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## Residents ask for city help on flood issues

By Alyssa Schauer  
Staff Writer

Silver Lake saw two major rain events this spring that left residents with sewage floods in their basements, thousands of dollars in damage, and the big question, "What is the city going to do about it?"

Dan and Sue Kieser, Jessica Trebbensee and Harlan Mielke approached the City Council Monday night about the June 20 rainfall that brought five

inches of rain within an hour and sewage into their basements.

The Kiesers said their basement has not flooded within the last 10 years or so until this spring, and Trebbensee said this was the "first time in eight years" that sewage flooded into her basement — the Grove Avenue project was the culprit in question.

City Clerk Kerry Venier said that the first bout of flooding

from the rains on May 19 was the fault of R&R Excavating.

"It was determined that water entered through the construction site and surcharged the sanitary sewer system," Venier said.

"Our insurance company referred damage from the first storm to R&R, but with the latest rain event, R&R basically said, 'we fixed all of our stuff. How can you hold us liable?'" Venier added.

Questions about pumping the lift station arose and Venier said "MPCA (Minnesota Pollution Control Agency) has strict regulations when we can bypass the pumps. It has to be the most dire of flooding emergencies."

"Wait until the last possible minute? By then, we're already under water," Sue Kieser said.

The Kiesers said the recent flooding not only left sewage

remains in their finished basement, but "we have cracks in our basement floor now."

"And the smell is definitely strong. It's definitely sewage. If the sewer is backing up, there is something not good there," Sue Kieser said.

Dan Kieser said "water came in everywhere. Even from under the toilet."

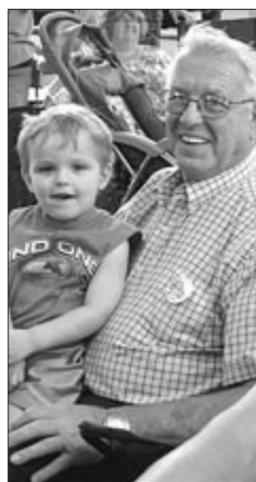
Councilor Pat Fogarty questioned the incoming water and its route and Al Hahn, the se-

ident representative for the Grove Avenue reconstruction project, said that sewer lines are not sealed for pressure, and that clay pipe lines, like those in the Kieser home, can only take so much pressure.

Jessica Trebbensee also said her flooding came "strictly through the main line."

"Oh, it's definitely sewer

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Silver Lake Leader photos by Alyssa Schauer

### Music in the Park draws 350

The second night of the six-week Music in the Park series was held last Thursday evening. Grace Bible Church provided lunch, the Living Water Puppets entertained and the Wagon Wheelers performed classic

country hits. In the bottom left are Wagon Wheelers Don Marquette, Joe Pavlik, DeNeil Thompson, Kevin Goeb and Mitchell Thompson. In the bottom right are Jack Zajicek and Bernie Zajicek.

## City finances: business as usual

By Alyssa Schauer  
Staff Writer

At its quarterly meeting Monday night, the Silver Lake City Council reviewed year-to-date revenues and expenditures to find things are "just business as usual."

City Clerk Kerry Venier presented councilors with the reports and highlighted a few budget items, including local government aid, water and sewer fund increases, and capital improvement purchases.

"For 2013, we've received \$168,619 in local government aid. Believe it or not, there was a time we received \$240,000 in local government aid," Venier said.

He said in the last legislative session, local government aid increased slightly, and Silver Lake will receive \$174,000 next year.

"But that's nothing compared to what Brownton and Stewart are receiving. Brown-

ton will be getting \$250,000 and Stewart \$160,000.

"Those are two towns comparable to ours, and we aren't seeing that much in aid," Venier said.

He added that in eight years, Silver Lake has lost about \$80,000 in local government aid.

"And the funny thing is that sales taxes keep increasing, which fund government aid," Venier said.

In the expenditures and revenues report, Venier also highlighted that there have been slight increases in both the water and sewer funds.

In 2012, at this time of year, the water fund showed \$42,010.36, and this year, the fund is at \$45,505.55.

"That increase is due to our water rate increase. Same thing with the sewer fund. Last year at this time, we were at \$66,812.99 and this year we see \$74,673.51 in the fund. We

raised the rates for the sewer fund more so than in the water fund, and those rate increases are definitely reflected in this report," Venier said.

"We are doing good going into the second half of the year," Venier said.

In expenditures, Venier pointed out slightly higher costs in fuel usage, "but this could be due to the increasing gas prices. It's something we'll have to be watching, especially in the police department, so that we don't go over budget," Venier said.

He said in 2012 at this time, the police department spent \$2,325.19 in fuel and 2013 year-to-date shows \$3,463.25 has been spent.

"We budgeted \$6,000, like last year, and we're already over compared to last year. We'll have to watch this," he said.

Venier pointed out that the largest increase in expendi-

tures is shown in the snow and ice control funds.

"Last year, we had spent \$9,861.04 at this time, and now, we've already spent \$19,340.45," Venier said.

He added that this is "obviously because of the amount of snow accumulated this winter."

He also pointed out there was a drastic increase in the public works equipment fund due to the purchase of a new sweeper.

"Last year we didn't spend anything on capital motor vehicles for the department and this year, we're seeing \$24,046.88 in expenditures for our new sweeper, which we planned for," Venier said.

"Other than that, the city is sitting pretty good. We've had unexpected expenditures in some areas but we've also acquired unexpected revenues which have covered those costs," Venier said.

## Grove Avenue work behind schedule due to rain, Council hears

By Alyssa Schauer  
Staff Writer

Grove Avenue reconstruction is about four days behind schedule, the Silver Lake City Council heard at its quarterly meeting Monday.

Al Hahn, resident representative for the project, told the Council that "due to the rain, we're about four days behind. But we've been working Saturdays to try to catch up," he said.

He said all the street tile from Gehlen Street up to Main Street is in and that construction crews will be hauling sand and laying fabric down early this week to "get things buttoned up before the Fourth of July."

The gas companies are getting all of their lines moved, and until they are finished connecting to and pressurizing the new lines, "R&R can't get in there," Hahn said.

He said the old catch basins are in the middle of the old gas lines, so "we'll wait on that."

He added that all sewer and water services have been installed and that only storm sewer is left to complete.

"The first bacteria test passed north of Main Street, but the second test did not, so they have to come out again."

"I'll tell you right now that they probably forgot to swab

the hydrant with alcohol before testing. That's what the problem usually is," Hahn said.

He said crews did find four areas that were "heavily flowed with water" so they capped those off. He also said heavy flow was found going south into the intersection of Lake Avenue and Highway 7, and flowing east towards Grove Avenue.

"We'll be doing additional televising at that intersection and at Oliver Avenue and Highway 7. It will cost \$1.07 per foot to televise, so it'll be about \$700," Hahn said.

"Then what? What do you do if you find it," Mayor Bruce Bebo asked.

