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2018 Deerwood Civic & Commerce 21st Annual Gun Show

The 21st annual Deerwood Gun Show will be Saturday, March 3 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, March 4 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Deerwood Auditorium.

The public is invited; admission is \$5.00 per day or \$9.00 for two days and children under 16 are admitted free if they are accompanied by an adult. Buy, sell or trade items will be on display on more than 40 tables. All federal and local gun laws must be observed. Special displays provided by the Minnesota Forest Zone Trappers Association www.mnforesttrappers.com/gallery.html will be displayed on stage.

Concession stand proceeds benefit Crosby Boy Scout Troop 100 and are available on Saturday and Sunday.

KD's kettle corn will be on sale at the entrance to the auditorium.

Gun Show Raffle Prizes

There will be a raffle of Gun Show Prizes including:

1st Place: Savage Axis Stainless w/scope 30-06; 106pc gun cleaning kit, & one shooting range pass for Bill's Gun Shop & Range

2nd Place: Taurus G2 9mm pistol, Realtree Pistol Gun Cleaning Kit, and a range pass for Bill's Gun Shop & Range

3rd Place: 8-gun Wooden gun cabinet

4th Place: Field & Stream deluxe 16 ft. ladder hunting stand

5th Place: Buck Knives 119 special anniversary tin

Raffle tickets are available at Coach's in Deerwood, Deerwood Bank in Deer-

wood, Deerwood Technologies in Deerwood, Fire Department in Deerwood, True Value in Deerwood, Crosby Bar in Crosby, Crosby-Ironton Courier in Crosby,

Mid Minnesota Federal Credit Union in Crosby), Mid Minnesota, Federal Credit Union in Aitkin), True Value in Aitkin), Ironton Town Tavern in Ironton, and Main Street Hair

Design in Ironton.

For more information and dealer information: contact Drew at 218-534-2936 or email info@deerwoodcommerce.org.

Ready, Set, Grow! Garden Expo

The Ready, Set Grow, Garden Expo in Crow Wing County has been coordinated by UMN Extension Master Gardeners since 2002 and is scheduled for Saturday March 24 with check-in at 8 a.m. at the Central Lakes Community College.

The event includes a total of 19 different classes on a variety of topics

such as Great Grasses and Companion Perennials to be presented by Michael L. Heger, a 15 year veteran of the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum; Miniature Gardens to be presented by Jennifer Knutson, a long time Crow Wing Master Gardener and popular guest speaker; and Build a Stable and Healthy Shoreline that is Elegant and Resilient to be presented by

Beth Hippert, a resource technician and wetland specialist at the Crow Wing SWCD.

For details about the "Ready, Set Grow Garden Expo 2018" visit the Crow Wing County Master Gardener website at: www.crowwingmastergardeners.org/ or call 218-454-4769.

Holiday light goes missing in Aitkin

The Aitkin Chamber of Commerce has reported that one of their new holiday snowflake lights was stolen.

On January 30, Aitkin Public Utilities used their lift to take the snowflake lights down, and Sentence to Serve was not far behind to pick them up. Sometime between 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., a light leaning against a pole near Bremer

Bank went missing. There were no witnesses, and the theft wasn't in range of nearby security cameras.

The lights were paid for in part by several generous donors: MLEC, Public Utilities Commission, Aitkin Fire Dept. Relief Association, the Retail Committee, Rotary, and the Moose.

"Our new lights are an

exciting investment into our community" stated an email from the Aitkin Chamber. "so it is very disappointing that one was stolen.

"We ask that anyone who has information will kindly step forward, and it is our hope that our missing light will be returned. All parties will remain anonymous, and the Chamber will not press charges."

Fish Fry

St. Francis Church Social Hall in Brainerd

(at the corner of 9th & Juniper Streets, Brainerd)

Friday, Feb. 23, Also March 2, 9, 16 & 23

4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

**\$10 for adults
\$5 for children**

(ages 11 & under).

This is a fundraiser for St. Francis Catholic School

Two arrested for drugs

A 32-year-old Brainerd man and a 26-year-old woman face criminal charges after drug agents confiscated methamphetamine, marijuana and prescription pills at a Brainerd home.

Crow Wing County Sheriff Dahl reported the Lakes Area Drug Investigative Division executed a search warrant

9:45 a.m. Friday, February 16 on the 700 block of F Street, Brainerd. The search warrant was a result of ongoing reports of drug activity from a home believed to be distributing methamphetamine in the area for the past few weeks.

Brainerd police were able

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2018 Deerwood 21st Annual

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Presentation Schedule for Garden Expo 2018:

- Miniature Gardens
- Davililies: The Perfect Perennials
- Build a Stable and Healthy Shoreline that is Elegant and Resilient
- Home Hydroponics
- Great Grasses and Companion Perennials
- Beware! Within the Plant Kingdom Lurks Evil
- Catch, Clean, Circulate: A New Vision for Functional Landscapes
- Pruning Woody Plants
- Home Grown: Vegetable Gardening from Start to Finish
- Site Specific Perennials
- Beginning Beekeeping
- New and Underused Perennials
- Home Composting: Indoors and Out
- Growing Hardy Roses up North
- Herbs: Garden to Table
- Birdscaping Your Backyard
- Container Gardening
- Soil: A Gardener's Perspective
- Growing UP: Vertical Gardening

For information on how to register go to Crow Wing Master Gardener Website at:
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Morrison County art scene Small but Noteworthy Art Crawl



Heidi Jeub in her gallery in downtown Little Falls. She organized the Small but Noteworthy art crawl. Ann Schwartz

By ANN SCHWARTZ
Morrison County, known for its farming life and cows, probably isn't famous as a mecca for the arts.

