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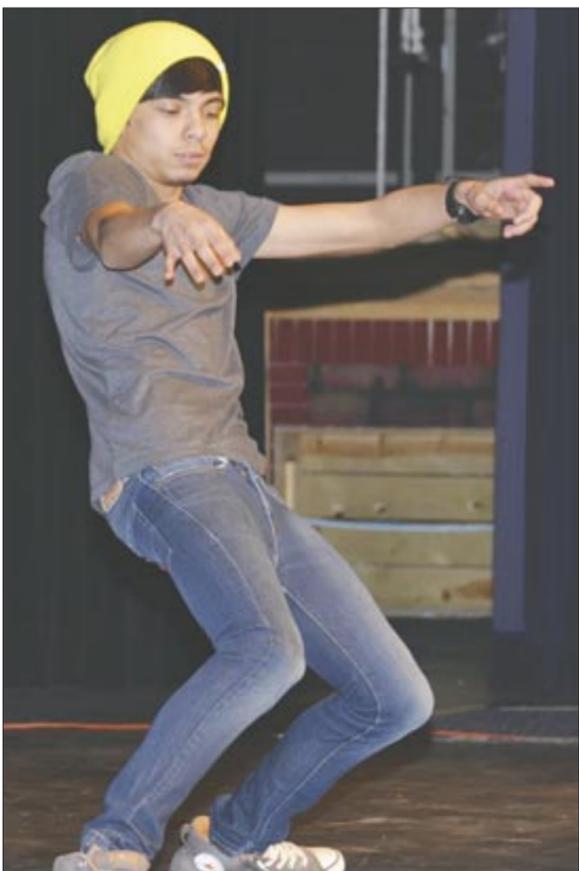
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GSL talent on display

Part of the annual Winterfest activities at Glencoe-Silver Lake High School is the student talent show. Held last Thursday in the high school auditorium, the variety of talent was impressive ranging from classical piano performances to heart-felt solos to the zany dances and rapping. Above, Onnapun Thararuck, an exchange student from Thailand, performed a cultural dance; at lower left, Alfredo "Freddie" Pena did an original dubstep dance ala Michael Jackson; at lower right, Lou Iacona did a stand-up comic routine. In all, 17 students performed. The judges picked the top three, including Pena as first place for his dance; Tori Varland for

her solo and piano performance "Titanium;" and the group "Dirty Mike and the Boys' Long Road to Love" for its zany rapping and choreographic routine. Other students performing included Liz Boyum with the solo "Jar of Hearts;" Steph Chastek with a solo; Noah and Tara Tankersley singing "Little Talks;" Noah Tankersley singing "Live High" and playing the guitar; Shannon Twiss on the piano; Rae Goodrich singing "Bright Eyed Beautiful Girl;" Angela Schmitz on the piano and singing "Impossible;" Josie Kjenstad, with Varland as a piano accompanist, singing "Hallelujah;" and Kara Salmela with a solo.

Gun control: Sheriff aims to uphold rights

By Rich Glennie
Editor

McLeod County Sheriff Scott Rehmann was pretty clear when he spoke to the delegates at Saturday's McLeod County Republican Convention at the courthouse in Glencoe.

"As sheriff I will not enforce anything that infringes on your right to bear arms." That same message would be for his DFL friends if invited to speak at their gatherings, he added.

Rehmann said when he took his oath office, he swore to uphold the constitutions of the United States and the State of Minnesota. "I took that oath seriously."

Rehmann was invited to the Republican county convention to address gun-control issues and the Second Amendment's right to bear arms.

Rehmann stressed that the sheriff is not here to enforce federal laws, that is the duty of the federal agents, although they often work together.

As to state legislation being authored to control guns, Rehmann was firm in stating he "will not enforce statutes that infringe upon your rights."

Rehmann pointed to comments by state Rep. Glenn Gruenhagen, R-Glencoe, about trying to expand the definition of mental illness at the federal level as a concern about local gun rights.

Gruenhagen said this is the attempt by federal authorities to "come in the back door with the expansion of (definitions) of mental illness." He pointed to President Obama's approach of using executive orders to bypass Congress.

Rehmann said the state enforcement agencies support stronger mental health laws when it comes to gaining access to guns, especially for those who have been legally committed. But he said a lot of that data has not been put into the statewide system that law enforcement uses for background



Sheriff Rehmann

checks.

He pointed to a recent case of a Wauertown man, convicted of murdering his mother years earlier, who was found to be in possession of a small arsenal of weapons, all purchased legally.

The aim, Rehmann said, is to not infringe on law-abiding citizens.

Asked what would happen if federal agents arrived on the local scene. Who has jurisdiction?

Rehmann said that is a question he needs to research more thoroughly, but there are differing views on jurisdiction. The question is who supersedes whom — federal agents versus local law enforcement.

"I'm your constitutional officer (as an elected sheriff), they aren't," Rehmann said.

Sheriff Rehmann

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City, Cobblestone to study hotel need

By Rich Glennie
Editor

The possibility of a hotel coming to Glencoe took a first step Tuesday night (Feb. 19), when Glencoe City Council approved spending up to \$3,500 to help fund a feasibility study for the project.

The other half of the funding will come from Cobblestone Hotels & Suites, the designers of hotels in smaller communities in the Upper Midwest, except in Minnesota.

John Siebert, a spokesman for Cobblestone, said that is about to change, and Glencoe is one site of 15 sites being looked at in Minnesota.

Siebert was at the City Council meeting to request the city help fund the feasibility study to see if Glencoe is a right fit for the Wisconsin-based firm.

At the same time, he also is looking for local investors for the hotel franchise once built.

Siebert, in his pitch to City Council, said Cobblestone has hotels in 22 locations since it began in 2008, with seven more currently under construction this year. Twenty more are planned for this year with the aim of having 50 hotels built by 2015.

Cobblestone's hotels have "a residential feel" in its building design that can include amenities like a small wine/beer bar, a small convenience store, meeting rooms as well as a swimming pool, Siebert said.

As the vice president for development, Siebert said he has 40 years of experience in the lodging industry. He said he joined Cobblestone six months ago.

Cobblestone likes the smaller communities "because they can deal with reasonable people," Siebert said.

Cobblestone also "partners with communities" by remaining involved

Hotel study

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Weather

Wed., 2-27	Thur., 2-28	Fri., 3-1	Sat., 3-2	Sun., 3-3
H: 36°, L: 22°	H: 34°, L: 19°	H: 31°, L: 15°	H: 29°, L: 16°	H: 33°, L: 20°

Looking back: After over 5 inches of snow fell last Friday, area temperatures began to moderate.

Date	Hi	Lo	Snow
Feb. 19	3	-11	0.00
Feb. 20	14	-16	0.10

Feb. 21	20	-2	0.00
Feb. 22	32	16	5.20
Feb. 23	25	0	0.00
Feb. 24	37	-3	0.00
Feb. 25	36	10	0.00

* Trace of rain. Temperatures and precipitation compiled by Robert Thurn, Chronicle weather observer.

Chronicle News and Advertising Deadlines

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

Street improvements slated for this year

Who, how much to assess still not set



John Rodeberg

By Rich Glennie
Editor

Glencoe City Council unanimously approved a feasibility study be initiated and an assessment roll be drafted as part of phase one of the comprehensive street improvement project.

The first phase study will take in the western one-third of Glencoe, excluding the older part in the Lincoln Park area, which will require more extensive work.

John Rodeberg, consulting engineer from Short Elliott Hendrickson, Inc. (SEH), said a street inventory was completed in the west end of the city in 2012, and the focus was on "the most cost-beneficial improvements."

The first phase, set for 2013, will concentrate on streets that need less major

repairs ranging from seal coating and overlays to minor reconstruction, at an estimated cost of \$2 million to \$2.3 million, according to Rodeberg.

Bonds will be issued and paid with a combination of assessments to benefiting properties and general property taxes.

But City Administrator Mark Larson said there is still no consensus on how or how much to assess benefiting property owners.

He said phase two will look at more extensive underground work in the west one-third of the city, including the older Lincoln Park area where utilities are undersized or worn out.

Rodeberg said City Council will be looking at its assessment policy this year.

But a League of Minnesota Cities study indicated that the standard assessments are 30 percent of the costs to the property owners, but it must be shown that the work done is a direct value increase to the property being assessed.

He said projects like seal coating would not be assessed because that is considered general street maintenance.

Rodeberg said a 30 percent assessment that would fund about 23 percent of the project "to make bonding work." But if the assessment is 25 percent, that would generate only 19 percent of the project, "and you may need to reduce the project."

He said property owners could be given options on how to pay the assessments. Those options could range from paying up front or spread over five to 10 years. More extensive reconstruction assessments could be ex-

tended to 15 years in some cases, he added.

When asked, Rodeberg said the scope of the phase one work can be completed in one construction season (June through September), but more extensive reconstruction work could take up to two years to complete.

Larson said the city budget will see debt payments come off the tax rolls in 2013 and 2014, and they will be replaced by the street improvement bonds to keep the budget from having swings of major ups and downs.

The debt coming off in 2014, will allow the city to do a bigger street improvement project, possibly a total reconstruction, in 2015, he added.

The city "is a couple years away from phase two," Larson stressed.

The process will require at

least two public hearings — one at the beginning of the process and another for the assessments, Rodeberg said. A third might be a neighborhood meeting, he added.

Council member John Schrupp said he would like to keep assessments as low as possible, especially in neighborhoods that have already been hit by the city's inflow and infiltration (I&I) program.

Council member Kevin Dietz asked about those owning corner lots and how that situation is assessed. One side or both sides?

Rodeberg said it is generally assessed at 50 percent on each side. He added the phase one assessments "will not be huge."

County releases statement on Jan. 22 closed meeting

Homan suspended 8 days

McLeod County officials on Friday released a statement regarding a January closed County Board meeting in which it considered allegations made against Solid Waste Director Ed Homan.

The complete statement, e-mailed to The Chronicle by County Administrator Pat Melvin, is as follows:

"The County Board met in a closed meeting on Jan. 22, 2013, to hear the conclusions of an investigation into the following allegations against Solid Waste Director, Ed

Homan. The allegations included:

- Making false statements to legal counsel and the county's HR (human resources) director during the course of an EEOC (Equal Employment Opportunity Commission) investigation when reporting his involvement in approving training for Mr. Jeff Strazinski.

- Requiring Mr. Jeff Strazinski to provide written justification for attending training that a similarly situated, younger employee had previ-

ously attended who had not been required to provide written reasons for attending.

- Visiting the workplace of Mr. Jeff Strazinski's wife for the purpose of investigating Mr. Strazinski's FMLA (Family and Medical Leave Act).

As a result of the investigation Mr. Homan was placed on an unpaid suspension effective Tuesday, Jan. 15, 2013, and lasting for a period of eight work days. Mr. Homan was compensated for the Martin Luther King holiday on Jan. 21, 2013 and was directed to return to work on Monday, Jan. 28, 2013."

Burns Manor sold, demo scheduled

HUTCHINSON — The Hutchinson Leader reported that the former Burns Manor nursing home building has been sold to Hutchinson businessman Emmett McCormick, and the building will be demolished to make way for the 30-acre site to be redeveloped.

The property will not be used for farming, said McCormick, owner of McCormick's Restaurant and a farm near Hutchinson. He said the site is attractive for redevelopment.

Burns Manor closed in January 2012, and residents were moved to the new Harmony River Living Center.

THANK YOU!!

On Friday, February 15th a very successful Winterfest day of indoor and outdoor activities was held at Lakeside Elementary School in Silver Lake. The day was successful thanks to the help from organizations, volunteers and staff.

A special 'Thank You' to Rick Steile and Harvey Mickolichuk for clearing the ice; Tom Chap, John and Angela Roehrich and Troy Heimerl for helping with fishing; Mike Drew for borrowing us ice skates; NAPA for donating bait for fishing; Coborn's for food and Gert and Erma's for coffee. Also, 'Thanks' to the Silver Lake Fire Department, McLeod County Sheriff's Department and the many wonderful parents who volunteered. Thank You to the Lakeside certified staff for teaching mini sessions and the paraprofessionals and cooks for helping with supervision and snacks.

Many helpful people made the day educational and fun for our 480 students. We appreciate your help!

With Our Sincere Thanks,
Chad Koenen and Joyce Peterson
Physical Education Instructors
Glencoe-Silver Lake Lakeside Elementary School

Glencoe-Silver Lake Public Schools

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"Come and Go" Open House

Thursday, March 14, 2013

5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

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Police Report

Westside Car Wash in the 900 block of Chandler Avenue, reported Tuesday morning that the padlocks on the vacuum machines had been damaged, but entry to the coin trays had not been gained.

Police were called to a two-vehicle accident at 8:15 a.m., Thursday, on Hennepin Avenue. There were no injuries. No other details were made available.

Police were called to a domestic disturbance on 10th Street at 2:46 a.m., Saturday. An adult male was arrested and transported to the McLeod County Jail.

At 11:21 a.m., Saturday, an officer saw six snowmobiles cross over 10th Street at McLeod Avenue and only one stopped for the stop sign. The officer reported they were traveling well over 20 miles per hour. The officer halted one of the snowmobilers and advised him to tell the others that they need to follow all laws and ordinances.

Police received a complaint of a loud party at 1:26 a.m., Sunday, on 16th Street. When they arrived, it turned out to be a juvenile party and two minors were cited for consumption of alcohol.

