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## Year-In-Review

*Editor's Note: The following article is a summary of the major news stories in the Arlington and Green Isle area during the final six months of 2017.*

### JULY

The Arlington City Council unanimously adopted a resolution to appoint Laura Elvebak, Owatonna, as the new interim city administrator for the City of Arlington.

The Arlington Area Chamber of Commerce unanimously approved a motion to oppose a closed lunch period for students in grades 10-12 at the Sibley East High School during the 2017-2018 school year.

Arlington Mayor Rich Nagel presented outgoing City Administrator Liza Donabauer with a Certificate of Appreciation. The certificate was presented in recognition of leadership and service as the city administrator from 2013 to 2017. Her final day of employment with the City of Arlington was Friday, July 7.

Four current and former members of the Green Isle Irish baseball team were honored as Diamond Gems at the Irish Yard. They included Brian Scherschligt, Mac Zachow, Chris Brown and Matt Breyer.

Former Arlington A's baseball player Brian Hartmann, a 1987 graduate of the Arlington-Green Isle High School, was inducted into the Hamel Hawks Baseball Hall of Fame.

Schaefer Crane Service, New Ulm, placed the new 80-niche columbarium into place near the west entrance at the Arlington Public Cemetery.

The Sibley East School Board approved a motion and accepted the resignation of Senior High Principal Tim Schellhammer.

The Sibley East School Board approved a motion for Sibley East students to have free admission to athletic events during the 2017-2018 school year.

The Arlington City Council voted 3-2 and approved a motion to reopen discussions on the alley improvement project behind the United Methodist Church, listen to all viewpoints, and review and approve the property owner assessment during a special meeting.

A group of representatives from the Green Isle Lions Club, Green Isle American Legion and City of Green Isle held a groundbreaking ceremony for the new Green Isle Area Veterans Park.

On July 4, at the close of the 100th Lions Clubs International Convention in Chicago, Arlington Lions Club member Nancy Mathwig, along with 739 other District Governor Elects from around the world, was installed as District Governor for the year 2017-2018.

Sixty motorcyclists from the American Legion Riders group stopped at the Veterans Walking Path Of Honor in Arlington. The motorcycles were escorted into town by the Arlington Fire Department which also provided traffic control when the group left town via Highway 5.

### AUGUST

A small time capsule was found behind the 1934 cornerstone on the 1935 building at the Sibley East school in Arlington.

In conjunction with the Arlington Night Out event, a ribbon cutting and rededication of the recently renovated senior building at Four Seasons Park was held.

The Arlington City Council voted 4-0 and approved a motion to approve the final offer of employment for Scott Sandquist as a full-time police officer in the City of Arlington.

Hannah Walz, Winthrop, was crowned as the new 2017-2018 Miss Sibley County during coronation ceremonies at the Sibley County Fair in Arlington. Bailey Hoechst, Arlington, was chosen as Miss Congeniality and as an Ambassador. Sierra Allison, Arlington, and Paige Hentges, Winthrop, were chosen as Ambassadors.

Green Isle Irish Baseball, for the first time ever, was ready to tri-host the 2017 Minnesota State Class B and C Amateur Baseball Tournament in August and September. Hamburg and Norwood Young America were the other two hosts.

The Arlington City Council unanimously approved a motion to approve a conditional offer of employment terms to John Petterson to serve as the new police chief for the City of Arlington.

The demolition of the 1935 building at the Sibley East Public Schools in Arlington got underway.

The Green Isle Irish advanced to the Minnesota State Amateur Class C Baseball Tournament. The Irish were eliminated on the final weekend.

There were seven new teachers at the Sibley East Public Schools for the 2017-2018 school year. They included Alicia Klehr, Courtney Theis, Ashley Clemensen, Alan Halverson, Jayne Hotaling, Megan Hoffmann and Alyssa Remus.

The Ridgeview Sibley Medical Center hosted a groundbreaking ceremony for its Emergency Department and Urgent Care addition and renovation project.

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Members of the Arlington City Council posed for a group picture minutes before their organizational meeting on Tuesday night, Jan. 2. Front Row: (left to right) City Council member Michelle Battcher, Mayor Rich Nagel, City Council member

James Jaszewski and City Administrator Patrick Melvin. Back Row: (l to r) City Council member Adam Cowell, City Council member Tom Hatlestad, City Council member Jim Heiland and City Attorney Ross Arneson.

## Arlington City Council holds its annual organizational meeting

By Kurt Menk  
Editor

The Arlington City Council held its annual organizational meeting on Tuesday night, Jan. 2.

The City Council unanimously adopted a resolution to appoint Patrick Melvin as the city administrator.

The City Council separately adopted resolutions to design-

nate the *Arlington Enterprise* as the official newspaper and the Arlington State Bank as the official depository.

The City Council also unanimously adopted a resolution to ratify the mayoral appointments and committees.

