GRHS.



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7th-grade students of the month

Glencoe-Silver Lake's Lincoln Junior High School announced the January students of the month Thursday. The seventh-grade honorees were, from

left, Alyssa Zellmann, English; Tison Werner, math; and Jacob Schrupp, science.



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8th-grade students of the month

Glencoe-Silver Lake's Lincoln Junior High School announced the January students of the month Thursday. The eighth-grade honorees were, front row from left, Jon Ramige, choir; and Drew

Hedtke, world studies; and, back row, Hope Kosek, math; Paola Pena, science; Mason Manteuffel, choir; and Katharine Ness, band. Not pictured: Lillian Ehrke, English.

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porters in jail for doing their jobs, and again he responded he had not yet had time to review the regulations.

"Given some of the comments we've seen," Klobuchar joked, "I will continue to focus on that issue or my dad would get really mad at me if I did not."

Klobuchar also discussed free and fair elections. Klobuchar has joined with other senators to introduce legislation to create an independent, nonpartisan commission to comprehensively investigate Russian interference in the 2016 election. Klobuchar was recently in Ukraine, the Baltic states, and Georgia to reinforce support

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for Eastern European allies and to focus on mounting international cybersecurity

"As you probably know, I went to Ukraine and Georgia, Latvia, Lithuania, and Estonia with Senators McCain and Graham. The whole purpose of our visit was to talk about our support for NATO, but also how we stand up for democracies everywhere." Klobuchar said. "These people see this every single day. And so this idea of cyber attacks and influencing elections is not unique to one candidate or one party, as Marco Rubio so eloquently pointed out. It could happen to either political party. It's not unique

to one country. It's something that's going on all around our world. And once we allow the influence of outside countries in our election, we don't have a free democracy anymore."

Klobuchar continued: "We have countries that have a reason to influence American elections exercising that influence. That's why I'm so supportive of the Intelligence Committee investigation work and the work that Sen. Graham wants to do on Judiciary, as well as setting up a select committee and getting ... expanded sanctions on Russia. I was an original sponsor of that bill."

City of Silver Lake **Public Notice**

The City of Silver Lake will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, Feb. 21 at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Silver Lake Auditorium at 320 Main St. W.

The purpose of the hearing will be to discuss the implementation of a Storm Water Utility. The Storm Water Utility will be designed to implement a user fee based on the classification of properties within the City of Silver Lake. Money from user fees will be dedicated to the ongoing maintenance and Capital Improvements to the City's Storm Sewer collection system. Property owners are encouraged to attend.



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Thurs., Feb. 9 — AA Group mtg. next to Post Office in Stewart, 8 p.m., call 320-212-5290 for info.

Sun., Feb. 12 — The Brownton Baseball Association will sponsor its 44th annual schapskopf (sheephead) tournament at the Brownton Community Center. There will be sessions at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.; Noah's Ark Preschool in Brownton will have a registration open house for new families looking for a preschool home from 10:30 a.m. to noon.

Mon., Feb. 13 — Tops Weigh-In mtg., 5-5:30 p.m.; Brownton Senior Citizens Club, Brownton Community Center, 1 p.m. Stewart City Council, 7 p.m.; Edward Ewald Post 143 of Brownton & Auxiliary, Brownton

Tues., Feb. 14 — Blood Drive at Peace Lutheran Church, 400 Franklin St. SW, Hutchinson from noon to 6 p.m.





GRHS hosting medical student

Third-year medical student Jacob Bermudez is gaining rural health care experience at Glencoe Regional Health Services (GRHS) through the University of Minnesota's Rural Physician Associate Program (RPAP).

Bermu dez started his training at GRHS on Oct. 10, 2016, and will stay until June 23, 2017. The program allows medical stu-



Jacob **Bermudez**

dents to work under the guidance of a seasoned family medicine physician while experiencing a variety of medical specialties, observing procedures and developing patient-communication skills.

"The RPAP program pushes you to expand your breadth of knowledge and allows you to have confidence in yourself," Bermudez said. Bermudez's primary preceptor, GRHS family medicine physician Bryan Petersen, is a former RPAP student who also trained at

"RPAP gives students a taste of what it's like to be a primary care doctor in smalltown or rural Minnesota," Dr. Petersen said. "Many enjoy it more than they thought they would, and many eventually go into careers in rural or

small-town settings."

Born and raised in Chicago, Bermudez has lived in larger cities his entire life. His transition to Minneapolis for medical school brought him to the smallest city he'd lived in — that is, until he began his training in Glencoe. Bermudez now lives in Silver Lake.

Before moving to Minnesota, Bermudez worked as an engineer in Los Angeles.

