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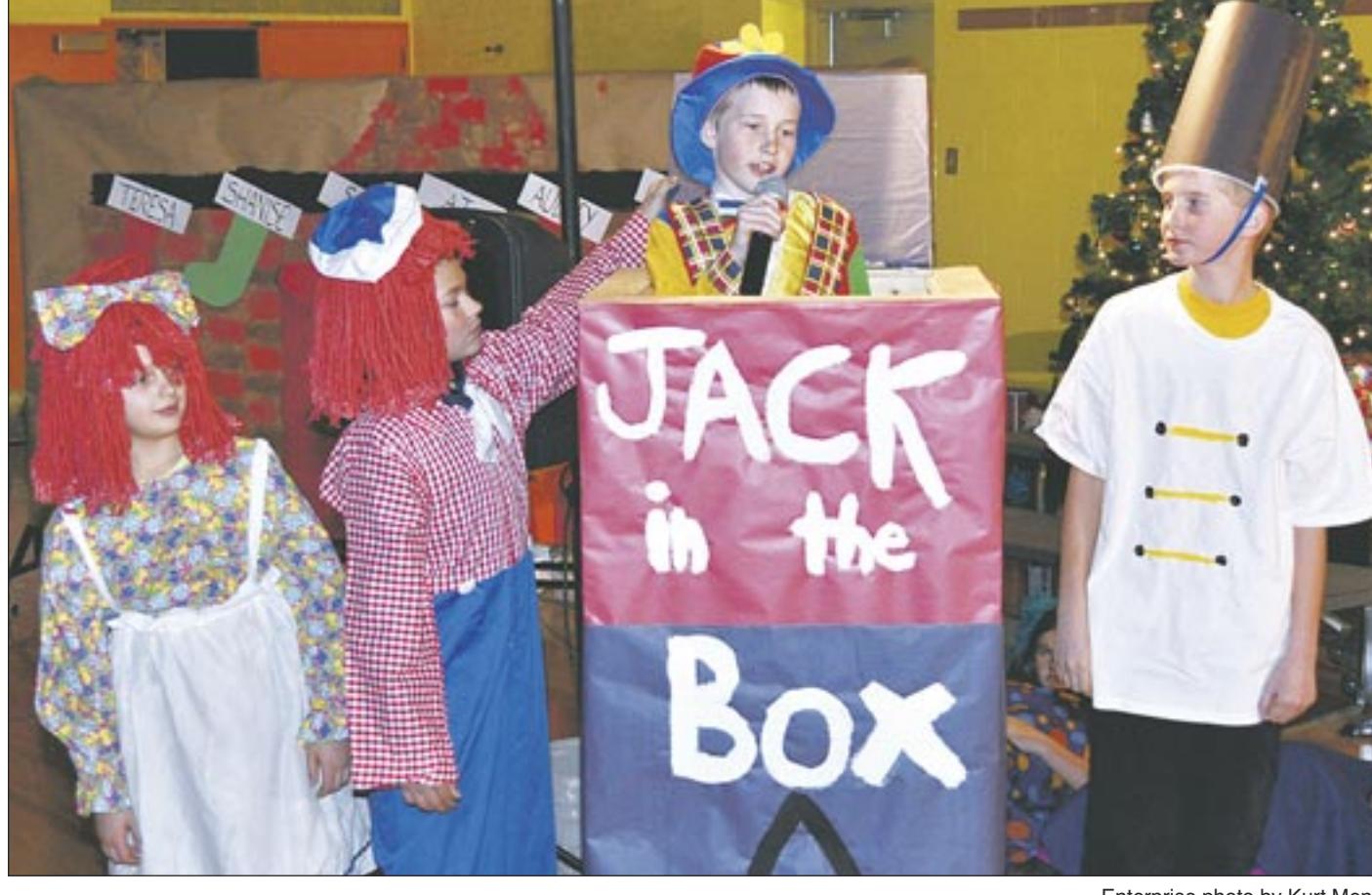
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## Forty Winks Till Christmas

Students at the Green Isle Community School presented "Forty Winks Till Christmas" in the school gymnasium on Thursday evening, Dec. 20. Left to

right: Noelle Czarnecki, Austin Bode, Bryton Rosenlund and Nathan DeVries.

## Signal light to be removed in Arlington

By Kurt Menk  
Editor

The Arlington City Council, during a recent regular meeting, received an update from City Administrator Matt Jaunich on the Highway 5 Project which will go through town in 2013.

Jaunich recently discussed the project with Streets Superintendent Dan Thomes, Sibley County Public Works Director Darin Mielke and representatives from the Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT).

The project will be done in two phases, according to Jaunich.

Phase one will consist of a mill and overlay from Gaylord through town to just east

of Sheila Drive in Arlington. Phase two will consist of a reclaim from east of Sheila Drive in Arlington to Green Isle.

There will be no curb and gutter replacement done with the project and no structures will be moved unless the structures are failing, according to Jaunich.

The area in town of Highway 5 which is currently concrete will be milled and replaced with bituminous surfacing, Jaunich said. The bituminous overlay will be three to 3 1/2 inches thick and will simply be placed on top of the current concrete base.

Mn/DOT will construct the pedestrian ramps for the side-

walks to American Disabilities Act (ADA) specifications, according to Jaunich. Since the project is not a complete reconstruct, the sidewalks along Highway 5 will not be replaced. Areas of bad sidewalks, however, will be replaced and areas along Highway 5 that do not have continuous sidewalks will have them constructed.

Mn/DOT, Jaunich said, expects to have a 2013 spring letting for bidding on both phases of the project. Construction, meanwhile, will take place in the summer.

Mn/DOT has stated that a detour would not be needed with phase one, but a detour would be needed for phase two, according to Jaunich.

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### Signal Light

Jaunich said the current only signal light in Arlington is not ADA compliant. Mn/DOT has conducted traffic studies and determined the signal light is not needed. Due to these two issues, the signal light will be removed when the work is completed. If the City of Arlington wishes to keep the signal light, it would be the responsibility of the city to cover all costs. The total cost is estimated to be around \$200,000.

Since the signal light is being removed, traffic along Highway 5 will not be

### Signal Light

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## School District's expenditures increase nearly \$1.3 million, exceeds revenue by almost \$900,000

By Karin Ramige Cornwell  
Manager

The Sibley East School Board heard the results of the annual financial audit for the 2012 fiscal year which closed June 30, 2012 from Brian Haley of Eide Baily, the accounting firm the district utilizes.

What they heard was money that went out far exceeded the money coming in in 2012.

The district's total general fund expenditures during the 2011-2012 school year was \$12,833,440, up \$1,259,806 from the \$11,573,634 during the 2010-11 school year.

Expenditures increased in all of the six areas in the general fund.

Salaries and wages are the biggest piece of the general fund pie at 54.96 percent, employee benefits follow at 19.83 percent, purchased services is 9.5 percent, supplies and materials are 6.58 percent, capital expenditures are 8.99 percent of the general fund, and other expenditures are .41 percent.

The salaries and wages bucket increased \$407,015, employee benefits increased \$15,411, purchased services increased \$10,431, supplies and materials \$74,955, capital

expenditures increased \$746,434 and other expenditures increased by \$5,530.

The largest increase, according to Haley, was the \$746,434 increase in the capital expenditure area.

This was due in large part to the iPad initiative in the district. The district spent around \$584,000 on the iPad purchase.

Board member Brian Asmus felt that the amount spent on the iPads was considerably more than anticipated.

Over all revenues also increased by \$167,370 during the 2011-12 school year.

Total revenue for the school years was \$11,935,846 up from \$11,768,476 in the 2010-11 fiscal year.

The majority of the districts revenue is generated from state aid sources.

The state aid totaled 79.81 percent of the district's revenue in 2012, 9.47 percent is from local property tax levies, 4.97 percent comes from other local and county sources, federal sources account for 4.78 percent and local sales and insurance recovery is .12 percent.

The biggest increase in rev-

### School district

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## Jaunich offered county administrator position

By Kurt Menk  
Editor

The Sibley County Commissioners, during their regular meeting in Gaylord on Wednesday morning, Dec. 26, voted 3-2 and approved a motion to select current Arlington City Administrator Matt Jaunich for the newly created Sibley County administrator position.

In a move of solidarity, the County Commissioners unanimously approved a motion to authorize Human Resources Director Roseann Nagel and the consultant to extend the employment to Jaunich and begin negotiations.

The County Commissioners stressed that it was a difficult decision to make since both finalists were extremely

qualified for the position.

The other candidate was Jennifer Baumann-Schultz who currently serves as the procurement/enterprise risk manager for Scott County.

Jaunich has served as city administrator and electric utility superintendent for the City of Arlington since September of 2007.

In conjunction with the

second passed motion, Nagel and the consultant were given authorization to pursue Baumann-Schultz if Jaunich declines the offer.

The Sibley County Commissioners are expected to approve the final salary and benefits package during their next regular meeting at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 8.

## Year-In-Review

*Editor's Note: The following article is a summary of the major news stories in the Arlington and Green Isle area during the first six months of 2012. The final six months will be featured in next week's edition of the Arlington Enterprise.*

### JANUARY

Area anglers were catching walleye ranging in size from 17 to 20 inches along with some crappies at Silver Lake about five miles east of Arlington.

**Mayor Jim Kreft released his mayoral goals for 2012 to the Arlington City Council during its annual organizational meeting.**

The Joint Powers Board (JPB) for the Renville-Sibley Fiber to the Home (FTTH) Project approved a motion to add the communities of Buffalo Lake, Stewart and Brownton to the endeavor.

