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# **VISITORS GUIDE**

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In the heart of northwestern Minnesota lies a quaint town full of inviting people, rich history and unique opportunities. The community prides itself on its hospitality, recreation, amenities and an ever growing calendar of events. Crookston is not only a wonderful place to visit but a great place to live, work, play and raise a family.

Our historic downtown connects the past and the future with a broad range of shopping and business opportunities while surrounded by architecturally significant buildings, many listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Behind the unique facades of these beautiful structures, shoppers will find a variety of items including chocolates from the winner of WCCO's "Best Candy Store in Minnesota" contest to fragrance-filled beauty products and gorgeous gifts and decor inside the old City Hall.

As one of the longest continuously operating theaters in the country, the Grand Theatre provides a beautiful and comfortable venue for first run movies and unexpected entertainment possibilities. Crookston's other attractions include the world's largest Ox Cart at the Polk County Museum, community swimming pool, multi-use sports center, exceptional and newly renovated public library, a 9-hole golf course, and an impressive number of parks, trails and natural history areas. Meandering through town is the Red Lake River, providing a tranquil escape for canoeing, kayaking, fishing and trail exploring all year long. The area also offers opportunities for birding, wildlife watching and hiking the seemingly endless acres of prairie and woodlands. Crookston's beautiful parks that include a summertime splash park, updated playgrounds and rest areas, as well as various sports complexes provide hours of relaxing family time.



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Find community information, directories, events and links at:

www.crookstoncvb.com







**Apostolic Assembly** 120 N Broadway ~ 218-281-1258 Apostolic

**Bible Baptist Church** www.biblebaptistcrookston.org 23928 265th St. SW ~ 218-281-5629 **Bible Baptist** 

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception www.crookstoncathedral.com 702 E. Summit Ave. ~ 218-281-1735 Catholic

Church of Christ Church of Christ on Facebook 321 5th Ave. ~ 218-281-5402 Restorationist

**Evangelical Covenant Church** www.crookstoncovenant.org 502 Fisher Ave. ~ 218-281-2264 **Evangelic Covenant** 

**Encounter Church** encountercrookston.com 209 N Main St. ~ 218-281-4017 Non-Denominational

**First Christian Reformed** 433 Jackson Ave. ~ 218-281-6826 **Christian Reformed** 

**First Presbyterian Church** www.crookstonfirstpres.org 510 N Broadway ~ 218-281-4853 Presbyterian

Grace Lutheran Church www.gracecrookston.com 1221 Barrette St. ~ 218-281-4342 Lutheran

#### Harvest Church

www.harvestchurchcrookston.com 520 Fisher Ave. ~ 218-281-2264 Covenant

Kingdom Hall of Jehovahs Witness www.jw.org 1727 Widman Lane ~ 218-281-6252 Jehovas Witness





Mount St Benedict Monastery Chapel www.msb.net 620 East Summit Ave. ~ 218-281-3441 Catholic

**Nexus Church** nexuschurchmn.com 605 3rd Ave. NE ~ 218-521-2616 Assemblies of God

Our Lady of Sorrow Chapel www.sspx.org 596 E Robert St. ~ 218-281-6880 Catholic

Our Savior's Lutheran-LCMS www.oursaviorslutheranchurchcrookston.org 217 S Broadway ~ 218-281-1239 Lutheran Church of Missori Synod

Prairie Community Baptist Church www.prairiecommunitybabtist.com 27897 170th Ave. SW ~ 218-281-3638 Southern Baptist

St. Paul's Lutheran Church www.saintpaulscrookston.com 1214 University Ave. ~ 218-281-3638 Evengelical Lutheran in America

Seventh Day Adventist Church www.crookston22.adventistchurch Barrette and 4th Ave. NE ~ 218-281-2816 Seventh Day Advendtist

Trinity Lutheran Church - ELCA www.trinitycrookston.org 205 S Broadway ~ 218-281-4276 Evangelical Lutheran Church of America

Valley Christian Fellowship www.vcfchurchcrookston.org 209 N Main St. ~ 218-281-4017 Interdenominational

Wesley United Methodist www.crookstonwesleyumc.org 701 Eickhof Blvd. ~ 218-281-3393 Methodist

# **CROOKSTON INN & CONVENTION CENTER**



2200 University Avenue Crookston, MN 56716 (218) 470-1000 www.crookstoninn.com



## Food **Online!**



• Large banquet hall and ballroom for events of all sizes; wedding packages available FREE WiFi, continental breakfast, coffee, on-site laundry, local phone calls, and guest passes to Anytime Fitness

• Comfortable king and queen size beds

• Pet friendly and large accommodating parking area

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- FREE WiFi and homestyle breakfast
- Heated indoor pool and hot tub
- Upgrade to a suite with whirlpool and fireplace
- Near Minakwa Golf Course
- Mobile check-in and special rates with Wyndham Rewards Points plus free parking
- Breakfast room available for guest gatherings and to use for special occassions
- Comfortable beds with flat-screen HDTV and mini fridge plus many accessible amenities including easy access to guest rooms, pool, front desk and parking



# **AMERICINN BY WYNDHAM**

AmericInn 1821 University Avenue Crookston, MN 56716 (218) 281-7800 www.wyndhamhotels.com/americinn/crookston-minnesota





# **COBBLESTONE HOTEL & SUITES**

2304 Sahlstrom Drive Crookston, MN 56716 (218) 470-1111

www.staycobblestone.com/mn/crookston

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**HOTEL & SUITES** 

### Swimming pool that's fun for the whole family plus finish vour work at our 24-hour business center Modern, cozy, spacious guestrooms that let you

- unwind, relax and rest peacefully
- Fresh complimentary breakfast and on-site guest laundry



- Complimentary high speed internet
- Complimentary Anytime Fitness membership for guests
- Pet friendly and onsite convenience store



# **GOLF TERRACE MOTEL**

1731 University Avenue Crookston, MN 56716 (218) 281-2626 www.golfterracemotel.com

- Now accepting weekly, bi-weekly and monthly room bookings
- Budget motel offering no-frills rooms
- Free WiFi and cable TV
- Free covered parking and pet-friendly with deposit
- Air conditioning, refrigerator and desk in each room
- Updated bed linens and decor
- Variety of rooms, rates and packages including extended stay visits plus \$\$\$ referrals that lead to a stay of a month or beyond
- Near Minakwa Golf Course, local restaurants, shopping and other amenities



**GOLF TERRACE** 

MOTEL



## CROOKSTON'S HISTORIC DOWNTOWN BUSINESS DISTRICT

Crookston has the largest, most architecturally intact concentration of late 19th and early 20th century commercial buildings in the region. Placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1984, the historic business district includes approximately 30 structures. Free self-guided walking tour booklets are available at the Crookston Area Chamber of Commerce at 103 South Broadway, 218-281-4320 www.visitcrookston. com.

