 28 at 6 p.m.

Mayor Lattery said they would send it to the finance committee to recommend the administrative fee increase before the next meeting.

Councilman Paul Heglund said, "I think we better listen to these girls that work in the office, a little bit. They know what's going on, a little bit. And they do a good job."

Councilman Paul said, "But we wouldn't be able to hire anybody then."

Heglund replied, "Exactly."

Mayor Lattery said, "Yeah, because it's not in our budget."

Councilman Goshey said, "I don't think the removal of that goes very far towards freeing up..."

He was interrupted by Mayor Lattery, "But it's something."

Although he didn't provide this information at any point prior to this meeting, City Attorney Tom Pearson suggested there was some statute that could support a case against a city carrying a private business's accounts receivables.

Following a call for a vote at the next council meeting by councilman Paul Heglund, attorney for Range Disposal Mark Severson suggested they vote to accept the last contract for five years and "end it tonight."

Mayor Lattery said, "That would mean we would be taking on the billing and that's the big discussion."

Severson pointed out at the workshop there were three council members in favor of Crosby continuing to do the billing and one that was not.

Pearson said he heard the council was interested in getting more information.

Severson said, "Maybe by this fall we can have a contract."

This comment seemed to anger Pearson. He said he wanted to tell Severson something publicly and told his view of the recent garbage contract revision red-line time-line, interrupting Severson when Severson tried to comment.

Then Pearson said, "The council has decided what they want to do, as far as further information. I think that takes the discussion to a close for tonight."

Severson said, the record is what it is. Severson continued but was interrupted by the Mayor. "Excuse me Mark," Lattery said, while striking the gavel twice and pointing it at Severson, who was seated across the table, "we're done. You're excused. Thank you, you're excused, Mark."

Severson then left the Council Chambers.

The Council approved to allow the Mayor and Clerk/Treasurer sign the acceptance of the IRRRB Grant agreement.

Fire Department Auxiliary gambling permit was approved by the council.

Council approved the Spalding House 30th annual 3rd of July Street Dance closing the street at noon until 3 a.m., to allow for a band in the afternoon and another in the evening.

Council approved a special event request for Sip and Savor Fundraiser by Chamber Director Jessica Holmvgig on May 24 from 5-7 p.m. at Crosby Memorial Park.

Council approved a special event request including the serving of liquor for the Cuyuna Range White Tails for April 9 at the Hallett Community Center.

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OBITUARIES

RALPH STARKKA

Ralph N. Starkka, 89, of Garrison formerly of Brainerd, died Wednesday, March 9, 2016 at his home.

A memorial service was held Wednesday, March 16, 2016 at the Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home in Aitkin with Rev. Susan Cline officiating.

He was born April 20, 1926 at Ludden, ND to Erik and Marie (Havisto) Starkka. He grew up and attended schools at Ludden and took some college classes from a university in Chicago. He worked for a time at a motel in Fergus Falls and then moved to Brainerd. In 1951 and went to work for the Burlington Northern Railroad. He worked for the railroad for 35 years retiring in 1986. He married Cindy R. Martin on February 14, 1994 in Las Vegas. They made their home on Mille Lacs Lake near Garrison for the past 22 years. He enjoyed

hunting, fishing, reading and traveling. He loved his dogs and cats. He was a member of the Brainerd Masonic Lodge and also the National Railroad Assoc.

He is survived by his wife, Cindy Starkka, Garrison; daughters: Bonnie Starkka, Brainerd; Nancy Quance, Staples; brothers and sisters: Helen Koski, Minneapolis, Roy Starkkey, Brainerd; Gloria Mae Fitch, Brainerd; Carl Starkka, Brainerd; Raymond Starkka, Lake Shore, Lorraine Dunlop, Sun City, AZ; five grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; first wife, Marlys; two children: Grace and David, two sisters and one brother.

Arrangements were with the Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home of Aitkin. Go to www.srtfuneral.com to sign the online guest register.

LOREN WATSON



Loren G. Watson, 66 of Aitkin died Tuesday, March 8, 2016 at the Aitkin Health Services in Aitkin.



A memorial service will be held Friday, March 18, 2016 at 1 p.m. from the Hilltop Chapel with Rev. Barry Hite officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the church. Burial will be at a later date in the Riverside Cemetery in Morrison Township. Military honors will be provided by the Aitkin VFW and American Legion Posts.

