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## Arlington Fire Department responded to 41 calls in 2016

**By Kurt Menk  
Editor**

The Arlington Fire Department responded to 41 calls in 2016, according to Arlington Fire Chief John Zaske.

The local fire department serves the City of Arlington, Arlington Township, Dryden Township, Green Isle Township, Jessenland Township, Kelso Township and New Auburn Township.

The number of calls was 18 fewer than in 2015. The local

fire department reported to 59 calls in 2015, 82 calls in 2014, 71 calls in 2013, 71 calls in 2012, 79 calls in 2011, 99 calls in 2010, 60 calls in 2009, 59 calls in 2008, 64 calls in 2007, 43 calls in 2006, 37 calls in 2005 and 28 calls in 2004.

According to Zaske, the local fire department responded to 22 fire calls, one alarm call, zero weather related calls, seven medical calls, four helipad calls, three acci-

dents, zero carbon monoxide calls, zero smoke detector calls and six miscellaneous calls. That is more than 41 total calls, but sometimes the local fire department is called out to respond to more than one task on a run sheet.

Overall, the fire department responded to 24 calls in the City of Arlington, four calls in Arlington Township, one call in Dryden Township, three calls in Green Isle Township, zero calls in

Jessenland Township, 11 calls in Kelso Township and one call in New Auburn Township.

In 2016, Zaske reported that the Fire Department Relief purchased a portable light tower at a cost of \$1,800, cribbing at the cost of \$1,100, air bags and controls at the cost of \$6,500.

In addition, the local fire department received a \$4,825 in training money from the Minnesota Board of Fire-

fighter Training and Education.

The officers for the local fire department include Fire Chief John Zaske, First Assistant Doug Mackenthun, Second Assistant Corey Carpenter, Secretary/Treasurer Neil Holmquist, and Safety and Training Officers Tom Pomplun and Tony Voigt.

The rest of the fire department consists of Grant Benning, Chad Carpenter, Keith Dressen, Luke Geib, Spencer

Haggenmiller, Tim Haggenmiller, Ethan Henke, James Klingelutz, Curtis Ling, Jeff Otto, Jennifer Otto, Jeremy Otto, Trevor Otto, Angelica Rose, Jon Rose, Rick Schmidt, James Soeffker, Paul Soeffker, Aaron Wisch and Bobbi Zaske.



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### Sweetheart & Hunk

Lacey Scharping and Kevin Durham, Jr. were crowned as the Junior Sweetheart and Hunk during a coronation ceremony at the Sibley East Senior High School in Arlington on Mon-

day afternoon, Feb. 6. Lacey is the daughter of Matt and Kelly Scharping, Arlington, and Brent and Shelly Hawk, Arlington. Kevin is the son of Kevin and Jenny Durham, Gaylord.

## Winthrop Telephone prepares for fiber-to-the-home project

The Winthrop Telephone Company is making preparations to begin a fiber-to-the-home project for Winthrop and the four townships surrounding the city itself, according to an article in the *Winthrop News*.

Winthrop Telephone's engineering company, Vantage Point, will begin driving around the townships and gathering information that will be used to finalize the project. This will include geocoding the location of each Winthrop Telephone

customer.

"We will begin with the rural areas because that is where the greatest needs are," said Danny Busche. "Once the rural area is finished, we will begin replacing the copper we have in town." Busche expects it to be a three to four project.

The geocoding is only expected to take a few days, according to Busch. Once that is completed, engineering will begin to develop the size of the fiber that will be needed. The project will then be

bid out.

Busche does not think that process will take too long. He is hopeful construction on the project could begin as early as this summer.

Busche believes they will begin southwest of Winthrop and head west first connecting with fiber from Century Link and South Dakota Network near Marshall.

"We want to meet the goal of 25 down and three up speeds," Busche said.

ture of the Arlington Fire Department.

Zaske and Second Assistant Fire Chief Corey Carpenter delivered that message as the City Council held its regular meeting on Monday night, Feb. 6.

Eight of the 26 current firefighters have 20-plus years of service, according to Zaske. Nine other firefighters have 10-plus years of service. Four of those nine firefighters will soon have 20 years of service.

Zaske stressed that there

are currently 17 firefighters who could retire at any given time.

Zaske also emphasized the importance of staffing the local ambulance service.

"We help the ambulance as much as we can," said Zaske.

## Ambulance and fire performance, budgets and rates are presented

**By Kurt Menk  
Editor**

Arlington City Administrator Liza Donabauer, during the City Council regular meeting on Monday night, Feb. 6, made a presentation on the 2016 performance, 2017 budget and 2018 coverage rates for the Arlington Ambulance Service and Arlington Fire Department.

### Ambulance

The Arlington Ambulance Service serves the City of Arlington, City of Green Isle, Arlington Township, Green Isle Township, Jessenland Township, Washington Lake Township, Dryden Township, Kelso Township and New Auburn Township.

The local ambulance service had 1,662 total calls from 2012 through 2016. That represents a five-year increase of 5.32 percent. There were 401 calls in 2016. Forty-nine percent of the calls occurred in the City of Arlington during 2012 through 2016 while 32 percent of the calls were hospital transfers.

The actual revenues exceeded the budgeted revenues in 2016. The revenues for the 2016 budget were \$240,693 while the actual revenues were \$305,472. Seventy-seven percent of the 2016 actual revenues came from service calls.

The actual expenses were less than the budgeted expenses in 2016. The expenses for the 2016 budget were \$253,759 while the actual expenses were \$248,721. Forty-eight percent of the 2016 actual expenses were wages and

salary. Twenty-nine percent were professional services while 23 percent were operational costs.

The city's contribution via levy to the 2017 ambulance budget increased by 25 percent from 2016 and is eight percent of the city's total tax levy.

The daytime emergency medical technician staffing will become challenging in the next year since there were four resignations and only two hires during 2016-2017.

The great news is that service rates will significantly decrease for 2018 due to the number of service calls and an increased revenue source in 2015 and 2016.

For the City of Green Isle, for example, the 2017 rate was \$5,969.04 and will decrease in 2018 to \$2,284.90.

For the townships, the 2017 rate was \$138.68 per section and will decrease in 2018 to \$50.95 per section.

Overall, the contracts were signed in 2016 for the 2016 and 2017 service years.

Contracts for 2018 and 2019 will be signed in 2018.

### Fire

The Arlington Fire Department serves the City of Arlington, Arlington Township, Kelso Township, Green Isle Township, Jessenland Township, Dryden Township and New Auburn Township.

The local fire department had 317 total calls from 2012 through 2016. That represents an 11 percent decrease from the previous five-year cycle. There were 41 calls in 2016. Sixty-seven percent of the

calls occurred in the City of Arlington during 2012 through 2016.

The actual revenues exceeded the budgeted revenues in 2016. The revenues for the 2016 budget were \$125,682 while the actual revenues were \$150,130. Thirty-three percent of the 2016 actual revenues came from local levied contributions. Twenty-four percent came from township fees while 22 percent came from state grants and aids.

The actual expenses were less than the budgeted expenses in 2016. The expenses were \$145,888 for the 2016 budget while the actual expenses were \$131,389. Sixty percent of the expenses were operational costs in 2016. Twenty-three percent of the costs were pension costs while 17 percent were wages.

The 2017 budgeted city contribution via levy to the fire budget decreased by 17.7 percent from 2016. This accounts from 7.1 percent of the city tax levy.

The fire coverage rates for 2018 will be \$265.60 per section and an additional \$167.25 per section to cover the purchase of a brush rig.

Overall, the City of Arlington will pay \$32,689.67 or 65.38 percent of the total costs in 2018 while the townships will pay \$17,310.33 or 34.62 percent in 2018.

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## Prairie Line Trail Committee to start up again

**By Kurt Menk  
Editor**

The Arlington City Council, during its regular meeting on Monday night, Feb. 6, learned that the Prairie Line Trail Committee plans to start up again.

The committee, which has been inactive recently, will hold a meeting at the Sibley County Service Center at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 9.

Arlington City Council member James Jaszewski and Parks Committee member Jerry Ebersviller have been appointed to that committee.

In other action, the City Council unanimously approved a motion to approve the city-issued electronic device use policy for City Council members.

The City Council members used their new electronic devices during the regular meeting on Monday night, Feb. 6.

### Other News

The final day that the warming house will be open for skaters will be Thursday, Feb. 9, according to Sibley East Community Education Director Jen Strack.

The warming house is closing early this winter so construction can begin on the renovation of the Senior Citizens Building.

The annual Darwin Mathew Community Service Award will be presented during the Arlington Lions Fish Fry at 5 p.m. Friday, Feb. 24.

The Local Board of Appeal and Equalization Open Book

Meeting will be held at the Sibley County Assessor's Office in Gaylord from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, April 20.

2017 residential and commercial efficient rebates are available for people who are adding or replacing appliances or lighting to their home or business.

For more information or to get the application form, please contact the Arlington City Office at 507-964-2378.

Due to the upcoming President's Day holiday, the City Office will be closed Monday, Feb. 20.

The Arlington City Council will hold its next regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 21.

ther resigned or retired from the Arlington Fire Department during the past 14 months.

The local fire department and City Council will discuss this issue at future separate meetings.

## Recruiting and retaining firefighters is critical, according to fire chief

**By Kurt Menk  
Editor**

Arlington Fire Chief John Zaske, for the third consecutive year, stressed to the City Council that the recruitment and retention of firefighters is critical to the immediate fu-



# News Briefs

## Council accepts resignation

The Arlington City Council, during its regular meeting on Monday night, Feb. 6, unanimously approved a motion to accept the resignation from Mavis Miller as an attendant at the Community Center.

## City Council accepts donations

The Arlington City Council, during its regular meeting on Monday night, Feb. 6, unanimously approved a motion to accept two donations.

The first was a \$100 donation from the Arlington Area Chamber of Commerce for the purchase of a fire brush rig.

The second was a \$500 donation from Steven and Mary Cary for the purchase of a fire brush rig.

## Pfarr named to Dean's List

Taylor Pfarr, a 2015 graduate of the Sibley East Senior High School, was recently named to the Dean's List at Minnesota State University Moorhead. Pfarr is majoring in Early Childhood Education.

To qualify for this honor, a student must achieve a grade point average of 3.25 or higher on a 4.0 scale.

She is the daughter of Tom and Lisa Pfarr, Arlington.

## Chamber to meet Feb. 13

The Arlington Area Chamber of Commerce will hold its monthly meeting at the Emergency Services Building at noon Monday, Feb. 13, according to Chamber President Leah Prah.

New members are always welcome to join the Chamber and attend these meetings.

## Students on GAC Dean's List

A number of area students were recently named to the Dean's List at Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter.

The students included Abigail Butler and Oakley Clark, Glencoe; Neal Kroells, Green Isle; Brice Panning, Hamburg; and Hannah Haas and Joshua Theis, Henderson.

To qualify for this honor, students must achieve a grade point average of 3.7 or higher on a 4.0 scale.

## Mesker named to Dean's List

Erin Mesker, a 2013 graduate of the Sibley East Senior High School, was recently named to the Dean's List at Minnesota State University Moorhead. Mesker is majoring in accounting.

