

# COMMUNITYNEWS

## BORDERLAND BRIEFS

### LIBRARY STORYTIME

Storytime at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at International Falls Public Library will feature about 30 minutes of dinosaur stories, rhymes and songs. Everyone is then welcome to stay for another 30 minutes of play. The library has a variety of toys to help teach early science skills for preschoolers.

### FALL SUPPER

The Birchdale Church Fall Supper is planned for 4 to 8 p.m. Saturday at Birchdale Community Hall. Serving roast beef, pork, mashed potatoes and vegetables. A bake sale, homemade bread and pies will be featured. Free will offering. Everyone is welcome.

### BAKE SALE, MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Rainy Lake Medical Center Auxiliary will host the annual Bake Sale and Membership Drive beginning at 9 a.m. Friday near the Gift Shop at the hospital campus. The event is an opportunity for the community to meet and talk with the ladies and enjoy homemade treats. For more information, call RLMC Gift Shop at 283-5403.

### TOP THE TATER DINNER

A Top the Tater dinner is scheduled for 5 to 6:30 p.m. Thursday at Backus Community Center. \$6 per person includes baked potato, toppings, salad, dessert and beverage. The dinner precedes the Backus Performing Arts series concert, Hard Travelin' with Woody (Guthrie), at 7 at Backus Auditorium.

## POLICE REPORT

### International Falls Police Department

**Hit-and-run:** Taylor A. Durocher, Highway 71, reported Friday that a vehicle registered to Dennis

Durocher, Meadow Lake, Ontario, sustained damage while parked at the Rainy River Community College dorms. No damage estimate was included in the report.

## LOTTERY

<b>SUNDAY'S DAILY 3</b> 7, 8, 0	<b>HOT BALL</b> 4
<b>SUNDAY'S NORTHSTAR CASH</b> 4, 8, 18, 25, 28	<b>FRIDAY'S MEGA MILLIONS</b> 32, 35, 49, 62, 67
<b>FRIDAY'S GOPHER 5</b> 21, 27, 37, 40, 46	<b>SATURDAY'S POWERBALL</b> 13, 23, 24, 27, 40
<b>SATURDAY'S HOT LOTTO</b> 17, 30, 31, 33, 39	<b>POWERBALL</b> 17

### ASK A TROOPER

## Answering questions about displaying license plates

BY SGT. CURT S. MOWERS  
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**Q. Why do some vehicles need two license plates and some only need one? What about dealer plates? Can plates be put in a window and be legally displayed for any length of time? I see people driving cars with no front plate, or having the plate in their dash, including car dealer vehicles. Is that a law for where the month and year tabs have to be displayed on the plates or what?**

A. Some states are different than others, but make no mistake about it — Minnesota is a two plate state (see MS.S. 169.79 Subdivision 6). Having two license plates helps officers identify a vehicle when we meet them as well as when we are behind them. Some of the exceptions of course to the two plate requirement in Minnesota are car dealers, motorcycles, trailers, semi-truck tractors and cars that are more than 20 years old (they can qualify for Collector vehicle plates, which only require one

plate as well, but that's another story—see M.S.S. 169.79 Subdivision 4).  
Displaying the license plate in the dash or window of any vehicle is not legal, even for car dealers, for any length of time at all. They should know that. In all cases, required license plates have to be properly and securely fastened to the front and to the rear of a vehicle (see M.S.S. 169.79 Subdivision 7). Car dealers that use the paper temporary permits would be an exception, but not the license plates.

These violations can be costly, although they do not appear on your driving record, because they are registration violations. When we see unlawful use of a dealer plate, we can charge the dealer, and take the plate, then they have to pay a fine and they have to buy another plate to replace that one if so desired. It also would count against their dealership, as we notify the Dealer's Unit of any of those types of violations.  
In reference to the display of the tabs, M.S.S.

169.79 Subdivision 8 says: "License plates issued to vehicles registered (under section 168.017), must display the month of expiration in the lower left corner of each plate and the year of expiration in the lower right corner of each plate." The tabs have to be visible. That is something we also look for as a violation when on patrol. Thanks for asking.  
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## CALENDAR

### TODAY

- Exercise, 10-11 a.m., Backus Auditorium gymnasium.
- Northland Art Society open, various arts, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Backus, Room 114.
- Wednesday Study Group, 10:30 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.
- Flu clinic, 3:30-5:30 p.m., Northome Apartments.
- 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.
- Men's Non-Violence Group, 6-8 p.m., Friends Against Abuse office.
- Elks Lodge Wednesday Meal, 6:30 p.m., ham balls.
- Little Lambs (up to age 4) and King's Kids (ages 5 and up), 6:30-7:15 p.m., Full Gospel Fellowship Church.
- Activating American Legion William Robideau Post 66 informational gathering, 7 p.m., VFW Peter Graham Post 2948.
- Line Dancing, 7 p.m., Moose Lodge.
- Downtowners Group, 7:30 p.m., Alano Club.

### THURSDAY

- Hospital retirees, 8 a.m., Lenard's.
- 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.
- Storytime, 10:30 a.m., "Dinosaurs," International Falls Public Library.
- Parkinson's support group, 11 a.m.-noon, Faith United Church of Christ, Fireside Room.
- Flu shots, noon-4 p.m., Koochiching County Health Department.
- 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.
- International Falls Lions Club concession

- stand open, 5 p.m., Rainy Lake Oil Raceway.
- Burgers Supper, 5 p.m., Moose Lodge.
- Top the Tater dinner, 5-6:30 p.m., Backus Community Center.
- Falls Trap Club, trap shooting, 5:30 p.m., Moonlight Rock Road.
- Community Café, free meals served, 5:30-6 p.m., Top the Tater baked potatoes, toppings, salad, cookies, Backus Community Center.
- 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.
- St. Thomas Catholic School-sponsored Bingo, 7 p.m.; Bonanza, 6:45; doors open 5:45, Aquinas Hall (Lic. No. 01336).
- Backus Performing Arts series concert, Hard Travelin' with Woody (Guthrie), 7 p.m., Backus Community Center Auditorium.
- Cribbage and Luck of the Draw Darts, 7 p.m., Moose Lodge.
- Fresh Start, 7:30 p.m., Alano Club.

### FRIDAY

- Boise Cascade Insulite retirees, 8:30 a.m., Hardee's Restaurant.
- Rainy Lake Medical Center Auxiliary annual Bake Sale and Membership Drive, 9 a.m., hospital campus, near Gift Shop.
- 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., shrimp and cheeze potatoes.
- Narcotics Anonymous, 6 p.m., Alano Club.
- Grape Vine Group, 7:30 p.m., Alano Club, 410 Fifth Ave.

### SATURDAY

- Moose Lodge events – Open, noon; Bingo, 1 p.m., pork chow mien supper (reservations, 283-3615).
- Birchdale Church Fall Supper, 4-8 p.m., Birchdale Community Hall.
- A.A., 7 p.m., Alano Club.

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