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## Good waterfowl opener expected this weekend

Duck hunting is expected to be good when Minnesota's regular waterfowl season opens a half-hour before sunrise on Saturday, Sept. 24. "The abundance of breeding ducks in Minnesota and North America has been good in recent years, so we hope that results in good opportunities for duck hunters this fall," said Steve Cordts, waterfowl specialist with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources. "Wetland habitat conditions are fairly good across the state and with a little help from Mother Nature with some favorable fall weather, it could be a good season."

### Duck seasons and limits

The duck season structure is similar to recent years. The waterfowl seasons are based on a federal framework that applies to all states in the Mississippi Flyway. Waterfowl hunting regulations are available wherever DNR licenses are sold and online at [www.mndnr.gov/regulations/hunting](http://www.mndnr.gov/regulations/hunting).

Duck season will be open for 60 days in each of the three waterfowl zones:

In the north zone, duck season is Sept. 24 through Tuesday, Nov. 22.

In the central zone, duck season is Sept. 24 through Sunday, Oct. 2, closes for five days, then reopens Saturday, Oct. 8, and runs through Sunday, Nov. 27.

In the south zone, duck season is Sept. 24 through Oct. 2, closes for 12 days, then reopens Saturday, Oct. 15, and runs through Sunday, Dec. 4.

The daily duck bag limit remains six per day. The mallard bag limit remains four per day, including two hen mallards. The daily bag limits remain at three for wood duck and scaup; and two for pintails, redheads and canvasbacks.

The DNR will post a weekly waterfowl migration report each week during the duck season. The reports are typically posted on Thursdays at [www.mndnr.gov/hunting/waterfowl](http://www.mndnr.gov/hunting/waterfowl).

### Goose and sandhill crane seasons

Minnesota's goose season will re-open in conjunction with the duck season statewide on Sept. 24, with a bag limit of three dark geese per day the entire season. "Dark" geese include Canada geese, white-fronted geese and brant. Goose season will

be closed in the central and south duck zones when duck season is closed.

The season for sandhill cranes remains open through Sunday, Oct. 16, in the northwest goose and sandhill crane zone only. The daily bag limit will be one sandhill crane per day. A \$3 sandhill crane permit is required in addition to a small game hunting license.

More information on duck, goose, sandhill crane and other migratory bird hunting



is available in the 2016 Minnesota Waterfowl Hunting Regulations booklet from

license vendors and online at [www.mndnr.gov/hunting/waterfowl](http://www.mndnr.gov/hunting/waterfowl).

## Money wasted on premium gasoline

American drivers wasted more than \$2.1 billion dollars in the last year by using premium-grade gasoline in vehicles designed to run on regular fuel, according to new AAA research.

Currently fewer than 20 percent of vehicles on the road require high octane fuel, while the vast majority (70%) are designed to operate on regular gasoline. A national survey of motorists revealed that 16.5 million U.S. drivers used premium gasoline in a vehicle designed to run on regular fuel at least once in the past year.

"Many drivers think they are giving their car a treat

by occasionally filling up with premium-grade gasoline, even though their vehicle calls for regular unleaded," said Gail Weinholzer, spokesperson, AAA – The Auto Club Group. "The consensus has been that higher octane does not mean higher quality, but AAA did a formal study to test that theory."

### Testing "Regular" vs. "Premium"

In partnership with the Automobile Club of Southern California's Automotive Research Center, AAA tested 87-octane (regular) and 93-octane (premium) gasoline in vehicles equipped with a V-8, V-6 or I4 engine designed

to operate on regular-grade fuel. To evaluate the effects of using a higher-octane fuel when it's not required by the manufacturer, each vehicle was tested on a dynamometer, which is essentially a treadmill for cars.

### Results

For vehicles designed to run on regular-grade fuel, using premium gasoline did not produce more horsepower, result in better fuel economy or produce fewer tailpipe emissions. Premium gasoline is specifically formulated to be compatible with specific types of engine designs and most vehicles cannot take advantage of the higher octane rating.

