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County Board approves 5-year highway plan

By Lori Copley
Staff Writer

The McLeod County Board of Commissioners approved the five-year highway and bridge construction plan, spanning 2013 to 2017, at its Tuesday morning meeting.

Highway Engineer John Brunkhorst noted that while the 2013 projects are firm, projects slated in the remaining years may fluctuate with funding levels or changes in priorities.

Among the major projects for this year, 2013, is County Road 2 from the Wright County line to about 4,200 feet south of Silver Lake.

About 3.2 miles of County Road 2 from the

Wright County line south to State Highway 7 will be milled and overlaid with concrete at a cost of \$666,780.

From Highway 7, the project continues through Silver Lake (where County Road 2 is also Silver Lake's Grove Avenue) at a cost of \$1.6 million, including \$400,000 of city funding for utility work. Another concrete overlay will continue on Silver Lake's Gehlen Avenue, which is still County Road 2, to 4,200 feet south.

Another major project in 2013 is the construction of a roundabout at the intersection of County Road 115 and Highway 15 just south of Hutchinson, at a total cost of \$1.134 mil-

lion. Of that cost, \$540,000 will be funded by the federal government, \$540,000 by city funds, and \$54,000 from county state aid funding.

A third major project is the reconstruction of County Road 7, or Bear Lake Road northeast of Hutchinson, from County Road 79 north to the Meeker County line, at a cost of \$1.7 million.

Also on tap for 2013 are safety improvements for the railroad crossing on County Road 25, which is also Brownton's Fifth Avenue, in the city of Brownton.

Brunkhorst said \$171,000 for the funding of the approximately \$190,000 project will come

from the federal government, with \$19,000 from state aid funds.

The safety improvements include the installation of crossarms, which the intersection currently does not have.

The largest project slated for 2014 is the Morningside Avenue (County Road 15) project in Glencoe, which includes reconstruction of the roadway and a new railroad crossing at a total cost of \$1.97 million, with \$1.2 million from county state aid funds, \$500,000 from the city of Glencoe, and \$270,000 in federal funds.

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2nd-annual Cabin Fever Days set for Feb. 22-24 in Brownton

Mystery dinner theatre to kick off celebration

A mystery dinner theatre production, "Murder is Par for the Course," will kick off Brownton's second-annual Cabin Fever Days celebration, set to run Feb. 22-24.

The murder mystery is set at a golf course, Porous Pines Country Club, and involves "the match of the century," according to a summary of the mystery comedy.

"For the past decade, professional champion Holin Wunn had dominated the tournaments throughout the region. His prowess as a pro resulted in awards, accolades and, of course, a lifestyle most golfers only dream of. Wunn's tenacity on the tee and rigor in the rough were unchallenged by any man — but not so when it came to women.

"For the past year, Birdie Bigelow, the undisputed women's regional champ, had repeatedly issued a challenge to the legendary Wunn. She would (so she proclaimed) in match play, demonstrate that Wunn's stance to keep women out of men's tournaments was more the result of fear than fact.

"'Golf is more brains than brawn,' she told the press. 'He might drive the ball farther, but no one can size up a course like I can.' With pressure from all sides, Wunn fi-



Keith Tongen
Narrator



Paula Schons
'Birdie Bigelow'



Michael Selle
'Toten Klubs'



Sharon Werner
'Carrie Bagshot'



John Sanken
'Nemo Brandt'



Mona Geier
'Sandy Trapini'

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Ordinance gets 2nd reading, no comments

By Rich Glennie
Editor

In a brief 35-minute Glencoe City Council meeting Monday night, the second reading of the amendment to the city's garbage and refuse ordinance received the second of its three readings with little fanfare.

The controversial ordinance amendment is to Ordinance 580, Municipal Code 225 concerning garbage and refuse collection. It adds recycling wording to the ordinance, something that was not included when the ordinance was approved 40 years ago.

Section 225 is titled "Residential and light commercial garbage and recyclable materials collection."

Subsection 225.01 reads: "Residential and light commercial recyclable materials in the city of Glencoe shall be accumulated, conveyed, recycled and disposed of by the city of Glencoe through its own personnel or its legally authorized agent(s), the city collection contractor. All hazardous waste shall be disposed of as otherwise provided for by law. In no case

shall hazardous waste be disposed of in any unlawful manner."

Subsection 225.02 (d) explains recyclable materials as "items that are kept clean and sorted from garbage or refuse by the resident or commercial establishment. The current list of recyclable materials shall be determined from time to time by the city administrator or his designee, in conjunction with the city's recyclables collection contractor(s)."

In 225.05 states: "The standards and guidelines for storage, set-out and collection of garbage, refuse and recyclable material and a drop site for recyclable material may be established from time to time by the city administrator, or his designee."

In 225.07, recyclables will be collected every two weeks by the city's contractor, who must supply a sealed container to customers. "The current contract is grandfathered in to allow open containers," in reference to the current open containers supplied by the county.

The second reading was approved 5-0.

Public hearing set Feb. 12 on proposed natural gas utility

A public hearing on the city of Brownton's proposed municipal natural gas utility will be held Tuesday, Feb. 12, at 7 p.m., at the Brownton Community Center.

The date is a change from the originally announced date of Feb. 7.

The city of Brownton has set a special election for Tuesday, March 19, to allow city residents to vote on whether or not the city should issue up to \$1.9 million in general obligation bonds to pay for the proposed natural gas system.

The estimated cost of the system is somewhat less than a similar project that was

turned down by voters in 2004. That project was estimated at \$2.1 million.

The cost is expected to be lower now because the supply of natural gas has moved closer to the community — the new United Grain Systems (UGS) facility just northwest of Brownton has piped in natural gas from the Hutchinson Utilities pipeline that lies between Stewart and Brownton, cutting the distance for transporting natural gas to about one mile from about four miles.

If the bond passes, the in-

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Dying just got more expensive in Glencoe

By Rich Glennie
Editor

Dying just became more expensive in Glencoe after Glencoe City Council Monday approved fee increases to be buried in the city cemetery.

What used to cost \$300 for a 5-by-10-foot burial plot is now \$500. If you want to be buried in the same plot, usually because of cremations, another \$250 will be added. It was a \$150 fee prior.

The burial permit fee went to \$150 from the current \$25, but the fees for a winter burial (\$100) and for snow removal (\$85) have been eliminated. The new \$150 fee applies to burials all year round.

The fee increases were recommendations from the city's cemetery board.

City Administrator Mark Larson said the increases are an attempt to better cash flow the cemetery account and to be more competitive with other cemeteries.

He said the cemetery board has a perpetual care fund that is designed for the maintenance of the cemetery. While it is self-supporting now, Larson said, it has difficulty cash flowing.

With the rising popularity of cremation, families often buy just one plot instead of two, Larson said. And people are not buying the large family plots like in the past, because people today are more mobile and often are not buried in the same area they were born and raised.

Larson said the winter burial fee was imposed from Nov. 14 through April 16, but that will be eliminated because cemeteries are required by state statute to do burials year round. He said the winter storage vaults are empty now.

The changes will be reviewed after a year to see how they are working, Larson added.

In a related matter, Mayor Randy Wilson asked about the cemetery data software project.

Larson said the computerized program will help with locating burial plots in the cemetery, update the city's paper data

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Weather

Wed., 2-6	Thur., 2-7	Fri., 2-8	Sat., 2-9	Sun., 2-10
H: 30°, L: 21°	H: 27°, L: 13°	H: 30°, L: 18°	H: 32°, L: 22°	H: 31°, L: 17°

Looking back: The January high: 38 on three days; the low: 17 below on Jan. 22; rain: .25 inches; snow: 2.6 inches.

Date	Hi	Lo	Snow
Jan. 29	36	.....25	.....0.00
Jan. 30	25	.....0	.....0.00

Jan. 31	0	.....-14	.....Tr.
Feb. 1	2	.....-17	.....0.30
Feb. 2	10	.....-1	.....1.00
Feb. 3	13	.....4	.....1.20
Feb. 4	15	.....-2	.....1.20

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

Chronicle News and Advertising Deadlines

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

Happenings

Community Bingo set Feb. 10

Grand Meadows Senior Living, 1420 Prairie Ave., Glencoe, will host Community Bingo on Sunday, Feb. 10, from 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m., for 25 cents per card/per game, with a cookie social to follow. Call 320-864-5577 for more information.

FFA barnyard set Feb. 19

The Glencoe-Silver Lake Future Farmers of America (FFA) chapter is hosting a "Barnyard Day" on Tuesday, Feb. 19. The barnyard will be located at the GSL High School in Ag Room 341 and be open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Come join the FFA to see the cows, horses, chickens, sheep, and much more.

Legion changes meeting date

The regular monthly meeting of the Glencoe American Legion Post 95 will take place on Wednesday, Feb. 6, at 7 p.m., in the basement of Glencoe VFW Post 5102. The change of the meeting is for the month of February only. Future meetings will take place on the first Thursday of each month as usual. All members are encouraged to attend. Lunch will be served.

'Airing of the Quilts' Feb. 9

St. John's Lutheran Church, Plato, will host an "Airing of the Quilts" on Saturday, Feb. 9, from 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. Diane Alsleben will be the featured speaker at 1:30 p.m. Dessert and beverages will be available for a free-will offering. Bake sale items also will be available. All are invited to come and view the beautiful array of quilts and enjoy fellowship with other quilt enthusiasts.

Women's Club meets Feb. 6

The Brownton Women's Club will meet tonight (Wednesday, Feb. 6), at 7:45 p.m., at the Brownton Community Center. There will be a speaker on "First Aid and Essential Oils."

VFW Auxiliary meets Feb. 11

The next regular meeting of the Glencoe VFW Auxiliary to Post 5102 will be at 7:30 p.m., Monday, Feb. 11, at the VFW Club.

Singing Valentines coming

The McLeod County Historical Society and Crow River Floral & Gifts are sponsoring a Singing Valentines and Rose fund-raising event from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 14. The historical society is asking for a \$50 donation to the museum. For those living outside of Hutchinson, but still in McLeod County, just add an extra \$10. Call the museum at 320-587-2109 or e-mail asa@hutchtel.net. The museum website is www.mcleod-history.org.

Memory loss caregiver group

The next meeting of the local area support group for adult children, spouses and friends caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's disease or a related memory loss will be at 6 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 12 at First Lutheran Church, 925 E. 13th St., Glencoe. This is a safe and welcoming place to meet others who are affected with similar issues, gather information/resources and to receive support throughout the various stages of this journey. Contact Kristal Ehrke, Alzheimer's Association volunteer facilitator, at 320-583-1551 for more information. The group meets on the second Tuesday of every month. The support group is open to the public and free of charge.

Lions 'bar bingo' set Feb. 16

The Glencoe Lions will be sponsoring bar bingo at the Glencoe Country Club at 2 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 16. Everyone age 18 and over is welcome to play for cash prizes. Food and beverages are available.

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. 7, 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, Feb. 12, 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. Items received after that will be published elsewhere in the newspaper as space permits. Happenings in Glencoe, Brownton, Stewart, Plato, New Auburn, Biscay and Silver Lake take priority over happenings elsewhere.

Corrections & Clarifications

In the Jan. 30 Chronicle, it was reported in the birth announcement for the Vergin family that a grandparent was Fred Fischer of Alaska. It should have read he was from Chaska. The full birth announcement is being rerun this week in the People col-

umn.

The Chronicle strives for accuracy in its reports. If you find an error, bring it to our attention. Call 864-5518 and ask for Rich Glencoe, editor.



