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River Oaks dental opens new Aitkin clinic



Dentists Sean Fleming and McLean Severson. Ann Schwartz photos

By ANN SCHWARTZ
River Oaks Dental has opened a brand new clinic space at 1050 Minnesota Avenue South in Aitkin.

Sean Fleming, DDS, owns the practice that was started by Bill Stein of Aitkin. Stein is now retired. McLean Severson, DDS, also practices at River Oaks.

Staff includes four hygienists, six assistants and two administrative staff.

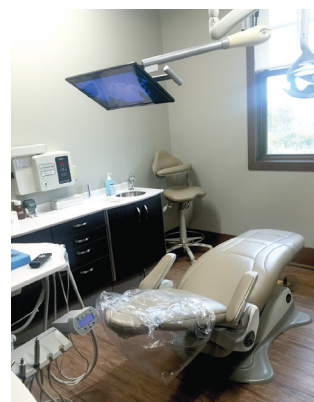
A recent open house let community members tour the new facility. It is well-appointed with wood accents and neutral colors with mission-style decorating. Views look over the Ripple River valley on Aitkin's south edge.

The new space includes treatment rooms, a consult room, a sterilization room, a lab and a panoramic planmeca x-ray machine.

"The patients made this possible," said Fleming.



The spacious waiting room has large windows and a children's corner. Many attended a Sept. 24 open house where lunch was served.



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Logging trucks collide in Pine River

A 55-year-old Pine River man was injured on September 26 after two logging trucks crashed on Swanberg Road and Crow Wing County Road 1 in Pine River.

The Crow Wing County Sheriff's Office responded to the crash at 1:10 p.m. near the intersection of Swanberg Road and Crow Wing County Road 1. The sheriff's office reported one semi-truck and both trailers were overturned upon their arrival.

The trucks were driven by Richard Christopherson, 63, Brainerd, and Timothy Fiene, 55, Pine River. Fiene suffered minor injuries.

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Aitkin Women of Today collection

The Aitkin Women of Today celebrated Women of Today week by collecting food shelf items for the Aitkin Area Food Shelf. The collection included 730 pounds of food and \$345. Pictured here are: Shanna Pratt, Suzanne LaLond, Dorothy Dotzler, Cathy Olson, Roxy Appel Wigton, Mindy Snyder, Dani Owen, Leslie Goble, Erin and Irene Wagner, and Heather Simenstad. Not pictured: Mark LaLond.



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Ongoing Events:

AA- Aitkin - Meeting closed Wednesday 3 pm Aitkin Alano Club
 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 the first Wed., 1-2 p.m. at Birchstreet Center, downtown Aitkin. 218-9271383.
 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 Slate 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.
 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.
 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.operationminnesotanice.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.
 Rosary is ongoing the fourth Tuesday of each month at 1 pm at the Big Fish, Garrison, contact Jean at 218-764-2665 for more info.
 RSVP Bone Builders (Osteoporosis exercise program) Tue & Thu: 10-11 First Lutheran Church, Aitkin; 11:30-12:30 Blackrock Terrace, Aitkin; 12:45-1:45 Journey North Church, Aitkin; Wed: 10-11 Malmo Evangelical Free Church, Malmo & Fri: 10-11 Bethesda Lutheran Church, Malmo. 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.
 Senior Dance at Deerwood Legion, 1-4 pm, 1st and 3rd Fri. each month.
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Tues at East Entrance, First Lutheran Church, 101 2nd St SE, Aitkin Weigh in at 4:30pm and meeting at 5pm
 TOPS Deerwood (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Mondays 6:30 - 7:30 pm, Deerwood Legion, 23659 Forest Rd, Deerwood. For more information, please contact Lucy Bartz 218-839-2218 or Gwenn Smith 218-246-2180.
 TOPS Ironton (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meet Monday, 4 pm weigh-in, 4:30 pm meeting at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Crosby. Call Mabel Semler 218-546-6523 for meeting location information.
 Weight Watchers meets every Tuesday at 5:45 pm at the Sno-Serpents building in Deerwood at 24197 Mohs St (next to the Deer Stand restaurant). Weigh in begins at 5:15 pm. For more information, call 218-820-9725.
 White Pine Riders ATV Club meet 2nd Sat. each month (Feb. - Oct.) at McGrath Fire Hall, 10 am, open to public.
October
 1st - Carmel Lutheran Church Bazaar, Jacobson, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. at Carmel Church, 2 miles south of Jacobson on Highway 65. There will be baked goods, canned goods, garden produce, craft and gift items and many more items available. Lunch, which includes, chicken salad croissant sandwiches, sloppy Joe sandwiches, 2 kinds of soup, yummy desserts, and beverages will be available.
 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
 4th - Crow Wing Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) Thank You and Celebration 5 - 7 pm at Buffalo Hills Lions Park, Brainerd. RSVP is recommended, 218-828-6197
 5th - Jaques Art Center One Stroke Painting Class with Rochelle Bertram, Autumn Holiday Motif 1 - 4 pm Call to register - 218-927-2363
 6th - CLC Cultural Thursday at noon and 7 pm in CLC Lecture Hall E354, Brainerd campus. CLC Sociology instructor Gary Payne will give a presentation titled "Iceland: Harsh Beauty, Happy People" where he will share some of his photos and observations of his recent trip to Iceland.
 7th - Dance to Andy and Stu at the American Legion in Deerwood 1 - 4 p.m.
 7th - The National Alliance for Mental Illness (NAMI) - North Central Region 5+ Adult Mental Health Initiative and the Crow Wing County Mental Health Taskforce will host Mental Health Day at Home 9 am - noon in Meeting Room 1 and 2 of the Crow Wing County Land Services Building, 322 Laurel Street, Brainerd. Come learn about the status of Mental Health services in the following counties: Aitkin, Cass, Crow Wing,