The following City Council members and local residents were appointed to the following committees:

### Appointees To Municipal Offices

Vice Mayor: James Jaszewski

City Attorney: Ross Arneson

Health Officer: Representative from Sibley County Public Health

Emergency Management Director: Tim Haggemiller

### Delegates To Extra Municipal Agencies

Minnesota Municipal Utility Association (MMUA)  
Delegates: Jim Heiland and Patrick Melvin

Minnesota Municipal

City Council  
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## Board makes county attorney full-time

By Amy Newsom  
Correspondent

The Sibley County Board, at its organizational meeting on Tuesday morning, Jan. 2, voted 3-2 and adopted resolution #2018-06 to make the Sibley County attorney position full-time beginning in January of 2019.

The County Board considered three options at its meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 26. The three options were continue at .80 full-time equivalent (FTE) and move to courthouse, change to full-time and move to courthouse, or remain .80 FTE and remain in Winthrop. County Attorney David Schauer argued that he could not keep up two offices, and took the first option off the table.

County Commissioners Joy Cohrs, Bill Pinsky and Jim Swanson voted in support of the resolution.

County Commissioners Bobbie Harder and Gary Kruggel voted against the resolution. Harder stated that she still wants the position to remain .80 FTE.

### Minimum Salary Set

The County Board set the

minimum salaries for Sibley County elected officials that begin their terms of office in 2019. The minimum salary of the county attorney will be \$77,480 or \$37.25 per hour, the county auditor/treasurer will be \$58,739.20 or \$28.24 per hour, the recorder will be \$55,931.20 or \$26.89 per hour, and the county sheriff will be \$77,480 or \$37.25 per hour. These are the minimum salary amounts for those elected in the 2018 election and who take office in January of 2019.

### 4-1 Vote

The County Board voted 4-1 to increase the hours of Health Educator/SHIP Coordinator Mary Bachman from a .80 full-time equivalent (FTE) position to a 1.0 FTE position.

Public Health and Human Services Director John Gilszinski reported that her hours have been increasing over the past three years and wanted her status to accurately reflect that. Bachman prepared an activity listing of all of the duties she has been performing.

Harder questioned if Bachman's participation on the Sibley County Food Share Board should be a volunteer

position. Gilszinski felt that having representation on the board was very important and wanted it to remain part of her job duties.

Swanson questioned what would happen if the Statewide Health Improvement Partnership (SHIP) grant was gone. Gilszinski reported that in 2020 it would probably go away, but that good health prevention programs would still be needed.

Harder voted against increasing the hours.

### Addition of three full-time jail staff

The County Board voted unanimously to add three additional jail staff.

The additional jail staff was requested by Tim Thompson and Sarah Johnson of the Department of Corrections (DOC) on Nov. 28. They stated that staffing levels were too low at the Sibley County Jail and recommended that the jail add at least three more jailers. Johnson stated that in 2014 the DOC saw the need for additional staff and since then the county has had an inmate escape because the staff could not keep up.

Jail Administrator Aaron

Louwaugie made the request on Tuesday, Jan. 2. He felt the Department of Corrections (DOC) would be happy with the addition of three staff, and that Sibley County could re-evaluate their staffing needs in one year.

The County Board had some concerns about adding three additional staff members at a cost of about \$50,000 each, or a total of \$150,000, because it was not in the 2018 budget.

Sibley County Administrator Roxy Traxler stated that she looked into the 2019 budget and stated there was approximately \$25,000 in contingency funds and there would be funds from the treasurer position which is not being replaced, and the IT phased retirement position, but for 2018 it would have to come out of reserves.

Kruggel asked if bringing on the additional staff could be done in phases, but Traxler stated she did not know if the DOC would allow it and it would be more efficient to train all three at once.

The Sibley County Commissioners will hold their next regular meeting in Gaylord at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 16.

## News Briefs

### Appointed to commission

The Sibley County Board, during its meeting on Tuesday morning, Jan. 2, appointed Todd Mesker to the Sibley County Planning Commission.

Mesker's term will run January 2018 to Dec. 31, 2020. Mesker replaces Kevin Pioske.

### Chamber to meet on Jan. 8

The Arlington Area Chamber of Commerce will hold its regular monthly meeting in the Emergency Services Building at noon Monday, Jan. 8, according to Chamber President Matt Nelson.

New members are always welcome to attend these meetings.

### Anna Herd is Clemson graduate

Anna Herd, a graduate of Holy Family Catholic High School, graduated with summa cum laude honors from Clemson University during recent commencement exercises. She graduated with a 4.0 grade point average and with a degree in Communications.

Herd was also one of 22 students that received the Faculty Scholarship Award. This award is made annually by the faculty to the member of the graduating class who has the highest scholastic achievement.

Herd had the opportunity to witness one of the greatest runs for a college football team during her 3 1/2 years at Clemson. She attended all of the home games and also some on the road. Her parents, Mark and Bridget Herd, also attended five Clemson football games while she was there.

She is also the granddaughter of Gene and Marge Herd, Green Isle.

### Council accepts donations

The Arlington City Council, during its organizational meeting on Tuesday night, Jan. 2, unanimously adopted a resolution to accept a \$240 donation from Jim Kreft, Kreft's Cabinets, for the Tree Program.

The City Council also unanimously adopted a resolution to accept a \$630 from Arlington VFW Post 6031 for the purchase of chairs at the Lions Center.

### Date set for Tour of Tables

The 15th annual Tour of Tables will be held at the Arlington Community Center from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, March 24.

