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Spaghetti dinner proceeds to go to local family

A spaghetti dinner fundraiser including a silent auction and meat raffle for the Dan Milliron and Bonnie Supan family will be held from 11:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, March 23 in the Rusty Nail, 4 Central Ave. S., St. Stephen. If you are unable to attend but would still like to donate, visit gofundme.com/dan-milliron.

5K Walk/Run to benefit Eagle's Healing Nest

The ninth annual 5K Walk/Run will be held on Saturday, April 27 at DeZURIK, 250 Riverside Ave. N., Sartell. Check-in is at 8:30 a.m. Start time is 9 a.m. 100 percent of registration fees go to the 2019 recipient, "Eagle's Healing Nest," a non-profit organization committed to meeting the needs of our veterans, service members and their families who suffer from the invisible wounds of war. For registration details, contact DeZURIK at 320-259-2000 or Brenny Transportation at 320-363-6999. This 5K walk/run is a non-competitive/non-timed family-fun event. Entries limited – sign up soon!

Sartell Summer Baseball registration is still open

Summer Sartell Baseball registration is still open – please spread the word to sign up now before 2019 summer fees increase on April 1. Register today at SartellBaseball.com!

Sartell Swarm seeks participants

The Sartell Swarm 2019 summer season registration is open now through April 1. Fastpitch softball teams for girls ages 6-18 will be formed by grade for school year 2019-20. For more information or to register, visit sartellfastpitch.com or contact Angela Swenson at angela@sartellfastpitch.com.

SYHA Raffle: \$41,00 in prizes

Sartell Youth Hockey is now conducting its annual Scheels raffle with a grand prize of \$1,499.99; 100 prizes in total; 1:20 odds. Winners can choose the awarded firearm, with proper credentials, or a gift card for the awarded value. The gift card is redeemable for any merchandise in the St. Cloud store. Tickets may be purchased at both Blue Line Bar & Grill locations, the Firing Line Indoor Range & Gun Shop, during varsity hockey games at Bernick's Arena or from SYHA members. For more information, visit sartellhockeyaffle.com.

Ball fields improved, ready for spring play

by Dennis Dalman
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Yearnings for spring and for "Play ball!" surfaced at the Sartell City Council meeting Feb. 25 when Jason Mathiasen updated the council about improvements to athletic fields in the city.

Mathiasen, a member of the Pinecone Central Park Association, has been working nonstop with others to get the biggest bang for the buck in improving the city's fields and athletic amenities so they can be ready for use this spring. Miller Architects was the main contractor.

In 2017, the PCPA and the city of Sartell agreed to a partnership to make the improvements to fields in Pinecone Central Park and Champion Field (now known as St. Cloud Orthopedic Field).

Almost all of those improvements have been completed after the work began last spring, Mathiasen said, except for the second youth baseball field in Pinecone Central.

A major challenge in those fields was the soil condition, which was clay-like, thus very difficult to drain, making fields virtually unplayable at many times. Fifteen-thousand square yards of that soil was removed and replaced with good soil.

The success of the improvements, Mathiasen said, can be credited to Sartell Public Works Director John Kothenbeutel and to engineer April Ryan of Short Elliott Hendrickson, the city's engineering firm. Mathiasen met many times with them to fine-tune project plans to make even

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photo by Carolyn Bertsch

Shenanigans in Sartell

The first of four events for the Bernick's Family Fitness Series kicked off March 16 in Sartell. Approximately 2,000 runners and walkers participated in a 5K race that wrapped up with food, beverages, games and a costume contest. This runner gave the thumbs up as she turned the corner from Fifth Street N. onto Eighth Avenue N. To see the video, please visit the website.

Wrestler excels at a sport attracting more girls

by Mike Knaak
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She greets a visitor with a wide smile and bright eyes. That happy face sits atop 46 inches and 55 pounds of wrestling prowess.

Avery Mack, 7, of Sartell, is in a small but rapidly growing group of girls in club wrestling. Most recently, she won first place for her age group in a Minnesota USA Wrestling tournament March 9 in Rochester. A few years ago, only a dozen girls competed. This year, 150 participated in the tournament.

Avery practices three times a week at a Waite Park gym, Wrestle-Jitsu, with a class of 20 that includes one other girl. The young athletes work on technique and drills to build coordination, wrestling skills and how to fall correctly. The teacher is Jake Clark, who has a long list of achievements

including wrestling in the Marine Corps.

The St. Francis Xavier first-grader has been wrestling about two years and she's collected medals to recognize her accomplishments.

She likes winning and being at the top of the podium, she says.

Wrestling is a family sport. Avery's 5-year-old brother, Benjamin, is in the class too and sometimes the brother and sister wrestle on the mat at home. Younger brother Malachi, 3, hasn't taken up the sport yet.

Their parents are Tony and LeAnn. The couple met at Staples-Motley High School. Tony wrestled in high school and made it to the state tournament a couple of times. LeAnn ran track.

Tony would like to see more girls try the sport.

"It teaches you hard work and you can see an end result of your efforts," Tony

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contributed photo

Avery Mack (black uniform) won first-place in a tournament on March 9.

BIO Girls program coming to the Sartell area

by Cori Hilsgen
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If you are a girl in second-through sixth-grade, you might be interested in joining a new BIO Girls program coming to the area.

BIO Girls is a 12-week program for girls. Groups meet weekly for 90 minutes and include large group lessons, small group immersion activities and physical activity (which is mostly running).

However, participants do not

need to be runners. They can also be walkers or a combination walker/runner.



Ryan

Local residents April Ryan and Christy Gilleland are bringing BIO Girls to the Sartell area.

They said the program is



Gilleland

about much more than running and helps boost self-esteem, teaches life skills and encourages new friendships.

