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## Update on the missing Leroy Keith Boyd

The 2005 Dodge pickup and trailer that is owned by Boyd and reported to have been driven by Boyd were located at a car dealership out of state. Investigators have learned that Boyd has not driven this vehicle since

October of 2007. Investigators are unaware of any other vehicles Boyd may be driving. At this time investigators believe that foul play is involved and they have identified persons of interest.

Once again, the public is

asked to help with this investigation. If you have any knowledge of Leroy Boyd, including any associations that he may have had or any conversations that you may have had with anyone about any of his personal or business

affairs, please report those to the Aitkin County Sheriff's Office. Those contact numbers are: 888-900-2138 or 218-927-7435. The Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension continues to assist with this investigation.



## Public Health plans county wide flu shot clinics

Every year in the United States more than 200,000 people are hospitalized and about 36,000 die from flu. To protect yourself and others follow these simple steps: Get an annual flu shot! Many clinics are planned throughout the county beginning in October. Stay home from school or work if you have a respiratory infection. Avoid exposing yourself to others who are sick. Cover your nose and mouth with a tis-

sue whenever you cough or sneeze, and then throw the tissue away. If you don't have a tissue, cough or sneeze into your sleeve. Clean your hands often with soap and water, or an alcohol-based hand sanitizer. If you have an infant, don't expose her to large crowds or sick friends and family during flu season. Frequently clean commonly touched surfaces if someone in your household has a cold or flu.

Persons for whom annual vaccination is recommended include: Children and adolescents age 6 months through 18 years. Persons age 50 years or older. Children and adolescents age 6 months through 18 years of age receiving long-term aspirin therapy who therefore might be at risk for Reye syndrome after influenza virus infection. Women who will be pregnant during flu season. Adults, adolescents, and children who have

chronic pulmonary (including asthma), cardiovascular (except hypertension), renal, hepatic, hematological or metabolic disorders (including diabetes), immunosuppression, or any condition that can compromise the respiratory function. Residents of long-term care and other chronic-care facilities. Household contacts (including children) and caregivers of children under 5 years of age (with

particular emphasis on contacts of children 6 months of age and younger), adults 50 years of age and older, and persons with medical conditions that put them at higher risk for severe complications from influenza.

Watch in your community for postings of flu clinic schedules & locations or contact Nancy at Aitkin County Health & Human Services at 218-927-7287.



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# SNAPSHOTS

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## Aitkin High School Homecoming 2008

By CONNIE PETERSEN

The 2008 Homecoming theme was "casual camping" to go with a slogan of "Aitkin makes S'mores with Braham crackers." The student council helped reinstate the homecoming parade after an absence of many years.

The senior girls won their powder puff football game against the junior girls 12-0. The boys Friday homecoming game had a number of lightening delays until officials postponed it until the following Monday at 4:45 p.m. While the Gobblers played really hard in their final quarter, Braham outscored them 36-20. One parent interviewed said that Aitkin came out strong in their final quarter on Monday with pride and dignity and played well, but it just wasn't enough to pull it out.



2008 Homecoming royalty, Lauren Landrus and Nick Harmon.



School mascot, the Aitkin Gobbler.



The freshman float.



Aitkin High School band.

The Seniors who won 12 to 0 in the powder puff game.

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# Riverboat Teacher — Part 8

BY PHILIP NEESE

*This is a continued story about Verna Evens, a Sandy Lake teacher, reconstructed with the help of her daughter, Marjorie Roeschlein.*

## Thanksgiving

Verna continues, "Elise saw me coming and ran out and met me, 'We have a real treat today, my brother Herb is here and he is a great cook. Everybody calls him Barry. He will be fixing our dinner. He cooks for the wiregrass camp.'

"The wiregrass was quite a large operation near McGregor. Huge quantities of this wiregrass was harvested, bailed and shipped to St. Paul where it was very popular material, used in rug making. In the 1930s there was a farm, near McGregor, called the wiregrass farm that manufactured brooms.

"We ate our fill of a very delicious meal, which included jelly from high bush cranberries. I told them that I

had learned that the Wilderness school would be shut down for January February and part of March. The school board said it was just too cold and I think they were short of money for my small salary.

"I didn't know what I would do as I thought I would get cabin fever being camped up in the small Johnson House."

Barry said, "I think that I could drive over the large swamps, south of McGregor and take you to your folks farm. The swamps would be frozen by January."

"I looked at this young man and I liked what I saw! 'Sure, I would really like that.'

"The day started off cold and dark but soon we could see peaks of the sun. It rose low in the sky and soon clouded over. We were south of McGregor in the big swamps. It started to snow and the tamaracks were beautiful but soon the temperature started to drop.

It was certainly well below zero. I was not sure how Barry was able to follow the trail and I was freezing. I snuggled closer to Barry. He had to stop several times and put an old coat around the horse's noses to melt the ice. I was not sure we were going to make it home alive, but we did and I sure fell for Barry. He had to go to fight in WWI and so in addition to teaching, I homesteaded some land near the Savanna Park. With the help of my brother-in-law, I was able to prove up this land. When Barry came home, I became Mrs. Herbert Barott LeVesseur. It wasn't long before we had a little girl named Marjorie.

"Marjorie was six years old and it was time for her to go to school. The Winston Reader was my favorite reading book for the first grade and I had Marjorie reading before she was six years old. That was a wonderful book.

It helped students sound out the words and was full of great stories. So many young people have a difficult time reading today. It is just too bad that we have shelved such a fine book.

"Anyway, the closest school was over four miles away. There was a road down to McGrath now and so we let Marjorie go and stay with my mom and dad and go to school there. She was very lonesome and I didn't like that situation.

"For some years our neighbors got together trying to solve our school situation. We sent a letter to the State of Minnesota requesting a better school system. They responded promptly and we had what we believed was the first consolidated school district in this area. Bell Horn Bay School. The school had two separate classrooms and several school busses. When Marjorie was ready for the second grade she got to ride



Barry LeVesseur at the wiregrass cookhouse.



Bell Horn Bay School on Marjorie's first day. Notice the school busses.

the bus to Bell Horn Bay on opening day in September of 1924.

"I haven't taught school now for several years but I

am proud of those years of teaching and some people still call me the Riverboat Teacher."

# Family Forest Certification class to be offered in Brainerd



A class on Family Forest Certification will be offered in Brainerd, on Sat., Oct. 18, 2008 from 8:30 a.m. to noon, at the Brainerd Public Library, 416 South 5th Street.

