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## Glencoe advances public works projects

### East 10th Street, truck, Highway 22 sewer lines moving forward

By John Mueller

Editor

A trio of public works initiatives was a big part of last week's city council meeting, with approvals for continued work preparing for the East 10th Street resurfacing project, the purchase of a new biosolid truck and chassis and televising and cleaning of storm water sewer beneath Highway 22 through downtown Glencoe all advancing.

Because of the Martin Luther King federal holiday Monday, Jan. 18, the council meeting was held Tuesday, Jan. 19.

#### East 10th Street

The city council approved creating plans and specifications for the overlay project this summer.

With \$1 million from the Minnesota Department of Transportation coming in 2021 (\$480,000) and 2024 (\$520,000), the project calls for a 2-inch mill-and-overlay of East 10th Street between North Hennepin to Morningside Drive, a one-mile span that serves about 6,000 vehicles a day.

Curb and gutter will be aligned for a uniform width of the street. Pedestrian ramps will be redone to meet the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), sidewalks will be repaired, the turn lane at Vinton Avenue will be aligned to a uniform width. Sidewalk will also be placed

along 10th Street between Union Avenue and Morningside on the north side of the street. Curb and gutter will be replaced where needed and manhole lids will be adjusted for a smoother ride, said Justin Black, of Short Elliott Hendrickson (SEH), the city's contract engineering.

The project is slated to cost about \$1.5 million. The city's share will be about \$215,000 with assessments covering about \$275,000.

Bids will be sought this spring before bids are awarded in May. The project will be completed between June and August, Black said.

#### Truck OK'd

The city council approved the purchase of a 2021 International HV cab and chassis for a wastewater

biosolids truck.

The city will spend \$105,000 to buy a new truck from North Central International of Glencoe. The council's other option was a 2021 refurbished International IV from Concrete Mobility-MN Heavy Trucks for \$109,000. City Administrator Mark Larson estimated the final price would likely be an additional \$50,000 for the final package.

City staff will continue to work during 2021 on assembling a tank, hoist, pump for pumping out the airport's septic system, watering trees and brine application, said Gary Schreifels, director of Glencoe Public Works/Water-Waste Water.

"This truck will be used quite a bit," he said.

Funding for the truck has been in the budget for years and won't im-

pact water or waste water rates, Schreifels said.

The new truck will replace a 1990 Chevy Kodiak truck. The city is concerned the truck might not pass a MnDOT inspection later this year.

#### Sewer line cleaning

In preparation for an anticipated overlay project along Highway 22 through the downtown area in 2023, the Minnesota Department of Transportation wants the city to televised and clean storm sewer piping to determine how to address storm water drainage issues along the road. The roadway has experienced significant flooding at intersections during rain events.

#### Public Works

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## McLeod County offering second round of COVID-19 relief grants

By Karin Ramig  
Publisher

The McLeod County Board of Commissioners once again has the opportunity to give back to its business owners and non-profits.

The county received \$709,749 from the State of Minnesota as part of the \$216 billion relief funds passed by Minnesota Legislature in mid-December.

At its meeting Jan. 19, the county board approved the guidelines and timeline for the new funds, recommended by the Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF) committee.

The funds from the state give pretty specific parameters for eligibility. Businesses and non-profits who were directly impacted by executive order 20-99, issued Nov. 19, which closed in-person dining at restaurants, gyms, and other entertainment and sports related businesses. Eligible businesses must also have fewer than 35 employees or full-time equivalent (FTE).

Applications can be submitted beginning Jan. 21 and will remain open until Monday, Feb. 1. All applications and documentations must be submitted electronically because of the tight time frame.

The CRF committee will review all applications from Feb. 2 through Feb. 10. The full board of commissioners is expected to review and approve the recommendations of the committee Feb. 16. All funds must be disbursed by April 1.

More information is available on the county's website, [www.co.mcleod.mn.us](http://www.co.mcleod.mn.us).

#### In other business, the board:

- Approved a software and professional services agreement with PerfectMind, Inc. of Burnaby, British Columbia. The software will be used to replace the current online reservation system to allow reservations for buildings at the fairgrounds and county parks, as well as campsites, to be reserved. The current system, MaxGalaxy will be ending its service in October.
- The initial cost for PerfectMind, Inc. will be \$12,000 with an annual fee of \$6,000 thereafter. MaxGalaxy's annual cost was \$3,780.
- Accepted the state bid quote of \$39,541 with Provision Media of St. Paul to provide components to en-

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### That's neighborly

Ryan Freitag and his son, Benton (behind him with a shovel), cleared the driveway at a neighbor's house at the corner of East 14th Street and North DeSoto Avenue Sunday. The neighbor was out of town for the day and the father-son team made quick work of clearing the fluffy, new fallen snow as a surprise.



Photo courtesy of Harms family

Luann and Fred Harms had a nice life together, celebrating nearly 64 years of marriage until he passed away in Glencoe last summer while in hospice care. "We had a good life together, and he was ready to go," Luann Harms said.

## Hospice services brought peace, comfort to his final days at home

### 'Blizzard Blast' raises money for hospice care

By Brianna Taggart  
Staff Writer

**L**uann Harms knew when it was time to say goodbye to her husband, Fred Harms, last summer. She gave him a hug, a kiss and told Fred she loved him as he passed away in her arms.

As he peacefully slipped away at home, Harms was thankful for the hospice care her husband received during the final two weeks of his life.

"It was the best decision we made," Harms said.

Fred Harms passed away Aug. 15, 2020, at 84 years old when he was part of Allina Health's hospice program in Glencoe. Fred and Luann

Harms had four children together and were just two months short of their 64th anniversary Oct. 13.

In his last year, COPD forced Fred to the hospital many times with lung-related illnesses. He was tired of going to hospitals when his nurse mentioned hospice. They didn't realize this was an option and had always assumed it was only for people with just a couple days left, according to Luann. People can be in hospice for an indefinite period.

"It was wonderful for him," she said.

Nurses visited their home in Glencoe almost daily to check on Fred's oxygen levels, provide medication, help give him showers, regulate his pain, comfort levels and anything else the couple had questions about.

"It was excellent," Harms said. "I couldn't say a bad thing about anyone who walked through our door."

Everyone that came was such a loving, caring person and you could tell they loved their job and patients."

Fred Harms' nurses told Luann they weren't there to only help him. They were there to help her too, which Harms said she really appreciated.

"I don't know what we would've done without hospice," Harms said. "They've got to be special people to do something like this."

#### 'Blizzard Blast' on hold

Allina Health's annual hospice fundraiser, Blizzard Blast, originally scheduled for Jan. 29 has been canceled for this year.

Last year's charity event had record donations of \$50,000, according to Allina Health hospice regis-

#### Blizzard Blast

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## Weather



Wed., 1-27

H: 9° L: -4°



Thur., 1-28

H: 19° L: 10°



Fri., 1-29

H: 25° L: 21°



Sat., 1-30

H: 30° L: 19°



Sun., 1-31

H: 25° L: 14°

**Looking back:** If there was a nicer stretch of winter weather Saturday into Sunday, that would be something. Fluffy snow and a sunny day in the mid-20s. Wow.

**Date** **Hi** **Lo** **Precip.**

Jan. 19 21° 4° 0.80"

Jan. 20 38° 3° 0.00"

Jan. 21 34° 7° 0.00"

Jan. 22 20° 1° 0.00"

Jan. 23 21° 10° 3.00"

Jan. 24 24° 9° 0.00"

Jan. 25 19° 9° 0.00"

Temperatures and precipitation compiled by Robert Thurn, weather observer

## Chronicle News and Advertising Deadlines

All news is due by noon, Monday, and all advertising is also due by noon, Monday. News received after the deadline will be published as space allows.

## Happenings

### Glencoe Legion meeting

Members of the Glencoe American Legion Post No. 95 will meet Monday, Feb. 1, 7 p.m., at the VFW post. The VFW post is at 923 Chandler Ave. N.

### New building ribbon-cutting

County officials will officially open the new McLeod County Government Center Tuesday, Feb. 2, 8:30 a.m.

A ribbon-cutting ceremony will be held outdoors before the county board meeting at 9 a.m.

The new facility is at 520 Chandler Ave. N.

### Vets virtual town hall meeting

A Veterans town hall meeting focused on improving VA health care services and programs is scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 9, 2 p.m., via Webex, for veterans served by the St. Cloud VA Medical Center.

The virtual town hall meeting provides veterans the chance to hear from and have concerns addressed by St. Cloud VA officials while observing social distancing guidelines.

Webex is an online tool used for group meetings. For the Webex link to the meeting visit <https://www.stcloud.va.gov> or call 1-404-397-1596 and entering 199 019 1707 when prompted on the day of the meeting.

### Red Cross blood drives

The American Red Cross is planning blood drives in the area to meet a shortage of Type-O and other types of blood.

The Stewart Community will host a community blood drive with the American Red Cross Friday, Jan. 29, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Stewart Community Center, 551 Prior St.

The Red Cross will hold a blood drive in Hutchinson Tuesday, Feb. 2, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., at Family Video, 108 First Ave. NE, and at Peace Lutheran Church, Tuesday, Feb. 9, noon to 6 p.m. The church is at 400 Franklin St. SW.

The Bloodmobile will be in Silver Lake Thursday, Feb. 11, 1 to 7 p.m., at the American Legion, 241 Main St. W. Appointments are required. Completion of a rapid pass online health questionnaire will help speed up the process. Follow the instructions at [redcrossblood.org/rapidpass](http://redcrossblood.org/rapidpass) or use the blood donor app.

If you have not been called and would like to donate in Silver Lake, call Rhonda at Sumter Insurance 320-327-2887 or at 320-327-0144 after 5 p.m.

Good Shepherd Lutheran and Lighthouse Church in Plato will host the Bloodmobile Thursday, Feb. 25. The Red Cross will be at Good Shepherd from 1 to 7 p.m. and at Lighthouse Church in Plato from noon to 6 p.m. Lighthouse Church is at 10478 Bell Ave.

Donors with all blood types – types O positive and negative and other types – are urged to make an appointment to give blood or platelets now using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

### Happenings policy reminder

Our policy for items in the Happenings column and event promotions has always been "if you charge, we charge." In an effort to support our community, we have been a little generous on the policy, which has caused some organizations to stretch the policy's limits.

Effective July 1, 2019, items in the Happenings section or any promotion of events in The McLeod County Chronicle will be reserved for FREE community events and meeting notices at no charge. Basic information such as date, time and location will be included. All fundraisers and other events where a fee will be charged are considered advertising. We do offer a discounted advertising rate for non-profit organizations. If you have any questions, please contact Publisher Karin Ramige by email at [karinr@glencoenews.com](mailto:karinr@glencoenews.com) or call 320-864-5518.

To be included in this column, items for Happenings must be received in the Chronicle office no later than 5 p.m. 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, Brownston, Stewart, Plato, New Auburn, Biscay and Silver Lake take priority over events elsewhere. Items received after that will be published elsewhere in the newspaper as space permits.



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### 'I get back up again'

Nora Cohrs of Glencoe and her friend Drake Voigt of Glencoe took to the ice at the rink at the park on North Greeley Avenue on a mild Sunday afternoon.

Cohrs is learning to skate and is not afraid of taking a spill in the name of learning. "When I fall down," she said, "I get back up again."

## Trailblazer Transit still looking to schedule bus rides quicker

### Transit service plagued by software issues

Over a decade ago years after the problem was initially recognized, Trailblazer Transit service is still looking for what it deems is a cost-effective way to schedule rides for riders. The public bus service is struggling with software that can't quickly schedule rides.

Trailblazer's problem is the software program called NOVUS owned and managed by TripSpark, takes up to two minutes to schedule a ride, depending on the complexity of the schedule and the level of efficiency the service wants to operate at. The wait time leads to frustrated riders sitting on hold while customer service reps try and schedule a ride for them.

"You can't make anybody feel good when they're waiting for something that should take a second or two," said Gary Ludwig, Trailblazer Transit's executive director at the transit board's meeting Thursday, Jan. 21.

In an effort to serve its clients better, Trailblazer is expanding its dispatching staff, training in new dispatchers, and investing in

new technology to better manage the system. Ludwig updated the board and its new commissioners on Trailblazer's ongoing schedules with NOVUS, at its annual organizational meeting presented via ZOOM.

NOVUS also struggles with inaccurate travel times between destinations in Trailblazer's service area in Sibley, McLeod and Wright counties, Ludwig said. An under-estimated travel time between stops leads to a late pickup, he said.

Trailblazer invested about \$50,000 for NOVUS in 2008. In early-2017, the transit services tried to switch to new software known as Reveal. Medical Transportation Management (MTM), a company serving non-emergency transportation of patients, acquired it. MTM adjusted the software to handle non-coordinated transportation of patients rather than coordinated transit service, Ludwig said.

The over rising problem is that there are few companies producing software intended to serve transit providers like Trailblazer and the new software that may solve the service's problem is prohibitively expensive, Ludwig said.

### From seven to three

The transit board unanimously OK'd a new service contract between Functional Industries and the joint powers board intended to simplify the billing and provide additional funding to Trailblazer toward the cost of providing transit service for its largest contract service.

The contract involves funding through the Minnesota Department of Human Services and the Minnesota Department of Transportation paid to Trailblazer.

Functional Industries Inc. provides employment for developmentally disabled adults in McLeod, Wright and Meeker counties. Trailblazer provides about 60,000 rides annually to Functional Industries employees. The new contract, which will be fully in effect Jan. 1, 2022, will reduce the categories of services and costs from seven to three. The new system will put an additional \$100,000 into Trailblazer's balance sheet.