But Heidi Jeub, -- an abstract painter, book binder, teaching artist and creative collaborator -- organized the Small but Noteworthy art crawl event in Little Falls on February 16 and 17. It was touted as featuring small art that captured big ideas.

Venues included heijue book + art, Heidi's tiny, creative, Quonset-hut art gallery, Tony's Custom Framing and Furniture Refinishing next door, the Great River Arts Center in a former Ben Franklin Building down the street and Zoomski's

Midtown Café -- all in Little Falls.

Jeub previously implemented the Sartell Mill Art Project, using parts of the demolished paper mill. The mill suffered a devastating explosion and fire in 2012, where one person was killed. It didn't reopen, leaving many out of a job and regional loggers without a market for their products.

"The Sartell Mill Art Project was born out of a desire held by community members to memorialize the plant, its former employees and its importance to Sartell's history," according to a website for the project.

"The Project has empowered a team of local artists and fab-

ricators to repurpose materials taken from the mill into art pieces. Artists were able to tour the plant during the demolition in order to remove some of the most interesting pieces, including gears, metal pieces and a large part of a metal coal chute. Finished pieces will be installed in Watab Park, Val Smith Park and at a location near Sartell City Hall."

The arts serves as a tribute to those who worked for the mill, including Jon Maus, the worker who died in the 2012 explosion that led to the mill's closing.

Local artists Jeub and Joe Schulte took the lead as artistic and fabrication directors. The project used materials pulled from the mill -- gears, pulleys, steel from the siding and more.

Their plan was to use pieces that were important in the paper-making process.

Jeub and Schulte obtained a grant from the Central Minnesota Arts Board through the city of Sartell, for the project.

Jeub has exhibited all around Minnesota and the United States. She is a rostered COM-PAS Artist, teaching in schools throughout the state in book art, visual journaling and abstraction. A resident of the Little Falls area she is the single mom of three children. She is pursuing

her masters in Arts and Cultural Leadership at the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities. Jeub is the president of the new organization, the Independent Music Collaborative of Central Minnesota.

According to her promotional material: "Her work ranges from abstract to real images, meant to conjure up emotional responses. Her interest in architecture, structures and systems can be found in many of her grid-like compositions. Her empathy can be found in her work featuring people in their everyday lives, or even lost through a computer screen. Her work has been found on posters in peaceful marches in Ferguson and Minneapolis, in hopes that peace will be found in the nation."

Restored laundry building

Tony Armagost of Little Falls also displayed some of Small but Noteworthy art in his Tony's Custom Framing and Furniture Restoration shop.

Two previous framers established the business in the Little Falls area, said Armagost, and when he took it over he decided to renovate an historic building where the Ideal Steam Laundry once operated.

It was a working laundry from 1905 to 1978 and for the

last 40 years was used as cold storage. Made of brick, the building had no interior walls and no ceiling.

Using funds from the Historic Preservation Commission, Armagost renovated the building. He added interior walls and floor bases and a paneled ceiling. Now, there is a grand piano and art displayed in the front of the building, a framing shop in the center and the furniture restoration business in the back. All over on the walls Armagost hangs vintage and vintage-look posters and local art.

Great River Arts Center

Another collection of small art pieces were hung at the Great River Arts Center.

According to their website: "Great River Arts is where creativity meets community. Serving the greater Morrison County area, we offer a variety of artistic experiences, from live theater and music performances to revolving visual art exhibits, as well as art classes for youth and adults. Our mis-

sion is to enrich lives through the arts and become the art hub for the Morrison County area, playing a significant role in sustaining the community's artistic and economic vibrancy."

"Established in 1992 by Little Falls arts leaders, Great River Arts is a nonprofit agency."

All its galleries are free and open to the public. The Great River Arts houses the Front and Main Galleries, a performing arts space, arts education and workshops and a sales area of art, jewelry and other pieces. They host both exhibits and performance events and also have satellite galleries at the Morrison County Government Center and St. Gabriel's Hospital.

Art ties people together. Whatever art you love is in the eye of you, the beholder, but if you keep an open mind and travel the roads of Central Minnesota you will see creative people offering visual art, music, theater and more in our humble part of this down-to-earth state.



Katrina Pierson, Duluth, an Aitkin High School graduate, displays her photos at Tony's Frame Shop and Furniture Restoration in downtown Little Falls.

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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!
Alzheimer's Support group meetings at ANGELS in McGregor meets the 1st Thurs. every month at 1 pm.
American Legion Aitkin Lee #86 & Unit 86, meets the 2nd Thurs. of each month at 7 p.m.

