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Enterprise photo by Kurt Menk

Snowman

Along with all of the white stuff comes snowmen. Steve Cermak and his granddaughter, Jade Anderson, 7, made this snowman along the 500 block of East Elmwood Street in Ar-

lington. The Arlington-Green Isle area received approximately 13 inches of snow during the past week.

County Commissioners vote 4-1 for out-of-state travel trip to Louisiana

By Amy Newsom
Correspondent

The Sibley County Board of Commissioners, during their regular meeting on Tuesday morning, Feb. 27, voted 4-1 and approved a motion to approve out-of-state travel for Health Educator Mary Bachman to attend the National Network of Public Health Institutes Annual Conference in New Orleans, La., from Tuesday, May 22 through Thursday, May 24.

County Commissioner Bobbie Harder questioned how wanting to attend this conference came about.

Public Health and Human Services Director John Glisczinski stated that the Community Health Services (CHS) administra-

tor found this and thought it would benefit Sibley County because topics like behavioral health and rural health would be covered.

County Commissioner Jim Swanson asked if there was “nothing like this [offered] in-state?”

Glisczinski stated that the state level would not have national speakers and that grant money from the CHS budget was set aside for this.

County Commissioner Bill Pinske stated that it would be budget neutral for Sibley County.

Glisczinski stated that at the conference Bachman would learn high level strategies on how to bring in grant money and programs, and she would be

making the needed connections for that.

Swanson stated that he would like to hear what Bachman brings back and how it can be used here.

County Commissioners Joy Cohrs and Gary Kruggel along with Pinske and Swanson voted in favor of the motion.

Harder voted against sending Bachman to Louisiana.

The County Commissioners will hold their next regular meeting in Gaylord at 9 a.m. Tuesday, March 20.

In April, the County Commissioners will hold their regular meetings in Gaylord at 9 a.m. Tuesday, April 10 and 24.

Community Notification Meeting to be held in Arlington on Monday, March 5

The Sibley County Sheriff’s Office is releasing this information pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 244.052. This statute authorizes law enforcement agencies to inform the public of a sexual or predatory offender’s release from prison or a secure treatment facility when the Sibley County Sheriff’s Office believes that the release of information will enhance public safety and protection.

The individuals in this notification have been convicted of criminal sexual conduct or another offense or civilly committed as a sex offender that requires registration with law enforcement pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 243.166 or 243.167.

These offenders are not wanted by the police at this time and have served the sentence imposed on them by the court. This notification is not intended to increase fear in the community. Law enforcement believes that an in-

formed public is a safer public.

The Sibley County Sheriff’s Office may not direct where the offenders do or do not reside, nor can this agency direct where they work or go to school. The risk level of these offenders have been determined largely on their potential to re-offend based on previous behavior.

Convicted sexual and predatory offenders have always been released to live in our communities. It was not until the passage of the Registration Act that law enforcement had an ability to track movement of these offenders after their initial release. With the passage of the Community Notification Act law enforcement may now share information about many of these offenders with the public. Abuse of this information to threaten, harass or intimidate a registered offender is unacceptable and such acts could be charged as a crime.

Such abuses could potentially end the ability of law enforcement to provide these notifications. If community notification ends, the only person who wins is the offender. Many of these offenders derive their power from the opportunity that secrecy provides.

The four offenders being released are as follows:

Dustin Hoium, Risk Level One
Eugene Kropp Jr., Risk Level Two
Darwin Lange, Risk Level Two
Timothy Lincoln, Risk Level Two

All four offenders will be residing in Arlington Township.

The Sibley County Sheriff’s Office will be hosting a Community Notification Meeting at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church in Arlington at 6 p.m. Monday, March 5.

Trailblazer Board looks at SMART ride program, City of Buffalo request

By Lori Copley
Editor

McLeod County Chronicle

Rides in sparsely populated areas in Sibley County, a request by the city of Buffalo to provide evening-hour rides, and a dwindling pool of volunteer drivers will have Trailblazer Transit exploring new options for its SMART service.

The Trailblazer Joint Powers Board recently met in Buffalo, and reviewed its SMART (Sibley-McLeod Auxiliary Regional Transit) program’s origins. SMART, which does not qualify for Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) funding, helps provide rides outside of Trailblazer’s traditional service area (such as rides to medical facilities in St. Cloud or Rochester), and potentially outside of normal operating hours. The service is funded by user fees and

local tax dollars.

In January, the Trailblazer board heard that the city of Buffalo would like the transit system to take over its evening service since it was having a hard time finding drivers. At that time, the board intended to use 2018 as a planning year with possible implementation of service in 2019.

However, since then, the board heard on Thursday, the city of Buffalo pressured Trailblazer to provide the service through its SMART ride service. Executive Director Gary Ludwig said the request fell within the typical guidelines of SMART service.

“They came to us and said, ‘we have a need, we have a desire and we have money,’” Ludwig said. He added the city’s service participation began to drop as Trailblazer’s service grew in the area.

With awareness of the board’s chair and vice chair, Trailblazer began offering the service.

But Ludwig said Trailblazer is hampered by the same issues that plagued the city — there is low demand for the service, and it is hard to find drivers and vehicles.

Running a regular bus is expensive for the low number of fares, and vans are not equipped with fare boxes, meaning rides would need to be billed.

Complicating the issue even further is that MnDOT and Trailblazer both are committed to expanding service in the service area overall before focusing on one area.

Sibley County Commissioner Jim Swanson was particularly disappointed that Trailblazer went ahead and started filling the service.

“I wish we had said ‘you need to wait,’” said Swanson,

referring to the original desire to spend 2018 looking into the issue. Now, he said, it is difficult for Trailblazer to back out without looking like the “bad guys.”

Kevin Kasel, who represents Wright County Area Transportation (WCAT) said the problem ensued because Buffalo voted to end its own service.

“They had voted already to end the service, and that left them in the lurch,” said Kasel. “They needed to do something in the interim.”

On the other hand, said Kasel, Trailblazer “was blindsided by this.” He also said that providing those evening rides wasn’t really in Trailblazer’s scope of service.

“Trailblazer wasn’t put together to provide local, around-town service,” Kasel added.

Kasel said he would visit with city of Buffalo officials

about the dilemma, acknowledging that “it won’t be an easy conversation.”

“They have to be prepared that the news they hear may not be what they want,” said McLeod County Commissioner Joe Nagel, who chairs the Trailblazer board.

Because of the absence of Darek Vetsch of WCAT, who has been heavily involved in the issue, the board decided to table the issue until its March meeting, but will continue to provide the Buffalo service until then.

Ludwig said the board also needs to discuss how to handle its SMART ride program. He said a pool of volunteer drivers has dwindled to about four drivers, and MnDOT is strongly encouraging transit systems to move away from using volunteers.

He also said SMART will need to start utilizing vans more and relying on buses

less, especially in sparsely populated areas.

Kasel reminded the board that Trailblazer’s “main core purpose” is the 5311 service, which is the dial-a-ride bus service that is funded, in most part, by MnDOT. But he also advocated reviewing the SMART ride structure to see how it can accommodate unique needs.

In other business, the board:

- Heard that interviews are scheduled for candidates for its operations manager position.

- Heard that phone issues have hopefully been resolved, which will allow integration of communications of the Glencoe and Buffalo facilities. Service should be in place by April 1.

News Briefs

Blood drive in Arlington

The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive at the Arlington Community Center from 12:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 6.
To make an appointment, call Karan Pichelmann at 507-964-2882.

U of M students on Dean's List

Three local students were recently named to the Dean's List at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities.
The students included sophomore Kailey Geib, Arlington; sophomore Alyssa Eiden, Green Isle; and sophomore James Schealler, Green Isle.

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.

Students on Dean's List at GAC

Three area students were recently named to the Dean's List at Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter.
The students included Brice Panning, Hamburg; Hannah Haas, Henderson; and Kayla Weiers, Henderson.

Cancer Cruise team is winner

The Cancer Cruise team won the trivia contest and received the Hubcap Trophy during the recent Henderson Roll-In Winter Dance.
Team members included Felicia Brockoff, Stacy Brockoff, Andrew Smith, Matt Thoraldson, Jon Roe, Mike Dahlke, Rick Quast, Jason Quast and Wayne Quast.

Lundstrom on Dean's List

Ella Lundstrom, a 2017 graduate of the Sibley East Senior High School, was recently named to the Dean's List at the University of Wisconsin at Madison.
To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must complete a minimum of 12 graded degree credits in that semester.
She is the daughter of Mark and Bekah Lundstrom, Arlington.

Herd on President's List

Connor Herd, a graduate of Holy Family Catholic High School, was recently named to the President's List at Mercer University in Macon, Georgia. Herd is a senior in the School of Engineering.
He is the son of Mark and Bridget Herd, Chaska. He is also the grandson of Gene and Marge Herd, Green Isle.

Business Expo is April 19

The third annual Sibley County Community & Business Expo will be held at the Arlington Community Center from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday, April 19.
The registration deadline is Monday, April 9. For more information, contact Sibley County Community Development Program Manager Amy Newsom at AmyN@co.sibley.mn.us.

MVEC's Operation Round Up

Minnesota Valley Electric Cooperative (MVEC) members can choose to round up their monthly electric bills to the nearest dollar. When this extra change is combined, MVEC's Operation Round Up Trust Fund Board is able to fulfill donation requests to area organizations and charities. The Trust Board recently made the first of four distributions for 2018 which amounted to \$30,490.
Sibley County organizations and groups that received money included Green Isle Community School (\$500), Sibley County Fair Board (\$1,000), Sibley East Public Schools (\$1,500) and Sibley County Food Shelf (\$500).

Garden Club to meet

The Arlington Garden Club will meet at the Arlington Public Library at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 6.
New members are always welcome. For more information contact Linda Welch at 507-964-5614



Enterprise photo by Kurt Menk

Front Row: (left to right) Haden Smith, Jason Euceda, Victoria Diaz, Ramsey Fritsvold and Jacquelyn Gonzalez. Middle Row: (l to r) Damian Diaz, Katelyn Winter, Juliet Acevedo, Mara Horstman and Noah Mordica. Back Row: (l to r) Phoebe De-

Witte, Archer Latzke, Aubree Miller, Edgar Salazar, Adrian Warzecha and Trenton Buck. Missing from the photo are Kimberly Lorenzo, Amberly Rodriguez and Brendan Thoele.

Kindergarteners celebrate 100 days at the Sibley East Elementary School

Students in the kindergarten classroom of Amy Flieth at the Sibley East Elementary School in Gaylord recently celebrated their first 100 days in school.
The following is a list of kindergarten students and the things they have learned during their first 100 days.