**The Arlington City Council unanimously adopted a resolution to increase the water, sewer and electric rates for 2012.**

Sibley East cheerleaders Makinsey Scharping and Christy Woehler returned from a week-long trip where they participated in the 2012 London New Year's Day Parade & Festival.

**Local resident Jeff Otto reflected on his 10th and final year as fire chief for the Arlington Fire Department.**

The Green Isle City Council held its annual organizational meeting and unanimously approved appointments to various committees.

**The Green Isle Fire Department responded to 47 total calls in 2012, according to Green Isle First Assistant Chief Dan Kroells.**

Local residents Dave and Dee Czech received the Darwin Mathwig Community Service Award during the city organizational meeting.

**Anne Karl was re-elected chairperson of the Sibley East School Board during its annual organizational meeting.**

Seniors Sonja Sprandel and Daniel Streeter were chosen as the Sibley East Senior High School's nominees for the Triple A Award.

**The Arlington Police Department responded to 896 incidents during 2012, according to Arlington Police Chief Bruce Rovinsky.**

Hall of Fame pitcher Bert Blyleven and Minnesota Twins players Drew Butera and Danny Valencia were part of the Minnesota Twins Caravan that stopped in Arlington.

**The Arlington City Council unanimously adopted a resolution to approve an ordinance to eliminate the police committee.**

### FEBRUARY

Zach Petzel was chosen as the Senior of the Quarter at the Sibley East Senior High School in Arlington.

**Members and friends of the Arlington Area Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting ceremony at Conklin IBO & Auto Repair along Highway 5.**

The Arlington Fire Department responded to 79 calls in 2011, according to Arlington Fire Chief John Zaske.

**Emily Kloeckl and Clay Mogard were crowned as the Junior Sweetheart and Hunk during a coronation ceremony at the Sibley East Senior High School in Arlington.**

Members and friends of the Arlington Area Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting ceremony at Samantha's Fashionable Jewelry in downtown Arlington.

**Technical Services for Electronics (TSE) announced to their employees that it planned to close its manufacturing plant located along Shamrock Drive in Arlington by the end of 2012.**

A norovirus was believed to have been the cause of the massive illnesses at the Sibley East Public School in Gaylord. Overall, 178 students and seven teachers were absent from school at the Gaylord school campus on Wednesday, Feb. 15.

**The Arlington Area Ambulance Service had a record breaking year in 2011 with 312 medical calls, according to Manager Kevin Sullivan.**

The Sibley County Economic Development Commission (SEDCO) presented a letter to the Sibley County Commissioners and endorsed the Renville-Sibley Fiber To The Home (FTTH) Project.

**It was announced that there would be some changes for Sibley County under the new redistricting plan.**

### MARCH

Sibley East sophomore Nathan Rose captured first place honors in the 195-pound weight division during the Minnesota State Class A Wrestling Tournament at the Excel Energy Center in St. Paul. Sibley East wrestler Aaron Bates placed sixth in the 160-pound weight division.

**The Green Isle City Council briefly discussed the results of a citizen survey at a regular meeting.**

Preparations for Project Ed. 21 were in full swing at the Sibley East Public Schools, according to Superintendent Steve Jones.

**The Arlington City Council voted 4-1 and adopted a resolution to withdraw its second half payment of nearly \$11,000 and discontinue participation in the Renville-Sibley Fiber To The Home (FTTH) Project.**

### Year-In Review

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## Demolition in Green Isle

The demolition of the building owned by Lee A. Eustis and Michele A. Volkenant has been completed at 130 Grove Street South in Green Isle. This picture was taken on the second day of demolition on Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 18. The building is the former home to Panning's Town & Country Store and Nevin Brothers. The Green Isle City Council, during a quick special meeting in early November, voted 3-0 and approved a motion to accept the bid of \$21,850 from M.J. Neisen Construction, Arlington, to demolish the building. The contractor started the project after the asbestos abatement was completed and after the gas line to the building was shut off.

Enterprise photo by Kurt Menk

## News Briefs

### Highway temporarily closed

Highway 19 was temporarily closed around 8 a.m. Friday, Dec. 21, according to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources. The road was closed due to a train with mechanical difficulty blocking the highway.

Highway 19 was reopened two hours later, according to the report.

For updated information on road conditions, visit [www.511mn.org](http://www.511mn.org) or call 511.

### Bullying Prevention Month

The Sibley East Junior High School recently celebrated and recognized Bullying Prevention Awareness Month, according to Junior High Counselor Vicki Louwagie.

To celebrate and recognize the importance of preventing bullying, each student and staff member in the junior high building was given a blank puzzle piece to decorate.

"Each person was asked to include their name and to decorate the piece in some way that reflects who they are," said Louwagie. "Every individual in our Sibley East community is an important and unique 'piece.' We need each piece to make everything fit together and be complete."

The giant puzzle created from the pieces now hangs in the Gaylord lunchroom to remind students and staff that everyone "fits" in at Sibley East.

### Vandalism in Arlington

An individual or individuals reportedly threw eggs at the Anthony Nerud residence along the 200 block of East Adams Street in Arlington, according to the Arlington Police Department.

The incident was reported to authorities on Sunday, Dec. 23.

### Beware fake text messages

The Better Business Bureau is warning Minnesotans about a fake text message that promises a \$1,000 Target gift card, according to the KNUJ Radio website.

Spokesperson Jim Hegarty said that this is another "phishing" scheme aimed at gathering personal information about consumers. He said that the text asks for people to enter an access code on a website, but Hegarty urges Minnesotans not to go to that website no matter how tempting it might be. He recommends deleting these text messages right away otherwise it will lead to more emails and offers from other companies that are up to no good. In addition, he said that Target is aware of the scheme.

### Minnesota employers add jobs

Minnesota employers added nearly 11,000 jobs in November, according to the KDUZ Radio website. This lowered the state's jobless rate from 5.9 percent to 5.7 percent.

Figures from October were also revised in a positive direction from 8,100 jobs lost down to 4,800.

In the past year, the state has gained over 55,000 jobs. Trade, transportation and utilities led all sectors with 5,200 new jobs in November.

## Inaugural walk/run set for Jan. 1

By Kurt Menk  
Editor

A fun and free community run and walk event will be held in Arlington at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 1.

The event will start in the parking lot at Four Seasons Park. A two-mile run will begin at 2 p.m. A 5K run will follow at 2:05 p.m. A two-mile walk and 5K walk will start at 2:10 p.m. A kids fun run will follow once the run and walk activities are completed.

The event is part of a Move Strong Commitment activity.

Move Strong Commitment

was founded by two local women with a passion for fitness and movement. Arlington group leader of Moms Run This Town (MRTT) Jen Carpenter and Kettlebell Bootcamp with Amanda owner Amanda Fisher enjoy all things tied to fitness and movement.

To promote this passion in their local communities, these women brainstormed this run/walk concept and are extremely excited to share it with their community members.

The objective of the event is to give people an opportunity to start the new year off on the right foot, according to Carpenter and Fisher.

Individuals who participate in the run/walk will be making a commitment to themselves to lead a more active and healthy life in 2013 by adding movement to their life on a routine basis," said Carpenter. "Our plan is to continue to host a few runs and walks and perhaps other fitness activities throughout the year in order to keep people motivated and stay on track with their commitment.

As a result, citizens of Arlington and surrounding com-

munities who participate in Move Strong Commitment will lead more active and healthier lives in 2013."

Participants are asked to dress appropriately. In the event that the weather does not cooperate and the event is cancelled, a run/walk that week following the event.

For more information, people can e-mail [movestrongcommitment@gmail.com](mailto:movestrongcommitment@gmail.com). The blog site is [www.movestrongcommitment.wordpress.com](http://www.movestrongcommitment.wordpress.com). Additional information is also on Facebook at "Move Strong Commitment."

## Superintendent profile of attributes is presented to Sibley East School Board

By Kurt Menk  
Editor

The Sibley East School Board, during its recent regular monthly meeting, reviewed a superintendent profile as conducted by Ed Waltman and Butch Hansen from South Central Service Cooperative.

The School Board, as part of the search process for a new superintendent, requested that the South Central

Service Cooperative search consultants seek staff, student, parent and community input into the creation of a profile of the attributes that a new superintendent should possess to be successful at the Sibley East Public Schools.

"To receive this input, the search consultants met with many different groups to get advice on the attributes that a new superintendent should possess as well as feedback on

the strengths and challenges currently facing the school district," according to a memo from Waltman and Hansen.

A list of common and desired attributes from all of the groups is as follows:

- Has excellent communication skills both written and spoken.
- Has a proven record as an educational leader
- Works collaboratively

### Superintendent

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**The Arlington A's Baseball Association**  
will hold its annual meeting at the Arlington Haus Too at 8:15 p.m.  
**Wed., Jan. 9, 2013**  
The election of officers will be held at this meeting.  
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**THANK YOU**  
The family of Kathy Wolf, who passed away November 23, would like to thank everyone who provided flowers, memorials, cards, food, prayers and support during this difficult time.  
Kathy's smiling spirit was honored through the expressions of love from those whose lives she touched. Your acts of kindness and support have, and will continue to, help us through the loss of someone as precious and caring as Kathy.

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**Community Calendar**

Tuesday, Jan. 1: New Year's Day, Both Banks will be closed.

Wednesday, Jan. 2: Knights of Columbus Officers, St. Mary's Parish Hall, 8 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 3: Arlington Ambulance Service, 7 p.m. Arlington Lions Club, Arlington Haus, 6 p.m. Social, 7 p.m. Meeting.

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Bee someone who makes a difference!



