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2nd public meeting on proposed gas utility set Thursday

By Lori Copley
Staff Writer

A second public meeting on a proposed municipal natural gas utility in the city of Brownton has been set for Thursday, March 7, at 7 p.m., at the Brownton Community Center, 310 Second St. N.

On March 19, the city of Brownton will have a special election asking voters to consider two questions: first, if the city should be authorized to construct a natural gas system and; second, for authorization to issue up to \$1.9 million in general obligation bonds to fund the construction of the system.

The election also will be at the Brownton Community Center, with polling hours from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. A five-eighths majority (62.5 percent) is needed for the questions to pass.

At a Feb. 12 public meeting, most residents asked questions regarding the conversion to natural gas from liquid propane (LP) or fuel oil.

In a recent mailing from the city of Brownton to residents, John Webster of Hutchinson Utilities explained that natural gas and LP operate at different pressures, with different regulators and different pipe sizes. In some instances, appliances may need to be replaced altogether, and the city urges property owners to work with qualified contractors.

The city also intends to work with the Center for Energy and Environment (CEE) to provide financial help in terms of low-interest loans to assist with conversion costs.

CEE is a nonprofit foundation based in Minneapolis, and offers interest rates of 2.99 percent to 4.99 percent, depending on the term of the loan. It offers zero-interest loans to churches and nonprofit organizations.

Thursday's meeting will offer more detailed information on potential savings on fuel bills, incentives for converting to natural gas and on CEE's programs.

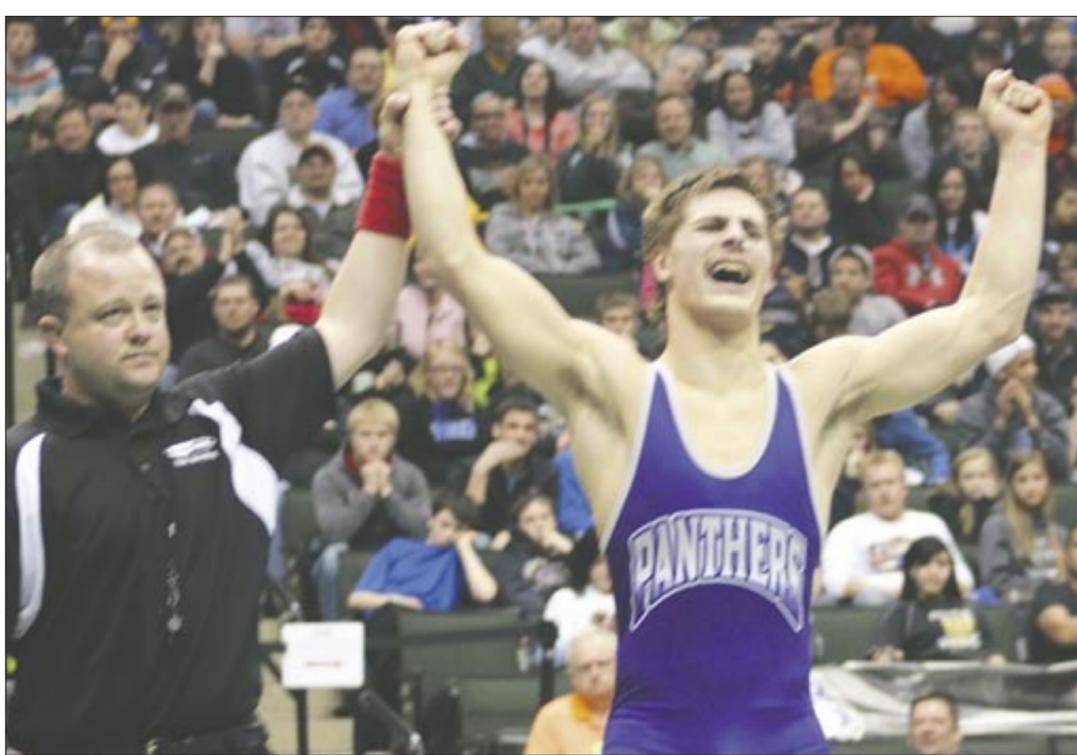


Photo by Kevin Simonson

State champion!

GSL/Lester Prairie senior Mitchell Hartwig exalts after winning a state Class AA championship at 145 pounds. March 2 action is from the Xcel Energy

Center in St. Paul. See this week's Chronicle sports, beginning on page B1.



Chronicle photo by Rich Glennie

Hey, let me out, too!

As Gene Moske snowblows his sidewalk in front of his business G Dubbs on Tuesday morning, his dog, Dakota, seems to

be wondering why she is not out frolicking in the snow as well. After all, she is a Siberian Husky.

Bustos: Life in prison

By Lori Copley
Staff Writer

David Bustos, 45, of Silver Lake, was sentenced to life in prison Thursday afternoon after being found guilty of four felony murder charges in relation to the stabbing death of his girlfriend, Dominga Limon, during an argument at her Glencoe home in February 2012.



David Bustos

Judge Michael Savre sentenced Bustos on the most serious charge, first-degree murder while committing domestic abuse with a past pattern of domestic abuse.

Savre said a first-degree murder charge has a mandatory sentence of life imprisonment. A person convicted of first-degree murder must serve at least 30 years in prison before being eligible for parole.

The other convictions were for second-degree murder

with intent, not premeditated; second-degree murder without intent, while committing a felony; and third-degree murder, perpetrating an eminently dangerous act and evincing a depraved mind.

Bustos was found guilty of the four charges during a jury trial in McLeod County District Court, which spanned from Feb. 19 through Feb. 25, with the jury returning its verdicts Feb. 25.

Savre invited members of Limon's families to address the court at Thursday's hearing, but none did.

McLeod County Attorney Mike Junge, who prosecuted the case, asked the judge to "impose the mandatory life sentence," the net effect of which, Junge said, would be a minimum of 30 years in prison, with a credit of just over a year for the time Bustos spent in the McLeod County Jail while awaiting trial.

Frances Eggert, Bustos' public defender, said he had "no position" on the sentence.

Bustos also was allowed to address the court, and did so through a court-appointed attorney.

Bustos indicated that he was being punished for more than that of which was guilty, and that the court should take into consideration his work history and his responsibility for taking care of his family.

"I've always worked and given them (family) everything," said Bustos. "I may be a drunk, but I've always been responsible for my family."

Bustos also alleged that abuse allegations were unfounded, and were made in order that Limon could get asylum in the United States.

That, Bustos contended, was never investigated, and that he had never abused his family.

"You've asked some questions I don't have the answers for," Savre told Bustos. "We don't know what was going through Ms. Limon's mind."

Savre also said he did not have "any discretion in this matter. Minnesota statute mandates this sentence."

Savre also advised Bustos that any first-degree murder conviction "is entitled to an automatic appeal."

Bustos was sent to the St. Cloud State Prison.

County to plan joint workshop on Morningside project

By Lori Copley
Staff Writer

The proposed project to extend Morningside Avenue in Glencoe has developed enough issues — dramatically increasing the price tag — that it may be time for a joint workshop between McLeod County, the city of Glencoe and Twin Cities & Western (TC&W) railroad.

McLeod County Commissioner Ron Shimanski suggested the joint workshop in a County Board workshop Tuesday in which John Rodeberg of SEH, Inc., an engineering firm, updated the Board on the project, which is currently slated for 2014 construction.

Rodeberg said the cost for the project has risen dramatically since

it was studied in 2004, despite the fact that it is being scaled back considerably from that proposal.

Because of newly identified issues regarding soil, drainage and a need to move a side rail for TC&W, the new cost is estimated at about \$3.4 million to \$3.7 million, as compared to about \$1.97 million in 2004-05.

And the new design will handle

considerably less traffic than proposed in 2005, with a two-lane road as compared to four lanes, to accommodate what Rodeberg said were more realistic demographic projections than what were being considered in 2004 during the height of a residential development boom.

The plan is to reconstruct Morningside between 11th Street and 16th

Street, creating a new railroad crossing so the road will go all the way through to 16th Street.

"It's reasonably small in terms of length, but there are a lot of complications," said Rodeberg.

Among those complications are a

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Weather

Wed., 3-6	Thur., 3-7	Fri., 3-8	Sat., 3-9	Sun., 3-10
H: 28°, L: 15°	H: 32°, L: 24°	H: 36°, L: 26°	H: 37°, L: 21°	H: 35°, L: 24°

Looking back: The February high: 37 on Feb. 24 and Feb. 27; low: 17 below on Feb. 1; rain: trace; snow: 13.3 inches.

Date	Hi	Lo	Snow
Feb. 26	36	.....7	.....0.00
Feb. 27	37	.....20	.....0.00

Feb. 28	29	.....19	.....0.00
March 1	32	.....9	.....0.00
March 2	33	.....1	.....0.00
March 3	35	.....16	.....0.00
March 4	25	.....20	.....0.00

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 meal set March 6

Christ Lutheran Church of Glencoe will host its Abundant Table Community Meal on Wednesday, March 6, in the church basement fellowship hall. Doors open at 4:30 p.m., and the meal is served at 5 p.m. The menu includes pulled-pork sandwiches, potato salad, fruit and dessert. The meal is free and open to families and children, elderly and all seeking fellowship and in need of a helping hand. Call Christ Lutheran at 320-864-4549.

Women's Club sets meeting

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

ECFE mid-winter event set

Remember summer? Dig out your flip flops, sunglasses, and shorts for this mid-winter flash back at Glencoe-Silver Lake's Early Childhood Family Education from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Friday, March 15, at the ECFE addition at Helen Baker Elementary School. Enjoy sand sculpting, water play and other beach fun as we crank up the heat at ECFE. Bring your beach towel! There is a small fee to attend. Please call ECFE at 864-2681 to register! Also, ECFE needs your input. Take a short online survey at <http://tinyurl.com/ECFE-Survey>. Your feedback will help determine ECFE's future programs, events and classes.

Legion Post 95 meets March 7

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

Legion meeting set March 11

The Brownton American Legion and Auxiliary will meet Monday, March 11, at 7:30 p.m., at the Brownton Community Center. Hostesses for the evening will be Jane Tongen and Marion Padrnos. March is birthday month for the Legion, and the Auxiliary is hosting the event.

Memory loss group to meet

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 meet next Tuesday, March 12 at 6 p.m., at First Lutheran Church, Glencoe. 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.

VFW Auxiliary set to meet

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

Plato Lions set brunch

The Plato Lions Club will host its 30th annual Spring Brunch from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Sunday, March 10, at Plato City Hall. It is an all-you-can eat menu of pancakes, eggs, sausage, toast and a beverage. Free-will donations will be accepted. Participants also are asked to bring items for the food shelf. The Plato Lions will donate \$1 for each pound of food collected at the brunch, and it will be brought to the Plato Home Center for the March drive.

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, March 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, March 12, for card playing.

Antique appraisals coming

McLeod County Historical Society's Antique annual Appraisal and Flea Market will be held from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday, March 17, at the county museum, 380 School Road, Hutchinson. Call 320-587-2109 for more information. The museum website is www.mcleodhist.org.

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.

Township meetings, some elections set for March 12

By Lori Copley
Staff Writer

Townships in every county in the state will have their annual meetings and, in some cases, elections on Tuesday, March 12.

Meeting times and polling information, if applicable, in McLeod County, include:

- **Acoma Township** — Acoma has November elections, but its annual meeting is set for 7 p.m. at the Acoma Town Hall, 23846 230th St., Hutchinson. Clerk Corrinne Schlueter said a road report, road right-of-way, dust control and fire department business, as well as the budget and levy, will all be on the agenda.

- **Bergen Township** — Bergen also had its election in November. The annual meeting is set for 8 p.m. at the Bergen Township Hall, rural Lester Prairie. Clerk Amy Meyer said a main topic of business will be a maintenance shed. The township currently rents space from McLeod County, which intends to build a new shed this year for the Silver Lake and Lester Prairie area. Also to be discussed are the budget and levy.