To qualify for this honor, a student must achieve a grade point average of 3.25 or higher on a 4.0 scale.

She is the daughter of Todd and Betsy Mesker, Henderson.

## Fire alarm at Sibley East

The Arlington Fire Department responded to a fire alarm at the Sibley East Senior High School in Arlington at 11:56 p.m. Friday, Feb. 3, according to Arlington Fire Chief John Zaske.

A contractor was grinding floors in the new addition on the north end of the school and the dust allegedly caused the fire alarm to go off, according to Zaske.

The local fire department was on the scene for about 35 minutes, he said.

## Cleveland referendum fails

An \$18 million bond referendum failed by a vote of 557-442 in the Cleveland School District on Tuesday, Feb. 7, according to Superintendent Brian Phillips.

The funding request included 11 classrooms and labs, a gymnasium, kitchen, commons/cafeteria and additional parking. A secured entryway and other security updates as well as a few upgrades to the existing school were also proposed.

It was the second bond referendum to fail in the Cleveland School District during the past year.

## Lee Ortloff is appointed

The Arlington City Council, during its regular meeting on Monday night, Feb. 6, unanimously approved a motion to appoint Lee Ortloff as the Wellhead Protection Manager per request of the Minnesota Rural Association.

## St. Peter man is charged

A St. Peter man has been charged with felony theft for stealing more than \$8,200 from the Kasota Fire Department, according to KNUJ Radio.

According to the criminal complaint, 44-year-old Derek Wayne Biehn resigned from the department a day before the treasurer found a discrepancy in the fire department's general fund. The treasurer told police he found 11 unauthorized checks written to Biehn in 2016 and another one written to his girlfriend totaling over \$11,000. Four automatic payments were also made to his cable and internet providers.

Biehn will make his first court appearance in Le Sueur County District Court on Tuesday, March 7.

## 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).



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## Groundhog's Day Ceremony

Regular morning customers at Stu's Rainbow Inn in downtown Arlington held their version of a Groundhog's Day ceremony on Thursday morning, Feb. 2. Magnum, a dog owned by Phyllis Kroehler, did see his own shadow which means there will be another six weeks of winter. First Row: (left to right) Christie Johnson, Joe Luskey, Magnum, Phyllis Kroehler and Kenny

Weber. Back Row: (l to r) Glendon Abraham, Denny Overson, Bruce Dahlke, Jerry Ebersviller, Brye Fowler, John Paulmann and Curt Boeder. This was the 11th consecutive year that a Groundhog's Day ceremony has been held at Stu's Rainbow Inn.

## A-GI Women of Today offering two \$750 scholarships

The Arlington-Green Isle Women of Today is offering two \$750 scholarships to graduating seniors residing in the communities of Sibley County who have had an emphasis in community service.

The guidelines are as follows:

1. Recipients must be a

graduating senior residing in Sibley County.

2. Candidates must include proof of grade point average (transcript).

3. Candidates must complete the required application form.

4. Include one letter of recommendation.

Applications must be mailed to the AGI Women of Today Scholarship, P.O. Box 1095, Arlington, MN, 55307.

Applications must be postmarked before April 14, 2017. A committee selected by the AGI Women of Today will review the applications to determine the scholarship

recipients. Scholarships will be presented in May.

For more information on the AGI Women of Today organization, please visit its website at [www.agi-womenoftoday.org](http://www.agi-womenoftoday.org)



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**Vivian Meyer**  
Children, Grandchildren, and Great-Grandchildren \*6C6c

# Community Calendar

**Thursday, February 9th** – Golden Age Club, senior citizens building at Four Seasons Park, noon meeting and Entertainment. New members welcome!

**Sunday, February 12th** – Arlington Conquerors 4H Club, Senior Citizens Building at Four Seasons Park, 5 p.m. Clover Buds meet at 4 p.m.

**Monday, February 13th** – Arlington Chamber of Commerce meeting. 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 and Alanon, 8 p.m. St. Mary's Catholic Church





**Tuesday, February 14th** – American Legion Post #250, Veteran's Building at the fair grounds, 7 p.m.

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### Opening Speaker

Sibley County native Tom McCarthy, Minnesota Senior Judge and retired First Judicial District Judge, was the opening speaker for Leading Sibley Together in the basement of the Sibley County Courthouse in Gaylord on Thursday morning, Feb. 2. Feb. 2 was Local

Government Day and the topic was leading through conflict. Judge McCarthy spoke about his experiences and the changes he saw as a lawyer and then District Judge in Sibley County.

## Lack of snow means burning restrictions will happen soon

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources reminds woodland owners to take care of vegetative debris such as dry branches now, as annual open burning restrictions will take effect shortly after snowmelt.

“This winter burning permits have been required in areas of the state that have not been fully covered with snow,” said DNR wildfire prevention supervisor Linda Gormanson. “Warmer temperatures in February could quickly melt the snow that remains.”

A burning permit is required if there is less than 3 inches of snow on the ground. The chance for a fire to escape and burn into unintended areas and endanger

lives, homes and property is greatly reduced when adequate snow cover is present. Check local city and municipalities for burning regulations prior to burning.

The DNR recommends composting leaves and twigs instead of burning to reduce air pollution and the chance of starting a wildfire. Visit the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency’s website for information on how to start composting yard waste.

After the snow melts, spring fire restrictions take effect and open burning will be restricted until vegetation turns green. The highest number of wildfires are in April and May when vegetation is dry and people commonly do spring clean-up activities.

Due to the high number of wildfires during this time, the DNR initiates open burning permit restrictions to coincide with spring fire season. The DNR has seen a significant decrease in accidental fires when burning restrictions are in place.

Depending on weather and spring green-up conditions, restrictions remain in effect for four to six weeks. Visit the DNR’s burning restrictions page for more information.

Overall, 98 percent of wildfires in Minnesota are caused by humans. Individuals are responsible for costs to control an escaped fire and the damage it causes.

## MMPA adds wind energy

The Minnesota Municipal Power Agency (MMPA) has expanded its portfolio of renewable resources to include power from the Black Oak Getty Wind Farm. Power output from the 78-megawatt (MW) wind farm, located in Stearns County MN, further demonstrates the Agency’s commitment to renewable energy.

In addition to the power generation provided by the Black Oak Getty Wind Farm, the Agency’s renewable energy portfolio includes 44 MW of wind energy from the Oak Glen Wind Farm, 8 MW of bioenergy from Hometown BioEnergy, and renewable energy purchases from other utilities.

“We are proud to add this new renewable source to our power supply portfolio,” said MMPA Chairman, John

Crooks. “Renewable energy is a key component of our power supply and is important to our members’ customers.”

MMPA takes a long-term approach to power supply planning that includes assembling a diversified portfolio of owned and purchased generation containing both conventional and renewable resources. This approach allows the Agency to maintain flexibility in the rapidly changing electric utility industry and positions the Agency well for the future.

Oncu Er, Vice President of Planning for Avant Energy, MMPA’s management partner said, “MMPA’s renewable energy investments support the Agency’s ability to deliver competitively-priced power to its members. In addition, a portion of these renewable re-

sources help us meet the Minnesota Renewable Energy Standard, which requires 25 percent of the Agency’s energy to come from renewable sources by 2025.”

MMPA signed a long-term contract with Semptra U.S. Gas & Power for the output of the Black Oak Getty Wind Farm. The wind farm, comprised of 39 wind turbines, entered commercial operation in December 2016.

MMPA provides wholesale electricity to its member communities who in turn deliver and sell that electricity to the residential and business customers in their communities. The Agency is comprised of municipal utilities in Anoka, Arlington, Brownton, Buffalo, Chaska, East Grand Forks, Elk River, Le Sueur, North St. Paul, Olivia, Shakopee and Winthrop.

## Gaylord man is charged with assault

Willy J. Schmidt, 43, Gaylord, is accused of assaulting a woman and forcing her to lie on the floor for hours, according to an article in the *Mankato Free Press*.

Schmidt was recently charged with felony domestic assault and felony false imprisonment.

A woman with whom Schmidt has a relationship reported that Schmidt pushed

her and forced her to stay on the ground for three hours in residence, according to a criminal complaint.

The woman, according to the criminal complaint, said Schmidt would restrain her whenever she tried to leave. At one point, he hit her in the face and another time he kned her in the ribs.

The woman reported that Schmidt also smashed her

cell phone and covered her mouth whenever she tried to scream for help, according to the criminal complaint. When he finally let her up, he stated that she would soon be dead and so would he.

Schmidt has a lengthy criminal history, including two prior assault convictions, the article said.

## Sibley County will host meeting on starting SCORE mentoring program

Sibley County will be hosting an informational meeting on starting a SCORE mentoring program in Sibley County.

SCORE offers the largest network of volunteer business mentors providing free answers to business questions.

Diane Wilson will be the guest speaker and will provide more information on this business mentoring opportunity.


The informational meeting will be held in the Commissioners Room at the Sibley County Courthouse in Gaylord at 1 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 17.

For more information, please contact Sibley County Community Development Program Manager Amy Newsom at 507-237-4117 or [amyn@co.sibley.mn.us](mailto:amyn@co.sibley.mn.us).

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Our View: Rural communities revolve around their schools

The *Arlington Enterprise* tries very hard to have a balance of community and school news and pictures in its newspaper every week throughout the year. Aside from the monthly School Board meetings, however, it can be very difficult to include school news during the summer months. On the other side of the coin, school news and pictures can dominate the newspaper at times from September through June.

This week’s edition of the *Arlington Enterprise* is a good example of how school news and pictures can fill most of the newspaper. That is a good problem though because schools are so important in a rural community.

Rural communities, like Arlington, Green Isle and Gaylord, tend to revolve around their schools. In addition to the obvious role of educating children, schools also serve as centers for civic education, community employment and a variety of activities and events. They are the heart of a rural community.

These schools also create a lot of positive news. And when that happens, this newspaper will be there to cover it.

-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.  
**February 10**  
Dr. Jared Gustafson, Jacianna Harren, Oscar Kreft, Luke Luskey, Barb Meyers, Rich Nagel, Ralph Soeffker and Carol Thomes.  
**February 11**  
Mary Jane Beck, Lynda Quast, Lori Vos, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Pinske.  
**February 12**  
Ron Laabs and Jason Lenertz.  
**February 13**  
Erin Quast.  
**February 14**  
Katie Evenson, Sarah Post and Kaili Diehn.  
**February 15**  
Molly Brau, Stacy Brockoff, A.J. Overson and Dave Wendinger.  
**February 16**  
Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Dorweiler.

Although he was a qualified meteorologist, Hopkins ran up a terrible record of forecasting for the TV news program. He became something of a local joke when a newspaper began keeping a record of his predictions and showed that he had been wrong almost 300 times in a single year.

That kind of notoriety was enough to get him fired.

He moved to another part of the country and applied for a similar job. One blank on the job application called for the reason for leaving his previous position.

**Hopkins wrote, “The climate didn’t agree with me.”**

The boss joined a group of his workers at the coffee urn and told a series of jokes he had heard recently. Everybody laughed loudly. Everyone, that is, except Mike.