Minnesota has more certified forestland than any other state in the nation. Forest certification is a way to sustainably manage your forest, using a system of practices, that is independently verified

by a credible third-party organization. So, does a certified forest look different, or is it something that a forest owner should do? At this class, participants will learn more about the benefits, costs, and the various processes involved in forest certification. Programs that support forest certification will also be presented. As part of the class, a visit to a certified forest located in Brainerd

Lakes Area will be conducted, wherein the landowner will share his experience on the certification efforts.

This class offers continuing education credits for Woodland Advisors. The cost of attending this class is \$20.

Woodland Advisor is a program of the Minnesota Forestry Association, the University of Minnesota Extension, and the Minnesota Department of

Natural Resources Division of Forestry. Partial funding support is provided by the Forest Stewardship Program.

For more information on this workshop, contact Diomy Zamora at 218-828-2332 or zamor015@umn.edu, or visit: <http://cfc.cfans.umn.edu/wa/>

To register for the class, contact Sue Crotty at 888-241-0720, [crott012@umn.edu](mailto:crott012@umn.edu). Pre-registration is required.

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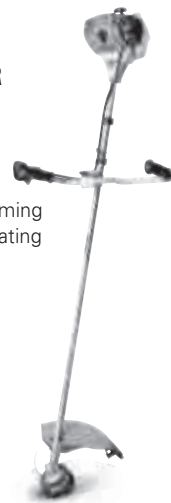
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# OBITUARIES

## EILEEN L. BESCH

Eileen L. Besch, 86, of McGregor, died Fri., Sept. 26, 2008, at Northland Village Assisted Living Center in McGregor.

Services were held Wed., Oct. 1, 2008, at Holy Family Catholic Church in McGregor with Fr. John Fleischhacker officiating. Burial was in the Pine Needle Cemetery.

She was born Nov. 4, 1921, in St. Paul, to Henry and Lydia (Mudrick) Miller. She grew up and attended schools in North St. Paul and she graduated from the North St. Paul High School. She married Joseph Besch on Aug. 21, 1943, in Lake Elmo. They lived in North St. Paul for a time and then bought a farm near Lake Elmo. She worked for the

Strauss Knitting Mills as a seamstress for over 30 years. Upon retirement, they moved to McGregor in 1978. She resided at the Northland Village Assisted Living Center for a little over a year.

She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Tom (Kim) Besch, McGregor; four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Joseph, in 1990; two great-grandchildren; a brother and a sister.

Arrangements were with the McGregor Funeral Home in McGregor. Go to [www.srtfuneral.com](http://www.srtfuneral.com) to sign the online guest register.

## DORIS E. TEMPLE

Doris E. Temple, 77, of Aitkin, died Sat., Sept. 27, 2008, at the Oakridge Home in Aitkin.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. on Fri., Oct. 3, 2008, at Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home in Aitkin with Rev. Marlene Turner officiating. Burial will be in the Lakeview Cemetery.

She was born June 9, 1931, in Hill City, to Ray and Mary Temple. She worked at the

Aitkin DAC and has resided at the Oakridge Home since 1982.

She is survived by her sisters: Marilyn Anderson, Cecil Tofnesf and Janice Temple; and brother, Robert Temple.

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## MICHAEL M. GRUNENWALD

Michael M. Grunenwald, 66, of Aitkin, died Mon., Sept. 29, 2008, at Riverwood Healthcare Center in Aitkin.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. on Sat., Oct. 4, 2008, at St. John's Lutheran Church, Cedarbrook with Rev. Sandy Berg Holte officiating. Burial will be in St. John's Lutheran Church Cemetery. Visitation will be Friday from 5-7 p.m. at the church with a prayer service at 7:30 p.m. Visitation will continue at the church Saturday from noon to the service.

He was born Aug. 28, 1942, in Windom, to Herman and Frieda (Knoll) Grunenwald. He attended school in Windom through third grade and then moved with his family to the Aitkin area. He then attended Iron Hub Country School and Aitkin High School, graduating in 1961. He worked for Ziske's as a meat cutter until the early 1970s. He married Joan Bergman on Feb. 15, 1964, in Cedarbrook. In the mid 1970s, he went to work for the

Minnesota Department of Transportation and worked on highway maintenance. He retired in 2003. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, Cedarbrook, where he served on its council; he served as clerk for the Aitkin Township Board for two terms; was a member of the Aitkin Quarterbacks Club; and was currently serving as Governor at the Aitkin Moose Lodge.

He is survived by his wife, Joan, Aitkin; sons, Jeff and Joel Grunenwald, both of Aitkin; two grandchildren; brothers and sisters-in-law: Paul (Karola) Grunenwald, Great Falls, MT; Stanley (Millie) Grunenwald, Grand Rapids; and Daniel (Benita) Grunenwald, Canon Falls.

He was preceded in death by his parents. Arrangements were with the Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home of Aitkin. Go to [www.srtfuneral.com](http://www.srtfuneral.com) to sign the online guest register.

## MARLIN NELSON



Marlin "Muggs" Nelson, 81, of Brainerd, died Sat., Sept. 27, 2008, at the VA Medical Center in Minneapolis.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. on Fri., Oct. 3, 2008, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Crosby. Burial will be in the Lakewood Cemetery in Crosby with full military honors given by the Myrin-James American Legion #443, Ironton. Friends may call one hour prior to the services at the church.

He was born July 11, 1927, in Ironton, to Wilfred and Sadie (Timo) Nelson. He graduated from the Crosby-Ironton High School class of 1945. He married Ruby Moe on Nov. 26, 1948, in Milbank, SD. He was a WWII

Marine Corp Veteran, a former Inland Steel employee and a retired Doctor of Chiropractic with practices in Ironton and Talmoo.

He is survived by his wife, Ruby; sons and daughters-in-law: Donald Nelson, Ironton; Barry (Cindy) Nelson, Crosby; David (Kristin) Nelson, Two Harbors; daughter, Susan Geyer, Henning; sister, Norma Rothwell, Crosby; 12 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters: Blanche Hyttinen and Inez Palmer; brother, Archie Nelson; son-in-law, Dal Geyer; and two grandsons.

Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home of Crosby.

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## Fireproof opens fourth at box office



BY JENNIFER MESKO, EDITOR  
FOCUS ON THE FAMILY

Even the mainstream media have been forced to add their accolades.

*Fireproof* — the new pro-marriage movie from the folks who made *Facing the Giants* — wowed Hollywood by opening at No. 4 over the weekend. The movie, which cost less than \$1 million to make,

brought in \$6.5 million. *Fireproof* also boasted the year's second-best opening weekend of any film released on 1,000 screens or fewer.

