

Sartell-St. Stephen Newsleader

Friday, June 29, 2018
Volume 23, Issue 24
Est. 1995

Town Crier Newsleader to close for July 2-6

The Newsleader office will be closed July 2-6. The office will reopen on July 9 and we will resume publishing every other week beginning July 13. Editions will also be published July 27, Aug. 10 and Aug. 24. Visit our website daily for up-to-the-minute news coverage at thenewsleaders.com.

Senior Connection hosts Email 101

Email 101, a free workshop to learn the ins and outs of gmail, will be held from 9-10 a.m. Tuesday, July 10 in the Sartell Senior Center in the Sartell Community Center, 850 19th St S., Sartell. Call Ann at 320-253-4036 ext. 4 to reserve your spot.

Food for families this summer

Make a difference in our community by taking action. Collect food to support families this summer. Suggested items include the following: easy macaroni, oatmeal, peanut butter and jelly, canned soup, cereal and more. Foods that can be easily opened and prepared are the best. Contact one of the following to learn more: Catholic Charities Emergency Services at 320-229-4568; the Salvation Army at 320-252-1424 or CROSS Center at 320-968-7012.

Help sought in a variety of ways

Overcomers International Fellowship's goal is to end homelessness and hunger one person at a time and to alleviate human suffering in any way we can. They are looking for volunteers for several positions such as help with meals, projects, driver, café advocates and fundraising. Contact Overcomers International Fellowship at 320-656-1550.

Meal program seeks help

CentraCare Health is a not-for-profit health-care system that provides comprehensive, high-quality care to people throughout central Minnesota. Volunteers are needed to help take carts filled with pre-packaged meals for delivery to clients from the new kitchen area on Lower Level of the Plaza up to Prairie East Entrance for pickup by the Home Delivered Meals driver volunteers. Volunteers are needed 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Monday-Thursday. Contact Volunteer Services at 320-255-5638 or volunteer@centracare.com to learn more.

INSERT: St. Stephen newsletter

High satisfaction with education programs

by Dave DeMars
news@thenewsleaders.com

At its June 19 regular meeting, the Sartell-St. Stephen school board received reports on the Community Survey and on a year-old program called the Circle of Friends.

Kay Nelson, assistant superintendent of learning services, along with school officials Brenda Steve, Kurt Stumpf, Kip Lynk, Sara Nelson and Kris O'Brien shared the highlights of the 2017-18 District 748 Annual Community Survey.

While the survey was considered a success, it was noted the number of respondents this year is down by about half, from 1,118 in 2016-17 to 553 in 2017-18. Nelson said she did not have a good explanation as to why the drop occurred.

Eighty-six percent of respondents felt the level of services received for the dollars spent was well worth the cost.

Respondents were quite satisfied with the level of services in the key areas of reading, writing, math, social studies, art, music, physical education and health. Most often, respondents said the quality of education in primary and middle schools was good to excellent.

At the high school level, respondents continued to express a high degree of satisfaction with the programs offered. More programs such as theater, career technology and world languages are offered, and 90 percent of respondents said they would recommend their school's education system to others.

Education • page 3

Boy Scouts raise flags for July Fourth



photo by Mike Knaak

Scouts from Sartell's Troop 11 on June 25 raised armed services flags at four sites around Sartell to mark the July Fourth Holiday. Ilo Waldvogel hooks up the Marine Corp flag.

Hammond to spend junior year 'Down Under'

by Dennis Dalman
news@thenewsleaders.com

Ayleigh Hammond of Sartell will attend a year of high school "Down Under," in the nation of Australia.

For Hammond, who loves to travel and learn about foreign cultures, it's a dream come true.

The traveling-learning bug bit her in the summer before seventh grade when she had a chance to do some cultural-enrichment traveling in England and France. That experience was part of the Young Ambassadors exchange program.

Earlier this year, yearning to

travel and study abroad once again, Hammond did some internet research into the Council of International Educational Exchange.

"I wanted to go to an English-speaking country because I didn't think I could learn a language fast enough to do well in my studies," she said.

Finally, after more research, she had her heart set on Australia, a country she'd studied in seventh



Hammond

grade.

"I learned the people there are very friendly, and there is a lot of warm weather."

Hammond will leave July 8, first flying to Los Angeles International Airport, then boarding another plane for the very long flight to Australia. She will spend 10 months there, her junior year in high school, returning home April 26.

While attending school, she will live in Brisbane, a city on the island nation's southeast coast. Her host family she will live with is the Spriggs – parents Chris and Monique and their two daughters

– Victoria, 13; and Charlotte, 13.

"The mother works in some kind of office, and the dad is a coal miner," Thompson noted.

Thompson's own family is comprised of parents Kevin and Amy Hammond and her brothers Aiden, 17, and Keagan, 13.

Kevin is a funeral director at the Miller Carlin Funeral Home in St. Cloud, and Amy is assistant director of nursing at Country Manor in Sartell.

Kevin was born in England, Amy in North Dakota. They met at a summer camp, fell in love and married.

Hammond • page 5

Little dogs will have their day – in the shade



photo by Dennis Dalman

Small dogs will soon have shade to romp and play under, thanks to the eight fast-growing maple trees recently donated and planted in the "Small Dogs" half of the Central Pinecone Park's Dog Park in Sartell.

by Dennis Dalman
news@thenewsleaders.com

It's about time little dogs had their day – not in the sun but out of it.

That's what Kelly Thompson thought, and that's why she paid \$640 to get eight shade trees planted in the dog park in Sartell. Now the little dogs will have some shade to romp and play in, just like the big dogs do on their shady side of the park. As the little pooches romp near the new trees, they'll likely lift their legs in praise and gratitude.

The new trees, autumn-blaze maples – a

fast-growing kind – are 8 feet tall. Thompson bought them at cut-rate prices from Helmin Landscaping south of Rice. Two Sartell Public Works employees planted them and will tend them.

Thompson is thinking about buying eight more trees next year.

"I love the new trees," she said. "I can't wait to see how big they get and how beautiful they'll be in the fall."

The dogs, of course, love them too. They chase around them as if the line of maples is an obstacle course.

Thompson is the owner of

Dogs • page 3

People

Courtney Deters of Sartell received a Catholic United Financial scholarship.

Bradley Blommel of Sartell graduated in electrical technology from Minnesota State Community and Technical College.

Seven Sartell students graduated from North Dakota State University in Fargo.

The students are: Elizabeth Czeck, bachelor’s degree in environmental design and liberal arts degree in landscape architecture; Taylor Mareck bachelor’s in nursing; Kirsten Miller, doctorate in pharmacy; Alec Staiger, bachelor’s in mechanical engineering; Emma Stambaugh, bachelor’s in marketing; Jacob Wenzel, bachelor’s in industrial engineering and management; and Heather Yelle, bachelor’s in civil engineering. Mareck and Staiger graduated with honors for earning a minimum 3.5 grade-point average.

Nine Sartell students were named to the spring dean’s list at Concordia College, Moorhead. To qualify, a student must have a minimum 3.7 grade-point average.

The are the following: Megan Franz, Curt Koopmeiners, Candice Koopmeiners, Hannah Kosloski, Joshua Maricle-Roberts, Benjamin Maurer, Emma Mitzel, MacKenzie Nies and Alyssa Yapp.

Anna Miller of Sartell was named to the spring president’s

honor roll at Valley City (N.D.) State University. To qualify for the honor roll, a student needs to maintain a 4.0 grade-point average.

Two Sartell High School graduates were named to the spring dean’s list at Minnesota State University, Moorhead. They are Kia Grindland, majoring in elementary inclusive education, and Olivia Garner, majoring in graphic design. To qualify for the dean’s list, a student must earn a minimum 3.25 grade-point average.

Five Sartell students were named to the spring dean’s list at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire. They are Elizabeth Botz, Kelsey Frank, Nicole Lindmeier, Addison Rengel and Emma Zenzen.

Five Sartell students were named to the spring dean’s list at Iowa State University, Ames. They are Taylor Buske, Aaron McNabb Evans, Allison Fiedler Juntunen, Phillip Misterman and Austin Pietrowski. To be named to the dean’s list, a student needs to maintain a minimum 3.5 grade-point average.

Four Sartell students graduated with bachelor’s degrees from Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter. They are Spencer Kight, mathematics and statistics; Elisabeth McCabe, summa cum laude in elementary education; Elizabeth Toebe, psychological science; and Mat-

thew Vierzba, cum laude in political science. Commencement was held June 2.

Alexander Stidmon, son of Kimberly and Michael Stidmon of Sartell, earned a bachelor’s degree in nursing from Northwestern College, St. Paul.

Six Sartell students were named to the spring dean’s at Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter. Dean’s list students need to maintain at least a minimum 3.7 grade-point average. They are Spencer Kight, Lindsey Martens, Tianna Raden, Laura Schwichtenberg, Elizabeth Toebe and Michael Volgman-Mercuri.

Twenty-two Sartell-St. Stephen High School graduates earned academic honors during spring semester at St. Cloud Technical & Community College. President’s list students maintain a 4.0 grade-point average and dean’s list students maintain at least a 3.5 grade-point average.

President’s list students are Jennifer Hallerman from St. Stephen and Kenneth Cruze, Tyler Elness, Jacquelyn Middendorf, Nathan Nierenhansen, Jessica Potzmann, Abigail Silman, Abigail Swenson and Sandra Tabor all of Sartell. Dean’s list students from Sartell are Kaiya Anderson, Piper Berndt, Jessica Kinkaid, Olivia Lamont, Luke Payne, Matthew Raven, Mitchell Rolek, Kather-

ine Ronyak, Ann Stang, Colin Stevens, Melissa Thompson, Jake Welle and Andrew Wensman.

Thirty-four Sartell students were named to spring dean’s list at St. Cloud State University. To be eligible, students must have a grade-point average of at least 3.75. They are Wendy Albjerg, Thomas Bevans, Courtney Boe, Hannah Carey, Katherine Cashman, Jessica Condon, Tyler Cronquist, Lauren Ditmarson, Paige Elyea, Kayla Ferraro, Alicia Freihammer, Arielle Gapinski, Alexis Haas, Gabrielle Hagen, Donovan Hample, Jordan Heinen, Sara Higgins, Anna Hince, Luke Kessler, Meghan Kirby, Christine Koch, Christopher Leach, Nicholas Lengyel, Ethan Licht, Donovan Magney, Joseph Miller, Jonathan Oleson, Maggie Powers, Laurie Robles Ramirez, Hannah Rodness, Kristi Silvers, Mikayla Stockinger, Jeffrey Van Slooten and Daniel Wilson.