## Arbor Day Observance

As part of the 2012 Arbor Day Observance, held on Tuesday, Dec. 11, Steve Nicholson, consulting forester for the City of Arlington, shared with Sibley East Senior High School agriculture students techniques of tree pruning and the value of continued tree

maintenance and care. Nicholson, shown above in the foreground, points out major defects of a mature ash tree that could have been avoided with timely pruning and simple maintenance.

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stopped, Jaunich said. The current intersection will become a two-way stop for traffic on West Main Street.

Mn/DOT traffic study showed that even a 22 percent increase in highway traffic will not warrant a new signal light, according to Mn/DOT. The signal light in Gaylord will also be removed. The signal light in Winthrop will likely be removed as well.

With the removal of the signal light in Arlington, street lighting will be needed at the intersection of West Main Street and Highway 5, according to Jaunich. This will be the responsibility of the City of Arlington.

Jaunich added that crosswalks by St. Paul's Lutheran School and Main Street will be painted by Mn/DOT. Maintenance in the future will be

the responsibility of the city. Mn/DOT will consider a crosswalk by the Arlington Community Center if, and only if, there are sidewalks on both sides of the highway.

Mn/DOT, according to Jaunich, is currently working on the final plans for the project. This should be concluded within the next month or two.



### Notice of 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting

The 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the United Farmers Cooperative will be held on Monday, January 14, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the Winthrop Offices Berdan Event Center (705 E 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Winthrop, MN) for the following purposes:

1. To receive audited reports of the Cooperative for the period of September 1, 2011 through August 31, 2012.
2. To elect three directors for three year terms.
3. To transact any other business, which may properly be presented or brought before the meeting.

**We will begin the meeting promptly at 7:00 p.m. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m.** We ask that you come early so that registration can be completed and ballots can be issued. To be eligible to vote, you need to be an active farmer producer, using products and services in excess of \$5,000.00 per year.

After the business meeting, lunch will be served.

Yours truly,  
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Todd Kettner, Secretary

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## HAPPY NEW YEAR!

As we count down to the New Year, we're also counting our blessings and your kind patronage is at the top of the list! For all the goodwill and friendship you've shown us, we will always be grateful, and we wish each and every one of you a wonderful year.

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The School Board will discuss the candidates and determine the finalists during a special meeting at 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 5.

The finalist interviews will be held on Monday, Feb. 11, 2013; Tuesday, Feb. 12, 2013; and Thursday, Feb. 14, 2013.

The School Board will determine the final candidate during a special meeting at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 14.

The School Board hopes to approve a contract for the new superintendent during a meeting at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 19.

### Timeline

The superintendent position is currently being advertised.

The consultants will meet with the School Board to finalize the candidate list and review the interview process at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 28, 2013.

The School Board and Community Committee will interview six candidates on Monday, Feb. 4 and Tuesday, Feb. 5, 2013.

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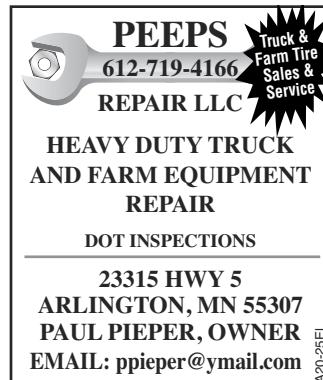
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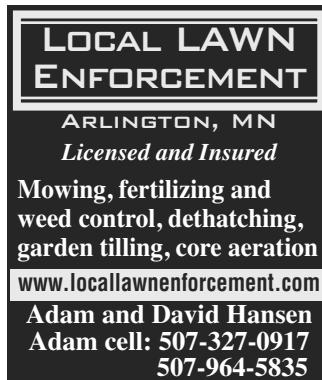
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# Opinions

## Incoming legislature has many similarities to group in 1973

**Our View: Let's hope the results of compromise and productivity are the same this year**

There has been much recent talk about the similarities between the incoming legislature and legislators from 40 years ago.

The Democrats in 1973, after redistricting, had just taken control of the Minnesota Senate and Minnesota House of Representatives. The governor, a DFLer, was in the middle of his first term. A big group of newly elected first-year politicians were just coming into office. In addition to a war, politicians were faced with unsettled issues and difficult choices.

The 1973 Minnesota legislative session, according to some experts, was the most productive in state history. Politicians from both sides of the aisle found common ground and worked to pass a number of bipartisan supported bills which benefited all Minnesotans.

"We had an explosion of legislation, but it was thoughtfully done and passed with bipartisan support," former State Representative Tom Berg, a Minneapolis DFLer said in a recent edition of the *St. Paul Pioneer Press*. He added that Democrats allowed Republicans to carry major pieces of legislation and have some wins. Although lawmakers looked out for their own political parties, politicians deeply believed they had an obligation to the whole state of Minnesota.

In the same article, former Governor Arne Carlson, who was one of those young newly elected politicians 30 years ago, said, "We couldn't eliminate partisanship, but we significantly lowered it to a point where there was outstanding productivity."

Fast-forward 40 years and the comparisons and similarities are oddly the same.

Although these are different times, the current legislature can take a lesson from Democrats and Republicans four decades ago. That lesson is to treat each other with respect, find common ground and work to compromise for the good of all Minnesotans.

-K.M.

## Too Tall's Tidbits

Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary to the following local and area residents compliments of the Arlington Lions Club Community Calendar.

### December 28

Amy Bigaouette, Katelyn Geib, Travis Luepke, Crystal Stien, Cooper Stier, Marion Van Moorhem and Holly Vos.

### December 29

In Memory Of Jeff Vos, Sara Borchert, Keith Kroells, Emily Rabe, Zach Rischmiller, Jonny Wiederhoeft, and Mr. and Mrs. Tim Reinert.

### December 30

Matt Morreim, Steven Luepke, Draco Schlueter, Lucas Dose, Carol Timm, Carla Ulrick, Todd Vrklan, Mr. and Mrs. Chad Kleist, and Mr. and Mrs. John Kreft.

### December 31

Gary Kleist, Breanna Krueger, and Mr. and Mrs. Tim Vos.

### January 1

Julie Karger, Jason Quast, and Mr. and Mrs. Chad Fisher.

### January 2

Audrey Harter, Carla Roinestad, Carrie Duckett-Halverson, Chris Stone, Eric Koch, Kathryn Lang, Marvin Wentzlaff, Mary Krentz, Mike Arabian, Mike Pinske, Sandra Roinestad, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Arabian, and Mr. and Mrs. Rick Shimota.

### January 3

Bryan Meech, Jay Stien, Laura Streich and Jessica Garza.

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"A New Year's resolution is something that goes in one year and out the other." - Unknown

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"Youth is when you're allowed to stay up late on New Year's Eve. Middle age is when you're forced to." - Bill Vaughan

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Dawn was taking an afternoon nap on New Year's Eve before the festivities. After she woke up, she confided to Max, her husband, "I just dreamed that you gave me a diamond ring for a New Year's present.

What do you think it all means?"

"Aha, you'll know tonight," answered Max smiling broadly.

At midnight, as the New Year was chiming, Max approached Dawn and handed her small package. Delighted and excited she opened it quickly. There in her hand rested a book entitled: "The meaning of dreams."

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Tom, at a New Year's party, turns to his friend, Mark, and asks for a cigarette.

"I thought you made a New Year's resolution to quit smoking," Mark responds.

"I'm in the process of quitting," replies Tom with a grin. "Right now, I am in the middle of phase one."

"Phase one?" wonders Mark.

"Yeah," laughs Pat, "I've quit buying."

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Homeowner: "I've hired a carpenter who hammers like lighting."

Friend: "He's that fast?"

Homeowner: "No, he never hits the same spot twice."

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A grandfather is talking to his grandson. "You know in the good old days, you could go to a store with a quarter, and get a loaf of bread, a dozen eggs, a watermelon, and a brand new bike. But today, you can't do that, nope, there's just way too many surveillance cameras."

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How many telemarketers does it take to change a lightbulb? One, but he has to do it while you're eating dinner.

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It's funny how all the people who hate the rich buy lottery tickets.

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A picture is worth a thousand words, but it uses up a thousand times the memory.

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Have a healthy and happy New Year!

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## Guest Column

### One thing we can agree on about government

By Lee H. Hamilton

We are locked in a seemingly permanent debate over the proper size and scope of government. It was a centerpiece of the recent presidential campaign. It features heavily in the ongoing maneuvering over the "fiscal cliff" and the upcoming vote on raising the debt ceiling. And it surfaces regularly in the speeches and comments of politicians and opinion leaders who either take the government to task for growing too large or argue that it needs to play an even more active role than it does now.

I don't expect this argument to end anytime soon — after all, it's been a feature of political life for as long as any of us can remember. But no matter how we view the role of government, there's one thing most of us do agree on: whatever government does, it should do it well.

Recently, I read a compelling speech by a prominent corporate CEO who criticized the federal government for creating an environment of uncertainty and stifling the engines of market growth — and then went on to lay out plans for economic renewal that all involved the government: a revamped education policy, more investment in infrastructure and in basic research, changes to the tax code to reward innovation. His speech underscores a basic truth about American life: we can argue about the fine points of its reach, but the importance of government's role in our lives is inescapable.

This does not mean that govern-

ment is the answer to everything — far from it. Nor, however, does the anti-government rhetoric that so often marks our politics show much sign of being rooted in reality. When we want to build roads and bridges, operate schools and keep our cities safe, create conditions under which businesses can thrive, respond to natural disasters or attacks on our security, we turn to government at some level. And we expect the people who run it — the leaders as well as those on the front lines — to be good at what they do.

As Alexander Hamilton put it, "A government ill-executed, whatever may be the theory, in practice is poor government." You don't want second-rate scientists doing cancer research, second-rate lawyers negotiating arms control treaties, second-rate bureaucrats helping your community recover from a hurricane or flooding, second-rate inspectors making sure your hamburger is free from e. coli, or second-rate air traffic controllers guiding your plane through crowded airspace. None of us wants to live with a government that is incompetent in the exercise of its important functions.