"I was hoping and praying for at least a Top 10 opening," said Bob Waliszewski, director of Focus on the Family's *Plugged In* magazine and Web site. "I'm very excited to see it's No. 4."

"It does send a message that there's still pent-up demand for good, wholesome family entertainment.

Even the mainstream media have been forced to add their accolades. The *New York Times* called *Fireproof* "a

decent attempt to combine faith and storytelling that will certainly register with its target audience."

The *Los Angeles Times* went so far as to call it "a mainstream relationship flick."

Steven Isaac, who reviewed the movie for *Plugged In*, said anyone "in the middle of ugly emotions driven by marital neglect, apathy and want, will surely be compelled by *Fireproof* to ... break out the survival gear right away, putting into practice some of the principles they've just seen brought to life."

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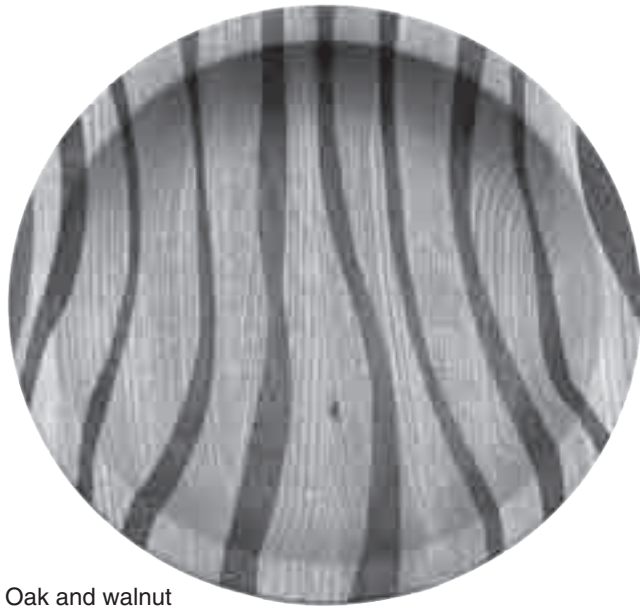
## 'Marks + Meditations' exhibit features batik and wood turning

Work by batik artist Diane Rutherford, Grand Rapids, and wood artist, Bob Carls, Bay Lake, are featured in "Marks + Meditations", a new show at Ripple River Gallery. Both artists will be on hand for an artist reception from 2 to 4 p.m. on Sat., Oct. 4, to talk about the work. The exhibit, which opened Sept. 24, will continue through Nov. 2.

The reception for "Marks + Meditations" coincides with Ripple River Gallery's annual fall open house, which includes a raku pottery firing beginning at 10 a.m., music and storytelling with Paul Imholte and JoAnne Lower from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and refreshments all day.

Under the direction of St. Joseph potter Jim Loso, participants can choose a pot to glaze, fire and take home. There is no charge for the raku firing, however donations will be accepted for Wild and Free Wildlife Rehabilitation Program in Garrison. Registration for the pottery firing is not required; pots are available while they last!

Wild and Free is a non-



Oak and walnut "River Bowl" by Bob Carls.

profit organization dedicated to educating the public and caring for orphaned or injured wild animals. Veterinarian Dr. Debbie Eskedahl heads the volunteer-based program. Wild and Free receives no federal or state funding for any portion of its program. The organization provides food, shelter, medical and surgical care to orphaned or injured wildlife under permits from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Ripple River Gallery is located five miles south of Deerwood on Hwy. 6, then 3 miles east of Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge on Co. Rd. 14 to Partridge Ave.; or south of Aitkin on Hwy. 169 to Ben-nettville, then 3.2 miles west on Co. Rd. 11 to Partridge Ave. For more information call 218-678-2575 or e-mail: ripriv@mlecmmn.net.

## Exhibit to feature selected artists from *Lake Country Journal*

*Lake Country Journal Magazine*, the Q Gallery, Insty-Prints, and the Crossing Arts Alliance of Brainerd are sponsoring an exhibit of local artists whose work has been featured in the pages of *Lake Country Journal Magazine*.

The exhibit will run Tues-

days and Thursdays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and second Saturdays from Oct. 14 through Nov. 8 at The Q Gallery, Franklin Arts Center, 1001 Kingwood Street, Brainerd.

Chip Borkenhagen, publisher of *Lake Country Journal Magazine*, says, "We get let-

ters from people all the time about the artists we feature in the magazine. People are surprised and thrilled to see that there is such outstanding talent here in Lake Country."

For more information on the exhibit, contact the Q Gallery at 218.330.6228.

## A western "Night of Fine Dining"

Put on your western finest and join Unlimited Learning for a great chuck wagon dinner and a poetic tribute to the cowboy. The sixth annual "Night of Fine Dining" will be held on Fri., Oct. 24, at Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge, with entertainment by Minnesota's cowgirl poet, Diane Tribitt.

Enjoy social time from 6-6:30 p.m., followed by dinner and program by Diane Tribitt, author of *Trail Mix*, a book of cowboy language, *Lingo, Poetry & Recipes*, knows first-hand the trials and joys of cowboying.

Cost is \$35 for members and \$40 for non-members, tax and gratuity included.

Sign-up and confirm reservations by sending a check, written to Unlimited Learning, to Unlimited Learning-Night of Fine Dining, P.O. Box 455, Deerwood, MN 56444. Deadline for reservations is October 17.



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Aitkin Singles, meets monthly for various activities such as music, hiking, and dancing. For more info call 218-927-3153.

Aitkin Women's Tennis, every Tue. & Thur. 8-10 a.m., Aitkin Courts. All levels.

Blind Lake (Aitkin Area) ATV Club, meets the 2nd Fri. of each month at Aitkin City Hall, 7:30 p.m. New members welcome.

Blow-Hards, a lung disease support group, meets the 4th Thur. of each month at Kanabec Hospital in Mora. Contact Carol in Respiratory Therapy, 320-225-3646.

Cancer Support Group, meets on the 3rd Tue. of each month at Riverwood Hospital conference room "B", 6:30 p.m. Call 218-927-2121 x2257 or 218-546-4302.

Circle of Parents, community based support group for parents and children, Tuesdays at St. James Church, Aitkin, 6-7:30 p.m., Beginning Oct. 7. Info 218-927-2327.

Circles of Support meets every Tue., 6-8 p.m. If you are living paycheck to paycheck and are ready for a change, Circles may be right for you. Circles of Support provides an informal, confidential support system. If you are a self-starter and self-motivated, call Brandi, 800-997-5723.

Clear Lake Grange meets second Tue. each month, 6 p.m. potluck, 7 p.m. meeting. Meet in member's homes. Info call Vern 320-684-2244 or Roxy 218-927-4558.

