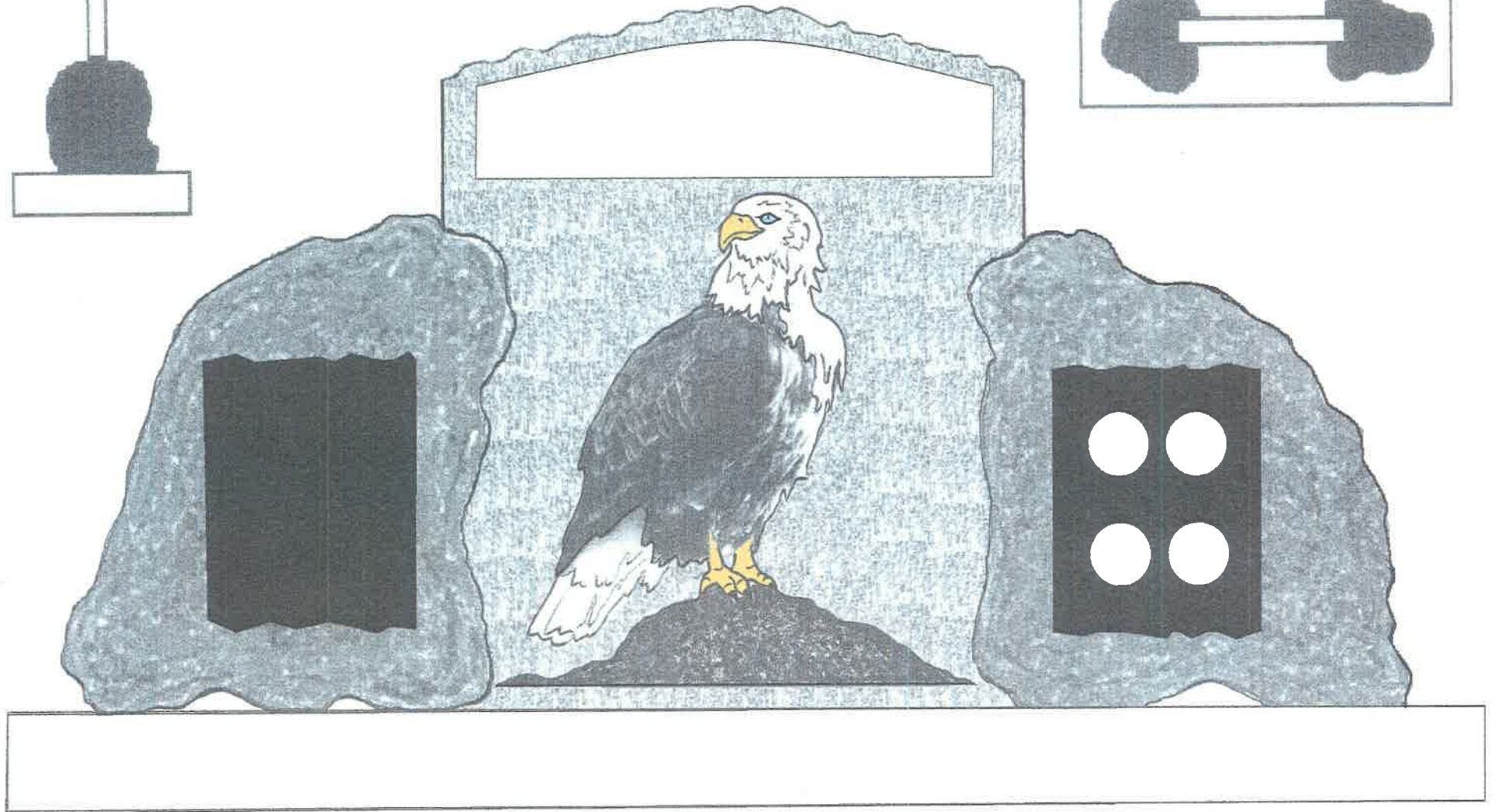
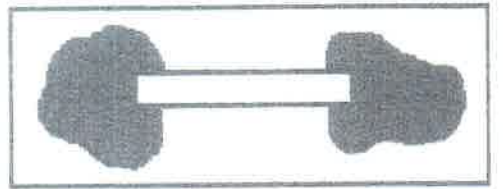
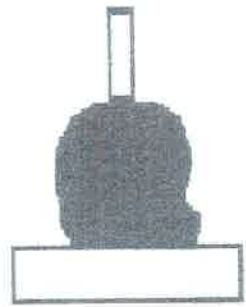


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March, 2012

The Aitkin Area Persian Gulf Support Group are putting a memorial in front of the Aitkin County Courthouse to honor all veterans past, present and future. The memorial will be inscribed by Tim Kostal with the Crosby Monument Company. The plans are to leave some of the sidewalk in front of the courthouse, put the granite monument in the center with two boulders, one on each side, landscape around, put in lighting and have a circular side walk around the whole memorial. We want to honor all veterans with this memorial and show the support of our veterans in this area.

