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Chief Little Crow played a prominent role in the history of both Minnesota and McLeod County, and his story is the subject of a documentary that will be shown at the State Theater in Hutchinson on Sunday night. Above, Lori Pick-

ell-Stangel, director of the McLeod County Historical Museum, is shown with a statue of Little Crow, which is currently on display at the museum.

Movie seeks to bring story of Chief Little Crow to life

By Katie Ballalatak
Staff Writer

The McLeod County Historical Society & Museum will be showing the historical documentary, "Little Crow & the Dakota War," at the State Theater in Hutchinson on Sunday, July 23, at 7 p.m.

The event has local and historical significance for McLeod County because Little Crow, the chief of the Dakota people, died on the outskirts of Hutchinson on July 3, 1863, by a settler's gunshot, roughly seven months after the U.S. Dakota War of 1862 ended.

The documentary, created by Mark Diedrich and Bill Weiss, explores the life of Little Crow during the U.S. Dakota War of 1862. The film consists of live action, art work (some painted by Diedrich), scenery shots and historical photographs.

Diedrich and Weiss shared equal



Submitted photo

Mark Diedrich and Bill Weiss collaborated on the production of "Little Crow & the Dakota War," a movie depicting the biography of Chief Little Crow.

parts in the directing and producing of the film, with Diedrich coming to the project as the writer, narrator and artist and Weiss focusing on the technical side of the project which

included camerawork and editing. Diedrich said that he and Weiss

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City Council weighs whether to drop lawsuit over phosphorus limits

By Katie Ballalatak
Staff Writer

At its Monday meeting, the Glencoe City Council heard reviews from Short Elliott Hendrickson, Inc., (SEH) about the possibility of Glencoe receiving the Point Source Implementation Grant (PSIG) with the Public Facilities Authority (PFA) for \$7 million for phosphorus-related project costs.

The review also included the possible rate structures that would be required to fund debt service for the wastewater treatment plant expansion and the pre-design activities that must take place before any construction begins.

Currently, the city of Glencoe has a contested case lawsuit with the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) over permitted phosphorus levels. The administration met with the MPCA to discuss the possibility of moving ahead with improvements for the wastewater treatment plant and what the city would have to do with the lawsuit to make that happen.

"It could mean significant dollars — maybe \$5 million or more — that we could receive from the state through this new legislation if we were to step away from the lawsuit," said Mayor Randy Wilson. "We have to weigh what is the best for the citizens of Glencoe overall. Right now, it looks like it might be wise to step away from the lawsuit, but on the other hand, in some ways we've gained a lot over the years because we are seeing changes in the requirements."

The decision of whether or not the city will step away from the lawsuit is partially dependent on the PSIG grant numbers which will be released on Aug. 21. "At that point, we'll be able to determine if we're going to move ahead with the lawsuit based upon where we stack up with the other communities that are applying for this grant," said City Administrator Mark Larson.

Karen Cavett of SEH spoke to the City Council about the need for the project and how the funding of the project will impact the citizens of Glencoe.

"The phosphorus limits of the plant is a portion of the issues that drives the need for this new plant but the real driver is the age of the facility," said Cavett. "We're finally started to see some failures. Last time we talked about how two of

the filters are failing; now we have three out of the four dual media filters that have failed ... if we were to start today it would be three years from now before the facility is completed, just to put that into perspective."

The total cost for the facility improvement project is estimated at \$20 million. The annual operational, maintenance and replacement costs currently average approximately \$1 million per year with an estimated increase of \$42,500 per year due to enhanced treatment required to meet effluent limits.

Cavett focused on the amount of water that single family homes use and how the PFA identifies the affordable annual wastewater rate for residential users.

"For the new wastewater rate, the PFA says that what is affordable for the city of Glencoe is \$56.32 per month per single family home," said Cavett. The current bill for sewer averages \$33.65 per month. Thus, there is a \$22.67 increase that needs to be implemented over the next two years.

Cavett reviewed four funding scenarios to the City Council for the project. The first scenario shows no grant assistance, which assumes the legislature does not pass funding — this is what occurred last year. The second scenario assumes grant funds for PSIG of \$3 million, which has been the normal funding level for the past 20 years. The third scenario takes into account the \$7 million PSIG that the city of Glencoe is applying for. The fourth scenario has been dropped because Glencoe does not qualify for the Wastewater Infrastructure Fund (WIF). All scenarios include \$500,000 from wastewater reserves.

"I do want the residents to understand that this project is not taking place because of neglect," said Wilson. "Historically, every 20 years we've looked at significant improvements to our wastewater treatment plant."

Cavett added that the city has had a lot of foresight by putting money away for this project.

The new possible wastewater rate for Glencoe is comparable to rates for similar communities that have had wastewater treatment facility

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Food shelf submits funding request to County Board

By Lori Cople
Editor

The McLeod Emergency Food Shelf is asking for an \$11,500 contribution from McLeod County in 2018, the County Board heard at its Tuesday meeting.

Commissioner Paul Wright said the request would be referred to the county's budget committee, with a cautionary statement that the county's goal is to "hold the budget flat" to its 2017 expenditures.

Lloyd Graupmann, secretary of the food shelf's board of directors, said the nonprofit service has had increased demands for service, and has been spending cash above the food donations it receives to make sure that needs are met.

Graupmann said the food shelf began deficit spending when the economy tanked in 2009, and had an operating loss each year after that until 2016, which it showed a profit of \$20,947. But that profit, Graupmann said, was helped by two factors — the food shelf made a decision to reduce the amount of food a recipient gets by 15 percent, and the food shelf received a bequest from Joyce Beytien in the amount of \$45,186.

Graupmann also noted that a \$480,000 bequest from Geraldine Tews in 2012 helped the food shelf weather the lean years of the recession.

Usage at the food shelf peaked in 2014, when it served 5,575 people

and spent not quite \$138,000 on food.

In 2016, the food shelf served 5,125 people, and spent not quite \$77,000 on food.

Graupmann said the 5,125 people the food shelf served in 2016 is equivalent to about 15 percent of the county's population. He said the food shelf's board decided to come up with a formula to determine how much it should request from the county, and chose to multiply the percentage of county residents served with the amount of cash the food shelf spent to meet needs. Therefore, the food shelf multiplied \$77,000 by 15 percent to come up with the request of \$11,500.

"I thank you for coming up with a

formula, instead of just making a request without justification that we can see," commented Board Chair Joe Nagel.

In other business, the County Board:

- Rejected bids it had received for the cement stabilization project on Tagus Avenue, west of Lake Marion. Assistant Highway Engineer Phil Schmalz said the lowest bid came in 15 percent higher than the estimated cost of the project, and suggested rebidding it in 2018.

- Tabled a hearing on its 2018 fee schedule until Aug. 8 at 9:30 a.m. Two commissioners, Ron Shimanski and Rich Pohlmeier, were absent from the meeting and it was felt a full board should be present for the

hearing.

- Approved a large assembly permit for the annual St. Mary's Craft Beer Festival, set for Sept. 9 on the site of the Winstock Festival grounds near Winsted.

- Set a deadline of Aug. 1 to move the Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) personnel into the courthouse. The two SWCD personnel will be located in the planning and zoning and environmental services area.

- Agreed to begin advertising for an environmental technician following the resignation of the current technician. The board also approved a request to make a highway maintenance/mechanic position into a full-time mechanic position.

Weather

Wed., 7-19	Thur., 7-20	Fri., 7-21	Sat., 7-22	Sun., 7-23
H: 85°, L: 68°	H: 86°, L: 68°	H: 86°, L: 69°	H: 86° L: 54°	H: 77° L: 58°

Looking back: Relatively cool temps gave way to a hot and sticky weekend.

Date	Hi	Lo	Rain
July 10	87	65	0.00
July 11	86	67	0.04
July 12	70	61	Trace

July 13	72	59	0.00
July 14	94	59	0.00
July 15	88	62	0.00
July 16	94	66	0.00

Temperatures and precipitation compiled by Robert Thurn, Chronicle weather observer.

Chronicle News and Advertising Deadlines

All news is due by 5 p.m., Monday, and all advertising is due by noon, Monday. News received after that deadline will be published as space allows.

Happenings

Music in the Park continues

The Glencoe Lions Club Music in the Park series continues today, (July 19) at Oak Leaf Park, Glencoe, in Shelter 2, featuring Troy Flemming, a master finger-style guitarist, world-class yodeler and singer/songwriter, is sponsored by First Minnesota Bank. A meal of a pulled pork sandwich, chips, pickles, dessert and beverage will be available from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. with the free performance from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. On Wednesday, July 26, the entertainment will be provided by Chuck and Jason Thiel, and is sponsored by McLeod Publishing, Inc. Bring a lawn chair and enjoy the music and the food. Proceeds go toward community projects. Bring your used eyeglasses and hearing aids. Call 320-864-5237 with any questions.