"I learned my star words." - **Juliet Acevedo**

"I learned my letters." - **Trenton Buck**

"I learned how to do

math." - **Phoebe DeWitte**

"I learned how to work hard." - **Damian Diaz**

"I learned how to count to 99." - **Victoria Diaz**

"I learned how to do math." - **Jason Euceda**

"I learned how to share." - **Ramsey Fritsvold**

"I learned how to do math books." - **Jacquelyn Gonzalez**

"I learned how to read." - **Mara Horstman**

"I learned new songs." - **Archer Latzke**

"I learned my letters and numbers." - **Kimberly Lorenzo**

"I learned how to read." - **Aubree Miller**

"I learned how to play nicely with my friends." - **Noah Mordica**

"I learned all my letters." -

Amberly Rodriguez

"I learned how to write to 100." - **Edgar Salazar**

"I learned my ABC's." - **Haden Smith**

"I learned how to make projects." - **Brendan Thoele**

"I learned how to read star words." - **Adrian Warzecha**


"I learned how to read my star words." - **Katelyn Winter**

 **Green Isle Lions Club**
Annual Breakfast
Sun., March 4
Serving 8 am-12:30 pm
Green Isle Community Room
Serving: Scrambled Eggs, Toast, Sausage, Hashbrowns, Muffins, Coffee, Juice, and Milk.
No advance Tickets: Free Will Offering
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2018 ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY
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 For Sibley East School information and lunch menu, visit them at **www.sibleyeast.org**

26th ANNUAL Chicken Dinner
Zion Lutheran Church
814 W. Brooks St., Arlington
Sunday, March 4
11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Menu: *Chicken (prepared by Chef Craig), gourmet mashed potatoes, corn, cole slaw, dinner roll, dessert, beverage.*
ADVANCE TICKETS: Adults \$10.00, Kids (5-11) \$5.00, 4 & Under Free
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REQUEST FOR BIDS
The City of Arlington is accepting bids for the construction of a Gazebo in the City's Memorial Park. Plans and specifications may be obtained from Spencer Haggemiller at Haggemiller Lumber, 23180 401st Ave., Arlington, MN 55307. Bids must be received at the Arlington City Office, 204 Shamrock Drive, Arlington, MN 55307, no later than 4:00 PM, Friday, March 16, 2018.
The City of Arlington reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
F10-11ESc


Join us for **Kris Mueller's Retirement Party**

Tuesday, March 6th
from 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm
located in Bird Room at the Good Samaritan Society Arlington nursing home. Kris has been with the Good Samaritan Society Arlington for nearly 45 years.
Please come and enjoy cake and coffee and wish her well.
F10-11ESc

Community Calendar
cThursday, March 1st – Arlington Lions Club Meeting, Arlington Haus, 6:00 p.m. Social, 7:00 p.m. Meeting. All members welcome
Friday, March 2nd – Arlington Veteran's Steak Fry, Veterans Building at the fair grounds, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Monday, March 5th – Arlington City Council, council chambers, 6:30 p.m. Arlington AA & Alanon, 8:00 p.m. St. Mary's Catholic Church. Speaker Night open to public, Arlington Ambulance Service, EMS Building at 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, March 6th – Arlington Garden Club, Arlington Public Library, 7:00 p.m. New members are always welcome.
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Arlington resident Lowell Nagel, middle, received the eighth annual Darwin Mathwig Community Service Award during the Arlington Lions Fish Fry on Friday, Feb. 23. Arlington Mayor Rich Nagel is pictured on the left. Nancy Mathwig is pictured on the right.

Lowell Nagel is recipient of the 8th annual Darwin Mathwig Community Service Award

By Kurt Menk
Editor

The eighth annual Darwin Mathwig Community Service Award was presented to Lowell Nagel during the Arlington Lions Fish Fry on Friday night, Feb. 23.

Nancy Mathwig, wife of the late Darwin Mathwig, presented the award to Nagel.

Lowell is a life-long member of the Arlington community. During that time, he has served Arlington in a variety of ways.

Lowell volunteered as a member of the Arlington Fire Department for 33 years. He has also been a member of the Arlington American Legion

and Arlington VFW for more than 45 years. Lowell joined after he served his country in the Army for two years.

Lowell was in the lumber business in Arlington for 56 years and has continued to be involved in Arlington through his 45 years of membership on the Arlington Industries where he served as president. In addition, he was a member of the Arlington Commercial Club/Arlington Area Chamber of Commerce for 40 years.

Lowell served two terms on the Arlington City Council and 20 years on the Sibley County Economic Development Commission. He has also been involved in the RS

Fiber.

During his spare time, Lowell has served many years on the Arlington A's Hall of Fame Committee, 10 years as a member of the Sibley County Historical Society, five years as a member of the Arlington Historical Society and two years on the 3 in 1 Learning Center Board.

As a member of Peace Lutheran Church, Lowell served four years on the church council.

The award is presented annually in memory and recognition of Darwin Mathwig for a lifetime of service to the Arlington community.

Jeff Larson is selected as the 2018 Cancer Cruise recipient

Community Giving Hope announces that Jeff Larson, Henderson, has been selected as the 2018 Cancer Cruise recipient.

Jeff battled Lymphoma from 2007 to 2008. In September of 2017, Jeff was diagnosed with AML Leukemia, and has not been able to work since, because he was very prone to infection while taking his chemotherapy treatments, and preparing for a stem cell transplant. On February 2, Jeff received the stem cell transplant from his brother. He is currently staying at the Mayo Transplant House, where he will continue to stay and recover for up to 100 days.

Activities

The 2018 Cancer Cruise will be held on Saturday, May 19. The morning starts off with a 5K Fun Run/Walk at Four Seasons Park in Arlington at 9 a.m.

Pre-registration is \$20 and includes a t-shirt. The deadline for pre-registration is Saturday, April 14. Registration after that date is \$25 and t-shirts are not guaranteed.



Jeff Larson

Registration will be held on the day of the event at 8 a.m.

Immediately following the 5K, the group shifts gears, and heads to the parking lot of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Arlington for a roll-in type car show. The Car Show will start at 11 a.m. Any street legal vehicle is welcome for the car show – classics, hot rods, rat rods, motorcycles – the group does not discriminate. There is a \$10 entry fee per vehicle. Vehicle pre-registration is not required.

Concessions are provided by and benefit the church. There will be a DJ onsite playing all types of music, along with trivia and prizes.

The Cancer Cruise will

leave Arlington at 4 p.m. Anyone interested can go with the group on an approximate 50-mile cruise through the eastern part of Sibley County.

"There is no set schedule after 4 p.m.," said Community Giving Hope spokesperson Felicia Brockoff. "We just go for a nice drive through the countryside, and end up in Henderson."

All of the proceeds raised from the 5K Run/Walk and Car Show will assist Jeff with his medical expenses.

For more information, people can email cancer-cruise55307@gmail.com or call 507-964-5603.

Community Giving Hope

The Cancer Cruise is organized by Community Giving Hope, Inc., a local 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. The group prides itself on keeping local funds raised, local.

The group is comprised of Felicia Brockoff, Barb Ehlke-Herrmann, Jamie Grams-Petzel, Ethan Henke and Kurt Menk.

Arlington City Council tables a recommendation to waive water and sewer hook ups for new construction

By Kurt Menk
Editor

The Arlington City Council, during its regular meeting last week, unanimously approved a motion to table action on a recommendation to waive the sewer access charges and water access charges fees for residential and commercial construction during 2018.

Local resident Jim Kreft voiced concerns about the move. Kreft said the costs are one-time fees for new construction, paid directly toward the debt service against the water and sewer treatment plants.

Kreft stated a few more concerns and then offered a few solutions to minimize

some of the impediments

The City Council, after some discussion, voted to table the agenda item and send the recommendation back to the Arlington Economic Development Authority (EDA).

The EDA will meet at 5:30 p.m. Monday, March 12.

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Opinions

Minnesota FoodShare
March Food Drive

Our View: Food shelf donations mean a
little more this time of year

A number of local and area residents are in need of food on a consistent basis and the Sibley County Food Shelf is doing all it can to meet that demand.

According to Sibley County Food Shelf Coordinator Jacki Kruggel, the food shelf provided food for an average of 150 households per month during 2017. A total of over 5,300 people benefited from the food shelf and 140,634 pounds of food was distributed.

According to Kruggel, every contribution of food or money received during the Minnesota FoodShare March Food Drive, which runs from Feb. 26 through April 8, is counted, weighed and reported to the Minnesota FoodShare. They match a percentage of the total amount donated to give the local food shelf even more resources.

Local and area residents have always given generously to the Sibley County Food Shelf over the years. Donations of food and money are always welcome during any month of the year, but especially during the period of Feb. 26 through April 8.

Local and area residents are encouraged to participate in this food drive as a number of churches and civic organizations across Sibley County will collect food and money donations in conjunction with this endeavor. Residents can donate as individuals as well. The need is always there.

The Sibley County Food Shelf is open from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Mondays, 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesdays, and from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on the first and third Friday of the month. Its website is sibleycountyfoodshare.org.

-K.M.

Too Tall's Tidbits

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

March 2
Denise Bade and Anna Schwartz.

March 3
Ashley St. John.

March 4
Joe Berger, Will Thomes-Burnevik, Dave Felmlee, Terry Klages, Sharri Koch and Nick Krohn.

March 5
Scott Husfeldt, Tanya Liebl, Linda Paggen, Lincoln Traxler, and Mr. and Mrs. Ellerd Mathwig.

March 6
Steve Morrisette.

March 7
Emily McCarthy, April Schmidt, Madison Reichtzigel, and Mr. and Mrs. Sean Drexler.

March 8
Larry Gieseke, Trey Lovaas, Meigan Malarz, Mitchell Nelson, and Dr. and Mrs. John Gustafson.

The man looked a bit worried when the doctor came in to administer his annual physical, so the first thing the doctor did was ask if anything was troubling him.

“Well, to tell the truth, doc, yes,” the patient answered. “You see, I seem to be getting forgetful. No, it’s actually worse than that. I’m never sure I can remember where I put the car, or whether I answered a letter, or where I’m going, or if I even get there. What can I do?”

The doctor thought for a moment, then answered in his kindest tone, “Pay me in advance.”

A man is giving a speech at his lodge meeting. He gets carried away and talks for two hours. Finally, he realizes what he’s done and says, “I’m sorry I talked so long. I left my watch at home.”

At the back of the room, someone shouts, “That’s no excuse. There’s a calendar behind you.”

A young boy was playing baseball by himself. “I’m the greatest hitter in the world,” he said. Then he tossed the ball into the air, swung at it and

missed. “Strike one!” he yelled.

He tossed the ball into the air again. When it came down, he swung and missed. “Strike two!”

Again he tossed the ball up in the air, swung, and missed. “Strike three!” Then, thinking, he exclaimed, **“Wow! I’m the greatest pitcher in the world!”**

Noticing that his son was studying while watching TV and listening to music, the father told him, “When Abe Lincoln was your age, he was studying books by the light of the fireplace.”