Two Sartell students recently graduated from Iowa State University, Ames. The students are: Aaron Evans, bachelor’s in industrial design, Honors Program member, magna cum laude; and Allison Juntunen, bachelor’s in biology.

Three Sartell-St. Stephen students were recently named to the spring dean’s list at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse. To be eligible, stu-

dents must earn a minimum 3.5 grade-point average. The students are: Hannah Yackley, St. Stephen, microbiology; and Sartell students Haley Klundt, an economics major; and Taylor Pasell, a communication studies major with an organizational and professional-communication emphasis.

Seven Sartell students have been named to the spring dean’s list at the University of Minnesota, Duluth. Students on the dean’s list have achieved a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher.

The students are: Laurana Deuel, senior, civil engineering; Mackenzie Krueger, freshman, theatre; Bret Burggraff, junior, theater; Nate Miller, junior, computer science; Rachael Solarz, sophomore, mathematics; Trevor Rath, sophomore, mechanical engineering; and Wyatt Hill, junior, biochemistry.

Clarification

A June 15 feature story about a Sartell family that fasts during Ramadan needs a clarification. Zurya Anjum, who was interviewed for the story, buys dates to distribute at the mosque at the end of Ramadan, but the money she uses to buy the dates is raised by a local organization known as UniteCloud, which promotes kindness, understanding, and ethnic and religious diversity in the central Minnesota area.

Caeley Anderson and Makenna Privratsky of Sartell received their Minnesota Music Teachers Association Challenge Award trophies at the spring piano recital May 13 at St. Francis Xavier Gathering Place.

Both girls have participated in numerous MMTA programs to achieve their Challenge Award trophies. It takes four to five years to achieve this goal.



contributed photo

Caeley Anderson and Makenna Privratsky received their MMTA Challenge Awards.

BUSINESS DIRECTORY

AUTO BODY REPAIR

Auto Body 2000

(behind Coborn’s in the Industrial Park)

St. Joseph • 320-363-1116

LAWN SERVICE

Craig’s Lawn Service

Craig Bertram, Owner

St. Joseph • 320-290-4811

PUBLISHING

Von Meyer Publishing

32 1st Ave. NW

St. Joseph • 320-363-7741

www.thenewsleaders.com

TRUCKING

Brenny Transportation, Inc.

Global Transportation Service

St. Joseph • 320-363-6999

www.brennytransportation.com

Call the Sartell-St. Stephen Newsleader at 320-363-7741 if you would like to be in the Business Directory.

Sartell-St. Stephen • St. Joseph

Newsleaders

Reaching EVERYbody!

Newsstands

Coborn’s - Riverside

Country Manor

Country Store & Pharmacy

Hardee’s

Holiday on 7th

Holiday - Riverside

House of Pizza

Kwik Trip

Little Dukes - Pinecone

Sartell City Hall

School District Offices

SuperAmerica

Walgreens

www.thenewsleaders.com

Published each Friday by Von Meyer Publishing Inc.

Publisher/Owner Janelle Von Pinnon	Editor Mike Knaak	Delivery John Herring
Designer Patric Lewandowski	Assignment Editor Carolyn Bertsch	

Newsleader staff members have the responsibility to report news fairly and accurately and are accountable to the public. Readers who feel we’ve fallen short of these standards are urged to call the Newsleader office at 320-363-7741. If matters cannot be resolved locally, readers are encouraged to take complaints to the Minnesota News Council, an independent agency designed to improve relationships between the public and the media and resolve conflicts. The council office may be reached at 612-341-9357.

P.O. Box 324 • St. Joseph, Minn. 56374

Phone: (320) 363-7741 • Fax: (320) 363-4195 • E-mail: news@thenewsleaders.com

POSTMASTER: Send address changes to ST. JOSEPH NEWSLEADER, P.O. Box 324, St. Joseph, MN 56374.

People



contributed photo
The DeZurik team

Project ASTRIDE was selected as the nonprofit recipient of funds raised at the 8th annual DeZurik and Brenny Trucking Walk & Run. The walk/run is part of the wellness program for their employees

and it’s benefited several local nonprofits throughout the years. The event was April 28 and approximately 120 participated. Project ASTRIDE received \$5,000 from the event.

Education

from front page

The school board also received a report from students and advisors about a program called Circle of Friends, which began a year ago. Circle of Friends tries to provide a supportive environment for all students so they can take advantage of opportunities. It tries to foster healthy relationships among students.

“The program has paid off in so many different ways,” said Lori Connelly, special-education teacher. “We wanted to figure out how to instill in students a sense of belonging, and how we could provide opportunities for our children in special-needs classrooms with children who are in general-education classrooms.”

While some kids may have special requirements because of physical or academics, they have the same social and emotional needs as anyone else in the school building, Connelly explained. That includes a sense that they belong. It also means having friends to do things with such as sitting together at a lunch table rather than being segregated.

Three students (Annabelle Tautges, Madison Claseman, Abby Sieben) read statements to the board explaining how their involvement with the Circle of Friends program has affected their lives and view of

the world.

“The program Circle of Friends has created bonds that will never break,” student Abby Sieben said.

“Circle of Friends has made me a better person and a better friend because it taught me not to leave people out,” Madison Claseman said.

“It’s made me have a really cool, super friend that is super funny,” said Annebelle Tautges.

Other business

Other board business included reports and updates on items such as enrollment for the past year; the end-of-the-year balancing of the student-activity account; the review of the solar-garden contract; an update on the construction of the new high school; and the superintendent’s report on security, safety, and discussion briefly of the contract of the district with Trobec’s Bus Service.

In action items the board approved a number of items such as personnel changes, fundraising activity, renewal of the milk contract, increase in pay for lawn maintenance, appointing new student representatives and approval of Superintendent Jeff Schwiebert’s appraisal. The board also approved the start of the budgeting process for 2018-19, a Fiscal Compliance and Procedures Manual, Minnesota State High School League membership and a management plan for lead in the water system.

Dogs

from front page

Knotty Paws, a dog-grooming shop in Sartell.

“I love dogs,” she said. “I love all animals.”

She’s been a dog-park enthusiast from the get-go, ever since she heard about an effort to construct one about five years ago in Pinecone Central Park in Sartell. She chipped in money to the many fundraisers by a dedicated group of dog owners at that time. Finally, with those funds and funds provided by the city of Sartell, fencing was installed around a large rectangular patch of land near the entrance to Central Park.

“People really don’t know how well that dog park is being used,” Thompson said. “We and our dogs are very happy to have it. On cooler days, there will typically be about 30 to 40 dogs in the dog park.”

Earlier this year, Thompson was fostering her daughter, Kelsie’s dog, Harley, for awhile. Harley is a miniature poodle that loves to run and chase critters. Thompson also has a very old dog named Marcus, a Maltese poodle. She would bring those dogs for recreation in the dog park. But she quickly learned how afraid they were to hang out in the shade with the big dogs on the big-dog side. At the park there are two separate areas, fenced off from each other – a partly shaded big-dog side and a shadeless small-dog side.

“Marcus would jump up on my lap, scared to death, if a big dog would chase him,” she said.

As a result, the smaller dogs, including Marcus, would have to play on the opposite side of the park – the hot, sunny side.

“That’s when I decided trees are needed,” Thompson said.

At one time, Thompson was a licensed cosmetologist, but then dogs became a priority, thanks to a friend of Thompson’s, Sandy Skaja who is an expert dog groomer. She taught Thompson the fine art of dog-grooming, and one day in 2013 Thompson decided to open her own

business. She now has five full-time employees and is seeking two more.

She lives in an apartment building on Pinecone Road right across the street from Pinecone Central Park, very near her Knotty Paws grooming business.

She has also noticed another need at the dog park for all dogs who visit there – little, medium, big. A need for water.

“We don’t need anything fancy,” she said. “Just a water faucet or a pump of some kind. I’ve been told it will take from \$2,000 to \$3,000 to hook up water to the dog park.”

Thompson and others plan to do some more fundraising to get the water there.



PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF ST. STEPHEN
NOTICE: CHANGE
IN MEETING DATE

The City of St. Stephen City Council will hold its business meeting on Wednesday, July 11, 2018 due to the July 4th holiday. Motion made by Danita Traut, seconded by Gene Skaj and carried. The meeting will begin at its regular time, 6:30 p.m.
/s/ Cris M Drais
City of St. Stephen City Clerk

Dated: June 12, 2018

Publish:
June 15 and June 29, 2018

PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF SARTELL
NOTICE OF HEARING ON IMPROVEMENT
TO CELEBRATION NEIGHBORHOOD

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Sartell will meet at 6 p.m. Monday, July 9, 2018, in the Council Chambers of the City Hall to consider the improvement to the Celebration Neighborhood and 20th Avenue area drainage and alleys pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§ 429.011 to 429.111.

The area proposed to be assessed for such improvement is the parcels abutting and benefiting from the proposed drainage and alley

improvements. The estimated cost of the improvement is \$1,085,984 to \$373,309, depending on the alternative to be selected by the Council. A reasonable estimate of the impact of the assessment will be available at the hearing. Such persons as desire to be heard with reference to the proposed improvement will be heard at this meeting.

Mary Degiovanni
City Administrator

Publish: June 15 & 29, 2018

PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF SARTELL
PUBLIC HEARING
RENTAL DWELLINGS, FEE SCHEDULE AND
KEY BOX INSTALLATION ORDINANCES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the City of Sartell will be holding a public hearing on Monday, July 9, 2018, at 6:00 P.M., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, at the Sartell City Hall, for the purpose of updating the City Code of Ordinances regarding repeal of Key Box Installation ordinance; amendment and restatement of the City’s Rental Dwellings Ordinance; and amendment of the City’s Fee Schedule Ordinance. Copies of the pro-

posed ordinances are available for review at the city clerk’s office or on the City website at www.sartellmn.com.