Silver Lake Music in the Park

Silver Lake will host Music in the Park Thursday, July 20, with Blake Klaustermeier and Friends providing the music, and the Silver Lake Women's Club GFWC serving barbecues, chips, pickles, dessert and beverages. Food is served starting at 6 p.m.; the music starts at 7 p.m. Members of any Red Hats Society chapter are especially welcome. In case of inclement weather, the concert will be held in the Silver Lake Auditorium. On Thursday, July 27, music will be by Alice and the Ole Boys and Grace Bible Church will serve a meal of Mr. Rib sandwiches, chips, pickle, dessert and beverage. The Grace Bible Church Living Water Puppets and Peepers will perform at 6:15 p.m. The concerts serve as a prelude to Pola-Czesky Days, set for Aug. 4-6.

District 421 staff reunion set

The annual gathering of former Brownton School District 421 staff will be today (Wednesday, July 19) at the Brownton Bar & Grill. Meet and greet will be at 11 a.m., followed by the meal. For more information, contact Anita Crosby, 320-587-8073, text 320-223-0010, or email abcrosby@hutchtel.net.

Pola-Czesky Days committee

The Silver Lake Pola-Czesky Committee meet Monday, July 24, at 7 p.m. at the Silver Lake American Legion in the South Small Conference Room. This was moved from July 31. All organizations are encouraged to have one representative in attendance.

Dining site birthday party

The Silver Lake Senior Nutrition Dining Site will celebrate July birthdays Thursday, July 27, with bingo at 11 a.m., followed by the meal at 11:30 a.m. The menu includes pork chops, mashed potatoes, green beans, a dinner roll and dessert. To reserve a meal, call 320-327-2621 or 320-327-2526 at least one day ahead of time.

County senior citizens picnic

The McLeod County Senior Citizens will have a potluck picnic and meeting today (Wednesday, July 19), at noon, at the Glencoe City Center. Bring a dish to share. The king and queen will be crowned.

Brownton city garage sales

There will be citywide garage sales in Brownton, Friday, July 21, and Saturday, July 22.

Berean lakeside worship set

Berean Baptist Church, Glencoe, will host a lakeside worship service Sunday, July 23, at 9:30 a.m., at Baylor Park, Norwood Young America. A potluck picnic will follow at about 11 a.m. Worshipers should meet at the beach shelter. There is a charge for parking.

Plato Lions welcome night

The Plato Lions Club will host a welcome night Monday, July 24, with a social hour starting at 5:30 p.m. followed by a free dinner at 6:30 p.m. The guest speaker is Mayor Bob Becker. Everyone is welcome, and is encouraged to bring a guest.

Glencoe seniors meetings

The Glencoe Senior Citizens meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 12:30 p.m. in the seniors room at the Glencoe City Center. Sheephead is played on Tuesdays, and both sheephead and 500 are played on Thursdays. All seniors over 55 are invited. For more information, call 320-510-1551 and leave a message.

To be included in this column, items for Happenings must be received in the Chronicle office no later than 5 p.m. on Monday of the week they are to be published. Items received after that will be published elsewhere in the newspaper as space permits. Happenings in Glencoe, Brownton, Stewart, Plato, New Auburn, Biscay and Silver Lake take priority over happenings elsewhere.

3 people injured in crash near Hutch

Three people were injured in a two-vehicle accident on Highway 15 north of Hutchinson Sunday at about 6 p.m.

According to the Minnesota State Patrol, a 1995 Buick driven by a 17-year-old was northbound on Highway 15 behind a 2015 Ford SW driven by Robert Allan Blodgett, 42, of Canton, Michigan. The Buick rear-ended the Ford as Blodgett was attempting to make a left turn onto 210th Street.

The driver of the Buick and

a passenger, Joshua Anthony Hall, 15, address not given were both taken to Hutchinson Health Hospital. A third passenger in the Buick, Ash Richard Peterson, 17, of Hector, was not injured.

Blodgett also was taken to Hutchinson Health Hospital for treatment of non-life-threatening injuries.

Assisting the state patrol at the accident were the Hutchinson police and fire departments, the McLeod County Sheriff's Office and Allina Ambulance.



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Father-son duo

Father-son musicians Matt and Allen Carlson made two appearances in Glencoe last week, first at the Glencoe Lions Club's music in the park concert

Wednesday night and then at Grand Meadows music by the pond Thursday night. The Carlsons are from Hamburg.

City Council

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improvements in the last 10 years, such as Brownton and St. Peter. Cavett also reassured the City Council that there is no need to change the rate all at once — it can be a gradual process over the next two years.

Wilson asked Cavett how likely it is that the city of Glencoe will receive the PSIG. Cavett responded that the MPCA was fairly positive that Glencoe will see the funding. She added, however, that even if Glencoe does not receive the funding this year, it would still benefit the city to undergo all the necessary specifications that the MPCA requires so that the next time the fund comes around, Glencoe will be approved more quickly and be put on the top of the list. "We have to show the MPCA that we are paying attention to the issues and prove that we are taking the necessary steps," said Cavett. Jessica Hedin of SEH added that Glencoe is on the Project Priority List (PPL), ranking at 73.

Before construction can begin, there are pre-design activities necessary for the project which includes the PSIG application which is due July 31, the preliminary evaluation for the main lift station construction methods, a topographic survey of the

wastewater treatment facility site and soil borings for the rest of the wastewater site (two borings have already been completed for the lift station).

If Glencoe receives the PSIG, it is required to have plans and specifications prepared for MPCA approval by March 2018. "For us to be able to have a successful design to turn in to the MPCA by mid-March we need to start by Sept. 1," said Hedin.

The pre-design activities as presented by Hedin come to a total cost of \$54,600. The City Council was reminded that this work needs to be completed for the renovation of the wastewater treatment plant regardless of the MPCA lawsuit — once the borings and topographic survey are completed, they do not expire unless there are drastic changes at the plant site.

The City Council approved the resolution for the PSIG application with the PFA as well as the supplemental letter agreement with SEH for the amount of \$54,600, which is not to be exceeded for the necessary pre-design work.

In other business, the City Council:

- Approved the recommendation to Change Order Number 3 for the Baxter Avenue Project. It is recommended to

remove a broken water line valve on the north side of the tracks on Chandler Avenue since the valve is inoperable and has been replaced on the south side of the tracks. The recommendation also includes improving Chandler Avenue with a 1½-inch bituminous overlay and paving Chandler from 10th Street to the south side of the railroad crossing. The total cost of this change order is \$15,720, which will come from the reserve fund for this program.

- Approved a resolution to acquire certain property for the 2018 Central Storm Sewer project. The current owner has rejected the offer of \$35,000 from the city of Glencoe based upon the appraisal. Council Member Allen Robeck asked whether or not the city can offer more than the appraisal. City Attorney Mark Ostlund said that offering more than fair market value is usually not done. The resolution passed 4-1 with Robeck voting not in favor.

- Approved the recommendations to approve the variance request of James Tieman to allow for a fence on the property line and the annexation request for Ken Polifka's three lots adjacent to Judd Avenue.

- Approved the motion set

Woman hurt in vehicle crash

Rita Ann Worshek, 68, of Silver Lake, was injured Monday morning in a two-vehicle crash on Highway 7 near Hamlet Avenue, east of Silver Lake. The accident was reported at 10:19 a.m.

According to the Minnesota State Patrol, Worshek was westbound on Highway 7 in a 2000 Buick Regal and had slowed down to turn left onto Hamlet Avenue when a 1999 Kenworth truck, driven by John Albert Koch, 64, of Winsted, rear-ended the Buick, causing it to leave the roadway and go into a ditch.

Worshek was taken by ambulance to the Hutchinson Health Hospital for treatment of non-life-threatening injuries. Koch was not injured. Both drivers were wearing seatbelts.

Assisting at the accident were the McLeod County Sheriff's Office, Silver Lake Fire Department, Silver Lake Ambulance and Allina Ambulance, as well as the Minnesota Department of Transportation.

forth by Wilson to bring Jerry Scharpe's variance request to the Personnel and Legislative committee at its next meeting to further discuss and investigate whether or not Scharpe should receive a variance for the vertical metal siding on his garage. Council members Gary Ziemer and Milan Alexander voted no. Council Member John Schrupp was absent from this meeting, so Wilson broke the tie by voting in favor of the motion.

- Heard updates from John Rodeberg of SEH on the Baxter Avenue, Central Corridor Storm Sewer and the Hennepin Avenue projects. The Baxter and Central Corridor projects are both on schedule while the Hennepin Avenue project is on hold due to still being reviewed by the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT).

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Open House 100th Birthday Party
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Saturday, July 22
1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Peace Lutheran Church,
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Hutchinson, MN.

The Mallak Family Reunion
Members of the family of Stanley and Elizabeth Mallak will be having a reunion on:
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Silver Lake American Legion Club
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Potluck
Any questions, contact Duane Yurek 320-282-4126

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Happy Birthday, Marlys!

Buffalo Lake Healthcare Center
Saturday July 22nd

5K Run/Walk Community Fundraiser & ½ Mile Kids Run
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(see our website for details: www.blhcc.org)

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Glencoe Police

TUESDAY, JULY 11

8:25 a.m. — An officer assisted the ambulance with a medical on Prairie Avenue.

10:05 a.m. — An officer responded to a report of property damage on 18th Street E.