The son replied, “When Lincoln was your age, he was president.”

A beginner golfer scrubbed his tee shot into the woods, then hit into a few trees, then hit across the fairway into another woods. Finally, he proceeded to hit into a sand trap. All the while, the club professional had been watching.

“What club should I use now?” he asked the pro.

“I don’t know,” the pro replied. “What game are you playing.”

An air force colonel routinely flew on different aircraft to familiarize himself with their capabilities.

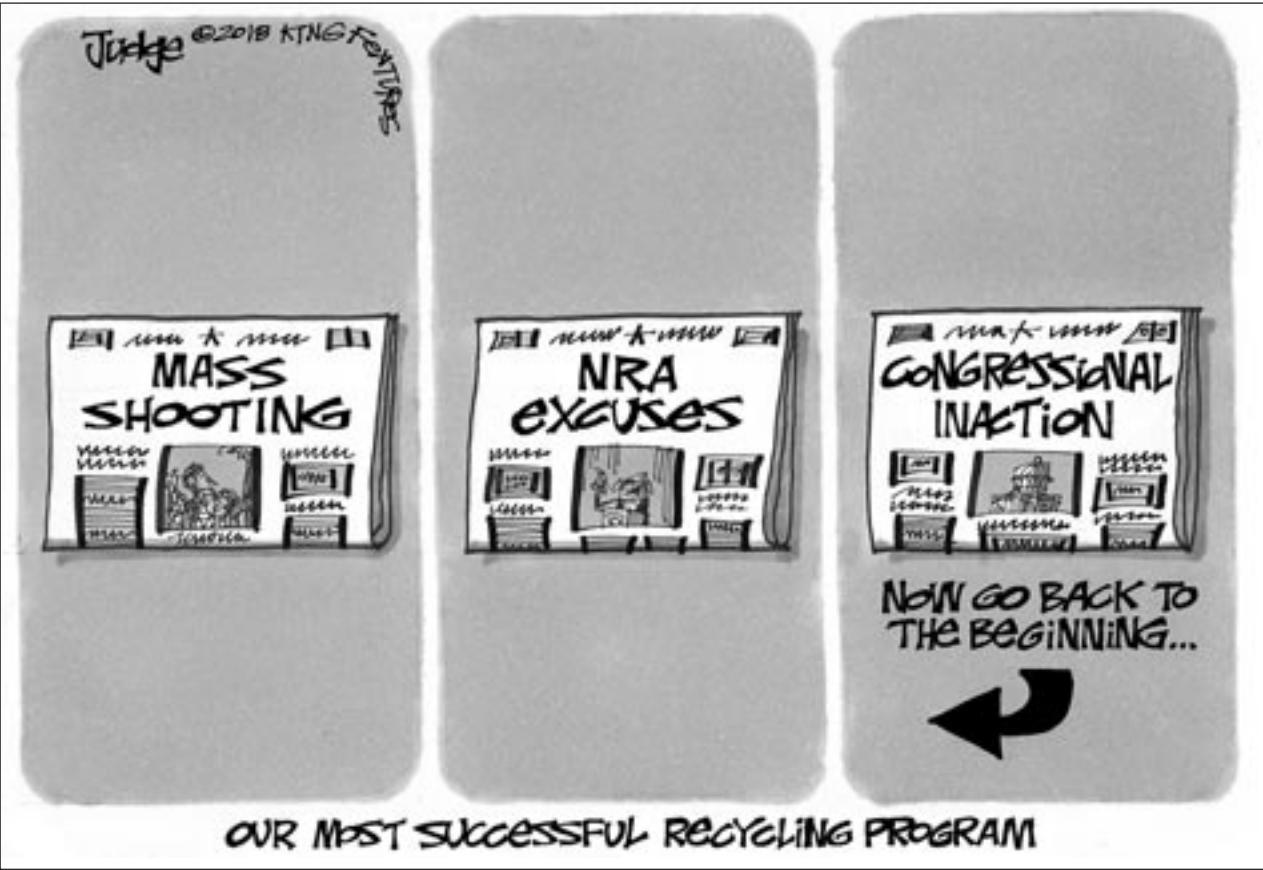
One day he toured an intelligence aircraft where each crew member was surrounded by complex gear. A young major showed the colonel his computer screen. “That’s a chat screen, sir,” he said. “We use it to relay enemy information to the crew. It’s like instant messaging.”

Nodding, the colonel moved down the line. Flashing on an airman’s screen several feet away was this warning: “Heads up! The colonel’s on the way!”

One morning, members of a local highway department crew reached their job site and realized they’d forgotten their shovels.

The crew’s foreman radioed the office and told his supervisor the situation.

“Don’t worry,” the supervisor radioed back. “We’ll send some shovels. Just lean on each other until they arrive.”



Letters To The Editor

Election campaigns will be kicking off soon

To The Editor,

2018 local election campaigns will be kicking off soon and I for one have heard that many local seats will be contested. Not to say I know whether or not seated board or council members will or will not run for re-election, but if they do, they will likely not run unopposed. Gone are the days when people were fearful of running against an incumbent. They are now throwing their hat in the ring and giving it their best shot.

So if you are considering running for one of these local offices and are ready to step out and step into life as a public servant, here are the seats that will be up for election this year on the Sibley County Board and city councils within Sibley County:

Sibley County Board seats include District One (Faxon, Henderson, Jessenland and Washington Lake Townships and the City of Henderson) seat currently held by Bobbie

Harder; District 4 (Bismarck, Green Isle, Grafton, Moltke, New Auburn and Transit Townships and the Cities of Green Isle and New Auburn) seat currently held by Joy Cohrs; and District 5 (Alfsborg, Cornish and Severance Townships and the Cities of Gibbon and Winthrop) seat currently held by Gary Kruggel.

City of Arlington open seats include the Mayor’s seat and two council seats currently held by Michelle Battcher and Jim Heiland. City of Gaylord open seats include the Mayor’s seat and three council seats currently held by Josh Klein, Shawn Losure and Jessica Uecker.

City of Gibbon open seats include the Mayor’s seat and two council seats currently held by Greg Olson and Roger Tabbert.

City of Green Isle open seats include two council seats currently

held by Shawn Harms and John Schauer.

City of Henderson open seats include two council seats currently held by Kelly Braun and Randy Tiegs.

City of New Auburn open seats include the Mayor’s seat and two council seats currently held by Roger Becker and Barb Schutte.

City of Winthrop open seats include the Mayor’s seat and three council seats currently held by Dale Malheim, Lyle Muth and Robert Rickheim.

So, if local politics are making you crazy, maybe it’s waking you up politically, and causing you to get more informed and engaged. I look forward to seeing who runs and once candidates file, meeting you and hearing your vision for our city and county.

Diana Karau
Gaylord

Reader thanks editor for informing community

To The Editor,

After 50 years of coaching speech and theater and teaching German, I decided it’s time to clean out some of my files.

Along with summer storytelling, photos, “Skitwits,” creative dramatics highlights, I found a photo I didn’t recall that I had clipped from the Enterprise – a photo of Kurt Menk, the newly hired writer and photographer for the newspaper from

the fall of 1985.

In the years that Kurt has been employed at the *Arlington Enterprise* he has recorded the memorable events of our area – helping us to know, share, enjoy and sorrow over various family, community and area happenings.

I thank him for helping inform and unite our community .

Yes, I am a clipper, and many of Kurt’s writings have become records

of my family as they attended school and grew up enjoying the activities the area provides.

Thank you Kurt. You are a dedicated worker! With camera and pencil in hand you are always there - at the athletic and fine arts events, meetings, school updates, the fair, etc., you are ready to share your info with the readers.

Marie Kreft
Arlington

Guest Column

How will another \$43 million solve the Minnesota DMV mess?

By Paul Torkelson
State Representative
R-Hanska

They say money can’t buy happiness. It apparently can’t buy effectiveness either.

Case in point: the Minnesota Licensing and Registration System (MNLARS) for DMV’s and deputy registrar offices. After ten years of planning and testing, and nearly \$100 million in taxpayer resources used to ensure its success, this new computer program was unveiled in July throughout the state.

It wasn’t long before Minnesotans discovered it was not ready for prime-time. It was overwhelmed by complications; Minnesotans found themselves unable to buy tabs, and DMV offices weren’t able to process car titles and other basic transactions.

The Minnesota House Transportation Finance Committee held hearings to find out what was going wrong. We’ve dedicated thousands of hours between legislators and staff responding to and fielding complaints from Minnesotans about the troubles they’re seeing. We’ve held several hearings to demand answers from Dayton administration officials. We were told the problems were fixable, and that the

issue was not money-related.

So imagine our surprise when the Dayton administration said another \$43 million was needed to “complete this project” as stated in a recent column by the new MNLARS project manager.

The problem is, the Dayton administration cannot guarantee the massive amount of funding they’re asking for will make MNLARS fully functional in the next year.

We are committed to working with the Dayton administration to fix the problem, as Minnesotans deserve hassle-free trips to the DMV, but we will not give Governor Dayton a blank check.

Until we receive some specific answers, assurances that those responsible for this mess are being held accountable, and a new direction that will likely involve outside technology experts, the legislature has no plans to throw good money after bad. Minnesota taxpayers deserve nothing less.

A recent KMSP-TV investigative report found that three years ago a MNLARS analyst told the Governor’s Office directly that the program was “headed for a cliff,” and in a secret recording the Governor’s Chief of

Staff told this analyst she was going to look into it.

Yet nothing happened, except denials throughout the administration that the meeting ever took place, or that anyone knew MNLARS was experiencing problems – even though the recording proves otherwise.

As lawmakers, we have a responsibility to get to the bottom of what happened, hold the administration accountable, and ensure that we are being good stewards of Minnesota tax dollars.

This week we are introducing legislation to ask that the governor find funding within his executive agencies to continue work on MNLARS.

Minnesotans have already paid nearly \$100 million for this project, and along the way it's now clear that warning signs and red flags raised by employees were ignored or dismissed. The Governor has said he accepts full responsibility for the failures, so we want to see actions that back those words up. Minnesotans are rightfully fed up, and are demanding accountability before we even think about providing tens of millions more for this disastrous project.

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Ethics

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



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Obituaries

Harold F. Oelfke, 87, Arlington

Harold F. Oelfke, age 87, of Arlington, passed away at the Ridgeview Sibley Medical Center in Arlington on Saturday, Feb. 24.

Funeral services will be held at Emanuel Lutheran Church in Hamburg at 11 a.m. Friday, March 2.

Visitation will be at the Kolden Funeral Home in Arlington from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, March 1. Visitation will continue one hour prior to the service time at the church on Friday, March 2.

Interment will be in Emanuel Lutheran Cemetery, Hamburg.