Fun facts about downtown's historic buildings were displayed at the Downtown Crookston Development Partnership's first annual Historic Halloween Candy Hunt event in 2020 and included information on some of the area's more prominent structures. Here are some of the highlights from the shared information:

• The Grand Theatre on Second Street was built in 1910 and once housed a candy store and a business college. It had its own orchestra pit that can still be seen in the front of the theatre and had many famous people perform there such as Mark Twain, Roy Rogers, and Boris Karloff. The Grand is also known as one of the country's longest continuously-operating motion picture theaters.

 The Old Cathedral on Ash Street was built in 1912 by Bert Keck with three spires and was added

to the National Register in 1989. After the new Cathedral was built the old Cathedral's ownership was transferred to the Care and Share to expand services to the homeless.

• The Montagues Flower Building on Main Shop Street was built in 1900 and was originally used by the Minneapolis Brewery as a saloon. In 1904, Peter Stuhl had a shooting gallery inside the





yellow brick building that has four jack-arched windows on the second story.

 The Old City Hall Building on South Broadway was built in 1899 by E.H. Strassburger and was a former home to Crookston Police Station, Crookston Fire Department and Eickhof Columbaria. It's upper 10 foot pyramidal roof was removed in 1979-80 and now houses the gift and decor shop Willow & Ivy.

• The Fournet Building on North Broadway was built in 1885 for \$15,000 by Felix Fournet who was a wholesale liquor dealer and hotelman. It was the former home of the New York Store, Johnson Drug, Minnie I. Boe Agency, Dr. A.E. Lucian Dentist, Montgomery Ward, Munn's Jewelry and Four Seasons Clothing. The building

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is currently being renovated by owner Jeff Evers and is the future home of Tri-Valley Opportunity Council. Inc. and Polk County Public Defenders Office."







#### TRANSPORTATION

T.H.E. Bus www.tvoc.org 218-281-0700 Same day rides \$3 to destination, \$2 return

#### SCHOOLS

#### Washington Elementary

www.crookston.k12.mn.us 724 University Ave. ~ 218-281-2762 Ind. School Dist. #593 Pre K- kindergarten

## Highland Elementary School

www.crookston.k12.mn.us 801 Central Ave. N ~ 218-281-5600 Public school grades 1-6

### **Crookston High School**

www.crookston.k12.mn.us 402 Fisher Ave. ~ 218-281-2144 Public school grades 7-12

Cathedral School www.mycathedral.school 702 Summit Ave. ~ 218-281-1835 Christian School Pre K-6

**Our Saviors Lutheran School** www.oursaviorslutheranschool.org 217 S Broadway ~ 218-281-1239 Christian School Pre K-6

**University of Minnesota Crookston** www.crk.umn.edu 2900 University Ave. ~ 218-281-6510 4 year public university



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#### **HEALTHCARE**

Alluma www.allumacares.org 603 Bruce St. ~ (218) 281-3940 Crisis Helpline: 800-282-5005 Alluma takes an uncommon communitybased approach, integrating mental health and substance use care into overall wellbeing.

#### Altru Clinic www.altru.org

400 S University Ave. ~ 218-281-9100 Walk-In services M-F starting at 7am

**RiverView Health Clinic / Hospital** www.riverviewhealth.org 323 S Minnesota St. ~ 218-281-9200 Emergency Room, pharmacy, clinic and hospital

**Biermaier Chiropractic** www.biermaierchiropractic.com 1226 University Ave. ~ 218-281-6311 Family chiropractic care

Aspen Chiropractic Clinic www.crookstonchiropractic.com 116 N Main St. ~ 218-281-3811 Family chiropractic care

#### PUBLIC FACILITIES

**Golden Link Senior Center** 324 N. Main St. ~ 218-281-3072 Senior Center with meals

#### **City Hall** www.crookston.mn.us 124 N Broadway ~ 218-281-1232 Municipal government, parks & recreation

**Fire Department** www.crookston.mn.us 620 S Main St. ~ 218-281-4584 Dial 911 for emergencies

Police Department www.crookston.mn.us 321 W Robert St. ~ 218-281-3111 **Dial 911 for emergencies** 

**Chamber of Commerce** www.visitcrookston.com 103 S Broadway ~ 218-281-4320

**Crookston National Guard Armory** www.minnesotanationalguard.ng.mil 1810 University Ave. ~ 218-281-6059

#### SALONS

Head East Hair Salon Head East Salon on Facebook 515 E Robert St. ~ 218-281-1062

Rejuv' Salon & Spa reiuvsalonandspa.com 2015 Sahlstrom Dr. ~ 218-281-2416 Spa services: nails, massage, facials, hair

Cutting Edge Hair Salon 113 N Main St. ~ 218-281-5001

Shear Sisters Hair Salon Shear Sisters on Facebook 105 W 2nd St. ~ 218-281-4442

Hair Connexion Hair Salon Hair Connexion on Facebook 310 S Broadway ~ 218-281-3600

TLC Family Hair Care and Spa TLC Family Hair Care & Spa on Facebook 122 S Main ~ 218-281-3445