Submitted photo

Glencoe-Silver Lake Knowledge Bowl team members, who competed at the "Lucky Lindy" meet Saturday at Little Falls, included, front row, left to right, Theresa Siers, Cody Wendorff, Brent Duenow and Jake Vasek. Second row, Marisa Luchsinger, Connor Heuer, Mitch Beneke, Robin Swift, Dini Schweikert and Jack Gepson.

Third row, Jake Fehrenbach, Lindsey Becker, Maddie Kuehn, Jenna Lokensgard, Lindsay Wedin, Katie Twiss, Maggie Petersen and Rachel Reichow. In the back are Jacob Wawrzyniak, Patrick Fehrenbach, Kyle Beck, Joe Fehrenbach, Mark Broderius, Chandler Swift and Cedric Winter.

GSL 2nd at 'Lucky Lindy' Knowledge Bowl

Glencoe-Silver Lake's Knowledge Bowl team traveled north to the "Lucky Lindy" meet in Little Falls and finished second among 29 varsity teams competing on Saturday, Feb. 2.

Other schools attending included Albany, Brainerd, Chaska, Chanhasen, Cloquet, Hibbing, Pierz and Sebeka, as well as the host. "Most of these schools are larger than GSL, but we enjoy the chance to see how we do against this different set of teams," said GSL coach Vicky Harris.

GSL "Ununoctium," named for element 118, consisted of Joe Fehrenbach, Mark Broderius, Patrick Fehrenbach, Chandler Swift, and Jacob Wawrzyniak.

Ununoctium began in second place with a written score of 47. In Room 1 against teams from Chaska and Cloquet, GSL did not do well (Chaska 16, Cloquet 8, GSL 6), Harris said.

This dropped them to Room 3, where they earned 17 points against teams from Chanhasen (8) and Albany (7). For the third round, they moved up to Room 2, where

they won against Brainerd and Cloquet (GSL 16, Brainerd 11, Cloquet 6) and moved up to Room 1 for the last round.

This time GSL earned twice as many points against two Chaska teams. (Chaska Avengers 15, GSL 12, Chaska Galactus 6).

"Students had noticed that all Chaska teams were very fast, and one student described the GSL strategy as, 'Let Chaska beat each other, and pick up the pieces,'" Harris said. "It seemed to work!"

The meet ended with Chaska Avengers in first with 107, GSL Ununoctium in second with 102.5, and Chanhasen Gold in third with 100.5.

"Because of the many large schools, Little Falls gives one extra award, which is first place in the varsity division for the small schools. GSL won that award as well," Harris said.

GSL's second team, Hadziefendic Legion, began with a written score of 29, which put them in Room 9. They stayed there for the entire meet, earning scores of 7, 9, 8, and 18.

"That final outstanding

score moved them up to 20th place with 71 points," Harris said. The Legion team included Lindsey Becker, Cody Wendorff, Cedric Winter and Kyle Beck.

The JV portion of the meet had 11 teams. GSL "Violet Radon" had a written score of 33, which put them in a three-way tie for seventh in Room 3. They won the room with 19 points, and moved up to Room 2. Here they finished in the middle, with 11 points.

They stayed in Room 2 for the third round, and won the room with 16. For the final round, they were in Room 1 against two teams from Chaska, and were outscored 13-9-7.

Chaska Thor won the JV meet with 99 points. Violet Radon finished in fifth place with 90 points, "an excellent performance against some tough teams," Harris said.

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

There were only five teams in junior high, and GSL had two of them. Both GSL teams competed in Room 1 for the

entire meet and did well against each other, Harris said.

The "Noodle Squad" earned the gold with 103 points. This team included Marisa Luchsinger, Rachel Reichow, Dini Schweikert, Robin Swift, and Katie Twiss.

"It's Not Butter!" finished tied for second with Pierz with 97.5 points. The team members were Jake Fehrenbach, Connor Heuer, Maggie Petersen, Jake Vasek, Jack Gepson and Theresa Siers.

"This meet is always a challenge," Harris said. "None of the teams are ones we will see in our region, and they all bring different experiences and styles of competition. This year, especially, students embraced the challenge and did their best. It was a great day to be a Panther!"

The next meet for all students will be GSL's home meet at the high school on Saturday, Feb. 16. Oral rounds will start about 10 a.m.

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"I think that \$1.9 million is a little light (for the Morning-side project)," said Brunkhorst.

Brunkhorst said it may require more funding, and that he plans to work with the city on "different pieces of the project."

Another option for funding may be to shift improvements on County Road 3 between County Roads 1 and 9, to 2015 from 2014, Brunkhorst said. Currently, there are no construction projects set for 2015. The County Road 3 improvements had been budgeted for \$900,000.

Also on the calendar for 2014 is \$396,350 for "improvement marking," funded mostly through a federal grant of \$350,000, with the county kicking in \$46,350.

Brunkhorst said the improvement markings use new technology to imbed striping, lane markings, etc., into the pavement rather than painting on the surface, which he said should extend the life of road markings.

There are also six bridges to be replaced in 2014, contingent on bridge or bond funding, with four township-owned bridges — two in Lynn Township and two in

Round Grove Township — as well as two county-owned bridges.

Brunkhorst said the bridges to be replaced are either culverts or metal arches.

If the County Road 3 project gets shifted to 2015, that will be the only construction project that year.

Slated for 2016 is the rehabilitation of County Road 4 from County Road 3 north to Highway 7, and the grading of County Road 15 from

County Road 22 to Highway 7. The surfacing of that road is slated for 2017.

Also in each of the plans are the annual maintenance items of seal coating, pavement markings and spot repairs.

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sheets and help people trying to search for family burial plots on the Internet.

The cemetery board has set aside \$10,000 for the computer software, which is estimated to cost \$12,000 to \$13,000, Larson said.

The Glencoe American Legion also donated \$500 for the project, because the computer software also can pinpoint veterans graves.

The Glencoe Historic Preservation Society also has offered to supply people to help in getting the data on the computer.

PRESCHOOL
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The Glencoe-Silver Lake chapter of Business and Professionals of America (BPA) had 36 of its students advance to the state competition set for March 7-9 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Minneapolis. The BPA participants included, front row, left to right, Brandon Ebert, Brody Bratsch, Reed Dunbar, Travis Rothstein, Derek Bratsch and Luke Weiers. In the second row are Teddi Grego, Kelly Beneke, Kristen Grack, Lexi Wendlandt, Shannon Twiss, Katie Urban, Katie Cohrs and Mercy Rakow. In the third row are Samantha Iverson, Brooke

Kaczmarek, Sarah Clark, Kurtis Kunkel, Joe Fehrenbach, Ray Eberhard, Nick Jenkins and Kaitlyn Boesche. In the fourth row are Ashley Schaefer, Ashley Hall, Krissy Garbers, Mackenzie Matousek, Eric Thalmann, Oakley Clark and Patrick Fehrenbach. In the fifth row are Jayden Tschimperle, Ashlyn Ratike, Lexi Kerslake, Tate Lilienthal, Ashley Miller, Jenessa Urban and Rachel Rusten. In the back row are Mark Lueders, Dylan Schuth, Michael Schaefer, Lindsay Wedin, Michael Boesche and Kyle Beck.

GSL's BPA chapter advances 36 to state competition in March

The Glencoe-Silver Lake chapter of Business Professionals of America (BPA) competed at the region competition Jan. 28 at Eden Prairie High School, and 36 students will now advance to the state BPA competition March 7-9 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Minneapolis.

Mary Eckhoff is the BPA adviser at GSL.

The BPA Region 1 results included:

Kaitlyn Boesche, first place, desktop publishing; third place advanced word processing.

Derek Bratsch, first place, integrated office procedures; alternate advanced spreadsheet.

Katie Cohrs, first place, medical office procedures.

Reed Dunbar, first place, basic office procedures.

Joe Fehrenbach, first place, database; sixth place advanced spreadsheet.

Sam Iverson, first place, advanced desktop publishing; third place, graphic design; third place, legal office procedures.

Ashley Schaefer, first place, advanced office proce-

dures; sixth place, integrated

Oakley Clark, second place, administrative support research; second place, administrative support concepts; fifth place, desktop publishing; sixth place, business meeting management.

Krissy Garbers, second place, administrative support team; fifth place, database.

Ashley Hall, second place, administrative support team; alternate in database.

Kurtis Kunkel, second place, administrative support team; second place, database.

Mackenzie Matousek, second place, advanced office procedures; fifth place, economic research.

Mercy Rakow, second place, medical office; second place, advanced word processing; second place, Parli Pro Concepts; third place, parliamentary procedures team.

Ashlyn Ratike, second place, integrated office procedures; alternate in advanced word processing.

Michael Schaefer, second place, information technology concepts; third place, fundamental spreadsheet; fourth

place, fundamental word processing.

Eric Thalmann, second place, administrative support team; third place, Parli Pro Concepts; fourth place, advanced office procedures.

Shannon Twiss, second place, legal office; third place, administrative support concepts; fifth place, business meeting management; third place, project management concepts.

Lindsay Wedin, second place, basic office procedures; third place, integrated office procedures.

Kelly Beneke, third place, advanced desktop publishing.

Michael Boesche, third place, keyboarding.

Sarah Clark, third place, parliamentary procedures team.

Pat Fehrenbach, third place, parliamentary procedures team; sixth place, Parli Pro Concepts.

Brooke Kaczmarek, third place, parliamentary procedures team; sixth place, Desktop Publishing.

Rachel Rusten, third place, basic office procedures; fourth place legal office pro-

cedures.

Katie Urban, third place, desktop publishing; third place, advanced office procedures.

Alexis Wendlandt, third place, medical office procedures.

Brody Bratsch, fourth place, database.

Alexis Kerslake, fourth place, desktop publishing; fourth place, basic office.

Tate Lilienthal, fourth place advanced spreadsheet, sixth place, basic office.

Mark Lueders, fourth place, fundamental spreadsheet; sixth place, fundamental word processing.

Ashley Miller, fourth place, integrated office procedures.

Travis Rothstein, fourth place, medical office procedures.

Brandon Ebert, fifth place, advanced office procedures; alternate in keyboarding.

Nick Jenkins, fifth place, medical office procedures.

Kristen Grack, sixth place, advanced word processing.

Jenessa Urban, sixth place, advanced office procedures.

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Record

Police Report

Police issued 13 "snowbird" parking tickets since Jan. 28.

Police also investigated the theft of five "stackers" valued at \$200 from property on Chandler Avenue on Monday afternoon, Jan. 28.

A bus driver reported that a female driver violated a bus stop arm at 16th Street and Elliott Avenue at 3:06 p.m., Monday.

Police responded to a call of an elderly male having trouble breathing at 5:39 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 30, at a residence in the 1800 block of Hennepin Avenue.

Police conducted nine compliance checks on alcohol sales to minors and one failed on Thursday, Jan. 31. Go For It Gas was the one that failed. The other eight required the minor to show an ID. The violation occurred when one establishment sold a 12-pack of beer to two underage males, police reported.

Police also took a student home from the high school at 7:34 a.m., Thursday, after the student walked to school but did not realize there was a two-hour delay. Police reported he "wasn't dressed for the weather."

A watermain broke about 8 a.m., Friday, Feb. 1, in the 1600 block of Judd Avenue due to the cold weather. Repairs began about 1 p.m.

A person was cited for disorderly conduct after police were called to a Greeley Avenue residence on a harassment com-

plaint at 3:36 p.m., Friday.

