# Youth Services/Recreation

The C.A.R.E. Directory (Coodinating Area Resources Effectively) is a compilation of nonprofit corporations, groups, organizations, services clubs, and service providers operating in Crow Wing County.

This reference manual is always accepting more information. If your organization fits into one of our headings, please call or email us with your information so we can keep our CARE directory up to date.

Brainerd Community Action 213 S. 5th Street Brainerd, MN 56401 Office: 218.829.5278 E-mail: holly@brainerdcommunityaction.org

#### AADA Remnica House

111 2<sup>nd</sup> St NW Aitkin, MN 56431 218-927-2238 remnicahouse.com

> Our goal is to provide for the safety of domestic abuse victims and their children. Supervised Visitation: Children can spend time with a parent in a safe, enriching environment. Safe Exchange: Children can go from one parent to the other with zero interaction between parents.

#### Alex & Brandon Child Safety Center

PO Box 602 2602 Oak Street Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact: 218-828-0022 Linnea.a@womenscenteronline.org

Midminwomanscenter.blogspot.com Provides court-ordered and non court ordered supervised visitation for children and safe exchange of children with non-custodial parents and grandparents. Noncustodial parents and their children enjoy spending quality time together at the safety Center while having a supervised visit in a family setting. Trained staff ensure the safety of families and that parenting time is appropriate and fun. Visitation fees are based on a sliding scale per income and house hold size. Please call for more information.

#### American Red Cross

Contact for disasters: 218-722-0071 Contact for general questions; 1-800-560-7641

Contact for service to armed: 877-272-7337

www.redcross.org

We aid in support for house fires and disasters. We have Service to Armed Forces: This will help bring home your family in the service if there is an emergency.

### Educational courses: Babysitter's Training for ages 11-14; Infant and Child CPR; First Aid and Safety; CPR Certification and Refresher courses.

Register online for courses scheduled in the community. Also available as a Full Service Contract (our trainers at your location) and Authorized Providers (we train your staff to serve as instructors). Contact: Health & Safety Coordinator

#### **BAY Ministries**

PO Box 1131 Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact: 218-825-9149 bayministries.org

dale@bayministries.org

Full, part time and volunteer youth leaders who meet the first Tuesday of each month, September to May. Meetings take place at the Light House on Norwood, in Brainerd, from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm. Group plans and holds cooperative youth ministry events including rallies and concerts. BAY works with the school district in counseling students during times of crisis.

#### Child Care Resource and Referral - MDCFL 1500 Highway 36 West Roseville, MN 55113 Contact: 651-582-8483 Michael.Eastman@state.mn.us

www.education.state.mn.us

Providing a multitude of childcare options for people on MFIP, Transition Year Child Care, Basic Sliding Fee Child Care. Assistance in finding quality childcare. Other opportunities for families and children include immunization programs, early childhood screening, Part-C Infant and Toddlers with Disabilities, school readiness, Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE), Head Start, MinnesotaCare and 1st Call for help. Please call for additional information.

#### **Civil Air Patrol- CAP**

16142 Airport Road Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact: Squadron Commander Major Marcel Kobberdahl 218-534-5418

Meets Monday evenings at 7 pm at the Civil Air Patrol Building, Brainerd Lakes Regional Airport. The composite squadron serves both cadets (youth ages 11-21) and senior members (adults) with 3 missions: aerospace education, cadet program and emergency services.

#### Crow Wing County Collaborative Service Team 2410 Oak Street

Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact Becky S.: 218-454-5529 becky.stadem@isd181.org

> The Collaborative Service Team is a project of the Crow Wing County Family Services Collaborative. The overall goal of the service is to build bridges between families, schools and the community. This is done through the day to day work of the Collaborative Service Workers. The Workers are available to students, parents, teachers, and others on a regular basis to provide links to community resources, skill counseling and training, provide support and affirmation, and assist with problem solving and crisis resolution for a variety of situations. Whether they're finding a student a new pair of shoes, providing s family with food assistance or helping a student talk through a fight at home, the collaborative is at work in area schools to help students and families in need.