Glencoe Regional Health Services turned over to police an expensive Nikon D3000 camera on Monday morning.

A 10th Street resident reported Monday morning that a tire and rim had been stolen from his vehicle overnight.

Board OKs contract extension

By Lori Copley
Staff Writer

The McLeod County Board of Commissioners agreed to extend and change a contract with Xerox for new tax and appraisal software at a cost of \$269,513 at its Feb. 19 meeting.

Assessor Sue Schultz told the County Board that the contract will be in effect until 2020, and will allow the county to have its taxing and appraisal software all be PC-based.

The funding will come from the Recorders' Compliance Fund, Schultz added.

In other business, the County Board:

- Passed a resolution supporting the city of Glencoe's efforts to get a grant from the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) for the Buffalo Highlands Trail. If the grant is awarded, the county also will act as the fiscal agent for administering the funds.

- Bought a new compact track loader for the highway department at a cost of \$45,267, which department mechanic Brian Schrupp said will replace a 1990 skid steer with 3,000 hours on the motor. The old skid steer will be sold by sealed bid or auction with a minimum starting price of \$9,187.

- Agreed to send one or two highway department employees to a two-day seminar that will focus on traffic safety and signage.

- Entered into lease contracts with the cities of Lester Prairie and Winsted to provide mobile computers for their respective police departments' squad cars.

- Bought a 2013 Dodge Grand Caravan from Burnsville Dodge for \$21,553 to be used as a transport vehicle for the McLeod County Jail. The van will replace a 2006 Pontiac.

- Agreed to send Jail Administrator Kate Jones to the American Jail Association conference in Grand Rapids.

Happenings

Sportsmen to meet March 4

The Glencoe Sportsmen Club will meet at 7:30 p.m., Monday, March 4, at the VFW Club meeting room.

Lions bar bingo set March 2

The Glencoe Lions will be sponsoring its bar bingo at the Glencoe Country Club at 2 p.m., Saturday, March 2. Everyone age 18 and over is welcome to play for cash prizes. The progressive game pay-out amount is up to \$799. Food, beverages and pull-tabs also are available.

Women's Club sets meeting

The Brownton Women's Club will meet Wednesday, March 6, at 7:45 p.m., at the Brownton Community Center.

Shady Lane events noted

The Shady Lane Sportsmen Club will host its breakfast and corn give-away for wildlife from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m., Saturday, at the clubhouse. The corn amounts are limited. Also, the club will be changing its meeting date for March only. The monthly meeting in March will be held at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 5, at the clubhouse.

Silent auction/luncheon set

First Lutheran Church of Glencoe will hold its sixth-annual silent auction and chili and grilled cheese luncheon from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Sunday, March 3, in the church's fellowship hall. The luncheon is a free-will offering and all proceeds go to the First Lutheran School. All are welcome.

Legion Post 95 meets March 7

The Glencoe American Legion Post 95 will have its monthly meeting on Thursday March 7, at 7 p.m. in the basement of VFW Post 5102. All members are encouraged to attend. Lunch will be served.

TOPS meets on Thursdays

Glencoe TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Chapter 1558 meets on Thursday nights at Christ Lutheran Church. Weigh-in starts at 5:15 p.m. and the meeting starts at 5:45 p.m. For more information call Gloria at 320-864-4174 or Judy at 320-864-5495.

Glencoe seniors to meet

The Glencoe Senior Citizens group will meet at 12:30 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 28, at the senior room in the Glencoe City Center. The group will play 500 and Sheephead, and all area senior citizens are invited to attend. The club also will meet at 12:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 5, for card playing.

To be included in this column, items for Happenings must be received in the Chronicle office no later than 5 p.m. on Monday of the week they are to be published.

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Morningside extension still set for 2014 start

By Rich Glennie
Editor

Glencoe City Council agreed to move forward with a joint powers agreement with McLeod County to extend Morningside Avenue (County State Aid Highway 15) north from 11th Street to 16th Street, with construction beginning in 2014.

At its Feb. 19 meeting, City Council received an update of the project that has decreased in scope, but increased in cost since first broached in 2004.

Instead of the wider highway like the section south of 11th Street, the extension north will be two lanes crossing the railroad tracks and ending in a roundabout east of the high school. The new street will align with County Road 15 east of the high school, and 16th Street will be extended east to the roundabout. The curve east of the high school will be eliminated.

The original cost estimate of about \$2 million 10 years ago has now increased to \$3.4 million to \$3.7 million, according to John Rodeberg, engineering consultant from Short Elliott Hendrickson, Inc. (SEH).

Inflation, the addition of the 16th Street extension, wetland mitigation, soil corrections due to poor soil conditions, a northeast storm sewer addition and modifications to the railroad tracks have all added to the cost, Rodeberg said.

Under the original cost sharing, the county would pick up 71 percent of the cost and the city the other 29 percent. Rodeberg said that remains the goal.

Federal dollars also have been secured to replace the railroad crossing. The current Union Avenue crossing will be closed and replaced by the Morningside Avenue crossing. The \$270,000 in federal money would increase by another \$30,000 if the Diamond Avenue crossing farther east of Glencoe is closed, too, Rodeberg said. That would be a county decision, he added.

The reason for the Diamond Avenue closing would be to allow Twin Cities & Western Railroad (TC&W) to eventually move its switching yard farther east of Glencoe.

Rodeberg said the 2004 plan for the Morningside extension was "overkill in design" based on assumptions of "hot housing growth" that did not happen due to the housing market collapse.

Now there will be fewer lanes based on more realistic

Schedule

- Confirm project scope and complete city/county agreement (Feb./March 2013).
- Project design, pre-construction services (spring/summer 2013).
- Plan review and approval (fall 2013).
- Bidding (early 2014).
- Construction (summer/fall 2014).

traffic numbers, he said.

Rodeberg said traffic projects on the Morningside Avenue now are at 4,000 vehicles a day in 2014 to 5,600 a day in 20 years, or about the number that currently travels 10th Street through town.

As to the new rail crossings, Rodeberg said the tracks are at a higher grade than many of the properties along the east side of Morningside Avenue.

Federal dollars will be used to match the street and railroad grades. Another aim is to keep water from draining onto the lower residential properties.

"The street grade needs to come up quite a bit," Rodeberg said and noted the homes may be left four to five feet lower.

The plans also would call for TC&W to move its rail sidetrack east of the new Morningside extension. It currently lies between Union and Morningside avenues.

As to soils, drainage and impacts to Oscar Olson Park, Rodeberg said there is no formal storm water outlet in that northeast section of Glencoe, and the water table is high. Those issues need to be corrected as part of the project.

There are poor soil conditions, Rodeberg said, along the extension alignment. While soil borings found no "dump debris" near Oscar Olson Park, "it found soft, wet soils" and a high water table. "There are water issues there," Rodeberg.

Asked about the road height and the impact on homes along Morningside, Rodeberg said the road will be higher than the homes, but narrowing the roadway and moving it away from the properties will help, "otherwise we would not have saved any of the homes."

There also was concern expressed over concrete medians that pose problems for residents attempting to get out of their driveways and go south. The barriers would not allow them to drive south on Morningside.

"Not all (home owners) are happy," Rodeberg said. The

ideal would have been to buy the homes, but Rodeberg said the plans do address the issues, especially keeping water away from the homes.

Council member John Schrupp expressed frustrations with the railroad blocking the Union Avenue intersection for long stretches of time when switching rail cars.

Schrupp said moving the crossing from Union to Morningside will not solve the problem. He also was concerned about traffic backups with the crossing blocks. Residents would not be able to back out of their driveways.

Rodeberg said, by state statute, the railroad can block traffic for up to 10 minutes at a time.

He said TC&W also is concerned and long-term plans call for the switching to be done farther to the east to avoid blocking the intersections.

Also, it was noted traffic is often blocked for six minutes at a time when a 110-car unit train is moving through town.

Rodeberg said the unit trains are now up to 8,000 feet long that service the new grain handling facility in Brownston.

"The railroad has been very good to deal with," Rodeberg said, but TC&W "has been a bit distracted with light rail issues in the Twin Cities."

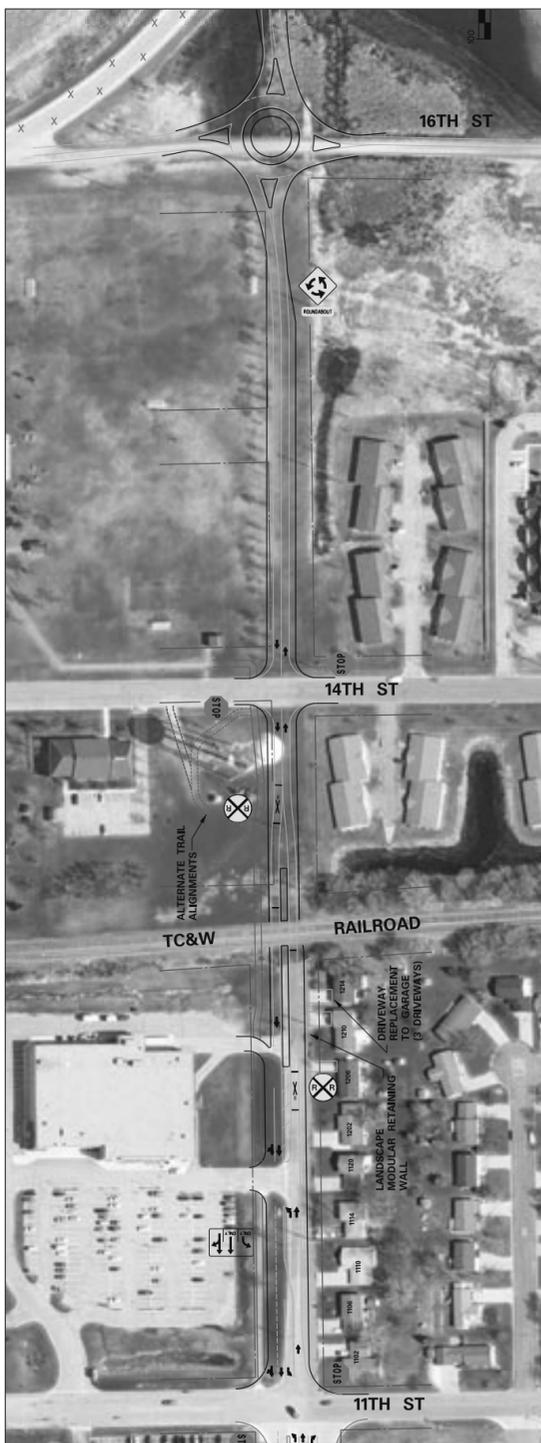
The long-term plan is for more tracks to be installed to the east, but until that happens, there will be blockages at Union Avenue now and Morningside when it opens.

Rodeberg said plans are being discussed for emergency vehicles to avoid the intersection blockages through some kind of warning system.

Council member Gary Ziemer suggested that Union Avenue remain open, along with Morningside, until TC&W's plans for more tracks farther east come to fruition.

He said closing Union Avenue right away is just moving the problem, and that would "not sit well" with the public.

Mayor Randy Wilson said



The Morningside Avenue extension goes north from 11th Street to a new round-about lined up with 16th Street near the high school. The extension requires a new railroad crossing, an extension of 16th Street to the round-about and the closing of the curve on County Road 15 east of the high school. Morningside will align with County Road 15 on the north end of the project.

the city needs to be realistic that trains are now being used more. He hoped more federal dollars might become available sooner for the railroad's switchyard plans.

There are two separate projects, Rodeberg said of the Morningside work. The first is the railroad crossing, and the other is the street extension.

It was estimated the county's cost would be \$2.3 million, the city's share would be about \$965,000 and the feder-

al dollars would be \$270,000 to \$300,000, depending if Diamond Avenue is closed.

The storm sewer costs would likely be a 50/50 split between the city and county, Rodeberg said.

The joint powers agreement would determine who pays what.

City Administrator Mark Larson said the McLeod County Board recently approved its five-year highway plan, and Morningside is included in that plan.

Bustos guilty on 4 counts of murder

David Muniz Bustos, 44, of Silver Lake, will be sentenced Thursday afternoon in McLeod County District Court after being found guilty on four felony murder charges during a jury trial.

Bustos was convicted of first-degree murder while committing domestic abuse with a past pattern of domestic abuse; second-degree murder with intent, not premeditated; second-degree murder without intent, while committing a felony; and third-degree murder, perpetrating an eminently dangerous act and evincing a depraved mind.

A first-degree murder charge carries a sentence of life imprisonment; second-degree murder charges carry a sentence of not more than 40 years in prison, and third-degree murder charges carry a sentence of not more than 25 years in prison.

The trial began Tuesday, Feb. 19, and the jury returned its verdicts Monday, Feb. 25. Judge Michael R. Savre presided.

Bustos was charged in the February 2012 stabbing death of his girlfriend, Domingo Limon, at her home in Glencoe.

NYA priest retires at 89

NORWOOD YOUNG AMERICA — The Rev. Paul Ardolf, who has served as the priest at the Church of Ascension since 1981, served his last Mass Feb. 10 and retired to the Byrne Home for retired priests in St. Paul, according to the Norwood Young America Times. Ardolf, 89, spent over 60 years in the ministry.

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Garbage ordinance amendment gets final Council reading with little fanfare

By Rich Glennie
Editor

With little comment, Glencoe City Council gave third and final reading to an amendment to its garbage ordinance that will now include wording addressing recycling within the city.

