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ISSUES ADDRESSED: Fundraisers for school bands, community centers, Soles for Souls, Knights of Columbus and ALS. Mental illness support, food insecurity, foster children needs and animal shelter free pet food shelf.

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- The Hibbing High School Band invites you to show off your chili making skills! Sign up to take part in the chili tasting contest by this Friday, January 5th. Entry fee is just \$10 dollars. Email Hibbing band fundraiser at gmail dot com to register. The chili tasting contest will be h eld January 13th from 3pm to 5:30 at the Hibbing Early Learning Center. Admission is just \$5 dollars. Proceeds help purchase new marching band uniforms and their trip to Disney World.
- The Balkan Community Center will be hosting a Pie Social on Saturday, January 13th, from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. Come and enjoy a slice of pie, ice cream and coffee for only \$5.00. Balkan Community Center is located at: 6061 Hwy 73, Chisholm. Proceeds go to help support functions at the Balkan Community Center.
- Great things happen when you volunteer where you live! Do you need volunteers for an upcoming event or ongoing services in your community? United Way of Northeastern Minnesota has a solution with a free online volunteer tool available to ALL community organizations in our service area (Iron Range, Koochiching County, and Lake of the Woods County)! Set up a profile and post your own volunteer opportunities in just a few minutes at: <u>united way ne mn dot org slash</u> volunteer.
- The Buck Lake Improvement Club's January breakfast buffet is Sunday, January 14th from 9 til noon. Enjoy scrambled eggs, cheesy hash browns, pancake sausage dogs, link sausages, biscuits & gravy,

pancakes, fruit, chili mac soup, delicious desserts, and hot coffee! Just \$13 for all you care to eat. Come to the Buck Lake Community Center, located 12 miles north of Nashwauk on Highway 65.

- The 4th Degree Knights of Columbus invites you to their Fundraiser Cash Bingo event **Sunday**, **January 21**st, at 2pm. Head downstairs to the social hall at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, on Louisiana Avenue Gilbert. There will be 20 games played, with the 20th game being a black-out. 56 numbers or less called for the black-out game is worth \$250. Also enjoy Bucket drawings, a free door prize, Split-The-Pot, and all the free coffee, tea, and goodies, await. \$5/card. Special pricing per card for the Black-out game.
- Precious Paws Humane Society of Chisholm is now offering a free food shelf for pets! Bretta's Pantry is open Wednesdays and Sundays from 11 am to 1pm at Precious Paws located at 101 South West 1st Avenue in Chisholm. Bretta's Pantry provides families with free pet food to get by for a few days- until they can go shopping so you don't have to decide between buying food for yourself or your pets. There are no qualifications to come to the pantry. Everyone that needs a little bit of help is welcome! Please leave your pets at home when you visit the pet food shelf.
- Benders shoes in Hibbing, Grand Rapids and Duluth will now collect any gently worn shoes you have in your closet and will donate them to Soles for Souls for you! They will run periodic shoes drives, but will accept donations of gently worn shoes at **any time** of the year so you don't have to wait for the next shoe drive to empty your closet. Help us give your old shoes new life by dropping them off at your local Benders today!
- Tom and Jerry's of Chisholm and the Hydeaway Bar in Buhl invite you to participate in the 2024 Vintage Snowmobile Ride for ALS on Saturday, February 10th. Cost is a \$10 dollar entry fee. There will also be raffles and split the pot. You can pre-register and either location or register at the Hydeaway between 9am to 11am on Saturday, February 10th. The ride leaves at noon from the Hydeaway riding to Tom and Jerry's in Chisholm and back. Lunch will be provided at both locations. All proceeds benefit Never Surrender Inc fighting to find a cure for

ALS.

- Local veterans, military, law enforcement, medical staff, first responders, firefighters, corrections, dispatch, and those providing support and care for them are invited to a free Unmasking Mental Health summit presented by United Way of NE MN. Two identical trainings will be held **January 16 and 17**, at Iron Trail Motors Event Center in Virginia. Attend one day of your choice and earn POST credits. Check out the full schedule or sign up today at: <u>united way ne</u> mn dot org/unmasking mental health.
- If you are an adult living with a mental illness and would like to have a support circle, you are invited to the peer led NAMI support group of the Iron Range. They meet **Thursdays** from 5:30-7 at the red door church in Virginia 231 3rd St South. The National Alliance on Mental Illness is a nonprofit organization founded by family members of people diagnosed with mental illness. Find NAMI Iron Range on Facebook for more information.
- The Hibbing Parkinson's Support Group meets **the first Wednesday** of the month at 10:30am at the Open Door Church, located at 12025 Corey Tracts Rd in Hibbing. This group is for people with Parkinson's, caregivers, and family members. For more information, contact Heather at (218)966-7405.
 - Memorial Blood Centers encourages all eligible donors to consider donating blood. Your donation helps accident and burn victims, heart surgery and organ transplant patients, and those battling cancer. The process takes less than an hour, costs nothing and could save a life. Every donor gets free snacks, a pop, water or juice to enjoy after donating. Go to MBC dot Org or call 1-888-GIVE- BLD
 - You Matter Bags MN provides backpacks with Pj's hygiene essentials and comfort items to children in foster type situations. Licensed foster care providers, or family members raising a non-biological child birth to 18 can request a bag as well as teens couch hopping or without a stable home environment. To request a bag or to nominate a family to receive one, email you matter bags mn at gmail dot com or message you matter bags mn on facebook.