For this reason, Americans are not as anti-government in practice as their "get government off our backs" rhetoric would often suggest. We turn again and again to government to solve the problems we complain about. And however easy it might be to rail against Washington or against "big government," it's the institu-

tions of government you turn to when you need them.

Constructive criticism of Congress is always appropriate, but the anti-government language that so often gets bandied about creates distrust of the very institutions we rely on to meet the challenges and solve the problems that confront us as a nation. I sometimes find myself wondering how far we can erode confidence in our officials and our government and still have a country that works.

Whatever the particular policies of a given administration, whatever programs are enacted by the Congress, the American public is entitled to have those policies and programs administered effectively, efficiently and competently. This cannot be done without skillful civil servants and a steady stream of talented people who are attracted to public service.

My sense is that the public is demanding more from government, not in size, but in performance. Americans want government to work better for less, and the only way to achieve this is for government to become more effective and productive in dealing with the challenges before us.

Lee Hamilton is Director of the Center on Congress at Indiana University. He was a member of the U.S. House of Representatives for 34 years.

### Bipartisan farm bill will help avert fiscal cliff

By U.S. Senator Al Franken

If members of Congress learned anything from the recent election, it should be this: the American people want their leaders to stop the bickering, overcome the gridlock, and work together to solve problems.

During the current negotiations to avert the "fiscal cliff," I am pressing Senate leaders to include a bipartisan — and fiscally responsible — Farm Bill as an important part of the budget solution.

The Senate passed a five-year measure back in June after months of work by Senators who reached across party lines to agree on a final package. Where differences existed, Senators from both parties worked them out. The result was a bill that not only reforms and modernizes our agriculture programs and strengthens the farm safety net, but also creates jobs and economic vitality in communities in Minnesota and across the country.

The measure — supported by the nation's farm and rural leaders — passed the Senate with an overwhelming 64 votes, a rarity these days when frustrating gridlock can stop even the most important efforts.

Best of all, the Senate bill saves money — tens of billions of dollars — that can help ease efforts to reduce the budget deficit.

**Franken**

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### A New Year's resolution for our veterans

By Amy Klobuchar

**U.S. Senator**

As we gather with family and friends this year to enjoy the holiday season and the New Year and give thanks for our many blessings, there's no better time to remember our men and women in uniform who have given our country the gift of freedom and liberty for generations.

This year over 62,000 American veterans will spend the holidays without a place to call home. That is 62,000 too many.

But it's also far fewer than past years. In December, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) released a report stating that

the number of homeless veterans in the U.S. dropped by seven percent in 2012. That is no small number.

And while we know our work does not end until every veteran has a place to sleep at night, we also know that our efforts are working — that our promise to give these men and women the resources and support they need when they come home is closer to being fulfilled.

In 2010, the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) made a commitment to address homelessness among veterans and set a goal to end it by 2015. Along with this goal came the 2010 signing of the Honoring American Veterans Act, legisla-

tion that provides a comprehensive package of benefits to veterans.

Earlier this year, I passed legislation to help us get closer to that goal. The Helping Our Homeless Veterans Act improves homeless services for rural and underserved veterans.

Specifically, it strengthens a program that provides chronically homeless veterans with housing vouchers and case management services, such as access to counseling and job training.

Before this legislation was passed,

**Klobuchar**

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Ben Franklin wrote in the Pennsylvania Gazette in 1731: "If printers were determined not to print anything till they were sure it would offend nobody there would be very little printed."

## Obituaries

### Gene F. Moskop, 78, Arlington

Gene F. Moskop, age 78, Arlington, was surrounded by his family when he passed away at the Marie Steiner Kelting Hospice Home in Chaska on Thursday, Dec. 20.



Funeral services will be held at Peace Lutheran Church in Moskop Arlington at 11 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 27. Rev. Kurt P. Lehmkuhl will officiate.

Casket bearers will be Megan Anderson, Shannon Frank, Erin Weldon, Adam Weldon, Heather Murphy, Paige Murphy and Peter Moskop.

Visitation was held at the Kolden Funeral Home in Arlington from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 26. Visitation will continue one hour prior to service time at the church on Thursday, Dec. 27.

Interment will be in the Arlington Public Cemetery.

Gene Moskop was born to Frederick J. and Ora (Wie-

mann) Moskop in Arlington on July 21, 1934. He was baptized on Aug. 5, 1934, and confirmed on March 21, 1948 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Arlington. Gene was a 1952 graduate of the Arlington High School. On Sept. 20, 1954, Gene was united in marriage to Kathleen Kreger at St. Thomas Catholic Church in Jessenland Township. Gene worked for Litfin and Moskop Construction until 1960, and then moved to Busse Construction in Belle Plaine, where he was a valued employee and later a part owner.

On Aug. 8, 2004, Gene married Marlene Soeffker at Peace Lutheran Church in Arlington. Gene enjoyed all outdoor activities, especially hunting, fishing, snowmobiling, and water sports. He was a member of Ducks Unlimited, a former member of the Arlington City Council, and served on the councils of both St. Paul's and currently Peace Lutheran Church. The one thing Gene loved most of all was spending time with his family.

Gene was preceded in death by his parents; first wife, Kate; sister and brother-in-law, Lois and Frank Parker; and sister-in-law, Kay Moskop.

Funeral services were held at the Norseland Lutheran Church at 11 a.m. Monday, Dec. 17. Pastor Craig Ferkenstad officiated.

Visitation was held two hours prior to the service time at the church on Monday, Dec. 17.

Interment was at Pilgrim's Rest Cemetery in Mankato.

Rosemary was born to George and Mary (Risch) Heinbuch in Lake Elmo on Aug. 10, 1920. She was baptized and confirmed at St. John's Lutheran Church in Woodbury. On Oct. 24, 1942, Rosemary was united in marriage to Willard H. Doehling, at St. John's Lutheran Church. After their marriage, they made their home in Rosemont, moving to Arling-

ton in 1963.

Rosemary enjoyed working on the farm; she delivered many meals to the men working in the fields. She loved visiting and fishing at the cabin and working in her garden. Rosemary also sewed, and was a member of the Norseland Ladies Aid. Most of all she loved to spend time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Rosemary leaves behind her children, Arnold (Karen) Doehling, Helena (Kenneth) Wentzlaff, Linda (Charles) Bode, Paul (Naomi) Doehling and David (Leann) Doehling; grandchildren, Sarah (Lars) Perry, Matt (Jessica) Doehling, Brian (Anna) Doehling, Dan (Shannon) Doehling, Alyssa Doehling, Paulette Wentzlaff, James (Cori) Wentzlaff, John (Kelli) Wentzlaff, Pete (Michelle) Bode, Tania (Steve) Rudenick, Tim (Kris) Bode,

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Rosemary was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Willard; granddaughter, Andrea Doehling; two brothers and two sisters.

Beyond the budget impact,

the lack of a five-year Farm Bill will have far-reaching consequences, not only for farmers and ranchers, but for consumers as well, who may see milk prices jump dramatically in January unless there is a new law.

In Minnesota, where the agriculture industry supports



Enterprise photo by Kurt Menk

### Wolverines of the Month

The following students were recently chosen as Wolverines of the Month at the Sibley East Junior High School in Gaylord. Back Row: (l to r) Alyssa Weber, Jaden Podratz and Nate Templin.

Serbus, Rebecca Campbell and Nick Doetkott. Back Row: (l to r) Alyssa Weber, Jaden Podratz and Nate Templin.

### Rosemary Doebling, 92, Arlington

Rosemary Doebling, age 92, of Arlington, passed away at the Mayo Health System in Mankato on Thursday, Dec. 13.

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### Helen Hardel, 86, formerly of Rush River

Helen D. Hardel, age 86, formerly of the Rush River area, died at the Oak Terrace Health Center in Gaylord on Monday, Dec. 24.

Funeral services will be held at St. John's Lutheran Church, Arlington Township, at 11 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 27. Rev. William Postel will officiate.

Visitation will be held at the Kolden Funeral Home in Le Sueur from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 26. Visitation will continue the morning of the funeral at the church one hour prior to services.

Interment will be in the church cemetery.

Helen was born to Gustav and Sarah (Oldenburg) Kr-

uschke in Derryane Township, Le Sueur County, on Aug. 21, 1926. She married Lawrence E. "Butch" Hardel at the Redeemer Lutheran Church in Blakeley Township on Aug. 29, 1951. The couple farmed in Kelso Township their entire lives. He died on Dec. 19, 1992. She was an active member of St. John's Lutheran Church and Ladies Aid and also served as a Sunday School teacher and with her church quilting group helping World Relief. She also was an adult 4-H leader and enjoyed watching and feeding birds as well as gardening.

She is survived by her children, Gail Hein of New Ulm, Sheila (David) Panning of

### Franken Continued from page 4

The House Agriculture Committee, with strong leadership from Minnesota Rep. Collin Peterson, also passed a bipartisan Farm Bill this summer. Unfortunately, despite months of effort by Rep. Peterson, national farm leaders, and farm-state members from both parties, Republican leaders have refused to allow the House to vote on it. The House leaders' misguided actions have not only complicated our efforts to enact a new Farm Bill, but also have blocked the real budget savings this legislation has to offer.

Beyond the budget impact, the lack of a five-year Farm Bill will have far-reaching consequences, not only for farmers and ranchers, but for consumers as well, who may see milk prices jump dramatically in January unless there is a new law.