12:51 p.m. — Officers arrested a person on a warrant on 11th Street E.

3:19 p.m. — Officers responded to a report of a theft on 10th Street E.

8:26 p.m. — An officer responded to an animal complaint in the area of Ninth Street E and Hennepin Ave. N.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12

12:25 a.m. — An officer responded to a suspicious incident in the area of Greeley Avenue N and 11th Street E.

4:13 a.m. — Officers assisted the ambulance with a person who fell. No location was given.

5:05 a.m. — An officer assisted the ambulance on Hennepin Avenue N for a person who fell. The individual was taken by ambulance to the hospital.

9:30 a.m. — An officer responded to a possible violation of a court order on Judd Avenue N.

1:26 p.m. — A citation for speeding was issued on Highway 212 between Chandler and Ideal avenues.

3:15 p.m. — Citations for driving after revocation and a child restraint violation were issued in the area of 16th Street E and Chandler Avenue N.

4:42 p.m. — A citation for not wearing a seatbelt was issued in the area of Elliott Avenue N and 10th Street E.

7:01 p.m. — Officers responded to a domestic on 16th Street E.

THURSDAY, JULY 13

12:28 a.m. — An officer responded to a disturbance on 16th Street E. Some kids were playing basketball, and were advised that it was late and they should stop for the night.

5:21 a.m. — An officer assisted the sheriff's office with an alarm on Lindbergh Trail. An adult male was arrested.

6:59 a.m. — An officer assisted the ambulance with a medical on Newton Avenue.

10:16 a.m. — The police and fire departments responded to 12th Street E and DeSoto Avenue N for a gas line that was hit.

1:34 p.m. — A bicycle was reported stolen on 16th Street E. It was recovered.

8:40 p.m. — Officers responded to a verbal domestic on 11th Street.

10:24 a.m. — An open door was discovered on Greeley Avenue N. The building was searched and secured.

FRIDAY, JULY 14

1:06 a.m. — Officers responded to a verbal argument on 13th Street E.

2:08 a.m. — Officers responded to a report of harassment on 13th Street E.

3:59 a.m. — A citation for no Minnesota driver's license was issued in the area of Seventh Street E and Baxter Avenue N.

11:55 a.m. — A report was received of a suspicious person taking pictures of houses. An officer checked the area and did not find anyone taking pictures.

1:33 p.m. — Officers responded to an alarm on 16th Street E. The doors were locked and no one answered the door.

1:53 p.m. — An officer documented a blight issue involving tall grass and weeds on 11th Street E.

5:06 p.m. — A citation for texting and driving was issued in the area of 10th Street E and Loudon Avenue N.

6:16 p.m. — A citation for passing in a no-passing zone was issued in the area of Highway 22 and Pine Drive.

6:58 p.m. — A vehicle that was driving in a reckless manner was

stopped in the area of Eighth Street E and Greeley Avenue N, and a male was arrested on a probable cause charge of driving under the influence.

10:53 p.m. — Officers mediated a verbal argument on Greeley Avenue N.

SATURDAY, JULY 15

1:17 a.m. — Officers responded to a possible domestic on 13th Street E. Two males were arguing, but there was no domestic.

2:10 a.m. — A complaint of loud music was received from the area of 14th Street E and Hennepin Avenue N. An officer responded to the area, but was unable to find any loud music.

3:34 a.m. — Officers responded to an alarm on Chandler Avenue N. A key holder responded and the building was searched.

5:04 a.m. — An officer documented blight, tall weeds, in the area of 11th Street E and Armstrong Avenue N.

7:41 a.m. — An officer assisted with a medical on 10th Street E.

10:38 a.m. — Officers responded to a medical/accident on Abbott Avenue. Citations were issued for driving after cancellation and no proof of insurance, and the vehicle was towed.

10:40 a.m. — An officer responded to a fender-bender in a parking lot on 11th Street E.

4:50 p.m. — A report was received of a young child who threw an apple and hit a passing vehicle in the area of 13th Street E and Baxter Avenue N. An officer spoke with the children in the area. There was no damage to the vehicle.

5 p.m. — An officer checked on an occupied vehicle parked in the area 14th Street E and Union Avenue N. The owner was taking a nap and everything was fine.

5:33 p.m. — A citation for failure to wear a seatbelt was issued in the area of 14th Street E and Union Avenue N.

9:22 p.m. — A citation for driving after revocation was issued in the area of Cedar Avenue N and 17th Street W.

10:22 p.m. — An open door was discovered on a building on 10th Street E. The building was searched and secured.

10:48 p.m. — A citation for no proof of insurance and verbal warnings for speeding and expired registration were given in the area of 10th Street E and Armstrong Avenue N.

11:46 p.m. — Officers stopped a vehicle that was the subject of a driving complaint on Highway 212. The driver was arrested on probable cause charges of second-degree driving while impaired and refusal to submit to testing.

SUNDAY, JULY 16

1:59 a.m. — An officer checked on a male at the intersection of First Street E and Morningside Drive. He was playing games on his iPad and everything was fine.

5:48 a.m. — Officers responded to a report of a theft on 13th Street E. A person paid part of their bill at a business and then went to their car to look for money and did not return to pay the remainder of the bill.

12:42 p.m. — The theft of four tires and rims was reported on Greeley Avenue N.

4:36 p.m. — A citation for texting and driving was issued in the area of Hennepin Avenue N and Fifth Street E.

4:53 p.m. — A citation for failure to wear a seatbelt was issued in the area of 10th Street E and Stevens Avenue N.

5:10 p.m. — A citation for failing to wear a seatbelt was issued in the area of 13th Street W and Cedar Avenue N.

5:17 p.m. — A citation for speeding was issued in the area of Highway 212 and Chandler Avenue.

5:49 p.m. — A citation for failure to wear a seatbelt was issued in the area of 10th Street E and

Ford Avenue N.

6 p.m. — A citation for failure to wear a seatbelt was issued in the area of 10th Street E and Ives Avenue N.

6:09 p.m. — A citation for failure to wear a seatbelt was issued in the area of 10th Street E and Greeley Avenue N.

6:21 p.m. — A citation for failure to wear a seatbelt was issued in the area of 10th Street E and Loudon Avenue N.

6:44 p.m. — A citation for inattentive driving was issued in the area of Fifth Street E and DeSoto Avenue N. The driver was looking at his phone while looking for Pokemon locations.

8:46 p.m. — An officer responded to a report of threats on Hennepin Avenue N.

MONDAY, JULY 17

12:30 a.m. — An officer assisted a motorist at the intersection of Highway 212 and Morningside Drive. The vehicle had died, and the officer assisted in getting it to Kevin's Auto.

1:19 a.m. — Officers responded to a verbal domestic on Chestnut Street W.

5:29 a.m. — Officers again responded to Chestnut Street W for a domestic. One of the parties agreed to go to their parents' home for the day.

9:07 a.m. — A theft from a vehicle was reported on 15th Street E.

5:40 p.m. — Officers assisted with a medical on Greeley Avenue.

6:49 p.m. — A citation for speeding was issued at Hennepin Avenue N and 10th Street E.

Building Permits

The following building permits were approved by the Glencoe City Council Monday, July 17:

- Dairy Queen, sign.
- Gene Roush, 1209 14th St. E, detached garage.
- Kyle Sherrard, 1529 Armstrong Ave. N, deck.
- Kirt Grow, 1402 Birch Ave. N, egress window.
- John Kunkel, 2258 Hennepin Ave. N, front porch.
- Joel Cohrs, 1607 Judd Ave. N, re-roof.
- Mark Schmitz, 1517 14th St. E, mechanical.
- James Wagner, 808 Russell Ave. N, mechanical.
- Adam Lindeman, 720 Oak Leaf Rd., re-roof.
- Terry Anderson, 1603 Baxter Ave. N, re-roof.
- Michael Nelson, 1706 Fir Ave. N, re-roof.
- Jeremy Koll, 1719 Greeley Ave. N, re-roof.
- LeeAnn Fritz, 1720 Ford Ave. N, fence.
- Craig Foley, 1411 Chandler Ave. N, front porch, attached garage.
- Mike Schultz, 2013 15th St. E, re-roof.
- Richard Feltman, 105 Wacker Dr., re-roof.
- Dennis Brede, 1406 Fir Ave. N, window replacement.
- Bernie Neu, 1428 Knight Ave. N, re-roof.
- Bernie Neuhaus, 610 First St. E, plumbing, miscellaneous.
- Cheryl Herout, 625 First St. E, re-roof.
- Duane Klaustermeier, 385 Edgewood Dr., window replacement.
- Rod Tessmer, 1308 Sunrise Dr., window replacement.
- Chris Knudten, 206 Fairway Circle, mechanical.
- Paul Christensen, 2018 10th St. E, fence.
- Roseann Ballard, 331 Hennepin Ave. N, re-roof.
- John Scheidt, 1811 Knight Ave. N, re-side, window replacement.
- Deb Bargmann, 1312 Armstrong N, re-roof.

Corrections & Clarifications

The Chronicle reported last week that Adam Garoutte had been named an Eagle Scout. He is actually a candidate for Eagle Scout. Although he has completed his Eagle Scout project, his candidacy still needs to complete his application for Eagle Scout and have his application and project considered by a board of review for final approval.