A person fell and injured a knee in the 900 block of 15th Street at 6:53 p.m., Friday. The person was transported by ambulance to Ridgeview Medical Center in Waconia.

An elderly female fell at Grand Meadows Assisted Living at 3:57 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 3. An ambulance transported the woman to the hospital emergency room.

A vehicle was reported to have run into a light pole in the high school parking lot at 3:51 p.m., Sunday.

A possible hip injury was reported after a person fell at 3:58 p.m., Monday. The person was assisted to the emergency room.

Police executed a Sibley County arrest warrant at Hennepin Avenue and 10th Street. The person was taken into custody and transported to the McLeod County Jail at 5:32 p.m., Monday.

Another medical call at Grand Meadows was reported at 6:39 p.m., Monday. The person was transported to the hospital's emergency room.

Building Permits

The following building permits were approved by Glencoe City Council on Feb. 4:

Bob Schuette, 1412 Birch Ave., detached garage.

Earl VonBerge, 1810 E. 1st St., plumbing permit.

Stephanie Rizzio, 911 E. 5th St., plumbing permit.

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intend is to use proceeds from the sale of natural gas to customers to make the bond payments. Once the bond has been paid off, the proceeds will go to the city's general revenue fund.

The city intends to enter into agreements with Hutchinson Utilities to buy natural gas, and to have Hutchinson operate and maintain the system for at least the first few years.

Currently, there about 31 municipally owned natural gas franchises in the state of Minnesota. The city of Brownton already owns and operates an electric utility.

If the bond passes, construction will begin this summer and is expected to be completed before the winter season. Along with gas mains throughout the community, individual service lines will be installed up to participating homes and businesses, with no charge to the customer. Any work inside the buildings will need to be done by a licensed contractor.

More information about the proposed project was mailed out with the January utility bills.

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nally agreed to a head-to-head confrontation. The date of the match was set. Reporters gushed over a legendary battle of the sexes to settle the matter once and for all. It would be 18 holes of golf that would go down in the annals of the game.



Jesse Messner 'Macon Green'

"After 17 holes, Wunn was 1 up. That's when it became dead even. For as Wunn teed up for the 18th hole, a deathly silence fell over the crowd. Just as his driver reached the zenith of its arc, Wunn released the club. His eyes rolled back in their sockets and he collapsed. All efforts to revive him failed. At first, observers feared a hidden medical problem had surfaced, yet police thought otherwise. They confirmed that the evidence pointed toward homicide."

Cast members of the mystery include: Keith Tongen, narrator. Paula Schons as Birdie Bigelow, professional golfer. She'd been waiting a long time for this match. Would she really want it to end this way?

Michael Selle as Toten Klubs, Wunn's caddie. Surely the rumors couldn't be true. Could Klubs and Wunn really be splitting?

Shalon Werner as Carrie Bagshot, Bigelow's caddie. She told everyone Birdie would win this event. Why did she dislike Wunn so

much?

John Sanken as Nemo Brandt, chief executive officer of Sadasi Sports Gear. For the past five years, the world-famous Sadasi "Sheesh" has been a fixture on all of Wunn's golf gear. What would happen when his promotional contract expires?

Mona Geier as Sandy Trapini, president of Porous Pines Golf Club. Wunn wasn't in her good graces. Why would she feel this way?

Jesse Messner as Macon Green, greenskeeper. Wunn complained about the conditions of the course. How could he develop a stellar reputation if Wunn kept saying rotten things about his ability?

The mystery dinner theatre will be Friday, Feb. 22, at the Brownton Community Center.

Doors open at 6 p.m., with the mystery theatre to start at 7 p.m. After a brief introduction of the plot and characters, a smoked pork chop dinner will be served by the Brownton Lions Club. After the dinner, the cast will be available to be interrogated by the audience to determine who the murderer is.

The cost is \$20 per person. Tickets are available at Security Bank & Trust, Brownton and downtown Glencoe, and from Cabin Fever Days committee members. Tickets must be purchased in advance so that a meal count is available for the Lions Club.

Other events

Other activities throughout the weekend include:

• Saturday, Feb. 23 — A bean bag tournament in the Brownton Area Civic Center

gym, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., hosted by the Brownton Baseball Association. There is a \$30 per team entry fee, and a cash payback. For more information or to register a team, call 320-583-0981.

Story hour and kids' activities will be held at the Brownton Public Library, located in the civic center, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

George's Concertina Band will perform at the Brownton Community Center from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. The \$10 admission fee includes lunch.

Lost Highway, one of the Upper Midwest's top country rock band, will perform from 9 p.m. to midnight in the civic center gym. Doors open at 7:30 p.m., and beverages and snacks will be available. The cost is \$20 per person, and advance-sale tickets are available at Security Bank & Trust, Brownton and downtown Glencoe, and from committee members.

• Sunday, Feb. 24 — A community pancake breakfast will be served from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Brownton Community Center. Tickets are \$6 per person. Children 5 and under eat free.

All proceeds go to the Brownton Area Civic Center for renovation costs. Organizations which are helping with the weekend include the Brownton Baseball Association, Brownton Fire Department, Brownton Area Resources for Kids (BARK), Brownton Lions Club, Brownton Women's Club and Brownton-area churches.

More information is available at 320-328-5318, www.cityofbrownton.com, or visit the Brownton Area Civic Center page on Facebook.

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If governor's budget plans become reality, watch out Minnesotans!

Our view: If governor and DFL majorities get their way, your personal budget will be raided

If the budget proposed by Gov. Mark Dayton is approved, Minnesotans will see a variety of changes to their involuntary spending — state sales taxes on a large number of items not yet taxed will be greatly expanded.

Wow! A lot of oxen will get gored by this plan!

Perhaps we should slow down a bit and take a better look at what is being proposed in a budget for the next two years in Minnesota.

State Sen. Scott Newman, R-Hutchinson, sent along a list of the governor's recommendations for the 2014-16 biennium.

What really caught our attention were all the new sales tax items being considered. They include digital products as well as parallel taxation on direct satellite services and remote access software; admission to stadium box seats and suites, exhibitions and selling events; repeal of the exemptions to ready-to-eat meat and seafood; clothing over \$100; admissions and memberships.

Inhale. Over-the-counter drugs; personal services like hair, nails and tattoos; personal services like wedding planning, dating services, shoe shining, personal shopping; veterinary services; personal instructions for things like dance, golf or tennis.

Inhale. Oh, there are more. Brokerage and investment counseling; bank charges and safety deposit rentals; legal services purchased by consumers; auto repair services; household goods repair and maintenance; warehousing and storage services, but not including storage for farm products or refrigerated storage.

Inhale again. There is more. Taxi cabs and other ground transportation, but not including public or school transportation; travel agent

services; legal services purchased by businesses; accounting and book-keeping services purchased by businesses; architectural and engineering services; specialized design services; computer services; management consulting services; environmental or security consulting and development services; advertising and related services; office administrative service.

And, another long breath, there is still more.

Facilities support services, like snowplowing; employment services; business support services; miscellaneous professional and technical services; electronic and commercial equipment repair and maintenance; telecommunications equipment; court reporter documents; advertising materials; publications, like newspapers and periodicals.

OK, now stop, catch your breath.

This budget plan has a little something (in more taxes) for everyone who is a consumer. By the way, consumers, you will foot the bill for these taxes as businesses pass on the additional costs to you in higher prices.

Remember, the governor's budget plan also includes a higher tax rate for the richest Minnesotans, a motor vehicle rental tax increase, and another increase in the cigarette taxes.

Apparently there is no tax the governor does not like.

On the other side of the ledger, Dayton's budget proposes a lowering of the property taxes by giving all property owners a \$500 rebate, and there is a reduction in the corporate tax rates.

So, consumers, let your elective officials know what you think about being taxed as never before.

So much for helping the middle class, whatever that is nowadays.

— R.G.



Get informed on natural gas plans

"Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of their country." That's a little typing exercise used back in the old days.

Well, now is a good time for all good Brownton citizens to come to the aid of their city. Yes, Tuesday, March 19, is the date set for a referendum on Brownton setting up a natural gas system.

What's so important about Brownton getting natural gas?

According to data collected by the federal Department of Energy, the price of natural gas is approximately half that of LP gas. This price advantage for natural gas has been fairly consistent over the years.

The federal agency reported in January that it expects continued growth in domestic natural gas production. Despite relatively low natural gas prices, the agency observes, drilling continues at a strong pace as producers target combination oil-and-gas wells.

Other advantages for natural gas, the agency goes on, include no tank in the back yard or side of the house, and no need to call for a delivery. It may also be pointed out one pays for natural gas after it is used while the LP one pays upon delivery and before the product is consumed.

Tuesday, Feb. 12, (that's Abraham Lincoln's birthday) a public hearing on the proposed natural gas system will be held in the Brownton Community Center. Information on planning the system will be presented at the 7 p.m. meeting. Members of the



Chuck Warner

community will have an opportunity to ask questions and speak up on the issue.

Brownton has been an island when it comes to natural gas. Stewart to the west, Glencoe to the east, Hutchinson to the north and Winthrop to the south all have had natural gas for many years.

Each will attest to the advantages. From time to time, businesses and families looking to relocate have bypassed Brownton because of its lack of natural gas.

Natural gas is the largest single source of energy for homes and businesses throughout the United States. Over 85 percent is produced domestically and comes to the consumer through an efficient, safe and environmentally sound delivery system of about 1.5 million miles of underground pipeline.

Natural gas, the American Gas Association points out, is a domestic fuel, so it's free of the risks of world politics that endanger supplies of

some fuels. All experts agree there is an abundant supply.

These experts also point out it is the cleanest fuel available. Of every 100,000 BTUs (British Thermal Units) of natural gas extracted from a gas well, 89,000 BTUs reach the customer.

The gas delivery system is 89 percent efficient. It is used in the same form that it comes from the earth.

OK. What happens if voters approve of the council going ahead with the natural gas project?

Once voters approve, preliminary plans will be approved. Then the public will be solicited to sign up.

There are around 320 residences in the city. Once the sign-up is completed, gas mains will be installed. Construction would begin as soon as the frost is out of the ground.

Mains are projected to run in the area between the curb and the sidewalk. In some areas, the main may have to go behind buildings in the alleys. Service is expected to be ready by fall.

Citizens of Brownton are urged to attend the Feb. 12 meeting. Find out what is planned, how much it will cost and what the benefits are for the homeowners, and the city.

Natural gas has worked for so many communities. It can be a blessing for Brownton, too.

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

Letters to Editor

Kudos Blizzard Blast committee for awesome venue, evening

To the Editor:

Kudos to the Blizzard Blast committee who provided an awesome venue and a wonderful evening.

I graduated high school from what now is the City Center. I drove from North Carolina in January to attend this event. What a pleasant surprise. Linen table cloths. Linen napkins fanned in a water glass, centerpieces and wine tasting. Waitresses in uniforms, very classy.

I am so glad so many businesses

contributed, plus numerous private donations. Hospice is important in every community and is not a "death sentence."

Hospice staff not only attend to the patient, but also to family and friends.

I hope there will be an 8th annual Blizzard Blast! Thank you committee for all of your hard work.

Barbara Halloran Hickory, N.C.

Letters to Editor

February aims at Teen Dating Violence Awareness

To the Editor:

McLeod Alliance for Victims of Domestic Violence recognizes February as National Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month. This month aims to bring attention to pervasive teen dating violence and what communities and parents can do to recognize and end it.

There are a number of warning signs that parents may encounter when their teen is in an abusive relationship.