He was born March 2, 1950 in Aitkin to Walter and Pearl (Emmert) Watson. He grew up and attended schools in Aitkin graduating

from the Aitkin High School in 1968 where he lettered in football, wrestling and baseball. He then served in the U.S. Air Force from 1969 to 1972. Upon his discharge he returned to the Aitkin area and worked in the woods and also worked construction. He has lived in the Aitkin area his whole life. He enjoyed hunting and fishing and in his younger years enjoyed playing softball and baseball.

He is survived by brothers: Curtis Watson, Aitkin; Donald Watson, Palisade; Richard Watson, Palisade; Charles Watson, Aitkin; sisters: Gloria Loe, Gardena, North Dakota; and Carol Rian, Palisade and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Arrangements are with the Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home in Aitkin.

BETTY SMITH



Betty Smith, 90, of Emily died on Saturday, March 12, 2016 at her home.

Funeral services will be 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 19, 2016 at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Outing.

She was born on June 17, 1925 in Chicago, IL to Otho and Jeanette McFarland, she was the eldest of four children. Betty attended Thorton High School in Blue Island, IL and received her Bachelor's degree in psychology from Loyola University in 1943. She went on to become a school teacher beginning her career in a one room school house in Pembroke, IL where she met her future husband, William L. Smith. They were married April 22, 1949 and made their residence in Chicago. They had

three children, William, Susan and Reginald. In 1972 the family moved to Emily. Retired from teaching, Betty enjoyed painting, playing the organ and working in her beautiful rock garden. She is best remembered for her service to Jesus as church organist for over 22 years at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Outing and as a truly gifted artist.

She is survived by her sons and daughters-in-law: William H. and Audrey Smith; Reginald and Karen Smith; daughter Susan Smith; ten grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; sister, Patricia Atherton; and brother, Walter McFarland.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Otho Kelly McFarland, and loving husband, Bill.

Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home of Crosby.

MARC VENTER

Marc Alan Venter, 62, of Brainerd died on March 10, 2016 at his home.

Funeral services will be 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 19, 2016 at the Salem Lutheran Church in Deerwood. Visitation will be two hours prior to the services at the church on Saturday. Memorials are preferred to the Salem Lutheran Church Building Fund.

He was born on April 22, 1953 in Waterloo, IA to Arnold and Dorothy (Spiegel) Venter. He married Laurie Yockey on June 30, 1972 in Waterloo, IA. Marc was a retired V.P. of sales at Waterloo Industries. He moved to Eagle Lake in 2006 after retiring. He was a member

of Salem Lutheran Church in Deerwood and was active with Salem West, the church council and the Cuyuna Range Lions Club.

He is survived by his wife, Laurie; daughter, Jennifer Beninga, Maple Grove; two grandchildren; brother and sister-in-law, Dale and Carolsue Venter, Melbourne, FL; sisters and brothers-in-law: Pat Huting; Linda and Jim Springer; and Carol and Ron Gatewood all of Cedar Falls, IA.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Craig Venter.

Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home in Crosby.

TERRI ANDERSON



Terri L. Anderson, 47, of Maple Grove died Thursday, March 10, 2016.

A memorial service was held Wednesday, March 16, 2016 at Kozlak-Radulovich Chapel, Maple Grove.

She was born Sunday, May 19, 1968.

She is survived by her mother and step-fa-

ther, Shirley and Ken Wischmann; brother and sister-in-law, Jeff and Connie Anderson; niece and nephew, Paige and Austin Anderson; fiance, Nick Belden and son, Adrian.

She was preceded in death by her father, David; sister, Traci; grandparents, George and Mildred Anderson, Arne and Emma Johnson.

Arrangements were with the Kozlak-Radulovich Chapel, 13745 Reimer Drive, Maple Grove, www.kozlakradulovich.com.

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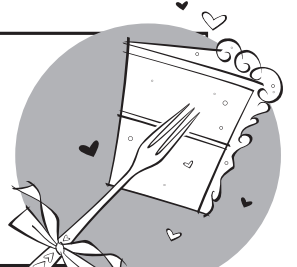
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Crosslake — Crossroads Christian, Rev. Gary Espeseth; SS at 9:30; Worship at 10:45

Hill City — Rev. G. Valley; Worship 10 and 6:30 p.m.; Bible Study Thurs. 7 pm.