To accomplish this veteran's memorial we will need financial support from the community. The total cost will be about \$12,000 and the Aitkin County Commissioners have a fund which will take care of the landscaping, lighting and sidewalk. The support group have been setting aside money for this memorial but have a ways to go. We would like to ask your group for a donation to help us accomplish this goal. Our plans are to have the memorial in place by July 1, 2012 and have a dedication on that day. Anyone or group that donates \$250 or more will have their name inscribed on the back of the granite memorial. Make donations to: Aitkin Area Persian Gulf support group % Carroll and Joy Janzen, 36208 Deer St. Aitkin, MN 56431. We appreciate any support you can provide.



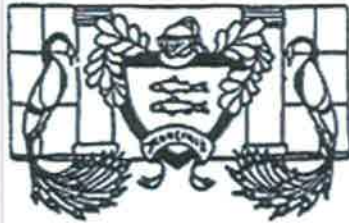
Arrowhead Counties Association

*cordially invites you to join us for our
Annual Legislative Dinner*

Location: Mancini's Char House

Date: Tuesday, March 20, 2012

Time: 6:00 p.m.



Mancini's
Char House & Lounge

531 West Seventh Street St. Paul, MN
651 224-7345 / 651 224-7346

The evening program will be informal but all invited guest legislators will have the opportunity to address the entire group. Invited Guest Speakers Include: Tom Anzels, Carolyn McElpatrick, John Persell, Tom Rukavina, Carly Melin, David Dill, Mary Murphy, Tom Huntley, Kerry Gauthier, Bill Hilty, Roger Crawford, Tom Saxhaug, David Tomassoni, Tom Bakke, Roger Reinert, Tony Lourey

*Please RSVP to Rani Douville
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March 2, 2012

Senator Tom Saxhaug
100 Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Room 135 State Office Building
St. Paul, MN 55155

Dear Senator Saxhaug:

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**STATEMENT OF BUSINESS TRANSACTED IN
OFFICE OF COUNTY RECORDER, AITKIN COUNTY**

DURING February 2012
DEPOSIT OF CHECK OR CASH \$ 22,346.30 TO AITKIN CO TREASURER

NATURE OF BUSINESS TRANSACTED		AMOUNT OF FEES RECEIVED
UCC		0.00
NOTARY		60.00
NOTARY SURCHARGE	9.2030	Expired 8/1/10
TORRENS		208.00
TORRENS ASSURANCE	9.2031	24.00 ***
COUNTY GENERAL FUND		5785.50
STATE GENERAL FUND	9.2036	4357.50 ***
RECORDER TECH FEE		4150.00
UNALLOCATED		4565.00
STATE WELL CERT.	9.2027	425.00 ***
COUNTY WELL CERT		75.00
BIRTH CERTIFICATES		182.00
CHILDREN'S SURCH.	9.2024	63.00 ***
BIRTH/DEATH SURCH.	9.2022	484.00 *** (84/400)
DEATH CERT.		326.00
2010 LEG. SURCH 144.226 SUBD 3 (b)		210.00 ***
COPIES & C/COPIES		1331.30
TOTAL		\$22,346.30

**WORK DONE FOR VARIOUS COUNTY AGENCIES
FOR WHICH NO PAYMENT WAS RECEIVED**

RECORDING HONORABLE DISCHARGES	46.00
AITKIN COUNTY	1196.00
AITKIN CO ROAD & BRIDGE	92.00
OTHERS	0.00
TOTAL	1334.00

AITKIN, MN Feb. 29, 2012

*Diane M. Lafferty Co Recorder
by Adam C Hoppe, deputy*

ZIP 427

YEAR TO DATE 909

PREVIOUS YEAR \$25,009.45



Aitkin County Sheriff's Office
217 Second Street NW, Room 185
Aitkin, MN 56431
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Incident Date Reported BETWEEN 02/22/12
And 02/28/12
And Incident NCIC=MN0010000

