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Mille Lacs Lake catch-and-release summer walleye season

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources today announced plans for the 2018 walleye fishing season on Lake Mille Lacs that seek to maximize fishing opportunities for anglers while protecting the health and sustainability of Mille Lacs' improving walleye population.

When anglers hit the water on Mille Lacs for the fishing opener on Sat., May 12, catch-and-release only regulations will again be in effect. The lake's spawning walleye population has improved from last year, so no mid-season closures are planned.

Similar to prior years, night closure for the 2018 walleye fishing season will be in effect on Mille Lacs from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. beginning Monday, May 14. The night walleye closure remains in effect throughout the entire open-water season, which ends Nov. 30.

The catch-and-release summer season and night walleye closure are part of the DNR's continued strategic efforts to understand and improve the walleye population in Lake Mille Lacs.

According to the DNR, the population has undergone a

decline over the past two decades that has coincided with significant aquatic system changes including increased water clarity and decreased walleye productivity; the introduction of zebra mussels, Eurasian watermilfoil and spiny water fleas; a changing zooplankton community that may be altering the aquatic food web; and declines in certain forage species, including tullibee.

"Improving the walleye population on Mille Lacs is a top priority for the DNR," said Tom Landwehr, DNR commissioner. "We want to see as much walleye fishing on Mille Lacs as possible this year. Anglers have had a very good winter walleye season on the lake and we will be able to continue that trend into the open-water season with no mid-season closure planned."

DNR Fisheries Chief Don Pereira said DNR analyses as well as external review indicate that the walleye spawning stock has increased significantly in Mille Lacs and the lake can support a larger safe harvest level of walleye in 2018, as long as a catch-and-release rule is in place.

"Implementing a catch-

and-release policy this season is important not only for the sustainable growth of Mille Lacs' walleye population, but for area anglers, businesses, and Mille Lacs area communities," Pereira said. "We want anglers to get out and enjoy the abundant fishing opportunities on Mille Lacs."

Pereira added that a catch-and-release season should also allow the state to account for a portion of the excess walleye kill in 2016 and 2017. With catch-and-release measures in place this summer, some of the fish caught and returned to the water may die, a condition known as hooking mortality. The likelihood of fish suffering hooking mortality increases as water temperatures warm. Fish that die as a result of hooking mortality are counted against the state's harvest allocation.

State and tribal allocations

The state of Minnesota and Chippewa bands that cooperatively manage Lake Mille Lacs have yet to set the safe harvest level for 2018 and discussions are ongoing. These discussions follow the process outlined in protocols and stipulations arising from the U.S. Supreme Court decision in 1999 to uphold the

bands' treaty rights.

Seeking new solutions

In June 2017, the DNR announced that a new external review team of scientists would take a fresh look at Lake Mille Lacs walleye fishery. Led by walleye expert Dr. Chris Vandergoot of the U.S. Geological Survey, this review showed that the DNR's survey methods met or exceeded accepted best practices, and that interpretations of changes in the lake are correct. A summary of the team's conclusions and recommendations will be available later this year. DNR staff are currently exploring the feasibility of implementing some of these recommendations.

Other regulations

Mille Lacs is nationally recognized as one of the nation's top smallmouth bass and muskellunge fisheries. In 2017, Mille Lacs was named the number one bass fishing lake in the nation by *Bassmaster Magazine*. The lake hosted the Toyota Bassmaster Angler of the Year Championship in 2016 and 2017.

Bass season opens Saturday, May 12, but is catch-and-release only through Friday, May 25. Beginning on

Saturday, May 26, Mille Lacs' bag limit will be four bass per angler. All smallmouth and largemouth bass between 17 and 21 inches must be immediately released. Anglers may keep only one bass over 21 inches.

For muskellunge, the season opens on Saturday, June 2, with the statewide rules of a one fish bag and a minimum length of 54 inches.

Beginning June 2, anglers may fish for muskellunge and northern pike at night, but may only possess and use artificial lures or sucker minnows longer than 8 inches. Bowfishing for rough fish also is allowed at night but possession of angling equipment is not allowed and only rough fish may be in possession.

Exempt from statewide new northern pike slot limits

Lake Mille Lacs has special regulations that exempt it from the new statewide northern pike zone regulations. The northern pike season opens May 12 and anglers may keep up to five fish. All pike between 30 and 40 inches must be immediately released. Only one northern over 40 inches may be included in the bag limit of five.