The McLeod County Chronicle strives for accuracy in its reports. If you find an error, bring it to our attention. Call 320-864-5518 and ask for Lori Copler, editor.



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Burgers, music in Plato Park

The Plato Lions Club hosted burgers and music in the city park late Thursday afternoon and early evening, featuring the music of Elmer Howe, right. Above are some of the Lions members who helped serve food, including, front row from left, Doris Schrupp, Lannette Dammann and Myra Franke; and, back, Kari Graupmann, Ken Franke, Ron Templin, Alan Schramm and James Barlau.



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McLeod County License Center will have limited service July 20-24

McLeod County Auditor-Treasurer Cindy Schultz Ford announced Monday that the state of Minnesota is replacing the computer system that handles license tabs, license plates, title transfers and title applications, and this will affect the services offered at the McLeod County License Center July 20-24 during the upgrade.

Schultz Ford said the license center will remain open during this time and will continue to provide all other services, including ATV, boat and snowmobile registrations, driver's license, marriage license, game and fish license, and birth and death certificates.

The Minnesota Department of Public Safety and Driver and Vehicle Services division

(DPS-DVS) is replacing the system used for motor vehicle and driver's license transaction and record information. The motor vehicle portion of the Minnesota Licensing and Registration System (MNLARS) will be implemented during this time, replacing the current 30-year-old mainframe computer system. The new system will greatly reduce turnaround time for title transactions from weeks to a matter of days.

The McLeod County License Center will be back open for business as usual on Tuesday, July 25, at 8 a.m. Residents may call 320-864-1312 or email mcleod.auditor-treasurer@co.mcleod.mn.us with any questions.

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Driver diversion programs nixed in state

Our view: Hopefully, the Legislature amends the law in 2018

Two area newspapers reported this week that driver diversion programs in their counties had been abolished because of new legislation enacted in 2017.

The programs have been abolished in both Sibley and Wright counties, according to newspapers in Arlington and Buffalo.

The premise of driver diversion programs seem simple enough — and beneficial to communities and drivers.

In these programs, drivers facing petty misdemeanor driving violations can pay a fee and take classes designed to improve driving behavior.

In exchange, drivers are cleared of charges, fines and don't face punitive rate increases from their insurance companies.

Apparently, the crux of the problem isn't the programs themselves, but what is done with the fees that are collected. In Wabasha County, those fees were used to supplement budget costs for the sheriff's office and attorney's office.

In Wright County, those fees are used for contracted services with the Methamphetamine Education and Drug Awareness (MEADA) and Safe Communities of Wright County for training and education purposes.

The Wabasha County use of its fees resulted in a lawsuit and the

subsequent change in legislation. Under that new legislation, if counties or cities continue to offer driver diversion programs, the amount of local government aid or county program aid to those cities and counties will be reduced by the monetary amount of the fees that are collected.

Wright County Attorney Tom Kelly told the county commissioners "bad facts make bad law" when explaining while Wright County had to end its program.

Kelly is right, of course. It's obvious that the goal of the law was to address how the fees are to be spent, not whether driver diversion programs are beneficial or not (which statistics prove that they are).

Rather than heavy-handed threats of reducing state aid to cities and counties, the Legislature would have been better off creating a law that specified how those fees are to be used, and how they are not to be used.

The program creates better drivers and safer streets. Without them, we are simply punishing bad drivers with fines and sending them back out on our roads with no improvement to their driving skills.

One would hope the Legislature could come up with a better plan during its 2018 session.

— L.C.



Oh, the joys of construction season

Tried to pay your light bill lately? In person, I mean.

Well, if you are looking for an adventure, try walking to the Municipal Light Plant. I dare you.

I did it last week after dropping my car off at Harpel's and walking back downtown. I had tried to drive to the Light Plant before dropping the car off, but I was stopped at every intersection. The streets were torn up and blocked off from all directions, except along Armstrong Avenue, which I didn't think of at the time.

So on to Harpel's I went. On the walk back I debated how best to get to the Light Plant on foot.

I walked along 10th Street, veered into the street to navigate around the reconstruction work on Ford Avenue, dodged a few cars, and then took a right onto Elliott Avenue.

Once the train passed by, I could see road work ahead, so I took a shortcut over the railroad tracks and walked along the fence abutting Arrow Building Center.

On the way I spotted the back of a sign (not a stop sign this time). When I went past, I looked back and it said "Private Property TC&W." The only thing missing on the sign was trespassers will be prosecuted. That would have made my day!

Eventually I made it to 11th Street and the Light Plant, now denuded of



Rich Glennie

all trees along the street.

Then I noticed barricades up at the Chandler Avenue intersection with 11th Street. A block north, the intersection with 12th Street was all torn up, too.

"So how do you make it to work?" I asked the Light Plant receptionist. She just gave me a shrug and a smile. Then she added that 11th Street in front of the Light Plant will be torn up next. Oh, joy!

"I'll just mail my check in next month," I told her.

Later that same day, my wife and I decided to walk to the Dairy Queen for ice cream. We took 10th Street because of my earlier experience.

While we were sitting at one of the outside benches, we saw a jacked-up pickup come roaring up Chandler from the south and sailing

off the two-foot drop off in front of the Dairy Queen. Apparently the driver didn't see all the barricades, the flashing lights or the big drop off at that end of the street. Hard to miss.

Needless to say, the irate driver proceeded to spin his wheels, kicking up dust and gravel on all the outdoor diners as he sped farther north on Chandler only to be stopped near the railroad tracks by more construction. Apparently the first jolt into the construction zone was not enough warning.

Shortly, he came roaring back south on Chandler past the Dairy Queen again kicking up more dust and dirt. Then he hit the drop off going the other way.

Not sure what he was thinking at that point ... but it sure wasn't straight.

He went back over the drop off and bounced onto 10th Street heading east. I think the smoke coming out of his ears was as thick as the smoke from his exhaust pipe.

Meanwhile, we had a little extra granular substance in our dairy treats. Nothing goes better with ice cream than a little gravel.

Rich Glennie was the editor of The Chronicle for 23 years. He retired Aug. 1, 2014.

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Question of the week

Where should Glencoe Days be held?

- 1). Oak Leaf Park
- 2). Downtown
- 3). Somewhere else.

Results for most recent question:

Do you think the federal government will reach an agreement on a new health care bill?

- 1). Yes — 19%
- 2). No — 65%
- 3). I don't know — 16%

57 votes. New question runs July 19-July 25.



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Letter to the Editor

RapidPass provides convenience for blood drive

To the Editor:

For those donors who like the convenience of the American Red Cross program, RapidPass is a way for blood donors to complete their pre-reading and donation questions online from the comfort and privacy of their own home or office. RapidPass is only used to complete the pre-reading and pre-donation questionnaire in advance of your appointment; it does not take the place of scheduling an appointment. American Red Cross expects to reduce the time donors with a RapidPass spend at blood drives by up to 15 minutes.

There are some important things to remember:

- RapidPass cannot be completed prior to the date of the drive.
- Donors must complete the steps to redeem their pass on the day they donate, July 26.
- Donors who do not bring the

printed pass with them to their donation or cannot show it on their mobile device will be asked to complete the questions again.

To use RapidPass, participating donors should follow these steps:

- Visit redcrossblood.org/rapidpass.
- Read the information.
- Answer the questions.
- Print the RapidPass or email the PDF to themselves so that it shows on their mobile device when they come to donate.

If you decide not to use the RapidPass online tool, you will be following the usual procedure of completing the required paperwork and medical questionnaire at the blood drive.

The Glencoe Community Blood Drive is Wednesday, July 26, from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m., at the Glencoe City Center Ballroom. The American Red Cross has set our goal for this July

drive at 122 units. If you want to check if there are any available time slots for donations, please contact our Scheduling Coordinator Nelda Klaustermeier at 320-864-3475. Double-red donors are especially needed for this drive.

A blood drive is successful because of our generous dedicated volunteers and the businesses who support and serve us before, during and after the drive. The American Red Cross faithfully arrives with its professional team on the scheduled date. However, the most important parts of a successful drive are the many healthy volunteer heroes who donate their time to give blood. Thank you for your donation.

Charleen Engelmann,
Coordinator
Glencoe Community Blood Drive

County Board considers engineering study on Dakota Trail issues, future

By Lori Copley
Editor

The McLeod County Board of Commissioners voted Tuesday morning to seek requests for proposals from engineering firms to determine the existing condition and future needs of the Dakota Trail.

Commissioner Doug Krueger, who is the board liaison to the county's trails committee, said his "phone lit up" after the trails committee voted unanimously to make the request for the engineering study.

Nevertheless, Krueger said, "it's the right thing to do."

Krueger said the study would give the committee a better idea of the current state of trail and what needs to be done to improve it.

"We're all over the place," Krueger said of committee discussions regarding the

Dakota Trail. "We don't know how to proceed, or even if to proceed. We need to see what it is and what we need to do."

Commissioner Joe Nagel noted that a request for proposals doesn't necessarily mean the County Board will go ahead with the study. That decision will be made once the proposals are received.