The amendment caused a bit of controversy, because City Council also planned to go to a one-sort recycling contract with Waste Management, which goes against the countywide five-sort program handled by the county's hauler West Central Sanitation.

The county recycling is free to residents; the city's proposed contract would involve a fee.

However, the city and county tentatively agreed to wait until the county does a county recycling study that

also looks at the Solid Waste facility in Hutchinson.

Outside of a few clarification questions by Glencoe residents Gary Ballard and Marie Thurn, there was no further discussion of the proposed amendment, which was unanimously approved by City Council.

Ballard wanted it clarified that the county can continue to pick up its blue recycling bins in Glencoe, even if the city goes with its one-sort system.

"Yes," Mayor Randy Wilson replied.

Ballard also wanted it clarified that those not wanting the city's one-sort system can opt out.

That, too was correct, Wilson said, and would be written in a future contract to collect recyclables.

In other matters, City

Council:

- Held a public hearing on its MS4 storm water program. No one commented other than Gary Schreifels, public works director, who gave an annual report on the city's program.

The aim of the program is to control water runoff into Buffalo Creek. The annual public hearing is required as part of the program.

Schreifels said the installation of the new Light & Power transmission line through Glencoe east to Diamond Avenue, had a benefit when brush was removed — the removal revealed the outlets along the route that lead into Buffalo Creek. It allowed the city to inventory those outlets.

The city also continued its controlled burn program around its hold ponds and re-

moved metal grates at the outlets of the ponds for safety reasons, Schreifels said.

The city also continues to clean city sewer grates to prevent sand from getting in and plugging the sewers. He said use of more salt and less sand is being looked for slippery winter street conditions.

City Administrator Mark Larson said the MS4 program regulations are brought up at the annual local contractors meetings, and describe the rules for controlling runoff water.

Approved the purchase of a second Tool Cat with bucket from Lano Equipment for \$43,103. The cost will be spread out over a five-year period, said Mike Drew, public works director for streets and parks.

GLENCOE CO-OP ASSN.
ANNUAL MEETING
Date: Thurs., Mar. 7, 2013 Time: 11am
Where: Pla-Mor Ballroom
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Maybe meat cleaver approach to federal budget will work best

Our view: Since more common sense precision cuts are not agreed to, let sequestration happen

“The sky is falling! The sky is falling!” You would think the world is about to end the way the Democrats are talking as fiscal armageddon approaches later this week with the activation of the “sequestration” agreement.

Who comes up with these words? Only government officials can mangle an unusual word to describe automatic budget cuts.

Democrats are now using scare tactics to bully their way to higher taxes to feed their never-ending spending frenzy.

The two diametrically opposed political ideologies — big government vs. less government — continue to play the dangerous game of “chicken” to see who blinks first.

In December, the Republicans blinked to avoid the “fiscal cliff.” Now Republicans have dug in and expect the Democrats to blink this time.

We may go off the cliff on Friday, and many think that is not such a bad idea. It at least forces politicians and government department heads to address federal budget bloat and perhaps even look at how to attack the mind-boggling federal debt, much of which is needed to allow government to pay for all it wants.

This idiotic game of political one-upmanship has put the country on the verge of apoplexy with the budget cuts that will automatically kick in as part of the sequestration agreed to in 2011.

Will it be the end of the world as we know it? Hardly. Impacted will be about 2 percent of the horrendously large federal budget. Hardly a blimp on the screen, unless it is your ox that is getting gored.

The other aspect of this whole charade is that the cuts are not really cuts. They address proposed budget increases for next year. The government will have at least the same amount of money, perhaps even more, regardless. And the automatic cuts do absolutely nothing to address the out-of-control federal deficit either — \$16 trillion at last count and soaring.

So is sequestration as dire as many are predicting? Doubtful. Sure some domestic programs are given short-shrift, the Defense Department, bloated to the nth degree, will take a

hit, and people will be put out of work. But that is normal life in this country over the past decade. Why should government be any different than the private sector?

We simply cannot continue to ignore the obvious. The federal budget is too big, we are borrowing too much, and we need to get real about living within our means before we get buried in red ink ... even further.

The congressional Republicans were blamed for getting the country to the brink of the “fiscal cliff” before the new year began. Maybe so, but the Republicans gave ground to avoid the cliff by agreeing to higher taxes and more revenues.

Now the Republicans are at a point of not budging another inch on new taxes without severe spending cuts. Good. The compromising ball is now in the Democrats’ court.

And the Democrats, who retained the presidency and Senate in the 2012 elections, think they can call the shots after their perceived mandate from the public. They are dead wrong. If they do not act in a statesman-like fashion in these budget talks, they could be on the outside looking in after the 2014 elections. The public is fed up with these games.

What the November election provided was divided government that the public expects to work together to find sensible solutions.

To date, that has not happened.

But Republicans need to stick to their guns on this one. Sequestration accomplishes exactly what Republicans have sought — budget cuts.

So let sequestration happen. The sun will rise the next day, America will still be here, the country will still be defended, most public employees will still go to work, and government will be a fraction smaller.

Maybe this sequestration thing might be the best way to go in the future, since both parties want it only their way.

If precision cuts in the budget, which are preferred, cannot be agreed upon, the meat cleaver approach may be the next best thing. Perhaps a few chops of the meat cleaver will bring everyone back to their senses.

— R.G.



Give governor credit, at least he is trying

Gov. Mark Dayton should be congratulated on the courage he has shown as he attempts to offer his state a balanced budget. For all too often, politicians have failed to advance means of paying for all the services they promise the public.

While many may argue with the suggestions advanced by the governor, as he says, if you don’t like what he is proposing, come up with an alternative.

Our state needs additional funds for its roads and bridges. What’s wrong with requiring motorists to pay a little more to keep up what we have?

How about bouncing the gasoline tax a nickel or two? What’s wrong with those of us who use the roads paying a little more? I still drive 20,000 miles or more each year. I’m willing to pay my share. How about you?

If you and I are unwilling to pay, how can we expect somebody else to provide us roads and bridges? If you want to dance, you have to be willing to pay the fiddler.

Kicking up the state tax on cigarettes not only should provide additional revenue, it may well cut down the number of smokers and also the number of cigarettes each smoker



Chuck Warner

consumes.

Some may counter, however, there is a point of diminishing returns. In 2006, when the tax jumped 75 cents per pack, the take was \$417 million. It has dropped to \$371 million last year.

There is another side to the issue, however. If fewer cigarettes are purchased, the state may well realize billions in savings in health costs.

Along with raising the “sin” tax on smoking, perhaps the time has come to up the tax on whiskey. No one tells us we have to drink. So if we do, how about ponying up a little more so the government is able to give the public all the goodies politicians keep promising?

And if whiskey gets too expensive, perhaps the public will buy more beer, and that’s brewed right here in Minnesota!

There’s more than one way to skin the cat. And there’s more than one way to balance the budget.

Some feel cutting what’s being spent is the way. Others advocate raising more through taxes. How about doing a combination of the two?

Let’s tighten our belts a little, require just a little less from the government, perhaps providing for ourselves and not always asking for someone else to carry the load.

And let’s be willing, if we really feel the government must do more, to recognize the government is us.

Those who have it should pay. How about putting more emphasis on the sales tax because then the rich guy, who buys lots more luxury items than I will, pays more to the government. A consumption tax isn’t all bad.

A tax on services could well be a deterrent to economic recovery.

Chuck Warner, former owner/publisher of the Brownton Bulletin from 1953 to 1986, is a current member of Brownton City Council.

Guest column:

What’s ahead for Congress this year

By Lee H. Hamilton

Earlier this year, it seemed there might be some hope for Capitol Hill when Congress dealt easily with raising the debt ceiling. But don’t let that single episode fool you. As President Obama and House Republicans circle each other over the forthcoming budget cuts known as the “sequester,” it’s a reminder that Congress and the White House have a complicated legislative agenda ahead.

The big issue, of course, will be the budget and fiscal affairs. Can we get our fiscal house in order? Can we revive economic growth and make the investments we need in human and physical capital? And can we figure out a reasonable way to pay for the government we require?

However Congress and the White House proceed, it’s unlikely there will be any “grand bargain.” Instead, they are likely to make piecemeal progress on increasing tax revenues and cutting spending on entitlements.

Congress will also turn to health care. As long as President Obama is in office, his signature health plan will not be repealed, but there will almost certainly be fights over its implementation and funding.

There is now clear movement on immigration reform. While Democrats have coalesced around a comprehensive approach, Republicans prefer tackling specific steps separately.

The two sides can find common ground, especially on easing the way for high-skilled workers. A path to citizenship for illegal immigrants already in the country, on the other hand, will be much knottier to resolve. So while the gridlock may be easing on this issue, comprehensive reform of our broken immigration system is not assured.

You can also look for piece-by-piece initiatives on gun control. While the White House and some members of Congress are looking for wide-ranging legislation, others

are focused on specific proposals that can gain bipartisan support.

Some members with widely different views, for instance, are coalescing around an effort to expand requirements for background checks on gun sales.

Climate change moved onto the national agenda last year with Hurricane Sandy, but is unlikely to see congressional action. Despite the threat of rising seas and storm surges, Congress seems unprepared to get serious. Instead, the President has vowed to take whatever steps he can by executive order. There are drawbacks to this approach, but it is a reminder that when Congress is able to act, it remains a player, and when it can’t, it deals itself out of the policy picture.

Lee Hamilton is director of the Center on Congress at Indiana University. He was a member of the U.S. House of Representatives for 34 years.

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- 1) Bond for work so all city property owners contribute
- 2) Assess costs only to those who benefit from the improvements
- 3) Do a combination of assessments/property taxes
- 4) Do none of the above, look for other ways

Results for most recent question:
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No — 53%
Not sure — 5%

98 votes. New question runs Feb. 27-March 5

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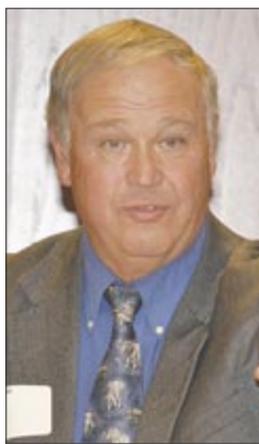
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Sen. Scott Newman



Rep. Glenn Gruenhagen



Rep. Dean Urdahl

County Republicans regrouping after 2012

By Rich Glennie
Editor

The theme of the Saturday morning's annual convention of the McLeod County Republican Party was to change the message.

But not all the delegates were in favor of changing the message, some favored changing the party's leadership.

Area legislators were the main speakers, but it was State Sen. Scott Newman, R-Hutchinson, who seemed to have come armed with his own message — support the endorsed candidates, or the results will be predictable — a loss by endorsed GOP candidate Tom Emmer to Gov. Mark Dayton in 2010 and the decisive losses in the 2012 elections that put DFLers in charge of the entire legislative agenda.

Because of that dominance in St. Paul, Newman predicted nothing will happen in four years with any legislation offered by the Senate minority Republicans.

"We took a real beating," Newman said of the 2012 results. "But don't despair," he added about the DFL's predictions of the GOP's "demise." He called that prediction "premature."

He said 2014 will involve the election of all the Minnesota House seats, the governor's office and a U.S. Senate seat.

"We need to fight like the dysfunctional political party we are," Newman said of delegates favored candidates, but once the endorsements are made, "you need to support that candidate."

He said not supporting Norm Coleman in 2010 U.S. Senate race resulted in Al Franken winning and Obamacare being enacted. When Emmer was not supported by Republicans, "we now have Dayton as governor."

The same was true with the Mitt Romney-Barack Obama presidential election. "He (Romney) was not my personal choice," Newman said. "It was our election to lose, not theirs to win." He said Obama is the first president to go through an economic crisis and get re-elected.

"The DFL is good at messages," Newman said of the defeats of the two constitutional amendments in 2012 as well. He said Republicans need to get better at getting their message understood.

How the GOP can be so

antagonistic to Latino and Hispanic voters, who overwhelmingly voted for Obama in 2012?" Newman asked. "Yet their culture is steeped in family values and pro-life. Why do we not recruit them?"

Continuing, Newman said the Democrats "are putting the next generation in debt, yet the next generation supports the Democrats."

His message to the county Republicans: "Support endorsed candidates and bring back people into the fold we have lost."

But Doug Krueger of Glencoe challenged the state leadership that was selected by legislators like Newman.

Krueger said the party leadership "did not stick up for the amendments, or for you, or for Emmer," he told Newman, the Senate sponsor of the failed marriage amendment.

"We have to do something with leadership," Krueger stressed. He expressed his anger over how former House Leader Amy Koch was tossed out of her leadership role. If she had remained the House leader, Krueger said the Vikings' lucrative stadium deal would not have happened.

"How do we get good, conservative leadership?" Krueger asked.

Newman said the change comes from the local level. "You have to get engaged; it's a grassroots effort."

Even if something happens that Republicans disagree with within the party, "stay engaged," Newman stressed.

"But you elect the leadership, we don't," shot back Diane Robinson of Hutchinson.

"You're correct. You elect the people who go down there to represent you," Newman replied.

While next year's elections in House Districts 18A and 18B will be safe, Newman said, "you need to expand your vision" and get Republicans elected elsewhere in the state in order to take back the House and governor's mansion.

