Happy Valentine’s Day!  
**Wednesday, February 14**

President’s Day  
**Monday, February 19 – Clerk’s Office Closed**

**Embarrass Town Board Meeting – Wednesday, February 14, 6:00 p.m.**  
*Meetings for local groups are on the Page 2 Calendar*

Please submit materials for the MARCH 2018 issue to the Embarrass Clerk’s Office by February 19.  
Office Hours are 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday - Thursday. 218-984-2084  
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**FEBRUARY 2018**

FINNBONI is working great! Come on by the Embarrass Ice Rink in the next couple months to enjoy the smooth ice created by our new addition!

Lots of compliments on how smooth the ice is. **A Very Special Thank you to Gene Wright and Amanda Nelson for the help at the rink.**

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**Town of Embarrass**  
**Regular and Reorganizational Meeting**  
**January 10, 2018**  
**PENDING BOARD APPROVAL**

Present: Zane Beaton, Bernie Mettler, Roy Worsham, Mary Novak, Jennifer Boese  
Visitors: Gene Wright

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Zane with The Pledge of Allegiance.

*Motion by Bernie to approve the December 13 minutes. Second by Roy. Carried 3-0.*

*Motion by Zane to select Bernie as Town Board Chairman. Second by Roy. Motion by Bernie to select Roy as Vice Chairman. Second by Zane. Carried 3-0.*

*Motion by Zane to continue with the Second Wednesday of every month at 6:00 p.m. for regular board meetings during the 2018 year. Second by Roy. Carried 3-0.*

*Motion by Bernie for all Town Officers and Employees compensation to remain the same. Second by Zane. Carried 3-0.*

*Motion by Bernie to put Roy on as Road Supervisor and Zane on as Maintenance Supervisor. Second by Roy. Carried 3-0.*

*Motion by Zane to keep Timber Jay as current publishing newspaper. Second by Roy. Carried 3-0.*

Posting places will remain the same with addition of the Post Office. *Motion by Roy to add the Post Office as a posting place when it opens. Second by Bernie. Carried 3-0.*

*Motion by Bernie that the Northern State Bank checking and savings account be transferred to the Embarrass Vermillion Federal Credit Union. Leave the CD’s until they mature. Second by Roy. Carried 3-0.*

Motion by Bernie to keep the rates of the campground, Flying Finn, town hall rental and cemetery the same. *Second by Zane. Carried 3-0.*

Motion by Zane that the mileage rate always reflect the federal mileage rate. *Second by Roy. Carried 3-0.*

Zane motions for the next Ice Candle Celebration to be on December 15, 2018. *Second by Roy. Carried 3-0.*

Board reviews and signs the Code of Ethics and Open Meeting Law Policies Handbook.

Upcoming training opportunities April 6, April 19, and June 28. *Motion by Zane to support and attend the training opportunities. Second by Bernie. Carried 3-0.*

**REPORTS:**

Trees should be marked to be cut and burnt. Bernie states he will go mark trees.

**POST OFFICE:**

A walk through of the Post Office will be Thursday, January 18. No official date when the Post Office will be open. Bernie has been at the Post Office site helping out with the needed finishes before the walk through. Rain Gutters need to be put in place to prevent the water and snow from dripping down and freezing onto walkways. *Motion by Zane to have gutters installed. Total of $950.00 to be taken from Post Office Fund. Second by Roy. Carried 3-0.*

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Dick Tornow is asking to be maintenance caretaker at the campground. Board feels there is no need for this at this time because we have maintenance and summer hire to do the work.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Board signs cemetery deeds.
Motion by Roy to pay the Iron Range Plumbing & Heating invoice for $24,860.00 and to be taken from the general fund. Second by Zane. Carried 3-0.

Motion by Bernie to have Rogers Online come in and repair office computer being that clerk has been having problems with the computer. Second by Zane. Carried 3-0. Rogers Online came in and repaired computer and runs much better but recommends the computer be updated sometime in future.

Roy received prices on chainsaws. $591.16 at Grande’s and $759.00 at L&M. Roy motions to purchase the 20 inch chainsaw from Grande’s. Money to come out of campground fund. Second by Bernie. Carried 3-0.

Motion by Bernie to approve correspondence and claims 16693 – 16716 ($5,952.52), Payroll ($4,869.50), Second by Zane. Carried 3-0.