#### 4-H in Crow Wing County

CWC Extension Office 322 Laurel St. Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact: 218-824-1065 www.extension.umn.edu/county/crowwing For all youth grades K-12, regardless of where you live. Offers projects and activities for just about anything of interest. Also offers programs dealing with youth issues. Part of the University of Minnesota, so programs are based on University research about kids and learning. Clubs are located throughout Crow Wing County. 4-H is a familyoriented organization promoting "head, heart, hands and health", where parents are encouraged to be part of 4-H, too.

#### Community Education - Brainerd ISD #181 804 Oak St.

Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact: 218-454-6924 www.isd181.org Broad range of educational opportunities for community members of all ages. Four sessions. Two adult sessions are available. Sign up in September and February. Summer programs are available for children, grades K-12 Please call for information.

#### Community Education of ISD #182- Crosby

711 Poplar Street Crosby, MN 56441 Contact: 218-545-8822 dsova@ci.k12.mn.us

Committed to lifelong learning! Early Childhood/School Readiness, Adult Education, Snack Attack-student run business and a variety of adult education programs are available.

### Community Education of ISD #186-

30805 Olson St. Pequot Lakes, MN 56472 Contact: Julie Despot, 218-568-9200 www.pequotlakes.net/school Located in the Lakes Area Family Center. Programs include: Adult education classes published three times during the school year; Kid Konnection, Greater Lakes Area Performing Arts and computer access for the community in the Eclipse Teen Center. Director Richard Mark

Confidence Learning Center, (Camp Confidence) 6260 Mary Fawcett Memorial Drive East Gull Lake, MN 56401 Contact: 218-828-2344 info@camp confidence.com www.campconfidence.com

To provide a year – round outdoor education and recreation center for persons of all ages with developmental and cognitive disabilities.

To enhance the ability and self – confidence of people of all ages with developmental and cognitive disabilities.

To provide opportunities with the deaf and hard of hearing community for language and cultural expansion, support and education.

To educate through "hands on" outdoor and recreational experiences while meeting individual's needs.

To facilitate exceptional learning experiences for families, direct care staff and professionals in the field of developmental and cognitive disabilities.

We have many different programs and services, please check out our website for more details.

#### Crisis Line and Referral Service

P.O. Box 192 Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact: 218-828-HELP(4357) Toll-Free: 1-800-462-5525

Hotline providing free, non-judgmental help 24hours a day. Trained volunteers provide crisis intervention assistance, help to individuals in a suicide situation, a listening ear for those stressful times, as well as information about appropriate area resources and support groups. Volunteer training is offered on an on-going basis. Anyone interested in volunteering is invited to call 218-828-4515.

#### Crow Wing County Health Department

204 Laurel St. Ste. 12 Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact: 218-824-1080 Toll-Free: 1-877-724-1080

www.co.crow-wing.mn.us/health/health.htm Protect and promote health of general population by emphasizing prevention of disease, injury, disability and preventable death through promotion of effective coordination and use of community resources and extend health services to community. Pregnancy testing is available.

#### Early Childhood Center, Brainerd ISD #181

311 10th Avenue NE Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact: 218-454-5430 www.isd181.org

www.ecfe.mpls.k12.mn.us

The Early Childhood Center provides families with a place to learn, have fun and meet people. Programs include weekly classes for parents and children (0-5 yrs.) together, school readiness preschool. Family resource center (books, videos, toys, and learning games), Early Childhood screening and Kindergarten Registration, Special Family Events.

#### Early Childhood Family Education, Crosby-Ironton

509 6th Ave NE Deerwood, MN 56444 Contact: 218-545-8803 dsova@ci.k12.mn.us Committed to life long learning. Early Childhood/School Readiness Program. There are a variety of adult education programs available.