District 18B State Rep. Glenn Gruenhagen, R-Glencoe, said the gun-control bills being offered will be killed on the House floor because of support from rural DFLers as well as Republicans.

Instead of more gun-control laws, Gruenhagen said

the psychotherapeutic drugs, which cause violent outbursts and uncontrollable rage, should be looked at as a major source of the recent gun violence in America.

"We need to have that vetted," Gruenhagen said, and said the same needs to be done with violent video games. Those issues are not being talked about in the media.

Gruenhagen added that there is a marriage penalty included in Obamacare legislation that penalized married couples over couples who are living together. He said it is a \$9,000 subsidy for unmarried couples. He called it the same philosophy that has permeated the welfare system and "destroyed families."

Gruenhagen added that "it is vitally important Republicans hear from you, that the governor hears from you." He said Gov. Dayton's tax plans "will harm businesses."

District 18A state Rep. Dean Urdahl, R-Grove City, agreed with Newman that the Republican message "certainly got lost in the last election." He also agreed with Krueger that there are some state leadership problems.

While he said the change in the homestead credits will work in the long-run, many voters did not understand the Republicans' argument.

In the meantime, they understood the DFLer's message that Republicans raised their taxes.

The same was true with the shift of state aid. While the economy was improving and the shifted funds were being paid back quicker as a result, DFLers' message was the Republicans short-changed education. Again, the Republican message was not understood, while the DFL message was clear.

"DFLers hit us hard," Urdahl admitted.

Urdahl said Gov. Dayton's budget proposal offers to cut \$1 for every \$16 in spending, and that has to be stopped.

"He is the most liberal governor in Minnesota history," said Urdahl, a high school history teacher. But he said with DFLers controlling both houses at the Capitol, "they can pass whatever they want to pass."

"We have a state to save," he told his fellow Republicans. "We need your help."

Sheriff Rehmann Continued from page 1

The agencies often work together, however, in investigations. "But I'm not opposed to standing up for your rights and protections," Rehmann said.

"We elected you. We look at you to protect us," one delegate added.

"There are strength in numbers," Rehmann added. "I need you as much as you need me. Right now, there are two views on jurisdiction."

Asked about the definition of an assault rifle, Rehmann said his definition is a fully-automatic, military-issued weapon. He said one can get a license to own such weapons, but they are heavily regulated.

But Rehmann called the ar-

gument about assault rifles at the state and federal levels, "a strawman argument."

With simple cosmetic changes to the stock, for example, a rifle can be made to look like an assault rifle. Everything is the same on many of these rifles, "they just look different. It's more cosmetic. It's hard to define an assault rifle."

Asked if the sheriff's office turns down many gun permit applications, Rehmann said none are turned down "unless they are legally prohibited."

He said the number of permits requested since the Stony Brook shootings last December has grown greatly. "I would not be surprised if everyone has one by now," he

smiled.

At the next County Board meeting, Rehmann said he plans to ask for a reduction in the \$100 permit fee. He said a \$70 fee to do the initial administrative work and background checks seems more appropriate, with a \$50 fee for a permit renewal.

Gun-control is an emotional issue, Rehmann admitted. But standing up for constitutional rights also is important. "Make your voices known," he urged the delegates.

Asked how to make guns safer, Rehmann offered two quick methods: keep ammo and guns separate; and keep them under lock and key: "that's the law."

Hotel study Continued from page 1

and having hotel staff integrated into community life.

The feasibility study, "will confirm (or not confirm) the fact there is a need for a hotel in the community," Siebert said. He said his dealings with Glencoe so far indicate, "there is pent up demand here."

As to what impact a new hotel will have on the older motel, Super 8, Siebert said studies indicate after the initial three or four months after opening, both would actually grow.

The study also would establish the number of rooms needed if built in Glencoe and the rates to be charged.

Hospitality Marketers International, Inc. would be hired to do the study, Siebert said.

The city is asked to share in the study's cost because it will benefit the city, Siebert said.

He said Cobblestone offers upscale accommodations, and would be aiding events at the City Center, which he called "phenomenal."

Previous studies indicated at a night's stay at Cobble-



John Siebert

stone Hotels generates about \$250 for the community, Siebert said. People staying at the hotel often shop, buy gas, eat and tour the community. "That-money stays in the community," he added.

"It's exciting," said Mayor Randy Wilson. He added he believed there is a market for a hotel in Glencoe.

He also noted that the Glencoe Chamber of Commerce's Economic Develop-

ment Committee (EDC) unanimously recommended the city participate in the feasibility study.

When asked, Siebert said Cobblestone will not be the owner of the hotel when it is completed. Investors in the franchise will be the owners.

He said getting local investors together results in better success of the hotel. "There is a local commitment."

The feasibility study, which will be presented to investors, is "hotel specific." It will likely take about two months to complete, and in the meantime Siebert said he will look for potential investors and financing for the project.

He stressed the study will not indicate a site for a hotel, but he said Glencoe's uniqueness is easy access to Highway 212, and along the highway seems a likely candidate for a hotel site.

His job, he added, "is to listen carefully to what people have to say."

City Council gave its unanimous approval to pay for half of the feasibility study.

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National commander visits

American Legion National Commander James E. Koutz of Booneville, Ind., presented a membership goal certificate to Glencoe American Legion Post 95 Commander Al Gruenhagen at the National Commander's Banquet held at Legion Post 96 in Hutchinson on Feb. 7. Other Glencoe Legion Post 95 members attending were, front, from left, Duane Haag, Roger Hilgers, Dennis Wandrei, Koutz and Al Gruenhagen. In the back are Chuck Jensen, Dewey Klaustermeier,

Don Petrick, James Entinger, partially hidden by Petrick, Don Gruenhagen, James Peters and Ernie Breyer, partially hidden by Al Gruenhagen. Koutz was completing his tour of Minnesota Legion posts with State Commander Don Pankake of Hutchinson. The theme of the tour was "Every Day is Veterans Day." Over 200 Legion members attended the Hutchinson banquet from throughout the 3rd District.

History

From the Brownton Bulletin archives

100 Years Ago

Feb. 28, 1913
O.C. Conrad, Editor

The Brownton High School literary program will be given Friday with the following students participating: Gertrude Dieter, Otto Baab, Ella Janke, Carl Klopffleisch, Gertrude Knoerr, Edna Swan, Fred Urbach, Frieda Molls, Myron Crandall, Belle Rice, Nora Klopffleisch, Esther Baab, Lara Peik and Marian Mann.

A special election has been called for by the voters of School District 32, just south of town, to be held Saturday, March 1. The election is called for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not bonds in the amount of \$2,800 can be voted with which to construct a new schoolhouse to take the place of the one which has apparently outlived its usefulness. If the election carries, the new building of 24 feet by 38 feet, with a full basement, and modern in every respect.

There is a movement afoot among the farmers in the vicinity of Brownton to organize a new creamery association, and erect a new and modern structure "up-town" and equip it with the very latest machinery possible.

75 Years Ago

March 2, 1938
Percy L. Hakes, Editor

The village of Brownton will have a candidate in the field for county office this year as F.J. Peters last Friday threw his hat into the political ring when he filed for county coroner. He is the first candidate to file for that office. Dr. Schmidt of Glencoe is the

present incumbent.

A business deal was completed on Monday of this week whereby Elmer Bartels disposed of the Brownton Liquor Store to Art Hanke of Hutchinson. The Hanke family will occupy the Herman Woller house in the south part of town.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bartels entertained family and friends Sunday at the baptism of their son, who was given the name William Charles.

50 Years Ago

Feb. 28, 1963
Charles H. Warner, Editor

Darrol Bussler, son of Richard Bussler of Brownton, has been named one of four Minnesota youths who will go overseas as a grassroots ambassador in the International Farm Youth Exchange program. Bussler has been assigned to Pakistan.

Mr. and Mrs. David Goebel of Brownton announce the birth of a son, James Brian, born Feb. 26. The Goebels have one other son, Jeffrey, age 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hoffer were guests of honor at an open house at Grace American Lutheran Church Sunday for their 50th wedding anniversary. A buffet luncheon was served to about 100 guests.

20 Years Ago

Feb. 24, 1993
Lori Copley, Editor

Area residents demonstrated their crafts, hobbies and special interests to McLeod West students as part of "I Love to Read" month activities, including a visit from Jim Schafer, who brought a

great horned owl that he had rescued.

Chuck and Elna (Settergren) Vacek of Stewart announce the birth of their daughter, Melissa Ann, born Feb. 9. She joins siblings Joe, Jennifer, Charlie, Mary, Christine and David.

10 Years Ago

Feb. 26, 2003
Lori Copley, Editor

Prairie Fire Children's Theatre and McLeod West's fifth and sixth graders will present "Pinocchio" Friday and Saturday in the Stewart Campus Auditorium. Student cast members include Brody Nelson, Drew Lange, Mackenzie Trettin, Jenessa Schaufler, Melissa Scott, Rachel Schweiss, Trent Neisen, Lindsey Randt, Michael Sanken, Betty Heck, Evan Ludowese, Shannon Heitz, Kayla Sifferath, Taylor Bentz, Michael Schwing, Kayla Schuette, Whitney Ewert, Spencer Glaeser, Amber Renner, Daniel Rosenau, Jamie Brooks, Michael Selle, Amanda Reineccius, Ryan Field, Tyler Durbin, Tanner Sifferath, Marissa Klabunde, Kyler Schenk, Cody Wiechman, Cody Mellow, Alex Bleck, Dylan Nelson, Kassi Howe, Patrick Beneke, Jennifer Carlson, Megan Sikkila, Samantha Welch, Ali Williams, Chris Pudwill, Nick Zalomsky, Wilson Maiers, Kayla Nolette, Zach Wieweck, Julio Paredes and Amber Krienke.

The Polar Bears Snowmobile Club hosted its second-annual "kitty cat" ice races Saturday at Lake Marion, with about 45 sleds competing with drivers between the ages of 4 and 12.

the pouring of the cement for the foundation walls will probably be made early next month, depending, of course, on the weather conditions.

50 Years Ago

Feb. 28, 1963
Kermit T. Hubin, Editor

Richard Kuttner, vice president of the Stewart FFA chapter, has been notified that he will represent Region 5 in the State FFA cow clipping contest March 7 in St. Paul. He won the right to compete at the state contest by winning both the district and region contests earlier this year.

35 Years Ago

March 2, 1978
Kermit T. Hubin, Editor

After serving as superintendent of Stewart Public Schools for nearly 12 years, Alden Blixrud submitted his resignation to the School Board on Wednesday, Feb. 22, effective on that date. Those voting in favor of accepting the resignation, and a separation agreement that called for paying Blixrud his salary for the remainder of the school year, were Robert Streich, Sandra R. Lipke, Arnold Koenig and Loreto Ludowese. Voting against was Bennie Carlson. Carlson submitted his resignation from the School Board, which the rest of the board tabled until its next meeting. Since then, Carlson has withdrawn his resignation. Chairman Picha announced that Tom Barker would be temporarily in charge of the school district until a more permanent arrangement can be made.

Soil conservation topic of session

Soil conservation, cover crops and soil quality continue to be topics of interest to landowners and farmers in south central Minnesota. The University of Minnesota Extension in Meeker and McLeod Counties is coordinating a workshop called "Keeping Your Soil in Place."

Workshop co-coordinators include the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) and Soil and Water Conservation districts (SWCD) in Meeker and McLeod counties.

The workshops will be held on Wednesday, March 6, in Hutchinson and Litchfield. The Hutchinson workshop will be held at the McLeod County Fairgrounds in the Commercial Building meeting room. The workshop begins at 9 a.m. and will end at 11:30 a.m.

The Litchfield workshop will be held at the Meeker County Courthouse meeting rooms A&B.

Included in the workshops is a presentation from Doug Miller, NRCS area resource



Farm Notes

By Nathan Winter

soil scientist, who will speak on "Soil Health and Agriculture in South Central Minnesota."

McLeod and Meeker County NRCS and SWCD staff will present on "EQIP Program and State Costshare: Utilizing Sediment Basins, Grassed Waterways and Conservation Drainage on Your Land."

Nathan Winter, University of Minnesota Extension educator in Meeker and McLeod counties, will present on "Cover Crop Opportunities in Minnesota and Utilizing the Cover Crop Decision Tool."

No pre-registration is required to attend either workshop. For further information, call the Meeker County Ex-

tension office at 320-693-5275 or the McLeod County Extension office at 320-484-4303, or e-mail Nathan Winter at wint0146@umn.edu.

See the flyer for additional details: <http://z.umn.edu/keepingyoursoilinplace>.

Upcoming educational events:

- Effective Manure and Nutrient Management workshop, Litchfield, Feb. 27.
- Raising Poultry for Fun and Profit, Hutchinson, March 11.
- McLeod County Master Gardener Horticultural Day, March 23.
- Meeker County Gardeners Gala, April 9.



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Fight For Air Climb

Five members of the Glencoe Fire Department took part in the Fight For Air Stair Climb Challenge in the Twin Cities last Saturday. Twenty-eight fire departments participated in the challenge with 228 firefighters finishing the grueling climb. Taking part from Glencoe were, from left, Cody Harris, Jeremy Mattson, Scott Mathews, Steve Millard and Jorge Espinoza. Mattson, the team captain, completed his third climb along with Mathews. The team raised \$500 for the American Lung Association with its efforts. Mathews was the first of the team to finish and was 39th overall out of the 228 firefighters. Millard was 47th overall,

Mathews earned a special award for beating last year's time; Espinoza finished his first climb in 11:46 and Harris finished in 13:22. Teams from McLeod County came from Hutchinson as well as two Plato teams. As a team Hutchinson was 17th, Glencoe 22nd and Plato No. 1 was 24th. A Minneapolis Fire team won the event. "All team members and the department should be proud of the accomplishments and hard work," Mattson said. "Overall, it was a great time of camaraderie and for a good cause. I would encourage everyone to consider trying it," he added.