Your child may have fewer friends than before meeting a dating partner, and may be isolated from friends, outside activities, and even family.

Parents may also notice emotional changes in their child, including cry-

ing and wanting to be alone.

Another red flag is a partner who constantly calls or texts your teen, demanding to know who they are with and where they are. And although your teen may be making excuses for this behavior, don't ignore your suspicions.

Experts believe that the best approach if you suspect violence is to avoid a power struggle with your child, keep lines of communication open, and provide resources.

The National Teen Dating Abuse Helpline is a 24-hour hotline, specifically designed for teens and young adults. It offers real-time one-on-one support from trained peer advocates. All communication is confidential

and anonymous.

It is accessible by phone at 1-866-331-9474 or via the Internet at loveisrespect.org. The website provides additional resources for teens, parents, friends and family, peer advocates, government officials, law enforcement officials and the general public.

I urge you to take a few moments to visit loveisrespect.org so that you can be better prepared to help your child if they need you to intervene.

If you would like more information, please call McLeod Alliance at 320-234-7933.

Glynis Vacek
Advocacy coordinator
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There ought to be a law for that

There ought to be a law that Minnesota meteorologists, especially the talking heads on TV, must be native Minnesotans. Otherwise, their credibility is worthless.

Case in point: Recently, Minnesota experienced a winter day in which it did not get above zero for a high. You would have thought the world was going to end listening to these TV weather-people talk!

The weather adjectives were flying across the airwaves as if stepping outside on a day below zero was going to kill you instantly!

Where are you meteorologists from? Florida?

Well, I hate to break it to them, but most of us native Minnesotans, and many other upper Midwesterners, never gave it a thought, other than to find our longjohns for the first time this season.

Heck, some of us have experienced below-zero highs for weeks on end growing up in this state. We would just go into the closet and add a scarf to our winter attire before heading outdoors.

What is the big deal? For crying out loud it is winter-time in Minnesota!

Riding to work last week, the car radio voice declared it was "blistering cold" that morning (the low was minus 3F) and schools were two hours late because of the "bone-chilling" windchill.

Growing up in the 1950s and '60s on the Canadian border, no one had ever heard of windchills. It didn't make any difference, anyway, you



Rich Glennie

still had to get to school, or work, whether your vehicle started or not. So, you walked.

By the way, never heard of a two-hour delay or even a snow day growing up in International Falls. Asked my brothers, and they could not recall a weather-related day off either.

Either we were just mentally tougher back then than today, or didn't know any better, or our parents had little concern for our safety, or we just used more common sense.

It was probably all of the above.

Our cure back then was a hot bowl of oatmeal and another layer of clothing. All the little kids looked like Michelin snowballs waddling to school. The colder it was, the more clothes you wore, and the rounder you got.

Our version of a school delay came when we peeled off all those layers of clothing before starting the school day.

Back to today.

During one of our earlier January cold snaps, I made several other observations:

Some students are idiots and some parents are too. Some students for just being stupid, and parents for being too busy to see what their children put on, or not, before heading out the door for school.

Two instances come to mind. I was driving to the high school before the start of the school day recently, and observed a couple of students walking to school with no hat, no mitts and no jacket! One was in shorts. It's January folks!

Then later in the evening, I witness two teen-aged girls leaving a basketball game and heading to their frigid vehicles — no hat, no mitts and no jackets!

How cool is that? Well, they looked down right miserable.

I don't ever recall being that stupid as a teen-ager.

But I will admit, I did walk to my high school one time when it was well below zero — without my longjohns on.

It was about a mile from my house to the high school, straight into the prevailing northwest January winds. By the time I got to the high school, I could not feel the tops of my thighs. Never did that again.

So some of us learn from our mistakes, others simply want to look cool. If the color blue in your lips is cool, then you have succeeded.

The only thing left is to go lick a metal pipe in January. That, folks, you will never do a second time!

Great things happening at GSL

February is here, and I thought I would give you some of the highlights of the school year thus far.

With about four months to go in the school year, we look forward to the many success stories that will happen. Things at GSL are going great, and we have lots to be proud of.

During the recent visit from the commissioner of education, we had an opportunity to show her firsthand how great GSL is.

Many of you have heard about our iPad initiative in our third and fourth grade math program. This has been very successful and something that our students are very excited about. We look forward to expanding this program to our fifth and sixth grade next year.

Watching our students in math class is truly amazing! Who said that math can't be fun?

Students are engaged in their lessons, and using this technology only accelerates their learning.

Another program that has been successful is the "Power of the ICU" at Lincoln Jr. High.

The core of the program is making all students do all of their assignments. Conceptually,



**Superintendent
By Chris Sonju**

ally, it makes sense; however, reality tells you that it is a little more difficult.

All across our state, in many schools, the grading system deals with an accumulation of points in order to receive a grade. While this is a method to get a grade, the actual letter grade should reflect on what the student has learned, not on how many points they gathered.

This concept, along with a support structure for every student to do all of their work, is proving to be successful in our junior high.

From the classroom to the "activities classroom," GSL has a lot to offer. We have after-school programs to provide the extra support for the classroom and a wide range of activities that involve aca-

demics, the arts and athletics. These learning experiences are valued, and it allows many students to be involved at GSL with opportunities outside of the classroom.

Finally, we are very excited about the Early Childhood Learning Center that we are building at the Lincoln site. This facility will house our ECFE (Early Childhood Family Education), ECSE (Early Childhood Special Education) and School Readiness.

Having a 21st century learning facility to meet the needs of our youngest learners will be a true asset to the district.

Stop by the upcoming Glencoe Expo on Feb. 16-17 at the Panther Field House for more information and to see the plans, it is very exciting!

As stated earlier, things are going well at GSL, but please know that we should always be looking for ways to improve our school for all of our students.

We have a school that we all can be very proud of, and we look forward to making it even better. If I can ever be of assistance, please don't hesitate to call or e-mail, and I will be happy to assist you as best as I can.

Letters to Editor

Recycling is the issue; 1-sort is the answer

To the Editor:

Recycling is *the* issue, not "is an issue."

Recycling is *the* issue. That is exactly why I, and the rest of the Glencoe City Council, have been looking into single-sort recycling.

The city of Minneapolis did a study last year that proves if a city goes to single-sort their recycling increases exponentially. It was also stated in an article in the Star Tribune that going to single-sort recycling will increase the tonnage per household by 725 pounds annually (Star Tribune 11/24/11).

Now if you took the highest contamination rate at a single-sort facility like Waste Management, which is about 8 percent or less (ecomaine.org), not the 10 to 20 percent that some continue to state, and multiply that by just the increase of 725 pounds, you still end up with 667 pounds of additional recyclable material.

Without single-sort this recyclable material would more than likely end up in a landfill or an incinerator. A 1 percent contamination rate of recyclable material that is not recycled is actually a 100 percent contamination rate.

Recycling is the issue, and if you want people to recycle more you need to make it easier. All you need to do is drive down on any given Monday morning when recycling is set out and look at how many residents have recycling set out.

When I look up and down the streets around me, I would estimate maybe one out of every six houses has a recycling bin set out.

While you are looking at how many bins are set out take a look at how many garbage cans are overflowing with cardboard items or plastic items.

Why do people throw them in there you may ask? Because it is easy. The easier you make something the more likely people are going to do it.

Don't think for a minute that we currently have a free service. It cost the county \$2.68 per household in McLeod County to recycle (their number, which increases annually). This is a pass-

through expense that we in the county do not see.

The reality is if McLeod County went with an outside vendor, like Waste Management, they could pay them less than \$2.68 per household.

Waste Management offered Glencoe a price of \$2.90 per household. They then said that each month each household would receive a commodity rebate. This rebate over the last three years has averaged \$1. This brings the actual monthly cost of recycling per household to \$1.90.

There is no reason the county could not go to the same program.

The number that keeps coming up is a \$70,000 expenditure to pick up curbside recycling in Glencoe. If you add the revenues from what is picked up in curbside (\$30,000) and the revenues from what is picked up at the 13th Street drop site (\$40,000) you see that Glencoe is basically a wash in expenditures/revenues.

However, the \$70,000 in expenditures does not include the price of operating the MRF in Hutchinson, nor does it include the cost to truck the commodities to where they need to go. Some commodities are being trucked across state lines.

The county stated at our council meeting and in our face-to-face meetings that the MRF facility is subsidized (read as paid for) by landfill tip fees. That's why it appears that the service isn't costing anything.

However, those same tip fees could be used to support recycling or garbage pick up countywide. That would be a straight forward use that would benefit every single county resident.

The county stated that the commodities revenues are used to go back into the county general fund. Then why has that not happened?

There is an unknown balance from these commodities that has not been touched. Would not it have been wise for the county to pull monies from this fund to finance the compost sites throughout the county? It is going to cost the city more than \$25,000 to fund the compost site per

year. That cost does not include what it may cost to remove the trees, branches, leaves and grass clippings.

Why doesn't the city privatize other services, such as a liquor store? The liquor store makes money, that's why. The county MRF does not. It's being paid for primarily by tip fees, which could be used for other uses.

A swimming pool is not a money maker, it is simply an asset to the community, the same as baseball, softball, soccer fields, parks and playgrounds. Water and waste water plants are not money makers either. They are here to make life easier for the end user.

I think that it is great that McLeod County is looking into single-sort recycling. But I firmly believe they need to look at having an over \$500 million private facility doing it for them instead of spending more money on a facility that makes them nothing. If the county is a leader in recycling, why don't they pick up throughout the county?

Currently the only township that has curbside recycling in McLeod County is Rich Valley. Not because they have to but because they want to.

With Waste Management, we are hoping to increase both the participation level and tonnage citywide and at the GSL School District — which will result in considerably more revenue than the county currently gives them. Also, the county educational component at the student level is non-existent.

Recycling is *the* issue. Anything that gets recycled is better than nothing. A lot of people do not recycle because it is not that easy. Some people do not like the current system because they do not want their multitude of cans and bottles to be seen by the public.

Single-sort recycling is easy, and improves participation and recycling tonnage exponentially. Ask yourself, would I recycle more if it were easier?

**John Schrupp
Precinct 2 Glencoe
City Councilman**

Fracking good for Minnesota, United States

To the Editor:

A controversy is brewing at the state Capitol on whether to end or severely restrict mining of silica sand because of the potential environmental concerns.

These concerns have been inflamed by a Hollywood propaganda film "Promised Land," filled with misleading information. The film claims, among other things, that families in Pennsylvania had their groundwater contaminated because of "fracking" for natural gas.

Fracking is a process using silica sand in drilling for natural gas in America. With large reserves of silica sand in southeast Minnesota, fracking has the potential to create thousands of high-paying jobs in our state.

Following the release of the "Promised Land," both the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection

and the federal EPA investigated claims made in the film and found no evidence of contamination. Simply put, this film was just another Hollywood environmentalist fraud, financed by the Middle East oil cartel, OPEC (Source: Investors Business Daily, 12/24/12, Heritage Foundation report).

Americans need to realize that foreign countries selling billions of dollars of energy to the U.S. each year are, in some cases, financially supporting environmentalist organizations who promote laws and regulations to keep America from accessing its own abundant energy resources in an environmentally friendly way.

The United States is on the verge of the largest energy boom in our history with trillions of cubic feet of natural gas. We also have over 800 billion barrels of recoverable

shale oil, three times the reserves of Saudi Arabia (Source: Rand Corporation). This means that all of America's liquid fuels can come from secure North American sources within 15 years. Not only can we become energy independent, but we can also stop funding Middle East terrorist organizations.