As of Jan. 1, 2021, the rate for each specific consumer will start to be converted to the new categories. The rate conversions will occur throughout the remainder of the year and should be com-

plete by the end of 2021.

The current agreement has seven categories ranging from \$3.29 per ride to \$10.54 per ride. The new agreement provides service ranging from \$7.75 per ride to \$17.50 per ride, depending where the employee lives or whether the employee is on waivered services.

### Organizational meeting

With no public discussion, the board named Commissioner Doug Krueger of Glencoe Trailblazer Joint Powers Board's chairperson for 2021.

The agreement creating the joint powers board calls for a McLeod County representative to serve as the board's chairperson in 2021. Sibley County's representative rotates from the chairman's position to recorder. Wright County's representative moves from the recorder position to vice chairperson.

Wright County Commissioner Derek Vetsch was unanimously named the board's vice chairperson while Sibley County Commissioner Peter Koch of Gaylord was unanimously named the transit board's recorder.

## Public works Continued from page 1

The city council accepted a bid from Sewer Septic and Grease Services of Glencoe for cleaning and televising the stormwater sewer and sanitary sewer piping.

The city has asked MnDOT over the years to replace the storm water pipe in the area. MnDOT's response is the funding for the project is not available, Schreifels said.

The bid covers televising approximately 4,100 linear feet of pipes between North Armstrong Avenue to North Hennepin Avenue along East 13th Street, south along Hennepin to East 10th Street and west along East 10th Street to North Chandler turning south to Highway 212. The storm water pipes are 12 to 36 inches in diameter, will give the city and MnDOT how to proceed. The council also wants to look at sanitary sewer piping for possible inflow and infiltration leakage.

Sewer Septic Grease Services of Glencoe had the low bid for the storm water sewer cleaning and televising work at \$11,357.50. The company will clean the pipe enough to insert a camera into the pipe. The other two quotes were just over \$20,800 and just over \$24,650.

### In other action at the Jan. 19 meeting, the Glencoe City Council:

- Passed the second reading of an ordinance waiving liquor license fees for 2021.
- Heard a presentation of the Glencoe Municipal Airport Master Plan.
- Appointed Luz Duvall to the comprehensive plan steering committee.
- Approved a mandated police department policy for eyewitness identification procedures.
- Heard an update on work at the aquatic center.

• Heard an update on plans to open the warming house at the park on North Greeley Avenue.

• Paid city bills totaling \$365,778.14.

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"Two weeks ago, my 90-year-old mom fell and broke her hip. I would like to thank the local police and EMT individuals for their quick and effective response when I called 911. It again reinforced to me the need to support our police and healthcare workers and the wonderful help they are in our time of greatest need. My mom is receiving excellent care at the Glencoe Regional Hospital. I would also like to thank the surgeon and all those who have cared for her."

Sincerely,  
State Rep. Glenn Gruenhagen

## COVID-19 relief

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able wireless presenting in the meeting room at the government center. The components will allow one to present on-screen in the meeting rooms from any device in any room in the building. The components were budgeted into the overall government project.

• The next regular board

meeting will be held Feb. 2, 9 a.m., at the new government center at 520 Chandler Avenue North in Glencoe.

A ribbon cutting ceremony will be held outside the building at 8:30 a.m. prior to the meeting. This will be an outdoor event and tours will not be given at this time.

## Blizzard Blast Continued from page 1

tered nurse Lona Oltmann. The money goes towards supporting patients with massage and music therapy services, which are not reimbursed by Medicare or private insurance.

Massage therapy can help manage patients' pain, reduce stress and improve circulation, Oltmann explained. Music therapy provides physical, emotional, and social comfort.

### Increasing care

Allina Health had a record

number of 248 hospice admissions and 244 deaths in McLeod County and portions of Renville, Wright, Sibley, Meeker and Carver counties during 2020. An average of about 42 patients was being cared for daily last year compared to an average of about 12 patients in 2013.

"COVID has been so devastating to many of our local businesses and individuals who, in the past, generously donated to our hospice pro-

### Hospice care

Allina Health had a record number of 248 hospice admissions and 244 deaths in 2020.

gram," Oltmann said. "But it has also impacted our hospice census, meaning we have provided more services to many more patients."

Even though Blizzard Blast is on hold this year, Allina Health sent letters to last

year's donors in hopes of still raising money for its programs. People can visit [donate.allina.com/Blizzard-Blast](http://donate.allina.com/Blizzard-Blast) for ways to donate or mail checks to Allina Health Home Care Services at 211 Fremont Ave. SE in Hutchinson.

Blizzard Blast 2022 is

scheduled for Jan. 28.

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## Out for a Sunday stroll

With temps in the low-20s and bright sunshine, Mike and Joyce Meuleners of Young America Township were in Glencoe visiting family Sunday. They enjoyed

a stroll along East 16th Street with their granddaughter, Miss Blake, and pet chihuahua, Linus.

## Silver Lake Community Development Looking at plans for community during '21

By Karin Ramig  
Publisher

The Silver Lake City Council looked at a number of community development opportunities at its meeting Tuesday, Jan. 19. The meeting was held on Tuesday because of the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday Monday, Jan. 18.

The city's planning commission discussed a number of opportunities at its meeting

on Jan. 12.

Councilor Josh Winfrey asked the council about its interest in looking into putting a small campground in the city park near the pool and softball fields. Winfrey, along with the Civics Association, has researched the idea over the years, even prior to being elected to the city council.

The council favored the idea and discussed trying to tie in the use of the lake and

bike trail. Winfrey will come back to the council with a proposal at a future meeting.

The planning commission also discussed marketing the empty city-owned lots on Main Street. The council discussed enlisting a commercial real estate agent to market the property. It directed City Clerk Jon Jerabek to research options.

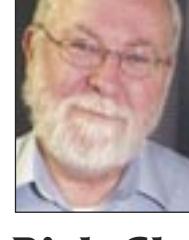
While the Main Street lots are open, the idea to host a

farmers' market during the warm weather months was discussed at the planning commission as well.

The council was in favor of the idea and discussed finding an individual or organization to sponsor or organize the effort.

The next regular council meeting will be Tuesday, Feb. 16 due to the President's Day holiday on Feb. 15.

## A cautious stroll had him thinking about life back then



**Rich Glennie**

### They were there

My Aunt Marjorie, who died in 2008, said at the time: "Gosh, that Depression was something! If you haven't experienced it, you don't know what it was like. It was rough."

She added: "But we were all in the same boat. Nobody had nothing, so you were never jealous of anybody." She said while little changed in the rural areas, the major hardships were in the big cities, like Minneapolis.

Marjorie's husband, Grant, grew up in the Mora area and recalled days on end when the sun was blotted out or turned orange from all the dust blowing around from as far away as the Dakotas and Nebraska.

And then the war came in 1941 and more hardships on the home front that were caused by rationing just about everything for the war effort.

My Uncle Al said the family had a steady diet of deer meat during the Great Depression. They hunted all year around on the Glennie homestead in northern Minnesota. He said they once cleaned 30 deer in a month.

Once cleaned, the venison was hauled back to town and bartered for some other commodity. There was little money in circulation at the time and bartering became the normal way of doing

business, he said.

The other *shaky* adventures included harvesting trees to sell for firewood in town. The trees weren't always on the Glennie homestead, he admitted with a grin. A state forest was nearby the homestead. A little moonshining wasn't unheard of either.

Al, who also worked in the paper mill for 30 cents an hour in the late-1920s, left for a few years to make more money cutting trees out West. When he came back to his old job in the mill, he earned only 24 cents an hour. Rather than complain, he was thankful for a job.

He died in 2004 at age 94.

"How do you think today's American could handle another Depression?" I asked Aunt Marjorie years ago. "I don't think the younger people could handle it," she replied.

Well, we are being tested. We weathered the "Great Recession" in the mid-2000s, but our latest "Great Depression" came with an added bonus of the worldwide COVID-19 pandemic in 2020.

Aunt Marjorie might be right. To date, we are not handling our current "challenges" very well.

*Rich Glennie was the editor of The Chronicle for 23 years. He retired Aug. 1, 2014.*

## GSL Knowledge Bowl teams strike again

By Brianna Taggart

Staff Writer

Students from 17 schools and 32 teams faced-off against each other when Glencoe-Silver Lake hosted its virtual Knowledge Bowl meet Saturday, Jan. 23.

And like the week before, GSL teams seized the first two places.

"Students worked well together even with the limitations of a virtual tournament," Co-Head Coach Eric Anderson said.

The GSL gold team earned

first place with Kobe Boozie, Devin Forcier, Eli Kuehn and Elida Roskamp spearheading the competition.

The GSL purple team came in second place and consisted of Nathan Warner, Austin Brewton, team captain Zach Reichow and Ashley Wise.

Russell-Tyler-Rutherford High School came in third place.

"We mixed the teams up a little bit this week to give us some options for the post-season," Anderson said.

The GSL nestle team came

in second place for junior varsity and consisted of Linette Muñoz, Aaron Ward and Lucas Brejle. Dawson-Boyd came in first place and Kerkhoven-Murdock-Sunberg came in third place.

Knowledge Bowl had an

other meet Monday, Jan. 25. While the team won, details were not available when The Chronicle went to press.

The teams will continue with another virtual meet next Monday, Feb. 1.

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## People

### Area students graduate

Local students recently graduated from South Dakota State University.

Brownston's Kendra Marie Kujas, graduated with a bachelor of science, from SDSU's College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences.

Glencoe's Amanda Lynn Husted graduated with a bachelor of science degree from SDSU's College of Education and Human Sciences. Jessica Ann Wendt of Glencoe earned her master of science degree.

### Honored at St. Mary's

Katlyn Pokornowski of Silver Lake has been named to the fall 2020 dean's list at Saint Mary's University. She is the daughter of Tammy and David Pokornowski.

Pokornowski is one of 465 undergraduate students on the dean's list with a GPA of 3.6 or better on a 4.0 scale.

### On dean's list at UW-La Crosse

A pair of Glencoe-Silver Lake graduates attending the University of Wisconsin La Crosse have earned spots on the university's dean's list for the fall semester.

Rachael Popp, a senior studying exercise and sport science- pre-professional occupational therapy, and Kaitlyn Popp, freshman studying biology-biomedical science made the dean's list for the fall semester.

### Area students shine at RC

Several area students have enjoyed academic success during the fall semester, earning a spot on the dean's list at Ridgewater College.

In order to be included on the college's deans' list, a student must maintain a GPA of 3.5 or higher and be enrolled in at least 12 credits, and meet certain other criteria.

Brownston students on the list include Hayden Berge, Katherine Hacker, Lane Miller, Jaid Necas and Sarah Potts.

Glencoe students making the dean's list at Ridgewater College include Hannah Carlson, Lynn Exsted, Felicia Griffin, Nathan Johanneck, Emely Knutson, Nathan Litzau, Giovanni Ramirez, Abigail Schmieg, Katelynn Sherman, Ashley Teubert and Hannah Verch.

New Auburn's Dakotah Beckmann made the dean's list.

Travis Bennett and Alexandra Molnau, both from Plato, made the dean's list at Ridgewater College.

From Silver Lake, Marissa Greeley, Hannah Stifter, Renee Vasko and Lauren Zitzloff made the dean's list.

## Weather Corner

By Jake Yurek



Finally a somewhat chilly stretch of weather.

I say somewhat because of the fact that even though it's been chilly this week, it's nothing like we normally see every winter. High temps will start to creep up as we head towards the weekend with another 'iffy' storm possible Saturday. Highs should approach the freezing mark Saturday as well, so if we do see any precipitation, there may be a mix for some parts of the state.

At this point, most of the models I use are keeping the storm light for us with perhaps bigger issues to our south and east. This will need to be watched as a lot can happen from the time I write this to when the storm moves in.

We'll cool off a tad behind the storm into the teens and 20s, but we should see temperatures hold or slowly increase as we head into next week. Another storm should move in late next week again as well. Believe it or not, we're in an active weather setup. The only problem is most of the big storms have just missed our area, so it's stayed relatively quiet here.

Have a great week everyone, happy February.

*Ma dobrý weekendem*

*Mit dobrý vikend*

Wednesday night: Lows, -8 to 0; clear.

Thursday: Highs, 12-20, lows, 4-10; partly cloudy.

Friday: Highs, 22-30, lows, 18-24; clouds.

Saturday: Highs, 28-34, lows, 18-24; clouds / snow or rain-snow mix.

Sunday: Highs, 20-28; partly cloudy.

**Weather Quiz:** What are some of February's weather extremes?

**Last week's question:** Does our warm January mean we'll pay the price with a cold spring?

**Answer to last week's question:** Historically, there's no one way it typically goes after a warm / quiet period in December / January, but odds would point at a flip sometime to a slightly colder pattern. We were supposed to be slightly below average in temperatures and above average in snow this year, so we'll see if that plays out February-April.

*Remember: I make the forecast, not the weather.*

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# Opinions

## Both can work

### Our view: Hybrid approach could serve council well

Two-plus years ago, the city council held a workshop, one of its last scheduled get-togethers before City Administrator Mark Larson was to present the preliminary levy to the council in a formal meeting.

The discussion that day on how to proceed was varied. Larson was asked by the new newspaper guy in town how they would proceed based on the discussion. His answer was kind of frightening. "I have no idea," he said.

We've since learned Larson knew exactly what to do. He offered a preliminary levy the majority of the city council accepted, one that served the city and the council well.

But that lack of firm direction can be somewhat concerning. Councilors should not always count on its administrator knowing exactly what he wants, especially when there is no clear consensus on how to proceed.

The city is fortunate it has an experienced, skilled administrator with a sound sense of how to handle budget issues.