Menus

March 4-March 8 Millie Beneke Manor Senior Nutrition Site

Monday — Swiss steak, baked potato, corn, bread, margarine, pineapple, low-fat milk.

Tuesday — Roast turkey, mashed potatoes, green beans, cranberry garnish, bread, margarine, apple cake, low-fat milk.

Wednesday — Meatloaf with catsup, whole parsleyed potatoes, country-blend vegetables, bread, margarine, mandarin oranges, low-fat milk.

Thursday — Pork steak, rice, applesauce, carrots, dinner roll, margarine, lemon angel food cake, low-fat milk.

Friday — Tomato soup, cheese sandwich, peaches, cottage cheese, crackers, margarine, cookie, low-fat milk.

GSL Schools Elementary/Jr. High/Sr. High Breakfast

Monday — No school. Teacher in-service.

Tuesday — Pancake on a stick with syrup or Cheerios and apple-cinnamon muffin, diced peaches, low-fat milk.

Wednesday — Egg and cheese omelet or reduced sugar Coco Puff cereal and string cheese, apple wedges, low-fat milk (breakfast pizza at junior/senior high).

Thursday — Breakfast pizza or reduced-sugar Fruit Loops cereal and blueberry muffin, orange juice cup, low-fat milk (egg and cheese omelet at junior high and high school).

Friday — No school. K-6 conferences. (French toast sticks with syrup or reduce sugar Fruit Loops cereal and blueberry muffin, diced peaches, low-fat milk at junior high and high school).

Helen Baker/Lakeside Lunch

Monday — No school.
Tuesday — Hot dog on a whole-grain bun, fun lunch, seasoned corn, jicama sticks with dressing, petite banana, chilled applesauce.

Wednesday — Beefy nachos, fiesta rice, turkey and cheese on whole-grain bread, refried beans, marinated cucumbers and tomatoes, apple wedges, chilled peaches.

Thursday — Breaded chicken patty on a whole-grain bun, ham and cheese on a whole-grain bun, oven-baked potato wedges, caesar romaine side salad with dressing, orange wedges, chilled pears.

Friday — No school. K-6 conferences.

High School Lunch

Monday — No school. Teacher in-service.

Tuesday — Mexican bar with beef or chicken nachos or tacos, brown rice, refried beans, sweet corn salad, celery sticks with dressing, petite banana, chilled applesauce.

Wednesday — Breaded chicken parmesan, whole-grain noodles, seasoned corn, broccoli salad with raisins, red pepper strips with dressing, orange wedges, chilled peaches.

Thursday — Roasted chicken in gravy, stuffing, whole-grain dinner roll, mashed potatoes, kidney bean salad, cucumber slices with dressing, kiwi wedges, chilled pears.

Friday — Pasta bar with chicken alfredo or marinara sauce, meatballs, steamed broccoli, cae-

sar romaine salad, baby carrots with dressing, apple wedges, chilled mixed fruit.

First Lutheran School Lunch

Monday — No school.
Tuesday — Turkey and gravy, mashed potatoes, peaches, bread, milk.

Wednesday — Chili with cheese, bread stick, pears, milk.

Thursday — Pulled pork sandwich, corn, mixed fruit, milk.

Friday — Chicken nuggets, french fries, bread, mandarin oranges, milk.

St. Pius X Lunch

Monday — No school.
Tuesday — Nachos grande, refried beans, pineapple, carrots with dip, milk.

Wednesday — Rice hotdish, peaches, corn, caesar salad, milk.
Thursday — Sausage pizza, fresh fruit, cooked broccoli, green beans, milk.

Friday — Fish sticks, au gratin potatoes, applesauce, carrots with dip, milk.

Community Calendar

Thurs., Feb. 28 — AA Group mtg. next to Post Office in Stewart, 8 p.m., call 320-212-5290 for info.

Fri., March 1 — Noah's Ark Preschool Brownton registration, contact Vicki Herrmann at 320-328-5325 for info.

Mon., March 4 — Tops Weigh-In mtg., 5-5:30 p.m.; Brownton Senior Citizens Club, Brownton Community Center, 1 p.m.

Tues., March 5 — Narcotics Anonymous, Brownton Community Center, 7 p.m.; Brownton City Council, 7 p.m.

Wed., March 6 — Brownton Women's Club, Brownton Community Center, 7:45 p.m.

Thurs., March 7 — AA Group mtg. next to Post Office in Stewart, 8 p.m., call 320-212-5290 for info.



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Mankato names fall dean's list

Minnesota State University-Mankato announced its fall semester dean's list earlier in February, and it included a number of area students. Named to the academic list were: **Brownton:** Kristin Jackson; **Glencoe:** Kaine Dummer, Kyle Eberhard, Angela Giron, Jordan Junglaus, Jayme Kohout, Aaron Lueders, Kyle O'Donnell and Courtney Odegaard; **Lester Prairie:** Suhyeon An, Katelin Dietel, Kristi Edblom and Natalie Lange; **Plato:** Kali Trukki; and **Silver Lake:** Megan Bassler, Amy Blazinski and Abby Heil.

Son born to Kesler family

Jeremiah and Christine Kesler of Brownton announce the birth of their son, Jackson Jeremiah, on Feb. 18, 2013, at Hutchinson Health. Jackson weighed 9 pounds, 14 ounces and was 20-1/2 inches in length. His older siblings are Christian, Nathaniel, Gabriela, Graceann, Benjamin, Isabelle, Samuel and Clara. Grandparents are Keith and Deb Lorenen of Cologne and Diana Johnson of Shakopee.

Morrissey named to Bethel list

Elijah Morrissey, a junior at Bethel University in St. Paul, has been named to the dean's list for academic excellence for the 2012 fall semester. He is the son of Wendy Morrissey of Silver Lake.

Son born to Bargmanns

Mitch and Amy Bargmann of Glencoe announce the birth of their son, Griffin Vaughn, on Feb. 6, 2013, at Glencoe Regional Health Services. Griffin weighed 7 pounds, 12 ounces, and was 20 inches in length. His older siblings are Aaliyah and Dylan. Grandparents are Don Cohrs of Glencoe, Wendy Bargmann and Ken Teschendorf Jr. of Glencoe and the late Pat Cohrs and the late Daniel Bargmann.

U of M dean's list announced

Several local students were named to the 2012 fall semester dean's list at the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities campus, including: **Brownton:** Kaycie Lindeman and Megan Sikkila; **Glencoe:** Kristine Kirchoff; **Lester Prairie:** Shane Cory and Abigail Martin; and **Stewart:** Mackenzie Trettin.

Son born to Moser family

Chad and Nicole Moser of Glencoe announce the birth of their son, Camden Chad, on Feb. 12, 2013, at Glencoe Regional Health Services. Camden weighed 6 pounds, 12 ounces, and was 19-1/2 inches long. His older siblings are Corbin, Caleb and Ava. Grandparents are Carol Moser of Jamestown, N.D., and Doug and Marilyn Ranzau of Glencoe.

Kunkel on UMD dean's list

Kristina Kunkel, daughter of Larry and Donna Kunkel of rural Glencoe, was named to the fall semester dean's list at the University of Minnesota-Duluth's Swenson College of Science and Engineering. Kunkel had to maintain a 3.5 grade-point average or better to be named to the academic honor list.

Daughter for Nesse family

Karl and Whitney Nesse of Brownton announce the birth of their daughter, Cora Kathryn, on Feb. 18, 2013, at Glencoe Regional Health Services. Cora weighed 6 pounds, 8 ounces, and was 20 inches long. Her older siblings are Abby and Easton. Grandparents are Mark and Cheryl Sanken of Brownton and Ted and Mona Nesse of Stillwater.



Chronicle photo by Rich Glennie

Glencoe Bridal Expo

The Glencoe Bridal Expo was held Sunday in the Grand Ballroom of the Glencoe City Center and attracted numerous vendors from the local and surrounding areas to help prospective couples plan their weddings. Thirty-one vendors offered advice on a variety of topics ranging from printing needs to gifts to

gowns and tuxedos to catering services and more. The Bridal Expo also held a fashion show put on by Bride To Be Consignments, The Temple Service Center and Crazy Airwaves. Main sponsors of the Bridal Expo were KGLB, KARP and KDUZ radio stations, State Farm and the Glencoe City Center.

Knowledge Bowl teams compete at Chaska meet

On Saturday, the Glencoe-Silver Lake Knowledge Bowl team traveled to Chaska High School for its last Saturday meet of the season.

Instead of the usual schools from western Minnesota, GSL met teams from Academy of Holy Angels, Chanhasen, Cretin-Derham Hall, Edina, Little Falls, Mankato East, Mankato West, Prior Lake, St. Francis, and, of course, Chaska.

"Of these schools, GSL is definitely the smallest, but that didn't keep us from enjoying the challenge of tougher competition and doing pretty well," said coach GSL Vicky Harris.

GSL Rubidium began with a written score of 40, good for second place and a start in Room 1 against Chaska Avengers and Chaska Gallatoc. It lost the room (Avengers 15, Gallatoc 10, GSL 9) and dropped to 10th place because the initial scores were all very close together.

Now in Room 4, GSL scored 16 against Gallatoc (12) and Mankato East Gold (5).

For round three, GSL Rubidium moved up to Room 2 with Chanhasen Gold and Chaska Iron Man. The results were Chanhasen 12, Rubidium 11 and Chaska 6.

GSL stayed in Room 2 for the final round, where the scores were almost tied: GSL 12, Cretin-Derham Hall 12 and Mankato West Scarlet 11.

At the end of the meet, Chaska Avengers had won with 102.0 points, while Chanhasen Gold finished second with 92.5 points. Prior Lake Asymptotes and GSL Rubidium were tied for third with 91.5 points. Cretin-Derham Hall finished fifth with 90.5.

The GSL Rubidium team members were Joe Fehrenbach, Ethan Bass, Mark Broderius, Patrick Fehrenbach and Chandler Swift.

GSL's second varsity team, Arsenic, began in Room 8 with a written score of 29, but did very well there and earned 16 points (against 8 points from each of the other teams, Mankato West Fuchsia and Mankato West Fire Red).

Then Arsenic moved up to Room 5, but only earned five points against Cretin-Derham Hall, which scored 23.

For round three, Arsenic was in Room 6 (GSL 10, Mankato East 14 and Chaska 5), and GSL stayed in Room 6 for the final round, where it earned 14 points (against Little Falls 10 and Edina 7).

Arsenic's final score was 74 points, putting it in 15th place out of the 30 teams in varsity.

"This was a pretty good place to be at this meet," Harris said.

The team members were Lindsey Becker, Cedric Winter, Kyle Beck, Oakley Clark and Jacob Wawrzyniak.

The junior varsity division included 22 teams.

Prior Lake won the JV competition with 109 points, with Chaska Thor close be-

hind with 107. GSL finished in eighth place with 84 points.

The team members were Brent Duenow, Mitch Beneke, Maddie Kuehn, Jenna Lokensgard and Lindsay Wedin.

"This meet was great experience for our teams," Harris said.

Subregions begin Monday, March 4, and the regional meet will be Monday, March 18.

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Lincoln's Winterfest

Eighth graders Austin Schroepfer, Christian Higgins, Hannah Stifter and Maddie Monahan participated in Winterfest activities at GSL's Lincoln Junior High School last Friday. It was called the Candy Carnival and included games like Plinko, cake walk, sucker tree, hot shot basketball and raffles. Prizes were awarded and concessions sold. The Lincoln Junior High Student Council, along with adviser Lisa Blazinski, organized the event.

20 Brownton seniors met Monday

Twenty Brownton senior citizens met Monday at the community center.

Cards were played after the meeting with the following winners: 500, Carol Brelje, first, and Audrey Tongen, second; pinochle, Ordella Schmidt, first, and Ruby Stre-

ich, second; and sheephead, Harriet Bergs, first, and Elmer Maass, second.

Ordell Klucas won the door prize. Pearl Streu and Ruby Streich served refreshments.

The next meeting will be Monday, March 4, at 1 p.m. All seniors are welcome.

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Obituaries

Charley L. Schmidt, 72, of Silver Lake

Funeral services for Charley Louis Schmidt, 72, of Silver Lake, were held Tuesday, Feb. 26, at First Evangelical Lutheran Church in Glencoe. The Rev. Ronald Mathison officiated.



Charley Schmidt

Mr. Schmidt died Wednesday, Feb. 20, 2013, at his home, surrounded by his family.

The organist was Dawn Wolter. Congregational hymns were "How Great Thou Art," "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" and "Amazing Grace."

Pallbearers were Jacob Schmidt, Jeremy Gildea, Jason Gildea, Justin Schmidt, Daniel Thoele and Tyler Morris. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Mr. Schmidt was born June 3, 1940, in Courtland, to Louis and Hulda (Pongratz) Schmidt. He was baptized as an infant and confirmed in his faith as a youth on April 11, 1954. He received his education in Gaylord, graduating with the Gaylord High School class of 1958.

