



## Local Happenings: November

**Saturday, 4th** - Craft Show at the McGregor High School 9am-3pm. Sponsored by Community Education. 218-768-2111 x 233

**Saturday, 4th** - Antique Appraisals & Sale at the McGregor High School. Sponsored by McGregor Area Historical Society.

**Saturday, 4th** - Moonlight Bowling at McGregor Lanes, \$15 fee, up to \$500 jackpot, 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month. Sign up today! 218-768-2345

**Monday, 6th** - Jerry Bierschback at VFW for Senior Dancing, 1pm-4pm.

**Tuesday, 7th** - ELECTION DAY

**Wednesday, 8th** - Veteran's Services at the ANGELS office. 218-768-2762

**Thursday, 9th** - Holiday Blues Luncheon at the McGregor Community Center. 11:00 am sponsored by ANGELS.

**Saturday, 11th** - VETERAN'S DAY - be sure to thank a veteran today!

**Tuesday, 14th** - Monthly Chamber Meeting. 12:30 at Fireside Inn.

**Saturday, 18th** - Moonlight Bowling at McGregor Lanes.

**Monday, 20th** - Mr. Morgan at VFW for Senior Dancing, 1pm-4pm.

**Thursday, 23rd** - Medica Part D Representative Bob Preston, 1-3pm at the ANGELS office.

**Friday, 24th** - Wine Tasting at Big Sandy Lodge from 6-9pm. Last Friday of every month.

**Thursday, 30th** - Sing Along at Pioneer Villa at 6pm, sponsored by ANGELS.

## Not-so-Local Happenings: November

**Friday, 10th - Sunday, 12th** - 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Snowmobile & Powersports show at the Minneapolis Convention Center. Visit [www.snowmobilenews.com/aru](http://www.snowmobilenews.com/aru)

**Friday, 10th** - Ten November at Split Rock Lighthouse. Lighting of the lighthouse in honor of the 29 men lost on the Edmund Fitzgerald.

**Friday, 17th** - Christmas City of the North Parade in Duluth. Canal Park through Downtown, 6:30pm.

**Sunday, 19th** - Thanksgiving Pancake Breakfast at Wealthwood Rod & Gun Club.

**Friday, 24th - Sunday, 26th** - WPSA Powersports National Snocross at Spirit Mountain in Duluth. Visit [www.spiritmt.com](http://www.spiritmt.com) or [www.wpsaracing.com](http://www.wpsaracing.com)

**Friday, 24th** - Craft Fair at Westside Calvary Church in Aitkin.

**Friday, 24th** - 16<sup>th</sup> Annual World Famous Fish House Parade in downtown Aitkin.

## Our Next Event: Old Fashioned Christmas

Barb Coplan has offered to volunteer her time and hard work to help us put on this event again. The Parade of Lights will be one of the many things to do and attend. Among the activities will be crafters, children's activities, hay wagon rides, carolers, shuttle bus from downtown to the community center, and much more! We hope that the downtown businesses will participate by decorating their storefronts and/or providing activities at their establishment. Watch for posters and advertising coming soon!

To register for the parade of lights or to be a Arts & Crafts Vendor, pick up a registration at the Chamber office.

If you would like to help, if you have an idea for activities, or would like more info, please contact Barb at Countryside Millwork or Rachel at the Chamber.

## Welcome Our New Members!

### New Chamber Members for 2006

- ★Barnarkles Thrift & General Store.  
Owners Doug & Mona Paris.
- ★Bodway Enterprises. Owners Bart Bodway.
- ★Nistler Plumbing & Heating. Owners Bryan & Heather Nistler.
- ★Phone Directories Company. District Sales Manager Glen Santi.
- ★Pier 65. General Manager Katie Murtha.
- ★Re/Max Realty. Associate Broker Rick Borden.
- ★Rocon Paving. Owner Brian Roth.
- ★Rohr's Photography. Owner Thomas Rohr.
- ★Sather's Gateway Store & Trusty Hardware.
- ★The Roasting House. Owners Lee & Diane Sather.
- ★Scott Turner - Individual
- ★Suds Yer Duds Laundromat. Owners John & Becky Knoop.