Harold Friedrich Oelfke was born to Herbert and Frieda (Neske) Oelfke in rural Hamburg on Nov. 15, 1930. He was baptized at Emanuel Lutheran Church in Hamburg on Nov. 23, 1930, and at that same church was confirmed in his Lutheran faith on April 2, 1944. Harold was a 1949 graduate of the Glencoe High School. He served his country



Harold Oelfke

in the U.S. Army and is a Korean War Veteran. On Jan. 24, 1954, Harold married Betty Dammann at Emanuel Lutheran Church. Harold and Betty lived in Hamburg for one year after their marriage and then moved to Waconia by Goose Lake where they lived for the next six years before moving back to the home farm in rural Hamburg. They lived there until 1979 when they moved to Arlington. Harold was both a farmer and an insurance agent during his working years. He was a lifelong, faithful member of Emanuel Lutheran Church. He served the church as an Elder and was also a member of the Men's Choir. Harold loved to golf, fish, travel and play cards.

Harold is survived by his wife, Betty Oelfke of Arlington; children, Wayne (Joyce) Oelfke of Shorewood, Douglas (Carol) Oelfke of Osakis, Brian (Kathleen) Oelfke of Hamburg and Gail (Robert) Thomes of Arlington; grandchildren, Shannon (Joe) Aurich, Dana (Jake) Cavanaugh, Brenna (Steve) Kruger, Adam (Amy) Oelfke, Angela (Ryan) Mesenbring, Aaron Oelfke, Sarah Kluseman, Kelli

Oelfke, Nina Hammer, Jamie (Kirby) Weckworth, Ashley (Max) Eckberg, and Jordan Thomes (fiancé JC); step-grandchildren, Shannon Reilly Kreger (fiancé Jesse) and Brendan (Sara) Reilly; great grandchildren; Whytnee, Kiya, Seth and Jonah Aurich, John Wayne Cavanaugh, Halden Oelfke, Kayla and Dylan Mesenbring, Ariaiah, Lia and Nolan Oelfke, Ashton and Colton Kluseman, Maisy, Elsie and Brooks Weckworth, and Ava Eckberg; step-great grandchildren, Rylie and Sydney Kreger, Marissa, Ben, Jenna and Owen Reilly; sisters-and-brothers-in-law, Ruth Kruschke of Glencoe, Virginia (Ruben) Ernst of Glencoe and Muriel (Loren) Zieroth of Waconia.

Harold is preceded in death by his parents, Herbert and Frieda Oelfke; parents-in-law, Herbert and Clara Dammann; sister and brother-in-law, Shirley (Melvin) Kroells; brothers-and-sisters-in-law; Harold and Agnes Dammann, Verona and Arthur Bussmann, Herman Schmidt, Ruben Kruschke and Loren Dammann.

Arlene Wietzke, 84, Whitewater, Wis.

Arlene Marie Wietzke, age 84, of Whitewater, Wis., passed away on Saturday, Feb. 24.

A Memorial Service was held at the Christus Evangelical Lutheran Church, rural Delavan, at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 27.

A funeral service will be held at Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, 229 South Sixth Street, Le Sueur, at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 3.

Visitation will be held at Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Saturday, March 3.

The Committal Service will follow the service at the St. Paul's Cemetery, Arlington.

Arlene was born in Green Isle Township on Friday, Oct. 13, 1933. She was the daughter of Richard Lueck and his wife Martha, nee Wentzlaff. She became a child of God and a member of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, rural Green Isle, through Holy Baptism as an infant.

She attended various country schools, graduating from eighth grade and confirming faith in her Savior at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church and school, rural Arlington. At the age of 45 she achieved her GED from the State of Minnesota.

On March 28, 1951 she

was married to Vernon Wietzke at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, rural Arlington. Together they farmed a portion of the Wietzke family farm in Kelso Township, rural LeSueur, and the Lord blessed them with two children.

During her lifetime she helped farm, and later did most of the farming while her husband worked for the Green Giant Company. Then still later she worked at the Crystal Farms egg plant, the Green Giant company honing knives in the canning factory and packaging Meals Ready to Eat for the armed services.

After the death of her husband, she sold the farm and moved to Whitewater, Wis., where she joined her son's church, Christus Evangelical Lutheran Church, rural Delavan, Wis. Her faith showed very much throughout her life. In her early years, she taught Sunday School and sang in the church choir. Later she served as a reporter for the Lutheran Women's Missionary Society and also made layettes for African babies for the Mission Society at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Arlington. There she also reported happenings for Dr. Martin Luther College, New Ulm, to the Mission Society.

She loved playing cards and games, and was best known among her family and friends for being an excellent baker, specializing in her ex-

tremely high chiffon cakes.

On Feb. 24, the Lord in his infinite wisdom called her from this temporary home to her eternal home with him in heaven, permitting her to reach the age of 84 years, four months and 11 days.

Mourning her death but awaiting the glorious resurrection are her children, the Rev. Bruce (Diana) Wietzke of rural Delavan, Wis., and Valerie (Richard) Rocheleau of Rochester; grandchildren, Matthew (Lindsay), Jacob (Katrina), Joshua and Benjamin Wietzke, and Sarah (Joshua) Coffey, all of Beaver Dam Wis., Rebekah (Jay) Nelson of Reeseville Wis., Timothy (fiancé Carolina Maniscalco) Wietzke of West Bend, Wis., Kristen (Joshua) Jones and Justin (special friend Dana McDaniel) Rocheleau, all of Rochester; 12 great-grandchildren; five step-great-grandchildren; one sister, Marie Wietzke of Valentine, Neb.; one brother, Roger Lueck of Arlington; one brother-in-law, the Rev. Wesley Bruss of Butterfield; nieces; nephews; and other relatives and friends.

Preceding her in death was her husband, Vernon, in 2015 after 64 years of marriage. Also her parents; one brother, Richard Lueck, Jr.; one sister, Geraldine Bruss; two brothers-in-law, William & Eldon Wietzke; and one sister-in-law, Lila.

Byron L. Kranz, 74, Gaylord

Byron Kranz, age 74, of Gaylord, passed away at his home in rural Gaylord on Saturday, Feb. 24.

Funeral services were held at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Gaylord at 3 p.m. Monday, Feb. 26. Pastor Harold A. Storm and Reverend Gary Ruckman officiated.

The organist was Jeanne Bruss.

Special music was provided by Preston Kranz, Rebecca Kranz, Luke Kranz, and Barrett Kranz: Psalm 130 ~ De Profundis

Special music was also provided by Brian Asmus on the trumpet, "A Mighty Fortress."

Congregational hymns were "I Am Jesus, Little Lamb," "Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice" and "Behold A Host, Arrayed In White."

Casket bearers were David Kranz, Keith Schmidt, Richard Schwenn, Bryan Parrott, Derrek Schmidt and Benton Kranz.

Interment was in St. John's Lutheran Church Cemetery in

Mountville, Dryden Township.

Byron Luther Kranz was born in Transit Township, Sibley County, on March 20, 1943. He was the son of Roland and Emily (Trout) Kranz. Byron was baptized as an infant on April 18, 1943, and was later confirmed in his faith as a youth on March 20, 1958, both at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Gaylord. He received his education at Immanuel Lutheran Parochial School in Gaylord.

On Jan. 18, 1964, Byron was united in marriage to Sharen La Ray Hasse at Fairview Lutheran Church in Hopkins. This marriage was blessed with four children, Pauline, David, Miriam, and Chelsea. Byron and Sharen resided in Gaylord. They shared 54 years of marriage.

Byron was a poultry farmer on his farm in rural Gaylord. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Mountville, Dryden Township, Sibley County.

Byron enjoyed hunting, fishing, and gardening. He especially enjoyed spending time with his family, grandchildren and friends.

Byron is survived by his wife, Sharen La Ray Kranz of Gaylord; children, Pauline RaVae (Keith) Schmidt of

Glencoe, David Byron (Holly) Kranz of Gaylord, Miriam Ruth (Richard) Schwenn of Milbank, S.D., and Chelsea Lorraine (Bryan) Parrott of Green Isle; grandchildren, Derrek Schmidt, Amber Schmidt, Elisabeth Schwenn, Bennett Schwenn, Benton Kranz, Mariah Kranz, Wyatt Kranz, Audrey Parrott, Trevor Parrott and Aleah Parrott; siblings, Arlene (Gene) Jacobson of Prior Lake, Virginia (Robert) Briard of Frazee, Hans (Shirley) Kranz of Gaylord, Luther (Laura) Kranz of Henderson, and Cheyenne (Jerry) Bernstein of Arlington; sisters-in-law, Darlene Kranz of Gaylord, Michele Kranz of Hudson, Wis., and Constance Kranz of Gaylord; brother-in-law, Laris Freyholtz of Bemidji; and many other relatives and friends.

Byron is preceded in death by his parents, Roland and Emily Kranz; sister, Lorraine Freyholtz; and brothers, Ernest Kranz, Steven Kranz, and Roger Kranz.

Arrangements by the Egesdal Funeral Home in Gaylord. Online Obituaries and Guest Book available at www.hantge. Please click on Obituaries/Guest Book.

Death Notice

Diana R. Robeck, 76, Arlington

Diana Ruth Robeck, age 76, of Arlington, passed away on Sunday, Feb. 18.

Funeral service will be held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church

in Arlington at noon Saturday, March 3.

Visitation will be held at the church from 11 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 3.

A luncheon will follow the funeral service in the church basement.



Submitted Photo

MS Sylvies Award

Carl & Denise Wieman, Owatonna, recently received the MS Sylvies Award during the MS Sylvies Banquet in Brooklyn Center. This award is given for all the hard work on the MS River Road Run as committee members, designing the routes and for being Top Fund Raisers for many years. This is the third consecutive year that Carl and Denise have received the award. They have been riding their

motorcycle on the MS River Road Run for the past 16 years. During that time, they have raised over \$64,700.00 for the MS Society to help find a cure for MS. Carl is originally from Arlington and is the son of Janet and the late Earl Wieman. Denise is originally from Gaylord and is the daughter of the late Helbert & Mable Tessmer.

Sibley County Historical Society planning World War I displays at museum this year

The Sibley County Historical Society is preparing displays of World War I items this year to mark the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I.

The Historical Society is looking for items, photographs, and information on Sibley County residents who served in World War I. For people who had a relative serve during World War I, the Historical Society would like to know more about them and include their information in

the displays.

People who have information or items that they would be willing to share please contact Sibley County Historical Society Director Amy Newsom at 507-237-4117 or sibleycounthyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com. Items can be dropped off at the museum in Henderson from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesdays or Thursdays or at the Sibley County Community Development Office at the Courthouse in Gaylord.

The museum and World

War I displays will be opening for the 2018 season on Memorial Day, May 28. The museum will be open 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Visit the museum on Sunday afternoons throughout the summer months. Like the Sibley County Historical Society on Facebook to see what is happening with the Historical Society. Volunteers are always welcome. People who would like to volunteer should please contact Director Amy Newsom.