The board voted 3-0 to proceed with the request for proposals. Commissioners Ron Shimanski and Rich Pohlmeier were absent from the meeting, so the motion passed with Nagel, Krueger and Commissioner Paul Wright voting in favor.

Jail update

Work has moved to the finishing stages on the jail expansion and courthouse security project.

Sam Lauer of Contegrity,

the project management firm, said that brick work on the exterior was about 85 percent complete. If the weather holds up, installation of aluminum and glass on the new entrance will begin soon.

"We'll pretty much have a fully enclosed building then," said Lauer.

Acoustical ceiling tile is being installed and interior painting is nearly finished, Lauer added. Contractors are now starting to schedule the installation of furnishings.

Lauer also said that work had begun to construct a parking area and other landscaping work in the former Ives Avenue area east of the courthouse, but there was an issue with a gas main and work was temporarily halted. He said the gas main issue should be resolved in a day or two.

History

From the Brownton Bulletin archives

100 Years Ago

July 19, 1917
O.C. Conrad, Editor

About 30 of the women of Brownton met at the city hall Saturday afternoon for the purpose of organizing a local auxiliary of the Minnesota Public Safety Commission. The following officers were elected to serve during the war: Lucy Zitlow, chairman; Claribel Maurer, first vice chairman; Nellie Gaulke, second vice chairman; and Viola Sturdivant, secretary.

The band stand has been treated to a fresh coat of paint. It also will be re-screened, a new door put on, and otherwise repaired.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Urbach on Wednesday of last week.

Ernest Bohn, a resident of this community for the past 40 years, died at his home two miles west of Brownton last Friday morning. His death was due to a hemorrhage of the brain. He had reached the age of 70 years. He is survived by his wife and six children.

75 Years Ago

July 16, 1942
Milton D. Hakel, Editor

Fred Boehlert, section foreman at Brownton, will receive an award from the Milwaukee Railroad for 12 years without an injury occurring to an employee.

Funeral rites will be held on Friday at 9 a.m. at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Stewart for Mrs. Mike Busta, 76, of Brownton, who died Wednesday, July 15, at the Glencoe hospital.

The Bulletin received word Wednesday from Pvt. LeRoy Streseman, who is stationed on a small island somewhere in the southwest Pacific Ocean. As of May 12, when the letter was written, war maneuvers were on and the boys were working hard, eating well and battling mosquitos. LeRoy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Streseman of Brownton, was the first draftee from this community, and has been in the service about 16 months.

50 Years Ago

July 20, 1967
Charles H. Warner, Editor

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lindeman received word that their sons, Sfc. Roger Lindeman, stationed

at Nokhon Sawon, Thailand, and Sp. 6 Stanley Lindeman, stationed at Hnon, Vietnam, had a wonderful get-together in Thailand.

Arden A. Alsleben, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Alsleben, was promoted to sergeant in the U.S. Army while serving with the 4th Infantry Division in Vietnam. The sergeant has received a Purple Heart medal and a Combat Infantryman's badge.

20 Years Ago

July 16, 1997
Lori Copley, Editor

The Brownton Rod & Gun Club and Mike's Mobil co-sponsored a Partners in Friendship program Sunday afternoon at Lake Marion. The program matches adults with children to teach the children about water safety and fishing.

Elizabeth Knaak, a student at McLeod West Schools, earned a gold award for her STAR (Students Taking Action with Recognition) competition entry at the national Future Leaders of America (FLA) convention held recently in San Diego, California.

From the Chronicle archives

30 Years Ago

July 22, 1987
Bill Ramige, Editor

Firefighters fought a barn fire Monday afternoon at Roger Martin's residence in Bergen Township that destroyed the 40-by-70-foot wood frame barn, 4,000 bales of hay, 20 calves, a chicken, a bobcat front-end loader and other miscellaneous equipment totaling \$80,000-\$120,000.

Four Glencoe-area males have been charged with burglary in connection with burglaries April 3 and April 19 at the Biscay Oil Company. Some of the missing items were found at a residence in New Auburn. A charge of receiving stolen property has been filed in Sibley County court against Scott Prafke of New Auburn. Juvenile petitions have been issued for the four Glencoe youths. They are scheduled to appear in McLeod County juvenile court within the next couple of weeks.

Volunteers spent Tuesday spreading cement into the new concession stand at Vollmer Field, which was built this summer by the Glencoe Lions Club.

Workers are trying to put the finishing touches on the ballpark in preparation for next month's Minnesota State Amateur Baseball tournament.

20 Years Ago

July 16, 1997
Rich Glennie, Editor

The speed limit on Highway 212 was increased to 65 miles per hour from 55 miles per hour on Tuesday. The 65-mph speed limit will be in effect for a 14-mile stretch between the Highway 212-Highway 22 intersection west of Glencoe to Norwood Young America.

The fund drive for the proposed Panther Field House project has reached the \$110,000 level. The goal is to raise \$300,000 in private donations to be used for the \$2.3 million construction project. The deadline to raise the \$300,000 is Aug. 1. If the goal is not reached by then, the project will not be done.

With the Bluejays' 6-4 win over Green Isle on July 8, Plato has won the southern division regular season title. Since Plato won the Class C championship

last season, it will compete in the Class B playoffs this year.

10 Years Ago

July 25, 2007
Rich Glennie, Editor

Glencoe businesses and residents last week tied yellow ribbons on trees and put up signs to welcome home the Minnesota National Guard soldiers returning to the area after 22 months of deployment, 16 months of which were in Iraq. The soldiers returned last Thursday with a welcome home ceremony.

Brownton celebrated its 150th year last weekend with a three-day community celebration, which included a parade on Sunday. The emphasis was on history, reunions, food, fun and friendship.

Glencoe Boy Scout Troop 352 had the opportunity to attend the Medicine Mountain Scout Ranch located in South Dakota's Black Hills. Fourteen boys and four leaders attended the camp in which the scouts earned 39 badges and rank advancements.

From the Stewart Tribune archives

100 Years Ago

July 20, 1917
Lester Koeppen, Editor

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Kalenberg of Collins Township Wednesday of last week.

The local depot is being repaired this week with a new floor being laid in the ladies' room.

An auto driven by a new and nearsighted driver near Fairfax ran over three small boys, breaking one's leg, another's collar bone and severely bruising the third. The boys were walking down the road and did not hear the auto approaching them.

John DeGree had the misfortune to fall from a silo yesterday. John said a board fell from the top, hit him in the head, and caused him to fall some 25 feet to the ground. He was rendered unconscious for 12 hours and also suffered a back injury.

75 Years Ago

July 16, 1942
Harry Koeppen, Editor

The Rev. Martin Schultz, the new pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church here, will be installed at services at 9:30 a.m. Sunday.

Fifty-four bouquets of gor-

geous flowers were entered in the flower show at the Stewart Meat Market Saturday morning, with Mrs. W.D. Dunlap taking top honors. Mrs. Herman Wessel was second and Mrs. A.D. Ryan was third.

David, 4-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wagner, injured an ankle severely while at play Friday and will be confined to the house for several weeks.

50 Years Ago

July 20, 1967
Kermit T. Hubin, Editor

Mrs. Alfred (Mary) Grams, 54, died suddenly from a heart attack Saturday at about 2 p.m. at her home in Stewart. She had been in ill health for many years. She is survived by her husband and several sisters. She was preceded in death by her son, Alfred Robert, who died at the age of 15 months in 1939.

Louis Fahse will dispose of his household property at a public auction at his home Saturday, July 22, at 1 p.m.

Fred P. Boehlke died of cancer at St. Joseph's Hospital, St. Paul, on Tuesday, July 11, 1967. He and his wife Emma lived on the home place south of Stewart until 1949, when they moved to Buffalo Lake. He is survived by

his wife, six children, 18 grandchildren and two sisters.

35 Years Ago

July 22, 1982
Douglas G. Seitz, Editor

Five steers died and about 500 bales of straw were destroyed in a barn fire Saturday. The barn was being rented by Arnold Koenig and was owned by Spencer Hanson. The Stewart Fire Department was called at 9:04 a.m., but by the time firemen arrived the barn was engulfed in flames. The department was on the scene until 10:30 p.m. The cause of the fire was undetermined.

The publishers of the Stewart Tribune announced Tuesday that the Tribune will cease publication with the issue published this week. Publisher Doug Seitz blamed a recessionary economy, an insufficient advertising base and rapidly rising printing and postage costs.

David Grabow, 56, of Stewart, administrator of the Buffalo Lake Nursing Home, died Saturday at Veterans Hospital in Minneapolis. He is survived by his wife, Lorraine; three sons; and eight grandchildren.

From the Silver Lake Leader archives

75 Years Ago

July 18, 1942
Delbert Merrill, Publisher

Old phonograph records, broken and worn out — and new ones, too — will be collected by the Silver Lake American Legion post in a two-week drive beginning Friday, July 17 and continuing until midnight, Aug. 2. The American Legion is working in cooperation with a group of nationally known musical artists who have established Records for Our Fighting Men, Inc., a nonprofit agency, to dispose of the scrap and select, purchase and distribute the best in recorded music for the men in our armed forces.