Palisade — Pastor Ed Sornberger; SS 9; Worship 10; Kids Church; Small groups during the week 218-845-2726

BAPTIST
Aitkin — Westside, Pastor D. Smith; Worship 10; Bible Life group 11:11; aitkinwestside.org.

Brainerd — Eagles Nest, Pastor Bob Stockland 218-829-4673, Worship 11, SS 9:45.

Breezy Point — Eagles Nest, Pastor Bob Stockland 218-562-5252, Worship 9:30, SS 9:30.

Crosby — Bible Baptist, Pastor G. Fisher; SS 9:45; Service 10:45 and 6 p.m., Bible Study and Our Kids for Christ Wed. 7 pm

Deerwood* — Pastor W. Skog; SS 9:30; Worship 10:30 and 6 pm; Wed. Service, 6:30 pm.

Glory — 927-3678; SS 9:15; Worship 10:30 a.m.; Wed. 6 pm Glory Family night, Kids' Club age 4-6, MAD4Christ grades 7-12.

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 — Pastor P. Johnson; 676-8859; SS 9:30; Worship, 10:30; Bible Study Wed., 7 p.m.

CATHOLIC
Aitkin — St. James, Fr. David Forsman, 218-927-6581; Mass Sat. 5 pm, Sun. 9 am.

Brainerd — St. Andrew's, Fr. Daniel Weiske, Sat. 4:30; Sun. 10:00 and St. Mathias Sunday 8:00.

Brainerd — St. Francis, Fr. Anthony Wroblewski, 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. Dale Nau, Mass: Sat. 5 pm; Sun 10:30.

Crosslake — Immaculate Heart, 218-692-3731; www.ihmstmilios.org; Mass: Sat. 4 pm; Sun. 8:30; Confession Sat. 3 pm.

Deerwood — St. Joseph's, Fr. Dale Nau, Mass: Sun 8:30.

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. David Forsman, 218-927-6581; Mass Sun. 8 am.

Grand Rapids — St. Joseph's, Fr. Jerry Weiss, Mass: Sat. 5 pm; Sun. 8 & 10:30. 218-326-2483

Hillman — Holy Family, Fr. David Forsman, 218-927-6581; Mass Sun. 10

McGrath — Our Lady of Fatima, Fr. Paul Larson, Mass: Sun. 11 am.

McGregor — Holy Family, Fr. Paul Fruth, Mass: Sat. 5:30 p.m.; Sun. 9.

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; Gentz Franz 217-371-4977; Sacrament Mtg. 10, SS 11:10 Priesthood/Relief Society noon

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

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 Community Church (the little white church in Jacobson). 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; 43242 Hwy. 65 N, 2 mi. N of Hwy. 210 on Hwy. 65.

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, Pastor Benjamin Peterson; SS 9:15; Service 10:30; Wed. Bible Study Prayer, 7:30 p.m.

Nisswa — Christ Community Church, Pastor Dave Uhrich; Service 10; Fellowship 9:30-10

Outing - Narrows Community Church, (non-demoninational), Pastor Stanley Mikles, 218-820-5365 Worship 11; Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6 pm; Wednesday Bible Study 7 pm Clothes Closet 8 am - noon, second and fourth Saturday

Palisade/Waukenabo Twp. — Hilltop Chapel, Pastor B. Hite; Service 10 a.m.; Adult and Children's SS 9 a.m.; between Esquagama & Round Lake. Handicap Accessible.

Tamarack — Church of Christ, 218-768-3898; Service 9:30; SS 10:45.

CONGREGATIONAL
Aitkin — First (UCC) Rev. Susan Cline; Sun. 10; Comm. 1st Sun; Council Mtg. 2nd Sun. Spiritual fellowship, Sun. 9.

