

COMMUNITY NEWS

ASK A TROOPER

Placing political signs on highways

Q.: I'm starting to see political signs pop up all over along the highways. What are the rules with these? Thanks.

A.: Placement of campaign signs in state highway rights-of-way is prohibited under MN State Statute 160.27. In addition, campaign signs may not be placed on private property outside of the right-of-way limits without landowner consent.

Highway rights-of-way include the driving lanes, inside and outside shoulders, ditches and sight corners at intersections. Signs in violation will be removed and impounded at one of the local Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) maintenance truck stations.

Violation of the law is a misdemeanor. Civil penalties also may apply if the placement of a sign contributes to a motor vehicle crash and injures a person, or damages a motor vehicle that runs off the road. In addition, the Minnesota Outdoor Advertising Control Act (MN State Statute 173.15) prohibits erecting advertising on public utility poles, trees and shrubs, and painting or drawing on rocks or natural features. These laws are admin-



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istered in a fair and impartial manner. Political campaign signs are treated in the same way as any other signs wrongly placed on state highway property by businesses, churches, private citizens or charitable groups. For information regarding the proper placement of campaign signs or where to find signs that have been removed, contact your local MnDOT office. See also www.dot.state.mn.us/govrel/rw_signs.html.

A portion of state statutes were used with permission from the Office of the Revisor of Statutes. If you have any questions concerning traffic related laws or issues in Minnesota, send your questions to Sgt. Neil Dickenson, Minnesota State Patrol 1131 Mesaba Ave., Duluth, MN 55811, or neil.dickenson@state.mn.us.

BORDERLAND BRIEFS

ADULT HOCKEY

International Falls adult hockey season begins Oct. 29 with a new structure and schedule. A team representative and player information session is planned for 7 p.m. Oct. 8 at Coffee Landing Cafe. "A" and "B" Divisions, 7:50 and 9 p.m. Wednesdays; and "40+" Division, Sunday nights. Open to all Borderland residents, all ages and skill levels. Individuals and teams needed. Season ends March 4. To register, contact Bill Mason at bmason@isd361.k12.mn.us. **SING AND PLAY**

Sing and Play at Ranier Community Center is planned for 9 to 10 a.m. Mondays, Oct. 13 through Dec. 1. Free of charge. Brings toddlers and preschoolers to listen to stories, sing songs, dance, play and create. Call or email to sign up. Limited spaces available. Contact Erin at 218-324-3160; singandplayinthepark@gmail.com. Sponsored by Ranier Recreation Club. Follow on Facebook: Ranier Recreation Club.

NORTH STAR ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

Members are welcome to North Star Electric Cooperative's 74th annual meeting set for Friday at Lake of the Woods School. Dinner and registration begin at 5 p.m. Free childcare available from 5:30 until meeting adjourns. Entertainment will be by Sloughgrass. Free bus service. Call 218-634-2202 or toll free 888-634-2202 to reserve a seat. **TAILGATE PARTY**

Bronco Football Boosters will host a tailgate party prior to the home game Friday from 5 to 7 p.m. at Bronco Stadium. Burgers, chips and pop will be available for \$5.

CALENDAR

TODAY

- Walk-ercise group, 10-11 a.m., Backus Community Center gymnasium.
- Flu Shot Clinic, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Rainy River Community College, Door 5.
- Littlefork Ambulance Thrift Shop open, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Northland Art Society open, various arts, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Backus, Room 114.
- Wednesday Study Group, 10:15 a.m., Faith United Church of Christ.
- Falls High School Class of 1963, 11:30 a.m., Lenard's.
- Test of emergency sirens – 1 p.m., International Falls; 2, Fort Frances.
- Backus Community Market, 4-6:30 p.m., Backus/AB Third Street parking lot.
- Girl Guards, Sunbeams and Adventure Corps, 4:30-6 p.m., The Salvation Army.
- Free At Last, 4:30-6:30 p.m., Forestland Annex, lower level conference room.
- Parent-teacher conferences, 5-8 p.m., Falls High School.
- Narcotics Anonymous, 6 p.m., Alano Club.
- Men's Non-Violence Group, 6-8 p.m., Friends Against Abuse office.
- Members and guests Elks Lodge Wednesday Meal, 6:30 p.m., ribs, kraut and dumplings.
- Little Lambs (up to age 4) and King's Kids (ages 5 and up), 6:30-7:15 p.m., Full Gospel Fellowship Church.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m., Alano Club.