## Early Childhood Family Education, Pequot Lakes ISD# 186

3085 Olson St.
Pequot Lakes, MN 56472
Contact: 218-568-9224
www.ecfe.mpls.k12.mn.us
Provides families with a place to learn, have fun, and meet people. ECFE is for parents and their children between birth & 5 years old. Enhances and supports families in their efforts in raising children. Staffed by qualified teachers, licensed in Early Childhood and/or Parent Education and experienced well-trained assistants. Classes for children and adults, lending library, special family events, school readiness and early childhood screening.

#### Early Head Start - TCC

2410 Oak St. Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact: 218-829-2410 tccbrd@tccaction.com www.tccaction.com Serves children birth to age three as well as pregnant women, offering help in child development, health, nutrition, and prenatal education and health care.

#### Follow Along Program-TCC

2410 Oak St. Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact: 218-829-2410 tccbrd@tccaction.com www.tccaction.com

> An Early Childhood Intervention System sponsored by the Crow Wing County Family Services Collaborative. Helps parents know if their child is playing, talking, growing, moving and acting like other children the same age. Fun activities, referrals to services, if needed. No cost to participate. Call for free brochure.

#### Fun-N-Friends - Dist 181

804 Oak Street Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact: 218-454-6956 Brainerdce.ss12.sharpschool.com

Fun n Friends is a child care program for students in kindergarten to the 4<sup>th</sup> grade. It has served the Brainerd Public Schools for the last 30 years through age - appropriate fun recreational and educational programming. Sites include Nisswa Elementary for the Nisswa area students and the Washington Educational Service Building for Baxter, Garfield, Harrison, Lowell, Riverside and Forestview students. Please check out our website for more information.

#### **Guardian Ad Litem**

326 Laurel St.Brainerd, MN 56401Contact: 218-824-9323Advocates for children in court proceedings.Contact us for further information

#### Hallett Community Center

470 8th Street NE Crosby, MN 56441 Contact: 218-546-2616 info@hallettcenter.com

> Provides citizens of Cuyuna Range with a multipurpose center which responds to their lifelong educational, recreational, social and cultural needs. State-of-the-art fitness center, aquatics area, ice arena, multi-purpose arena, walking track and meeting rooms. Arena available for events and rental.

### Head Start, Family Child Care Partnership - TCC 2410 Oak St.

Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact: 218-829-2410 tccbrd@tccaction.com www.tccaction.com

> Provides the benefits of Head Start/Early Head Start in a licensed child care provider's home or center. Includes nurturing child care, and Head Start curriculum in one consistent environment. Serves children ages three years old to kindergarten. Child development activities provided in center based, home based or combination program. Includes nutritious snacks and lunches, bus transportation and assistance for children with disabilities. Head Start Centers are located in Brainerd and Crosby. Combination Head Start is in Pequot Lakes.

#### Journey Transitional Living Program - LSS

716 E Street Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact: 218-828-4383 or 1-888-828-4383 Assistance for homeless youth to live independently by providing life skills training, support and housing assistance in their own apartment in the community.

#### **Kid Konnection**

6539 Co Rd 11 (Eagle View Elementary School) Pequot Lakes, MN 56472 Contact: 218-562-6109(onsite number) Registration number: 218-568-9342 anelson@isd186.org

The philosophy of Kid Konnection is to provide each and every child a safe and wholesome environment to play and interact in by having qualified, caring staff to guide and lead them in a variety of recreational games and activities that will enhance their personal, sociol, physical, cognitive and recreatonal skills. Before and after school child care program. Please check out our website or call for more information

#### **Kindred Family Focus**

17025 Commercial Park Rd #6 Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact: 218-828-3900 Nexus-yfs.org Foster Care, Adoption, and Community-Based Care for Youth and Families.

Kindred Family Focus serves foster youth in homes located throughout Minnesota. Youth, ages birth to 21, and families are served by 11 Kindred Family Focus offices in the state. Additionally, home-based care is provided through Children's Therapeutic Services and Supports (CTSS). Kindred Family Focus also operates the Crisis Nursery Serving Wright County residents.