In Minnesota, where the agriculture industry supports

one in five jobs, we have an important stake in getting a bill enacted. The last Farm Bill expired on October 1, and our farmers, livestock producers, and rural entrepreneurs need a new law to give them the stability to plan for next year and into the future.

I was very pleased that the Senate Farm Bill, backed by Minnesota farm groups, included my measures to help farmers and small businesses save money and earn income by investing in renewable energy and energy efficient technology, as well as my provision to support beginning farmers. The bill also makes important investments in re-

newable energy, the conservation of our land and water, dairy program stability, and food and nutrition programs. And it protects the sugar program.

Despite the current obstacles, I remain optimistic we can get a Farm Bill done this

### Death Notice

### Silbena M. Wacker, 85, Henderson

Silbena M. Wacker, age 85, of Henderson, passed away at the Mayo Health System in New Prague on Monday, Dec. 24.

A funeral service will be held at Centennial Lutheran Church in Henderson at 11 a.m. Friday, Dec. 28.

Visitation will be one hour

prior to services at the church.

Interment will be at Brown Cemetery in Henderson.

As we look to another year...

We're filled with hope,

We're filled with cheer,

We're filled with warmth,

And gratitude, too...

When we recall all the times

We've spent serving you!

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# Sports

## Sibley East boys trounce Nicollet, fall to Jordan before holiday break

By Kurt Menk  
Editor

The Sibley East varsity boys basketball team split a pair of games in action last week.

The Wolverines, 1-1 in the Minnesota River Conference and 3-2 overall, will compete in the Worthington Holiday Basketball Tournament.

Sibley East will face Worthington in the opening round at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 27.

The championship game will be played at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 28.

The third place game will be played at 5 p.m. Friday, Dec. 28.

**Sibley East 88**  
**Nicollet 42**

Four players scored in double figures as the Sibley East varsity boys basketball team dismantled Nicollet 88-42 in non-conference action on Tuesday night, Dec. 18.

Junior Brody Rodning led all Sibley East scorers with 16 points. Senior Max Grabow tossed in 15 points while seniors Steve Haefs and Sam Harrison hooped 13

points each. Senior Logan Highland and sophomore Zac Weber scored seven and six points respectively while seniors Tyler Bates and Patrick Schauer tallied five points apiece. Senior Julius Assmussen had four points while seniors Andrew Grack and Tyler Kratzke added two points each.

The Wolverines hit 30 of 49 shots from two-point range for 61 percent and five of nine three-pointers for 57 percent. The winners also sank 13 of 21 charity tosses for 62 percent.

Sibley East controlled the glass by a 30-18 margin. Grabow pulled down eight boards while Tyler Bates snared six rebounds.

Highland also contributed seven assists and one steal while Harrison collected four thefts. Sophomore Zachary Garza added four assists.

**Jordan 73**

**Sibley East 59**

The visiting Sibley East varsity boys basketball team fell behind early and lost to Jordan 73-59 in Minnesota River Conference action on

Thursday evening, Dec. 20.

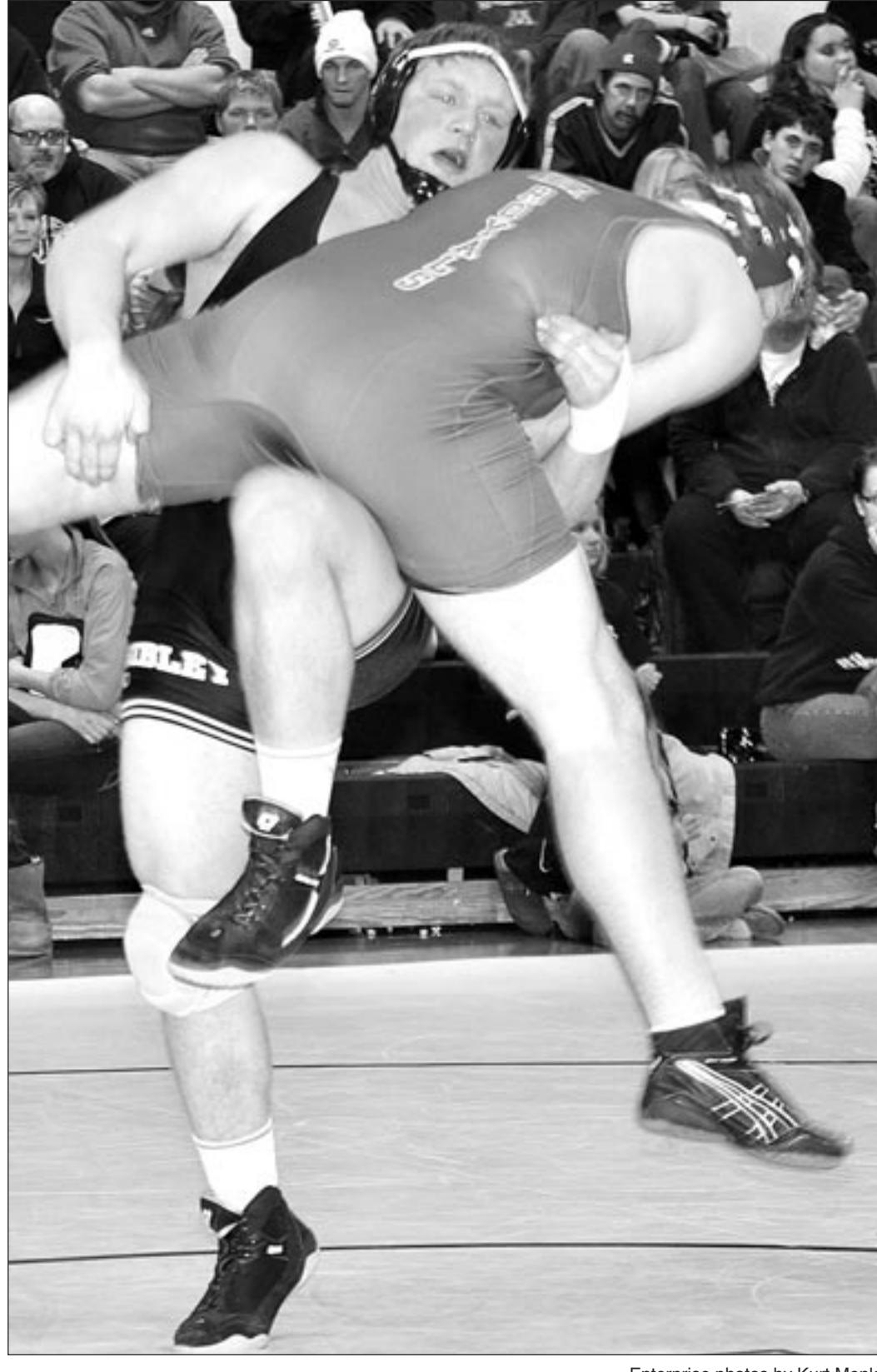
Despite the loss, three players scored in double digits for the Wolverines. Senior Tyler Bates and junior Brody Rodning topped Sibley East scorers with 15 points each. Senior Sam Harrison also hit for 10 points. Senior Max Grabow netted seven points while seniors Logan Highland and Steve Haefs scored five and three points respectively. Senior Andrew Grack and sophomore Zac Weber added two points each.

The Wolverines hit only 16 of 47 shots from two-point range for 34 percent and just five of 23 long bombs for 28 percent. Sibley East also managed 12 of 22 free throw attempts for 55 percent.

Sibley East was out-rebounded by a 43-41 margin. Grabow yanked down 17 rebounds while Tyler Bates had 11 caroms. Harrison collected six boards.

Haefs also distributed three assists.

Tyler Bates, Highland and Harrison contributed one steal each and Sibley East managed only three total thefts in the loss



Enterprise photos by Kurt Menk

## Sibley East girls basketball team loses to Tri-City United, Nicollet

By Kurt Menk  
Editor

The Sibley East varsity girls basketball team dropped two games in action last week.

The Lady Wolverines, 0-4 in the Minnesota River Conference and 1-6 overall, will face Atwater-Cosmos-Grove City in the opening round of the Redwood Valley Holiday Basketball Tournament at 6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 27.

The championship game will be played at 7:45 p.m. Friday, Dec. 28.

The third place game will be played at 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 28.

**Tri-City United 48**

**Sibley East 45**

The visiting Sibley East varsity girls basketball team fell to Tri-City United 48-45 in Minnesota River Conference play on Tuesday night, Dec. 18.

Sophomore Kelli Martens and senior Jordan Thomas topped the Lady Wolverines with 11 and 10 points respectively. Junior Jessica Garza and sophomore McKenzie Sommers hit for six points each while junior Megan Eckberg and sophomore Autumn Dose hooped four

points each. Freshman Alyssa Weber scored two points while senior Briana Reierson and sophomore Shelby Voight added one point apiece.

No team or individual statistics were available from this game.

**Nicollet 44**

**Sibley East 38**

The visiting Sibley East varsity girls basketball team also lost to Nicollet 44-38 in non-conference action on Thursday night, Dec. 20.

Junior Jessica Garza led the Lady Wolverines with 13 points in the loss. Junior Megan Eckberg hit for seven points while sophomore Alyssa Weber and senior Jordan Thomas scored six and five points respectively.

Sophomore McKenzie Sommers tossed in four points while junior Kimberly Kurtzweg had two points and junior Maren Miner added one point.

No team or individual statistics were available from this game.

### B-squad

The Sibley East B-squad girls basketball team split two

games in play last week.

The visiting Lady Wolverines first lost to Tri-City United 45-41 on Tuesday night, Dec. 18.