- **Collins** — The polling hours for the election are 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Stewart Community Center. There are two supervisor seats open, one for a three-year term and one for a two-year term. Candidates are incumbent Jim Friedrichs for the three-year term and Pete Maiers for the two-year term. Incumbent Daniel Benson is running unopposed for a two-year term as the treasurer.

- **Hale** — The annual election will be held from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Hale Town Hall, 9527 220th St., rural Silver Lake. The candidates are both incumbents, with Roger Pokornowski seeking re-election for a three-year term as a supervisor and Colleen Kaczmarek seeking re-election to a two-year term as the treasurer.

- **Hassan Valley** — The annual meeting starts at 1 p.m. at the Hassan Valley Town Hall, 420 Ames St., Biscay, with the election to follow from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m.

- **Helen** — The annual meeting is set for 7 p.m. at the Plato Fire Hall. The election was held in November. Items on the agenda include the budget, fire contracts and "what the citizens of Helen Township want to talk about," said Clerk Sharon Dummer. "It is a good time for citizens to come to the meeting and pick up their burning permits and get to know their town board members."

- **Hutchinson** — The ballot has three positions to be filled. William Christensen is

running for a two-year term to replace Jon Christensen, who was elected to the McLeod County Board of Commissioners in November, and began serving on the County Board in January. Incumbent Brent Uecker is seeking re-election to a three-year term as a supervisor, and Marlys Swenson is seeking re-election to a two-year term as the treasurer.

- **Lynn** — The annual meeting starts at 2 p.m. at the Lynn Town Hall, with the polls to open following the meeting and staying open until 8 p.m., all at the Lynn Town Hall. The McLeod County highway engineer will be present to discuss bridge work, and the fire protection contracts will be discussed. Residents also will discuss the budget, levy and any other issues they want to raise.

- **Penn** — Penn Township will hold its annual meeting and election at the Penn Township Hall located at 15989 40th St., rural Brownton, with the annual business meeting beginning at 2 p.m. Business on the agenda will include comments from both the Brownton and New Auburn fire departments, update on a bridge replacement on Leaf Avenue, setting a budget levy for taxes payable 2014 and any other business proper to come before the meeting.

- **Rich Valley** — The Rich Valley Township annual meeting is set for 7 p.m. at the township hall, 16543 Ideal Ave., rural Glencoe.
- **Round Grove** — Round Grove voters will be electing a supervisor for a three-year term and a treasurer for a two-year term, with the polls being open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the township hall, located at 20731 30th St., rural Stewart.

Both candidates are incumbents, with Darwin Wagner running for the supervisor seat and LeRoy Hedtke running for the treasurer position.

term of Veryl Becker. Both incumbents have filed for re-election with no other names listed on the ballot.

Polks will open for election of officers immediately following the annual business meeting, but no later than 5 p.m., and polls will remain open until 8 p.m. The board of canvass will held at 8 p.m. to certify the election results.

- **Sumter Township** — The annual meeting will start at 7 p.m. at the Brownton Community Center, 310 N. Second St., Brownton, with the usual agenda items of setting the levy and other business.

- **Winsted** — The annual meeting begins at 8 p.m. in the Vollmer Room at Winsted City Hall. The agenda includes fire department reports and the 2014 levy.

In case of inclement weather, the township meetings and elections may be postponed to Tuesday, March 19.

The annual meeting starts at 1:15 p.m., also at the town hall, with the budget, levy and other business on the agenda.

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Glencoe Regional Health Services

Corrections & Clarifications

In last week's photo information of Glencoe firefighters participating in Fight For Air Climb fund raiser for the American Lung Association, it was reported Scott Mathews was the top climber for the five-man team. It should have read Jeremy Mattson

was the team's first to finish the climb.

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 Glennie, editor.

City Center stays busy; posts \$44,000 balance

By Rich Glennie
Editor

In a brief 25-minute meeting Monday night, Glencoe City Council received an update on events from Hannah Hallahan, the Glencoe City Center events coordinator; discussed the need for special legislation for Tax Increment Finance District (TIF) No. 4; and heard a request to change its east water tower rental contract with Midwest Wireless, now Verizon.

Hallahan said there were 19 weddings held at the City Center in 2012, and 21 are already planned for 2013.

Besides the weddings, the City Center hosted a variety of concerts, fund-raising events, like the Blizzard Blast and Legion pancake breakfast, blood drives, a bridal show and numerous others in conjunction with a variety of sponsoring organizations.

Hallahan said 2013 is shaping up to be a good year for the City Center as well.

Mayor Randy Wilson said the City Center is doing well and "is getting better all the time."

According to Todd Trippel, city finance director, the City Center posted \$44,000 more in revenues than expenditures in 2012. He said there will be small adjustments before the budget year is finalized.

The city continues to transfer \$120,000 a year in liquor store funds to pay off the bonded debt for City Center.

City Council accepted Hallahan's report.

TIF District

Wilson updated City Council on the city's request to the state Legislature to extend the life of TIF District No. 4, the

original 1989 industrial park. The district has exceeded its lifecycle, but Wilson said it has surplus funds that could be used to pay shortfalls in TIF Districts 14 and 15. They are about \$150,000 short, he added.

TIF District 14 is the downtown development area, and TIF 15 is the new industrial park.

But to extend the life of TIF No. 4 and transfer the funds requires special legislation.

Wilson has already made a presentation to the Senate Tax Committee and was scheduled to attend a House Tax Committee hearing on Tuesday.

State Sen. Scott Newman, R-Hutchinson, will sponsor the bill in the Senate, and state Rep. Dean Urdahl, R-Grove City, will sponsor the bill in the House.

Wilson said Glencoe's request will likely be rolled into one bill that includes similar requests from cities around the state.

Wilson said 12 of the 16 TIF districts in Glencoe have already been decertified. TIF No. 4 would be decertified as part of getting the legislative extension, he said.

Tower contract

Gary Schreifels, a public works director, said Midwest Wireless, which is now Verizon, has a contract with the city to have antennas on the city's east water tower.

But the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is now requiring the company to have a standby generator at the site for emergencies.

That will require the construction of an addition onto

the south side of the existing building on site to house the generator.

Schreifels said the contract will need to be amended. The city will get an additional \$384 a month rent for the new building.

City Council authorized the amended contract after review by the city attorney's office.

In other matters, City Council:

- Heard from Schreifels that another letter is being circulated that offers waterline service insurance coverage for city residents.

"They're legitimate," Schreifels said of the company that is asking for \$4.99 a month to assure the resident has coverage in case of a waterline break or leak.

Schreifels said the coverage is not necessary, because the city's Service Plus plan already does the same thing and residents are already paying that \$1.50 a month with their utility bill.

"You don't need it (extra coverage). It is not necessary if you are a city resident," Schreifels said.

- Heard that a new chamber president will be recommended by the chamber's hiring committee as soon as Wednesday. The position also will include a contract for services with the city to work on economic development issues.

- Appointed Greg Ettl to the planning commission and Daris Remus to the airport commission.

Ettl replaces Brian Schlagel and Remus replaces Dewey Klaustermeier.



Chronicle photo by Karin Ramige Cornwell

8th-grade students of the month

Eleven eighth-grade students were selected as the February students of the month at Lincoln Junior High. They include, front row, from left, Tatum Engelke, history; Michaela Neyers, band; Kelli Bailey, choir; Shawna Goettl, science; and Faith Rakow, English. In the back are

Deanna Bondhus, algebra; Jacob Simons, physical education; Dalton Kosek, family and consumer science; Matthew Heineman, math; Hanna Stuedemann, ag/industrial technology; and Marlaina Chelman, physical education.

Dueber's to close all its stores

FAIRFAX — The Fairfax Standard-Gazette reported that Dueber's will be closing all nine of its stores, including the one in Glencoe. The chain has been in business for 30 years, and long-time owner Chuck Dueber is nearing retirement. Impacted are stores in Fairfax, Waconia, Winsted, St. James, Madelia, Springfield, Gaylord and Tracy. The Granite Falls Dueber's has already been closed.

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7th-grade students of the month

Nine seventh-grade students were selected as the February students of the month at Lincoln Junior High. They include, front row, from left, Mackenzie Wendolek, band; Alexandra Hansch, geography; Connor Kantack, art; and Tyler Siewert,

family and consumer science. In the back are Dylan Richter, pre-algebra; Jacob Blahowski, science; Spencer Lepel, health; Joey Cullen-Lawver, choir; and Audrey Forcier, ag/industrial technology.

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higher water table, drainage issues and poor soil.

Rodeberg said soil tests have shown the soil to be "much softer and much wetter than we presumed," and much of the area is "water-locked" with no drainage outlets, forcing engineers to add a storm water drainage system.

Also included is the need to relocate a side rail located between Morningside and Union to the east of Morningside to help reduce blocked traffic in the city.

Commissioner Sheldon Nies indicated that he was unsure if the cost of moving that side rail — estimated at \$360,000 to \$400,000 — should be paid for by the

county and the city.

Nies said that while he does not want to be "adversarial," he did point out that TC&W already wants to move the side rail, perhaps even farther east than the proposed relocation site.

But Rodeberg said that moving the side rail "doesn't really help them out, it keeps them in the same situation they are in now."

The moving of the side rail, he said, may have to happen sooner than TC&W's long-range plans in order to accommodate the project.

Nies agreed that the county should sit down and talk to the railroad about the situation.

Another item that the coun-

ty and city need to address, Rodeberg said, is the impact on two homes located just south of the railroad, because the Morningside road bed will need to be raised considerably to meet the railroad grade for the new crossing.

Although there are things that can be done to address access and potential drainage issues, Rodeberg said, the "ideal" resolution would be to buy the homes and relocate the families, but that could cause considerable more expense for the project.

The County Board agreed to Shimanski's idea of having a joint workshop, hopefully after the April 2 County Board meeting.

Happy 90th Birthday on March 12!
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Armed robber gets 14-year prison sentence

MAYER — Demetrius Derden, 28, of Blaine, charged with the December 2011 robbery of the Mayer Oil Company, was sentenced in federal court recently to 14 years and 2 months in prison, the Carver County News reported.

Derden, armed with what turned out to be a BB gun,

demanding the teen-aged clerk empty the cash register of the gas station. He also forced the clerk into the back and demanded he empty the safe.

After having the gun placed to his head and hearing the gun click, the clerk stood up and struggled with Derden. The clerk was struck in the head with the gun and

bitten on the hand. But the clerk hit Derden, gained control of the gun and struck Derden on the head with it.

Derden fled with over \$2,200 in cash, but left several personal items behind. He was arrested several hours later at his Blaine home, the Carver County News reported.

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On same-sex marriage, gun-control, the voting blocks have changed

Our view: Controversial legislative bills pit metro legislators against rural legislators

Although it has always been there, the current legislative session may make it even more apparent. On some issues, the Legislature is almost as divided along geographic lines as political lines. It is becoming metro legislators vs. outstate legislators on several key bills.

Look at two hot topics on this year's legislative agenda: gun-control and same-sex marriage.

Instead of a clean DFL vs. Republican split, these issues are split more along the big city vs. rural Minnesota lines.

While many liberal metro legislators have been pushing for more gun-control legislation on the heels of high-profile mass killings throughout the country and in Minnesota, rural legislators — DFLers as well as Republicans — have joined to fight such attacks on fundamental Second Amendment rights.

To make progress on gun-control bills, liberals need to not only find Republican votes, but corral some of their own DFL colleagues in order to succeed.

The same is true of the current mad-rush to get same-sex marriage legislated this session. While metro liberals have no qualms about re-defining marriage in this state, conservatives — including many outstate DFLers — are not so keen on the idea.

