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Saturday, October 14, noon the Big Fish (Hwy. 169) Garrison For info contact Jean

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.

Ruttger's to celebrate 32nd Annual Oktoberfest

"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 Volksmusikkapelle" 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.

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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.

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,

According to the Crow 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

One man and three women arrested in Brainerd



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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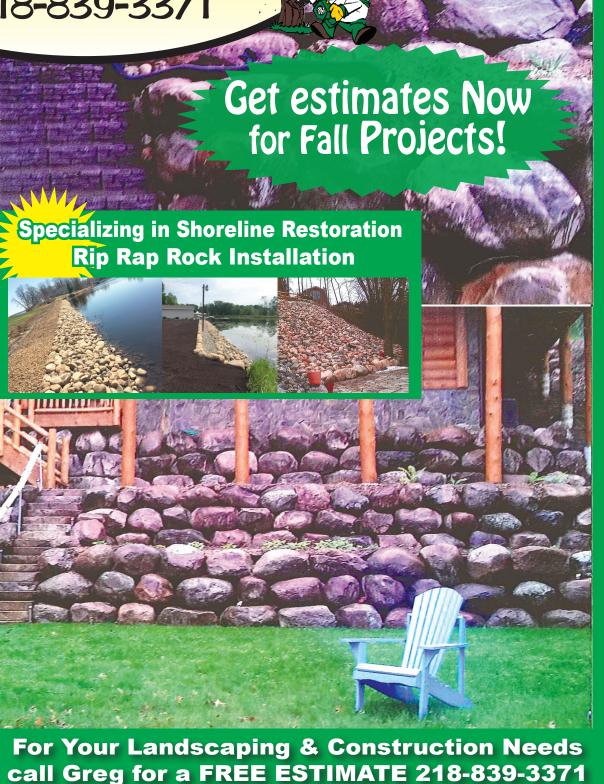
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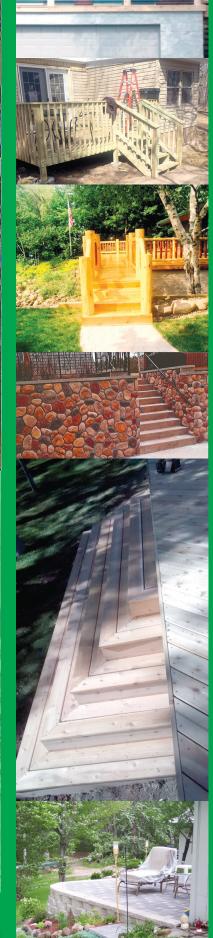
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### Ongoing Events:

- 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.
- 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 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 936-525-7843.
- 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, open the fourth Saturdays of each month from 8 a.m. - noon. Located at 6297 Woods Bay Drive NE, just north of the Hwy. 6 bridge in Outing. For more information call 320-857-0182. Donations of clean, repair free clothing accepted that time also.
- Cooks Night Out 3rd Wed of month, McGregor Comm. Ctr., 5:30 p.m., no restrictions, dona-
- 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 qualifiv. 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 (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
- 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,
- 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 & 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 each month at 7PM, EXCEPT January, February and July which are dark . 4th Tuesday in June and 2nd Tuesday in August also are dark. Meetings are held on 2nd floor of the EyeCare Center 312 Minnesota Ave No. Ait-
- 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 p.m.; 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, con-

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- COMMUNITY-EVE tact Jean at 218-764-2665 for more info.
  - RSVP Bone Builders (Osteoporosis exercise program) Mon.: 10 Glory Baptist Church; 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 Wednesday at 5:45 pm at the Deerwood VFW. 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