"My father is a physician, so I kind of grew up in medicine. When I started working

as an engineer, I missed the medical environment - gravi-

ty pulled me back," he said. According to Bermudez, one of his hopes for his future medical practice includes

working in a rural area. "The close-knit nature of a small town adds an aspect of transparency that I wasn't anticipating," Bermudez said. "You owe more to people when they are your neighbors."

Bermudez would like to become an anesthesiologist. However, his time at GRHS has sparked a new interest in emergency medicine.

"I just love the emergency room," Bermudez said. "It's been so much fun. I'm starting to think about doing a residency that combines anesthesiology and emergency medicine."

Bermudez is looking forward to continuing his experience at GRHS, and plans to return to Minnesota after he completes his residency.



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Over 800 enjoy pancakes

More than 800 people enjoyed the 66th annual men's club potato pancake and sausage dinner Sunday, Feb 5, at First Evangelical Lutheran Church in Glencoe. The men's club is a member of the International Lutheran Laymen's League (LLL), and proceeds from the

event will support LLL projects including "The Lutheran Hour" radio broadcasts. Pictured, from left to right, on the fryers are Terry Rowan, Charlie Czycalla and Darrell Bruckschen. More than 800 pounds of potatoes were

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son matter, then we're going to keep talking past each other." These are challenges, but they're hardly insurmountable — especially if we learn to put ourselves in others' shoes.

As you read this speech, it's hard to avoid a sense of the basic strength of our country. There's a celebration of the peaceful transfer of power, a straightforward discussion of race and ways to surmount the burdens that racial discord have imposed on our society, a magnanimity toward ideological adversaries, an underlying sense of inclusiveness and decency. These are wise words from a mature politician who clearly has confidence in the nation's ability to forge ahead and meet its challenges.

I understand that a lot of people in this country don't agree with former President Obama on many things. But set aside the person who wrote it for a moment: this speech is instructive for all of us on what this country is all about and how we can make it better.

Lee Hamilton is a senior adviser for the Indiana University Center on Representative Government. He was a member of the U.S. House of Representatives for 34

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Obituaries

Martha B. Wilkins, 91, of Silver Lake

Wilkins, 91, of Silver Lake, died Jan. 29, 2017.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Feb. 4, at Faith Presbyterian Church in Silver Lake with the Rev. Carol Chmielews-

the organist.



Wilkins ki officiating. Jacki Rossi was

Casket bearers were six Legionnaires from Silver Lake American Legion Post 141. Interment was in the Faith Presbyterian Cemetery.

Martha Wilkins was born March 24, 1925, in McLeod County, the daughter of Josef and Martha (Jancik) Madlo. She attended Silver Lake

Public School and District 12. She was confirmed at Faith Presbyterian Church in Silver Lake. She worked in the defense plant in San Diego, California, and at the Naval Training Base during World War II. Here she met and married Donald Wilkins on May 4, 1946, at the North Chapel, Naval Training Center, San Diego, California. During their time in the service, they lived in Honolulu, Hawaii, Tokyo, Japan, Washington, D.C., and Chanute, Illinois, and spent some time in Chico, Texas.

After Mr. Wilkins' retirement from the service, they moved to Glencoe in 1961. They shared 36 years of marriage before Mr. Wilkins died in 1982.

In September 1993, Mrs. Wilkins moved to Lakeside Manor Senior Residence in

walking, playing cards, crocheting, puzzles and, of course, Bingo.

She as an active member of the American Legion Auxiliary, the Degree of Honor, senior citizens and nutrition site in Silver Lake.

She is survived by many nieces, nephews, step-nieces and step-nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Josef Madlo and Martha (Jancik) Madlo Honzalek; stepfather, Emil Honzalek; brothers, Stanley Madlo and Joseph Madlo; and stepsisters, Mildred Simon and Martha Chastek.

They had no children.

Arrangements were with the Maresh Funeral Home in Silver Lake. Online condolences may be made at www. mareshfuneralhome.com.



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Kindergarten Panther Pride

Glencoe-Silver Lake's Helen Baker Elementary School had its January allschool meeting Tuesday, Jan. 31, and handed out the January Panther Pride awards. The kindergarten awards went to, front row from left, Dannaca Bigbear-Roberts, Madelynn Quigley,

Solveij Aldrich, Logan Pedersen and Zachary Smedley; and, back row, Elsie Kordell, Mario Mireles, Winifred Beste-Zehnder, Olivia Jacoby, Maddox Varpness, Amelia Grimm, Stone Wachtler and Tenley Roberts.