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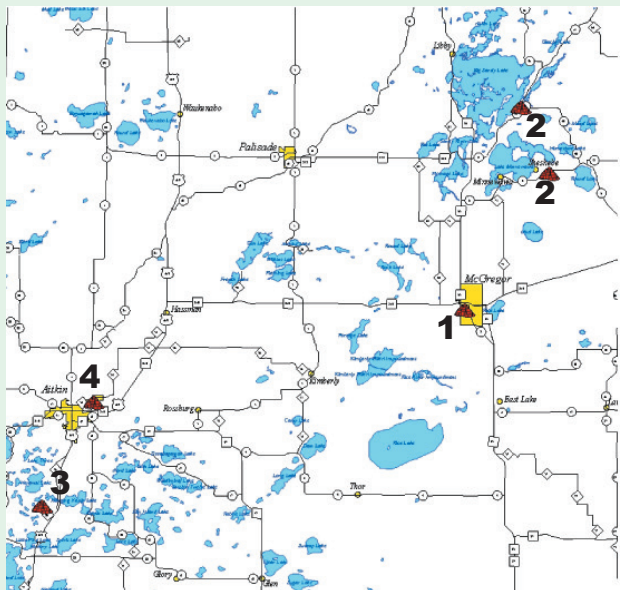
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## WHERE CAN I BRING MY LEAVES AND GRASS CLIPPINGS?

Aitkin County has several places where you can bring your leaves and lawn clippings free of charge.

1. City of McGregor
2. Shamrock Township (Sites located off of County Rd 6 and 40.)
3. Oak Ridge Demolition Landfill (Located 6 miles south of Aitkin.)
4. Garrison Disposal (Facility in Aitkin.)



In addition, you may compost your leaves and grass clippings on site. For more information on composting, contact the Aitkin County Environmental Services Department at 218-927-7342.

### BACKYARD COMPOSTING

Composting is a process that allows naturally occurring microbes to convert yard waste such as leaves and grass clippings, and fruit and vegetable scraps to a useful organic soil amendment or mulch. The following information should get you started in composting the organic material found on your property.

- 1) Collect organic wastes such as leaves, grass clippings, fruit and vegetable scraps, and put them in a convenient but unobtrusive spot out of the wind and direct sunlight.
- 2) Build the compost pile in layers (a 5' X 5' X 5') compost pile is the largest you should need. You can begin with a layer of twigs 4 to 6 inches thick for good air circulation. Next add eight to ten inches of the above organic wastes. You can add equal parts of leaves and grass clippings for optimal composting.
- 3) Wet the pile to the point of being moist, but not soggy. If the pile gets too wet, you can turn it more frequently to dry it out or add more brown materials to soak up the excess moisture.
- 4) In about a week your compost will be ready for turning. Turn the pile every few days if you'd like finished compost in a month or so. Turning it less often will increase the composting time.
- 5) The compost is finished when the material is dark, crumbly and fresh smelling.

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needs new leadership and any city would be fortunate to have Jim Hunter as their mayor.

*Ed Shaw*

### Gov. Dayton feathers friends' nests

Rep. Dale Lueck, R-Aitkin, issued the following statement after it was reported Gov. Mark Dayton issued potentially unauthorized taxpayer-funded severance payments, awarding nearly \$80,000 to state employees who voluntarily departed.

"It is disappointing the governor once again feels free to throw around Minnesota taxpayer money to feather the nests of his appointed friends," Lueck said. "Here

we go again, this looks a lot like last year when he raised dozens of political appointee salaries by as much as \$42,000. The Legislature put an end to that practice, but now he is handing out juicy resigning bonuses to his political appointees. This is a marked departure from past practice and the Legislature in 2017 will again have to restrain the governor and require greater transparency and accountability with tax-

payer dollars."

The most generous severance agreement, awarded to a former commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development, came on the heels of massive taxpayer-funded pay increases authorized by Dayton, just before the Legislature ended that practice. This commissioner was previously a top staffer on Dayton's campaign for governor in the 2010 election.