Authors to visit Arlington Public Library in March

There will be author visits at the Arlington Public Library in March.

Authors Dennis and Karen Vinar and Andrew and Jean Voxland will visit the local public library at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, March 10. The title

of their book is "How did you find me...after all these years?"

The book is a remarkable account of perseverance, faith and overwhelming love.

People are invited to meet the authors and hear their per-

sonal heartwarming story as only they can tell it.

The event, which is free and open to the public, is sponsored by the Arlington Public Library League and Arlington Public Library.

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Sports



The Sibley East varsity wrestling team will send a record 10 wrestlers to the Minnesota State Class A Individual Wrestling Tournament at the Xcel Energy Center in St. Paul on Friday, March 2 and Saturday, March 3. Front Row: (left to right) Derek Steele (106), Austin Streich (285), Lincoln Carpenter

(138), Dayne Morton (120) and Drayden Morton (113). Back Row: (l to r) Logan Tesch (160), Tommy Wentzlaff (152), Andrew Schauer (195) and Tim Lewis (170). Missing from the photo is Thomas Battcher (182).

Enterprise photo by Kurt Menk

SE will send a record 10 wrestlers to the state wrestling tournament

By Kurt Menk
Editor

The Sibley East varsity wrestling team will advance a record 10 wrestlers to the Minnesota State Class A Boys Individual Wrestling Tournament at the Xcel Energy Center in St. Paul on Friday, March 2 and Saturday, March 3.

The wrestlers include Drayden Morton (106), Derek Steele (113), Dayne Morton (120), Lincoln Carpenter (138), Tommy Wentzlaff (152), Logan Tesch (160), Tim Lewis (170), Thomas Battcher (182), Andrew Schauer (195) and Austin Streich (285).

The wrestlers earned the honor after they placed first or second in their respective weight classes during the Section 4A Individual Wrestling Tournament at the Kimball High School on Saturday, Feb. 24.

The Sibley East wrestlers will all wrestle their first matches at 1 p.m. Friday, March 2.

Champions

Senior Dayne Morton will make his third appearance in the state classic.

Morton (40-3) will face freshman Bray Olson, Kenyon-Wanamingo, (25-15) in the opening round.

Senior Tommy Wentzlaff will make his third appearance at the state tournament.

Wentzlaff (43-2) will face senior Hudson Hiemenz, Frazee, (29-13) in the opening round.

Senior Logan Tesch will make his second appearance at the state classic.

Tesch (33-11) will face senior Kaden Spindler, West Central Area Ashby, (40-3) in the opening round.

Senior Andrew Schauer will make his second appearance at the state tourney.

Schauer (38-5) will face junior Gabe Drewes, Frazee, (27-14) in the opening round.

Second Place

Eighth grader Drayden Morton will make his first appearance at the state classic.

Morton (34-8) will face freshman Seth Goetzinger, Chatfield, (30-7) in the opening round.

Freshman Derek Steele will make his first appearance at the state tournament.

Steele (34-16) will face sophomore Marshall Miehlenzi, Deer River, (40-8) in the opening round.

Sophomore Lincoln Carpenter will make his third appearance at the state classic.

Carpenter (34-12) will face senior Gage Zieske, Osakis, (40-1) in the opening round.

Senior Tim Lewis will make his first appearance at the state tournament.

Lewis (24-9) will face senior Nick Altermatt, Wabasso Red Rock Central, (31-1) in the opening round.

Senior Thomas Battcher will make his first appearance at the state tourney.

Battcher (21-10) will face senior Garrett Ploeger, Pipestone Area, 34-7 in the opening round.

Senior Austin Streich will make his first appearance in the state classic.

Streich (18-12) will face sophomore Scot Edwards, ADAR, (24-5) in the opening round.

Results

106-pounds: Drayden Morton (SE) received a bye in the opening round. In the quarter-final round, Morton pinned Johnny Cummings (SA) 1:30. In the semi-final round, Morton won by a major decision over Mitchell Mallak (HLWW) 12-4. In the championship match, Morton was decided by Kelvin Andrade Ponce (ACGC) 3-0.

113-pounds: Derek Steele (SE) received a bye in the opening round. In the quarter-final round, Steele pinned Connor Lincoln (EVW) 1:36. In the semi-final round, Steele pinned Casey Diers

(HLWW) 1:58. In the championship match, Steele was decided by Jake Mortensen (ACGC) 3-0. In the true second match Steele decided Alex Nelson (KA) 2-1.

120-pounds: Dayne Morton (SE) received a bye in the opening round. In the quarter-final round, Morton pinned Blake Kimpling (NYA) 0:26. In the semi-final round, Morton pinned Cody Leither (K) 1:16. In the championship match, Morton won by a major decision over Ramzee Molinaro (ACGC) 10-1.

126-pounds: Sibley East did not have a wrestler entered in this weight division.

132-pounds: Sibley East did not have a wrestler entered in this weight division.

138-pounds: Lincoln Carpenter (SE) received a bye in the opening round. In the quarter-final round, Carpenter pinned Curtis Urness (NYA) 1:28. In the semi-final round, Carpenter decided Zach Nistler (EVW) 7-2. In the championship match, Carpenter was decided by Payton Schiefelbein (KA) 5-3.

145-pounds: Colton Harens (SE) received a bye in the opening round. In the quarter-final round, Harens was pinned by Jack Ridgway (TSARR) 3:03. In the wrestlebacks, Harens pinned Remington Albright (HLWW) 1:17. In his next match, Harens pinned Rylan Schueller (EVW) 3:26. In the third place match, Harens was pinned by Chase Arndt (ACGC) 2:33.

152-pounds: Tommy Wentzlaff (SE) received a bye in the opening round. In the quarter-final round, Wentzlaff pinned Liam Eberhard (HLWW) 1:04. In the semi-final round, Wentzlaff pinned Joe Lewis (SA) 1:21. In the championship match, Wentzlaff pinned Austin Donnay (KA) 3:53.

160-pounds: Logan Tesch (SE) received a bye in the opening round. In the quarter-final round, Tesch pinned

Liam Thomas (PIM) 2:35. In the semi-final round, Tesch won by a major decision over Levi Lund (ACGC) 10-0. In the championship match, Tesch decided Joe Hennen (NYA) 5-4.

170-pounds: Tim Lewis (SE) received a bye in the opening round. In the quarter-final round, Lewis won by a technical fall over Ryan Tuchtenhagen (HLWW) 18-2. In the semi-final round, Lewis lost by a major decision to Aiden Willard (TSARR) 10-1. In the wrestlebacks, Lewis pinned Antoine Suggs (SA) 1:21. In the third place match, Lewis pinned Ryan Tuchtenhagen (HLWW) 3:46. In the true second match, Lewis won by a major decision over Carter Holtz (KA) 14-6.

182-pounds: Thomas Battcher (SE) received a bye in the opening round. In the quarter-final round, Battcher decided Nicholas Bowen (KA) 11-4. In the semi-final round, Battcher decided Elie Doby (SA) 3-1. In the championship match, Battcher was pinned by CJ Toedter (ACGC) 2:30.

195-pounds: Andrew Schauer (SE) received byes in the opening round and quarter-final rounds. In the semi-final round, Schauer pinned Travys Lawver (ACGC) 3:17. In the championship match, Schauer won by a major decision over Kehyan Porter (MN) 10-0.

220-pounds: Paul Schmidt (SE) received a bye in the opening round. In the quarter-final round, Schmidt was decided by Jared Scott (SA) 9-5. After a bye in the wrestlebacks, Schmidt lost to Ethan Kay (EVW).

285-pounds: Austin Streich (SE) received a bye in the opening round. In the quarter-final round, Streich pinned Jacob Kettelhodt (S) 0:37. In the semi-final round, Streich pinned Elijah (HLWW) 2:27. In the championship match, Streich was decided by Sam Meeker (NYA) 3-2.

Boys win 2 of 3 games as regular season ends

By Kurt Menk
Editor

The Sibley East varsity boys basketball team captured two of three games as the regular season came to an end.

The Wolverines conclude the regular season with a 7-5 mark in the Minnesota River Conference and an 18-8 record overall.

Sibley East will face Tri-City United in the opening round of the 2AA North Sub-section Boys Basketball Tournament in Arlington at 7 p.m. Monday, March 5.

Jordan 70
Sibley East 53

The Sibley East varsity boys basketball team lost to visiting Jordan 70-53 in Minnesota River Conference play on Tuesday night, Feb. 20.

Senior Gavin Bates pumped in 22 points while sophomore Lucas Dose also hit double figures with 12 points. Seniors Kevin Durham and Austin Weckwerth hooped five points each while junior Kameron In netted four points. Seniors Alex Sell and Jacob Willmsen scored two points each while junior Jens Lundstrom added one point.

The Wolverines hit 14 of 30 shots from two-point range for 47 percent, but only three of 22 attempts from three-point land for 14 percent. The host team also sank 16 of 20 foul shots for 80 percent.

Sibley East collected 24 rebounds in the loss. Bates pulled down nine boards while Willmsen and Dose had six caroms each.

Bates also contributed four assists and three steals while Dose had four dishes and two thefts.

Sibley East 70
Belle Plaine 69

The visiting Sibley East varsity boys basketball team edged Belle Plaine 70-69 in Minnesota River Conference action on Friday night, Feb. 23.

Senior Gavin Bates netted 29 points in the win. Senior Austin Weckwerth and junior Kameron In pumped in nine points each while sophomore Lucas Dose and senior Jacob Willmsen hooped eight and seven points respectively. Senior Alex Sell and junior Jens Lundstrom added four points each.

The Wolverines connected on 21 of 46 shots from two-point range for 46 percent and six of 12 long bombs for 50 percent. The winners also converted 10 of 14 free throw attempts for 71 percent.

Dose pulled down 11 rebounds as Sibley East collected 41 boards in the contest. Bates and Willmsen snared seven caroms each.

Bates also recorded five as-

sists and two steals while Dose had five dishes and two thefts.

Sibley East 69
New Ulm 59

The Sibley East varsity boys basketball team rallied from a seven-point halftime deficit and rallied for a 69-59 win over visiting New Ulm in non-conference action on Monday night, Feb. 26.

Senior Gavin Bates poured in 40 points for the winners. Senior Austin Weckwerth and junior Kameron In also hit double digits with 14 and 10 points respectively. Senior Jacob Willmsen hit for three points while junior Jens Lundstrom added two points.

The Wolverines canned 21 of 39 shots from two-point range for 54 percent and seven of 23 attempts from beyond the arc for 30 percent. Sibley East also sank six of 10 foul shots for 60 percent.

Sibley East collected 36 rebounds in the contest. Bates yanked down a dozen boards while Weckwerth, Willmsen and Lundstrom snared five boards each.

Senior Kevin Durham, Bates and Weckwerth dished out three assists each.