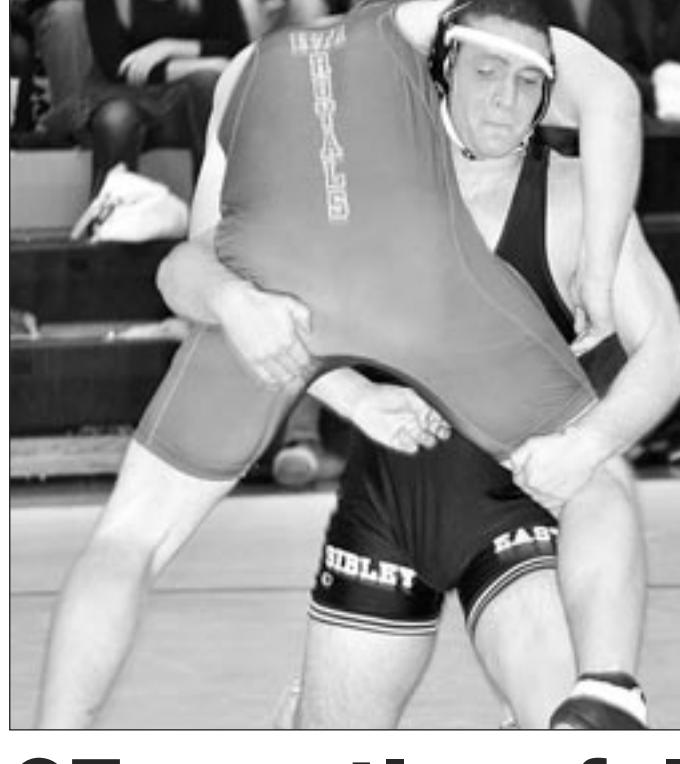
McKayla Stumm led Sibley East with 12 points while Mikayla Perschau scored eight points. Kimberly Kurtzweg, Liz Thies, Alyssa Weber, Katie Tuchtenhagen and Shelby Voight had four points each. Alicia Kranz added one point.

Voight contributed five steals, four assists and four caroms while Thies collected five boards, four blocked shots and three thefts.

Visiting Sibley East rebounded with a 34-26 win over Nicollet on Thursday evening, Dec. 20.

Stumm paced the Lady Wolverines with 10 points while Voight tossed in seven points. Kurtzweg and Thies netted four points each while Breann Walsh hooped three points. Britany Reierson, Kranz and Tuchtenhagen added two points apiece.

Voight recorded five assists, three steals and three rebounds while Stumm contributed four thefts, three caroms, one dish and one blocked shot.



**Sibley East junior Nathan Rose (220) and senior Miah DuFrane (195) both registered a win against visiting Watertown-Mayer-Mayer Lutheran on Thursday evening, Dec. 20. (Top Photo)** Rose controlled his opponent, John Ernst, before a pin at the 4:47 mark. DuFrane lifted his opponent, Nick Burns, off the ground before a 3-2 win. Mitch Wentzlaff (145), Austin Kube (160) and Aaron Bates were the other Sibley East wrestlers who registered victories during the dual meet in Arlington.

## Fish shelter identification is required

Ice conditions on Minnesota waterways may vary, but all fish shelters must have proper identification, according to conservation officers with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

DNR reminds ice anglers and others that shelters placed on the ice of Minnesota waters must have either the owner's complete name and address, a driver's license number, or the nine-digit DNR number on the license of the owner plainly and legibly displayed on the outside of the shelter, in letters and figures at least two inches high.

Other shelter regulations include:

- Shelter may not be left unattended any time between midnight and one hour prior to sunrise unless the shelter is licensed. (The Department of Public Safety requires registration of trailers used to haul

fish houses or dark houses and enclosed trailers or recreational trailers used for fishing. Trailer registration is available from a deputy registrar.)

- A tag, furnished with a license, must be attached to the exterior in a visible location.

- Shelters left on the ice overnight need to have at least two square inches of reflective material on each side of the house.

- People may not erect a shelter within 10 feet of an existing shelter.

- A shelter license is not required on border waters with Wisconsin, Iowa, North Dakota and South Dakota.

- Shelters must comply with the identification requirements of the state in which the angler is licensed.

- Shelters may be used for fishing within the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness (BWCAW), but must be removed from the ice each

night. The structure must be removed from the BWCAW each time the occupant leaves the BWCAW.

Shelter owners are also reminded to take appropriate steps to keep their houses from freezing onto ice surfaces. With seasonal thawing and cooling, it is not uncommon for shelter contact points to become frozen to the ice, providing challenges when it comes to moving or removing the shelters.

A common method used to prevent freezing is to place blocks under the shelter contact points. Ice anglers are reminded that blocks placed under shelters must be removed and cannot be left on frozen waters. An easy way to remove a frozen ice block is with a long handled maul or a splitting maul. A couple of clean strikes will easily free frozen blocks.

Mason Voight (SE) was pinned by Adam Traen (W-M-ML) 1:53.

126-pounds: Nathan Thomas (SE) was decided by Corey Jobe (W-M-ML) 5-3.

132-pounds: Jason Meyer (SE) lost by a major decision to Matt Ellingson (W-M-ML) 12-4.

138-pounds: Hunter Rettzlaff (SE) was decided by Aaron Sweeney (W-M-ML) 5-3 in overtime.

145-pounds: Mitch Wentzlaff (SE) won by a major decision over Nate Hillmann (W-M-ML) 12-3.

152-pounds: Jake Wentzlaff (SE) was decided by Joe

## SE wrestlers fall 38-21

By Kurt Menk

Editor

The Sibley East varsity wrestling team dropped the first six matches and fell to visiting Watertown-Mayer-Mayer Lutheran 38-21 in Minnesota River Conference action on Thursday night, Dec. 20.

The Wolverines have a break until they host Tri-City United in MRC action on Thursday night, Jan. 3.

### Individual Results

106-pounds: Juan Mendoza (SE) was pinned by Jackson Sweeney (W-M-ML) 0:24.

113-pounds: Mitch Heibel (SE) lost by a major decision to Bryce Duske (W-M-ML) 9-0.

120-pounds: Mason Voight (SE) was pinned by Adam Traen (W-M-ML) 1:53.

126-pounds: Nathan Thomas (SE) was decided by Corey Jobe (W-M-ML) 5-3.

132-pounds: Jason Meyer (SE) lost by a major decision to Matt Ellingson (W-M-ML) 12-4.

138-pounds: Hunter Rettzlaff (SE) was decided by Aaron Sweeney (W-M-ML) 5-3 in overtime.

145-pounds: Mitch Wentzlaff (SE) won by a major decision over Nate Hillmann (W-M-ML) 12-3.

152-pounds: Jake Wentzlaff (SE) was decided by Joe

(SE) decided Nick Burns (W-M-ML) 3-2.

220-pounds: Nathan Rose (SE) pinned John Ernst (W-M-ML) 4:47.

285-pounds: Clay Mogard (SE) pinned Davion Franklin (W-M-ML) 1:50.

Reinhart (W-M-ML) 5-4.

160-pounds: Austin Kube (SE) decided John Vouk (W-M-ML) 7-2.

170-pounds: Aaron Bates (SE) pinned Jesse Heck (W-M-ML) 0:47.

182-pounds: Brandon Ashton (SE) was decided by

Holiday Office Hours:

**Monday, Dec. 31** Glencoe Office 8 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Arlington Office 8 a.m.-4 p.m.  
Silver Lake Office CLOSED

**Tuesday, Jan. 1 - New Year's Day - All Offices CLOSED**

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## Year-In-Review

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Khang (Mike) Nguyen and Andy Mathwig were the new part-time officers for the Arlington Police Department.

The Sibley County Commissioners directed the Sibley County Economic Development Commission to go to all 17 townships and ask for their approval in regard to the Renville-Sibley Fiber To The Home (FTTH) Project.

The Green Isle City Council voted 4-0 and tabled a resolution to no longer offer the audio recording of meetings to the public.

State Representative Glenn Gruenhagen, R-Glencoe, won the endorsement after two ballots during the District 18B Endorsing Convention. His challenger was State Representative Ron Shimanski, R-Silver Lake.

A plane crash killed three people and three dogs near Glencoe, according to the McLeod County Chronicle.

The Arlington Historical Society, as a project for 2012, contracted with rural Winthrop resident Bruce Froehlich and offered to underwrite the cost of a horse drawn funeral coach service to all local veterans who requested it.

The Joint Powers Board (JPB) for the Renville-Sibley Fiber To The Home (FTTH) Project, approved a motion to not build out a community or county if they are not a member of the FTTH Project.

### APRIL

Jenna White was chosen as the Senior of the Quarter at the Sibley East Senior High School in Arlington.

The Green Isle City Council voted 4-0 and approved a motion to hire Bert Panning as the new part-time city clerk for the City of Green Isle.

An article on Phenom Genetics, owned by Matt and Kelly Scharping, was featured in the *Arlington Enterprise*.

Members and friends of the Arlington Area Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting ceremony at Premier Choice Realty in downtown Arlington. The realtor is Leah Prahl.

Derek Hahn became the new manager at Jerry's Home Quality Foods in Arlington.

The Arlington City Council was asked to reconsider its recent vote and position against the Renville-Sibley Fiber To The Home (FTTH) Project. The City Council, with the exception of one member, held firm on its stance.

Sibley East sophomore Brody Rodning tossed a five-inning no-hitter in a 10-0 win over visiting Mayer Lutheran.

The Sibley County Commissioners unanimously voted to support the Renville-Sibley Fiber To The Home (FTTH) Project.

The Arlington City Council voted 4-0 and adopted a resolution to authorize and direct the submission of a Transportation Economic Development Grant application for the Highway 5 Industrial Park Project.

