

# CURRENT CONNECTION

## The Warehouse Awarded Commitment to Community Award >>>

The Warehouse in Pine River provides a unique facility for meetings, celebrations, parties and so much more, but its After-School program for students in 5th – 12th is what particularly won the vote of the annual Commitment to Community award review team at Crow Wing Power.

Students can go to the Warehouse Monday – Friday from 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. during the Pine River-Backus school year. Students can have a snack, use the electronic gaming room to play Wii, Xbox, Play Station, make crafts, play board games, use the gym, play foosball, air hockey, ping pong, and more all at no charge. They also have opportunities to take field trips like going to a Twins game. There's a required free student membership form signed by a parent or guardian which provides emergency information.

It is closed when school is not in session, but outings and field trips are offered during the summer break. Swimming lessons are also offered during the summer.

The building is owned, operated by, and a ministry of Riverview Church in Pine River. They opened on January 6, 2003 as a service to the community. The air conditioned facility contains a full kitchen, electronic gaming room, meeting room, and a gym. The facility has been used for meetings conducted by the State, county, and city, private businesses, non-profits, various organizations and individual community members. There is no rental fee but donations are appreciated.

According to Susan Gardiner, Warehouse manager, “We strive to provide a safe, enriching environment for youth to come where they are able to develop healthy relationships with other youth and helpful adults. We genuinely care about these students and want to equip them in ways that will help them have hope for their future and to succeed.”

A volunteer from Backus, Barb Inman, describes it in this way, “It’s a place where kids can feel protected, have fun, and connect with

other youth and adults that have a positive impact on them.”

Every day after school, kids come flooding through the doors after being picked up from the school in a van provided by Riverview Church. Serving close to 350 students altogether, there is rarely a dull moment. The majority of students that come on a regular basis are between the ages of 10 and 15, before they have a driver’s license or a job. Students love eating the buffet of great snacks provided each day as well as just hanging out and talking with each other or with one of the staff or volunteers.

Many of the students who go to The Warehouse are struggling with their current life circumstances. Part of the vision of the After-School program is to help students see that they have value as individuals and can break the self-defeating cycles of poverty, chemical abuse, and domestic violence and can aspire for more in life. By teaching life skills through interaction and workshops, like cooking class, the result is that youth are empowered to reach out and successfully take advantage of the opportunities provided for them in our community.

One of the largest outreach events The Warehouse holds is the Block Party, held every year near the end of July. This is a fun event held for all of the community. It is like an indoor/outdoor carnival with games that can be played for prizes. With live music and a meal of hot dogs, chips, and cookies, it is a great time to be had by all. This summer the Block Party will be held on Wednesday, July 22, 2020.

The greatest need The Warehouse has from the community is support in prayer, encouragement, and financial donations, according to Susan. A significant portion of the operating budget each year is provided through community gifts. The Warehouse feels strongly that by working together to champion the needs of the youth in our community and fighting to make a difference, lives can be changed.

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# A WORD FROM YOUR CEO

## A Look Back at the Decade >>>

As we move into a new decade, I thought it might be interesting to review some of the dramatic changes affecting our society during the past ten years.

At **Crow Wing Power**, advanced technology upgrades, social media, and online tools have greatly enhanced our ability to service members' needs.

The electric utility industry appears to be responding to climate change, increasing renewable energy sources and reducing dependence on fossil fuels. I think perhaps the biggest change we will see is when storage batteries allow us to store renewable energy in great quantities in order to more fully embrace it.

The year 2010 was a banner year for solar installations in the U.S. By the end of 2010, the United States had enough solar to power 500,000 homes. Today, there's enough solar built in the country for 13.5 million homes.

Crow Wing Power installed two smaller community solar arrays, one in 2017 and the second in 2018 so members could purchase renewable energy without the burden of having to erect it at their homes. We now have 41 members purchasing shares of solar power, enough to power eleven average-use homes. It doesn't seem like a lot, but it was embraced by those members desiring solar, despite increased electric costs initially.