Todd, Morrison and Wadena. There will be an opportunity to learn and discuss the Mental Health needs of Region 5+. There will be four consumers who will share their experiences as well as remarks from current legislators from our area. For more information, please call 218-828-4515.
 7th & 8th - Church Rummage & Bake Sale October 7th (9 am - 5 pm) & 8th (9am - 1pm) Lifespring Church, 30 Hallett Ave NE, Crosby. Bag sale, garden produce, plus sloppy joes and baked goods for purchase.
 8th - Greater Lakes Area Performing Arts presents "Red Rock Swing Band" sponsored by Nisswa Tax Service. More details at 218-568-9200.
 9th - Quilt Bingo, 1 pm at Holy Family Church (Bulldog Lake) 1182 Co. Rd. 8, Hillman (7 1/2 mi. N of Hwy.27 on Co. Rd. 8 or 4 mi. S of Pine Center on Co. Rd. 8) 20 games and 2 blackouts, winners choose a quilt, concessions & crafts available, door prizes & free lunch, handicapped accessible. For info contact Judy at 218-764-2655 or Jean at 218-764-2665
 10th - Public Square Rosary Rally Crusade at noon at the Big Fish on Hwy. 169 in Garrison. Contact Jean at 218-764-2665 for more information.
 11th - Unlimited Learning: Election 2016: Putting it in Perspective, 1:30-3:30 pm, Heartwood Senior Living Community, 500 Heartwood Drive, Crosby, non-members welcome \$5. For more info, call Karen Wilson 651-270-1778
 14th - Fall Arts & Crafts Festival , 9:30 am - 4 pm, Brainerd Senior High School, 702 S. 5th Street, use north or south doors, . Free admission to over 150 exhibitors plus refreshments. For more info contact, Mary Miller at 218-454-6926.

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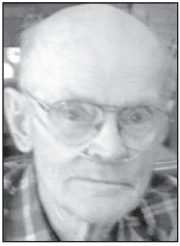
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OBITUARIES

LAWRENCE WESTON



Lawrence Emil "Date" Weston, 93, died on Thursday, September 22, 2016 at the Aicota Assisted Living Center in Aitkin.

Funeral services will be held Friday, September 30, 2016 at 2:30 p.m. from the Hilltop Chapel with Rev. Barry Hite and Rev. Charles Carlson officiating. Visitation will be from 1 p.m. until the 2:30 p.m. services at the church. Burial will be in the Fleming Cemetery. Military honors will be provided by the Palisade and Hill City VFW's.



