

## REMINDERS

## Hot dish author

The Hackensack Hub will host a hot dish lunch with Minnesota author Jeanne Cooney, who wrote the "Hot Dish Heaven" cozy mystery series, at noon Thursday, Sept. 16. Entrance is \$12 in check or cash. Call 218-682-2562 for required reservations.

## Rummage sale

Grace United Methodist Church in Pequot Lakes will hold its annual multi-family rummage sale from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Sept. 16-17.

## CALENDAR

## WEEKLY

► **Thursdays:** Nisswa farmers market, 8 a.m.-noon, American Legion parking lot

► **Fridays:** Pine River Market Square farmers and crafters market, 2:30-5:30 p.m., near Pine River Depot

► **Fridays:** Heritage Group North Celebration of Schools exhibit, 2:30-4:30 p.m., Pine River Historic Depot

## SEPTEMBER

► **15-17:** Friends of the Brainerd Public Library Big Fall Book Sale, 11 a.m.-7 p.m., Westgate Mall, Brainerd/Baxter

► **16:** Author Jeanne Cooney hot dish lunch/book talk, noon, Hackensack Hub (reservations required)

► **16-17:** Multi-family rummage sale, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Grace United Methodist Church, Pequot Lakes

► **18:** Nisswa Fall Festival & Smokin' Hot BBQ Challenge

► **23:** Nisswa Chamber Pretty Good Golf Tournament

► **23:** Breezy Point Area Women's Club style show, 5-8 p.m., Breezy Point Resort

► **23-25:** Rummage sale, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Sept. 23 and 24, 8 a.m.-noon Sept. 25, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Pequot Lakes

► **23-26:** Crosslake Days: Chili Cookoff, noon Sept. 25

► **25:** Jul Fest, 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m., Crosslake Lutheran Church

► **25:** Crosslake Ideal Lions flea market, Crosslake Town Square

► **24:** Faith in Action Booya fundraiser, 4:30-6 p.m., curbside, Union Church, Hackensack

► **24:** Central Lakes Community Performing Arts Center: The Fabulous Armadillos "What's Goin' On?" 7 p.m., Gichi-ziibi Center for the Arts, Brainerd High School

## Meeting to address predatory offenders information set in Pequot Lakes

The city of Pequot Lakes will host an informational meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 16, at the Cole Memorial Building to share information about predatory offenders.

Officials from the state Department of Corrections and advocates from Sexual Assault Services will be there to answer people's questions. There will be a short PowerPoint presentation.

The meeting was called after Facebook posts regarding a sexual offender living in Pequot Lakes.

## Crosslake mayor to host town hall forum Sept. 23

Crosslake Mayor Dave Nevin announced his third town hall forum will be held at 5 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 23, in the Lions shelter at the Crosslake Community Center.

In case of inclement weather, the meeting will move inside the community center.

The main topic of conversation will be regulating vacation rental homes, as well as any other topics that may arise.

## Nisswa Garden Club to learn about culinary herbs Sept. 23

The Nisswa Garden Club will meet at 1 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 23, at the Nisswa Community Center with presenters Dorothy Johnson, JoAnn Weaver and Marcy MacAulay speaking on "Culinary Herbs: Garden to Kitchen."

The program is free and open to the public.

## Hackensack fundraiser breakfast set Sept. 19

Hackensack American Legion Auxiliary Unit 202 will serve breakfast from 8:30-11:30 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 19, in the club.

The menu includes a choice of biscuits and gravy with eggs, or French toast with eggs and bacon. Both include juice and coffee for \$7.

The proceeds go to support youth scholarships.

## Nisswa Fall Festival events slated Sept. 18

Nisswa ushers in fall with the 48th annual Nisswa Fall Festival presented by The Smokestack BBQ Supply Store on Saturday, Sept. 18. The 16th annual Smokin' Hot BBQ Challenge is part of this annual fall tradition.

The day will start with a pancake breakfast presented by the Nisswa Fire Department. Visitors can participate in the medallion hunt, compete in the bean bag tournament and check out the exotic petting zoo on the chamber lawn, then head to the Pioneer Village for KIDZ ZONE, Fall Artisans and

Crafters Market, music and more activities.

Later is the Smokin' Hot BBQ Challenge. After ribs are judged, the public will get its chance to taste the creations. Live music throughout the day will continue into the night with a live outdoor concert.

Following is a schedule of events:

► **7-10 a.m.:** Nisswa Fire Department pancake breakfast at the Nisswa Fire Hall.

► **10 a.m.:** Enjoy pretty good shopping, dining, treats and more in downtown Nisswa.

► **10 a.m.:** First medallion hunt clue posted at Appaloosa Ridge.

► **10 a.m.-4 p.m.:** Fall Artisans and Crafters Market at Nisswa History Center and Museum.

► **Noon:** Second medallion hunt clue posted at The Dock Panther.

► **Noon-3 p.m.:** Exotic Petting Zoo on the Chamber block.

► **Noon-8 p.m.:** Beer garden in The Pickle Factory parking lot.