Deerwood Lions Card Party, 2nd Tue. each month, 1 p.m. social, 1:30-3:30 card playing. \$3 per person. Refreshments available. Everyone welcome. Info call Kathy Novac 218-546-5486.

Dial-A-Ride service in Aitkin. Call for pick up: 218-326-3503 or 1-800-642-6143.

DivorceCare meets every Wed., 6:45-8:30 p.m. at Glory Community Center, 12 mi. southeast of Aitkin. Call 218-927-3678.

Emergency Food Shelf at St. James Catholic Church, Aitkin. Hours are: Tue. & Thur. from 12 to 3 p.m. To enter the food shelf go to the South side of the building, go to the 4th door and look for signs.

Evergreen P.A.C. ATV Club meets on the first Thur. of the month at 7 p.m. Sept. 4 & Oct. 2 meeting held at Gampers Supper Club. Open to the public.

Garrison City Council meets the first Thur. of each month at the City building.

Heart to Heart Support Group, 4th Tuesday of month, 1-2:30 p.m., Kanabec Hospital, int. of Hwy. 65 & 23, Mora.

Heartland Region, Minnesota Senior Federation meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 10 a.m. at Lakes Area Senior Activity Center, Brainerd. For info call 218-927-3395 or 218-963-2298.

Hope for the Future Support Group for those dealing with emotional issues, 1st & 3rd Thur., 1 p.m., Access North, 105 4th St. NW, Aitkin, 927-3748.

Ironton TOPS (Take off Pounds Sensibly) meets Mon. evenings, 7 p.m. at 212 Viola Ave., Ironton. All interested is invited. Info call Mabel Semler 218-546-6523.

Jacobson Busy Bees meets every Thur., 10-2 p.m. at Jacobson Comm. Bldg. Potluck at noon. Beverage provided. All are welcome. For more info., 752-6652.

Kids Game and Bible Activity night at Palisade Assembly of God. 7-8 p.m., K-12.

Legal Aid meets in Aitkin every other month on the third Wed., at Security State Bank, 2nd floor, 402 Minnesota Ave. N, 10 a.m. to noon. Contact the Senior Office, 218-927-3811 for appointment.

LinkAge Line™, 4th Thur. of the month, 9:30 to 11:30 at Aitkin Co. Senior Office (Security State Bank bldg., 2nd floor). Counselors will assist with Medicare-related issues. For an appt., call 800-333-2433.

Lymphedema Support Group, 3rd Monday of month, 6:30 p.m., Kanabec Hospital, int. of Hwy. 65 & 23, Mora.

McGrath City Council, first Thur. of the month, 7:30 p.m. at fire station hall.

McGregor TOPS (Take off Pounds Sensibly) meets Thur., 3:30 p.m. at Lake Minnewawa Sportsman's Club, Goshawk St. (Co. Rd. 6). 218-768-2340 for more info.

McGregor VFW Post dances, 1st & 3rd Mondays of each month, 1-4 p.m.

MS Support Group, meets the 3rd Mon. of the month at 1 p.m. and the 1st Wed. of the month at 7 p.m., Hope Drop in Center, 210 2nd Ave. NW, Aitkin

Mystic Masonic Lodge meets 1st & 3rd Tue. of the month at 7:30 p.m. over the Eye Care Center in Aitkin.

North Central MN Farm & Antique Assn. meet 1st Wed. of the month at Blackberry Town Hall. Worknite, every Wed. night at 6 p.m. on show grounds, throughout summer. Info: Bruce 218-752-6592.

Ripple River Quilters meetings 2nd Tuesday, 1 p.m., Aitkin Health Services, 301 MN Ave. S., lower level. Use side entrance. Call 218-927-5760.

Rainbows Grief Support Group meets every 2nd & 4th Wed. of the month, 9:30 a.m. at Grace Lutheran (Log) Church. For more info call Mary Ann at 218-426-3491 or Diane Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m. to noon at 218-426-3343.

Second Tuesday Card Party, Deerwood American Legion. Open to public, 1 p.m. social, card playing 1:30-3:30 p.m. Cost \$3 per person. Refreshments available. For info call Kathy at 218-546-5486.

Senior Dance at Deerwood Legion, 1-4 p.m., 1st and 3rd Fri. each month.

Stroke Support Group, meets 4th Mon. of each month at First Lutheran Church in Aitkin, 2-3 p.m. Family caregivers as well as stroke patients are welcome.

Storytime for Toddlers, meets Wed. from 10:30 -11 a.m. at the McGregor Area Public Library.

Westside Church Children's Program, Wednesdays. K-5th grade, 5-7 p.m.,

### October:

1-8th - Coats for Kids, bring gently used coats, snowpants, hats & mittens to Paulbeck's County Market, Pamida, Lorrie's Hair Studio or Farm Island Repair & Marine. Distribution Oct. 11, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at First Lutheran Church.

3rd - Grassroots Concert, Nisswa Community Center, 6:30, \$15 adults, \$10 children under 12 accompanied by adult. Sparky & Rhonda Rucker performing. www.grassrootsconcerts.org.

3rd - In HIS Name concert, The Church on the Wise Road, 7 p.m., potluck before concert 5:30-7 p.m., bring a dish to share.

4th - Annual Fall Bazaar, Aitkin United Methodist Church, 9-2 p.m., lunch served.

4th - Cuyuna Range Youth Center selling Schwan's, CRYC parking lot. 10% donated to CRYC.

4th - 6th Annual Grass Drag & Swap Meet, fund raiser, Crow Wing County Fairgrounds, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., \$10 per person, \$5 for MN USA members.

4th - Hoofin' It For Mounted Eagles benefit trail ride at 6504 59th Ave/Co. Rd. 24, Motley. Bonfire, pig roast, live music, overnight camping avail Fri. & Sat. night. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m., Hayrides, kid's corral on Sat. \$40 before Sept. 29; \$50 after. Info call 218-839-1274 or www.mountedeagles.org.

4th - Olde Tyme Fall Festival, Mille Lacs Lake Museum.

4th - "A Journey to True Financial Freedom" seminar at Salem Lutheran Church, Deerwood, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., cost \$25. To register call church 218-534-3309.

4th - Carmel Lutheran Church, Jacobson, Annual Harvest Bazaar, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., lunch served.

5th - West Range Country Show, 6:30 p.m., Greenway High School Auditorium, Coleraine, West door, handicap accessible. Door prizes.

5th - Gull Lake Drifters Annual snowmobile club open house. 12-3 p.m., Nisswa club house 1 blk S. of Nisswa Dairy Queen next to Dick Parks Gas.