He was born June 24, 1923 in Palisade, to Charley and Myrtle Weston. He grew up in Palisade and attended the Weston Country School. He served in the U.S. Army during WW II. He served with the 1381st Engineering Distribution Petroleum Co. He served in central Burma and India from October of 1943 to April of 1946 when he was discharged. He married Iris May Carlson on April 4, 1951 at the Palisade United Methodist Church. Together they shared 65 years of marriage, and raised six children. He worked for the Aitkin County Highway Department, in the Palisade shop, for 28 years as a grader operator. When he wasn't

at work for the county, he enjoyed working at his sawmill, which he owned and operated with the help of his sons. He also farmed on his property. He enjoyed deer hunting and passed the joy of hunting on to his children and grandchildren. He had a great love of music and especially enjoyed singing hymns. He also played the harmonica. He was a member of the Hilltop Chapel. His faith in God was something he lived out daily.

He is survived by his wife, Iris, Aitkin; sons and daughters-in-law: Duane and Bernice Weston, Palisade; Glen and Debra Weston, Hill City; Kevin Weston, Hill City; daughters and sons-in-law: Shirlene and Ken Bland, Warba; Sharon and Jerry DeWitt, Palisade; and Sandra and Rick Hatfield, Hill City; 12 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; brother and sister-in-law: Clifford and Pat Weston, Magnolia, Kentucky; sisters and brothers-in-law: Maxine and Wallace Carlson, St. Cloud; Violet and Paul Spolarich, Palisade; J. Marlene Weston, Eden Prairie.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers: Charles Jr., Myrle, Curtiss, Earle, Deane, Kenneth and daughter-in-law, Rosemary Weston.

Arrangements are with the Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home in Aitkin, www.srtfuneral.com.

WENCELL NOVAK



Wencell Robert Novak, 88, of Crosby formerly of Emily died at his daughter's home in Deerwood on September 23, 2016.

Funeral services were held 11 a.m. on Friday, September 30, 2016 at the Cascade United Methodist Church in Deerwood. Burial was in the Pine Ridge Cemetery in Emily. Visitation will be one hour prior to the services at the church on Friday.

He was born on September 30, 1927 in Langford, South Dakota to Joseph and Ruth (Sanderson) Novak. Wencell was a retired Crow Wing County Highway Department employee with 26 years of service. He was a retired charter member of the Emily Fire Department with 23 years of service. He was

a former Mayor, City Council Member and part-time Police Officer for the city of Emily. Wencell was a member of the Cascade United Methodist Church in Deerwood.

He is survived by his son, Bob (Scott Berg) Novak, Crosby; daughter, Virginia "Ginny" (Tom) Ravnik, Deerwood; brother, Wallace F. Novak, St. Louis Park; sister, Joanne (Grant) Pickar, Verndale; five grandchildren: Becky (Dale) Pemberton, Big Lake; Brent (Loni) Ravnik, Alexandria; Nik Novak, Eau Claire, WI; Molly (Steve) Exsted, Big Lake and Natalie (Gary Nash), Portland, OR and nine great grandchildren: Chloe, Zane, Ezra, Joe, Tom, Beau, Jake, Cole and Vivian.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Vivian; and brother, Ward Novak.

Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home in Crosby.

ARLENE BLACKFORD

Arlene J. Blackford, 85, of Aitkin formerly of McGregor and Minneapolis died Monday, September 26, 2016 at the Aicota Health Care Center in Aitkin.

A memorial service will be held Tuesday, October 4, 2016 at 11 a.m. from the Aitkin New Life Church with Rev. Larry Burg officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the church. Interment will be at the Rabbit Lake Cemetery.

She was born August 4, 1931 at Rock Creek, MN to Walter and Elsie (Rodbom) Erickson. She grew up and attended schools at Rock Creek. She then moved to the Twin Cities and worked for the Society of the Blind and worked at St. Mary's Hospital in Minneapolis. She married Robert Gene Blackford on December 14, 1963 in Minneapolis. They made their home in Minneapolis and she raised her family. Robert died in 1973. She moved to South Carolina and lived there from 1983 to 1989. She then moved back to the Twin Cities and in 1993

moved to Tamarack and later to McGregor. She has resided at the Aicota Health Care Center for the past eight years. In her younger years, she enjoyed doing crocheting and puzzle books. She also enjoyed playing the piano and singing.

She is survived by her daughters: Jodie Blackford, Aitkin; Debra Blackford, Onamia; son-in-law, Johnny Nielsen, Odense, Denmark; sisters: Delores Erickson, Aitkin; Corrine Lindemann, San Jose, CA; brothers: Ronald (Betty) Erickson, Rush City, MN; Robert (Janice) Erickson, Deerwood; sister-in-laws: Wanda Erickson, North Branch and Barbara Erickson, St. Louis Park; nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; infant son, Michael; brothers: Lawrence, Wayne and Leslie and sister, Eldora Coyle.