Rites were held from the Hopkins Tabernacle at 2 o'clock July 14, for Hattie Kakach, who died in a Minneapolis hospital Friday night, July 10. Hattie Kakach was born in Hale Township on Jan. 7, 1898, a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Hudec. In 1915, she was united in marriage to Ludvig Kakach at the Presbyterian Church.

Dr. Francis Pokorny, first regular pastor of the local Presbyterian church, 1891-1910, and his wife celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on July 2 in their present home at Ely, Iowa. They are both in the best of health and the occasion served as a family and old friends' happy reunion.

50 Years Ago

July 20, 1967
Wilbert Merrill, Publisher

Joseph and Elaine Hlavka of Hale Township, Silver Lake,

welcomed a girl, Mary Kay, on Friday, July 7, 1967.

Bernard Metkowski, 82, a well-known Silver Lake resident, was stricken Monday morning while mowing the lawn at his home. Funeral services, arranged by Maresh Mortuary, will be held Thursday morning at the Church of St. Adalbert.

Mr. and Mrs. Orrin Hager observed their 45th wedding anniversary on Saturday, July 8, with a family dinner and close relatives at the Presbyterian Church dining parlors. All their children, for the first time in 21 years, were together for this occasion.

On Tuesday, July 11, Sister Jona Ardolf, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Ardolf, professed her perpetual vows as a member of the Order of St. Benedict at a profession ceremony witnessed by His Excellency Bishop Bartholomew of St. Cloud.

25 Years Ago

July 16, 1992
Ken and Dorothy Merrill, Publishers

The Silver Lake School Board added new member Gerald Brooks and organized for the new year. Brooks, who was elected in the May annual election, joined board members Carmen Merrill, Jan Wanous, Tom Wachlarowicz, Harvey Mikolichek and Stan Horstmann.

Funeral services for Jeffrey Blazinski were held on Tuesday, June 30, 1992, from the St. Adalbert's Catholic Church with Father Douglas Schleisman officiating. He was born May 28, 1962, the son of Clemens and Judith Blazinski. On June 3,

1988, Jeff was united in marriage to Sandy Larson at West Union, Iowa. He worked the last three years as a mason for Steve Nemecek and Bill Merrill.

Mike Kaczmarek of Silver Lake was among the 457 young men throughout Minnesota that were selected to participate in the 44th annual American Legion sponsored Boys State held during the third week in June at St. Olaf College in Northfield. Boys State is a week long learning experience in how our government operates on a city, county, and state level. Mike is the son of Kenny and Colleen Kaczmarek of Silver Lake.

10 Years Ago

July 19, 2007
Ken and Dorothy Merrill, Publishers

Alice Nowak and Jerry Kahle performed for Music in the Park on July 12, 2007. Kahle was playing a wind synthesizer.

On Sunday, July 22, Faith Presbyterian Church will gather to bless and commission those traveling to Guatemala as part of the Guatemala Mission Group. Twenty-eight people from several area churches, both adults and teenagers, will be in Guatemala from July 23 to Aug. 2, working in a mission to help improve the lives of the Guatemalan people.

On Thursday night, members of the South Central Chapter of ABATE of Minnesota delivered Buddy Bears to the local fire department and ambulance squad. The Buddy Bear Program is a service that ABATE of Minnesota has set up to help make young children feel a little bit better when a catastrophe has happened.

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Letter to the Editor

Move Glencoe Days back downtown?

To the Editor:

We recently attended Prairie Days over in Lester Prairie. Wow! For such a small town, it was an outstanding celebration. There was a car show on part of the main road through town, bouncy houses, a kids' tractor pull, the small train rides, bingo, food and beverages along with live music and all

right downtown.

Perhaps Glencoe should consider moving its celebration back downtown as it did many years ago. We went down to the park for Glencoe Days. Blah! Same old stuff. I think Glencoe should try to get back to having royalty, and look outside the box at some different things.

I don't know what, but go

to some of these other small towns and get ideas. That or tie it in with Heat in the Street somehow. It just seemed sad that when we were down there, it was pretty slim in the people department.

Bonnie Hahn
Glencoe

Obituaries

Norman Mathews, 90, of Glencoe

Norman Mathews, 90, of Glencoe, died Wednesday, July 12, 2017, at Glencoe Regional Health Services Long Term Care.

The funeral service was held Monday, July 17, at First Evangelical Lutheran Church in Glencoe with the Rev. Dan Welch officiating.



Norman Mathews

Casket bearers were Duane Mathews, Kevin Mathews, Rodney Mathews, Tim Mathews, Larry Schmidt and Charles Mathews. Interment was in the First Lutheran Cemetery in Glencoe.

Norman Leonard Mathews was born Aug. 14, 1926, in Helen Township, McLeod County, the son of Reinhold and Pauline (Tonn) Mathews. He was baptized Sept. 12, 1926, at First Evangelical Lutheran Church in Glencoe by the Rev. E. Kolbe. His sponsors were Ida Mathews and Peter Wolter. On March 17, 1940, he was confirmed in his faith at First Evangelical Lutheran Church in Glencoe with the Rev. A. Streufert as the officiant. His confirmation verse was Psalm 73:23-24, "Yet I am always with you; you hold me by my right hand. You guide me with your counsel, and afterward you will take me into glory." He attended First Lutheran

School.

Mr. Mathews was united in marriage with Veldora Birkholz on Nov. 4, 1951, at St. Peter Lutheran Church in Wattertown by the Rev. J. Spomer. Their marriage was blessed with four children, Donald, Virgil, Janice and Daniel.

Mr. Mathews worked construction for a company in the Twin Cities before starting his own business in the early 1960s in concrete construction and selling and servicing of barn equipment. He was a farmer his whole life and had worked the land until he moved off the farm and became a resident of Glencoe Regional Health Services Long Term Care.

He enjoyed attending auctions and threshing shows. He had a great interest in Minneapolis Moline tractors and helping his son prepare for and compete in tractor pulls. He always looked forward to Kawasaki Mule rides around the farm with grandchildren Seth, Madi, Morgan and Cole.

He is survived by his loving family: children and their spouses, Donald and Julie Mathews of Willmar, Virgil and Lynn Mathews of Glencoe, Janice Mathews of Glencoe and Daniel and Cindy Mathews of Glencoe; grandchildren and their families, Jon and Sarah Mathews and children Elisabeth, Sonja and Ingrid of Ames, Iowa, Michael and Erica Mathews and children McKenna,

Brooklyn, Aria and Asher of Willmar, Andrew and Darcy Mathews and children Brayden, Trevan, Kenley and Kysen of Lake Crystal, Shannon and Ryan Alsleben and children Jayden and Joslyn of Lester Prairie, Shauna and Matt Gruber and children Abigail, Alyssa, Autumn and Axel of Glencoe, Shandon and Brittany Mathews and children Broc, Keaton and Lia of Lester Prairie, and Cole Mathews, Morgan Mathews, Madison Mathews and Seth Mathews, all of Glencoe; sisters and brothers-in-law, Ruth Mathews of Glencoe, Anna Mathews of Glencoe, Leonard and Sue Birkholz of Jordan, Glendora Ehrke of Glencoe and Arsylvania and Jon Radtke of Hutchinson; other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his wife Veldora in 2003; parents, Reinhold and Pauline Mathews; brothers and sisters-in-law, Earl Mathews, Orville and Gloria Mathews, Marvin and Selma Mathews, Eldor and Myrtle Mathews, Ray and Willardine Mathews, Hillard and Elizabeth Mathews and Ervin Mathews; sisters and brothers-in-law, Alice and Lawrence Debner and Lorna and Carl Ehrke; and sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Leola and Roylan Schmidt, Howard Victorian and Edmund Ehrke.

Arrangements were with the Johnson Funeral Home in Waconia, www.johnsonfh.com.



Submitted photo

Brothers of Grace to perform

The Brothers of Grace will be leading a time of worship at the Orange Spectacular this Sunday (July 23) at The McLeod County Fairgrounds in Hutchinson. The service (approximately one-half hour long) will begin at 8:30 a.m. in The Pavilion area and will include congregational singing, selections by the Brothers of Grace, and a

brief message by Dr. Tom Rakow, who is pastor of the Grace Bible Church of Silver Lake. The Brothers of Grace will be playing both traditional hymns and Christian contemporary music. They can also be heard at the regular 9:30 a.m. worship service at the church in Silver Lake. The public is invited to attend, and there is no charge.



Submitted photo

Polka worship

More than 400 people enjoyed polka worship this past Sunday at First Evangelical Lutheran Church in Glencoe. Chuck Thiel and the Jolly Ramblers led

the services with familiar hymns and polka tunes. The Men's Club hosted a breakfast that generated funds for the church's youth program.

Common issues with maple trees

Sources: Sarah Eggert, Meeker County agricultural intern, and Karen Johnson, Extension educator, McLeod and Meeker counties.

Have you noticed that your maple tree has been losing its beautiful leaves this summer? Have there been irregular growths on bumps on the leaves?

Over the last few weeks, the University of Minnesota Extension has seen several common maple tree issues. The main three that have been popping up this summer are anthracnose, tar spot and leaf galls.