A favorable move the Board of Directors made in 2009, allowed us to purchase power from a second wholesale power supplier. Now we have two suppliers, Great River Energy and Basin Electric. That has saved us millions of dollars this past decade.

Nine years ago, we adopted an online tool, called MyMeter that enabled Cooperative members the ability to view and manage their daily and monthly energy use. We upgraded that system to SmartHub in 2014. We currently have 18,900 members using SmartHub to manage their accounts and 7,900 of those members have paperless accounts and use online exclusively.

Currently we have 1,100 members receiving the newsletter electronically as well – which has a very positive impact on our budget.

In 2019, we began to upgrade all of our metering system, a move that prepares us for the future. Our existing metering system was installed in the mid-1990s and had reached its end of life. The technological advances of this new meter system will greatly enhance our ability to serve members quickly and efficiently and benefit members with real-time readings, information and outage control –saving time and manpower.

### Societal Changes

**Remember the Jetsons?** That television show aired in 1962 and portrayed life 100 years from then, (supposedly 2062). We've got 42 years to go, but we have a lot in common with George and Judy today. I'm not sure when Skype or the like became common, but we can now video chat like the Jetsons.

Elroy's classmate was once seen watching the Flintstones on his watch. The Apple watch came out in 2015. I'm not sure if there are any Rosie housekeepers yet, but we do have robot vacuums and lawn mowers. I even saw a robot window cleaner and pet care robots.

### Everything is Googled (including much of this article)

Google has been around since 1998 and has since gradually taken over the lead in search engines. Everything you need to know is a click away. In many cases you don't even need your phone anymore — Alexa, Siri, or Cortana will instantaneously provide you with the information you need, including telling you when your next Crow Wing Power bill is due.

Some of the following data came from the PEW Research Center or by Googling, but remember there's now a lot of Fake News out there, so don't hold me accountable.

**Text messages** outrank phone calls as the main means of communication for people under 50.

In 2013 35% of American's owned a smartphone. By early 2019, that number changed to 81%.

In 2005, 5% of the population was using Facebook for social media, but by early 2019, 72% were connected. During this decade, Facebook became a very important communication tool for us. Storm and outage related posts are followed closely at times by over 3,000 of our members.

**Privacy is scarce** – retailers know what to advertise to you, where you live and your lifestyle preferences.

**Cell phone cameras** have replaced portable cameras.

Your home's thermostat, security systems and more are controlled by your SmartPhone. And today we all depend on GPS technology and not a folded map.

**Socially we're seeing a lot of change.** We experienced the #MeToo and #Black Lives Matter movements.

What will the next decade bring? One can only imagine.

I'll keep you informed about the Cooperative, but you'll have to Google world issues.

Bruce Kraemer, CEO

## Board Meeting Highlights

Crow Wing Power's Board of Directors conducted its regular monthly meeting Thursday, December 19, 2019. A quorum of directors was present.

Chair Bob Kangas opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following reports were given:

- CEO report.
- Finance Committee Report.
- Directors and CEO shared highlights of meetings attended on behalf of the cooperative.

The following actions were taken:

The Board approved

- November Consent Agenda.
- Minutes of the November 21, 2019 regular board meeting.
- NRECA RC3 Cyber Security Online Tool Assessment program participation.
- 2020 CWP Operating Budget.
- Revisions to Board Policy No. 413
- IBEW Labor Contract Agreement
- Reapportionment of the director districts and subdistricts.
- Director expense reports for November 2019.
- Upcoming director meetings.

Members can review detailed minutes by logging into their SmartHub account. Log in is located on the homepage of our website.

## Help Your Teen Establish Credit >>>

These days almost everything requires a credit score. Did you know retailers pull your credit when purchasing a cell phone, or that you will pay more for car insurance with a below average score? That's right! Your teen can start building a credit score as early as 16 years old. Help them establish a good credit score for a future student loan, car loan, or apartment rental with a Share Secured Loan. Deposit \$1,000 into a savings account as collateral for a loan. Your teen will make 21 payments of \$50 and in the end will have an established credit bureau file and will only cost them around \$22\*. They can even set up automatic payments to pay the Credit Union's loan off without the worry of missing a payment.