- 14th, 15th, 20th, 21st & 22nd Grand Rapids Players Fall Production, "Arsenic and Old Lace" directed by Steve Jaeger. Tickets are \$15 and available at the Reif Box Office and online at reifcenter.org
- 14th Public Square Rosary Rally Crusade (National) at NOON at the Big Fish (Hwy 169) Garrison. Sponsored by America Needs Fatima. For info. contact Jean at 218-764-2665.
- 14th Order Now! Pasty Marathon sponsored by the Council of Catholic Women (CCW) of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Crosby. Orders are now being taken for pasties, at \$6 each, available on the following Wednesdays: October 18 and 25. Order extra to freeze for later meals. Gravy is also available (12 oz. for \$1). To place your order, call Kay at (218) 545-2306. St Joseph's Catholic Church is located at 619 Poplar Street in Crosby.
- 17th Aitkin County Triad Safe Winter Driving Program 11:00 a.m. at St James Church, 299 Red Oak Drive, 299 Red Oak Drive, Aitkin. Free lunch served following program. Reservations for lunch encouraged, call Ginny Ekstrand at 218-752-1111 or e-mail: ekstrand@frontier.com Reservations preferred by October 13, 2017
- 17th Cuyuna Lakes Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner Member MASH at Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge, social hour and raffle starting at 5:30 p.m., dinner buffet at 6:30 p.m. This year's keynote speaker is Nick Miller of 3-Cheers Hospitality which recently opened the Iron Range Eatery in Crosby. Tickets are only \$45 per person and a reserved table for eight is \$450, includes table sponsorship. Reservations should be made by Friday, October 13 by calling 218-546-8131.
- 17th & 24th Crossing Arts Alliance Volunteer Informational Sessions for those interested in learning more about volunteering with the organization. 45-minute sessions will be held at 10 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Re-

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- 18th Tickets may be purchased for eight performances Geritol Frolics, a musical variety show performed by area men and women age 55 and older, at the Franklin Arts Center in Brainerd. Show date and times are: Oct 19 & 29 at 7 p.m.; Oct. 20-22, 26, 27, 29 at 1:30 p.m. Ticket prices are \$15 for general seating and \$17 for premium seating with a \$3 processing fee per ticket. All seats are reserved. Call 218-825-4993.
- 19th American Girl Doll Tea at Jessie F. Hallett Memorial Library in Crosby form 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Call 546-8005 for more info.
- 20th 22nd , 26th, 27th &29th Geritol Frolics,a musical variety show performed by area men and women age 55 and older, at the Franklin Arts Center in Brainerd, at 1:30 p.m. The Oct 29 show has an additional performance at 7 p.m. Ticket prices are \$15 for general seating and \$17 for premium seating with a \$3 processing fee per ticket. All seats are reserved. Call 218-825-4993.
- 20th & 22nd Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge Oktoberfest.
- 21st Order Now! Pasty Marathon sponsored by the Council of Catholic Women (CCW) of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Crosby. Orders are now being taken for pasties, at \$6 each. Final pick up is Wednesday, October 25. Order extra to freeze for later meals. Gravy is also available (12 oz. for \$1). To place your order, call Kay at (218) 545-2306. St Joseph's Catholic Church is located at 619 Poplar Street in Crosby.
- 24th Crossing Arts Alliance will be offering a silk scarf-dyeing workshop with Diane Runberg on 10 a.m - noon. The registration fee covers all instruction and materials needed. Cost is \$25 for Crossing Arts members, or \$30 for non-members. Register by calling The Crossing Arts Alliance at 218-833-016 or in person at 711 Laurel Street, Brainerd.
- 24th Crossing Arts Alliance Volunteer Informational Sessions for those interested in learning more about volunteering with the organization. 45-minute sessions will be held at 10 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served. Interested parties should RSVP to Crossing Arts at info@ crossingarts.org or 218-833-0416
- 24th Public Square Rosary (fourth Tuesday of each month) at 1 p.m. at the Big Fish, Garrison Contact Jean at 218-764-2665 for more info.
- 25th-Waukenabo Dance, "Chmielewski" & Leroy will be performing 1-4 p.m. at the Waukenabo Community Center located 15 mi. north of Aitkin on Hwy. 169 to Co. Rd. 3, west 1 1/4 mi. on left.
- 27th 29th Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge Zombie Apocalypse Halloween Spooktacular, including 3K Zombie Fun Run.

### November

- 4th Cascade United Methodist Church Bazaar and Craft Sale 9am-2pm (Noon Lunch) Highway 6-210 Deerwood
- 4th Waukenabo Community Center Hunters' Breakfast and Bake Sale 5 am- noon. Breakfast Includes: Eggs, Pancakes, Bacon, Juice, Coffee & Milk Adults \$6.00 Ages 6-12 \$3.00 Ages 5 and under free From Aitkin take Hwy 169 N to CR 3. Turn west on CR 3 for 1-1/4 miles. 8th-Waukenabo Dance, "Marie & Ross" will
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### FONDA HARTZBERG



Fonda Elayne Hartzberg, died peacefully on August 7, 2017, her 98th birthday, in Aitkin, with her daughter Beverly at her side.

The memorial service will be held on Saturday, October 21, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. at the Round Lake Presbyterian

Church at 16652 Goshawk Street, McGregor.

