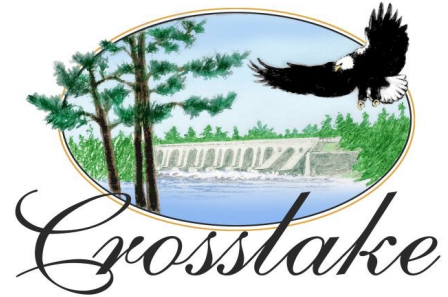


# CROSSLAKE CONNECTIONS

Greetings!

Welcome to the first edition of the City of Crosslake newsletter. This will be a work in progress as we work on ideas and gathering news to share with you. The newsletter will be published quarterly and posted to the city webpage at [www.cityofcrosslake.org](http://www.cityofcrosslake.org) —March, June, September and December. It is our goal to share any news that comes our way and fits into this small publication.

Lori Conway, City Administrator



## THE NATIONAL LOON CENTER

THE NLC held their ground breaking event on June 20th with officials giving a warm hearted thank you to all the contributors and game players who have been instrumental in the realization of the future for the National Loon Center. The campus will be a three-story building, with one story for each phase of a loon's life: in the air, nesting and in the water. The campus will be on a 10-acre plot on the corner of Swann Drive and Pioneer Drive. The project will cost nearly \$20 million, and most of those funds are acquired through private donations and also from State Bond/Grant Funds.



## CROSSLAKE LOG VILLAGE

Now open on the weekend! Step back in time and see this charming open-air museum.

The Log Village has many events on their calendar, from music to fun, making corn husk dolls and face painting. Please check out:

<https://crosslakelogvillage.com/events>

CROSSLAKE—YOUR TOURISM DESTINATION

### City Officials

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### MESSAGE FROM MAYOR:

Join me for the Mayor's Town Hall & State of the City on July 24th at 6:30 p.m. at the Log Church.

This is a great opportunity to hear about what's happening in Crosslake, what's ahead, and to share your ideas and/or ask questions in an open, welcoming setting. I'd love to see you there! Your voice matters and your involvement helps shape our community's future.

Hope to see you on July 24th at 6:30 p.m.

Your Mayor,

Jackson Purfeerst

### MUSIC IN THE SQUARE

**Saturdays 6-8 PM Sponsored by the Ideal Lions Cl.**

July 12—One Night Stand July 26—Duluth Transit Auth.

July 19—Harper's Chord [crosslakeideallions.org](http://crosslakeideallions.org)

## YODELS FROM WITHIN:

**2025 Street Repair:** Year 2 of the 5 year plan is well under way! with all of the sealcoating and overlay completed, mailboxes are put in and currently Harbor lane is scheduled for starting on July 7th.

**Minnesota Cannabis Law:** We are the 23rd state in the nation to legalize cannabis but with that comes laws, ordinances and social concerns. Minnesota Statute 342 covers everything from a seed to edibles and beverages to hours of operation. Each city or county within the state can establish limitation on number of facilities or growing operations that will be allowed. The City of Crosslake Ordinance allows for one retail store and no growing facilities. MN Roots will continue its operations and provide retail.

**Message from Fire Chief, Chip Lohmiller:** 2025 has been very busy for the Fire Dept, with crews responding to nearly 250 calls for service at mid-year. Our team remains committed to providing fast, professional service to the residents and visitors of Crosslake.

In May, the 2nd annual Women's Expo was held. This event was well-attended & received positive feedback from all participants. Also held was the 2nd annual Community Wildfire Prevention Open House on June 28th. This event brought together residents, local agencies, & fire service professionals to share information on wildfire preparedness, defensible space, & safe burning practices. Wildfire awareness remains a top priority for our department.

We're excited to share that two potential firefighter candidates are currently moving through the hiring process. If hired, this would increase our roster to 26 dedicated members. In addition to emergency response, our firefighters continue to participate in ongoing training in both EMS & fire operations to ensure we remain ready to respond effectively & safely in any situation.

Coming up on Aug 5th is **National Night Out at 6p.m.—come tour the station, see the trucks, enjoy family-friendly activities and learn about fire safety!** Also on Aug. 9th, we invite everyone to join us for our Annual Pig Roast Open House. This family-friendly event is a great opportunity to meet our firefighters, tour the station, explore the trucks and enjoy a delicious meal—while supporting your local fire department! We hope to see you there and as always, we thank the Crosslake community for your continued support and engagement. Stay safe!



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### PARK & RECREATION HAPPENINGS:

**July:** Crosslake Explorers Youth Program, Book Sale, Mobile Art Cart, Dog Days Pickleball Tournament, Author Visit(2), Climb Theatre Group, Youth Tennis Lessons, Adult Tennis Mixer

**August:** Book Sale, Adult Tennis Mixer, Art Show, Sparkle Theatricals

**September:** Book Sale, Family Fest, Youth Soccer

### Ongoing Activities/Programs:

Silver Sneakers Classes, Senior Meal Program, Read N Play, Cart Tours

### Park Master Plan:

The 48-stall Parking lot is finished and the new Pickleball Courts (4) are nearing completion.



**Police News:** The PD added a 7th full-time officer, Nick Davis. Nick has 5 yrs experience as a Sheriff's Deputy. The Police Department has almost doubled the amount of calls per year in the last 10 years. This additional officer will be a much needed relief for the full department.

### City Administrative Team:

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