One of the most common diseases that are showing up in Minnesota is anthracnose. This is a general term that describes different diseases that produce symptoms such as leaf spots, colored blotches, twig cankers and dieback on many different trees and shrubs. In a majority of cases, anthracnose does not cause any permanent damage to established trees. This disease is best managed by removing the stems that have been damaged and disposing of them immediately. It also helps to remove the stress of the tree by adequate watering. If leaves are falling, rake away the fallen leaves and remove them before the first snowfall to prevent further spreading.

This next disease is easily identifiable when looking closely at the leaves. Tar spot is a disease that is caused by



Farm Notes

By Karen Johnson

a fungus and gets this name because it appears like droplets of tar on the leaf. In general, tar spot will not harm the long-term health of the tree, but it can be unappealing and, in severe cases, cause leaf drop. The best way to control tar spot and other leaf spot issues is sanitation. You can rake the leaves away and dispose or destroy them as they fall. Removing these leaves away from the base of the tree will prevent further infection next spring. Applying fungicides can also be an option, but is only suggested if the tar spots continue for several years.

If you are still noticing something wrong with your leaves on your maple tree, but it doesn't seem to be tar spot, it might just be a leaf gall. These are created by insect or mite feeding or egg laying activity. They are most commonly found on the leaves but can be found on the stems as well. Galls typically form during the late spring, which is when the main growth stage of the tree is. However, most galls are not noticed until they are fully developed and can re-

main on plants for an extended period of time. Most galls do not affect the overall tree health, so it is recommended just to leave them to promote plant vitality. Like the other diseases, there are some chemical options that can be taken into consideration, but it is often timely as to when to properly apply the treatment.

While these common issues all have pretty different looks, they all start within the leaf. Keep an eye on your maple trees this season in order to prevent any diseases or other issues from spreading within your yard. Properly maintain care of your trees to further prevent these diseases or deficiencies from starting. For further information on your trees and problems it can suffer from, visit the "What's Wrong with my Plant?" page on the Extension website at <https://z.umn.edu/whatswrongwithmyplant>.

Karen Johnson is the agriculture and horticulture Extension educator for McLeod and Meeker counties.

Death

Ladonna Larson, 83, of Faribault

Ladonna Adelle (Koester) Larson, 83, died Thursday, July 13, 2017, from Alzheimer's, at New Perspectives in Faribault.

Participants sought for Pola-Czesky kids parade

The Silver Lake Women's Club GFWC is again sponsoring the Pola-Czesky Days kiddie parade, and is looking for participants.

The categories are Original, Storybook and Movie/TV. The parade will be Saturday, Aug. 5, at 10 a.m., with registration starting at 9:30 a.m. in front of

the Silver Lake Auditorium. In case of inclement weather, the parade will be held under the big tent.

Each participant will receive a goodie bag and snack at the end of the parade. Cash prizes for first, second and third place in each category will be given, as well as lots of door prizes.



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Community Calendar

Thurs, July 20 — AA Group mtg. next to Post Office in Stewart, 8 p.m., call 320-212-5290 for info.; Stewart Lions.

Fri, July 21 & Sat. 22 — Brownton citywide garage sales.

Mon, July 24 — Tops Weigh-In mtg., 5-5:30 p.m.; Brownton Senior Citizens Club, Brownton Community Center, 1 p.m.; Brownton Rod & Gun Club, 7 p.m.

Thurs, July 27 — AA Group mtg. next to Post Office in Stewart, 8 p.m., call 320-212-5290 for info.

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Silver Lake Council moves forward on Main Street buildings

By Karin Ramige
Publisher

The Silver Lake City Council took significant steps toward the demolition of four buildings on Main Street at its Monday night meeting.

The council approved a purchase agreement with Sumter Mutual Insurance for the purchase of its former office building at 117 Main Street for \$22,000.

The council also voted to begin condemnation proceedings to acquire the building at 129 Main Street, which is owned by Mayor Bruce Bebo, for \$17,500.

Because Bebo is a city official, the process will go through the court system to eliminate any conflict of interest.

Both acquisitions are expected to take place by the end of September.

The two buildings are adjoining two buildings which are falling down, and which the city already acquired through tax forfeiture and blight proceedings.

The council also approved an agreement with Short Elliot Hendrickson, Inc., (SEH) for the inspection of hazardous materials and asbestos on the two buildings the city has agreed to purchase and the preparation of demo specifications for the four buildings for \$3,450 and \$13,500 respectively.

The specifications will be prepared but not released for bids until the remaining two properties are acquired.

At the meeting, the council also reviewed a few options for funding the demolition, but tabled a final decision.

The council also learned that the Department of Employment Economic Development (DEED) grants were not funded through the Legislature this year.

The city had previously applied for the grant and was hoping to apply again with the next round in August.

In other business, the council heard:

- Work has been done along Main Street in hopes of

improving the storm water flow problems.

Pieces of broken pipe and other debris were removed, but the true issue was not discovered.

A third location was scheduled to be dug, but the council decided to have the area televised with new and more advanced camera equipment, based on the recommendation of PeopleServices.

• Reviewed a second proposal for a comprehensive housing study from AdMark for \$6,000. The council had previously received a proposal for \$12,500.

The council decided to revisit the housing study in 2018.

• Heard that 725 square feet of sidewalk will be replaced this summer. The city has been replacing portions of sidewalk each year.

• Also heard that preparations are under way for Polaczsky Days, which will take place Aug. 4-6.



Submitted Photo

Many Point Scout Camp

Glencoe Boy Scout Troop 352 went to Many Point Scout Camp in Pondsford July 2-8. While at the camp, the group participated in frontier activities, including blacksmithing and log cutting as it was done in the 1860s. The Scouts also had the opportunity to sleep in a tree house and on a raft on the lake. International target sports, a high ropes

course, ATVs, swimming and fishing also were among the highlights of the week. The group earned 13 merit badges and rebuilt a retaining wall. Pictured, from left, are Mason Husted, Owen Peterson, Paul Sievert, Logan Clouse, Ben Pevestorf, Michael Dietz, Earl Janke and Cole Janke.



Weather Corner

By Jake Yurek

We'll stay in our summer pattern this week as highs stay mainly in the 80s (except for our very hot Monday) with multiple chances for rain and thunder.

Forecast warning: This is a pretty shaky forecast due to us being near a frontal boundary so models are having a tough time with exact location of storms and temperatures, but I'll do my best. Rain and thunder chances will persist just about every day through the work week with Wednesday night into early Thursday and Friday seeing the best chances. No day will be a complete washout, so stay tuned to more up-to-date forecasts.

We might escape most of the weekend OK if the storms can push out of our area each morning. I'm thinking we'll see a fair amount of sun both days with rain chances increasing overnight. The bulk of the moisture from this week's rain is aimed to our south with some locations along the Minnesota-Iowa border possibly seeing 4-plus inches of rain this week. Severe weather may be something to keep an eye out for as well if any of the storms can form into a line. Damaging wind and hail would be the main threats. If you have big plans this week definitely keep an eye on daily forecasts.

The extended shows the heat staying out west, so we should stay pretty close to average.

Have a great week, everyone.

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Wednesday night — Lows 63-69; rain, thunder.

Thursday — Highs 82-88, lows 62-68; partly cloudy, early thunder.

Friday — Highs 80-86, lows 62-68; partly cloudy, scattered thunder.

Saturday — Highs 80-86, lows 62-68; mostly clear, night thunder.

Sunday — Highs 80-86; mostly clear.

Weather Quiz: What creates the wind that we see out of severe thunderstorms?

Answer to last week's question (Sometimes you hear meteorologists talking about a low level jet; what is it?): A low level jet is a directional change in the winds at one specific elevation. If the overall Jetstream is coming in from the west, a low level jet would be at lower elevations and coming in from perhaps the south. This directional change is sometimes the reason for severe storms and tornadoes.

Remember: I make the forecast, not the weather!

People

Locals named to dean's list

Students from Glencoe and Plato earned dean's list honors from Bemidji State University at the conclusion of the spring 2017 semester. From Glencoe, students are Krista Boraas, Jennifer Illg, Garrett Ober and Brandon Vacek; from Plato, Shauntel Stahlke. To be eligible for the dean's list, BSU students must be enrolled for at least 12 credits and earn a 3.5 GPA during the semester.

Locals named to dean's list

The dean's lists for the 2017 spring semester at Minnesota State University – Mankato have been announced. From Glencoe, students include Carly Bening, senior, high honor list, alcohol and drug studies; Rachel Bonderman, sophomore, high honor list, art; Michelle Dennison, junior, honor list, dental hygiene; Kristina Kunkel, senior, high honor list, dental hygiene; Patrick Kunkel, junior, honor list, construction management; and Ashley Schaefer, senior, honor list, communication disorders; John Seipel, senior, high honor list, elementary education. Named from Brownton is Mackenzie Mrkvicka, senior, honor list, elementary education; Erika Mielke, sophomore, high honor list, nursing; and Emily Muetzel, sophomore, high honor list, exercise science. Students qualify for the high honor list by achieving a 4.0 straight "A" average; students qualify for the honor list by earning a 3.5-3.9. To qualify for academic honors, undergraduate students must be enrolled for at least 12 credit hours for the semester.