Art Club meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays at the Jaques Art Center in Aitkin, 1-3 pm 'Ask an Attorney,' Aitkin Co. Sheriff's conference room, 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 Wesleyan Church on Highway #6 in Emily. Please call Sharon - 612 669-3295
Caregiver/Memory Loss Support Group. Meets the first Wed., 1-2 p.m. at Birchstreet Center, downtown Aitkin. 218-9271383.
Circles of Support meets every Tue., 6-8 pm If you are living paycheck to paycheck and are ready for a change, Circles may be right for you, call Brandi, 800-997-5723.
Clear Lake Grange meets second Tue. each month, 6 pm potluck, 7 pm meeting. Meet in member's homes. Info call Vern 320-684-2244 or Roxy 218-927-4558.
Clothes Closet 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.
Co-dependants Anonymous meeting. 332 1st Av. NE Aitkin. Wednesday evenings. 5:30.
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 the lower level of the Franklin Arts Center at 1001 Kingwood St, Brainerd.
Dance every second Tuesday at Moose in Grand Rapids.
Dance at VFW in McGregor every 1st Monday of the month, except holidays which will be on the following Monday
Dance at Waukenabo the second and last Wednesday of the month.
Deerwood Lakes Lions meet the 2nd Monday of every month, 5:30pm social, 6:00 pm dinner/meeting, at the Heartwood Senior Living. Call 218-831-5683, if you need more information or would like to join our club. Lions affordable hearings aids available to those who qualify. For more information, call Diann Bates 218-546-5237 or 218-838-4768 cell.
Dyed in the Wool Spinners meeting 1st Tuesday of the month 1-4 p.m. If you knit, crochet, spin, weave or do any other fiber arts please join us in the Club Room at the Security State Bank, 402 Minnesota Ave. N., Aitkin.
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 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.
Gamblers Anonymous 7 pm Thursdays at the Heritage Church on College Drive in Brainerd. This is a closed meeting. Anyone who has a desire to stop gambling is welcome. For more info call 715-821-1749.
Heart to Heart Support Group, 4th Tue. of month, 2 pm, Kanabec Hospital, int. of Hwy. 65 & 23, Mora.
Jacobson Seniors meets every Thu., 10-2 pm at Jacobson Comm. Ctr. Potluck at noon. Beverage provided. All are welcome. For more info., 752-1515.
Lymphedema Support Group, 3rd Mon. of month, 6:30 pm, Kanabec Hospital, int. of Hwy. 65 & 23, Mora.
Marsh and Meadows Hunting Retriever Club, Mon. 5:30 pm in Pequot Lakes, for more info call Brett 651-270-5648 or facebook/Marsh and Meadows Hunting Retriever Club
McGrath City Council, first Thu. of the month, 6:30 pm at fire station hall.
McGrath Senior Center meets every Mon. 1-4 pm, cards & games, all are welcome.
McGregor Community Meal sponsored by ANGELS served at the Community Center on Highway 65 on the 3rd 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.
McGregor VFW hosts a dance the 1st Monday every month at 1pm.
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. Aitkin,MN
Operation Minnesota Nice meets 3rd Monday e a c h month at 6 pm at Trinity Lutheran Church, Hill City. For info call Tina Harcey at 218-697-8 1 4 4 . w w w . o p e r a t i o n m i n n e s o t a n i c e . c o m .
Overeaters Anonymous Open Meeting, Sat. 9:35am, Aitkin Library. Everyone welcome, especial-

ly newcomers. OA is a 12-step fellowship of people recovering from compulsive eating. OA is not a diet club. We are dedicated to helping individuals recovering from compulsive eating, anorexia, bulimia, food addiction and obesity. If you are struggling, you are not alone any more. For more info: OA.org, or call Cheryl, meeting contact, 770-576-5984.
Praise & Worship Services, 101 S. Maddy St., McGregor, Intercessory prayer Wed 6-7 p.m.; Praise & Worship Services Sat. 2 pm, Sun 10 am.
Recovery Worship Service, Cascade United Methodist Church, Crosby/Deerwood, 1st Sat., 5 pm. Everyone is welcome.
Rosary is ongoing the fourth Tuesday of each month at 1 pm at the Big Fish, Garrison, contact Jean at 218-764-2665 for more info.
RSVP Bone Builders (Osteoporosis exercise program) 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 Malmö Evangelical Free Church, Malmö & Fri: 10-11 Bethesda Lutheran Church, Malmö. 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 Iron-ton (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meet Monday, 4 pm weigh-in, 4:30 pm meeting at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Crosby. Call Mabel Semler 218-546-6523 for meeting location information.
Weight Watchers meets every 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.

February
23th & 24th - Brainerd Community Theatre production of "Five Women Wearing the Same Dress" 7:30 p.m. at the Dryden Theatre on the Brainerd campus of Central Lakes College.
26th - Central Lakes College Community Band first spring season rehearse, 7 p.m. in E471, the Music Rehearsal Hall, CLC's Brainerd campus. All former and present members of the CLC Community Band are heartily invited to be a part of this group. New members may get more information on this by emailing the conductor, Steve Anderson at sanderson@clcmn.edu or calling 218-831-3652 for more information.
28th-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.
March
1st & 2nd - Brainerd Community Theatre production of "Five Women Wearing the Same Dress" 7:30 p.m., with an additional 2 p.m.