Julie Rae Zielie-Gaffer, 61, of Mankato

Julie Rae Zielie-Gaffer, 61, of Mankato, died Wednesday, Feb. 1, 2017, at Mayo Clinic Health System - Mankato.

A memorial visitation will be held today (Wednesday, Feb. 8), from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., at Mankato Mortuary, Julie Rae Mankato . Zielie-Gaffer



Memorials may be given to White Earth Reservation, Nature Conservancy, Family Sharing Tree in the greater Mankato area, or the KMSU Shuffle Function Program.

Julie Rae Zielie-Gaffer was born April 6, 1955, in Eau Claire, Wisconsin, to Llewellyn and Mary (Toner) Zielie. She was a 1973 graduate of Elk Mound High School in Wisconsin. She received her undergraduate and master's degree in counseling from the University of Wisconsin-Stout.

She was united in marriage to Christopher Rhys Gaffer on July 31, 1991, in Mankato. She was employed for 15 years at the Minnesota State Hospital in St Peter. She enjoyed researching her family genealogy, flowers, gardening, arts and crafts, playing Scrabble, and working on projects around the house.

She is survived by her husband, C. Rhys Gaffer of Mankato; son, Adam Zielie of Minneapolis; two sisters, Roxy (Robert) Sherer of Grand Portage and Cindy (Tom) Kopp of Elk Mound, Wisconsin; two brothers, Dan Zielie of Elk Mound, Wisconsin, and Terry (Tokiko) Zielie of Port Charlotte, Florida; also many nieces, nephews and close friend, Rae Ann Kozitza of Mankato.

She was preceded in death by her parents in 1984.



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1st-grade Panther Pride

January first-grade Panther Pride awards, given at Glencoe-Silver Lake Helen Baker Elementary School on Tuesday, Jan. 31, went to, front row from left, Lillian Pedersen, Luke Beck-

er, Owen Graf, Colten Morris and Ella Templin; and, back row, Aiko Soto, Trey Rosenund, Charlie Perbix, Peyton Blazinski, McKaela Jensen, Drew Schuette and Charles Mueller.



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Lincoln geography bee

Lincoln Junior High of Glencoe-Silver Lake Schools hosted its georgraphic bee Tuesday, Jan. 31, with 13 participants. Those participating, pictured above, are front row from left, Zach Reichow, Eli Kuehn, Paul Sievert, Jacob Haag, Logan Clouse and Cade Herrmann; and, back, Devin Everding, Elida Roskamp, Abigail Boetel, Nathan Warner, Kayla Reichow and Kobe Boozikee. Not pictured is Ella Littlejohn. In the photograph at right are the champion, Jacob Haag, left, and the runner-up, Paul Sievert.





2nd-grade Panther Pride

Second-grade Panther Pride awards, given at Glencoe-Silver Lake Helen Baker Elementary School on Tuesday, Jan. 31, went to, front row from left, Avrie Butcher, Nora Sherman, Carter

Sullivan and Brodie Werner; and, back row, Jack Hedin, Tiffany Contreras, Danika Farmer, Molly Johnson, Emma Vandamme and Billy Witte.

Thank You

The family of Delores Gehrke would like to thank family and friends who gave cards, flowers, food, or memorials at the time of her passing. Also, thank you to those of you who shared kind words or memories about her with us.

Thanks to Allina Home Health, Dr. Bryana Andert and the staff at New Ulm Medical, and Dr. Christa Waymire and the staff at Glencoe Regional Health Services for their wonderful care.

Our thanks to Dorbratz-Hantge Funeral Home, Pastor Andrew and Rosine Hermodson-Olsen, Bonnie Westmiller, and the members of Grace Lutheran. Brownton who helped with the celebration of her life. All of your acts of kindness have been a blessing to us.

> Randy & Jeri Ricke Ryan Ricke **Dustin & Hudson Ricke**

Thank You The Family of Orlin Meyer extends a sincere thank you to all who remembered us at the death of our beloved Husband, Father, Grandfather and Great-Grandfather.

We were overwhelmed by the kind words expressed to us, the flowers, phone calls, cards and memorials by our many relatives and friends. A special thank you to Pastor Rapp for his prayers and visits. The groups of Christmas carolers who came to the Good Samaritan Center to enlighten the Christmas Season. Sincere thanks to Ridgeview Sibley Medical

Center, Ridgeview Medical, Waconia and Arlington Good Samaritan Center. The doctors and nursing staff for the excellent care, Orlin received. Kolden Funeral Home for making the arrangements, food for the lunch brought in and St. Paul's Lutheran Ladies for serving it. Your kindness will be remembered always.