6th - Cuyuna Range Women's Club Annual Dinner, 6 p.m., Crosby St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

6th - Crow Wing Co. Republicans Pie & Coffee Social, Red Roof In, Brainerd, 7-9:30 p.m., \$10.

7th - Aitkin County Triad meeting, Long Lake Conservation Center, 1030 a.m.

8th - Waukenabo Dance, The Hornets, 1-4 p.m., 15 mi. N. of Aitkin on Hwy. 169 to Co. Rd. 3 W., 1.25 mi. on left.

9th - Garrison Lions Membership Night, 4:30 p.m., Garrison City Hall. RSVP to Betty 218-678-2141.

10th - Sons of Norway - Tusenvann Lodge #1-659, Isle. 7 p.m. at I.R.E.C. in Isle. Refreshments served. Public welcome.

11th - Fall Rummage Sale, Cuyuna Range Youth Center, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

11th - Children of Mark Root Fund Raiser, Noon at Red Rock in McGregor. Account at Wells Fargo Bank.

15th - Fall Harvest Luncheon, First Congregational United Church of Christ, Aitkin, 11-1:30 p.m., \$5 presale, \$6 at door.

16-26th - Geritol Frolics, \$10-12, call 825-4993 for times and to reserve tickets. Info 218-825-3777.

17-18th - Fall Festival & Community Day, Aitkin.

18th - Fall Festival, Bethlehem Lutheran, 7 p.m., everyone welcome.

18th - Advanced Photography Workshops. Two classes offered, fee \$25, call Jaques Art Center for more information and to register. 218-927-2363

# September veterans visits

Members of the Aitkin American Legion Post and Auxiliary visited with the veterans and Auxiliary members at Aicota, Aicota Assisted Living and Aitkin Health Care Services on Sept. 10. Included in the group but not pictured were Roberta Elvecrog and Barb Jones. All visited were given a personalized card with a poem of September letting us know Autumn is coming soon.



Commander Marv Wier, Legion Chaplain Bill Bernard, Past President Agnes Weimer with veteran Walter Browning.



Maude Weir, Marv Weir, Karen Oleson, Agnes Weimer, Liz Catlin, veteran Bill Rock and Kaye Peoples.



Artist Holly Resch visited the 5/6 grade classroom to share her expertise. Resch is an artist living in New York. She attended elementary school as a child at Emily School! Her goal for her visit was to share her expertise with the students and inspire them to express themselves through art, a goal that was met with much eagerness by the students. For more information about Holly Resch, or to check out some of her artwork, go to hollyresch.com.

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## Beat the Bet — New website raises awareness of high school problem gambling

A new website has been launched for parents to help understand and identify the warning signs of problem gambling among today's high school students. According to the National Council on Problem Gambling, four to

eight percent of teens nationwide are projected to already have a gambling issue, while another 10 to 15 percent are said to be at risk for developing a problem.

Gambling has become a widespread activity among

high school students; some 60 percent of 12th grade boys play cards for money, according to a 2007 Minnesota Student Survey.

The site — [www.BeatTheBet.com/Parents](http://www.BeatTheBet.com/Parents) — offers parents essential information about

problem gambling and its warning signs, including advice on how to talk to teens about the issue. Parents can also send an e-mail invitation to "Take the Twenty," a 20-question, self-assessment quiz that offers an easy way to help teens consider their gambling habits and whether they may be on the road to a problem.

The project was made possible with funding from the Minnesota Department of Human Services problem gambling awareness pro-

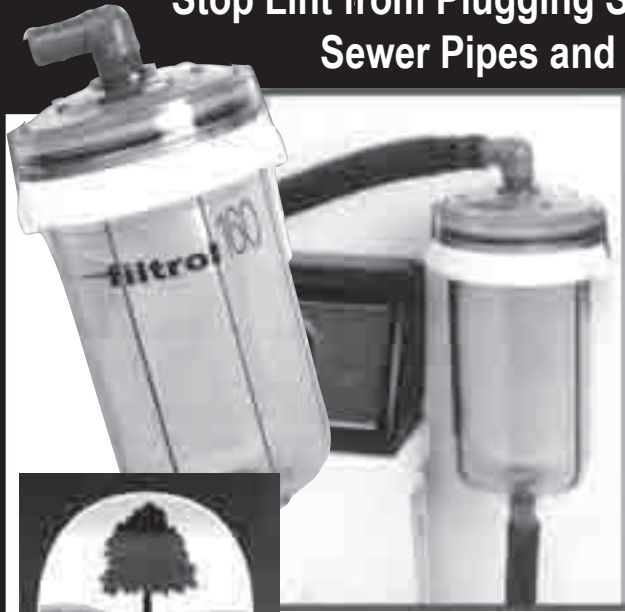
gram, which is supported by proceeds from the Minnesota State Lottery. In addition to the new Web site, curriculum about this concern will be distributed to Minnesota high schools in the fall.

Problem gambling is frequently referred to as the "hidden addiction." Unlike chemical dependency, there are no visible physical signs that an issue has developed. Problem gamblers become skilled at concealing gambling and financial issues from those around them. As higher

rates of suicide, chemical addiction and criminal activity often accompany gambling addiction, experts say it is crucial that parents become aware of this growing issue and begin watching for its warning signs.

Visit [www.BeatTheBet.com/Parents](http://www.BeatTheBet.com/Parents) to learn more. The Minnesota Department of Human Services problem gambling program also offers a 24-hour, toll-free helpline at (800)333-HOPE, providing callers with confidential advice and information regarding treatment resources in their area.

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## Creating a cleaner, greener, and safer home for your children is easier than you think



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Everything from the bubble bath your kids soak in to that new toy all the mothers raved about at the last play date, may actually contain toxins posing risks to our kids' vulnerable, developing bodies, says Christopher Gavi-

gan, author of *Healthy Child Healthy World*, and CEO of a non-profit organization by the same name (Dutton, \$25.95).

"Luckily, it's easier than you think to make simple, wise choices to create a healthy, non-toxic, and environmentally sound home that allows your family to flourish," Gavigan says.

Gavigan doesn't imply we all live in a ticking time bomb

set to unleash toxins that can cause autism, allergies, cancer and asthma. However, the book reminds us of a growing body of research pointing to unseen threats from exposures to chemicals in everyday products like cleaning supplies, cosmetics, furnishings, plastics, and some foods and toys as contributing to these ailments. Gavigan is confident that virtually every home could be made safer, cleaner and greener with simple changes.

