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## Throwable flotation device and life jacket - it's the law

Minnesota's life jacket laws changed 12 years ago and now require that owners of most boats 16 feet and longer carry one U.S. Coast Guard approved, throwable flotation device on board in addition to every passenger having a readily accessible life jacket. But according to Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) boating safety officials, many people are ignoring the laws.

"A throwable device simply means a boater's flotation seat cushion in most cases," said Tim Smalley, DNR boating safety specialist. "It's cheap, it's simple and it can save lives. The device needs to have the Coast Guard approval label

attached and must be immediately available to throw to someone in distress. It may not be zipped into a bag or in a closed compartment."

Other types of approved throwable flotation devices include ring buoys and horseshoe shaped buoys seen on some large sailboats.

Smalley said another problem is some boaters think all they need are seat cushions, not life vests. Years ago, throwable seat cushions fulfilled the requirement for flotation devices on smaller boats. That changed in 1996.

Minnesota law requires all boats, regardless of length (including canoes, kayaks and duck boats) to have read-

ily accessible Coast Guard approved Type I, II, III or V wearable life jacket for each person on board. Type IV throwable devices, such as boater's cushions, are no longer acceptable.

Some good news: DNR conservation officers are seeing almost 100 percent compliance for the requirement that kids under age 10 wear a life vest, according to Smalley.

More information on boating safety and the life jacket law is available by calling the DNR Information Center at (651) 259-6157 or toll free at 1-888-MINNDNR (646-6367), or by sending an e-mail to [boatandwater@dnr.state.mn.us](mailto:boatandwater@dnr.state.mn.us).



## 2008 mission trip gearing up from Aitkin to Ukraine



By CONNIE PETERSEN  
From July 30 to Aug. 15, a local team of seven will be on a mission trip to Shulyaki, Ukraine. Since 1994, a "sister church" relationship has been established between Glory Baptist Church and the House of Prayer, a church in the village of Shulyaki.

Through mission trips and

followup communications via e-mail and ministry partnerships, a widening bond has grown between Ukraine and Minnesota. It's a bond unheard of during decades of cold war between the Soviet Union and America.

Ukraine separated from the Soviet Union in 1992. An idea germinated through the Minne-

sota Baptist Conference (MBC) to partnership MBC churches with Baptist churches in the former Soviet Union. Then God led them to start in Ukraine by opening a door—a tremendous revival was beginning there, plus it was accessible, when many other Russian republics were not.

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# RIVERBOAT HERITAGE DAYS

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Captain & Queen Pageant  
Miss Aitkin Scholarship Pageant  
Mille Lacs Electric Pancake Breakfast  
Mississippi Marketplace  
Local Artists Art Show  
Beer Garden • Community Picnic  
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Classic Tractor Display  
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7 pm-8:30 pm Captain & Queen Coronation – Westside Building\*  
*Riverboat Buttons to be sold at the beginning*  
Dusk till Done Nocturne Plein Air (artists throughout downtown)

#### Thursday, July 17

7 pm. - 9 pm Miss Aitkin Scholarship Pageant - Aitkin High School\*  
*Riverboat buttons to be sold beginning 6:15 pm*  
Night paint Artists on the Street - downtown Aitkin

#### Friday, July 18

7 am – Noon Mille Lacs Energy Pancake Breakfast - Mille Lacs Energy  
9 am-11 am Quick Draw Competition-Courthouse  
9 am-4 pm Shop Retail-Downtown Aitkin  
9 am-4 pm Historical Society Garage Sale - Aitkin County Fairgrounds  
10 am-5 pm Mississippi Marketplace - Bremer Bank  
*Great Crafts & Handmade Items*  
2 pm-5 pm Old Fashioned Library Lawn Party – Aitkin Library  
*Root beer floats, kids games, Riverboat Ramblers, clowns*  
4 pm GATES OPEN – BUTTON REQUIRED ADMISSION – Heritage Square\*  
4 pm **Pony Rides for kids \$4.00 each**  
4 pm-1 am Festival Beer Garden – Heritage Square\*  
4 pm Dunk Tank, Inflatables – Heritage Square\*  
5 pm-'til gone Central MN Cattleman/Farm Bureau Beef Picnic– Heritage Square\*  
5 pm-9 pm **Marianne & Company** – Heritage Square\*  
5 pm Jaques Art Gala at the Jaques Art Center  
6:30 pm-7 pm Central MN Beef Princess Coronation - Heritage Square\*  
7:30 pm Aitkin Native **Steve Hall & Shotgun Red Comedy Show**  
-\$10 a ticket -Aitkin HS Auditorium  
9 pm-12 am **October Road** - Street Dance – Heritage Square\*

#### Saturday, July 19

8 am-10 am Aitkin Jaycees Run to the Dump - Paulbeck's Parking Lot  
9 am-2 pm Historical Society Garage Sale - Aitkin County Fairgrounds  
9 am-3 pm **Classic Tractor Display**  
*next to Unclaimed Freight Hwy 210 West-free admission*  
9 am-3 pm Downtown stores open-Aitkin  
10 am-5 pm Mississippi Marketplace - Bremer Bank  
11 am-2 pm Kids Korner - Heritage Square-kids games 5 for \$1  
11 am **Pony Rides for kids \$4.00 each**  
11 am-2 pm Lunch on the Mississippi River – Aitkin VFW  
11 am **8th Annual Teemark's Great Riverboat Race** - Mississippi River  
Noon - 1 am Festival Beer Garden - Heritage Square\*  
1:30 -3:30 pm Moose Lodge - Aitkin Lions Tractor Pull – Moose Lodge  
2 pm Dunk Tank - Inflatables - Heritage Square\*  
4 pm-5 pm Kiddie Parade - Post Office to Butlers – Downtown AWOT  
5 pm -6 pm **Grand Parade** - Aitkin Riverboat Lions – Minnesota Ave.  
7 pm-9 pm Dunk Tank, Inflatables - Heritage Square\*

*Watch for more interesting happenings in Downtown Aitkin!  
Music on the street, sidewalk sale tables, bake sales, artists, etc!!*

8 pm GATES OPEN – BUTTON REQUIRED ADMISSION – Heritage Square\*  
6 pm -9 p.m. **Inside Out** – Street Dance – Heritage Square\*  
9 pm-1 am **Sweet Siren** - Street Dance – Heritage Square\*

\* denotes events that require button for admission - ages 10 and up!



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Mission trip to Ukraine | Continued from Page 1



House of Prayer in Shulyaki, which is Glory Baptist's "sister congregation."



This is a typical Shulyaki village scene. These cows come home at night after being out in a common pasture every morning. Villagers take turns going out to watch the cattle.

Coupled with a recent passion for democracy in Ukraine, the MBC followed scriptural mandates to go and preach the Gospel of Christ, encouraging churches in their conference to organize mission trips.

Glory Baptist of the Aitkin area took the challenge. They have sent a team to Ukraine 11 times. Their 2008 group is Randy, Shannon and Amy Stauter, Roy and Ruth Egstad from Glory Baptist, Debby Hoppe from the Glen Community Church and Judy Peysar from the Glory area.

Ruth Egstad, one of this summer's team, said she and her husband Roy have made four previous trips. "It's something we really like to do together," she said. But we face increased expenses this time due to world-wide gas prices. Plus we always have housing costs for our team members plus translators."

They usually take supplies along or purchase materials over there for special craft projects. "This year we are decorating tote bags," Egstad said. "We give gifts and draw names for prizes, and the local people really get into that."

They work with locals to facilitate a children's adventure camp, similar to American Bible schools. These camps are in three separate locations and include singing, skits, crafts, snacks, games and Bible lessons for about 350 children from two to three villages.

Noah's Ark and how God keeps His promises is this year's theme and T-shirts in rainbow colors will be given to participants. In the evenings, men's and women's groups are

held, plus the team participates in worship services of several surrounding churches.

Ukrainian host families house team members and an interpreter. About a third of the interpreters (college age youth from urban areas), are not believers, so camps also offer an opportunity for them to hear the Gospel.

The Egstads got involved with mission trips because they just knew it was what God wanted them to do. "The thing I'm always struck by is how many people not associated with Glory church end up going or helping," said Egstad. "We are able to tell them over there that each trip is really a community effort."

Inflation has hit Ukraine hard, especially in rural areas. Some people have cars, but gasoline is expensive or not available. Many depend on horses and wagons. "When some former Soviet countries switched over to the Euro, their economies went wacko," Egstad added. While government funds their schools, smaller, rural areas get a lot less. Consequently, mission teams have brought over school supplies, protractors, calculators, etc., as kids in those areas lack science-oriented materials.

When they first started in Shulyaki, many children were rather lawless. "We had to hold on to our scissors, pencils, and in particular, markers. They'd be gone and in back pockets," said Egstad. As years went by, mission teams and locals have observed a big difference in the children's behavior.

One man (Ivan) hosts mem-



One of the Ukrainian host families, Ivan and his grandson.

For years, Ukrainian Christian leaders have pointed out the thousands of small village collectives that pepper the countryside. Many of these rural villages had no Christian church (Evangelical or Orthodox) to counter confusing echoes of 70 years of atheistic communism. New "sister" churches plus Ukrainian young people, along with financial help from American churches, have been running Adventure Camps as preparation for planting the Christian church in these "shadowed villages." Thus far, they have impacted 40-50 villages in eight regions of Ukraine with many new faces of ministry. Four to five hundred people travel annually to Ukraine and the opportunities and blessings are increasing.

bers of the mission team. Through an interpreter, Ivan told the Egstads he can't believe he has an American at his table. The Egstads have told Ivan they can't believe that they are actually sitting there. "If he thinks we were once the enemy, we thought he was, too," she said.