EPISCOPAL
Aitkin — St. John's, Rev. Karl E. Bell, Holy Communion Service 9

EVANGELICAL FREE
Crosby-Ironton — Lifespring Church, 9:30, 30 Hallet Ave NE 218-545-5433, visitlifespring.com

Crosslake — Interim Pastor Mark Holmen; Call for Service Times at 218-692-4141, email thelogchurch@crosslake.net

Isle — Pastor Charles Visser; Worship 9; SS 10:15; Wed. Youth Group 6 pm; Adult Prayer 6:30 pm

Malmö — Pastor Glenn Browning; SS 9:30; Fellowship 10; Worship 10:15; Young Families Fellowship 2nd and last Fri. of month, 5 pm

Wright — Pastor Ken Mitchell, 218-426-5115; SS 9:30; Worship, 10:30; Thu., Bible Study, 7 pm.

INDEPENDENT PENTECOSTAL
Emily Cornerstone Church — Pastor Earl Ready; Worship 10, 41536 Birchwood Drive, Emily; 218-763-2939.

Ironton — Iron Range Christian Center; Pastor Dwight Semler; 218-546-6523; meeting at Irondale Town Hall*, Co. Rd. 12, (Deerwood Shortcut); Worship 10

& Wed. 7 pm.

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

LUTHERAN
Aitkin — Bethlehem (ELCA), Rev. Cindy Gray; Worship 9:30; Holy Comm. 1st & 3rd Sun each month.

Aitkin — First* Pastors Darrell Pedersen, Melissa Carmack & Bob Munneke; worship Sun. 8:15 am & 10 am; Sunday School 10:30 am; Wed. 6 pm; Sat. 5 pm; communion every Sat. and 1st and 3rd Sun.; contemporary services 2nd and 5th Sun.; nursery staffed; Sunday service broadcast live on KKIN (94.3FM) at 10 am and on TV cable channel 181 at 9 am Wed.; community meal every Mon. 5:30 pm; food shelf second and fourth Thurs. each month 9:30-5 pm.

Aitkin — St. John's (Missouri Synod), Pastor D. Becker; Worship Sun. 9, SS 10

Baxter — Christ Lutheran Church (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.pobaxter.org

Beaver Township — Finnish EA, Hwy. 27, Worship 1st & 3rd Sun., 10:30.

Brainerd — Good Shepherd Free Lutheran Church- AFLC Affiliated, 5878 Pine Beach Road, Pastor Gary Jorgenson, 218-824-3052, Worship at 10 am. Communion 1st and 3rd Sunday's. Wednesday 7pm. Bible Study.

Brainerd — Truth Lutheran Church (LCMC, Pastor James Walth, Corner of 5th and Kingwood, Worship 9 Cedarbrook — St. John's (ELCA), Rev. Sandy Berg-Holte; Worship 8:30; SS 9:30; Saturday SS; 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 — (ELCA), Indoor worship 8:30; Coffee Fellowship 9:30; outdoor worship 10. 218-692-3682.

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 Glen Bickford; Worship 8:15 (traditional) & 10 (contemporary); Sunday School 10 am.

Giese Immanuel — Rev. R. Langhorst & Rev. R. Lovaas; Worship 9; SS 10; Holy Communion 1st Sun. of month 8:45.

Garrison — Light of the Cross (ELCA), Pastor Juli Sutton-Deem; Worship 9 SS 9; 320-692-4773 or 877-406-9101.

Garrison — Shepherd of the Lake (LCMS). Pastor Jon Rusnak; Worship 10 with communion 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays. Adult Bible Study 8:30am, Sunday School Sept-May, 8:30am. Fellowship 11am. 320-692-4581. www.shepherdofthelake.org.

Hill City — Trinity, (Missouri Synod), Pastor Volkert; Worship 9; Bible Study 10:15.

Hillman — Immanuel, (ELCA) Pastor Jean Megorden; 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; 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 8:30; Fellowship follows; SS 9:45; Adult Bible 10.

Jacobson — Carmel, Vicar Mark Wagner; SS 1st & 3rd Sun. 10, Service 11, fellowship follows.

Malmö — Bethesda (ELCA), Rev. Jim Raisanen; Sat. Informal Worship 5 pm; Sun. Worship 8:30 & 10; Fellowship between services; Comm. 1st & 3rd Sun.

McGrath — Grace; Wed. potluck 5 pm, Bible study 6 p.m.; SS 10; Worship 11.

McGrath — Zion (ELCA), Pastor Elliott Malm; Worship 9; SS 9.

McGregor/Big Sandy Lake — Grace Lutheran Log Church (ELCA), Pastor Ericka Foss; Worship 9, Fellowship follows, SS 10.