The event is sponsored by the Good Samaritan Society - Arlington.

Additional information on the Tour of Tables will follow in future editions of the *Arlington Enterprise*.

### Building inspection services

The Arlington City Council, during its organizational meeting on Tuesday night, Jan. 2, unanimously adopted a resolution to authorize the City of Arlington to enter into an agreement with 101 Development Resources, Inc., for building inspection services.

### Firefighters are appointed

The Arlington City Council, at its organizational meeting on Tuesday evening, Jan. 2, approved a series of motions and appointed local firefighters to various positions.

John Zaskie was appointed as Arlington Fire Chief. Corey Carpenter was appointed as second assistant chief. Thomas Pomplun was appointed as safety/training officer.

### Open house set for Jan. 7

The Sibley County Historical Society (SCHS) invites people to an open house at the Sibley County Museum from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 7. Guides will be on hand to give tours. The event is free.

Special programs are scheduled at 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Deb Wiprud and Joy Berg would like to share their gifts of music. Berg's daughter, Debra Olsen, will accompany them.

### Agreement with warning system

The Arlington City Council, during its organizational meeting on Tuesday night, Jan. 2, unanimously adopted a resolution to approve an agreement to provide for the ownership and maintenance of the Rectangular Rapid Flash Beacon (RRFB) LED Crosswalk Warning System adjacent to Highway 5 at West Adams Street in Arlington.

### Enterprise seeking news

The *Arlington Enterprise* always welcomes birth announcements, college news, engagement pictures and wedding pictures.

People can e-mail their news and pictures to [kurtm@arlingtonmnnews.com](mailto:kurtm@arlingtonmnnews.com).



Enterprise photo by Amy Newsom

Members of the Sibley County Board of Commissioners posed for a photo on Tuesday morning, Jan. 2. Left to right: County

Commissioners Joy Cohrs, Bill Pinske, Jim Swanson, Gary Kruggel and Bobbie Harder.

## County Commissioner committee list updated for 2018

**Amy Newsom Correspondent**

The Sibley County Board, during its organizational meeting on Tuesday morning, Jan. 2, elected Jim Swanson as the board chairperson. Joy Cohrs was elected the vice chairperson.

The Sibley County Board also approved a motion to amend the rules to allow the board chairperson to make and second motions and resolutions of the Sibley County Board.

County Commissioners also passed resolution #2018-07 and set the per diems of County Commissioners at \$40 for a half day (up to four hours) and \$80 maximum for meetings over four hours.

The County Commissioners also approved the following Commissioner Committee appointments:

#### District 1

District 1 Commissioner Bobbie Harder will serve on the following committees: Adult Mental Health, Association of MN Counties, Health & Human Services, Meeker-McLeod-Sibley CHB, Chil-

dren's Collaborative, Employee Wellness Committee, Extension Committee, Help Me Grow Committee, Law Library, Mankato Rehabilitation Center, Minnesota Valley Action Board of Directors, Park Advisory Committee, Planning & Zoning Commission, Planning & Zoning Inspection Committee, Rush River Clean Water Partnership Joint Powers Board, Security Committee, Sioux Trails Mental Health, South Central EMS System, South Central MN Multi-County HRA, South Central MN Regional Radio Board, and South Central Workforce Council Joint Powers Board.

#### District 2

District 2 Commissioner Bill Pinske will serve on the following committees: Association of MN Counties, Transportation, Meeker-McLeod-Sibley CHB, Day Activity Center, Joint Powers Insurance Board, Trailblazers Transit JPA Board, Rush River Clean Water Partnership Joint Powers Board, South Central EMS System, South Central MN Regional Radio

Board, Southwest Transit Coalition & 169 Corridor, and Tax Forfeiture Committee.

#### District 3

District 3 Commissioner Jim Swanson will serve on the following committees: Association of MN Counties, Environment & Natural Resources, Labor Negotiations, Mankato Rehabilitation Center, Trailblazers Transit JPA Board, MCIT Voting Delegate, Region 9 Development Commission, Revolving Loan Fund Committee, Rush River Clean Water Partnership Joint Powers Board, and Tri-County Solid Waste Joint Powers Board.

#### District 4


District 4 Commissioner Joy Cohrs will serve on the following committees: Association of MN Counties, General Government, Meeker-McLeod-Sibley CHB, Children's Collaborative, Crow River Joint Powers Board, Employee Recognition Committee, High Island Creek Clean Water Partnership JPA Board, Labor Negotiations, Trailblazers Transit JPA

Board, Minnesota Valley Action Board of Directors, Minnesota Valley Regional Rail Authority, Planning & Zoning Commission, Planning & Zoning Inspection Committee, Rural Minnesota Energy Board, Security Committee, Sioux Trails Mental Health, South Central Workforce Council Joint Powers Board, South Country Health Alliance Joint Powers Board, Water Resources Advisory Committee, and Weed Inspection Appeals Committee.

#### District 5

District 5 Commissioner and Board Chairperson Gary Kruggel will serve on the following committees: Association of MN Counties, Public Safety, Highway 15 Corridor, Labor Negotiations, Minnesota Valley Regional Rail Authority, Park Advisory Committee, Rural Minnesota Energy Board, South Country Health Alliance Joint Powers Board, Tax Forfeiture Committee, Tri-County Solid Waste Joint Powers Board, and Water Resources Advisory Committee.