On these two volatile issues, new alliances are being formed that make

the dynamics of passing any gun-control or same-sex marriage bills more difficult.

While poll after poll in the big-city newspapers indicate Minnesotans and Americans are warming to the idea of same-sex marriage, that is not what we hear in rural legislative districts. Instead, bedrock family values and religious beliefs still hold sway in outstate Minnesota.

The same is true of gun rights. That Minnesota tradition is another fundamental principle still alive and well in outstate Minnesota, whether one is a Democrat or a Republican.

Prior to these two social issues was the school funding equity fight that often pitted metro vs. rural legislators in both parties.

Perhaps the traditional political party affiliations are taking on less meaning as more complex issues arise. But if it is indeed evolving into the metro vs. rural split, the rural representatives will be on the losing end.

Statistics don't lie, the majority of Minnesotans reside in the metro area, and they have the majority of votes in the Legislature. That is the reality of politics in Minnesota and will be for the foreseeable future.

The only hope is that those metro legislators who grew up in rural Minnesota still remember what traditional values are all about.

— R.G.



Wearing out, but hate to part with him

It's like a comfortable pair of old shoes. They are wearing out, but you hate to part with them.

That's how I view Lee Ostrom, who is leaving The Chronicle news staff at the end of March after 10 years as editor of the sports department — the "toy department" as Lee often states.

Lee is not ready to leave. He said he still has some good years left in him, and at 61, he is still young. But his health tells him otherwise.

Lee is suffering from Parkinson's disease, an insidious disease that affects the brain and motor skills. They simply are not in sync at times.

It is sad to watch, but Lee never complains.

Going-away columns are perhaps the toughest, and most personal, to write for any editor. People leaving are often great friends. Lee is one of those. In this business, sometimes the only friends you have are your co-workers.

But Lee is more than that. Looking at the tall, lanky Columbia Heights kid you would think he doesn't have a care in the world. He's easy going, laid-back, but don't be fooled. Underneath that Mr. Rogers' sweater he often wears is the heart of a hard-nosed newsman.

You see, Lee is as much an editor as I am. He has been at newspapers in Stillwater, Dickinson, N.D., Fairmont, Mora and Hutchinson, mainly as the editor.

If you toss in Lori Copley, The Chronicle really has three experienced editors. Not too many small-town newspapers can claim that distinction.

We often kid that we have a geriatric newsroom. We always liked it when a young intern was hired in the summer because that lowered our average age considerably.



Rich Glennie

Our similar experiences are why Lee and I get along so well. We're cut from the same cloth when it comes to what's news, reporting what's news and our views on the generally sad state of journalism, mainly TV journalism, today.

We talk about it often. Sometimes we agree; other times we do not.

Politically we both claim to be independents. I lean a little more to the right; Lee a little more to the left on some issues. We both like the middle.

It is in the sports arena that Lee shines in public, however. He has been the face that covered Panther sports for over a decade. We often gave him a hard time after his first years, when he penciled in the date of state football tournaments as if he was planning a vacation. Lee saw the Panthers football team go to the state tournament annually. He was spoiled by that success.

He didn't complain. Nor did he complain when some of the other Panther programs did not do as well. There were a lot of lean years, too.

But that's high school sports, and all needed to be covered — the good and not so good.

And sports reporting is not for sissies either, especially with the

endless time commitments and the weather. Football season can be absolutely marvelous, weatherwise, or it can be down right miserable. The only time a football game is postponed is when lightning is in the air.

Spring weather is so unpredictable, too. Postponements can pile up at the end, and the schedule compressed into a game every night at the end.

And winter can be long, especially if the programs are struggling to find success.

The hours of a sports editor are long, the pay is low, and what people often forget, very stressful at times. When the game is over, the reporting begins. The reporter has to make the event readable; has to make sense out of what has just occurred.

Then add a deadline to get the sports articles written and the pages laid out on time. The stress builds.

But there is something special about a person as committed as Lee in ensuring the athletes' stories get told. And Lee has done it extremely well for many years.

Lee was the last person I interviewed for the vacant sports position in 2003. He was just coming back from cancer treatment when he sought an interview.

I asked him why, after being an editor for so many years, would he now want to be a sports reporter?

He answered he just wanted an opportunity to get back into the business. That's all I needed to hear.

Lee's final day on the job is Friday, March 29. We wish him well in his retirement and especially with his health.

He will be missed ... a lot ... by a lot of people.

But none more than me.

Letters to Editor

Let us not unravel state budget progress with more state taxes

To the Editor:

The February economic forecast came out yesterday (Feb. 28). Below is the press release from Commissioner Jim Schowalter, which shows an improvement over previous projections.

The highlight is that our projected 2014-15 deficit is down from \$1.1 billion to \$627 million, which means we will be able to pay back to the school shift an additional \$290 million.

The increase in revenue and reduction of government spending is the reason for this budget deficit reduction and comes as a direct result of policies enacted by the legislature over the past two years.

The continued economic improvement is evidence that the Republican reforms from 2011-12 are working.

If you recall, at the end of 2010, we had a staggering budget deficit of approximately \$6.5 billion, but in two years we erased those deficits, filled our reserve accounts, and put our state back on the path to prosperity.

I fear that the Governor's budget consisting of massive tax increases plus the cost of Obamacare threatens our fragile economy.

Rather than requiring you to pay more for auto repairs, haircuts and

over-the-counter drugs, we should continue to do what we have done for the past two years: eliminate wasteful spending, curb excessive regulation, and let you keep more of your money.

Let's take advantage of this moderately optimistic budget forecast and not unravel the progress we made in the last legislative session.

A statement from Commissioner Jim Schowalter:

"The February budget forecast shows a projected budget deficit of \$627 million for fiscal years 2014-15. This is an improvement of \$463 million from the November budget forecast that showed a projected deficit of \$1.1 billion.

"Fiscal year 2012-13 is now projected to have a positive balance of \$295 million. Current law directs \$290 million to buy back the K-12 school shifts, leaving a balance of \$801 million remaining.

"Also under current law, the residual \$5 million is put towards the state's budget reserve bringing that balance to \$649 million.

"The 2016-17 structural balance improves from \$263 million in the November forecast to \$782 million."

**District 18
State Sen. Scott Newman,
R-Hutchinson**

Letters to Editor

Improvements in 2010-11 now paying dividends

To the Editor:

Last week, we received great news from the Minnesota Department of Management and Budget: Minnesota's economy is on the mend and bringing in more tax revenue than anticipated.

The 2012-13 biennium went from a \$5 billion deficit to a \$2.8 billion surplus. What was once a \$4.4 billion deficit for the 2014-15 biennium has now shrunk to just \$627 million. There is now a \$782 million

dollar surplus projected for the 2016-17 biennium.

This is further evidence the improvements Republicans made in 2011-12 are producing results. We erased a \$5 billion shortfall, paid off the entire 2011 K-12 funding shift, replenished reserve accounts, and got our economy headed in the right direction. Unemployment is down, more people are at work and our bottom line is becoming more stable.

Democrats appear ready to move forward with their proposal to raise taxes by \$3.7 billion in order to fix a \$627 million dollar budget gap.

If the Democrats were looking to the budget forecast for an excuse to raise taxes, they did not find it. We can balance our budget without raising taxes, but to the DFL it seems there is never enough state spending.

**District 18B
State Rep. Glenn
Gruenhagen, R-Glencoe**



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5th-grade Panther Pride

Fifth-grade Panther Pride award winners for February at Lakeside Elementary School in Silver Lake include, front, from left, Andrew Junglaus, Kaylee Lemke, Brittany Richter and Ashley Jasken. In

the back are Keaton Goettl, Katilyn Herout, Tess Chap and Katelyn Pagel. Missing were Alec Schrupp and Edwardo Martinez.

County planners approve permit for over-sized shed

By Lori Copley
Staff Writer

The McLeod County Planning Advisory Committee gave its blessing to a proposed 60- by 180-foot cold storage shed to be constructed on David Duehn's property along Highway 212, just west of Brownton in Collins Township.

The shed requires a conditional use permit because it exceeds 2,400 square feet.

A brief public hearing was held regarding Duehn's application, at which Zoning Administrator Larry Gasow said one neighbor had notified his office expressing concern about potential rain run-off from the shed and the potential pooling in an adjacent field.

Duehn said there will be red rock around the shed and,

if there are any problems, he will alter the landscape to address them.

Another neighbor, David Pikal, asked about berms around the fuel storage tanks on the property, saying the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), has given farmers with tanks that exceed 1,350 gallons of storage until March 10 to come up with plans for containment for any potential spills.

Mark Johnson, the committee's chairperson, agreed that the EPA will be addressing such situations, but pointed out that the requirements do not apply to Duehn's shed.

"That doesn't affect the building," said Johnson.

Duehn said the shed will help him "clean up" some of the vehicles and equipment he has in the yard, and get it

under cover.

Because there were no objections, the committee approved Duehn's application and forwarded it to the County Board, where it was considered Tuesday under the consent agenda.

In other business, Gasow introduced two new members of the committee: Paul Merkins of rural Stewart has taken the place of Herman Miller of rural Brownton on the committee; and 1st District Commissioner Ron Shmanski has assumed the seat previously held by Ray Bayerl, former 1st District commissioner who retired in January.

Incumbent members of the committee are Johnson, of rural Plato; Bill Hard, rural Hutchinson; and Curt Carrigan, Brownton.



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3rd-grade Panther Pride

The third-grade students selected as the February Panther Pride recipients included, from row, from left, Cameron Kaczmarek, Max Davis, Moses Medina, Makay-

la Wigern and Allen Ingeman. In the back are Max Madson, Ashley Wise, Caleb Besmehen, Ella Malz and Caroline Schmidt



Submitted photo

4th-grade Panther Pride

The Panther Pride award winners for fourth graders in February were, front row, from left, Jasmine Knick, Kennedy Wraspir, Emma Malz, Brittin Posusta and

Raegan Merrill. In the back are Jorge Murillo, Keara Baumgarten, Austin Brewton, Dylan Kucera and William Hecksel.

SHIP aims to promote healthy communities

With Minnesota's nationally recognized Statewide Health Improvement Program (SHIP), the concept of promoting healthy communities as a way to reduce health care costs continues to catch on.

"Communities across the state are recognizing the need to take a community-wide approach to combating obesity and tobacco use — two of the biggest factors pushing up health care costs," said Commissioner of Health Ed Ehlinger. "Healthy living isn't just an issue for the health department or local clinics, it is an issue that all parts of the community need to address."

On Feb. 26, Minnesota's SHIP released its third-year progress report. The report found that, though SHIP entered its third year a much smaller program than intended because of budget cuts, it made significant progress towards its goals by partnering with hundreds of schools, clinics and workplaces across Minnesota, said Kerry Ward, SHIP coordinator at McLeod County Public Health.

After receiving \$47 million in its first two years, SHIP received a 70 percent cut to \$15 million for fiscal years 2012-13. It is now providing community grants to just over half the state. For fiscal years 2014-15, Gov. Mark Dayton has proposed a \$40 million budget for SHIP that would again make the program statewide.

In 2012, Meeker-McLeod-Sibley Community Health Services received \$428,000 for local health improvement efforts, Ward said.

"To combat rising health care costs, SHIP puts Minnesota at the center of a community-wellness movement. At its core, the concept involves supporting individuals' healthy choices by making those choices easier," Ward said.

For example, encouraging people to get outside and walk more becomes easier in a community with good sidewalks. Encouraging people to eat healthier becomes easier when people have easy access to fresh, high-quality fruits and vegetables.

Ward said evidence shows that in addition to providing better health for individuals, these changes can help reduce health care costs associated with chronic diseases such as diabetes and heart disease.

"A key goal of the health department is to return SHIP to a statewide program and make sure that all communities in the state, not just a few successful test-cases or early adopters, can benefit from a healthy-community approach," Ehlinger said.

