

# U Cormorant Township PDATE Spring 2019



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## Becker County Special Waste Recycling Day Friday, June 14 ~ 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Cormorant Township will once again offer it's residents the opportunity to recycle waste items at NO CHARGE. They will partner with Becker County Environmental Services, who will bring their portable recycling operation to the Community Center on Friday, June 14 from 2:00 to 6:00 pm. This service is available to Cormorant Township residents only and proof of residency, such as an electric bill, will be required at check-in.

The following items will be accepted:

- ◆ Passenger Vehicle Tires - limit 4
- ◆ Fluorescent Bulbs - limit 10
- ◆ Large and small appliances
- ◆ Electronics
- ◆ Household Hazardous Waste – paints, stains, automotive products, household cleaners, garden & business pesticides, waste oil

Construction waste such as lumber, etc. will NOT be accepted.

Don't miss this opportunity to "clean house" and dispose of old, broken and unneeded items, in a proper manner.

## CORMORANT DAZE ~ SATURDAY, AUGUST 17

The 9th annual Cormorant Daze Festival will be held on Saturday, August 17th in Cormorant Village. This is a family-friendly event that you will not want to miss. You can start the day with the Lion's Club breakfast, run the 5K, participate in the Shoe-Canoe-Bike race or the Little Miss Sunshine contest, and find a gift at the Vendor & Craft Fair. There will be music throughout the day, including entertainment for the kids, and of course lots of yummy food. For more information and participation applications, check the township website.

The Cormorant Daze Committee is already hard at work planning events for the day and they are looking for volunteers to help plan, as well as work that day. If you have just moved to the area, this is a great opportunity to meet new friends and make a difference in your community. The next meeting is Monday, June 3 @ 6:30 pm at The Cormorant Pub. Hope to see a few new faces there!

### ANNUAL LAKE ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

June 1	9:00 am	Little Cormorant Lake
June 2	11:00 am	Upper Cormorant Lake
June 8	9:00 am	Middle Cormorant Lake
June 8	11:00 am	Lake Ida
June 15	9:00 am	Big Cormorant Lake
July 20	11:00 am	Turtle Lake

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Cormorant Township Office is looking for volunteers to help assemble scrapbooks for the Historical Room. If you are interested, please contact Susie at 532- 2404.

## Township Directory

**Cormorant Community Center**  
10929 County Highway 5  
Pelican Rapids, MN 56572  
[www.cormoranttownship.org](http://www.cormoranttownship.org)

Clerk Office hours:  
Wednesdays 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm  
218-532-7042  
email: [cormorantcc@loretel.net](mailto:cormorantcc@loretel.net)

Tim Erickson  
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11387 County Hwy 5  
Pelican Rapids, MN 56572  
218-532-3649

Steve Sorenson  
Supervisor  
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Pelican Rapids, MN 56572  
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Treasurer  
12787 Braseth Bay Road  
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Ila Lindstrom  
Facility Manager  
14480 Globstad Beach Rd  
Lake Park, MN 56554  
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## 2019 Annual Township Meeting Grassroots Level of Government at work!

The 2019 Annual Meeting and Elections were held on March 12, 2019. Including the board, there were 12 people in attendance for the meeting and 17 votes were cast in the election. Steve Sorenson was elected for another three year term as Supervisor and Susie Braseth was elected for another two year term as Treasurer. The Treasurer's Report and an information packet detailing work done in 2018 were distributed. Proposed 2019 road work, levies, fire protection and waste management were some of the items on the agenda. Those in attendance voted for the 2019 levies to remain the same as last year. Interesting to note is the levies have not changed since 2009! Extremely low attendance at these annual meetings must be an indication that the Cormorant Township Board is serving you well. Thank-you for all your hard work again this year.

### TAX COMPARISONS FOR 2017-2019

Total Tax Capacity 2017	\$3,874,901
Total Tax Capacity 2018	\$4,115,198
Total Tax Capacity 2019	\$4,351,566
Taxable Market Value 2017	\$384,910,800
Taxable Market Value 2018	\$406,915,800
Taxable Market Value 2019	\$427,918,700
Estimated Market Value 2017	\$408,253,100
Estimated Market Value 2018	\$430,612,900
Estimated Market Value 2019	\$451,924,000
Parcel Count 2017	1850
Parcel Count 2018	1863
Parcel Count 2019	1871

This information was included in the information packet that was available at the Annual Meeting and it is worth noting that the taxable market values of all properties in Cormorant Township continue to increase.

### FREE SWING-AWAY MAILBOX POST PROGRAM

This past winter was a tough one with plenty of snow, and as the snowbanks grew higher so did the problem of plowing and avoiding mailboxes. This is a great reason to consider a swing-away mailbox post, as they are placed at the correct height for the snowplow wing to go underneath them. When installed correctly they allow for more efficient and speedy removal of snow from the township roads and your mailbox is less likely to be damaged. The township will once again offer this FREE service to it's residents. Simply contact the township office and fill out an application. A Gopher State One Call will be done and the township will dig the hole and place the post for you. All you need to do after that is place the mailbox on the post.