Egstad described Ivan as one of the biggest communists in the area, (he still prefers that kind of economy) and Ivan did not want his grandson to attend day camps. "But our camp was the only thing that happened all summer long for these kids," said Egstad. "We were getting kids that normally we wouldn't have had, just because it was something for them to do."

Against Ivan's wishes, his daughter began sending his grandson to camp. Today Ivan and his wife Maria not only host

team members, he also admits seeing a difference in the behaviors of some individuals.

"They don't call it coming to Christ," Egstad explained. "The Ukrainians call it 'repentance'. And it's a good way of looking at it, as it's a change from what you were, to who you are going to be."

The 2008 Ukraine team will be commissioned at Glory Baptist Church (28053 360th Ave., Aitkin, MN 56431) on Sun., July 27 at 10:30 a.m. The church is 12 miles SE of Aitkin off County Road 12 (Deer Street) or 4 miles west of Glen. Prayers and financial support are also needed. Each team member needs \$3,000 to cover transportation, housing, crafts, etc. For further information on how to help the Ukraine mission team, call 218-927-3678.

## McGrath centennial celebration



McGrath Book signing in front of the old McGrath State Bank. Photo courtesy of Philip Neese.



Edna Holmen (Centennial Lady, 100 years old) and friends at Fire Department pancake breakfast. Photo courtesy of Philip Neese.



The parade's first unit.



Mayor Larry Bullen and James E. McGrath III.

This year's Grand Marshall, Edna Holmen, waved to the crowd on the 4th of July in McGrath. Living 96 of her 100 years in the McGrath area Edna was chosen as Grand Marshall. Celebrating the Centennial of the plotting of the McGrath streets and Edna's 100th year birthday celebration go hand-in-hand. With the celebration going on, the McGrath Centennial book reached sales of over 200 copies. All the 100th Anniversary caps were sold out and orders were being taken for additional caps. The quilt raffle was also a big success, the winner was Jeannie Walters, Duluth (past resident of McGrath). The

quilt depicted prominent photos of events over the past 100 years. Bill McGrath selected Jeannie's name from the basket of many entries as the winner.

The 4th of July activities included approximately 50 McGrath descendants. The visit to celebrate the Centennial entailed a ride in the parade. Some McGrath family members met for the first time.

Some arrived from Stillwater and others from Onamia. On this special day Mayor Larry Bullen, presented the Key to the City to James E. McGrath III. A poster recognizing James E. McGrath I as our founding father was also presented to James E. McGrath III.

On display at the old State Bank were posters of the ten "Most Endangered Historical

Places in Minnesota" with the bank being one of the ten listed.

After all the activities; the pancake breakfast, parade, music from Holker Family, square dancing, and food, the spectacular fireworks were set off.

Submitted by Darlene Maciej, McGrath Historical Committee



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# OBITUARIES

## RUTH E. BODLE-ODEGAARD

Ruth E. Bodle-Odegaard, 70, of Eagan, died Sun., Jan. 13, 2008, in Eagan.

A memorial service will be held on Sat., July 12, 2008, at 9:30 a.m., at the Sorensen-Root-Thompson Funeral Home in Aitkin.

She was born Sept. 2, 1937, to William and Mildred Bodle. She graduated from Aitkin High School and then attended the University of Minnesota. She married Myron Odegaard on May 22,

1959, they moved to New York City in 1960.

She is survived by her husband, Myron; son, Brandon Odegaard; brothers: Howard and Bradley Bodle; and sisters: Julie Cartie and Barbara Ruiz.

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.

## KENNETH P. LECOCQ



Kenneth P. LeCocq, 54, of Hill City, died Mon., June 30, 2008, as the result of a drowning accident.

Services were held Sun., July 6, 2008 at Westside Church in Aitkin. Burial was in the Pliny Cemetery in McGrath.

He was born Aug. 27, 1953, in Mora to Paul and Winifred (Erickson) LeCocq. He attended schools at McGrath and graduated from the Isle High School. He then spent two years at technical college for Food Service Management.

He is survived by his wife, Bonnie LeCocq, Aitkin; daughters and sons-in-law: Desiree (Ty) Sjodin, Crosby; Lynn (Paul) Lundgren, Lakeshore; son, Trevor LeCocq, Madison, WI; mother, Winifred LeCocq, Elk River; eight grandchildren; brothers: Alvin LeCocq, Moose Lake; Richard LeCocq, Mora; Robert LeCocq, Rochester; Bruce LeCocq, Isle; sister, Clarice Mitchell, Elk River; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father.

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.

## DOLLY A. BRANNAN

Beulah "Dolly" Arlene Brannan, age 87, of Emily, died Tue., July 1, 2008, at Cuyuna Regional Care Center in Crosby.

Services were held Sat., July 5, 2008, at Wesleyan Church in Emily. Burial was in the Pine Ridge Cemetery in Emily.

She was born April 28, 1921, in Killdeer, ND to Harry and Ethel (Hay) Taylor. She married Melvel Elvin Brannan on June 3, 1939, in Little Pine Township. She was a charter member of the Wesleyan Church in Emily; a former Sunday

School Teacher, music director and played an active role in numerous church activities.

She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Kenneth (Virginia) Brannan, Emily; and a granddaughter.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Melvel, in 1995; and brother, Edwin Taylor.

Arrangements were with the Koop Funeral Home of Crosby.

## RICHARD W. GILLMAN SR.



Richard W. Gillman Sr., 79, of Wolford, died Tue., July 1, 2008, at his home.

A memorial service will be held on Sat., July 12, 2008, at 2 p.m., at the Deerwood American Legion.

He was a Veteran of the US Army Air Corps; a 42 year veteran engineer of the Soo Line Railroad; a member and past president of the Cuyuna Country Heritage Preservation Society for 15 years.

He is survived by his wife, Kaye; their kids and families.

Arrangements were with the Preservation Society.

## MERL D. MALIN



Merl Dean Malin, 68, of McGregor, died Wed., July 2, 2008, at the VA Medical Center in Minneapolis.

Services will be held Fri., July 11, 2008, at 3 p.m. at Holy Family Catholic Church in McGregor with Rev. Bob Mankaka officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service.

He was born Feb. 1, 1940, in Charles City, IA to Arthur and Evelyn (Hutton) Malin. He was involved in aviation since he was 15 years old. He graduated from McGregor High School in 1958. He was in the Minnesota National Guard and a US Navy Veteran. He ran the operations at the McGregor Airport from 1963 until his marriage. On Feb. 17, 1968 he married Mary Lounas in McGregor. They moved to New Mexico in 1971 and he was owner/broker of Century 21

Malin Realty and other real estate companies in Albuquerque. They moved back to the McGregor area in 1998. He was on the board of directors for Easter Seals and was a member of the Civitan Brothers in New Mexico. He was a life member of the DAV and a member of the Amazing Grace Christian Church in McGregor.

He is survived by his wife, Mary; sons and daughter-in-law: Matthew Malin, Crete, Greece; Mark (Char) Malin, McGregor; six grandchildren; sister, Norma Horner (Jerry Horsman), McGregor; many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

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

## HAROLD KNAPPER



Harold Knapper, 83, of Brainerd, died Sun., July 6, 2008.

Services were held Thur., July 10, 2008, at Halvorson-Johnson Funeral Home and Cremation Services in Brainerd with Pastor Jon Gehrls officiating. Burial was in the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery in Camp Ripley with Military Rites provided by the American Legion Post 255.

He was born in Leader to Dan and Alice Knapper. He lived there until his marriage to Alvina Britton in 1954. He farmed around Leader and was a home builder until his retirement

in 1989.

He is survived by his wife, Alvina; daughter and son-in-law, Alice and Kevin; brothers and sisters-in-law: Chuck (Margaret); Marvin (Pat); and Albert (Joanne); sisters and brothers-in-law: Marie (Earl); Alice (Carl); plus many nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents and four brothers.

Arrangements were with the Halvorson-Johnson Funeral Home and Cremation Services in Brainerd.

# CHURCH DIRECTORY

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

## ALLIANCE

Garrison\* — Pastor Michael H. Palkie; Adult & Children's SS 9:30; Worship & Children's Church 10:30; Wed. 7 p.m. Church/Home Bible Study. McGregor/Big Sandy — Rev. S. DeMars, 426-3408; E. of Sather's Store; Worship 9:30; Children's Church 10:10-10:30.

## ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Aitkin — Rev. Dan Turner; SS 9; Worship 10; Wed. 7 p.m.  
Crosby — Rev. Michael Towers; Worship 10:30 Crosslake — Crossroads Christian, Rev. Gary Espeth;  
Hill City — Rev. G. Valley; Worship 10 and 6:30 p.m.; Bible Study Thurs. 7 p.m.  
Palisade — Pastor Ed Sornberger; SS 9; Worship 10; Bible Study, Wed. 7 p.m. at church, Wed. 7 p.m. kids games and bible activity, grades K-12.

## BAPTIST

Aitkin — Westside, Pastor D. Smith; Worship 9 & 10:45; SS 11.  
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 p.m.  
Deerwood — Pastor W. Skog; SS 9:30; Worship 10:30 and 6 p.m.; Wed. Service, 7 p.m.  
Glory — Pastor R. F. Stauter, 927-3678; SS 9:15; Worship 10:30 am.  
Hill City — Pastor L. Lee; 697-2645; SS 9:45; Worship 11 am, 7 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.; Bible Study, Fri., 7 p.m.  
Isle — Pastor Nick Skogen; 676-3171; SS 9:30; Service 10:30; Bible Study, Wed., 7 p.m.  
Opstead — Pastor P. Johnson; 676-8859; SS 9:30; Worship, 10:30; Bible Study Wed., 7 p.m.; [www.opsteadbaptist.tzo.com](http://www.opsteadbaptist.tzo.com).

