

NEWSLETTER

2026 State of the City Address

The new fiscal year began on October 1st, and as we continue moving forward in 2026, the City of Crystal Falls has made significant progress in strengthening our infrastructure and supporting future growth.

In 2025, The City completed a nearly **\$10 million wastewater system upgrade**, which included major improvements to our lagoons, pumping station and overall wastewater treatment process. This critical investment ensures long-term reliability and environmental compliance for our community.

To support residential growth, the City completed roadway, street lighting, water, sewer and electricity infrastructure improvements to accommodate a **68-unit housing development**, along with the creation of **eight additional surveyed home residential lots** in the Western location.

We are also continuing work on the **\$4 million water main replacement project** (Wagner/Fairbanks), addressing aging infrastructure and improving system efficiency. In addition, nearly **\$1 million in major and local street repaving projects** were completed, with approximately **\$228,000 funded through MDOT grants**.

Another key development was the sale of Industrial Park property to support the construction of a new **Kwik Trip gas/convenience station**, bringing additional services and economic activity to the area.

Financially, the City received a **positive audit report** for 2025 and successfully reached a **three-year labor agreement with all City employees**, providing stability and continuity in operations.

The City continues to benefit from **marijuana tax revenue**, while seasonal festivals and volunteer organizations remain vital contributors to the community's vibrancy and economic activity.

Even in the face of an uncertain economic environment, the City of Crystal Falls continues to move in a positive direction. This progress is made possible through the collaboration of our **City Council and City Administration**, working together to make responsible, informed decisions for the benefit of our residents.

I would like to personally thank all of you for your continued support and confidence in the City's leadership and direction.

Sincerely

Mayor Tim Bean

City Election Workers Needed!!!

The City of Crystal Falls is looking for citizens to help with the November 2026 Election. For more information, interested citizens can contact Tammy at 906-376-0679, or stop into the City Hall Offices.



Forest Park Sports Schedule

05-07: Golf at George Young

05-08: Track at Negaunee

05-08: Softball at Superior Central

05-11: Track at Kingsford

05-12: Softball Home vs Rapid River

05-13: Golf at George Young

05-13: Track Regionals at Ishpeming

05-14: Softball at Munising

05-19: Track Conference at North Dickinson

05-19: Softball Home vs Lake Linden-Hubbell

05-20: Golf Conference Meet at Highland

05-20: Softball at Stephenson

05-22: Softball at Superior Central

05-26: Softball Home vs Carney-Nadeau

05-27: Golf U.P. Finals at Houghton

05-30: Track U.P. Finals at Kingsford

05-30: Softball Districts at L'Anse



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: **NOTICE: New Cemetery phone number is: 906-999-0664, Also, please do not place artificial flowers on gravesites until after May 15th at Evergreen Memorial Cemetery. Articles on the gravesites prior to May 15th will be disposed of during the spring clean up process.**
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Peter Bergin, American Jamboree
Sat. May 23rd 7:00 pm

Michigan-based ragtime artist, Peter Bergin, has entertained audiences for over two decades. Peter's mission is to celebrate life through music and stories, and especially loves sharing the rhythms and history of ragtime piano. Classically trained, Peter embarked on a full-time music career after twenty-four years in computer software. There isn't a day he regrets this decision! Peter's latest CD, Beyond the Maple Leaf, was released in 2019 featuring the music of Scott Joplin and the vintage pianos of the Music House



The Frog Prince
Missoula Children's Theatre
June 12 at 7pm; June 13 at 2pm

Deep in the royal swamp, a lonely Frog retrieves a golden ball for Princess Prim in exchange for friendship and comfort. The selfish princess doesn't want to live up to her part of the bargain and puts her royal Knights on alert. And so the trouble begins. Luckily, Frog gets some good advice from Ollie the wise old Aspen tree, the well-read Alligator, and the kindly Swamp Things. The Ducks, a busy Fly, and dancing Flamingos also come to Frog's assistance as the Frog's kindly servant tirelessly tries to set things right. Even the kindly Princess Proper and spunky Princess Peppy get involved and, despite the trouble caused by the mischievous Venus Fly Traps, all ends happily. Our hero becomes a Prince (formerly known as Frog) and realizes that friendships are made, not bought—and he discovers that it is not what you are but who you are that counts.



Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp is excited to offer TWO weeks of Onsite Day Camp to area youth who are currently in grades K-5! Campers will explore all the fun of camp without staying overnight. This is a great opportunity to introduce local youth to camp! Dates offered are July 20-23 and July 27-30.

Four action-packed days include chapel, lunch, games, swimming, Bible activities, picnics, crafts, and more! Campers stay with the same group all week, led by experienced staff members who know how to engage them in fun opportunities meant to grow their faith and sense of wonder. Their days will be full, spent almost exclusively outside, playing active community-building games, splashing in the shallow end at the beach (under the supervision of certified life-guards), making themed projects at arts-n-crafts, and building friendships with other local kids. They'll come home exhausted, but wake up wanting to return!

Day Camp runs 9 am - 5 pm CT Monday through Thursday. Cost is \$140/camper/week and includes all programming, meals, and an afternoon snack. Camperships are available. Call 906-214-2267. Email: officemanager@fortunelake.org

Important Dates

- 05-09: City Spring Clean Up at Bristol Mine 7am-1pm
- 05-10: Mother's Day
- 05-11: City Council Meeting 5pm
- 05-16: Armed Forces Day
- 05-25: Memorial Day (City Offices Closed)
- 06-08: City Council Meeting 5pm