

COMMUNITYNEWS

BORDERLAND BRIEFS

JOURNAL HOURS

The Journal office will close at noon Tuesday and reopen Thursday for regular hours, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

CHRISTMAS DAY DINNER

The 8th annual Christmas Day Dinner will be served free of charge from 2 to 6 p.m. Wednesday at the Road House. Dinners will be delivered at noon to those home bound or working. Call Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 283-8606; email holytrinityif@midconetwork.com or call 286-5649, email clgrim57@midco.net, to sign up for noon-delivered meals. Call the Road House at 286-5550 to request meals for delivery from 2 to 5:30. Transportation will be provided to and from the Road House. Call 286-5550 for a ride from 2 to 5:30. Volunteers are needed. To do so, contact the above numbers/emails to sign up. Donations are also appreciated and may be sent to Falls Hunger Coalition, 1000 Fifth St., International Falls, MN 56649.

CARING AND SHARING GROUP

The Caring and Sharing ... a Time for Caregivers group, will not meet this month.

LITERARY SOCIETY

The 21st annual meeting of the Westfork Literary Society will be at 2 p.m. Thursday. Members should bring their annual poetry selection.

LIBRARY HOURS

International Falls Public Library will close at 1 p.m. Tuesday and reopen at 10 a.m. Thursday.

BACKUS HOURS

Backus Kids Club will be closed Dec. 23, 24 and 25 for the Christmas holiday and open from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Dec. 26, 27 and 30 during school vacation days. Call Backus Community Center for information, 285-7225.

CHRISTMAS SERVICE

The Longest Night/Blue Christmas service is set for 7 p.m. Saturday at Faith United Church, 1001 Fifth St. A restful interlude in the holiday busy-ness. Everyone is welcome.

RED HAT LOON-A-TICKS

Red Hat Loon-a-Ticks will meet for lunch at noon Monday at Lenard's.

VISITOR CENTER HOURS

Voyageurs National Park's Rainy Lake Visitor Center holiday hours are: Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Christmas Eve; closed Christmas Day; open 10-4 Dec. 26-28; open 10-4 Dec. 31; closed New Year's Day. Regular winter hours beginning Jan. 2 will be Tuesday through Saturday, 10 to 4:30. Call the visitor center for details at 286-5258.

CALENDAR

TODAY

- Rainy River Book Club, noon, Lenard's.
- Open Gym, 3-5 p.m., Backus Community Center.
- Moose Lodge events – Open, noon; Bingo, 1 p.m.; Tom and Jerrys Party – hors' doeuvres, 5-7.
- A.A., 7 p.m., Alano Club.
- Longest Night/Blue Christmas service, 7 p.m., Faith United Church.

SUNDAY

- American Legion Post 66 serving breakfast, 8-11 a.m., VFW Post.
- Open Discussion, 9 a.m., Alano Club.
- Christmas Cantata, "Bethlehem Morning," 10:45 a.m. and 7 p.m., Full Gospel Fellowship.
- Ranier Recreation Club annual children's Christmas party, 1-3 p.m., Ranier Community Building.
- Kids' Christmas Party, Santa visit, cookie decorating, games, Moose Lodge.
- A.A., 7 p.m., Pineview Recovery Center.
- Sunday Night Into Action Group, Step and Tradition Study, (bring Big Book and Twelve by Twelve), 7:30-9 p.m., Borderland Alano Club.

MONDAY

- Backus Kids Club closed.
- Exercise, 10-11 a.m., Backus Auditorium gymnasium.
- Northland Art Society open, various arts, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Backus, Room 114.
- Red Hat Loon-a-Ticks, noon, Lenard's.
- Community Band, 4 p.m., The Dungeon, Backus Community Center.
- Life Support Group for Teen Boys, 4:45-5:45 p.m., Friends Against Abuse office (285-7220).
- Women's Non-Violence Group, 5:15-6:45 p.m., Friends Against Abuse office.
- Stressed For the Holidays supper, 6 p.m., Moose Lodge.
- 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.
- Borderland Substance Abuse Court Alumni

Recovery support group, 7:30 p.m., Alano Club, 410 Fifth Ave.
■ Narcotics Anonymous, "How It Works" step gathering, 7:30-9 p.m., Alanon Club.

TUESDAY

- Backus Kids Club closed.
- Backus Community Center office closed.

WEDNESDAY

- Backus Kids Club closed.
- Backus Community Center building closed.
- Annual Christmas Day Dinner, 2-6 p.m., Road House.

THURSDAY

- Backus Kids Club open, 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m.
- 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., International Falls Public Library.
- Cardiac support group, 11:30 a.m., Koochiching County Senior Center.
- Flu Clinic, noon-4 p.m., Koochiching County Health Department.
- Westfork Literary Society, 2 p.m.
- 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.
- Burgers Supper, 5 p.m., Moose Lodge.
- Falls Trap Club, trap shooting, 5:30 p.m., Moonlight Rock Road.
- Community Café, free meals served, 5:30-6 p.m., beef stew, dinner rolls, fruit, Backus Community Center.
- Beginner's Tae Kwon Do, 5:45 p.m., Falls Elementary School gymnasium or cafeteria.
- The Lamplighters, women's support group for survivors of childhood sexual abuse, 6-8 p.m., Friends Against Abuse, 407 Fourth St.
- Cribbage, 7 p.m., Moose Lodge.
- Fresh Start, 7:30 p.m., Alano Club.

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WEDNESDAY'S DAILY 3

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WEDNESDAY'S NORTHSTAR CASH

1, 8, 12, 17, 27

WEDNESDAY'S GOPHER 5

2, 9, 12, 36, 39

WEDNESDAY'S HOT LOTTO

8, 27, 32, 40, 46

HOT BALL

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SATURDAY'S MEGA MILLIONS

8, 14, 17, 20, 39

MEGA BALL

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WEDNESDAY'S POWERBALL

7, 24, 37, 39, 40

POWERBALL

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POLICE REPORT

International Falls Police Department

Collision: Vehicles driven by Alana R. Claire, 20, County Road 93, and Vincent K. Phillips, 19, Fourth Avenue, collided Tuesday at Third Avenue West and Third Street. No damage estimate was included in the report.

Collision: Vehicles driven by Samantha J. Kostiuik, 28, Riverside Drive, and Donna J. McKelvie, age unavailable, Fort Frances, collided Dec. 14 at Highway 71 and Shorewood Drive causing more than \$1,000 damage to the vehicles.

Collision: Angeliaca V. Moffenbier, 31,

17th Street, and Mary J. Bannert, 75, County Road 98, collided Dec. 13 at Fourth Avenue West and Sixth Street. No damage estimate was included in the report.

Koochiching County Sheriff's Office

Fire: A mobile home on County Road 5 near Effie was fully engulfed in flames when Bigfork firefighters responded at 8:15 a.m. Dec. 14. Residents William and Lidwina Martin got out safely with no injuries. The fire started when the Martins were trying to thaw out a frozen water pipe with an electric heat gun, according to reports.

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