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## Community Calendar

**Thursday, Jan. 4th** – Arlington Lions Club, Arlington Haus, social 6:00 p.m. meeting 7:00 p.m. All members welcome!!

**Friday, Jan. 5th** – Arlington Veteran's Steak Fry, Veterans Building at the fair grounds, 5:30-7:30 p.m.


**Monday, Jan. 8th** – Arlington Chambers of Commerce, Emergency Services Building, Noon meeting.  
Arlington Township Board, Arlington Community Center, 7:30 p.m.  
Arlington VFW Post #6031 Auxiliary, Veterans Building at the fair grounds, 7:30 p.m.  
Arlington AA & Alanon, 8:00 p.m. St. Mary's Catholic Church.

**Tuesday, Jan. 9th** – Arlington Legion Post #250, Veteran's Building at the fair grounds, 7:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, Jan. 10th** – Arlington A's Baseball Board at Arlington Haus, 7:00 p.m.

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Tiffany Brockhoff

Submitted Photo

### Good Samaritan Society - Arlington

Tiffany Brockhoff recently accepted the new position of assistant to administrator at the Good Samaritan Society - Arlington. This position was created when past Administrator Krista Swoboda accepted a new position in South Dakota. Good Samaritan officials had determined the need for creating this position due to existing administrator shortages. Laura Salonek, who is the current administrator at the Howard Lake location, will be the license

holder and will only be in the local center for a limited time. Due to this shared status and the need for an individual to oversee the day-to-day operations in the center, Good Samaritan officials believed it made sense to have someone who knew the building best. Brockhoff has been with Good Samaritan for nearly 11 years as the previous housing manager and the current business office manager and human resources director.

### SE final tax levy reflects a 0.31% decrease

By Kurt Menk  
Editor

The Sibley East School Board, during its most recent monthly meeting in Arlington, unanimously adopted a resolution to approve the final 2018 tax levy.

School Board members Brian Brandt, Avery Grochow,

Laura Reid, Missy Weber, Dan Woehler and Sarah Ziegler all voted in support of the resolution.

The final tax levy will decrease from \$3,945,178.11 to \$3,932,934.33 or a 0.31 percent decrease from last year.

The School Board made the move after a detailed presen-

tation by Business Manager Janna Tessmer during the Truth in Taxation public hearing.

Other than two media representatives, there were no residents in attendance for the public hearing.

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# Trailblazer finalizes new joint powers agreement

Lori Copler  
McLeod County Chronicle  
Editor

The Trailblazer Joint Powers Board finalized its new joint powers agreement Thursday morning.

The agreement already had been approved by the three entities that make up Trailblazer — McLeod County, Sibley County and Wright County Area Transportation (WCAT).

Attorney Frank Madden, who helped draft the document, noted that one of the changes is that, starting in 2018, the board will have six members, two each from McLeod County, Sibley County and WCAT. Under the current composition, McLeod County has three representatives and Sibley County and WCAT each have two. The document also says that the appointed board members must be elected officials from their entities. A past consideration had been to allow non-elected officials, such as city administrators, to be members of the Trailblazer board.

Another new stipulation is that there cannot be discussion or voting on items that involve local share costs in the amount of \$20,000 or more unless each entity is represented at the meeting by at least one of its board delegates.

McLeod County Commissioner Doug Krueger said he is concerned that the \$20,000 amount is too low, but that he would not vote against the agreement.

“Twenty thousand dollars is not a lot in terms of today’s money,” said Krueger. “We could have a bus break down and easily have that in repairs.”

Sibley County Commissioner Jim Swanson said that most items of that nature should be covered in the budget.

“In that case, we would just do it,” said Swanson.

And Commissioner Rich Pohlmeier said the board could look at raising the base-line later.

“It can always be amended later on,” said Pohlmeier.

The agreement passed unanimously.

In other business, the Joint Powers Board:

- Agreed to offer a contract to a candidate for its open operations manager position.

Swanson said the candidate was a “non-traditional” applicant, with limited experience in transit. However, he added, the candidate seemed very personable.

Executive Director Gary Ludwig said that the labor market is tough right now, and the position did not attract a lot of applicants. He said he was willing to work with the candidate, but that he would likely have to devote more time to training than he would have if the candidate had more experience in transit.

Derek Vetsch, a Wright County commissioner, asked if increasing the salary and re-advertising would help.

“I just don’t know,” said Ludwig. “It’s a very tight

labor market right now.”

The board voted to offer the position with a \$75,000 annual salary with benefits, and a one-year probationary period.

- Heard that Trailblazer had implemented its new employee health plan, which has higher deductibles. Since 2018 county budgets already have been set, the board decided to use 2018 to decide if it could offer contributions to health savings accounts (HSAs), or compensate employees who opt out of the employer-offered plans.

- Heard that Wright County and WCAT are willing to buy three buses in 2018 in order to put more service on the road in Wright County. The board also will look at applying for “unmet needs” funding from the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) to begin the process of buying additional buses for 2019.