### High school juniors sought for Capitol page program

The application deadline is Dec. 2 for high school juniors interested in gaining hands-on experience with Minnesota's state government by serving as a page at the Capitol in St. Paul during the 2017 legislative session.

The House of Representatives page program has been in place since 1975 and is one of only a select few programs in the nation to provide young people with such an in-depth look into state government. High school pages attend meetings

with legislators, assist members during the session, participate in mock committee sessions and more. There are 10 four-day sessions available in 2017, from early February until late April.

"This is an excellent opportunity for students to get first hand knowledge about how our Legislature functions," said Rep. Dale Lueck, R-Aitkin. "Students come away with a whole new awareness of the legislative decisions on policy matters and funding state budget. It's an outstand-

ing civics lesson on how state government works."

Program participants are selected in the fall of each year based on a formal process which includes an application, faculty recommendation and an essay. Stipends are available to defray expenses. More information is available by logging on to [www.house.mn](http://www.house.mn) and clicking the "High School Page Program" link near the bottom of the site, or by calling 651-296-7452. Local schools also can provide further guidance.

### Oil paintings by Bill Moeger



A new exhibit featuring oil paintings by Bill Moeger opened at the Jaques Art in Aitkin on September 23. There will be a public artists reception on September 24 from noon to 3 p.m. Moeger is a successful, Minnesota graphic designer and illustrator who has turned his talents toward oil paintings and other media to create a beautiful exhibit featuring the thing he loves most - Minnesota Landscapes.

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 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.  
 Art Club meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays at the Jaques Art Center in Aitkin, 1-3 pm 'Ask an Attorney', Aitkin Co. Sheriff's conference room, 2nd Tue. of month at noon.  
 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 Birchstreet Center downtown 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.  
 Clothes 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 (follow yellow signs). Call Pastor Stanley Mikles at 218-820-5365 for more info.  
 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 VFW in McGregor every 1st Monday of the month, except holidays which will be on the following Monday  
 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@mofas.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.  
**September**  
 24th - A public artists reception featuring oil paintings by Bill Moeger noon - 3 pm at Jaques Art Center, Aitkin.  
 24th - Cascade United Methodist Church Deerwood Harvest Supper 4-7pm  
 24th - Legacy Chorale of

Greater Minnesota (LCGM) "Autumn in New Orleans" event at Madden's Town Hall. This semi-formal annual event includes cocktails, a silent auction, a multi-course gourmet dinner and live Jazz entertainment. For more info call Cathe Picek at 218-270-8020  
 29th - Join Mid Minnesota Federal Credit Union for Business After Hours 5-7 pm at 117 W Main St, Crosby, MN 56441. Business after Hours is a Chamber function for members of the business community and is also open to the public, so bring your business cards and get ready to network and build relationships while you enjoy hors d'oeuvres, refreshments, and raffle prizes! To make your reservation, call the Chamber office at 218-546-8131 or email Jessica@cuynalakes.com.

**October**

1st - Jaques Art Center Annual Harvest Dinner Butler Building Opera House 5 - 8:30 p.m. Entertainment by 'Hans Blix and the Weapons Inspectors', 'CHAIR'-ity Silent Auction Ordinary Chairs will be turned into 'art chairs' and sold for what the market will bear. Do you have a sturdy chair you'd like to donate? 15th - Fall Arts and Craft Festival 702 S 5th St Brainerd, MN 56401 Call: (218) 454-6926



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## STEVEN BLOMBERG



Steven Daniel Blomberg, 73, of Emily died on Friday, September 16, 2016 at the St. Cloud Hospital.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 24, 2016 at the Wesleyan Church in Emily. Burial will be at the Pine Ridge Cemetery in Emily. Visitation will be one hour prior to the services at the church on Saturday. Memorials are preferred in lieu of flowers.

