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Crosby police with other local and state law enforcement arrested James Jesse "Jim" Hunter, 68, and Candice Ann McCartan, 46, at about 9 a.m. on Friday, March 10 at C-I Auto/Buy, Sell, Trade in Crosby.

On Monday, March 13, Hunter and McCartan were charged in Crow Wing County 9th District Court.

McCartan was charged with a felony: theft by swindle. She was released on her

own recognizance without

Hunter, who is the Mayor of the City of Crosby faces five charges: felony second degree assault with a dangerous weapon, felony theft by swindle, felony receiving stolen property, felony lawful gambling fraud, and gross misdemeanor engaging in the business of a vehicle financing company without a license.

Hunter was released on

bail that was reduced with conditions to \$20,000.

Hunter is the owner of CI Auto Crosby, JH Trucking and Hunter Nelson rental properties. He is the former owner of Buy Sell Trade.

The criminal complaint filed by Crosby Police Lieutenant Kevin Randolph states in July of 2016, a man identified as T.R.M. went to the Crosby Police Department and spoke with Randolph to to report Hunter for a number of alleged illegal actions mainly the theft of \$90,000 from T.R.M. by Hunter via a lien placed on T.R.M.'s home.

According to the complaint, T.R.M. told police that in late June, his wife Candice McCartan, and Hunter convinced him to purchase Buy Sell Trade, one of Hunter's businesses on 2 East Main Street in Crosby. McCartan

an unconditional \$100,000 had been working for Hunter at Buy Sell Trade for about two years.

> The complaint said, Hunter told them that owning the store would be steady income for T.R.M. and McCartan, and it would help fix their credit problems. Hunter allegedly led T.R.M. to believe that the store generated between \$8,000 and \$12,000 per month in income. His wife didn't dispute it, so he believed it to be true.

> Hunter also reportedly told T.R.M. the sale price was \$45,000. But several days later, after T.R.M. had already signed the sale documents, he found out he was actually required to pay Hunter \$90,000 via a lien placed on his home located in Crosby.

> "When T.R.M. asked Hunter why the amount had doubled, Hunter explained to him that the price included

Mayor faces allegations of assault, swindle, gambling fraud \$45,000 for the business, and \$45,000 for the building," the charges said. "T.R.M. expressed concern to Hunter about the amount of the lien, but Hunter told him not to worry about it, as he had no intentions of taking T.R.M.'s home and with \$8,000-\$12,000 a month of the store's income (T.R.M.) would be able to pay off the lien easily," according to the complaint.

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"Approximately a week later, during the first week of July 2016, Candice Mc-Cartan told T.R.M. that she was leaving him and moving in with Hunter. Upon hearing this, T.R.M. engaged in a verbal argument with Candice McCartan in the BUY SELL TRADE store at 2 East Main Street, Crosby. Hunter became involved in the argument and told T.R.M.

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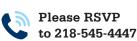


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Mary, owner of the Scentsy booth, right, visits with customer

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Ginger of the Greenhouse in Aitkin displays a cascading fountain.

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AA - Aitkin - 322 1st Ave. NE 218-927-6240 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 Alli-

ance 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 Tues-

days at the Jaques Art Center in Aitkin, 1-3 pm "Ask an Attorney", Aitkin Co. Sheriff's conference room, 4th Tues. 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.

Buddhism-Nichiren meetings held at the Brainerd Public Library conference room on the 3rd Saturday of every month at 1 pm. For information contact Mike Engblom-Bradley 936-Care N Share Community Cafe Community Meal,

Wednesdays Located in the fellowship hall in the Weslayson 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 offers free clothing to men and women in need. We are open the second and fourth Saturdays of each month from 8 a.m. noon. NARROWS COMMUNITY CHURCH, 6297 Woods Bay Drive NE, Outing (follow the yellow signs). Call 320.857.0182 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

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 availalible to those who qualifiy. For more information, call Diann Bates 218-546-5237 or 218-838-4768 cell.