Stop in or call one of the Credit Union's friendly Member Service Representatives at 877-563-3072 or 218-825-2208 for more details. \*Based off current savings secured rate of 2.40% APR



## Hurry to Take Advantage of IRA Contributions for 2019

April 15, 2020 is the deadline for filing your federal and state tax returns and for making IRA contributions for 2019. The Credit Union offers both Traditional and Roth IRA savings and certificates at competitive rates. Your tax consultant can explain the advantages and limits on your contributions.

The Credit Union also accepts IRA rollovers or transfers at any time. Check what your current rate is, you may be surprised! Your funds are federally insured by NCUA and you will never see a reduction in the value of your IRA.



## Let's Start Cookin' >>>

Send your favorite recipe made with **POTATOES** to Crow Wing Power, PO Box 507, Brainerd, MN 56401 by March 10 or submit online at [cwpower.com](http://cwpower.com), News/Events. If your entry is drawn and printed in the April Current Connection, you'll receive a \$25 credit

on your electric bill. NOTE: Starting in January, we will no longer mail recipe cards. The winning recipe will still be printed in the Current Connection and can be found online at [cwpower.com/whats-your-recipe](http://cwpower.com/whats-your-recipe).

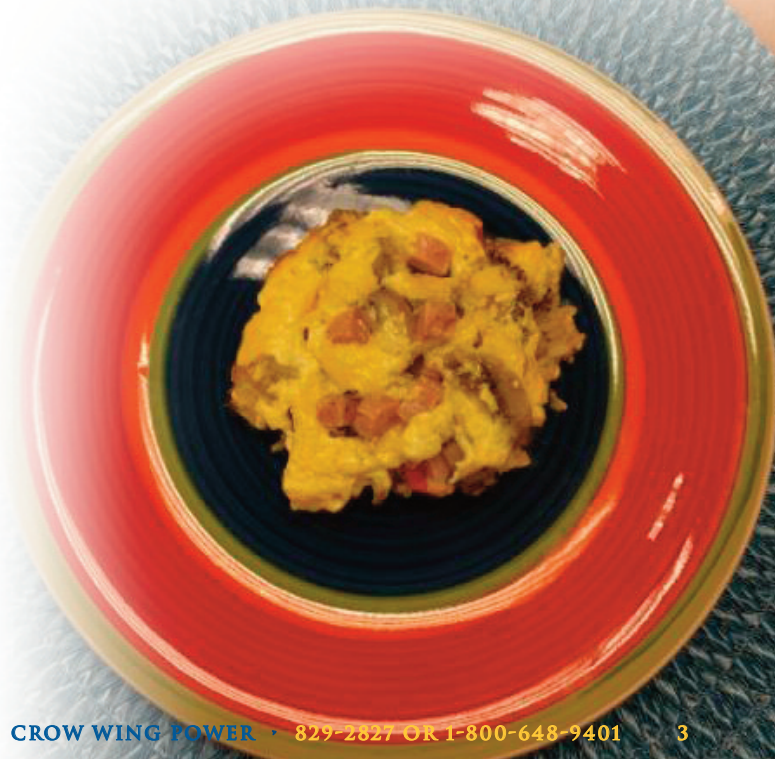
### Last Issue's Winner

## Best Ever Ham Casserole

Betty Chapman, Nisswa

- 1 Pkg Uncle Bens Seasoned Long Grain/Wild Rice
- 1 Pkg Frozen Broccoli
- 1 Jar Sliced Mushrooms
- 2 c Cubed Ham
- 2 Cans Cream of Chicken Soup
- 1 c Mayo Prepared with 2 tsp Mustard
- ½ c Parmesan Cheese

Cook rice and broccoli according to package directions, spread rice in bottom of greased 9x13 baking dish. Top with broccoli, ham cubes mushrooms, and cheese. Blend soup mixture with mayo and mustard. Pour soup mixture over all. Sprinkle a little more parmesan cheese on top, if desired. Bake uncovered at 350 for 1 hour.