- Heard that the roof at the Buffalo facility is still leaking. Ludwig said that a portion of the roof will be removed in spring in hopes of finding the source of the leak.

- Heard that slow progress is being made on upgrading the telephone system. Right now, Ludwig said, there is a conflict with the proposed phone system and 9-1-1 service at the Glencoe facility. Trailblazer wants to integrate the phone systems for the Buffalo and Glencoe facilities.

- Set its next meeting for Thursday, Jan. 18, at 9 a.m., at the Glencoe facility.

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# Sports



Photo courtesy of Doug Wolter/The Daily Globe

Sibley East senior Gavin Bates, middle, went up for a shot in between two defenders during The Globe-Trojan Holiday Classic in Worthington last weekend.

## Sibley East girls basketball team finishes 3rd at holiday tournament

By Kurt Menk  
Editor

The Sibley East varsity girls basketball team split a pair of games and placed third in the Home Town Bank Holiday Tournament at the Redwood Valley High School in Redwood Falls last week.

"I was not pleased with our team performance in both games," said Sibley East head coach Jim DeSart. "We are better than what we played. You can't commit a large chunk of turnovers and expect positive results."

DeSart added, "We underperformed in both games and certainly should have won the Dawson game had we played the quality basketball I expect us to do at this point in the season."

The Lady Wolverines, 1-2 in the Minnesota River Conference and 3-6 overall, will host Tri-City United in conference action at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 5. Sibley East will also host G-F-W in non-conference play at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 9.

### Dawson-Boyd 54 Sibley East 43

The visiting Sibley East varsity girls basketball team surrendered a lead and lost to Dawson-Boyd 54-43 during the opening round of the Home Town Bank Holiday Tournament at the Redwood Valley High School on Wednesday, Dec. 27.

Junior Rachel Rettmann and sophomore McKenzie Latzke paced the Lady Wolverines with 12 and 10 points respectively. Senior Morgan Stearns tossed in seven points while junior Lexy Stock hooped six points. Senior Taylor Brinkman had four points while senior Taylor Perschau and freshman Audrey Parrott added two points each.

Rettmann pulled down eight caroms while Stearns and Brinkman snared six and five boards respectively. Perschau added four rebounds.

Brinkman also recorded six steals and dished out three assists while Latzke compiled six steals. Lexy Stock added three steals.

### Sibley East 41 Lakeview 31

The visiting Sibley East varsity girls basketball team defeated Lakeview 41-31 in the third place game of the Home Town Bank Holiday Tournament at the Redwood Valley High School on Thursday, Dec. 28.

Senior Taylor Brinkman sparked Sibley East with 10 points while junior Rachel Rettmann and sophomore McKenzie Latzke hooped nine points apiece. Junior Lexy Stock and freshman Jaden Kmetz scored four points each while senior Ali Stock had three points. Senior Morgan Stearns added two

points.

Rettmann grabbed eight rebounds while Brinkman had five caroms.

Lexy Stock also recorded four steals while Latzke dished out three assists. Ali Stock added two assists and two thefts.

### B-squad

The visiting Sibley East B-squad girls basketball team dropped two games in the Home Town Bank Holiday Tournament at the Redwood Valley High School in Redwood Falls last week.

The Lady Wolverines lost to Dawson-Boyd 35-25 on Wednesday, Dec. 27.

Jaden Kmetz tossed in nine points while Gabbi Bates and Rachel Widmer scored five points each. Libby Bartels netted four points while Megan Weber added two points.

Bartels had seven rebounds while Bates snared five boards.

Widmer recorded four steals.

Sibley East then lost to Lakeview 45-14 on Thursday, Dec. 28.

Kmetz topped the Lady Wolverines with six points. Bartels scored five points while Bates contributed three points.

Bates and Ellie Harens collected eight and seven rebounds respectively.

## Sibley East boys basketball team places 3rd at holiday tournament

By Kurt Menk  
Editor

The visiting Sibley East varsity boys basketball team split two games and placed third in The Globe-Trojan Holiday Classic in Worthington last week.

The Wolverines, 1-1 in the Minnesota River Conference and 6-4 overall, will travel to G-F-W in non-conference action at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 4. Sibley East will also travel to Le Sueur-Henderson in MRC action at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 9.

### Alexandria 77 Sibley East 47

The Sibley East varsity boys basketball team lost to Alexandria 77-47 during the opening round of The Globe-Trojan Holiday Classic in Worthington on Friday, Dec. 29.

Senior Gavin Bates topped the Wolverines with 13 points. Senior Austin Weckwerth had nine points while sophomore Lucas Dose netted seven points. Seniors Connor Deis and Alex Sell scored six points each. Senior Jacob Willmsen and junior Kameron In added four and two points respectively.

The Wolverines hit 15 of 33 shots from two-point

range for 45 percent and only two of 12 attempts from beyond the arc for 17 percent. Sibley East also canned 11 of 16 foul shots for 69 percent.

Bates pulled down 11 rebounds while junior Jens Lundstrom snared four boards.

Bates also dished out five assists and recorded four steals. Dose contributed four assists and one theft.