Accessing these natural resources will lower energy costs for families and businesses in Minnesota and create tens of thousands of high-paying jobs.

I will continue to support the development of our own natural resources, including hydraulic fracking, clean coal energy and the repeal of the nuclear power plant ban.

I welcome your comments.
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City, residents spent \$268,487 on I&I work

By Rich Glennie
Editor

The never-ending inflow and infiltration (I&I) program in Glencoe continued to spend hundreds of thousands of dollars — public and private — to address nagging water issues in Glencoe.

At Monday night's Glencoe City Council meeting, Public Works Director Gary Schreifels, in his annual report, said the total cost in Glencoe in 2012 was \$268,487.

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) is requiring Glencoe to spend at least \$100,000 a year to address its I&I issues that in the past have caused undertreated or untreated water from the wastewater treatment plant to get into Buffalo Creek, usually after heavy rain events.

Storm water is infiltrating residential and commercial sanitary sewers, and the I&I program is designed to stop

that infiltration.

"It's been about 10 years now," Schreifels said of the I&I program. "It will probably be another 10 years."

Mayor Randy Wilson asked when the MPCA's \$100,000 a year mandate will "sunset."

"That's a good question," Schreifels replied.

"We'll always have I&I issues," Wilson added. "Infrastructure always wears out."

Schreifels said the I&I reduction project made improvements or replacements of sanitary sewer lateral lines to 89 properties in 2012. That total cost was \$261,228, of which the city paid up to \$1,000 per property.

The average cost per homeowner was \$2,935. The highest cost was \$7,520, and the lowest was \$682, Schreifels said.

The city's share of the total I&I costs was \$96,259, Schreifels said.

Besides the laterals,

Schreifels said the city spent another \$1,565 on televising sewer mains and laterals; \$5,149 on its rain barrel program; and another \$545 on administration and legal costs.

Schreifels added that I&I investigations were conducted on all foreclosed properties and properties that are for sale. He said they are done "with the intention to make sure that all new property owners have a compliant sanitary sewer lateral before taking ownership."

As to the rain barrel program, Schreifels said it was the second year of the program and 154 barrels were sold in 2012. He said the rain barrels, which capture rain water, will be sold again this year.

The kickoff for this year's program will be at the Feb. 16-17 Glencoe Business Expo at the Panther Field House.

The rain barrels, made in Canada, will arrive in Glencoe on April 11 and will be distributed to purchasers on April 26, he added.

Glencoe City Council authorized Schreifels to send the report to the MPCA for review.

In other matters, City Council:

— Approved the hiring of Derek Palmer of Glencoe as the new wastewater treatment plant operator, replacing Allan Roebeck, who recently retired after more than 40 years as a city employee.

— Officially approved a fee policy for future "conduit financing" proposals. Conduit financing allows entities, like Glencoe Regional Health Services, to use the city's good credit rating when refinancing its bonds. The fee covers the city's administrative expenses. Up to this point, the city had no policy. "It doesn't come up often,"

Wilson said, "but now we have a guideline."

— Heard that under Gov. Mark Dayton's budget proposal, Glencoe could receive a \$30 per capita increase in its local government aid (LGA). But Dayton's budget is anything but certain during the current legislative session.

Larson estimated Dayton's budget would increase Glencoe's LGA by about \$170,000 to \$1.231 million.

Instead of calling it LGA, Wilson suggested it be called property tax relief, because "we all know what's happened to property taxes."

— Heard that alcohol compliance checks were made recently, and one establishment that sells alcohol failed, according to Police Chief Jim Raiter. That place was Go For It Gas.

The city has a legal process it conducts to address the violation.

Raiter said all the rest of the businesses selling alcohol "did a fabulous job" of checking IDs for minors. "Kudos to all those businesses."

— Heard the city may do a market study for a new hotel in the city, Larson said of discussions at a recent chamber of commerce Economic Development Committee (EDC) meeting.

Larson also said there is interest in the former Econmart building in downtown Glencoe "as is." The interested party may seek business subsidy assistance for the project, he added.

Also, Larson said he expects a floor plan for the liquor store expansion in the next week or so.

— Heard there may be some potential environmental issues at the former creamery building on 9th Street, and the city is awaiting a report before any action is taken.

History

From the Brownton Bulletin archives

100 Years Ago

Feb. 7, 1913
O.C. Conrad, Editor

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. F.C. Schwartz of Sumter on Wednesday of this week.

Dr. E.L. Maurer reports the arrival of a son at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C.A. Sommerdorf east of town last Saturday.

The storage cells for the electric light plant were received Monday and experts are now at work putting them in place. After the installation of these batteries, the system will be complete and patrons of the plant will have 24-hour service.

75 Years Ago

Feb. 10, 1938
Percy L. Hakes, Editor

A business deal was made last Wednesday afternoon in which Mrs. Zeik disposed of the beer parlor owned by her late husband, Arthur Zeik, to Fred Schultz and Hugo Lemke. Mr. Lemke has been operating the business since Mr. Zeik's death.

A crowd of over 500 patrons, stockholders and friends of the Brownton Creamery attended the annual meeting of the organization at the Brownton City Hall on Tuesday of this week. The officers of the association were all re-elected and are as follows: A.S. Holmes, president; Gustave Peik, vice president; C.A. Sommerdorf, treasurer; Edwin Peik, secretary; and Melvin Todd, Frank Pikal, Earl Stites, Arthur Schwarze and Walter Radke, directors.

Mrs. William Klopffleisch (Mary Richard) died suddenly of a heart attack on Feb. 4 at the

age of 73. She is survived by five sons and six daughters. Her husband and one brother preceded her in death.

50 Years Ago

Feb. 7, 1963
Charles H. Warner, Editor

Brian Scott, the 1-1/2-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Willmar Dennin, was found dead in his bed at around 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 6. His parents rushed him to the Brownton Clinic, where all efforts to revive him failed. Funeral services will be Friday, Feb. 8, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Brownton. Besides his parents, Brian is survived by two sisters, Annette and Sandra, and five brothers, Gary, DuWayne, Steven, Keven and Bruce.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Klitzke announce the birth of a daughter, Lori Lynn, born Jan. 22.

Marvin Spaude, president of the Brownton Baseball Association, announced this week that high school principal Vint Zabel has been named to manage the Bruins in the 1963 season.

Herbert Timm, veteran member of the Brownton Fire Department, tendered his resignation Monday after serving nearly 25 years. To take Herb's place, the department voted in John Sommer, manager of the Fullerton Lumber Company.

20 Years Ago

Feb. 3, 1993
Lori Copler, Editor

McLeod West High School girls' basketball coach Dave Wendlandt was pleasantly surprised Thursday night when his

players and fans presented him with a plaque in honor of his 100th victory as a head coach. Wendlandt was head coach of the Brownton team for seven years, and this year headed up the new McLeod West squad.

A Brownton school custodian suffered serious injuries Friday afternoon in an accident that occurred while unloading a delivery of coal from a truck. According to Superintendent Dave Klepel, Harlow Karg was apparently standing behind the truck when the load apparently shifted on the tilt-bed truck, forcing the tailgate to pop open and strike Karg in the pelvic area. Klepel said safety chains or latches on the truck apparently failed to hold back the load, and Karg was buried to his chest in coal. He was taken to the Hutchinson hospital and later flown to Hennepin County Medical Center for treatment of his injuries, which included a separated pelvis and a pierced bladder.

10 Years Ago

Feb. 5, 2003
Lori Copler, Editor

The Stewart Fire Department had an appreciation dinner Saturday night honoring recent retirees from the department, Jim Kalenberg Sr., Jerry Ewert and Stan Krienke, as well as Dr. Floro Arive, who recently retired from Glencoe Regional Health Services.

McLeod West hosted its annual spelling bee Thursday morning. Corissa Schenk was the champion and Samantha Gutzke placed second. They received prizes courtesy of The Bulletin.

From the Stewart Tribune archives

100 Years Ago

Feb. 7, 1913
A.F. Avery, Editor

Rather unusual was the entertainment put on by the members of St. Nicholas Court, C.O.F., Monday evening, as it was in the form of a mock trial regarding a murder, with the audience members as jury. Portraying various characters during the trial were Vince Klinkhammer, W.F. Roland, J.A. Forcier, Mathias Simons, Enos Klinkhammer, H.E. Poseley and H.C. Dols.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Koelln of Collins on Sunday.

The marriage of two of the most worthy young people of this vicinity was solemnized Tuesday morning at the Lutheran Church when Miss Annie M. Blum was united in the holy bonds of wedlock with Mr. Henry G. Lipke. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Blum of Round Grove and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gottlieb Lipke of Preston Lake.

75 Years Ago

Feb. 4, 1938
Harry Koeppen, Editor

Stockholders at the Stewart Cooperative Creamery Association annual last Tuesday elected several new members to their board of directors. Charles Ewert was re-elected president, John Ludowese is the new vice president, L.W. Wangerin the new

secretary, Charles Kuttner was again named treasurer, John Schilling and Oluf Thompson are new members of the board of directors, while Jeffrey Novotny was re-elected to a position on the board.

Richard "Dick" Koeppen, 15-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Koeppen, was taken to the University hospital in Minneapolis late Sunday afternoon by Dr. W.W. Klima and his parents. A blood transfusion was given him then and a second one Wednesday afternoon, both resulting in rallies. However, his condition is very serious, leucocythaemia being the apparent cause of his illness. He was taken sick on Monday of last week.

The Milwaukee Railroad's coastal train, the Olympian, had the unusual experience here Monday of having several flat wheels on several coaches, which ultimately meant a delay of over five hours, a heavy expense to the railroad company and considerable confusion. A broken switch frog near Stewart caused the whole trouble. After passing the faulty switch at a slow rate of speed, the engineer began to accelerate, but the brakes on several of the cars failed to release, the wheels were dragged for some distance and went flat.

50 Years Ago

Feb. 7, 1963
Kermit T. Hubin, Editor
Patti Dols and Bert Bauer

were named March of Dimes queen and king Saturday, Jan. 19. This honor was given to them at the first annual March of Dimes dance sponsored by the paper and annual staffs at Stewart Public School.

35 Years Ago

Feb. 9, 1978
Kermit T. Hubin, Editor

The Round Grove Cooperative Creamery Association of Fernando had its annual meeting at the Gibbon Ballroom Friday night. The only change in officers was Vernon Meyer of Gibbon, who replaced Glendon Brede as secretary.

Several hundred people were in attendance at the fishing contest held by the Stewart Rod & Gun Club on Lake Preston Sunday afternoon. It was about an hour into the contest before the first fish was caught — a small northern pike by Tim Litzau of Glencoe. It was the one and only fish taken at the contest.

Three local boxers, members of the Glencoe Golden Gloves team, did well in matches at the Glencoe Middle School on Sunday afternoon. Glen Kalenberg won a unanimous decision over Bruce Bobick of Little Falls in the 165-pound division. Randy Korson won a split decision over Rick Rangeloff of Litchfield in the 155-pound division, and Russell Korson, boxing in the 60-pound division, lost to Mike Beer of LeCenter.



Chronicle photo by Rich Glennie

Students of January

Lincoln Junior High School selected its seventh-grade students of the month for January and honored them last Thursday. Selected were, front, from left, Cody Raduenz, science; Will Mickolich, agriculture/industrial technology; Jaecub

Fondurulia, band; and Jamie Koski, pre-algebra. In the back are Karsen Howard, family and consumer science; Adam Thalman, English; Tony Fischer, geography; and Cassie Perschau, health.