THURSDAY

- Hospital retirees, 8 a.m., Lenard's.
- Littlefork Ambulance Thrift Shop open, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Falls Hunger Coalition Food Shelf open, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., 1000 Fifth St.
- Northland Art Society open, various arts, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Backus, Room 114.
- Northland Art Society open, various arts, 4-8 p.m., Backus, Room 114.
- Weight Watchers, 4:45-5:15 p.m. weigh-in; 5:15 meeting, Zion Lutheran Church.
- Parent-teacher conferences, 5-8 p.m., Falls High School.
- Falls Trap Club, trap shooting, 5:30 p.m., Moonlight Rock Road.
- Community Café, free meals served, 5:30-6 p.m., hearty soup, sandwich, fruit, Backus Community Center.
- Burgers Supper, 5:30-6:30 p.m., Moose Lodge.
- Beginner's Tae Kwon Do, 5:45 p.m.,

- Falls Elementary School gymnasium or cafeteria.
- Northland Art Society, 6 p.m., Backus building, art room.
- The Lamplighters, women's support group for survivors of childhood sexual abuse, 6-8 p.m., Friends Against Abuse, 407 Fourth St.
- Childbirth Classes, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Rainy Lake Medical Center.
- St. Thomas Bingo — Bonanza, 6:45 p.m.; Bingo, 7, Aquinas Hall.
- Line Dancing, 7 p.m., Moose Lodge.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m., Alano Club.

FRIDAY

- Walk-ercise group, 10-11 a.m., Backus Community Center gymnasium.
- Falls Hunger Coalition Food Shelf open, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., 1000 Fifth St.
- Serenity Sisters, Women's A.A., noon, Backus, Rational Alternatives, Room 101.
- North Star Electric Cooperative's 74th annual gathering, 5 p.m., Lake of the Woods School.
- Bronco Football Boosters tailgate party, 5-7 p.m., Bronco Stadium.
- Members and guests Elks Lodge Friday Light Meal, 5:30 p.m., shrimp and fries.
- Narcotics Anonymous, 6 p.m., Alano Club.
- For Those in Need, Addiction Recovery, 7 p.m., The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 1340 Keenan Drive.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m., Alano Club, 410 Fifth Ave.

SATURDAY

- Steps Against Stigma 2nd annual 1k and 5k Walk or Run, 8:30 a.m., late registration; 9:30, 1k walk/run; 10, 5k walk/run, Sorting Gap Marina, Fort Frances.
- Community Cancer Walk, 9-11 a.m., Bronco Arena.
- Community Market, 9 a.m.-noon, Backus Third Street parking lot.
- Littlefork Ambulance Thrift Shop open, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Moose Lodge events – Bingo, 1 p.m.; glazed ham dinner, 6,(reservations, 283-3615); live music.
- Open Gym, 3-5 p.m., Backus Community Center.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 7 p.m., Alano Club.
- Evangelist Leon Batchelor, 7 p.m., Full Gospel Fellowship.

LOTTERY

Sunday's Daily 3 8, 9, 9	Saturday's Hot Lotto 13, 16, 18, 34, 42	Mega Ball 9
Sunday's Northstar Cash 9, 10, 13, 20, 31	Hot Ball 12	Saturday's Powerball 2, 11, 35, 52, 54
Friday's Gopher 5 11, 12, 22, 24, 42	Friday's Mega Millions 17, 26, 35, 46, 62	Powerball 13

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