## CATHOLIC

Aitkin — St. James, Fr. Paul Fruth, Mass: Sat. 4:30 pm; Sun. 8:30 am; Confession Sat. 3:45 p.m. Call 218-927-6581.  
Cromwell/Wright — Immaculate Conception, Mass: Sun. 11  
Crosby — St. Joseph's, Mass: Sat. 4 p.m.; Sun. 10:30; Tue & Thu 8:30  
Crosslake — Immaculate Heart, Mass: Sat. 4 p.m.; Sun. 8 & 10:30  
Deerwood — St. Joseph's, Fr. H. Eisel, Mass: Sat. 7:30 p.m.; Sun. 8:30 am; Daily: Mon. & Fri. 8:30.  
Emily — St. Emily, Fr. Roman Spoor, Mass: Sat. 4:30 p.m.; Sun. 10 am; 218-763-2101.  
Garrison — Our Lady of Fatima, Fr. Paul Fruth, Mass: Sat. 7 p.m.; Sun. 11 am; Confession Sat. before Mass.  
Hillman — Holy Family, Fr. Paul Fruth, Mass Sun. 9, confession before Mass.  
Hill City — St. John's, Fr. Jerry Weiss; Fr. Keith Bertram, asst. pastor Mass: Sun. 8:30  
McGrath — Our Lady of Fatima, Fr. J. Fleischhacker, O.S.C., Mass: Sun. 11.  
McGregor — Holy Family, Fr. J. Fleischhacker, O.S.C., Mass: Sat. 5:30 p.m.; Sun. 9.  
Vineland — St. Therese, Mass Sun. 11; Holy Days 8:30.

## CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

Aitkin — Worship and SS 10:00; Mtgs. 1st & 3rd Wed., 7:30 p.m.

## CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

Aitkin — Co. Rd. 12, Chapel Ph. 218-927-4454; Bradley Deuermeyer, Br. President, 218-927-3875; Priesthood/Relief Society, 10; S.S. 11; Sac. Mtg. 11:50

## COMMUNITY

Aitkin Community — Nondenominational; 927-2749; Worship 10; at 219-1st Ave. NE.  
Emily, Community Cornerstone Christian — Pastor Earl Ready; Worship 10, 41536 Birchwood Drive, Emily; 218-763-2939.  
Glen, mile east of Glen — Rev. R. Stauter; 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 p.m.  
Jacobson Community Church (the little white church in Jacobson). Sun. SS (All ages) 9:30; Worship 10:30; Family Time 2nd & 4th Sundays; Wed. BS 7 p.m.  
Kimberly — Nature Ave. Rev. Rick Perry; Worship 9; Adult Bible Study & Sunday School 10:30; 218-927-6256.  
McGregor — Amazing Grace Christian Church; Worship 9:30 at McGregor VFW; Bible study Sat. 7 p.m. VFW basement; Contact: Pat Perrine 218-768-2234  
Merrifield — Community Church of the Nazarene, Pastor Larry Harshman; SS 9:45; Service 11 & 6 p.m.; Wed. Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m.; 218-829-7536.  
Merrifield — Ossipee Community, Pastor Ralph Hegman; SS 9:15; Service 10:30; Wed. Bible Study Prayer, 7:30 p.m.  
Nisswa — Christ Community Church, Pastor Dave Uhrich; Service 9; Fellowship 10; Contemporary-Worship 10:15.  
Palisade/Waukenabo Twp. — Hilltop Chapel, Pastor B. Hite; Service 8 & 10 a.m.; Adult and Children's Sunday School 9 a.m.; located between Esquagama & Round Lake. Handicap Accessible.  
Tamarack — Church of Christ, Pastor Brandt Johnson, 218-768-2965; Service 9:30; SS 10:45. Wed. worship, 6 p.m.  
McGregor — Victory Mission, Pastor J. Gould, 218-768-2160; Sun. 10; Wed. Bible Study, 7:30 p.m.

## COMMUNITY OF CHRIST

Aitkin — Community of Christ, Elder S. Wasserzieher, 218-678-2506 for meeting place and time.

## CONGREGATIONAL

Aitkin (UCC) — First, Rev. Richard Celley; Worship 10; Comm. 1st Sun.; Trustees Mtg., 2nd Sun.; Diaconate Mtg., 3rd Sun.; Adult Bible Study Sun. 9 am.

## EPISCOPAL

Aitkin — Rev. Karl E. Bell, plus Rev. John Willms 2nd Sun. of month. St. John's, Holy Comm. or Morning Prayer, Sun. 9

## EVANGELICAL FREE

Crosslake — Pastor Fred Cressman; Call for Service Times at 218-692-4141, email [thelochurch@crosslake.net](mailto:thelochurch@crosslake.net)  
Isle — Pastor Charles Visser; Worship 9; SS 10:15; Wed. Youth Group 6 pm; Adult Prayer 6:30 p.m.  
Malmo — Pastor Glenn Browning; SS 9:30; Fellowship 10:30; Worship 10:50; Wed. Care Group 9:30  
Wright — Pastor Ken Mitchell, 218-426-5115; SS 9:30; Worship, 10:30; Wed., Bible Study, 7 p.m.

## INDEPENDENT PENTECOSTAL

Ironton — Iron Range Christian Center; Pastor Dwight Semler; 218-546-6523; meeting at Irontone Town Hall\*, Co. Rd. 12, (Deerwood Shortcut); Worship 10 & Wed. 7 p.m.

## LUTHERAN

Aitkin — Bethel\* (CLB), Rev. G. Salmonson; Worship, 9:30; Wed. Wed. Kids Club (starting 9/19) 3:30; Thurs. Bible Study & prayer 7; SS following morning worship.  
Aitkin — Bethlehem (ELCA), Rev. Cindy Gray; Worship 9:30 and 10; SS 10; Holy Comm. 1st Sun. each month.  
Aitkin — First\* (ELCA), Rev. Lance E. Isaacson, Sr. Pastor; Rev. Sarah Cordray, Assoc. Pastor; Sat. Worship 5 p.m.; Worship: Sun. 8 and 9:30; coffee fellowship 9; Contemporary 2nd & 5th Sun., Communion 1st & 3rd Sun.; 9:30 service broadcast live on KKIN (930 AM) & on TV cable channel 8 at 9 am Wed.  
Aitkin — St. John's (Missouri Synod), Pastor D. Becker; Worship Sun. 9 a.m.  
Beaver Township — Finnish EA, Hwy. 27, Worship 1st & 3rd Sundays, 10:30.  
Cedarbrook — St. John's (ELCA), Rev. Sandy Berg-Holte; Worship 8:30; SS 9:30; Saturday SS; Holy Comm. 1st & 3rd Sun.  
Crosby — Immanuel (ELCA) Pastor Paul Mattson; Sat. 5 p.m. worship; Sun. 8:30 & 10:30 worship; fellowship & coffee 9:30; Call for FLT schedule.  
Crosby — Zion (LC-MS) Pastor Dean Stolz; Worship 8:30; SS 10; Bible Study Wed. 7pm; handicap accessible. 218-546-6910  
Crosslake — (ELCA), Pastor Mark Anderson; Worship Sun. 9:30; SS 10:15; Coffee Fellowship 10:30, 218-692-3682.  
Crosslake — Mission of the Cross (LCMS), Pastor Steve Anderson; SS/Bible Study 10:45; Worship 9:30; Fellowship follows; Holy Comm. 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays; Confirm./Youth Group Wed. 6 p.m.; 218-692-4228

Deerwood — Salem (ELCA), Pastor D. Anderson; Fall Worship: 8:15 & 10:30 a.m.  
Giese Immanuel — Rev. R. Langhorst & Rev. R. Lovas; Worship 9; SS 10; Holy Communion 1st Sun. each month 8:45.

Garrison — Light of the Cross (ELCA), Pastor Chris Hill; Worship 9:00 a.m.; Fellowship 10:0 a.m.; Sunday School 10:00 a.m.; 320-692-4773.  
Garrison — Shepherd of the Lake (Missouri Synod), Pastor Matthew Ruesch, Bible Study & SS Sun. 8:45; Worship 10; Fellowship 11.

Hill City — Trinity (Missouri Synod), Pastor Volkert; Worship 9; Bible Study 10:15.

Hillman — Immanuel, (ELCA) Pastor Cathie Rhodes; Sun. Worship 9:30. 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), Pastor John Lundberg; Worship 9:30; handicapped accessible.

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

Jacobson — Carmel, Pastors Loren & Judy Anderson-Bauer; SS 9:30, Service 11, fellowship follows.

Malmo — Bethesda (ELCA), Rev. Jim Raisanen; Sat. Informal Worship 5 p.m.; Sun. Worship 8:30 & 10:15; Fellowship between services; Comm. 1st & 3rd Sun.

McGrath — Grace; Wed. potluck 5 p.m., Bible study 6 p.m.; SS 10; Worship 11.

McGrath — Zion (ELCA), Pastor James Sodergren; Worship 9; SS 9.

McGregor/Big Sandy Lake — Grace Lutheran Log Church (ELCA), Pastor D. Heath; Sun. Worship 9 a.m. Fellowship hour follows; Sat. Worship 5:30 p.m.

McGregor — Our Savior's (Missouri Synod), Pastor Henry Koopman; Worship 9; SS 10; Bible Study Tue. 9, Wed. 7 p.m.