### Sibley East 80 Worthington 58

The Sibley East varsity boys basketball team rebounded with an 80-58 win over host Worthington during the third place game of The Globe-Trojan Holiday Classic on Saturday, Dec. 30.

Senior Gavin Bates poured in 37 points for the Wolverines. Senior Austin Weckwerth contributed 18 points while sophomore Lucas Dose and senior Connor Deis netted 13 and 10 points respectively. Senior Jacob Willmsen added two points.

The Wolverines blistered the nets from two-point range as they hit 28 of 41 shots for 68 percent. Sibley East hit only five of 17 attempts from three-point land for 29 percent. The Wolverines added nine of 12 foul shots for 75

percent.

Bates collected seven rebounds while Weckwerth and Deis grabbed four caroms each.

Deis also dished out six assists and recorded two steals while Weckwerth and Dose had seven assists. Bates and junior Jen Lundstrom added six and four assists respectively.

### B-squad

The visiting Sibley East B-squad boys basketball team dropped two games in The Globe-Trojan Holiday Classic in Worthington last week.

The Wolverines first lost to Alexandria 57-23 on Friday, Dec. 29.

JaBez Bates scored eight points while Ty Knacke netted five points. Lucas Tesch hooped four points while Austin Snyder and Anthony Bullert added three points each.

Sibley East then lost to Mankato West 65-39 on Saturday, Dec. 30.

Bates paced the Wolverines with 11 points while Aaron Deis and Bullert pumped in eight points each. Kameron In tossed in six points while Tesch, Snyder and Knacke added two points each.

## Tom Noack Memorial Free Throw Contest to be held in Arlington on Sunday, Jan. 7

The Tom Noack Memorial Free Throw Contest will be held at the Sibley East Middle School/High School in Arlington on Sunday afternoon, Jan. 7.

The event is sponsored by the local Knights of Colum-

bus organization.

The registration will begin at 12:30 p.m. while the contest will follow at 1 p.m. The doors to the school will not be opened until 12:30 p.m.

The contest is open to all boys and girls ages 9-14.

For more information, please contact Kurt Menk at the *Arlington Enterprise* office at 507-964-5547 or email kurtm@arlingtonmnnews.com or mike.feterl@sibleyeast.org.

## Sibey East wrestlers will host meet Jan. 4

The Sibley East varsity wrestling team will host Le Sueur-Henderson and Lake Crystal-Wellcome Memorial in Arlington on Thursday

night, Jan. 4.

The Wolverines will compete in the Norwood Young America Wrestling Tournament on Saturday, Jan. 6.

Visiting Sibley East will compete in a meet with Eden Valley-Watkins, Norwood Young America and Litchfield on Tuesday night, Jan. 9.

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## Year-In-Review

### SEPTEMBER

The Arlington City Council voted 4-1 and approved the resignations of police officer Jordan Voigt and maintenance worker Trevor Latzke.

**Kevin Durham, Jr., a senior running back on the Sibley East varsity football team, broke the school record for career rushing yards against visiting St. Peter. Durham needed 54 yards and ended the night with 79 yards. Erik Danielson held the previous school record with 2,938 total yards on 404 carries.**

A new era at the Sibley East Public Schools began on Monday, Sept. 11 when students in grades 6-12 walked into the newly renovated Middle School/High School in Arlington. Students in grades PreK-5 held their first day of school in the new Sibley East Elementary School in Gaylord on Wednesday, Sept. 13.

**The Green Isle Economic Development Authority (EDA) was awarded a \$10,000 Rural Business Development Grant from the USDA.**

Former Minnesota Vikings defensive end Jared Allen greeted people and signed autographs at the fifth annual ProAuto NYA Bull Riding event at the Sibley County Fairgrounds in Arlington.

**The 1967 Arlington A's baseball team captured the Class B state championship 50 years ago.**

The Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Auxiliary to Arlington VFW Post #6031 celebrated its 60th anniversary during a general meeting.

**Larry Klunder, who played for the Arlington A's baseball team from 1962 through 1980, was inducted into the Minnesota Amateur Baseball Hall of Fame during a ceremony in St. Cloud.**

Taylor Brinkman, a senior on the Sibley East varsity girls volleyball team, recorded her 1,000th career set assist during the Sibley East Volleyball Tournament in Arlington.

### OCTOBER

The Arlington City Council unanimously approved a motion to hire Patrick Melvin as the new city administrator for the City of Arlington.

**Gavin Bates and Faith Young were crowned as the Sibley East High School's Homecoming King and Queen during a coronation ceremony in Arlington.**

The Green Isle City Council voted 4-1 and approved a motion to approve a purchase agreement for Bryan Malz, owner of Timberline Woodproducts, Hamburg, to purchase a lot in the Green Isle Industrial Park for one dollar.

**The Arlington City Council unanimously approved a motion to hire Sara Joncoski as a full-time officer for the Arlington Police Department.**

The Arlington City Council unanimously approved a motion to hire Mike Willmsen as the new full-time maintenance worker for the City of Arlington.

**Members and friends of the Arlington Area Chamber of Commerce, Arlington Economic Development Authority (EDA) and City of Arlington held a ribbon cutting ceremony at Pilot Travel Centers in the Arlington Industrial Park.**

After an approximate 15-year run, the consignment auctions in the Green Isle Industrial Park were coming to an end. The final consignment auction, run by Fahey & Associates, Inc., Norwood Young America, was held in late October.

