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Ruttger's to celebrate 32nd Annual Oktoberfest



Toast with Jack Ruttger at Oktoberfest on Saturday, Oct. 21.

Sounds of tubas, accordions and revelers will once again fill the fall air as Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge brings

a touch of Bavaria to the Lakes Area with one of the state's most popular Oktoberfest celebrations. The party begins at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 21. Prost!

The festivities mark the 32nd year the resort has hosted the traditional German festival that features live entertainment, authentic German food and drinks, an arts and crafts fair and much more.

Each year, the festival has grown in scope and popularity, setting a record at last year's Oktoberfest with an estimated crowd of more

than 7,000 people.

"The reason Oktoberfest gets bigger and better every year is pretty simple - It's a great party," Ruttger's President Chris Ruttger said. "There's something magical about enjoying German beer and food while listening to authentic German festival music. It's hard not to smile while wearing lederhosen."

The heart of Oktoberfest is the Arts and Crafts Fair on Saturday, Oct. 21 from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. This year's fair features more than 160 vendors selling a wide assortment of clothing, art, food

and more. In addition to the Arts and Crafts Fair, attendees can enjoy children's activities including face painting, a wandering stilt walker, kids pedal tractor pull competition and Kids Krafts at the Kids' Kamp Building.

The Entertainment Tent will once again be a hub with an entire day of entertainment and beer on tap. Back by popular demand, "The Concord Singers", "Alpensterne", and the "Narren of New Ulm" will take the stage beginning at 10:45 a.m. The ceremonial keg tapping is scheduled for 11 a.m.

Lederhosen optional!

Saturday night is the celebrated Oktoberfest Dinner Buffet, with all the favorite German specialties. "Bay Lake Volksmusik Kapelle" and "Alpensterne" perform during the dinner buffet in Ruby's Dining Room. Reservations are required for the dinner buffets, but Saturday's arts and crafts fair and the daytime events are free admission. For more information and to make your dinner reservation, call Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge at 218-678-2885. See the dinner menus and schedule of events at ruttgers.com.

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Correction In the John Douglas Peterson murder trial article published in the October 7, 2017 issue of the **NEWSHOPPER**, the sentencing was incorrectly stated as 17 months. The correct length of the sentence was 17.5 years. The **NEWSHOPPER** staff regrets the error.

One man and three women arrested in Brainerd

A 37-year-old Brainerd man along with three Brainerd women ranging in age from 28 to 52 were arrested after the man refused to come out of a residence in which authorities had located him Friday morning.

According to the Crow Wing County Sheriff's Department, deputies went to a residence located on the 11000 block of Burgwald Rd., Brainerd, on Friday, Oct. 6, to attempt a warrant arrest on Stephen Louis Gagnon,

who was known to frequent this residence. Gagnon had an active DOC arrest warrant out for him. Upon arrival at the residence, deputies determined through witness statements and cell phone text messages that Gagnon



Stephen Louis Gagnon

was inside the residence, but refused to come out.

The Crow Wing County Tactical Response team was called to assist. After several attempts to contact Gagnon in the residence, with no response, the Tactical Team made entry into the house. Gagnon then came out of the residence and surrendered to authorities.

Also arrested were Tanya Lee Bocock, 28, of Brainerd, Jennifer Rose Fretty, 35, of Brainerd, and Linda Lee Olson, 52, of Brainerd - all on suspicion of aiding an offender to avoid arrest.

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Tastemakers in Aitkin shared samples for a Taste of Aitkin on Oct. 5



Diners enjoyed sampling food from area restaurants and a market at the Moose Lodge in Aitkin for a Taste of Aitkin on October 5. Ann Schwartz photos.

By ANN SCHWARTZ
After a long stretch of cool and rainy weather, the sun

came out just in time to pack the Aitkin Moose Lodge for a Taste of Aitkin on October 5.

special of the night. Scott Justen of the Joint, formerly known to the locals

as the Naughty Pine, dished up Swiss onion soup.

Minnesota Meats of Aitkin had pizza, several cold meat samples and Boar's Head Cheese to try.

Diners stopped at the booth of the Deerstand of Deerwood for barbecued ribs and homemade sauce.

Holding down the corner were Deb Kelly and Rosemary Spychalla of the 40 Club who featured Backwoods Salmon and Wild Rice Pilaf.

Wendie of the Beaney carried on the wild rice theme with a cold salad.

Lori Packer and daughter Paige offered spaghetti and sauce from Rosalini's.

Ending the queue were Thomas and Pamela Mizner

of Gramma's Pantry organic market. Their spread featured Brazilian stew, organic salad with heirloom tomatoes, two types of pinwheels and an assortment of cheeses and crackers.

Rounding the corner, customers were treated to dessert from the Aitkin Chamber of Commerce. Apples were drizzled with caramel and an assortment of toppings were featured on the dessert bar.

The heat from the outside reached in to grab many of



Shane Miles from the Deerstand in Deerwood served ribs.

those who were busy working and standing over heated appliances. They found themselves flushing and needing to step outside for a breath of fresh air. The event was planned and carried out by the chamber's Partnership Committee, featuring Director Taylor Erickson and Joan Peterson

from Hubbard Radio; Jessica Janzen, Janzen Realty; Ashley Warner of Mid-Minnesota Federal Credit Union; Lee-Ann Hohenstein, Neighborhood National Bank and Kari Paulsen, Workforce Center.