Kindred Family Focus offers a continuum of foster – care services, as well as home-based and community-based services to help kids and families throughout the state of Minnesota. Programming includes short-term foster care, emergency foster care, whole family foster care, specialized foster care, treatment foster care, supervised visitation, medically fragile programming, unhealthy sexual behaviors programming, crisis nursery, adoption, Children's Therapeutic Services and Supports, CADI Waiver services. Please check out our website for more information

#### Kinship Partners, Inc., Brainerd

804 Oak Street Suite 201 - PO Box 642 Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact: 218-829-4606 or 1-877-730-5437 info@kinshippartners.org www.partners.org www.kinshippartners.org

#### Kinship Partners, Inc., Pequot Lakes

4325 W. Woodman St. PO Box 754 Pequot Lakes, MN 56472 Contact: 218-454-8016 or 1-877-730-5437 <u>lakes@kinshippartners.org</u> www.kinshippartners.org

#### Kinship Partners, Inc., Crosby

15 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave SW – P.O. Box 32 Crosby, MN 56442 218-545-8002 or 1-877-730-5437 <u>crosby@kingshippartners.org</u> www.kinshippartners.org

#### Kinship Partners Inc., Staples

920 4<sup>th</sup> Street NE - P.O. Box 281 Staples, MN 56479 218-454-8012 or 1-877-730-5437 <u>staples@kingshippartners.org</u> www.kinshippartners.org

> Kinship Partners is a non-profit youth mentoring organization providing positive role models to youth in Crow Wing, southern Cass County and the Staples/Motley area since 1986. Please check out our website or call for more information.

#### Lakes Area Family Center

30805 Olson St.
Pequot Lakes, MN 56472
Contact: 218-568-9200
Family Center housing a variety of programs for the Pequot Lakes area. These include:
Community Education, Eclipse Teen Center, ECFE, Early Childhood Special Ed., School Readiness, Youth Sports, Kinship Partners, TCC Headstart, Crow Wing County Public Health, Alateen, Volunteer Coordinator's office.

#### Lakes Area Runaway Program - LSS

716 E Street NE (East Brainerd Mall)
Baxter, MN 56425
Contact: 218-828-4383
Provides short-term safe shelter to youth who are 18 years of age or younger and have run away from home or are homeless. Programs include reunification counseling with family members or prevention counseling for at risk of leaving home.

#### Mentoring Programs-LSS

716 E Street
Brainerd, MN 56401
Contact: 218-828-4383
gsalie@lssmn.org
Provides mentors to youth and families who reside in Crow Wing County. Mentors focus on assets and strengths of the youth or family they are serving. They provide support, advocacy and friendship.

#### Minnesota Children with Special Health Needs, MN Dept. of Health (MCSHN)

P.O. Box 64882
St. Paul, MN 55164
Contact: 651-215-8956
Toll-Free: 1-800-728-5420
www.health.state.mn.us/mcshn
Serves MN children with special health needs & their families. Pays for diagnostic services & medical care for eligible children. Also provides education, information, support, and referral for: education services, financial assist., home health care, legal resources, advocacy, service coord., special equip., camps, support groups, transportation. The Information & Referral Line is answered weekdays 8 am to 4:30 pm.

#### Mothers and Children Free Food Package Brainerd, MN 56401

Toll-Free: 1-800-365-0270 A free food package for families with children under age 6, and for postpartum mothers with an infant under one year. Call to register.

#### Mount Ski Gull

9898 County Road 77 SW Mailing address: P.O. Box 612 Nisswa, MN 56468 Contact: 218-963-4353

info@skigull.com

Mount Ski Gull operates as a registered non-profit 501c3 facility that receives no local, state or federal funding. Lift tickets sales and season pass sales provide only a portion of Mount Ski Gull's annual income. The ski hill relies on fundraising, grants, donations, partnerships, and volunteers.

Mount Ski Gull's focus is to provide equal access to all constituents regardless of disability, age or economic status. Our focus is to provide equal accessibility to all users of Mount Ski Gull.