Motion by Bernie to approve the Treasures Report. Second by Zane. Carried 3-0.

Board of Audit was completed by the board and all claims were found accurate and in order. Motion by Zane to accept the Board of Audit. Second by Roy. Carried 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m. by Bernie.

Respectfully Submitted, Jennifer Boese, Embarrass Town Clerk

**Clerks Corner**

It was decided that the monthly Board Meetings will be held on the second Wednesday of every month at 6:00 p.m. in 2018. The Annual Meeting will be held March 13, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. Clerk’s Office will be closed Monday, February 19 in honor of Presidents Day.

Well the Vikings just couldn’t pull it off, but what a great season they had! Still a Vikings fan no matter what!!

An inspection was done at the Post Office on the January 18th. There are a few minor things that need to be completed by the USPS before an official opening day can be given. There will be a final inspection at a later date.

Looking for a place to hold your special event this year? We have dates available here to rent the Town Hall. Give the Clerk’s Office a call with any questions. (218)-984-2084

Jennifer Boese, Embarrass Town Clerk

**ADS FOR LOCAL BUSINESSES**

Suggested donation to The Flying Finn

1/4 Page = $8; 1/2 Page = $13; Full Page = $22

To place an ad, write to:

The Flying Finn, 7503 Levander Rd
Embarrass MN 55732

Email embarrasstownship@frontiernet.net

or call the Embarrass Town Clerk at 984-2084.

**SUBSCRIPTIONS**

Persons interested in subscribing to The Flying Finn may drop off or send a donation of $12 for one year, payable to the Town of Embarrass, 7503 Levander Road, Embarrass, MN 55732.

The Flying Finn makes a great gift for someone who has moved out of the community!

The Flying Finn and the Town of Embarrass welcome announcements about community events and community groups. These submitted announcements are printed here and on following pages. Neither the Town of Embarrass nor The Flying Finn necessarily endorses the viewpoints or ideology of these groups or their events. The Town of Embarrass reserves the right to publish or not publish any letter to the editor or submitted material.
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FROZEN ITEMS:
Ice Cream
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OTHER:
Cleaning Supplies
Baking/Cooking Items
Toilet Paper
Misc Personal Care
Some Auto Fluids
Waasa Township
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, December 5, 2017, 7:00 p.m.

Board Members Present: Mitch Lind, Emily Quick, Bonnie Keller and Sandra Gibson

Absent: Phil Hebl

Visitors: David Hess, Jim Howe and Kevin Kappes

Meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Board Chair Mitch Lind and the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Minutes Approval: Emily moved to approve the November 7, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes. Mitch supported. Carried (2-0).

Treasurer’s Report: Receipts: $370.03 (Taconite Production Dist.), $8766.25 (10/17 Tax Apportionment), $497.34 (11/23/17 Advance) all from St. Louis County Auditor. Total Disbursements were $1,897.17. Mitch accepted the report and Emily supported. Carried (2-0).

Approval to Pay Bills: Mitch moved to approve payment of the bills listed below along with payroll. Support from Emily. Carried (2-0).

- Gibson, Sandra, $11.20, Postage
- L&M Supply, $39.85, Shovel, de-icer, 3-sand tubes for T. Hall
- Lake Country Power $80.50, Electricity for Town Hall
- MN Assoc. of Twp. Insurance Trust, $247.00, Worker’s Comp. Insurance
- St. Louis County Auditor, $2275.02, Snowplowing Twp. Rd (First half 2017-18)
- Swanson, Larry $210.00, Beaver control

Road Report: None.

Address Visitors: Jim Howe a representative for Bruce Kainz Logging stated he was seeking permission from Waasa Township to build a small logging road into Eric Lassila’s property and coming out to Appaloosa Road. He did not feel a culvert is necessary. Logging will take place during the winter months. Emily asked if the owner of the property was in agreement to build the road and was told he is. Emily motioned to give Kainz Logging permission to build the road and to use it. Mitch supported. Carried (2-0). Clerk’s Note: This road should be inspected in the spring for water drainage issues.

Eight deer carcass’ have been dumped on Skarp Road recently, reported a resident. The Sheriff’s Department will be notified.

Old Business: The road closure signs and barricades for Skarp Road have been delivered and will be stored until they can be put up according to St. Louis County specifications.