When he noticed that he was getting no reaction from Mike, the boss said, “What’s the matter, Mike? No sense of humor?”

**“My sense of humor is fine,” he said. “But I don’t have to laugh. I’m quitting tomorrow.”**

There was a captain sailing on the sea during a battle. His servant came up to him and the captain said, “Bring me my red shirt.”

So, the servant did as the captain said.

After that the servant came up to the captain and said, “Why did you say bring me my red shirt?”

The captain said, “Well, if I get

shot they won’t see the blood.”

The next day the servant came up to the captain and said, “There are 50 ships on the horizon.”

**The captain said, “Bring me my brown pants.”**

My brother is a terrible musician. The other day he asked my sister if she had heard his last recital.

**She replied, “I certainly hope so.”**

“You can always observe a lot by watching.” - **Yogi Berra**

“Nothing sucks more than that moment during an argument when you realize you’re wrong.” - **Unknown**

Sarah, a sales associate at Walmart, notices a man in the card section. When she walks by an hour later and sees him still there she walks over to see if she can help.

“Can I help you?” she asks.  
**“Well I don’t know” the man responds “I’m having a problem, I can’t find anything that my wife would believe!”**

Student: I don’t think I deserved a zero on this test.”

**Teacher: “I agree, but that’s the lowest mark I could give you.”**

A pastor was saying farewell to his congregation at the Church doors for the last time. He shook the hand of an elderly lady as she walked out.

She said “Your successor won’t be as good as you.”

“Nonsense,” said the pastor, in a flattered tone.

**“No, really,” said the old lady, “I’ve been here under five different ministers, and each new one has been worse than the last.”**

A husband desperate to keep his wife happy offers to buy his wife a new car.

She cutely declines his offer by saying, “That’s not quite what I had in mind.”

Frantically he offers her a new house.

Again she rejects his offer, “That’s not quite what I had in mind.”

Curious, he asks, “What did you have in mind?”

She retorts, “I’d like a divorce.”

**He answers, “I hadn’t planned on spending quite that much.”**

**Shop in town. Support your local businesses!!!!**



Guest Column

Lock America’s doors and please knock politely

By Dr. Glenn Mollette

I was about four or five years old when I remember my mother locking the front door. She said something to my dad about people "out and about" on the road we lived on in the country. Our community was very safe but occasionally we heard about somebody wandering around that sounded creepy. She and dad determined it was time to lock the doors of our house.

Today, many Americans lock their doors even in the daytime. No one wants to be surprised by someone suddenly appearing in the house. If someone comes by our residence they can call ahead and make an appointment or politely knock as respecting, humane people do.

People who desire to enter America must come respectfully and legally. We don't owe people from other countries entrance into America. People do not have a God granted right to enter our country to be housed, educated and fed. I realize that the work of churches and non-profits is helping and healing the hurts of humanity but America is not a church. We used to be a Christian

nation but about half of America no longer wants that label.

People from any country must come with passports, visas and fill out all the required documentation when entering our country. Be prepared to answer questions. It's a different world and we need to know as much about them as possible.

Almost every day or week brings more and more people to our country who want to immediately have everything that Americans have. That's not possible. People from Syria and other war torn, ravaged lands can not come here and expect to immediately have everything that Americans have worked thirty years or more to achieve. America is not responsible for granting to the rest of the world the American dream status as soon as they parade into our nation. Our forefathers came legally and worked hard to achieve the American dream. It took time.

Most of us are happy to welcome people from the world if they knock on our doors, identify who they are and fill out the required documentation. We don't want people who hate, resent and want to hurt us. We

have to be honest and know that a lot of the world hated America long before President Donald Trump. Securing our borders, asking questions of those who want to enter in order to be safer is the right thing to do.

Thousands have been flooding our country. It's only smart to lock the doors. It's tough on some people. It will be much tougher if we make a mistake that leads to someone entering our country and inflicting carnage on our people. Obviously, we have people already living here who are capable of carrying out something horrendous. Someone can be born and raised here and still hurt people. However, taking some precautions to try to head off any more potential problems is prudent.

May God give our President wisdom and may we as Americans please try to calm down and work together during these difficult times. Furthermore, never enter my house without me opening the door and inviting you.

*Glenn Mollette is a syndicated columnist and author of eleven books. He is read in all 50 states.*

Superintendent’s Notepad

Planning for 2017-18 school year about to begin

By Jim Amsden  
Sibley East Superintendent

As the calendar has turned to 2017, planning for the 2017-2018 school year is beginning. In the next few weeks we will begin planning the 2017-2018 school calendar. Parents and students should expect a calendar that is somewhat similar to the current year. While nothing has been finalized, it is very likely that Sibley East Schools will start the school year a little later than the traditional day after Labor Day. This late start will help facilitate the final stages of construction and classroom preparation this summer at both the Arlington and Gaylord school sites.

At the Pre-K through grade 5 level, a great deal of planning and preparation is going into new programming that will be developed around our preschool program for

four year olds. We are exploring ways to expand preschool offerings up to five days per week for students who are developmentally ready while maintaining three day programming for students who still need more time before transitioning to a full-time Pre-K or kindergarten experiences. Research shows us that reaching students early and helping them attain benchmarks early in their school experience will increase the likelihood of success as they continue through their school years. Also, we are making plans to offer before school and after school care for students in grades K-5. This programming would be designed to address the physical, emotional, intellectual, and social needs of students and families while providing a safe and fun environment for students before and after school hours.

The secondary level (6-12) is preparing new registration materials and assessing student scheduling to provide the best possible programming to meet academic standards, allow student choice to explore areas of interest through electives, and support all students in their learning. This is being done by making concerted efforts to maximize the use of the school day and allowing time after school for students to participate in a wide variety of extracurricular activities.

We will continue to work at making Sibley East Schools the best they can be for our students and district residents. If you have questions or concerns regarding Sibley East Schools please feel free to see me at the district office in Arlington, call 507-964-8224, or email jim.amsden@sibley-east.org.



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## Obituaries

### Irmgard B. Otto, 87, Arlington

Irmgard B. Otto, age 87 of Arlington, died at her home on Tuesday, Jan. 31.

Funeral services were held at Peace Lutheran Church in Arlington at 11 a.m. Monday, Feb. 6. Rev. Kurt Lehmkuhl officiated.



Irmgard Otto

Visitation was held at the Kolden Funeral Home in Arlington from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 5. It continued one hour prior to the services at the church on Monday, Feb. 6.

Interment was in the Arlington Public Cemetery.

Irmgard was born to William and Martha (Jaus) Panning in Washington Lake Township on May 6, 1929. She was baptized, con-

firmed and attended parochial school at Emanuel Lutheran at Hamburg. On Nov. 11, 1947, she married Elmer Otto at Emanuel Lutheran Church. They farmed for many years on their Kelso Township farm and retired to Arlington in 1985. Irmgard enjoyed jigsaw and word puzzles, needlework, sewing, quilting, reading, her garden and time spent with family. She was a charter member of Peace Lutheran Church, member of Kelso Home Art Extension, member of the American Legion Auxiliary, helped with Meals on Wheels, and was active in the Peace Church Ladies Guild and the Kitchen Committee.

She is survived by her children, Susan (Ronald) Radke of rural Winthrop and Harlan (Margo) Otto of rural Henderson; grandchildren, Michael (Jennifer) Radke,

Jason (special friend, Stephanie Arimi) Radke, Daniel Radke, Matthew (Lisa) Otto, Patrick (Jennifer) Otto and Mark (special friend, Krystal Juaire) Otto; six great-grandchildren, Paul and Katelynn Radke, Hunter and Holly Otto, Logan McCormick and Archer Otto; siblings, Gordon (Lois) Panning, William (Deanna) Panning of Hamburg, Melroy Panning of Norwood-Young America, Werner (Evelyn) Panning of Aitkin, Martha (Harvin) Smith of Norwood-Young America, and Norma Engelmann of Waconia; and sister-in-law, Marilyn Panning, Norwood-Young America.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Elmer in 2015; and siblings, Raymond, Roland, Marvin and Hillard Panning and Helma Hoernemann.

### Concetta ‘Connie’ Ungar, 63, Arlington

Concetta “Connie” Ungar, age 63, of Arlington, passed away at Abbott Hospital on Thursday, Jan. 12.

She is survived by her



Connie Ungar

daughters, Christie (Doug) Johnson, Carie Donaldson, Cherie Donaldson, and Kelly Ungar; mother, Mary Liberati; brothers, Frank Magnoski, Robert (Toni) Magnoski, John (Nancy) Magnoski and Raymond Magnoski; many grandchil-

dren; and nieces and nephew.

A celebration of life gathering will be held at the Veterans Building at the Sibley County Fairgrounds in Arlington at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 18.

### Joseph E. Robeck, 73, Arlington

Joseph Edward Robeck, 73, went on to be with his Lord surrounded by family on Saturday, Feb. 4, at Hennepin County Medical Center in Minneapolis from complications associated with diabetes.



Joseph Robeck

Services will be held at St. Brendan Catholic Church, 221 McGrann Street, Green Isle, on Friday, Feb. 10.

Visitation will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. while the Rosary will follow from 10:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. The funeral will be held at 11 a.m.

and the burial will follow.

Joe was born to Matthew and Ethel (Trimbo) Robeck in Jessenland Township on April 27, 1943. As a young man, he served honorably in the armed services. He worked many years in construction and as an auto mechanic. He enjoyed playing pool, cards and spending time with friends and family. He was a devoted Catholic and a firm believer in God. He put his faith and trust in Jesus Christ his Lord and savior.

Joe is survived by his sisters, Mary Slusher, Ann Bigaouette and Sylvia Bigaouette; his sons, Darren Robeck and his children Nathan and Shelby; Joseph Robeck and his children, Joseph, Jr., Kash, Katrina, and Makenzie;

Matthew Robeck, Edward Robeck and his children, Diego and Teagen; his daughters, Robin Robeck-Morehouse and her children, Miranda and John, his children, Ryder and Ryan; Renee Robeck-Marshall and her child, Ian; Amber Robeck, and her children, Charlotte and Christopher.

Joe was proceeded in death by his father, Matthew Robeck; his step-father, Lorraine Boehne; his mother, Ethel (Trimbo) Robeck-Boehne; his sisters, Bernice Wentzlaff and Bernette Brelje; his brothers, Matthew Robeck, Jr., Harris Robeck, Mark Robeck; and his daughter, Crystal (Robeck) Hurley-McDowell.

away there on Monday, January 30, 2017, at the age of 88 years. Blessed be his memory.