God's Blessing to you all. Vivian Meyer Children, Grandchildren, and Great-Grandchildren *6CEc

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Card of Thanks

The family of Martha (Madlo) Wilkins, would like to express thanks and appreciation to all our relatives, friends and neighbors who expressed their sympathy following the death of our Aunt,

Martha Wilkins. Thank you for the kinds words, prayers, hugs, cards, flowers, memorials and the food that you shared. Everyone's thoughtfulness and

kindness is greatly appreciated. Thank you to Cedar Crest of Silver Lake staff and nurses and to Allina Hospice Staff for their care and support.

Our thanks to Pastor Carol Chmielewski for the prayers and funeral service; the Degree of Honor for their memorial prayers; Jackie Rossi, organist; Legionnaires from Silver Lake Post #141, Casket Bearers; and the Faith Presbyterian Women and Men who prepared and served the luncheon; all the people who donated food; and also the Maresh Funeral Home of Silver Lake.

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Weather Corner

By Jake Yurek

All we have to do is get by the first part of the week and things should settle in nicely.

An early week storm focused most of its precipitation to our north and southeast. As I write this it hasn't happened yet, but I'm hoping any precipitation stayed away as a few patches of freezing rain may have developed close to us. Behind the storm the wind picked up and temperatures dropped. By Wednesday lows may dip below zero with wind chills well into negative land.

There is good news, though ... it will be short-lived as a warm push will work back in Friday through Saturday, ramping temperatures up into the 40s by Friday. Some indications point at 50s working into South Dakota, so we'll see how close it can get, but 40s will still feel pretty nice. Weekend highs will again head north of freezing with a slight cool-down expected early next week. Late Saturday we'll have another weak storm system move by with some rain mixing with snow.

High pressure builds out west early next week, so it should keep us close to average with big storms avoiding the area.

Have a great February week, everyone!

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Wednesday night — Lows -3 to 3; clear. Thursday — Highs 17-23, lows 20-23, clear. Friday — Highs 40-46, lows 25-31; clouds. Saturday — Highs 35-42, lows 20-26; rain mixing with snow late.

Sunday — Highs 32-38, partly cloudy.

Weather Quiz: Why have we seen more bouts of freezing drizzle and fog this year than we normally see?

Answer to last week's question (I was recently asked again, why don't the most precipitation and most snowfall for monthly extremes match up on any given month?): In winter, there's typically a pretty fine line between rain and snow in the largest storms, so more often than not we get our biggest precipitation days in winter in rain and the snowfall days don't quite add up as much.

Remember: I make the forecast, not the weather!

Applications open for Ervin scholarship

Applications for the Delores M. Ervin Scholarship are being accepted through April 1.

The scholarship was established in 2008 by the late Delores M. Ervin of Stewart. Her goal was to foster post-secondary education in health-care-related fields.

Eligible applicants are graduating seniors who reside in the former McLeod West School District as it stood on Jan. 1, 2009. All applicants must be planning to pursue a health-care-related field.

Applications are available at the counselors offices at Glencoe-Silver Lake, Buffalo Lake-Hector-Stewart and Gibbon-Fairfax-Winthrop school districts, and should be returned to the same offices.

17 Brownton seniors met on Monday

Seventeen Brownton senior citizens met Monday afternoon at the Brownton Community Center.

Winning at cards were Bernetta Alsleben, first, and Archie Diehn, second, 500; Pearl Streu, first, and Phyllis Mahnke, second, pinochle; and Norma Albrecht, first, and Delores Rennecke, second, sheephead.

Lowell Brelje won the door prize. Gladys Rickert served refreshments.

The next meeting is Monday, Feb. 13, at 1 p.m. All area seniors are welcome.



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Engineering bridges

January's STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) project at Glencoe-Silver Lake's Helen Baker Elementary was building bridges. Students worked with their parents to build bridges from a variety of materials. Above, kindergarten student Enrique Soto, left, built his from popsicle

sticks, while second grader Amelia Boetel, center, and first grader Owen Graf, right, made theirs from cotton swabs and wood, respectively. There were 65 projects turned in, and were displayed on several tables near the school office, below.



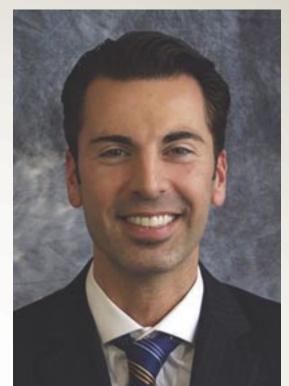


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Anglers hope to hook fish, prizes

The Brownton Rod & Gun Club hosted a large crowd Saturday afternoon for its annual ice fishing contest. While many stayed in the clubhouse, most ventured out on the ice to try to catch fish and win prizes. Mike

Hahn of Hector was the lucky winner of the grand prize, an Ice Castle fish house. A large number of other prizes were also given. There also was a number of fish caught.