All interested persons are invited to attend to voice their opinion. Written comments will be accepted until the date of the hearing.

Mary Degiovanni
City Administrator

Publish: June 29, 2018

**Full- and part-time
DRIVER WANTED
FOR MILK TRUCK**

Class A. Lic. & Tanker
Endorsement and two years
driving experience needed

Call 7 a.m.-4 p.m.
Monday-Friday
320-266-2268

TRUSTED Services for Older Adults

Let Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota find you a trusted companion today! Companions are invested in providing older adults support to continue living at home, stay healthy and remain as independent as possible.

Call Janel at 320.241.5173 to find your companion today.

www.lssmn.org | Janel.heinen@lssmn.org

Revier Window Washing
Jacob & Zach Revier

Call today for your free quote!
320-579-1411

Find us on Facebook!

Blotter

If you have a tip concerning a crime, call the Sartell Police Department at 320-251-8186 or Tri-County Crime Stoppers at 320-255-1301, or access its tip site at tricountycrimestoppers.org. Crime Stoppers offers rewards up to \$1,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of those responsible for a crime. This information is submitted by the Sartell Police Department.

June 6

5:34 p.m. Domestic. Riverside Avenue S. Officers were dispatched to take a report of an assault that had occurred at a residence on June 4. Officers arrived on scene and met with the female complainant. She stated to officers on Monday she and her boyfriend began an argument that became physical. She explained she was choked in the garage by her boyfriend. Officers met with the man who denied the assault but stated the argument did occur. He claimed the only thing physical that had occurred was he pushed her. Officers obtained photographs and additional evidence. Charges of fifth-degree assault are pending.

June 7

6:46 p.m. Traffic stop. Bridge of Hope. While on patrol, an officer observed a vehicle near the intersection of Hwy. 15 and CR 120 that

didn't have a front license plate displayed. The officer conducted a stop on the vehicle for this violation. The officer met with the driver and identified him as being under the age of 18. As the driver was reaching over to the glove box to look for proof of insurance, the officer observed what appeared to be a bottle of nicotine juice behind his back as if he was hiding it. The officer asked the driver to give him the bottle and he did. The officer identified the bottle as nicotine juice for an e-cigarette. The officer asked if there was anything else in the vehicle and the driver stated no. The officer conducted a search of the vehicle and located a second empty bottle of nicotine juice and an e-cigarette. Because the driver was under the age of 18, the items were contraband and seized. The officer made contact with the guardians of the driver and released him with a warning.

June 8

6:03 a.m. Medical. An officer was dispatched for a report of an elderly woman who had fallen and was unable to get up. The officer arrived on scene and assessed the patient. The officer was able to get the woman into a seated position and she stated she had a pain rated at an eight out of 10 in her back. She also stated she was having difficulty breath-

ing. The officer provided oxygen and administered a stroke scale. Gold Cross Ambulance arrived and took over care. The officer assisted with loading the patient for transport to St. Cloud Hospital.

June 9

7:25 a.m. Theft from vehicle. Twin Rivers Court. An officer was dispatched for a report of a theft from a vehicle that had occurred overnight. The officer arrived and observed a pickup parked on the east side of the building. She observed the driver-side rear window was broken out and glass was on the ground and inside the vehicle. The owner of the vehicle arrived and observed three guns had been stolen from the truck. The officer received serial numbers from each gun and entered them in as stolen. The incident is under investigation.

June 10

9:34 p.m. Traffic stop. 21 CR120. While on patrol an officer was stopped at the intersection of Hwy. 15 and CR 1. Stopped in front of him was a sedan. The officer ran a routine license-plate check on the vehicle and observed the male registered owner was revoked. The officers observed the driver was male and conducted a stop as the vehicle pulled into the Walmart parking lot. The officer met with the driver and identified him as the registered owner. The male provided a driver's license that was expired and stated he had no insurance. The driver was released after being cited for driving after revocation and no insurance. The vehicle was parked and the male was advised he needed insurance on it before it could be moved.

June 11

5:43 p.m. Traffic stop. Seventh Avenue S./Heritage Drive. While on routine patrol and traveling Brianna Drive, an officer observed a vehicle proceed around a construction barricade at Leander Avenue and Brianna Drive. The officer proceeded to catch up to the vehicle which proceeded west on Heritage Drive. The officer conducted a stop on the vehicle at Seventh Avenue S. and Heritage Drive. The officer met with the driver and asked her if she knew why he had stopped her. She stated because the road was closed. The driver provided her license and proof of insurance on the vehicle. She was released after being issued a citation for violating a barricade.

June 12

12:46 a.m. Suspicious vehicle. 1109 First St. S. While on patrol, an officer located a parked vehicle in the Ber-

nick's Arena. The officer observed the vehicle was unoccupied and the windows were rolled down. While checking the vehicle, the officer was approached by a juvenile male and female who were on the nearby walking path. Both juveniles were identified and their parents contacted. Both juveniles were verbally warned for violating curfew. The male was released to drive the vehicle home and the female was transported to her residence in the city.

June 13

5:52 a.m. Traffic stop. Riverside Avenue S. and Edgewater Lane. While turning onto CR 1 to go north from southbound Hwy. 15, an officer observed a sedan driving at a high rate of speed. It appeared the vehicle was increasing in speed to beat the red light. As the vehicle continued on CR 1, the officer observed the vehicle weaving in and out of its lane passing multiple vehicles. The officer caught up to the vehicle and initiated a traffic stop for the driving conduct. The officer made contact with the driver and was informed he didn't have a license. The officer identified the driver and learned his driving license had been suspended. The officer issued the driver a citation for driving after revocation. He was warned for the driving conduct. The vehicle was parked in a nearby lot and the driver called for a ride.

June 14

11:06 a.m. Medical. 627 Third Ave. N. An officer was dispatched for a medical at the Sartell Middle School. Upon arrival the officer met with the male patient and a good samaritan. The officer learned the man had been washing the windshield of a school bus when he slipped and fell striking his head on the asphalt. The man was conscious but appeared disoriented. Paramedics arrived and conducted an assessment. A large bump was observed on the back of the man's head. Paramedics decided it was best to have the man checked out at the hospital. The officer assisted with loading the patient for transport to St. Cloud Hospital.

June 15

1:01 p.m. Fire alarm. Fourth Avenue S. An officer was dispatched to a local apartment complex for a report of a fire. While en route, the officer was informed smoke was filling the main floor hallway. The officer arrived and learned the smoke was coming from burned food in a resident's apartment. The fire was out upon the officer's arrival. The resident stated she was making ribs in the oven and started a grease fire. Fire-

fighters arrived and ventilated the building.

June 16

9:56 p.m. Domestic. 21 CR 120. Officers were dispatched to Walmart for a report of a man and a woman arguing in the parking lot. An officer arrived on scene and could hear arguing outside a recreational trailer. Officers made contact with the man and woman inside the trailer. Both stated the argument was only verbal and at no point became physical. Officers observed no signs of injuries or a fight. Both stated they wanted nothing done and agreed to leave each other alone for the remainder of the evening.

June 17

6:09 a.m. Traffic stop. CR 78 and Riverside Avenue S. While running stationary radar and facing south in the 300 block of Riverside Avenue S., an officer observed a sedan approach his location at what appeared to be a high rate of speed. The officer activated his radar and received a reading of 47 mph in a posted 30-mph zone. The officer stopped the vehicle for the violation. The officer made contact with the driver and told her the reason for the stop. She admitted to speeding but didn't know how fast. The driver provided valid licensing and proof of insurance. She was released after being issued a citation for speed.

June 18

10:44 p.m. Warrant arrest. Riverside Avenue. While stopped at the intersection of CR 78 and Second Street S., an officer ran a routine license-plate check on a vehicle. The officer received a hit for a warrant on the male registered owner of the vehicle. The officer initiated a stop on the vehicle as it pulled into the Riverboat Depot. The officer met with the driver and identified him as the registered owner. The man was advised of his misdemeanor warrant and was taken into custody. He was transported to Stearns County Jail without incident.

June 19

11:30 a.m. Medical. Officers were dispatched for a report of a female resident who was not breathing well. Upon arrival, officers observed the woman in substantial respiratory distress. Gold Cross Ambulance arrived on scene and conducted an assessment. The woman's extremities were cold and purplish. Officers assisted with loading the patient into the ambulance and then assisted paramedics with intubating the patient. She was transported to St. Cloud Hospital.

EXPLORE...LEARN...CONNECT...

Reading takes you Everywhere!

SUMMER READING PROGRAM

JUNE 11 THROUGH AUGUST 11

Visit your branch of Great River Regional Library to sign up.

GREAT RIVER REGIONAL LIBRARY

Find more information at <http://www.griver.org/summer-reading-program/kids>

St. Cloud Public Library • 1300 W. St. Germain St. • 320-650-2500

Waite Park Public Library • 253 N. 5th Ave. • 320-253-9359



contributed photo

Ayleigh Hammond, during her school year in Australia, will stay with the Spriggs family, who lives near Brisbane. The parents are Chris and Monique. The daughters are Charlotte (left) and Victoria (right).

Hammond

from front page

Hammond is very active in school and extracurriculars. She has participated in track and field sports of shotput and discus and in Nordic skiing and soccer. Her favorite subjects are math and science, and she hopes to work in the field of engineering after college. She is especially thrilled about studying in Australia because it's an ideal place to learn about marine biology, a subject she highly enjoys.

She admits she might get a bit

lonesome for family and friends. "I'll miss them," she said. "But at the same time, I'm really excited and happy about this amazing opportunity. It's a once-in-a-lifetime experience. It will be so exciting to meet new people and get to know my second family. I'm sure I will get a fuller view of the world, like I did on my trip to Europe, and studying in Australia will help me grow as a person."

There is a gofundme page to help Hammond with some of the expenses of her trip. Go to gofundme, then in the search bar type Ayleigh Hammond. There will be a pop-up called "Ayleigh's Study Abroad Experience." Click on that.

Strong finish for fourth-graders



photos by Carolyn Bertsch

Evie Lolmasteymaugh, 10, takes flight over a sandpit May 25 during the long-jump competition at the Pine Meadow Elementary School fourth-grade track-and-field event. In the background, teammate Sophia Savage, 10, applauds.