Fast forward to 2021. The city council recently took up whether to return to committees designed to discuss issues and make a recommendation to the full city council, or stick with workshops where administration will be guided by a consensus of the council on how to proceed on a spectrum of issues.

Not surprisingly, there was little agreement. Larson bailed out the council and new mayor by suggesting he survey area cities on how their councils operate. Because naturally, Glencoe will fall in line with its neighbors.

- jm

For the first time in 16 years, there's a new mayor, one who is learning how to work with city staff and other council members alike. Mayor Ryan Voss has a split council on his hands, one containing two council members willing to raise objections to the status quo, two who seem willing to consider the recommendations from administration and one who, like the mayor, is learning how things work.

We'd suggest a hybrid approach, one where the council uses workshops when there are topics discussed and committee meetings when a recommendation from a group of citizens and two councilors is appropriate. The hybrid approach can work as long as the workshops produce the conversation and direction city staff needs to move forward without the formality of a vote. Otherwise, what's the point?

Former Mayor Randy Wilson stopped calling workshops in the final months of his term. He said the workshops were not productive and council members tended to use them to verbally beat-up city staff. While we would not support the public berating of city staff, we believe workshops and committee meetings are important tools to accomplish the city council's work governing the community.

We acknowledge the city council's willingness to televise the meetings and encourage councilors to make good use of them, whichever format is selected.

### Letters to the editor

### Note to readers: Use your 'powers of critical thinking'

#### To the editor,

Rep. Gruenhagen writes that Rich Glennie's opinion is "not well researched or factual" – yet, he chooses to cite the conspiracy network, One America News, a far-right, pro-Donald Trump news network to which Trump has pushed his supporters as his relationship with Fox News soured.

Is it any surprise that this

outrageously biased network would falsely report election fraud?

According to AllSides Media Bias Ratings – [www.allsides.com/media-bias/media-bias-ratings](http://www.allsides.com/media-bias/media-bias-ratings) – which uses multipartisan, scientific analysis to rate media bias, sources such as the Associated Press, the BBC, USA Today and the Wall Street Journal as the most reliable, unbiased sources available. Not one of these publications has reported any instances of election fraud, and all acknowledge Joe Biden's victory in the 2020 election. In contrast, One America News is rated unreliable and extremely partisan.

While it makes sense that Rep. Gruenhagen uses sources that directly support his belief system, I urge he,

and readers of this publication, to use their powers of critical thinking to seek reliable, unbiased resources to formulate their opinions, rather than a network spewing disproven conspiracy theories.

Sarah Thell,  
Glencoe

### 'Lies' incited an insurrection and the excuses must stop

#### To the editor,

The insurrection was caused by lies and continually repeating those lies.

"The mob was fed lies," Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ken., said in a speech on the Senate floor Tuesday afternoon. "They were provoked by the president and other

powerful people, and they tried to use fear and violence to stop a specific proceeding of the first branch of the federal government, which they did not like."

Like so many people, I am angry by the lack of knowledge and response by so many of our elected represen-

tatives. What a slap in the face for all those patriotic election workers across the country that ran perhaps the most secure national election ever. There is no proof of any fraud that would have changed the outcome.

And yet, mobs incited by these lies have assaulted our

police, our Capitol and our Constitution.

And many of our representatives continue to make excuses for their words and behavior.

Dennis Roisum,  
retired civics teacher,  
Glencoe

### The facts show Biden won, Trump lost for good reason

#### To the editor,

In his latest opinion piece, Glenn Gruenhagen accused former editor Rich Glennie of bad research and not being factual.

Although it is true that Mr. Trump's rallies often attracted large crowds, in the long run, they don't matter at all. It's about the votes.

There was a record voter turnout (<https://www.cfr.org/blog/2020-election-numbers>) in the 2020 General Election. It should be expected because, if for no other reason, we simply have more registered voters than 2016 ([www.elect-project.org/2016g](http://www.elect-project.org/2016g)) and ([www.elect-project.org/2020g](http://www.elect-project.org/2020g)).

Over 50 court challenges, counts and recounts and state certifications have determined that the election was fair and accurate. Every chal-

lenge has been met, and every concern addressed. The judges in every case but one have either found no standing, credible evidence or have been withdrawn or dismissed (<https://www.forbes.com/sites/alisondurkee/2020/12/08/trump-and-the-gop-have-now-lost-50-post-election-lawsuits/?sh=5457e0cb2960>).

That's not a good record if you allege there have been improprieties.

It would be a waste of everyone's time (and a lot of newsprint) to go through each piece of this conspiracy theory because it is very well documented, as are the fact-based explanations. The short of it is that if you have evidence – hard evidence – you should alert the proper authorities.

Otherwise, Mr. Biden won, and Mr. Trump lost.

To address the rest of Mr. Gruenhagen's piece about the evils of the "Democrat" Party, it is worth noting that it wasn't a Democrat that expressed his admiration for Russian President Vladimir Putin or North Korean dictator Kim Jong Un (<https://www.cnn.com/2019/07/02/politics/donald-trump-dictators-kim-jong-un-vladimir-putin/index.html>).

It wasn't a Democrat that was denigrating United States intelligence agencies (<https://www.justsecurity.org/66035/the-pattern-and-practice-of-trumps-assaults-on-the-intelligence-community>).

Nor was it a Democrat that gave Israeli terrorism intelligence to the Russians in the Oval Office (<https://www.cnbc.com/2017/05/16/israel-was-the-source-of-secret-intelligence-that>).

[trump-gave-to-russians-nyt-citing-officials.html](http://trump-gave-to-russians-nyt-citing-officials.html)). No. That was Mr. Trump.

It also wasn't a Democrat that lied about the severity of the pandemic, or who is paying for the border wall and the tariffs, or fomented insurrection.

No. That also was Mr. Trump.

All Americans, but especially Republicans, should be angry that their leadership didn't step up and end this craziness sooner. They should be mad as hell that they were lied to on such a large scale. But then again, Republicans got what they wanted. The question is, was it good for the country, or was it just to own the liberals?

Robert Farrell,  
rural Glencoe

### A few thoughts on last week's editorial page offerings

#### To the editor,

Two editorials last week merit additional comment. The Chronicle's wishful view to "Bring Back the Old Republican Party, and Rep. Gruenhagen reasserting voter fraud and that Trump actually won the election.

Gruenhagen apparently re-

lies on two far-right sources – the Epoch Times and OAN Network. For the curious, a bit of Google research reveals:

1. Trump's romance with Fox News appears to be souring. He now urges his supporters to turn to One America News Network (OANN), a

far-right media outlet.

2. The Epoch Times is a far-right international multi-language newspaper and media company affiliated with the Falun Gong, a religious group that emerged in China in the early-'90s. It opposes the Chinese Communist Party, promotes far-right

politicians in Europe, and Donald Trump in the U.S. Its news sites spread QAnon conspiracy theories and other misinformation.

Most of us can endorse the Chronicle's wish to "return to

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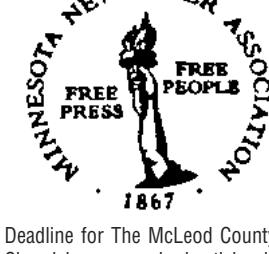
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## Obituaries

### Duane Bussler, 90, of Glencoe

Duane Jerome Bussler, 90, of Glencoe, passed away Wednesday, Jan. 13, at Good Samaritan Society in Winthrop, Minnesota.



Duane Bussler

A funeral service will be held Thursday, Jan. 28, 11 a.m., at Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church in New Auburn, with interment at High Island Cemetery in New Auburn.

Pastor Dawn Quame will be the officiating clergy.

Kara Scholla will be the organist.

"How Great Thou Art" and "The Old Rugged Cross" will be the congregational hymns.

Duane's Grandchildren — Melissa Bussler, Aron Bussler, Adam Bussler, Nathan Bussler, Travis Bussler, Lance Bussler, Kelsey Clobes, Jordan Bussler, Nicholas Bettcher and Bethany Bettcher — will be the casket-bearers.

Duane Jerome Bussler was born Feb. 25, 1930, in Stewart. He was the son of Rudolph and Rose (Sell) Bussler. Duane was baptized as an infant March 23, 1930, and later was confirmed in his faith as a youth July 2, 1944, both at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Stewart. He received his education at a country school through the eighth grade.

On July 6, 1951, Duane was united in marriage to Elaine Alseben at Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church in New Auburn. Duane and Elaine made their home in rural Glencoe. Their marriage was blessed with six children, Allan, Byron, Curt, Amy, Todd and Bruce. Duane and Elaine shared over 69 years of marriage.

Mr. Bussler was a farmer on the family farm. He was an active member of Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church in New Auburn. Duane was also a member of the New Auburn Lions and helped with the annual fish fry.

Duane especially enjoyed listening to polka music, watching the Minnesota Twins and in his younger years, deer hunting. Mr. Bussler was known for his snacking. One of his favorite nighttime snacks was ice cream, but he wouldn't turn down pepper jack cheese, crackers and herring (just to name a few). Family was very important to him and he treasured the time spent with his children and grandchildren along with his friends.

Duane passed away Wednesday, Jan. 13, at Good Samaritan Society in Winthrop, Minnesota, at the age of 90 years, 10 months and 19 days. Blessed be his memory.

Duane is survived by his wife, Elaine Bussler; children, Allan Bussler, Byron Bussler and his wife, Sheila,

Curt Bussler and his wife, Teresa, Amy Bettcher, Todd Bussler and his fiancée, Sherry Remillard, Bruce Bussler; grandchildren, Melissa Bussler and her husband, David Richardson, Aron Bussler, Adam Bussler, Nathan Bussler and his wife, Jill, Travis Bussler and his special friend, Whitney Ewert, Lance Bussler and his wife, Laura, Kelsey Clobes and her husband, Ryan, Jordan Bussler and his wife, Heidi, Nicholas Bettcher, Bethany Bettcher; step-grandchildren, Kirsten Barott, Ashley Pierce and her husband, Ross, Chelsea Remillard, Zach Remillard; great-grandchildren, Eric Richardson, Elijah Koudelka, Xavier Bussler, Kerra Bussler, Owen Bussler, Damion Bussler, Mason Bussler, Riley Bussler, Elliott Bussler, Emma Bussler, Everly Bussler; step-great-grandchildren, Leighton Pierce, Raegan Pierce; sister-in-law, Marilyn Hahn and her husband, Raymond; other relatives and many friends.

Mr. Bussler was preceded in death by his parents, Rudolph and Rose Bussler; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Alfred and Alma Alseben; son-in-law, Joel Bettcher.

The Johnson-McBride Funeral Chapel in Glencoe is handling the arrangements. Its website — [www.mcbridechapel.com](http://www.mcbridechapel.com) — includes obituary and guestbook information.

Ryan. She also enjoyed gardening, reading, traveling, photography, puzzles and especially her children and grandchildren.

Mrs. Ide is survived by children, Teresa (Jeffrey) Brele of Glencoe, Faye (Curtis II) Anderson of Bemidji and Ryan (Julie) Ide of Glencoe; five grandchildren, Ariel and Austin Brele, Curtis III and Rory Anderson, George Ide; a sister, Violet Selchow of Lester Prairie; many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Edna attended District No. 23 country school for six years. She then went on to the Belle Plaine Public School and high school, from which she graduated in 1956. Edna then attended Wartburg College, Waverly, Iowa, for four years, graduating in 1960 with a degree in elementary education. She taught school for eight years: three years at First Lutheran School, Blue Island, Ill.; three years at Cross Lutheran School, Pigeon, Mich.; and two years at the elementary public school at Biwabik.

While teaching in Biwabik, Minnesota Edna met her husband, Vernon A.H. Ide, and on Aug. 17, 1968, they were married at St. John's Lutheran Church, Belle Plaine, by the Rev. Vernon D. Bigalk. She and her husband farmed the Ide homestead near Glencoe, and were faithful members of St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church in Lester Prairie. They were blessed with three children, Teresa, Faye and Ryan.

Edna was proceeded in death by her loving husband, Vernon A.H. Ide on Oct. 8, 2005; her parents, George and Myrtle Busch; brother-in-law, Wayne Selchow; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Ewald and Alma Ide; brothers-in-law, Dennis (Audrey) Ide, Hillard (Dorothy) Ide; sister-in-law, Verdella (Harold) Bullert.

Honorary casket-bearers will be Carol (Ide) Louisiana, Carolyn (Selchow) Toenies and Michele (Bartels) Hove.

Casket Bearers will be Glenn Selchow, Paul Selchow, Douglas Selchow, Larry Ide, Keith Ide and Brian Bullert.

The Chilson Funeral Home in Winsted is handling the arrangements for Edna Ide. Its website — [www.chilsonfuneralhome.com](http://www.chilsonfuneralhome.com) — includes obituary and guestbook information.

For many years Mrs. Ide sang in choirs at the schools where she taught, was a member of ladies aid, taught Sunday school and belonged to home extension. Edna enjoyed farming with her husband and later with her son,

woodly Institute, graduated with a degree in refrigeration and spent his career working for Sears as a service technician. Frank married Marilyn Olson Aug. 3, 1968, in Perham. They made their homes in Coon Rapids and Zimmerman. Frank and Marilyn were blessed with 52 years of marriage and three children, Kevin, Lynn and Marc.

Mr. Dolezal taught his children and grandchildren the love of the outdoors, how to have fun and the value of hard work. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, camping, meeting new people and working on projects in the garage. Frank appreciated getting together with friends for breakfast and conversation. He would often have several pictures in his shirt pocket to show others his backyard.

Memorials may be given to the American Cancer Society.

### Edna Ide, 82, of rural Glencoe

Edna Ide, 82, of rural Glencoe, passed away Friday, Jan. 22, at her residence.