Evergreen P.A.C. ATV Club meetings 1st Thu. 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

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Food Shelf (Aitkin) Open every Wednesday, 10:30 am - 3 pm. 102 4th St. NW, Aitkin

Food Shelf (Aitkin) 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 (Aitkin) 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) Open Tue. & Thu. 1-5 pm, at 9541 Madison Street; Garrison. For emergency Food Shelf, call 320-692-5399 and leave a message.

Food Shelf (Hill City) Trinity Lutheran Church 3rd Saturday 8 am - Noon or by Appt.

Food Shelf (Jacobson) Carmel Lutheran Church 60346 240th Ave, 1st and 3rd Thursday, 4 - 6 pm Food Shelf (McGregor) 45898 Hwy 65 2nd and 4th Wednesday of Month 9 am - Noon

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 &

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 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

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.

TOPS Aitkin (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

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 Immanual 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.

March

J.J."DYN-O-MITE" 17th WALKER Comedy Show at 40 Club Convention Center, Aitkin \$25 doors open at 6:30 pm, opening act at 7 pm and headliner at 8 pm

18th - Boy Scout Troop 100 Fundraiser for Camp Meatball Dinner, American Legion Post #557, Deerwood, 4 - 7 pm, Meatballs with Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Veg, Roll-Dessert \$9 adults, \$6 children12 and under

20th - Unlimited Learning Great Decisions, Session 2: Trade 11am - 1:30 pm Heartwood Senior Living Community . Call Bob Sandin 218-534-5453

21st - CRMC Weight Loss Support Group, 6 pm, Heartwood Senior Living Community

22nd- Cuyuna Lakes Ministerial Association Lenten worship and soup lunch Immanuel Lutheran Church of Crosby, noon

22nd- CRMC Memory Loss Support Group, 9:30 am at Heartwood Senior Living Community

23rd -CRMC Brain Injury Support Group 6 pm CRMC

Clinic Conference Room 23rd -CRMC Brain Colon Cancer Seminar 6 pm Prairie

Bay, Baxter 23rd - Crow Wing County Genealogical Society meeting at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Family History Center, 101 Buffalo Hills Lane, Brain-Carolyn Frisch will speak about her new genealogy books. Her new family books have just been published and she will speak about the Swedish side and other areas. Social hour 6-7pm, program and meeting to follow. Any questions call: 828-9178 or

851-4819. 25th- FORTY CLUB BAN-QUET CENTER'S WED-DING EXPO AND BRIDAL SHOW 2017 10am -3:30 pm \$5 advance purchase and \$6 day of event, Bridal Fashion Show at noon

28th - Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge Job Fair, 11 am - 7 2017 season. For more information contact 218-678-4640

31st - George Winston Solo Concert in the Chalberg Theatre on the Brainerd campus of Central Lakes College, 7:30 pm . Tickets for the George Winston concert are available through the CLC Theatre Box Office at (218) 855-8199, or online at www.clcmn. edu/arts.

31st - Heartland Symphony Orchestra 40th anniversary special. More details at 218-568-9200.

April

28th & 29th - "The WhiteSidewalls" A 50's Rock'n Roll Revue at 40 Club Convention Center, Aitkin \$15, doors open at 5 pm, show at 6 pm

21st -Aitkin Habitat for Humanity "Toolin' Tour," a six-hour motorcycle ride through Aitkin County, noon to 6 pm will raise funds for the Aitkin Chapter of Habitat for Humanity. Proceeds will help construct a new home in Aitkin. The Ride for Habitat will leave from the historic Butler Building in Downtown Aitkin





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LINDA DECENT



Linda Norine DeCent, 70, of Crosby died on March 14, 2017 at her home.

Funeral services will be 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 18, 2017 at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Aitkin.

Crosby. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. until the time of services at the church on Saturday. She was born on March 15, 1946 in Warsaw, Indiana to Russell and Bertha Shoemaker. Linda married Ronnie DeCent on June 30, 1964 in Elkhart, Indiana. She was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. She is survived by her husband, Ronnie;

Burial will be at the Lakewood Cemetery in

sons and daughters-in-law: Wade and Lisa DeCent; Aaron DeCent and Rusty and Louisa DeCent, all of Crosby; daughters and sonsin-law: Lisa and Ben Mooers; Ronette and Bobby Johnson and Julie and Harry Higby, all of Crosby; three sisters: Carol Jankowski, Lafayette, Indiana: Kaye DeCent, Bourbon, Indiana and Honey Hall of Atwood, Indiana; 16 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one son, Joseph DeCent; two great-grandchildren, Nephi DeCent and Dezarae Johnson; one brother, Harold Shoemaker and two sisters, Doris Holland and Maxine Duff.

Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home in Crosby.

BEN RAINWATER



Ben Lewis Rainwater, 62, of Crosby formerly of NE Minneapolis died on Thursday, March 9, 2017 at the Cuyuna Regional Medical Center in Crosby. He was born in Newellton, LA on February 13, 1955 to Ben

and Norna (Thomas) Rainwater. Ben was a former machinist for Gresen Manufacturing in Minneapolis.

Services will be 2 p.m. on Thursday, March

16, 2017 at the Koop Funeral Home in Crosby. Visitation will be one hour prior to the services on Thursday.

Ben is survived by his wife, Merri; one son, Justin Rainwater, Sioux City, SD; one daughter, Katie Jo Hemsworth, Pine River; one brother, Donald Rainwater, Clarksville, AR; three sisters: Linda Domerese, Clarksville, AR: Mary Smith, Pioneer, LA and Patty (Reed) Podvin of Enderlin, ND; and four grandchildren.

Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home of Crosby.

KEVIN FUTHEY



Kevin Lee Futhey, 59, of McGregor formerly of Brooklyn Center, Mn. died Friday, March 10, 2017 at North Memorial Medical Center in Robbinsdale.

A celebration of life will be held Saturday, March 18,

2017 from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the McGregor Community Center where people may come and share stories and have fellowship with the family. Burial will be in the Bennettville Cemetery at a later date.

He was born July 23, 1957 at Crosby, MN to of Lee and Kathy (Koski) Futhey. He lived in Aitkin until 1965 when he moved with his family to Brooklyn Center where he attended schools and graduated from the Brooklyn Center High School in 1975. He then attended Vo-Tech where he studied mechanics. He worked for Hard Chrome Plating until 1988 and then he went to work for Northwest Airlines for 18 years. He married Patricia Lee Hoover on January 23, 2006 in Aitkin. They made their home in McGregor and Kevin worked for the Lake Superior College in Duluth as a maintenance supervisor. He retired due to health issues in 2011. He was the vice president of the Up North Riders Club. He loved riding ATV's. He also loved hunting and spending time at the hunting land. He was a member of the McGregor Lions Club and he enjoyed spending time and visiting with all of his friends and family.

He is survived by his wife, Patty Futhey, Mc-Gregor; sons: Ryan Futhey and Randy Futhey both of Coon Rapids; stepdaughter: Cassandra Glaser, Ramsey; stepson: LeRoy (Dawn) Swanson, Coon Rapids; grandchildren: Jenna, Carter, Brittany, Jordan; great grandchildren: Jaeda, Isla, Akiva, Lola; parents: Kathy and Lee Futhey, Aitkin; sister: Kerrin (Tim) Brelje, St. Paul and brother Keith Futhey of East Bethel.

Arrangements were with the McGregor Funeral Home in McGregor. Go to www.srtfuneral.com to sign the online guest register.

Wedding Expo coming to Aitkin

For those about to "tie the bridal fashion show, door fashion show will begin at knot" and even for those who aren't, there will be a Wedding Expo at the 40 Club Banquet Center in Aitkin on Saturday March 25. The event is from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

prize drawing, DJs, live entertainment and multiple vendor booths. Tickets are \$5 in advance or \$7 at the door.

Banquet Center General Manager and Events Coordi-The event will include a nator Tommy Sabian said the

12:30 p.m. and will feature bride's gowns, bridemaid's dresses, tuxes, formal wear and prom dresses.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call 218-927-2903.