McGregor — Our Savior's (Missouri Synod), Pastor Joshua C. Reinke; Worship 9; SS 10; Bible Study Tue. 9, Wed. 7 pm

Outing — Our Saviors ELCA; Pastor Michael Gustafson, Worship 9.

Palisade* — Bethel (ELCA), Rev. Wm. J. Sasse; Worship 9:30; Wed. School classes 4:15 p.m.

Pequot Lakes-Our Savior's Lutheran Church (ELCA), Rev. Donna M. Olsen, Worship 8 & 10; SS 10; Wed. Worship 5:45 pm; Free Community Supper Wednesdays at 5 pm.

Rosburg — Bethesda (ELCA), Rev. Sandy Berg-Holte; Worship 10:30; SS 2nd & 4th Sundays 10:30; Comm. 1st & 3rd Sunday each month.

Tamarack (AFLC) — Pastor Ron Staudinger, 1st, 3rd and 4th Sundays 10 am; 41163 Kestrel Ave. 3.3 mi. South of Hwy 210

Thor — Zion, Pastor G. Salmonson; 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.

PENTECOSTAL INDIAN
Tamarack — Warriors of the Rainbow Ministry, 218-768-3585, Pastors Ken and Robin Fairbanks, Praise and Worship, Sat., 11. Everyone Welcome!

PRESBYTERIAN
Crosslake — Pastor Kate Stangl; Worship Memorial Day-Labor Day at 9:30; Worship September to May at 10:15; Bible Study Wednesdays at 10; 14444 Daggett Pine Rd. 218-692-4769

McGrath — Calvary, Pastor - Todd Oltmann; Worship 9. McGrath/Round Lake — Pastor Talley; No Sunday Service Worship Sat. 5 pm.

Tamarack — First, Rev. J. Yingling; Worship 11. Round Lake — Pastor Talley; Worship Sat. 5 pm.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST
Aitkin — Pastor J. Scoggins; Worship, Sat. 9:10; Sabbath School 10:30; Prayer Mtg. Tue. 7 p.m.; www.aitkinadventist.org; 218-927-4107

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Ongoing Events:

AA - Aitkin - 322 1st Ave. NE 218-927-2651 Sun. Women's Meeting 5:30 pm, Tue. Open Meeting 8 pm, Wed. Women's Meeting 6 pm, Thu. Sober Sailors Open 9 am, Friday Night Grape Vine 6:30 pm.

AA Garrison: Monday Night AA (open) 7:30 PM and Wednesday 7:30 PM at Community Alliance Church, 9475 Jefferson St.

ALANON - 322 1st Ave NE, Aitkin 6:30 pm Thursday evenings.

ALANON Garrison: Wednesday 7:30 PM at Community Alliance Church, 9475 Jefferson St.

Aitkin Friends of the Library meet 4th Tue. each month, 1 pm, Aitkin Public Library.

Aitkin Women of Today meet 2nd Mon. of month, 6:30 pm, Mille Lacs Energy Coop, info call 218-927-4558. Evening care is available and free. All are welcome!

American Legion Aitkin Lee #86 & Unit 86, meets the 2nd Thurs. of each month at 7 p.m. "Ask an Attorney," Aitkin Co. Sheriff's conference room, 2nd Tue. of month at noon.

Bay Lake Area Lions are currently collecting items for their upcoming June 13 auction. If you have non-rummage items, please call 218-678-9090 to arrange a pick-up or drop-off.

Blow-Hards, a lung disease support group, meets the 4th Thu. of each month, Kanabec Hospital in Mora. Contact Carol, 320-225-3646.

Care N Share Community Cafe Community Meal, Wednesdays Located in the fellowship hall in the Wesleyan Church on Highway #6 in Emily. Please call Sharon - 612 669-3295

Caregiver/Memory Loss Support Group, meets first Wed., 1-2 pm, Aicota Rehab Center, Aitkin & 3rd Tue., 3-4 pm, DAC, McGregor. 218-927-1383

Circles of Support meets every Tue., 6-8 pm If you are living paycheck to paycheck and are ready for a change, Circles may be right for you, call Brandi, 800-997-5723.

Clear Lake Grange meets second Tue. each month, 6 pm potluck, 7 pm meeting. Meet in member's homes. Info call Vern 320-684-2244 or Roxy 218-927-4558.