matinee on March 3. All performances are in the Dryden Theatre on the Brainerd campus of Central Lakes College.
2nd - Lenten Fish Fry at the St. Francis Church Social Hall in Brainerd, located at the corner of 9th & Juniper Streets, 4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. \$10 for adults, \$5 for children (ages 11 & under). This is a fundraiser for St. Francis Catholic School
3rd & 4th - Gun Show at the Deerwood Auditorium. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is \$5 per day or \$9 for both days.
9th - Lenten Fish Fry at the St. Francis Church Social Hall in Brainerd, located at the corner of 9th & Juniper Streets, 4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. \$10 for adults, \$5 for children (ages 11 & under). This is a fundraiser for St. Francis Catholic School
10th - Jacobson Community Center celebrates St Urho's Day with a Pancake Breakfast, 7:30-11:30 a.m. at the Jacobson Community Center, 3 miles south of St Hwy 200 on Cty 10, the Great River Road. \$8 donation, kids under age 7 eat free. The breakfast features hot cakes and sausage served with coffee and orange juice and, of course, grapes.
10th & 11th - Aitkin Area Chamber's Commerce & Outdoor Show at the Aitkin High School
13th - Lakes Area Unlimited Learning presents "For Peat's Sake" Peggy Jones VP American Peat Technology, Heartwood Senior Living, 500 Heartwood Dr., Crosby, 1:30-3:30 p.m.,non-members welcome \$5.
14th-Waukenabo Dance, "Jerry & Ramblin 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.
16th - Lenten Fish Fry at the St. Francis Church Social Hall in Brainerd, located at the corner of 9th & Juniper Streets, 4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. \$10 for adults, \$5 for children (ages 11 & under). This is a fundraiser for St. Francis Catholic School
19th - Great Decisions: Russia's Foreign Policy, 11 a.m.,Heartwood Senior Living Community, Crosby.
19th - Business After Hours: Jessie F. Hallett Memorial Library, meet the new librarian, 5 - 7 p.m. To make your reservation, call the Chamber office at 218-546-8131
23rd - Final for the Season Lenten Fish Fry at the St. Francis Church Social Hall in Brainerd, located at the corner of 9th & Juniper Streets, 4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. \$10 for adults, \$5 for children (ages 11 & under). This is a fundraiser for St. Francis Catholic School



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OBITUARIES

MARGARET BUTORAC



Margaret “Muggs” Butorac Harrison, 89, died peacefully at Edgewood Vista in Brainerd on Sunday, February 11, 2018. Her days now have clarity after several years of battling dementia and Alzheimer’s.

A private graveside service will be at the Lakewood Cemetery in Crosby.

Muggs was born on July 12, 1928 in Crosby to Marko and Anna (Addams) Butorac.

During her 89 years Muggs had many adventures. They included hitchhiking from Sherwood Forest Lodge to Bar Harbor and dancing the night away with the help of the Glen Miller Orchestra. She also lead the Crosby-Ironton Marching Band with her considerable baton twirling skills. With her husband, operated “The Spot” Drive-In in Crosby, where she became known for her famous Coney Islands. It

was “The Spot” to eat! Then came her real calling, growing and selling RoMar Wild Rice east of Emily. With Mugg’s packaging skills and Roger’s growing skills they spent many years farming wild rice until they retired and moved to Crosby.

Many thanks to all who have known and loved Muggs; her family, Home Instead Healthcare, and especially the staff (family) at Edgewood Vista: We will always remember her baton twirling, polka dancing, beautiful singing with her sisters, harmonica playing and most of all, her infectious laughter. She is now reunited with her husband and son.

Muggs is survived by her son and daughter-in-law: Scott and Elizabeth Harrison, Baxter; two grandchildren: Jessamina (Craig) Blum of New Brighton, Joseph (Acala) Harrison of Baxter; four great-grandchildren: Rocco, Mila, Vittoria Harrison, Giada Blum; three sisters: Fran Vidmar, Crosby, Elsie Skoff, St. Anthony; and Liz Formanek, Henning; one brother, Matt Butorac, Stambaugh, MI; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Roger; son, Roger Jr.; two brothers, Joe and Frank Butorac; and two sisters, Mary Domeneich and Martha Miller.

Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home in Crosby.

Business After Hours in Crosby

Join the JFHML Friends Foundation, Maucieri’s and Mixed Company A Kava House as they co-host Business After Hours on Monday, March 19 from 5:00 p.m to 7:00 p.m. at the Jessie F. Hallett Memorial Library, 101 1st St. SE, Crosby.

The Friends have been instrumental in providing financial support for the following: Author Talks, Summer Reading Program, Preschool Story Hour, Volunteer Appreciation, Le Connection internet Wi-Fi café & coffee bar, electronic highway sign, Book Page publication, Movie Days, American Girl Doll Tea, Cattale Corner, Hot Reads for Cold Nights, Sizzlin’ Thursdays, I-Pad-A-Monium and MORE! This list is

endless because the impact the Friends have is limitless!

Learn more about becoming a business and/or individual member of the JFHML Friends Foundation and meet the new Head Librarian Abby Smith!

Maucieri’s will donate a portion of the proceeds from their signature drink to the library and Mixed Company will be donating this fun and delicious book title themed menu.

Menu of Great Expectations:

- Count of Monte Cristo Ham Sandwiches
- Romeo and Juliette Carrot and Broccoli Slaw
- The Secret Garden Salad Deviled Green Eggs and Ham
- Homemade Catcher in

the Rye Bread

- Orange-Cranberry Life of Pi

Everyone is invited to learn more about the Chamber and gain exposure for their business by attending this event. Business After Hours attendees have the opportunity to pass the microphone and introduce themselves to the group, so bring your business cards and get ready to network. Attendees are also encouraged to bring door prizes.