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Annie Humphrey to play for Grassroots Concerts at Live Well in Nisswa

Annie Humphrey brings her special talents to Grassroots Concerts at the Live Well Night

Club and Coffee Bar in Nisswa at 7:30 p.m., Friday, April 6. The Live Well Night Club and

Coffee Bar is located at the Journey Church, 5459 CR 18, next to the school in Nisswa.

Concert general admission is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 12 with listening attention, when accompanied by an adult. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

At each concert, non-perishable food and cash donations are welcomed, with donations delivered to local food shelves by Grassroots volunteers.

Growing up on the Leech

Lake Indian Reservation in Northern Minnesota, Humphrey lived in a home filled with voices made of thunder and nothing could stop it.

Her parents were brilliant people individually, her father a singer and musician and her mother, author Anne Dunn, an artist and poet. Each taught Annie the beautiful things they knew. They showed her that she carried their gifts in her hands too. This is how creating art and music came about for her. This is what saved her.

This is how she lives now.

"Things my dad taught me: skin a deer, set net, clean fish, make maple syrup, harvest wild rice, play basketball, ride motorcycle, go without if you can't afford it, play guitar. Things my mom taught me: draw, paint, sew, write, laugh, wonder, forgive," she said.

Humphrey's music career began out of pure necessity. With two young children to care for, she began performing at coffee houses and local events. Over the years her

songwriting has focused on a specific theme with a message to "Be brave and have a good journey."

Now a mother of four and grandmother to two, Humphrey continues to create through the spirit of love, sharing that love with her horseman-husband.

She is a proud Anishinaabe singer-songwriter-activist who has led gatherings of artists and speakers in support of healing justice and environmental welfare.





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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 IOOF 164 meeting every 4th Monday at 2 pm

Aitkin Rebekah lodge. 151. Meets the 1 st and the 3rd Tuesday of each month. Come join us. We meet at the IOOF hall. 22 2nd st. Above the Napa auto parts store. The 1st tues. is a business meeting. The 3rd one is a social meeting

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 each month at 6 pm at Trinity Lutheran Church, Hill City. For info call Tina Harcey at 218-697-8144. www.operationminnesotanice.com.

Overeaters Anonymous Open Meeting, Sat. 9:35am, Aitkin Library. Everyone welcome, especially 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 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 Ironton (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meet Monday, 4 pm weigh-in, 4:30 pm meeting at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Crosby. Call Mabel Semler 218-546-6523 for meeting location information.

Weight Watchers meets every 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.

March

24th - Jacobson Community Center Easter Party at 3 pm, potluck at 4:30 pm, Easter egg hunt, photos with the Easter Bunny, prizes and more! Funding provided by Hill City Area Endowment Fund. Free admission, everyone welcome, donations accepted.

24th - Crossing Arts Alliance Needle-Felted Nest with Lisa Jordan workshop. The Crossing Arts Alliance is located in downtown Brainerd, at 711 Laurel St., Brainerd. For more information, please contact 218-833-0416.

24th - Boy Scout Troop 100 Meatball Dinner 4 to 7 p.m. at the Deerwood American Legion. Serving meatballs, gravy, mashed potatoes, vegetable, dinner roll, dessert, coffee and milk. \$9 for adults and \$6 for ages 5 and younger

27th - Free Taking Charge of Your Farm Finances course 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. Lunch is included. Participants should leave with an understanding of using a balance sheet, income statement, cash flow and organizing and using farm financial records. Mille Lacs Energy Cooperative is located at 36559 Hwy 169 Aitkin, MN 56431. To register contact, Ross Wagner, rwagner@co.aitkin.mn.us or 218-927-7305 by Thursday, March 22.

28th-Waukenabo Dance, "Two for the Road" 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.

April

2nd - Pain management will be the topic at the next Cuyuna Range Women's Club meeting at 1:00 at the Hallett Community Center in Crosby. Presenters will be Dr. Joshua Horowitz, DO, Pain Management Director and Shelly Beseman, PA-C, of the Cuyuna Range Medical Center Pain Management Clinic. Musical entertainment will be provided by Kris Hasskamp. Hostesses are Ruth Anderson, Jerry Kester and Cathy Peterson.