Milo is survived by his wife, Viola Quast of Gaylord; children, Douglas (Connie) Quast of Dassel, Deborah (Brian) Draeger of Stewart, Brian (Rosy) Quast of Gaylord, and Sandra (Sam) Miller of Winthrop; grandchildren, Traci (Willie) Dummer, Dawn (Paul) Kratzke, Travis (Angie) Quast, Troy (Nicole) Quast, Corey (Anna) Draeger, Stacey (Nathan) Bipes, Chad Draeger, Darrin (Kelly) Quast, Wade (Erin) Quast, Tara Quast, Russell (Amanda) Miller Candice Link, Laura Miller, Amanda (Kenny) Forst and Roxi (Brandon) Bode; 23 great-grandchildren; sister, Vera (Herman) Hahn of Gaylord; sister-in-law, Helen Quast of Arlington; nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Milo was preceded in death by his parents, Edward and Elizabeth Quast; siblings, Lyle Quast, Edna (Albert) Bentz, Bernice (Harold) Rose, Evelyn (Martin) Rose, a brother and two sisters infancy; and granddaughter, Tanya Draeger.

Arrangements by Egesdal Funeral Home in Gaylord, Minnesota. Online obituaries and guest book available at www.hantge.com. Please click on obituaries and guest book.

### Milo Quast, 88, Gaylord

Milo Quast, age 88, of Gaylord, passed away at the Oak Terrace Health Care Center in Gaylord on Monday, Jan. 30.



Milo Quast

Funeral service was held at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Gaylord at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 3. Reverend James King officiated.

The organist was Jeanne Bruss. Soloist Traci Dummer sang “How Great Thou Art.” The guitarist was Tyler Kratzke.

Congregational hymns were “Just As I Am” and “Amazing Grace.”

Casket bearers were grandsons, Travis Quast, Troy Quast, Corey Draeger, Chad Draeger, Darrin Quast, Wade Quast and Russell Miller.

Honorary casket bearers were granddaughters, Traci Dummer, Dawn Kratzke, Stacey Bipes, Tara Quast, Candice Link, Laura Miller, Amanda Forst and Roxanna Bode.

Interment was in the church cemetery.

Military honors by the Manthey-Asmus American Legion Post #433 in Gaylord.

Milo William Quast was born at home in Arlington on Oct. 16, 1928. He was the son of Edward and Elizabeth

(Brochoff) Quast. Milo was baptized as an infant and was later confirmed in his faith as a youth, both at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church in Arlington. He received his education at country school District #15, rural Arlington.

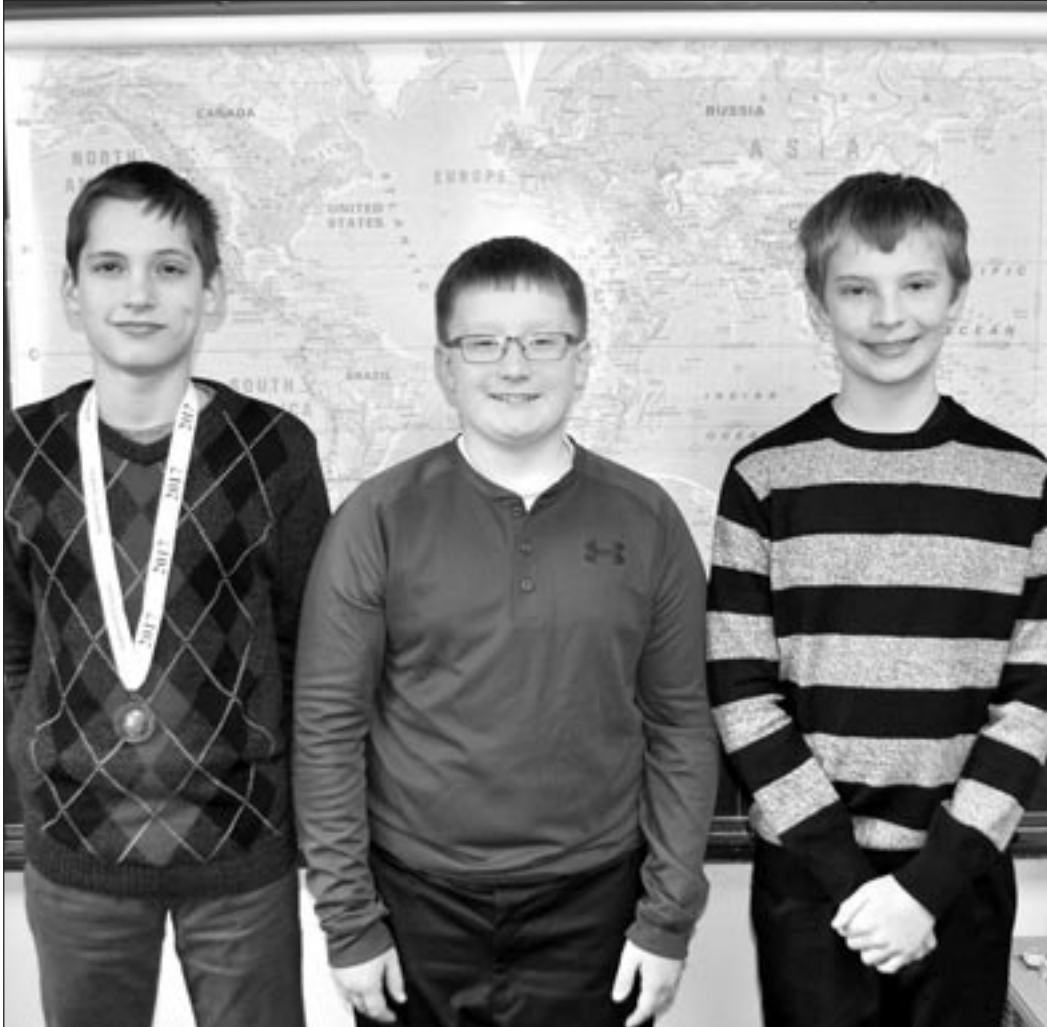
On April 13, 1951, Milo entered active military service and served in the United States Army during the Korean War. Milo was honorably discharged on April 10, 1953.

On Jan. 23, 1954, Milo was united in marriage to Viola Otto at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Gaylord. After their marriage, the couple farmed in Dryden Township. He was also employed as a mechanic at Big Stone in Arlington for many years, retiring in 1993. Milo and Viola were blessed with four children and they shared 63 years of marriage.

Milo was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Gaylord and served on the church council.

Milo enjoyed going to parades, fishing, gardening, woodworking, fixing things and spending time with his friends and relatives in Green Isle at Beulah’s Bar. He cherished the time he spent with his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

When he needed assistance with his daily care, Milo became a resident of Oak Terrace Health Care Center on Nov. 8, 2016, and passed



Enterprise photo by Kurt Menk

### Geography Bee Winners

Students in grades 3-8 at St. Paul’s Lutheran School in Arlington participated in the National Geographic Society’s National Bee 2017. Left to right: Local winners were Nathaniel Ziegler (first place), Connor Johnson (second

place) and Kadin Seeman (third place). Ziegler will be taking the online qualifying test for the national level to determine if he advances.

## History

### 100 Years Ago

February 8, 1917

Adam C. Buck, Editor

School notes:

Miss Kill keeps a record on the board of those who do not clean their teeth every day.

The grade children are enjoying great sport on the high snow banks back of the school.

The girls in the Home Economics III class are taking up the planning of menus. They prepared a dinner last Tuesday.

The Domestic Science III class is taking up “serving.” Last Tuesday a dinner was served and each girl had to serve certain dishes. The girls think it great sport because they receive free lunch.

Martin Nagel frosted one of his cheeks while coming into town Friday morning, which by the way was the coldest day of the season.

The village light plant and public school was getting short of coal and so when the special train arrived Tuesday with several cars of coal for the railroad company, our officials got busy and had the company leave one here for their use.

### 80 Years Ago

February 11, 1937

Louis Kill, Editor

Residents of the Arlington community looked forward yesterday to mild weather after experiencing one of the worst blizzards and cold waves of the winter. The storm originated in the Dakotas and rapidly moved into this section of the state. All trains were cancelled as tracks were blocked with huge drifts as high as 18 to 20 feet. Motorists who became stalled reported drifts as high as eight and ten feet. Others said that at one time

25 cars were held up by drifts and abandoned on the Arlington-Gaylord road. Many of the country schools remained closed Tuesday. The blizzard started early Sunday morning with about two-inch fall of light flakes. A strong wind from the Northwest brought more snow and cold Monday and Tuesday with temperatures here ranging from 18-22 below zero.

Activities for the celebration of John Deere Centennial Day in Arlington will start at 10 a.m. with addressees by farm leaders followed by lunch at noon. Then at one p.m. Mueller Brothers, local John Deere dealers will sponsor talking movies as entertainment for the farmers of this community. Admission is by ticket only. Get yours at Mueller Brothers free!

To confirm the maddening presence of those savory odors in the upper corridors of A. H. S. the past week, we announce the beginning of the hot lunches which are to be served at noon to the people who stay at school for lunch.

### 60 Years Ago

February 7, 1957

Louis Kill & Son, Publisher

Officials of Central Telephone Company, Lincoln, Neb., announced today that their firm is in the process of purchasing the Fairmont Telephone Company and 11 other Minnesota exchanges from General Telephone Company, New York. Central has extensive plans to convert all of its properties to dial system by 1962 or 1963 at the latest. Arlington, Green Isle and Henderson are among the exchanges being acquired by Central.

Hot lunch, a long time feature at most schools, was begun last

week at public schools here. The program has proved extremely popular with students and faculty with 394 being served Tuesday-the high so far. The meals cost twenty-five cents each.

Henry D. Kloempken will sell his personal property at auction Thursday, February 21, on the farm 4 1/2 miles east of Green Isle. Mr. Kloempken has purchased a new home in Arlington and the family will come here to reside. Hubert Pinske & Sons will conduct the auction.

### 40 Years Ago

February 9, 1977

Val Kill, Editor

A year ago the Arlington Sportsmen’s Club made the decision to replace a footbridge that was washed away by high water of High Island Creek. The new bridge was put up last week and completed on Friday. Club members had planned to buy a wooden bridge but instead they obtained two steel braces and built the bridge themselves. They will now have access to 11 acres of the park on the west side of the creek.

The first reading of a proposed ordinance which will increase the electrical rates for all Arlington residents was conducted at the regular monthly meeting of the City Council. Residents can expect an increase in their light bills by April or May, according to the ordinance which will raise the minimum rate from \$2.00 to \$3.18.

Twin boys were born to Mr. and Mrs. Laverne Bergs on Friday morning at the Arlington Municipal Hospital. The baby boys will be named Ross and Ryan. The last time twins were born at the Arlington hospital was about three years ago.

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# Sports



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Sibley East freshman McKenzie Latzke, right, closely guarded a Le Sueur-Henderson player along the baseline on Tuesday night, Jan. 31. Sibley East toppled the visiting Giants 72-21.

## SE girls beat Giants and Nicollet, fall to Maple River in recent play

By Kurt Menk  
Editor

The Sibley East varsity girls basketball team captured two wins and suffered one loss during the past week.

The Lady Wolverines, 4-5 in the Minnesota River Conference and 8-11 overall, will travel to Mayer Lutheran in conference action at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 9. Sibley East will host Blue Earth Area in non-conference play at 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 11.

### Sibley East 72 Le Sueur-Henderson 21

The Sibley East varsity girls basketball team raced to a 42-5 halftime lead and cruised to a 72-21 win over Le Sueur-Henderson in Minnesota River Conference play on Tuesday night, Jan. 31.