"No one can do everything, but everyone can do something. Every little step you take at home helps your family live in a healthier environment," Gavigan says.

*Healthy Child Healthy World's* efforts are strengthened by well-known pediatricians and experts contribut-

ing to the book, as well the many parents and celebrities sharing personal stories and efforts to creating an environmentally safe lifestyles. Among them are Tom Hanks, Gwyneth Paltrow (who offers a couple of recipes), Brooke Shields, Sheryl Crow, Michelle Obama, Erin Brockovich, and Meryl Streep (who wrote the book's foreword).

"So much that's out there now is about what you should not do," Streep writes. "*Healthy Child Healthy World* helps mothers and fathers connect the dots, to understand cause and effect ... it tries to emphasize the healthful solutions, the positive, easy-to-follow steps you can take for your family, your home, yourself."

Gavigan offers tips like these to help make that hap-

pen:

**Keep cleaning simple.** You don't need a chemical arsenal to keep your house clean. Most messes are easily erased using ingredients like baking soda, vinegar, and lemon juice. They are effective, inexpensive, and safer.

**Learn what labels mean.** A lot of claims made on product labels are unregulated or misleading. For example, you may think a food label that says something is "all natural" would mean it gets a green light from the green police. Not so fast. The product could still be contaminated with potentially harmful chemicals, hormones, or genetically modified organisms. Look for items that are "100% certified organic."

**Buy toys that are good for kids and the planet.** Those

made with solid wood, nontoxic paints and natural finishes are not only free of harmful chemicals and toxins, but also look good and last longer. While a little pricier, their durability allows them to be passed down to a younger child.

**Use fewer personal care products and select ones with safer ingredients.** If your baby has a diaper rash, avoid creams with petroleum products, fragrances or unnecessary chemicals. Zinc diaper cream usually does the trick. So do home remedies like corn starch and aloe vera gel. Never use talc baby powder. It can cause lung irritation and may have traces of asbestos.

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# Riverboat Reelers celebrate 20 years of friendship set to music

BY CONNIE PETTERSEN  
Last summer, the local Riverboat Reelers square dance club received a 20-year anniversary certificate awarded by the Minnesota State Square Dance Federation. About 20 people are currently members of the Aitkin area's Riverboat Reelers.

"We meet once a month on the third Sunday afternoon," said Joan Kingsley, a long-time member of the group. "We are now dancing at the Waukenabo Community Center. Bryan and Christine Bailey, Frank and Muriel Kingsley, and Mavis McGuire are also founding members of the Riverboat Reelers who are still dancing."

The Riverboat Reelers first organized May 17th, 1988 after eight couples graduated from square dance classes given through community education. Their instructor was Ernie Auringer, a square dance caller from the Grand Rapids Itasca Twirlers club. They began calling themselves Riverboat Reelers because Aitkin is a riverboat community. They chose basic colors of blue and white and a riverboat paddle wheel as their club emblem. Mavis and Mike McGuire were

elected presidents, Frank and Muriel Kingsley were vice presidents and Beth and Ken McCoy of the Heartland Squares were secretary and treasurer.

In the fall of 1989, Riverboat Reeler Mike McGuire started teaching classes through Community Ed. The club has been active in promoting square dancing through exhibitions at Aitkin and Crow Wing County fairs, Riverboat Days, Hey Days in Tamarack, and Heritage Days in Crosby, Ironton. They also have performed at nursing homes and retirement communities to entertain residents.

"We are in the NE region of the Minnesota Square Dance Federation and in 2001 our region hosted the state convention in Grand Marias and doubled the population of the town for a weekend," said Muriel.

While square dancing is also popular overseas, it is truly an American dance. "When people are square dancing anywhere, the calls are always in English," said Frank.

Square dancing is good exercise. "They say after a night of dancing, you walk two to three miles," said Muriel. "If anybody wants

exercise, this is a fun way to get it!"

Everyone agreed that square dancing was also a good way to bring couples together to do something enjoyable and to see the country as well. Members of the club have gone on vacation and danced in Washington, Oregon, California, Arizona, Texas, Florida, Tennessee, Missouri and Alaska. Square dancing is wonderful exercise, plus the fellowship is great.

"Also, you don't need great dancing skills to square dance, as it's more like walking," said Joan. However, instruction in square dance is important so you can catch on. Joan and her husband Merle were very active in the Riverboat Reelers until he died in July 1998. "Merle was a terrible dancer," Joan said. "He had no rhythm, but was a very good square dancer. We used to go to Missouri and stay there for a week in a square dance resort for six days. It was awesome."

Joan said that square dancing has levels—basic, mainstream and plus. "That's as far as we ever got," she said, but also admitted that square dancing can be almost addicting. With Merle and herself, it was Joan who



Pictured are the Riverboat Reelers at their 2008 Square Dance Convention in Duluth. L-R: John and Ardis Vining of the Square Dance Federation of Minnesota with Riverboat Reelers Gloria and Gary Rogers, Muriel and Frank Kingsley, Judy and Bill Haapoja and Joan Kingsley.

would sometimes say, "Can't we just sit home tonight?" and Merle would smile and answer, "What color are you going to wear?"

The dancers have many colorful outfits. One of the club members, Mavis McGuire has her own custom design clothing business called McGuire Attire and she and her daughter take their shop to festivals around the state to sell their square dance outfits as well as handle everything from shoes to jewelry. (See [www.mcguire-attire.com](http://www.mcguire-attire.com)).

The Riverboat Reelers are

always looking forward to gaining new members and will offer classes at the Waukenabo Hall if anyone is interested. Square dancing is family friendly as there is no alcohol allowed. In some areas, home schooled children take square dance lessons for their physical education credits. Kids do very well with this as they catch on quick. Square dancing is clean family fun and great exercise. That's something hard to find these days.

There is a misconception that square dancing is a competitive event, but it's

not a competition. It's fun and friendships set to music. If you can walk and breathe, you can square dance.

For more information about the Riverboat Reelers, square dancing classes, etc., call Frank and Muriel Kingsley, 845-2666, Joan Kingsley, 927-2326, Bryan and Christine Bailey, 927-3677, Gary and Gloria Rogers, 845-2393 or McGuire Attire at 927-3804.

The Riverboat Reelers square dances are held the third Sunday at Waukenabo Town Hall from 2-4 p.m. Visitors are always welcome.

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The most effective way to learn first aid and CPR/AED is to participate in hands-on training courses taught by a certified Red Cross instructor. While quick-

overview videos and courses help you to become familiar with safety training; attending certification courses under the supervision of a qualified instructor is the best way to obtain the skills and confidence needed to successfully perform first aid and CPR/AED. And, in order to remain confident and keep skills current, it is recommended that you attend refresher courses and be re-certified yearly. The North Star Chapter of the American Red Cross offers CPR, First

Aid, and AED courses to the public through online and classroom sessions.