Teabella Downare, Avery Douglas and Molly Chappell, all age 10, enthusiastically cheer for their teammates from the bleachers May 25 during the annual Pine Meadow Elementary School fourth-grade track-and-field event.



Fourth-grader Amina Khan, 10, cools off May 25 at the annual Pine Meadow Elementary School track- and-field event.

GET *Summer-Ready.*
1 MONTH FREE¹ MAKES EASY!
GET STARTED NOW AND YOUR FIRST MONTH is *Free!*



Chris Hawkey
Country musician & KFAN host
LOST 18 LBS.²
HIS 1ST MONTH
Total loss 53 lbs.

Look what Chris and Sara did in their FIRST MONTH.
You can do it too!

"Once you start, it's going to come off quickly. You start making improvement. The smile gets bigger and life gets better!" —Chris Hawkey

- Medifast is the program that works:
- Recommended by 20,000 doctors since 1980
 - Clinically proven results
 - Private one-on-one support
 - Supported by Nutritionists and Registered Dietitians
 - Plans customized just for you



Sara
St. Cloud, MN
LOST 20 LBS.²
HER 1ST MONTH
Total loss 99 lbs.

1 MONTH *Free*
IS A LIMITED TIME OFFER!
DON'T WAIT. CALL NOW.

1-855-RESULTS | MedifastMN.com
216 Division Street | St. Cloud, MN 56387



Council revisits Celebration problems yet again

by Dennis Dalman

news@thenewsleaders.com

Although it wasn't officially, legally a public hearing, some residents of Sartell's Celebration neighborhood attended the June 11 City Council meeting to share their concerns about severe drainage problems that have been plaguing the neighborhood for years.

An official public hearing is scheduled for the city council meeting on Monday, July 9. The council is expected to make a final decision on how to fix the problems at Celebration.

The reason June 11 could not be deemed an official, legal public hearing is because the notice of public hearing by law had to be published in a newspaper twice before the hearing can be considered legal. The city's designated newspaper for printing legal notices is the Sartell Newsleader. Due to a Newsleader error, the second legal notice for the public hearing wasn't published.

At the June 11 meeting,

Celebration residents told the council of their struggles with drainage problems, especially in the winter months when water will not drain and puddles up, freezing particularly in alleys. The slippery surfaces are an ever-present danger, residents noted. Some residents use sump pumps to get rid of the water, but they too can and do freeze up, compounding the frustrations. Council members Ryan Fitzthum and Mike Chisum are both residents of Celebration.

The council has long been aware of the drainage problems in that neighborhood. City staff and the city's engineering firm's officials met with Celebration residents this past January. On Feb. 12, the city authorized the firm of Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc. to do a feasibility study to determine options for improving the situation.

The completed study lists five options, with costs ranging from \$373,300 to \$1,086,000. City staff is in favor of the \$373,300 option, which is Al-

ternate 1 of five alternates, each with varying costs. Alternate 1 calls for milling and overlay of the affected alleys, as well as other drainage improvements involving drain tiles. The city would pay for the project from its street fund, but residents would also pay some assessments based on which alternative they favor. Per-residence assessment costs would be about \$800 per home for the tiling/drainage improvements.

Some residents have been critical of the developer building on that land when drainage problems should have been anticipated. However, the SEH study noted when Celebration was built, about two decades ago, the developer did, in fact, follow the city standards and design requirements of that time.

The council, with input from Celebration residents, will make a decision at the July 9 public hearing, and the improvement project is expected to be completed this year.

Muskies wallop Lumberjacks

by Dave DeMars

news@thenewsleaders.com

June 20 was a perfect night for baseball and the Sartell Muskies took advantage of that fact by crushing the Foley Lumberjacks 13-4 in the first Hall of Fame game.

Prior to the beginning of the game, the Muskies honored five couples because the spouses of former players had as much to do with the success of the Muskies as the players themselves. Thus, they were all honored by inducting them into the Sartell Muskie Hall of Fame.

Founded in 1979, these five couples, Larry (Rip) and Millie Rassier, Urban and Dorothy Frank, Larry and Aggie Traut, Lu and Dave Guggenberger Sr., and Jim and Marge Ohotto were instrumental in starting the original Muskie team and seeing to it the team continued to thrive and be successful.

Millie Rassier, Aggie Traut and Dave Guggenberger Sr. are deceased. For that dedication, the Muskies inducted their founders into the HOF and then, in fitting fashion, trounced the Foley Lumberjacks.

The Muskies jumped out to a quick lead in the first inning with Ethan Carlson planting a long double off the fence and then scoring on a bone-jarring play at the plate. The Muskies scored two more in the first and it stood at 3-0. Austin Gohl was on the hill for the Muskies against a thin Foley lineup.

"Austin battled through a couple of rough spots," said manager Randy Beckstrom, "but he finished strong in his final inning, which is what I wanted him to do. He's become a solid pitcher and a big part of the team."

Foley scored one run in the second, then knotted the game 3-3 in the fourth inning. It

looked to be a cat fight the rest of the night, but the Muskies, with the help of a Lumberjack error and some strategic hitting, rang up five runs of their own in the bottom of the fourth inning giving them an 8-3 lead.

From there on the Muskies never looked back as Gohl turned in six solid innings of pitching. He was relieved in the sixth by Max Koprek.

Jake Sweeter, who had been swinging the sweet stick for the Muskies, seemed to be stymied. Most of the night saw Sweeter give Lumberjack fielders eye-strain with high-floating pop-ups. But in the bottom of the sixth, Sweeter found the sweet spot on the bat and drove the ball over 350 feet into the grove of trees beyond the left field fence making it 9-3.

"He's really been tearing it up this year," Beckstrom said. "He's having a great season."

It looked like Koprek was in a little trouble in the seventh inning, but the Muskies turned a crucial double play and stifled the Foley challenge. Always looking to score more runs, the Muskies managed to put up four more in the bottom of the seventh inning making the score 12-3.

Foley managed to score one more run in the eighth and the Muskies managed another run to match it. Final score was 13-4 Muskies with Austin Gohl notching up a win in the first annual HOF game.

"This was a really fun game," Beckstrom said, "especially with this being the Hall of Fame game. It was a great honor for those being inducted into the Hall of Fame and obviously we played well last night and hit the ball great and it was a nice victory."

For pictures from the Hall of Fame game, visit thenewsleaders.com

Absentee voting for primary begins June 29

Absentee voting for the Aug. 14 primary election begins Friday, June 29.

Stearns added a second location to file absentee ballots this year.

The new location is License Center West at Stearns County Service Center in Waite Park.

The license center is at 3301

CR 138. Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Absentee voting will also take place in the Stearns County Auditor's Office in the Stearns County Administration Building, Room 148, 705 Courthouse Square, downtown St. Cloud. Hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through

Friday.

Voters can apply for absentee ballots online at mnvotes.org. Absentee balloting can also be done by mail.

Contact the auditor/treasurer's office at 320-656-3290 or elections@co.stearns.mn.us to have an application faxed or mailed.




THANK YOU TO OUR 2018 TITLE SPONSORS




AUG 10TH

FRIDAY @ 11:30^{AM}

BLACKBERRY
RIDGE G.C.

\$100 | \$125

PER PLAYER | HOLE SPONSOR

FOR MORE INFORMATION
PLEASE CALL:

JEREMY (320) 281-9228

All proceeds go to support Sabres Athletics and continue the great tradition of the Sartell Sabres! We are proud to bring back the Sartell Sabres All Sport Booster Club Golf Tournament to Blackberry Ridge Golf Course in 2018! This is a best ball scramble with a shotgun start at 11:30. (registration starts @ 10:30) We want to say THANK YOU to all of our 2018 sponsors, log on today and sign up a team or sponsor @

www.birdeasepro.com/sabresgolf



of Clear Lake

Pick-Your-Own or Fresh-Already Picked

HOMEGROWN STRAWBERRIES!

Call our Berry Information Line **320-743-3384** for picking conditions or directions.

www.Graysonsberryland.com

Drive to Minnesota Hwy. 24, turn North at the Clearwater exit or South at the Clear Lake exit and follow the signs to County Road 8.

For the finest in strawberries, try

GRAYSON'S

Find us on



OPEN:

Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-6 p.m.
Saturday 8 a.m.-3 p.m.
Sunday 8 a.m.-Noon



photos by Jenny McDermond



Tuesday, July 3

5:00 p.m.

Bingo, Games, Food and Refreshments (on parish grounds)

5:50 p.m.

Festival Opening Prayer

6:00 p.m.

Free “Joetown Rocks” Concert

6:00 p.m.

All Saints Academy Students

6:15 p.m.

The Future

7:15 p.m.

The Killer Vees

8:50 p.m.

The Midtown Men

10:15 p.m.

Fireworks sponsored by Bernick’s

10:30 p.m.

Brat Pack Radio

Church of

St. Joseph Parish

July 4th

Celebration

Wednesday, July 4

10:00 a.m.

Parade sponsored by the Lions Club

11:00 a.m.

Bingo, Games, Food and Refreshments (on parish grounds)

11:30 a.m.

Live Music: Smok’N Guns Band

1:30 p.m.

Quilt Auction

3:30 p.m.

Raffle Drawing

*Festival events held at
12 W. Minnesota St.*

www.churchstjoseph.org

This advertisement is sponsored by the following businesses:

Auto Body 2000

(behind Coborn’s in the Industrial Park)
St. Joseph • 320-363-1116

Bee Line Service Center

Auto Truck & RV Repair
Hwy. 75 • St. Joseph • 320-363-1433
beelineservice.com

BoDiddley’s Deli

Downtown St. Joseph • 320-363-7200
25th Ave. S. • 320-252-9475
bodiddleysdeli.com

Brenny Specialized Transportation

8505 Ridgewood Road • St. Joseph
320-363-6999
brennytransportation.com

Church of St. Joseph

12 W. Minnesota St. • St. Joseph
320-363-7505
churchstjoseph.org

Drs. Styles, Cotton & Milbert, D.D.S.