Arrangements are with the Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home in Aitkin, www.srtfuneral.com.

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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; 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 — Ossipee 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; between 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 — 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 thelochchurch@crosslake.net
Isle — Pastor Kerry Johnston; Worship 9; SS 10:15; Wed. Youth Group 6 pm; Adult Prayer 6:30 pm
Malmo — 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 Ingleswood 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.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.lchchurch.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 Email: 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
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), Rev. Tom Peterson. 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.
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.
Malmo — 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.
Rossburg — 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 & 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
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 Mishtr, 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; 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.
Cutler — Pine Lake Chapel, Rev. Laurence Foote; Worship 9.
Cromwell — Pastor Tim Homstad; Worship 10; SS 9
Emily — Pastor Dawn Houser; Worship 8:45; fellowship follows; handicapped accessible.
Fleming — (Northern Lights Parish) SS 9:15; Worship 10:30; fellowship follows; handicapped accessible.
Hill City — Pastor Roger Lynn; Worship 10
McGregor — (Northern Lights Parish) Worship 8:45; fellowship follows; handicapped accessible.
Onamia — Pastor Rick & Judy Wilder; Worship 11; fellowship 10; 2 blks north of Post Office; handicap ramp; 320-532-3150; office: 218-546-7656; cell: 218-360-1947
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OBITUARIES

KERRY BOYER

Kerry W. Boyer, 57, of Aitkin formerly of Prior Lake died Sunday, September 25, 2016 at the St. Cloud Hospital in St. Cloud.

A funeral service will be held Saturday, October 1, 2016 at 11 a.m. from St. James Catholic Church in Aitkin with Fr. David Forsman officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the church. Burial will be in the Spencer Cemetery at Aitkin

He was born February 28, 1959 in Duluth, Minnesota the son of Hubert and Doris (Turner) Boyer. He grew up and attended schools in Prior Lake and graduated from the Prior Lake High School in 1977. He worked various jobs in the Twin Cities and then did over the road trucking for a time. He married Irmgard K. Schreiner on June 6, 2000 in Aitkin. They

made their home in Aitkin and he has been a longtime school bus driver for the Aitkin school district. He enjoyed hunting.

He is survived by his wife, Irmgard Boyer, Aitkin; father, Hubert (Cecelia) Boyer, Prior Lake; sister: Kelly (Todd) Loose, Prior Lake; step children: Cathy (Steve) Rock, Apple Valley; Carry (Carleton) Smea, Nevis; Michael (Sarah) Kelley, Andover; eight step grandchildren, two nieces: Ashley Elsner and Chelsea Loose, one great niece and two great nephews.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Doris and one brother Kim.

Arrangements are with the Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home. www.srtfuneral.com.

Public Square Rosary Rally Crusade

There will be a Public Square Rosary Rally Crusade, which is said nationally and world wide at noon, on Saturday, October 15 at the Big Fish on Hwy. 169 in Garrison.

The Public Square Rosary Rally is once a year on the Saturday closest to the anniversary of the Miracle of

the Sun at Fatima which was October 13, 1917.

This is the 99th Anniversary. Over 12,000 rallies will take place across the United States and the world on October 15, in public reparation for the sins committed against the most Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Participants

will pray fervently for the repentance and conversion of the United States.

There is also a monthly Public Square Rosary on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 1 p.m. at the Big Fish in Garrison. The next gathering is October 25.

Contact Jean at 218-764-2665 for more information.

Kids coats and costumes collection

Clear Lake Grange is once again collecting coats and costumes for children. Collection boxes are set out for new or gently used coats, mittens, gloves, hats, scarves and Halloween costumes.

This annual collection starts Saturday, October 1 and will be going on until Saturday, October 15. Boxes

are located at Aitkin Village Laudromat and Paulbeck's County Market. Winter gear is always needed and in all sizes from infant through adult.

Distribution will take place on Friday, October 21 from noon to 6:30 p.m. and Saturday 9:00 a.m. to noon at United Methodist Church of Aitkin, 104 2nd St NW in

Aitkin. Anyone who has a need is welcome to our free distribution. Items not distributed will be kept and/or donated to Aitkin Area Food Shelf, Workforce Center, and DAC Mart.

If you have any questions, contact Clear Lake Grange member, Roxy Wigton at 218-927-4885.