# Special Discounts for Crow Wing Power Members >>>



- As a member of Crow Wing Power you receive a **FREE** card to receive special discounts from all area pharmacies and local and national retailers.
- Save this list – NEW businesses are continually added. This list updated 1/10/2020.
- Specific discounts may change as businesses promote varying specials. Watch for new listings in the Current Connection newsletter or click on “Coop Connections Card” at [www.cwpower.com](http://www.cwpower.com). If you’ve misplaced your card or need information, call the cooperative at 218-829-2827 or 1-800-648-9401.
- For national deals go to [www.connections.coop](http://www.connections.coop).

## AUTOMOTIVE

BRANDL MOTORS, Little Falls Only \$1 over original factory invoice, plus get all customer rebates.  
Buy one oil change for \$89.95 and get next three free (some exclusions apply).....320-632-2908, 866-332-6689

CROSSLAKE AUTO BODY Free set of wiper blades (up to \$20 value) with any windshield replacement .....218-692-5000

LAKES AUDIO, Baxter 10% off remote starters installed; 10% off marine and car audio; 10% off detailing.....218-829-5529

MILLS GM, Baxter Service work discounts (call for discount) .....218-829-3504

ROC DETAIL, Brainerd 10% off any automotive and boat detail service, 10% off truck accessories, 10% off bed liners .....218-454-1620

SOUND CONNECTION, Baxter 10% off remote start/heated seats installed; 10% off marine and car audio (not valid with other offers).....218-825-1916

## ENTERTAINMENT/RECREATION

ARROWWOOD LODGE, WATERPARK & RECREATION CENTER \$3.00 off regular waterpark admission.....218-822-5634

MT.SKI GULL, Nisswa Buy one lift ticket, get 2nd lift ticket 50% off (valid same day only). No other discounts apply .....218-963-4353

NORTHLAND KART KOUNTRY, Brainerd \$1.50 off mini golf.....218-454-1602

PAUL BUNYAN LAND, Brainerd \$1.00 off regular admission. One discount card admits up to four people. ....218-764-2524

THREE BEAR LODGE WATER & THEMEPARK, Baxter \$2.00 off regular admission to the Water & Theme park. One discount card admits up to four people. ....218-824-3232

WILDWEDGE MINI GOLF & MAZE, Pequot Lakes Mini golf and maze discount package for \$9.95 per person.....218-568-6995

## FINANCE

CROW WING POWER CREDIT UNION No closing costs on home equity loans up to \$100,000 (NMLS #408088) .....218-825-2208

CYGNATURE TITLE & ABSTRACT, INC. Brainerd, Baxter and Longville \$100 off closing fee for any real estate transaction. No other discounts apply. Must present card prior to date of closing .....218-828-0122

LIBERTY TAX SERVICE, Brainerd 25% discount on tax preparation (not valid with other offers).....218-824-9600

## GOLF COURSES

BREEZY POINT TRADITIONAL COURSE, Breezy Point  
10% off green fees & cart rental – Sunday noon & all day Monday – Thurs (not valid with other discounts/promotions) .....1-800-950-4960

CROSSWOODS, Crosslake 10% discount on regular 18 hole green fees (must rent cart) Not valid Saturdays or Holiday Weekends. ....218-692-4653

EMILY GREENS GOLF COURSE 10% discount on regular green fees (not valid Saturdays or Holiday Weekends) .....218-763-2169

RIDGEWOOD GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB, Longville 10% discount off regular priced green fees Mon–Thurs, excludes holidays, not valid for twilight rates or other discounts. ....218-363-2444

THE LEGACY, CRAGUN’S, Brainerd 20% off green fees (May 1 – Sept. 30) not valid for early bird or twilight rates. ....800-272-4867

WHISTLING WOLF MINI-GOLF \$1.00 off combo (Play both Whistling Wolf and Dark Moon) .....218-692-4653