7th - Crossing Arts Alliance Macrame Wall Hanging with Marty Gegner workshop.

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OBITUARIES

SHIRLEY CALDERONE



Shirley Ann Calderone, 77, resident of Brainerd, passed away on Saturday, March 10, 2018 surrounded by family and friends.

A memorial service was held on Friday, March 23 at 1 p.m. with Pastor Michael Towers officiating. A visitation was

one hour prior to the service at Nelson-Doran Funeral Home in Brainerd.

She was born June 13, 1940 in Vilas Colorado to Albert and Evelyn Robinson. She was proud to have been there.

Later in life she moved to New Jersey, got

married and raised a family of two boys and two girls. She loved all of her children very much! Shirley was an excellent cook: from meals to pies and deserts! Nobody could make carrot cake as good as hers. She was also an avid gardener and liked traveling, dancing, and having coffee with friends. Shirley was a kind and loving friend to many!

Shirley is survived by two sons; two daughters; special friend, Dave; grandchildren; great-grandchildren (whom she loved dearly); brothers: Jim of Crosby and Sonny of New Jersey; nieces; nephews and many special friends.

Arrangements and cremation services were with Nelson-Doran Funeral Home.

DOLORES THELLIN



Dolores Thellin, 87, of Deerwood died on Friday, March 16, 2018 at Golden Horizons in Crosslake.

A family graveside service is being planned.

She was born on July 28, 1930 in Mullan, Idaho to Mike and Myrtle Rovetto.

Dolores is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Harold "Ed" Beneke and Margaret "Peggy" of Willmar, and their two children Brent and Bryan

and their families; daughter and son-in-law, Barb and John Bendson of Deerwood, and their three children Derek, Josh, and Tracy and their families; one brother, Angelo Rovetto of Lewiston, Idaho; two sisters, Lorraine Arrasmith of Palouse, WA, and Melady Bullock of Federal Way, WA.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her first husband, Roy Beneke, her second husband, Oscar Thellin, and a sister, Helen Litchfield.

Arrangements are with the Koop Funeral Home in Crosby.



Irish tunes are smiling on tradition

East Central Regional Library presents the traditional Irish music of Sean Gavin accompanied by bandmate Brian Miller at select branches soon.

Gavin's play on the Irish flute and uilleann pipes—the national bagpipe of Ireland—reflect his lifelong love for Irish traditional music. Originally from Detroit, he was first encouraged to take up Irish music by his Irish-born father. Gavin went on to win the Seán Ó Riada Gold Medal in 2016 for his flute playing.

In between songs, Gavin will talk about the history and design of uilleann pipes, the Irish wooden flute and the Irish immigrant musicians of Chicago and elsewhere who have kept the tradition alive in the United States. He will be accompanied by Brian Miller on guitar and bouzouki. Both musicians play in the critically acclaimed group Bua.

Mark your calendars for the following performances, which are free and open to the public:

Tuesday, March 27, 6:30 p.m., North Branch Area Library, 6355 379th St., North Branch

Tuesday, April 3, 6:30 p.m., Aitkin Public Library, 110 1st Ave NE, Aitkin

Thursday, April 5, 6:30 p.m., Milaca Community Library, 235 1st St. E., Milaca

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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; hillcityagchurh@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.ihmstamilys.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.

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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 Claine; 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

Malmö — 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.

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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.pobpaxter.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.goodshepherdfreechurch.org.

Brainerd - Laestadian Lutheran Church; 1501 So. 8th St. - Sunday Worship Services 11 am. (www.lchchurch.org)

Brainerd — Trinity Lutheran Church (ELCA) 1420 South 6th Street Brainerd — Pastor David P. Holte and Pastor Hans Anderson - Summer Sunday Worship Time is 9 a.m. and Wednesday evening at 6 p.m. - Phone: 218-829-5147 Website: www.trinitybrainerd.org Email: trinity@trinitybrainerd.org

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

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; handicap accessible.

Isle — Holden (ELCA), SS 9:30; Worship 10:30.

Isle — Trinity (Missouri Synod), Rev. Mark Maunula; Worship 8:30; Fellowship follows; SS 9:45; Adult Bible 10.

Jacobson — Carmel, Vicar Mark Wagner; SS 1st & 3rd Sun. 10, Service 11, fellowship follows.