As a courtesy to the host, advanced registration is recommended. To make your reservation, call the Chamber office at 218-546-8131 or email Jessica@cuyunalakes.com.

Absentee voting for Brainerd School District special election

Crow Wing County voters planning to vote before the Brainerd School District 181 special election can vote absentee beginning February 23. The ballots allow residents to vote before the April 10 special election by mail or in person regardless of circumstance.

The Brainerd school board approved a contract with Crow Wing County to provide election services. “Absentee voting is a great way for residents to stay involved in the election process that we want all residents to be

engaged in. We’re happy to once again provide election services for the Brainerd School District from absentee voting through to election day,” stated Administrative Services Director, Deborah Erickson.

A completed and signed absentee ballot must be received before a ballot can be issued to a voter. Applications can be returned by mail, email or fax.

You can request an application be sent to you by mail by contacting Crow Wing County elections at

218-824-1051 or www.crowwing.us

Voters may vote by absentee ballot in person during the 45-day absentee period at the Crow Wing County Elections office on the second floor of the Historic Courthouse at 326 Laurel Street in Brainerd. In person voting hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday from February 23 to April 9 and 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Saturday April 7.

Polling places will be open on Tuesday, April 10 from 7:00 a.m. -8:00 p.m.

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Aitkin* — New Life; Larry Burg & John Baker, pastors; 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 10:30.
McGregor/Big Sandy — Rev. S. DeMars, 426-3408; E. of Sather’s Store; Worship 9:30; Children’s Church 10
Onamia — Vineland Native American Chapel, Hwy. 169 north of casino;Worship 11; Pastor Boeringa 320-532-4449

ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Aitkin — Heritage Church, Rev. Jason Erickson; Sunday Morning Service 9:30
Crosby — Rev. Michael Towers; Worship 10:30
Crosslake — Crossroads Christian, Rev. Gary Espeseth; SS at 9:30, Worship at 10:45
Hill City — Interim Pastor John Koppel, Staff Pastor Lisa Jordan; Worship 10; hillcityagchurch@gmail.com; 218-697-2662
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, thejourneynorth.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 Terry 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 Sat. 3 pm.
Deerwood — St. Joseph’s, Mass: Sun 8:30.
Emily* — St. Emily, Mass: Mon. & Wed. 8; Sun. 10:30; Confession 1st Sat. 11 or by appt. 218-763-2101.
Garrison — Our Lady of Fatima, Fr. David Forsman, 218-927-6581; Mass Sun. 8 am.; Sat. 6 pm (Memorial Day through Labor Day)
Grand Rapids — St. Joseph’s, Fr. Jerry Weiss, Mass: Sat. 5 pm; Sun. 8 & 10:30. 218-326-2483
Hillman — Holy Family, Fr. David Forsman, 218-927-6581; Mass Sun. 10
McGrath — Our Lady of Fatima, Fr. 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 May-Oct.
Grand Rapids — Solid Rock Church of God, Pastor Robert Kimberling; 218-326-0711; Sun. BS 9:30, Worship 10:30; Wed. BS 6:30 pm
Jacobson — Jacobson Community Church, Pastor George Collins, 218-252-5938, 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 Seibel.
McGregor — Victory Mission, Pastor J. Gould, 218-768-2160; Sun. 10; Wed. Bible Study, 7:30 pm.
Merrifield — Community Church of the Nazarene, Pastor Ron Christenson; Service 11 & 6 pm. Wed. Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m.; 218-829-7536.
Merrifield — Ossipee Community, SS 10; Service 11; 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; Children’s Sunday School 9:30; Clothes Closet 8 am - noon 4th Saturday, 6297 Woods Bay NE, just north of Hwy. 6 bridge
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.

EPISCOPAL
Aitkin — St. John’s, Holy Communion or Morning Prayer 9
*Brainerd - St. Paul’s, Holy Communion Sunday 10

EVANGELICAL FREE
Crosslake — Interim Pastor Mark Holmen; Call for Service Times at 218-692-4141, email thelochurch@crosslake.net
Isle — Pastor Kerry Johnston; Worship 9; SS 10:15; Wed. Youth Group 6 pm; Adult Prayer 6:30 pm
Malmo — Pastor Glenn Browning; SS 9:30; Fellowship 10; Worship 10:15
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 & 3rd Sun., 10:30.
Brainerd — Good Shepherd Free Lutheran Church, AFLC, Sunday School 9, Worship at 10, followed by coffee fellowship. Wednesday 7pm Adult Bible Study. Located at 5878 Pine Beach Rd, Brainerd, 218-824-3052, www.goodshepherdfreelutheran.church.
Brainerd - Laestadian Lutheran Church; 1501 So. 8th St. - Sunday Worship Services 11 am. (www.ilchurch.org)
Brainerd — Trinity Lutheran Church (ELCA) 1420 South 6th Street Brainerd — Pastor David P. Holte and Pastor Hans Anderson - Summer Sunday Worship Time is 9 a.m. and Wednesday evening at 6 p.m. – Phone: 218-829-5147 Website: www.trinitybrainerd.org Email: trinity@trinitybrainerd.org
Brainerd — Truth Lutheran Church (LCMC, Pastor James Walth, Corner of 5th and Kingwood, Worship 9 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) 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.
Lake Shore — Living Savior Lutheran Church, 8327 Interlachen Rd.; Worship 9:00 Sunday mornings, followed by fellowship and Bible study. (Located on Co. Rd. #77 N)
Malmo — Bethesda (ELCA) Sun. Worship 9 (winter) 8:30 & 10 (summer); Fellowship after first service; Comm. 1st