1514 E. Minnesota St. • St. Joseph
320-363-7729 • stjoedds.com

**Finken Water Treatment,
Plumbing, Heating & Cooling**

628 19th Ave. NE • St. Joseph
320-363-4617 • finkens.com

Pediatric Dentistry

Dr. Sarah Welch • Dr. Ashley Turrittin
151 19th St. S. • Sartell • 320-229-2222
sartellkids.com

Resurrection Lutheran Church

610 N. CR 2 • St. Joseph
320-363-4232 • rlcstjoe.com

**St. Joseph Area
Chamber Of Commerce**

St. Joseph • 320-433-1043
stjosephchamber.com

St. Joseph Liquor Shoppe

225 E. Cedar St. • St. Joseph
320-363-8636
Open July 4 from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.

St. Joseph Meat Market

26 First Ave. N.W. • St. Joseph
320-363-4913 • Facebook us!
stjosephmeatmarket.com

Scherer & Sons Trucking

1007-1/2 E. Minnesota St. • St. Joseph
320-363-8846 • scherertrucking.com

**Sisters of the Order
of Saint Benedict**

104 Chapel Lane • St. Joseph
320-363-7100 • sbm.osb.org

Stearns Bank

We Get the Job Done!
4191 Second St. S. • St. Cloud
320-253-6607 • stearnsbank.com

**Stearns County Abstract
& Title Co.**

320-251-5920
stearnscountyabstract.com

Taco John’s

211 C.R. 75 W. • St. Joseph
320-557-0557

Trobec’s Bus Service Inc.

*Now Hiring School Bus
& Motorcoach Drivers!*
St. Stephen • 320-251-1202
trobecsbus.com

Welch Dental Care

Dr. Courtney Welch DDS
151 19th St. S., Ste. B • Sartell
320-229-2233 • welchdentalcare.com

Candidate Andel wants to nurture city strengths

by Dennis Dalman

news@thenewsleaders.com

For the past couple of years, Brady Andel had been wondering how he could help out a city he loves – Sartell.

His wife, friends and acquaintances encouraged him to file for a position on the Sartell City Council. Recently he did just that – signed an affidavit for candidacy at city hall.

“This is a great city,” he

said “It’s a great place to live and a great place to conduct business.”

Andel has been a Sartell resident for 17 years. Raised in Foley, he graduated from St. Cloud State University in 2001 with a degree in business administration and management. For 10 years he



Andel

was an accounts manager for CH Robinson. Since 2015 he has been an agency owner for Armstrong Transport Group, a transportation logistics company whose headquarters are in Charlotte, N.C.

“I think two of Sartell’s greatest strengths are its schools and its churches and how they promote a strong community,” Andel said. “I want them to remain strong, and we have to keep promoting Sartell

as a business-friendly city and promote more growth.”

As a longtime city resident, Andel is keenly aware of how Sartell has experienced a huge burst of growth in just a couple of decades, and there have been and will be challenges associated with continued growth, he said. Infrastructure and setting priorities for such projects will be of prime importance if he is elected to the council, Andel said.

“I would take a common-sense approach to issues that may arise,” he added. “These are exciting times for Sartell.”

Andel’s wife, Jill, is director of the honors program at St. Cloud State University. They have two children – Brooke, 15, and Carson, 11.

One of Andel’s avid hobbies is golf, and it’s a hobby he shares with his entire family.

Elness files for city council seat

by Dennis Dalman

news@thenewsleaders.com

Business developer Tim Elness filed as a candidate for a city-council position, one of three open seats on the council to be determined in the Nov. 6 election.

Those three contested positions are for mayor and for two council members. Current Sartell Mayor Sarah Jane Nicoll announced she will not file for re-election.

The other open seats are now held by David Peterson and Pat Lynch. Peterson announced he will file for the mayoral position, as did Ryan Fitzthum, whose council seat is not up for election.

The second council-member position is now occupied by Pat Lynch, who has not yet announced a bid for re-election, at least not as of Newsleader press-time Wednesday morning.

Elness said he decided to file as a candidate because he has a good understanding of



Davis

Sartell, having served on the Sartell Planning Commission for two years and as a member of the board of the Sartell Chamber of Commerce. He is also a Sartell firefighter, having joined the department two years ago.

Elness is vice president of business development for W. Gohman Construction Co., based in St. Joseph. Formerly of Minneapolis, Gohman moved to Sartell four years ago with his wife, Cathy, and their three children: Benjamin, 17; Grace, 14; and Lily, 12. The family lives on Sartell’s Cougar Lane.

Even before moving to Sartell, Elness commuted from South Minneapolis to his job in St. Joseph for W. Gohman Construction. In an interview with the Newsleader, he said he began to learn about the greater St. Cloud area during those years of commuting, and he was especially impressed with the community spirit in Sartell, its growth and its excellent education system. Those factors caused him and his wife to look for a home to buy in the city.

Cathy Elness is director of healthy living at the new YMCA in St. Cloud.

Elness graduated with a bachelor’s degree in communications and media studies from Augsburg College and then went on to accrue skills and experience in the building industry. That experience and knowledge of building and business, he believes, would be a big boost in helping attract more businesses to Sartell.

Elness said he would like to help make Sartell, a “great city,” an even better city.

“I never had any political ambitions until I joined the planning commission,” he said. “That’s when I began to learn more about city government and how things work. A lot of people encouraged me to run for council because of my background. Another thing that convinced me to file for election is the outstanding city staff here. They always give great support – always on the ball in presenting information to the planning committee.”

Among Elness’s previous work experiences are the following:

Director of business development for Sheehy Construction, Twin Cities area; Native American business-development director for JE Dunn Construction for which he worked with Native Americans across the United States to help them with development needs; Special Deputies volunteer sergeant with the Patrol Division for the Hennepin County Sheriff’s Department, for which he helped at accidents and other rescue emergencies.

Elness has also enjoyed his work as an Alpine ski patrolter at Lutsen Mountain and Buck Hill ski resorts, both in Minnesota.

Davis files for city council seat

by Dennis Dalman

news@thenewsleaders.com

Barika Davis, a candidate for one of two Sartell City Council seats, moved to Sartell from St. Cloud a year ago and liked



Davis

what she saw and experienced.

“I feel so welcome here because there is a sense of inclusivity,” she said in an interview. “And as a council member I would like to share that same sense of belonging and caring in a wider way.”

Davis is a teacher/family advocate for Reach-Up Head Start and works with low-income families to strengthen education as one of the ways to help bridge the poverty gap.

She was also just re-elected as a board member of Stride Academy, a charter elementary school in St. Cloud that serves almost 300 students.

Davis is working on her master’s degree in early-childhood education at St. Cloud State University.

Sartell, she said, has worked hard to diversify its economic portfolio, attracting a wide variety of businesses. If elected to the council, she would like to help bring about more businesses to the area. One way to do that is to emphasize far and wide that Sartell has the lowest tax rate among all the cities in the greater St. Cloud area, she noted.

She also said she cares passionately about equitable opportunities for all and would like to help expand those in the city in a spirit of inclusivity. For example, she said, there needs to be more apartment buildings for low-income residents. That should not be a concept filled with fear or stereotypes, she said, because Sartell has strict housing policies.

“Sartell,” said Davis, “should be a city where everyone’s voice is heard and where everyone is respected.”

Davis offered another reason why she should be elected.

“There are no women on the council right now, so it would be a good time for a woman on it and a good time for a minority member,” she said. “I’m excited to be part of this community, and I would like to give back by serving on the council.”

Davis said her vision of an ideal city is one in which all people work together in mutual understanding and respect to enhance quality of life for all of the residents.

She intends to campaign by knocking on doors, visiting churches and other places where people gather so she can meet as many Sartell residents as possible face-to-face.

Davis has three children – 3-year-old twins Nava and Naomi; and daughter Nahara, 9.

Davis is one of four people who has filed for the two open seats on the city council. The deadline for filing was June 5. The others who have filed are Timothy W. Elness, Jeff Kolb and Brady Andel.

There are four candidates for the open council seats: Timothy W. Elness, Jeff Kolb, Barika Davis and Brady Andel.

Kolb was featured in the June 15 edition of *The Newsleaders*. To see that story, head to thenewsleaders.com.

50% OFF



4th of July Sale

PreSale Sunday 10 a.m.-7:30 p.m. July 1
9 a.m.-6:30 p.m. July 4

All clothing, shoes, purses, Bed and Bath and Bed and Bath accessories
(Accessories includes: Hats, Scarves, Socks, ties, etc - all items with Bed and Bath on the tag.)



savers™
SHOP. REUSE. REIMAGINE.



A distinctive life...
deserves a
distinctive memorial

(320) 597-3070
www.murphygranite.com

You
Mattered.



For Precision **MGC** Craftsmanship!
MURPHY GRANITE CARVING, INC.

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
SARTELL-ST. STEPHEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO 748
MAY 21, 2018
SARTELL HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER

The regular school board meeting of Independent School District 748 was called to order at 6:31 p.m. by Chair Jason Nies. Members present include the following: Nies, chair; Mary McCabe, vice chair; Jeremy Snoberger, treasurer; Lesa Kramer, director; Patrick Marushin, director; and Jeff Schwiebert, superintendent. Members absent: Pamela Raden, clerk.

