

COMMUNITY NEWS

ASK A TROOPER

School safety patrol

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MINNESOTA STATE PATROL

Q: What ever happened to school safety patrol officers? I used to see them in our area and they used to be seen all over the state. Has this program ended? If you know about this can you please write about the school safety patrol program and what is happening with it currently? Thank you.

A: There have been some changes with the school patrol training program the past few years, but it is still alive and well. Minnesota is a leader in the school patrol training program. The Minnesota State Patrol and the American Legion are long time partners in the training of these young folks. Minnesota has the only (known) formal school patrol safety training camp in the country, and perhaps the world, which is located just north of Brainerd in Crow Wing County. It is called Legionville.

Some schools have relocated into more rural areas where the patrols are not needed or required, so we have seen a decline in the number of the schools that are using them. In some areas, adults are being used because of the heavy traffic situation on the roadway system near the schools, which also accounts for the

decline. The amount of patrollers being trained has also declined a bit for those same reasons, but we still had at least seven weeks of training this summer.

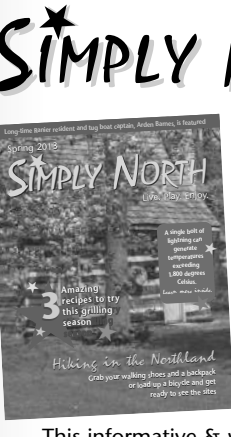
Since school is back on now, you should be seeing the school safety patrol out doing their job in the mornings and afternoons near the schools. When you see the flag raised up, please know that is the signal to the motorists and all traffic in the area that they safety patrol is about to step out and stop traffic. Please be watching for the school patrollers in all areas when near schools. Be prepared to stop when that flag gets raised up. They will hold it up for a minimum of four seconds, and then step out one step into the street with the flag held at a 45-degree angle. That is a legal stop sign. Remember to lower your speeds near schools as required.

Watch out for school bus stop arms too. Those violations get reported often and are taken very seriously. We want our children to get to school and home safely every day, so we all need to be paying attention and watching out for them on a daily basis. Drivers have to stop for buses with red flashing upper lights. Also, it is very important for parents to demonstrate and teach safe, street crossing for kids getting on and off the bus, telling them to wait for bus driver to signal it is safe to cross.

LOTTERY

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CALENDAR

TODAY

- Retired Boise Cascade electricians, 9 a.m., Coffee Landing Cafe.
- Exercise, 10-11 a.m., Backus Auditorium gymnasium.
- Northland Art Society open, various arts, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Backus, Room 114.
- Koochiching Economic Development Authority, 10 a.m., Koochiching County Courthouse, commissioners boardroom.
- Wednesday Study Group, 10:30 a.m., Faith United Church of Christ.
- Backus Community Market, 4-6:30 p.m., Backus/AB Third Street parking lot.
- Sunbeams and Girl Guards, 4:30-6 p.m., The Salvation Army.
- Free At Last, 4:30-6:30 p.m., Forestland Annex, lower level conference room.
- Community Band, 5 p.m., The Dungeon, Backus Community Center.
- International Falls Recreation Commission Board, 5:45 p.m., city council chambers.
- Men's Non-Violence Group, 6-8 p.m., Friends Against Abuse office.
- Awana Registration and Ice Cream Social, 6:30 p.m., Evangelical Covenant Church.
- Elks Lodge Wednesday Meal, 6:30 p.m., Prime Rib.
- Little Lambs (up to age 4) and King's Kids (ages 5 and up), 6:30-7:15 p.m., Full Gospel Fellowship Church.
- Rainy Lake Sportfishing Club, 7 p.m., AmericInn.
- Line Dancing, 7 p.m., Moose Lodge.
- Downtowners Group, 7:30 p.m., Alano Club.

THURSDAY

- Bone Builders, 10 a.m., Woodland Apartments.
- 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.
- Falls High School Class of 1960, 10:30 a.m., Lenard's.
- Storytime, "Friends," 10:30 a.m., International Falls Public Library.
- Ostomy support group, 2:30 p.m., Rainy Lake Medical Center clinic campus.
- Northland Art Society open, various arts, 4-8 p.m., Backus, Room 114.