& 3rd Sun.
McGrath — Grace; Wed. potluck 5 pm, Bible study 6 p.m.; SS 10; Worship 11.
McGrath — Zion (ELCA), Pastor Elliott Malm; Worship 9; SS 9.
McGregor/Big Sandy Lake — Grace Lutheran Log Church (ELCA), Pastor Ericka Foss; Worship 9, Fellowship follows, SS 10.
McGregor — Our Savior’s (Missouri Synod), Pastor Joshua C. Reinke;Worship 9; SS 10; Bible Study Tue. 9, Wed. 7 pm
Outing — Our Saviors ELCA; Pastor Michael Gustafson, Worship 9.
Palisade* — Bethel (ELCA), Rev. Wm. J. Sass; Worship 9:30; Wed. School classes 4:15 p.m.
Pequot Lakes* - Our Savior’s Lutheran Church (ELCA) Rev. 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 Hwy 210
Thor — Zion, Pastor G. Salmonson; Worship 11; 1st and 3rd Sun. April through December.
Wright —Bethlehem, Worship; SS 9.
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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.
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Deputy Pat Pickar announces run for Crow Wing County Sheriff

Crow Wing County Deputy Pat Pickar has announced his intent to seek the Office of Sheriff for Crow Wing County in the 2018 election.

Background

Pickar is a lifelong resident of Crow Wing County from Fort Ripley, who graduated from Brainerd High School in 1994 and currently resides in the city of Baxter. Pickar has been married for nearly 20 years to his wife Angie. They have two daughters, Chayse (16) and Ilyana (13) and are students in the Brainerd School District. Pickar has been a member of the local Catholic parishes and his family belongs to All Saints Catholic Church.

Dedication to service and helping others started as a youth for Pickar as a Boy Scout Explorer. In high school, Pickar enlisted in the Minnesota Army National Guard and served his country for seven years.

Pickar said he was inspired to serve his country after seeing his father, Tim Pickar, serve in the military for more than two decades and knowing his grandfather served in the Korean War.

Tim, who retired after 29



years as a deputy sheriff with Crow Wing County, said, “Answering a call of duty to serve, is a selfless act and I’m proud of Pat for his military and law enforcement service.”

Pickar has a wide range of community involvement from Relay for Life, Special Olympics Polar Bear Plunge, Toys for Kids, to a coach for youth athletics.

Pickar said, “I believe in servant leadership and that a sheriff needs to have a commitment to community that will be mirrored by our team at the sheriff’s office.” Additional community service includes member of the Brainerd Sports Boosters, Sertoma Sunrise Club, Fraternal Order of Police,

Brainerd Lakes YMCA Board of Directors, past president of the United States Police Canine Association; Region 12, Soup Kitchen volunteer, Life Member of the National Rifle Association and past member of Kiwanis Club.

Longtime friend Troy Schreifels said, “What I most appreciate about Pat is his willingness to get involved. A good way to know the pulse of the community is to volunteer, and he exemplifies that. He is sincere and genuine in his intentions.”

Pickar has been with the Crow Wing County Sheriff’s Office for more than 20 years, serving in numerous divisions within the organization. Prior to being hired as a full time deputy sheriff, he interned with the sheriff’s office, worked as a correctional officer at the jail, seasonal deputy assigned to boat and water, and a dispatcher. As a deputy, Pickar started as a school resource officer for the Pequot Lakes and Crosby School Districts while also serving as the contract deputy for the City of Emily. During Pickar’s patrol division assignment, he was assigned to the K9 Unit for 12 years working

with K9 Nike and K9 Oakley. Pickar spent four years as an operator and sniper on the Tactical Response Team. He is a Field Training Officer and continuing education instructor. Pickar was promoted to investigator, working as a narcotics agent, assigned to the Lakes Area Drug Investigative Division. He also invested in others by using his experience to train others as a law enforcement instructor at the Central Lakes College Campus for 10 years. Pickar completed the Police Management and Supervision training through the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension in 2006.

In 2016, Pickar completed the Chief of Police Associations courses in Officer Leadership and Development; and attended the Leadership Academy at Camp Ripley. With these qualifications, Pickar knows he has the training and experience to lead as your sheriff.

Pickar’s experience as a drug investigator and K9 handler showed him that police dogs are needed to help detect drugs and deter criminal activity.

He said, “K9’s are a proven asset in search and rescue and being a criminal deterrent,

something we haven’t had since 2011. I’ve had talks with deputies, police officers and elected officials who all feel the sheriff’s office should be taking the lead role in providing police dogs for the protection of Crow Wing County making our lakes area safer and will be something I work to reinstate.”