Studio 108 Hair Salon Studio 108 on Facebook 107 E 2nd St. #3 ~ 218-281-7337

**Tips & Toes Nail Salon** Tips & Toes Nail Spa on Facebook 2211 Sahlstrom Dr. ~ 218-281-1613 Manicures, pedicures

#### PET NEEDS **Crookston Pet Clinic** www.crookstonpetclinic.com

214 S Main St. ~ 218-281-4231 **BDB Dog Boarding** 

BDB Dog Boarding on Facebook 22669 340th St. SW ~ 218-280-7504

Rock Star Pet Grooming Rockstar Grooming on Facebook 802 N. Broadway ~ 218-289-7625



#### China Moon www.crookstonchinamoon.com 114 S Broadway ~ 218-281-3136 Daily lunch and dinner buffet as well as full menu

#### **Caribou Coffee**

www.locations.cariboucoffee.com 1310 University Ave. in Hugo's ~ 218-281-3174 Coffee, breakfast, bakery and bagel sandwiches

#### **Drafts Sports Bar & Grill**

www.draftssportsbar.com 925 Fisher Ave. ~ 218-281-1183 Steaks, burgers, pasta, full bar, beers on tap and off-sale

#### Happy Joe's Pizza & Ice Cream www.happyjoes.com 705 E Robert St. ~ 218-281-5141 Pizza, pasta, salads, ice cream delivery available

Hong's Chinese Restaurant Hongs Chinese Restaurant on Facebook 2221 Sahlstrom Dr. Unit C ~ 218-281-3318 Daily buffet as well as full menu delivery available

### Irishman's Shanty

www.irishmansshanty.com 1501 S Main ~ 218-281-9912 Burgers, steaks, seafood, full bar and off-sale



golfing

## Mugoo's Pizza www.icmuggs.com bar and off-sale

**RBJ's Restaurant** 

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Scobey's Pub and Grub Crookston Inn www.crookstoninn.com

Crookston Eagles Club crookstoneaglesclub.com 105 S Broadway ~ 218-281-3881 Food and drink specials, burgers, bar bingo

Wonderful Life Foods Wonderful Life Foods on Facebook 115 N Main St. ~ 218-281-1125 Gluten free restaurant, specialty grocery store

1500 University Ave. ~ 218-281-4112 Pizza, appetizers, wings, nachos,

www.rbjsrestaurant.com 1601 University Ave. ~ 218-281-3636 Full service restaurant, all day breakfast,

2200 University Ave. ~ 218-470-1000 Burgers, sandwiches, daily specials, full bar

## Kitchen at the Kwa<sup>\*</sup> (seasonal)

Minakwa Golf Course on Facebook 901 Fisher Ave. ~ 218-281-1773 Burgers, sandwiches, appetizers, full bar,

## FAST FOOD/ CONVENIENCE

McDonald's www.mcdonalds.com 1811 University Ave. ~ 218-281-7611 Burgers, fries, shakes, McCafe - drive thru

#### Dairy Queen\* (seasonal) www.dairyqueen.com 1740 University Ave. ~ 218-281-4421

Ice cream, cakes, hot dogs, sloppy joes drive thru

## Domino's Pizza

www.dominos.com 601 N. Broadway ~ 218-281-3671 Pizza, subs, appetizers, takeout / delivery

## Subway

www.restaurants.subway.com 123 W 6th St. ~ 218-281-7470 Breakfast, sandwiches, soup, salads drive thru

## Synergy Nutrition Hub

www.dillonfenno.goherbalife.com 116 W Robert St. ~ 218-289-6196 Nutrition/wellness smoothie. juice bar / shakes

## Taco John's

www.tacojohns.com 605 N Main St. ~ 218-281-7357 Tex-Mex tacos, burritos, breakfast drive thru







**Casev's General Store** www.casevs.com 100 E Fisher Ave. ~ 218-281-1914 Pizza, subs, bakery, breakfast pizza - delivery

#### **B&E Meats**

www.bemeats.com 330 3rd Ave. SW ~ 218-281-5213 Deli sandwiches and box lunches - grocery

Ampride Convenience Mart www.crookstonampride.com 1020 Old Hwy 75 S ~ 218-281-7929 Deli, pizza, salads, wraps, breakfast - grocery

Super Pumper www.gosuperpumper.com 1749 University Ave. ~ 218-281-3908 Convenience store, coffee, sandwiches, snacks

**Eagles Nest Grill** www.crk.umn.edu/eaglesnest University of Minnesota Crookston 218-281-8541 Featuring soups, salads, hot entrees, made to order sandwiches and bakery items

Hugo's Family Marketplace Deli www.gohugos.com 1310 University Ave. ~ 218-281-3690 Featuring soups, salads, hot entrees, made to order sandwiches and bakery items



Crookston Inn and Convention Center www.crookstoninn.com

Crookston Eagles Club crookstoneaglesclub.com facebook









### **BARS/ BOTTLE SHOPS**

Crooks Club Crooks Club Crookston on Facebook 223 North Main St. ~ 218-281-5503 Daily specials, live music, dancing, full bar, and off-sale

**Drafts Sports Bar & Grill** www.draftssportsbar.com 925 Fisher Ave. ~ 218-281-1183 30 draft beers, pull tabs, full bar, bottle shop

Crookston Eagles Club crookstoneaglesclub.com 105 S Broadway ~ 218-281-3881 Food and drink specials, burgers, full bar, bingo

I.C.Muggs/Best Buy Liquor www.icmuggs.com 1500 University Ave. ~ 218-281-4112 Daily food & drink specials, full bar, bottle shop

Irishman's Shantv www.irishmansshanty.com 1501 S Main St. ~ 218-281-9912 Daily food & drink specials, full bar, bottle shop

Scobey's Pub and Grub www.crookstoninn.com 2200 University Ave. ~ 218-470-1000 Daily food and drink specials, full bar, pull tabs

Minakwa Golf Course\* (seasonal) Minakwa Golf Course on Facebook 901 Fisher Ave. ~ 218-281-1773 Golfing, burgers, sandwiches, appetizers, full bar

# Local Altraction

#### CAMPING

**Central Park Campground** www.crookston.mn.us N Ash St. and Mitchell Ln. 218-281-1242 Bath house. WiFi. RV water. electrical hookups