**Thank you for your support!**

## MCGREGOR AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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### Board of Directors

*President: Denny Smith '04 - '06*  
*Secretary: Barbie Martz '06 - '08*  
*Vice President: Mike Kruse '04 - '06*  
*Treasurer: Darla Wayrynen '06 - '08*  
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*Director: Dave Schaaf '05 - '07*  
*Director: Kim Risen '05 - '07*  
*Director: Gayle Warner '06 - '08*  
*Director Scott Turner '06 - '08*  
*Coordinator: Rachel Besser*

# McGregor Area Chamber News

Issue: November Year: 2006

## McGregor Trivia

**True or False?** In the 1920's McGregor was a candidate for "Pickle Capital of the World?"

(Pick up a copy of *Where the Tracks Meet* from the McGregor Area Historical Society to find out!)

Last Month's Answer: n/a

Have you got an endless supply of "useless" McGregor Trivia? Submit!

## Monthly Meeting Topics - Oct. '06

### Board Members Discussion Topics 10/17/06

In attendance were: Denny Smith, Rachel Besser, Darla Wayrynen, Bruce Johnston, Dave Schaaf & Barbie Martz. On the Agenda for October: Annual Dinner Update (mark your calendar for Jan 10<sup>th</sup>!), Wild Rice Days Discussion, Web Site Updating/Maintenance/Job Description, and our new Newsletter!

### Membership Discussion Topics 10/10/06

We weren't able to form a quorum, so there was no "official" meeting. Those who did attend informally discussed Website visitors, Old Fashioned Christmas, Winterfish, the new Newsletter, & the Aitkin County Tourism Committee.

**Attend a monthly meeting and make your voice heard. Mark your calendar! Meeting Dates: Nov 14 & Dec 12**

## '07-'09 Board of Directors Campaign

There are three offices up for re-election. Each position is a three year term. President, Vice President and a Director seat are up for grabs. Voting will be done at our Annual Dinner on January 10<sup>th</sup>. Get your nominations together and submit them to the Chamber office for placement on the ballot.

(Note! In January's Issue: This space will be re-named

**Member Comments.** Submit yours today!)

## Volunteer Corner

Do you know someone who volunteers? Do they go above and beyond what is asked of them for the sake of bettering the McGregor Area? Would you like to see them receive some recognition? Please send in some info about them (photograph optional) and we will put them in our Volunteer Corner.

For our first month I would like to thank those who have helped me tackle this job! I would've been absolutely lost if I'd had no teachers! Also, Thank You to the Board of Directors! It isn't an easy volunteer position, but I'm glad you do it because it's fun to work with you!!!

To those of you who have volunteered time and/or donated items for our events thus far, THANK YOU! We appreciate everything you do to support the community as a whole. Keep up the great work!

Thank you to all of our members who continue to grow McGregor. -R.J.Besser

## Members of the Month

*The Who, What, Where & How of your Fellow Members*

### #1) Larson-Deneen VFW Post 2747

**Where:** Delling Ave, East of Maddy St.

**Who:** Staff

**What:** Dances every 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday from 1-4pm. Cribbage every Tuesday at 1pm. Post & Auxiliary meetings are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month at 7pm.

**How:** 218-768-3500

### #2) Rice Lake National Wildlife Refuge

**Where:** South of McGregor on Hwy 65

**Who:** Walt Ford, Sharon Young & staff

**What:** Established in 1935. 18,281 acres. Auto Tour Route, Fishing, Hunting, Birding, Wildlife viewing sites, Visitor Center, Nature Trails, Historic Sites, Mandy Lake, Rice Lake, Twin Lakes & Rice River

**How:** 218-768-2402 or [www.fws.gov](http://www.fws.gov)

NOTE: Members of the Month are drawn by a third party from all of our current members. No one can be drawn twice in one year.

## McGregor Area Chamber News Submission Form

Select a category:  Local Happenings  New Businesses  Trivia  Volunteer Corner

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