Pickar is experienced with local community law enforcement needs. After spending seven years with the Crosby Police Department, Pickar currently works part-time as a police officer for the Pequot Lakes Police Department and as Deputy Chief for the Cuyuna Police Department. Working collaboratively with the city officials in Cuyuna as an administrator, has helped him understand that there is a greater need in the sheriff’s office to serve all the citizens of Crow Wing County.

Future Vision

Pickar has a vision for the sheriff’s office taking on a collaborative role to ensure that all law enforcement agencies in the county receive training needed and access to resources they don’t currently have.

He understands the importance of teamwork within the

department and welcomes any new ideas or concerns that each team member may have. Pickar states, “The success of the sheriff’s office is dependent on transparency and an open line of communication from the bottom to the top. This will allow us to continue fostering positive community relationships and trust. The team must work together to ensure that we will do our best to keep the 64,000 citizens of our great County safe.”

As a deputy on patrol, Pickar has had an open ear to concerns about not seeing enough deputies in rural areas. He promises to work with our patrol division to find solutions to getting more boots on the ground and tires on the pavement to address community concerns and shorten response times.

Pickar said, “I pledge to every citizen, I will work my hardest to make Crow Wing County as safe as possible. I have a vision to get our deputies out to all the communities in Crow Wing County, so our citizens feel safe. I would be honored and humbled to work for you as Crow Wing County Sheriff. God Bless!”

Two arrested for drugs | Continued from Page 1

to stop numerous vehicles related to the residence. Methamphetamine was located in the vehicles. This aided the LA-DID investigators in obtaining a search warrant. During the search, investigators located methamphetamine, marijuana and prescription pills apparently being sold by the residents.

Adam Everette Carnes and Mona Joyce Stuber were arrested without incident and



charged in Crow Wing County District Court in Brainerd.

Carnes, known by investigators from previous investigations to be involved in the sale of methamphetamine in the Brainerd area, was charged with three felonies: third-degree sale of a narcotic,

fifth-degree sale of a marijuana mixture and fifth-degree possession of a controlled substance.

Stuber was charged with two felonies of fifth: degree possession of a controlled substance.

According to the probable cause court document filed against Carnes and Stuber, a narcotics investigator entered the bedroom of the home and observed Mason jars containing suspected marijuana, multiple items of drug paraphernalia, glass pipes commonly used

to smoke methamphetamine with residue, a digital scale and other items associated with the use and sale of illicit narcotics.

In a statement to officers, Carnes admitted ownership of the marijuana and methamphetamine located in his bedroom. He admitted to selling marijuana from his home to three different people as well as methamphetamine.

Items found in the bedroom include: a wood box containing marijuana pipes and paraphernalia, a large

quantity of counterfeit and/or fake U.S. currency; a glass meth pipe with residue; numerous new plastic baggies; miscellaneous marijuana paraphernalia; a large and small glass meth pipe with residue; \$117 cash; a wallet stuck to ceiling ductwork via a magnet containing methamphetamine and weighing 4 grams; Methadone and 11 hypodermic needles in a gray pouch on the floor; and Alprazolam .5 mg pills, a schedule IV controlled substance.

Also found was a brown

briefcase with a pill sale kit, containing the following controlled substance pills: 155 Pfizer PGN pills, 26 Pheno-barbital 15 mg pills, 3.5 Oxycodone pills, 15 Suboxone Sublingual 8 mg strips, 62.5 Diazepam 10 mg pills, two Zolpidem 10 mg pills and one Tramadol 50 mg pill.

In a backpack and on the nightstand, investigators found 74.4 grams of marijuana, suspected marijuana gummy candies weighing 11.2 grams and a notebook containing a suspected drug ledger.

LEGAL NOTICES

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LIBBY TOWNSHIP ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of Libby Township, County of Aitkin, State of Minnesota, that the Annual Town Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 13th, 2018 at the Palisade Community Center. The Annual Meeting will commence at 1:00 pm to conduct all necessary business prescribed by law. In case of inclement weather, the meeting may be postponed until the third Tuesday in March.

Dated this 16th day of February, 2018
JANE GRIMSBO JEWETT, Clerk
Libby Township 3,75

(Published in NewsHopper Sat., February, 24 & March 3, 2018)
LIBBY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF AUDIT

The Libby Township Board of Audit will be held at the Palisade Community Center on Thursday, March 8 at 1:00 pm. Dated this 16th day of February, 2018
JANE GRIMSBO JEWETT, Clerk
Libby Township 2,1

(Published in NewsHopper Sat., Feb. 17 & 24, 2018)
TOWN OF BAY LAKE NOTICE AND REQUEST FOR BIDS

The Town Board of the Town of Bay Lake will accept sealed bids for Bituminous Reclamation, Aggregate Base

Class 5, Bituminous Paving, Class 1 Shouldering: Brighton Point Road - 10,031 LF by 20 feet wide Battle Point Road: 1,827 LF by 22 feet wide Road projects to be completed prior to 8/01/2018. Specifications obtainable from the Town Attorney: Virginia J. Knudson, 302 South Sixth Street, Brainerd, MN 56401, (Telephone 218-829-1451). Bids must be received by the Town Clerk by 7:00 o'clock p.m. on the 11th day of April, 2018. The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive irregularities. Authorization for the sealed bidding process to be completed by Donald Hales and Virginia Knudson. CAROL PUNDT, Clerk Town of Bay Lake 2/13/2018 5,0

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Minnesota moose population remains low but stable for a seventh year



Results of the 2018 moose survey indicate the moose population in northeastern Minnesota remains stable but relatively low for the seventh year in a row, according to the Department of Natural Resources.