Bates also recorded three steals.

B-squad

The Sibley East B-squad boys basketball team posted one win in its final three games of the regular season.

Sibley East first lost to visiting Jordan 44-31 on Tuesday night, Feb. 20.

JaBez Bates and Christian Becksted pumped in 10 points each. Anthony Bullert scored six points while Aaron Deis had four points. Ryan Wolverton added one point.

Bates also contributed six rebounds and two assists.

The visiting Wolverines then lost to Belle Plaine 50-31 on Friday night, Feb. 23.

Bullert and Bates paced Sibley East with 12 and 10 points respectively. Deis netted six points while Becksted had two points. Ty Knacke added one point.

Becksted also collected five rebounds and one assist.

Sibley East rebounded with a 59-36 victory over visiting New Ulm on Monday night, Feb. 26.

Becksted scored 16 points in the win while Lucas Tesch also hit double figures with 11 points. Deis and Bates hooped nine and eight points respectively. Bullert and Knacke scored seven points apiece while Wolverton added one point.

Tesch collected five rebounds, four assists and one steal while Becksted had five boards, two thefts and one assist.



Enterprise photo by Kurt Menk

Sibley East senior Gavin Bates (30) battled Jordan senior Eric Tiedman (32) for a rebound in Arlington on Tuesday night, Feb. 20.

MBA Board discusses changes to Region 6C playoffs, proposal would affect Arlington A's, Gaylord Islanders

By Kurt Menk
Editor

The Minnesota Baseball Association (MBA) Board recently announced proposed changes for the upcoming season to regions across Class C.

One of the affected regions under the proposal will be Region 6C. The 13-60 League will join Region 6C out of Re-

gion 4A. The 16 teams will receive three entrants in the state tournament. It could increase to 7 teams if Eagle Lake starts a baseball team in the 13-60 League this season.

In the past, Region 6C consisted of teams from the River Valley League and received three entrants to the state tournament.

“This is a little premature, but we were working on several issues at the same time,” MBA Vice President Fred Roufs said on the MBA website. “If regions are going to change, it never hurts if they know early.”

The board has not realigned the regions since 2012 and geography went into the board

wanting to shift the regions around.

“These are better geographically than what we had,” Director Joe Kreger said on the MBA website.

The region assignments will be officially decided in April but Roufs said the board is open to suggestions if people feel it missed something.



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Sibley East senior Morgan Stearns (5) pulled a rebound away from G-F-W junior Grace Swenson (20) during a playoff game in Arlington on Tuesday evening, Feb. 27.

SE girls upset by G-F-W 53-46 in opening round of playoffs

By Kurt Menk
Editor

The Sibley East varsity girls basketball team was upset by visiting G-F-W 53-46 during the opening round of the Section 2AA North Subsection Girls Basketball Tournament in Arlington on Tuesday night, Feb. 27.

The Lady Wolverines fell behind early, but rallied for a 24-23 halftime lead.

The lead changed hands many times during the second half before G-F-W pulled ahead in the final minute of play.

Senior Taylor Brinkman led a balanced scoring attack with 14 points while senior Morgan Stearns and junior Rachel Rettmann hit for 13 points each. Senior Taylor Perschau and sophomores McKenzie Latzke and Lexi Stock netted two points each.

Sibley East collected 35 rebounds in the loss. Brinkman pulled down 10 rebounds while Rettmann and Stearns grabbed eight and seven boards respectively. Latzke snared five caroms.

Brinkman also contributed two steals and one assist. Rettmann and Lexy Stock added two thefts each.

"We are disappointed," said Sibley East head coach Jim DeSart. "We did not play the way we can. To GFW's credit, they had a solid game plan. They took a lot of what

we do away."

DeSart continued, "It was an odd night as far as offensive flow. Our defense needed to be better on the perimeter. I think the kids had some jitters that stuck around a lot longer than I expected before they settled down a bit into the game."

DeSart added, "It really broke my heart to be in that locker room after the game to see the emotions on the girls. These kids played hard all year, and worked incredibly hard, all of them, at every practice and game we had all year. What more can a coach ask for?"

Despite the loss, DeSart said the girls can be proud of their accomplishments this season.

"They proved a lot of people wrong, brought some respect back to the program and earned themselves a home playoff game," said DeSart.

The Wolverines conclude the season with an 8-4 mark in the Minnesota River Conference and a 15-11 record overall.

**Sibley East 53
LC-WM 50**

The Sibley East varsity girls basketball team concluded its regular season with a 53-50 win over Lake Crystal-Wellcome Memorial in non-conference action on Thursday night, Feb. 22.

Senior Morgan Stearns and junior Rachel Rettmann topped the Lady Wolverines with 18 points each. Senior Ali Stock and sophomore McKenzie Latzke hooped eight points each while freshman Audrey Parrott scored three points. Senior Taylor Brinkman added two points.

Rettmann contributed 17 rebounds as the Lady Wolvrines pulled down 37 rebounds in the win. Stearns snared eight caroms while Ali Stock and Brinkman had four boards each.

Brinkman also recorded six steals while senior Taylor Perschau added two assists.

B-squad

The Sibley East B-squad girls basketball team concluded its season with a 46-44 loss to visiting Lake Crystal-Wellcome Memorial in overtime on Thursday night, Feb. 22.

A steal and basket by Gabbi Bates with three seconds remaining in regulation sent the game into overtime.

Rachel Widmer scored 13 points while Ellie Harens netted 10 points. Audrey Parrott hooped seven points while Libby Bartels, Lily Beneke and Bates recorded four points each. Maddi Tuchenhagen tossed in two points.

Tuchenhagen grabbed 13 rebounds while Beneke compiled six steals.

Jim DeSart selected MRC Coach of the Year

By Kurt Menk
Editor

Jim DeSart, head coach for the Sibley East varsity girls basketball team, was recently selected as the Minnesota River Conference Coach of

the Year.

DeSart, who is in his third year at Sibley East, guided the Wolverines to an 8-4 mark in the MRC this season. Sibley East also finished the season with a 15-11 record overall.

In his first two years, Sibley East posted records of 4-8 in the MRC and 10-16 overall, and 4-8 in the MRC and 6-19 overall

Mary Menne is Mrs. Sibley County

Mrs. Minnesota Officials are proud to announce that Mrs. Mary Menne has been named Mrs. Sibley County 2018 and will represent Sibley County at the 2018 Mrs. Minnesota Pageant in St. Paul on Saturday, April 28. She will compete there for a grand prize package and the opportunity to represent Minnesota at the 2018 Mrs. International Pageant.

Mary Menne is the wife of Paul Menne, Henderson. She is a full-time stay at home mom of seven children with the newest bundle expected in June.

The Mrs. International Pageant system recognizes



Mary Menne

women for their commitment to family, profession and community stewardship.

Throughout her year as Mrs. Sibley County she will not only compete for the state crown but she will also be available to speak on her platform "Innovation in public education," make appearances, do special presentations and assist with civic and non-profit oriented projects. To schedule an appearance, contact the state office at (952) 432-6758.

People who are interested in sponsoring, would like information about attending the Mrs. Minnesota International pageant, or would like an application for the 2019 local competition call Pageants Unlimited at (952) 432-6758.

Passport execution fee to increase

On April 2, the passport execution fee will increase from \$25 to \$35, according to the Sibley County Recorder's Office.

The Sibley County Recorder's Office is an acceptance agent for passport applications.

Please make note of the following requirements for passport application:

- All applicants must be ready to apply in person at least 1/2 hour prior to closing

to assure enough processing time.

- Valid Photo ID
- Certified birth certificate can be obtained from the Recorder's Office for a \$26 fee if the applicant was born in MN
- Customers applying for a passport using form DS-11 must submit a clear copy of their citizenship evidence in addition to their original or certified copy of U.S. citizenship

- Passport photo can be obtained from the Recorder's Office for a \$10 fee

- Passport fee payments accepted as follows:

- personal checks
- certified checks
- money order
- cash payment may be acceptable in some cases, please call to verify
- credit/debit cards may only be used for the execution fee

Legals

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION

Residents of Green Isle Township, County of Sibley, State of Minnesota, are hereby notified that the Election and Annual Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 13, 2018, at the Green Isle Township Hall. Polls for the election will open at 5:00 p.m. and close at 8:00 p.m. There is one Supervisor and the Clerk positions to be filled.

The Annual Meeting will be held immediately after the polls close. Anyone with business to conduct at the meeting should contact the Township Clerk, Norm Schauer, at 507-326-7721 by March 6, 2018, to be included on the agenda. In case of inclement weather, the election and meeting may be postponed until March 20. If postponed a second time the date would be March 27.

Green Isle Township Clerk, Norman W. Schauer
Publish: February 22 and March 1

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given to residents of Jessenland Township,

County of Sibley, State of Minnesota, that the Annual Town Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 13, 2018. In case of inclement weather, the meeting may be postponed until the third Tuesday in March.

The Annual Meeting will commence at 7:00 P.M. to conduct all necessary business prescribed by law.

The Annual Meeting will be held at the Jessenland Township Hall.

Maynard Rucks
Township Clerk
Town of Jessenland
February 16, 2018
Publish: March 1 and 8, 2018

WASHINGTON LAKE TOWNSHIP ANNUAL MEETING

The citizens of Washington Lake Township, Sibley County, State of Minnesota are hereby notified that the annual township meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 13, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the Green Isle Community Room. (Please note the new time.)

The purpose of said meeting is to set tax levies and to conduct

any other business necessary at this time.

In case of inclement weather, the meeting will be held one week later, Tuesday, March 20 at the same time and location.

Diana Kroells
Township Clerk
Publish: March 1 and 8, 2018

ARLINGTON TOWNSHIP NOTICE ANNUAL MEETING

Residents of Arlington Township, County of Sibley, State of Minnesota, are hereby notified that the annual meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 13, 2018, 7:30 p.m. at the Arlington Community Center. This meeting is held to set the tax levy for 2019 and any such business pertaining to the voters of the Township of Arlington. In case of inclement weather, the meeting will be postponed until March 19, 2017.

Sheila Henke
Arlington Township Clerk
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 - 5:00 pm—The Railroad - What You Should Know!
 - 6:30 pm— Keeping the Farm in the Family
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to r) Reed Stepien, Aubree Bauer, Emmy Pautz, Caden Willett, Trenton Bratsch and Stephen Dahlstrom. Missing from the photo is Hunter Kupahl.

Enterprise photo by Kurt Menk

Kindergarteners celebrate 100 days at the Sibley East Elementary School

Students in the kindergarten classroom of Brenda Brandt at the Sibley East Elementary School in Gaylord recently celebrated their first 100 days in school.

The following is a list of kindergarten students and the things they have learned during their first 100 days.