- Adventure Corps, 4:30-6 p.m., The Salvation Army.
- Weight Watchers, 4:45-5:15 p.m. weigh-in; 5:15 meeting, Zion Lutheran Church.
- Tacos Supper, 5 p.m., Moose Lodge.
- International Falls Lions Club concession stand open, 5 p.m., Rainy Lake Oil Raceway.
- Holy Trinity Episcopal Church annual fund raising dinner, 5-7 p.m., Elks Club.
- Falls Trap Club, trap shooting, 5:30 p.m., Moonlight Rock Road.
- Community Café, free meals served, 5:30-6 p.m., grilled chicken Caesar, garlic bread sticks, fruit, milk, Backus Community Center.
- Beginner's Tae Kwon Do, 5:45 p.m., Falls Elementary School gymnasium or cafeteria.
- Whispering Pines Quilt Guild, potluck, 6 p.m.; meeting, 7, Evangelical Covenant Church, Family Life Center.
- The Lamplighters, women's support group for survivors of childhood sexual abuse, 6-8 p.m., Friends Against Abuse, 407 Fourth St.
- St. Thomas Catholic School-sponsored Bingo, 7 p.m.; Bonanza, 6:45; doors open 5:45, Aquinas Hall (Lic. No. 01336).
- Cribbage and Luck of the Draw Darts, 7 p.m., Moose Lodge.
- New Alano Family Group, 7 p.m., Zion Lutheran Church.
- Fresh Start, 7:30 p.m., Alano Club.

FRIDAY

- Exercise, 10-11 a.m., Backus Auditorium 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.
- Elks Lodge Friday Light Meal, 5:30 p.m., Boiled Dinner.
- Narcotics Anonymous, 6 p.m., Alano Club.
- Grape Vine Group, 7:30 p.m., Alano Club, 410 Fifth Ave.

SATURDAY

- Moose Lodge events — Bingo, noon; Swede's Steak Supper, 6 (reservations, 283-3615).
- Backus Community Market, 9 a.m.-noon, Backus/AB Third Street parking lot.
- A.A., 7 p.m., Alano Club.

BORDERLAND BRIEFS

KNUDSON FUND DEADLINE

The next quarterly deadline for the Marshall N. Knudson Family Community Fund is Oct. 1. The fund awards up to \$5,000 to nonprofit organizations who are providing a benefit in a number of giving areas to the International Falls and Koochiching County community. Applications and information are available from the Randy Pozniak LTD office in the Falls, 283-8148.

QUILT GUILD

Whispering Pines Quilt Guild will meet Thursday in the Family Life Center of Evangelical Covenant Church. The annual potluck dinner will begin at 6 p.m., with the guild meeting at 7. Election of officers will take place. Quilters are reminded to wear a nametag and bring red and yellow fat quarters for the drawing. Show and Tell

items are welcome. Quilters of any level of experience are welcome to attend.

LIBRARY STORYTIME

Storytime at 10:30 a.m. Thursday will feature stories about "Friends." Storytime is 20 to 30 minutes of stories, rhymes and song. The stories and activities are geared for children ages 3 to 4, but any child is welcome to attend with their caregiver. Playtime will follow storytime. The library has purchased a number of toys designed to help children begin developing science skills and learning to play in a group is another important skill to develop.

EXERCISE AT BACKUS

Exercise at Backus Community Center takes place Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10 to 11 a.m. in the auditorium gymnasium. Call Backus Community Center for

information, 285-7225.

WEDNESDAY STUDY GROUP

The Wednesday Study Group at Faith United Church of Christ is meeting again this fall and will gather at 10:30 a.m. weekly.

RED HAT LOON-A-TICKS

Red Hat Loon-a-Ticks will meet for lunch at noon Monday at Island View Lodge. Anyone wishing to carpool should meet at 11:30 a.m. at Faith United Church of Christ parking lot.

IBRT WORKSHOP CANCELED

The Icebox Radio Theater's recording workshop for Thursday is canceled due to a scheduling conflict. The next IBRT workshop will take place at 7 p.m. Oct. 17 in Studio B-6, Backus Community Center. For more information, visit iceboxradio.org.

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