#### PARKS

22 parks in the City's Park system Each park has unique features to include playgrounds, basketball courts, gardens www.crookston.mn.us 218-281-1242 Call for information on rentable shelters, sitting areas, splash park, outdoor skating rinks and trails

#### LOCAL ATTRACTIONS AND ENTERTAINMENT

**Crookston Community Pool** Crookston Community Pool on Facebook 320 E 4th St.~ 218-281-1180 Indoor public swimming pool

Crookston Sports Center www.crookston.mn.us 801 Fisher Ave. ~ 218-281-2465 Skating rinks, artificial turf, rentable event center

#### Ray Ecklund Complex www.crookston.mn.us 218-281-1242 Baseball, softball diamonds, skate park, tennis

**Crookston Splash Park** www.crookston.mn.us 218-281-1242 Splash pad, play structures, picnic shelters

**Downtown Square** www.crookston.mn.us 218-281-1232 Red barn event space, resting area and Rotary Club peace pole garden

**Crookston Dog Park** www.crookston.mn.us Castle St. Castle Park 218-281-1232 Fenced for off leash, benches, shelter, picnic area

Minakwa Golf Course and Driving Range

Red Lake River www.crookston.mn.us

**Central Park** amenities

The Grand 1 & 2 Movie Theater www.moorefamilytheaters.com 124 E.2nd St. ~ 218-281-1820

Glacial Ridge National Wildlife Refuge www.fws.gov ~ 218-687-2229 17788 349th St. SE. Erskine MN

Red River Natural History Area www.crk.umn.edu 2900 University Ave. ~ 218-281-8131

Red River Valley Sugar Beet Museum www.sugarbeetmuseum.com 1345 Fairfax Ave. off US Hwy. 2 218-281-2550

**Carnegie History Center** www.polkhistorical.org 101 N Ash St. ~ 218-281-1038





Minakwa Golf Course Facebook 901 Fisher Ave. ~ 218-281-1773 9 hole golf course, kitchen, bar driving range

www.crookston.mn.us ~ 218-281-1242 Interactive trail map on www.crookston.mn.us Boat access, fishing dock, trails and



**Polk County Historical Museum** www.polkhistorical.org 719 E Robert Street

Shaver Butterfly Gardens www.crk.umn.edu 2900 University Ave. 218-281-8131

Military Veteran's Memorial Walkway Beyond the Yellow Ribbon on Facebook corner of US Hwy. 2 / Fairfax Ave.

**Crookston Public Library** www.larl.org 110 N Ash St ~ 218-281-4522 books, wireless printing, meeting rooms, events



#### **The Grand Theatre**

The Grand Theatre in Crookston is the longest continuously running theater in the U.S. It was originally an Opera house which hosted such performers as Mark Twain. The Grand Theatre is an all-digital movie theater with the newest technology. For more information call 218-281-1820 or click on www.moorefamilytheaters.com

#### **Glacial Ridge National Wildlife Refuge**

A partnership of nearly 30 organizations, this is the largest tall grass prairie restoration project in the nation. Approximately 20 miles east of Crookston, this prairie wetland complex host a great diversity of plant species, bird species, butterflies, mammals, amphibians and reptiles. Recent sightings include bald eagles and visitors can enjoy watching prairie chickens from blinds during the spring mating season. Contact www. fws.gov for a day of wildlife watching, photography, education or hunting.

#### **Red River Natural History Area**

The Red River Natural History Area is a tract of approximately 85 acres in the flat lake bed of glacial Lake Agassiz less than one mile from the University of Minnesota Crookston campus. It has been established as a living museum and teaching laboratory by the University of Minnesota. Use of the area is limited to educational groups and individuals having serious natural history interests. Persons or groups wishing to visit or utilize the Natural History Area should make arrangements in advance from Laura Bell 218-281-8131 or e-mail Ibell@umn. edu





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#### **Red River Valley Sugar Beet Museum**

A historical museum that showcases the history of sugar beet farming and the progress of agricultural technology. This museum consists of 2 large buildings housing sugar beet and agricultural memorabilia and equipment. Free admission. For more information contact Allen Dragseth at 218-282-2550, click on www.sugarbeetmuseum.com, or RRV Sugarbeet Museum on Facebook.

#### **Carnegie History Center**

The Crookston Carnegie Public Library was built between 1907 and 1908 and was placed on the National Historic Registry in June of 1984. The building serves as a library for historic newspapers and books as well as art displays and traveling exhibits. The building is owned and operated by the Polk County Historical Society who has lovingly has made it their mission to preserve this historical landmark. For more information call 218-281-1038, click on www.historicnw.org or Polk County Historical Society on Facebook.

#### **Shaver Butterfly Garden**

The Shaver Butterfly Garden is a unique horticulture display located on the vibrant University of Minnesota Crookston campus. It contains a special mixture of plants selected because of their preference by butterflies. A tribute to long time Crookston resident June Shaver, an ardent supporter of the University of Minnesota Crookston, who established the June Shaver Environmental Landscaping Internship Fund in 2006 with a gift of more than \$30,000. It is through this endowment that UMN Crookston students enjoy financial and academic promise as University of Minnesota undergraduates.

#### **Military Veteran's Memorial Walkway**

A walkway to honor those from our community who have served. Features including granite memorial inscribed with "All gave some and some gave all", memorial paver stones, annual flower bed and flag pole maintained by Beyond the Yellow Ribbon members.

#### **Crookston Public Library**

A variety of free services are offered including; books, story time online and in person options, WIFI, wireless printing, free computer access, meeting rooms and community event hosting. For more information call 218-281-4522, click on www.larl.org or Crookston Public Library on Facebook.