He was born on July 15, 1943 in Deerwood to Ralph and Verna (Wilson) Blomberg. He attended school in Crosby. He married ReNae Fortune in 1966 and they had five daughters together. He later married Alice Norris in 1980 in Vancouver, WA. Steve worked hard all of his life, farming as

a boy, truck driving, logging, selling scrap iron and running his repair shop the Emily Fix-It Shop.

He is survived by his wife of 36 years, Alice; daughters: Penni (Kevin) Dotzler, Deerwood; Sheli (Fred Lambert) Schwegel, Backus; Kristi Cockman, Baxter; brother and sister-in-law, Roger and Margie Blomberg, Nisswa; sisters and brothers-in-law: Joyce Shaw, Salem, OR; Carol and Norman Habedank of Ashland, WI; Colleen and Eddie Nelson, Belle Fourche, SD; and Deb and Buzz Anderson, Ironton; several grandchildren, great grandchildren; nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two daughters: Jodi Blomberg and Misti Blomberg and a great granddaughter, Molli.

Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home in Crosby.

## ROBERT FEERO

Robert Ambrose Feero, 90, of Aitkin and a resident of Aicota Health Care Center, died on Wednesday, September 14, 2016.

Due to construction in Westside Church, the memorial service will be at 2:00 pm. on Sunday, September 25, 2016 at the 40 Club Convention Center in Aitkin with Reverend Dallas Smith officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery, Aitkin.

He was born December 28, 1925 in Grand Rapids to Lee and Dina (Carlson) Feero. He lived with his parents in Jacobson and graduated from Hill City High School in 1944. He married Marilyn Ruth (Johnson) on August 3, 1956 in Blue Earth. He farmed in Blue Earth, Belgrade, and Princeton. He owned Princeton Realty and sold real estate from 1970 until retiring in 1992. He moved to Aitkin in 1994 and lived there for 4 -5 years then went full time R.Ving for three years and after lived at Qudana Resort in Hill City and then moving

back to Aitkin in 2005. He spent some winters in Arizona and Texas. He was member of Princeton Evangelical Free Church for many years and then became a member of Westside Church in Aitkin.

He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Marilyn Feero, Aitkin; children: Richard Feero of Ohio; Bradley (Debbie) Feero of Zimmerman; five grandchildren; one great-grandchild; brother and sister-in-law, Emery and Elaine Feero, Brooklyn Park; sisters and brothers-in-law: Donna and Ed Viren, Billings, MT; Mariette and Larry Seiffert, Cambridge; sister-in-law: Marie Feero, Florida; many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Lee Feero; sister, Irene (Frank) Duncan.

Arrangements were with the Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home of Aitkin.

## KAYE LEWIS

Kaye Ann Lewis, 79, of Aitkin formerly of the McGregor area died Tuesday, September 13, 2016 at the Aicota Health Care Center in Aitkin.

A private family service will be held at a later date.

She was born May 18, 1937 in Canton, OH the daughter of Stephen and Elizabeth (Harney) Cowgill. She attended schools in

Canton and then she moved with her family to Colorado where she continued her education. She then lived in Colorado for a time and then moved to Askov, MN and then to McGregor area where she raised her family. She loved horses and enjoyed doing puzzles

She is survived by her children: Holly (Jeffery) Smith of Aitkin; Bart Bender of Fargo, ND; Jeff (Kristine) Lewis of Baxter; Maerene

Lewis and Tim Hanson of Aitkin; 10 grandchildren; six great grandchildren and one brother, Kevin (Carol) Cowgill of Grand Junction, CO.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one great grandchild.

Arrangements were with the Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home of Aitkin. Go to [www.srtfuneral.com](http://www.srtfuneral.com) to sign the online guest register.

Correction:



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### MAREN KOOP

Maren Ashley Koop, a girl, weighing 7 lbs., 4 ozs. and measuring 20 inches, was born August 31, 2016 to Anthony and Erin Koop of Ironton. Grandparents are Mark and Kris Lindberg, Ironton; and Rick and Deb Koop, Ironton. Great-grandparents are Sue Lindberg, Ironton; Bill and Vonda Bongs, Ironton; and Dennis and Judy Eckermann, Maple Grove.