“While the population appears stable, low numbers of moose are still a major concern for the DNR,” said DNR Commissioner Tom Landwehr. “We continue to pursue the best science, research and management tools available to us to help Minnesota’s moose.”

The 2018 aerial moose survey estimated 3,030 moose in northeastern Minnesota, statistically unchanged from last year’s estimate of 3,710. The survey is statistically sound, but there is inherent uncertainty associated with such surveys, because researchers will never see and count all of the animals across the 6,000 square mile survey area. Statistically, the DNR is 90 percent certain that the population is between 4,140 and 2,320 moose.

“The stability of moose numbers in recent years provides a reason for some optimism – after all, we’re

not facing a significant decline,” said Glenn DelGiudice, DNR moose and deer project leader. “But this year’s results would be more palatable had they reflected the beginning of a turnaround in the population trend.”

Each year the population estimate is compared to 2006, because the state’s highest moose population estimate of 8,840 occurred that year. Currently, northeastern Minnesota’s moose population is estimated to be 65 percent lower than the peak estimate of 2006.

“While the trend of stability is encouraging, it does not allow us to forecast the future trajectory of the population,” DelGiudice said.

Reproductive success and adult survival have the greatest impact on the annual performance and dynamics

of the moose population over time.

“Our field research has shown that annual pregnancy rates of adult females in this population have been robust,” DelGiudice said. “But it is a challenge to maintain a high number of adult females that can become pregnant, produce calves and rear them to 1 year of age.”

Survey results also indicate that calf survival to January has been relatively stable, but consistently low. Field studies have indicated that it is even lower by spring, translating to low numbers of moose calves living through their first year. Importantly, the DNR’s detailed investigations have shown that wolf predation has consistently accounted for about two-thirds of the calf mortality compared to one-third of the adult mortality.

Annual aerial moose surveys have been conducted each year since 1960 in the northeast. Adjustments were made in 2005 to make the survey more accurate and annual results more comparable.

This year’s survey involved flying in 52 survey plots distributed across northeastern Minnesota’s moose range from Jan. 3 to Jan. 13. The Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa and 1854 Treaty Authority contributed funding and provided personnel for the annual moose survey.

More information about moose is available on the DNR website at mndnr.gov/moose.

Minnesota fishing, hunting and trapping licenses 2017 licenses expire February 28

Minnesota fishing, hunting and trapping licenses for 2017 expire Wednesday, Feb. 28, according to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources.

Licenses for 2018 are now available wherever hunting and fishing licenses are sold, online at mndnr.gov/buyalicense and by telephone at 888-665-4236.

All 2018 fishing licenses become effective Thursday, March 1. New licenses are required for 2017 hunting and fishing seasons that continue past Feb. 28.

This year license fees increase by \$3 for a resident individual angling license, and fees also increase for other license types including deer hunting licenses, sports licenses and lifetime licenses.

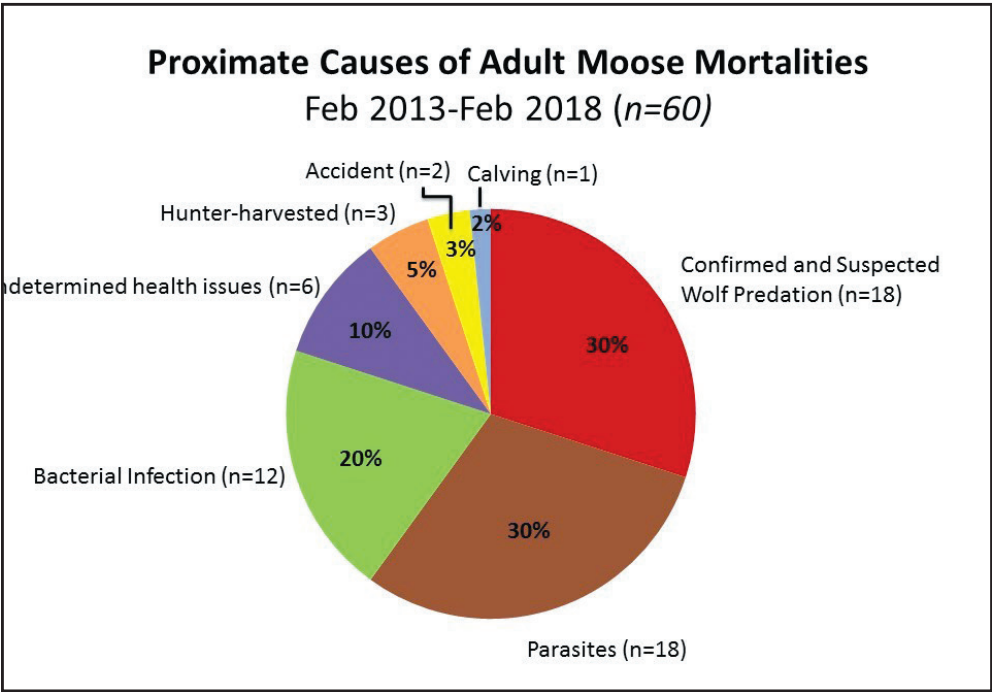
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