**The Minnesota Historical Society has awarded the Arlington Historical Society (AHS) a Minnesota Historical & Cultural Heritage grant in the amount of \$7,693.00 for the Arlington Museum Lighting Plan.**

Members of the Arlington Area Chamber of Commerce, Arlington City Council and Arlington Economic Development Authority (EDA) held a ribbon cutting ceremony at Aly's Art By Hand Etc.

### NOVEMBER

The Arlington Garden Club recently received the prestigious Garden Club Award from the Minnesota State Horticultural Society.

**Arlington resident Haley Rohwer was a member of the Mayer Lutheran varsity girls volleyball team that captured the Class A state championship for the second consecutive year.**

Rural Henderson resident Maynard Rucks, a graduate of the Arlington-Green Isle High School, was inducted into the Sibley East Wall of Fame during the Sibley East American Education Banquet at the Arlington Community Center.

**Several individuals received major awards during the Sibley East American Education Banquet at the Arlington Community Center. They included Anna Willmsen (Paraprofessional of the Year Award), Ann Bruellman (Outstanding Retiree Award) and Mary (Friend of Education Award), Jeremy Wagner (Support Person of the Year Award), Chad Johnson (Teacher of the Year Award) and Steve Langhorst (Friend of Education Award).**

The Arlington Area Chamber of Commerce, along with the Arlington EDA and Arlington City Council, held a ribbon cutting ceremony at Alice's Family Hair Center.

**Zachary Latzke, a sophomore at South Dakota State University, was one of less than one percent of FFA members across the United States to receive an American FFA Degree at the 90th National FFA Convention & Expo in Indianapolis.**

### DECEMBER

The annual Arli-Dazzle festivities were a huge success during the first Saturday in December. One of the largest crowds ever watched the Arli-Dazzle Parade which is "Probably The Largest Lighted Christmas Parade in Minnesota!"

**The Arlington City Council unanimously adopted a resolution and approved an agreement for consulting economic development services with Sibley County. The new Arlington EDA director will be Amy Newsom.**

It was announced that the consignment auctions sponsored by Fahey & Associates of Norwood Young America found a new home in Arlington.

**Matt Nelson was elected as the new president of the Arlington Area Chamber of Commerce in 2018.**

Tommy Wentzlaff, a senior on the Sibley East varsity wrestling team, recorded his 100th career win.

The Sibley County Board directed Sibley County Administrator Roxy Traxler to prepare a resolution making the County Attorney's office full-time.



Enterprise photo by Kurt Menk

## Green Isle Fire Department Receives Grant

The Green Isle Fire Department recently received a \$2,000 grant from the Cargill Cares Foundation. The money will go toward the purchase of extraction tools for the fire department.

Left to right: Green Isle First Assistant Chief Dan Kroells, Grain Marketing Advisor Jim Nelson and Green Isle Fire Second Assistant Chief Kort Meyer.

## Sibley County Court

The following misdemeanors, petty misdemeanors and gross misdemeanors were heard in District Court December 15-22, 2017: Minnesota State Patrol (MSP); Sheriff's Office (SO); Department of Natural Resources (DNR); MN Department of Transportation (MNDOT).

Randy K. Wagner, 61, Gaylord, fail to yield-emergency vehicle, \$185, Arlington PD; Peter L. Westre, 57, St. Peter, driver must carry proof of insurance when operating vehicle, dismissed, Arlington PD.

Alberto Garcia, 27, Gaylord, damage to property-4th degree-intentional damage-other circumstances, driving after suspension, driving after suspension, local confinement 45 days, credit for time served 45 days, conditions-other-forfeit bail to file 72-CR-17-358, concurrent other case, \$397.25, Gaylord PD; Edgar J. Garza, 25, St. Peter, no MN DL, local confinement 30 days, credit for time served 30 days, \$185, Gaylord PD; Malik R. Gill, 20, Hopkins, speed, careless driving, \$250, Gaylord PD; Cindy L. Krueger, 53, Gaylord, theft take/use/transfer movable property-no consent include shoplifting, continued, unsupervised monitoring without adjudication one year, pay restitution, no same or similar, no theft, keep court/attorney informed of current address, \$70.24, Gaylord PD; Erick J.-E. Porter, 25, Gaylord, interference with an emergency call, dismissed, domestic assault, violation of Domestic Abuse No Contact order, stay of imposition, concurrent other case, supervised probation three years, local confinement 42 days, credit for time served 19 days, sentence to service 40 hours for indeterminate, contact with probation, follow all instructions of probation, sign probation agreement, sign all releases of information, complete diagnostic assessment to determine whether the defendant requires services based on history of domestic abuse, chemical de-

pendency evaluation/treatment, follow recommendations of evaluation, no alcohol/controlled substance use with the exception of prescribed medications, no possession of alcohol or drugs with the exception of prescribed medications, random testing, Domestic No Contact (DANCO), conditions other-follow all recommendations of open CHIPS file, remain law-abiding, no same or similar, \$135, Gaylord PD; Jill R. Wittgraf, 52, Bloomington, speed, \$125, Gaylord PD.