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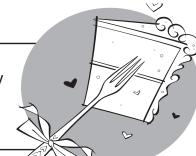
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ALLIANCE

Aitkin* — New Life; Larry Burg & John Baker, pastors; Sunday School JAM session 9 am; Worship 10:15 am & 5:30 pm; Youth Group, Wed 6:15 pm; 112 - 1st Ave. SW 218-927-2823

Garrison* — Pastor Michael H. Palkie; Worship 9; SS

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-

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

Aitkin - The Journey North, Pastor Lynfield Hines, 218-824-5617, Worship 9 and 10:30, thejourneynorth.com Baxter - The Journey North, Pastor Mark Bjorlo, 218-824-5617, Worship Saturday 5, Sunday 9, 10:30, 11:45, thejourneynorth.com

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 - Pastor Chris Meirose; 927-3678; SS 9:15; Worship 10:30 am.; 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.

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Malmo — Bethesda (ELCA Sun. Worship 8:30 & 10; Fellowship between services; Comm. 1st & 3rd Sun.

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Candice McCartan

he would need to leave the premises.

"T.R.M. told Hunter that he could not kick him out of his own store.

"At this time, James Hunter told T.R.M. that he did not own the building, and stated that in fact, Hunter still owned it. T.R.M. was shocked to hear this, believing that he had paid \$45,000 for the building. Several days later, Hunter requested and was granted a Harassment Restraining Order (HRO) against T.R.M., preventing T.R.M. from returning to the

"When T.R.M. was going through divorce proceedings against Candice McCartan,



James Hunter

T.R.M.'s divorce attorney reviewed the sale documents for BUY SELL TRADE that T.R.M. had signed. The attorney explained to T.R.M. that what he had actually purchased was the inventory of the store, several computers, the cash register, and the ATM machine. T.R.M.'s attorney estimated the actual value of the purchase to be between \$5,000 and \$7,000."

R.F., who worked at Buy Sell Trade for about six months, told them that during her time there she saw Hunter regularly take cash out of his pocket and put it in the cash register and that he paid her directly from his own personal checking account. She said she heard Hunter and McCartan talking about how the business was losing money. And shortly before the "sale" to T.R.M., she said she heard Hunter say he would need to close the store down soon due to the financial strain it put on his other businesses, the charges stated.

T.R.M.'s son told police that after McCartan moved in with Hunter, he saw them parked in front of Buy Sell Trade in September. The son approached the vehicle and talked to McCartan through the driver's side window next to Hunter. The conversation turned angry, the criminal complaint said, and Hunter allegedly took out a handgun and pointed it at the son with his finger on the trigger.

The police executed search warrants on Hunter's home, Buy Sell Trade, his bank, his phones and his vehicle, the complaint said. Inside the center console of the vehicle they found the gun the son had told them about. In the store, police found a semiautomatic pistol that had been reported stolen.

In Hunter's residence, they

found 54 more guns, "including multiple guns in various locations in the house," the complaint stated.

Police contacted the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives to check the backgrounds of the guns.

Hunter also repeatedly overcharged people at his used car lot, the complaint stated. Minnesota law only allows \$75 to be charged for documents when people buy a car, but Hunter charged \$400 for documentation and financing. Hunter does not have a license to provide car financing, but charged people for it anyway, the complaint said.

"Five bills of sale were provided to Crosby PD prior to the search warrants being executed," the complaint said. "In each bill of sale, Hunter charged the \$400 fee."

Witnesses also saw Hunter playing pull tabs in his own business, which is illegal, the charges stated. He would also allegedly use other people's driver's licenses to collect the winnings.

"Witnesses have expressed fear that Hunter or his associates in the community will harass or intimidate them when he learns who they are," the charges said. "They are requesting that he not be allowed to contact them, their families or their residences. Hunter is also known to travel frequently outside the state and country to Mexico. Law enforcement is concerned he will flee the jurisdiction."

This concludes the statement of probable cause in the complaint files by Crosby Police Lieutenant Kevin Randolph.

Hunter's next court date is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. March 27.

Not so, according to Hunter's attorney

Hunter's attorney, Edward R. Shaw, said the complaint about the alleged swindling was simply due to the fact Thomas McCartan thought he had gotten a raw deal. Shaw said he had never seen anything like it before.

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"That [this] has become the basis of a criminal charge, I find that frankly amazing," Shaw said.

Shaw said Candice McCartan never moved in with lim Hunter. He said she had her own apartment.

