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Classic car show, all-employee reunion, and talent show highlight event Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge celebrates 120th anniversary



Second generation Ruttger's owner Alec Ruttger hoists an impressive string of bass from Bay Lake, circa 1925. — Photo courtesy of Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge

Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge is throwing a weekend-long party Saturday and Sunday, June 2 and 3 in celebration of its 120th anniversary.

In a nod to days gone by, Ruttger's is turning back the

clock to different eras at the resort by bringing back events, activities, features and specials from its past. This includes an open house and all-employee reunion, a Ruttger's museum (and antique

road show type of event), the first annual Legends of the Road Classic Car Show, a 50's Malt/Soda Shop Burger Lunch, an antique club long-drive contest, a giant slip n' slide, a wacky hat contest and a talent show, featuring the triumphant return to the stage of magician Chris Ruttger. All events are open to the public.

"From the very beginning, Ruttger's has been focused on family fun on the lake. It's going to be exciting to take a walk down memory lane and bring back aspects of the resort's past," Jack and Ann Ruttger said. "We are

looking forward to seeing a lot of old friends and reminiscing."

In addition to the activities, Ruttger's will officially rename its 18-hole golf course Jack's 18 in honor of resort Chairman of the Board Jack Ruttger. The renaming ceremony will take place at

1:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 3. Ruttger will be signing limited-edition embroidered flags and cake will be served. Beginning at 3 p.m. that day, golf rates will be reduced to \$18 in honor of the occasion.

For more information about the 120th Anniversary Celebration

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An early group of boaters at Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge — Photo courtesy of Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge

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Hard work never ends at area "Mom and Pop" vintage family resort



This barn was built in 1915 and the resort was once a working farm.

By ANN SCHWARTZ

While the frenetic activity of fishing opener went on in the lakes area, Babs and Rick Anderson's Farm Island

Lake Resort and Campground remains a mainstay of the old-time "Mom and Pop" resorts. This mom and pop have been running the resort since the 1987, when they moved up from the Columbia Heights in the Twin Cities. The resort started out as a farm, with a barn that was built in 1915. The Tibbitts, family, of which Hannah was a descendant, were on the original farm. Hannah lived out her later years in the apartment above the Dairy Queen in Aitkin.

The campground was started in 1939 and is still going strong.

The property features nine old cabins of which four are still used, and a very large, main hall that houses the

couple's living quarters and office.

Rick has a huge and unique garden that he has put together. It took him about four years to collect 40 large, plastic barrels that had held cattle feed. Mounted on boards, they make raised beds for him and he has also hooked up a watering system from well water and operated by timers. In this 30-by-24-square foot space he raises tomatoes, beets, potatoes, squash, zucchini, onions and more in his garden.

Rick also keeps busy in his shop, doing woodworking. He makes lovely items, such as a clock that is a work of art.

All over the property they have carefully cut and stacked wood to keep their outbuildings heated. They have 37 campers, which have mostly permanent residents, although they do short-term rentals for the campers that aren't full. Babs displays whimsical outdoor art on a nicely arranged patio by the main house. It's a great place to sit and have coffee and look at the lake. Rick's creative artwork is sprinkled all over the property.

The Farm Island Resort and



Rick Anderson is a talented and artistic woodworker. This is a clock he made.

Campground is a small community - much like a family. The camper residents visit with one another and with Babs and Rick and the Anderson's children and grandchildren also live on the property.

It's a lot of hard work but very rewarding for a couple who are handy fixer-uppers and who enjoy working hard

and working outside.

"This is the only job we've done for over 30 years," Babs reminisced.



Rick Anderson has put his own raised-bed garden system together with the use of used agricultural barrels.

As the sun sets on another fishing opener, it is getting to be lamp-lighting time on the resort. It feels even more like home as the lights come on

in the campers and the main house. You can smell burgers on the grill and campers are snug around their fires, watching for the stars to come out.



Historic buildings on the resort include older cabins and the main lodge in blue behind the cabin.



Babs Anderson gets around her resort on her trusty cart.

Great night of hymn singing in Aitkin



Amanda Ellison and Korissa Olson are two women, who are preacher's daughters and wonderful singers. They performed a great concert of traditional hymns with blending harmonies and much emotion at Aitkin's New Life Church on May 18. They are on a concert tour in the area and are well worth your time to hear these moving hymns. They believe it is their mission to preserve legacy hymns - some of which are 100 years old or older - for future generations. Ann Schwartz photo

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

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 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 p.m. potluck, 7 p.m. meeting. Meets at the Aitkin Library Community Center. More info call Bonnie 218-927-3485 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@mfos.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.

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.operationminnesotanic.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.

May

25th - Garden Club of Cuyuna Lakes Plant Sale 8:30 am - 2 pm at the junction of Hwy. 6 north & Hwy. 210, Crosby.