Closet is open second and fourth Saturday of each month from 8 am - noon. Free clothing for men and women. Narrows Community Church, 6297 Woods Bay Drive NE, Outing (look for yellow signs). Call Pastor Stanley Mikles at 218-820-5365 for more information.

Cooks Night Out - 3rd Wed of month, McGregor Comm. Ctr., 5:30 p.m., no restrictions, donations welcome.

Cuyuna Rock Gem & Mineral Club, meet 2nd Sat. each month, 2:30 at Cuyuna Range Community Center, lower level.

Dance every second Tuesday at Moose in Grand Rapids.

Dance at Waukenabo the second and last Wednesday of the month.

Deerwood Lakes Lions meet the 2nd Monday of every month, 5:30pm social, 6:00 pm dinner/meeting, at the Heartwood Senior Living. Call 218-831-5683, if you need more information or would like to join our club. Lions affordable hearings aids available to those who qualify. For more information, call Diann Bates 218-546-5237 or 218-838-4768 cell.

Evergreen P.A.C. ATV Club meetings 1st Thu. each month, 7 pm, Jackson Hole, Lawler, open to public.

FASD Caregiver Support Group - For caregivers of individuals with a diagnosed or suspected Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD). Meet with other caregivers (adults only please) for support, understanding, and networking. Meetings are 9 am the second Saturday of each month at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 418 8th Ave. NE, Brainerd. For more information, please contact Sheila York at 218-820-5903 or syork@motas.org

Friends of Rice Lake National Wildlife Refuge

meet 3rd Wed. each month, at 1 pm. at the Visitor Center at 36289 State Hwy. 65, McGregor 218-768-2402

Food Addicts in Recovery Anonymous Meeting Tuesday evenings, 6:30 pm small conference room at Aitkin Library. No dues, fees or weigh ins. For more information call: 217-248-6434. www.foodaddicts.org

Food Shelf: Community Food Shelf at First Lutheran Church open on 2nd and 4th Thurs, 9:30 AM-5 PM, at 107 2nd St SE Aitkin. Must register by 4:45 PM to be served.

Food Shelf: Emergency Food Shelf at St. James Catholic Church, Aitkin. Hours are Tuesday from 12 to 3 pm. To enter the food shelf go to the South side of the building, go to the 4th door and look for signs.

Food Shelf: Garrison Area Community Food Shelf open Tue. & Thu. 1-5 pm, at 9541 Madison Street; Garrison. For emergency Food Shelf, call 320-692-5399 and leave a message.

Gamblers Anonymous meets each Mon., 7 pm, First Lutheran Church, Aitkin, for info call 218-393-0935.

Garrison Fire Auxiliary meets 2nd Thu. 7:30 pm, Garrison Fire Hall.

Garrison Thrift Store, Thurs.-Fri. 10-4, Sat. 11-4.

Heart to Heart Support Group, 4th Tue. of month, 2 pm, Kanabec Hospital, int. of Hwy. 65 & 23, Mora.

Hope for the Future Support Group for those dealing with emotional issues, every Thu., 1 pm, 210 2nd St. NW, suite A, Aitkin, 927-3748.

Ironton TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meet Tue., 4 weigh-in, 9-9:30 a.m. Meeting 9:30-10:30 a.m.. at Immanuel Lutheran Church Crosby Men & women invited. Call Mabel Semler 218-546-6523 for meeting location information.

Jacobson Seniors meets every Thu., 10-2 pm at Jacobson Comm. Ctr. Potluck at noon. Beverage provided. All are welcome. For more info., 752-1515.

Lymphedema Support Group, 3rd Mon. of month, 6:30 pm, Kanabec Hospital, int. of Hwy. 65 & 23, Mora.

Marsh and Meadows Hunting Retriever Club, Mon. 5:30 pm in Pequot Lakes, for more info call Brett 651-270-5648 or facebook/Marsh and Meadows Hunting Retriever Club

McGrath City Council, first Thu. of the month, 6:30 pm at fire station hall.

McGrath Senior Center meets every Mon. 1-4 pm, cards & games, all are welcome.

McGregor Community Meal served at the Community Center on Highway 65 on the Third Wednesday of each month serving from 5:30 - 6:00 pm.