Chronicle photo by Rich Glennie

8th-grade students of month

Eight eighth-grade students at Lincoln Junior High were picked as the January students of the month. Selected were, front row, left to right, Roxanna Sanchez, history; Erica Hecksel, choir; Molli Cacka,

physical education; and Alexis Perez, band. In the back are Alexis Wildey, family and consumer science; Samantha Voigt, algebra; Austin Schroeffer, English; and Devin Fleck, science.

Ervin scholarship applications available at GSL, GFW, BLHS

Applications are being accepted for the Delores M. Ervin Scholarship at Glencoe-Silver Lake, Gibbon-Fairfax-Winthrop and Buffalo Lake-Hector-Stewart high schools.

The scholarship was established in 2008 by the late Delores M. Ervin of Stewart. Her goal was to foster post-secondary education in health care-related fields.

Eligible applicants are graduating seniors who reside in the former McLeod West School District as it stood on Jan. 1, 2009. Also eligible are 2008 through 2011 McLeod West graduates.

All applicants must be planning on pursuing a career

in the health care field.

Applications will be available Feb. 1 and must be returned by April 1. Applications are available in the counselor's offices of the three school districts and should be returned to the same offices.

The Brownton Barber Shop will be CLOSED Feb. 12-19

Community Calendar

- Wed., Feb. 6** — Brownton Women's Club, Brownton Community Center, 7:45 p.m.
 - Thurs., Feb. 7** — AA Group mtg. next to Post Office in Stewart, 8 p.m., call 320-212-5290 for info.
 - Mon., Feb. 11** — Tops Weigh-In mtg., 5-5:30 p.m.; Brownton Senior Citizens Club, Brownton Community Center, 1 p.m.; Stewart City Council, 7 p.m.
 - Tues., Feb. 12** — Narcotics Anonymous, Brownton Community Center, 7 p.m.
 - Wed., Feb. 13** — Brownton Women's Club, Brownton Community Center, 7:45 p.m.
 - Thurs., Feb. 14** — AA Group mtg. next to Post Office in Stewart, 8 p.m., call 320-212-5290 for info.
- ***Brownton Legion Auxiliary to Post 143 meeting canceled for February.**

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Panther Pride for January

January Panther Pride winners at GSL's Helen Baker Elementary School included the following students, front row, left to right, Mariah Gutknecht, Abigail Ziegler, Brayden Mathwig, Larissa Holmstrom, Alberth Lorencez, Olivia Wanous, Blake Goettl, Maxton Hansch, Geniess Balderas, Dulce Diaz, Ava Ranzau and Aiden Fearing. Middle row, Stuart Rosenlund, Kody Leske, Esteban Gar-

cia, Desyree Rhode, Nathan Wilson, Aden Carrigan, Lola Strey, Omar Martinez, Cavin Streufert, Lacie Blackowiak and Trace Otto. In the back row, Parker Simonson, Alexa Forar, Mya Dahlheimer-Brown, Tristan Ronngren, Kimberly Ruiz, Treighton Wemhoff, Vicente Garza, Adan Cortez and Christopher Garcia.

Next meeting of New Auburn VFW Auxiliary set Feb. 12

President Phyllis Schwanke called to order the January meeting of the New Auburn VFW Auxiliary to Post 7266.

Donations were sent to the Junior Girls Scouts, \$5, and Operation Uplink, \$25.

The POW/MIA candle was lit and a moment of silence held.

The next meeting of the VFW Auxiliary will be Tuesday, Feb. 12, at 7 p.m., instead of Wednesday, Feb. 13, because of Ash Wednesday.

Alice Olson is turning 90
She doesn't want a fuss, but we're having a party...because a celebration is a must!

Open House
Feb. 16
1-4 p.m.
Brownton Community Center
310 Second St. S., Brownton

St. John's Lutheran
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10:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
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12:40, 4:20 & 7:10

Mama PG-13 ENDS Wed, Feb. 13
12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15 & 9:30

Silver Lining Playbook R ENDS Wed, Feb. 13
12:15, 2:35, 5:00, 7:20 & 9:45

Side Effect R
12:35, 2:45, 5:05, 7:25 & 9:35

Identity Thief R
12:30, 2:50, 5:10, 7:30 & 9:40

SHOW TIMES FOR MON.-THURS., FEB. 10-14

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People

Area students make GA list

Several area students were named to the fall semester dean's list at Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter. Honored were Marley Clark and Alexis Quale of Glencoe and James Brooks of Stewart. The list includes those students with a 3.7 grade-point average or better.

Maiers on Iowa State fall list

Wilson Rae Maiers of Stewart was named to the fall semester dean's list at Iowa State University at Ames, Iowa. Maiers is in interdisciplinary studies.

Son born to Vergin family

Kirk and Sarah Vergin of Waconia announce the birth of their son, Cooper Jameson, on Jan. 25, 2013, at Ridgeview Medical Center in Waconia. Cooper weighed 7 pounds, 1 ounce, and was 19-1/2 inches in length. Grandparents are Roger and Shirley Vergin of Plato, Sharon Fischer of Webster, Wis., and Fred Fischer of Chaska.

Unseth makes dean's list

Miriam Unseth of Lester Prairie was named to the fall semester dean's list at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire. Unseth is in the College of Education and Human Sciences.

Condon, Debner note birth

Jaclynn Condon and Ryan Debner of Hutchinson announce the birth of their son, Wyatt Ethan Debner, on Jan. 15, 2013, at Glencoe Regional Health Services. Wyatt weighed 9 pounds, 2 ounces, and was 22-1/4 inches long. Grandparents are Ken and Debra Condon of New Germany and Randy and Jane Debner of St. Bonifacius.

Boesche on fall dean's list

Jonathan Boesche of Glencoe was named to the fall semester dean's list at the University of Minnesota-Crookston. Boesche is majoring in business management.

Wins \$10,000 in state Lottery

Jerry Parent of Silver Lake won \$10,000 playing the state Lottery's Diamonds & Pearls scratch-off game. He claimed his prize Jan. 18, and bought the winning ticket at Big Don's Cathedral, Inc., in Lester Prairie.

Vacek, Frisch note birth

Melissa Vacek and Cullen Frisch of Hutchinson announce the birth of their daughter, Rowyn Nevaeh, on Jan. 30, 2012, at Hutchinson Community Hospital. Rowyn weighed 5 pounds, 10 ounces, and was 18-1/2 inches in length. Grandparents are Dennis and Elna McCutchen of Hutchinson, Joe and Renee Hewitt of St. Charles, Charles and Barb Vacek of Stewart and Mark and Wendy Frisch of Wabasha.

Woods on MSUM dean's list

Samantha Woods of Glencoe, a 2007 graduate of Gibbon-Fairfax-Winthrop High School, was named to the fall semester dean's list at Minnesota State University-Moorhead. Woods is an English major.

Local scholarship applications now available for GSL seniors

On Feb. 1, local scholarship applications became available at Glencoe-Silver Lake High School seniors. More than \$70,000 will be awarded to the class of 2013 at the GSL Senior Banquet set for Sunday, May 19. Money for these scholarships come from local organizations, businesses and families, and are awarded to seniors who will be attending post-secondary school during the 2013-14 school year. Scholarship information and applications can be found under the "Counselor Corner" section of the GSL

School website at www.gsl.k12.mn.us. "Parents of seniors are asked to check with their child regarding this scholarship information and encourage their child to give these applications the time they deserve," said GSL High School Counselor Sue Magnuson. Applications are to be returned to the high school counselor's office no later than 8 a.m., Wednesday, March 6. "No applications will be accepted after that time," Magnuson stressed.

GRHS lifts its visitor restrictions as of Feb. 1

Because influenza activity appears to have peaked in Minnesota, Glencoe Regional Health Services lifted visitor restrictions for patients in the hospital and residents of long-term care as of Feb. 1.

"We thank our visitors, patients, residents and their families for their understanding regarding the restrictions. We believe they were necessary to protect the health of everyone," said Jon Braband, president and chief executive officer.

GRHS would like to remind the public that the flu season is far from over.

"We continue to ask anyone who is ill to postpone

their visit until they are feeling well. Visitors who are sick will be asked to wear masks when visits are necessary," Braband said.

He added that everyone can help reduce the spread of influenza and other illnesses by taking a few simple steps, including washing hands often, covering coughs, and staying home when ill.

It also is not too late to get vaccinated against the flu. GRHS has both injectable flu vaccine and flu mist available.

To schedule a vaccination-only appointment, call 320-864-7816 or 1-800-869-3116.

Glencoe VFW Auxiliary holds January meeting

The Glencoe VFW Post 5102 held its regular meeting Jan. 14 with President Angela Johnson calling the meeting to order with 15 members present.

After the opening ceremony and reports, minutes, bills and communications read and approved, the members held a moment of silence and a prayer for POWs/MIAs.

The mid-winter conference was held Jan. 25-27 at the Minneapolis Marriott City Center, and the 2nd District meeting was held in South St. Paul Jan. 5 with two Auxiliary members attending. Sharon Knop and Johnson reported on the district meeting.

Donations of 95 pounds of food for the food shelf were received along with \$10 in cash.

The Glencoe Regional Health Services long-term

care birthday party was held Jan. 24. Kathy Schuetz, Jeanne Gruenhagen and Elvera Brelje volunteered to help Joan Wandrei at the party. Schuetz will continue as chairman of the birthday party.

It was decided to sign up for the Coborn's food stand.

An audit report was presented and accepted. The chairmen year-end reports will be due at the end of March.

A donation of \$100 was approved for Green Shower at the mid-winter conference.

The club needs temporary assistance with the junior vice chairman position. Anyone interested should contact the president.

The lunch committee for the Feb. 11 meeting will be Lois Stuedemann, Stacy Harpel, Michelle Hjelle and Betty Exsted.

Brownton Library
By Beth Selle

Christmas has come and gone and we are well into a new year! A good time to get to the library for a good book!

This year, the adult winter reading program's theme is "Rope UP A Good Book." Stop in to sign up. It is easy to do and you get prizes for reading books.

This month for the Noon Book Club, we will be meeting Thursday, Feb. 21, at noon. As always, new members are always welcome! We meet on the third Thursday of each month from noon to 1 p.m.

The library offers a storytime every Wednesday morning at 10 a.m. Come join the other kids for a story, some play time and coloring or a craft. Also a storytime is offered every Saturday morning. Watch The Chronicle and Facebook for special activities.

New Auburn VFW donates \$900

The Jan. 9 meeting of New Auburn VFW Post 7266 was called to order by Commander Willard Grack.

The club donated \$500 to the Sibley County Pheasants Forever; \$300 to the St. Cloud Veterans Administra-

tion for the annual Ely fishing trip; and \$100 to the Weeping Willows 4-H Club. The next meeting of the VFW Post 7266 will be Tuesday, Feb. 12, at 7 p.m.; a day earlier because of Ash Wednesday.

Obituaries

Gayle Blasing, 74, of Chandler, Ariz.

Memorial services for Gayle "Fuzzy" Norman Blasing, 74, of Chandler, Ariz., and formerly of Glencoe, will be held Thursday, Feb. 7, at 10:30 a.m., at the Church of St. Pius X in Glencoe. The Rev. Anthony Stubeda will officiate.



Gayle Blasing

Mr. Blasing, surrounded by his loving family, died Thursday, Jan. 10, 2013, at Hospice of the Valley, Ryan Home, in Phoenix, Ariz. He died peacefully after a long hospitalization following surgery.