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

Outing — Our Saviors; Worship 9.  
Palisade — Bethel (ELCA), Rev. W. J. Sass; Worship 9:30; SS: pre-school - 1st grade, 10:00; 2nd grade & up, 10:45; SS also offered for pre-school - 6th grade on Wednesdays at 4:30 p.m.

Rosburg — Bethesda (ELCA), Rev. Sandy Berg-Holte; Worship 10:30; SS 2nd Sat. of Mo. 9 - 1 p.m.; Comm. 1st & 3rd Sunday each month.

Tamarack (AFLC) — Pastor P. Franz; 1st & 4th Sun. 11; 3rd Sun. 1

Thor — Zion, Pastor G. Salmonson; Worship 11; 1st and 3rd Sun. April through December.

Wright — Bethlehem, Worship; SS 9.  
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## PENTECOSTAL INDIAN

Tamarack — Warriors of the Rainbow Ministry, 218-768-3585, Pastors Ken and Robin Fairbanks, Praise and Worship, Sat., 11. Everyone Welcome!

## PRESBYTERIAN

Crosby/Ironton — Pastor Norma Spurgin 1st St. SE, Hallet Ave.; Worship 10 a.m.; SS during worship.

Crosslake — Pastor John Hill; Adult Education 9; Worship/SS 10, 14444 Daggett Pine Rd., 218-692-4769

McGrath — Calvary, Interim Pastor - Rev. Bill Chadwick; Worship 9:30; SS 10:30.  
McGregor/Round Lake — Rev. J. Yingling; Worship 9:30.

Tamarack — First, Rev. J. Yingling; Worship 11. Round Lake — Rev. J. Yingling; Worship 9:30.

## SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

Aitkin — Pastor R. Brauer; Worship, Sat. 9:20; Sabbath School 10:20; Prayer Mtg. Tue. 7 p.m.

## UNITED METHODIST

Aitkin — Rev. Judith A. Clark; Adult SS and classes for 3 yrs. to 9th grade, 9; Worship & Nursery 10:30.

Crosby/Deerwood — Cascade, Rev. Shirley Nelson; Worship 9:45; fellowship follows.  
Emily — Pastor Lois Hansen; Worship 8:45; fellowship follows.\*

Northern Lights Parish (United Methodist) — Pastor Russ Christensen Cromwell — Worship 11:00; SS 9. Pastor Russ Christensen

Fleming — Worship 10:30; handicapped accessible.  
Hill City — Rev. Russ Christensen; Worship 10:45 a.m.

McGregor — Pastor Russ Christensen. Worship 8:45; S.S. 10:15.\*

Palisade - Pastor Russ Christensen; Worship 9.  
Cutler — Pine Lake Chapel, Rev. Judith A. Clark; Worship 8:30; SS 9.

## WESLEYAN

Emily — Rev. Jeff Drake; Worship 9; Friendship Time 10; SS 10:30; Wed. Activities 6:30 p.m.; 218-763-HOPE.

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**ARTHUR BOSTROM**

Arthur Clyde Bostrom, a boy, weighing 7 lbs., 9 ozs., was born June 26, 2008, at Kanabec Hospital in Mora, to William Bostrom Jr. and Jennifer Dennison of Hinckley. Arthur is welcomed home by siblings, Slater and Hunter. Grandparents are: Karen Michaels, Hinckley; William Bostrom Sr., Hinckley; Arthur Wadhams, Torrington, CT; and Pat Wadhams, Pine City.

**DESTINY GAY**

Destiny June Gay, a girl, weighing 6 lbs., 10 ozs., was born June 30, 2008, at Kanabec Hospital in Mora, to Chad and Dione Gay of Hinckley. Destiny is welcomed home by siblings: Aaliyah, Elisa and Beyonce. Grandparents are: Harry and Lauren Davis, Hinckley; Ronald Gay, Albert Lea; and Linda LeDoux, Hinckley.

**MALACHI MILLER**

Malachi Bruce Miller, a boy, weighing 7 lbs., 1 oz., was born July 2, 2008, at Kanabec Hospital in Mora, to Jason and Rebecca Miller of Isle. Grandparents are: Stan and Peggy Miller, Isle; and Bill and Loni Olson, Isle.

**Local man writes Riverboat Days songs**



McGregor resident, Eddie Huse, has been playing guitar and writing songs for about 50 years. Eddie has been a guest on the KKIN morning show several times. He is especially passionate about the riverboats and has written a song called "Irene" and "Andy Gibson."

His father, Andy Huse, after WWI traveled to Bemidji and worked in the logging camps traveling back and forth to their home in Aitkin by riverboat. Riverboats began traveling the Mississippi about 1870 when the Northern Pacific Railroad came to Aitkin.

**50 years in the ministry**



Don and Gloria Norman celebrate over 50 years in the ministry. Don made his decision to serve the Lord in 1946. He was a Marine in the

Philippines fighting guerrillas when he made his promise to give his life to the Lord. Don says, "My mother prayed for me every day and I believe there is special power

in a mother's prayer." Don married Gloria in 1950 and they studied to be missionaries. He also attended North Central Bible College in Minneapolis. Asthma prevented Don from serving as a missionary, however, in 1951 Don served as Pastor in his first church for \$5 per month. He received his minister's license in 1955 from the Assembly of God Church and has ministered in several different areas of Minnesota and Iowa. He retired from Aitkin Assembly of God Church, however he has continued his ministry as a Chaplain at Aitkin Health Services. The Aitkin Assemblies of God Church will honor the Normans on Sunday, July thirteenth. Come and hear his message at 10 a.m. There will be an open house from noon to 2 p.m.

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**Federal Marriage Amendment reintroduced in Senate**

"Children are best served by having both a mother and a father." Following the California Supreme Court's decision to legislate from the bench, Sen. Roger Wicker, R-Miss., has reintroduced a constitutional amendment in the Senate to protect marriage from redefinition by state and federal judges. The Senate amendment states: "Marriage in the United States shall consist only

of the union of a man and a woman." It mirrors House legislation sponsored by Rep. Paul Broun, R-Ga. "Invariably, couples from that state will now move to states like Mississippi, or the other states that have prohibitions on same-sex 'marriage,'" Wicker said, "and they will ask that those 'marriages' be recognized." Tom McClusky, vice president for government affairs at the Family Research Council,

said amending the Constitution would be best for kids, who are the real victims of same-sex "marriages." "Children are best served by having both a mother and a father," he said. "To deprive a child of (that) is something that no government should be trying to push." The amendment needs a two-thirds majority in the House and Senate. It then would go to the states for approval.

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## 'Sylvia' at CLC Summer Theatre

What if your dog could talk?

That is the comic premise of A.R. Gurney's "Sylvia," which runs July 15-26 at Central Lakes College in Brainerd. The comedy will be staged at 7:30 p.m. during its run in the Chalberg Theatre.

The play is for anyone who's owned a dog, loved a dog, or wanted to wring a dog's neck.

Unfortunately, Greg's wife Kate doesn't share in the excitement of taking Sylvia into their Manhattan apartment life. Now that the kids are grown, Kate has finally found time to pursue a career, to broaden her social life, and to spend more time with Greg.

How to balance that with the ever-needful, ever-present Sylvia?

Through a series of wildly escalating scenes of hilarity, Sylvia manages to soil the carpet, destroy Kate's shoes, chaperone the couple's wedding anniversary night, molest their friends, find true love with a certain Bowser in the park, and eventually drive Kate and Greg straight into a therapist's office.

In the CLC production Dwana Paplow portrays Sylvia, the labapoodle with a high-energy spirit and a vocabulary that would put a sailor to shame



Jean Lesmeister (left), Dwana Paplow, and Erik Steen perform in "Sylvia".

(more on this later).

Greg is played by Erik Steen of Brainerd. Erik has appeared in several CLC productions.

Kate is portrayed by Jean Lesmeister, making her CLC stage debut.

Aaron Greene of Little Falls, a recent CLC graduate, plays three different roles in the production: Tom, a fellow dog owner/dog lover; Phyllis, a college chum of Kate; and Leslie, a tightly-wound therapist.

Patrons should note that two versions of the play will be presented. "Sylvia" in its uncensored form will play on odd-numbered dates: July 15, 17, 19, 23, and 25.

"As originally written, Sylvia has some rather colorful things to say about life as a dog," said Director Spradlin.

A family-friendly version of the play will be performed on even-numbered dates: July 16, 18, 22, 24, and 26.

All seats are \$5 general admission seating, available from the CLC Theatre Box Office at (218) 855-8199, or via e-mail at clctheatre@clcmn.edu

Patrons are invited to bring a photo of their dog for display in the theatre lobby. At the conclusion of the show's run, the most photogenic dog will be selected and its owners will receive season tickets to the 2008-2009 CLC Performing Arts Series.

Heartland Animal Rescue Team of Brainerd/Baxter will also have a display in the lobby highlighting the organization's work and featuring dogs available for adoption.

## A celebration of the visual arts!

### EXHIBITS:

"Minnesota North" exhibit by Russell Norberg ends Sat., July 12. Beautiful watercolor landscape paintings are on exhibit and for sale.

July 15-18 — Riverboat ArtsFest Exhibit & Paint Out. Artists will paint "en plein air" in downtown Aitkin, Riverwood's Memory Garden and at the Aitkin City Park by the river for competition. A community reception will be held Fri., July 18, 4:30-7 p.m.

July 18 - Aug. 16 — Riverboat ArtsFest Exhibit & Sale. Paintings from the 2008 ArtsFest will be for sale during the exhibit.

July 22 — 1 p.m. "Have Sketchbook Will Travel". Artist

Donna Olson will present her collection of sketchbook art drawn from traveling around the world.