Emily and Phil’s certification for LBAE have or will be expired soon. On-line training is available but must be taken before the end of January 2018.

New Business: Emily received a form from the U.S. Census Bureau-LUCA Geography. It will be signed by the current board chair, Mitch Lind and sent in.

Mitch will purchase a dump punch card and haul some trash from the cemetery. Everyone is reminded to place decorations on graves that are not prone to blow away in the wind. Too many decorations are not secured and leave a mess/or make it difficult to mow around.

Correspondence: All mail was read and filed.

Adjournment: Emily moved to close the meeting at 7:30 p.m. and was supported by Mitch.

Respectfully Submitted, Sandra Gibson, Waasa Town Clerk; Mitch Lind, Waasa Board Chair

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Notice of Time Change:
The next meeting of the Waasa Town Board will be held on Tuesday, February 6, @ 4:30 p.m.

NOTE: This time change is only for the February meeting. The March 6, 2018 meeting will be at 7 p.m.
We have the best selection on the range for all you fabric lovers!

Happy Valentine's Day

We've teamed up with our very best consultant, Cupid! So many suggestions; our finest Russell Stover Candies, Hallmark Cards and gifts, Black Hills Gold jewelry, and so many more cool items to show your total and awesome love!!

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MARKETPLACE
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Sat 9am - 5pm
Sun 10am – 4pm

PHARMACY
Mon-Fri 9am – 6pm
Sat 9am – 2pm
Sun – Closed
Embellish Region Fair Meeting Minutes  
January 18, 2017

Pending Board Approval

Present Board: Audrey Kalinowski, Terri Joki, Sue Beaton
Trustees: Paul Knuti, Floyd Joki, Jim Hardy

Members Present: Jim Suihkonen, Roland (Charlie) Fowler, Dan Theel, Amber Johnson, Nina Wycoff, Bonnie Overton, Alexandria Weaver, Kevin and Mavis DiCastri, Lisa Gibson, Chris Dale, Jerry Meier

Audrey called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm and read the minutes of the November 16 meeting (minutes taken by Sherie Joki).

Charlie motioned to accept the minutes. Dan seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer Report
Terri provided the Treasurer’s Report.

The December pancake breakfast & Holiday boutique was well attended (174), and despite the extreme cold, the January breakfast was also well attended (133).

Sue moved to accept the treasurer’s report. Paul seconded. Motion carried.

Nomination of Officers
Audrey opened nominations for Board Chair. Lisa nominated Jerry Meier. Jerry reported that his business travels were coming to an end and accepted the nomination. The new board was voted in unanimously as follows:

   Chair: Jerry Meier  
   Vice Chair: Dan Theel  
   Treasurer: Terri Joki  
   Secretary: Sue Beaton  
   Trustees: Rodney Dale, Floyd Joki, and Paul Knuti

The bylaws stipulate that board terms are 1 year and members may be re-elected for a maximum of 3 consecutive years. Congratulations to our new Fair Board.

Jerry assumed leadership of the meeting.

Old Business

- Policies. Jerry appointed a policy review and rewrite committee to make the Fair policies clear and concise. The committee is comprised of: Paul Knuti, Sue Beaton, Chris Dale, and Lisa Gibson
- Membership. Voting members of the Fair Association must sign a pledge to support the Fair and provide contact information to be updated annually. The membership agreement will be available at each meeting beginning in February. (Sue)
- Grant. Paul reported that the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for improved accessibility and parking has been denied. Overall, reduced amounts were approved for other applicants. We will continue to apply for grants to resolve these issues.
- FaceBook. Terri reported that FaceBook Administrators are: Cassie, Terri, Sherie, and Nina. These members will have access for making updates. Once the Timber Hall Rental Agreement is updated, Terri will add it to our FaceBook page.
- Timber Hall Rental. Jerry will contact Lori Worsham regarding caretaker responsibilities, calendar, prices, rules, recordkeeping, cleanup, and backup. Timber Hall rental provides both income for the Fair and maintenance of the property. It is a big job and volunteers are needed to help with this effort.