"Well, if we find it, we'll probably have to put a liner in it to block it. Part of that water on Grove Avenue is coming from Lake Avenue," Hahn said.

City Clerk Kerry Venier also asked Hahn if R&R will "take care" of the Frank Street alley.

"We just fixed it, and spent a lot of money to repair it. It's breaking down badly with all the traffic," Venier said.

Hahn said the crews are already looking into that, and also will be loading gravel to fill in the alley near Cleveland Street and Merrill Street.



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### Pola-Czesky at Cedar Crest

Two weeks ago, the Pola-Czesky royalty celebrated Dairy Day with the residents at Cedar Crest Estate in Silver Lake. From left to right are Nadine Dalin, Queen Kayla Schermann and Princess Chrissy Helmbrecht.

## Upcoming Events

### Seniors to meet on July 8

The Silver Lake Senior Citizens Club will have its monthly meeting Monday, July 8, at 1 p.m., in the Silver Lake Auditorium.

### County seniors meet July 17

The McLeod County senior citizens potluck picnic will be held Wednesday, July 17, at noon, in the Glencoe City Center. Please bring a dish to share. The meeting will follow and the oldest lady and the oldest man, who haven't held the title previously, will be crowned queen and king for a day. The city center is handicapped accessible. Enter through the east door. Cards will follow the meeting. Come for an afternoon of fun and prizes.

### Kingdom Rock VBS slated

Members and friends of Grace Bible Church in Silver Lake invite kids ages 3 and up to Kingdom Rock vacation Bible school, to be held July 15-19 from 6:30 p.m. to 9:10 p.m. each day. Kingdom Rock is filled with Bible learning, crafts, team building games, Bible songs, and tasty treats. There is a cost for the entire week per child with a family maximum. There also is an adult class. Grace Bible Church is located in Silver Lake at 300 Cleveland St., next to the city water tower. For more information call Beth at 320-327-2266, or the church office at 320-327-2352.

### Fall citywide garage sales

The Silver Lake fall citywide garage sale dates are set for Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Aug. 22-24. Watch upcoming issues of the Leader for more information.

### Senior dining birthday party

The Silver Lake senior dining site is hosting its July birthdays celebration on Tuesday, July 16. The menu includes roast pork, whole potatoes, buttered cabbage, bread with margarine and rosy applesauce. There will be bingo. Call Manager Pearl Branden at 320-327-2621 to order.

### Music in the Park resumes

Music in the Park will resume on Thursday, July 11, in the Legion Park in Silver Lake. The Mariners' Club at Faith Presbyterian Church will serve a barbecued pork sandwich meal, complete with chips, pickle, beverage and dessert, beginning at 6 p.m. Alice and the Ol' Boys will perform at 7 p.m. Bring your lawn chair and come for an evening of food, music and prizes.

### White Squirrel Fest July 14

The Plato Lions Club is hosting the annual White Squirrel Festival on Sunday, July 14, at Plato City Park. There will be an omelet brunch, a community church service, silent auction, duck races and a baseball game between the Plato Bluejays and Winsted. The Hutchinson Clown Club will be on site and hamburgers and hot dogs will be served. Proceeds go to local projects.

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water. We were told not to touch our basement," Sue Kieser said.

She even presented the Council with photos from the event. "As homeowners, we have done everything possible to keep our residence dry. We've reached our last point in fixing this, which is why we're here," Sue Kieser said.

Trebbensee asked if the city can help pay to clean the basements. "It's like hazardous waste almost in my basement. I found toilet paper down there."

"The first time this happened, in May, I spent six hours cleaning and bleaching the basement, but I don't want to have to do that again. What can the city do?" Trebbensee asked.

Dan Kieser asked if a lift station was in need of repair, and Venier said "no."

"Part of the reason why we are reconstructing Grove Avenue is to fix some of those I&I issues," Venier said.

"Well, I'm asking where is this water coming from? Why can't we stay ahead of it? And is this going to be an ongoing problem?" Sue Kieser asked.

"How are you all going to correct it?" Mielke asked.

"We have to find the problem first," Mayor Bruce Bebo said.

Hahn said he is "hoping" they can find the problem

when they televise piping on Lake Avenue and Oliver Avenue at the Highway 7 intersections.

"We found clear water coming from the south and that eight-inch pipe plump full at Lake and Highway 7," Hahn said.

He thought that some of that water on Grove Avenue came from Lake Avenue.

Resident Aaron Rasset also questioned the flooding on Grove Avenue and asked when sump pumps were last inspected.

"We can inspect them when people let us in," Venier said. He added that the city has an ordinance specifying regulations for sump pumps that residents should be following.

Rasset said "an ordinance is as good as you can throw it."

Venier agreed and said that inspecting sump pumps "may be something we start doing."

Councilor Eric Nelson also suggested that water dumping into a manhole on Grove could be a fault.

He said he's never noticed the manholes covered with fabric and a steel plate. "Nothing is sealed. I've seen that fabric get washed away," Nelson said.

"I believe that much of that water came through the top of a manhole. But that's my opinion. I'm not an engineer," Nelson added.

"Why was R&R not pumping that water sooner? The same thing happened on May 19 when we had all that rain. R&R came rolling in late to pump the water. By that time, we're already flooded. That's real maddening," Sue Kieser said.

"I'm glad you are all here, but we have to find the cause before we can really do anything," Bebo said.

"I understand that, but you need to know what our losses are. We have about \$10,000 in damages," Sue Kieser said.

Mielke estimated his damage at about \$20,000.

Venier said it would be good for Dale Kosek to review previous rain events and find where water back flowed in those instances.

"But it has to be similar. Five and a half inches of rain within so many minutes. And that's a once in a hundred years kind of event," Hahn said.

Hahn also discussed backflow prevention equipment, which the Kiesers have had installed for about 12 years.

"Unfortunately, the older backflow prevention systems last only about 10 years. The newer ones, which are expensive and cost around \$3,000, last about 50 years," Hahn said.

Trebbensee asked again about reimbursement. "I really

don't have the money to hire someone to come in and clean my basement, and really, I'm not professionally trained to deal with cleaning sewage. It's a health and safety issue. Is there a way the city can help me or reimburse costs," she asked.

"In the past, we've paid for people to clean when there was blockage in the main line, but this is territory we haven't covered before," Venier said.

"Instead of the residents waiting for insurance companies to hash out fault while their basements are under sewage, can't we help?" Nelson asked.

"It definitely is a health and safety issue," Venier said.

"I don't have a problem helping, but there should be steps on your end to prevent backflow," Bebo said to Trebbensee. He suggested she look into purchasing a "backflow preventer."

"We can help you, but we have to have reasoning. We have to find the cause," Bebo reiterated.

"I have an unfinished basement. All I need is sanitizing," Trebbensee said.

"We cleaned our basement but we need sanitizing complete, too," Sue Kieser said.