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# CHURCH DIRECTORY

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**ALLIANCE**  
Aitkin — New Life; Larry Burg & John Baker, pastors; Sunday School JAM session 9 am; Worship 10:15 am & 6:30 pm; Youth Group, Wed 6:15 pm; 112 - 1st Ave. SW 218-927-2823.

Garrison\* — Pastor Michael H. Palkie; Worship 9; SS 10:30.

McGregor/Big Sandy — Rev. S. DeMars, 426-3408; E. of Sather's Store; Worship 9:30; Children's Church 10 Onamia — Vineland Native American Chapel, Hwy. 169 north of casino; Worship 11; Pastor Boeringa 320-532-4449

### ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Aitkin — Heritage Church, Rev. Jason Erickson; Sunday Morning Service 9:30

Crosby — Rev. Michael Towers; Worship 10:30

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 — 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 — Pastor Chris Meirose; 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 — 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, Mass: Sat. 5 pm; Sun 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.

Deerwood — St. Joseph's, 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.; Sat. 6 pm (Memorial Day through Labor Day)

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 Baker, 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; Sacramento 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 — Osippee Community, SS 9:15; Service 10:30; Wed. Bible Study Prayer, 7:00 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; Clothes Closet 8 am - noon, second and fourth Saturday

Palisade/Waukenabo Twp. — Hilltop Chapel, Pastor B. Hite; Service 10 a.m.; Adult and Childrens SS 9 a.m.; between Esquaguaga & 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 — Lifespring Church, 9:30, 30 Hallet Ave NE 218-545-5433, [visitlifespring.com](http://visitlifespring.com)

Crosslake — Interim Pastor Mark Holmen; Call for Service Times at 218-692-4141, [email.thelochurch@crosslake.net](mailto:email.thelochurch@crosslake.net)

Isle — Pastor Kerry Johnston; 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.

### 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 & Bob Munneke; worship Sun., 8:15 am and 10 am; Sunday School 9:45 am; Wed. 5:30 pm; Sat., 5 p.m.; 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. and Thurs., 5 p.m.; food shelf second and fourth Thurs. each

month, 9:30 am - 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 Ingelwood 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.popbaxter.org](http://www.popbaxter.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 - Laestadian Lutheran Church; 1501 So. 8th St. - Sunday Worship Services 11 am. ([www.lchurch.org](http://www.lchurch.org))

Brainerd - Trinity Lutheran Church (ELCA) 1420 South 6th Street Brainerd - Pastor David P. Holte and Pastor Hans Anderson - Summer Sunday Worship Time is 9 a.m. and Wednesday evening at 6 p.m. - Phone: 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

Cedar Lake, Norwegian Lutheran — Third Sun 11, May - Oct.

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](http://www.missionofthecross.org)

Deerwood — Salem (ELCA), Pastor Glen Bickford; Worship: 8:15 (traditional) & 10 (contemporary); Sunday School 10 am.

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). 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.shepherdofhelake.org](http://www.shepherdofhelake.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 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 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. Sass; 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; 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, 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

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 Mishtry, Pastors Ken and Ron Fairbanks, Sat. 11. 218-768-3585

### 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. McGregor/Round Lake — Pastor Talley; Worship Sat. 5 pm.

Tamarack — First, Rev. J. Yingling; Worship 11.

### SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

Aitkin — Pastor J. Scoggins; Worship, Sat. 9:10; Sabbath School 10:30; Prayer Mtg. Tue. 7 p.m.; [www.aitkinadventist.org](http://www.aitkinadventist.org); 218-927-4107

### UNITED METHODIST

Aitkin — Pastor Dawn Houser; high school & adult SS 9; Worship 10:30; fellowship follows; handicapped accessible.

Crosby/Deerwood — Cascade, Rev. Brian Hazard; Worship 9:45; fellowship follows.