Visitation will be held from 9 a.m. until the time of the service in the entrance of the church.

Interment will follow at the Glencoe Catholic Cemetery.

Mr. Blasing was born on Dec. 27, 1938, in Glencoe, to Clarence and Ruth (Boerner) Blasing. He was raised in Glencoe, received his education in Glencoe and was a graduate of the Glencoe High School class of 1956.

On Oct. 19, 1957, Mr. Blasing was united in marriage to his high school sweetheart, Marjorie Ann Harpel, at St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Glencoe. The Blasings made their home in Glencoe and later in Chandler, Ariz. Their marriage was blessed with three children, Mike, Steve and Sue. They recently celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary.

Mr. Blasing had a great career at Harpel Bros. in Glencoe for more than 40 years. He was a member of Church of St. Pius X, the Knights of Columbus in Glencoe and also served on the Glencoe Fire Department.

Mr. Blasing had a zest for life and loved to golf, play cards with his friends, hunt and travel. He will be remembered for his great sense of humor, generosity and friendship. He especially cherished his family and friends, but the true joy in his life was spending time with his four grandchildren.

Memorial services were previously held on Saturday, Jan. 12, at Valley of the Sun Mortuary & Cemetery in

Chandler, Ariz.

"What we once enjoyed and deeply loved, we can never lose, for all that we love deeply becomes part of us." Blessed be his memory.

Survivors include his wife, Marjorie Blasing of Chandler, Ariz.; children, Mike (Shawna) Blasing of Santa Clarita, Calif., Steve (Gina) Blasing of Minot, N.D., and Sue Blasing of Minneapolis; grandchildren, Lauren, Derek, Katie and Luke; siblings, Marilyn Johnson of Glencoe and Len (Kathy) Blasing of Pine River; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, James (Joan) Harpel of Glencoe and Mary Kay (Ken) Engelmann of Glencoe; nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends.

Preceding him in death were his parents, Clarence and Ruth Blasing; and niece, Jackie Simons.

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

Christie Engemann, 27, of Rochester

Funeral services for Christie (Brink) Engemann, 27, of Rochester and formerly of Forest Lake, were held Sunday, Feb. 2, at Faith Lutheran Church in Forest Lake.



Christie Engemann

The beloved wife, mommy, daughter, sister, granddaughter and friend died surrounded by her family on Jan. 29, 2013.

Survivors include her husband, Jason Engemann; daughter, Hannah Grace; parents, Kevin and Lori Brink; brother, Justin (Jennifer) Brink; sister, Lauren Brink; grandparents, Truman and Marlene Roach; in-laws, Dale and Denise Engemann; sister-in-law, Joni (Brent) Ness; nieces and nephews, Alex and Julia Ness and baby girl Brink; grandparents-in-law, Eugene and Jeannine Lind; aunts and uncles, Roger and Carol Brink, Doug and Carol Peltier, Lisa and Michael Clausen, Lynda and John Kilian and Liz Otremba;

cousins, Andy and Dani Brink, Todd and Sara (Brink) Pautz, Nathan and Missy Brink, Jason and Nicole (Peltier) DeVries, Corey and Andrea (Peltier) McKinnon, Bryan and Sharon Peltier, Noah Clausen, Grace Clausen, Taylor Kilian and Kelsey Kilian; and many dear friends.

Preceding her in death were her grandparents, Roger and Betty Brink.

Memorials preferred to Christie's family, or Brains Together For a Cure, PO Box 8353, Rochester, MN 55903.

Beata Anna Polzin, 81, of Glencoe

Funeral services for Beata Anna (Bogatzki) Polzin, 81, of Glencoe, were held Wednesday, Jan. 30, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in New Auburn. The Rev. Bradley Danielson officiated.



Beata Polzin

Mrs. Polzin died Friday, Jan. 25, 2013, at North Memorial Residential Hospice in Brooklyn Center.

Cheryl Andrix was the organist, and the congregational hymns were "Morning Has Broken," "What a Friend We Have in Jesus," "Jesus, Thou Art Mine Forever" and "God Be With You 'Til We Meet Again."

Pallbearers were TJ Murashie, William Murashie, Steven Murashie, Jason Dickman, Wayne Bogatzki and James Polzin. Interment was in the High Island Cemetery in New Auburn.

Beata Anna Bogatzki was born June 10, 1931, in Green Isle Township, Sibley County, to William and Gertrude (Rosenfeld) Bogatzki. She was baptized on June 21, 1931, by the Rev. R.W. Rottmann at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Green Isle, and confirmed in her faith on March 25, 1945, by the Rev. E.H. Stahlke at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Gaylord.

She moved around with her parents, attending several schools before graduating from Gaylord High School

with the class of 1949. She worked in Gaylord and then in Mankato before marrying.

On March 5, 1955, Beata Bogatzki was united in marriage to Marvin Julius Polzin by the Rev. Stahlke at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Gaylord. This union was blessed with four children, Paul, Steven, Doreen and Shirley.

The Polzins made their home on the New Auburn farm until 1994, when Mrs. Polzin moved to Glencoe. Mr. Polzin died in 1988. The couple shared 33 years of marriage.

In addition to being a loving homemaker and mother, Mrs. Polzin helped on the farm. She loved to be involved.

Mrs. Polzin was a charter member of the New Auburn VFW Auxiliary, she served four years as the president of Minnesota Valley Conference, and served eight years — three of those as president — of the Glencoe Community Education Board.

She was a faithful member of Immanuel Lutheran Church in New Auburn, where she taught Sunday school and spent 17 years on the altar committee, as well as several other positions.

Mrs. Polzin enjoyed gardening, bowling, baking cakes, making floral arrangements, embroidery and visiting with others. She especially cherished the time spent with her family and closest friends.

Survivors include her daughters, Doreen (John) Skraba of Minneapolis, Shirley (Thomas) Murashie

of Plymouth; grandchildren, Sofia Skraba, Simone Skraba, TJ Murashie and his special friend, LuAnn, William Murashie, Steven Murashie, Laura Murashie and Merissa Polzin; step-granddaughters, Sondra (Jason) Dickman and Amber (Jed) Fiskness; great-granddaughter, Audrey Courtney; stepgreat-grandchildren, Mackenzie Fiskness, Zachary Fiskness, Abbigail Fiskness, Shannon Dickman and Jordon Dickman; sisters, Norma Elling of Mankato, Gertrude Hahn of Gaylord and Lois Majeski of Winthrop; siblings-in-law, Arlene (Merlin) Overlie of Hutchinson, Lawrence (Carole) Polzin of Gaylord, Eleanor (Donald) Marth of Gaylord, Robert (Naomi) Polzin of Hutchinson, Carol Magnuson of New Brighton and Sherri Bogatzki of Florida; nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends.

Preceding her in death were her parents, William and Gertrude Bogatzki; husband, Marvin Polzin; sons, Paul Polzin and Steven Polzin; nephew, Kenneth Majeski; brothers, Alfred and Gertrude Bogatzki and William and Darlene) Bogatzki; sisters, Bernice Bogatzki and Ruth and Wilfhart Hahn; and brothers-in-law, Milo Elling, Reuben Hahn and Wilmer Majeski.

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

Caregiver group set to meet Feb. 26

The Glencoe caregiver discussion group will meet Tuesday, Feb. 26, at 5:45 p.m., at Grand Meadows, 1420 Prairie Ave. Glencoe.

The guest speaker will be Judy Hulterstrum, a pre-plan-

ning consultant from Johnson Hagglund Funeral Home and Cremation Service, who will talk on "Are You Living Your Dash?"

The presentation also will discuss how to leave a legacy

with an ethical will. For more information, call Jan Novotny, caregiver coordinator at 320-894-0479 or 1-800-488-4146.

Nathan Unseth is the volunteer program facilitator.

Dorothy Rose Smyth, 93, of Winsted

A Concelebrated Mass of Christian Burial for Dorothy Rose (Sims) Smyth, 93, of Winsted, will be today (Wednesday, Feb. 6), at 10:30 a.m. at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Winsted. Concelebrants will be the Rev. Tony Stubeda and the Rev. Eugene Brown.

Mrs. Smyth died Sunday, Feb. 3, 2013 at St. Mary's Care Center in Winsted.

A visitation will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 6, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m., at the Chilson Funeral Home in Winsted.

Pallbearers will be her grandchildren. Interment will be at Holy Trinity Cemetery.

Dorothy Rose Sims was born Dec. 1, 1919, in Duncombe, Iowa, to Thomas F. and Rose Latta Sims.

She grew up in Duncombe, Dubuque and Fort Dodge, Iowa, and graduated from Corpus Christi Catholic High School in 1936 at the age of 16. She lived with her mother and worked in the Webster

County, Iowa, offices.

On June 12, 1943, she married John J. Smyth. They made their life in Iowa City, Iowa, while Mr. Smyth attended medical school. After his graduation they lived in Duluth, and then Riverside, Calif., while Mr. Smyth was in the Navy.

In 1949, they settled in Lester Prairie. Mrs. Smyth spent her time raising six children and keeping up activities in many volunteer organizations. She was an active member of Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Winsted. She was a volunteer for the food shelf, McLeod County Historical Society and Glencoe Regional Health Services Foundation. She also volunteered at St. Mary's Care Center in Winsted for many years.

Mrs. Smyth was a bridge player, artist, knitter and crossword puzzle enthusiast. She read and followed current events.

Due to her failing memory,

Mrs. Smyth entered St. Mary's Care Center, this time as a resident, in August 2008 and this was her home until her death.

Survivors include sons, Peter (Barbara) Smyth and Michael (Marilyn) Smyth; daughters, Kathleen "Kim" (Tim) Roufs, Kristine Smyth, Molly Smyth and Colleen Smyth; 16 grandchildren and 12 (almost 13) great-grandchildren; other relatives and friends.

Preceding her in death were her parents, Thomas and Rose Sims; husband, John; a son, Anthony; two sisters and two brothers and their spouses.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to St. Mary's Care Center Foundation, 551 Fourth St. N., Winsted, MN 55395.

The Chilson Funeral Home in Winsted served the family. Online condolences may be made at www.chilsonfuneralhome.com.