On June 3, 1959, Mr.

Schmidt was united in marriage to Myrtiss Voss in Mason City, Iowa. They made their home in Gaylord, Arlington and, in 1966, moved to Glencoe. Then in 2004, they moved to Silver Lake. Their marriage was blessed with seven children, Jacquelyn, Jesse, Joey, Jeffrey, James, Judy and Jodi. The Schmidts shared over 53 years of marriage.

Mr. Schmidt worked at Layne Minnesota Co. in Minneapolis for 32 years, where he was a well driller, welder and drove truck.

He was a member of First Evangelical Lutheran Church in Glencoe and Union No. 49.

Mr. Schmidt enjoyed farming and being outside, which included growing grapes, feeding the birds and remodeling. He loved taking trips on the train, and he cherished the time spent with his family and friends.

Survivors include his wife, Myrtiss Schmidt of Silver Lake; children, Jacquelyn (Steven) Gildea of Glencoe, Jesse Schmidt of Hutchinson, Joey Schmidt and his special friend, Lacy Rohrbeck, of Waconia, Jeffrey Schmidt and his friend, Jerry Brewe, of Belle Plaine, James (Kristin) Schmidt of Glencoe,

Judy Litzau and her special friend, Paul, of Glencoe, and Jodi Schmidt of Silver Lake; grandchildren, Jamie (Daniel) Thoele, Jeremy (Becky) Gildea, Jason (Jayme) Gildea, Jessica Gildea and her special friend, Sam, Kristina Schmidt, Emilee Schmidt, Jacob Schmidt, Jenna (Tyler) Morris, Justin Schmidt, Julia Schmidt, Jill Schmidt, and Jocelyn Litzau and her fiancé, Travis; great-grandchildren, Morgan, Mae-lynn, Macey and Maleena Thoele, Madison, MacKenzie and Jasmyn Gildea, and Riely Edbloom; siblings, Cathie Sturges of Glencoe and Donna Mae (Melvin) Kirchenwitz of Tonka Bay; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Pamela Bauer of Montevideo, Mildred (Vernon) Stuhr of Olivia; nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends.

Preceding him in death were his parents, Louis and Hulda Schmidt; and father-in-law and mother-in-law, Louis and Lillian Voss.

Arrangements were by the Johnson-McBride Funeral Chapel of Glencoe. Online obituaries and guest book are available at www.hantge.com. Click on obituaries guest book.

Kenneth Roy Howk, 67, of New Ulm

A Mass of Christian Burial for Kenneth Roy Howk, 67, of New Ulm, will be held today (Wednesday, Feb. 27) at 11 a.m., at St. Mary's Catholic Church in New Ulm. Monsignor Douglas Grams will be celebrating Mass.



Kenneth Howk

Mr. Howk died Friday, Feb. 22, 2013, at his home.

Burial will follow the Mass in the New Ulm City Cemetery, Soldiers Rest Section. Full military rites will be conducted at the cemetery.

Mr. Howk, the son of Roy and Rose Alice (Messner) Howk, was born July 23, 1945, in New Ulm. He attended school in Glencoe and graduated from Glencoe High School in 1963.

After graduation, Mr. Howk enlisted in the U.S. Army, serving from 1963 to 1966. He was an X-ray technician and served in Vietnam. He also served for 20 years in the National Guard of New Ulm.

On April 18, 1969, Mr.

Howk was united in marriage to Lupy Garcia in Glencoe. They moved to New Ulm in 1970, and he became employed at Kraft Foods, working there until his retirement in 2003. After retirement, Mr. Howk drove a bus for many years for New Ulm Bus Lines. He had a special bond with the New Ulm girls' hockey team and was their team dad and bus driver to all of their events for over nine years.

Mr. Howk was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, a member of the Seifert-Bianchi American Legion Post 132, the Albert Nagel VFW Post 1648, the DAV Chapter 15, the Legion Riders of New Ulm, the Patriot Guard, a member of the Family Readiness through the New Ulm National Guard and a past member of the Isak Walton League.

Mr. Howk loved to bowl, play softball, where he played on the Kraft softball team for many years, riding his Harley to go on motorcycle trips with family and friends, camping with his family, and he enjoyed most all other outside activities.

A favorite pastime of his was watching his grandchild-

ren in all of their activities. Mr. Howk will be dearly missed by his family and friends.

Survivors include his wife, Lupy of New Ulm; his father, Roy Howk of Glencoe; daughters, Rose (Allen) Lent of Litchfield, Kayla (Pat) Howk-Erwin of Rochester, and Cynthia Howk of New Ulm; sons, Michael (Sheila) Howk and Andrew (Nikina) Howk, all of New Ulm; grandchildren, Alex, Cody, Michaela, Sean, Gavin, Noah, Maddox and Tessa; sisters, Sharon (Dennis) Christensen of Glencoe, Iris (Ron) Hay of Revillo, S.D., Karen Smith of Glencoe, and Colleen (Wayne) Waugh of Owatonna; brothers, Steve (Linda) Howk of Springfield, Ill., and Keith (Paulene) Howk of Monument, Colo.; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his mother.

The Minnesota Valley Funeral Homes & Cremation Services of New Ulm handled arrangements. To sign the guest book or to leave an online condolence for the family go to www.mvfh.com.

Florence Mae Kahle, 93, of Winthrop

Funeral services for Florence Mae Kahle, 93, of Winthrop, were held Saturday, Feb. 23, at Peace Lutheran Church in Winthrop. The Rev. Bob Miner officiated.



Florence Kahle

Mrs. Kahle died Wednesday, Feb. 20, 2013, at her home.

Pat Ericson was the organist, and soloist Tom McCarthy sang "On Eagle's Wings" and "In the Garden." Congregational hymns were "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" and "Borning Cry."

Pallbearers were Scot Kuester, Rob Edwards, Tom McCarthy, Randy Rieke, David Schiro and Tom Fatticci. Interment will be at a later date in the Glencoe City Cemetery.

Florence Mae Heinecke was born on Jan. 30, 1920, in Buffalo Lake, to Herbert and Cora (Harrier) Heinecke. She was baptized in Glencoe and was later confirmed in her faith. She received her education in Buffalo Lake and Olivia.

On May 1, 1938, Florence Heinecke was united in marriage to Lester Damrow. They were in business together

until they retired. They worked at Morinship in Sausalito, Calif., from 1941 through 1945. She was a journeyman welder.

When they were first married, they operated a produce market in Glencoe and then they bought the New Auburn Feed Mill and operated it for 11 years.

From there, they moved to Winthrop and built the Winthrop Motel, operating it until 1978. In 1964, they contributed a large part in the construction and start-up of the Winthrop Nursing Home. In 1965, they sold the home to Assembly Home, Inc. They also were part owners of a nursing home in Brainerd.

In 1980, they purchased the Winthrop Laundromat and operated it for 10 years. They were blessed with one daughter, Janet. They shared 57 years of marriage before Mr. Damrow died on Jan. 20, 1996.

On Aug. 9, 1997, she was united in marriage to Marvin Kahle at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Gaylord. After their marriage, the couple resided in Winthrop.

Mrs. Kahle was a member of Peace Lutheran Church in Winthrop. She volunteered for Meals on Wheels, traveled with the Over '60s Band and visited with the shut-ins.

Mrs. Kahle enjoyed play-

ing cards, dancing, traveling, casinos and quilting. She loved spending time with her family.

Survivors include her husband, Dr. Marvin Kahle of Winthrop; daughter, Janet (Kenneth) Herd of Brainerd; two granddaughters, Lisa (Michael) Strange and Michele (Jeffrey) Wood; five great-grandchildren, Isaac Strange, Britteny Vonhaden, Christine Strange, Josiah Wood and Micah Wood; stepchildren, Patricia (Larry) Lamb of Arlington, Pauline Wittenberg of Hutchinson, David Kahle of Hutchinson, Tom Kahle of Gaylord, and Michael Kahle of New York City, N.Y.; sister, Mardel Braun of Minneapolis; nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Preceding her in death were her parents, Herbert and Cora Heinecke; husband, Lester Damrow; sisters, Viola Rushmeyer and Gladys McKenzie; brothers, Harold Heinecke, Lyle Heinecke, Clinton Heinecke, Kenneth Heinecke and Delano Heinecke.

Arrangements were by Dalin-Hantge Funeral Chapel in Winthrop. Online obituaries and guest book available at www.hantge.com. Click on obituaries and guest book.

Linda Minnie Schuch, 85, of Glencoe

Funeral services for Linda Minnie (Becker) Schuch, 85, of Glencoe, were held Monday, Feb. 25, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Dryden Township, Mountville, rural Gaylord. The Rev. Harold Storm officiated.



Linda Schuch

Mrs. Schuch died Wednesday, Feb. 20, 2013, at Glencoe Regional Health Services long-term care facility.

Debbie Forstner was the organist. Congregational hymns were "Nearer, My God, To Thee," "I Know That My Redeemer Lives," "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" and "Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus."

Honorary pallbearers were Susan Bendorf, Connie Sylwester, Julie Sievert, Gina Schuft and Jenny Eliason. Pallbearers were Tom Heil, Brian Schuch, Joe Schuch, Brad Schuch, Jeff Dose and Tom Bendorf. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Linda Minnie Becker was born April 13, 1927, in Penn Township, Brownton, to Fred and Ida (Otto) Becker. She was baptized as an infant on April 18, 1927, by the Rev. George Diemer, and confirmed in her faith as a youth on July 6, 1941, by the Rev. Walter E. Diemer, both at St.

Matthew's Lutheran Church in Penn Township. Her confirmation verse was John 15:5. She received her education at District 16 country school in Penn Township.

On Sept. 1, 1944, Linda Becker was united in marriage to Ebert Schuch by the Rev. Kolberg at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church in Penn Township. They made their home on a farm in Penn Township until 1977, when they moved into New Auburn, and later to Glencoe.

Their marriage was blessed with four children, Karen, Veryl, David and Carla. They were blessed with over 58 years of marriage, before Mr. Schuch died on Dec. 13, 2002.

In addition to being a loving wife, mother and homemaker, Mrs. Schuch helped on the farm. She was a faithful member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Dryden Township, Mountville, rural Gaylord.

Mrs. Schuch enjoyed embroidering, crocheting, handiwork, sewing and gardening. She cherished the time spent with her family and friends.

Survivors include her children, Karen (Robert) Heil of Brownton, Veryl (Judy) Schuch of Glencoe, David (Gail) Schuch of Brownton, and Carla (Lester) Dose of Hutchinson, Kan.; grandchildren, Susan (Tom) Bendorf of Owatonna, Tom Heil of Brownton, Brian (Shannon) Schuch of Glencoe, Connie

(Chad) Sylwester of St. Bonifacius, Julie (Deric) Sievert of Gibbon, Joe (Stacy) Schuch of Glencoe, Brad Schuch of Brownton, Gina (Robert) Schuft of Arlington, Jeff Dose of Salina, Kan., and Jenny (Pete) Eliason of Sierra Vista, Ariz.; great-grandchildren, Abby, Sam and Bekah Bendorf, Ebony, Madison and Autumn Schuch, Cody and Nicole Sievert, Aaron, Nathan and Jacob Schuch, Ryan Schuch, Maggie and Alison Dose, and Seamus, Ethan and Grace Eliason; sisters, Oda Cornick and Rosie Ehlers, both of Glencoe; brothers, Elmer Becker of Winthrop and Gerhard (Myrtice) Becker of New Auburn; sister-in-law, Beverly Becker of New Auburn; brother-in-law, Elmer Burdorf of Arlington; nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends.

Preceding her in death were her parents, Fred and Ida Becker; husband, Ebert Schuch; sister, Arlene Burdorf; brothers, Halbert Becker, Raymond Becker and his wife, Helen, and Leonard Becker and his wife, Esther; sister-in-law, Clara Becker; brothers-in-law, Clarence Cornick and Art Ehlers.

Arrangements were by the Johnson-McBride Funeral Chapel of Glencoe. Online obituaries and guest book are available at www.hantge.com. Click on obituaries guest book.

Mark C. Goodpaster, Lewisburg, Tenn.

A memorial service for Mark Charles Goodpaster, 67, of Lewisburg, Tenn., and formerly of Brownton, was held in Lewisburg.

Mr. Goodpaster died Feb. 18, 2013. Interment was in

Indianapolis, Ind.

Survivors include his children, Marjorie Britton, Angela Miller, Teresa Venable, Jason Goodpaster and Kellie Drangeid; grandchildren; sister, Kay; brother, Orie; and

several cousins, nieces and nephews.

Preceding him in death were his parents, Donald and Carol Goodpaster; brother, Alan; and wife, Jan.

THANK YOU
We would like to express our heartfelt thanks to all who offered kind words and sympathy during the loss of our mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, Floretta Mosel. Also, thank you for the cards, memorials, flowers, plants, food, and especially your prayers.
A special thank you to Pastor William Postel and Pastor Harold Storm, the organist, soloist, casket bearers, interpreters, ladies of St. John's Lutheran Church, Mountville, for serving the lunch, and the Egesdal Funeral Home for their help and guidance. Thanks to the staff at GRHS Long Term Care facility for all their loving care. Your kindness and thoughtfulness will always be remembered. God bless all of you.
The Family of Floretta Mosel

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Pastor's Corner

Rev. Linzy Collins Jr.
First Congregational UCC, Glencoe



Is life fair? Is it fair that I took care of my body with proper exercise and diet and now I have cancer? Is it fair that my voice and ideas are seldom heard or valued? Is it fair that so many people are killed by violence and war? Is it fair that all people are not treated equally under the law? Is it fair that slavery still exists? Is it fair that everyday thousands of people die from malnutrition? Is it fair that all children are not born with equal chance of survival? Is God fair? Is science fair?