Senior Hannah Wentzlaff pumped in 32 points for the Lady Wolverines. Junior Morgan Stearns and sophomore Rachel Rettmann also hit double digits with 13 and 12 points respectively. Senior Alli Harter had six points while junior Taylor Brinkman netted five points. Junior Taylor Perschau added three points.

“We shot the ball really well and played solid defense,” said Sibley East head coach Jim DeSart.

### Sibley East 43 Nicollet 34

The visiting Sibley East varsity girls basketball team slipped past Nicollet 43-34 in non-conference action on Thursday night, Feb. 2.

Senior Hannah Wentzlaff tossed in 17 points for the winners. Junior Morgan

Stearns also hit double figures with 11 points. Junior Taylor Brinkman hooped six points while sophomore Rachel Rettmann had three points. Juniors Ali Stock and Taylor Perschau and freshman McKenzie Latzke added two points apiece.

Wentzlaff also pulled down 20 rebounds while Stearns collected eight boards. Rettmann snared seven caroms.

Brinkman and Stearns added seven and six assists respectively.

### Maple River 74 Sibley East 50

The visiting Sibley East varsity girls basketball team fell to Maple River 74-50 in non-conference action on Saturday afternoon, Feb. 4.

Senior Hannah Wentzlaff led three players in double figures with 16 points. Junior Taylor Brinkman netted 13 points while junior Morgan Stearns scored 11 points. Sophomore Rachel Rettmann tallied six points while sophomore Lexy Stock hooped three points. Junior Ali Stock added one point.

Wentzlaff also grabbed eight rebounds while junior Taylor Perschau and Brinkman had five caroms each.

Stearns also distributed four assists.

### Wentzlaff Honored

Senior Hannah Wentzlaff, a member of the Sibley East varsity girls basketball team, has been selected as the Girls Basketball Hub Star Tribune Player of the Week.

Wentzlaff recorded her

ninth double-double of the season in a recent 74-37 loss to Norwood Young America. Wentzlaff contributed 24 points and 12 rebounds in the game.

### B-squad

The Sibley East B-squad girls basketball team captured one win in three games during the past week.

The Lady Wolverines lost to visiting Le Sueur-Henderson 26-22 on Tuesday night, Jan. 31.

Lillian Beneke tossed in eight points while Sydney Schott and Lexy Stock scored five and four points respectively. Donnae Morton had three points while Abby Widmer added two points.

Schott also contributed 10 rebounds and six steals.

The visiting Lady Wolverines rebounded with a 28-22 win over Nicollet on Thursday night, Feb. 2.

Stock pumped in 12 points for the winners. Beneke had six points while Schott netted five points. Bianca Mendez and Widmer scored two points each while Morton added one point.

Beneke also pulled down nine rebounds while Widmer had six boards.

Visiting Sibley East lost to Maple River 43-28 on Saturday afternoon, Feb. 4.

Stock again scored 12 points while Schott hooped eight points. Beneke dropped in four points while Mendez and Schott added two points apiece.

Beneke also collected five rebounds and two assists.

## SE wrestlers capture 3 victories

By Kurt Menk  
Editor

The Sibley East varsity wrestling team posted three more victories during the past week.

Visiting Sibley East defeated New Ulm Area 30-16 on Tuesday night, Jan. 31.

The visiting Wolverines also defeated Waseca 47-18 and St. Clair-Mankato Loyola 21-6 on Thursday evening, Feb. 2.

Sibley East, 21-8 overall, will travel to Jackson County Central on Friday night, Feb. 10.

### Sibley East 30 New Ulm Area 16

106-pounds: Derek Steele (SE) decisioned Jackson Bode (NUA) 9-3.

113-pounds: Dayne Morton (SE) pinned Carter Brandes (NUA) 5:26.

120-pounds: Kevin Melger (SE) was pinned by Cole Ranweiler (NUA) 1:51.

126-pounds: Lincoln Carpenter (SE) was decisioned by Ryan Wacker (NUA) 7-5.

132-pounds: Tanner Pasvogel (SE) decisioned Sean Hawk (NUA) 3-1.

138-pounds: Tommy Wentzlaff (SE) was decisioned by Hunter Ranweiler (SE) 9-4.

145-pounds: Mason Voight (SE) pinned Avery Hermel (NUA) 0:40.

152-pounds: Logan Tesch (SE) lost by a major decision to Tanner Stark (NUA) 20-7.

160-pounds: Jose Felipe (SE) decisioned Lane Miller (NUA) 8-7.

170-pounds: Thomas Battcher (SE) decisioned Matt Guggisburg (NUA) 10-8.

182-pounds: Tim Lewis (SE) pinned Hunter Landsteiner (NUA) 0:48.

195-pounds: Both teams forfeited this match.

220-pounds: Both teams forfeited this match.

285-pounds: Both teams forfeited this match.

### Sibley East 47 Waseca 18

106-pounds: Derek Steele (SE) won by a technical fall over Johnathon Mortenson (W) 19-3.

113-pounds: Dayne Morton (SE) won by a forfeit.

120-pounds: Kevin Melger (SE) was decisioned by Dayton Deutsch (W) 6-5.

126-pounds: Lincoln Carpenter (SE) decisioned Ryan Berg (W) 6-2.

132-pounds: Tanner Pasvogel (SE) decisioned Noah Schmidt (W) 7-4.

138-pounds: Tommy Wentzlaff (SE) pinned Blake Wendland (W) 5:32.

145-pounds: Mason Voight (SE) pinned Willie Norton (W) 0:24.

152-pounds: Jose Felipe (SE) was pinned by Dylan Spencer (W) 1:31.

160-pounds: Rogelio Lara (SE) was pinned by Adam Kankhe (W) 2:27.

170-pounds: Tim Lewis (SE) was decisioned by Lucas Maxon (W) 9-7.

182-pounds: Thomas Battcher (SE) pinned Avery Emmons (W) 5:30.

195-pounds: Both teams forfeited this match.

220-pounds: Cody Voight (SE) pinned Jacob Hertzog (W) 2:52.

285-pounds: Tanner Kurtzweg (SE) pinned Levi Kuschel (W) 3:04.

### Sibley East 21 St. Clair-Mankato Loyola 6

106-pounds: Both teams forfeited this match.

113-pounds: Dayne Morton (SE) pinned Jack Klinder (SC-ML) 1:08.

120-pounds: Both teams forfeited this match.

126-pounds: Lincoln Carpenter (SE) pinned Chase Baker (SC-ML) 0:53.

132-pounds: Both teams forfeited this match.

138-pounds: Both teams forfeited this match.

145-pounds: Both teams forfeited this match.

152-pounds: Jose Felipe (SE) was decisioned by Gage Baker (SC-ML) 8-5.

160-pounds: Logan Tesch (SE) pinned Emil Olsson (SC-ML) 5:20.

170-pounds: Tim Lewis (SE) decisioned Aaron Dummer (SC-ML) 12-6.

182-pounds: Andrew Schauer (SE) was decisioned by David Loeffler (SC-ML) 5-3 in overtime.

195-pounds: Both teams forfeited this match.

220-pounds: Both teams forfeited this match.

285-pounds: Both teams forfeited this match.

## SE boys win 3 more ball games

By Kurt Menk  
Editor

The Sibley East varsity boys basketball team captured three more victories during the past week.

The Wolverines, 8-2 in the Minnesota River Conference and 16-3 overall, will host G-F-W in non-conference action at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 10.

### Sibley East 78 A-C-GC 58

The visiting Sibley East varsity boys basketball team, behind the scoring of juniors Austin Weckwerth and Gavin Bates, toppled Atwater-Cosmos-Grove City in non-conference action on Monday night, Jan. 30.

Weckwerth, who drilled five three-pointers, finished with 24 points. Bates hit for 22 points. Senior Devon Schultz topped 15 points while junior Kevin Durham scored five points. Senior Connor Kranz and junior Connor Deis hooped four points each. Juniors Holden Lindquist and Jaden Podratz added two points each.

### Sibley East 72 NYA 62

The visiting Sibley East varsity boys basketball team defeated Norwood Young America 72-62 in Minnesota River Conference action on Thursday night, Feb. 2.

Juniors Gavin Bates and

Austin Weckwerth sparked the Wolverines with 24 and 20 points respectively. Senior Devon Schultz also hit double digits with 15 points. Seniors Scott Holmquist and Connor Kranz hit for seven and six points respectively.

Schultz also grabbed 12 rebounds while Bates had seven caroms. Holmquist added five boards.

Bates also contributed four assists and two steals while Weckwerth recorded three dishes and three thefts.

### Sibley East 75 Le Sueur-Henderson 50

The Sibley East varsity boys basketball team, behind 25 points from junior Gavin Bates, powered past visiting Le Sueur-Henderson 75-50 in Minnesota River Conference action on Tuesday night, Feb. 7.

Senior Connor Kranz hit for a dozen points while senior Scott Holmquist and junior Austin Weckwerth netted 10 points each. Senior Devon Schultz and junior Holden Lindquist scored six points each while juniors Ben Brinkman, Jaden Podratz and Alex Sell added two points apiece.

Bates also contributed six rebounds and eight assists.

### B-squad

The Sibley East B-squad boys basketball team posted two wins during the past week.

The visiting Wolverines slipped past Atwater-Cosmos-Grove City 53-51 on Monday night, Jan. 30.

Ty Knacke paced Sibley East with 10 points while Jens Lundstrom pumped in nine points. Jacob Willmsen and Alex Sell had four points each while Austin Snyder netted three points. Christian Becksted and Kameron In added two points apiece.

Visiting Sibley East lost to Norwood Young America 37-36 on Thursday night, Feb. 2.

Knacke scored nine points while Aaron Deis hooped six points. Lukas Dose had five points while Snyder, Sell, In and Willmsen netted four points each.

Sibley East rebounded with a 55-50 win over Le Sueur-Henderson on Tuesday night, Feb. 7.

The Wolverines, who fell behind 19-2 out of the gate, tied the score at 25-25 at halftime.

In sparked the Wolverines with 23 points in the victory. Dose and Knacke scored nine and eight points respectively while Snyder had six points. Becksted hooped four points while Deis pumped in three points. Sell added two points.

## Green Isle Irish will play in Town Ball Classic

The 2016 Town Ball Classic, which was rained out last summer, has been rescheduled at Target Field for Saturday, June 3.

The Green Isle Irish baseball team will now participate in the 2017 Town Ball Classic, according to Joe Kreger.

In Class C, Green Isle will face the Hanska Lakers at noon.

In Class B, the Cold Spring Springers will face the Austin Greyhounds at 2:30 p.m.

In Class A, the Minnetonka Millers will play the Stockmen's Irish at 5 p.m.

According to Kreger, people who purchased tickets for last year's event will be given the same number of free tickets to this year's classic.

The net proceeds from the

Town Ball Classic will benefit the Twins Community Fund.

The Twins Community Fund supports youth baseball and softball programs throughout Twins Territory. Over the past 25 years, the fund has provided local and regional communities resources for getting more kids in the game through its various grants and programs.