#### Mount Ski Gull Alpine Ski Club

P.O. Box 612 Nisswa, MN 56468 Contact: MSGalpineteam@gmail.com www.skigull.org

Group that promotes ski racing. Youths up to 18 yrs. Sat. practice and Sun. meets. Improve slalom skills and ski at different ski areas in the region. Culminates in Northland Championships at end of the season.

#### Mount Ski Gull Ski Patrol

P. O. Box 612
Nisswa, MN 56468
Contact: 218-963-4353
Skigull.com
Volunteer group of skiers amd snowboarders who provide first aid services & promote skier safety.
Nationally accredited first aid. Candidates call for info.
Classes start in fall. Toboggan training after snowfall.

#### Mounted Eagles Therapeutic Horsemanship –c/o Spirit Horse Center

8386 50th Ave Brainerd, MN 56401 Mailing address: P.O. Box 566 Nisswa, MN 56468 Contact: 218-454-3228 or 1-888-828-9920 info@mountedeagles.org www.mountedeagles.org

Mounted Eagles is a Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International (PATH Intl.) Accredited program that provides therapeutic horsemanship and equine assisted activities for individuals who face physical, mental, social, and/or challenges.

Our Mission Statement: Mounted Eagles enhances the lives of program participants, volunteers and the community by providing a safe and enjoyable environment where individuals with special needs benefit from therapeutic, developmental and educational equine-assisted activities.

### Nutrition Education Program, University of MN Extension Service

326 Laurel St.
Brainerd, MN 56401
Contact: 218-824-1065
crowwing@extension.mn.umn.edu
Homemakers, youth and adults are taught how to stretch food resources to eat well on a small budget.

#### Paul Bunyan Education Cooperative

315 Charles St.
Brainerd, MN 56401
Contact: 218-454-5505
gaynard.brown@isd181.org
www.pbec.k12.mn.us
Education, evaluation and consultation services for all children birth to 12th grade who have disabilities. Covers the following districts:
Pillager, Pequot Lakes, Pine River-Backus, Aitkin, Crosby-Ironton, and Brainerd. Also serves the following charter schools: PACS, Emily and Crosslake.

#### **PORT Group Homes**

115 N 1<sup>st</sup> St Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact: 218-829-2123 Boys Program Director: Nicholas Pederson 218-454-7221 Girls Program Director: Kristen McKee 218-454-7229 www.portgrouphomes.org Four group homes offer treatment and assessment for male and female adolescents and children who need structured, caring treatment environment. Referrals come through Social Services, probation, judges, and parents.

#### **Region 5 Child Care Resource & Referral** P. O. Box 566

P. O. Box 566
Wadena, MN 56482
Contact: 320-629-5142
Toll-Free: 1-800-422-7395
CCR&R@pinetch.edu
Serving the counties of Crow Wing, Cass, Todd,
Morrison and Wadena. Assisting parents in
locating child care, technical assistance to early
childhood care and education providers, training,
grant programs, etc. Work with employers and
communities to evaluate child care supply and
demand. CCR&R has listing of all licensed family
child care providers and licensed child care
centers in Crow Wing County.

#### Rural Minnesota CEP, Inc.

204 Laurel St. Suite 21 Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact: 218-828-2450 Toll-Free: 1-800-664-3595 www.mnwfc.org/brainerd

> Strengthening the workforce center through job training, referrals, job fairs, skill counseling, career planning, tuition assistance, mentoring, and many more programs.

We exist to assist people, employers and communities achieve success in meeting their economic goals. Our experienced staff provides multiple services to job seekers and employers, whether it's a high school youth learning to navigate the job seeking system for the first time or person dislocated from a long-time job needing to refresh skills in order to re-enter employment. We provide career counseling and direction to people in determining appropriate career paths and actions needed to achieve their goals. We truly believe that work is key to a successful life and are ready to help make employment dreams a reality for those who seek our services.

Check out our website or stop in to see what all we have to offer you.

#### Shriner's Hospital for Children – Northern Orthopedics

2014 S 6<sup>th</sup> Street Brainerd, MN 56401

Contact: Gloria- 218-829-7012 If you know a child Shriners Hospitals for Children-Twin Cities may be able to help, please contact Norther Orthopedics. Appointments are scheduled for Tuesday's with Dr. Lelwica. The Shriners Hospital provides Free medical treatment for handicapped or burned children to age 18. Includes certain transportation, parent housing and education.