Adult CPR classes: Oct. 17, 6-10 p.m.; Oct. 31, 6-10 p.m. \$30 full course or \$20 refresher/challenge.

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Also looking for other old historical books on Aitkin County.

# Senior Legal Line: Q & A for seniors

**SENIOR LEGAL LINE:** Please answer my question about Medical Assistance and gifting. I want to give money to my children but I am worried about what would happen if I later need to go into a nursing home and needed Medical Assistance to pay for my care. I have enough assets to pay for approximately one (1) year of nursing care. Beyond that, I believe I would have to apply for Medical Assistance to pay for my long term care. I worry that a gift to my children would make me ineligible for Medical Assistance. Is this true?

*Signed, Elaine*

**DEAR ELAINE:** No matter how old parents become, we seem to have a natural inclination to give things to our children. However, you are right to be concerned about Medical Assistance whenever any gifts are made.

Medical Assistance is the federal program (administered by the state of Minnesota through its individual counties) that pays for long-term care for people who

meet its eligibility guidelines. For example, a single individual can only have \$3,000 in countable assets in order to be eligible for Medical Assistance. Because the program has income and asset guidelines, there are penalties if you give away assets. The general penalty resulting from a gift is that you will be ineligible for Medical Assistance for a period of time, based on the value of the gift, from the date of your application for Medical Assistance.

In 2006, Medical Assistance rules were modified in order to further discourage gifting. This new law was called the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005. For all gifts made after the effective date of February 8, 2006, the new rules apply.

Among the new rules resulting from the Deficit Reduction Act, are that the "look-back" period is scheduled to be expanded to five (5) years, that the ineligibility period resulting from a gift will start to run from the date of application for Medical Assistance, not from

the date of the gift, and that even small gifts count against you. Please note that the look-back period is gradually being phased in. Currently, when you apply for Medical Assistance, the County will look back a period of three (3) years from the date of application to see if you have made any gifts. This look-back period will be gradually increased one month at a time starting in February 2009 until it reaches the full five (5) year look back period in February 2011. The answer to your question then is that if you give a gift now, the penalty period effectively hangs over your head for up to five (5) years from the date you gave the gift because if you apply for Medical Assistance within five (5) years of the gift, the County is going to see that gift and calculate the length of your ineligibility period. You will be deemed ineligible for some period of time, running from the date of the application.

At the time of your application you would have already spent down to your eligibility

limit and most likely would not have enough assets to pay for your care during the ineligibility period. For example, as a single individual, you can only have \$3,000 in countable assets. Obviously, \$3,000 will not buy you a lot of long-term care. If you do not have the assets to pay for your long-term care during the ineligibility period, a few things may happen. For example, the County may make a determination that your health is in danger and that you need your long-term care. The County may pay for your care with Medical Assistance benefits, but then they will contact the people who received the gifts and require that they give them back to you. If those people no longer have the gifts, the Medical Assistance rules allow the County to take legal action against the people who received the gifts.

As with any government program, if you have been denied Medical Assistance for any reason, you have the right to appeal the denial. In order to preserve the right to a

hearing, your appeal request must be submitted quickly (within 10 days in order to continue to receive benefits pending the appeal). If you have any questions about appeals, I encourage you to either contact us or another attorney.

In conclusion, gifts are still made, but you must be even more careful about them. If you give a gift, everyone must be aware of the Medical Assistance consequences. I recommend that you speak with an attorney before you make any gift. Ideally, you will be able to outlast the five (5) years from the date of the gift and not need Medical Assistance to pay for your long-term care. But just in case you do, a safer way of giving gifts is to make sure that you trust your child not to spend the money. Then, if Medical Assistance has denied you because of the gift, the child has the gift available to give back to you to erase the ineligibility period and/or to pay for your care

during the ineligibility period. One way for the child to safeguard the gift in case it needs to be given back is to place it in a bank account in the child's name only, to not commingle any other money in the account, and to not touch it until at least five (5) years from the date it was given to the child. Medical Assistance is a complicated area of law, and I encourage you to contact us and/or an Elder Law attorney for more information.

*This column is written by the Senior Citizens' Law Project. It is not meant to give complete answers to individual questions. If you are 60 years of age or older and live within the Minnesota Arrowhead Region, you may contact us with questions for legal help by writing to: Senior Citizens' Law Project, Legal Aid Service of Northeastern Minnesota, 302 Ordean Bldg., Duluth, MN 55802. Please include a phone number and return address.*

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# LEGAL NOTICES

(Published in NewsHopper Sat., Sept. 20, 2008)  
**NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE**  
**THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that default has occurred in conditions of the following described mortgage:

DATE OF MORTGAGE: November 3, 2005

MORTGAGOR: Vernon A. Kemnitz, a single person.

MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING: Recorded November 7, 2005, Aitkin County Recorder, Document No. 370177.

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: Chase Home Finance LLC, Dated: July 2, 2008.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: The South 330

feet of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 7, Township 47, Range 23, as measured at right angles to the South line of said SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 except the East 275 feet thereof.

Together with an easement over a 33 foot strip of land being 16 1/2 feet either side of the following described centerline to-wit: Commencing at the Northeast corner of the NE 1/4, Section 18, Township 47, Range 23; thence West along the north line of said Quarter a distance of one-half mile and terminating at the Northeast corner of the NW 1/4 of said Section, Township and Range. Aitkin County, Minnesota.

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Aitkin ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$132,488.00

AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE, INCLUDING TAXES, IF ANY, PAID BY MORTGAGEE: \$133,122.95

THAT prior to the commencement of this mortgage foreclosure proceeding Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee complied with all notice requirements as required by statute; That no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof;

PURSUANT to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: September 11, 2008 at 10:00 AM

PLACE OF SALE: Sheriff's Office, Aitkin County Jail, Aitkin, MN

to pay the debt then secured by said Mortgage, and taxes, if any, on said premises, and the costs and disbursements, including attorneys' fees allowed by law subject to redemption within six (6) months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s), their

personal representatives or assigns.

MORTGAGOR(S) RE-LEASED FROM FINANCIAL OBLIGATION ON MORTGAGE:None

"THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 582.032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED."

Dated: July 7, 2008  
 CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC  
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**THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.**

**NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE**

Pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 580.07, the foregoing foreclosure sale is postponed until September 25, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. at the Sheriff's Office, Aitkin County Jail, Aitkin, MN, in said county and state.