#### **GIFTS/SPECIALTY/ FLORAL**

**Bridge Street Candle Company** Bridge Street Candle on Facebook 1111 A Street ~ 218-281-3488 Decorative candles hand poured on site. refurbished furniture and home decor

#### **Crookston Floral and Antiques** www.crookstonfloral.com

115 N Broadway ~ 218-281-3549 Fresh flowers, antiques, jewelry, glassware floral deliverv

#### Montague's Flower Shop

www.montaguesflowershop.com 114 N Main St. ~ 218-281-4419 Fresh flowers, gifts and jewelry - floral delivery

Real Good Bath & Body Real Good Bath & Body on Facebook 118 S Broadway ~ 218-280-4725 High quality hand-made skin-loving products

Sweetlight Gallery www.sweetlightphoto.com 119 N Main St. ~ 612-269-3601 Fine art landscape and still life photography

#### Widman's Candy Shop

116 S Broadway ~ 218-281-1487 Homemade chocolates and confections. Voted Best Candy Store in Minnesota, Home of the famous chocolate covered potato chip, the "Chipper"



# Sistas Corner

Willow & Ivy Gift Shop Willow & Ivy on Facebook 123 S Broadway ~ 218-281-3104 Unique gifts and antiques, clothing, jewelry, tovs

**Limited Addition Gift Shop** www.riverviewhealth.org 323 S Minnesota St. ~ 218-281-9200 RiverView Health - Gifts, candles, clothing, jewelry

www.danddthomfordegardencenter.com 601 Tuttle Ave. ~ 218-281-3076

Erickson Embroidery www.ericksonembroidery.com 124 W 2nd St. ~ 218-281-2801 Screen printing, embroidery, sportswear

2nd Street Boutique www.ericksonembroidery.com 124 W 2nd St. ~ 218-281-2801 Trendy women's clothing from S-XXL sizes

#### 121 North Main Street ~ 218-280-2854 Vintage, art, gifts, decor, consignment clothing and so much more. They feature dozens of regional artists with unique items on display and have what reviewers call "the perfect mix of new and old." You won't be able to leave without finding a new treasure to take home.

## D&D's Thomforde Garden Center

Annuals, perennials, shrubs open seasonally

#### UMN Crookston Bookstore

www.crookstonbookstore.com 2900 University Ave. ~ 218-281-8335 UMN fashion, gifts and athletic apparel







#### **GAS & CONVENIENCE** STORES

#### Ampride Convenience Mart www.crookstonampride.com 1020 Old Hwy 75 S ~ 218-218-7929 Deli, groceries, car wash, open 24 hours

#### **Casey's General Store**

www.caseys.com 100 E Fisher Ave. ~ 218-281-1914 Pizza, salads, breakfast sandwiches, groceries

#### **Holiday Store**

www.holidaystationstores.com 411 N Main St. ~ 218-281-1502 Convenience store, diesel, propane, car wash, ATM

#### **M&H Gas Station**

www.mhgas.com 315 N Main St. ~ 218-281-3896 Deli sandwiches, bakery, groceries, car wash

#### Super Pumper

www.gosuperpumper.com 1749 University Ave. ~ 218-281-3908 Snacks, groceries, car wash



#### **GROCERY/ VARIETY**

#### B&E Meats

www.bemeats.com 330 3rd Ave. SW ~ 218-281-5213 Meat market, deli, butcher, wild game processing

#### Hugo's Family Marketplace

www.gohugos.com 1310 University Ave. ~ 218-281-3690 Deli, bakery, produce, Caribou Coffee, pharmacy, online ordering with home or curbside delivery

#### Wonderful Life Foods

Wonderful Life Foods on Facebook 115 N Main Street ~ 218-281-1125 Specialty groceries, bakery, gluten free eatery

PHARMACY

www.gohugos.com

Groceries/Caribou Coffee

www.thriftywhite.com

Walmart Pharmacy

Medical supplies

www.walmart.com

Groceries/retail

**Thrifty White Pharmacy** 

206 N Main St. ~ 218-281-2540

Hugo's Family Pharmacy

1310 University Ave. ~ 218-281-3174

1930 Sahlstrom Drive ~ 218-281-6170

#### Walmart

www.walmart.com/store/3758 1930 Sahlstrom Drive ~ 218-281-2970 Deli, bakery, produce, retail shopping, pharmacy

#### HARDWARE / SUPPLIES

Hardware Hank www.newsite.unitedhardware.com 1400 University Ave. ~ 218-281-1749 Paint, tools, electrical, cleaning, plumbing

#### Scott's Crookston True Value www.stores.truevalue.com

111 N Main St. ~ 218-281-2270 Household tools, supplies, paint, home and garden

Fleet Distributing Supply 1318 University Ave. ~ 218-281-1010 Farm supplies, tools, outerwear, safety gear





#### LAUNDRY

Wash-N-Shine & Tanning Rays www.tanningrays.net 1615 University Ave. ~ 218-281-2327 Coin operated machines or same day wash & fold. Tanning beds

Scott's Crookston True Value www.stores.truevalue.com 111 N Main St. ~ 218-281-1749 Dry cleaning drop off and pick up at True Value Hardware



#### PRINTING Ye Ole Print Shoppe www.yeoleprint.com 112 S Main St. ~ 218-281-4635 Commercial printing, graphic design, wedding/ other invites, raffle tickets, banners

**Brandner Printing** www.brandnerprintingco.com 109 S Broadway ~ 218-281-3194 Printing, graphic design, office supplies, bindery



#### **Crookston Inn and Convention Center**

This venue is perfect for any size event, banquet, party, meeting or wedding. The Crookston Inn features banquet space that can be configured to accommodate groups of almost any size. A private space, the North Shore Room, can be used for meetings and groups of 65 or less.

The Crookston Inn is an all-inclusive venue that can handle your every need, from hotel accommodations, bar and restaurant as well as event, party and wedding planning. Events include but not limited to receptions, showers, grooms dinners, Quinceanera, proms, weddings, receptions, meet and greets, business or private parties, bachelorette parties, craft shows, Staycations, meetings and conventions. The Crookston Inn can do offsite food catering as well.

To book your event, please call 218-470-1000 and speak to Laurie or Allison.

#### **Crookston Eagles Club**

The Eagles Club is perfect to host your private events. The newly remodeled banquet hall accommodates up to 300 and features a full on site kitchen and bar. For smaller groups, a meeting room that holds 75 is available and the bar area holds 200. This one of kind atmosphere is the perfect place for any event from bingo tournaments, band's, comedy shows, craft shows, holiday parties, weddings, milestone events and community fundraisers. to book your event or for more information, call 218-281-3881, e-mail: info@ crookstoneaglesclub.com, go to www.crookstoneaglesclub. com or message Crookston Eagles Club on Facebook.