#### The Counseling Center

Family Community Support Services - LSS 523 North 3rd St. Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact: 218-828-7379

> The Counseling Center offers a wide range of professional, high quality mental health services including: individual, couple, family and group counseling, child and adolescent ADHD/ADD testing, family community support program, psychological testing, anger management and Employee Assistance Programs.

#### The Shop

723 Washington Street Brainerd, MN 56401 218-454-0009 theshopbrainerd.org

Youth Defined Space. The shop is here to provide a place for our youth where they can grow to be positive, productive, and engaged citizens in the Brainerd Lakes Area. The Shop is also here to close the "opportunity gap" for youth who have yet to find a place to participate in constructive activities, inspiring recreation, and transformative programs. Ages 13-20, they are open Wednesday – Sunday 3-9 pm. PC's for people are Tuesday and Thursday 10 am – 3 pm. Come check us out, friendly staff and plenty of things to do, whether you are a gamer, have a creative side, or just like to socialize.

#### The Warehouse Community Center

307 Norway Ave Pine River, MN 56474 218-587-5404 thewarehousepr.org thewarehouse@tds.net The Warehouse is owned, operated by, and a ministry of Riverview Church. It is a drug, alochol, tobacoo and weapons free environment.

The ministry involves an After School Program, and sharing the facility with the needs of the people in our local communities. Our air conditioned facility contains a full kitchen, computer lab, meeting rooms, and gym.

The Warehouse ministry is an outreach community for students after school who are in 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade Monday – Friday, and some Saturday evenings.

Another part of our outreach is to bless the community by sharing the facility with the community. Over the years we have had numerous birthday parties, baby showers, bridal showers, wedding receptions, anniversaries, fundraisers, coffee houses, concerts, movies, and more.

#### Timber Bay

704 Norwood Street Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact: 218-828-0408 www.timberbay.org Relational outreach to at-risk youth in grades 6-12. Weekly groups during the school year and camps year-round. Special summer outings.

#### Camp JIM (Jesus Is Mine)

1026 Camp Jim Rd. Pillager, MN 56473 Contact: 218-829-6767 CampJim@campjim.org www.campjim.org

> Camp Jim exits to lovinginly teach and model the gospel of salvation through Jesus Christ, and to encourage people to grow in faith and service.

> Camp Jim's vison is to provide quality, affordable Christian programs and a year round facility to individuals, churches, and families.

> The beautiful peaceful shores of hardy Lake make an excellent retreat site. Your group would have an opportunity for a refreshing, quality getaway that is affordable and comfortable.

> Camp JIM offers both Youth Bible Camp and Family Camps. Programs include Bible-based religious education. Swimming, paddle boats, mini-golf, waterslide, sports & field activities, tetherball, gymnasium, and new water trampoline.

#### Y.M.C.A

602 Oak St. Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact: 218-829-4767 info@brainerdlakesymca.org

> Provides youth, family and adult programs including swimming lessons, recreation leagues, family nights, teen dances, special events. Facility includes pool, gym, nautilus & free weight center, racquetball court, family/special needs showers, youth center, wellness center, licensed childcare. Free babysitting for family and single parent members. Day passes available.

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www.extension.umn.edu/county/crowwing
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#### Brainerd Lakes Area Audubon Society

P.O. Box 521/14250 Conservation Drive
Brainerd, MN 56401
Contact: 218-829-8770
Call the Northland Arboretum for more information.

#### Bee-Nay-She Bird Club

14250 Conservation Drive
Brainerd, MN 56401
Contact: 218-829-8770
Meets at 7 pm the second Thursday of January, February, March, October, and November. Jessie
F. Hallet Memorial Library, Crosby: Oct. & February. Field trips per special schedule:
December, April & May. Christmas bird count in December. Rotates from Crosby Library to September 27 at 7pm at the Northland Arboretum.