## Peterson to compete in State Dance Team Tournament

By Kurt Menk  
Editor

Junior Julia Peterson is a member of the Mound-Westonka varsity kick team that placed third during the Section 3AA Tournament at Waconia last weekend.

Peterson is also an alternate

on the Mound-Westonka varsity jazz team that placed first during the Section 3AA Tournament.

Both teams will be competing in the Minnesota State Class AA Dance Team Tournament at the Target Center in Minneapolis on Friday,

Feb. 17 and Saturday, Feb. 18.

She is the daughter of Cathi Peterson, Mound.

She is also the granddaughter of Jerry and Pat Battcher, Green Isle.

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## Testifying Before The House

Sibley East 2015 graduate Liz Thies, left, and Sibley East seniors Scott Holmquist, middle, and Alison Eibs, right, recently testified before the Minnesota House Agriculture Policy Com-

mittee in support of a bill that would eliminate the cost share requirement for schools that receive a tractor rollover protection grant.

## Legals

### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE THE RIGHT OF VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that default has occurred in conditions of the following described mortgage:

DATE OF MORTGAGE: June 30, 2014

MORTGAGOR: Neil R. Holmquist, a single man

MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING: Recorded July 2, 2014 Sibley County Recorder, Document No. A233458

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association. Dated February 17, 2016 Recorded February 29, 2016, as Document No. A238184.

TRANSACTION AGENT: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

TRANSACTION AGENT'S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ON MORTGAGE: 10024890000081613

LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON MORTGAGE: Rescue Mortgage, Inc. dba Mortgage Depot

RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE SERVICER: JP Morgan Chase Bank, National Association

MORTGAGED PROPERTY ADDRESS: 719 Brooks Street West, Arlington, MN 55307

TAX PARCEL I.D. #: 31.0359.000

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:

The South 142 feet of Lot 7, Streissguth's Subdivision of the East 15 acres of the South 20 acres of the West 100 acres of the NW ¼ of Section 9, in Township 113, North of Range 27, West of the 5th Principal Meridian, Sibley County, Minnesota.

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Sibley  
ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$144,897.00

AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE, INCLUDING TAXES, IF ANY, PAID BY MORTGAGEE: \$154,098.77

That prior to the commencement of this mortgage foreclosure proceeding Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee complied with all notice requirements as required by statute; That no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof;

PURSUANT to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: March 10, 2017 at 10:00 AM

PLACE OF SALE: Sheriff's Office, Sheriff's Department, 319 Park Avenue, Gaylord, MN to pay the debt then secured by said Mortgage, and taxes, if any, on said premises, and the costs and disbursements, including attorneys' fees allowed by law subject to redemption within six (6) months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns unless reduced to Five (5) weeks under MN Stat. §580.07.

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE

PROPERTY: If the real estate is an owner-occupied, single-family dwelling, unless otherwise provided by law, the date on or before which the mortgagor(s) must vacate the property if the mortgage is not reinstated under section 580.30 or the property is not redeemed under section 580.23 is 11:59 p.m. on September 11, 2017, unless that date falls on a weekend or legal holiday, in which case it is the next weekday, and unless the redemption period is reduced to 5 weeks under MN Stat. Secs. 580.07 or 582.032.

MORTGAGOR(S) RELEASED FROM FINANCIAL OBLIGATION ON MORTGAGE: None

"THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 582.032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED."

Dated: December 29, 2016  
JPMorgan Chase Bank,  
National Association  
Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee

USSET, WEINGARDEN AND LIEBO, P.L.L.P.

Attorneys for Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee

4500 Park Glen Road #300  
Minneapolis, MN 55416  
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### SIBLEY COUNTY, MINNESOTA

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON APPROVAL OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN AND ISSUANCE OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS PURSUANT TO MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 373.40

Notice is hereby given that the County Board of Sibley County, Minnesota (the "County"), will meet at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 28, 2017, at the Sibley County Courthouse, 400 Court Avenue, Gaylord, Minnesota, to conduct a public hearing to obtain public comment on approval of the County's Capital Improvement Plan (the "CIP") and to obtain public comment on the County's intention issue capital improvement plan bonds (the "Bonds") in an amount not to exceed \$6,500,000, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 373.40, for the purpose of financing improvements to the Courthouse and Annex and other improvements described in the CIP.

If a petition requesting a vote on the issuance of the Bonds is signed by voters equal to five percent of the votes cast in the County at the last general election and filed with the County Auditor within thirty (30) days after the public hearing, the County may issue the Bonds only after obtaining the approval of a majority of the voters voting on the question of issuing the Bonds.

Copies of the proposed CIP and corresponding resolutions are on

file and may be inspected at the Sibley County Courthouse, Administration Office, during normal business hours. All interested parties are invited to attend the public hearing or to provide written comments to the undersigned, which written comments will be considered at the hearing.

Questions regarding this matter may be referred to Roxy Traxler, County Administrator at (507) 237-7800. Auxiliary aids are available upon request at least 96 hours in advance of the hearing. Please contact the County at (507) 237-7800 to make arrangements.

BY ORDER OF THE COUNTY BOARD

SIBLEY COUNTY, MINNESOTA

/s/ Roxy Traxler  
County Administrator

Publish: February 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2017

### GREEN ISLE TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS

Eligible voters in Green Isle Township may cast an absentee ballot for the annual Town Election that will be held on March 14, 2017.

Absentee voting will take place at the Sibley County Auditor's office, located on the main floor of the Sibley County courthouse in Gaylord, Minnesota, beginning on February 10, 2017. You may contact the Green Isle Township Clerk or the Sibley County Auditor's office with questions.

Norman W. Schauer  
Green Isle Township Clerk  
Publish: February 9, 2017

### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE THE RIGHT OF VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that default has occurred in conditions of the following described mortgage:

DATE OF MORTGAGE: February 25, 2005

MORTGAGOR: Kathleen W. Walker, unmarried

MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Cherry Creek Mortgage Co., Inc.

DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING: Recorded February 28, 2005 Sibley County Recorder, Document No. A200747.

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: Nationstar Mortgage LLC. Dated July 26, 2016 Recorded July 29, 2016, as Document No. A239356

TRANSACTION AGENT: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

TRANSACTION AGENT'S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ON MORTGAGE: 100030200362006734

LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON MORTGAGE: Cherry Creek Mortgage Co., Inc.

RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE SERVICER: Nationstar Mortgage LLC

MORTGAGED PROPERTY ADDRESS: 1056 Ash Avenue, Gibbon, MN 55335

TAX PARCEL I.D. #: 33.0078.000

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:

Lot 5, except the South 3 feet thereof, all in Block 9 in Village of Gibbon. Subject to easements, ordinances and Roadways of

record, if any, Sibley County Minnesota.

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Sibley  
ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$55,000.00

AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE, INCLUDING TAXES, IF ANY, PAID BY MORTGAGEE: \$53,783.95

That prior to the commencement of this mortgage foreclosure proceeding Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee complied with all notice requirements as required by statute; That no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof;

PURSUANT to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: March 31, 2017 at 10:00 AM

PLACE OF SALE: Sheriff's Office, Sheriff's Department, 319 Park Avenue, Gaylord, MN

to pay the debt then secured by said Mortgage, and taxes, if any, on said premises, and the costs and disbursements, including attorneys' fees allowed by law subject to redemption within six (6) months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns unless reduced to Five (5) weeks under MN Stat. §580.07.

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: If the real estate is an owner-occupied, single-family dwelling, unless otherwise provided by law, the date on or before which the mortgagor(s) must vacate the property if the mortgage is not reinstated under section 580.30 or the property is not redeemed under section 580.23 is 11:59 p.m. on October 2, 2017, unless that date falls on a weekend or legal holiday, in which case it is the next weekday, and unless the redemption period is reduced to 5 weeks under MN Stat. Secs. 580.07 or 582.032.

MORTGAGOR(S) RELEASED FROM FINANCIAL OBLIGATION ON MORTGAGE: None

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Dated: January 26, 2017  
Nationstar Mortgage LLC  
Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee

USSET, WEINGARDEN AND LIEBO, P.L.L.P.

Attorneys for Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee  
4500 Park Glen Road #300  
Minneapolis, MN 55416  
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Hunts are Saturday, April 22, and Sunday, April 23, and a pre-hunt orientation is required. The cost of the orientation ranges from \$5 to \$10, and hunting licenses cost \$1

for 12 year olds; \$6 for ages 13 through 17; and \$27 for hunters 18 and older. All participants will need to have a valid firearms safety certificate or its equivalent and youth must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Applications and details about how to apply are available on the DNR's learn to hunt: wild turkey page.

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# Church News

**ZION LUTHERAN**  
**814 W. Brooks St., Arlington**  
**507-964-5454**  
*Deborah Dawson, Pastor*  
Sunday, February 12: 9:00 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion. 10:00 a.m. Sunday school and fellowship. 7:00 p.m. Church choir.  
Tuesday, February 14: 6:00 p.m. TOPS.  
Wednesday, February 15: 4:00 p.m. Confirmation. 7:00 p.m. Council workshop.

**CREEKSIDE**  
**Community Church**  
**Christian & Missionary Alliance**  
**114 Shamrock Dr., Arlington**  
**507-964-2872**  
*John Cherico, Pastor*  
*email: creeksideccma@gmail.com*  
Saturday, February 11: 8:00 a.m. Men's breakfast.  
Sunday, February 12: 9:30-10:15 Adult Sunday school and kids Sunday school. 10:30 a.m. Worship service and nursery, ages 0-4, and Children's Church ages 5 through 5th grade.  
Tuesday, February 14: 6:30 p.m. Men's Bible study.  
Wednesday, February 15: 6:30-8:00 p.m. Youth group.

**SEVENTH DAY**  
**ADVENTIST**  
**7th Ave. N.W., Arlington**  
**507-304-3410**  
*Robert Brauer, Pastor*  
*507-234-6770*  
Saturday: Church services at 9:30 a.m. Bible study at 11:00 a.m. Fellowship dinner at 12:00 p.m. All are welcome.

**UNITED METHODIST**  
**Arlington**  
*Rodney J. Stemme, Pastor*  
*www.arlingtonunitedmethodist.org*  
Saturday, February 11: 10:00 a.m. Bible study at Bette Nelson's.  
Sunday, February 12: 9:00 a.m. Worship. 10:15 a.m. Sunday school and fellowship.  
Tuesday, February 14: 6:30 p.m. Education outreach. 7:30 p.m. Trustees.  
Wednesday, February 15: 11:15 a.m. Partnership in Prevention. 3:45 p.m. Confirmation. 7:00 p.m. Choir.

**ST. PAUL LUTHERAN**  
**(WELS)**  
**Arlington**  
**507-964-2109**  
*Matthew C. Rauh, Pastor*  
*email: mrauh@gac.edu*  
*www.stpaularlington.com*  
*email: church@stpaularlington.com*  
Friday, February 10: A-team Courtland tournament.  
Sunday, February 12: 8:45 a.m. Sunday school. 9:00 a.m. Family Bible study. 10:00 a.m. Worship service, pot luck lunch, free b-i-n-g-o. 6:30 p.m. Youth group meeting.  
Monday, February 13: 1:30 p.m. Senior Ministry. All Committee meeting.  
Wednesday, February 15: 2:00 p.m. Bible study. 3:45 p.m. Confirmation class. 7:00 p.m. Choir practice.