Dairy princess candidates sought for Sibley County

The Midwest Dairy Association of Sibley County seeks candidates for its 2017 Sibley County Dairy Princess competition. Dairy princesses serve as goodwill ambassadors for the dairy industry and take part in dairy promotions, media interviews, classroom presentations, parades and other public appearances to promote the dairy industry and its products.

A candidate must be a high

school senior about to graduate or already be a graduate, unmarried, childless and not yet 24 years of age by July 1. A candidate also qualifies if she or either of her parents are employed on a dairy farm.

County dairy princesses are eligible to attend a statewide dairy princess promotion and leadership event to be held at St. Cloud State University. They may be selected as a finalist for the Princess Kay of the Milky Way title. Twelve finalists will be selected to compete for the title of Princess Kay of the Milky Way in August. Contestants are judged on their communication skills, personality, enthusiasm for dairy promotion and general knowledge of the dairy industry. Candidate entry deadline is Sunday, March 5.

Sibley County ADA also is seeking dairy ambassadors.

Dairy ambassadors can be any girl or boy between the ages of 13 and 18. They help promote the dairy industry by attending parades and serving dairy products at social events throughout the communities.

If interested, please contact Sibley County Dairy Princess Coordinator Jessica Flygare at 952-913-6189.

Chanhassen man arrested for receiving stolen property

The Carver County Sheriff's Office has arrested Roger David Nitz, 52, of Chanhassen, after discovering stolen vehicles on property he leases in Waconia Township.

Carver County Sheriff Jim Olson reports that on Jan. 27, at about 2:57 pm, sheriff's deputies responded to a report of stolen property in Waconia Township. The reporting party, an employee of Min-

nesota Inboard, told the deputies that two Malibu Wakesetter boats had been stolen from Minnesota Inboard and were currently at 6750 County Road 10, Waconia Township. The combined value of the two stolen boats was about \$134,000.

Deputies learned that Nitz leases the County Road 10 property for small engine repair and vehicle and boat storage.

Deputies served a search warrant and recovered stolen vehicles: a 2003 Ford F350, a 2004 Chevrolet Silverado, a Bobcat S185 and plow attachment, and an Audi A6. The combined value of the stolen vehicles is approximately \$54,000.

Deputies arrested Nitz without incident at a Chanhassen address. He was trans-

ported to the Carver County Jail and charged with six felony counts of receiving stolen property. On Jan. 31, Nitz posted bail in the amount of \$5,000 cash. His next court appearance is scheduled for Feb. 28.

Sheriff's deputies are continuing to investigate this matter.















People

Named to Bethel dean's list

Victoria Burr, daughter of Bryan and Stacie Burr of Glencoe, and Payton Maiers, daughter of Mark and Cindy Maiers of Stewart, were both named ot the dean's list for the fall 2016 semester at Bethel University in St. Paul. Both are seniors at the university.

Locals on fall Gustavus list

Abigail Butler and Oakley Clark, both of Glencoe, and Jillian Driver of Stewart were all named to the fall semester dean's list at Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter. To be named to the list, a student must achieve a grade point average of 3.7 on a 4.0 scale.

Tichy named to fall dean's list

Jesse Tichy of Glencoe, a senior at Kent State University in Kent, Ohio, has been named to the fall 2016 dean's list. Tichy is studying nursing at the college of nursing. To be named to the dean's list, students must achieve a grade point average of 3.4 on a 4.0 scale.

Locals graduate from SCSU

Courtney Schroepfer and Beau Streu, both of Glencoe, graduated from St. Cloud State University Friday, Dec. 16. Schroepfer graduated summa cum laude with a Bachelor of Science degree in early childhood education. Streu earned an Associate in Arts degree in liberal arts and sciences.

Nicollet-Sibley Corn-Soybean Growers offering scholarships

The Nicollet-Sibley County Corn and Soybean Growers are offering six \$750 scholarships for students enrolled in two- or four-year colleges and majoring in ag business, ag production, ag engineering, ag education or any ag-related field of study.

Scholarship applicants must be a resident of Sibley or Nicollet county and their family must be a Minnesota Corn or Soybean Grower Association member.

Two \$500 adult scholarships for adults enrolled in an ag education program also are being offered.

For a scholarship application contact the Nicollet-Sibley County Corn & Soybean Growers at 507-237-4100 or check with your local high school. The deadline for submitting applications is April 15.







Valentine's Day Dinner