July 26 — "Art in Bloom" Exhibit. The one-day exhibit will showcase floral arrangements which will complement or mirror the Riverboat ArtsFest Exhibit paintings.

### WORKSHOPS:

July 29 - August 2 — Cartooning with Duane & Angie Barnhart. Openings are still available for Cartoon Basics, Tuesday-Friday, 10-11:30 and Dinosaurs & Monsters, Tuesday-Friday, 1-2:30. Fees are \$10 for each 4-day workshop. Open to kids age 8 though adults. Sign up for one or both workshops. An artist reception

will be held Sat., Aug. 2 at 3 p.m. Meet the Barnhart's and see what the students have created.

Aug. 13 — Photography Workshops with Dee Kotaska. Fees - \$25/workshop or \$70 for all 3. Ages 13 - Adult. 1.) 9 a.m. Understanding the Camera; 2.) 12:30 p.m. Opening the Photographer's Eye; 3.) 2:30 Creating an Artistic Photograph. Paid registration due Aug. 6.

August 25-28 — Weaving for Beginners with Joanne Arvidson Hall. 9-4 p.m. Fee: \$25 Adults, \$15 Students. Young students must be accompanied by an adult. Limit to 12 students. Paid registration due Aug. 18. Looms and materials provided.

## Mystery Dinner Theater in McGregor

McGregor Angels will be hosting a mystery dinner theater Fri., July 25, at McGregor School Auditorium. There will be an afternoon and evening performance, 3 p.m. and 7 p.m., with dinner at 5 p.m. Come for the play at 3 p.m. and stay for dinner or come for dinner and stay for the play.

You are the detective as you try and unravel the mys-

tery in "The Red Hat Lady's Murder." The class of 1955 is gathered for their class reunion as Old Man Wakefield, the school janitor discovers a woman's body in the boys' locker room.

Dinner tickets are sold in advance and are available at the Angels Office, 7 South Maddy St., McGregor. Prices are: Adult

Ticket Dinner/Play- \$15; Family Dinner/Play - \$40; Child Dinner/Play \$10; Play Only - Adults \$8; Child \$5; Family \$25 (Child = 15 and under, 3 years and under are free). Tickets for the play can only be purchased in advance or at the door. For more information contact Judy Perron at the Angels Office, 218-768-2762.

## Strawberry sundae time

The annual Strawberry Sundae will once again be served up on the lawn of Larry and Loa Nelson's home, Sun., July 27, at 6 p.m. Aitkin's band shell will be rolled onto the

Maryhill lawn to house a rousing performance by the Cuyuna Range Community Band.

Food fare will include: strawberry sundaes, root beer floats, dishes of ice cream and glasses of rootbeer. Attendees should bring their own blankets or lawn chairs for seating

during the program. In case of rain, an alternate site will be announced. Nelson's Maryhill is located at 2nd Avenue SE and Hwy. 47 in Aitkin.

For more information contact the Jaques Art Center at 218 927-2363, email: info@jaquesart.com.

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# COMMUNITY EVENTS

### Ongoing Events:

Aitkin Area Go Green Farmers Market, 1-6 p.m., Fridays, Pamida parking lot.

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 welcome.

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 for more information.

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.

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 Novak 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 will meet at Denham Run Bar & Grill on the first Thur. of the month May, June & July, at 7 p.m. Open to the public.

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

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. Call Mabel Semler 218-546-6523 for more info.

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.

McGrath Area Civic Organization, first Wed., following the first Thur. of the month, 9 a.m. at 1865 Cafe.

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 on Summer Break. Meeting will be held 2nd Tuesday beginning Sept. 9th, 1 p.m., for location 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.

### July:

9-12th - Aitkin County Fair

9-12th - Moondance Jam, Walker. www.moondancejam.com

9-14th - Firearms Safety Training, Hazelton Hown Hall, call Rollie Flowers for details 218-927-3671.

11th - The Journeymen concert, 7 p.m. Bethany Lutheran Church, 5660 Hwy. 210, Cromwell.

11th - Sons of Norway, Tusenvann Lodge, Program: Skalmusic Group, Bethesda Lutheran Church, Malmo, 7 p.m., Public is welcome.

11th - Cuyuna Range Youth Center Girls and Boys night out. Girls = MaryKay, Boys = fishing. RSVP to Leona Miller 218-546-5744.

12th - Don Sather Benefit, Grace Church, 8-12 pancake breakfast; 10 a.m. 5k run/walk; 4 p.m. dinner/benefit at community center with auctions. For more info call 218-426-4378.

12th - Gospel Concerts, Malmo Free Church, 7 p.m., all are welcome. In His Name playing. Hwy. 18 near jcts of 18 & 47, Malmo.

12th - Cuyuna Range Youth Center Car Wash, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Mid MN Federal Credit Union on Main Street Crosby.

15th - Cuyuna Range Chamber Golf Tournament, Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge, 1 p.m. registration, 2 p.m. shotgun start. For more info call 218-546-8131.

15th - Cancer Support Group, topic: Pet Therapy, 6:30-8 p.m., Riverwood conference room B, Aitkin.

16-19th - Riverboat Days

17th - Understand Grief, Grace Lutheran (Log) Church, 6:30-8 p.m. All welcome. Register with Diane 9-noon weekdays or with Mary Ann at 218-426-3491. Refreshments.

19th - Auxiliary Bake Sale, 8 a.m. until gone, MacDonald Wold parking lot.

19th - Brat Sale fundraiser sponsored by and held at Crosby Supervalu Stor for Cuyuna Range Youth Center, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

19th - Gospel Concerts, Malmo Free Church, 7 p.m., all are welcome. The Paul Durocher Family playing. Hwy. 18 near jcts of 18 & 47, Malmo.

20th - Concert in Park, Oscar Kristoffer-son Park, Baxter Lions Rd. (behind Baxter Elementary) 7 p.m., featuring AFLBS Ambassadors, for more info call 218-828-0750 or 218-562-4498.

22nd - Happy Sleepers Picnic, 5-7 p.m., Greenwood Bar and Rest., presentation on better nights sleep, RSVP 800-488-9127.

24th - Monroe Crossing performing at McGregor High School Auditorium, 7 p.m., \$20 per person, call 218-768-2111, ext. 233 to purchase tickets.

25th - McGregor Angels' Mystery Theater, McGregor School, 3 & 7 p.m. w/ dinner at 5 p.m. Contact Judy Perron at 218-768-2762.

26th - Crazy Days in Aitkin

26th - Gospel Concerts, Malmo Free Church, 7 p.m., all are welcome. Gerry & Ginger playing. Hwy. 18 near jcts of 18 & 47, Malmo.

26-27th - Serpent Lake Power Boat Races, Crosby, 12-3 p.m. For more info call 218-546-8131.

26-27th - Garrison Play Days

30th - Waukenabo Hall Dance, Gary Martens playing, 1-4 p.m., everyone welcome. Info call 218-301-9017.

### August:

2th - Gospel Concerts, Malmo Free Church, 7 p.m., all are welcome. TBA. Hwy. 18 near jcts of 18 & 47, Malmo.

4-8th - Firearm Safety Class, Waukenabo Town Hall, 6-9 p.m., anyone 12 and older. Contact Frank K. at 845-2666 or Frank M. at 845-2470.

6th - Deerwood Lakes Lions Huge Rummage Sale & Lunch Wagon at Bay Lake Marine on Bay Lake. 8 a.m., open to the public. Donations call 218-764-3108 or 218-678-0005.

7-9th - 24th Annual Art Show, Crosslake Comm. Center. 10-5 p.m., door prizes, 40 artists, free admission.

9th - Consignment/Donation Auction, Light of the Cross Lutheran Church, Garrison, 10 a.m. in church parking lot. Call 218-678-3550 or 218-678-3492 for consignments or donation drop-off.

9th - Gospel Concerts, Malmo Free Church, 7 p.m., all are welcome. Foundation Quartet playing. Hwy. 18 near jcts of 18 & 47, Malmo.

13th - Photography Workshops, 3 classes, contact Jaques Art Center at 218-927-2363 or email: info@jaquesart.com.

13th - Waukenabo Hall Dance, Andy Roskos playing, 1-4 p.m., everyone welcome. Info call 218-301-9017.

16th - Pancake Breakfast Fund Raiser for Rice Lake Refuge, Applebee's Bar & Grill, Baxter, 8-10 a.m., \$5.

16th - Bay Lake Area Lions Auction sale at Bay Lake Marine on Bay Lake. 10 a.m. start. Donations call 218-678-9090.

16th - Crosby Classic Car Show, Hallett Community Center, Crosby, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., FREE admission, rain or shine.

16th - Gospel Concerts, Malmo Free Church, 7 p.m., all are welcome. Church Yard playing. Hwy. 18 near jcts of 18 & 47, Malmo.

# KKIN 930

## Adult Standards

# Verbal History of the Riverboat Era - Part 2



Photo of the riverboat Oriole. Photo courtesy of Aitkin Historical Society.

BY PHILIP NEESE  
Diana Rian's mother, Elizabeth Boyer was the daughter of Charles Viebahn, Captain of the Riverboats and she, Elizabeth, compiled these records.  
In 1902 the second Riverboat, Irene was ready to go. This boat was owned by Viebahn and Puntenev. They had the business pretty much to themselves and really did very well. They carried 1,200 passengers and 225 tons of freight, valued at \$101,750 from 1906 through 1908. The second Irene carried the bulk of passengers and freight. It carried 5500 passengers, 6,000 ton of freight per year for a few years. Business was so good they decided to build

another boat in 1907. This boat was called the Oriole and was launched in 1908. It was 105 feet long. The Irene was only 70 feet.