A motion was made by McCabe and seconded by Kramer to WITH THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS move Action Item 11 – Approve New District Logo Suite from action to reports, Report Item 7 – New District Logo Suite. All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Marushin and seconded by Snoberger to APPROVE CONSENT ITEMS A-D AS PRESENTED BELOW. All in favor. Motion carried.

a. Minutes of the regular school board meeting held on April 16, 2018

Minutes of the board work session held on May 9, 2018	
b. Checks in the amount of \$1,910,711.06 as presented:	
General Fund	1,467,600.76
Food Service Fund	165,848.12
Transportation Fund	175,175.49
Community Service Fund	33,894.75
Capital Expenditure Fund	65,278.16
Summer Rec Agency Fund	2,913.78

Check numbers 171574 - 171922	
Receipts in the amount of \$6,253,030.48 as presented:	
General Fund	5,831,835.12
Food Service Fund	212,249.67
Transportation Fund	6,868.44
Community Service Fund	111,630.65
Building Fund	4,330.52
Scholarship Trust	7,000.00
Summer Rec Agency Fund	79,116.08

Receipts 44520-44632	
Wire transfers in the amount of \$9,477.99 as presented:	
General Fund	688.78
Food Service Fund	5,288.89
Community Service Fund	825.98
Summer Rec Agency Fund	2,674.34

Wire transfers 201700079-201700086	
Building Fund Checks in the amount of \$3,067,004.44 as presented:	
Building Fund	3,067,004.44
Check number 600247-600269	

c. Accept the resignation of Alisha Anderson, ORE, student supervisor, 4/10/18; Raschell Collyer, ORE, SPED, 8/31/18; Beverly Donabauer, SHS, food service worker, 5/31/18; Laura Johnson, SMS, instrumental and classroom music, 8/31/18; Stacey Jurek, SHS, EBD: Level IV, 4/26/18; Gena Larson, SMS, SPED, 8/31/18; Danielle Olson, SMS, math, 8/31/18; Melissa Smith, DSC, school readiness, 5/24/18; Donna Southerland, SHS, cashier, 5/31/18; Becky Unger, SMS, accompanist, 5/31/18; Katie Werle, DSC/Early Childhood, SPED, 8/31/18. Release from employment of Susan Bechtold, ORE, custodian, 4/13/18; Miranda Theisen, DSC/Early Childhood, child-care attendant, 4/27/18. Accept the retirement of Mary Ann Terwey, ORE, cashier/server, 5/31/18.

d. Accept the following donations:

Sartell – St. Stephen Education Foundation, Sartell High School, \$100, senior awards; Owen’s Night Out, Pine Meadow Elementary Art Department, \$100.73, Winter Wonderland; Pine Meadow PTO Elementary, Pine Meadow Elementary, \$1,201.26, art supplies; Pine Meadow PTO Elementary, Pine Meadow Elementary, \$155.68, nutritional services; CMBA Tools Schools President’s Fund, Sartell Middle School, \$2,000, Saw Stop for Saw; United Way c/o Lisa Kent, ISD 748, \$80.30, ECFE.

Student Representative Report:
Student Representative Nicholas Juntunen reported on happenings at Oak Ridge, Pine Meadow and the Middle School. End-of-the-year field trips and track-and-field days are beginning. MCA testing is ending at both Oak Ridge and Pine Meadow elementary schools. Pine Meadow held its art show along with “Mornings for Moms” and “Donuts for Dads.” Sartell Middle School’s “WE” group, in conjunction with Kids Fighting Hunger held a clothing drive.

Student Representative Tristen Nies reported on happenings at the High School. The choir concert is tonight at 7:30 p.m. The senior class trip will be May 31 and graduation will be June 2. The year is wrapping up as spring sports finish, prom was earlier this month and the outdoor dance was last Friday. Next week will be finals week at the High School.

The board thanked both students for their dedication and service during the past two years serving as student representatives.

Construction Manager Report on Building Process:

Construction Manager Lee Gruen reported 100 percent of precast work, 90 percent of structural steel, 50 percent of roofing and 100 percent of the pool pouring has been completed. The walls are progressing as they have been turning purple and brick work continues in area 3. The budget remains on track and is continuing on track. There are currently 100 workers at the site.

Food Service Report:

Food Service Director Brenda Braulick and Food and Nutrition Supervisor Jayme Ericson reported on the 2017-2018 school year and updates for the 2018-2019 school year.

Superintendent Report:
Superintendent Schwiebert reported the Pinecone road work will begin on June 4, after school is out and 27th Street N. will receive an overlay after Memorial Day. The legislative session closed with many questions involving funding, unanswered. This puts into perspective staffing plans for next year and on the agenda will be recommendations for non-renewal. May is a very busy month for kids and it’s great to see the support and all the great activities available for them.

School Board Committee Report:
No reports.

Building Program Report:
Director of Technology Kyle Breitreutz and Instructional Technology Specialists Amy Moe, Amanda Holstrom and Tom Kuhn provided an overview of how the school district is leveraging technology to expand learning opportunities for students and staff.

New District Logo Suite report:

Assistant Superintendent of Learning Services Kay Nelson, High School Principal Brenda Steve and Activities Director Ryan Hauge reported on the process and recommendation for a refreshed District logo suite.

A motion was made by Marushin and seconded by Kramer to APPROVE #1-24:

New employees/changes:
Nancy Avery, SMS, food service worker, \$14.90/hour, RI, S1, 3 hours/day, Michelle Shouse, 5/8/2018; Ariel Bender, SHS, technology education, \$27,582, BA, Step B, .667 FTE, returning from leave, 8/27/2018; Julie Bjerke, ORE, instructional coach, \$64,157, MA30, Step G, replacing Laura Arndt, 8/27/2018; Stacy Boom, PME, school social worker, \$43,315, BA, Step D, replacing Laure Lanz, 8/15/2018; Elizabeth Brylski, DSC, ECSE para, \$16.42/hour, RIV, S1, 2 hours/day (Friday), replacing Miranda Theisen, 4/4/2018; Julie Counter, SMS, interim PT lead custodian, \$19.13/hour, RIV, S2, 4 hours/day, replacing Mike Lashinski, 3/27/2018; Marcia Gaetz, SMS, speech language pathologist, \$50,546, MA30, Step F, .8 FTE, returning from leave, 8/27/2018; Da-

vid Gerads, ORE, custodian, \$16.52/hr, RIII, S1, 8 hours/day, 260 days/year, replacing Susan Bechtold, 6/4/2018; Sydney Grenier, SHS, social studies, \$26,927, BA, Step A, .667 FTE, new position, 8/27/2018; Kathi Hammer, ORE, student supervisor, \$13.87/hour, RI, S1, 2 hours/day, replacing Alisha Anderson, 5/7/2018; Sherri Jaeger, Transportation, van driver, \$21.14/hour, Type III, .75 hour/day, new position, 4/19/2018; Sylvia Kaare, SMS, instrumental and classroom music, \$40,371, BA, Step A, replacing Laura Johnson, 8/27/2018; Jennifer Labonne, ORE, Grade 1, \$55,506, MA, Step F, returning from leave, 8/27/2018; Adonis Majette, SHS, EBD: Level IV, \$52,563, MA, Step C, replacing Stacey Jurek, 8/27/2018; Sean Minder, SHS, social studies, \$42,334, BA, Step C, replacing Maddie Rainey, 8/27/2018; Jeff Stang, ORE, SPED, \$43,910, BA10, Step B, replacing Raschell Collyer, 8/27/2018; Kerry Trnka, SHS, math, \$54,522, MA, Step E, replacing Zachary Steffl, 8/27/2018; Emily Torvik, SMS, seventh English/ language arts, \$39,387, BA, Step A, replacing Leah Klabo Summerville, 8/27/2018; Kari Weber, SMS, seventh/8th SPED, \$54,522, MA, Step E, replacing Katie Silverberg, 8/27/2018.

Leaves of Absence:
Laura Arndt, ORE, Instructional Coach, LOA, 2018-19 school year; April Greeley, SMS, teacher, LOA, 10/17/18 – 1/18/19; Sarah Hornseth, SMS, teacher, LOA, 10/29/18 – 1/2/19; Montana Peters, SMS, teacher, LOA, 8/27/18 – 10/1/18; Denise Waldvogel, ORE, para, LOA, 5/2/18 – 5/31/18.
All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Snoberger and seconded by Marushin to APPROVE A FUNDRAISER FOR SARTELL BOYS LACROSSE. All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by McCabe and seconded by Marushin to APPROVE THE PROPOSED SARTELL HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND EXTENDED TRIP WHICH WOULD BE FROM JUNE 14-16, 2018. All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Kramer and seconded by Snoberger to APPROVE THE PROPOSED SARTELL HIGH SCHOOL BAND, CHOIR & ORCHESTRA EXTENDED FIELD TRIP FROM MARCH 21-27, 2019 TO ORLANDO, FLORIDA. All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Kramer and seconded by Marushin to APPROVE THE RESOLUTIONS TO NON-RENEW THE PROBATIONARY CONTRACTS AS PRESENTED FOR PAUL BENSON, VICTORIA BLOMME, LISA KENT, BRIAN NELSON, CHELSEY REIMER, THERESA SIEVERS, ZACHARY STEFFL AND LEAH SUMMERVILLE. All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Marushin and seconded by Snoberger to APPROVE THE INDIVIDUAL CONTRACTS FOR THE 2018-2019 CONTRACT YEAR, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018

FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS: BUSINESS SERVICE SPECIALIST, TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR, LEVEL 2 TECHNICIAN, COMMUNITY EDUCATION ADULT PROGRAM COORDINATOR, HUMAN RESOURCE DIRECTOR, TRANSPORTATION SUPERVISOR, NETWORK ADMINISTRATOR, COMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST, ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF LEARNING SERVICES, CONTROLLER, COMMUNITY EDUCATION DIRECTOR, ASSESSMENT COORDINATOR, ASSOCIATE ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR, COMMUNITY EDUCATION YOUTH PROGRAM COORDINATOR, HUMAN RESOURCES ASSISTANT, LEVEL 1 TECHNICIAN, BUSINESS SERVICES DIRECTOR, AND LEVEL 2 TECHNICIAN. All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by McCabe and seconded by Marushin to APPROVE THE 2018-2019 CALENDAR HOLIDAYS AS DETERMINED FOR INDIVIDUALLY CONTRACTED EMPLOYEES AND THE SUPERINTENDENT AS FOLLOWS: JULY 4, 2018; SEPT. 3, 2018; NOV. 22, 2018; NOV. 23, 2018; DEC. 24, 2018; DEC. 25, 2018; DEC. 31, 2018; JAN. 1, 2019; MAY 27, 2019; AND TWO FLOATING HOLIDAYS. All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by McCabe and seconded by Marushin TO APPROVE AWARDDING CONTRACT 1 AND CONTRACT 13 TO LOW BID FOR REBIDS AS RECOMMENDED AND REJECTING CONTRACT 36 AS RECOMMENDED:

ACCEPT:
Contract 1: Parking Lot/ Drive Improvements, Complete, Knife River, \$378,000
Complete – Materials & Installation
Contract 13: Tennis Courts, Complete – Material & Installation, Harddrives, Inc., \$453,524

REJECT:
Contract 36: Accessories, Material Only, BMSI, REJECT-ED
All in favor. Motion carried.
A motion was made by Marushin and seconded by Snoberger to APPROVE THE 2018-19 DISTRICT LITERACY PLAN READING WELL BY THIRD GRADE. All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Marushin and seconded by Kramer to APPROVE THE DISTRICT LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM (LIEP) PLAN OF SERVICE. All in favor. Motion carried.