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)

Malmö — Bethesda (ELCA) Sun. Worship 9 (winter) 8:30 & 10 (summer); Fellowship after first service; Comm. 1st

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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.

Rossvog — 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.

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.

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

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

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Aitkin — Pastor Dawn Houser; high school & adult SS 9; Worship 10:30; fellowship follows; handicap accessible.

Crosby/Deerwood — Cascade

Minnesota DNR to change trout stocking in Lake Superior

Genetically screened steelhead will replace Kamloops to bolster fishing opportunities and protect steelhead

To protect Lake Superior's naturalized rainbow trout population, genetically screened steelhead-strain fish, originating from wild runs in the big lake itself, will replace the hatchery-raised Kamloops trout strain the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources now stocks to bolster fishing opportunities near Duluth.

New advances in genetic testing confirm Kamloops interbreed with wild rainbow trout. When that happens, fewer young survive and the overall steelhead population

is reduced.

The change from Kamloops to stocking wild-sourced steelhead lets fisheries managers improve fishing opportunities on area streams while continuing the rehabilitation of the wild fish population.

"We have worked hard to develop a solution that respects what our diverse group of rainbow trout anglers have told us is important to them – harvest opportunities in both the stream and the boat fishery, as well as high quality catch-and-release opportunities for wild steelhead," said Cory Goldsworthy, the DNR's Lake Superior area fisheries supervisor.

Since 1976, the DNR has

stocked the Kamloops strain of rainbow trout in Lake Superior's waters near Duluth. Stocking increased angler opportunity and reduced harvest pressure on wild steelhead. The action helped Lake Superior's wild rainbow trout recover from the detrimental effects of invasive sea lampreys and overfishing.

Despite only localized stocking, the stocked Kamloops genetics have shown up in samples taken from many North Shore streams, the Wisconsin Bois Brule River and Michigan waters of Lake Superior.

Numerous genetic studies on the North Shore all point toward the negative

impacts of interbreeding on wild steelhead populations, but DNR researchers were never able to confirm genetic interbreeding in the wild even with genetics work done as recently as the 1990s.

"With new tools, we now know without question that we can't have a goal to rehabilitate wild steelhead populations while at the same time stock the Kamloops strain for

harvest," Goldsworthy said.

The steelhead the DNR stocks will have an adipose fin clipped off, just like Kamloops did. That process, which doesn't harm the fish, allows anglers to easily determine what can be harvested. Unclipped, wild steelhead will continue to remain catch-and-release only – as they have been since 1997. Because of this, the stocking

change means anglers will see the same harvest regulations.

The 1995, 2006 and recently revised 2016 fisheries management plans for the Minnesota waters of Lake Superior all discuss the need for continued monitoring for interbreeding between Kamloops and wild steelhead as well as re-evaluation of using the Kamloops strain should interbreeding be confirmed.

Master Naturalist training

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This course will cover the natural and cultural history of the "North Woods, Great Lakes" region. We will provide an in-depth overview of the boreal forest ecosystem and participants will observe and learn about the variety of plant and animal communities of the region. Through the course, participants will develop their ability to observe nature and will learn tools to improve these skills. In

addition, participants will improve their communication skills by sharing knowledge with other participants and working on a group project.

The classes will be held Monday through Friday, May 7 – 11, 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. The cost for the course is \$275, including materials. Free camping available onsite along the beautiful shores on Boulder Lake and a minute walk to the classroom. Meals are on your own – they have a full kitchen with refrigerator, microwave, and oven that you are more than welcome to use. Instructor: Sarah Keefe, sarahkeefe@hotmail.com, 952-356-6540

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Lueck bill to improve sulfate standard clears House committee hurdle

A bill Rep. Dale Lueck, R-Aitkin, authored to put new energy and focus on protecting Minnesota's natural wild rice resources successfully completed its first step in the legislative process Thursday by clearing the House Environmental and Natural Resources Policy and Finance Committee.

Lueck said the current numeric-based sulfate standard is obsolete and has gone unenforced. His bill (H.F. 3280) would replace it with a narrative standard he said would safeguard the water quality and aquatic habitat necessary to ensure natural wild rice is protected and our wild rice beds are not materially impaired or degraded.