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# Bassmaster pros glowing over Mille Lacs fishing

Elite bass anglers from throughout the United States are experiencing first-hand this weekend what Minnesotans already should know: Mille Lacs Lake is one of the nation's premier bass fishing destinations.

Fifty of the country's best anglers, displaying their catches during the weigh-in on September 15 at the Toyota Bassmaster Angler of the Year Championship and visiting with Lt. Gov. Tina Smith, praised the lake for its abundance of big bass.

All bass are returned to the lake after weigh-in.

Later, when the weigh-in at Grand Casino Mille Lacs concluded, tournament emcee Dave Mercer put the day's tally in perspective.

"There have never been this many big smallmouth bass caught in Bassmaster tournament history," Mercer said. "Nothing holds a candle to this."

Enthusiasm about the Mille Lacs bass fishing was a sentiment shared by Louie Stout, Bassmaster senior writer. Stout said anglers in southern tournaments often catch some bigger bass than those in Mille Lacs but Thursday's total largemouth catch was unprecedented.

"Typically, the angler who brings in five largemouth weighing 19 pounds on the first day of the tournament has his head held high," Stout said. "Today, there were a lot of low heads when the scale read 19 pounds."

Indeed, a 19-pound, one-ounce tally put Florida's Randall Tharp in 31st place. The first 23 places went to anglers whose five-fish limit averaged at least four pounds a fish.

Takahiro Omori of Emory, Texas, is the tournament leader. His first-day catch totaled 26 pounds, seven ounces. He told the weigh-in audience "this is my best smallmouth bass fishing ever."

Perhaps Mille Lacs highest praise came from Kevin VanDam, the Bass Anglers Sportsman Society's all-time money winner. An advocate for his home state of Michigan, VanDam said Mille Lacs was quite the surprise.

"I have been to great smallmouth bass lakes in Michigan..... to Lake Champlain..... to Lake St. Clair. No place has as many big ones as Mille Lacs. The bass are crazy big in this lake," VanDam said.

"People across the country are seeing what a great fishing lake this is," said Tina Chapman, director of the Mille Lacs Tourism Council. "We're looking forward to the national exposure this tournament is bringing to our area."

Although the tournament's focus is bass, what anglers are catching is broadening Mille Lacs' reputation as a multi-species lake, she said, noting that Bassmaster emcee Mercer caught a 52-inch muskellunge while fishing with a local guide.

"It's a lake with a lot of big fish in it, and it's a great place to be any time of year," Chapman said.

"An event like this lets us shine a spotlight on the Mille Lacs area and introduce a much broader audience to the many exciting things to see and do here," said Sarah Barten, public relations manager for Grand Casino, host sponsor of the tournament. "Mille Lacs Lake is a jewel of Minnesota – not only to the pro anglers competing but for the many fishing enthusiasts that the event will draw to the region."

John Edman, director of Explore Minnesota, agreed. "There are so many reasons why the Lake Mille Lacs area is one of Minnesota's most popular travel destinations, with fishing chief among them. It's great to see the area in the national spotlight as

part of the Bassmaster championship."

Winning the tournament with a three-day total of 15 smallmouth bass weighing a combined 76 pounds, 5 ounces was Rapala Pro Seth Feider, Bloomington. He took it using a drop shot set-up comprising a VMC hook, Sufix braid and fluorocarbon and a VMC tungsten weight – all tackle within the Rapala family of brands.

Last fall he spent almost three weeks fishing on Mille Lacs Lake and knew that the resident smallmouth are both "fat and lazy" and must often be annoyed into biting.

Feider targeted the big bass, locating fish on his depthfinder and dropping straight down to them.

## LEGAL NOTICES

(Published in NewsHopper Sat., Sept. 17 & 24, 2016)  
**LIBBY TOWNSHIP BOARD SPECIAL MEETING**

The board of supervisors of Libby Township will hold a special meeting on Wednesday, September 28 at 1:00 p.m. at the Palisade Community Center. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss planned streambank restoration and roadwork on 275th Place. The meeting agenda may include other matters that may come before the board.