She was born to Edgar and Sadie Raveill in Duluth on August 7, 1919 with her twin brother, Wayne. They were the youngest of six with older brother and sisters Maynard, Ruth, Kathleen and Lillian. Elayne and Wayne went to grade school near Boot Lake. For High School, she started by living in Duluth, working her way through school. The last three years she was at the Central High School in Grand Rapids, MN. Elayne worked her way through by working for Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert, who owned what is now known as The Gilbert Mansion. After graduation, she married Gunnar Hartzberg at her parent's home in Jacobson on March 12, 1939. Gunnar and Elayne were both raised on farms, so it was natural that they continued, and bought a farm in Balsam Township, 12 miles north of Tamarack. Gunnar worked in the woods in addition to farming. Elayne was a master of all. She could make hay, milk cows, kept a large garden and did much canning. They raised two daughters, Ethel and Beverly, and both went to school in McGregor. Life on the farm was a lot of work, but also a lot of fun. Gunnar and Elayne were members of the Balsam Presbyterian Church and kept it going for many years, as Elayne was the superintendent. Later,

the church closed and they went to the Round Lake Presbyterian church on Goshawk Street. As the years went by, they sold the cattle, made fish ponds on the property, and sold the fish. They also grew strawberries and raspberries which they sold to the winery and friends. After Gunnar died in June 1996, Elayne stayed on the farm for a time, and then moved into the Villa in McGregor. You name it and she did it for everyone. One could never find her home between morning coffee, bible study, baking, rug making and tending her flower gardens. Her cup was always overflowing. Elayne was a miracle worker as she was always willing to do what anyone needed or wanted. When Elayne's age started working against her, she moved into the Aitkin Health Services. She still kept busy going to all the different activities. Bingo was her favorite. She was even the Valentine Queen her first year! After 4 years and 2 months there, Elayne went to be with the Lord and she will be greatly missed by all.

Elayne will be greatly missed by her daughter Beverly, Sister-in-Law Marion Indihar of Oregon, grandchildren Suzanne, Heather, Nathan, Kyra, Holly, great grandchildren Adeline, Koven, Roxzen, Kenalyse and Ralph, as well as many other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Gunnar; daughter, Ethel; granddaughter, Sara; great granddaughter, Cora Hope; brothers: Maynard and Wayne; and sisters: Ruth, Kathleen and Lillian.

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

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### JACOB RAVNIK



Jacob "Jake" Ravnik, 100, of Crosby died on Monday, October 2, 2017 at his home. Funeral services were held on Monday, October 9, 2017 at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Crosby. Burial was at the Lakewood Cemetery in Crosby with full military

honors given by the Myrin James American Legion Post. IMemorials are preferred to the Myrin-James American Legion Post #443, Ironton.

He was born to Jacob and Frances (Sustersic) Ravnik in Ely on July 27, 1917, he was the third of nine children. He was a retired member of the Local 959, Alaska Teamster Union with 30 years of service. He was a life time member of the Myrin-James American Legion #443, Ironton; and the Cuyuna Range Masonic Lodge #276. The family moved to the Cuyuna Range and lived in the various mining towns surrounding Crosby. Jake worked in the CC camps during the depression and then left home jumping the rail to head west to work in the lumber industry and farming. He worked in copper, tungsten and iron ore mines. He served in the Army in the Figi and Philippine Islands during WWII. Returning to Minnesota after the war he decided to adventure to the territory of Alaska in 1947 with brothers and friends. In 1948, he started a two week job with Green Construction which lasted until his retirement in 1977. Working with the road construction company took him to various camps throughout Alaska. In 1951, he married Marlys Steinke of Cuyuna in the town of Seward, AK. They had two daughters. The four of them lived in construction camps from Fairbanks to Tok. Life was never boring. Jake had the gift of living in the moment and the most important person was the one he was talking to at the moment. Up to the end he was still interested in people

Jacob is survived by his wife, Marlys and daughter Nancy Ravnik of Crosby; daughter and son-in-law, Betty Ravnik and Jeff Helget of Alexandria, brother and sister-in-law, Frank and Nellie Ravnik of Helena, MT; sister-in-law, June Steinke of Crosby; many nieces and nephews; and good friends: Pat Northberg, Niki Jacobs and Dan Jurek.

and life. He was the wind in his daughter's sails.

Jake lived an honest life of integrity and grace.

He was preceded in death by his parents and seven siblings: John, Henry, Edward, Adolf, Frances, Julia Barret, and Elizabeth Melquist.

Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral

# Order delicious hearty pasties now

Orders are now being taken for pasties in annual pasty marathon sponsored by the Council of Catholic Women (CCW) of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Crosby.

Pasties will be available for pick up on the following Wednesdays: October 18 and 25. The pasties sell for \$6 each and are made following a recipe for the pastry-enfolded meat and vegetable treat call Kay at (218) 545-2306. that dates back to the days when iron miners on the Cuyuna Range and tin miners in England took them to work in the mines. Each pasty is large enough to serve as a full meal for one or two people. Gravy is also available, 12oz. for \$1. Orders for gravy can be placed with your pasty order. To place your order,

If necessary, leave a message. Your call will be returned.

Pasties are picked up on the Wednesday they are baked. Pick one or more of the above Wednesdays and remember, you may want to order extra to freeze for later meals. St Joseph's Catholic Church is located at 619 Poplar Street in Crosby.

NewsHopper Deadlines are Mondays at Noon

\* Indicates handicap accessible. NOTE: All times are Sunday morning (a.m.) unless indicated otherwise.

### **ALLIANCE**

Aitkin\* - New Life; Larry Burg & John Baker, pastors; 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

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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 - The Journey North, Pastor Lynfield Hines, 218-824-5617, Worship 9 and 10:30, the journeynorth.com Baxter - The Journey North, Pastor Mark Bjorlo, 218-

824-5617, Worship Saturday 5, Sunday 9, 10:30, 11:45, thejourneynorth.com Brainerd\* - Faith Baptist Church, Pastor Chris Erickson,

218-829-3191; SS 9:00, Worship 10:30 and 6 p.m., Wed. Classes and Clubs 6:30 p.m.; fbcbrainerd.com Brainerd- The Church On The Wise Road, Pastor Ter-

ry Stumbo 218-829-4673, Worship 11:00, SS 9:45 www.thechurchonthewiseroad.org Brainerd — Eagles Nest, Pastor Bob Stockland 218-829-

4673, Worship 11, SS 9:45. Breezy Point — Eagles Nest, Pastor Bob Stockland 218-562-

5252, Worship 9:30, SS 9:30. Crosby — Bible Baptist, Pastor G. Fisher; SS 9:45; Service

10:45 and 6 p.m., Bible Study and Our Kids for Christ Wed. 7 pm Deerwood\* — Pastor W. Skog; SS 9:30; Worship 10:30 and

6 pm; Wed. Service, 6:30 pm. Glory\* — Pastor Chris Meirose; 927-3678; SS 9:15; Worship

10:30 am.; Wed 6pm Glory Family night, KidMin grades kindergarten - 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

Deerwood - St. Joseph's, Mass: Sun 8:30. Emily - St. Emily, Mass: Mon. & Wed. 8; Sun. 10:30; Con-

fession 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. Kuriakose Nediakala (Fr.

KK), Mass: Sun. 11:15 am.

McGregor — Holy Family, Fr. Kuriakose Nediakala (Fr. KK),

Mass: Sat. 5:30 p.m.; Sun. 8:45 am Vineland — St. Therese, Mass Sun. 11; Holy Days 8:30.

### **CHURCH OF CHRIST**

Baxter, Lakes Area — Nondenominational; 7001 Highland Scenic Road; Bible Study every Wed. 7 pm; Worship 10:30-11:30. 218-828-1362

Tamarack — Pastor Terry Banker, 608-475-1528, Worship 9:30; SS 10:45; Wed Youth 4 pm.

### **CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS**

Aitkin — Co. Rd. 12, Chapel Ph. 218-927-4454; Gentz Franz 217-371-4977; Sacrament Mtg. 10, SS 11;10 Priesthood/ Relief Society noon

## COMMUNITY

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

Brainerd - Community of Hope Church of the Nazarene-Pastor Dave McGaffey Sunday worship at 10:45, SS 9:30 -16549 Johnson Rd -church phone 218-829-9005 Glen - Pastor R. F. Stauter, 218-838-1981; Worship 9

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 Ja-

cobson). 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; 99 South 1st Street (at the McGregor United Methodist

church [shared] in downtown McGregor) Pastor Joel

McGregor — Victory Mission, Pastor J. Gould, 218-768-

2160; Sun. 10; Wed. Bible Study, 7:30 pm. Ron Christenson; Service 11 & 6 pm. Wed. Prayer Meet-

Merrifield — Community Church of the Nazarene, Pastor

ing, 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, Pastor Stanley Mikles, 218-792-5530 Worship 9:30; Clothes Closet 8 am - noon 4th Saturday, 6297 Woods Bay NE, just north Palisade/Waukenabo Twp. — Hilltop Chapel, Pastor B. Hite;

Service 10 a.m.; Adult and Children's SS 9 a.m.; between Esquagama & Round Lake. Handicap Accessible.