Dated: September 11, 2008  
 CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC  
 Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee

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**NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE**

Pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 580.07, the foregoing foreclosure sale is postponed until October 16, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. at the Sheriff's Office, Aitkin County Jail, Aitkin, MN, in said county and state.

Dated: September 25, 2008  
 CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC

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## LAKESIDE TOWNSHIP REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING CHANGE

Notice is hereby given that the regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, October 9, 2008 will be changed to Tuesday, October 14, 2008, at the regular time of 8 p.m. at the Malmo Community Hall.

CHRIS SPRINGER, Clerk-Lakeside Township  
 2.24

# AITKIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT

**Booking Report:** 9/15/08 - 9/21/08 Four for failure to appear, one for domestic assault, two for traffic violation, two for probation violation, nine for DWI/UI, one for gross motor vehicle negligence, one for failure to register as a sex offender and ten St. Louis Co. boarders.

**Sept. 18:** Accident was reported Partridge Ave., Aitkin... vehicle rollover was reported Hwy. 169, Aitkin... verbal domestic was reported Partridge Ave., Aitkin... cattle

out in field were reported on 195th Ln., Isle... property damage was reported on 420th St., McGregor... welfare check was requested on 320th Ave., Aitkin... car and deer accident was reported on Kestral Ave., Tamarack... loose cattle were reported on Co. Rd. 1, Aitkin... possible harassment restraining order violation was reported on 2nd St. NW, Aitkin... alarm was reported on 215th Ln., Aitkin.

**Sept. 19:** Traffic stop was made on Hwy. 169, Aitkin... traffic stop was made on Hwy. 169, Aitkin... vandalism to building was reported at DQ, Aitkin... harassing phone calls were reported on 1st Ave. SW, Aitkin... starving horse complaint was made on Hwy. 47, Aitkin... property dispute was reported on 187th Pl., McGregor... possible fraud complaint was made on Hwy. 65, McGregor... suspicion complaint was made on Lake Ave., McGregor... welfare check was request on 383rd Pl., Aitkin... parking lot accident was reported on 1st Ave. SW, Aitkin... possible stolen license was reported 420th St., McGregor... theft was reported at Mark's Bar, McGregor... suspicion complaint was made on Main St., Hill City... welfare check was requested on 315th Ave., Aitkin... warrant arrest was made at Mark's

Bar, McGregor... ATV complaint was reported on Great River Rd., Palisade... hit and run accident was reported on Winding Rd., Swatara... assault was reported in McGregor... driving complaint was made on Hwy. 169, Aitkin... DWI arrest was made at Fireside, Aitkin... traffic stop was made on 4th St., Aitkin... loud party was reported 450th St., McGregor.

**Sept. 20:** Suspicious activity was reported 2nd Ave., McGregor... DWI arrest was made on Hwy. 210, Aitkin... attempt to locate was made on Lake Ave., McGregor... possible order for protection violation was made on 4th Ave. SE, Aitkin... breaking and entering was reported on 440th Ave, Aitkin... driving complaint was made on Hwy. 169, Aitkin... missing mailbox was reported on 480th St., Palisade... suspicious person was reported 2nd Ave. SE, Aitkin... property dispute was reported 220th St., McGrath... alarm was reported Farm Island Repair and Marine... trespass complaint was made on 456th Ave., Aitkin... ATV complaint was made on Main St., Palisade... possible break in was reported Hwy. 210, McGregor.

**Sept. 21:** Theft was reported on 1st St. SW, Aitkin... fire was reported on Hwy. 18, McGrath... suspicious activity was reported in McGregor...

complaint was made on Minnesota Ave. S., Aitkin... cows on the road was reported on Co. Rd. 29, Swatara.

**Sept. 22:** Alarm was reported on 328th Ave. Isle... Aitkin Fire Department responded to an accident on Minnesota Ave., Aitkin... financial transaction fraud was reported on 1st St. NE, Aitkin... alarm was reported on 202nd Pl., McGregor... property damage to yard was reported on 329th Ave., Isle... theft was reported at Ben Franklin, Aitkin... accident was reported on 4th St. NW, Aitkin... trespass was reported on Hwy. 47, Aitkin... threat was reported on 7th Ave. NE, Aitkin... property damage was reported at Hickory Lake Auto on Hwy. 169, Aitkin... driving complaint was made on Hwy. 210, Aitkin... property dispute was reported on Lake Ave., McGregor... car and deer accident was reported on Co. Rd. 40, McGregor... stranded boater was reported on Mille Lacs Lake, Isle.

**Sept. 23:** Open door was reported on Minnesota Ave. N, Aitkin... found debit card was reported on 2nd St. NE, Aitkin... gas leak was reported at Tire Barn, Aitkin... alarm was reported at Yellowstone Log Homes on Hwy. 65, McGregor... complaint was made on Hwy. 18, Malmo...

request for contempt of court prosecution by Aitkin Co. Social Services was reported in Aitkin... request for contempt of court prosecution by Aitkin Co. Social Services was reported in Aitkin... request for contempt of court prosecution by Aitkin Co. Social Services was reported in Aitkin... driving complaint was made on Co. Rd. 62, McGregor... property damage was reported at McGrath City Hall... possible starving horse was reported on Hwy. 47, Aitkin.

**Sept. 24:** Gas drive off was reported at EZ Stop on 2nd St. NE, Aitkin... request for contempt of court prosecution by Aitkin Co. Social Services was reported in Aitkin... request for contempt of court prosecution by Aitkin Co. Social Services was reported in Aitkin... request for contempt of court prosecution by Aitkin Co. Social Services was reported in Aitkin... request for contempt of court prosecution by Aitkin Co. Social Services was reported in Aitkin... gas drive off was reported on Minnesota Ave. S., Aitkin... fraud was reported on 474th St., McGregor... trespass complaint was made on 200th Ave., McGregor... driving complaint was made on Hwy. 210, Aitkin... breaking and entering was reported

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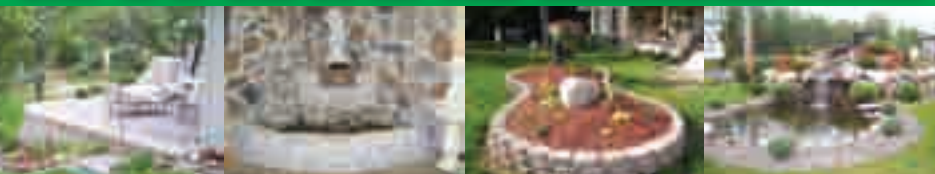
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