There is nothing wrong with asking questions. It can be both healthy and helpful, but not all questions can be answered when they are asked. Some questions are not even answerable. At times there can be benefit in looking at them from another perspective.

We are all creatures of faith. Some of us choose to live in only what we can prove by science using our senses of perception. The 'facts' of science often change. Today's theory can be discarded tomorrow by something newer and hopefully more accurate. I choose to believe that God and science are not in conflict.

God is unchanging (Malachi 3:6). Life has more purpose than merely living and dying. Our real purpose in life is given to us by God. God created the universe with utmost fairness knowing that the death of Christ would be required to restore that same fairness for all eternity. There is absolute TRUTH. It is found in the life and teachings of Jesus Christ. His presence can be with during those times when we are confronted with life's most difficult questions.

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Churches

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 Hennepin Avenue, Glencoe
 Johnathon Pixler, Pastor
 Call 320-864-6113
 Call Jan at 320-864-3387 for
 women's Bible study
 Wed., Feb. 27 — Women's Bible
 study, 9 a.m.; service on Glencoe
 Cable Channel 10, 8 p.m.
 Fri., March 1 — Men's Bible
 study, 9 a.m.
 Sun., March 3 — Sunday school
 for all ages, 9 a.m.; worship, 10:20
 a.m.; service on Glencoe Cable Chan-
 nel 10, 10:30 a.m.
 Tues., March 5 — Men's Bible
 study, 6 a.m.
 Wed., March 6 — Women's Bible
 study, 9 a.m.; service on Glencoe
 Cable Channel 10, 8 p.m.

CHRIST LUTHERAN
 1820 N. Knight Ave., Glencoe
 Katherine Rood, Pastor
 320-864-4549
 www.christluth.com
 E-mail: office@christluth.com
 Wed., Feb. 27 — Men's breakfast,
 Bible study, 8 a.m.; televised worship
 service on Channel 10, 2 p.m.; Lenten
 supper, 5 p.m.; bell choir, 5:30 p.m.;
 confirmation, 6:30 p.m.; choir, 6:30
 p.m.; Lenten worship, 7 p.m.
 Sat., March 2 — AIM meeting,
 9:30 a.m.
 Sun., March 3 — Worship with
 communion, 8:15 a.m. and 10:45
 a.m.; Sunday school and adult educa-
 tion, 9:30 a.m.; first confirmation
 class, 1 p.m.
 Mon., March 4 — Quilting, fellow-
 ship hall, 1 p.m.; televised worship
 service, 3 p.m.
 Tues., March 5 — Ladies fellow-
 ship, Gert & Erma's, 10 a.m.; GSL
 Ministerial, 10:30 a.m.
 Wed., March 6 — Men's breakfast,
 Bible study, 8 a.m.; televised worship
 service on Channel 10, 2 p.m.; Abun-
 dant Table meal, 5 p.m.; bell choir,
 5:30 p.m.; confirmation, 6:30 p.m.;
 choir, 6:30 p.m.; confirmation, 6:30
 p.m.; Lenten worship, 7 p.m.

CHURCH OF PEACE
 520 11th St. E., Glencoe
 Joseph Clay, Pastor
 Wed., Feb. 27 — Lenten service at
 Friedens County Line Church, 7 p.m.
 Sun., March 3 — Worship with
 communion at Church of Peace, 10
 a.m.; confirmation class, 9:15 a.m.;
 council meeting follows worship.
 Wed., March 6 — Lenten service
 at Church of Peace, 7 p.m.

ST. PIUS X CHURCH
 1014 Knight Ave., Glencoe
 Anthony Stubeda, Pastor
 Wed., Feb. 27 — No evening
 prayer; Mass, 5 p.m.; kindergarten
 through sixth-grade religious educa-
 tion classes, 7 p.m.-8 p.m.; seventh-
 through 10th-grade religious educa-
 tion classes, 7 p.m.-8:15 p.m.; 11th-
 grade confirmation session, including
 exam, 7 p.m.-9 p.m.
 Thurs., Feb. 28 — Mass at GRHS-
 LTC, 10:30 a.m.; pastoral leader
 meeting, noon; APC meeting, Holy
 Family, 7 p.m.
 Fri., March 1 — Morning prayer, 8
 a.m.; school Mass, 8:20 a.m.; adora-
 tion of the blessed sacrament after
 Mass; first Friday communion calls
 begin, 10 a.m.; stations of the cross
 with school children, 2 p.m.; Spanish
 Mass, 5:30 p.m.; adoration of the
 blessed sacrament after Mass; bene-
 diction, 6:50 p.m.; stations of the
 cross, 7 p.m.
 Sat., March 2 — Hispanic ministry
 assembly, 9 a.m.; widow/widower
 and senior singles breakfast, Dubbs
 Grill, 9:30 a.m.; RCIA session, parish
 library, 1 p.m.; reconciliation, 3:30
 p.m.; Mass, 5 p.m.
 Sun., March 3 — Mass, 9:30 a.m.;
 Spanish Mass, 11:30 a.m.; Spanish
 religious education classes, 12:45
 p.m.; Catholicism series at St. Pius X,
 4 p.m.; Mass at Holy Family, Silver
 Lake, 8 p.m.
 Mon., March 4 — No Mass; no
 school, teacher workshop; adult choir,
 7 p.m.
 Tues., March 5 — Morning prayer,
 8 a.m.; school Mass, 8:20 a.m.; junior
 choir practice, 2:50 p.m.; Spanish
 adult catechesis, 7 p.m.
 Wed., March 6 — Evening prayer,
 5:40 p.m.; Mass, 6 p.m.; kindergarten
 through sixth-grade religious educa-
 tion classes, 7 p.m.-8 p.m.; seventh-
 through 10th-grade religious educa-
 tion classes, 7 p.m.-8:15 p.m.

**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL
 CHURCH UCC**
 1400 Elliott Ave., Glencoe
 Rev. Linzy Collins Jr., Pastor
 E-mail: congoucc@gmail.com
 Wed., Feb. 27 — Deaconess meet-
 ing, 9:30 a.m.; choir practice, 6:30
 p.m.; joint Lenten service at Friedens
 County Line Church, Norwood
 Young America, 7 p.m.
 Sun., March 3 — Worship with
 communion, 9:15 a.m.; Sunday
 school, 10:30 a.m.; deacons meeting.
 Tues., March 5 — Christian educa-
 tion board meeting, 6:30 p.m.
 Wed., March 6 — Long-term care
 communion, 10:15 a.m.; choir prac-
 tice, 6:30 p.m.; joint Lenten service at
 Church of Peace, 7 p.m.

**FIRST EVANGELICAL
 LUTHERAN**
 925 13th St. E., Glencoe
 Daniel Welch, Senior Pastor
 Ronald L. Mathison,
 Associate Pastor
 320-864-5522
 www.firstglencoe.org
 E-mail: office@firstglencoe.org
 Wed., Feb. 27 — Lenten worship,
 2 p.m.; dessert by LWML, 2:45 p.m.;
 public school confirmation, 3:30 p.m.
 Christ Chimes, 4 p.m.; Gospel
 Ringers, 6 p.m.; senior choir, 6:15
 p.m.; Lenten worship, 7 p.m.
 Thurs., Feb. 28 — Technology
 committee, 6:30 p.m.; worship plan-
 ning, 7 p.m.
 Sat., March 2 — Ngy meeting, 6
 p.m.; youth worship service, 7 p.m.
 Sun., March 3 — Worship with
 communion, 8 a.m.; First Lutheran
 School luncheon and auction, 11
 a.m.-1 p.m.; Bible classes, 9:15 a.m.;
 worship, 10:30 a.m.
 Mon., March 4 — LWML prayer
 service, 7 p.m.; Praise Folk, 8 p.m.
 Tues., March 5 — Bible study,
 9:30 a.m.; board of stewardship, 6:30
 p.m.; Christian education board, 7
 p.m.; day school board, 7 p.m.; youth
 board, 7 p.m.
 Wed., March 6 — Lenten worship,
 2 p.m.; dessert by LWML, 2:45 p.m.;
 public school confirmation, 3:30 p.m.
 Christ Chimes, 4 p.m.; Gospel
 Ringers, 6 p.m.; senior choir, 6:15
 p.m.; Lenten worship, 7 p.m.

**GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN
 Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod**
 1407 Cedar Ave. N., Glencoe
 www.gslglencoe.org
 Rev. James F. Gomez, Pastor
 Matthew Harwell,
 Director of Christian Education
 E-mail: office@gslglencoe.org
 Wed., Feb. 27 — GYM Bible
 study at high school, 7:30 a.m.; Kids
 Praise, 3:15 p.m.; Lenten meal, 5:30
 p.m.-6:40 p.m.; Lenten service, 7
 p.m.; F3, 7:45 p.m.
 Thurs., Feb. 28 — Men's,
 women's Bible study, 6:30 p.m.
 Sun., March 3 — Choir, 7:45 a.m.;
 worship with communion, 9 a.m.;
 Kingdom Quest, FUEL, adult Bible
 study, 10:15 p.m.; long-term care
 chapel, 1 p.m.; Financial Peace, 5:30
 p.m.; LIVE, 7:30 p.m..
 Mon., March 4 — Guild executive
 board, 6:30 p.m.; guild prayer, 7 p.m.
 Tues., March 5 — GSLC Bible
 study, 9:30 a.m.; Orchard Estates
 Bible study, 9:30 a.m.; GSL ministe-
 rial, 10:30 a.m.; quilting, 1 p.m.
 Wed., March 6 — GYM Bible
 study at high school, 7:30 a.m.; Kids
 Praise, 3:15 p.m.; Lenten meal, 5:30
 p.m.-6:40 p.m.; Lenten service, 7
 p.m.; F3, 7:45 p.m.; deacons, 8 p.m.;
 education, 8 p.m.

**ST. JOHN'S
 EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN**
 4505 80th St., Helen Township
 Glencoe
 Dennis Reichow, Pastor
 Wed., Feb. 27 — Lenten worship
 at Millie Beneke Manor, 2 p.m.; fifth-
 and sixth-grade catechism, 3:45 p.m.;
 seventh- and eighth-grade catechism,
 4:45 p.m.; Lenten supper, 5:45 p.m.;
 Lenten worship, 7 p.m.; choir, 8 p.m.
 Sun., March 3 — Worship, 9 a.m.;
 Sunday school, 10 a.m.; Bible class,
 10:20 a.m.
 Tues., March 5 — Chimes, 6:30
 p.m.; Table Talk, 7 p.m.
 Wed., March 6 — Lenten worship
 at Millie Beneke Manor, 2 p.m.; fifth-
 and sixth-grade catechism, 3:45 p.m.;
 seventh- and eighth-grade catechism,
 4:45 p.m.; Lenten supper, 5:45 p.m.;
 Lenten worship, 7 p.m.; choir, 8 p.m.

GRACE LUTHERAN
 8638 Plum Ave., Brownton
 Andrew Hermodson-Olsen, Pastor
 E-mail:
 Pastor@GraceBrownton.org
 www.gracebrownton.org
 Wed., Feb. 27 — Newsletter sub-
 missions due; confirmation class, 4
 p.m.; Lenten supper, 5:30 p.m.;
 Lenten worship, 6:30 p.m.; choir
 practice, 7:30 p.m.
 Sun., March 3 — Worship with
 communion, 8:45 a.m.; Sunday
 school, 10 a.m.
 Tues., March 5 — Bible study, 9
 a.m.
 Wed., March 6 — Confirmation
 class, 4 p.m.; Lenten supper, 5:30
 p.m.; Lenten worship, 6:30 p.m.;
 choir practice, 7:30 p.m.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN
 700 Division St., Brownton
 R. Allan Reed, Pastor
 www.immanuelbrownton.org
 Wed., Feb. 27 — Bible study, 9
 a.m.; confirmation, 4 p.m.; Lenten
 meal (F.A.I.T.H. spaghetti bake),
 5:15 p.m.; Lenten worship, 6:30 p.m.
CONGREGATIONAL
Division St., Brownton
 Barry Marchant, Interim Pastor
 browntoncongregational.org
 Sun., March 3 — Worship, 9 a.m.;
 Bible study, Sunday school, 10 a.m.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN
 300 Croyden St.
 Stewart
 Wed., Feb. 27 — Seventh-grade
 confirmation, 3:30 p.m.; eighth-grade
 confirmation, 4:30 p.m.; lunch, 5:45

**ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC
 Stewart**
 Wed., Feb. 27 — Mass, 9 a.m.
 Thurs., Feb. 28 — Mass, 9 a.m.
 Fri., March 1 — Mass, 9 a.m.
 Sun., March 3 — Mass, 9:15 a.m.

**ST. MATTHEW'S LUTHERAN
 Fernando**
 Aaron Albrecht, pastor
 Wed., Feb. 27 — Lenten worship,
 6 p.m.; lunch follows worship.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH
 13372 Nature Ave. (rural Biscay)
 Robert Taylor, pastor
 612-644-0628 (cell)
 320-587-5104 (church)
 E-mail:rlt721@hotmail.com
 Wed., Feb. 27 — Lenten service, 7
 p.m.
 Sun., March 3 — Sunday school,
 9:15 a.m.; worship with communion,
 10:30 a.m.
 Wed., March 6 — Lenten service,
 7 p.m.