On a 5-0 vote, the Council agreed to work with the affected residents on sanitizing their basements.

## Big Hitters Classic set July 12

The 10th annual Big Hitters Golf Classic, sponsored by the Glencoe Area Chamber of Commerce, will be held on Friday, July 12, at the Glencoe Country Club. The fundraiser supports the chamber's scholarship program for graduating Glencoe-Silver Lake students. The 18-hole scramble tournament begins at 1 p.m. with registration beginning at noon. The tournament fee also includes a golf cart and dinner. Contact the chamber office for more information.

## Menu

**July 8-12 Silver Lake Senior Nutrition Site**  
 Monday — Swedish meatballs, paprika potatoes, spinach, bread, margarine, ice cream, low-fat milk.  
 Tuesday — Liver or pepper steak, buttered boiled potatoes, peas, bread, margarine, apricots, low-fat milk.  
 Wednesday — Chef salad with turkey, ham and cheese, lettuce with dressing, tomatoes, cucumbers slices, muffin, margarine, brownie, low-fat milk.  
 Thursday — Roast beef, mashed potatoes, carrots, dinner roll, margarine, pudding dessert, low-fat milk.  
 Friday — Pork chow mein, rice, chow mein noodles, oriental vegetables, mandarin oranges, cookie, low-fat milk.

## Horseshoe results

The following are standings for the Silver Lake horseshoe league:  
 First, Silver Lake Fire Department, 54.  
 Second, Mallak's Excavating, 51.  
 Third, K&K Storage, 50.5.  
 Fourth, Silver Lake Legion, 34.5

## Lions 5th-, 6th-grade football registration set

Registration for Lions fifth- and sixth-grade football is set for Thursday, Aug. 1, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Hutchinson Recreation Center. The team will play in either the lightweight or heavyweight division. When registering, indicate if you are a Silver Lake Lions player. Players are responsible for \$25 of the \$50 registration fee. The Silver Lake Lions will pay \$25 for each player at the end of the season. Equipment pick-up (helmets and pads) is set for Thursday,

Aug. 22, at 7 p.m., at the Hutchinson Recreation Center. Players are to provide their own football pants and footwear (tennis shoes or soccer shoes). Football pants will be for sale at the recreation center for \$25 and mouthguards for \$1 during equipment pick-up. The coaches are Gary Kosek and Brian Mikolich, and a coaches' meeting is set for Thursday, Aug. 22, at 8 p.m., at the recreation center. The Silver Lake Lions representative is Dan Tschimperle.

## Correction

In last week's Silver Lake Leader, the obituary for Irvin Anthony Noga misspelled his first name. The complete obituary will be reprinted this week.

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Deadline for news and advertising in the Silver Lake Leader is noon, Tuesday. Deadline for advertising in The Galaxy is noon Wednesday.

# Weddings: another chance to travel

This has been the year to travel for weddings, I tell ya.

The first in March found me in Destin, Fla.; the second in bluff country Winona; the third in Lakeville and the fourth? Superior, Wis.

And I have four more yet to attend this year, including one in Ohio! Going to be a fun second half of 2013, I think.

I adore weddings — the romantic ceremony, the fun company, the good food and, of course, the dancing.

And although the first wedding was on the beautiful, white sandy beaches along the emerald ocean in Florida, I'd have to say I was as equally excited to be back in the north country for my cousin Ryan's wedding in Superior last Saturday.

I traveled up state with Grandma and Grandpa Lhotka and Aunt Carmen in Grandma's trusty vehicle, which was a blessing because could you imagine hauling the grumbling Jeep up there?

You can always tell when you're getting closer to the Duluth area — the plains fade away, the highway narrows, and all of a sudden you're surrounded by pine tree giants, mountainous terrain, and the cool, fresh air rolling off Lake Superior.

I can't help but open my window as soon as I see the expansive lake on the horizon and, like a shaggy dog, I have to stick my head out the window, let the wind tangle my hair, and take a big whiff of the refreshing air. Sometimes I might even have my tongue hanging out, but with less drool than that of a slobbering dog.

## The Travel Section

By Alyssa Schauer



Ever since I've spent time working in the Boundary Waters and in the Superior National Forest along the North Shore, I've associated that "home" feeling with northern Minnesota.

I'm not quite sure why — I have no relatives there, and I didn't grow up in the area, but I can't help but feel an overwhelming peace when traveling along Minnesota Highway 61.

Of course, we veered from Duluth to head to Superior for the big event, but even after stopping at Freddie's in Mora for breakfast omelets and French toast, we still made it to Superior by noon, with hours to spare before our 3 o'clock check-in and plenty of time to explore the North Shore.

I was more than pleased with this extra time and even more excited when Carmen suggested we kill time en route to visit Gooseberry Falls.

In those six months I lived along the North Shore, and between all those trips I've taken to Grand Marais annually since 2009, would you believe I had never visited Gooseberry Falls?

It's probably one of the most popular attractions in northern Minnesota and is easily accessible off Highway 61,

so I have no clue why I wasn't there before Saturday.

I didn't see any geese or berries or gooseberries, but I could hear the familiar sound of rushing water in the distance as we hiked into the state park, so I knew that the Falls were close.

I have visited waterfalls along the North Shore before, including the scenic vista at Cross River outside Grand Marais, and I've even visited Niagara Falls in Quebec, but somehow I was still surprised at how majestic and serene waterfalls truly are.

Everything around Gooseberry was so green, green, green and it felt great to be in the woodlands again (although I had to get used to the number of bustling tourists and the fact there were real bathrooms.) I didn't even have to use one leaf!

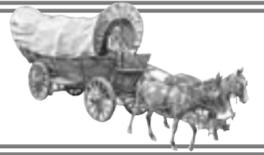
I wish we could have spent more time along the shore, and I was itching to get to Grand Marais for a slice of Sven and Ole's pizza, but the chicken, potatoes, stuffing, and Dilly bars at the wedding were just as delicious.

And I'll admit the wine was pretty tasty, too.

It's just too bad the meal didn't come with a yellow bumper sticker like Sven and Ole's.

## Down Memory Lane

Compiled by Margaret Benz



**75 YEARS AGO - JULY 9, 1938** — Two large crowds heard the two traveling Catholic speakers at the village park on Thursday and Friday evenings of last week.

Last Friday evening, the Ladies Aid of the Presbyterian Church conducted its famous homemade ice cream social. Due to the crop of mosquitoes, the ladies held the affair indoors.

The McLeod County Health Association reported that there are several cases of small pox in various sections of McLeod County.

Grasshoppers are appearing in numbers south of Hutchinson, especially in Penn, Round Grove and sections of Sumter townships, to cause concern.

Free talking moving pictures will be shown each Tuesday evening at Sherman Station, the home of George Peterson's new Archway.

Harrison Stolp, garage man at the Sherman Station Garage, was the victim of a serious eye injury when a screwdriver slipped and pierced his left eye.