Schedule Work Session and Committee Meetings:
Future Board Meeting – Tuesday, June 19 – District Service Center Board Room @ 5 p.m.

Committees
Committee assignments for 2018 were reviewed.

A motion to ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:15 p.m. was made by McCabe and seconded by Snoberger. All in favor. Motion carried.

/s/ Jeremy Snoberger, Treasurer
Publish: June 29, 2018

Opinion

Our View Ripping kids from parents not a fix for immigration

Good news, bad news . . .

The good news is so many Americans are speaking up to express their sadness and outrage about what has been happening at the Texas-Mexico border. The vicious forced separation of children and parents seeking asylum was – and is – a cruel tactic that puts a dark stain on this great country, almost as cruel as ripping slave children away from slave parents. We can only hope the outrage and pressure will continue so such a policy can never be put into practice again.

The bad news – the really bad news – is President Donald Trump first said he hated the ripping of children from their parents’ arms, then he blamed Democrats for it and then finally he signed an executive order for the practice to cease just a day after he said only an act of Congress could overturn the policy. It was a lie within a lie within a lie.

Three people initiated the vicious policy – Trump himself, his attorney general Jeff Sessions and White House senior aide Stephen Miller, who has long been a rabid anti-immigrant rabble-rouser.

It’s doubtful the traumatic damage can be undone. Some of the asylum-seeking adults have been deported back to their countries, without their children, most of whom are being held in unknown places throughout the nation. There was obviously no attempt whatsoever, before the forced separations, to document and to match up for the record which children belonged to which parents and where the children would be kept.

To add insult to injury, once again the president is demonizing immigrants as gang members, killers, rapists, thugs, animals. He offers absolutely no sense of moral leadership, which has been so sorely lacking for the past 18 months.

Yes, we agree something must be done about immigration, legal and illegal. We need a system that is orderly, with clearly defined rules and laws and that treats people longing to be free open-mindedly with compassion and respect rather than suspicion and contempt. In the meantime, the “Dreamers” (those brought here as very young children years ago) are still living with anxiety, wondering if they’ll be able to stay in America.

Those are just some of the reasons why comprehensive firm but fair immigration reform – so long promised but so long delayed by the U.S. Congress – must become priority number one. But, of course, in yet another spiteful, knee-jerk pronouncement, the president told Republicans to forget all about an immigration bill until after the November election.

It’s time the president drops his “I alone can fix it” mantra and starts working with both parties to mend this broken immigration system.

Tearing children from parents’ arms is not the way to do it.

Sartell-St. Stephen • St. Joseph
Newsleaders
Reaching EVERYbody!

The ideas expressed in the letters to the editor and of the guest columnists do not necessarily reflect the views of the *Newsleaders*.

Letters to the editor may be sent to news@thenewsleaders.com or P.O. Box 324, St. Joseph, MN 56374. Deadline is noon Monday. Please include your full name for publication (and address and phone number for verification only.) Letters must be 350 words or less. We reserve the right to edit for space.

Band members connected by more than notes

Mike Knaak
Editor



More than musical notes connected 54 St. Cloud Municipal Band members, family and friends during a 10-day trip to Europe last week.

The band played three concerts, starting in St. Cloud’s sister city of Spalt, Germany.

The trip continued through Lichtenstein and Austria to Zermatt, Switzerland, and then north to Colmar, France, before a stop in Ulm, Germany, on the way to Munich and the flight home.

This was the band’s third visit to Spalt that started after a 2008 visit to St. Cloud from a Spalt delegation. The first trip was in 2010 followed by a second visit in 2014. The Spalt band, Stadtkapelle Spalt, visited St. Cloud in 2012 and 2016.

I joined the band about a year ago so this was my first trip but many of the musicians traveled on the earlier trips.

As we rode through central Europe, I learned the trips promoted more than music but also family relationships and foreign friendships.

Two of my fellow saxophone section friends, Bob Bach and Royce Nies, are trip veterans.

Joining Bach on this trip were his son Brady and daughter Casey. Flute player Casey, 25, of Sartell, was on her first trip.

“I like that we stop at different places. The concerts are fun too. Zermatt was pretty cool. I would never think of going there,” Casey said.

Brady, 32, who now lives in Rochester, was on his third trip with the band. Rounding out the Bach family delegation was Brady’s wife, Corrie, who worked with my wife at St. Cloud State before Corrie attended medical school.

Tenor sax player Nies and his wife, Bonnie, of Sartell, were on their third trip. While we were in France, Royce and Bonnie connected with Andre and his wife. Andre was a classmate of

Bonnie and Royce at St. Boniface High School in Cold Spring and the two couples have kept the relationship going. The French couple stayed with Royce and Bonnie when they returned for the St. Boniface 50th high school class reunion.

When we were in Germany, Bonnie and Royce also stayed with a couple from Spalt.

“That relationship goes back about 10 years when they first came to St. Cloud to start this sister city thing. We’ve stayed at their house twice and they’ve stayed at our home in Sartell twice,” Royce said.

“They came with the delegation from Spalt and I have an extra tenor and an extra alto. They just brought their mouthpieces and they played with us on the Fourth of July,” Royce said.

“The band trips have given us a great opportunity not only to see other parts of the country but to get to know other band members and spouses,” Bonnie said. “St. Cloud Municipal Band is like our family.”

For Mel and Marianne Hauck, the first Spalt trip in 2010 was all about family. For the couple’s 50th anniversary celebration, 13 Haucks made the trip. Seven family members played in the band.

New family memories were made this year for tenor horn player Tammy Krogstad of St. Cloud and her dad, Gordon Noggle of Rice. Tammy played a difficult solo and her dad, who has had recent health issues, was able to join the group to proudly see his daughter

shine.

Family members as well as band members have made unique connections because of the trips. St. Joseph Township resident and French horn player Janet Haviland and her husband, Jeff, own a business that manufactures daily processing equipment. While Janet was playing on the trip four years ago, the Spalter Beer brewmaster showed Jeff the brewery.

“He gave me a private tour throughout the brewery, which is my industry. We had a good old time,” Jeff said. “We’ve made some lasting friendships.”

During the trip I renewed a few of my old connections too.

I first met Royce and Bonnie 30 years ago when I photographed unique Christmas decorations at their Sartell home.

Flute player and band business manager Joe Fox of Cold Spring joined the band in 1972, right out of high school. Joe and I played in the Technical High School band directed by Marv Pearson...who was Mel Hauck’s office mate at South Junior High School.

The band is a tradition for the Fox family. Joe’s dad Bill joined the Municipal Band in 1938 and played until his death in 1990. Joe’s brother Terry played trumpet in the band from 1991 until he died in 2007.

In high school, Joe and I went on a double date with two girls a year younger than us. Turns out we both married our dates. Joe and Chris and Marian and I are still married and we shared our story with others on the trip.

For Marian and me, that lasting relationship started with the man who married us in 1977, District Court Judge Roger Klaphake, who plays baritone sax and made the trip with his wife Carol.

Well, of course not. He’d be flying in a jet, quite possibly Duplantis’ very own Jet of Jets, the brand-new Falcon 7-X.

But wait, there’s more: Having a spiffy jet would guarantee Duplantis wouldn’t have to fly with pestering riff-raff. Three years ago, Duplantis and another televangelist, Kenneth Copeland, shot the breeze about their pet jets in a conversation on video. Being famous on a commercial airplane is a real pain, Copeland said, because people recognize him and then pester him to pray for them.

“You can’t manage that today,” Copeland said. “(Not in) This dope-filled world, and get in a long tube with a bunch of demons. And it’s deadly.”

Duplantis responded: “And it works on your heart. It really does.”

Poor Duplantis and his poor old heart. I sure do hope his followers send him enough nickels and dimes so he can order that Falcon 7-X soon. Time’s a-wastin’.

Maybe God will soon talk to me, too. Like Jesse, I ain’t gettin’ any younger. Will God tell me I need a brand-new baby-blue Cadillac? Well, I better start prayin’. Meantime, Lordy Lordy, my faded, dented, arthritic 2001 Dodge Stratus is just gonna have to do.

God tells Jesse he needs new jet

Dennis Dalman
Reporter



1960s rocker Janis Joplin once sang in a comic blues song, “Oh, Lord, won’t you buy me a Mercedes Benz . . .?”

Far as I can recall, the Lord never bought her one. Maybe she didn’t pray hard enough?

Still, there may be hope for modes of transportation decreed by God. For example, take the case of New Orleans-based televangelist Jesse Duplantis. Recently, he announced God told him he needs a Dassault Falcon 7X three-engine private jet.

Duplantis, who has had many conversations with God, said the latest is “one of the greatest statements the Lord ever told me.”

Here is how the conversation went, according to Duplantis, with God talking in a kind of Louisiana alligator-swamp lingo, the way “just-folks” Jesse talks to his true believers.

“Jesse, you wanna come up where I’m at?” God asked.

“And I said, ‘What do you mean?’”

“I want you to believe in me for a Falcon 7-X,” He said.

“So I said, ‘OK.’ But the first thing I thought of (was) ‘Well, how am I gonna pay for it?’ ”

Good question.

Just then, Duplantis, a long-time purveyor of what’s called “Prosperity Gospel,” had a divine flashback. He

recalled something God had told him way back in 1978.

“Jesse,” God had said to him, “I didn’t ask you to PAY for it. I asked you to BELIEVE for it.”

Duplantis has a lot of believing to do; the Falcon 7-X has a price tag of \$45 million.

Duplantis Ministries already owns three jets. So why does God want him to have such a new, expensive one? Well, there’s lots of reasons, as the televangelist explained to his followers on video. The new one will fly faster and farther with no time-wasting fuel stops; thus, it will allow Duplantis to spread the Word of God quicker to more people worldwide.

Besides, Duplantis ain’t gettin’ any younger. No sirree!

“I can’t live long enough to travel by car, or by ship, or by train, but I can do it by an airplane.”