Shaw indicated the divorce agreement was signed on January 23, 2017 and the divorce decree was filed on Feb. 27, 2017. In the agreement and decree, Thomas McCartan agreed to pay Candice McCartan \$20,366. In that agreement, Hunter agreed to release and satisfy such mortgage and release Thomas McCartan from all liabilities related to the business, in exchange for a payment of \$20,366 against the debt on the business.

As to the felony assault charge, Shaw pointed out Hunter had restraining orders both against Thomas McCartan and the son who was involved in the alleged gun incident. Thomas McCartan was cited for restraining order violation March 6.

Shaw has looked over the material from the prosecution concerning the assault charge. He said McCartan's son, Nick claims that he confronted Hunter while Hunter was in his truck, and that Hunter pointed a gun at him.

"Even if all of this were true," said Shaw, "Nick is the aggressor here, confronting Mr. Hunter at Mr. Hunter's vehicle.

He said the restraining orders against Thomas and Nick were based on aggressive, confrontational behaviors on their part, including Nick confronting Mr Hunter at Mr. Hunter's truck, Thomas yelling at Mr. Hunter on main street in Crosby while grabbing his crotch, and making

threats against Mr. Hunter.

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"Regarding the claim that Mr. Hunter played pull tabs in his own business," Shaw said,"he did not. He played pull tabs in the business owned by Candice and Thomas McCartan, after it was sold to them."

Regarding the stolen property claim, Shaw said, "Mr. Hunter has purchased numerous used guns and other used property items, he has been in that business. He is careful to avoid purchasing stolen items, out of the thousands of items he has purchased, after an extensive search law enforcement located one gun that he had purchased in good faith which turned out to be stolen. He had no idea that it was stolen."

Abuse of Power

"The complaint filed against Mr. Hunter is a blatant abuse of power by the Crosby Police Department," said Shaw. "I do hope that they will be held accountable for their actions."

Hunter ousted incumbent mayor Joanna Lattery, 390 votes to 338, last November.

Shaw said, "Mr. Randolph, Chief Coughlin, the former Mayor and the City Clerk were certainly pretty tight. [They] were not happy to see Mr. Hunter elected Mayor. Mr. Hunter talked about changing some policies and holding employees more accountable. I think some people didn't like to see that happen, because they felt they were going to be held more accountable. I hope the people that brought forth these accusations are held accountable. I've never seen anything quite like this, in 20 plus years of lawyering, [with] accusations this thin."

Shaw indicated that once the charges against Hunter are resolved. There should be an investigation initiated by the Crosby City Council into the individuals behind these charges.

READER-RIBBE

What makes a person's day

I received this email from my kid brother who used to teach in Sebeka, MN and now lives in Detroit Lakes. It helped me recall similar events where people remembered something I had done that made THEIR day, in years past. I just wanted to share this in hopes that your readers have had similar experiences. Here is brother Brad's story:

"So, today at Walmart they had pies on a reduced rack. A banana crème was calling my name, so I bought it. Called Debbie (Brad's wife) and she said not to get one ...too late... because she didn't want it.

Then I remembered that it was Pi day (3.14 for you math people), so I took it over to the ALC to share with the other teachers. I am working with a student on a quiz, when one of the other teacher's called me out to see someone. It was one of my former students from 15 years ago.

'Mr. Carlson, I remembered that you always gave us pie on pi day. So I googled you, found that you worked at the Food Pantry, looked up the time for the Food Pantry, and went over there. They told me that you weren't working there today, to go to the ALC. I brought you some pies to share.' In her hands were two Perkin's Pies!

She had guit school at 16, got her GED and is farming near Nimrod with her husband and kids. So, she drove from Nimrod (an hour drive) bought two Perkin's pies, and drove around Detroit Lakes looking for me.

The little things you do that people remember.

This story of Brad's made me recall a time when I was a substitute teacher in Bigfork, MN where my oldest brother was teaching at the time. During a study hall, one of the girl students came up and asked if she and another girl could go to the home ec room to bake a cake for my brother's birthday.... which happened to be that day. Off they went and they even presented the cake to him in one of his classes. My brother never forgot that act of kindness by those girls. He talked about it till the day he died ... a couple years ago. Some how this story of Brad's brought back the birthday cake story again... guess it just makes one feel happy inside.