#### **Brainerd Area Civic Center**

502 Jackson St.
Brainerd, MN 56401
Contact: Bryan H – Arena Manager: 218-828-0945
essentiahealthsportscenter.com

A two-building indoor ice arena serving the
community through youth hockey and figure
skating. Conventional "dry floor" facility
available.

#### Brainerd Amateur Hockey Association (BAHA) P.O. Box 38 Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact: 218-828-0945 Meets the last Wednesday of every month at 6

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#### Central Lakes Youth Hockey Association/Breezy Point Sports Ice Arena

7370 County Rd. 11 Breezy Point, MN 56472 Contact: 218-562-5678 Includes Pequot Lakes, Pine River/Backus & Nisswa Schools. Emphasis on skills, sportsmanship, and teamwork. Public skating, adult & youth leagues, and figure skating clubs.

#### Crosslake Garden Club

Crosslakegarden.wordpress.com Meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 1 pm at Crosslake Community Center. Please check out our website for more information.

#### Cuyuna Rock Club

Cuyuna Community Center N. Hwy. 6 Crosby, MN 56441 Contact: Ed 320-250-1363 cuyunarockclub.org

> Open to anyone interested in rocks and minerals. Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Saterday at 2 pm of each month at the Frankiln Arts Center in Brainerd on Kingwood Street. Please call the day of the meeting to let us now you will be attending. Club shop days will be the same day as the meeting days, they will start at 9 am

#### **DeWitt Martial Arts**

1014 Laurel St. – second floor of the Electric Etc building Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact: 218-828-8522 www.dewittmartialarts.com Complete traditional Korean martial arts. (Chung Do Kwan Tae Kwon Do, Hap Ki Do and Korean weapons curriculum.) Everyone is welcome to visit our dojang and see what we have to offer.

#### Engum's Academy of Tae Kwon Do

712 Washington St. Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact: 218-828-7063 engumsacademy.com

> We strive to provide traditional effective self defense training. Training that teaches not only the body but more importantly the mind and the spirit.

The Martial Arts training provieded at Engum's Academy focuses on the mental and physical training enhancing the body, mind, and spirit to overcome all obstacles. The training is hard but the benefits are limitless. Please check out our website or call for more information.

#### Gull Lake Drifters Snowmobile Club

Pequat Lakes, MN 56472 Contact: Bob Heidelberger cindersh@msn.com mnsnowmobiler.org

We have over 120 miles of groomed trails including Pillsbury State Forset, The Paul Bunyan Trail from Nisswa to Bakus, and othertrails around Nisswa, Lake Shore, Pequot Lakes, and Breezy Point, some connecting to the lighted trail on Gull Lake.

### Gull Lake Yacht Club/Gull Lake Sailing School

19696 Love Lake Rd Brainerd, MN 56401 school@glyc.com

From social mixers to planned parties and events, Gull Lake Yacht Club has grown to accommodate its members and the community with a facility that can be enjoyed by all. Gull Lake Sailing School focuses on teaching kids to advance their knowledge in sailing techniques and expand their enjoyment of being on the water. Our instructor led courses focus on the variety of skills from kids of all ages. Please check out our website for more information.

#### Spirit Movement Dance Studio

1001 Kingwood St. Ste B10 Brainerd, MN 56401 218-270-0427 michelle@spiritmovementdance.com taliomich.wixsite.com Spirit Movement Dance Studio offers group sessions and private lessons in: Swing, Latin, Ballroom, Line Dance, Woman's classes, Scarf Dancing, Wedding Dance Preparation. We also offer monthly dance parties, Fall through Spring, where students have the opportunity to practice what they are learning in their classes. Dance parties are open to everyone; it is not required to be a student to attend.

#### Heartland Performing Arts Center

328 Curtis Avenue
Ironton, MN 56455
Contact: 651-208-7516
Heartland dance and gymnastics in Ironton, MN is a dance and gymnastics studio offering classes for 18 months to adult. They offer classes in Ballet, Tap, Jazz, Lyrical, Contemporary, Hip Hop, Ballroom, and Gymnastics for all levels.