26th - Annual Plant sale of Perennials, Annuals, Shrubs, Native Plants, Garden Treasures and Red Wiggler worms 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. at Northland Arboretum, 14250 Conservation Drive, Brainerd. Sponsored by U of M Extension Crow Wing Master Gardeners, Brainerd Garden Club and Arboretum Garden Volunteers.

26th - *Lake Effect* in concert as part of Rutgger's Memorial Day Weekend celebration. This classic rock n' roll band mixes a bit of funk and even disco. \$5 per person. Seating is provided or bring your own lawn chairs. Food and drink available.

30th -11th - Waukenabo Dance, "Ramblin Leroy & Jerry" 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. For more info call Gene at 218-845-2819

June

2nd - 120th Anniversary Celebration at Rutgger's Bay Lake Lodge. Open house and all employee reunion, Rutgger's museum (antique road show type of event), car show, hickory shaft long-drive contest, a giant slip n' slide, 50's Malt/Soda Shop Burger Lunch, wacky hat contest, and talent show featuring the triumphant return to the stage of magician Chris Rutgger!

6th - American Red Cross blood drive from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Central Lakes College's Brainerd campus gym. To schedule an appointment call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code "Central Lakes College-Brainerd"

6th -Summer preschool storytime at the Mille Lacs Lake Community Library in downtown Isle. Storytime runs from 10-10:30 a.m. Wednesdays, June 6 through Aug. 1. Children must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver. Sponsored by the Mille Lacs Friends of the Library. Find the library at 285 2nd Ave. S., Isle.

Newly formed farmers market opens Friday

Beginning Friday, May 25, area residents and visitors will be able to stock up on quality, locally produced goods at a newly formed farmers market. Located on the property of Glen Meats, at the intersection of Hwy. 47 and Co. Rd. 12, the market will be open

every Friday from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. Local farmers, artists, and artisans will be offering jams and jellies, baked goods, craft items, soaps, jewelry, metal art, rabbit furs, flags and windsocks, and more! Of course, produce will also be available and will be more abundant

as the season progresses. A diversity of products will be available each week. Vendor participation will be focused on small or new

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Crosby crushes Aitkin in Game of Towns

The team representing Crosby-Ironton schools easily defeated the team from Aitkin schools in the first-ever Game of Towns Charity Competition Sunday, May 20 at Rutger's Bay Lake Lodge.



Pete Vukelich (left) representing CRES and Rippleside Elementary Principal Jesse Peterson (right) show off the checks donated to the reading programs at their respective schools. — Photo courtesy of Rutger's Bay Lake Lodge

Though the scoreboard read 11-3 in favor of the Rangers, the true winners were Rippleside Elementary School and Cuyuna Range Elementary School (CRES) who both received a check for more than \$750 for their reading programs. Aitkin Principal Jesse Peterson was presented a check for \$780 and CRES elementary received a check for \$755.

“Writing big checks to help schools buy books and foster a lifelong love of reading is one of my favorite things to do,” Rutger's President Chris Ruttger said. “The event was a lot of fun and we look forward to growing into an annual event.”

The charity competition included a nine-hole golf scramble, tug-of-war com-

petition, best-dressed golfer, and a community picnic and raffle. The teams from Crosby narrowly edged Aitkin for the golf team championship, best-dressed golfer, and in a gutsy, hard-fought battle overpowered Aitkin in tug-of-war.

Despite being felled as a team, Aitkin fared well in individual competitions. Team “Cinderella Story” consisting

of Sam Sadlowsky, Nathan Hagestuen, DJ Hasskan and Alex Gaulke won the golf tournament with a blistering 5-under par 31. Ellie McMillan won the long-drive contest and Heather Gaulke scored with a win in the closest-to-the-pin competition. For winning the individual competitions, they earned additional cash donations to the reading programs of the schools for whom they were playing.

Game of Towns is the signature event of the Rutger's Enhanced Reading Fund, an on-going charitable initiative dedicated to improving literacy in our community by sharing the love of reading with students. In the last 10 years, Rutger's has donated a combined \$74,800 to Rippleside Elementary and CRES to assist with their reading programs.

“Ruttger's is thrilled and honored to support the outstanding efforts of the teachers, administrators and staff at CRES and Rippleside who work so hard to teach our kids a love of reading and learning,” Ruttger said.



Scooby's animal mission

Scooby Harmon, owner of Aitkin Lanes bowling alley, has started an animal rescue mission in Aitkin called Scooby's Animal Mission. To that end, a fundraiser was held on May 18 and 19. It included car washes, a bake sale, prize baskets for tickets and much more. The photo shows Nicole Laird and Scooby Harmon at the fundraiser. — Ann Schwartz photo



Ron Harmon washes cars at the animal mission fundraiser.

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bration, go to rutgers.com/120-anniversary. Rutger's was founded by Joseph and Josephine Ruttger in 1898. It is the oldest, continually owned family resort in the state of Minnesota. Joseph and Josephine's son Alec and his wife Myrle oversaw expansion of the resort and the addition of the state's first resort golf course (named Alec's 9 in his honor). Jack and Ann Ruttger became the third generation Ruttger owners in the 1950s, followed by Chris and Joanne Ruttger in the 1980s.