A visitation will be held Friday, Jan. 29, 5 to 8 p.m., at The Chilson Funeral Home in Winsted. A prayer service will be held at 7:45 p.m.



Edna Ide

Further visitation will be held on Saturday, Jan. 30, one hour prior to services at the church.

Funeral services for Edna Ide will be held Saturday, Jan. 30, 10:30 a.m., at St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Lester Prairie. The Rev. Joshua Arndt will officiate. James Ide will be the vocalist. He will sing "In the Garden" and "Away in the Manger." The congregational hymns will be "Nearer my God to Thee" and "What a Friend we have in Jesus."

Interment will be at St. Peter's Cemetery.

Mrs. Edna Mae (Busch) Ide was born Feb. 14, 1938, in Sibley County, near Belle Plaine, to George C. and Myrtle (Bartels) Busch.

The Rev. P. J. Haupt baptized Edna Feb. 27, 1938, at St. John's Lutheran Church, Belle Plaine. The Rev. O.F. Herder confirmed Edna April 6, 1952, at St. John's Lutheran Church of Belle Plaine. Her confirmation memory

wildlife, numerous tractors or various other projects. His humor and kindness will be missed by all.

Mr. Dolezal is survived by his wife, Marilyn Dolezal of Zimmerman; children, Kevin Dolezal of Houston, Texas, Lynn (Steve) Lutz of St. Paul, and Marc Dolezal of Boulder, Colo.; grandchildren, Miranda, Nicolas, Autumn and Thomas; step-grandson, Brandon.

Frank is also survived by his siblings, Jane (Jerry) Speckel of Coon Rapids, and Richard (Nancy) Dolezal of Lester Prairie; and many sisters-in-law, cousins, nieces, nephews and other family members.

Memorials may be given to the American Cancer Society.

Frank was born in Biscay to John J. Jr. and Sophie C. (Schultz) Dolezal Nov. 16, 1940. He was the ninth of 10 children and graduated from Silver Lake High School in 1958 before enlisting in the U.S. Army.

Mr. Dolezal was stationed in South Korea for part of his four years. After his military service, he attended Dun-

### Anise Selle, 87, of Hutchinson

Anise "Ann" M. Selle, 87, of Hutchinson, formerly Brownton, passed away Thursday, Jan. 21, at Harmony River Living Center in Hutchinson.

A funeral service was held Tuesday, Jan. 26, 11 a.m., at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Brownton, with interment in the Oak Grove Cemetery.

Rev. R. Allan Reed was the officiating clergy.

Karen Buckentin was the organist.

"Amazing Grace," "The Old Rugged Cross" and "Abide With Me" were the congregational hymns.

Nick Selle, Brandon Wendorff, Michael Selle, Mitchell Krasean, Spencer Selle, Justin Selle, Shawn Albrecht, Chad Albrecht, Todd Selle, Trent Selle and Cory Selle were the casket-bearers.

Anise Mae Selle was born May 1, 1933, in Detroit Lakes. She was the daughter of Herman and Mattie (Christenson) Odegaard. Anise was baptized as an infant at the Lutheran church in Lake Park, and was later confirmed in her faith as a youth in Lake

Anise enjoyed helping on the farm, gardening, and ceramics. She loved making cards and socializing. Anise especially enjoyed spending time with her family, grandchildren and friends.

When Anise needed assistance with her daily care, she became a resident at Harmony River Living Center April 23, 2015. She passed away there on Thursday, Jan. 21, at the age of 87 years. Blessed be her memory.

Anise is survived by her children, Renee Saffert and her husband, Steve, of Brownton, Randall Selle of Norwood Young America,

Mark Becker, 51, formerly of Glencoe

#### The man who gave his heart away

Mark Becker, 51, formerly of Glencoe, passed away peacefully in his sleep Friday, Jan. 15, after a long battle with congestive heart failure, at his sister's home in Shorewood.

A private family funeral service will be held at the Johnson-McBride Funeral Chapel in Glencoe, with interment following at the Glencoe Catholic Cemetery in Glencoe, Minnesota. A visitation will be held Saturday, Jan. 30, 10 to noon, at the Johnson-McBride Funeral Chapel in Glencoe.

Pastor Paul Staack will be the officiating clergy.

Zech Johnson, Adam Becker, Jacob Becker and Peter Becker will be the casket-bearers.

How is it that a young man would pass away from heart failure? I believe that he did it by continuously giving his heart away, to a point until there was little left to support

#### Death notices

### Orlin Pieschke, 84, of Arlington

Orlin Pieschke, 84, of Arlington, passed away Saturday, Jan. 23, at Oak Terrace Health Care Center in Gaylord.

A funeral service will be

Park. She received her education in Lake Park and attended Lake Park High School.

On Aug. 15, 1953, Anise was united in marriage to Wallace V. Selle in Fargo, N.D. This marriage was blessed with six children, Renee, Randall, Tamie, Terry, Kay and Kurt. Anise and Wallace resided in Brownton since 1958. They shared 41 years of marriage until Wallace passed away July 11, 1995.

Mrs. Selle was employed in production at Telex Communications in Glencoe. She retired in 1998. Anise was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Brownton.

Anise enjoyed helping on the farm, gardening, and ceramics. She loved making cards and socializing. Anise especially enjoyed spending time with her family, grandchildren and friends.

Mrs. Selle is preceded in death by her parents, Herman and Mattie Odegaard; husband, Wallace Selle; great-grandson, Matthew Selle; siblings, Dean Odegaard, Charles (Pat) Odegaard, David (Sara) Odegaard, Laverne (Arlene) Odegaard, Greta (Don) Ault, Mae (George) Ritter and Elizabeth (Arlo) Hokanson.

The Dobratz-Hantge Chapels in Hutchinson handled the arrangements. Its website — [www.hantge.com](http://www.hantge.com) — includes obituary and guestbook information.

Tamie Krasean and her husband, Daniel, of Brownton, Terry Selle and his wife, Cindy, of Hutchinson, Kay Selle of Brownton, Kurt Selle and his wife, Beth, of Brownton; grandchildren, Cory (Kim) Selle, Chad (Amy) Albrecht, Shaun (Mariah) Albrecht, Angel Bethke, Justin Selle, Spencer (Janessa) Selle, Heather (Ross) Gjerdingen, Mitchell Krasean, Todd (Joni) Selle, Trent (Jenny) Selle, Alicia (Travis) Selle, Brandon Wendorff, Nicholas (Hilda) Selle, Brooke (Sam) Markham, Michael (Rose) Selle and Rachel Selle; 33 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; many other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Selle is preceded in death by her parents, Herman and Mattie Odegaard; husband, Wallace Selle; great-grandson, Matthew Selle; siblings, Dean Odegaard, Charles (Pat) Odegaard, David (Sara) Odegaard, Laverne (Arlene) Odegaard, Greta (Don) Ault, Mae (George) Ritter and Elizabeth (Arlo) Hokanson.

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### Mark Becker, 51, formerly of Glencoe

his body. Mark was a great gift-giver. He loved giving and he enthusiastically gave a piece of his heart to the northwoods, the ice-covered lakes, the fields and country roads, the ocean, his snowmobiles, his boat, his fish house, his cars, his dogs, his patients that he cared for while working in the hospital, the people in need at the Union Gospel Mission, the prisoners incarcerated in the local jails, the special needs children that rode to school on his bus each day.

He gave his heart to strangers, individuals with young families that were waiting on the heart transplant lists. Mark couldn't bring himself to add his name, knowing that it would mean someone else would have to do without. He gave his heart to those in need of a helping hand, people with vehicles stuck in the snow, or those walking on the road, and in need of a ride.

He gave his heart to his family, his son, his sister, his brother, his sister-in-law, his nephews and their families, his uncles and aunts, his cousins, his friends and his church family.

And most importantly, to his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Mr. Becker was strong enough to give and selflessly gave away his whole heart, and in doing so he followed our Lord's example of giving His heart away to all humanity.

♪ Go rest high on that mountain.... ♪

Mark was preceded in death by his father, Julius Becker; his mother, Lillian (Kruschek) Becker; his nephew, Luke Becker; along with grandparents, uncles, aunts, and cousins.

He is survived by his son, Zech Johnson; his sister, Sharon Becker; his brother, David (Jody) Becker; his nephews, Adam (Trina) Becker, Jacob (Grace) Becker, Peter Becker; great nephew, Joshua Becker; and great niece Claire Becker.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred.

The Johnson-McBride Funeral Chapel in Glencoe is handling the arrangements. Its website — [www.mcbridechapel.com](http://www.mcbridechapel.com) — includes obituary and guestbook information.

donor's choice.

Masks are required and social distancing guidelines will be followed.

The Hantge Funeral Chapels is handling the arrangements. Its website — [www.hantge.com](http://www.hantge.com) — include obituary and guestbook information.

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## Remembering those who served for a homestead and are long forgotten

By Brian Haines  
McLeod County Historical Society

You may remember a past article I wrote about a Civil War veteran, Henry Abbott, and a search I and the HCVN crew made in finding his gravesite in an abandoned McLeod County cemetery. To put it simply, it was a humbling, and somewhat solemn experience to discover the final resting place of an American war hero and to see it overgrown and in danger of being lost to history. Be it as it may, I've recently discovered that there may be several McLeod County settlers, who served in armed conflict, that have suffered a far worse fate than Abbott.

For these brave men, their place of internment is long forgotten and could be anywhere.

Long ago, when this region of Minnesota was first being settled, many of the men coming to the area were veterans of armed conflict. Beginning in 1783, the United States offered land as an incentive for men to enlist in the military during the time of war. It was known as the United States Military Land Bounty Warrant. It granted veterans small tracts of federal land, mostly in the West. In 1855, as central and southern Minnesota was being opened for settlement, Con-

gress passed the Bounty Land Act that set aside over 6 million acres of land to soldiers, or their immediate descendants, in the state. The act granted land to soldiers, most of whom fought in the Mexican war, but also for some that had enlisted in the War of 1812 at a young age. If a soldier, or their immediate descendants did not wish to take claim to the land, the deed could be sold – some of which was sold on the New York Stock Exchange to land agents who turned around and sold the land to immigrants, on credit, with exorbitant interest rates.

### They came for land

Many of the pioneers to settle this area were veterans who took advantage of the land program. Uprooting their families back east, they made their way to the wild lands of Minnesota and began new lives for themselves. During those first years of settlement, however, many who perished in the North Country were not laid to rest in a cemetery, but rather, on the land they laid claim to. Often, the only marker for the grave, if one was used, was a simple tablet made of wood. In addition, of the cemeteries that existed, records were often unkept or inaccurate, prompting future record keepers to make assumptions

as to where a specific gravesite may lay. Unfortunately for those who fought in wars prior to the Civil War, and buried on their homestead or in the town cemetery, their service is not remembered at their gravesites as it is today.

Some, in the early years, were laid to rest in haste near the site of their death. During the Sioux Uprising of 1862, U.S. troops, Dakota warriors, and civilians, were often laid to rest near the spot where they were killed. In some instances, it is said that they may have never been recovered later. Years ago, there was a legend (emphasis on legend) that two U.S. soldiers from Fort Ridgely were slain and buried near Cedar Mills. Another story claims four U.S. soldiers were buried near New Auburn where they were killed in a skirmish with some horse thieves.

In 1930, the Women's Legion Auxiliary planned to find and mark as many graves as they could to honor those who fought in America's wars, and though they were successful in some cases, they undoubtedly were unable to find and mark them all. For those unfortunate few, their final resting places remain a mystery.

*Brian Haines is the executive director of the McLeod County Historical Society.*

## History

### From the Brownton Bulletin archives

#### 100 Years Ago

January 27, 1921

O.C. Conrad, Editor

The indoor carnival staged by the Library Association Friday evening was a big success in every way. The crowd in attendance filled the hall and genuine carnival spirit prevailed throughout the evening. The youngsters and others pelted each other with confetti and before the sieve was over, nearly every one in the hall was bedecked with the paper cuttings.

The many Brownton friends of Berine Ewald will cease to wonder why the West appealed to him so strongly when they learn of his marriage to Miss Agnes Wambach of Spokane, Washington, the event taking place on January 19, 1921. Mr. Ewald has been employed to Spokane by the McClinton-Trunk Co. and his bride is a popular young lady of the same city, holding a responsible position with Union Trust Bank.

#### 75 Years Ago

January 24, 1946

Milton D. Hakel, Editor

Leonard F. Schiro of Brownton arrived home on January 6th after being honorably discharged from the U.S. Army at Wakeman General Hospital, Camp Atterbury, Ind., the previous day. Schiro suffered a bullet wound in the left thigh in the fighting on Leyte in the Philippines on November 16, 1944. Schiro is a vet-

eran of 47 months of service, 32 of which were overseas in the Pacific. He is entitled to wear the Purple Heart, the Pacific Theater ribbon with two battle stars, the Phillipine Liberation, the Victory and American Theater ribbons and the Good Conduct medal.

Rev. G. Schmidt, pastor of Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Brownton has been appointed to the Advisory Committee for planning a state-wide "Dr. Martin Luther Memorial Service" to be held in the Twin Cities on Sunday, February 17, it was announced this week by Martin H. Imm, president of the Lutheran Business and Professional Group of the Twin Cities, sponsors of the service.

#### 50 Years Ago

January 28, 1971

Charles H. Warner, Editor

Funeral services were held Tuesday, January 26, for Herman Schlueter, 76. He passed away at the Glenhaven Nursing Home Saturday night, January 23, 1971, at the age of 76 years, 1 month, and 6 days. He was preceded in death by his parents, four brothers, and three sisters.

Four men traveled by snowmobile from Cosmos to Warroad and then to the Canadian border, a distance of about 375 miles, last week. Three of the men are from Cosmos. They are Vernon Swigart, Lloyd Mortenson and Steven Spreiter. The fourth, David Spreiter, is from Hector.