### MAY

The Green Isle City Council unanimously approved a motion not to move forward with a proposed ordinance to regulate the keeping and raising of chickens within the city limits.

Dr. Justin Davis took over the practice of the Arlington Chiropractic which is located in the former clinic building next to the Sibley Medical Center.

Derek Almich was selected as the Senior of the Quarter at the Sibley East Senior High School in Arlington.

The Sibley East Elementary School in Gaylord was recognized for closing the education achievement gap.

Daniel Streeter, Addison Montiel, Bryce Kloeckl and Blake Nelson earned the Eagle Award which is the highest advancement award the Boy Scouts of America offer.

The Sibley East Trap Team, under the direction of volunteer head coaches Mark Standinger and Kenn Mueller, consisted of 27 students in grades 8-12.

Incumbent Second District County Commissioner Bill Pinske filed for re-election for another four-year term on the Sibley County Board of Commissioners.

The Sibley East School Board unanimously approved a three-year lease with the Sibley Medical Center for the use of space in the back of the old clinic building.

DFL delegates threw their support behind candidate Steve Schiroo for State Senate during an endorsing convention in Hutchinson.

### JUNE

Sibley East Superintendent Steve Jones accepted the superintendent position at the Little Falls Community Schools.

The Arlington City Council unanimously adopted a resolution to approve the plans and specifications and order an advertisement for bids on the 2012 Street and Utility Improvement Project.

Eighty-one seniors graduated from the Sibley East Senior High School in Arlington during commencement exercises.

Members and friends of the Arlington Area Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting ceremony at Los 3 Hermanos in downtown Arlington.

Six individuals were recognized and honored during a retirement luncheon at the Sibley East Public School in Arlington. The retirees included Michelle Dahn, Regi Ploeger, Kathy Nerud, Phyllis Kube-Crawford, Deniece Smith and Kathy Ringo.

Former Green Isle baseball players James Herd, Terry McGuire and Scott Zeiher were recognized as Diamond Gems during a special ceremony at Irish Yard.

Sarah Shimota was crowned as the 2012-2013 Miss Arlington during a coronation ceremony at the Arlington Haus Too. Jessica Garza was chosen as First Princess and Miss Congeniality while Kimberly Kurtzweg was selected as Second Princess.

The Sibley East School Board voted 4-0 and approved a motion to enter into a 12-month contract with retired Sibley East Superintendent John Langenbrunner who will replace Steve Jones.

Logan Campa, DFL-Hutchinson, was endorsed during the Senatorial District 18 Endorsing Convention at Lyle's Cafe in Winthrop.

Members and friends of the Arlington Area Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting ceremony at Arlington Chiropractic. The business, operated by Dr. Justin Davis, is located in the former clinic building.



Enterprise photo by Kurt Menk

## Students of the Month

The following students were recently chosen as Students of the Month at the Sibley East Senior High School in Arlington. Front Row: (left to right) Taylor Pfarr, Erin Mesker, Courtney Hildebrandt and Melissa

Otto. Back Row: (l to r) Karissa Sorenson, Maren Miner, Caleb Justen, Jordan Petzel, Josh Hansen and Elizabeth Becerra.

## Klobuchar Continued from page 4

housing vouchers and accompanying service programs could only be distributed by VA medical centers located in the Twin Cities and regional population centers.

This meant that a veteran living in a rural community like Fairmont or International Falls might have trouble accessing critical resources.

Now the VA can consult with community providers and collaborate with local groups and organizations to ensure that veterans in every community across the state can get the support they need and deserve.

While this marks significant progress, we know that there is still much more work to be done.

In Minnesota, studies show that on any given night more than 300 individuals who previously served in the military are homeless.

But we are taking important steps toward making sure that we can reach every one of these 300 veterans so that no veteran falls through the cracks, no matter where they live.

Because while we know that we can never truly repay the debt we owe our brave troops and veterans, we also know that we can honor them with our actions. As we reflect on the past year and set our goals for the new one, we are heartened by the fact that these actions are working.

As we make our resolutions for the New Year, let us not forget one resolution we must keep: may we never rest until the heroes who have sacrificed for our country have a place to call home during the holidays and every day in between.

*Amy Klobuchar represents Minnesota in the U.S. Senate.*

## City of Arlington Planning & Zoning Committee Public Hearing

The Arlington Planning & Zoning Committee will hold a public hearing on Thursday, January 10, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter, in the City Hall Council Chambers, 204 Shamrock Drive to consider Ordinance 279, an Ordinance amending Ordinance 169, The Arlington Zoning Ordinance, by adding Section 4.25 relating to the Urban Reserve District.

A copy of the proposed ordinance is available for inspection at City Hall. Any person desiring to comment on this matter is invited to do so in writing or orally at the time of the public hearing. Inquiries should be directed to Cynthia Smith-Strack, Zoning Administrator, at 507-964-2378 during normal business hours. Written comments should be sent to the Zoning Administrator at 204 Shamrock Drive, Arlington, MN 55307.

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## Church News

### ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN

(Missouri Synod), Arlington  
Pastor William Postel  
Phone 507-964-2400

Sunday, December 30: 9:00 a.m. Bible class. 10:00 a.m. Worship.

Tuesday, January 1: 9:00 a.m. Worship.

Thursday, January 3: 5:30 p.m. Deadline for bulletin information.

**ST. PAUL'S EV.  
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15470 Co. Rd. 31, Hamburg  
Dan Schnabel, Pastor  
952-467-3878  
[www.stpaulsrccus.org](http://www.stpaulsrccus.org)

Sunday, December 30: 8:30 a.m. Sunday school and adult Bible study. 9:30 a.m. Worship service. Choir practice after worship.

Wednesday, January 2: 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Catechism class.

Thursday, January 3: 6:30 p.m. Women's Guild.

**ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN**  
Green Isle

Friday, December 28: 10:00 a.m. Deadline for Sunday bulletin.

Sunday, December 30: 7:45 a.m. Worship without Communion. Pastor Bob Hines. 9:00 a.m. Sunday school.

Tuesday, January 1: 10:30 a.m. New Year's Day joint worship service without Communion at Zion's. Pastor Bob Hines.

**EVANGELICAL  
COVENANT CHURCH**  
107 W. Third St., Winthrop  
Pastor Kyle Kachelmeier  
507-647-5777,  
Parsonage 507-647-3739  
[www.wincov.org](http://www.wincov.org)

Sunday, December 30: 9:30 a.m. Worship. No Sunday school.

Monday, December 31: 6:30 p.m. Game night.

**ST. PAUL'S UNITED  
CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Henderson  
(507) 248-3594 (Office)

Rev. Brigit Stevens, Pastor  
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St. Paul's UCC - Henderson

Sunday, December 30: 10:00 a.m. Worship. No Sunday school.

**PEACE LUTHERAN**  
(Missouri Synod), Arlington  
Kurt Lehmkuhl, Pastor

Sunday, December 30: 9:15 a.m. Worship service.

Monday, December 31: 7:30 p.m. New Year's Eve service with Holy Communion.

Wednesday, January 2: 3:45 p.m. Bible study; choir. 8:00

p.m. Catechism. 5:00 p.m. Bell choir.

**ZION LUTHERAN**  
814 W. Brooks St.  
Arlington - (507) 964-5454  
James Carlson, Pastor

Sunday, December 30: 8:00 a.m. Choir. 9:00 a.m. Worship. 10:00 a.m. Sunday school and fellowship.

**ZION LUTHERAN**  
Green Isle Township

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**TRINITY LUTHERAN**  
32234 431st Ave., Gaylord  
Vicar John Gabrielson, Interim Pastor

Sunday, December 30: 10:30 a.m. Worship.

**CREEKSIDE**  
COMMUNITY CHURCH

Christian & Missionary Alliance  
Ben Lane, Pastor

114 Shamrock Drive  
Arlington - 507-964-2872  
[www.creekside-church.com](http://www.creekside-church.com)  
email: [creeksidecc@mediacombb.net](mailto:creeksidecc@mediacombb.net)

Thursday, December 27: No women's groups, resumes January 3rd. Women's study of "David." 6:30 p.m. men's Bible study of "Second Timothy" at Dave Gustafson's home.

Sunday, December 30: 10:00 a.m. Prayer. 10:30 a.m. Worship service with Sunday school.

Wednesday, January 2: No REACH, resumes January 9th at Shogren's.

**SEVENTH DAY  
ADVENTIST**  
7th Ave. N.W., Arlington  
(507) 304-3410  
Pastor Robert Brauer  
507-234-6770

Saturday: Church services at 9:30 a.m. Bible study at 11:00 a.m. Fellowship dinner at 12:00 p.m. All are welcome.

**UNITED METHODIST**  
Arlington  
Wayne Swanson, Pastor  
[www.warlingtonunitedmethodist.org](http://www.warlingtonunitedmethodist.org)

Saturday, December 29: 8:00 a.m. A-Men men's group.

Sunday, December 30: 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Worship.

Wednesday, January 2: 7:00 p.m. Bible study; choir. 8:00

served with each meal daily.  
Menu is subject to change.

Monday and Tuesday: No school.

Wednesday: Oatmeal bar, cheese stick, juice, milk.

Thursday: Waffle, juice, milk.

Friday: Cereal, seeds, fruit cup, milk.

**SIBLEY EAST SCHOOL**  
MENU

Arlington

A 1/2 pint of milk and an enriched grain product is served with each meal. Additional milk is available for 40 cents each. Menu is subject to change.

Monday and Tuesday: No school.

Wednesday: Chicken strips, seasoned rice, glazed carrots, peas, whole grain bread slice.

Thursday: Spaghetti, meat sauce, green beans, cole slaw, pineapple, bread stick.