In May of 1908 the Irene operated alone. Business was good for a few more years and then declined fast. In about 1915, the boat was sold to the government and used as a dredge boat. The last boat built by Viebahn and Puntenev was the Lee, which was smaller than the Oriole. During the Lee's first year it carried 1,050

passengers and 1500 tons of freight. After 1912 business began to decline rapidly and in 1915 Viebahn sold the Lee to W. V. Puntenev. Puntenev ran it alone for part of two seasons and then it sank at Cyde's Mill. Bill Puntenev semi-retired on the bank of the Mississippi and did a little farming. Mr. Viebahn got married at age 43 and had nine children to raise and couldn't retire, so he went into farming, also on the river.

The Oriole was sold to a man who made a tourist attraction out of it on Sandy Lake. His name was George Mattoon. He called it the Ark and it burned in 1941.

There were many barges and wanigans on the river all the years up until 1950. There were about 25 landings along the river. The distance from Aitkin to Grand Rapids was 130 miles by river, 53 miles by road and 40 miles by air.

People used to tell me things about the riverboat. Lots of farmers rode the boat and got off at landings and carried their groceries and supplies through the woods to their new homes on narrow trails either on foot or on horseback.

Note: In 1908, Diana's grandmother, Elizabeth Agnes Toms wrote a letter to her mother, Anna Burden, saying the Oriole cost \$6,000 to build and it had electric lights.

Elizabeth was born in Ontario, Canada and Anna was born in Dorset, England.

Wanigan was mentioned as a type of watercraft. Wanigan is an Ojibwa word meaning shelter. In the early days, on the Mississippi there was a need for a craft that could move supplies and people from the steamboat landings to the logging camps that were located on smaller rivers (tributaries). These crafts were probably a combination of raft and a crude shelter. The first houseboats, if you will. These crafts were towed to the smaller rivers and then poled by manpower up to the camps and farmers. Wanigans were also used as

cook shacks, bunkhouses or headquarters.

A bridge was built over the Mississippi at Palisade and David Rian tells us about this bridge. "My grandfather Alfred Rian helped build this bridge. It was a very high bridge built so the riverboats could travel underneath. The approaches to this bridge were so steep that the only way a person could get a Model 'A' Ford over this bridge was to put the car in reverse and back up over the bridge (The reverse gear in a Model 'A' was geared lower than first gear). Backing over that bridge took a great deal of skill and must have been quite a thrill for the passengers."



Palisade Bridge. Photo courtesy of Diana Rian.



Wanigan., Photo courtesy of Aitkin Historical Society.

## 55+ driver improvement program

The Minnesota Highway Safety Center will be offering a 55+ Driver Improvement Course on the following days:

July 16: (4-hour Refresher Course) 9-1 p.m., Crosslake Community Center, 14126 Daggett Pine Rd., Crosslake.

July 22: (4-hour Refresher Course) 5:30-9:30 p.m., Breezy Point City Hall, 8319 Co. Rd. 11, Breezy Point.

July 22: (4-hour Refresher Course) 9-1 p.m., Hallett Community Center, 470 8th St. NE, Crosby.

July 23: (4-hour Refresher Course) 12:30-4:30 p.m., Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church,

2901 South Hwy. 169, Grand Rapids.

July 23 and 24: (8-hour Refresher Course) 5-9 p.m., Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, 2901 South Hwy. 169, Grand Rapids.

July 23 and 24: (8-hour Full Course) 9-1 p.m., Crosslake Community Center, 14126 Daggett Pine Rd., Crosslake.

July 24 (4-hour Refresher Course) 11-3 p.m., Emily Charter School, 39811 State Hwy. 6, Emily.

July 24: (4-hour Refresher Course) 5:30-9:30 p.m., Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 6190 Fairview Rd., Baxter.

July 28: (4-hour Refresher

Course) 3-7 p.m., Aitkin-Public Library, 110 First Ave NE, Aitkin.

July 30: (4-hour Refresher Course) 1:30-5:30 p.m., Sacred Heart Church, Hwy. 371, Hackensack.

July 31: (4-hour Refresher Course) 1:30-5:30 p.m., Lutheran Church of the Cross, 5064 Co. Rd. 13, Nisswa.

Aug. 1: (4-hour Refresher Course) 8-12 p.m., Pequot Lakes High School, 30805 Olson St., Pequot Lakes.

Aug. 4 and 5: (8-hour Full Course) 5-9 p.m., Emily Charter School, 39811 State Hwy. 6, Emily.

The Driver Improvement

course is open to the public; however, pre-registration is requested. A MN Highway Safety & Research Center certified instructor teaches this class. The fee for the four hour refresher course is \$18 and the eight hour course is \$20. For more information or to register call toll free 1-(888)-234-1294.

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Kelly Simons (right), president of the Susan G. Komen for the Cure Brainerd Lakes Affiliate, presented a grant check for \$1,980 to Julie Siemers (middle), Radiology manager and Cindy Sherman (left), mammography coordinator, at Riverwood Healthcare Center.

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**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.**

Date: May 27, 2008.  
 YOU ARE NOTIFIED THAT:  
 1. Default has occurred in the conditions of the Mortgage dated May 16, 2007, executed by **Saints Alive, Ltd.**, as Mortgagor, to **Grand Timber Bank**, as Mortgagee, and filed for record May 25, 2007, as Document No. 381464, in the office of the County Recorder of Aitkin County, Minnesota. The land described in the Mortgage is not registered land.  
 2. The Mortgage has been assigned as follows: N/A  
 3. The original principal amount secured by the Mortgage was: \$100,000.00.  
 4. No action or proceeding at law is now pending to recover the debt secured by the Mortgage, or any part thereof.

5. The holder of the Mortgage has complied with all conditions precedent to acceleration of the debt secured by the Mortgage and foreclosure of the Mortgage, and all notice and other requirements of applicable statutes.  
 6. At the date of this notice the amount due on the Mortgage, and taxes, if any, paid by the holder of the Mortgage is: \$104,656.42.  
 7. Pursuant to the power of sale in the Mortgage, the Mortgage will be foreclosed, and the land in Aitkin County, Minnesota, described as follows:  
**The Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (SE1/4 of SE1/4) and the Northeast Quarter (NE1/4 of SE1/4) of Section Twenty (20), Township Forty-nine (49), Range Twenty-four (24),** will be sold by the County Sheriff of Aitkin County, Minnesota, at public auction at **10:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 31, 2008**, at the main office of the Aitkin County Sheriff, 217 Second Street NW, Aitkin, Minnesota 56431.  
 8. The time allowed by law for redemption by Mortgagors or Mortgagors' personal represen-

tatives or assigns is 12 months after the date of sale.  
 9. 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.  
**GRAND TIMBER BANK**  
 By Shawn M. Dunlevy (#123626)  
 Fryberger, Buchanan, Smith & Frederick, P.A.  
 302 West Superior Street, Suite 700  
 Duluth, Minnesota 55802-1863 (218) 722-0861  
**THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.**  
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**NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE**  
**PRIVATE**  
**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 the conditions of the following described mortgage:  
 DATE OF MORTGAGE: July 25, 2003  
 ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$91,000.00  
 MORTGAGOR(S): Michael J. Sazenski and Deanna J. Sazenski, husband and wife  
 MORTGAGEE: Midamerica Mortgage Corporation, a Minnesota corporation  
 DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Filed July 29, 2003, Aitkin County Recorder; Document No. 350394  
 ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc., n/k/a Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., successor by merger to Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc.  
 LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF

PROPERTY: Lots Fifteen (15), Sixteen (16), Seventeen (17), and Eighteen (18), Block Four (4) of the Plat of "Indian Portage" COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Aitkin County, Minnesota  
 THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON THE DATE OF THE NOTICE: \$86,314.26  
 THAT no action or proceeding has been instituted at law to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof; that there has been compliance with all pre-foreclosure notice and acceleration requirements of said mortgage, and/or applicable statutes;  
 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: July 24, 2008 at 10:00 a.m.  
 PLACE OF SALE: Aitkin County Sheriff's office, 217 Second Street NW, Aitkin, Minnesota  
 to pay the debt then secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any actually paid by the mortgagee, on the premises and the costs and disbursements allowed by law. The time allowed by law for redemption by said

mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns is six (6) months from the date of sale.  
 "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: May 29, 2008  
**WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.**  
 Mortgagee  
**REITER & SCHILLER, P.A.**  
 By: /s/ Rebecca F. Schiller, Esq.  
 Sarah J.B. Adam, Esq.  
 N. Kibongni Fondungallah, Esq.  
 James J. Pauly, Esq.  
 Leah K. Weaver, Esq.  
 Attorneys for Mortgagee  
 25 North Dale Street  
 St. Paul, MN 55102-2227 (651) 209-9760 (X1025)  
**THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.**  
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**NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE PRIVATE**  
**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 the conditions of the following described mortgage:  
 DATE OF MORTGAGE: March 6, 2003  
 ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$56,670.00  
 MORTGAGOR(S): Patrick D. Williams, an unmarried man  
 MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., a Delaware corporation, as nominee for Mortgage Investors Corporation, an Ohio corporation  
 DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Filed March 19, 2003, Aitkin County Recorder; Document No. 346603  
 ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: none  
 LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:  
 Lots Nine (9) and Ten (10) of Block 4, of "DJ Knox's Addition to the Village of Aitkin"  
 COUNTY IN WHICH PROP-