With 118 racers registering to take part -- many of them going

in all three races -- snowmobile fans were treated to a busy afternoon as the Brownton Civic & Commerce association and the Brownton Rod & Gun club combined to put on the third annual snowmobile derby at Lake Marion. Brownton drivers took a number of first places as they fought off the challenge of a number of dealership teams from Chaska and Long Lake.

#### 20 Years Ago

January 24, 2001

Lori Copler, Editor

The Maroons, a trio of musicians from the Twin Cities area, rocked the rafters in the McLeod West High School gym Friday morning, and gave attending students a history lesson to boot. The school invited the trio, who specialize in music of the Caribbean, including Trinidad and Jamaica, as part of an observance for Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Ron Sandell, McLeod West Elementary School principal, will receive a "Saved By the Belt" award from the Minnesota State Patrol in a ceremony Thursday at 1 p.m. at the Stewart Campus. Sandell was involved in an accident last year while traveling on Highway 14, just east of Nicollet. As he drove, an oncoming vehicle entered his lane. Sandell took action to avoid a collision and get out of the oncoming mini-van's way. His effort came too late, and Sandell's Toyota Camry was hit head-on by a Plymouth Voyager van.

### From the Stewart Tribune archives

#### 100 Years Ago

January 28, 1946

Lester Koeppen, Editor

A clinic which has met with popular approval throughout the state, a clinic for diseases of the heart and lungs, is to be held in Hutchinson at the high school building Friday, Feb. 4. Dr. Witick of Minneapolis Specialist, will be in charge of the clinic, assisted by local nurses and physicians. There is no charge made for any part of the clinic and everyone is eligible. The greatest object, after all, behind every move in public health work is the abolition of tuberculosis, the disease which kills more of our American people every year than did the great war, taking its toll, in the long run, one person out of every ten in the United States. Finding the cases is the first step in the control of tuberculosis. People who do not imagine they have anything serious, drop in "for fun," sometimes finds quite definite early beginnings of the disease.

Louis W. Wangerin, of Stewart; Louis B. Tadsen, of Brownton, and W.C. Mahn, of Glencoe, are attending the short course for creamery operators (beginners), which open at University Farm, St. Paul. This course is the last of the series for the winter of 1920-21.

#### 75 Years Ago

January 31, 1946

Harry Koeppen, Editor

Every town has its list of commissioned officers in the recent war, but the Tribune has a doubt that any can put up a record which will compare with that this community can claim. It isn't often that a community like this one is represented in the armed forces by as many as 14 commissioned officers. In the group are included the names of Oscar Kowalske who met his death while being transported from the Philippines to Japan or China, and of Stanley Ledin, seriously crippled while with his Marine group on the island of Bougainville. The list of officers follow— Majors—Oscar C. Kowalske, Alwin J. Darkow, Captains—Glenn Fleisch, Gordon Fleisch, Roger Headley, Robert Sunde, First Lieutenants—Norman Kottke, Herbert Nutter, Stanley Ledin, Tom Koeppen.

School safety patrol members and the sponsoring organizations are commended for their contributions to safety in a proclamation issued by Governor Edward J. Thye, setting aside the week beginning Sunday, February 3, as School Safety Patrol Week.

Drivers licenses of 21 residents of McLeod county were revoked in 1945.

#### 60 Years Ago

January 26, 1961

Kermitt T. Hubin, Editor

With thermometers in Minnesota dipping down to near the minus 20 degree mark on Tuesday evening, the weatherman is certainly breaking into headlines. After the unseasonable mild weather during the forepart of January, these frigid temps are hard to take. It was determined that the thermometers varied a total of nearly 70 degrees in several weeks.

An early morning fire Wednesday, destroyed a combination hog and chicken barn, at the farm occupied by the Melvin Klinkers. The farm is known as the John Kelm farm, located about 7 1/2 miles southeast of Stewart. Because the Klinkers had no telephone, the call was placed from the Art Just farm. The alarm sounded in Stewart at about 2 A.M.

#### 50 Years Ago

January 28, 1971

Kermitt T. Hubin, Editor

March 1st will be the day that the First State Bank of Stewart is switching to electronic banking. That is the day that they will go on the Computer, to aid them in the various phases of banking, according to Lester Lipke, president of the bank.

## From the Silver Lake Leader archives

### 75 Years Ago

January 26, 1946

Delbert Merrill, Publisher

Jerry Dostal is at home having been released from the Army at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin. Jerry served in the European Theatre, having two years in service, a year of which was spent overseas.

Back too, is Emil Konerza after quite a stretch of Army service including considerable overseas service in the European theatre.

T/Sgt. Ernest Lewandowski, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Lewandowski is returning from Japan, having left there about December 30th. Ernest went overseas over a year ago, serving with a Medical Detachment.

The Silver Lake Legion Post 141 entertained members, returned servicemen and Auxiliary members at a fish fry in the Community Building Monday. Adjutant Barney Penaz enrolled 14 new members which gives the Silver Lake Post a total membership of 61.

Funeral services were conducted for Frank Nuwash, January 13th, 1946 at the home and the Czech Brethren Presbyterian Church in Silver Lake. Frank Nuwash was born on August 12, 1865 in Rich Valley Township, McLeod County. He was the son of Anton and Anna Barta Nuwash, who were born in Bohemia and had come to this country in early life, engaging in farming. Mr. Nuwash was reared entirely in this county and was educated in the school of district 12.

### 60 Years Ago

January 26, 1961

Wilbert Merrill, Publisher

Howard Chalusky's second school bus (on the northeast route) stalled last week. Towed in, mechanics found that tissue had been placed in the gas tank and bits of this had clogged the fuel line. The tank was cleaned and six sheets of the paper were removed. Despite belief the tank was clean, the bus stalled twice after that, all from the same cause. Now a trick like that borders a very serious charge of juvenile delinquency, if a juvenile was responsible. This incident involved the transportation of young people and with the weather the way it's been as far as 20 degrees below zero, makes the matter all the more serious.

This item is for the folks away....boy oh boy, record setting cold weather has held sway for several days, the lowest reading we've heard of is 21 below, and the days have a hard time reaching zero. Furnaces and heaters running full blast, have a hard time warding off the cold and in older buildings (such as ours).

A hard working five man team (basketball) from Prior Lake took the measure of the Silver Lake Maroon and White cagers by a score of 71 to 56 last Sunday night.

During the course of the annual Fire Dept. Stag party, the siren sounded, summoning the Dept. to the Esther and Marvin Eggert farm northeast of town. A chimney fire was extinguished.

### 25 Years Ago

January 25, 1996

Ken and Dorothy Merrill, Publishers

Roger Mallak working with his "Bob" cat was one of the few ways the ice-snow combination could be removed. Work was plentiful as everyone was still trying to dig out from the storm on Saturday. It was forecast as a storm with the potential of up to 12 inches of snow. The result made many wish that the forecast had come true. Rather than 12 inches of snow our Silver Lake area experienced a sleet and snow combination totaling over 6 inches. A combination which proved hard to move, especially when you add the cold temperatures and winds creating a giant ice berg.

### 10 Years Ago

January 27, 2011

Bill and Joyce Ramige, Publishers

Margaret Benz has been a fixture in the Silver Lake Leader office for the past 33 years. She retired when the Leader was sold by long-time owners Ken and Dorothy Merrill, but she continues to write her popular "Down Memory Lane" column for the Leader. Margaret started November of 1977, "I hadn't even applied for the position. I didn't know there was an opening. I was working in the basement with the kids' when out of the blue, Ken calls and asks 'You want to work for us?' and I just said 'Yes,'" Margaret said.

## From the Chronicle archives

### 30 Years Ago

January 23, 1991

Bill C. Ramige, Editor

The Glencoe and Silver Lake school boards will meet together Saturday at 7 p.m. in the Silver Lake school multi-purpose room to continue discussions on pairing the two districts. Also, Glencoe and Brownton school officials will meet Feb. 4 in Brownton to discuss interdistrict cooperation.

Support for Operation Desert Storm, the United States-led war against Iraq, appears strong among Glencoe residents. But reactions in the first days of the fighting, which began at dinner-time Jan. 16, have ranged from nervous trepidation to a belief that the battle should have begun sooner.

Students in Amy Maudal's third grade class at St. Pius Catholic School have reason to worry about the Persian Gulf War. Nine of Maudal's 21 students have relatives serving in the armed forces. Six of those nine have relatives serving in the Persian Gulf War. Before Christmas, the students also wrote to three U.S. Marines stationed in Saudi Arabia—Jason Schultz, Scott Schumacher and Terry Arnsdorf. All three were former classmates of Maudal, who graduated from Comfrey High School.

### 20 Years Ago

January 24, 2001

Rich Glennie, Editor

School Activities Director Kathy Olson told the Glencoe-Silver Lake School Board Monday night that because of the school's enrollment, several of the Panther sports will now have to compete in Class AA next year instead of Class A. Also joining GSL in Class AA will be Wright County Conference rival Waconia. Already in Class AA are conference foes St. Michael-Albertville and Dassel-Cokato, Olson said. Olson said the new classification applies only to sports that have two classes, such as tennis, cross country, track and field and gymnastics. Olson said the high school league will vote on the new alignments in February.

Students at Henry Hill Elementary and Lakeside Elementary worked on inventions during December and the beginning of January. Their inventions were showcased on Jan. 15 and Jan. 17. Taylor Lepel received an honorable mention for her "footy towel." The footy towel is used to clean animals feet when they come in from outside. Lepel described how it works to the judges.

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traditional core values and the days when compromise was not a dirty word." However, the following excerpts from a Jan. 19, 2021 CNN opinion piece by international economist Jeffrey Sachs shed additional light on the good-old Republican days:

"President Biden inherits a national crisis built up over 40 years (when) former President Reagan declared government is not the solution to our problem; government is the problem. He set out to weaken the federal government by slashing taxes on the rich, dismantling regulations, cutting back on public programs and turning many of the nation's problems back to the states. Trump continued Reagan's approach.

"As the federal debt has grown – and many states have struggled – one part of American society has laughed all the

way to the bank. The wealthy funders of both parties – Wall Street financiers, big oilmen, Silicon Valley gurus, real estate developers, etc. – couldn't believe their good fortunes in receiving repeated tax breaks and even the deregulation of their polluting activities. The rich got richer year after year.

"The Biden administration must now find a recovery path out of the wreckage of four decades of Reagan radicalism and the politics it created. Reagan got us stuck on the ideas that 'government is the problem,' federal tax cuts are necessary, environmental regulations are problematic and major national problems can be left to the states and cities. These ideas, alas, are wrong.

"Americans have learned, the painful way, that we need an effective federal government. Just as states and cities could not contain COVID-19 when the federal government shirked its duties, we will also continue to fail to create enough decent jobs, educate our children, ensure safe water for our farms and cities, protect the health of Americans, face the climate emergency and modernize our infrastructure, until we mobilize the federal government to act on behalf of all Americans and all parts of our nation.

## Panthers girls' hoops soars over White Hawks



Chronicle photo by Brianna Taggart

**Mylea Monahan helped GSL girls' hoops win by 25 points against Mound Westonka home last Thursday, Jan. 21. Monahan was one of the night's top scorers, earning seven points.**

By Brianna Taggart  
Staff Writer

Glencoe-Silver Lake High School girls' basketball continued to hold the home court advantage against Mound Westonka for its second home game of the season last Thursday, Jan. 21.

The Panthers slowly started to take flight against the White Hawks but then soared with a solid win thanks to a strong defense, according to Head Coach Jeff Monahan. The team ended with a solid 25-point lead.

"I thought all the girls stood out on the defensive side of the ball, and I was really happy with our team defense," Monahan said.

**Panthers 67, Mound Westonka 42**

The Panthers started slow, scoring 27 points to the White Hawks' 15 points, earning themselves just a 12-point lead in the first half.

"I thought we started out slow vs. Mound, but the girls kept working and we got better as the game went on," Monahan said.

GSL upped its game by

### Up next:

- GSL hosts Litchfield Thursday, Jan. 28, 7 p.m.
- GSL at New London-Spicer Tuesday, Feb. 2, 7 p.m.

scoring an additional 40 points while Mound Westonka scored 27 in the game's second half, ending the night with a 67-42 win for GSL.

"It was fun to play at home, and get a win vs. a Mound team that is under new leadership," Monahan said.

Miah Monahan was the night's top scorer with 28 points. Kendall Guerrero was behind her with nine points, and Teagan Hansch and Mylea Monahan each scored seven points.

Coach Monahan said the team's trying to have three to four players end each of their games in double figures, but he liked the work everyone put in at last Thursday's game.

### Belle Plaine loss

GSL also hit the court at

Belle Plaine last week but lost 53-28 Tuesday, Jan. 19.

The Panthers played the Tigers tough in the first half. But Belle Plaine took control of the rebounding and the game late in the first half and took a 15-point lead to intermission.

Monahan was expecting a tough game, since Belle Plaine was last year's No. 1 seed in sections.

### Tough games ahead

Monahan is expecting a tough week for his team as it opens conference play at Watertown-Mayer Tuesday. WM will be one of the top teams in GSL's conference and section, according to Monahan. Scores were not available to The Chronicle at the time of publication.

GSL girls' hoops will also host Litchfield this Thursday, who the Panthers split with last year.

"We will be looking to protect the home court on Thursday," Monahan said.

GSL is 2-1 overall and 0-1 against teams in its section.

## Panthers on right, wrong end of basketball blowouts

### GSL tops Central, falls to Wildcats

As they prepare to take on competition in their half of the Wright County Conference, the Glencoe-Silver Lake High School boys' basketball team needs to erase the memory of a brutal loss to Waconia and focus instead on all the things that worked against Central (NYA).