WHITEBIRCH, Breezy Point 10% off green fees and cart rental – Sunday noon & all day Monday – Thursday. Reservations accepted 48 hours in advance. ....218-562-7177

WHITEFISH GOLF CLUB, Pequot Lakes 10% off regular priced green fees – Sunday – Thursday. (Excludes Holidays, not valid with other discounts or promotions) .....218-543-4900

WILDWEDGE EXECUTIVE GOLF COURSE, Pequot Lakes Unlimited Golf \$10 (9-hole short golf course) Valid Sunday – Friday only. ....218-568-6995

## HEALTH/FITNESS/BEAUTY

EMPOWERED FITNESS, Longville \$10 off enrollment fee .....218-363-6410

FITQUEST, Baxter (the area’s total health and racquetball club) \$20.00 off the enrollment fee. ....218-829-6453

LAURIE HOENIG MASSAGE, Crosslake 10% off any massage .....218-820-9045

SPIRIT SPAS & CABANA HAIR SALON, Brainerd 20% off any one service per month, per one person. Void with other discounts/specials. ....218-824-7727

TAKEDOWN GYM, Brainerd 50% off enrollment fee (\$47.50 value). ....218-454-1770

THE CROSSFIRE, Crosslake Complimentary wellness profile, body scan and glass of green tea .....218-692-2411

## HOME IMPROVEMENT

ACE HARDWARE, Brainerd 10% off regular priced paint and paint accessories .....218-829-5476

ADVANTAGE SEAMLESS GUTTERS, INC. 5% discount .....218-270-2663

BECKER CROSSLAKE FLOORING, Crosslake Free bottle of cleaner with a floor covering purchase. ....218-692-4157

CABIN CHECK INC 10% off any service we provide .....218-821-8772

CULLIGAN WATER, Baxter 4 free bags of salt with 12 month delivery contract, (new service only).....218-829-5137

CUSTOM DRAPERY & BLINDS BY MICHAEL ESCH Extra 10% discount on entire order (may not be combined with other offers) .....218-820-9982

GULL LAKE GLASS, Brainerd 10% discount – does not include labor, auto glass and commercial projects. ....218-829-2881

HIRSHFIELD’S, Baxter 10% discount on regular priced items (excluding Sikkens products). ....218-824-0642

HOME INTERIOR SUPPLY, Crosslake (flooring materials) FREE in home consultation for flooring needs. ....866-690-5565

HUDRLIK CARPET, Aitkin, Baxter & Crosby 10% off in-stock carpet and vinyl.....218-828-5009

LAKES AREA PLUMBING 10% discount on installation of new replacement electric water heater purchased from Crow Wing Power.....218-821-6450

MID-STATE REFRIGERATION 15% discount of residential heating/cooling service call “parts only”; 5% discount off major heating/cooling units (minimum purchase \$1,000).....218-828-4337

NORTH PINES INTERIORS, Longville 10% off carpet pad with purchase of carpet. ....218-363-2848

NORTHTRIDGE CONSTRUCTION & WOODWORKING, Brainerd \$300 discount on custom kitchen cabinet order.....218-839-1986

SERVICEMASTER CLEAN, Baxter 10% off residential cleaning – does not include commercial or disaster restoration. ....218-829-4076

STONEHENGE PROPERTY CARE, Brainerd (lawn, home, handyman, etc) 10% off any service (must show card to receive discount).....218-839-7296

THE LIGHT DEPOT, Baxter 10% discount on table & floor lamps, home accents & mirrors. ....218-829-0770

THE LOG SHOP, Breezy Point 10% off storewide home furnishings and accessories.....218-562-4208

## MEDICAL

ASSOCIATES IN EYECARE, Baxter/Nisswa/Pine River 10% off a complete pair of eyewear. No other discounts apply.....218-829-1789

GREAT RIVER EYE CLINIC (formerly Crosby Eye Clinic) Crosby & Baxter 40% off frames with purchase of prescription lenses. Offer not valid if covered by insurance.  
20% discount on non-prescription eyewear, not including contacts or contact safety eyewear. No other discounts apply. ....800-952-3766