Logan S. Hollingsworth, 36, Dickenson, N.D., migratory birds-take Coots, Moorheads or ducks in closed season, \$185, DNR.

Gloria J. ZumBerge, 77, Green Isle, speed, \$125, MSP; Michael A. Brodeur, 62, New Prague, speed, \$145, MSP; Dereka A. Christine Saunder, 19, Mankato, speed, \$135, MSP; Jordan M. Collins, 25, Chanhassen, speed, dismissed, MSP; Anna M. Eder, 31, Denver, Colo., speed, \$125, MSP; Adia L. Edwards, 35, Saint Paul, speed, \$145, MSP; Brett C. Leske, 55, Mound, speed, \$145, MSP; Jesse J. McDermont, 25, Winthrop, no proof MV insurance, dismissed, MSP; Dawson A. Molter, 18, Le Sueur, window tint (less than 50% light transmittance), \$135, MSP; Yvan O. Mugabo, 23, Hutchinson, speed, \$225, MSP; Sean P. Ryan, 35, Waconia, speed, \$135, expired proof of insurance, dismissed, MSP; Jeannette M Skoropowski, 49, Boston, Mass., speed, \$145, MSP; Eliana L. Solares, 32, Gaylord, speed, \$125, MSP; David D. Stapf, 46, Webster, speed, \$125, MSP; Murielle A. Tiambo, 35, New York, N.Y., speed, \$145, MSP; Mao-Lun Weng, 41, Brookings, S.D. speed, \$135, MSP.

Jessica L. Howe, 36, Redwood Falls, check forgery, dismissed, offering forged checks, supervised probation two years, local confinement one year, stay 321 days for two years, credit for time served 44 days, local confinement

nine days, credit for time served nine days, contact with probation, follow all instructions of probation, sign probation agreement, complete treatment, intensive outpatient treatment through Freedom Center, aftercare, sign all releases of information, no alcohol/controlled substance use, no possession of alcohol or drugs, random testing, increase random UA's, restitution reserved for 30 days, remain law-abiding, no same or similar, pay restitution before fines, fees and surcharges, chemical dependency evaluation/treatment, follow recommendations of evaluation, counseling, continue to work with counselor Donna, \$160, SO; Logan T. McDermid, 18, Jordan, speed, \$125, SO; Deanna L. Petersen, 43, Henderson, DAS, \$285, SO; Andrew D. Poepping, 23, Savage, speed, \$125, SO; Garbin F. Sanchez Ramirez, 30, Gaylord, speed, driving without a valid license for vehicle class/type, \$485, SO; Kristina M. Schmidt, 48, Burnsville, speed, \$125, SO.

Chelsea P. Dooley, 30, Fairfax, DAR, \$285, Winthrop PD.

The following felonies were heard in District Court December 15-22, 2017

Abigail E. Holberg, 25, Gaylord, aiding an offender, continued, supervised probation three years, local confinement four days, credit for time served one day, comment: one weekend or three consecutive days 7p.m.-7p.m. to be completed within 30 days, follow all state and federal criminal laws, contact your probation officer as directed, tell your probation officer within 72 hours if you have contact with any new crime, tell your probation officer within 72 hours if you change your address, employment or telephone number, cooperate with the search of your person, residence, vehicle, workplace, property, and things as directed by your probation officer, sign releases of information as directed, do not register to vote or vote until discharged from probation and your civil rights are fully restored, contact with probation, follow all instructions of probation, sign probation agreement, sign all releases of information, chemical dependency evaluation/treatment, follow recommendation of evaluation, complete diagnostic assessment, no same or similar, remain law-abiding, no alcohol/controlled substance use with the exception of prescribed medications, no possession of alcohol or drugs with the exception of prescribed medications, random testing, \$150, SO.

tion officer, sign releases of information as directed, give a DNA sample when directed, do not use or possess firearms, ammunition or explosives, do not register to vote or vote until discharged from probation and your civil rights are fully restored, contact with probation, follow all instructions of probation, sign probation agreement, complete diagnostic assessment within 30 days, follow recommendations of evaluation, sign all releases of information, remain law-abiding, no same or similar, \$225, Gaylord PD.

Lisa M. Eyrich, 48, Henderson, conspiracy to commit fourth degree controlled substance crime, continued, supervised probation three years, sentence to service 24 hours for indeterminate, follow all state and federal criminal laws, contact your probation officer as directed, tell your probation officer within 72 hours if you have contact with law enforcement, tell your probation officer within 72 hours if you are charged with any new crime, tell your probation officer within 72 hours if you change your address, employment or telephone number, cooperate with the search of your person, residence, vehicle, workplace, property, and things as directed by your probation officer, sign releases of information as directed, do not register to vote or vote until discharged from probation and your civil rights are fully restored, contact with probation, follow all instructions of probation, sign probation agreement, sign all releases of information, chemical dependency evaluation/treatment, follow recommendation of evaluation, complete diagnostic assessment, no same or similar, remain law-abiding, no alcohol/controlled substance use with the exception of prescribed medications, no possession of alcohol or drugs with the exception of prescribed medications, random testing, \$150, SO.

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