“I learned how to be a good friend.” - **Lilie Adelmann**

“I learned how to be a nice friend.” - **Aubree Bauer**

“I learned how to add num-

bers.” - **Trenton Bratsch**

“I learned how to use an iPad.” - **Kayla Callahan**

“I learned how to play basketball in phy-ed.” - **Jesus Vargas Chavez**

“I learned how to write numbers.” - **Stephen Dahlstrom**

“I learned how to play basketball in phy-ed.” - **Hunter Deno**

“I learned how to make

projects.” - **Danika Dietz**

“I learned how to read sight words.” - **Hunter Kuphal**

“I learned how to write the alphabet.” - **Celia Luna**

“I learned how to do math problems.” - **Myles Messner**

“I learned how to read sight words.” - **Emmy Pautz**

“I learned how to write my name.” - **Mireya Ramirez**

“I learned how to write my name.” - **Mason Sanchez**

“I learned how to write numbers to 100.” - **Reed Stepien**

“I learned how to be caring to others.” - **Gris Trinidad Rodriguez**

“I learned how to make art projects.” - **Caden Willett**

“I learned how to count to 100.” - **Gael Yepez**

Sibley County Court

The following misdemeanors, petty misdemeanors and gross misdemeanors were heard in District Court February 9-16, 2018: Minnesota State Patrol (MSP); Sheriff’s Office (SO); Department of Natural Resources (DNR); MN Department of Transportation (MNDOT).

Jamie W. Martin, 36, Le Sueur, owner who is not driver must later produce proof of insurance if required, dismissed, Arlington PD.

Florentino Alvarado, 26, Glen-coe, speed, \$125, no proof insurance (driver), dismissed, Gaylord PD; Justin G. Blomeke, 37, Morgan, speed, \$135, no proof insurance (driver), dismissed, Gaylord PD; Kristina K. Gad-baw, 24, Hamburg, no parking 2a.m.-6a.m., \$62, Gaylord PD; Kayla M.Johnson, 26, Gaylord, fail to stop at stop sign or stop line, \$135, Gaylord PD; Rebecca A. Kautzman, 43, Gaylord, hit and run parked vehicle, continued, unsupervised monitoring without adjudication six months, pay costs, no same or similar, no misde-meanor moving violations or greater, keep court/attorney in-formed of current address, \$200, Gaylord PD; Ronald K. Kirsch, 61, Gaylord, public nuisance-annoy/injure/endanger safety, \$285, Gaylord PD; Dennis A. Moss, 33, Minneapolis, theft take/use/transfer movable prop-erty-no consent include shoplifting, dismissed, Gaylord PD; Ruby Ortiz, 26, Gaylord, falsely report-ing a crime, continued, unsuper-vised monitoring without adju-dication one year, pay costs, keep court/attorney informed of cur-rent address, no same or similar, remain law-abiding, \$135, Gay-lord PD; Joshua D. Smith, 32, Delano, giving a Peace Officer

false name of another person, local confinement 10 days, credit for time served two days, unlaw-ful possession of a hypodermic needle, dismissed, Gaylord PD; Dolly L. Windschitl, 26, Le Sueur, driving after suspension, continued, unsupervised monitor-ing without adjudication one year, pay costs, obtain driver’s li-cense within six months and pro-vide proof to the prosecutor, no same or similar, no driver license violations, keep court/attorney in-formed of current address, \$200, seatbelt child passenger restraint system under 8 and under 57 inches not fastened, dismissed, Gaylord PD.

Jessica L. Chalupsky, 43, New Prague, driving after cancella-tion-inimical to public safety, dis-missed, Henderson PD; Charlton L. Coroni, 40, St. Paul, speed, continued, unsupervised monitor-ing without adjudication six months, pay costs, no moving vi-olations, keep court/attorney in-formed of current address, \$150, Henderson PD; Latria M. Teat, 29, Arlington, speed, \$125, Hen-derson PD.

Matthew W. Zellmann, 26, New Auburn, seatbelt required-driver and passengers must use, \$110, MSP; Steven G. Apple-baum, 64, Golden Valley, speed, \$125, MSP; Matthew S. Bell, 36, Pierz, speed, driving after suspen-sion, continued, unsupervised monitoring without adjudication one year, pay costs, no same or similar, no driver license viola-tions, maintain a valid drivers li-cense, keep court/attorney in-formed of current address, \$325, MSP; Alexander G. Bouchier, 35, North Mankato, speed, bumper height 25 inches truck, \$195, MSP; Eduardo D. Gonzalez, 19, Winthrop, duty to drive with due

care, \$125, MSP; Albert L. Guer-ra, 27, Gaylord, driving after sus-pension, dismissed, MSP; Johnathan S. Jurek, 31, Eagan, MN annual inspection decal vi-olation, \$185, MSP; Alicia M. Ko-rtgard, 45, Belle Plaine, speed, \$135, MSP; Charlotte R. Nun-dahl, 39, Sleepy Eye, speed, \$135, MSP; Lisa M. Ramer, 52, Gaylord, speed, \$135, MSP; Ruiz M. Salvador, 39, Gibbon, no cur-rent medical certificate in posses-sion, \$185, MSP; Patrick H. She-beck, 40, Minneapolis, speed, \$125, MSP; Nicholas J. Van-doornevelt, 24, Minneapolis, speed, \$135, MSP; Christine A. Zeiher, 41, Le Sueur, speed, \$135, MSP.

Chessira N. Munoz, 23, Le Sueur, driving after revocation, continued, unsupervised monitor-ing without adjudication one year, pay costs, obtain driver’s li-cense and maintain a valid drivers license, no same or similar, keep court/attorney informed of cur-rent address, remain law-abiding, \$200, SO; Philip J. Sorter, 28, New Prague, trespass-enter locked and posted aggregate min-ing site, continued, unsupervised monitoring without adjudication one year, pay costs, no same or similar, keep court/attorney in-formed f current address, \$200, SO.

Ashley T. Love, 24, Gaylord, driving without a valid license or vehicle class/type, \$190, Winthrop PD; Cady M. Unger, 25, Winthrop, uninsured vehicle-owner violation, continued, unsu-pervised monitoring without ad-judication one year, pay costs, no same or similar, no driving with-out insurance, maintain insur-ance, keep court/attorney in-formed of current address, \$200, Winthrop PD.

The following felonies were heard in District Court February 9-16, 2018.

China M. Hutchins, 23, Arling-ton, wrongfully obtaining assis-tance-theft-by false statements, concealment, impersonation, con-tinued, supervised probation two years, community work service 40 hours for indeterminate, local confinement 53 days, credit for time served 53 days, follow all state and federal criminal laws, contact your probation officer as directed, tell your probation offi-cer 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 of-ficer within 72 hours if you change your address, employ-ment or telephone number, cooper-ate with the search of your per-son, residence, vehicle, work-place, property, and things as di-rected by your probation officer, sign releases of information as di-rected, give a DNA sample when directed, do not use or possess firearms, ammunition or explo-sives, do not register to vote or vote until discharged from proba-tion and your civil rights are fully restored, contact with probation, notify probation when approved for SSI disability benefits, follow all instructions of probation, sign probation agreement, medical treatment, attend all medical ap-pointments, sign all releases of information, pay restitution, joint and several, if defendant pays restitution in full, any restitution paid by Mr. Pena will reimburse defendant up to \$432, conditions other-decertified from MFIP for one year, remain law-abiding, \$864, financial transaction card fraud-sell transfer card, dis-missed, SO.

Update presented on renovation project at courthouse in Gaylord

**By Amy Newsom
Correspondent**

Sibley County Administra-tor Roxy Traxler updated the County Board on the con-struction progress at the court-house during a meeting on Tuesday morning, Feb 27.

She stated that things are behind schedule and the annex basement may not be done until mid-April to May be-cause they are waiting on some mechanical items. She stated that they could gain back some project time by combining the work on all of the floors in the annex instead of doing the work floor by floor. The original courthouse will not be as easy to combine floors. Traxler stated that she will know more information on the project schedule after March 7.

Traxler also gave an update on the painting and plaster work that will need to be done at the courthouse. She stated that all of the new walls will be painted along with the walls in the public areas, but did not plan to paint private offices. She stated that plaster repairs will have to be done when the old heaters are taken out.

County Auditor Marilee Pe-terson asked if there will be teams to decide the paint col-ors in the courthouse. Traxler

stated that she wanted to post the colors and let everyone vote.

Traxler also stated the sewer pipe from the original courthouse building has been freezing and that is why the bathrooms have often been closed in the courthouse. She stated that the contractors are looking at removing the old pipe and making the new pipe much deeper. She said it was the same thing with the water pipe. The pipes are really old and demolition may burst the pipes, Traxler stated that it was expected in a 100-year old building. She stated that one of the sewer lines in the building was bad and that the others would be checked to see if they should be replaced now while work was being done on the building.

Traxler stated that the Min-nesota Historical Society has approved the windows for the courthouse. She stated that it was about a six-month deliv-ery period once the windows were ordered. She is hoping to have the windows installed before the next heating season begins.

The Sibley County Board of Commissioners will hold their next regular meeting in Gay-lord at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 13.



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Pastor Eric W. Rapp
Friday, March 2: 10:00 a.m. Deadline for Sunday bulletin.
Sunday, March 4: 8:00 a.m. Bible study. 9:00 a.m. Worship. 10:00 a.m. Sunday school.
Monday, March 5: 6:30 p.m. Choir practice.
Tuesday, March 6: 8:45-9:15 a.m. Pastor reading at G.I. school. 10:00 a.m.-noon, Pastor at Zion.
Wednesday, March 7: 5:45 p.m. Pre-Catechism meal & class. 6:30 p.m. Confirmation. 8:00 p.m. Lenten Service at Zion.
Thursday, March 8: Pastor Circuit meeting. 6:00 p.m. Potluck supper. 7:00 p.m. Lenten Service.

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Pastor Eric W. Rapp
Friday, March 2: 10:00 a.m. Deadline for Sunday bulletin.
Sunday, March 4: 10:30 a.m. Worship with Communion.
Monday, March 5: 6:30 p.m. Choir practice.
Tuesday, March 6: 8:45-9:15 a.m. Pastor reading at G.I. school. 10:00 a.m.-noon, Pastor at Zion.
Wednesday, March 7: 5:45 p.m. Pre-Catechism meal & class. 6:30 p.m. Confirmation. 8:00 p.m. Lenten Service.
Thursday, March 8: Pastor Circuit meeting. 6:00 p.m. Potluck supper at St. Paul's. 7:00 p.m. Lenten Service at St. Paul's.

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Kurt Lehmkuhl, Pastor
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Sunday, March 4: 8:15 a.m. Sunday school. 9:30 a.m. Worship service. 10:30 a.m. Fellowship.
Wednesday, March 7: 3:45 p.m. Catechism. 6:00 p.m. Lenten Supper. 7:00 p.m. Lenten Worship service.