MIDWEST FAMILY EYE CENTER, Baxter 15% off a complete pair of eyewear. No other discounts apply .....218-828-9545

NORTHLAND SMILES DENTAL CARE, (dental clinic) Deerwood 15% discount with full payment at the time of service. ....218-534-3141

PEARLE VISION, Baxter 30% off a complete pair of glasses. No other discounts apply .....218-828-4024

SAZAMA FAMILY CHIROPRACTIC & WELLNESS, Baxter 20% discount on all organic nutritional supplement, cleanse and all wellness products. ....218-454-4545

**RESORTS/LODGING**

Call resorts/hotels for specific information regarding discounts.

ALL SEASON'S RESORT, Longville Rate card prices in summer, plus additional 10% discount in spring & fall. Open May through October. ....	800-279-1128
AMERICINN LODGE & SUITES, Pequot Lakes Get any One-Room Fireplace or Jacuzzi Suite for just \$89 Sunday thru Thursday, valid Oct 1-May 1. Discount card must be mentioned at time of reservation. Some restrictions and blackout dates apply. ....	888-568-8400
BREEZY POINT RESORT, Breezy Point Receive 10% discount on lodging from August 19 – May 31. 10% discount Sunday – Thursday. June 1 - August 18. Some restrictions may apply. Not valid July 4th or race week in August. Open year round. ....	800-432-3777
CLAMSHELL BEACH-COTTAGES ON WHITEFISH, Pequot Lakes Receive 10% discount on cottage rentals from Labor Day to Memorial Day. Can't be combined with other specials or packages and is subject to availability. ....	218-543-4731
COUSIN'S CABINS, Pine River 10% discount on spring and fall rates (May 15 – June 1 and August 15 – Sept. 30) ....	218-947-3006
GREEN ROOF LODGE, Hackensack 5% discount summer rates. 10% discount May, Sept, Oct. (open May – Oct.) ....	218-682-2399
HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS HOTEL & SUITES, Brainerd/Baxter Receive a 10% discount off your stay (excludes race week in August). ....	218-824-3232
LONGVILLE INN, Longville (open year round) Receive a 10% discount off your stay. (Open year round) ....	218-363-2400
MIELKE'S FUN AT THE LAKES RESORT, Emily Receive a 20% discount during off-peak season (October – April) ....	952-440-1803
PINE PEAKS LODGE, Crosslake 10% off any room. Based on availability. Some restrictions apply. Must mention Connections Card Discount when making reservation. ....	888-488-7829
SUPER 8, Brainerd/Baxter 10% discount off any room (excludes race week in August). \$75.00 + tax room rate during power outages ....	218-828-4288
TOWERING PINES RESORT, Pequot Lakes "First time guests" can take \$50 off your stay! (Minimum 2-night reservation) Cannot be combined with other discounts, packages or hot deals. Must show Co-op Connections card when settling your cabin account in order to receive discount. ....	800-950-0267
WIGWAM MOTEL, Emily Receive a 10% discount (one night) or 15% discount (two nights) ....	218-763-2995
WILDWEDGE RV PARK & LODGE ROOMS, Pequot Lakes 10% off RV sites and motel room or suite (valid Sunday – Thursday). ....	218-568-5000
WHITEFISH PROPERTIES, Crosslake Receive a 10% discount on lodging at Whitefish Lodge and Suites and Manhattan Beach Lodge. Not valid with other offers, excluded special events or holidays. (Open year round). ....	218-692-2246
WOMAN LAKE LODGE, Hackensack 15% off Spring/Fall rates. 15% off 'last minute reservations' made within 7 days of stay. Open May to October. ....	218-682-2426