John Drahos Sr. became a resident of Silver Lake, staying at the Frank Nuwash home.

Bertha and Pauline Yurek went to Hopkins Sunday morning where they will pick berries at the Frank Lorence farm.

Stanley W. Mallak has the Valentine Mallak six-room house with two acres of land in Silver Lake for sale. Joseph Navratil has his place three-fourths of a mile from Silver Lake on the Swan Lake road for sale.

Paul Edward Pavlish, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Pavlish, was baptized on Sunday at the Church of St. Joseph.

Alphonse Nawrocki and Lillie Raisanen were married Monday morning, June 27, at the Church of St. Adalbert.

**50 YEARS AGO - JULY 4, 1963** — A severe electrical storm struck last Friday afternoon shortly after one o'clock.

Melvin Wurzbarger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wurzbarger, was recently promoted to PFC.

Lois Hlavka, Lois Barton and Barbara Dostal were delegates to the 42nd state 4-H Junior Leadership Conference held June 25-28 at the University of Minnesota, St. Paul campus. Bruce Smutka, Gene and Gary Stritesky and Bruce Penaz spent a week at camp at Westminster Height, Chaska.

Mike Navratil and Danny Navratil got a bit carried away with finger painting when they found a can of red paint in Jim's garage and

tried their version of art on Jim's car. Fortunately, the activity was discovered shortly after it got under way and a cloth removed all traces of their artistic efforts.

Ruzicka's Super Market is holding a July 4th Wild Bargain Weekend Sale. Some of the specials include: large and sweet watermelon, 59¢; Kitty Clover potato chips, twin package, box 29¢; Grade A fresh fryers, 89¢ each; 10 pound bag red potatoes, 49¢; Schweigert skinless weiners, 2 pound bag 79¢; red grapes, 29¢ pound.; Folger's coffee, 2 pound can \$1.25; Nabisco Oreo cookies, 1 pound package 39¢; Aurora bathroom tissue, two-roll pack 25¢; Kraft Casino French dressing 39¢.

A 10th wedding anniversary dance honoring Mr. and Mrs. David Jagodzinski and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Mickolichik will be held on Saturday evening, July 6, at the Archway Sherman Station.

**25 YEARS AGO - JULY 7, 1988** — The Silver Lake City Council gave approval to representatives of the Pola-Czesky Committee to place a tent on the asphalt in the auditorium parking lot for the Pola-Czesky Days celebration.

Pictures for the Silver Lake Centennial History Book are wanted. Two sessions are set for taking pictures of your historical pictures on Wednesday, July 13, and on Sunday, July 24.

The city of Silver Lake is currently accepting bids for a 28-by-44-foot fire hall addition.

Milan Klima was elected the 1988-89 commander of the Silver Lake Legion Post 141.

On Thursday, June 30, the Silver Lake Fire Department responded to a call for assistance from the Glencoe Fire Department at the Allen Templin farm, where a barn and other buildings were involved in a spectacular fire.

A ditch fire near County Road 15 and Highway 7 brought out the Silver Lake Fire Department on Saturday morning.

Albin Lewandowski retired from Millerbernd Manufacturing after 35 years of employment.

Mrs. Harold (Ione Trutna) Jerabek, 69, died on Monday, June 27, at her home in Pittsburg, Calif. Funeral services were held on Sunday, July 3, at the Pittsburg Community Presbyterian Church.

A son was born on May 22 to Bruce and Carrie LaMott. Paul and Shari Schultz are the parents of a daughter born on June 27.

## Church News

**GRACE BIBLE CHURCH**  
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Sat., July 6 — Men's Bible study, 7 a.m.

Sun., July 7 — "First Light" radio broadcast on KARP 106.9 FM, 7:30 a.m.; fellowship and refreshment time, 9 a.m.; pre-service prayer time, 9:15 a.m.; worship service, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday school for all ages, 10:35 a.m.; open shooting for Center-shot graduates, 11:45 a.m.

Mon., July 8 — Board meeting, 7 p.m.

Wed., July 10 — Prayer time, 7 p.m.

Sat., July 13 — Men's Bible study, 7 a.m.; women's Bible study, 9 a.m.

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Sun., July 7 — Mass, 8 a.m.; Mass, 8 p.m.

Mon., July 8 — No Mass.

Tues., July 9 — Mass, 8 a.m.; eucharistic adoration, 8:30 a.m.

Wed., July 10 — Mass, 5 p.m.

Thurs., July 11 — Mass at Cedar Crest, 10:30 a.m.

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Fri., July 5 — Morning prayer, 8 a.m.; Mass, 8:20 a.m.; adoration of blessed sacrament follows Mass until noon; first Friday communion calls begin, 10 a.m.; Spanish Mass, 5:30 p.m.

Sat., July 6 — No widow-widower breakfast; Spanish baptisms, 10 a.m.; Lucia Vega quinceanera, 1 p.m.; reconciliation, 4 p.m.; Mass, 5 p.m.

Sun., July 7 — Mass, 9:30 a.m.; Spanish Mass, 11:30 a.m.; Mass at Holy Family, Silver Lake, 8 p.m.

Mon., July 8 — No Mass.

Tues., July 9 — Morning

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Sun., July 7 — Worship, 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.; adult growth groups and Sunday school, 9 a.m.

Tues., July 9 — Mega Sports Camp volunteer meeting, 6 p.m.; women's growth groups, 8:15 p.m.

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## Obituaries

### Irvin Anthony Noga, 77, of Belen, N.M.

A funeral Mass for Irvin Anthony Noga, 77, of Belen, N.M., was held Monday, June 24, at Our Lady of Belen Catholic Church.

Mr. Noga died Saturday, June 15, 2013.

Pallbearers were Ernest Trujillo, Michael Noga Jr., Julian Noga, Robert Bustillos, Ronnie Trujillo and Kevin Noga.



Interment was in the Sante Fe National Cemetery on June 25.

Mr. Noga was born March 5, 1936, in Silver Lake, to John J. and Pauline Noga.

Survivors include his wife of 56 years, Maria Noga; sons, Robert and Michael Noga; daughters, JoAnn and Sandra; six grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and three

brothers, John C., Ernest and Leonard Noga of Glencoe.

Preceding him in death were his parents, John J. and Pauline Noga; and two brothers, Edmond and Leo Noga.

Funeral arrangements are with the Noblin Funeral Service Belen Chapel, 418 W. Reinken Ave., Belen, N.M. An online guest register is available at [www.noblinfuneralservice.com](http://www.noblinfuneralservice.com).

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## Fun in the park

Music in the Park always draws many youths to the event who seem to enjoy the city park, participating in the weekly chicken dance and who enjoy ice freezie

treats. Monkeying around are Mya Dahlmeier, Deja Webster and Morgan Gjerdingen.