The report found that because of SHIP's efforts since 2009, more than 140,000 students in more than 200 schools now have more opportunities to walk to school and more than 160,000 employees in more than 900 businesses are benefiting from work place wellness programs because of SHIP, the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) announced.

SHIP offers local public health agencies and tribal governments grants to pursue those health improvement strategies most needed in their area.

"In McLeod County, these efforts include bringing locally grown foods into schools like Glencoe-Silver Lake Junior and Senior High schools, Hutchinson High School and the Ridgewater Youth Summer Camp for fifth to eighth graders to help increase their fruit and vegetable intakes," Ward said.

SHIP also is working with Ridgewater College and Hutchinson Health to provide tobacco cessation support classes to staff and students. "SHIP staff in McLeod County continues to work closely with Heart of Hutch to provide Safe Route to School activities at Park Elementary in Hutchinson as well as taste testing and cooking demos at the Hutchinson Farmers Market," Ward said.

For example, SHIP staff has worked closely with Tri-Valley Migrant Head Start in Glencoe and Hutchinson to implement the LANA nutrition program in their settings.

"The goal of the LANA preschool program is to help young children learn to taste,

eat and enjoy more fruits and vegetables in order to promote good health, including healthy weight and reduced risk of chronic disease," Ward said.

"Staff, parents and children have embraced this program with excitement and amazement on learning to try new foods, how easy it is to prepare them or even grow them. This program is not only changing the behaviors of the students attending the Head Start program but their families and the staff that work with them," Ward said.

Kathy Nowak, McLeod County Public Health Nursing director, said, "This is just one example of the health improvement efforts going on in our community. Across the county, more kids are getting healthy foods, families are exposed to less tobacco smoke, and more people can get the physical activity they need."

Recent data show Minnesota now spends almost \$7,000 per capita each year on health care. SHIP focuses on root causes of poor health, such as a lack of physical activity, poor nutrition and tobacco use, the leading drivers of rising health care costs in Minnesota.

Minnesota spends \$2.9 billion in annual medical costs (2007) as a result of tobacco use, and \$2.8 billion in annual medical costs as a result of obesity (2006).

In 2008, Minnesota policy makers recognized that in order to contain spiraling health care costs, investments in prevention were needed. With bipartisan support, Minnesota passed a groundbreaking health reform law that included SHIP. Two-year SHIP grants were awarded on July 1, 2009, to all 53 community health boards and nine of 11 tribal governments.

To learn more about what SHIP is doing in McLeod County, feel free to contact Ward at 320-864-3185 or check out what SHIP is doing across all three counties-Meeker-McLeod-Sibley at their Healthy Communities Website at www.mmshealthycommunities.org.

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March concerts set for bands, choirs

The Lincoln Junior High bands and choirs will present a March concert at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, March 11, at the GSL High School Auditorium.

The concert will feature the seventh-grade band, seventh-grade choir, the eighth-grade band, and the eighth-grade choir. It also will feature some selections by the combined seventh- and eighth-grade choirs and seventh- and eighth-grade bands.

Lincoln Junior High concerts are free.

The Glencoe-Silver Lake High School bands will present a concert on Monday, March 18, at 7:30 p.m., also in the GSL High School Auditorium.

The GSL ninth- and 10th-grade band and the GSL Concert Band will present its large-group band contest selections, as well as some other selections.

Admission is charged for GSL High School concerts and tickets are available at the door.



Library News

By Jackee Fountain

Activities abound at library

The Friends of the Glencoe Library enjoyed seeing people at the Glencoe Expo. Winners of the themed bookbags are: Larz Borg, Holly Clunis, Kennedy Frenzel, Chuck Jensen, and Pat Meyer.

The canvas bookbags are still for sale at the Glencoe Library at \$10 each. Join the Friends of the Glencoe Library and receive a complimentary bookbag.

The E-Readers classes for Nook, Kindle and tablets were held the last week of February.

If anyone missed one of those classes, there is another opportunity to learn how to use your e-reader and get free e-books through Pioneerland Library System. On Saturday, March 16, there will be two classes held at noon and 1:30 p.m. in the library activity room. Bring your devices, any cords you need, your Pioneerland Library System card, and laptop especially for Nook owners. The class is free and open to the community.

Parents of little ones under the age of 5, who are taking part in the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten, continue to read to your youngsters. There will be a spring event held to celebrate your child's reading progress.

If you are not taking part in this worthwhile program, you may begin anytime. It is ongoing until the child enters kindergarten.

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten is a collaboration of Glencoe Early Childhood Family Education, the

Glencoe-Silver Lake School District, and the Brownton and Glencoe Public Libraries.

What a gift parents, grandparents, daycare providers, and family members can give the little children when they read books to them. The children benefit by hearing vocabulary, enjoyment and reactions to stories, and learn to appreciate books.

Ask a librarian to explain the easy steps in participating in this program.

As the 2013 Adult Winter Reading Program comes to an end, the Glencoe Library wants to celebrate this year's "Rope Up a Good Read."

In honor of the Western theme, the Glencoe Public Library will host a rodeo (western terminology defines a rodeo as a gathering) to celebrate the participants and books read during the winter months. The Glencoe Public Library Rodeo is scheduled for Thursday, March 21, at 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The Glencoe Library Lego Club will have its first session on Tuesday, April 2, at 6 p.m. Children interested in building with Legos are invited to challenge their creativity and building prowess, plus work together with other Lego kids for an hour. For more information and to register, talk to Miss Gabby, youth librarian at the Glencoe Library.

For information on these programs and calendar events visit the Glencoe Public Library at this website: www.glencoepubliclibrary.webs.com.



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Learning nutrition

First Lutheran kindergartners in Linda Donnay's class are learning about nutrition. The kindergartners made homemade bread on Monday and tasted their bread on Tuesday during milk break. Maxx Neubarth, left, brought Grandma's homemade strawberry jam for an awesome snack as Grace Brickzen joined in. Kindergartners also have made fruit salad and butter.

People

Foss family announces birth

Matt and Emily Foss of Silver Lake announce the birth of their daughter, Taylor Val, on Feb. 19, 2013, at Glencoe Regional Health Services. Taylor weighed 8 pounds, 11 ounces and was 21 inches. Older sibling is Bree Ryherd. Grandparents are David and Donna Foss of Plato and David and Janet Joachim of Waverly, Iowa.

Schuff accepted at SMSU

Jordan Schuff, son of Gaylen Schuff of Glencoe, has been accepted for the 2013 fall semester at Southwest Minnesota State University in Marshall. His planned major field of study is accounting.

Daughter born to Posusta

Ashley Posusta of Lester Prairie announces the birth of her daughter, Jade Marie Posusta, on Feb. 21, 2013, at Glencoe Regional Health Services. Jade weighed 6 pounds and was 20 inches. Grandparents are Paulette Zanoth of Silver Lake and LeRoy Posusta of Silver Lake.

Mrkvicka gets scholarship

Mackenzie Mrkvicka, daughter of James and Tammy Mrkvicka of Brownton, has been selected to receive a Leadership Award and College Now Scholarship for the 2013-14 academic year from Southwest Minnesota State University in Marshall. Recipients of this scholarship are recognized for their academic accomplishments and outstanding leadership abilities. Her planned major field of study is elementary education.

Kerkvliets announce birth

Neil and Becky Kerkvliet of Lester Prairie announce the birth of their daughter, Crimson Louise, on Feb. 10, 2013, at Glencoe Regional Health Services. Crimson weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces and was 20-1/2 inches. Older siblings are Gibson, 7, and Mason, 5. Grandparents are Dennis and Deanne Zuk of Willow River and Frank and Robin Kerkvliet of Lester Prairie.

Area woman wins \$5,000

Wanda Bartelt-Heidecker of Brownton won \$5,000 by playing the Minnesota Lottery's \$100,000 Poker Night scratch game. She claimed her prize on Feb. 25, and bought the winning ticket at Stewart Southside Station.

Son for Sturges, Dittmar

Amber Sturges and Dustin Dittmar of Glencoe announce the birth of their son, Bentley Jeffrey Lyle Dittmar, on Feb. 17, 2013, at Glencoe Regional Health Services. Bentley weighed 6 pounds, 1 ounce and was 19-1/2 inches. Older sister is Alexia Dittmar. Grandparents are Brenda Becker of Glencoe, Jeff Dittmar of Glencoe, Pari Swanson of Hutchinson and Wayne Sturges of Litchfield.

Goodridge to attend UMM

Aiyana Goodridge of Glencoe has been accepted to and has chosen to attend the University of Minnesota, Morris. Goodridge, a 2013 graduate of Glencoe-Silver Lake High School, will attend Morris beginning in the fall 2013. Goodridge is the recipient of an Achievement Scholarship, renewable up to four years. Achievement scholars are selected based on their academic accomplishments at the time of application.

Son born to Brownton couple

Jane Waletzko and Jordan Barthel of Brownton announce the birth of their son, Austin James Barthel, on Feb. 26, 2013, at Glencoe Regional Health Services. Austin weighed 6 pounds, 6 ounces and was 19-1/2 inches. Older siblings are Madisen and Aiden. Grandparents are Linda Waletzko of Litchfield, Mike Waletzko of Brownton and James and Kandy Barthel of Elkton, S.D.

Dittmers announce birth

Bryan and Amy Dittmer of Glencoe announce the birth of their son, Colton August, on Feb. 28, 2013, at Glencoe Regional Health Services. Colton weighed 7 pounds, 4 ounces and was 20 inches. Grandparents are Dennis and Charlotte Dittmer of Plato and Al and Karen Wagner of Montfort, Wis.

Daughter for Randall family

Justin and Heather Randall of Glencoe announce the birth of their daughter, Alexis Kennedy, on March 1, 2013, at Glencoe Regional Health Services. Alexis weighed 5 pounds, 15 ounces and was 20 inches. Grandparents are Randy and Laraine Randall of Owatonna and Ronald and Lori Anderson of Dodge Center.

Glencoe VFW Auxiliary sets March 11 for next meeting

The regular meeting of the Glencoe VFW Post 5102 Auxiliary was called to order by President Angela Johnson on Feb. 11 with 17 members present.

After the opening ceremony, roll call, reading and approval of reports, minutes and bills, the draping of the charter was held for sister Deloris Bartels, who passed away on Jan. 25.

Also, the POW/MIA flag ceremony was held and a candle lit, followed by a moment of silence.

Judy Henke volunteered to be acting vice president.

Joan Wandrei reported on the long-term care birthday party. The Auxiliary members were asked not to attend the party because of flu symptoms going around the facility. There were about 60 residents who were served and eight birthdays observed.

Year-end reports are due by the end of March. Committee chairpersons will meet at the VFW Club on March 12 at 6:30 p.m., to work on reports.

The spring pillow cleaning will be held on April 19.

The lunch committee for the March 11 meeting will be Sharon Knop, Adelheid Nelson, LaVern Graupmann and Debra Stenzel.

New Auburn VFW makes donations

Commander Willard Grack called the Feb. 12 meeting to order of the New Auburn VFW Post 7266.

Donations were sent to the following: Glencoe-Silver Lake Robotics Club, \$200; Sibley East After-Prom Party, \$150; and Tim Loudon for state wrestling, \$250.

The next VFW meeting will be at 7 p.m., Tuesday, March 12.

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Community Calendar

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

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

Mon., March 11 — Tops Weigh-In mtg., 5-5:30 p.m.; Brownton Senior Citizens Club, Brownton Community Center, 1 p.m.; Brownton American Legion & Auxiliary, Brownton Community Center, 7:30 p.m.; Stewart City Council, 7 p.m.

Tues., March 12 — Narcotics Anonymous, Brownton Community Center, 7 p.m.

Thurs., March 14 — AA Group mtg. next to Post Office in Stewart, 8 p.m., call 320-212-5290 for info.