Locals graduate from college

The College of St. Scholastica held its spring 2017 commencement ceremony on May 13 at Amsoil Arena. The following local students graduated: Sadie Nass of Glencoe, who graduated summa cum laude with a Bachelor of Science in nursing and Heather Worm of Silver Lake who graduated with a Bachelor of Science in nursing.



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DAV donates flag to Legion Post

At the July meeting of Silver Lake American Post 141, a POW/MIA flag was donated to the Post Color Guard by Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Chapter 37. Post 141 Sergeant at Arms Leon Pesina mentioned to all present that the timing for this donation is perfect because the Silver Lake Post has been asked by the 3rd District if Post 141's Color Guard would be willing to represent the district for the next year. From left to right is DAV Senior Vice Commander Darrel Remily, DAV Adjutant and treasurer Van Karg, Post 141 Sergeant at Arms Leon Pesina and DAV Commander Joel Reiner.

Area News

Interim administrator named

ARLINGTON — Laura Elvebak, Owatonna, has been named the interim city administrator in Arlington, according to the Enterprise. Elvebak is a former administrator for Waseca and Steele counties. She will work two to three days a week at the Arlington City Offices, and the rest of the time from home.

Stiftungsfest to see changes

NORWOOD YOUNG AMERICA — The 2016 Stiftungsfest drew good crowds, but wasn't financially successful. This year, according to the Norwood Young America Times, changes have been made to hopefully make the annual celebration more successful. There will be a new carnival, more food options, a relocation of the heritage display, adjustments to pricing, and a ceremony for the first-ever tapping of the Stiftungsfest Beer keg.

Pizza Ranch opens in Hutch

HUTCHINSON — A Pizza Ranch franchise opened Monday between Aldi and Best Buy on Highway 15 in Hutchinson, according to the Leader. It is co-owned by Jan Lake and Jeff Zylstra, and is the 42nd franchise in the state.

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Citywide garage sales set

The annual Silver Lake fall citywide garage sales will be held Aug. 24, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Aug. 25, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Aug. 26, 8 a.m. to noon.

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Planning Commission hears plans for lot development

By Katie Ballalatak
Staff Writer

The city of Glencoe's Planning and Industrial Commission heard a review from Terry Schneider of Project Developers about developing additional lots for individual homes on Alex Lane on Thursday, July 13. Schneider is a consultant of Glenview Estates landowner David Williams.

The project consists of processing 10 smaller lot subdivisions as an extension of Alex Lane to the west of Edgewood Drive. These subdivisions would contain one-level, single-family homes with attached garages and the option of full or half basements; one layout of the home consists of two bedrooms and the other consists of three bedrooms.

"We feel that this is a great product for residents in Glencoe that would like to move into a new home. We're looking for feedback and comments as to whether or not this is the right direction to go," said Schneider.

Schneider provided the Planning and Industrial Commission with paper copies of the location layouts and a concept plan for the 10 lots, along with a table illustrating the lot width at setback and side yard setback for each lot. Glenview Estates Land would have to request a variance for the subdivision if it chooses to go forward with the project. The estimated cost for the housing has not been configured yet.

Commission Member Ron Knop liked the review. He appreciated the location of the front entry with it being visible at the front of the

house and not hidden on the side of the garage.

Schneider also spoke of the success these homes are having elsewhere, namely on Tiffany Lane in Waconia. Assistant City Administrator Dan Ehrke clarified for the commission that there is a demand for this type of housing in Glencoe. "In addition to it going well in other communities, it is outlined in our housing study that was recently completed," said Ehrke.

The commission members favored the proposal as it stands right now. Schneider and Williams intend to present it to the Glencoe City Council in the near future with additional information in order to hear more feedback and comments on their proposal.

In other business, the Planning and Industrial Commission:

- Approved the variance request of James Tieman to construct a privacy fence on his property line.

- Heard Ryan Voss' proposal to construct three residential storage garages with no principal residential structure on property he owns just north of the City Center on 12th Street East. These buildings will sit on lots that are 50 feet wide and are proposed to occupy 1,320 square feet; each lot will be individually owned. Voss plans to add water and sewer services to the garages. He hopes to start construction in early fall and have the first building up before winter. The Planning Commission recommended approval of his request for a variance for property subdivisions to the City Council.

- Recommended to the City

Council that Ken Polifka's property consisting of three lots adjacent to Judd Avenue be considered for annexation. Polifka originally proposed the development of Polifka's Second Addition on these lots in 1997, which was approved by the City Council, but stopped the process. As a result, the final plat for the three lots was never approved or filed with the county. Polifka is currently working with Pellinen Land Surveyors of Hutchinson.

- Approved the recommendation of the administration to deny a variance request from Jerry Sharpe, who built a garage with vertical metal siding without a valid building permit. As of 2007, City Code 510.12 was amended to remove vertical metal siding from residential districts for aesthetic-related reasons. Commission members Knop and Lynn Exsted abstained from voting. The motion passed 4-0.

- Briefly discussed a request from the gravel mining operation east of Midwest Machinery on Highway 212 to amend its conditional use permit with McLeod County to exceed 30 trucks per day from exiting the gravel mining operation. The city of Glencoe was asked to comment because the Glencoe Municipal Airport is closely located to the mining operation. The Planning Commission had no comment on the matter. A public hearing will take place during the McLeod County Planning Commission meeting on July 26 at 9:30 a.m. at the Glencoe City Center to consider the request and receive public input.

Little Crow Continued from page 1

were inspired by a friend: "We had a mutual Dakota friend who was also working on films and Bill and I became interested in doing something of our own. We decided to work as equal partners because we thought we could allow each other to have more freedom to do what we're best at."

Diedrich, an avid artist and a published author, said he has spent 30 years researching Little Crow's story and the history of the Dakota people. He hopes that with this film, Little Crow's story and the impact of U.S. Dakota War of 1862 will reach a wider audience: "My book 'Little Crow and the Dakota War' that was published 10 years ago has had limited sales, purchased mostly by people who are interested in the topic. We hoped with a film, we could possibly bring my research and findings to a larger audience."

As a quick historical overview, Little Crow became the chief of the Dakota people in 1849. During this time, he worked diligently through treaty negotiations with government officials, mostly having to do with Dakota land in Minnesota. The Dakota people gave up much of their land to the U.S. government with the understanding that they would be properly compensated with money and food. However, with the onset of the Civil War in the east and the corruption of political figures in the trade agreements, much of the financial assistance failed to be delivered and the rations for food were often slim and rancid, if the food

came at all.

By July 1862, the Dakota people were starving. Thus, Little Crow, although he knew it was a losing battle, led the Dakota people as they instigated attacks against white settlers in their area, with the hopes of scaring them away and regaining ownership of their land. The U.S. Dakota War ended on Dec. 26, 1862, with the mass execution of 38 Dakota men, which remains the largest mass execution in U.S. history.

Lori Pickell-Stangel, the executive director of the McLeod County Historical Society & Museum, believes that Little Crow and the U.S. Dakota War are important aspects of history that are often overlooked: "Unfortunately, it's a part of history that people either know a little bit about but not the whole story — and definitely not the Dakota side — or they don't know about it at all. A lot of people don't even realize the history that we have right here in McLeod County, so this documentary showing is a great opportunity to help people become more aware of not only our history here but also of this kind of personal story from a Dakota person's perspective."

The documentary paints a picture of who Little Crow was as a person and the struggles he faced with staying true to his Dakota identity but also acknowledging and working with the settlers' existence in Minnesota. "He really was a man with a foot in both worlds," said Pickell-Stangel, "and he tried to straddle it for as long as he

could."

The documentary has been shown on TPT (Twin Cities PBS) and all over the region. At the event, Diedrich and Weiss will be present to give a short talk about the production of the film and the impact it has had on the legacy of Little Crow, the Dakota people and the U.S. Dakota War of 1862.

"The documentary is very straightforward about how it was," said Pickell-Stangel. "Some things are tough and we can't shelter people from that. People are persecuted all over the world and the Dakota were persecuted during that time period. It's a story that I think resonates today and it's a story that people should hear and know about."

Tickets for the event are \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids under 12 years of age. They are available for purchase at the McLeod County Historical Society & Museum — any extra tickets will be sold at the door. Booklets about the history of Little Crow can be purchased from the McLeod County Historical Society & Museum at the film showing or they can be ordered beforehand at www.mcleodhistory.org. Those interested in purchasing the film can visit www.littelecrowandthedakotawar.com and Diedrich welcomes viewers to leave feedback about the film on the "Little Crow and the Dakota War" Facebook page.

All ticket proceeds will go to supporting the museum's mission to preserve McLeod County's history.



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Silver Lake Music in the Park

Silver Lake hosted its first Music in the Park event Thursday, July 13, with music by George's Concertina's Band. The series will continue the next three

Thursdays, with Blake Klaustermeier and Friends playing this Thursday, July 20. The meal starts at 6 p.m.; music starts at 7 p.m.

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