Friday: Mini corn dogs, oven fries, baked beans, pear slices.

p.m. Worship.

Thursday, January 3: 10:00 a.m., 2:00 and 7:00 p.m. Worship on cable TV. 1:00 and 7:00 p.m. Bible study at Jean Olson's.

**ST. PAUL LUTHERAN**  
(WELS),  
Arlington

Bruce Hannemann, Pastor

WEBSITE: [www.stpaularlington.com](http://www.stpaularlington.com)

EMAIL: [Bruce.Hannemann@stpaularlington.com](mailto:Bruce.Hannemann@stpaularlington.com)

Sunday, December 30: 10:00 a.m. Worship.

Monday, December 31: 6:00 p.m. Worship with Communion.

**GAYLORD ASSEMBLY**  
OF GOD  
Gaylord

Bob Holmbeck, Pastor

Sunday, December 30: 9:00 a.m. Sunday school. 10:00 a.m. Sunday worship service.

Wednesday, January 2: 6:30 p.m. Evening Bible classes. 8:00 p.m. Youth Focused.

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Fr. Sam Perez

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FAITH COMMUNITY**

Fr. Keith Salisbury, Pastor

Friday, December 28: 8:30 a.m. Mass (Mar and Bre)

Saturday, December 29: 5:00 p.m. Mass (Mar).

Sunday, December 30: No elementary religious education (Mar and Mic). 7:30 a.m. Mass (Mic). 9:00 a.m. Mass (Mic). 10:30 a.m. Mass (Mar).

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Wednesday, January 2: 7:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Mic).

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A 1/2 pint of milk and an enriched grain product is served with each meal. Additional milk is available for 40 cents each. Menu is subject to change.

Monday and Tuesday: No school.

Wednesday: Pizza, peas, fruit.

Thursday: Corn dog, scalloped potatoes, green beans, fruit.

Friday: Shrimp poppers, hash brown potatoes, carrots, celery, squash, fruit.

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Thursday: Waffle, juice, milk.

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**ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN (WELS), Arlington**

Pastor Bruce W. Hanneman

8:45 a.m. Sunday School, 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study

10:00 a.m. Worship

**Blessings**

"Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying: "Sovereign

Lord, as you have promised, you may now dismiss your servant in

peace. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared

in the sight of all nations: a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and the

glory of your people Israel.'" Luke 2:28-32 NIV

## It's not too late to receive a flu shot

The Sibley Medical Center, in cooperation with Sibley County Public Health and Human Services, today asked the public's help to reduce the spread of the flu and reminded people that it's not too late to receive a flu shot.

"Significant increases in flu activity in the U.S. in the last three weeks indicate that an early flu season is underway," says Donna Schiro, RN, BSN Infection Preventionist at Sibley Medical Center. "We urge everyone to get a flu vaccine now if you have not done so already this season. Vaccination is especially important for children, adults 65 and older, pregnant women and people with asthma, diabetes and other long-term conditions who are at high risk from flu complications."

Officials remind the public, in addition to getting the seasonal flu vaccine, there are other steps everyone can take to prevent contracting and spreading the flu. They include:

- Cover your cough

- Wash your hands with warm water and soap, or use an alcohol-based sanitizer

- If you aren't feeling well, stay home

If your children are ill, keep them at home

The seasonal flu is a contagious respiratory illness caused by influenza (flu) viruses. It can cause mild to severe illness, and at times can lead to death.

The signs and symptoms of the seasonal flu include fever, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headache, chills and fatigue.

The Sibley Medical Center has flu vaccine available at any of their clinic sites:

Arlington: 507-964-2271 (888-974-2539)

Gaylord: 507-237-5523

Henderson: 507-248-3433

Winthrop: 507-647-5318

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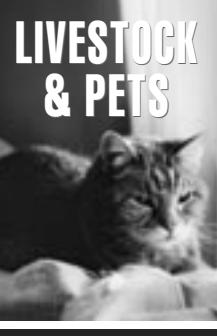
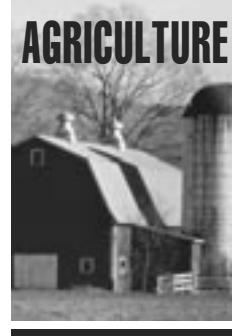
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## Holiday Program

Students at the Green Isle Community School presented "Forty Winks Till Christmas" on Thursday night, Dec. 20. Left to right: Tyson Grams, Joe Roepke, Abby Bode and Nick Grams.

## Setting realistic New Year's resolutions

By Gail Gilman-Waldner

Part of the American tradition of celebrating the New Year seems to be making resolutions that are doomed to failure. It is estimated that 25 percent of New Year's resolutions are abandoned within the first 15 weeks of the year. Not only that, but individuals tend to make the same New Year's resolution an average of ten times, and those who manage to make a resolution last for six months or longer have often tried five or six times before finally succeeding. The lack of success in carrying out New Year's resolutions can be demoralizing and can lead to an attitude of "I give up -- why bother?" until the next year when false hope syndrome starts a new cycle.

To avoid this trap, resolutions should be realistic goals based on an individual's life and circumstances. Healthy behaviors are a result of four

elements: awareness, motivation, skill-building, and opportunity. Without opportunity or access to ways to promote health, good intentions cannot be realized. For example, an older adult may resolve to exercise regularly, but if he or she does not have transportation to get to a senior center or community center, has no idea how to be physically active alone at home, and doesn't have an exercise buddy or a family member who can offer support, the likelihood that he or she will start being physically active just because it's on a New Year's resolution list is very low.

On the other hand, setting SMART (Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic, Time-based) goals and using positive rather than negative reinforcement may help an older adult take small steps toward making lasting changes. The older adult in

the example above might start by setting a goal for January of making two phone calls to ask about transportation to a senior center from the county transit system or from the senior center itself.

The following suggestions may help create empowering New Year's resolutions for improved health.

1. I will honor my life experience, appreciate my strengths and abilities, and love myself. 2. I will make changes for me, not for anyone else.

3. I will get more in touch with my body and listen to what it is telling me.

4. I will ask for support from family, friends, and others if I need it, and I will offer support when needed.

5. I will pick one or two things to work on and set goals that are SMART (Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic, Time-based).

6. I will try something new.

7. I will connect with others.

8. I will have fun.

9. I will start by taking small steps.

10. I will give myself credit for what I accomplish.

*People who would like more information on "Setting Realistic New Year's Resolutions" are encouraged to contact Gail Gilman-Waldner, Family Life Consultant, M.Ed., C.F.C.S. and Professor Emeritus at the University of Minnesota, at waldn001@umn.edu.*

## History

### 88 Years Ago

December 25, 1924

Louis Kill, Editor

Santa Claus received a royal welcome to Arlington when he alighted from the 3:15 passenger train last Saturday afternoon, when he was greeted by a crowd of fully 500 kiddies and several hundred grown-ups who had gathered at the station. Santa appreciated the royal welcome he received all the more because the youngsters were undaunted by the sub-zero temperature and turned out in full force.

The second death from black smallpox occurred last Sunday when Louis Hensler of Jessenland succumbed to the dread disease. Another case of smallpox in this vicinity is reported at the Martin Mueller home, west of Arlington. August, the eldest son, was taken ill last week with the disease in a very mild form. He was not seriously ill at any time and is recovering nicely.

### 68 Years Ago

December 21, 1944

Louis Kill, Editor

Miss Delores Alwin and Earl G. W. Bandelin were married on Thursday afternoon, December 14th, in the Arlington Methodist Church. Rev. Frank C. Greene officiated. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Alwin of Sleepy Eye. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Bandelin of Arlington.

A meeting of the sportsmen and hunters of this community has been called for Friday evening, December 22, at 8 o'clock, in the City Hall in Arlington. All hunters are urged to attend and take part in the discussion which it is hoped will result in perfecting an organization to promote duck hunting in this part of the county.

Arlington has a new business establishment in the form of a plumbing, heating and welding shop. It is located in the Earnest Barth building in West Arlington and conducted by Harry A. Wright of New Lisbon, Wisconsin. Mr. Wright is a nephew of O. S. Vesta of this community.

### 48 Years Ago

December 24 and 31, 1964

Curtis Boeder, Editor

The Arlington-Green Isle school will have a foreign exchange student next year. The FFA has been working on this project for nearly a year to find a home and raise the necessary money.

Over 150 members of the Farmhand sales staff from the United States and Canada toured the Green Isle Manufacturing plant last Wednesday evening. Mel Giesen, shipping supervisor of the Green Isle firm, explained the process of manufacturing one of the firm's biggest sellers, the Farmhand Feedmaster grinder and mixer, in a photo featured in the Enterprise.

Gilbert Herd, who has been hauling milk and cream for the Arlington Creamery Association for the past 29 years, today announced the sale of the business to Darrel Grack of Arlington. Herd stated that when he first began hauling for the creamery most of his customers sold only cream, with the exception of one or two persons who shipped whole milk.

### 28 Years Ago

December 27, 1984

Val Kill, Editor

The VFW Auxiliary to Post 6031 is pleased to announce the winners of the 1984 Voice of Democracy contest. Mary Shoberg was awarded the first place prize of \$20, Margie Kemp was awarded the second place prize of \$15 and Lori Perschau received the third place prize of \$10. Mary Shoberg's winning tape has been entered into District 2 VFW Voice of Democracy competition.

Travis Smith and Michelle Boettcher, both of Henderson, placed first and second in the November 10th Bowlathon at the Ponderosa Bowl in Arlington. The bowlathon was sponsored to raise funds for the Minnesota Association for Retarded Citizens. Although neither was an experienced bowler they bowled a 166 and 165 respectively, giving them first and second place.

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