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History

From the Brownton Bulletin archives

100 Years Ago

March 7, 1913

O.C. Conrad, Editor

Little Alvin Peik, age 10, son of Edward and Henrietta Peik, who was a pupil in the fourth grade, died of pneumonia at his home Sunday morning after a short illness. Interment was made at Oak Grove Cemetery from the German Methodist Church Sunday. His teacher, Miss Nelson, and his classmates attended the service.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Gustaf Schuft of Penn Township on Monday, March 2.

50 Years Ago

March 7, 1963

Charles H. Warner, Editor

William Peik, who has been treasurer of the Brownton Fire Department for all of its 50 years

of existence, received a pin for his services at the department's annual meeting Monday evening. Peik, 75, the lone remaining charter member of the organization, resigned at Monday's meeting. Department officers for 1963 will be Edward Tadsen, chief; William Pinske, assistant chief; C.D. West, treasurer; and Les Alsleben, secretary.

Mr. and Mrs. Rueben Gasow announce the birth of a daughter, Kathleen Ann, Feb. 28. The Gasow family consists of five daughters and a son.

20 Years Ago

March 3, 1993

Lori Copler, Editor

Several members of the McLeod West School Future Leaders of America (FLA) chapter won awards at the region

competition Friday. They include Beth Dwinell, Leah Lindeman, Amy Huebert, Tony Hoffman, Sara Dwinell, Trisha Klabunde, Sarah Peterson, Theresa Schuett, Dawn Huebert, Ellen Adamietz, Lynn Friedrichs and Jettie Smith.

Ann E. Olson, 70, an aide at the Brownton school, died Sunday, Feb. 21, at the Glencoe Area Health Center.

10 Years Ago

March 5, 2003

Lori Copler, Editor

Collins Township is the only area township that will have a contested election Tuesday, March 11. Incumbent Supervisor Frank Forcier has decided not to seek re-election, and his seat is being sought by J. Eric Lipke and Larry Maiers.

From the Stewart Tribune archives

100 Years Ago

March 7, 1913

A.F. Avery, Editor

The Stewart Village Council adopted Ordinance 26 March 4, which authorizes the construction and maintenance of an electric light works. It is now up to the electric company.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Peter Maiers, residing on the Porter farm in Grafton Township, on Wednesday morning, March 5.

E.M. Hanson was re-elected fire chief at the Stewart Volunteer Fire Department's annual meeting. J.H. Lewin was elected secretary and H.C. Dols, treasurer. New members taken in were E.A. Leistico, Swen Blumquist and Ira Holcomb.

75 Years Ago

March 4, 1938

Harry Koepen, Editor

Dr. Schulz, former Stewart dentist, was driving near Atwater about 8 o'clock last Thursday evening, accompanied by Dr. Moffet of Minneapolis, with Dr. Moffet driving the Schulz car, when it crashed into the rear of a truck parked on the pavement on Highway 12. An oncoming car had blinded Dr. Moffet, and he didn't see the stalled truck, which didn't have flares out. Dr. Schulz was rushed to the Willmar hospi-

tal, where it was determined he had suffered a broken jaw, head injuries and numerous cuts and bruises. He was later taken to a Minneapolis hospital, where he is recuperating from his injuries.

A crowd of well over 700 attended the masquerade dance at the Community Hall Monday night with Eddie Wilfahrt's orchestra providing the music. The prize for the best masked group was awarded to eight Stewart ladies with their Mother Goose costumes — Marie Buhr, Marie Mayer, Esther Fitzlaff, Esther Baliman, Victoria Tauer, Mrs. Harold Johnson, Mrs. Art Lehman and Hazel Tesch.

50 Years Ago

March 7, 1963

Kermit T. Hubin, Editor

During the past few months, the Board of Education has been meeting to consider the classroom needs of the Stewart Public School District, and established the following priorities: a larger science room with more equipment, additional high school classrooms, adequate office space, additional space for the physical education program, band and music space and a full-time kindergarten. The school district will present a plan, with an expected cost of \$295,000, accomplishing the above at a special meeting Tuesday, March 19.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Trettin (Elva Schultz) are the happy parents of a baby daughter, Barbara Ann, born Feb. 27.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ludowese (Jessie Ann Putney) welcomed the arrival of a baby girl Feb. 27. She is named Joan Marie.

At its regular meeting Monday evening, the Stewart Fire Department elected Rolland McGraw as assistant chief. Other officers are S.D. Richards, chief; Ole Twite, secretary; and N.E. Dols, treasurer.

35 Years Ago

March 9, 1978

Kermit T. Hubin, Editor

The Hutchinson School District administration will provide services to the Stewart district for an indefinite period, according to a decision made last Tuesday morning in a special meeting of the Stewart School Board. Hutchinson will provide superintendent and principal services. Former Stewart Superintendent Alden Blixrud resigned in February.

The Rev. and Mrs. Gary Danielson welcomed the arrival of a baby girl, Laura Marie, Feb. 27. She has two sisters, Sarah and Maren.

Mr. and Mrs. James Schulze (Eileen Grube) are the proud parents of a baby girl, Sarah Beth, born March 1.

Former pastor's sex-abuse appeal is denied

GIBBON — Former Gibbon pastor, David Erwin Radtke, 53, who was convicted in the fall of 2011 of sexually assaulting a 16-year-old foreign exchange student liv-

ing with his family, had his appeal denied.

Radtke was convicted by a Sibley County jury and received a stayed sentence as long as he completes 15 years

probation, pays \$1,000 to the victim assistance fund and registers as a sex offender in Kansas, where he now lives.



Submitted photo

6th-grade Panther Pride

The sixth-grade Panther Pride award winners for February were, front, from left, John "JJ" Ingeman, Jesse Mackenthun, Kira Mattson and Coral Due-

nas. In the back are Jake Siewert, Jenna Bennett, Molly Green, Bryanna Paul and Morgan Anderson. Missing was Bailee Gjerdingen.

Health, wellness fair slated March 26 at Ridgewater College in Hutchinson

Health and wellness exhibitors and the public are invited to the 16th annual Ridgewater College Community Health Fair and Healthcare Job Fair set for Tuesday, March 26, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., in the Hutchinson campus commons.

This event is targeted at regional community members, students and staff who are interested in learning more about health and potential healthcare careers.

New this year, the fair will

feature a variety of 15-minute demonstrations. Topics will include relaxation techniques, portion sizes, posture for your health, sensible snacking, and healthy eating options.

Health fair exhibitors, typically totaling about 30 to 35, offer hands-on explorations, interactive learning, or samples. Popular exhibits have included fitness clubs, diet and nutrition, natural foods, nutritional supplements, proactive health, weight loss programs, massage therapy,

chiropractic health and area healthcare services.

The Healthcare Job Fair offers a chance for area healthcare providers to connect with current and soon-to-graduate healthcare students, as well as community members exploring careers in health care.

Participants can enjoy free healthy refreshments, including mini Subway sandwiches and fresh fruit and veggies. They can also register for prize drawings, including a



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Egyptian tortoise

Students from First Lutheran School of Glencoe ran their hands over the rough texture of the shell on an Egyptian tortoise during a lyceum Feb. 26. The presentation by Rick Lang, left, of Wildlife Encounters, was about Egyptian animals and was sponsored by Mutual F

Omaha's Wild Kingdom. In the foreground is a Mau Cat. The students from left are McKenzie Effertz, Kyle Hagen, Nathan Welch, Ty Christensen, Corey Johnson, Isaac Krueger and Taylor Terlinden.

Donations needed for 2013 county food drive challenge

With the challenge beginning this week, local residents are asked to support those in need by making a donation to the McLeod Emergency Food Shelf. This annual food drive is designed to restock the shelves at the food shelf.

The Glencoe Area Chamber of Commerce, Hutchinson Area Chamber of Commerce, Lester Prairie Business Association, Winsted Chamber of Commerce and Silver Lake Business Association are sponsoring this friendly challenge. Their goal is to raise more than 100,000 pounds of donations during March.

In Glencoe, the following businesses are serving as public collection sites: Ameriprise Financial, Coborn's, Glencoe Family Chiropractic, Glencoe City Center, Glencoe Enterprise, Glencoe Public Library, Glencoe Regional Health Services, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, McLeod Cooperative Power, McLeod Publishing, MidCountry Bank, Miller Manufacturing and Security Bank & Trust (both locations).

"Donations collected during March are matched by Minnesota Food Share Network making this an ideal time to donate," said Mareitta Neumann, McLeod Emergency Food Shelf director.

Non-perishable food, laundry items and other personal hygiene products are requested. Donations also can be dropped off at the McLeod Food Shelf in Glencoe at 808 E. 12th St.

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Obituaries

Jonathan Reinitz, 31, of New London

Memorial services for Jonathan Michael Reinitz, 31, of New London, were held Wednesday, Feb. 27, at the Church of Peace in Glencoe. The Rev. Joseph Clay officiated.



Jonathan Reinitz

Mr. Reinitz died surrounded by his family on Friday, Feb. 22, 2013, at Northwestern Hospital in Minneapolis.

The organist was Julie Schrum. Congregational hymns were "On Eagle's Wings" and "Jesus Loves Me." Special music by Casey Reinitz and Bill Litzau was "God Gave Me You" and "Heaven Has Another Angel."

Military honors were by Glencoe American Legion Post 95. Honorary pallbearers were Josh Liestman and Tammy Maiers. Pallbearers were Andy Smith, Bob Brinkman, Thomas Tramp, Kevin Dietz, Jess Granlund

and Corey Stadick. A private family committal will follow at a later date.

Mr. Reinitz was born Feb. 6, 1982, in Seoul, South Korea. He was the adopted son of Gary and Lynne (Litzau) Reinitz at age 11 months. His "Gotcha Day" was Jan. 20, 1983. He was baptized as an infant and confirmed in his faith, both at Church of Peace in Glencoe. He received his education in Glencoe and graduated with the Glencoe-Silver Lake High School class of 2000.

Mr. Reinitz furthered his education by attending Ridgewater College in Willmar, where he received an auto body certification and later went on to be trained as an EMT First Responder.

Mr. Reinitz served in the U.S. National Guard in the infantry. He received an honorable discharge on June 9, 2008. He was very proud to serve his country and would have made it his career if it was not for his illness.

Mr. Reinitz worked as a welder and handled automotive parts and service prior to going back to Ridgewater

College to further his education. He was a member of Church of Peace in Glencoe.

He enjoyed the outdoors, which included deer hunting, ice fishing, snowmobiling, four wheeling and biking. He also enjoyed playing Texas Hold 'Em and video games, especially "Call of Duty." He cherished the time spent with his family and friends.

Survivors include the love of his life, Laura Beach of New London; child, Hannah Nurmi of New London; parents, Gary and Lynne Reinitz of Glencoe; brother, Casey Reinitz of Gaylord; grandparents, Wanda and Gene Litzau and Dolores Dreier, all of Glencoe; aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and many friends.

Preceding him in death were his grandfather, Lloyd Reinitz; and stepgrandfather, Howard Dreier.

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

Adela S. Dammann, 82, of Green Isle

Funeral services for Adela Sophie Dammann, 82, of Green Isle, were held Friday, March 1, at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Helen Township, Glencoe. The Rev. Dennis Reichow officiated.



Adela S. Dammann

Mrs. Dammann died Saturday, Feb. 23, 2013, at her rural home.

Rick Grieger was the organist. Congregational hymns were "What a Friend We Have in Jesus," "Nearer, My God, To Thee" and "My Faith Looks Up to Thee."