Wolfe appointed to Crosby council seat and head librarian resigns

Mayor Bob Novak had one comment at the beginning of the Oct. 9 City of Crosby Council meeting, "I found out overwhelmingly, after the remarks that I read at the last meeting that the Mayor of a Statutory City indeed can vote, just like the rest of the council members. And I also have the ability to move or make motions, second motions and I will be guided that way in the future. Thank you Attorney Joe [Langel]."

The council appointed Robyn Wolfe to the vacant council seat. The seat was open when newly appointed Council Member Bob Novak was appointed mayor after the resignation of Mayor Jim Hunter on Aug. 25.

The candidates were all called to the presentation chair in the order the letters of interest for the seat were received. The only exception being Ed Vukelich who had withdrawn his candidacy prior to the meeting. Joanna Lattery, Robyn Wolfe, Ron Martin, Nick Huisinga, Dusty Paul, Elaine Karel, Gary Knutson and Beth Hippert. All candidates shared the reasons they should be chosen over other candidates.

Former Councilman Dusty Paul withdrew when it came time for his presentation saying, "I'm going to withdraw my name. I'd like to see a new face in there."

The council indicated they were happy to find so many qualified candidates. It would be a difficult to choose only one. Ultimately the first motion was made by Councilman

Jim Traylor to nominate Nick Huisinga and seconded by Mayor Bob Novak. When the vote was called Councilman Traylor and Novak voted in favor and Councilmen Paul Heglund and Ron Prushek voted against. Novak said that could not break the tie, because he could not vote twice.

After the first motion failed, Prushek made the motion to appoint Robyn Wolfe and Heglund seconded. The council unanimously approved Robyn Wolfe to fill the remaining term (through December of 2018) of the council seat vacated by now Mayor Bob Novak.

Florida Bike Conference

Novak talked about the Chamber receiving a \$1,000 grant to cover the expenses of attending the national bicycle tourism annual conference this November in Florida. Jessica Holmgvist, as the executive director, is going to attending the conference to better understand how our community can improve it's Cuyuna Crusher mountain biking event. She will be joined by Aaron Hautala of the Cuyuna Lakes Mountain Biking Crew and International Mountain Biking

Association. Hautala will be presenting at the conference again this year, his fourth year at this event.

Department heads should attend council meeting

Novak commented the department heads from the Fire Department, Public Works and Hallett Community Center were not at the meeting.

Novak said, "I want to make a comment here. The department heads are expected to be here once a month at a meeting, to spend an hour or two whatever it takes. And I am certainly not appreciative of the fact that we do not have that representation here." He said attending the meeting was part of the job.

Library report and resignations

Head Librarian Pegg Beseres gave her report to the council including the announcement that both she and board member Don Boucher are retiring at the end of 2017.

Beseres said, "And finally I have submitted paperwork to the city, as I will be retiring as Head Librarian on December 15, 2017. ..It has been my greatest joy and privilege to serve 31 years, as both chil-

dren's librarian 1986-2006 and head librarian 2007-2017, at the Jesse F. Hallett Memorial Library."

The council unanimously accepted Pegg Beseres' resignation Dec. 15 with extreme deep regrets.

Novak read Beseres' farewell letter: "... I can attest to the excellence with which the staff, board and volunteers of the JFHL have conducted there day to day business year after year, since Mr. Hallett dedicated this facility to his wife Jesse in 1978. This public library is a true state of the art hub of connectivity for the Cuyuna Lakes Community. ...Please nurture it and support it, if you're not already a friend of the library please join now. Knowing that the library will remain vibrant and appreciated is my wish. I desire only the best for the future of our beloved public library."

Council accepted donations to the Library. Crosby Police Chief Coughlin noted there is illegal dumping at the recycle bins the public is reminded only recycling not recliners, mattresses,

furniture, etc. is accepted at these bins. Other non recyclable items should be taken to the landfill and fees may apply. Police Lieutenant Kevin Randolph will look into an update on the pricing from last November for a video surveillance system for next meeting.

Coughlin talked about Lieutenant Randolph receiving the 2017 Investigator of the Year award for his work on a serial rapist case when he was at the University of Minnesota Campus Police. Coughlin said "I just wanted to publicly tell all you and Lieutenant Randolph how proud I am of having an officer that did such a great job."

Novak wanted to know if anyone knew if the runoff water from CRMC was filtered before going into Serpent Lake.

Traylor said it is filtered in the bottom of the basin and can handle about one inch of rain before it doesn't filter and discharges into the lake.

Dusty Paul said the design met with State approval with only a question of the discharge pipe being routed

over property owned by Dick Harrison. He felt they should talk with City Engineer Phil Martin about the matter.

Novak then turned his attention to the Crosby signs with the iron ore rocks needing to have weeds trimmed around them. Novak inquired if sentenced to serve services were still being used for projects in the city.

Heglund said that Working Foreman Rono had inquired and thought no one was available at the time. He indicated the would inquire further.

Clerk/Treasurer Lisa Sovo asked for approval for partial payment of Pratt Affordable Excavating for the campground sewer project in the amount of \$42,187.36 council approved this partial payment.

The City of Crosby was given a A+ credit rating from Standard and Poors. The Council gave the credit for this to Lisa Sovo.

Council approved the certifying unpaid nuisance violation fines to property taxes.

The council moved to a closed session to discuss a personnel issue.

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