Printed On: Thu, Mar 01, 2012

Incident Log Report

<i>Case Number</i>	<i>NCIC</i>	<i>Date Reported</i>	<i>Officer</i>	<i>Offense</i>
2012000632 Location 234 US HWY 169 N, Hill City, 0200	MN0010000	02/22/2012 02:18	261	Disturbance
2012000633 36436 196TH PL, MCGREGOR, 3321	MN0010000	02/22/2012 03:06	499	Ambulance Call
2012000634 141 E 2ND AVE, McGregor, 0500	MN0010000	02/22/2012 08:38	219	Phone scams
2012000635 306 2ND ST NW, Aitkin, 0100	MN0010000	02/22/2012 12:10	252	Minor consumption
2012000636 44408 334TH LN, AITKIN, 2305	MN0010000	02/22/2012 12:55	221	Animal Complaint
2012000637 22027 420TH ST, MCGREGOR, 0500	MN0010000	02/22/2012 15:11	499	Ambulance Call
2012000638 40553 303RD LN, AITKIN, 2324	MN0010000	02/22/2012 18:07	995	Ambulance Call
2012000639 409 COUNTRY MEADOW DR, MCGREGOR, 0500	MN0010000	02/22/2012 18:42	212	Warrant Arrest
2012000640 Aitkin, 0100	MN0010000	02/22/2012 20:39	256	Driving Complaint
2012000641 20465 465TH LN, MCGREGOR, 4532	MN0010000	02/22/2012 21:16	499	Ambulance Call
2012000642 217 2ND ST NW, Aitkin, 0800	MN0010000	02/22/2012 21:11	253	Assault
2012000643 68172 198TH AVE, JACOBSON, 0300	MN0010000	02/23/2012 11:10	209	Animal Complaint
2012000644 Aitkin County	MN0010000	02/23/2012 14:58	203	Fraud/ID Theft
2012000645 22027 420TH ST, MCGREGOR, 0500	MN0010000	02/23/2012 18:27	207	Burglary/Theft
2012000646 20465 465TH LN, MCGREGOR, 4532	MN0010000	02/23/2012 23:35	499	Ambulance Call
2012000647 188th Ave, 4527	MN0010000	02/24/2012 00:14	217	Traffic Stop

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2012000648 Aitkin, 0800	MN0010000	02/24/2012 01:01	204	Missing Person
2012000649 22027 420TH ST, MCGREGOR, 0500	MN0010000	02/24/2012 06:49	499	Ambulance Call
2012000650 54246 LOON AVE, MCGREGOR, 5122	MN0010000	02/24/2012 07:27	209	Harassment Complaint
2012000651 148 W HWY 210, McGregor, 0500	MN0010000	02/24/2012 07:35	216	Alarm
2012000652 46710 US HWY 169, PALISADE, 4235	MN0010000	02/24/2012 08:09	209	Suspicion Complaint
2012000653 20399 GOSHAWK ST, MCGREGOR, 4532	MN0010000	02/24/2012 11:01	216	Fraud/ID Theft
2012000654 748 4TH ST SE, AITKIN, 2925	MN0010000	02/24/2012 11:28	209	Child Custody
2012000655 306 2ND ST NW, Aitkin, 0100	MN0010000	02/24/2012 16:06	253	***No press***
2012000656 141 E 2ND AVE, McGregor, 0500	MN0010000	02/24/2012 16:37	499	Ambulance Call
2012000657 403 3RD ST NW, Aitkin, 0100	MN0010000	02/24/2012 19:35	253	Noise complaint
2012000658 788 4TH ST SE, Aitkin, 0100	MN0010000	02/25/2012 01:11	255	Disturbance
2012000659 10287 470TH LN, TAMARACK, 4636	MN0010000	02/25/2012 02:13	CrnAm	Ambulance Call
2012000660 333 STATE HWY 200 E, Hill City, 0200	MN0010000	02/25/2012 15:35	264	Alarm
2012000661 18785 STATE HWY 65, MCGRATH, 1520	MN0010000	02/25/2012 16:28	216	Theft by swindle or trick
2012000662 36813 452ND PL, AITKIN, 2919	MN0010000	02/25/2012 17:05	210	OFP/HRO Violation
2012000663 14836 264TH PL, ISLE, 1006	MN0010000	02/25/2012 17:02	216	Burglary/Theft
2012000664 156 W HWY 210, McGregor, 0500	MN0010000	02/25/2012 17:29	206	Suspicion Complaint
2012000665 25696 STATE HWY 210, MCGREGOR	MN0010000	02/25/2012 17:36	499	Ambulance Call
2012000666 68001 353RD AVE, HILL CITY	MN0010000	02/25/2012 18:44	204	Suspicion Complaint