Honorary pallbearers were Mrs. Dammann's granddaughters, Megan Bergman, Alanna Harms, Minori Harms, Ashley Dammann, Katie Dammann and Hannah Dammann. Active pallbearers were her grandsons, Timon Dammann, Andrew Dammann, Alex Harms, Jim Dammann, and Erik Bergman. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Adela Sophie Mueller was born March 21, 1930, in Blakeley Township, Belle Plaine, to Emil and Mary (Otto) Mueller. She was baptized as an infant on April 6, 1930, at the Belle Plaine Evangelical Lutheran Church, and confirmed in her faith as a youth on May 7, 1944, at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Green Isle. Her confirmation verse was 1 Timothy 6:12. She received her education at the Belle Plaine public schools.

On July 25, 1947, Adela Mueller was united in marriage to Victor Fredrick Dammann by the Rev. Traub and the Rev. Schaller at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Helen Township. The Dammanns made their home and farmed near Plato before moving back to the family farm in 1955. Mrs. Dammann spent the rest of her life there.

Their marriage was blessed with five children, Gloria, Darroel, DuWayne, Glenda and Daniel. The Dammanns shared over 58 years of marriage before Mr. Dammann died on Aug. 8, 2005.

In addition to being a hard-working farm wife, loving mother and devoted homemaker, Mrs. Dammann also worked as a seasonal employee at Green Giant in Glencoe.

She was a member of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Helen Township, Glencoe, where she was a member of the Ladies Aid. Mrs. Dammann also enjoyed her coffee ladies' group and was a member of the Red Hats Society.

Mrs. Dammann was a strong-willed woman who always took care of her family. Her enjoyments included visiting with others, especially her siblings, cooking and gardening. She cherished the time spent with her friends and family; she took profound joy in her grandchildren.

Survivors include her children, Gloria (Bill) Denny of Wenatchee, Wash., Darroel (Nancy) Dammann of Norwood Young America (NYA), DuWayne (Barbara) Dammann of Waconia, Glen-

da (Jay) Harms of Brooklyn Park, and Daniel (Denise) Dammann of Roseburg, Ore.; grandchildren, Megan (Erik) Bergman, Timon Dammann and special friend, Kayla Mages, James Dammann, Alexander (Minori) Harms, Andrew (Ashley) Dammann, Alanna Harms, Katie Dammann and Hannah Dammann; great-granddaughter, Carly Bergman; siblings, Loretta Hauer of Belle Plaine, Norbert Mueller of Mission, Texas, Ethel (Ben) Callanan of Mission, Texas, Marie (Eugene) Sunderman of Le Sueur, Rosella "Rosie" Hayden and her significant other, Larry Faber, of Willmar and Marvin Mueller of Oklahoma City, Okla.; stepsisters-in-law, Dorothy Brandt of Prior Lake and Virginia Brandt of Belle Plaine; siblings-in-law, Earl (Darlene) Dammann of Arlington and Vera Belter of Glencoe; nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends.

Preceding her in death were her father, Emil Mueller; mother and stepfather, Mary and George Brandt; husband, Victor Dammann; siblings, Harry Mueller and Bernice Zamzow; stepbrothers, Eugene "Pete" Brandt and Marvin Brandt; stepsister, Helen (Bob) Grassinger; brothers-in-law, Ewald "Wally" Hauer and William "Bill" Hayden; sister-in-law, Laurel Mueller; and stepsister-in-law, Maureen Brandt.

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

Helen Emilie Bipes, 86, of Brownton

Funeral services for Helen Emilie Elisabeth Bipes, 86, of Brownton, were held Monday, March 4, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Brownton, with the Rev. R. Allan Reed officiating.



Helen Bipes

Mrs. Bipes died Wednesday, Feb. 27, 2013, at her home.

The organist was Norma Witte. Congregational hymns were "Beautiful Savior," "I'm But a Stranger Here," "How Great Thou Art" and "Precious Lord, Take My Hand."

Pallbearers were Clyde Ziemann, Kevin Miller, Arlen Ziemann, Brian Meier, Nolan Ziemann, Wade Klabunde and Jason Klabunde. Interment was in the Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery in Brownton.

Helen Emilie Elisabeth Klitzke was born Sept. 2, 1926, in Brownton, to August and Hulda (Zimmermann) Klitzke. She was baptized as

an infant on Sept. 26, 1926, and confirmed in her faith as a youth on June 9, 1940, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Brownton. She attended country school in the Brownton area.

On April 26, 1943, Helen Klitzke was united in marriage to Elden Bipes by the Rev. Strefert. This marriage was blessed with three children, Elden Vernell, Myron and Frederick. The Bipeses resided and farmed in the Brownton area. They shared 69 years of marriage before Mr. Bipes died on July 22, 2012.

Mrs. Bipes was a loving wife, mother, homemaker and partner in the farming operation. She also was employed at Telex Communications, Inc., and Green Giant in Glencoe. She retired in 1987.

Mrs. Bipes was a member of Immanuel Lutheran church in Brownton, where she was active in the Concordia Ladies Aid.

She enjoyed quilting, sewing and working on crafts. She also enjoyed baking, gardening and traveling.

She especially enjoyed spending time with her family, grandchildren and friends.

Survivors include her son, Myron (Carol) Bipes of Malmo, Minn.; grandchildren, Patricia (Rick) Blais, Rachelle (Dave) Yates, Richard Bipes, Michael (Shawna) Bipes, Gene Bipes, Christopher (Kristina) Bipes, and Clarissa (Mark) Bipes-Thompson; great-grandchildren, Nichole, Daniel, Karen, Kristin, Zachary, Joshua, Austin, Ava, Carrington, Alexander and Madeleine; daughter-in-law, Susan Bipes of Coon Rapids; many other relatives and friends.

Preceding her in death were her parents, August and Hulda Klitzke; husband, Elden Bipes; and sons, Elden Vernell Bipes and Frederick Bipes.

Arrangements were by the Dobratz-Hantge Chapel in Hutchinson. Online obituaries and guest book are available at www.hantge.com. Click on obituaries/guest book.

Theodore 'Ted' Hauer Sr., 93, Hector

A Mass of Christian Burial for Theodore "Ted" John Hauer Sr., 93, of Hector, was held Monday, March 4, at St. John's Catholic Church in Hector. Officiating was the Rev. George Schmit and Don Clasmann, pastoral administrator.



Ted Hauer

Mr. Hauer died Wednesday, Feb. 27, 2013, at Ridgeview Medical Center in Waconia.

Music was "Here I Am, Lord," "Song of Farewell," "Amazing Grace," "I Am the Bread of Life" and "Precious Lord, Take My Hand."

Pallbearers were his grandsons, Craig Zumwinkle, Chris Hauer, Dwane Greiner, T.J. Hauer, Rick Alberts, Mike Alberts, Brent Hauer and Ryan Hauer. Honorary pallbearers were his children, Carol Zumwinkle, Luella Greiner, Ted Hauer Jr., Helen Parrott, Susan Alberts, Jon Hauer, Tom Hauer, Dave Hauer, Duane Hauer, Bob Hauer, Gin Alberts and Gary Hauer. Interment in the Hector City Cemetery.

Mr. Hauer lived his entire life in Hector. He was born July 20, 1919, on a farm north of Hector. He was the 10th child of 11 children of Anton Hauer and Catherine (Froebgen) Hauer. He was baptized as Johan Theodora on Aug. 3, 1919, by the Rev. Anton Scholzen at St. John's Catholic Church in Hector. On May 19, 1933, he was confirmed in his faith as Raymond at St. John's Catholic Church.

Mr. Hauer attended country school about a mile from their home. He attended School District 99 through the fourth grade, and then District 115

up to the sixth grade. He attended seventh and eighth grades in Hector, and then helped with the farm work.

Mr. Hauer was only 4 years old when his father died.

Mr. Hauer was united in marriage to Faye Victory Catherine Schiebel on Oct. 22, 1936. They were married in the parish house by Father Ettl. Joe Rusk and Fanny Hauer stood up for them at the wedding. The Hauers shared 76 years of marriage and raised 12 children.

Besides working many jobs in Hector and owning his own restaurant, Buck's Café, Mr. Hauer was a firefighter and a police deputy for the city. He worked 20 years at the Hector elevator, and then became the street supervisor for Hector in 1968. He received an award from the state Rural Water Association for his work for the city of Hector.

Mr. Hauer retired May 15, 1981, dedicating his life to improving the city of Hector.

He enjoyed playing cards, baseball, gardening, working on puzzles, attending his children's school activities, and cherished his time spent with family and friends.

Survivors include his wife, Faye, of Hector; 12 children: Carol (Curt) Zumwinkle of Maple Grove, Luella Greiner of Buffalo Lake, Ted (Mary Ann) Hauer Jr. of Hutchinson, Helen (Jim) Parrott of Kansas City, Mo., Susan (Paul) Alberts of Lester Prairie, Jon (Patty) Hauer of Paynesville, Tom (Patty) Hauer of Darwin, David (Marcia) Hauer of Elk River, Duane (Kathy) Hauer of Hector, Bob (LeAnn) Hauer of Canon City, Colo., Virginia (Fred) Alberts of Hutchinson, and Gary (Rebecca) Hauer of San Tan Valley, Ariz.; 32 grandchildren,

Craig Zumwinkle, Connie (Gary) Patnode, Debra (Jeff) Danielson, Gaylene (Larry) Maurer, Theresa Suess, Laura (Steve) Wendorff, Dwane (Jennifer) Greiner, Chris (Sheila) Hauer, Elizabeth (Earl) Kilian, Maria (Owen) Weikle, Brian (Paula) Hauer, Sarah (David) Nelson, Richard (Kristi) Alberts, Kevin Alberts, Paula Alberts, Janice (Doug) Roush, Timothy (Christine) Alberts, Shannon (Doug) Kremer, Erin (Brian) Jacobson, MeLissa (Marco) Medina, Thomas J. (Dee Ann) Hauer, Tricia (Dean) Nilson, Stacy Hauer, Kelly Hauer, Leah (Taite) Plaas, Stephanie Hauer, Ryan (Tammy) Hauer, Andrew Hauer, Michael (Jennifer) Alberts, Mark (Leslie) Alberts, Sean Hauer and Brent Hauer; 63 great-grandchildren; 13 great-great-grandchildren; nieces, nephews, other relatives, and many friends.

Mr. Hauer was the last surviving child of his immediate family. He was preceded in death by his parents, Anton and Catherine Hauer; brothers, Andrew Hauer and wife Virginia, Bernard "Barney" Hauer and wife Leona, William "Bill" Hauer and wife Katheryn, Aloisious "Ole" Hauer and wife Blanche, and Joseph "Jake" Hauer and wife Verona; sisters, Gertrude Baumgartner and husband Clarence, Anna Hauer, Barbara "Jo" Hauer, Cecilia Hauer, Francis "Fanny" Hable and husband Myron; son-in-law Arnold Greiner.

Memorials are preferred. Arrangements are with Hughes-Hantge Funeral Chapel. An online guest book is available at www.hantge.com. Click on obituaries/guest book.

Deaths

Jan Olderness, 68, Silver Lake

Jan Olderness, 68, of Silver Lake, died on Thursday, Feb. 28, 2013, at her home in Silver Lake.

A memorial service will be held on Tuesday, March 12, at 11 a.m., at Grace Bible Church in Silver Lake.

A gathering of family and friends will be held on Tuesday, March 12, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., at Grace Bible Church in Silver Lake.

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Acts 14:17, ESV

I recently purchased a Dutch oven cookbook from REI, Inc. in Bloomington. Being an Eagle Scout myself and loving using a Dutch oven for cooking, I couldn't pass up the purchase. (It helped that my wife and I purchased a Dutch oven in the not so distant past and were itching for some good meals that used it.)

As I cracked open the book, I saw the above Scripture passage listed as a Benediction following the Dedication at the beginning of the book. This was intriguing to me since I cannot recollect another book I've come across that has done this. However, I wish more Christian writers would take the opportunity to instill a little of God's Word into the lives of people reading their books.