Standing Committee Reports

The following Committee Reports were noted:

- Fairbook and Exhibits. Audrey Kalinowski. Ready to begin; be sure to let Audrey know how much space you need to promote your event. Sue asked that marketing ads be provided to her as she sends letters to vendors. Terri will make a ½ sheet ad to be included for Sue’s use.
- Livestock barn. Amber Johnson. Amber is getting prices for mats for the animal barn and will bring information to the February meeting. Lisa suggested that we need a new wheelbarrow and she will bring prices as well. Also noted: the pens are difficult to open.
- Miss Embarrass Region. Nina Wycoff will be taking a lesser role and Bonnie Theel and Alex Weaver will be coordinating the Miss Embarrass Region pageant this year. Queen responsibilities and policies were discussed. The 2018 candidates will be identified by April 14. Candidates from outside the Region may apply as long as a family member (ie, a grandparent) lives in the Region and the candidate spends a significant time (ie, summer vacation) with the local family member. To help promote the Fair and add some fun for younger girls, the Fair will offer a Junior Miss pageant this year for girls 12 to 14 years old.
- Mud Run. Floyd Joki. Floyd reminded the group that the Sanction Fee is due in April.
- Dog Show. Bonnie Meiers is the correct name for coordinating the dog show.
- Team penning. Paul Knuti & Dan Theel. Will be negotiating price for cattle.
• Vendors. Sue Beaton. Sue would like volunteers to head up each of three areas of vendor rentals: (1) Inside/Under the Eaves of Timber Hall (Sue); (2) Food Concessions (_____); and Outdoor Vendors (machinery hill, carnival games, pony rides, etc.) (______). She will work with the team but wants others to help before and during the Fair. Jim asked that Sue check with food vendor who had power issues at the 2017 Fair. It may be prudent to have an electrician test the power posts prior to this year’s Fair.

Miscellaneous

The February Pancake Breakfast will be Saturday, February 3, from 8 to 11. More volunteers are needed.

Lisa moved that the meeting be adjourned. Sue seconded. Jerry adjourned the meeting at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Susan K Beaton, Secretary, Embarrass Region Fair Association

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Adults $5
Children (6-10) $3
5-Under FREE

Sponsored by the Embarrass Region Fair Association

BABBITT PUBLIC LIBRARY

❖ February 1-28 – Friends of the Library February Book Sale Special. Buy three books, get one free.
❖ February 5 – Library Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
❖ February 7 – Pine Cone Flower Magnets, 3:30 p.m. (free program for everyone)
❖ February 12 – Friends of the Library Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
❖ February 13 – Duluth Playhouse Presents Mad Science, 1:00 p.m. A brother, sister and annoying cousin all want to be president of their super secret science club. They must go head to head, testing their science knowledge through interactive science experiments until the audience is convinced of the true winner. Don’t miss this energetic and interactive play for the whole family. This program is funded with money from the MN Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.
❖ February 19 – President’s Day, Library Closed.
❖ February 20 – Vintage Aprons, 1:00 p.m. Join us for a review and explanation of both vintage and new age aprons with historical details of styles, types, and embellishments. Patrons are invited to bring their own aprons to share stories and details about them. Vintage aprons bring out lots of fond memories and stories of women from the past, often relatives and grandmothers. Aprons tell women’s history through a homespun, common garment cover-up. If you have one of these aprons, bring it out of storage to Vintage Aprons and share your story. This program is funded with money from the MN Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.
❖ February 22 – Bingo, 2:00 p.m. (free to everyone). Stop in and have some fun and win a prize.
❖ February 28 – Hot Reads for Cold Nights Winter Reading ends. Please stop in and turn in your reading records.
Embarrass Flower and Garden Club

Garden Club Meeting
Monday, February 12, 2018.
Meeting will include: Election of officers; Group seed order; and discussion on goals of club. The public is invited. Please come and join us. Coffee and goodies will be served following the business meeting.

ALS BOOKMOBILE SCHEDULE
Visit your library on wheels, the Arrowhead Library System bookmobile. Local stops and times include:

Wed., Feb 21 - Four Corners
5:15 - 6:30 p.m.

For further information on the Bookmobile or Mail-A-Book services, write or call the Arrowhead Library System, 5528 Emerald Ave., Mt. Iron, MN 55768; (218) 741-3840 or check out our web site at www.alslib.info.