If you are installing your own mailbox, be sure to follow the installation requirements set forth by the United States Postal Service, as they can refuse to deliver your mail if these are not met. You can contact the township office for a diagram with the correct placement dimensions.

**LIONS BLOOD DRIVE**

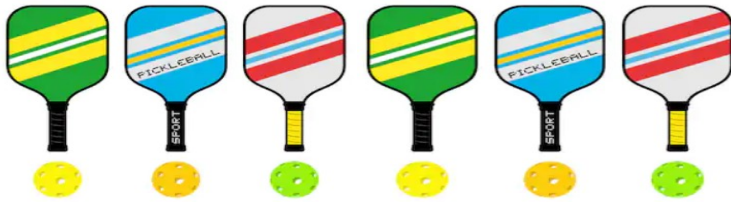
**JUNE 22**

**8:00 AM TO 1:00 PM**



## CAAC 22ND ANNUAL ART SHOW JULY 6 & 7 ~ 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

The Cormorant Area Art Club will hold its 22nd Annual Art Show at the Cormorant Community Center on July 6 & 7 featuring regional artists. A wide variety of watercolors, acrylic and oil paintings, rosemaling, pine needle basketry, prints, cards, clay sculpture, jewelry and gift items will be for sale. This event is FREE to the public and there will be artist demonstrations throughout each day, as well as door prizes and refreshments. Guests will also be able to vote for the People's Choice Award from a select group of artist's pieces. If you are looking for a new work of art to complete a room or a gift for a loved one, this would be an ideal place to find a treasure. Stop by and check out what the local art scene has to offer.



### PICKLEBALL COURTS OPENING SOON

Dust off your pickleball paddle and buy some new balls, as the pickleball court construction continues back by the equipment sheds. This is a sport which combines elements of badminton, tennis and table tennis. It is played over a net by two or four players who use large paddles to hit a perforated ball, similar to a whiffle ball and is a great way to exercise for all ages. The popularity of this sport is on the rise and these courts will be a welcome addition to the variety of activities offered at the Cormorant Community Center.

### JIGSAW PUZZLE & MAGAZINE SWAP



Check out the jigsaw puzzles and magazines available on the lower level of the Community Center. Bring one in to swap or just take one home and bring it back when you are finished.



### THE LION AND THE MOUSE ~ JUNE 12 @ 9:00 am

LARL presents a mini-play for ages 3-10 at the Community Center. Discover the story of a mouse who dreams of being a superhero that can travel to outer space! Learn about being kind, fair and how BIG things come in small packages.

### LARL Library

The Lake Agassiz Regional Library (LARL) operates a LINK Site in the lower level of the Community Center.

#### Library Site hours

Monday 10:30 am - 1:00 pm  
Thursday 10:30 am - 12:30 pm  
Thursday 4:00 pm - 6:30 pm

Cormorant LINK Site  
218-439-3072  
cormorant@larl.org

### Historical Room

The Historical Room is modeled after a one-room school house and has reference books and historical accounts of the village which are available for checkout.

Free wireless Internet access is available from 5 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily. A NEW computer and color printer are available for public use.



### STORYTIME THURSDAYS

- June 13 Up, Up, and Away
- July 18 Let's Camp Out!
- August 15 4 the ❤️ of Pets

Adults stay while your children enjoy stories, crafts and snacks. Geared for children up to 6 years old. This is a FREE event sponsored by the Township.

# Cormorant Township UPDATE

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Pelican Rapids, MN 56572



## Cormorant Township presents:



- Thurs, June 20 **Wayne Luchau Band**  
7:00 pm From the birth of Rock & Roll to the Teen Idols of the 50's & 60's, the ultimate tribute show performed in the authentic style of the era. Tickets \$15.00.
- Thurs, July 25 **Hidden Talent Show**  
7:00 pm Enjoy an evening of music, laughter and great "hidden talents" of all ages. Tickets \$5.00
- Friday, Aug 23 **11th Annual Lobster Dinner**  
6:00 pm Featuring fresh Maine lobster, clam chowder, local corn on the cob, kielbasa and dessert. Ticket price to be determined and sold *only* in advance.

- Friday, June 7 **Joel Bergeson** from Bergeson's Nursery. Tips for proper planting, pruning and care. Best perennials and roses for our area.
- Friday, June 28 **Mary Erickson**, former teacher, long-time resident and creator of Cormorant's Historical Room. Learn about the history of Cormorant.
- Friday, July 19 **Randy Martin**, Exercise Physiologist from Sanford Health. Learn how to work toward your fitness goals with commitment and techniques to keep your body strong and mobile at any age.
- Friday, August 9 **Jon Hutchison**, "Music Maverick", performer, teacher and radio host. Enjoy some good country, blues and gospel music.

**CORMORANT DAZE**  
**SATURDAY, AUGUST 17**

All "Talk of the Town" events are *FREE* and held from 9:00 am to 10:00 am in the Community Center. Join us for coffee and cookies and great conversation.