

COMMUNITYNEWS

CBP officers intercept counterfeit items

CBP REPORT

U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Field Operations officers recently targeted a rail container at the port of Portal, N.D.

In February 2014, CBP officers inspected the rail container and discovered merchandise that violated multiple laws and regulations. The merchandise consisted of approximately 300 counterfeit Wii remote controllers, 400 counterfeit USB converters and 200 small motorcycle engines that were not certified by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

CBP determined that the trademark was counterfeit on the Wii remote controllers and USB converters. As a result, CBP seized those items. The counterfeit merchandise had a manufacturer's suggested retail price of \$20,800. In addition, CBP seized the small engines that were found not to be certified, as required by the EPA. The manufacturer's suggested retail price for the engines was \$16,400.

"CBP continues to play a key role in Intellectual Property Rights enforcement," said Brent Beeter, the port director in Portal. "CBP continues to stay

focused on combating the illegitimate trade in counterfeit products."

Stopping the flow of illicit goods is a Priority Trade Issue for CBP. The importation of counterfeit merchandise can damage the U.S. economy, and threaten the health and safety of the American people.

With the growth of foreign trade, unscrupulous companies have profited billions of dollars from the sale of counterfeit and pirated goods. To combat the illicit trade of merchandise violating laws relating to intellectual property rights, trademark and copyright holders may register with CBP through an online system. Such registration assists CBP officers and import specialists in identifying violative merchandise.

CBP's IPR enforcement strategy is multi-layered and includes seizing violative merchandise at our borders, pushing the border "outward" through audits of suspect importers, cooperating with our international trading partners, and collaborating with industry and governmental agencies to enhance these efforts.

BORDERLAND BRIEFS

JAZZ GUITARIST

At 1 p.m. Tuesday at International Falls Public Library, the public is welcome to hear jazz guitarist Briand Morrison play and talk about the writing process, the stories behind the songs and answer questions.

QUILTERS GUILD

Northern Lights Quilters Guild will meet at 6 p.m. Monday at First Lutheran Church for the summer potluck. Bring a dish to share. Show and Tell will be featured. Guests are welcome.

WASTE COLLECTION DAY

Koochiching County is having a Hazardous Waste Collection for households and businesses from noon to 6 p.m. Wednesday at the Recycling/Transfer Facility. Businesses must pre-register with the Clean Shop program prior to collection day. Application forms are available in the Environmental Services Office or call the Clean Shop at 218-726-1602. Last collection of the year. Call the Koochiching County Environmental Services Department at 283-1157 or the Clean Shop program for more information.

FAMILY SERVICES RETIREES

Family Services retirees will meet for lunch at noon Tuesday at Lenard's.

CALENDAR

TODAY

- Community Market, 9 a.m.-noon, Backus Third Street parking lot.
- Roast Beef with Mashed Potatoes Supper, 6 p.m., Moose Lodge (reservations, 283-3615).
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 7 p.m., Alano Club.

SUNDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous Open, 9 a.m., Alano Club.
- Moose Family Picnic Potluck, 11:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Pre-CROP Walk Ice Cream Social and Musical Revue, 6:30 p.m., Faith United Church of Christ.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 7 p.m., Pineview Recovery Center, Littlefork.

MONDAY

- Northland Art Society open, various arts, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Backus, Room 114.
- Red Hattitude Kats, 1 p.m., Island View Lodge.
- International Falls City Council, 4:30 p.m., Falls Municipal Building, council chambers.
- International Falls School Board, 5 p.m., Falls High School cafeteria.
- Weight Watchers — weigh-in, 5-5:30 p.m.; meeting, 5:30-6, Littlefork Lutheran Church.
- Women's Non-Violence Group, 5:15-6:45 p.m., Friends Against Abuse office.
- MooseRiders, 5:30 p.m., Moose Lodge.
- Northern Lights Quilters Guild Summer Potluck, 6 p.m., First Lutheran Church.
- Ranier City Council, 6:30 p.m., Ranier Community Building.
- Texas Hold 'Em, 7 p.m., Moose Lodge.
- Cribbage, 7 p.m., Elks Lodge 1599.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, Women's Step Study, 7 p.m., Coffee Landing Cafe.
- Narcotics Anonymous, "How It Works" step gathering, 7:30 p.m., Alano Club.