**RESTAURANTS**

ANTLER'S RESTAURANT, Breezy Point 10% dining discount up to 8 people (not valid with alcohol/early bird or other offers). ....	218-562-7162
BAXTER'S BAR & GRILL, Baxter (At Arrowwood Lodge) 10% off food and beverage in restaurant. ....	218-822-5634
BLACK BEAR LODGE AND SALOON, Baxter 10% dining discount for up to six people in a party (excludes alcohol). Not valid with other coupons or other promos. ....	218-828-8400
FREDDY'S GRILLE – Grand View Lodge 16 oz tap beer or soft drink free with regular priced sandwich purchase (good for only one cardholder). ....	218-963-8740
KENTUCKY FRIED CHICKEN, Baxter 10% discount on menu items – not valid with any other specials. ....	218-829-1345
MANHATTAN'S AT MANHATTAN BEACH LODGE, Crosslake 10% discount on menu items (excludes alcohol). Not valid with other offers, excludes special events or holidays. ....	218-692-3381
MARINA RESTAURANT, Breezy Point 10% discount on food up to 8 people ....	218-562-7161
NORTHWIND GRILLE, Brainerd 5% discount ....	218-829-1551
OAK LAWN TAVERN, Brainerd Get a quarter pound hamburger for \$1.50. ....	218-829-7656
PRAIRIE BAY RESTAURANT, Baxter & SHERWOOD FOREST Receive 10% off all food and non-alcoholic beverages. Dine in only. ....	218-824-6444
THE LEGACY GRILLE, CRAGUN'S, Brainerd One free non-alcoholic beverage with menu purchase. ....	800-272-4867
UPTOWN GRIDDLE, Merrifield 10% discount ....	218-454-3463
ZORBAZ MEXICAN AND PIZZA JOINT, Crosslake 2 FREE Pops with purchase of large pizza ....	218-692-4567

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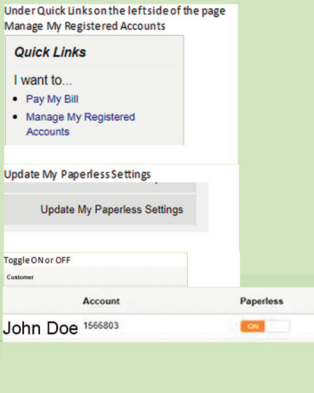
ACTION GRAPHICS, Baxter 15% off retail pricing on site signs, banners and commercial vehicle graphics ....	218-829-7958
ANDERSON DRY CLEANERS, Brainerd 20% discount on all services ....	218-829-5269
ARTISTIC IMAGES (luxury limousine), Brainerd 20 – 30% off all regular priced limousine services, photography, videography & framing. ....	218-829-9400
BAXTER LIQUOR MART, 15% off 3 or more bottles of wine, 5% off liquor purchase (excludes sale items) Must show Co-op Connections Card to receive discount. ....	218-829-6196
BEAR TRAX STORE AND HARDWARE, Hillman 10% discount on bait. ....	320-277-3232
BIRGIT'S JEWELERS, Brainerd 20% off regular priced items or special orders; 10% off repair, exclusions apply. ....	218-828-1126
BLACK PINE BEACH RESORT, Pequot Lakes 10% off gift shop ....	218-543-4714
BOYD LODGE, Crosslake 10% off gift shop, exclusions apply. ....	218-543-4125
BRAINERD GENERAL RENTAL 5% discount on party rentals ....	218-828-2815
CASHWISE LIQUOR, Baxter & Brainerd " 15% discount on 3 or more bottles or boxes of wine, 10% off three bottles of liquor, 5% off all Craft Beer (not valid with other offers, discounts or sale items) ....	218-829-9286
CEDARWOOD FLORAL AND FORMALWEAR, Pillager 10% discount off everyday purchases; any specials do not qualify. ....	218-746-3970
CHRISTINA JOHNSON PHOTOGRAPHY, Little Falls Free \$30 print credit with paid session ....	320-630-1361
COUNTRY FABRICS AND QUILTING, Brainerd 10% off regular priced fabric ....	218-829-7273
CRYSTAL CLEANERS & TAILORS, Brainerd 10% off dry cleaning (not valid on leather, sewing, rugs, featherbeds, laundry or other discounts) ....	218-828-0337
DOWN TO EARTH WOOD, Pine River 15% off standard furniture only. (excludes custom kitchen cabinets, bath vanities and customized furniture) ....	218-587-3696
EXECUTIVE EXPRESS (airport transport), St. Cloud \$3 off one way or \$5 off round trip. Must go to <a href="http://www.executiveexpress.biz">www.executiveexpress.biz</a> , click on Book A Reservation, click on Sign In and enter Group ID Code 'cwpower'. ....	320-253-2226
FULLER BRUSH COMPANY, Baxter 5% discount ....	218-825-7825
HIGHWAY 25 LIQUOR, Brainerd 10% discount on wine. ....	218-829-2287
JUDY'S HOUSE OF GIFTS, Crosslake 10% discount on regular priced items ....	218-692-3123
KAREN'S ANTIQUES & THINGS, Merrifield 10% discount on regular priced merchandise ....	218-825-7355
MIDNIGHT SUN POOLS N' SPAS, Brainerd \$100 discount on new spa purchase, 10% discount on purchase of \$50 or more chemicals. ....	218-833-1000
OPTIMUM CLEANING, Pequot Lakes 10% discount on carpet and duct cleaning. ....	218-568-8338
PARTY WORLD, Baxter 5% discount on all sales/rentals. ....	218-828-2127
PEOPLE'S SECURITY, Brainerd 3 months free monitoring with system purchase (in addition to any other special) ....	218-828-4828
{PHOTO}GENIC PHOTOGRAPHY 20% off photo session. Purchase a CD or digital downloads and receive a free 8x10 (excludes specials) ....	218-232-5878
PLEASURELAND RV OUTLET \$100 discount on RV purchase; 10% discount on parts ....	218-828-1709
SLUMBERLAND, Baxter 20% off all lamps (Baxter location only) ....	218-829-8733
SPIRITS OF NISSWA 15% discount on 3 or more bottles or boxes of wine (excluding sale items and discounts) ....	218-963-7488
VON HANSON'S MEAT MARKET, Baxter \$5.00 off 10# ground beef ....	218-822-2888
WATKINS PRODUCTS, Baxter 10% discount on all items. ....	218-825-7825
WESTSIDE LIQUOR, Baxter 15% off 3 bottles/boxes of wine; 10% off craft beer and liquor. No other discounts apply. ....	218-822-4190