Thursday, February 16: 10:00 a.m. Bulletin information due. 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Services on cable TV channel 8. 4:00 p.m. Home with Belle Plaine B-Boys, Girls, A-Boys.

**GAYLORD**  
**ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
**Gaylord**  
*Bob Holmbeck, Pastor*  
Friday, February 10: 9:30 a.m. Le Sueur Bible study 220 Risendorph St. group room. 7:00 p.m. Prayer.  
Sunday, February 12: 9:15 a.m. Sunday school. 10:00 a.m. Worship service.  
Wednesday, February 15: 6:30 p.m. Wednesday evening Bible classes and Youth Focused and supper - Welcome!

**ST. PAUL'S EV.**  
**REFORMED CHURCH**  
**15470 Co. Rd. 31, Hamburg**  
**952-467-3878**  
*Dan Schnabel, Pastor*  
*www.stpaulsrcus.org*  
Sunday, February 12: 8:30 a.m. Sunday School and adult Bible study. 9:30 a.m. Worship service.  
Tuesday, Feb. 14: 7:00 p.m. Consistory meeting.  
Wednesday, February 15: 6:30-8:00 p.m. Catechism class.

**ORATORY OF**  
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**THE APOSTLE**  
**Jessenland**  
**507-248-3550**  
*Fr. Keith Salisbury*  
Thursday: Weekly Mass at 5:00 p.m.

**ST. MARY, MICHAEL**  
**AND BRENDAN AREA**  
**FAITH COMMUNITY**  
*Fr. Keith Salisbury, Pastor*  
Friday, February 10: 8:30 a.m. Mass (Mar). 5:00 p.m. Mass (Bre).  
Saturday, February 11: 5:00 p.m. Mass (Mar).  
Sunday, February 12: 7:30 a.m. Mass (Bre). 9:00 a.m. Mass (Mic). 10:30 a.m. Mass (Mar).  
Monday, February 13: 8:30 a.m. Mass (Bre). 8:30 a.m. Word and Communion (Mar). 9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration (Mar) 8:00 p.m. AA and Al Anon (Mar).  
Tuesday, February 14: 8:30 a.m. Mass (Bre). 3:45 p.m. Word and Communion (Arlington Good Samaritan).  
Wednesday, February 15: 8:30 a.m. Mass (Mar). 9:00 a.m. Word and Communion (Oak Terrace). 9:30 a.m. Sunday by Sunday Bible study (Linda DeWitte). 6:30-7:30 p.m. SS. Michael, Mary and Brendan AFC Religious Education class K-10 (Mar).  
Thursday, February 16: 8:30 a.m. Mass (Bre & Mic). 7:30 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Mic).

**TRINITY LUTHERAN**  
**32234 431st Ave., Gaylord**  
*Scott Richards, Pastor*  
Sunday, February 12: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:15 a.m. Worship.

**ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN**  
**(Missouri Synod)**  
**Arlington**  
**507-964-2400**  
*Gary L. Ruckman, Pastor*  
Sunday, February 12: 9:00 a.m. Sunday school & Bible class. 10:00 a.m. Worship service with Holy Communion. Lutheran Hour broadcasted on KDUZ 1260 AM every Sunday at noon.  
Wednesday, February 15: 7:00 p.m. Men's Club.  
Thursday, February 16: 5:30 p.m. Deadline for bulletin information.

**EVANGELICAL**  
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**107 W. Third St., Winthrop**  
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**Parsonage 507-647-3739**  
*Interim Pastor*  
*www.wincov.org*  
Saturday, February 11: 6:00 a.m. Men's Bible study at Hahn's Dining. 10:00 a.m. Women's candle craft with Ella.  
Sunday, February 12: 9:30 a.m. Worship service. 10:45 a.m. Sunday school.  
Monday, February 13: 7:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry.  
Tuesday, February 14: 7:00 p.m. Leadership Team meeting.  
Wednesday, February 15: 9:00 a.m. Prayer coffee at the Lodge in Winthrop.  
Thursday, February 16: 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible study. 6:30 p.m. Men's Bible study at Peik's.

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Sunday, February 12: 8:00 a.m. Bible study. 9:00 a.m. Worship service with Communion. 10:00 a.m. Sunday school.  
Tuesday, February 14: 10:00 a.m.-Noon Pastor at Zion.  
Wednesday, February 15: 6:30 p.m. Confirmation.

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Sunday, February 12: 10:30 a.m. Worship service.  
Tuesday, February 14: 10:00 a.m.-Noon Pastor at Zion.  
Wednesday, February 15: 6:30 p.m. Confirmation.

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Sunday, February 12: 8:15 a.m. Sunday School. 8:30 a.m. Bible study. 9:30 a.m. Worship service with Holy Communion. 10:30 a.m. Fellowship.  
Wednesday, February 15: 3:45 p.m. Catechism.  
Thursday, February 16: 7:30 p.m. Council meeting.

## VFW Auxiliary to meet on Monday night, Feb. 13

The Arlington VFW Auxiliary held its monthly meeting on Monday night, Jan. 9. The meeting was called to order by President Royla Borchert. The bulletin and treasurer's reports were approved. The VFW Auxiliary Scholarship was awarded to

Samantha Carpenter. Steve Gillaspie from Steve's Copy Shop was invited to the meeting and gave a very interesting talk on his Veterans on the Water group. Everyone enjoyed it. A motion was made to bring Valentine's Day cookies

to the meeting on Monday night, Feb. 13. Members who are unable to attend the meeting are asked to bring their cookies to Y-Not Plumbing & Heating. The jackpot was won by Lorraine Neubarth.

# Arts scholarships awarded to 9 youth in Sibley County

"The Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council is pleased to announce that Youth Scholarships of \$30,600 from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund, which is funded by the Clean Water, Land & Legacy Amendment, have been awarded to 82 students in grades 7-12 and 30 students in grades 3-6 throughout the region.

Youth Scholarship recipients live in 23 different communities representing eight counties," said Brenda Byron, PLRAC Executive Director. "We are excited about the wonderful arts activities these students will be involved in." The Youth Scholarships of \$300 for grades 7-12 and \$200 for grades 3-6 will provide these students the opportunity to study their chosen art with a practicing professional artist by taking lessons over a period of months.

Three students in Sibley County were awarded \$300 scholarships. They included Viktoria Kranz and Maggie Newsom from Gaylord. and Emma Samletzka from Arlington.

Six students in Sibley County were awarded \$200 scholarships. They included

Colten Kranz, Lydia Kranz, and Eliza Williams from Gaylord; Gaian Geldner from Henderson; and Rachel Ammann and Charles Kotasek from rural LeSueur.

Students will be involved in a variety of activities including: dance classes at Center Stage Dance in Montgomery, the Dance Conservatory of Southern Minnesota in Mankato, Mankato Ballet Company, Ovations Dance Company in New Prague, and Riverfront Performing Arts in Mankato; music lessons at Mankato Suzuki School of Music and New Ulm Suzuki School of Music; participation in Mankato Area 77 Lancers Marching Band and Mankato Area Youth Symphony Orchestra; and a variety of music lessons in cello, flute, guitar, piano, violin, and voice from independent instructors.

There is one deadline per year for the Youth Scholarships. For grades 7-12 the next deadline date is Oct. 1. For grades 3-6 the next deadline date is Nov. 1.

Prairie Lakes provides grants for arts activities including dance, music, theater, literature, and visual art classes and exhibitions.

Applications from Non-profit Arts Organizations, Community Groups and Schools will be accepted twice a year and the next Arts & Cultural Heritage deadline is Aug. 1. Small Arts Project Grants for smaller art activities and Art-In-Education school residences are both available for up to \$2,000 and the next deadlines are March 1 and April 1.

The Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council is committed to supporting and expanding the arts in the nine-county area; knowing that the arts improve the quality of life in our region. A monthly newsletter and calendar of arts events in the nine-county area is posted on its website. Grant guidelines and a link to its online applications are available at www.plrac.org.

People who have questions can contact Brenda Byron, Executive Director, at the Prairie Lakes office in Waseca, 1-800-298-1254 or plrac@hickorytech.net.

Prairie Lakes serves a nine-county area including Blue Earth, Brown, Faribault, LeSueur, Martin, Nicollet, Sibley, Waseca, and Watonwan counties.

## Menus

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*Monday-Friday*

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Tuesday: Hamburger tomato casserole, green beans, pineapple, bread, margarine, jello, low fat milk.

Wednesday: Italian shredded beef, mashed potatoes with gravy, cole slaw, bun, margarine, cookie, low fat milk.

Thursday: Teriyaki glazed chicken, rice pilaf, broccoli, tropical fruit, bread, margarine, ice cream, low fat milk.

Friday: Baked fish, baked potato, sour cream, mixed vegetables, dinner roll, margarine, pie slice,

low fat milk.

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**BREAKFAST MENU**  
**Arlington & Gaylord**  
**Feb. 13-17**  
*Breakfast is served at 8:00 a.m. daily. A 1/2 pint of milk is served with each meal daily.*  
*Menu is subject to change.*

Monday: Mini Cinnis, fruit, juice, milk.

Tuesday: Muffin, seeds, fruit, juice, milk.

Wednesday: Cereal bar, cheese stick, fruit, juice, milk.

Thursday: Breakfast bread, fruit, juice, milk.

Friday: No School.

**SIBLEY EAST SCHOOL**  
**MENU**  
**Arlington & Gaylord**  
**Feb. 13-17**  
*A 1/2 pint of milk and an en-*

*riched grain product is served with each meal. Additional milk is available for 40 cents each.*  
*Menu is subject to change.*

Monday: Mexican Haystack, lettuce, tomatoes, peppers, onions, corn, refried beans, bread, fruit, milk.

Alternate: Cheese stuffed sticks.

Tuesday: Tomato soup, grilled cheese, veggie sticks, green beans, fruit, milk.

Alternate: Pork on bun.

Wednesday: Sub sandwich, fixings, peas, fruit, milk.

Alternate: Corn Dog.

Thursday: Hamburger on whole grain bun, oven potatoes, baked beans, tomatoes, fruit, milk.

Alternate: Rib on bun.

Friday: No School.