TUESDAY

- Outdoor Boot Camp, 7 a.m., Ranier Park.
- Water Testing, 8 a.m.-noon, Koochiching County Health Department.
- Boise Cascade retired welders and pipefitters, 9 a.m., Coffee Landing Cafe.
- WIC Clinic, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Koochiching County Health Department.
- Bone Builders, 10 a.m., Woodland Apartments.
- 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.
- Falls Hunger Coalition Food Shelf open, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 1000 Fifth St.
- Family Services retirees, noon, Lenard's.
- Jazz guitarist Briand Morrison, 1 p.m., International Falls Public Library.
- Alanon, 1:30 p.m., Zion Lutheran Church

- (283-3739, 283-8540).
- TOPS MN34, 5 p.m. weigh-in; 5:45, meeting, Koochiching County Senior Center.
- Women's Ministries, 5-7 p.m., The Salvation Army.
- Community Café, free meals served, 5:30-6 p.m., pancakes, scrambled eggs and ham, bananas, Backus Community Center.
- Beginner's Tae Kwon Do, 5:45 p.m., Falls Elementary School gymnasium or cafeteria.
- French Dip with Tater Tots Supper, 6 p.m., Moose Lodge.
- Cradle Cafe, breast feeding support group, 6:30 p.m., St. Paul Lutheran Church.
- Women's Support Group, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Friends Against Abuse office.
- Minnesota Deer Hunters Association, Trails End Chapter, 7 p.m., Elks Club.
- Garden Girls, 7 p.m., Northwoods Assisted Living.
- Texas Hold 'Em, 7 p.m., Moose Lodge.
- International Voyageur Snowmobile Club, 7 p.m., Almost Lindy's, banquet room.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 7 p.m., Pineview Recovery Center, Littlefork.
- "Celebrate Recovery," 7-9 p.m., Evangelical Covenant Church.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m., Zion Lutheran Church.

WEDNESDAY

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- 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.
- East Koochiching Sanitary Sewer District Board, 11 a.m., Sanitary District Boardroom, 1412 Highway 71.
- Salvation Army Advisory Council, noon-1 p.m., Salvation Army building.
- Community Market, 4-6:30 p.m., Backus 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.
- International Falls Recreation Commission Board, 5:45 p.m., city council chambers.
- Narcotics Anonymous, 6 p.m., Alano Club.
- Men's Non-Violence Group, 6-8 p.m., Friends Against Abuse office.
- Borealis Bards, 6:30 p.m., Smokey Bear Park.
- Elks Lodge Wednesday Meal, 6:30 p.m., Bass Championship Spaghetti Dinner.
- Little Lambs (up to age 4) and King's Kids (ages 5 and up), 6:30-7:15 p.m., Full Gospel Fellowship Church.
- Texas Hold 'Em, 7 p.m., Moose Lodge.
- Rainy Lake Sportfishing Club, 7 p.m., Americlenn.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m., Alano Club.

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CORRECTION

A story in Wednesday's edition of The Journal should have said Leon Ditsch is running for International Falls City Council in the East Ward.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF RANIER MINNESOTA SMALL CITIES DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM APPLICATION

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of Ranier will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, August 18th, at 6:30 PM in conjunction with its Regular Council Meeting at the Ranier Community Hall.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to provide information and receive public input on The City of Ranier's submission of a Minnesota Small Cities Application to the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development. The application will request funds for owner occupied housing rehabilitation and commercial rehabilitation.

All persons interested are invited to attend the Public Hearing to offer their comments related to this project. Written comments can also be submitted to the City of Ranier, PO Box 186, Ranier, MN 56668-0186 or e-mailed to cityofranier@frontiernet.net.

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Free-will offering

Where: Faith United Church of Christ
When: Sunday, August 17th
at 6:30 p.m.

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Hunger Walk Committee

The Falls Area CROP Hunger Walk is September 14th.