ERTY IS LOCATED: Aitkin County, Minnesota  
 THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON THE DATE OF THE NOTICE: \$53,017.92  
 THAT no action or proceeding has been instituted at law to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof; that there has been compliance with all pre-foreclosure notice and acceleration requirements of said mortgage, and/or applicable statutes;  
 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: August 21, 2008 at 10:00 a.m.  
 PLACE OF SALE: Aitkin County Sheriff's office, 217 Second Street NW, Aitkin, Minnesota  
 to pay the debt then secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any actually paid by the mortgagee, on the premises and the costs and disbursements allowed by law. The time allowed by law for redemption by said mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns is six (6) months from the date of sale.  
 "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: June 26, 2008  
 MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC.  
 Mortgagee  
**REITER & SCHILLER, P.A.**  
 By: /s/ Rebecca F. Schiller, Esq.  
 Sarah J.B. Adam, Esq.  
 N. Kibongni Fondungallah, Esq.  
 James J. Pauly, Esq.  
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 Attorneys for Mortgagee  
 25 North Dale Street  
 St. Paul, MN 55102-2227 (651) 209-9760 (X1907)  
**THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.**  
**FORECLOSURE DATA**  
**ADDRESS: 138 5th Street Northwest, Aitkin, MN 56431**  
**PID No.: 56-1-100100**  
**MERS No.: 100073333482702771**  
**SERVICER: Wells Fargo 877-216-8448**  
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**MINNESOTA SECRETARY OF STATE CERTIFICATE OF ASSUMED NAME**  
 Pursuant to Chapter 333, Minnesota Statutes; the undersigned, who is or will be conducting or transacting a commercial business in the State of Minnesota under an assumed name, hereby certifies:  
 1. The assumed name under which the business is or will be conducted is: Once Upon a Time Emporium  
 2. The street address of the principal place of business is or will be: 27193 State Highway 18, Brainerd, MN 56401  
 3. The name and street address of all persons conducting business under the above assumed name:  
 Chrystal M. Lubin, 27193 State Highway 18, Brainerd, MN 56401 AND David V. Lubin, 27193 State Highway 18, Brainerd, MN 56401.  
 I certify that I am authorized to sign this certificate and I further certify that I understand that by signing this certificate, I am subject to the penalties of perjury as set forth in section 609.48 as if I had signed this certificate under oath.  
 Dated: June 5, 2008  
 /s/ CHRYSTAL M. LUBIN  
 Chrystal M. Lubin, Co-Owner-Contact Person - 320-237-2060 6.12

(Published in NewsHopper Sat., July 5 & 12, 2008)  
**MINNESOTA SECRETARY OF STATE CERTIFICATE OF ASSUMED NAME**  
 Pursuant to Chapter 333, Minnesota Statutes; the undersigned, who is or will be conducting or transacting a commercial business in the State of Minnesota under an assumed name, hereby certifies:  
 1. The assumed name under which the business is or will be conducted is: Athena Nike Engineering Company  
 2. The street address of the principal place of business is or will be: 17193 280th Avenue, Isle, MN 56342  
 3. The name and street address of all persons conducting business under the above assumed name: Christopher R. Johnson, 17193 280th Avenue, Isle, MN 56342  
 4. I certify that I am authorized to sign this certificate and I further certify that I understand that by signing this certificate, I am subject to the penalties of perjury as set forth in section 609.48 as if I had signed this certificate under oath.  
 Dated: June 16, 2008  
 /s/ CHRISTOPHER R. JOHNSON  
 Christopher R. Johnson, Sole Proprietor  
 Christopher Johnson  
 Contact Person - 320-684-2100 6.0

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**LOGAN TOWNSHIP CALL FOR QUOTES**  
 Logan Township wishes to receive quotes for summer road mowing. Please submit quotes to Tammy Wickstrom, 50497 290th Place Palisade, MN 56469. All quotes must be received on or before July 18, 2008. The Logan Town Board reserves the right to reject or accept any and all quotes.  
**TAMMY BRYAN-WICKSTROM**  
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**June 19:** Disturbance was reported on Dove St., Aitkin... car and fire hydrant accident was reported in Aitkin... assisted Pine County on Main St., McGrath... disturbance was reported on 417th Pl., Aitkin... alarm was reported on 202nd Pl., McGregor... terrorist threats were reported on 180th St., Isle... child custody issue was reported in Aitkin.  
**June 20:** Disturbance was reported on 363rd Pl., Aitkin... McGregor Fire Department responded to a tree on power line on Hwy. 210, McGregor... attempted break in was reported on Long Point Pl., McGregor... driving complaint was made on Deer St., Aitkin... property complaint was made on 305th Pl., Aitkin... sunken boat was reported on 303rd Ln., Aitkin... dirt bikes on road were reported on 435th Ave., Aitkin... damage to mailbox was reported on 220th St., Aitkin... suspicious activity was reported on Elm Island Lake access, Aitkin... vehicle vandalism was reported on 487th St., McGregor... stolen bicycle was reported on 1st St., McGregor.  
**June 21:** Two males were reported walking on roadway on Hwy. 65, McGregor... disturbance was reported on Main St., McGregor...

rollover was reported on Hwy. 200, Hill City... driving complaint was made on Hwy. 169, Aitkin... barking dog complaint was made on 485th St., McGregor... stolen fishing equipment was reported on Great River Rd., Aitkin... Jacobson Fire Department responded to a grass fire on Hwy. 200, Jacobson... alarm was reported on 193rd Pl., McGrath... theft was reported on Hwy. 210, McGregor... dogs in yard were reported on Hennrietta Ave., Hill City... property dispute was reported on 438th Ln., McGregor... deer on roadway was reported on Hwy. 47, Aitkin... assisted Mille Lacs Co. and Crow Wing Co. with theft of two vehicles... noise complaint was made on 4th St. NE, Aitkin.  
**June 22:** Intoxicated female walking with kids was reported on 200th Ave., McGregor... noise complaint was made on 326th Ave., Isle... alarm was reported on Airpark Rd., Aitkin... four wheeler complaint was made on 483rd St. McGregor... fatality was reported on Hwy. 65, McGregor... harassing text message were reported on 460th Ln., Palisade.  
**June 23:** Horses on the road 195th Ln., Isle... person was reported passed out in car on 265th Ln., Aitkin... damage to play ground equipment on 2nd St. SW, Aitkin... road rage was reported on 195th Ln., Aitkin... arrest for possible abuse was made in Aitkin... possible breaking and entering was reported on Nature Ave., McGregor... possible juvenile runaway 2nd St. NW, Aitkin... accident with injuries was reported on Hwy. 18, Aitkin...

mailbox complaint was made on Hwy. 18, Aitkin... alarm was reported on 481st Ln., McGregor.  
**June 24:** Animal shooting was reported on 200th Ave., McGregor... car and deer accident was reported on Co. Rd. 5, Palisade... possible assault was reported on 120th Pl., Tamarack... tampering with boat was reported on 336th Ln., Aitkin... warrant arrest was made on 200th Ave., McGregor... breaking and entering was reported on 472nd Ln., McGregor... breaking and entering was reported on Iverson Ln., McGregor... possible break in to vehicle was reported in progress on Hickory Pine access... out of control juvenile and possible property damage was reported on Hwy. 210, McGregor.  
**June 25:** Prowlers were reported on 184th Pl., McGregor... disturbance was reported on 1st St. S., McGregor... threatening calls were reported on 2nd St. NE, Aitkin... traffic stop was made in Malmo... breaking and entering to shed at airport and theft of approx. \$60 of gas was reported on Airport Rd., Hill City... alarm was reported in McGrath... theft was reported on Nature Ave., Aitkin... animal complaint was made on 195th Ln., Isle... theft of bicycle was reported in Hill City... theft of laptop computer was reported on Hwy. 169, Hill City... warrant pick up was attempted in Aitkin... property dispute was reported on 298th St., Aitkin... McGregor Fire Department responded to propane tank leaking... suspicion complaint was made on Minnesota Ave. N., Aitkin... possible armed burglary was reported on 116th Ln., Finlayson... driving complaint was made on 3rd Ave. NW, Aitkin.

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# Grant funds available for Ironton property/building owners

By KATHY C. BRYAN

The Ironton City Council met July 2 at 6 p.m. at the Ironton City Hall. Present, Mayor David Hicks, Council Members Bill Thoms, Dean French, Bill Wynn and Laura Ukura-Lier. Also present City Clerk-Treasurer, Rose Caddy.

LuAnn Maschler, Building Inspector was called to appear before the Council concerning an issue a resident brought to the Council at the last meeting. Maschler visited the properties in question last week and decided that the garage overhang in question was too close to the neighbor's property and deemed the culprit for causing water damage to the adjacent garage. Since the overhang was constructed in the last few years, it is in violation of building codes. The overhang has since been removed by the property owner. Maschler stated the fence in question is situated about one foot from the property line and adhered to the building codes when it was installed years ago. The neighbor complained that due to the close proximity to her structure, it is difficult to perform necessary fence maintenance. Maschler suggested the property owners work out a satisfactory resolution to this problem since she can not cite a violation of the building code

in this regard.

Council Member Ukura-Lier asked Maschler to provide a structural assessment to the Council regarding City Hall. Maschler stated a new elevator and the bathrooms must be handicapped accessible. On this same issue, a letter from Structural Design Associates was reviewed. Dwayne Mochench, the licensed engineer that performed a structural analysis on City Hall stated the overall structure is in good condition, and the addition of an elevator should pose no problem for load transfer.

State Representative John Ward appeared before the Council with an update on the recent Legislative Session he attended. Ward can be reached at: rep.john.ward@house.mn or Ironton residents with concerns may write to him at 533 State Office Building, St. Paul, MN 55155.

A resolution was adopted to renew Town Tavern's liquor license that expires on Aug. 31.