► **1 p.m.:** Nic's Works LLC Tree Service Cornhole Tournament at The Pickle stage area.

► **1-3:30 p.m.:** Live music featuring The Sheet Rockers at The Pickle stage.

► **1-4 p.m.:** BBQ ticket sales at the Xcel Energy ticket tent.

► **1-4 p.m.:** KIDZ ZONE at the Pioneer Village.

► **2 p.m.:** Final medallion hunt clue posted at The Granary on Main.

► **4 p.m.:** Smokin' Hot BBQ Contest judging (closed to public) in the Chamber of Commerce office.

► **4-8 p.m.:** Live music featuring The Southern Express Band at The Pickle stage.

► **4:15 p.m.:** Smokin' Hot BBQ Contest VIP eating at the Party Time Rental VIP tent.

► **4:45 p.m.:** Smokin' Hot BBQ Contest general eating at the Smokin' Hot BBQ area.

► **6 p.m.:** Smokin' Hot BBQ Contest winners announced at The Pickle stage.

## Nisswa History Center and Museum adds events to Nisswa Fall Festival

The Nisswa History Center and Museum will host events that coincide with the Nisswa Fall Festival & Smokin' Hot BBQ Contest on Saturday, Sept. 18.

A craft sale will run from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the Pioneer Village grounds. Kids activities including a bounce house, face painting, balloon animals and crafts from 1-4 p.m. Included with a \$5 admission to KIDZ Zone is a tour of the Pioneer Village grounds and a schoolhouse activity. Adult admission to the grounds is \$3.

Live performances will start at 1 p.m. with Rolf Olson on the harmonica. Afterward, Olive Branch belly dance from Movement Garden Studio will perform and give a short lesson on movement.

Around 2:30 p.m., lis-

ten to "Doc Brently's Medicine Show" where he plays and tells the story of the Lake Hubert station. Then local musician Harold Herbolt will play accordion until 4 p.m.

Admission to the Nisswa History Center and Museum is free for those 4 and under, \$2 for kids 5-10 and \$3 for ages 11 and older.

## Crosslake Days on tap Sept. 23-25

Celebrate the fall season at the 34th annual Crosslake Days fall festival Thursday-Sunday, Sept. 23-25, throughout Crosslake.

Hosted by the Crosslake Chamber of Commerce, this event boasts a weekend of family fun with activities for all ages.

Favorite events return, including arts and crafts fairs, Lost Chili Pepper Hunt, Cider & Candlelight Tour at the Historic Log Village, Knights of Columbus Corn Hole Tournament at Crosslake Ace Hardware, pickleball tournament at the Crosslake Community Center courts and the chili cookoff at participating businesses.

New events include the Crosslake Cares Power of Aging Senior Expo at the Crosslake Log Church and a street dance at Crosslake Ace Hardware.

Deals and discounts will abound at retail shopping and dining businesses. Buy a 2021 Crosslake Days VIP badge for \$5 at sponsor locations and cash in on deals and discounts at Crosslake Chamber member businesses city-wide all day Friday and Saturday, Sept. 24-25.

Following is a schedule of events:

## Thursday, Sept. 23

► **9 a.m.:** Search for the Lost Chili Pepper

The first of three daily clues will be released to guide you to the Lost Chili Pepper. Find clues at crosslake.com, the Crosslake App, Crosslake Chamber member businesses and at the Crosslake Chamber Welcome Center.

► **5-8 p.m.:** Northern Lakes Lightning Hockey Booster Club beer and wine tasting and silent auction at Maucieri's Italian Bistro. Call 218-692-4800 for tickets.

► **5-8 p.m.:** Northern Railroad Trackers spaghetti feed at Moonlite Bay Family Restaurant & Bar. Call 218-692-1900 for tickets.

## Friday, Sept. 24

► **9 a.m.:** Search for the Lost Chili Pepper

The second of three daily clues will be released to guide you to the Lost Chili Pepper. Find clues at crosslake.com, the Crosslake App, Crosslake Chamber member businesses and at the Crosslake Chamber Welcome Center.

► **4-6 p.m.:** Open house at Changing Strides Therapy, Pequot Lakes.

► **5:30 p.m.:** Fashion show and fun in the Crosslake Town Square gazebo featuring apparel from Squirrely Mama and Encompassing Beauty. Both shops will



be open until 8:30 p.m. with snacks, beverages, face painting, tattoos and fun.

► **7 p.m.:** Outdoor movie at the Crosslake campground in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Recreation Area.

► **8 p.m.:** Trivia at Moonlite Bay Family Restaurant & Bar.

► **8 p.m.:** Live music featuring Mike Derus at The Bourbon Room.

► **10 p.m.-close:** DJs JP & Dana at Moonlite Bay Family Restaurant & Bar.

## Saturday, Sept. 25

► **8 a.m.-1 p.m.:** Crosslake Cares hosts the Power of Aging Senior Expo with keynote speaker Paul Douglas, former WCCO-TV meteorologist, at the Crosslake Log Church.