Dated: September 9, 2016  
JANE GRIMSBO JEWETT, Clerk, Libby Township 3.0

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**AITKIN COUNTY PARCEL ID'S 56-1-048500 & 56-1-047300, COUNTY EMV IS \$89,800**  
**GARAGE & RELATED:** Laguna 14 TVE band saw large floor model in like new condition, 12 speed heavy duty floor model drill press, Delta compound mitre saw, Craftsman oscillating spindle sander & sand paper, Rockler router table and numerous bits, Craftsman 6" heavy duty joiner on casters, Craftsman table saw on casters, Magna force 3 HP air compressor, Numerous power hand tools, drills, saws, air tools, routers & more, Metal pipe clamps, Ridgid pipe wrenches. Large metal organizer cabinet full of hardware. Wooden organizing cabinet, Duracraft dual wheel bench grinder, Bolt cutter, pipe cutter & trimming shear. **SPORTING GOODS:** 5x6 aluminum fish house/spear house, Winchester metal rod & reel combo, Numerous collectible wood ice fishing sticks, Glass minnow trap & other minnow buckets, Gun cases & heddon rod case, Collectible .22 ammo in old paper boxes, Collectible fishing lures some wooden, heddon & others, Numerous hunting knives some collectible, Bait caster fishing reels, Marble match containers, **ITEMS OF INTEREST:** 5x8 wooden wagon with rack, Large quantity of diamond willow, Collectible wooden skis, Patio table & 4 chairs, Singer sewing machine, Framed artwork, Gray van lines metal toy semi truck & trailer, Metal collectible bull dozer, 2 foot Mason's jar Ball glass jars & other dish wares

**This is a surface listing, certain to be items added up until Auction day, be sure to attend and remember the 12 PM start time on Friday September 30th. Thank you in advance, Janzen Auctioneers**

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#### Saturday, October 1st • 9:30 a.m.

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**VEHICLES:** 2014 Chevy Impala 54,000 miles (Immaculate Condition), 1966 Ford Mustang 2 DR hard top candy apple red 289 engine manual transmission, 2001 Dodge Ram standard cab pickup w/ 8' boss plow (35,000 miles), 1999 Chevy Tahoe 4WD 151,000 miles (great runner), 2000 GMC Jimmy 4wd 4 DR 157,000 miles 1985 Ford E350 dump truck, 1968 Ford Custom 30 four speed dump truck, **TRACTORS:** Nortrac NT 304 4WD with PTO & sun canopy 385 hours, Agracat 2920 4WD tractor 29 HP, Ford 3000 tractor with loader & PTO 1965 (great runner), Ford 8N tractor, **CAMPING PACKAGES:** 2001 Dutchman 27 FT 5th wheel w/slide out (immaculate condition), 1996 Chevy Trailmaster 21 FT motorhome 350 Chevy engine w/ generator new tires & exhaust 70,000 miles excellent condition), 1984 Chieftain Winnebago 23 FT Onan generator, refrigerator, roof air, all new upholstery throughout 49,000 miles (excellent condition), 1972 Chamberlain camping trailer, **BOATING RELATED:** 24' homemade pontoon house boat w/50 Honda 4 stroke on custom trailer, 14' aluminum boat w/ Mercury OB no trailer, 16' wild rice boat, **TRAILERS:** 5x9 Cargo Mate enclosed trailer, 2007 7x12 spark trailer w/ drop down ramp, **GARAGE RELATED:** (2) Large Clausing metal lathes, 60 Gallon Sanborn upright air compressor like new, Jet oscillating sander, Large Craftsman roller tool chest, Stihl 024 Chainsaw, Cummins wood lathe, Craftsman table saw, Steel garage shelving, **SPORTING GOODS:** 1998 Polaris 700 Snowmobile, Numerous traps & trapping supplies 110, 220, 330, leg hold's, stretchers & more, (3) Stack on gun safes (smaller style), 16 FT Tri Pod deer stand, **LAWN & GARDEN:** Craftsman DLT 2000 riding lawn tractor, Toro Power Max snow blower new never used, Troy Bilt rear tine tiller, Weed Eater walk behind weed trimmer 20", Excell 2300 PSI pressure washer, Cub Cadet 149 riding lawn tractor w/ snow blower attachment, Yard Machine & Poulan Pro trimming mowers  
**ITEMS OF INTEREST:** Salesman sample shaper, (2) 25 cent slot machines, Large upright freezer, Amana Dryer & Whirlpool washer (like new), Vending machine, Approximately 110 board feet of Red Oak Lumber, Large quantity of fence posts and chain link fence. Numerous framed artwork pictures, (2) Leather saddles, numerous pieces of real Redwood lawn furniture  
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# Restaurant to open 2017 in Crosby