Ruttger's has been welcoming families to the shores of Bay Lake since 1898. It is a truly classic, traditional Minnesota up north vacation destination with rustic cabins, great food and bonfires with s'mores. Located in Deerwood, Ruttger's features 27 holes of golf, a full marina, spa, three restaurants, a coffee shop, and activities galore.



The founders of Ruttger's Bay Lake Lake Joseph and Josephine Ruttger from their wedding in 1890. Eight years later, the couple opened Ruttger's. — Photo courtesy of Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge

120TH ANNIVERSARY SCHEDULE
Saturday, June 2

- **Antique Extravaganza**, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Bring your Ruttger's antiques for display. Check out artifacts from the past.
- **Legends of the Road Car Show**, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Sponsored by the Garrison Car Club.
- **Antique Club Long Drive Contest**, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Bomb it like Bobby Jones!
- **Slip N' Slide**, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Just like the old Green Lantern slide.
- **50's Malt/Soda Shop Burger Lunch**, noon - 1 p.m.
Burgers, fries and other goodies.
- **120TH Anniversary Open House**, 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.
All employee reunion, cupcakes, history displays, reminiscing.
- **Wacky Hat Contest**, 4 - 5 p.m.
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Royal wedding re-enacted in Aitkin



Members and friends of the United Methodist Church in Aitkin re-enacted the Royal Wedding between Prince Harry and Megan Markel. They dressed for the occasion and watched the service as if they were there -- standing and sitting and singing the hymns. One person brought a large collection of antique hats for folks to where. Afterward, at the reception, there were cupcakes, the British flag, crowns, photos of the couple and masks. Ann Schwartz photos



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Great sunny day for Toolin' Tour

Sunshine and 70 degree weather helped the Toolin Tour Motorcycle Ride for Habitat attract riders and meet its goals. There were 41 units (36 motorcycles and five classic cars) who made the 109 mile trek around Aitkin County on May 20. With sponsorships, registrations, silent auction and more, the ride raised \$4,000 to build affordable housing in Aitkin County. Here, the riders take off from near the Butler Building in Aitkin at noon. — Nicole Navratil photo

Kids get "Shipwrecked" in Malmo



A summer event called Shipwrecked VBS will be hosted at Bethesda Lutheran Church of Malmo from June 18 to June 22. At Shipwrecked, kids discover that Jesus rescues them! Kids participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, make and devour yummy treats, experience one-of-a-kind Bible adventures, collect Bible Memory Buddies to remind them of God is love, and they test out Sciency-Fun Gizmos they'll take home and play with all summer long. Plus, kids will learn to look for evidence of God all around them through something called God Sightings. Shipwrecked is for kids from ages 4 to 12 and will run from 9:00am to 11:30am each day. For more information, call 320 684-2123

Wednesday night there will be a community picnic sponsored by the Malmo Lions at the Lakeside Community Center. Children are invited to share their songs from VBS and all families are welcome.

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From left: Lauren Betz is with Maple Ridge Produce and Baking Company; Patty Dickhausen, Miss Patty's Cookies; Jayne Mylnar, Gobbler Concessions; Terry Butenhoff, Terry's Treats (candy); Dorine Bentley-Sorben, Miss Patty's Cookies. — Ann Schwartz photo

New Aitkin sweet treats enterprise

By ANN SCHWARTZ
A group of local women pulled together to sell their baked goods in downtown Aitkin on Fridays and Saturdays. In the former Candi's Sweet Boutique space by Subway, the women (who all have day jobs but enjoy working at the Bakers' Market) opened on May 11, hosting an open house and handing out cookies and treats.

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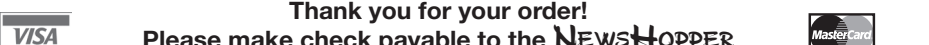
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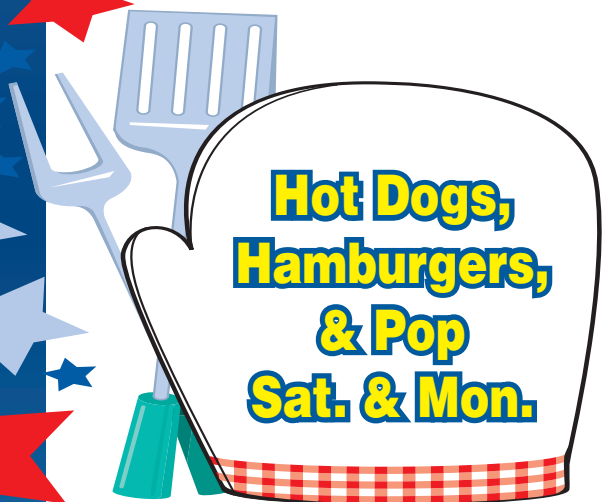
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