► **8 a.m.-4 p.m.:** Crosslake Ideal Lions flea market at Crosslake Town Square.

► **8:30 a.m.:** Second annual Crosslake Days Pickleball Tournament at the Crosslake Community Center.

► **9 a.m.:** Search for the Lost Chili Pepper

The third and final of three daily clues will be released to guide you to the Lost Chili Pepper. Find clues at crosslake.com, the Crosslake App, Crosslake Chamber member businesses and at the Crosslake Chamber Welcome Center.

► **9 a.m.-4 p.m.:** Handcrafted arts and crafts fair featuring more than 50 artisans in the Old Exchange Lot.

► **9 a.m.-4 p.m.:** Family Fun Zone in Crosslake Town Square sponsored by The Log Church and featuring games, food and more. The Pulse Radio will broadcast live from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. and The NissFits will perform live music from 1-4 p.m.

► **10 a.m.-1 p.m.:** Scholastic Book Fair at Crosslake Community School. Buy books for kids in your life or from a classroom wish list.

► **10 a.m.-2 p.m.:** Open house and tours at the Northern MN Railroad Heritage Association.

► **10 a.m.-3 p.m.:** Second annual Knights of Columbus Corn Hole Tournament hosted by Crosslake Ace Hardware. Compete in the Friends & Family bracket or the Champions bracket.

► **10 a.m.-4 p.m.:** Bungee jumping at Lake Country Crafts & Cones.

► **10 a.m.-5 p.m.:** Beverages, snow cones and specials at Squirrely Mama.

► **11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.:** Live music featuring the Rusty Crawfish Brass Band at JAG Interior Solutions.

► **Noon-3 p.m.:** Crosslake Chili Cookoff Served at locations

throughout Crosslake. Sample one or sample them all and vote for your favorite using the Crosslake app.

► **Noon-3 p.m.:** Outdoor activities with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, including a bonfire and s'mores, water safety trinkets and Bobber the Water Safety Dog, at the Crosslake Recreation Area.

► **Noon-6 p.m.:** Free can koozie to the first 50 VIP badge holders who stop at The Smokestack BBQ Supply Store.

► **1-4 p.m.:** Live music featuring Andy Austin on the patio at Moonlite Bay Family Restaurant & Bar.

► **1:30 p.m.:** Bingo at the Crosslake Fifty Lakes American Legion.

► **2 p.m.:** Mega meat raffle at The Bourbon Room.

► **3 p.m.:** Loon calling contest in the Crosslake Town Square gazebo sponsored by the National Loon Center.

► **3-5 p.m.:** Live music featuring Ryan Kemp at 14 Lakes Craft Brewing Co.

► **4-8 p.m.:** Crosslake Ace Hardware street dance featuring live music by The T.C. Jammers.

► **4:30-6 p.m.:** Seafood raffle at Andy's Bar & Grill.

► **7-9 p.m.:** Cider and Candlelight Tour at the Crosslake Historical Society's Historic Log Village.

► **7:30-10:30 p.m.:** Live music featuring Mark Johnson & Dylan Raph at the Cedar Chest.

► **8 p.m.:** Live music featuring Kelly Peterson at the Bourbon Room.

► **10 p.m.-close:** DJs JP & Dana at Moonlite Bay Family Restaurant & Bar.

## Cornhole tournament slated during Crosslake Days

The second annual cornhole tournament sponsored by the Knights of Columbus of Crosslake and Emily will be held Saturday, Sept. 25, in conjunction with Crosslake Days.

In addition to the competitive tournament offering a first-place prize of \$1,000, they have added a friends and family tournament featuring prizes from local merchants.

The family and friends competition is scheduled from 10-11:30 a.m. and the champions from noon to 3 p.m. Scoring for both tournaments will follow the rules of the American Cornhole Association.

Entry fees are \$20 per team for the family and friends and \$75 per team for the champions. All proceeds will be donated to the numerous Knights of Columbus charities.

Details and registration are at <https://kc9657.mnknights.org/2nd-annual-cornhole-tournament/>.



Lakes Area Food Shelf welcomes any person who is in need of food. Our hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 9 a.m. to Noon. Please call 218-568-8474 if you have a food emergency. We have an abundance of fresh fruit and vegetables, eggs and butter, a wide assortment of meats, bread, canned goods, baking supplies, and toiletries.

## Our core values include:

- All are welcome at Lakes Area Food Shelf.
- We will help any person, from anywhere, with food insecurity.
- We value all who use our services as friends, neighbors, and members of our community.
- We will serve all with compassion, dignity, and respect.
- We will do all we can to help friends and neighbors address barriers that prevent them from receiving food assistance through Lakes Area Food Shelf.

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## NOTICE TO ALL BACKUS WATER CUSTOMERS:

The City of Backus will be flushing hydrants on Thursday, September 23rd, 2021. This process may cause some temporary discoloration of your water. To remove this discoloration, please turn on several faucets in or outside your home or business and let the water run until it clears. If you have any questions/comments, please call City Hall at 218-947-3221. Thank you.