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

### CONGREGATIONAL

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

Aitkin — St. John's, Holy Communion or Morning Prayer 9 **EVANGELICAL FREE** 

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

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;

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. Kari Foss; Worship 9:30; Holy Comm. 1st & 3rd Sun each month.

Aitkin - First\* (ELCA) Pastor Darrell Pedersen, Pastor Jordan Gades; worship Sat. 5pm, Sun. 8:15 & 10am, Wed. 5:30pm w/supper; communion every Sat. and 1st & 3rd Sun.; contemporary services 2nd & 5th Sun.; staffed nursery during 10am Sun. & Wed. services. Sun. school 10:30am, Wed. night youth activities grades 3rd - 9th. Sunday service broadcast on KKIN (94.3FM) at 10am, and on TV cable channel 181 at 9am on Wed.; community meal every Mon. & Thurs. 5pm; food shelf 2nd & 4th Thurs. each month 9:30am - 5pm.

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

Baxter — Christ Lutheran Church (WELS). Pastor Bill Werth. Sunday Worship 9. Sunday School/Adult Bible Class 10:15. 13815 Cherrywood Dr. in Baxter. (Corner of Inglewood and Cherrywood). 218-829-4105. www. christbaxter.com.

Baxter - Prince of Peace (LCMS); Communion every Sunday 9, Fellowship 10:15, Adult Bible Class & Sunday School 10:30 am 218-829-7092 www.popbaxter.org Beaver Township - Finnish EA, Hwy. 27, Worship 1st &

Brainerd — Good Shepherd Free Lutheran Church, AFLC, Worship 10, coffee fellowship f ning 7 pm adult bible study. Located at 5878 Pine Beach Rd, Brainerd, 218-824-3052, www.goodshepherdfreelu-

theran.church Brainerd - Laestadian Lutheran Church; 1501 So. 8th St. - Sunday Worship Services 11 am. (www.llchurch.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@

Brainerd — Truth Lutheran Church (LCMC, Pastor James Walth, Corner of 5th and Kingwood, Worship 9

Breezy Point\* - Eagles Nest, Pastor Jonathan Lemaster, 218-562-5252, Worship 10:30 a.m. SS 9:30 a.m.

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 Michael Briggs; Worship: 8:15 (traditional) & 10 (contemporary); Sunday School 9:15.

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 Petersen. Worship 10 with Communion Every Sunday. 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 M. Eckert;

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; handicapped 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.

lachen Rd.; Worship 9:00 Sunday mornings, followed by fellowship and Bible study. (Located on Co. Rd. #77 N) Malmo — Bethesda (ELCA Sun. Worship 8:30 & 10: Fellowship between services; Comm. 1st & 3rd Sun.

Lake Shore — Living Savior Lutheran Church, 8327 Inter-

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. Peter Rosenkvist, Worship 9:00 a.m. SS 9:15 am. Adult Ed - 10:15 am. 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 and 4th Sundays 10 am; 41163 Kestrel Ave 3.3 mi. South of

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 Ministry, 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.

### REFORMED

Crosby — Lifespring Church, a member of Fellowship of Independent Reformed Evangelicals, 9:30, 30 Hallett Ave NE 218-545-5433, www.visitlifespring.com **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

### **UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST**

Pequot Lakes — 28877 State Hwy 371, Pequot Lakes 10:30 1st and 4th Sundays. 218-330-3476

### **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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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.

area restaurants and food markets while having a fun evening of socializing. Many of the restaurants and stores passed out their menus while they chatted with customers, dishing up

their culinary

formerly known to the locals

special of the night. Scott Justen of the Joint,

as the Naughty Pine, dished of Gramma's 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 Beanery 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

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.

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, be-

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.

cause he could not vote twice.

### 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 Holmvig, 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 forth 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 resigna-

Head Librarian Peggi 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. ..lt has been my greatest joy and privilege to serve 31 years, as both children's librarian 1986-2006 and head librarian 2007-2017, at the Jesse F. Hallett Memorial Library."

The council unanimously accepted Peggi 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 JFHML 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 recvclable 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

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 Sova 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 Sova.

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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