The Panthers are coming off a week where they blew out Central by 40 points but lost to the Wildcats by 30. At 1-2 overall, they took on Watertown-Mayer last night, Tuesday, Jan. 26, after The Chronicle went to press. Thursday, Jan. 28, 7 p.m., GSL will make the hike to Litchfield. Tuesday, Feb. 2, 7 p.m., they'll host New London-Spicer.

### Panthers 80, Central 40

GSL dominated the Raiders in the Jan. 19 clash. The Panthers made 52 percent of their shots and took advantage of

### Up next:

The Panthers start conference play this week.

- Tuesday, Jan. 26, at Watertown-Mayer
- Thursday, Jan. 28, 7 p.m., at Litchfield, 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, Feb. 2, host New London-Spicer, 7 p.m.

23 Central turnovers.

The Panthers built a 43-16 lead at intermission thanks to balanced scoring. Jaden Uecker led the team with 14 points in the first half. Besides Uecker, GSL had three other players with six or more points against Central. The Panthers made eight of their 20 three-point shots.

"We played very hard against them. We had turnovers that led to baskets," said Panthers Coach Robb DeCorsey.

The second half was more of the same. Mitchel Jaskowiak and Spencer Lemke made several three-pointers. Central made only

two three-point shots in the half. GSL outscored Central, 37-24, in the second half.

Jaskowiak paced the Panthers with 16 points. Lemke and Uecker both finished with 15 points. Jacob Christianson added 13 points in the win. Mitchel Klockmann chipped in eight points and Jacob Baumgarten had five points off the bench for GSL. Blake Mickolich, Jackson Stifter, Eli Ehrke and Sawyer Kaczmarek all added two points for the Panthers.

### Waconia 62, Panthers 32

The Panthers struggled against the Wildcats interior height and bulk in the Jan. 22 clash in Glencoe. Two Waconia front-liners, Ty Miller and Spencer Swanson, combined for 35 points.

GSL struggled with turnovers and a tough shooting night. The Panthers made only 12 of 46 shots (26 percent) overall and were 4 of 17 from three-point range.

"Offensively, we were terrible," DeCorsey said. "We didn't move the ball well. We

didn't create good shots."

Defensively, the Panthers also struggled, over-committing to help teammates and leaving Waconia players open for easier shots.

DeCorsey is planning a video session to help players see their mistakes.

The Panthers stayed with Waconia for the first part of the game. Waconia took control and took a 42-21 lead to halftime. The Wildcats outscored GSL, 20-11, in the second half.

Jaskowiak led the Panthers in scoring with 16 points, 12

coming in the first half. Lemke finished with five points. Christianson had four points. Blake Mickolich and Klockmann each finished with three points. Jordan Mickolich finished with a point in the setback.



Chronicle photo by Brianna Taggart

**Taryn Zellman practiced her vaulting skills last Wednesday, Jan. 20, to prepare herself for GSL gymnastics' first meet of the season this Thursday. Head Coach Kim Hahn said new addition Zellman's been "polishing up" her skills as she came up from the club team.**

## GSL gymnasts prepare to jump into season opener

By Brianna Taggart  
Staff Writer

After weeks of practicing floor routines, uneven parallel bars, vaulting and skills on the balance beam, the Glencoe-Silver Lake gymnastics team will jump into its season this Thursday, Jan. 28.

The Panthers will face the Tigers at Delano in a dual meet. Even though Delano High School is prohibiting spectators, GSL Head Coach Kim Hahn is still expecting adrenaline in her team.

"I expect the girls to do well," Hahn said. "Meets always bring on adrenaline, which is good for their routines. We always strive to focus on not only our skills in the routines with good execution and amplitude, but clean as a whole."

### Preparations

The team's been cleaning up their routines and getting their execution and amplitude where it needs to be while working on conditioning when they find time, according to Hahn.

Hahn's main concentration has been getting all the routines together that both follow Minnesota High School League's requirements and are achievable by the girls.

"Once the routines are established and we are in meet season, conditioning is done more to become stronger and provide more endurance in their routines," Hahn said.

### Seeing improvements

Hahn is even seeing more difficult skill sets in the team, with Senior Marissa Greeley being one of them.

Autumn Kaczmarek has also been "showing promise with her skills." Hahn is hoping to get her to add slightly more difficult skills in each of her routines to help increase her overall scores.

For floor routines, Chloe Hoemberg and Haley Korson are both showing potential with things they're working on, too.

Taryn Zellmann is a new addition from the club team. She's been "polishing up" her skills, Hahn said, while Makayla Wigern and Emma Peirce have also shown drive for more difficult moves.

"All of the girls have shown improvement since last season, which is great to see," Hahn said.

The meet will be live-streamed through Delano High School's website.

## With its schedule in flux, GSL/LP finally returns to the mat

After plenty of time in the practice room, the Glencoe-Silver Lake/Lester Prairie High School wrestling team is ready to return to competition. The Panthers split their first two matches of the season

Jan. 14 in New Prague. Tomorrow, Thursday, Jan. 28, 6 p.m., the Panthers are finally able to return to the mat when they are slated to face Maple River and Medford in Maple River. GSL/LP was scheduled to face Scott West, a perenni-

al state power, and Little Falls in a triangular meet Friday, Jan. 29, in Belle Plaine. The meet has been nixed because of a COVID-19 outbreak with Scott West.

Dean Schwirtz, GSL's ac-

reschedule the meet, possibly with Little Falls wrestling against the Panthers in Glencoe. Updated information will be posted on The Chronicle's Facebook page when available.

For now, the Panthers have

been focusing on improving each day in practice, said Lance Wurm, the team's head coach.

The Panthers are anxious to compete after a two-week hiatus. In its first two matches, the strength of the Pan-

thers has been its middle- and upper weight wrestlers.

"We just have to show up and compete," Wurm said.



# Pastor's Corner

Pastor Katherine Rood  
Christ Lutheran Church, Glencoe



Psalm 33:22

*Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in you.*

It is always exhilarating for me to wake or look up from the ordinariness of my life and see a fresh blanket of snow painting the world clean and new and bright! We live in Minnesota, and yes, I am well-aware that snow is not perceived by everyone in the same manner! The State Highway Patrol likely shudders with every call of a newly reported accident as a result of people driving on treacherous roads. Yet, I pray the day never comes when the beauty of a fresh snowfall becomes so insignificant or such a nuisance that I miss the spiritual invitation softly covering our little corner of reality.

It's true, chaos daily blankets our existence like a scratchy, painful, and heavy shroud that traps us beneath the surface of all that is possible. The yammering voices assaulting our ears and competing for our attention constantly threaten the hope perched lightly in our souls. Yet, whenever a layer of white pristine snow covers the broken nakedness of our world, I am reminded of my baptismal garment that covers the broken nakedness of my failed attempts to live as a Child of God. And I remember that EVERY DAY, we are given the opportunity by the grace and power of the Holy Spirit to begin anew in Christ!

Perhaps through the remainder of this Minnesota winter, in the midst of a cacophony of voices, things beyond your control, and the struggle to keep your own joy alive, you will see the invitation and abundance of God's grace literally blanketing the very ground you walk on! May the steadfast love of the Lord, hold you fast today and forever.

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Thurs., Jan. 28 — Men's Bible study, 9 a.m.  
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Wed., Jan. 27 — "Anticipating Sunday" Bible Study via Zoom, 9:00 a.m.; Televised Worship Service on Channel 10, 2:00 p.m.; Confirmation via Zoom, 5:45-6:45 p.m.

Fri., Jan. 29 — Women's Bible Study via Zoom, 10:00 a.m.

Sun., Jan. 31 — Live Streamed Online Worship, 9:00 a.m.— New Year's Love Offering for designated church family (collecting through January 31st). Listen to service in the parking lot at FM 97.7. Annual Meeting, 10:15 a.m.; No Online Sunday School (Sunday School for PreK through 6th grade will resume on Sunday, Feb. 7th.)

Mon., Feb. 1 — Quilting, 12:30-2:30 p.m.; Televised Worship Service on Channel 10, 3:00 p.m.

Wed., Feb. 3 — "Anticipating Sunday" Bible Study via Zoom, 9:00 a.m.; Televised Worship Service on Channel 10, 2:00 p.m.; Bell Choir rehearsals, 5:30 p.m.; Confirmation via Zoom, 5:45-6:45 p.m.

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Sun., Jan. 31 — All Virtual Services until further notice on Zoom, 10:00 a.m. to participate, call 320-282-3030

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Wed., Jan. 27 — Sacrament of Reconciliation, 5:00-5:20 p.m.; Mass, 5:30 p.m.; Religious Education, 6:30-7:45 p.m.

Thurs., Jan. 28 — Sacrament of Reconciliation, 5:00-5:20 p.m.; Mass, 5:30 p.m.

Fri., Jan. 29 — No Mass

Sat., Jan. 30 — Sacrament of Reconciliation, 9:00-10:00 a.m.; AFC First Reconciliation at Church of the Holy Family, Silver Lake, 11:00 a.m.; Mass, 6:00 p.m.

Sun., Jan. 31 — Mass, 10:00 a.m.; Mass in Spanish, 11:30 a.m.

Mon., Feb. 1 — No Mass

Tues., Feb. 2 — No Mass

Wed., Feb. 3 — Sacrament of Reconciliation, 5:00-5:20 p.m.; Mass, 5:30 p.m.; Religious Education, 6:30-7:45 p.m.

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Sun., Jan. 31 — Worship with Communion, 9:00 a.m.

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Wed., Jan. 27 — Confirmation Class, 4:30 p.m.

Thurs., Jan. 28 — Quilting in our dining room, 9:00 a.m.

Sun., Jan. 31 — Worship Service Examination of Conf. Class Installation of Officers/Holy Comm. live video recording of worship service for RS Fiber 15 and Mediocom 7 & 8 and on Facebook Live after recording, 9:00 a.m.

Wed., Feb. 3 — Pastor's Bible Study Live, 9:00 a.m.; Confirmation Class, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

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Sun., Jan. 31 — Faith Presbyterian Church Silver Lake will resume in church at 10:00 a.m. Members who feel comfortable attending are also encouraged to wear a mask. Six feet distancing is also in place.

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10:00 AM

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## Records

### Glencoe Police

#### Friday, Jan. 15

Police issued five citations for on-street parking in violation of the city's ordinance prohibiting on-street parking between Nov. 1 and April 1.

6:54 a.m. – Police received a report of a vehicle in the ditch near Highway 212 and Nature Avenue. A county deputy and state patrol trooper responded to the call.

1:29 p.m. – A person on the 2600 block of East 11th Street reported the theft of gasoline.

9:43 p.m. – A New Auburn man, 34, stopped near the intersection of North Union Avenue and East 12th Street was cited for driving without proof of insurance.

#### Saturday, Jan. 16

Police issued seven citations for on-street parking in violation of the city's ordinance prohibiting on-street parking between Nov. 1 and April 1.

12:14 a.m. – A 34-year-old Farmington woman stopped near the intersection of highways 212 and 22 was cited for fifth-degree drug possession / possession of 1.4 grams or more of marijuana in a motor vehicle and possession of drug paraphernalia.

3:16 p.m. – A person on the 2600 block of East 11th Street reported the theft of gas station sushi.

#### Sunday, Jan. 17

Police issued five citations for on-street parking in violation of the city's ordinance prohibiting on-street parking between Nov. 1 and April 1.

2:50 a.m. – Police assisted a deputy on the 12000 block of Swan Lake Road with the administration of a personal-breath test.

8 a.m. – Police responded to a motion detector alarm on the 100 block of Edgewood Drive.

9:29 a.m. – Police responded to the 500 block of Abby Lane for a report of a runaway. The officer was unable to locate the child.

12:17 p.m. – Police assisted a Brownton Police officer and sheriff's deputy on the 400 block of North Second Street in Brownton. A person was transported to the hospital for evaluation.

1:41 p.m. – A person on the 1200 block of East 20th Street called for medical help. A woman fell and was transported to the hospital.

5 p.m. – A vehicle was stopped near the intersection of East First Street and Morningside Drive for excessive window tint. A passenger was cited for possession of a small amount of marijuana. The driver, a 22-year-old Watertown woman, was to be charged with fifth-degree drug possession.

6:53 p.m. – A Cedar man, 22, stopped for speeding near the intersection of Highway 212 and North Chandler Avenue was cited for driving without proof of current insurance.

#### Monday, Jan. 18

Police issued three citations for on-street parking in violation of the city's ordinance prohibiting on-street parking between Nov. 1 and April 1.

1:21 a.m. – Police assisted a sheriff's deputy on the 300 block of Center Street in Silver Lake.

4:16 p.m. – A person on the 2200 block of East 14th Street called for medical help. A woman with low blood sugar was transported to the hospital.

12:09 p.m. – A person on the 800 block of North Greeley Avenue called for medical help. He stated his knee gave out. He declined medical attention.

3:17 p.m. – Police assisted a person on the 200 block of South Hennepin Avenue with a possible health issue.

6:34 p.m. – Police assisted hospital staff on the 1800 block of North Hennepin Avenue with an unruly patient.

9:26 p.m. – Police conducted a death investigation on the 1100 block of East 14th Street. The investigation determined the 36-year-old man's death was self-inflicted.

#### Tuesday, Jan. 19

5:21 a.m. – Police received a report of a suspicious vehicle parked on the 300 block of West 13th Street with the interior taken apart.

12:10 p.m. – A person on the 1400 block of Prairie Avenue called for medical help. The officer administered oxygen until medics arrived and transported a woman to the hospital.