In a phone interview, John Poston, CEO of 3 Cheers Hospitality, said they will be opening a new restaurant in the spring of 2017. Poston indicated that they had been looking for a location in Crosby for a while. Poston said that the building, at 6 and 6 1/2 West Main Street in Crosby, formally Crosby Bakery, has been purchased. He said it is a very appealing area for growth and expansion because of mountain biking and the proximity to Cuyuna Regional Medical Center. He said plans are to develop the building into a restaurant with smaller scale menu similar to Prairie Bay in Baxter, including their specialties of wood fired pizza and bruschetta. There is a possibility of an additional catering kitchen in the rear of the building. Three Cheers owns and operates Lost Lake Lodge on Gull Lake, Prairie Bay Grill & Catering, Baxter, Sherwood Forest Lodge, Lake Shore and The Mad Hugger, Central Lakes College, Brainerd. As of yet, the new restaurant has not been named.

# OBITUARIES

## WILLIAM JOHNSON



William "Bill" LeRoy Johnson, 79, of Glen died Tuesday, September 13, 2016 at Riverwood Health Care Center in Aitkin.



Funeral service were Monday, September 19, 2016 at Bethesda Lutheran Church in Malmo with Reverend Paul J. Mattson officiating. Military honors were provided by Aitkin American Legion Lee Post #86 and Aitkin VFW Roberts-Glad Post #1727.

He was born November 25, 1936 in Forest Lake to Wilbert and Joyce (Russ) Johnson. He graduated from Forest Lake High School. He was an Air National Guard and U.S. Army Veteran. He married Cheri (Farstad) on June 21, 1975 at Zion Lutheran Church in Anoka. He worked for 30 years as a commercial truck driver in the beer industry and retired from Mark VII Sales. He enjoyed his cabin that he built in Avon, the lake, woodworking,

duck, deer, and bow hunting, 4 wheeling with friends, spending time at state parks, cards and marble games, baking, gardening, and canning. He loved his family and especially his grandchildren. He was a member of Bethesda Lutheran Church.

He was preceded in death by his son, Billy; great-granddaughter, Ella; brother, Dick; sisters: Deloris and Darlene, and his parents.

He is survived by his wife, Cheri Johnson, Glen; son Todd Johnson (Tonia) of Cohasset; daughters and sons-in-law: Lynette and Jack Tibadeau, Storden; Kathryn and Glen Stangler, santi; Amy Farness, Imperial Beach, CA; foster daughter, Frankie McDaniel, St. Cloud; 10 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild; brother, Steve (Benny) Johnson of Haywood, CA; any other relatives and friends.

Arrangements were with the Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home of Aitkin. Go to [www.srtfuneral.com](http://www.srtfuneral.com) to sign the online guest register.

# Women of Today week proclamation



The Aitkin Women of Today celebrated Women of Today Week the week of September 18-24 with an Aitkin Area Food Shelf Drive and a Scavenger Hunt. Shown here are Aitkin Mayor Gary Tibbetts signing the Women of Today Week Proclamation with AWT President Heather Simenstad. The Aitkin Women of Today is a service organization promoting leadership skills, personal growth and friendship. For more information about the Aitkin Women of Today please call Jessy McShane at 218-316-0437.

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