McGregor TOPS (Take off Pounds Sensibly) meets Thu., 4 pm weigh in, 4:30 meeting, Minnewawa Sportsman's Club, Goshawk St. (Co. Rd. 6). 218-768-2340 for more info.

MS Support Group, meets the 1st Thu. of the month at 7 pm, 606 NW 5th St, Brainerd, 218-824-5228.

Mystic Masonic Lodge meets 1st & 3rd

Tuesdays of the month at 7 pm except June, July & August meet only 1st Tuesday at 7 pm over the Eye Care Center in Aitkin.

National Alliance on Mental Illness meet Fri., 2:30, Community Presbyterian Church, 703 Pokegama Ave., room 105, Grand Rapids, Call Terrence at 218-327-1347.

North Central MN Farm & Antique Assn. meet 1st Wed. of month, Blackberry Town Hall. Info: Bruce 218-752-6592.

Order of Eastern Star, Woodland Chapter 122 in Aitkin meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays September through May and 2nd Tuesday in June and 4th Tuesday in August at 7:30 PM above the Eye Care Center in Aitkin; dark July, January & February.

Operation Minnesota Nice meets 3rd Monday each month at 6 pm at Trinity Lutheran Church, Hill City. For info call Tina Harcey at 218-697-8144. www.operationminnesotanic.com.

Praise & Worship Services, 101 S. Maddy St., McGregor, Intercessory prayer Wed 6-7 pm; Praise & Worship Services Sat. 2 pm, Sun 10 am.

Recovery Worship Service, Cascade United Methodist Church, Crosby/Deerwood, 1st Sat., 5 pm. Everyone is welcome.

RSVP Bone Builders Tue. & Thu from 10-11 am First Lutheran Church, Aitkin; 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 at Black Rock Terrace. Free of charge. Info call 218-927-1383.

Second Tuesday Card Party, Deerwood American Legion. Open to public, 1 pm social, card playing 1:30-3:30 pm. Cost \$3 per person. Refreshments. For info call Kathy at 218-546-5486.

Senior Dance at Deerwood Legion, 1-4 pm, 1st and 3rd Fri. each month.

TOPS (take off pounds sensibly) Every Tues at East Entrance , First Lutheran Church, 101 2nd St SE, Aitkin Weigh in at 4:30pm and meeting at 5pm

White Pine Riders ATV Club meet 2nd Sat. each month (Feb. - Oct.) at McGrath Fire Hall, 10 am, open to public.

March

19th - Easter Turkey/Ham Bingo, Nisswa American Legion 6:30-8:30 pm www.nisswaamlegion.com

20th Hans Blix and the Weapons Inspectors will play a food shelf benefit concert at the First Congregational United Church of Christ, Brainerd, at 3 pm.

24th - Living Last Supper at Aitkin United Methodist Church at 7 pm. The public is invited to this Maun-

day Thursday service will include communion. The Aitkin United Methodist Church is located at the corner of Hwy 210 (2nd Street NW) and 1st Ave. NW in Aitkin. For more information concerning the presentation please call (218-927-3242).

25th - Annual Outdoor Way of the Cross - gather at the Saint Joseph Catholic Church, Crosby by parking lot at 2:45 p.m. At 3 p.m., we will walk a 2.2 mile procession through Crosby with scripture readings, singing, reflections and silence. We will return to St. Joseph's at approximately 4:45 p.m. Participants are invited to attend St. Joseph's Good Friday liturgy at 5 p.m. All are welcome.

25th - Aitkin Chamber Business After Hours will be hosted by Kirk and Amanda Schultz of The Beacon Arch

27th - Palisade Assembly of God Church invites the local community for a free Easter Breakfast of pancakes, bacon, sausage, eggs and beverages, 8 am - 9 am.

29th - Vietnam War Commemoration 10 am - 2 pm, Grand Rapids Armory www.vietnamwar50th.com Lunch of Pulled Pork, Beans and Chips at noon. For more info contact Hughat Itasca County Veteran Services Office at 218-327-2858 or Jeff Hall at Duluth Vet Center at 218-722-8654.