Aitkin school referendum revived

After the Aitkin voters overwhelmingly said no to a \$68.5 million referendum for new school on August 9, the Aitkin School Board voted 5-1 in favor of bringing

a \$30 million referendum to the voters next year.

The referendum date is yet to be determined, but it could come as early as February 2017.

At the September 19 meeting, Board Member John Chute voted against the \$30 million referendum; and Board Member Kevin Hoge was absent.

Deerwood Lakes Lions get trashy

Deerwood Lakes Lions were out in the ditches picking up items that were thrown from vehicles driving on Highway 6. The crew cleaned on both sides of the road for two miles from Highway 18 to Hansen's Store. Pictured here are Lions members Kay Bendorf, Carol Malek, (non member) Marg Hartung, Linda Altergott and Cathy McDougal.



Swing band in Pequot Lakes Oct. 8

The Red Rock Swing Band will perform danceable tunes from the golden era of Swing at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 8 in the Pequot Lakes High School Theater as part of the Greater Lakes Area Performing Arts (GLAPA) 2016-17 season.

Tickets are \$14 adults, \$12 seniors (60-plus), and \$10 youth (18-under). Season tickets for all seven events of the 2016-17 GLAPA season are still available. For information go to www.glapa.info or call Pequot Lakes Community Education at 218-568-9200.

Award nominations needed

Do you know a business, non-profit or community group that makes an outstanding contribution to the local community? You can nominate them for a commitment to community award and give them the recognition they deserve.

Mille Lacs Energy Cooperative is seeking applications for the 13th Annual Touchstone Energy® Community Award, which recognizes businesses, non-profit and community groups that have shown a strong commitment to the community. Anyone who has helped make the area a

better place to live and work is eligible for the award. Organizations do not have to be a member of MLEC, but must have served a community need within the areas MLEC serves. The recognition comes with a \$500 cash prize to be donated to a community service project of choice.

Community members may nominate a group, association or business by completing an application form, available at Mille Lacs Energy Cooperative or online at www.mlecmm.net. Questions may be directed to Jan Moriarty at 218-927-8243 or 800-497-

5107. The application will require a description of the project, program or event and the positive impact it brought to the community. Completed applications must be received at MLEC's office by October 28, 2016.

This year's award recipient will be announced in November and will contend for the statewide Touchstone Energy Community Award, which has a cash prize of \$1,000. The statewide award winner will be recognized at the Minnesota Rural Electric Association annual meeting in February 2017.

Connor Garvey debuts in Nisswa



Connor Garvey will make his Grassroots Concerts debut at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7 in the Live Well Nightclub and Coffee Bar at Nisswa. Concert general admission is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 12 with listening attention, when accompanied by an adult. Doors open at 6:30 for seating preference. At each concert, non-perishable food and cash donations are welcomed, with donations delivered to local food shelves by Grassroots volunteers.

Clear Lake Grange celebrates 80

Clear Lake Grange No. 692 of Aitkin is celebrating 80 years this October.

You are invited to join them in the celebration on Tuesday, October 18 at 11 a.m. at St. James Catholic Church, 299 Red Oak Drive in Aitkin. This is in conjunction with Aitkin County TRIAD "Aitkin County Sheriff's Department presents K-9 Unit, Boat and Water Patrol and Investigators" with Sheriff Scott Turner and others. The program followed by lunch and is free to all.

Clear Lake Grange was organized in 1936 at the Glen Township old hall. About

40 were signed as charter members. Meetings were held at the Clear Lake and Rabbit Lake schoolhouses. They then built a basement Grange Hall. Some of their activities were card parties, ice cream socials, bingo parties, cemetery clean-up days, they sponsored a 4-H club (Pilots of Clear Lake 4-H which re-chartered in 1961), they worked with projects for the Veterans' hospitals. An annual Harvest Supper was their biggest activity for many years.

Current activities range from Veteran projects (brat sale, poppy sales, honor

guard, visits to veterans, DAV), helping other organizations with events (Aitkin Women of Today, Aitkin County TRIAD, Friends of the Library, A. Co. Historical Society), working at Aitkin and McLeod County Fairs, sponsoring Aitkin County Outstanding Senior Citizen, and Aitkin Food Shelf, to name a few areas. Children age 5 and older can join; family membership includes parents and children up to age 25. Meetings are held the second Tuesday of the month with a potluck meal followed by the meeting at the Aitkin Library.

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