CROSSROADS CHURCH
 10484 Bell Ave., Plato
 Scott and Heidi Forsberg, pastors
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 www.mncrossroads.org
 Wed., Feb. 27 — Youth and adult
 activities night, 7 p.m.
 Sun., March 3 — Worship, 10 a.m.

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN
 216 McLeod Ave. N., Plato
 Bruce Laabs, Pastor
 320-238-2550
 E-mail: stjplato@embarqmail.com
 www.christ-4-u.org
 Wed., Feb. 27 — Seventh- and
 eighth-grade midweek, 3:45 p.m.;
 youth choir, 5 p.m.; fourth- through
 sixth-grade midweek, 6 p.m.; Lenten
 worship, 7:15 p.m.
 Thurs., Feb. 28 — Bible study,
 8:45 a.m.; bulletin deadline; deacons
 meeting, 7 p.m.
 Sun., March 3 — "Time of
 Grace," TV Channel 9, 6:30 a.m.;
 worship with communion, 9 a.m.;
 Sunday school, 10 a.m.; Bible study,
 10:10 a.m.
 Tues., March 5 — Prayer meeting,
 5 p.m.; Glencoe visits; church coun-
 cil, 7 p.m.
 Wed., March 6 — Seventh- and
 eighth-grade midweek, 3:45 p.m.;
 youth choir, 5 p.m.; fourth- through
 sixth-grade midweek, 6 p.m.; Lenten
 worship, 7:15 p.m.

**ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH
 OF CHRIST**
 308 First St. N.E., Plato
 Bill Baldwin, Pastor
 www.platochurch.com
 Wed., Feb. 27 — Men's coffee, 9
 a.m.; confirmation class, 5 p.m.; adult
 choir, 6 p.m.; Lenten worship at
 Friedens, 7 p.m.
 Sun., March 3 — Sunday school,
 8:30 a.m.; worship, 10 a.m.; fellow-
 ship, 11 a.m.
 Wed., March 6 — Men's coffee, 9
 a.m.; confirmation class, 5 p.m.; adult
 choir, 6 p.m.; Lenten worship at
 Church of Peace, 7 p.m.

**IMMANUEL EVANGELICAL
 LUTHERAN**
 New Auburn
 Bradley Danielson, Pastor
 E-mail: immanuel@yahoo.com
 Wed., Feb. 27 — Seventh-grade
 confirmation, 4 p.m.; eighth-grade
 confirmation, 5 p.m.; supper served,
 5:30 p.m.; Lenten worship, 7 p.m.
 Sun., March 3 — Worship, 9 a.m.;
 fellowship, 10 a.m.; Sunday school,
 10:15 a.m.
 Wed., March 6 — Seventh-grade
 confirmation, 4 p.m.; eighth-grade
 confirmation, 5 p.m.; supper served,
 5:30 p.m.; Lenten worship, 7 p.m.

GRACE BIBLE CHURCH
 300 Cleveland Ave., Silver Lake
 Dr. Tom Rakow, Pastor
 320-327-2352
 http://silverlakechurch.org
 Weds., Feb. 27 — Soup and chili
 supper, 5 p.m.; confirmation class, 6
 p.m.; Lenten service, 7 p.m.
 Sat., March 2 — Men's Bible
 study, 7 a.m.
 Sun., March 3 — "First Light"
 radio broadcast on KARP 106.9 FM,
 7:30 a.m.; fellowship, 9 a.m.; pre-
 service prayer time, 9:15 a.m.; wor-
 ship, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday school,
 10:35 a.m.; youth activity at Powder
 Ridge; open shooting for Centershot
 graduates, 11:45 a.m.; Centershot
 Archery Ministry, 1 p.m.; Outdoor
 Club, Turkey Hunting 101, 2:30 p.m.
 Wed., March 6 — Soup and chili
 supper, 5 p.m.; confirmation class, 6
 p.m.; Lenten service, 7 p.m.
 Dial-A-Bible Story, 320-327-
 2843.

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 church office door) or call, or e-mail
 at faithfriends@embarqmail.com.**
 Wed., Feb. 27 — Light supper,
 5:30 p.m.; WOW classes, 6 p.m.;
 Lenten service, 6:30 p.m.; choir prac-
 tice, 7 p.m.
 Sun., March 3 — Handbell prac-
 tice, 8:45 a.m.; worship, 10 a.m., fol-
 lowed by fellowship; CE meeting
 after church.
 Wed., March 6 — Light supper,
 5:30 p.m.; WOW classes, 6 p.m.;
 Lenten devotional service, 6:30 p.m.;
 choir practice, 7 p.m.

**HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC
 CHURCH**
 712 W. Main St., Silver Lake
 Anthony Stubeda, Pastor
 Wed., Feb. 27 — Mass, 8 a.m.;
 Mass at Cokato Manor, 10 a.m.;
 Mass, 5 p.m.; first- through sixth-
 grade religious education classes,
 5:30 p.m.; confirmation exams, 7
 p.m.; seventh- through 11th-grade re-
 ligious education classes, 7:15 p.m.
 Thurs., Feb. 28 — Mass at Cedar
 Crest, 10:30 a.m.; Area Pastoral
 Council at Holy Family, 7 p.m.
 Fri., March 1 — Mass, 8 a.m.; sta-
 tions of the cross, 6 p.m.
 Sat., March 2 — Mass, 6:30 p.m.
 Sun., March 3 — Mass, 8 a.m. and
 8 p.m.; Catholicism series at Holy
 Family, 4 p.m.
 Tues., March 4 — Mass, 8 a.m.
 Wed., March 5 — First- through
 sixth-grade religious education class-
 es, 5:30 p.m.; seventh- through 11th-
 grade religious education classes,
 7:15 p.m.

FRIEDEN'S COUNTY LINE
 11325 Zebra Ave., Norwood
 Joseph Clay, Pastor
 Wed., Feb. 27 — Lenten service at
 Friedens, 7 p.m.
 Sun., March 3 — Worship with
 communion at Church of Peace, 10
 a.m.; confirmation class, 9:15 a.m.;
 council meeting follows worship.
 Wed., March 6 — Lenten service
 at Church of Peace, 7 p.m.

**THE CHURCH OF JESUS
 CHRIST OF LATTER DAY
 SAINTS**
 770 School Rd., Hutchinson
 Kenneth Rand, Branch President
 320-587-5665
 Wed., Feb. 27 — Young men and
 women (12-18 years old) and scout-
 ing, 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.
 Sun., March 3 — Sunday school,
 10:50 a.m.-11:30 a.m.; priesthood, re-
 lief society and primary, 11:40 a.m.-
 12:30 p.m.

**WATER OF LIFE CHURCH
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 727 16th St. E., Glencoe
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 Nestor and Maria German, Pastors
 E-mail:
 nestor2maria@hotmail.com
 Sun., March 3 — Worship, 2 p.m.

**ST. PETER
 LUTHERAN CHURCH**
 77 Second Ave. S.
 Corner C.R. 1 and Second St. S.,
 Lester Prairie
 Layton Lemke, vacancy pastor
 Sun., March 3 — Worship, 9 a.m.;
 Sunday school and Bible study, 10:15
 a.m.

SHALOM BAPTIST CHURCH
 1215 Roberts Rd. S.W., Hutchinson
 Rick Stapleton, Senior pastor
 Adam Krumrie, Worship pastor
 Wed., Feb. 27 — Release time for
 second through fifth grades,
 AWANA, 6:30 p.m.; middle school
 youth, 6:30 p.m.; senior high youth,
 7:30 p.m.
 Thurs., Feb. 28 — Senior high
 free lunch, 11 a.m.; worship team, 6
 p.m.
 Sun., March 3 — Worship, 9 a.m.
 and 10:30 a.m.; Sunday school, 9
 a.m.; Couples Connect, 4 p.m.
 Mon., March 4 — Women's disci-
 pleship, 6:30 p.m.; men's growth
 group, 7 p.m.
 Tues., March 5 — Women's disci-
 pleship, 9 a.m.; MOPS, 6 p.m.
 Wed., March 6 — Release time
 for second through fifth grades,
 AWANA, 6:30 p.m.; middle school
 youth, 6:30 p.m.; senior high youth,
 7:30 p.m.

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Deaths

**Sylvia Bluhm,
 73, of Glencoe**
 Sylvia Bluhm, 73, of Glencoe,
 died Saturday, Feb. 23,
 2013, at her home.
 Memorial services will be
 held Thursday, Feb. 28, at 11
 a.m., at the Church of St. Pius
 X in Glencoe.
 A gathering of family and
 friends will be held today
 (Wednesday, Feb. 27) from 4
 p.m. to 8 p.m., at the John-
 son-McBride Funeral Chapel
 in Glencoe. Parish prayers
 will be at 4 p.m. Visitation
 continues Thursday one hour
 prior to the service at the
 church.
 An online guest book is
 available at www.hantge.com.

**Jonathan
 Reinitz, 31, of
 New London**
 Jonathan Reinitz, 31, of
 New London, died Friday,
 Feb. 22, 2013, at Abbott
 Northwestern Hospital in
 Minneapolis.
 Funeral services will be
 today (Wednesday, Feb. 27),

**Adela
 Dammann, 82,
 of Green Isle**
 Adela Dammann, 82, of
 Green Isle, died Saturday,
 Feb. 23, 2013, at her home.
 Funeral services will be
 held Friday, March 1, at 1
 p.m., at St. John's Lutheran
 Church in Helen Township.
 Visitation will be Thursday,
 Feb. 28, from 4 p.m. to 8
 p.m., at the Johnson-McBride
 Funeral Chapel in Glencoe.
 Visitation continues one hour
 prior to the service at the
 church on Friday. Interment
 will be in the church ceme-
 tery.
 An online guest book is
 available at www.hantge.com.

**First Lutheran welcomes
 new members Feb. 24**
 On Sunday, Feb. 24, First
 Evangelical Lutheran Church
 of Glencoe received new
 members through adult con-
 firmation and transfer. The
 congregation celebrated with
 a potluck dinner to welcome
 the new members and their
 families.
 The new members included
 Haley Lukes, Amanda,
 Aubrey and Joshua Schmidt,
 William, Oscar and Caitlin
 Freberg, Gregory and Lisa

**Early Childhood
 Family Education**

**School Readiness parent
 information night March 4**

The GSL School Readiness
 program will have a parent
 information night Monday,
 March 4, at 6 p.m. in the
 classroom and at 6:30 p.m. in
 the Helen Baker cafeteria to
 familiarize parents with the
 School Readiness Preschool
 program in Glencoe.
 Registrations for the 2013-
 14 school year program will
 be accepted starting on
 March 4. Registration forms
 can be found at the GSL web-

site at www.gsl.k12.mn.us;
 click on COMM ED/ECFE,
 then on the right sidebar
 2013-2014 registration forms.
 Print forms and return
 them with the registration fee
 beginning March 4 for new
 students.
 Returning families must re-
 turn their forms prior to
 March 4. Call ECFE at 320-
 864-2681 with questions or
 for more information.

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**WEeping Willows 4-H
 enjoys High Island Lake**

By Amber Schmidt
 The Weeping Willows 4-H
 Club went ice fishing at the
 High Island Lake. Then club
 members went on a nature
 hike on the island and got
 pulled behind a snowmobile
 on a sled.
 Club members went back

to New Auburn City Hall,
 cooked pizza and had their
 meeting.
 At the meeting, club mem-
 bers turned in their

Brownton's Cabin Fever Days



Brownton's Cabin Fever Days kicked off Friday night with a mystery dinner, "Murder is Par for the Course." Above, the Sheriff (Keith Tongen) lines up the suspects for interrogation by the audience, including Macon Green (Jesse Messner), Sandy Trapini (Mona Geier), Nemo Brandt (John Sanken), Toten Klubs (Michael Selle), Birdie Bigelow (Paula Schons) and Carrie Bagshot (Shalon Werner).



The weekend's events ended Sunday with a community pancake breakfast hosted by the Brownton Lions Club. Brenda Miller, above, attended to one of the griddles.



A smoked pork chop meal was served Friday night as part of the mystery dinner theatre. Above, Leone Kujas passes plates to Karsten Nordby, left, and Ryan Dahlman, right.



Caddie Toten Klubs (Michael Selle) gives some clues as to who may have murdered his boss, golf pro Holin Wunn, during the mystery dinner, "Murder is Par for the Course."



The Brownton Baseball Association hosted a bean bag tournament Saturday in the Brownton Area Civic Center gymnasium. Among the participants were Jesse Messner, left, and Jeremiah Albrecht. Other events during the weekend were kids' activities at the Brownton Public Library Saturday morning and a concert by George's Concertina Band at the Brownton Community Center on Saturday afternoon.



Lost Highway, one of the Midwest's premier country rock bands, entertained a small, but avid crowd Saturday evening in the Brownton Area Civic Center gym. Proceeds for all of the weekend's events will be donated to the Civic Center, which was transformed from the former Brownton school building. Among area organizations that assisted in the three-day celebration were the Brownton Lions Club, Brownton Women's Club, Brownton Fire Department, Brownton Baseball Association, and Brownton Area Resources for Kids (BARK).

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