April

8th - Fish Fry's at Light of the Cross in Garrison 5-7 pm for all-you-can-eat deep-fried fish and all the fixin's! The cost is \$9 for adults; \$4 for kids 5-10; and Free for kids 4 and younger. The menu consists of Deep Fried Alaskan Pollock, Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Vegetables, Cole Slaw, Bread, Desserts and Beverages. Light of the Cross Church is located 2 blocks west of the Family Foods Grocery Store in Garrison.

22nd - Fish Fry's at Light of the Cross in Garrison 5-7 pm for all-you-can-eat deep-fried fish and all the fixin's! The cost is \$9 for adults; \$4 for kids 5-10; and Free for kids 4 and younger.

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Another state votes to defund Planned Parenthood

The Florida Legislature passed HB 1411, a bill that cuts state funding to abortion facilities, including Planned Parenthood.

If signed into law, the money that would have gone to Planned Parenthood now goes to hundreds of deserving low-cost community health clinics and women's health centers.

"Republicans in the Florida Legislature are to be commended," said John Stemberger, president of the Florida Family Policy Council, "for showing leadership and for doing the right thing by passing this historic piece of legislation."

The bill now goes to Gov. Rick Scott for his signature. If signed, Florida would join Texas, Utah, Kansas, New Hampshire, Alabama, Arkansas and Louisiana in defunding Planned Parenthood.

"On behalf of thousands of Floridians who object to their taxes going to fund Planned Parenthood," Stemberger said, "I continue to urge Gov. Scott to sign this good bill into law."

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Council approved a resolution establishing a \$500 charge when the fire department responds to assist people that live outside the primary service area of the Crosby Fire Department.

Council approved the application for accepting of funds from IRRRB for purchasing bike racks.

Fire Chief Jay DeCent said there were three fire calls last month: a missing child near CRES that was found, a structure fire on Hwy. 6, and smoke smell in a home in Irondale Twp.

Fire Chief DeCent said the firemen have not had an increase in pay for eleven years. Currently, the pay is at \$11 per hour. DeCent suggested they would like to be at \$14 per hour. There are 30 members currently in the department. It was noted that the raises were not in the budget for this year.

"We have nothing budgeted for the Fire Department, in as far as raises go," said Mayor Lattery.

For the firemen to receive an increase, the funds would need to come from somewhere else in their budget.

DeCent said the State Fire Marshall told them, because of the liability, they could not light the fireworks anymore for the city's 4th of July celebration in the Crosby Memorial Park.

The council discussed hiring someone to light off the fireworks this year, but they might have trouble hiring a company because it is so late in the year.

Mayor Lattery asked if the Crosby Fire Department would be willing to donate anything for the fireworks.

Hallett Center General Manager Maurice Slepica updated the council about some projects including flooring upgrades, painting the arena, handicapped system on the front door, replace filter and pump on small pool, paint interior, replace cables on strength machines, replace ceiling tiles, heat exchanger and replace chemical feeders for both pools. He said special events at the Hallett Community Center were Chili Cook-Off, White Tail Banquet, Regional Tae Kwon Do Tournament, Circus, Relay for Life Flower Sale, Fit City,

Kidz Kamp, Hockey Dryland Training.

Slepica said in December 30 new members were signed and 13 members resigned.

Council approve accepting February donations to the Jessie F Hallett Memorial Library.

City Engineer Phil Martin recommended the approval of accepting the low bid for digging up and replacing both sewer and water lines is Pratt's Affordable Excavating of Merrifield with \$1,542,746. The 2016 utility project bid is for the alleys north of 1st and 2nd Streets and to replace the water and sewer. The contractor has been made aware of the 12 to 16 foot of alley right of way with pipes that are 8, 12 and 14 feet deep. Council approved awarding the low bid contingent on getting the funding and submitting

the request to the PFA for their recommendation for the funding package and start the contract work.

Linda Peebles and Chris

Ryan talked about the Hwy 210 MNDOT road improvement committee meeting. Two objectives to help the city determine what it should look

like. Second is to get funding to help the businesses when the road is closed. The project is tentatively scheduled for 2021, subject to change.

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Dated: March 14, 2016
KIM MILLER,
Kimberly Township Clerk
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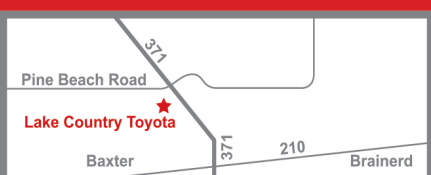
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