"An important element of the legislation is providing the DNR commissioner with the authority and funding to convene a wild rice work group," Lueck said. "State, tribal and public experts would collaborate to ensure the maximum benefit for natural wild rice is achieved through protection, restoration and enhancement activities."

Lueck said the 45-year-old numeric sulfate standard, if applied today, would create millions of dollars in unwarranted costs the states rural municipal waste water treatment plants in areas of the state where natural wild rice occurs. Lueck also said application of the numeric standard would also drive the cost of mining up to the point

that it would threaten economic survival of Northeast Minnesota which depends on mining, forestry and tourism as the base for those local economies.

"The task here is to refocus on protecting wild rice by considering the hydrological, biological and physical risk to wild rice health," Lueck said. "For far too long we

have been focused on trying to develop and apply a numeric sulfate standard that frankly has little to do with the overall health of our rice beds. We need to approach this task in a holistic manner using the talents of the wild rice experts at the DNR, within tribal governments and in public sector to protect this valuable resource."

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe opposes legislation that removes sulfate standard

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Executive Director Robert Budreau Jr., issued the following letter to Senator Justin Eichorn, R-Grand Rapids, and Representative Dale Lueck, R-Aitkin voicing the Tribe's opposition to recently introduced bills which would remove protections against sulfates in wild rice waters.

The bills, identified as HF3280 and SF2983 in the letter, would remove the current 10 parts per million limit on sulfate discharges into wild rice waters.

The Band also strongly disagrees with the current listing of wild rice waters compiled by the State of Minnesota.

The full text of the letter is below:

Dear Sirs:
The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe that opposes HF3280 and SF 2983. To repeal legislation that ensures and maintains a level of sulfate entering our waters is illegal as well as negligent. "As Anishinaabe people we have many traditions and cultural traits that we hold

sacred, none more than Manoomin (wild rice). Ojibwe prophecy, which we hold as natural law, states that we were instructed by Creator to follow the Miigis (cowrie shell) west along the great lakes until we reached the place where the food grows on the water. Our ancestors were told that this sacred food will sustain and provide life for the Ojibwe to live here (in what is now known as Minnesota) forever! For generations Anishinaabe people have kept these waters the Manoomin stronghold they are today - and it was not through legislation or research but through respect.

The significance that Manoomin holds to Ojibwe people cannot be overstated. When legislators ask if Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe was consulted on this legislation, tell them no. In this regard, the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe opposes HF3280 and SF2983. Before the State considers throwing out water quality regulations in order to satisfy industry or commerce, we urge the

State to honor the human rights of the Ojibwe Nations and people and treat us with respect.

Manoomin (wild rice) holds a unique, historical, and sacred place in the history and lives of the Ojibwe in Minnesota. So much so that today, the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe people still depend on the harvest and sale of this sacred food for our subsistence and income in the fall when the wild rice is harvested.

From an ecological perspective the State of Minnesota and Canada have the largest concentration of wild rice in the entire world. The importance to the State's water, wetlands, aquatic animals, and waterfowl cannot be measured. Today, natural wild rice faces many current and potential threats in the state. In general, many factors can affect water quality, among them: seasonal water levels, lakebed conditions, climate change, or genetic research or cloning of wild rice which the tribes in Minnesota already vehemently oppose. Of immediate concern is the State's attempt to throw out protective water quality standards and the arbitrary list of wild rice waters through the actions of HF3280 and SF2983. Just because Minnesota doesn't enforce its own regulatory standard doesn't make it right or safe to repeal it with


no replacement. The Clean Water Act rules cannot be replaced without replacing them with more protective standards.

During the process the State went through to research and create the new standard it was stated many times that the Anishinaabe are the Manoomin experts. To protect, preserve, and properly care for Manoomin, it is imperative that the state recognize the ecological, historic, spiritual, and cultural importance of Manoomin and to treat the Manoomin and the Ojibwe nations and people with respect. The Leech Lake Band finds the current list of wild rice lakes insufficient and continues to

question the arbitrary listing of current wild rice lakes. The State has demonstrated willful intent to ignore tribal documentation of wild rice lakes previously when consulted during the sulfate rulemaking process. To claim in legislative sessions that there is Tribal buy-in on this legislation is disingenuous and should be proven with letters of support from Tribal Nations.

Sincerely,
Robert Budreau, Jr.
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CC: Members of MN House and Senate Committees on Environment and Natural Resources.



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