## Kitchen Delights & Other Things



### Orange Julius

**Ingredients:**  
8 ounces frozen orange juice concentrate  
1 cup milk  
1/2 cup water  
1/2 cup sugar  
1 teaspoon vanilla extract  
12 ice cubes

**Directions:**  
Combine all ingredients except ice into a blender. Blend for 1 minute. Add 3-4 ice cubes at a time and continue to blend until all crushed and thoroughly mixed. Pour into glasses and serve.

### Grilled Buffalo Wings

**Ingredients:**  
3 pounds chicken wings, separated at joints, tips discarded  
1 cup Louisiana-style hot sauce  
1 can (12 ounces) cola-flavored beverage  
1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper  
1/4 teaspoon black pepper  
1 tablespoon soy sauce

**Directions:**  
Preheat grill to medium heat. In large pot, mix together hot sauce, cola, cayenne pepper, black pepper and soy sauce. Add wings to the sauce. Place the pot to one side of the grill, so the sauce comes to a simmer. Use tongs to remove wings from sauce and place them on the grill for 8 to 10 minutes. Then return to sauce to simmer. Repeat this process for about 50 minutes. The sauce will thicken. When the chicken is tender and pulls easily off the bone, dip them one last time for "sloppy-style" wings, or serve right off the grill.

### Beer Simmered Beans

**Ingredients:**  
1 can (15 ounces) pinto beans  
1 can (15 ounces) kidney beans  
1 cup light beer  
2 jalapeno peppers, minced  
2 cloves garlic, minced  
1-1/2 teaspoons cumin  
1/4 teaspoon salt

**Directions:**  
Rinse and drain pinto beans and kidney beans. Combine pinto beans, kidney beans, beer, jalapenos, garlic, cumin and salt in a large saucepan. Simmer for 10 minutes. Serve warm or chilled.

### Fresh Dill Pasta Salad

**Ingredients:**  
1 package (8 ounces) seashell pasta  
1 cup mayonnaise  
1/4 cup sour cream  
1-1/2 tablespoons lemon juice  
1-1/2 tablespoons Dijon mustard  
1/4 cup chopped fresh dill weed  
1/4 teaspoon ground black pepper  
2 cans (4 ounces each) small shrimp, drained  
1/2 cup chopped celery  
1/2 cup chopped seeded cucumber  
2 tomatoes, diced  
3 tablespoons minced shallot  
Salt to taste

**Directions:**  
Bring a large pot of lightly salted water to a boil. Add pasta and cook until tender, about 8 minutes. Drain and rinse under cold running water to cool. In a serving bowl, combine the mayonnaise, sour cream, lemon juice, mustard, dill and black pepper. Gently stir in the pasta, shrimp, celery, cucumber, tomato and shallots. Mix in salt to taste and refrigerate at least 2 hours before serving.

### Six-Layer S'more Sandwich Bars

**Ingredients:**  
2 flat packages (16 ounces each) refrigerated cookie dough  
2 extra-large (4.25 ounces each) Hershey's chocolate bars  
1/3 cup graham cracker crumbs  
1 cup creamy peanut butter  
1 jar (7 ounces) marshmallow fluff/creme  
All-purpose flour for work surface

**Directions:**  
Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Spray an 8x8-inch pan with cooking spray. Press 1-1/4 of the two packages of cookie dough into bottom of baking pan. Set aside 3/4 remaining dough. Place the chocolate bars over the top of cookie dough in pan. Spread the peanut butter over the top of the chocolate bars, and evenly sprinkle graham cracker crumbs over peanut butter. Drop the marshmallow fluff by spoonfuls over the graham cracker crumbs. Using a knife or spatula, spread marshmallow fluff as evenly as possible. Place reserved cookie dough on a lightly floured surface. Using hands or rolling pin, press dough into an 8x8-inch square; place over marshmallow fluff and slightly press. Bake in preheated oven until top is golden brown and has just set. Allow bars to cool in pan for 2 hours and cool completely 2 hours in fridge before serving.

## Music in the Park draws crowd; prize winners for June 27 named

Over 325 people gathered for the second of six Music in the Park Thursday nights as a prelude to Pola-Czesky Days.

The Wagon Wheelers provided music and Grace Bible Church served lunch.

On Thursday, July 4, there will be no Music in the Park because of the holiday. The musical series will resume on Thursday, July 11, with Alice and the Ol' Boys performing and the Mariners' Club at Faith Presbyterian Church serving lunch.

The following are the prize winners from Thursday, June 27:

Donation of \$20 to charity of one's choice and candy from Faith Presbyterian Church, **Al Christopher**; bag of 3M products donated by 3M and Doris Wrapsir: **Jessica Eastling and Allan Kellermann**;

Free baskets of cheese curds at Pola-Czesky Days donated by the Silver Lake Knights of Columbus: **Doris Kosek, Marlene Eichten and Judy Penas**;

Wooden eagle donated by Wood Creations, LeRoy and Judy Pokornowski: **Dick Nass**; \$5 cash donated by the GFWC Silver Lake Women's Club: **Adeline Roepke**; two-liter bottle of pop donated by Dallas Ehrke: **Kevin Goeb**;

Ten dollars cash donated by Martha Urban: **Judy Nelson**; loaves of banana bread donated by Marjorie Bandas: **Claire Wrapsir and Ed Karl**; \$5 cash donated anonymously: **Sandra Enriquez and Ethan Wrapsir**;

Trellis necklace donated by Joyce Jerabek: **Juanita Urban**; \$5 cash donated by Silver Lake Civic Association: **Betty Klima and Lavonne Kaufmann**; 12-pack of pop donated by Silver Lake Liquors: **Margaret Benz and Craig Oestreich**;

Ten-dollar gift certificate for steak fry donated by Silver Lake American Legion Auxiliary Unit 141: **Ken Baumann**; bag of 3M products donated by Wayne and Barb Micka: **Vernon Briesemeister**;

Crocheted dishcloth donated anonymously: **Emilee H.**; six-month subscription to the Silver Lake Leader donated by McLeod Publishing, Inc.: **Brianna Nemeck**; 12-pack of pop donated by Ed and Delores Goede: **Jeannie Oestreich**;

Five-dollar gift certificate donated by Molly's Cafe: **Marta Nikkel**; postage stamps donated by DeAnne Fiecke: **Ginny Marquette**; free hamburger at Pola-Czesky Days donated by Silver Lake Sportsmen's Club:

**Don J. Rasmussen, Marvin Bulau and Dave Horejsi**;

Ten dollars cash donated by Pokornowski Trucking: **Barb Hoppe and Angie Oestreich**; mp3 video player donated by SEH Engineering: **Bridget Kilgore**; gift certificate at Silver Lake Legion Club donated by Brad's Sealcoating and Joe Bandas: **Dariel Posusta**;

Quilted table runner donated by Lori Line: **LeRoy Penas**; \$5 cash donated by Silver Lake Degree of Honor: **Jeanette Ebnet**; CD donated by Wee Willie Orchestra: **Irene Bulau**;

Gift bag donated anonymously: **Jack Nuwash**; a peck of apples donated by Shiman-ski Orchard: **Jan Schmeling**; bag of 3M products donated by Dave and Susie Horejsi: **Darlene Thulin**; \$10 gift certificate toward food and bar at Silver Lake Legion donated by Silver Lake American Legion Post 141: **Clifford Borgstede**;

Floral arrangement donated by Jean's Floral: **Carol Bruckschen**; \$5 cash donated by Western Fraternal Life Lodge Lumir: **Stanley Nowak**; cookbook donated by Cedar Crest: **Jamie Kosek**;

Five dollars cash donated by Delmer Sturges: **Ramona Ehrke**; \$5 cash donated by specialty Stump Grinding: **Sam Schilling**; free 20-pound

cylinder fill donated by Lakes Gas: **Chrissy Helmbrecht**; 12-pack of pop donated anonymously: **Maynard Grenke**; collector toy donated by Schmeling Oil: **Judy Baldwin**.