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Embarrass, MN

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Thursday
10 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Saturday
12:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

POSTAL NEWS

Tower MN Post Office
508 Main St - 218-753-5797
Pickup/Retail Hours:
Monday-Friday
9:00am-12:00pm, 1:00pm-4:00pm
Pickup time at Drop Box by Embarrass Credit Union is 11:30 a.m.
NORTHEAST RANGE NIGHTHAWKS

**Girls Basketball**

Thu 2/1 Home vs Fond du Lac Ojibwe, 5:45/7:15 p.m.
Mon 2/5 @ Silver Bay, 4:45 (varsity only followed by boys game)
Thu 2/8 @ Bigfork (time TBD)
Thu 2/15, Home vs Nashwauk-Keewatin, 5:45/7:15 p.m.
Thu 2/22, Home vs Ely, 5:45/7:15 p.m.

**Boys Basketball**

Fri 2/2 Home vs Mt. Iron Buhl, 6:00 p.m.
Mon 2/5 @ Silver Bay, 6:30 p.m.
Tue 2/6 Home vs Northwoods, 6:00 p.m.
Thu 2/8 Home vs Wrenshall, 6:00 p.m.
Fri 2/16 Home vs Cherry, 6:30 p.m.
Tue 2/20 Home vs Nashwauk-Keewatin 6:30 p.m.
Fri 2/23 @ Mesabi East, 6:00 p.m.
Fri 3/2 vs Ely (location not available), 6:30 p.m.

**HOCKEY (Ely/NER)**

Fri 2/2 Home (Ely) vs Bagley/Fosston, 6:00 p.m.
Tue 2/6 Home (Ely) vs North Shore Storm, 4:00 p.m.
Sat 2/10 @ Lake of the Woods H.S., 2:00 p.m.
Tue 2/13 Home (Ely) vs Moose Lake Area, 6:00 p.m.

The Pike Sandy Women’s Club will meet Tuesday February 6, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the Pike Town Hall

Hostesses: Sue Rikala & Lynne Stuckey

Lynne will be doing a program of basic self-defense for the mature adult.

New members are welcome. Come to a meeting to see what we are all about. If interested, please call Sandy Gorrill @ 749-2408.

Scott Lee from Morcon Construction out of Fridley, standing on the porch of the Embarrass Post Office. Scott worked extremely hard and worked late hours to get the Post Office done. Thank you Scott for a job well done!
OBITUARIES

Matthew S. Bukal, 36
Matthew Sean Bukal, 36, died as a result of a major cerebral hemorrhage, on Jan. 10, 2018. A celebration of life was held on Jan. 20 at Range Funeral Home.

He was an amazing father to his only child, Oscar, who was the light of his life. He was more than that though; he was a partner and best friend to Oscar’s mother, Jenny Markwardt, and a wonderful stepfather to Jenny’s daughter, Kira Hoole. Together they all made an incredible family. They loved each other with such a depth and respect that it was a beautiful thing to see and to watch.

Matt was the youngest of four sons born to David Bukal and Mary Persons. He was beloved by both, and their world will be forever changed by this. His stepfather, Joe Persons, also loved him very much and Matt was always there for him every summer to help with the haying. Matt’s willingness to give up his own time off to help was so very much appreciated.

He was the youngest of three brothers. His older brother, Dustin, passed away six years ago and we are all sure those two are together again. Matt also loved his two older brothers, Christopher Bukal and Jesse Bukal, very much and in turn was very much loved by them. They were more than brothers, they were each other’s best friends and confidantes.

Matt had a heart of gold. He was willing to help anyone, anytime. He was compassionate, funny, intelligent, humble and generous; he could fix anything; and was there if and whenever you needed him.

With his death, Matt also became a hero by donating his organs to LifeSource.org.

Matthew is survived by his son, Oscar; stepdaughter, Kira; his love, Jenny Markwardt; father, David Bukal of Embarrass; mother and stepfather, Mary and Joseph Persons of Cotton; brothers, Jesse (Lianne Cimperman) Bukal of Robbinsdale and Christopher (Megan) Bukal of Maple Grove; nephews, Jacob, Dominick and Elijah Bukal; nieces, Kiara and Isabella Bukal; and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

Kenneth J. Boyle, 89
Kenneth J. Boyle, 89, of Hoyt Lakes, died on Jan. 3, 2018, at Essentia Health-Virginia. A Funeral Mass was held on Jan. 8 at Our Lady of Hope Parish in Hoyt Lakes with Fr. Peter Lambert as celebrant. Burial was in the Hoyt Lakes Memorial Cemetery

Kenneth was born on July 7, 1928, in Ashland, Wis., to John and Ruth (Moe) Boyle. He was united in marriage to Arvilia “Bells” Veno on June 18, 1949. Kenneth served our country in the U.S. Air Force from 1952-1956. He worked as a furnace operator at Erie Mining Company, retiring from there in 1995 with 35 years of service. He enjoyed listening to music, writing poems and short stories, and rooting for the Green Bay Packers. He enjoyed playing softball and was a member of the Aurora American Legion Post 241.