Brian Carlson Grand Rapids, MN





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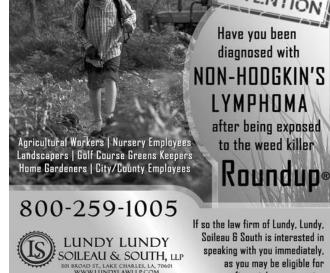
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Your Legal Rights: Beware of "Can you hear me?" scam calls

"Can you hear me?" "Are you there?" "Is this you?" Most people have been asked these questions in a phone call. News outlets and organizations across the country report that people are receiving calls from individuals who ask questions designed to get a "yes" answer. But responding "yes" may leave people on the hook for more nuisance calls and maybe even unauthorized charges. This new scheme is called the "Can You Hear Me?" Scam.

The calls go like this:

"Chris" received a call while he was eating dinner. He answered the call, and a person asked, "Can you hear me?" Chris replied "yes." He then heard a recording that claimed he had won a free cruise. Chris realized the call may be part of a scam and hung up.

How the scam works

The details of this scam vary, but it always begins with a call, usually from a telephone number that appears to be local. When the person answers the call, the scam artist tries to get the person to say "yes"—most often by ask-

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In some cases, the caller may record the person saying "yes." Scam artists may be able to use a recorded "yes" to claim that the person authorized charges to his or her credit card or account. How can scammers access your account? Some companies share their customers' information with thirdparty companies or allow third parties to charge customers' accounts (called "cramming") in exchange for payment. Scam artists may also obtain financial information from data breaches or leaks or through identity theft.

How to protect yourself

Whether the "Can you hear me?" calls are simply nuisance calls or something more sinister, there are steps you can take to avoid falling victim to phone scams.

• Check phone numbers

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calls to make them appear a scam, it is a good idea to to be from a local telephone number. Even if a number appears to be local, it is best to avoid calls from numbers with which you are not fa-

• Hang up. If you answer a call that seems suspicious, hang up. Remember, "Minnesota Nice" does not apply to scammers. It is not rude to hang up abruptly on a suspicious caller. In fact, the more time you spend on the phone with a scam artist, the more likely you are to be roped into a scam...and to get even more nuisance calls down the road.

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Reporting unwanted calls

If you receive a call that may be part of a "Can You Hear Me?" scam, you should report it to the Federal Trade Commission ("FTC"). The FTC has the authority to enforce federal laws regulating nuisance calls and interstate fraud over the telephone. The FTC may be reached as

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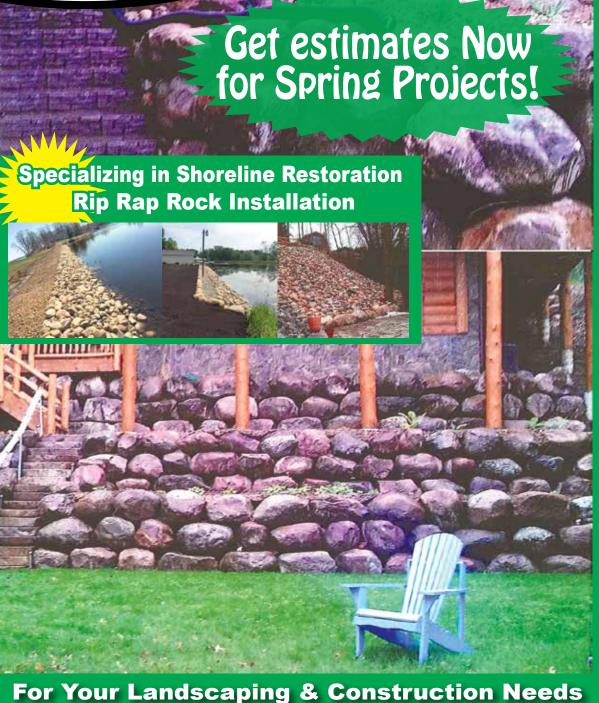
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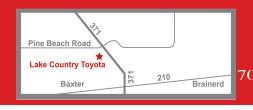


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