I recently listened to a pastor in Colorado teaching about the structure of a worship service, and he kept coming back to the benediction as not just a blessing spoken over the people, but a charge to go forth and tell others. It is a weekly mission statement, if you will.

Reread the text above. It's a good one. It points us directly to Christ and what He has done for us. During the season of Lent, many people make it a practice of giving something up or taking something new on. I know we are about half way through Lent, but why not start seeing the weekly benediction/blessing spoken over you at the end of the worship service as a call to action? Your week's mission statement. Today's text above reminds us that in our everyday encounters, we see the visible evidence of God and His work amongst us.

Yeah, this snow has not been the most fun thing to clean up after, but it keeps us mindful of the beauty that only God can provide. Blessings, as you journey throughout the rest of your week- remember your mission statement!

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

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 Sun., March 10 — Sunday school for all ages, 9 a.m.; worship, 10:20 a.m.; service on Glencoe Cable Channel 10, 10:30 a.m.
 Tues., March 12 — Men's Bible study, 6 a.m.

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 Thurs., March 7 — Grand Meadows worship, 10:30 a.m.
 Sat., March 9 — Makeup first communion class, 10 a.m.
 Sun., March 10 — Worship, 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.; Sunday school and adult education, 9:30 a.m.; long-term care worship, 1 p.m.; first confirmation training for 4th-5th grade students/parents, 1:30 p.m.
 Mon., March 11 — Quilting, fellowship hall, 1 p.m.; televised worship service, 3 p.m.
 Tues., March 12 — Ladies fellowship, Gert & Erma's, 10 a.m.; worship team meeting, 6 p.m.; Sarah Circle, 7 p.m., at home of Gloriann Wacker.

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Joseph Clay, Pastor
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 Sun., March 10 — Worship with communion at Friedens, 10 a.m.; confirmation class, 9:15 a.m.

ST. PIUS X CHURCH
1014 Knight Ave., Glencoe
Anthony Stubeda, Pastor
 Wed., March 6 — Evening prayer, 5:40 p.m.; Mass, 6 p.m.; grades K-6 religious education (RE) classes, 7 p.m.-8 p.m.; grades 7-10 RE classes, 7 p.m.-8:15 p.m.
 Thurs., March 7 — Morning prayer, 7 a.m.; Mass, 7:20 a.m.; parent/teacher conferences, 3:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.; fund-raiser night at Pizza Ranch; CCW meeting, 7 p.m.
 Fri., March 8 — Morning prayer, 8 a.m.; school Mass, 8:20 a.m.; Stations of the Cross with school children, 2 p.m.; Spanish Mass, 5:30 p.m.; adoration of the blessed sacrament after Mass; benediction, 6:50 p.m.; Stations of the Cross, 7 p.m.; RCIA in parish library, 8 p.m.
 Sat., March 9 — Mothers group rosary, 9 a.m.; mothers group meeting, 9:30 a.m.; baptism preparation, lower level, Holy Family, Silver Lake, 10:30 a.m.; men's day of reflection sponsored by KCs, noon-3 p.m.; reconciliation, 3:30 p.m.; Mass, 5 p.m.
 Sun., March 10 — Mass, 9:30 a.m.; Spanish Mass, 11:30 a.m.; eucharistic adoration, 12:30 p.m.-5:50 p.m.; Spanish RE classes, 12:45 p.m.; communal celebration of sacrament of reconciliation, 6 p.m.; Mass at Holy Family, Silver Lake, 8 p.m.
 Mon., March 11 — No Mass; scheduling of liturgical ministers begins; principal meeting; mission club, 1:30 p.m.; Schoenstatt group meeting, 3 p.m.; AFC staff meeting, St. Pius X, 3:30 p.m.
 Tues., March 12 — Morning prayer, 8 a.m.; school Mass, 8:20 a.m.; jr. choir practice, 2:50 p.m.; parent/teacher conferences, 3:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.; adult choir practice, 7 p.m.; PAC meeting, 8 p.m.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN
300 Croyden St.
Stewart
 Wed., March 6 — Seventh-grade confirmation, 3:30 p.m.; eighth-grade confirmation, 5:30 p.m.; lunch by the Soul Stitches, 5:45 p.m.-6:45 p.m.; Lenten worship, 7 p.m.
 Sat., March 9 — Esther Circle at Linda Dettman's, 9 a.m.; worship, 5 p.m.
 Sun., March 10 — Sunday school, 9 a.m.; worship and installation, 10 a.m.
 Tues., March 12 — Pastors' text study, 10 a.m.; Dorcas Circle at church, 7 p.m.

ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC
Stewart
 Wed., March 6 — Mass, 9 a.m.
 Sun., March 10 — Mass, 9:15 a.m.

ST. MATTHEW'S LUTHERAN
Fernando
Aaron Albrecht, pastor
 Wed., March 6 — Lenten worship, 6 p.m.

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

CROSSROADS CHURCH
10484 Bell Ave., Plato
Scott and Heidi Forsberg, pastors
320-238-2181
www.mncrossroads.org
 Wed., March 6 — Youth and adult activities night, 7 p.m.
 Sun., March 10 — Worship, 10 a.m.

FIRST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN
925 13th St. E., Glencoe
Daniel Welch, Senior Pastor
Ronald L. Mathison, Associate Pastor
320-864-5522
www.firstglencoe.org
E-mail: office@firstglencoe.org
 Wed., March 6 — Lenten worship, 2 p.m.; dessert by LWML, 2:45 p.m.; public school confirmation, 3:30 p.m.; Christ Chimes, 4 p.m.; Gospel Ringers, 6 p.m.; senior choir, 6:15 p.m.; Lenten worship, 7 p.m.
 Sun., March 10 — Worship with communion, 8 a.m.; Bible classes, 9:15 a.m.; worship, 10:30 a.m.
 Tues., March 12 — Bible study, 9:30 a.m.

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN
Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod
1407 Cedar Ave. N., Glencoe
www.gslcglencoe.org
Rev. James F. Gomez, Pastor
Matthew Harwell, Director of Christian Education
 E-mail: office@gslcglencoe.org
 Wed., March 6 — GYM Bible study at high school, 7:30 a.m.; Kids Praise, 3:15 p.m.; Lenten meal, 5:30 p.m.-6:40 p.m.; Lenten service, 7 p.m.; F3, 7:45 p.m.; deacons, 8 p.m.; education, 8 p.m.
 Thurs., March 7 — GRHS communion, 9:30 a.m.; men's/women's Bible study, 6:30 p.m.
 Sun., March 10 — Choir, 7:45 a.m.; worship with quilt dedication, 9 a.m.; Kingdom Quest, FUEL, adult Bible study, 10:15 p.m.; Financial Peace, 5:30 p.m.; LIVE, 7:30 p.m.
 Tues., March 12 — GSLC Bible study, 9:30 a.m.; Orchard Estates Bible study, 9:30 a.m.

ST. JOHN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN
4505 80th St., Helen Township
Glencoe
Dennis Reichow, Pastor
 Wed., March 6 — Lenten worship at Millie Beneke Manor, 2 p.m.; grades 5-6 catechism, 3:45 p.m.; grades 7-8 grade catechism, 4:45 p.m.; Lenten supper, 5:45 p.m.; Lenten worship, 7 p.m.; choir, 8 p.m.
 Sun., March 10 — Worship, 9 a.m.; Sunday school, 10 a.m.; Bible class, 10:20 a.m.
 Tues., March 12 — Chimes, 6:30 p.m.; Table Talk, 7 p.m.

GRACE BIBLE CHURCH
300 Cleveland Ave., Silver Lake
Dr. Tom Rakow, Pastor
320-327-2352
http://silverlakechurch.org
 Wed., March 6 — Soup and chili supper, 5 p.m.; confirmation class, 6 p.m.; Lenten service, 7 p.m.
 Sat., March 9 — Men's Bible study, 7 a.m.; women's Bible study, 9 a.m.
 Sun., March 10 — "First Light" radio broadcast on KARP 106.9 FM, 7:30 a.m.; pre-service prayer time, 9:15 a.m.; worship, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday school, 10:35 a.m.; open shooting for Centershot graduates, 11:45 a.m.; Centershot Archery Ministry, 1 p.m.
 Wed., March 13 — Soup and chili supper, 5 p.m.; confirmation class, 6 p.m.; Lenten service, 7 p.m.
 Dial-A-Bible Story, 320-327-2843.

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 Wed., March 6 — Light supper, 5:30 p.m.; WOW classes, 6 p.m.; Lenten service, 6:30 p.m.; choir practice, 7 p.m.
 Sun., March 10 — Handbell practice, 8:45 a.m.; worship, 10 a.m., followed by fellowship; deacons meeting after church.
 Wed., March 13 — Presbyterian Women meeting, 1:30 p.m.; light supper, 5:30 p.m.; WOW classes, 6 p.m.; Lenten devotional service, 6:30 p.m.; choir practice, 7 p.m.

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH
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Joseph Clay, Pastor
 Wed., March 6 — Lenten service at Church of Peace, 7 p.m.
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THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS
770 School Rd., Hutchinson
Kenneth Rand, Branch President
320-587-5665
 Wed., March 6 — Young men and women (12-18 years old) and scouting, 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.
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Bruce Laabs, Pastor
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ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
308 First St. N.E., Plato
Bill Baldwin, Pastor
www.platochurch.com
 Wed., March 6 — Men's coffee, 9 a.m.; confirmation class, 5 p.m.; adult choir, 6 p.m.; Lenten worship at

Church of Peace, 7 p.m.
 Sun., March 10 — Sunday school, 8:30 a.m.; worship, 10 a.m.; fellowship, 11 a.m.

IMMANUEL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN
New Auburn
Bradley Danielson, Pastor
E-mail: immanuelle@yahoo.com
 Wed., March 6 — Seventh-grade confirmation, 4 p.m.; eighth-grade confirmation, 5 p.m.; supper served, 5:30 p.m.; Lenten worship, 7 p.m.
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Obituaries

Sylvia May (Sieh) Bluhm, 73, Glencoe

A Mass of Christian Burial for Sylvia May (Sieh) Bluhm, 73, of Glencoe, was held Thursday, Feb. 28, at the Church of St. Pius X in Glencoe. The Rev. Anthony Stubeda officiated.
 Mrs. Bluhm died Saturday, Feb. 23, 2013, at her home.



Sylvia Bluhm

The organist was Sister Elizabeth Gruenes, and the song leader was Shari Templin. Musical selections were "Here I Am, Lord," "How Great Thou Art," "I Am the Bread of Life," "Song of Farewell" and "Amazing Grace."

Urn bearers were her grandchildren, Jeremy Karg, Jenn Ribar, Dustin Ufkes, Bradley Ufkes, Jessica Ufkes, Corey Klaustermeier and Kyle Klaustermeier.

Sylvia May Sieh was born Aug. 24, 1939, in Aitkin, to Frenz and Lenna (Stewart) Sieh. She was baptized as an infant and confirmed in her Catholic faith. She received her education at country schools in Aitkin and Hutchinson, Church of St. Pius X Catholic School and was a graduate of the Glencoe High School class of 1957.

After meeting each other on a blind date, on Sept. 14, 1957, Sylvia Sieh was united

in marriage to Wayne Bluhm at St. Peter & Paul Catholic Church in Glencoe. They made their home in Brownton and, in 1966, moved to Glencoe. Their marriage was blessed with three children, Pam, Vickie and Susie. The Bluhms shared over 55 years of marriage.

In addition to being a loving wife, mother and homemaker, Mrs. Bluhm helped her husband on the farm. She also worked at the Park N Shop, cooked at the Glencoe middle and high school and sold Tupperware, for which she was a manager.

Mrs. Bluhm was a faithful member of St. George Catholic Church and later Church of St. Pius X in Glencoe. She also was a member of the Red Hat Society and the Cooks Association.