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L J O W U T D E L F U S L R U  
Q A K M R U E T Z K T P G O O  
T J R E V O C N G O O G L E S  
F Y B E I R A U I M F D T T Q  
T I M X T T D L A L A N X R S  
L T G Y N A E O R M S E M R C  
Q V K X M X L V R N T T G Y S  
C O M L R G V L A Q X P C Y W  
O H W U Y Q Z C O V B P I F T  
L I U A J P K X K C E H C H S  
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C I N E C S S B C L E J B L E  
P T F P F Q L O N A L G A J D  
R S S E H I N D S C I P C N A  
J Q R V U A E O Y O B S K C X  
M H U E C Q R K M L O Q U C C  
E J A E T E H Z D A M C S P B U  
S L P V N T D Y A S W P A G U  
R V O S M Z E V H G O K X W H  
A A E P E N P L R H N A U E T  
D N X A Y M I T S G S O B R R  
N B S C A N C A Q W I S X M A  
E C Y F N M E D Y Y E O K X R M  
L X H M I S R Y K P T N O H S  
A D O B A N G L A D E S H S Z  
C H R O E X A B V S R H L R X

1. \_\_\_\_\_ messages outrank phone calls
2. Ten years is a \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Connection gives a discount on remote engine start
4. 4. Deposit \$1,000 as \_\_\_\_\_ for a loan.
5. Warehouse students get free \_\_\_\_\_
6. What's the lead search engine? \_\_\_\_\_
7. The Warehouse was started by Riverview \_\_\_\_\_
8. Barb Inman is a \_\_\_\_\_
9. Cabin \_\_\_\_\_ gives 10% off
10. 41 members purchase \_\_\_\_\_ power shares
11. \_\_\_\_\_ Tax gives 25% discount
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