For the kids' drawing, the prizes and winners were:

Free hamburger at Pola-Czesky Days donated by Silver Lake Sportsmen's Club: **Brianna Wrapsir**; boy/girl gift bags donated anonymously: **Garrett Mills and Meadow Askerud**;

Bubbles, bubble gum, six-pack fruit drinks and bubble sword donated anonymously: **Jada Zajicek, Justine Helmbrecht, Jack Zajicek and April Bakken**; basket of cheese curds at Pola-Czesky Days donated by Silver Lake Knights of Columbus: **Grayson Weisenburger**.

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# GSL seeking input on bond, building 'ideas'

By Rich Glennie  
Editor

A small gathering of school staff and Glencoe-Silver Lake School Board members attended the first in a series of meetings Friday afternoon to explain the next attempt to push a school referendum building bond.

Gathering in the high school auditorium, the group heard that the cost of a new building bond has increased from 2011, when the proposed \$18.6 million, 15-year bond referendum was rejected twice by district voters. It will require a \$25 million, 30-year bond this time.

The aim of the building bond is to consolidate pre-

kindergarten through third grades at the Lincoln Junior High building, along with connecting the junior and senior high facilities to form one campus. The only grades not in the Glencoe plans are fourth through sixth, which would remain at Lakeside Elementary in Silver Lake.

In an effort to address some of the concerns of the two failed referendum attempts, GSL Superintendent Chris Sonju, along with architect Paul Youngquist and administrative staff, has offered other "ideas" in redesigning the building configuration.

But Sonju stressed at Friday's open house meeting they "were only ideas," and added

the original building plans remain "solid" in addressing the space needs of the district.

The latest "idea" would move the seventh- and eighth-grade students to a new addition on the east side of the school to better utilize the high school facilities for the junior high students.

The new idea also would look at a two-story addition to the east wing of Lincoln facility to house the complete PK-3 elementary school. The Early Childhood Family Education/Special Education (ECFE/ECSE) programs would be housed in a west wing currently being constructed at the Lincoln campus.

The plans also would close the Helen Baker Elementary School, where space is at a premium and where updates to that facility would cost millions of dollars and still not address overcrowding in that facility, according to school officials.

Sonju said safety also has been an issue, and the building plans address that in a variety of ways by limiting public accesses into the combined campus with better monitoring and safer drop-off and pick-up sites for students.

Under the new design, Sonju said the main entry into the Lincoln-high school campus would be on the north side of the building near the current

Panther Field House.

Sonju said the alternate "idea" being discussed would lower the square footage of the building project, but would require a \$25 million bond to complete.

The original bond referendum called for a 15-year bond, but the next referendum would seek a 30-year bond, Sonju said.

The goal is to keep the property tax impacts as low as possible. A building bond, unlike an operations levy referendum, impacts all properties in the district, including base farm land.

"We knew the price was going to go up," Sonju said of any building project, because of the cost for materials has increased.

"The interest rates are still favorable," Sonju said, but the project cost is up 20 percent to 25 percent since 2011. "It will be a lot more expensive."

Michelle Sander, district business manager, said the 2011 plans used \$153 a square foot in figuring costs. In the latest design, the cost has risen to \$197 a square foot for new construction.

Sonju said the original building plan, as well as the alternative being discussed, "both meet our needs."

How to get a building bond approved, however, is the major hurdle.

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Sonju said regardless of the building bond referendum, additional safety measures will be implemented next school year.

• At Helen Baker, the east door will be closed to the public and anyone from the public coming into the building will need to use the south door facing 16th Street.

• At Lakeside Elementary in Silver Lake, the public will now be "buzzed in" instead of walking directly into the office area of the school.

Sonju also said the coat hooks in the hallways at Helen Baker are no longer being allowed because the state fire marshal indicated it "restricts the hallways" in an emergency.

Also, no lockers can be placed in the hallways of Helen Baker, according to the state fire marshal.

• Sonju also said because the new ECFE/ECSE addition is connected by a hallway, it is considered a separate building from the Lincoln School.

While the new ECFE/ECSE addition will have a sprinkler system, the Lincoln building need not be "sprinkled" until the referendum bond is approved, Sonju said. To "sprinkle" Lincoln would cost another \$250,000, he added.

The ECFE/ECSE project also is allowing the school to be upgraded with a handicap bathroom in the former junior high locker room area, Sonju said. He added that has been long overdue.

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Sonju said more public meetings will be held in order to get more public input. He said these meetings are open to anyone at anytime.



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## Ground breaking

The groundbreaking ceremony for the new Early Childhood Family Education/Special Education addition to Lincoln Junior High was held last week. Participating in the ceremony were members of the chamber of commerce, school district and ECFE/SE program. They included, from left to right, Laurie Gauer, Nicole Gepson, Deb Schiroo, Sofia Nohling, Micaiah Nohling, Shoshanna Nohling, Janet Mackenthun (on top holding sign), Teagan Aldrich, Susie Larson, Maria Larson, Ella Dahlke, Emma VanDamme, GSL Superintendent Chris Sonju, Debbie Mathews, Myranda VanDamme, Mary Jo Schimelpfenig and Britta Aldrich (holding her baby, Esmae Aldrich).



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## County planners consider preliminary sketch plan on Collins Township parcel

By Lori Copley  
Staff Writer

In a brief meeting June 26, the McLeod County Planning Advisory Commission gave preliminary approval to a sketch plan that will divide an 8.9-acre parcel owned by Scott Haag, on the west side of Lake Marion along Tagus Avenue in Collins Township, into two parcels.

The division will create a separate, buildable parcel from the current building site.

County Zoning Administrator Larry Gasow said there

should be no problem with the preliminary sketch plan, which will now be forwarded to the County Board for its approval.

Once the preliminary sketch is approved, Haag will need to do soil borings for a potential septic system, have the property surveyed for a final sketch plan, and obtain an easement to share a driveway with the original building site.