## Blessings

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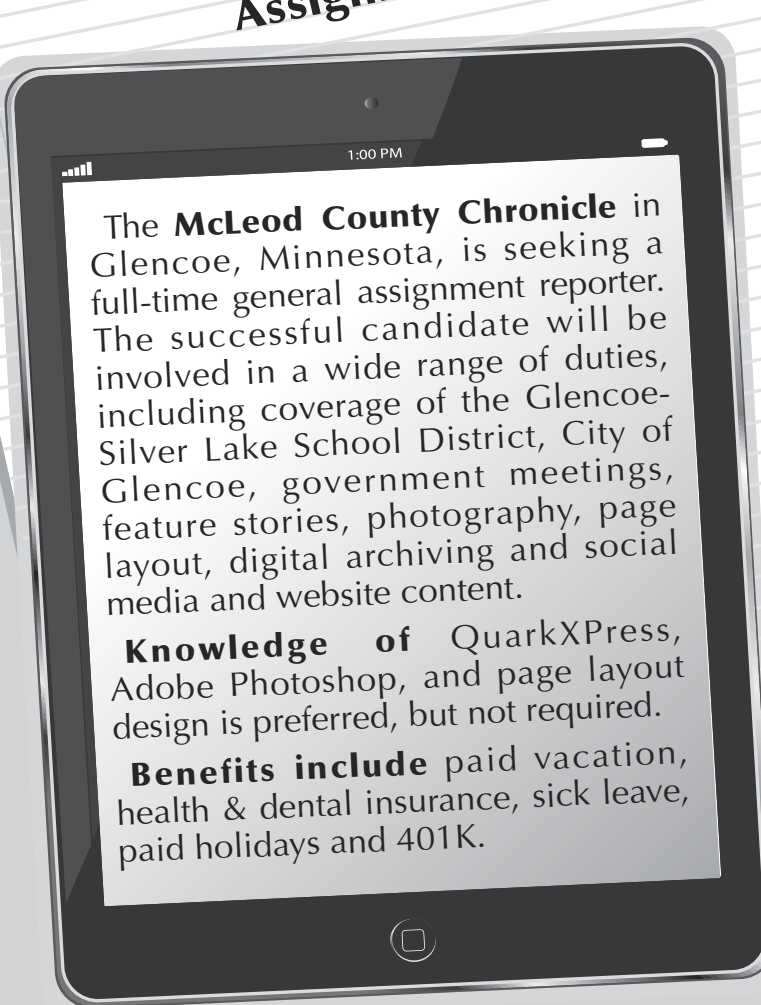
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Enterprise photo by Kurt Menk  
**Alli Harter, left, and Tanner Kurtzweg, right, have been chosen as the Sibley East Senior High School's nominees for the Triple A Award.**

# Harter and Kurtzweg chosen as Sibley East Triple A nominees

Seniors Alli Harter and Tanner Kurtzweg have been chosen as the Sibley East Senior High School's nominees for the Triple A Award. This award honors student excellence in the arts, academics and athletics.

**Harter**

Harter is currently enrolled in Anatomy, Physiology, Choir, British Literature, Economics, Study Hall, Yearbook, Calculus, Plant and Soil Science.

In the area of fine arts, Harter currently participates in choir. She participated in band in grades 7-11.

Harter, in the area of academics, is a member of the National Honor Society. She is also a member of the "A" Honor Roll.

In the area of athletics, Harter participates in tennis, basketball and softball.

In her spare time, Harter enjoys sports, hanging with family and friends, working out and homework.

After graduation from high school, Harter plans to attend Luther College in Decorah, Iowa. She plans to major in communication sciences and disorders, and play tennis.

She is the daughter of Steve and Audrey Harter, Gaylord.

**Kurtzweg**

Kurtzweg is currently enrolled in Band, Choir, Physics, Calculus, Economics, British Literature and Physical Education.

In the area of fine arts, Kurtzweg currently participates in band and choir.

Kurtzweg, in the area of academics, is a member of the "A" Honor Roll.

In the area of athletics, Kurtzweg participates in football, wrestling and baseball.

In his spare time, Kurtzweg enjoys hunting, fishing and playing sports.

Outside of school, Kurtzweg is active in the National Guard and works at Chef Craig's Catering.

After graduation from high school, Kurtzweg plans to attend a four-year college.

He is the son of Gary and Karen Kurtzweg, Arlington.

# Sibley County Court

The following misdemeanors, petty misdemeanors and gross misdemeanors were heard in District Court January 20-27, 2017: Minnesota State Patrol (MSP); Sheriff's Office (SO); Department of Natural Resources (DNR); MN Department of Transportation (MNDOT):

Julie A. Moen, 47, Litchfield, disorderly conduct-offensive-noisy-obscene, harassment-restraining order, continued, pay costs, no same or similar, keep court/attorney informed of current address, \$50, Arlington PD.

Nikolaus E. Beglau, 33, New Auburn, no insurance MV vehicle owner, dismissed, Gaylord PD; Dennis C. Bernier, 43, Gaylord, operate motor vehicle under influence of any amount schedule I/II drugs-not Marijuana, local confinement 90 days, credit for time served 38 days, comment: report tonight before 7 p.m., \$460, uninsured vehicle driver violation, cracked windshield, drugs-possess/sale small amount of Marijuana-no remuneration, possession of drug paraphernalia-use or possession prohibited, dismissed, Gaylord PD; Marc A. Boxtton, 56, Gaylord, driving after suspension, continued, unsupervised monitoring without adjudication one year, pay costs, no same or similar, keep court/attorney informed of current address, obtain driver's license, continue a good faith effort to obtain a valid drivers license, \$100, Gaylord PD; Shane R. Guptill, 24, Glencoe, driving after revocation, \$290, Gaylord PD; Johnny J. Mercado, 33, Gaylord, disorderly conduct offensive/noisy/obscene/abusive, continued, unsupervised monitoring without adjudication one year, remain law-abiding, no same or similar, keep court/attorney informed of current address, conditions other-follow all current CHIPS orders, Gaylord PD.

Joshua A. Larsen, 37, Morton, speed, \$135, Gibbon PD; Shannon D. Strong, 24, Winthrop, DAR, continued, unsupervised monitoring without adjudication one year, no same or similar, keep court/attorney informed of current address, \$185, Gibbon PD.

John K. M. Knippel, 40, St. Paul, speed, continued unsupervised monitoring without adjudication one year, pay costs, no moving violations, keep court/attorney informed of current address, \$200, Henderson PD.

Alan W. Baker, 34, Gaylord, driver fails to stop for stop sign, \$135, MSP; Dennis N. Bergman, 58, Huron, S.D. speed, \$225, no proof MV insurance, dismissed, MSP; Garrett M. Brummund, 25, Henderson, illegal/improper pass on right, Marijuana in MV (driver/owner>1.4 grams), \$285, MSP; Nola S. Burbeck, 48, Gibbon, no proof MV insurance, \$285, MSP; Diane S. Burckhardt, 62, Russell, speed, \$125, MSP; Christopher L. Chappuis, 24, Faribault, no proof MV insurance, dismissed, MSP; Sabrina M. Dillon, 26, Hutchinson, speed, \$225, MSP; Larry R. Duda, 51, Eagan, window tint (less than 50% light transmittance), \$135, MSP; Michelle L. Eggebraaten, 45, Sioux Falls, S.D., illegal/improper pass on right, \$135, MSP; Bobby L. Gasper, 30, Watertown, S.D., speed, \$225, MSP; Kenneth H. Gilman, 49, Arlington, speed, \$135, MSP; Jerad J. Graczyk, 37, Silver Lake, speed, seatbelt violation in a commercial vehicle, \$160, MSP; Zdenko Garjcar, 43, Orono, speed, \$145, MSP; April M. Grams, 46, Green Isle, speed, \$125, MSP; Cody D. Groenke, 28, Hutchinson, speed, \$225, MSP; Miranda M. Hagfors, 22, Arlington, speed, \$135, MSP; Kyle A. Hahn, 30, Gaylord, speed, \$125, MSP; Dean A. Hartwig, 59, Green Isle, speed, \$125, MSP; Daniel R. Haugh, 55, Prior Lake, no MN registration, dismissed, MSP; Logan M. Jorgenson, 19, Green Isle, speed, continued, unsupervised monitoring without adjudication one year, no same or similar, pay costs, keep court/attorney informed of current address, \$145, MSP; Bryce M. Kimmes, 48, Cannon Falls, speed, \$145, MSP; Daniel L. Klancke, 31, Green Isle, speed, \$125, MSP; Nicole L. Large, 37, Plymouth, no proof MV insurance, dismissed, MSP; Logan L. Miller, 22, Brownton, speed, \$135, MSP; Justin D. Peterson, 38, Winthrop, no proof MV insurance, dismissed, MSP; Macy N. Ramos, 20, Shakopee, speed, \$135, MSP; Davante L.-K. Reid, 23, Golden Valley, driving after suspension, continued, unsupervised monitoring without adjudication one year, pay costs, no same or similar, keep court/attorney informed of current address, \$200, MSP; Jesus A. Sanchez, 25, Glencoe, possession of drug paraphernalia, \$135, MSP; Nathan P. Schultz, 23, Sleepy Eye, duty to drive with due care, dismissed, MSP; Tori N. Thompson, 23, Gibbon, speed, \$125, MSP; Nichole L. Wishart, 41, Buffalo, speed, \$135, MSP.

Brennen D. Ferris, 19, New Prague, 5th degree assault-inflict-attempt harm, minor consumption, dismissed, disorderly conduct-fight, complete booking, \$185, SO; Trevor J. Flannery, 19, Green Isle, 5th degree assault-inflict-attempt harm, dismissed, disorderly conduct-fight, complete booking, \$185, SO; Albert L. Guerra, Jr., 26, Gaylord, no insurance-owner violation, continued, unsupervised monitoring without adjudication one year, pay costs, no same or similar, keep court/attorney informed of current address, no driving without insurance, \$200, SO; Dalton G. Hackbarth, 28, Gaylord, DAR, driver must carry proof of insurance when operating vehicle, continued, unsupervised monitoring without adjudication one year, pay costs, no same or similar, keep court/attorney informed of current address, obtain driver's license within six months, \$400, SO; Timothy M. Haviken, 43, Red Wing, DAR, speed, continued, unsupervised monitoring without adjudication one year, obtain driver's license, no same or similar, keep court/attorney informed of current address, \$225, SO; Batatshi H. Mbuyamba, 48, St. Peter, instruction permit violations-persons 18 years or older-requirements, speed, \$195, SO; Hannah J. McDonough, 24, Mankato, possess drug paraphernalia, drugs-possess of 1.4 grams Marijuana in motor vehicle, \$285, SO; David S. Meyer, 48, Arlington, 5th degree assault-inflict-attempt harm, dismissed, disorderly conduct-fight, complete booking, \$185, SO; Osmar Piza Martha, 19, Arlington, No MN DL, \$185, SO.

Evans O. Onchiri, 33, Shakopee, driving while intoxicated-4th degree, dismissed, DWI-operate motor vehicle-alcohol concentration 0.08 within two hours, stay of imposition, probation to court one year, chemical dependency evaluation/treatment within 60 days and provide proof to Sibley County court administration, follow recommendations of evaluation, sign all releases of information, victim impact panel within 60 days and provide proof to Sibley County court administration, remain law-abiding, no same or similar, keep court/attorney informed of current address, \$385, Winthrop PD; Jose C. Reyes, 19, Benson, disorderly conduct-brawling or fighting, stay of imposition, probation to the court one year, local confinement 30 days, stay 30 days for one year, no assault, no same or similar, remain law-abiding, complete booking, keep court/attorney informed of current address, \$460, Winthrop PD.

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