Survivors include his son, Wes (June); daughters, Lurene (Wayne) Ahmann, Donna (Walter) O’Farrell, Terri (Richard) Reynolds and Jackie (Jamie) Foster; grandchildren, Lisa (Tom), Carrie (Rob), Nathan (Shan), Brian (Lauren), Michael, Lynn (Brandon), Emily, Kendra (Chad) and Amanda (Tyler); and seventeen great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Arvilia; and daughter, Sister Ruth.

Martha D. Wirta, 76
Martha D. Wirta, 76, of Superior, Wis., passed away with her family by her side on Jan. 20, 2018, in Solvay Hospice House in Duluth. Funeral services were held on Jan. 26 at Nelson Funeral Care Chapel in Cloquet. Interment was in Maple Grove Cemetery in Cloquet.

Martha was born on Dec. 8, 1941, to Dale and Elda (Beale) Hutchins in Coffey County, Kansas. She married Warner Wirta, of Embarrass, in LeRoy, Kansas, on July 30, 1960. Martha was employed as operations manager for Hermantown Federal Credit Union for many years. She was a foster grandparent volunteer in Duluth and Superior elementary schools in her retirement, where she very much enjoyed spending time with the students and helping them with school work. Some of her hobbies included quilting, sewing, gardening and caring for her cats. Martha’s greatest pleasure in life was spending time with family; she loved to be surrounded by her children and grandchildren. She was always kind, generous and thoughtful with her beautiful smile. She was gentle and caring and never had an unkind word to say.

Survivors include her daughter, Anna (Scott) Wirta Kosobuski of Superior; son, Les (Zina Micklewright) Wirta of Cloquet; grandchildren, Levi Wirta, Savannah Kinsman, Lucas Kosobuski, Jonah Kosobuski, Logan Wirta and Elizabeth Vandecar; two great-grandchildren; sister, Sara Grogg of LeRoy, Kansas; brother, Robert (Carolyn) Hutchins of Emporia, Kansas; and numerous nieces and nephews. Martha was preceded in death by her husband, Warner; parents; son, Gene; and brother, Michael.
HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
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Pastor Evelyn Panula Weston
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Sunday Worship at 10:30 a.m.
Coffee an’ follows each worship service

Holy Communion:
January 7 & 28

Other Events:
Coffee & Crafts: Thursdays 9 a.m.

All are welcome! YOU are welcome!

PIKE APOSTOLIC LUTHERAN CHURCH
6997 Oberg Rd (on Hwy 169)
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February 4 – Jon Salo
February 11 – Bob Tumberg
February 18 – Gerry Southerton
February 25 – Jerry DeVries

Holy Communion
February 4, 2018
*Every First Sunday

Coffee/Fellowship
Saturday, February 17, 9:00 a.m.
*Every Third Saturday @ the church
*All are welcome to discuss the bible and fellowship with friends/congregation members.
    Host: Jon Salo

EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH OF EMBARRASS
5606 E Taylor Rd, Embarrass, MN 55732
218-984-3402
Website: www.efreechurch.com
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Weekly Schedule:
Sunday
    Family Bible classes: 9:00 a.m.
    Family Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday
    Women’s Bible Study: 9:00 a.m.
    Kids on the Rock: 4:00 p.m.
    ENGAGE Youth Gathering, 6:30 p.m.

Special Events:
Congregational Prayer. Sunday, February 4,
    6:30 p.m.
Men’s Night Out at Sulu’s: Saturday,
    February 10, 6:30 p.m.
Ministries Team Meeting. Sunday, February
    11, 12:00 p.m.
Couples Night Out. Sunday, February 18,
    6:00 p.m.

Sunday Messages:
February 4 “A Three-Year Plan and Daniel’s Resolve”
February 11 “The King’s Dream”
February 18 “Bow or Burn”
February 25 “The Final Step to Surrender”
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