The sketch plan will be on the County Board's July 16 agenda.

## Recital series begin at Peace Lutheran July 26

On July 26, the Wednesday noon recital series at Peace Lutheran Church will present young concertina artist Blake Klaustermeier. The half-hour recital begins at noon in the sanctuary at 400 Franklin St. SW in Hutchinson, just a few blocks from downtown.

Klaustermeier is from Lester Prairie and at the age of 17 has been performing on the concertina for many years. He began to show his talent as soon as he received a button box accordion for his fifth

birthday. He has played on stage in Branson, Mo., and at many other venues.

Parents are encouraged to bring children to the concerts and expose them at an early age to the excitement of live music performance. The recitals last a half hour, just the right amount for a youngster to enjoy.

The concert is free, and the public is welcome. Tickets for the salad and sandwich buffet at 12:30 p.m. are available.

## Weather Corner

By Jake Yurek



The weather gods finally smiled upon us this past weekend with near-perfect weather that stretched into the start of this week.

The trend for the rest of the week will be a transition back to slightly warmer/more humid conditions. A very large high-pressure ridge to our west, which is the reason behind record-breaking heat and wildfires, is showing signs of inching our way, but should weaken as it does so.

Highs to end the week will be in the mid-80s, possibly heading close to 90 on the weekend if we see enough sun. Major weather systems will stay away from the area and continue to let us dry out after our recent monsoon.

The weekend shows a couple chances of spotty thunderstorms and showers, but nothing should put a big damper on plans as it looks now, though, so get out and enjoy.

The Fourth of July itself will be very pleasant with plenty of sunshine and highs in the lower 80s. Enjoy the week and be safe if heading out and about! Happy birthday, America!

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Wednesday night — Lows 57-63; clear.  
 Fourth of July — Highs 78-84; lows 62-68; clear.  
 Friday — Highs 82-88; lows 64-70; mostly clear.  
 Saturday — Highs 82-88; lows 64-70; mostly clear/spotty thunder.  
 Sunday — Highs 82-88; partly cloudy/spotty thunder.  
 Weather Quiz: Shouldn't we have seen more severe weather by now?  
 Answer to last week's question: Highest temperature 108 degrees (July 14, 1936); lowest temperature 43 degrees (July 4, 1972); most precipitation 9.15 inches (July 23, 1987)!

Remember: I make the forecast, not the weather!

## 4 bloodmobiles slated around county in July

The American Red Cross has scheduled for blood drives in McLeod County in July.

The first is Friday, July 19, from noon to 5 p.m., at Shalom Baptist Church, 1215 Roberts Road SW, Hutchinson

The second is set for Tuesday, July 23, from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m., at Cactus Jack's II in Stewart.

The third is at Crossroads West Church, 10478 Bell Ave., near Plato, on Thursday, July 25, from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The fourth drive is in Glencoe Wednesday, July 31, from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m., at the Glencoe City Center.

Whether someone is among the 39 percent of the U.S. population with type O positive blood or the 2 percent with B negative, the American Red Cross is looking for eligible donors of all types to give blood this summer to help avert a shortage.

Those with O negative, A negative and B negative are especially urged to donate, as their blood types are often in high demand because they can potentially be transfused to both Rh negative and positive patients. O negative is the universal blood type and can potentially be transfused to any patient.

Vacations, activities and holidays contribute to a decrease in donations during the summer, but patients do not get a break from needing blood.

## 'Preserve Your Harvest' workshops set for July 16

Two "Preserve Your Harvest" workshops are scheduled for Tuesday, July 16, with class instructor Debbie Botzek-Linn of the Minnesota Extension Service.

The workshops are scheduled for 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the North Complex, 2391 Hennepin Ave., Glencoe, and from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., at the McLeod County Fairgrounds Commercial Building meeting room.

Learn how to safely preserve garden produce by canning, pickling and freezing.

There is a \$3 fee to cover the cost of materials, and the class is sponsored by the Heart of Hutch Eat Committee and the community garden project.

## 'Fiddler on the Roof' set July 12-14 at HLWW

Joseph Stein's "Fiddler on the Roof" will take the stage at the Howard Lake-Waverly-Winsted High School Laker Theater, presented by the Howard Lake-Waverly-Winsted Community Theatre.

The cast of this beloved musical is comprised of 58 players from the surrounding area.

Showtimes Friday, July 12, and Saturday, July 13, at 7:30 p.m.; and Sunday, July 14, at 4 p.m. Reserved ticket prices are available, and general admission tickets are available at the door. For advanced ticket reservations, call HLWW Community Education 320-543-3600.

Rich in historical and ethnic detail, "Fiddler on the Roof"

has touched audiences around the world with its humor, warmth and honesty. The universal tale of Tevye the milkman, his wife Golde, and their five daughters is one of the great American musicals.

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## People News

### Helberg named to dean's list

Samuel Helberg of Silver Lake was named to the 2013 spring semester dean's list at the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul.

### Wawrzyniak among grads

Marc Wawrzyniak of Silver Lake was among area students named to the 2013 spring graduation list at the University of Minnesota-Duluth. Wawrzyniak graduated cum laude, earning a bachelor of applied science (BAS) degree in teaching mathematics. Other local graduates include: **Dassel:** Zachary Kaiser, bachelor of science (BS) in computer science, cum laude; **Hutchinson:** Brittany Baker, BS in computer science; Ashley Davis, BAS in psychology; and Nicole Smith, bachelor of arts (BA) in urban and regional studies; and **Lester Prairie:** Naomi Martin, BAS in psychology and BA in criminology, magna cum laude.

### Heil among UMD honors list

Jessica Heil of Silver Lake was among local students named to the 2013 spring dean's list at the University of Minnesota-Duluth. Other area students include: **Cokato:** Bethanie Borg; **Dassel:** Zachary Kaiser; **Glencoe:** Adam Broderius, Trevor Lueders, Jesse Sens and Haley Templin; **Hutchinson:** Brittany Baker, Jacob Brusehaver, Johanna Cummins, Ashley Davis, Jamie Katzenmeyer, Allysa Lund, Andrew Paulsen and Kayla Stuber; **Lester Prairie:** Naomi Martin; and **Winsted:** Jared Gailey and Abby Schlueter.

### Bemidji State dean's list

The following area students were named to the 2013 spring semester dean's list at Bemidji State University: **Cokato:** Anthony Britton and Jennifer Von Ohlen; **Hutchinson:** Alicia Blazinski, Aric Frith, Courtney Haas, Kaitlyn Lyons, Jack Myers and Collin Thorsen; **Lester Prairie:** Joshua Borst Bergfeldt and Gwendolyn Pelzel.