And besides, Duplantis added, “If Jesus was physically on the Earth today, he wouldn’t be riding a donkey.”

Letters

Reader appeals to bullies in park to change their ways

Steve Zaczkowski, Sartell

I have so far raised, and sent out into the world, three of seven children from Sartell. I have always been proud of the proactive stance on bullying that our school system has taken. So it was with a large grain of salt that I listened to my younger children telling me about particular groups of “mean kids on scooters” hanging around

in town lately.

This past week, I had my youngest daughter in one of the parks, and I was witness to a group of these “mean kids” tormenting a young man who was alone and obviously quite upset. As a parent, I have always taught my kids to stand up for people who are facing uneven odds and reach out to help them whenever possible. In hindsight, I may have

approached the gaggle of bullies differently, maybe in a less angry manor, but I made it clear the instigator was not welcome in the park and the rest of them could feel free to join him. I understand this is a public place and all are welcome to our public spaces, but are we not responsible to stand up for those who can’t stand up for themselves in these situations? Parents, please have

this discussion with your kids, and feel free to respond with suggestions or input. And to one of the kids on scooters who was asked to leave the park for being a bully, I hope you read this and understand my reaction to your behavior was more than likely a result of empathy I had for the loner who quietly, tearfully said, “Thank you mister” after you left.

Sartell resident asks all to join Out-of-Darkness Walk on Sept. 29

Meredith Rogers, Sartell

Out-of-Darkness chairperson

Suicide is the 10th leading cause of death in this country. It touches millions of lives — people of all ages, ethnicities, and backgrounds — but the research is clear: suicide is preventable,

and the more people who stand up for suicide prevention and mental health, the more lives we can save. If you’ve lost someone to suicide, or you or someone you know suffers from a mental-health condition like depression or anxiety, please join us for the Out-of-the-Darkness Walk to fight suicide on Saturday, Sept.

29 at Lake George in St. Cloud.

I’m walking for my beautiful niece Katie, whom at the age of 21, died by suicide, in November of 2016. The grief and pain I feel as a result of her loss, has compelled me to elevate the conversation and research conducted about anxiety, depression and suicide.

Funds raised support the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention and its bold goal to reduce the annual suicide rate in the United States 20 percent by 2025 through research, education, advocacy and support. These walks are truly uplifting experiences, and they grow every year. Hope to see you there.

Community Calendar

Is your event listed? Send your information to: Newsleader Calendar, P.O. Box 324, St. Joseph, Minn. 56374; fax it to 320-363-4195; or, e-mail it to news@thenewsleaders.com. Most events are listed at no cost. Those events are typically free or of minimal charge for people to attend. Some events, which have paid advertising in the Newsleaders, are also listed in the calendar and may charge more.

Friday, June 29

Benton County Museum, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 218 First St. N., Sauk Rapids. 320-253-9614. mnbentonhistory.org.

Monday, July 2

Benton County Museum, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 218 First St. N., Sauk Rapids. 320-253-9614. mnbentonhistory.org.

Market Monday, 3-6: p.m., parking lot of Coborn’s Market Place, 1725 Pinecone Road S., Sartell. marketmonday.org.

Sartell Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., up-

stairs of Blue Line Sports Bar andGrill, 1101 Second St. S., Sartell. 320-267-2591.

Tuesday, July 3

Central Minnesota Market, 3-5:30 p.m., VA Health Care System, 4801 Veterans Drive, St. Cloud. 320-251-2498.

Joetown Rocks Parish Festival, starts at 5 p.m.; concert starts at 6 p.m., Church of St. Joseph, 12 W. Minnesota St.

Wednesday, July 4

Parade, 10 a.m., and **Parish Festival**, Bingo, games, refreshments, music start at 11 a.m. on parish grounds. Church of St. Joseph, 12 W. Minnesota St.

Thursday, July 5

Coffee and Conversation, a senior discussion group, 9 a.m., Sartell Community Center, 850 19th St. S.

Family Farmers’ Market, 2-6

p.m., River East parking lot, Centra-Care Health Plaza, 1900 CentraCare Circle, St. Cloud. 320-252-2422.

Sauk Rapids Farmers’ Market, 3-6 p.m., Coborn’s parking lot, 110 First St. S., Sauk Rapids.

Great River Regional Coin Club, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Miller Auto Marine Sports Plaza, 2930 Second St. S., St. Cloud. 320-252-8452.

Friday, July 6

Benton County Museum, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 218 First St. N., Sauk Rapids. 320-253-9614. mnbentonhistory.org.

Monday, July 9

Benton County Museum, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 218 First St. N., Sauk Rapids. 320-253-9614. mnbentonhistory.org.

Market Monday, 3-6: p.m., parking lot of Coborn’s Market Place, 1725 Pinecone Road S., Sartell. marketmonday.org.

Sartell City Council, 6 p.m., Sartell City Hall, 125 Pinecone Road N.

320-253-2171.

Tuesday, July 10

Email 101, sponsored by Sartell Senior Connection, 9-10 a.m., Sartell Senior Center, Sartell Community Center, 850 19th St. S.

Sartell Chamber of Commerce, 11:30 a.m., Waters Church, 1227 Pinecone Road. 320-258.6061. info@sartellchamber.com.

Central Minnesota Market, 3-5:30 p.m., VA Health Care System, 4801 Veterans Drive, St. Cloud. 320-251-2498.

St. Stephen Planning Commission, 6:30 p.m. 2 Sixth Ave. SE. St. Stephen. 320-251-0964.

Holistic Moms Network, 7-8:30 p.m., Good Earth Co-op, 2010 Veterans Drive, St. Cloud. 320-252-2489.

National Alliance on Mental Health, 7-8:30 p.m., Calvary Community Church, 1200 Roosevelt Road, St. Cloud. 320-259-7101.

Thursday, July 12

Sartell-Sauk Rapids Moms’ Club, 9-10:30 a.m., Celebration Lutheran Church, 1500 Pinecone Road N., Sartell.

Family Farmers’ Market, 2-6 p.m., River East parking lot, Centra-Care Health Plaza, 1900 CentraCare Circle, St. Cloud. 320-252-2422.

Sauk Rapids Farmers’ Market, 3-6 p.m., Coborn’s parking lot, 110 First St. S., Sauk Rapids.

St. Cloud Area Mothers of Multiples, 7 p.m., VFW Granite Post 428, 9 18th Ave. N., St. Cloud.

Friday, July 13

Benton County Museum, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 218 First St. N., Sauk Rapids. 320-253-9614. mnbentonhistory.org.

Saturday, July 14

Central Minnesota Chapter of the Federation of the Blind of Minnesota, 12:30 p.m., American Legion, 17 Second Ave. N., Waite Park.

AUTOMOBILES
DONATE YOUR CAR TO CHARITY. Receive maximum value of write off for your taxes. Running or not! All conditions accepted. Free pickup. Call for details. 855-752-6680 (MCN)

CASH FOR CARS: We Buy Any Condition Vehicle, 2002 and Newer. Competitive Offer! Nationwide FREE Pick Up! Call Now For a Free Quote! 888-366-5659! (MCN)

CABLE/INTERNET
Spectrum Triple Play! TV, Internet & Voice for \$29.99 ea. 60 MB per second speed No contract or commitment. More Channels. Faster Internet. Unlimited Voice. Call 1-855-577-7502 (MCN)

Exede satellite internet. Affordable, high speed broadband satellite internet anywhere in the U.S. Order now and save \$100. Plans start at \$39.99/month. Call 1-800-712-9365 (MCN)

Earthlink High Speed Internet. As Low As 14.95/month

(for the first 3 months.) Reliable High Speed Fiber Optic Technology. Stream Videos, Music and More! Call Earthlink Today 1-855-679-7096 (MCN)

DIRECTV. Call & Switch Now – Get NFL Sunday Ticket for FREE! Every Game. Every Sunday. CHOICE-All-Included Package. Over 185 Channels. \$60/month (for 12 Months.) CALL 1-844-245-2232 (MCN)

Get an iPhone 8 or Samsung Galaxy8 for \$34/month. Call AT&T Wireless today to learn how to get a new phone. Call while supplies last. 1-844-290-8275 (MCN)

DISH TV \$59.99 For 190 Channels + \$14.95 High Speed Internet. Free Installation, Smart HD DVR Included, Free Voice Remote. Some restrictions apply 1-800-732-9635 (MCN)

EMPLOYMENT/HELP WANTED
NEW AUTHORS WANTED! Page Publishing will help you self-publish your

own book. FREE author submission kit! Limited offer! Why wait? Call now: 855-623-8796 (MCN)

TRUCK DRIVERS. CDL-A Company Drivers and Owner Operators. Great pay and benefits. Driver friendly. All miles paid. Many bonuses. Home when needed. Nice equipment. Paid weekly. WWW.MCFGTL.COM Call now 507-437-9905 (MCN)

FINANCIAL
Over \$10K in debt? Be debt free in 24-48 months. Pay a fraction of what you owe. A+ BBB rated. Call National Debt Relief 855-995-1557. (MCN)

FOR SALE
MONTANA, WYOMING land starting at \$485/acre. Owner financing O.A.C.Buildable, roads, views, elk, natl forest! 1-800-682-8088 www.rmtland.com (MCN)

HEALTH & MEDICAL
Get Health insurance that is right for you and your family. You are one quick phone

call away. Stop waiting and get the best deals on health insurance with the firm that cares. Call today 1-800-493-4792 (MCN)

Bathe safely and stay in the home you love with the #1 selling Walk-in Tub in North America. For an in-home appointment, call: 844-583-9021. (MCN)

OXYGEN – Anytime. Anywhere. No tanks to refill. No deliveries. The All-New Inogen One G4 is only 2.8 pounds! FAA approved! FREE info kit: 844-852-7448 (MCN)

MISCELLANEOUS
ALL THINGS BASEMENTY! Basement Systems Inc. Call us for all of your basement needs! Waterproofing, Finishing, Structural Repairs, Humidity and Mold Control. FREE ESTIMATES! Call 1-800-640-8195 (MCN)

Paying too much for car insurance? Not sure? Want better coverage? Call now for a free quote and learn more today! 855-417-7382 (MCN)



minnesota
BUSINESS
magazine