#### **Crookston Sports Center**

The Crookston Sports Center is an 87,000 sq. foot building that boasts 3 arenas, seating for over 1200, 14 locker rooms, 8 restrooms a large community room and 268 parking spaces. This venue has been utilized for hockey tournaments, Ice Skating Shows, large concerts, craft shows, home and boat shows, family reunions and other private parties. For more information or to book an event, please call 218-281-2465 or www.crookstonsportscenter.com

#### **Irishman's Shanty**

The Irishman's Shanty has a full catering service providing both food and liquor within a 50 mile radius for groups of 80-400. The banquet room is a comfortable space that is ideal for meetings, grooms dinners, showers, training programs, open house events and cocktail gatherings. Choose from the regular menu or guests' choices can be prepared including full meals, lunch, bar snacks, hors d'oeuvres, sandwich bars, continental or full breakfasts. Complete bar service is available in house or off site, prices vary with selections. For more information or to book your event, contact Paul or Carol at 218-281-9912 or send a message through our website at https://www.irishmansshanty.com

#### **Drafts Sports Bar & Grill**

Draft's Sports Bar & Grill can accommodate small and large groups both indoor and outdoor at this beautiful sports bar with outdoor patio seating. With an offsite food and liquor license, Drafts is fully equipped to meet your catering needs large or small. Drafts also has a food truck that can be booked for large or small outdoor events or parties. For more information, call 218-218-1183 or click on www.draftssportsbar.com

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#### **Cobblestone Hotel & Suites**

The Cobblestone Hotel & Suites has a meeting space that accommodates up to 80 and can be used for showers, parties and meetings. We have a convenience line next to our check in where items such as soda, bottled water, candy and chips may be purchased. For more information, call 218-470-1111 or e-mail gm.mn111@staycobblestone.com

#### **RBJ's Restaurant**

This family restaurant features home cooking and delicious baked goods for in house dining, take out or catering for large and small events. There is a large meeting room available for all types of gatherings including graduation and confirmation receptions, wedding and anniversary receptions, reunions, office and staff meetings, bridal and baby showers. RBJ's has a vast catering menu that includes brunch, hot and cold appetizers, platters, soups and salads, sandwiches, fresh fruits, desserts and hot delicious entrees including their famous fried chicken. For more information go to www. rbjsrestaurant.com or call 218-281-3636.

#### Happy Joe's Pizza & Ice Cream

Happy Joe's in Crookston is well known as THE place for birthdays! The fun center features an arcade room where kids can win tickets that can be redeemed for prizes of their choice. A private room for dining is available for groups up to 40 people and is free of charge for lunch or dinner meetings, birthday parties or big family meals. Happy Joe's has a fantastic lunch buffet Monday-Friday which makes it easy to host a lunch function and as always, all of their menu items are avaialbe as well.

#### **University of Minnesota Crookston**

The beautiful University of Minnesota Crookston is well known for hosting large sporting events, camps, and weddings. UMN Crookston Sports Center is home to Lysaker Gymnasium including three full size basketball/volleyball courts and services UMN Crookston's varsity teams as well as local and regional tournaments, seating approximately, 2200. UMN Crookston has space available for large meetings, conferences, summer camps, banquets, and indoor/outdoor weddings. More information and reservations can be made by contacting Facilities and Operations (218) 281-8483.

#### **The Grand Theatre**

This theater can be booked for private events to include corporate events, private parties and showings, virtual conferences, guest speakers and band live streaming events. For those wanting private parties and showings, you can bring your own DVD or Blu-ray or enjoy the current movie that is showing on screen one or screen two. For more information or to book your event please contact 218-281-1820 or click on www.moorefamilytheaters.com



United Way Soup & Chili Cook Off and Chocolate Extravaganza - this annual fundraiser for the United Way of Crookston features unlimited samples of soups, chili and chocolate creations made by local restaurants and amateur cooks. This fun event held at the Crookston High School and is usually scheduled right before a volleyball game so everyone can stay for the game and cheer on the Pirates. Come enjoy great food, music by the Valley Fiddlers and your free will donation will help many agencies in our area. For more info, follow the United Way of Crookston on Facebook.

**Hoops on Halloween -** annual 3 on 3 basketball tournament is a one day event and features approximately 100 boys and girls teams grades 6th-9th playing at multiple locations throughout Crookston. For more information go to https://e-clubhouse.org or Hoops on Halloween Crookston Lions on Facebook.

**Crookston Community Halloween Party** - annual event has been held for over 30 years and provides a safe and fun costume party for children grade 4 and under. Held at the Crookston National Guard Armory, this free event is put on by the Crookston Police reserves, the Crookston Leo Club and the VFW Post 1902 and features games, prizes and candy.

DCDP Historic Halloween Candy Hunt - Come downtown in your costumes to search for candy and learn about our historical buildings and former residents. For more information, visit Downtown Crookston Development Partnership on Facebook or email downtowncrookston@ gmail.com



**Small Business Saturday** - this nationally recognized shopping holiday, celebrates the small business owner, unique one of a kind items and hometown hospitality. Businesses offer various discounts, holiday food and décor as well as drawings and raffles. For more information visit www. crookstoncvb.com, Crookston Visitors Bureau on Facebook or www.visitcrookston.com

#### Torch and Shield Banquet and Awards Ceremony

Held every other year, recognizes individuals who have provided leadership and who have aided in the development of the University of Minnesota Crookston, the Northwest Research and Outreach Center (NWROC), and UMN Extension. It is the highest award an individual can receive from the campus. More information can be found on the campus events page: https://www.crk.umn.edu/today

Veterans Day - events held at schools and throughout the community.

**Ecumenical Thanksgiving Meal** - at Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception and open to all.

#### **DECEMBER**

**Annual Road Trip Highway 2 Dart Tournament** - this jam packed event held at the Crookston Inn and Convention Center hosts 220 dart players from up and down the Highway 2 corridor playing for prizes and bragging rights.

Santa Land - family friendly event held at the University of Minnesota Crookston.