2:50 p.m. – A Hutchinson man, 20, stopped near the intersection of North Union Avenue and East 11th Street was cited for driving without a Minnesota license.

2:55 p.m. – A Hutchinson man, 45, stopped near the intersection of North Stevens Avenue and East 16th Street was cited for driving without proof of insurance and violating the hands-free driving law.

3:35 p.m. – A 20-year-old Glencoe woman stopped near the intersection of East 13th Street and North Pryor Avenue for speeding was also cited for driving without proof of insurance.

3:51 p.m. – A person on the 500 block of Abby Lane reported a dog bite.

4:18 p.m. – Police responded to a report of a runaway child on the 500 block of Abby Lane. The child was located and returned to parents.

5:20 p.m. – A person on the 1500 block of East 11th Street called for medical help after a woman suffered a twisted ankle. The woman was transported to the hospital.

10:30 p.m. – Police responded to a mutual aid call near the intersection of Highway 22 and Lace Avenue. A person was reported in cardiac arrest. The call was canceled en route.

10:52 p.m. – Police responded to a call for medical help on the 1900 block of East 16th Street.

#### Wednesday, Jan. 20

11:19 a.m. – At the request of the school, police performed a welfare check on a child on the 1200 block of North Pryor Avenue. The child is expected in school the next day.

11:42 a.m. – Police were at a house on the 700 block of West 15th Street looking for a child. There was no one at the house.

12:49 p.m. – A person on the 1400 block of North Armstrong Avenue called for medical help. A man declined a transport to the hospital.

3:49 p.m. – The driver and passenger of a vehicle stopped near the intersection of East 16th Street and North Owen Avenue – a 20-year-old Glencoe woman and a 40-year-old man – were both cited for possession of drug paraphernalia. A verbal warning was issued for possession of a small amount of marijuana and driving with no front license plate.

8:22 p.m. – A two-vehicle property-damage crash near the intersection of Highway 212 and Morningside Drive was reported. A Glencoe woman, 54, was cited for driving without a Minnesota driver's license.

8:22 p.m. – Police responded to a report of a suspicious vehicle on the 200 block of South DeSoto Avenue. Two girls found, one of which was warned about the illegality of public urination.

#### Thursday Jan. 21

8:18 a.m. – A person found a wallet and phone on Highway 212 near its intersection with Morningside Drive. The items were dropped off at the police station.

11:12 a.m. – A woman on the 800 block of North Greeley Avenue reported theft. She claimed renters took some of her items.

3:29 p.m. – A driver's license was found in the parking lot of the municipal liquor store on the 600 block of East 10th Street. Police called the owner who will pick it up.

6:40 p.m. – Police addressed a trespassing complaint from a person on the 900 block of East 15th Street.

8:38 p.m. – Police updated the registry of predatory offenders in the city, notably a person on the 600 block of West 25th Street.

#### Friday, Jan. 22

1:24 a.m. – An officer observed burnout marks from a vehicle on the street near the intersection of East 15th Street and North Knight Avenue.

11:33 a.m. – A person on the 1400 block of Elsie Drive called for medical help. A man was transported to the hospital.

11:59 p.m. – An employee of a convenience store on the 2600 block of East 11th Street reported a counterfeit \$20 was successfully passed.

4:11 p.m. – The police department's administrative staff released property to a person.

8:27 p.m. – Police assisted sheriff's deputies with a traffic stop near the intersection of Highway 212 and County Road 9 in Plato. The police officer assisted with the administration of field sobriety tests.

#### Saturday, Jan. 23

12:06 a.m. – Police checked on two suspicious vehicles parked near the cemetery by the intersection of East Sixth Street and North Baxter Avenue. Men said they just bought the vehicles and the cars were "having issues."

7:10 a.m. – A Glencoe woman, 21, stopped on the 1400 block of North Union Avenue was arrested for third-degree DWI.

11:22 a.m. – A person on the 2500 block of East 11th Street reported the theft of a front license plate.

4:24 p.m. – An officer saw a man walking in the snow near the intersection of East 16th Street and North Union Avenue carrying groceries. The officer gave the man a ride home.

#### Sunday, Jan. 24

Police issued four citations for on-street parking in violation of the city's ordinance prohibiting on-street parking between Nov. 1 and April 1.

8:45 a.m. – An officer found a bumper in the middle of the street near the intersection of East 15th Street and North Stevens Avenue. The officer returned the bumper to its owner.

9:16 a.m. – An officer assisted corrections officers to remove a man from a restraint chair at the county jail on the 800 block of East 10th Street.

1:59 a.m. – A woman on the 600 block of West Chestnut Street reported a vehicle was hit by a plow.

2:37 p.m. – A woman on the 800 block of North Elliott Avenue reported her sister was opening her mail.

3:05 p.m. – A Hutchinson woman, 42, stopped near the intersection of East 14th Street and North Elliott Avenue was cited for driving with a suspended license and driving without proof of insurance.

6:13 p.m. – A person on the 900 block of East 14th Street called for medical help. A woman was transported to the hospital.

6:38 p.m. – Police assisted a sheriff's deputy at the intersection of Highway 212 and Morningside Drive with a DWI case.

5:20 p.m. – A person on the 1500 block of East 11th Street called for medical help after a woman suffered a twisted ankle. The woman was transported to the hospital.

10:30 p.m. – Police responded to a mutual aid call near the intersection of Highway 22 and Lace Avenue. A person was reported in cardiac arrest. The call was canceled en route.

The following gross-misdemeanor and felony cases were handled in McLeod County District Court Jan. 20 by McLeod County District Court Judge Jessica J.W. Maher.

Joshua Mark Betker, 42, of Hutchinson, previously pleaded guilty to one gross-misdemeanor count of violation of a domestic abuse no contact order in McLeod County District Court for an offense on or about June 13-14, 2020. Judge Maher stayed the imposition of sentence and placed Betker on probation for three years. The conditions of Betker's probation are he serve 37 days in the McLeod County Jail, serve 10 days of sentence to service work/community work service, complete a chemical dependency and a psychological evaluation, follow the recommendations of the evaluations, have no use or possession of alcohol or non-prescription drugs, and pay a surcharge of \$85.

Andrew Donald Koelln, 30, of St. Cloud, previously pleaded guilty to one gross-misdemeanor count of theft by wrongfully obtaining public assistance for an offense between August 2017 and August 2018. Judge Maher stayed the imposition of sentence and placed Koelln on probation for three years. The conditions of his probation are Koelln serve two days of sentence-to-service work/community work service, pay \$6,022.30 in restitution, and pay a fine and surcharge of \$185.

8:22 p.m. – The sheriff's office assisted the Glencoe police with a traffic stop in the area of Highway 212 and Ideal Avenue, southwest of Glencoe.

10:06 p.m. – The sheriff's office assisted the Glencoe police with a traffic stop in the area of Highway 212 and Ideal Avenue, southwest of Glencoe.

10:34 p.m. – The sheriff's office responded to an assist on Zion Avenue, east of Winsted. The Winsted police and Ridgeview ambulance also responded. One person was transported to the Waconia hospital.

10:38 p.m. – The sheriff's office spoke to a person over the phone regarding questions. The deputy advised the person of their options.

10:41 p.m. – The sheriff's office responded to a hit and run crash on 200th Street in Silver Lake. The deputy cleared with a MN State Accident report.

10:43 p.m. – The sheriff's office responded to a report of a property damage on 180th Street, west of Lester Prairie. The deputy cleared with a report.

10:46 p.m. – The sheriff's office responded to a report of a property damage on 180th Street, west of Lester Prairie. The deputy cleared with a report.

10:49 p.m. – The sheriff's office responded to a report of a property damage on 180th Street, west of Lester Prairie. The deputy cleared with a report.

10:52 p.m. – The sheriff's office responded to a report of a property damage on 180th Street, west of Lester Prairie. The deputy cleared with a report.

10:55 p.m. – The sheriff's office responded to a report of a property damage on 180th Street, west of Lester Prairie. The deputy cleared with a report.

11:18 p.m. – The sheriff's office responded to a report of a property damage on 180th Street, west of Lester Prairie. The deputy cleared with a report.

11:21 p.m. – The sheriff's office responded to a report of a property damage on 180th Street, west of Lester Prairie. The deputy cleared with a report.

11:24 p.m. – The sheriff's office responded to a report of a property damage on 180th Street, west of Lester Prairie. The deputy cleared with a report.

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11:52 p.m. – The sheriff's office responded to a report of a property damage on 180th Street, west of Lester Prairie. The deputy cleared with a report.

11:55 p.m. – The sheriff's office responded to a report of a property damage on 180th Street, west of Lester Prairie. The deputy cleared with a report.

11:58 p.m. – The sheriff's office responded to a report of a property damage on 180th Street, west of Lester Prairie. The deputy cleared with a report.

12:01 a.m. – The sheriff's office responded to a report of a property damage on 180th Street, west of Lester Prairie. The deputy cleared with a report.

12:04 a.m. – The sheriff's office responded to a report of a property damage on 180th Street, west of Lester Prairie. The deputy cleared with a report.

12:07 a.m. – The sheriff's office responded to a report of a property damage on 180th Street, west of Lester Prairie. The deputy cleared with a report.

12:10 a.m. – The sheriff's office responded to a report of a property damage on 180th Street, west of Lester Prairie. The deputy cleared with a report.

12:13 a.m. – The sheriff's office responded to a report of a property damage on 180th Street, west of Lester Prairie. The deputy cleared with a report.

12:16 a.m. – The sheriff's office responded to a report of a property damage on 180th Street, west of Lester Prairie. The deputy cleared with a report.

12:19 a.m. – The sheriff's office responded to a report of a property damage on 180th Street, west of Lester Prairie. The deputy cleared with a report.

12:22 a.m. – The sheriff's office responded to a report of a property damage on 180th Street, west of Lester Prairie. The deputy cleared with a report.

12:25 a.m. – The sheriff's office responded to a report of a property damage on 180th Street, west of Lester Prairie. The deputy cleared with a report.

12:28 a.m. – The sheriff's office responded to a report of a property damage on 180th Street, west of Lester Prairie. The deputy cleared with a report.

## Legal Notices

### Legal Notice

**Sergio Armando Ramos Ramirez:** Please take notice that a child protection petition has been filed with the McLeod County District Court seeking to adjudicate your children, S.A.R., date of birth 4/4/2013, and L.G.R., date of birth 3/23/2006, as in need of protection or services.

An Admit/Deny hearing has been scheduled on February 22, 2021, at 2:30 p.m. at the McLeod County Courthouse at 830 East 11th Street, Glencoe, MN. Your presence is required. If you fail to attend the hearing on February 22, 2021, at 2:30 p.m., the Court will adjudicate S.A.R. and L.G.R. as in need of protection and services by default, without your appearance and input. You may obtain a copy of the petition, and any Order issued from the Court, from McLeod County Court Administration.

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### Legal Notice

**Vanessa Ramirez:** Please take notice that a child protection petition has been filed with the McLeod County District Court seeking to adjudicate your children, Z.G.M., date of birth March 3, 2016, and Z.I.R., date of birth October 24, 2019, as in need of protection or services and that a termination of parental rights petition has been filed with the McLeod County District Court seeking to involuntarily terminate your parental rights to the minor children, Z.G.M., date of birth March 3, 2016, and Z.I.R., date of birth October 24, 2019.

Admit/Deny Hearings have been scheduled on March 16, 2021, at 8:30 a.m. at the McLeod County Courthouse at 830 East 11th Street, Glencoe, MN. Your presence is required. If you fail to attend the hearings on March 16, 2021, at 8:30 a.m., the Court will adjudicate Z.G.M. and Z.I.R. as in need of protection and services by default, without your appearance and input, and your parental rights to Z.G.M. and Z.I.R. will be involuntarily terminated by default. You may obtain a copy of all of the court paperwork on this case from the McLeod County Court Administrator's Office.

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### Assumed Name

**CERTIFICATE OF ASSUMED NAME**  
Assumed name: Mickolichek Acres  
Principal Place of Business: 22243 Garden Avenue Silver Lake, MN 55381 USA

Nameholder: Mark Mickolichek, 22243 Garden Avenue Silver Lake, MN 55381 USA

Seth Mickolichek, 22243 Garden Avenue Silver Lake, MN 55381 USA  
Will Mickolichek, 22243 Garden Avenue Silver Lake, MN 55381 USA  
By typing my name, I, the undersigned, certify that I am signing this document as the person whose signature is required. I further certify that I have completed all required fields, and that the information in this document is true and correct and in compliance with the applicable chapter of Minnesota Statutes. I understand that by signing this document I am subject to the penalties of perjury as set forth in Section 609.48 as if I had signed this document under oath.

Signed by: Andrew Zenk  
Mailing Address: None provided  
Email for Official Notices: mark-mickolichek@gmail.com

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### Assumed Name

**CERTIFICATE OF ASSUMED NAME**  
Assumed name: House 2 House Decor, LLC  
Principal Place of Business: 716 13th St., Glencoe, MN 55381 USA

Nameholder: Lori Broll, 70253 229 St., Dassel, MN 55325 USA

By typing my name, I, the undersigned, certify that I am signing this document as the person whose signature is required. I further certify that I have completed all required fields, and that the information in this document is true and correct and in compliance with the applicable chapter of Minnesota Statutes. I understand that by signing this document I am subject to the penalties of perjury as set forth in Section 609.48 as if I had signed this document under oath.

Signed by: Lori Broll

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### City of Brownton

#### Brownton Fire Department Relief Association Notice of Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Brownton Fire Department Relief Association will meet after the monthly business meeting of the Brownton Fire Department at the Brownton Fire Hall on Monday, February 1.