Jeff Webb from SEH presented an update on the removal of the old water tower. An Environmental Assessment Worksheet must be completed on all historical landmarks demolished or disassembled. The assessment calculates hazardous waste and toxic chemicals

such as lead paint. In addition, Webb stated the proposed demolition will be posted publicly for thirty days allowing residents to comment or state objections. Completion of the project is tentatively scheduled for December of 2009.

Webb distributed a letter from SEH commenting on the proposed rezoning of Jeff Olson's property on June Lake. At the time Ironton's Comprehensive Plan was written, future rezoning was contemplated, however spot zoning on a particular piece of property isn't allowed. Webb suggested that if the Council wishes to proceed in this regard, the entire strip around the lake should be rezoned. Black Hoof Lake could also be rezoned at that time. Webb also suggested the Council consider updating the nine-year old Comprehensive Plan in the near future. Webb, Olson and Langel, the City Attorney, will continue to work together to find a solution to Olson's request to build on the property.

Kim Coughlin, Police Chief distributed copies of a courtesy card the Police Department

will be distributing to parked vehicles soon. Coughlin stated the cards are not tickets, but a reminder that the vehicle is unlocked, in a poorly lit area or valuables in the car are visible. Coughlin also informed the Council police calls have increased by 100 from this time last year. Coughlin also reminded the Council the park is closed and gated each night by 10 p.m. and opens again in the morning by 5 a.m. The Crosby-Ironton Police Department was fully-staffed over the Fourth of July to accommodate visitor traffic and planned events.

Brian Blom from the Fire Department informed the Council he met with Tom Koop from Larson Allen recently concerning the Fire Fighter Relief Fund. Projecting three years out, there are enough funds to merit an increase from \$500 to \$624 for every year a fireman has served until retirement. A resolution to adopt the increase will be presented to the Council in the Fall when departmental budgets are done. Blom also informed the Council the 100

year anniversary of Ironton's Fire Department is 2012.

Elissa Rogers from Brainerd Lakes Area Development Corporation (BLADC) and the Cuyuna Range Economic Development partnered to apply for SCDP funds. Rogers coordinated the application for the cities of Ironton, Crosby, Deerwood and Emily. The primary objective of the program is to develop viable communities by providing decent affordable housing and a suitable living environment by expanding economic opportunities for persons of low and moderate income. All property/building owners with qualifying improvements for properties located within the downtown business zoned districts in all four cities are eligible. Rogers stated \$770,000 in funds will be allocated soon and must be used within a certain time period. To date, 35 applicants from the four cities have applied for funds. Rogers is in the process of formulating a Board to distribute the funds and would be happy to have one of the Council Members from

Ironton sit on the Board.

Mayor Hicks suggested that when the water tower is taken down and hauled away, other scrap metal in and around Ironton also be collected, specifically the 18-20 light poles on the ground near the pump house.

A motion was carried to renew the \$95 membership dues for the Cuyuna Range Chamber of Commerce.

A lengthy discussion was held concerning the hours the City Clerks work at City Hall. A motion was carried to specify the official hours as 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. When the Assistant City Clerk covers these hours, the Clerk-Treasurer may opt to work 7-3, otherwise her official hours are 8-4. Future overtime and comp time for the Clerks will not be allowed unless pre-approved by the Mayor and/or the Council.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The Ironton City Council meets the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 6 p.m., City Hall. The meetings are open to the public and attendance is encouraged.

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There is a story in European mythology that calls the wren the "king of the birds" because it outwitted an eagle in a contest to see who could fly the highest. The wren won the contest by perching on the eagle's back, thus gaining the extra height. The thought that it could travel on the back of another bird persisted for centuries (like the myth that the hummingbird travels south on the back of migrating geese). In yet another myth, the wren was often affectionately called the "jenny wren" and believed to be the modest, shy wife of the robin redbreast. Anyone who knows the wren also knows it is neither modest nor shy, but rather it is very loud and chatty.

The House Wren is the plainest and the most common of the North American wrens. Both the male and female are outwardly similar in color and

size. It is approximately five inches long. It is a gray-brown color above and a pale gray color below. They have narrow black barring on the wings and tail, with light streaks over each eye. They have a fairly long sharp bill. The scientific name for the House Wren (*Troglodytes aedon*) was given to the bird in 1807 by Louis Jean Pierre Vieillot presumably because he thought its call sounded a lot like the European Nightingale and because it preferred to nest in holes or crevices around homes. It is the only wren that seems to enjoy nesting around human buildings.

The House Wren is found throughout Minnesota, nesting in all eighty-seven counties. The male returns to northern Minnesota in late April or early May, a week or two ahead of the female. His territory is usually along the edges

of woods, in residential areas, in yards, in parks or in gardens. He announces that this is his territory by singing in a clear, loud and bubbly voice all around his area. He immediately starts filling up all possible nesting cavities in his area with small sticks. When I was young, I thought that he just didn't like to have any neighbors around him. But the truth is that he has to make several houses for the female to pick from when she returns. When the female returns, he shows her all the houses he has built for her to pick from and hopefully she will like one of them enough to nest in it. When she chooses an acceptable nesting sight, she lines it with softer grasses and feathers so it is just right for her five to nine eggs which are white with brown speckles. Incubation takes from 14 to 15 days. The young are fed

almost exclusively on insects (grasshoppers, beetles, moths, ants, bees, flies, etc.) They leave the nest in 15 to 18 days. Most often, they will have two broods. While the male looks after the recently fledged young, the female will be sitting on her second clutch of eggs. The House Wren can live up to five or six years.

As an interesting sidelight, the female members of the British navy are called Wrens, not because of the bird, but instead from WRNS (Women's Royal Navy Service).

It is a good idea to clean out your birdhouses each fall. Birds like to start over the following spring and the House Wren is definitely one who likes to build new each year. It is a good way to insure that the chatty little jenny wren will continue to come back to your yard for years to come.

## Question for the DNR

**Q:** Finding a place to ride an ATV or other OHV machine takes a little research. Minnesota offers a variety of trails. Are there different "levels" of riding opportunities? And how can riders find the trail that fits their needs?

**A:** Minnesota is using the standard ski hill symbols to identify level of difficulty. The symbols are: green circle - easy, blue square - moderate, and black diamond - technical or advanced. Most public OHV trails are green with some blue levels available. The Red Dot and Spider Lake systems are two sites that have some blue level trails. At this point, the only public riding area with black diamond level opportunities is the Iron Range Off Highway Vehicle Recreation Area in Gilbert. It is important for riders to know their abilities and know



their machines. Most of these trails do not provide alternative routes - once the course is

started, it must be finished. The more advance trails are generally one-way as well.

## Sather benefit includes pancake breakfast, 5k run/walk, dinner and auction featuring 5 acre lot

There will be a benefit on Saturday, July 12 for Don Sather, who is battling ALS.

The day will start with a Pancake Breakfast from 8 a.m. till 12pm at Grace Lutheran Log Church on Lake Ave. (Co. Rd. #14), McGregor. The cost is \$7 per person.

A 5K Run/Walk is scheduled for 10 a.m. at Savanna Portage State Park on Lake Ave. (Co. Rd.

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The day will continue with Benefit Dinner and Auction at 4 p.m. at McGregor Community Center, 1/2 mile north of McGregor on State Hwy. 65.

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According to Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) conservation officers, a male black bear was shot near Trygg Road in Eagle's Nest

Township at about 7:30 p.m. on June 9. A film crew had been following a radio collared black bear and the male bear when they heard a shot. The film crew continued to document the bear for five days after the incident and determined the male bear had been shot high in the hip area. The bear is expected to survive.

Under Minnesota law, shooting a bear out of season carries a maximum penalty of \$3,000 and a year in jail.

"Poaching is not only callous and irresponsible, it's also a crime that all too often goes unpunished," said Jill Fritz, Minnesota state director

for The HSUS. "The Humane Society of the United States applauds the Minnesota DNR for strongly enforcing anti-poaching laws."

Every year, thousands of poachers are arrested nationwide; however, it is estimated that only 1 to 5 percent of poachers are caught. Sometimes poachers kill an animal in a particularly cruel manner.

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interesting and beautiful. That is why it is important to take the time to plan the design and prepare the site when installing a shoreland buffer.

In planning a shoreland buffer, consider how the shoreline will be used, then add some creativity. A colorful boarder of native wildflowers mixed in with grasses and flowering shrubs between the beach and lawn area is likely to attract butterflies, humming birds and people. While some plants may not have showy flowers, they

may have interesting seed heads or lush foliage. A meandering path through a thicket of ferns and other shade loving plants can add interest and excitement to a landscape. Adding aquatic plants near shore may draw in birds to feed on the seed heads and fish hiding from predators, resting in the shade or feeding. There are many beauti-

ful plants that work in upland, wet areas along the shore and in the water. Diversity in the kinds of plants will help to attract a broader variety of wildlife and create a more interesting landscape.

Any gardener knows that good site preparation results in a garden that is easier to care for. Sometimes invasive plant species can "take over" a site. Removing these plants may take some diligence, but the results are well worth it. Once established, a healthy shoreland buffer with a diversity of plants may be less susceptible to weed invasions. But, like any garden it takes some attention.

There are workshops, books, CDs and websites that can help in designing and maintaining the shoreland buffer that suits both the site and your needs. Both the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources and University of Minnesota Extension Service have staff and resources that can provide assistance.

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- Basements
  - Driveways
  - Ponds
  - Wild Life Food Plots
  - Land & Lot Clearing
  - Stump Removal
  - Rip Rap
  - Demolition
  - Building Pads
  - Ditches and Ditch Cleaning
  - Black Dirt, Sand & Gravel
  - Roads / Road Building
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- Tree Removal and Cleanup
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