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Location 36881 KESTREL AVE, MCGREGOR				
2012000668	MN0010000	02/25/2012 19:49	255	Suspicion Complaint
hwy 169				
2012000669	MN0010000	02/25/2012 22:39	204	Traffic Stop
3635				
2012000670	MN0010000	02/26/2012 00:18	204	Disturbance
Mille Lacs Lk out from Hunter's Point				
2012000671	MN0010000	02/26/2012 01:30	255	Alarm
101 2nd st ne				
2012000672	MN0010000	02/26/2012 01:27	264	Traffic Stop
169/quadna rd				
2012000673	MN0010000	02/26/2012 07:44	253	Disturbance
748 4TH ST SE, AITKIN				
2012000674	MN0010000	02/26/2012 09:07	995	Ambulance Call
315 1ST AVE SW				
2012000675	MN0010000	02/26/2012 10:46	221	Public Assist
21067 220TH ST				
2012000676	MN0010000	02/26/2012 14:35	499	Accident
12082 STATE HWY 210				
2012000677	MN0010000	02/26/2012 20:24	255	Vehicle in Ditch
W Hwy 210				
2012000678	MN0010000	02/26/2012 20:46	995	Ambulance Call
40553 303RD LN, AITKIN				
2012000679	MN0010000	02/27/2012 00:45	995	Ambulance Call
217 2nd St NW				
2012000680	MN0010000	02/27/2012 01:44	995	Ambulance Call
43085 254TH LN, AITKIN				
2012000681	MN0010000	02/27/2012 08:24	206	Criminal Sexual Conduct
30179 270TH LN, AITKIN				
2012000682	MN0010000	02/27/2012 09:58	MFD	Fire Call
43247 STATE HWY 65, MCGREGOR				
2012000683	MN0010000	02/27/2012 11:15	251	Burglary/Theft
30806 454TH AVE, AITKIN				
2012000684	MN0010000	02/27/2012 11:45	251	Criminal Sexual Conduct
306 2ND ST NW				
2012000685	MN0010000	02/27/2012 14:32	216	Property Missing and Found
35198 STATE HWY 65, MCGREGOR				

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2012000686	MN0010000	02/27/2012 15:14	216	Threat Complaint
<i>Location</i>				
20930 367TH LN, MCGREGOR				
2012000687	MN0010000	02/27/2012 16:07	206	Criminal Sexual Conduct
20465 465TH LN, MCGREGOR				
2012000688	MN0010000	02/27/2012 18:04	253	Other (Start Code)
2 MINNESOTA AVE S				
2012000689	MN0010000	02/27/2012 21:59	261	Burglary/Theft
Quadna Rd				
2012000690	MN0010000	02/28/2012 01:32	204	Traffic Stop
3000				
2012000691	MN0010000	02/28/2012 09:58	499	Ambulance Call
2 E CENTER AVE				
2012000692	MN0010000	02/28/2012 10:27	206	Burglary/Theft
148 south 2nd st				
2012000693	MN0010000	02/28/2012 17:32	210	Missing Person
46971 172ND PL, MCGREGOR, 4526				
2012000694	MN0010000	02/28/2012 17:49	995	Ambulance Call
315 1ST AVE SW				
2012000695	MN0010000	02/28/2012 18:43	210	Traffic Stop
46857 187TH PL, MCGREGOR, 4534				
2012000696	MN0010000	02/28/2012 19:43	255	Disturbance
403 3RD ST NW				

Total Records: 65

Aitkin County Board of Commissioners Board Meeting Attendance Record

Date: March 6, 2012

Name	Please check the boxes that apply.		
	Aitkin County Citizen	Aitkin County Employee	Company Representative – please list.
reluecrog	X		
Bob Harperts	X		MY SELF
BETA Reef	X		Aitkin Co CARE
Kathleen Pakarinen	X		Ind Age
Carrie Jany	X		Persian Gulf Support Group
Terry Moyer	X		Persian Gulf Support Group
Joy Janzen	X		Persian Gulf Support Group