Mrs. Bluhm was a great and loving mom, who started the family tradition of making filled rolls at Christmas. She was always confident, calling herself "short, fat and sassy" and liked to be a joker.

The Bluhms were always together and everyone called her mom or grandma. She enjoyed dancing to polkas, camping, motorcycling, playing cards, baking and flowers. She especially cherished the time she spent with her family and friends.

Survivors include her husband, Wayne Bluhm of Glencoe; children, Pam (Wayne) Karg of Glencoe, Vickie Ufkes of Hector, and Susie

(Shawn) Follett of Glencoe; seven grandchildren, Jeremy (Jody) Karg of Elizabethtown, Ky., Jenn Ribar of Waconia, Dustin (Amanda) Ufkes of Buffalo Lake, Bradley Ufkes of Buffalo Lake, Jessica Ufkes of Hector, Corey (Sabrina) Klaustermeier of Hutchinson, and Kyle (Riana) Klaustermeier of Hutchinson; 14 great-grandchildren, Isabel, Nicquel, Ethan, Lenna, Raven, Jadin, Jordin, Jonas, Corey, Mykel, Aleah, Kylee, Mariah, Austin, and a baby due in May 2013; a brother, John (Gloria) Sieh of Clear Lake, Iowa; abster, Mary Burt of West Concord; sisters-in-law, Delphine Lindeman of Brownton and Carol Sieh of China Grove, N.C.; aunts, Eleanor Stewart of Watertown and Mildred "Tootie" Stewart of Aitkin; nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends.

Preceding her in death were her parents, Frenz and Lenna Sieh; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Ernie and Elsie Bluhm; son-in-law, Michael Ufkes; brother, Elbert Sieh; brothers-in-law, Melvin (Gretchen) Bluhm, William Lindeman Jr. and Mel Burt; many aunts and uncles.

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

Menus

March 11-March 15
Millie Beneke Manor
Senior Nutrition Site
 Monday — Turkey casserole, peas, tropical fruit, bread, margarine, bar, low-fat milk.
 Tuesday — Chili, pear sauce, lettuce with dressing, crackers, margarine, sherbet, low-fat milk.
 Wednesday — Baked chicken, baked potato, squash, bread, margarine, gelatin with fruit and topping, low-fat milk.
 Thursday — Meatballs with gravy, mashed potatoes, beets, bread, margarine, fruit crisp, low-fat milk.
 Friday — Crumb-topped fish, whole potatoes, Prince William vegetables, bread, margarine, pie, low-fat milk.

GSL Schools
Elementary/Jr. High/Sr. High
Breakfast
 Monday — Breakfast pizza or Kix Berry cereal and yogurt, apple juice cup, low-fat milk (breakfast burrito at junior high and high school).
 Tuesday — Pancake on a stick with syrup or Cheerios and apple-cinnamon muffin, diced peaches, low-fat milk.
 Wednesday — Egg and cheese omelet or reduced sugar Cocco Puff cereal and string cheese, apple wedges, low-fat milk (breakfast pizza at junior/senior high).
 Thursday — Breakfast pizza or reduced sugar Fruit Loops cereal and blueberry muffin, orange juice cup, low-fat milk (egg and cheese omelet at junior high and high school).
 Friday — Pancakes with syrup or reduced sugar Cinnamon Toast Crunch cereal and yogurt, low-fat milk (French toast sticks with syrup at junior high and high school).

Helen Baker/Lakeside Lunch
 Monday — Hamburger on whole-grain bun, deli combo sub, baked beans, baby carrots with dressing, apple wedges, pineapple tidbits.
 Tuesday — Chicken nuggets, fun lunch, mashed potatoes with gravy, cucumber slices with dressing, petite banana, chilled applesauce.
 Wednesday — Italian dunkers with sauce, turkey and cheese on whole-grain bread, seasoned green beans, cauliflower florets with dressing, kiwi wedges, chilled

peaches.
 Thursday — Diced barbecued chicken on whole-grain bun, ham and cheese on whole-grain bun, oven-baked French fries, marinated cucumbers and tomatoes, orange wedges, chilled pears.
 Friday — Tony's cheese pizza, tuna salad sandwich on whole-grain bread, seasoned carrots, caesar romaine side salad with dressing, apple wedges, chilled mixed fruit.

High School Lunch
 Monday — Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes with gravy, seasoned corn, whole-grain dinner roll, sweet corn salad, cucumbers with dressing, apple wedges, pineapple tidbits.
 Tuesday — Mexican bar with beef or chicken with soft or hard shell tacos, brown rice, refried beans, southwest black beans, baby carrots with dressing, petite banana, chilled applesauce.
 Wednesday — Chicago-style hot dog with relish, diced onions, sauerkraut, oven-baked tator tots, baked beans, red pepper strips with dressing, orange wedges, chilled peaches.
 Thursday — Barbecued pork sandwich on whole-grain bun, seasoned carrots, oven-baked fries, confetti coleslaw, broccoli with dressing, kiwi wedges, chilled pears.
 Friday — Pasta bar with three-

cheese lasagna or pizza casserole, bread stick, steamed green beans, caesar romaine salad, baby carrots with dressing, apple wedges, chilled mixed fruit.

First Lutheran School Lunch
 Monday — Mini corn dogs, carrots, mashed potatoes, apple-sauce, bread, milk.
 Tuesday — Creamy Italian chicken over noodles, peas, pineapple, bread, milk.
 Wednesday — French toast sticks, sausage patty, tator tots, oranges, milk.

St. Pius X Lunch
 Monday — Turkey sub, fresh fruit, tator tots, carrots with dip, milk.
 Tuesday — Hamburger on bun, pineapple, peas, baked beans, milk.
 Wednesday — Barbecued pork on bun, mandarin oranges, corn, vegetables with dip, milk.
 Thursday — Chicken nuggets, corn chips, mixed fruit, green beans, mashed potatoes with gravy, milk.
 Friday — Italian dunkers, marinara sauce, banana, romaine salad, vegetables with dip, milk.

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VFW Auxiliary met on Feb. 12

The New Auburn VFW Auxiliary to Post 7266 meeting was called to order by President Phyllis Schwanke on Feb. 12.

A \$25 donation was sent to the Food For Kids program.

The next Auxiliary meeting will be at 7 p.m., Tuesday, March 12.

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Photo by Kurt Menk

Owners Stan and Carol Batten are pictured by the Lido Theater in downtown Arlington.

Digital projection, surround sound featured at Lido Theater

By Kurt Menk
Editor

Arlington Enterprise

A digital projection system with seven-speaker surround sound is now featured at the Lido Theater in downtown Arlington.

Owners Stan and Carol Batten recently purchased the new state-of-the-art equipment for \$76,900.

The couple received word from their agent about two years ago that movie companies would be ending film in the summer of 2013. Stan and Carol had a choice to either close the theater or purchase the new system.

"We didn't want to close the door so we thought we should purchase the new system," said Carol.

Stan laughed, "If we didn't convert to digital, we would be showing our slides from Yellowstone."

He added that, "The new system cost more than the original cost to buy the theater."

The equipment for the system started to arrive over a four-month period and took four days to install and test.

Carol received only one day of training along with a "manual that looks like an

LA phone book," said Stan.

Was Carol nervous about only one day of training? "Oh, you bet." I was real nervous," she said.

Carol has four pages of steps to follow when she downloads hard drive into the projector.

On a brighter note, the couple has a technician on call 24/7.

"Monster, Inc." was the first movie shown using the new digital projection system at the Lido Theater on Friday night, Feb. 15.

The evening, according to the couple, went without a flaw.

There are many benefits to the digital projection system compared to the old 35 millimeter platter system, according to Stan and Carol.

The new system features automatic focus and framing. There is a 3,000-watt bulb which makes for a brighter picture. There is also quad-track digital sound. Seven speakers, three on each side of the 295-seat theater and one behind the screen, are featured compared to one. There are no scratches and splices in the movies.

The current movies are much faster than the old film format. There is a much

broader range of titles and material which enable film archives to be shown if desired.

The solid-state projection equipment runs much more quietly with virtually no moving parts. There is also automatic start and shutdown. In addition, the new studio contracts will enable the Lido Theater to participate in more national openings of feature films.

With the purchase and installation of the digital projection system, Stan and Carol have increased ticket prices from \$4 to \$5 for children and \$5 to \$6.50 for adults.

The admission price, the couple said, is still the lowest around, and they do not foresee another increase in the future.

"These ticket prices will remain for a long time," said Stan.

The couple is also quick to point out that the concession stand has popcorn and candy which starts at \$1 and drinks which start at \$1.50.

Stan and Carol, who purchased the Lido Theater in April of 1998, are also proud to proclaim, "We use real butter on our popcorn."

The couple is also very

happy about its website which is coordinated by webmaster and local resident Dan Hislop at lidotheaterarlington.zxq.net.

Stan said 40 percent of the independent theaters across the nation have closed or will close due to the ending of film. He further commented that there will be about 10 single screen independents left in Minnesota once film is discontinued.

The Lido Theater, thanks to the recent purchase and installation of a digital projection system with the seven-speaker surround sound, will be one of those few remaining single-screen independent theaters in Minnesota.

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Police Report

A donation box was taken from the drive thru overnight at a 10th Street location on Tuesday, Feb. 26. About \$200 was reported stolen.

Two "snowbird" tickets were issued Thursday morning.

A medical call was received at 4:30 a.m., Thursday, from a residence on 14th Street. A woman was having difficulty breathing and was transported by ambulance to the Glencoe Regional Health Services.

Another medical was reported around noon on Thursday from a 10th Street location. A man fell in a parking lot and was transported to the hospital by ambulance.

One "snowbird" citation was issued on Friday morning.

Also on Friday, at 7:43 p.m., police and sheriff's deputies stopped a vehicle on Hennepin Avenue at 5th Street and cited the driver for having "extremely loud exhaust pipes" and also warned the driver "about poor driving conduct."

Two "snowbird" tickets were issued early Monday morning.

Also on Monday, at 1:15 a.m., police executed a warrant and arrested an adult male in the area of 14th Street and Ives Avenue.

At 6:07 p.m., Monday, police assisted at a medical on Ford Avenue after a man complained of chest pains. He was transported by ambulance to Glencoe Regional Health Services.

Building Permits

The following building permits were approved by Glencoe City Council on Monday, March 4:

Dan Kohout, 1617 Knight Ave., interior drain tile.

Derrick Johnson, 1420 Baldwin Ave., plumbing and mechanical permits.

Daniel Perschau, 325 Scout Hill Drive, window permit.

Wayne Karg, 1120 Morning-side Avenue, window permit.

Dale Koktan, 1514 E. 11th St., windows, reside.

Barbara Henderson, 1214 E. 10th St., reroof.

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So much for an early spring!

Those wishful thinkers hoping for an early spring this year had about eight inches of snow dumped on those hopes in the past two days, including a new batch overnight on Monday that dragged into Tuesday afternoon. City snow removal crews were busy in the downtown area early Tuesday trying to

remove the windrows in the middle of 10th Street before the main downtown traffic arrived. Coupled with over three inches of snow on Monday, March is living up to its reputation as being Minnesota's snowiest month. Fear not, spring will come ... eventually.

Mother sentenced in attempted suffocation of baby

HUTCHINSON — The Hutchinson Leader reported that former Hutchinson resident, Katie Elaine Lewis, 25, now of Litchfield, was sentenced to four months behind bars for attempting to suffocate her 5-month-old infant

son, until the boy passed out. Lewis also was ordered by Ramsey County District Court Judge Judith Tilsen to get treatment for her disorder, called Munchausen-by-proxy. It is a disorder in which someone hurts another

in order to get sympathy. The incident occurred May 2, 2012, at Children's Hospital in St. Paul, where a surveillance video showed Lewis pinching the nose of her infant. The sentence also includes three years probation.

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