Live Nativity - held at UMN Crookston Arena. For more information visit crk.umn.edu/events.





#### **JANUARY**

Ag Arama - Contests in agronomy, animal science, horticulture, agricultural business, and natural resources highlight Ag Arama weekend. They serve as an opportunity for our students to showcase their knowledge and skills and have a chance to interact with alumni and faculty members. Ag Arama, typically held the last Saturday in January, features agricultural competitions, coronation of Ag Arama royalty, an awards ceremony, alumni social, and a dance. The public is encouraged to attend. More information can be found on the campus events page: https://www.crk.umn.edu/today

**Hockey Tournaments** - enjoy some of Minnesota's favorite sport right here in Crookston. Several hockey tournaments take place throughout January at the Crookston Sports Center including Squirt B, 15UA, Bantam B, Peewee B, 12UA and 10UB. Information on dates and times or to host a tournament are online at www.crookstonbluelinehockey.com or call Kristy Swanson at 218-470-0423.

Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest - held in early January, this features both boys and girls ages 9-14 competing in a one day contest with the winners advancing to district and state competitions in March. For more information go to www.kofc.org

#### **FEBRUARY**

**February Fitness Fever** - Sundays throughout February with both indoor and outdoor fitness activities including skating, sledding and swimming.

**Dart Divas Tournament** - typically held the third weekend in February, this two day, event is held at the Crookston Inn and Convention Center. Up to 130 women from across the region compete for prizes and fun in this hugely popular event.

Ice Buster Daze Fishing Derby - This annual fishing tournament is held on the Red Lake River in Crookston's Central Park and features prizes and dinner afterwards. For more information go to Ceasons- Ice Buster Daze on Facebook.

**Crookston Wedding Expo** - held at the newly remodeled Crookston Eagles Club and is a one stop shop for those planning their big day. Brides and grooms can visit local and regional vendors to get the latest information and samples of all things wedding including event rentals, tux rentals, photographers, entertainment companies, floral arrangements, venues, bakeries, hair salons, invitations, catering and much more. For more information check out Crookston Wedding Expo on Facebook or call 218-289-3212.

#### MARCH

**Dreams on Ice Skating Show -** this well-choreographed program features approximately 100 skaters, ages 2-18.

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With a different theme each year, this event features the talent of our local youth and provides an affordable few hours of entertainment for the entire family. There are two performances in March. For more information, please contact www.crookstonsportscenter.com or Crookston Figure Skating Club on Facebook.

**Crookston Youth Basketball Tournament -** this ever growing event brings 3000 people to Crookston each year. This 100 + team tournament features boys and girls from 3rd to 8th grade competing on 10 courts in multiple locations throughout Crookston. For more information e-mail; tourney@ crookstonbasketball.com or call Garrett Borowicz at 218-521-0936 or www.crookstonbasketball.com

**Crookston Gun Show -** typically held the third weekend in March at the National Guard Armory. This two day event showcases guns, ammo, coins, hunting and fishing equipment and military items. For more information e-mail radi2817172@yahoo.com or phone Daniel Radi at 218-280-6655.

**Spring Fling Vendor Show -** this annual Saturday indoor event features leisurely shopping the newest home vendors and crafters. Location may vary, for more information go to Crookston Visitors Bureau on Facebook.

**St. Patrick's Day at the Irishman's Shanty -** this iconic restaurant goes all out every March 17th. Festivities include traditional Irish food including corned beef and cabbage, Irish trivia, music and prizes and of course LOTS of green beer! For more information call 218-281-9912.

**Citywide Year End Dart Tournament** - held at the Crookston Inn and Convention Center. For more information call 218-470-1000.



#### **APRIL**

**Easter Egg Scramble and Craft / Vendor Fair -** an annual event has quickly become one of the town's most popular spring events. Held at the Crookston Sports Center the Saturday before Easter, this is a free event for kids ages 0-10 and features an Easter egg hunt with over 10,000 eggs. The two hour event also includes pictures with the Easter Bunny, raffles and prizes, entertainment, balloon animals, and face painting too! For the adults, there are many vendor and craft items to shop and proceeds from the event go to a local cancer treatment related charity chosen by the NW MN Cancer Crusaders.

**Senior Wellness Day** - held at the Crookston Sports Center includes information on health, wellness, community involvement, and includes lunch.

**Prairie Chicken Blinds** - each spring, Glacial Ridge National Wildlife Refuge staff place two to three person viewing blinds alongside the dancing grounds of greater prairie chicken and sharp tailed grouse. Their antics include an array of calls, booms, leaps, stomping and chasing; a must see if you're in the area this time of year. Glacial Ridge National Wildlife Refuge is approximately 12 miles east of Crookston. Reservations can be made from mid-April through late May. For more information go to www.fws.gov/refuge>/glacial\_ridge or Greg Knutsen at 218-687-2229.

**Women's Weekend Staycation** - a two day get together for ladies only is planned every April at the Crookston Inn and Convention Center. Features of this non-stop party include; manicures, foot detox, facials, belly dancing, fashion show, vendor presentations, chair massage, wine tasting, friendly competitions, karaoke, comedy and other entertainment. The package includes continental breakfast both Saturday and Sunday mornings, appetizers and guaranteed fun! For more information, go to www.crookstoninn.com, go to Women's Weekend Staycation on Facebook or call Laurie at 218-470-1000.

#### MAY

**Crookston Classic Cruisers** - This group of local classic car enthusiasts kick off their season with various cruise night rides and Thursday night meet and greets. Their season goes though and beyond summer with the highlight being part of the Crookston Ox Cart Days parade and their annual "Run to the Park" car show during the Ox Cart Days Festival in Central Park. For more information Crookston Classic Cruiser on Facebook.