Thank You
The family of Bruce Hakes would like to thank everyone who offered sympathy. We greatly appreciate the kind words, memorials, prayers, flowers and cards. A special thank you to Pastor Andrew Hermodson-Olsen and the ladies at Grace Lutheran Church, Bev Wangerin, the Brownston Fire Department, the American Legion Post #96, the ER staff at Hutchinson Health and the Cardiovascular ICU Unit at Abbott Northwestern Hospital.
With sincere gratitude, Bruce Hakes family



a note of thanks
We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all who offered a kind word, sent a card, food or a memorial. Thank you to the Ladies VFW Auxiliary, staff at GRHS, staff at Grand Meadows, the Ladies of Good Shepherd, Pastor Gomez, to those who have given a memorial and have shared condolences, and to Hantge Funeral Home for all the assistance. Thank you also for your thoughts and prayers.
The family of Doloris Bartels

Thank You
We would like to extend our thanks to everyone who offered sympathy and kindness during the loss of our wife and mother, Edna Anderle. Your thoughtfulness warms our hearts and eases the pain we feel. Our sincere thanks to the nurses and CNAs and staff at Glencoe Regional Health Services Long Term Care facility for their care and compassion during her stay there. Thanks also to Dr. Brian Petersen for his excellent care. Bless You!
The family of Edna Anderle

Gone But Not Forgotten
In memory of Susan Ribar who passed away February 8, 2008.
A light is from our household gone a voice we loved is still; A seat is vacant in our house which never can be filled. We who loved you, sadly miss you as it dawns another year. In our lonely hours of thinking thoughts of you are ever near.
Sadly missed by husband, Gary; daughter, Wanda; numerous relatives & friends

Thank You
The family of SILVER GUERRERO would like to thank everyone who offered expressions of sympathy. We greatly appreciated all the kind words, memorials, prayers, flowers and cards. Blessed be his memory.
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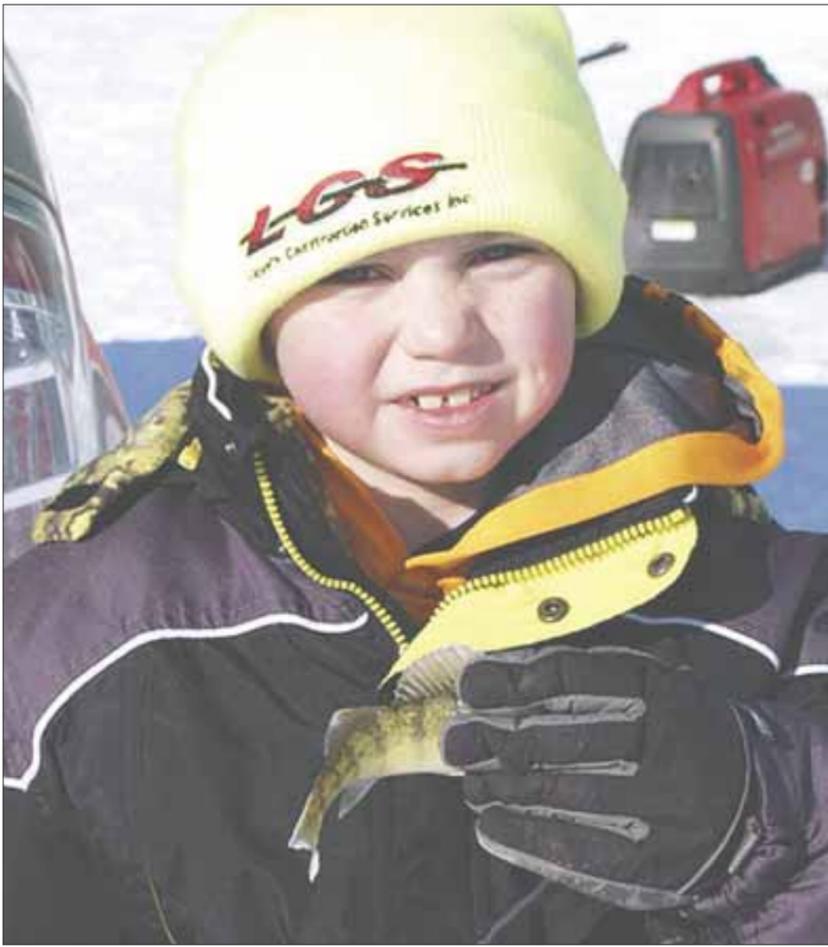
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Understanding
I was reading the story about manna in the wilderness and the chapter concluded with. An Omer is a tenth of an ephah. (Ex. 16.36) I smiled. Now that was helpful! I am mindful that in the churches like mine, we may also use language that many may not understand. The bulletin board is in the "narthex." We sing the "kyrie". The pastor wears an "alb and stole." On the one hand, such language reminds us that our faith has deep roots in time and place which may give us both a sense of importance (I was going to say gravitas ... but some may not understand that word!) and a sense of the holy. On the other hand, language can unintentionally exclude people when they don't understand it. And that's not what we want. Since we believe Jesus wants to call all people to himself, we don't want language to get in the way. So we are forever balancing old and new, and translating the Gospel of Jesus into better ways of understanding. We want the Word of God to be heard in the language of the people. We know that understanding the message is important in both to coming to and renewing faith. But it doesn't stop with understanding. God's word is after our hearts, not simply our minds. The Gospel seeks transformation beyond giving information. God seeks to transform us from unbelievers to believers. Understanding the language may be the first step in God calling you to new life. All that from a story about how God provided manna to his people... or should I say bread.

This weekly message is contributed by the following concerned citizens and businesses who urge you to attend the church of your choice.

Chronicle/Advertiser 716 E. 10th St., Glencoe 320-864-5518	Johnson-McBride Funeral Chapel 1222 Hennepin, Glencoe 864-3737	Glencoe Area Ministerial Assoc. Monthly Meeting (The First Tuesday of each month except June, July and August)
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Chronicle photos by Lori Copler

Anglers brave cold at contest

Sunny skies and no wind helped take the edge off the cold at Saturday's ice fishing contest hosted by the Brown-ton Rod & Gun Club on Lake Marion. At top, Levi Silfverston, son of Leif and Angie Silfverston of Brownton, shows off a perch he caught late in the contest. Below left, Kyle Peik reads off a

winning ticket as Barrett Lindeman, left, watches. Hunter Gens, bottom right, was one of the many kids who competed in the contest. Gens is the son of Darrell and Michelle Gens of Brownton. All of the fish caught that day were perch.

Deaths

Stanley Schwalbe, 83, of Glencoe

Stanley Schwalbe, 83, of Glencoe, died Sunday, Feb. 3, 2013, at his home.

Funeral services will be Thursday, Feb. 7, at 1 p.m., at First Evangelical Lutheran Church in Glencoe.

Visitation will be today (Wednesday), from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., at the Johnson-McBride Funeral Chapel in Glencoe. Visitation continues Thursday one hour prior to the service at the church. Interment will be in the church cemetery.

For an online guest book, visit www.hantge.com.

Scott K. Anderson, 61, of New Auburn

Scott K. Anderson, 61, of New Auburn, died Thursday,

Jan. 31, 2013, at his home.

A memorial service will be held today (Wednesday, Feb. 6), at 2 p.m., at the Dobratz-Hantge Funeral Chapel in Hutchinson.

A gathering of family and friends will be held one hour prior to the service at the funeral chapel. Interment will be in St. John's Lutheran Cemetery in Cedar Mills.

An online guest book is available at www.hantge.com. Click on obituaries/guest book.

Arthur Brede, 88, of Glencoe

Arthur Brede, 88, of Glencoe and formerly of Stewart, died Thursday, Jan. 31, 2013, at Glencoe Regional Health Services long-term care facility.

Funeral services will be held today (Wednesday, Feb. 6), at 2 p.m., at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church in Fernando.

Visitation will be today (Wednesday) one hour prior to the service at the church. Interment will be in the church cemetery.

An online guest book is available at www.hantge.com.

Arden Bullert, 90, of Glencoe

A private family funeral service for Arden "Ace" Bullert will be held in Glencoe.

Mr. Bullert died Thursday, Jan. 31, 2013, at the Walker Methodist Health Center in Minneapolis.

A celebration of life memorial service will be held in Glencoe at a later date.

Arrangements are with the Johnson-McBride Funeral Chapel in Glencoe. For an online guest book, visit www.hantge.com.

ECFE indoor activities in the gym set Feb. 8

Cabin Fever? Break out of the couch potato routine and get your kids moving!

Jumping in the Gym is planned for Friday, Feb. 8, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., for toddlers, preschoolers and their parents at the Helen Baker gym. Older siblings may attend, but activities and equipment are planned with the younger age group in mind.

ECFE's gym nights feature a bounce house, climber, mats, balls, and you may bring your own wheel toys if you want.

There is a small charge to attend or you can request a



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free coupon at the Glencoe or Brownton Public Library when you reach a reading goal in the hundreds. Remember to register with ECFE by Feb. 6 to attend. For more information, call ECFE at 320-864-2681.

Are you tired of being stuck indoors with your little ones? Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE) is be-

ginning a new series of classes for children from birth to 5 years old, but not yet in kindergarten.

There are openings in both daytime and evening classes. Fees may be reduced or waived for families unable to pay full tuition.

Call ECFE at 320-864-2681 for updated class information.

Obituary

Raymond Schuette, 89, of Brownton

Funeral services for Raymond "Ray" Albert Edward Schuette, 89, of Brownton, were held Wednesday, Jan. 30, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Brownton. The Rev. R. Allan Reed officiated.

Mr. Schuette died Sunday, Jan. 27, 2013, at Glencoe Regional Health Services.

LaRue Scheidt was the reader. The organist was Norma Witte, and the congregational hymns were "How Great Thou Art," "I'm But a Stranger Here" and "Lift High The Cross."

Pallbearers were Ryan Scheidt, Cory Scheidt, Nicholas Schuette, Patrick Schuette, Taylor Schuette, Nathan Schuette, Aaron Marsh, Brandon Marsh and Hayden Schuette. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Mr. Schuette was born Dec. 10, 1923, in Penn Township, McLeod County, to Albert and Ella (Spaude) Schuette. He was baptized as an infant on Dec. 16, 1923, and confirmed in his faith as a youth on June 12, 1938, both at Immanuel Lutheran

Church in Brownton. He received his education in country school in Penn Township.

On Nov. 28, 1954, Mr. Schuette was united in marriage to Audrey Rischmiller at Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church in New Auburn. This marriage was blessed with seven children.

The Schuettes resided and farmed on the Schuette family farm until 1994. They then moved to their home in Brownton, which was built by their children. Mr. Schuette later moved to Glencoe Regional Health Services long-term care facility in 2010. The Schuettes shared 58 years of marriage.

Mr. Schuette was a lifelong farmer. He took over the family farm at a very young age, after his father's early death. He retired in 1992. He instilled the hard work ethic he lived into his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Mr. Schuette was a lifelong member of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Brownton.

In his retirement, Mr. Schuette enjoyed helping his children with their yard work and doing odd jobs around their homes. He also enjoyed ice fishing with family and friends.

Mr. Schuette cherished spending time with his 19

grandchildren, three step-grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren and seven step-great-grandchildren, which brought him much joy in his life.

Survivors include his wife, Audrey Schuette of Brownton; children, LaRue (Bob) Scheidt of Glencoe, Roxanne George of Buffalo, Lori Ann (Steve) Marsh of Mankato, Myron (Kim) Schuette of Glencoe, Doug (Cindy) Schuette of Brownton, and Scott (Genise) Schuette of Bemidji; daughter-in-law, Noreen Schuette of Kimball; 19 grandchildren; three step-grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; seven step-great-grandchildren; sisters-in-law, Eunice Schuette of Brownton and Dixie Rischmiller of Osakis; brother-in-law, Wayne Rischmiller of Hutchinson; nieces, nephews and many other relatives and friends.

Preceding him in death were his parents, Otto and Ella Schuette; son, Mark Schuette; parents-in-law, Gertrude and Harold Rischmiller; brother, Delmer Schuette; brother-in-law, Dale Rischmiller; and sister-in-law, Mavis Rischmiller.

Arrangements were by the Hantge Funeral Chapel in Brownton. Online obituaries and guest book are available



Raymond Schuette

20 Brownton seniors met Monday afternoon

Twenty Brownton senior citizens met Monday at the community center.

Cards were played after the meeting with the following winners: 500, Norma Albrecht, first, and Eunice

Schuette, second; pinochle, Betty Katzenmeyer, first, and Leone Kujas, second; and sheephead, Lowell Brelje, first, and Lil Lindeman, second.

Elva Wendlandt won the

door prize. Betty Katzenmeyer and Leone Kujas served refreshments.

The next meeting will be Monday, Feb. 11, at 1 p.m. All seniors are welcome.

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