#### Just For Kix

6948 Lake Forest Rd.Brainerd, MN 56425Contact: 218-829-7107A dance program for children and young adults that helps build self-esteem.

#### Lakes Area Yoga Association

PO Box 101 Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact: 218-829-7029 www.lakesareayoga.org Meets at the Franklin Arts Center. We offer many levels of classes throught the week. See our website for details.

#### Minnesota Deer Hunters Association

460 Peterson Rd. Grand Rapids, MN 55744 Contact: 218-327-1103 Toll-Free: 1-800-450-DEER www.mndeerhunters.com

Group of organized firearems, bow & camera hunters, plus those who just plain like seeing deer. Local chapters throughout MN. Wildlife prints & "Whitetales Magazine." Cuyuna Range Whitetales

Parks and Recreation - Baxter 13190 Memorywood Dr. Baxter, MN 56425 Contact: 218-454-5100 Call for information and facilities offered.

#### Parks and Recreation - Brainerd

1619 NE Washington St. Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact: 218-828-2320 www.brainerdparks.com parks@ci.brainerd.mn.us

> The Brainerd Parks and Recreation Department's mission is to serve Brainerd residents and visitors by offering high-quality, affordable recreational opportunities and by providing a clean, wellmaintained park system. Park facilities include playground equipment, ball fields, tennis courts, RV campground, swimming beach and disc golf course. Recreation programs include softball, baseball, t-ball, and soccer, kickball, swimming lessons, pond hockey and broomball. Special events include Fishing Clinic, Bike Safety Clinic, and Performances in the Park, Soap Box Derby, The Great Pumpkin fest and the Gregory Park Holiday Celebration.

#### Parks and Recreation - Crosslake

14126 Daggett Pine Rd Crosslake, MN 56442 Contact: 218-692-4271 ccc@crosslake.net Call for information and facilities offered.

Parks and Recreation - Nisswa 5442 City Hall Street P.O. Box 410 Nisswa, MN 56468 Contact: 218-963-0047 http://cityofnisswa.com/index.cfm/Parks mhill@ci.nisswa.mn.us

#### Paul Bunyan Cyclists

P.O. Box 21
Brainerd, MN 56401
Contact: 218-833-8122
www.paulbunyancyclists.com
See website for information on membership.
Group meets to ride every Wednesday night at 6pm, from spring to fall during "daylight savings time" months. Riders of all speeds. Sponsors the Tour of Lakes Bike Ride on the 1st Saturday in June.

#### Paul Bunyan Trail

Paulbunyantrail.com

When completed, a 100 mile long trail between Brainerd/Baxter and Bemidji. Located on former Burlington Northern Railroad grade; generally level and wheelchair accessible. Used for biking, hiking, in-line skating, snowmobiling in winter.

#### **Ray's Promenaders**

10103 Gilbert Trail Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact: 218-825-8321 Squaredancemn.com Please call for more information as to when they meet.

#### Special Olympics Minnesota

900 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave S #300
Minneapolis, MN 55402
Contact: 1-612-333-0999
www.specialolympicsminnesota.org
Region 5 organization covering all Crow Wing,
Cass, Morrison, Aitkin, Todd & Wadena counties.
Year-round sports competition & training; 24
sports.

#### Full Circle T'ai Chi

11394 Easy St. Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact: 218-851-5900 dan@fullcircletaichi.org www.fullcircletaichi.org Chinese method of "moving meditation" for stress management and personal growth. An easy to learn form of T'ai Chi for all ages. One to two hour active workshop.

#### Timber Bay

704 Norwood Street
Brainerd, MN 56401
Contact: 218-831-2208
www.timberbay.org
Relational outreach to at-risk youth in grades 6-12. Weekly groups during the school year and camps year-round. Special summer outings.

Vacationland Figure Skating Club P.O. Box 173 Brainerd, MN 56401 Contact: Christina Wilson 218-255-0968 Vacationlandfigureskatingclub.