**RiverView Health Annual 5k Walk/Run -** and Kids ½ Mile Fun Run. For more information and to register, go to the calendar section at www.riverviewhealth.org

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**Downtown Food Trucks -** from May to September the Downtown Crookston Development Partnership (DCDP) brings a variety of food trucks to the historic downtown district each week. Come down and shop, check out the downtown area and eat unique food from these great vendors. For more information visit Downtown Crookston Development Partnership on Facebook or e-mail downtowncrookston@ gmail.com

#### <u>JUNE</u>

**Crookston Farmers Market** - held every Thursday from 4:00 pm - 6:30 pm at the Downtown Square "Red Barn from mid-June to September. This group provides fresh produce, home grown meats, flowers, herbs, honey, syrups, jams, jellies, other homemade products and crafts. For more information, visit Crookston Farmers Market on Facebook or kegler@gra.midco.net

Polk County Museum - The Polk County Historical Society has been collecting and preserving the inspiring story of the people of Polk County for over 75 years. The museum has recreated a general store, barber and beauty shop, telephone and switchboard center and both a doctor and dentist office with well-preserved artifacts from yesteryear. This hidden gem features antique tools, records, newspapers on microfilm and other items dating back to the mid 1800's. Outside buildings include a one room school house, two room log house built in 1881 as well as fire trucks, farm machinery and a blacksmith shop. A can't miss experience will be seeing the World's Largest Ox Cart which stands next to the museum located on the east side of Crookston. This museum is open Tuesday through Sunday noon to 4:00 pm starting the Tuesday after Memorial Day to the second weekend of September. For more information call 218-281-1038, e-mail polkcounty@g.com or click on www.mnhistoricnw.org

**Kids at Castle Park Events -** begin in June at this beautiful natural play space and are held every other Monday throughout the summer. Events are centered on learning and exploring nature to include; following the food chain, elements of nature, wildlife exploration, hiking and many other fun, interactive events. The park is open all summer for nonscheduled events as well and includes a playground, a deep wooded area with trails, a neighboring dog park and an outdoor stage. For more information call City Hall at 218-281-1242.

Jim Karn Memorial Tournament - The annual Jim Karn Memorial Tournament is held the second weekend of June at Jim Karn Field at the Ray Ecklund Complex by the Crookston Reds. The Crookston town baseball team was first organized in 1878 and is one of the oldest baseball organizations in the country. "Karnie" was a member of 23 of the team's 27 state tournament teams, playing for the Reds from 1968-2004 and managing from 1972-2004. The tournament hosts some of the premier men's teams in Minnesota, North Dakota, and Manitoba including recent state and provincial champions. Full Reds schedule www.ballcharts.com/CrookstonReds



**Golf Tournaments** - several fundraising golf tournaments are held in June each year and throughout the summer at the beautiful, 9 hole Minakwa Golf Course. For more information call 218-281-1773 or Minakwa Golf Course on Facebook.

#### Northwest School of Agriculture Reunion - is held

annually on the beautiful University of Minnesota campus. The Northwest School of Agriculture (NWSA) Alumni Association represents graduates of the residential high school located on the Crookston campus from 1905 through 1968. The school graduated its first class of eight students in 1909 and inits 60 year history graduated more than 5,400 alumni. More information can be found on the campus events page: https://www.crk. umn.edu/today or https://www.crk.umn.edu/nwsa-reunion

#### JULY

**Crazy Days** - held in the heart of Downtown Crookston the annual Crazy Day Event includes sidewalk sales throughout the retail district, a live auction, food trucks and a classic car display. For more information visit visitcrookston.com or Crookston Area Chamber on Facebook.

**Polk County Fair** - this beloved event has been entertaining families for over 115 years. Located in Fertile MN, which is a quick half hour drive from Crookston, this 5 day event is definitely worth the trip. Features include a fabulous midway, 4H livestock judging, live entertainment, Baja racing and Demo Derby in the grandstand, 5K Walk/Run, parade and lots of fabulous fair food. For more information, call 218-945-6708 or click on www.polkcountyfairfertilemn.com

#### **AUGUST**

**Night to Unite** - the Crookston Night to Unite is a crime and drug prevention event that involves citizens, law enforcement agencies, civic groups, businesses and neighborhood organizations. This is a family friendly free event that includes vendor booths, mock police chases, watermelon eating contests, petting zoo and a helicopter landing. Prizes including several bikes are given away at this event as well. For more information, visit Crookston Night to Unite on Facebook.

**Ox Cart Days Festival -** this beloved "Biggest Small Town Festival in Minnesota" has been going strong for over 30 years and has been enjoyed by over 5,000 people over the last few years because of its increased efforts. Held the third week in August each year there is a jam packed week of events to attend including pony rides, bouncy houses, parades, pageants, car show, fireworks, contests, live entertainment, street dance, tournaments and more! This year's festival will be August 12-28 and is a must attend event for all ages! For more information go to www.crookstonoxcartdays.com or crookstonoxcartdays@gmail.com

#### **SEPTEMBER**

King of Trails City Wide Garage Sales - typically scheduled on the first Saturday in September with no charge to anyone wanting to participate. A list of all participants is distributed to area businesses by the Crookston Chamber of Commerce so you can make an entire day of finding the best bargains. For more information please click on www. crookstoncvb.com or Crookston Visitors Bureau on Facebook.

Chalk It Up and Queen City Art Festival - held in early September, this event features a variety of art stations and vendors so you can shop and create. This family-friendly event encourages participation in chalk art drawing, rock painting, tie-dye shirt making, and several group events. For more information, follow Chalk It Up on Facebook and Downtown Crookston Development Partnership on Facebook, or email downtowncrookston@gmail.com

Harvest Festival - a one day event is free of charge and sponsored by the Red River Valley Sugarbeet Museum. Live demonstrations of restored vintage equipment highlight this tribute to the history of farming in the Red River Valley. Wheat threshing using a steam engine and threshing machine as well as sugarbeets being harvested using equipment from the 1920's 1930's and 1940's are some of the fun and informative demos you will witness. For more information, contact Allan Dragseth at edragseth@rr.net or 218-280-8181

#### **OCTOBER**

**Cornstalk Jamboree** - this Saturday early October event held at the Downtown Square in Crookston has everything you need to be ready for fall; pumpkins, cornstalks, Indian corn and gourds. Also at this fun harvest event you can pick up locally grown produce, jams and jellies, pickles, bread, donuts and handmade crafts. For more information go to Crookston Farmers Market on Facebook.





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