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### City of Glencoe

#### GLENCOE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 4, 2021 7:00 P.M.

Mayor Wilson called the final 2020 city council business meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present: Alexander, Neid, Lemke, Robeck, Schrupp. Also present: City Administrator Larson, City Attorney Ostlund, Finance Director Trippel, Public Works Directors Voigt and Schreifels and Police Captain Retzer.

Motion and second to approve the consent agenda as presented by members Alexander and Neid with all members voting in favor.

Approve minutes of the regular meeting of December 21, 2020  
Glencoe Wine and Spirits Bills for 2020

Motion to adjourn the final business meeting of 2020 entered by member Lemke with second by member Schrupp. All members voted in favor.

2021 ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING MINUTES  
JANUARY 4, 2021

Oaths of office were administered to Ryan Voss, Mayor, Sue Olson, Councilor and Cory Neid, Councilor.

Mayor Voss then called the organizational meeting to order with members Olson, Neid, Lemke, Robeck and Schrupp present.

Motion by member Robeck nominating Councilor Neid to serve as Vice President of the city council. Second by member Lemke. All members voted in favorSecurity Bank & Trust Company for City of Glencoe

Councilor Neid motioned to designate Security Bank and Trust as depository of city funds. Councilor Robeck seconded. All members voted in favorFirst and Third Mondays at 7:00 p.m. Except for Holidays on Following Tuesday

Councilor Robeck moved to designate regular meeting dates and times as stated. Councilor Neid seconded. All members voted in favor.

Councilor Robeck moved to set prices for rental equipment and part time labor as presented. Councilor Olson seconded. All members voted in favor

Motion entered by member Lemke and seconded by member Schrupp to appoint the following. Motioned failed in a 3 to 2 vote with Olson abstaining, Robeck and Neid entering no votes and Mayor Voss breaking the tie with a yes vote.

Council then proceeded to individual motions for each of the following:

Cemetery Commission-Re-appoint

Gary Vogt 1-01-20 & open position

1st Schrupp, 2nd Lemke; carried 5 to 0

Airport Commission - Re-appoint Mike Drew 1-01-20, Darius Remus 1-01-21

1st Schrupp, 2nd Neid; carried 5 to 0

Light & Power Commission -Appoint Joseph Tousignant

Neid motioned to appoint Kermit Terlinden, seconded by Robeck. Discussion held regarding honoring the process and respecting commission's recommendation. Mr. Terlinden approached the council and retracted his name. Neid rescinded his motion.

1st Lemke, 2nd Schrupp to appoint Joseph Tousignant. All members voted in favor.

Library Board - Re-appoint Judy Schuch 1-01-20, and position open

1st Neid, 2nd Lemke; carried 5 to 0

Park Board -Re-appoint Sue Olson 1-01-20, James Eiden 1-01-21

1st Lemke, 2nd Schrupp; voting no

Robeck and Neid, Olson abstained, Mayor Voss broke tie with a yes vote.

Carried 3 to 2

Planning & Industrial Comm.-Re-appoint Dave Stark 1-01-20, Kevin Dietz 1-01-21

1st Schrupp, 2nd Lemke; carried 4 to 1 Robeck voted no

Charter Commission -Re-appoint

Duane Klausermeier, Douglas Waggoner, Gary Ziemer, Randal Wilson, Cory Neid -recommend to District Court

1st Lemke, 2nd Schrupp; carried 3 to 2, Robeck no, Neid abstained.

Park Board - Sue Olson (Full appt)

1st Schrupp, 2nd Lemke; Olson abstained, Robeck, Neid no votes, Mayor Voss broke tie with a yes vote

Library Board - Allen Robeck

1st Schrupp, 2nd Neid; Robeck abstained; all others voted in favor

Light & Power Commission - John Schrupp (Full Appt)

1st Lemke, 2nd Olson; Schrupp abstained, Robeck voted no; all others voted in favor

Planning & Industrial Commission - John Schrupp

1st Lemke, 2nd Olson; carried 5 to 0

Cemetery Commission- Ryan Voss

At this time Schrupp motioned and Lemke seconded for Mayor to be appointed as stated to serve his appointed commissions and departments.

Carried 5 to 0

Airport Commission - open

Schrupp nominated Robeck failed due to lack of 2nd; Schrupp nominated Neid failed due to lack of second. The position remains open.

Fire Department - Ryan Voss

Glencoe Wine & Spirits - Ryan Voss

Police Department - Ryan Voss

Administration - Ryan Voss

Economic Development - Paul Lemke

1st Schrupp, 2nd Olson; carried 5 to 0

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING FOR JANUARY 4, 2021

Member Lemke motioned with member Robeck seconding approval of the consent agenda as presented for the regular business meeting. All

members voted in favor.

Approve following building permits

McLeod County Gov't Center; sign permit

Approve following Licenses

Happy Hour Inn, Tobacco, gaming and music machine license renewal

The bid from the McLeod Chronicle was presented. Proposed is \$8.00 per column inch and \$6.00 per column inch for Camera Ready publications.

Motion to approve the bid for the official newspaper bid for 2021 entered by Councilor Robeck, seconded by Councilor Lemke. All members voted in favor.

City Administrator Mark Larson informed the council that applications have been received from Barb Jenneke, Brian O'Donnell, Gary Ballard and Lawrence Hackett.

Motion to appoint these applicants to the Comprehensive Planning Steering Committee entered by Councilor Schrupp and seconded by Councilor Lemke. All members voted in favor.

Mark Larson, City Administrator, informed the council of Ron Donnay's intention to retire on April 2, 2021. Mr. Donnay is requesting that the city pay for his individual premium for health insurance for April 2021 to October 2021 at which time he will be eligible for Medicare. The approximate cost of continuation of coverage is \$2500.00.

This request is being made by Mr. Donnay based in lieu of the fact that there was no cost to the city for the first 1 1/2 years that he worked for city as the wages were paid a program that Pillsbury offered at that time.

Discussion led to approval of the request with a motion by Councilor Robeck and seconded by Councilor Lemke. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Mark Ostlund, City Attorney reviewed the process to allow the city council to waive the fees for liquor license renewal fees for 2021 license year. The stated reason for this waiver would be to recognize the reality that the COVID pandemic has severely limited these local business's ability to utilize and/or capitalize on the on-sale sales of liquor.

Discussion led to member Schrupp motioning approval of the first reading of Ordinance No. 608 amending the city code to \$0.00 for liquor license holders and taproom license holders for 2021. Councilor Neid seconded. Motion carried in a 5 to 0 vote.

Councilor Lemke motioned to approve payment of the city bills with Councilor Robeck seconding. All members voted in favor.

CLOSE MEETING TO DISCUSS LAND SALE OF GLENTECH PARK PROPERTY

Mayor Voss closed the regular meeting for consideration of a land sale.

Mayor Voss called for adjournment after the closed meeting at 8:55 p.m. Member Schrupp entered that motion with member Lemke seconding. All members voted in favor.

The above minutes are the official actions taken by the city council. The complete minutes are on file and available for review in the office of the city administrator.

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### McLeod County

#### McLeod County Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes 01/05/2021

Commissioners Nagel, Wright, Shimanski, Pohlmeier and Krueger were present.

Shimanski moved, Wright seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve the Joint Powers Agreement between McLeod County and City of Winsted for future construction of County State Aid Highway 5 between County State Aid Highways 1 and 9.

Roll Call: Shimanski - yes, Pohlmeier - yes, Wright - yes, Krueger - yes, Nagel - yes.

Pohlmeier moved, Shimanski seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve the Crisis Program Joint Powers Agreement with Carver County to receive funding and administer Mental Health Crisis and other relating services to clients in McLeod and Carver Counties for the period of January 01, 2021 through December 31, 2021 for a one-time fee of \$10,000.00 with funds from the Individual and Family Social Services budget (11-430).

Roll Call: Shimanski - yes, Pohlmeier - yes, Wright - yes, Krueger - yes, Nagel - yes.

Pohlmeier moved, Shimanski seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve the Joint Powers Agreement between McLeod County and City of Winsted for future construction of County State Aid Highway 5 between County State Aid Highways 1 and 9.

Roll Call: Shimanski - yes, Pohlmeier - yes, Wright - yes, Krueger - yes, Nagel - yes.

Pohlmeier moved, Shimanski seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda as revised.

Roll Call: Shimanski - yes, Pohlmeier - yes, Wright - yes, Krueger - yes, Nagel - yes.

Pohlmeier moved, Shimanski seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve the agenda as revised.

Roll Call: Shimanski - yes, Pohlmeier - yes, Wright - yes, Krueger - yes, Nagel - yes.

Pohlmeier moved, Shimanski seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve the agenda as revised.

Roll Call: Shimanski - yes, Pohlmeier - yes, Wright - yes, Krueger - yes, Nagel - yes.

Pohlmeier moved, Shimanski seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve the agenda as revised.

Roll Call: Shimanski - yes, Pohlmeier - yes, Wright - yes, Krueger - yes, Nagel - yes.

Pohlmeier moved, Shimanski seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve the agenda as revised.

Roll Call: Shimanski - yes, Pohlmeier - yes, Wright - yes, Krueger - yes, Nagel - yes.

Pohlmeier moved, Shimanski seconded and motion carried unanimously to approve the agenda as revised.

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# County Fair Board OKs four-day fair starting in '21

By John Mueller

Editor

Members of the McLeod County Fair Board are determined 2021 will mark a great return to the county fair a year after the pandemic put the annual celebration on the shelf. But this year will be different.

The fair board recently voted overwhelmingly in favor of a four-day fair beginning Thursday, Aug. 19 and running through Sunday, Aug. 22. There will still be some preliminary activities and judging at the fair-grounds but the fair won't officially open until Thursday, said Keith Tongen of Brown-ton, the president of the fair board.

The decision to truncate the

county fair is not related to the pandemic, Tongen said. The idea was initially discussed a few years ago.

"Somebody just threw it out there. The more we thought about it, the more it made sense," Tongen said.

One less day of the fair also relieves some of the stress on volunteers, but one of the primary reasons for trimming the fair is the lack of business for the concessionaires and carnival rides.

"In today's world, it takes so many dollars a day to operate," Tongen said.

While the fair board and staff are "full steam ahead" in the planning and preparation for the annual county fair, Tongen conceded the work is being done cautiously with an

eye toward whatever restrictions will still be in place. He said many of the vendors were very supportive and held deposits and reservations for the 2020 McLeod County Fair until 2021. Planners are also looking for refundable deposits for this year before booking vendors, entertainment and services for the fair.

The fair board will also continue to hold 10 percent of its profits in a rainy day account to cover shortfalls.

"We've been doing that for about 10 years now. It's in-case we have five days of rain or some other kind of disaster," Tongen said. "That idea somebody came up with 10 years ago looks pretty darned smart right now."



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After a year on the shelf because of the pandemic, the McLeod County Fair will be back this summer for a four-day run Aug. 19-22. The county fair board recently OK'd the switch to the four-day fair.

## GSL seniors meld activities, athletics and academics

By Brianna Taggart

Staff Writer

From academics, athletics and the arts, Glencoe-Silver Lake High School seniors stay involved. However, two specific students are being honored for their outstanding involvement in all three.

Allie Gronlund and Nathan Warner were recently named GSL's Triple A Award honorees, which recognizes one boy and one girl from the senior class who excel in academics, athletics and the arts.

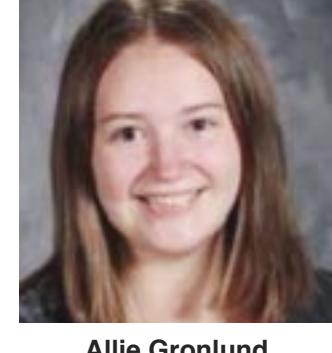
Gronlund has been involved in volleyball and track and field teams. She plays the baritone in the band, choir and chamber choir.

Warner has been involved in football, track and field, band, choir, chamber choir and jazz band.

Neither of them expected to win the award when they applied.

"I remember being in shock," Gronlund said when she learned she won. "I applied for this award, but I didn't think I was athletic enough to meet that criteria of this award, so it was certainly a wonderful surprise."

"I was very surprised when I found out," Warner said. "I didn't really think I was going to win."



Allie Gronlund

### Being a teammate

Warner's favorite part about being in sports is the competitive nature of it.

Gronlund likes to foster relationships on her teams by



Nathan Warner

### Life in the arts

getting to know more people.

"My favorite part about being an athlete is the relationships I build with my teammates," Gronlund said.

"Getting to bond and connect with others and to have them

in life is truly the greatest part about being an athlete and teammate."

### in life

Gronlund continues her love of relationships and strengthening bonds with people in band and choir.

She feels "blessed" to have music in her life and to have been able to participate in it so much.

Warner likes to see the finished product of their hard work.

"My favorite part is the performances and seeing everything come together," Warner said.

### A 'difficult choice'

GSL activities director Dean Schwirtz said a committee votes on who they think is the best to win the award based on the applications they receive from students.

"This is a very difficult choice every year because all the candidates would be great," Schwirtz said. "It would be very hard to say one thing over another was the reason that some person was given the award."

## UCAP income tax prep program begins this week

United Community Action Partnership (UCAP) announces it is administering its 15th annual Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program.

The program trains volunteers to prepare taxes for low-to-moderate income individuals and families at no cost. Taxpayers may work with UCAP to prepare their returns starting Jan. 26. The IRS announced its official filing season begins Feb. 12 so any returns prepared prior to this date will be submitted on or after this date.

More information about UCAP and its programs may be found by visiting UnitedCapMN.org or by calling 507-537-1416.

Tax preparation will be

done virtually this year as a safety precaution due to COVID-19. Tax documents may be submitted by program participants either online or in-person by appointment.

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