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Deborah Dawson, Pastor
Thursday, March 1: 7:00 p.m. Ecumenical meeting.
Sunday, March 4: 9:00 a.m. Lent 3 Worship with Holy Communion. No Sunday school. 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Chicken Dinner.
Tuesday, March 6: 6:00-7:00 p.m. TOPS in church basement.
Wednesday, March 7: 4:00-6:15 p.m. Confirmation class. 6:00 p.m. Supper. 7:00 p.m. Lent Worship.

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Sunday, March 4: 9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study. 10:30 a.m. Teen Challenge Choir service and nursery, ages 0-4, and Children's Church ages 5 through 5th grade, potluck lunch will follow the service. 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.

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Sunday, March 4: 9:00 a.m. Sunday school. 9:45 a.m. Coffee time. 10:00 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion.
Tuesday, March 6: 6:30 p.m. worship Team. 7:30 p.m. Stewardship Finance.
Wednesday, March 7: 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Quilting at church. 6:00 p.m. Lenten Supper. 7:00 p.m. Worship. 8:00 p.m. Choir.
Thursday March 8: 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. SE small group music contest at AUMC.

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Sunday, March 4: 8:45 a.m. Sunday school. 9:00 a.m. Bible study. 10:00 a.m. Worship with Communion.
Monday, March 5: 3:45 p.m. Confirmation class. 7:00 p.m. Elders' meeting.
Tuesday, March 6: 3:30 p.m. Kids For Christ.
Wednesday, March 7: 2:45 p.m. Bible Study. 3:45 p.m. Lenten service. 5:00 p.m. Lenten supper. 7:00 p.m. Lenten service. 8:00 p.m. Choir practice.
Thursday, March 8: 10:00 a.m. Bulletin info due. 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Services on cable TV channel 8.

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Gaylord
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Sunday, March 4: 9:15 a.m. Sunday school. 10:00 a.m. Worship service.
Wednesday, March 7: 6:30 p.m. Wednesday evening supper, Bible classes and Youth Focused.

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Wednesday, March 7: 6:30-8:00 p.m. Catechism.

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Fr. Aaron Johanneck,
Parochial Administrator
Friday, March 2: 8:30 a.m. Mass (Mar). 5:00 p.m. Mass (Bre).
Saturday, March 3: 5:00 p.m. Mass (Bre).
Sunday, March 4: 8:00 a.m. Mass (Mic). 10:00 a.m. Mass (Mar).

Monday, March 5: 8:30 a.m. Mass (Bre). 8:00 p.m. AA and Al Anon (Mar).
Tuesday, March 6: 8:30 a.m. Mass (Bre & Mar). 3:30 p.m. Word and Communion (Arlington Good Samaritan). 7:00-8:30 p.m. "33 Days to Morning Glory" Bible study.
Wednesday, March 7: 8:30 a.m. Mass (Mar). 9:30 a.m. Word and Communion (Oak Terrace). 6:30-7:30 p.m. AFC religious education classes (Mar).
Thursday, March 8: 8:30 a.m. Mass (Bre & Mic). 7:30 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Mic).

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32234 431st Ave., Gaylord
Pastor Scott Richards
Sunday, March 4: 9:30 a.m. Sunday school. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

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Sunday, March 4: 9:00 a.m. Sunday school and Bible class. 10:00 a.m. Worship. Lutheran Hour broadcasted on KDUZ 1260 AM every Sunday at noon.
Wednesday, March 7: 5:30 p.m. Confirmation. 6:00 p.m. Supper. 7:00 p.m. Lenten Service.
Thursday, March 8: 5:30 p.m. Deadline for bulletin.

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Sunday, March 4: Communion Sunday. 9:30 a.m. Worship. 11:00 a.m. Sunday School. 12:00 p.m. Mission and Outreach meeting. 6:00 p.m. Live Out Loud at Winthrop.

Wednesday, March 7: 9:30 a.m. Prayer coffee at the Lodge in Winthrop. 6:00 p.m. Awana.
Thursday, March 8: 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible study. 6:00 p.m. Connection Team meeting.

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Retirement Party for Kris Mueller to be held Tuesday afternoon, March 6

A Retirement Party for Kris Mueller will be held in the Bird Room at the Good Samaritan Society - Arlington from 3 p.m. to 4

p.m. Tuesday, March 6. Mueller has been an employee with the Good Samaritan Society for nearly 45 years.

Please come and enjoy cake and coffee and wish her well.

Menus

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Tuesday: BBQ pork chop, sweet potatoes, carrots, bread, margarine, scalloped apples, low fat milk.
Wednesday: Meatloaf, ketchup, parslid potatoes, creamed corn, bread, margarine, Mandarin oranges, low fat milk.
Thursday: Oven crispy chicken, au gratin potatoes, stewed tomatoes, bread, margarine, poke cake, low fat milk.
Friday: Pub house fish, tartar sauce, mashed potatoes, gravy, mixed vegetables, bread, margarine, tropical fruit, low fat milk.

SIBLEY EAST BREAKFAST MENU
Elementary & MS/HS
March 5-9
Breakfast is served daily. A 1/2 pint of milk is served with each meal daily.
Menu is subject to change.

Monday: Breakfast turkey sausage pizza or Golden Grahams cereal, string cheese, fruit, juice, milk.
Tuesday: Cinni-mini french toast bites or Strawberry banana trip Yoplait, blueberry muffin,

fruit, juice, milk.
Wednesday: Pancakes, turkey sausage patty or Cocoa Puffs cereal, fruit, juice, milk.
Thursday: Blueberry Bash waffles, hard boiled egg or Double chocolate chip muffin, fruit, juice, milk.
Friday: Skewered turkey sausage pancake, or mini cinnis, fruit, juice, milk.

SIBLEY EAST SCHOOL Elementary MENU
March 5-9
A 1/2 pint of milk and an enriched grain product is served with each meal. Additional milk is available for additional charge. Menu is subject to change.

Monday: Mini turkey corn dogs or Turkey & American cheese sandwich; baked beans, fresh carrots, fruit and milk.
Tuesday: Classic American cheeseburger or Pizza bagel fun lunch; oven baked fries, sliced cucumbers, fruit, milk.
Wednesday: Turkey hot dog or Ham & cheddar chef salad; steamed broccoli, red bell pepper strips, fruit, milk.
Thursday: The perfect Sloppy Joe; or Turkey and cheese sandwich; seasoned fries, celery sticks, fruit, milk.
Friday: Italian baked pasta, WG dinner roll, or Strawberry parfait with granola; tator tots, fresh carrots, celery sticks, fruit, milk.

SIBLEY EAST School MS/HS Lunch Menu
March 5-9
A 1/2 pint of milk and an enriched grain product is served with each meal. Additional milk is available for additional charge.
Menu is subject to change.
Monday: Turkey corn dog or Cheese or classic pepperoni pizza or Grill station or Deli station; baked beans, fresh carrots, romaine lettuce, fruit, milk.
Tuesday: Seasoned beef taco meat, tortilla chips, Mexican style refried beans, creamy cheddar cheese sauce or Cheese or Italian sausage pizza or Grill station or Deli station; corn, sliced cucumbers, romaine lettuce, fruit, milk.
Wednesday: Turkey hot dog, sweet relish, sauerkraut, fresh diced red onions or Cheese or Chicken Alfredo & broccoli pizza, or Grill station or Deli station; seasoned carrots, fresh broccoli florets, red bell pepper strips, romaine lettuce, fruit, milk.
Thursday: Dutch chicken pot pie, fresh baked WG biscuit or Cheese or Italian sausage pizza or Grill station or Deli station; seasoned peas, celery sticks, romaine lettuce, fruit, milk.
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90 Years Ago

March 1, 1928

Louis Kill, Editor

The Arlington High School students and faculty did themselves proud last Saturday afternoon when they presented their program over WCCO Gold Medal Flour radio broadcasting station in the Twin Cities. And to say that the folks at home were proud of their achievement is putting it very mildly, and the many complimentary reports received from distant listeners and former Arlingtonites served to make us all the more proud and happier. Besides the High School Orchestra, Boys and Girls Glee Clubs and Mixed Chorus, Marion Maurer played her violin and sang a solo.

Arlington streets will be oiled this year-that is if the council carries out the plans it had in mind last fall. Oil seems to be the only thing to allay the dust nuisance.

The walks on the south side of Main street are in a treacherous condition at the present time. They are covered with several inches of ice that cannot be removed very readily.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Maurice F. Noack, of this village, Wednesday Feb. 29th, a boy.

78 Years Ago

February 29, 1940

Louis Kill, Editor

The Sibley County Agricultural Association will in the near future become the sole owner of the fair grounds in Arlington, accord-

ing to a decision reached at a meeting of the Arlington village council, fair officials and interested citizens, held in the Legion hall Friday evening. In short, the grounds comprising some fifteen acres of fine land adjacent to the village, will be transferred to the fair association through a procedure which will in reality make it a gift from the village. The only strings attached to the deal are that the Village of Arlington may continue to use the fair grounds for various purposes when same is not being utilized by the fair; also that the land will revert to the ownership of the village in case the fair should ever be discontinued or moved to some other location.

Arlington swept the 1940 "Goat" series with a decisive 31-26 win over Gaylord. Arlington won the previous game 24-21. It was Arlington's fourth straight win over Gaylord.

We hear the rumble of a bowling alley. Not the actual sound of rolling balls and falling pins, but rather the talk of a bowling alley in Arlington. Well, why shouldn't we have one?

60 Years Ago

February 27, 1958

Louis Kill, Editor

The upward trend in births since World War II was halted. Births in 1957 totaled 422, 214 boys and 208 girls, as compared to 436 in 1956 which was Sibley county's record year. Deaths jumped from 155 in 1956 to 196 in 1957, while five more couples

were married last year, 107 compared to 102 in 1956. There were seven sets of twins in 1957 and ties the record of seven in 1956.

Instead of giving valentines to each other, the sixth grade of the Arlington Public School contributed \$21.70 to the Heart Fund. This is the second year that pupils of Mrs. Gladys Lemberg have done this.

The Mankato Crane Company was engaged in placing the head section on a conveyor between two new 35 foot silos at the Arlington Cement Works. The sixty foot crane broke off at the bottom and fell, together with the head section of the conveyor, on the roof of part of the factory demolishing it. The cement works has recently completed three new silos and two more are planned.

35 Years Ago

March 3, 1983

Val C. Kill, Editor

A-GI boys won the battle of free throws and went on to beat Le Sueur by two points. Joe Melsha led the way with 25 points hitting several from the free throw lane. Tony O'Brien followed as second high scorer. (O'Brien was the KNUJ player of the week this past Saturday, along with his coach Dick Milinkovich.)

Ray Kroells, rural carrier on Arlington route 2 for the past 7 1/2 years retired last week. Before taking over the route he had previously been a substitute driver.

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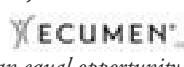
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