### Christensens announce birth

Jon and Annie Christensen of Hutchinson announce the birth of their daughter, Ella Marie, on June 19, 2013, at Ridgeview Medical Center in Waconia. Ella weighed 8 pounds, 5 ounces, and was 19 inches in length. Grandparents are William and Gayle Christensen of Hutchinson, Marcia Millbrandt of Elmore and the late Irvin Milbrandt. Great-grandparents are Leroy and Elinor Christensen of Hutchinson and the late Esther Christensen, and Loretta Dostal of Hutchinson and the late Irvin Dostal, the late Ruth and Kenneth Olson of Forest City, Iowa, and the late Ruth and Wesley Milbrandt of Elmore.

### Son to Sturges, Schlueter

Charity Sturges and Brad Schlueter of Glencoe announce the birth of their son, Jaxon Lee Schlueter, on June 26, 2013, at Glencoe Regional Health Services. Jaxon weighed 9 pounds, 6 ounces, and was 21 inches in length. His older siblings are Paige and Mackenzie Sturges. Grandparents are Cathie Sturges of Glencoe, Richard Sturges of Silver Lake and John Schlueter of Winsted.

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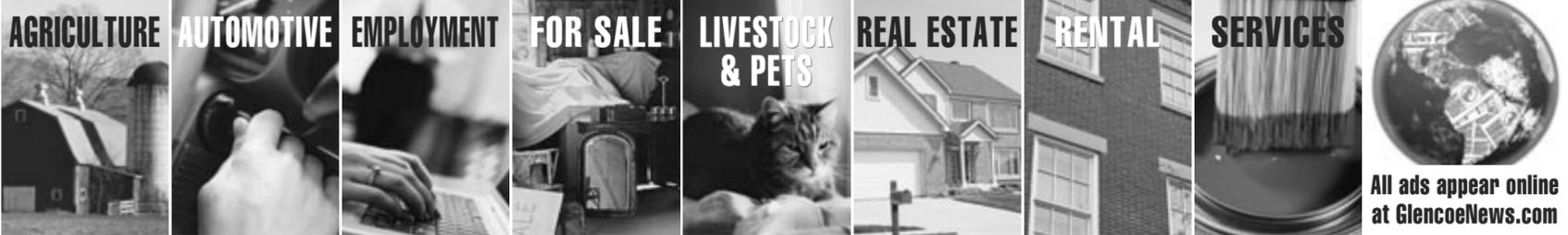
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**Kolache bake**

On Wednesday, June 19, the Pola-Czesky royalty and candidates met with Silver Lake women for their annual kolache bake. Each year, the women teach the girls how to make kolaches, which they sell during their bake sale at Music in the Park. In flour and all, from left to right in the front are, Princess Chrissy Helmbrecht, junior princess Emily Larsen and candidate Kallyssa Klatt. In the back are Queen Kayla Schermann, candidate Becca Green, Laura Kaczmarek, Margaret Benz, candidate Morgan Rumrill, Joanne Victorian, Charlotte Vasko and candidate Jamie Kosek. To the left, Emily Larsen poses for a floury shot.



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**Rain was too much of a good thing**

By David Nicolai,  
Extension educator – crops

Many of our earlier planted fields in Minnesota have been exhibiting some significant variation in plant growth and yellowing this spring. Our conditions in May and early June have been less than favorable for corn growth and for the release of nutrients from organic matter.

Due to the heavy rains nitrogen loss is being increasingly questioned, and the decision of whether to side-dress or not will need to be made sooner or later.

Dr. Dan Kaiser, University of Minnesota Extension soils specialist, recommends the following considerations to make when deciding if more nitrogen should be applied:

“There are really only two tools left at this time of the growing season to determine whether to apply more nitrogen to a growing corn crop under non-irrigated conditions. The first is the pre-side dress nitrate-nitrogen test.

This soil test was developed at Iowa State University in the 1990s. The soil test was for a sample taken to a depth of one foot.

In Iowa, the researchers were able to calibrate it to an amount of nitrogen to apply. Similar research was conducted in Minnesota on many sites. A good calibration could not be developed in Minnesota.

The only interpretation in Minnesota from the pre-side-dress nitrogen test is if the nitrate-nitrogen concentration is greater than 25 ppm then you do not need to apply extra nitrogen to the crop. This tool cannot be used to determine the amount of nitrogen fertilizer to apply!

The second tool is the supplemental nitrogen decision tool. It can be found at: <http://www1.extension.umn.edu/agriculture/nutrient-management/nitrogen/docs/NitrogenWorksheet.pdf>.

This simple worksheet was

**Farm Notes**

By Nathan Winter, Extension



developed in 1992 and has been modified and tested over the years as a means of helping people decide if supplemental, or extra, nitrogen is needed.

This decision aid is for situations when all of the nitrogen fertilizer was applied pre-plant, either in the fall or spring. It was not developed for determining nitrogen rates in a split nitrogen program. Keep in mind that good judgment is still important when using this decision aid.

The worksheet should be used in June while you have side dress application options available. The worksheet outcome is based on the answers to three questions. Each answer is weighted on how it affected nitrogen in the soil.”

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However, when air temperatures are greater than 77 °F the corn may not survive more than 24 hours. If corn is growing in saturated, cold soils, which may have flooded previously but has since started to dry out; corn may be subject to seed rots, seedling blights, various other pathogens and crazy

top. Although soybean is generally rather sensitive to excess water, soybeans can survive underwater for a week or more under ideal conditions.

The most important factors that determine the fate of flooded soybean fields are: 1) duration of the flooding; 2) temperature during the flood; 3) rate of drying after the flooding event; and 4) growth stage of the crop during the flood.

Yield losses are seldom noted in fields flooded for 48 hours or less. Four days or more of flooding stresses the crop, delays the plants' growth, and causes the plants be shorter with fewer nodes. Flooding for six days or more can depress yields significantly, while flooding for a week or more may result in significant (or entire) losses of stand.

Higher temperatures cause the soybean plant to more quickly deplete its stored energy. Cool, cloudy days and cool clear nights greatly increase the survivability of a submerged soybean crop.

Some of the main indirect effects of flooding on soybean yields are: 1) root diseases; 2) N deficiency; 3) and other plant nutrient imbalances.

Caring for recuperating soybean stands should focus on reducing stresses to the plant where possible. Cultivation should be considered to increase soil aeration, and post emergence herbicides should be applied to conventional soybean crops judiciously. Herbicide stress should be minimized and postponed where possible.

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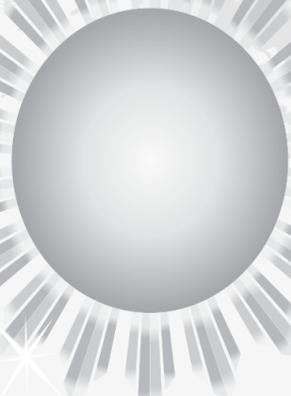
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“There are people doing good things in every local community, and these acts of kindness do not go unnoticed or unappreciated,” said Akhtar Hussain, CHS refined fuels brand marketing man-

ager. “Congratulations to Richard Smith, and thank you for your contribution to the community.”

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