As co-directors of the BIO Girls program, Ryan and Gilleland plan to positively impact the person, academic and physical well-being of area youth.

Both said they feel fortunate to have had positive role models throughout their lives, but feel far too many children will grow up without the critical asset of an adult mentor.

They strongly believe that

just as one tree can start a forest, one smile begins a friendship, one step starts a journey, one mentor can show a child how much they matter.

"As I learned about BIO Girls and their mission, I knew it was something I wanted to bring to our community," Ryan said. "I recognize the importance of having a positive self-image and confidence to navigate through the challenges of growing up. Being a site director allows me to bring the amazing BIO

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Community Calendar

Is your event listed? Send your information to: Newsleader Calendar, 1622 11th Ave. SE., St. Cloud, MN 56304., 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, March 22
Benton County Museum, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 218 First St. N., Sauk Rapids. 320-253-9614. mnbentonhistory.org.

Saturday, March 23
Blast from the Past, St. Cloud Figure Skating Club show, 1:30 and 7 p.m., St. Cloud Municipal Athletic Complex.

Sunday, March 24
Confronting Power and Violence with Faith-Focused Action, 1-4:30 p.m., Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 4310 CR 137, St Cloud. bethlehemplutheran.org/domorethanpray.

Blast from the Past, St. Cloud Figure Skating Club show, 1:30 p.m., St. Cloud Municipal Athletic Complex.

Monday, March 25
Benton County Museum, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 218 First St. N., Sauk Rapids. 320-253-9614. mnbentonhistory.org.

Sartell City Council, 6-8 p.m., City Hall, 125 Pinecone Road N.

Tuesday, March 26
National Alliance on Mental Health, 7-8:30 p.m., Calvary Community Church, 1200 Roosevelt Road, St. Cloud. The group helps parents raising a child with mental illness learn coping skills and develop problem-solving skills. 320-654-1259.

Joint Cities Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Waite Park Public Works Facility, 670 17th Ave. S., Waite Park.

Le Sauk Township, 7 p.m., Township Hall, 220 Fourth Ave. S., Sartell.

Wednesday, March 27
Health and Fitness Fair, 8 a.m.-noon, Whitney Center, 1529 Northway Drive, St. Cloud.

Thursday, March 28
Coffee and Conversation, a senior discussion group, 9 a.m., Sartell Community Center, 850 19th St. S. Topic: Tom Oswald, Tri-County Solid Waste coordinator.

Friday, March 29
Benton County Museum, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 218 First St. N., Sauk Rapids. 320-253-9614. mnbentonhistory.org.

Saturday, March 30
Move the Mall Walk for Volunteerism, 8-10 a.m., Crossroads Center. Greater St. Cloud Retired and Senior Volunteer Program and Catholic Charities Foster Grandparent Program. To register, ci.stcloud.mn.us/RSVP.

Sunday, March 31
Abuse and Power in Relationships, 1-4:30 p.m., Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 4310

CR 137, St Cloud. bethlehemplutheran.org/domorethanpray.

Monday, April 1
Benton County Museum, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 218 First St. N., Sauk Rapids. 320-253-9614. mnbentonhistory.org.

Sartell Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., upstairs of Blue Line Sports Bar and Grill, 1101 Second St. S., Sartell. 320-267-2591.

Tuesday, April 2
Memory Writers group develops topics and turns in stories, 10 a.m., Stearns History Museum, 235 33rd Ave. S, St Cloud.

Wednesday, April 3
Advocates for Independence, 2-4 p.m., Independent Lifestyles, 215 Benton Drive N., Sauk Rapids. 320-529-9000.

Thursday, April 4
Coffee and Conversation, a senior discussion group, 9 a.m., Sartell Community Center, 850 19th St. S.

Great River Regional Coin Club, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Miller Auto

Marine Sports Plaza, 2930 Second St. S., St. Cloud. 320-241-9229.

Friday, April 5
Benton County Museum, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 218 First St. N., Sauk Rapids. 320-253-9614. mnbentonhistory.org.

Lenten Fish Fry, sponsored by Farming Lions, 4:30-8:30 p.m., Trappers Pub & Grub, Farming.

Saturday, April 6
Craft Sale, 10 a.m.-3p.m., Bernick’s Arena, 1109 First St. S., Sartell.

Kids Used Clothing sale, sponsored by St. Cloud Area Mothers of Multiples, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Discovery Community School, 700 Seventh St. S., Waite Park.

Sunday, April 7
Faith and Prevention of Violence from a Muslim and Jewish Perspective, 1-4:30 p.m., Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 4310 CR 137, St Cloud. bethlehemplutheran.org/domorethanpray.

Craft-Vendor-Bake Sales & Wood Products-Jewelry-Flavored Kettle Corn- Garage Sale

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Jacqueline J. Burton, 84
Sartell
Dec. 24, 1934-March 7, 2019

Jacqueline “Jackie” J. Burton, age 84, died Thursday, March 7, 2019 in Country Manor Health Care Center in Sartell. Her funeral was held March 15 in Country Manor Chapel in Sartell. The Chaplain Adam Sohre officiated and burial will be in Oak Hill Cemetery in Sartell at a later date.

Burton was born Dec. 24, 1934 in Virginia, Minn. to Milka “Millie” (Klashna) and Russell Prince. She married Richard Burton on Oct. 1, 1955 in Virginia. Burton was a homemaker and also was a housekeep-



Burton

er at Country Manor Health Care Center and Good Shepherd Lutheran Home. She was a member of Riverside Evangelical Church in Sartell where she was involved as a Deacon and a member of Alpha Circle, Women’s Association and Ray’s Group. Burton was also involved at the Country Manor Chapel, attending services and bible studies frequently. She was also a charter member of the Sabre Booster Club. Burton loved her family and was most proud of her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was a woman of strong faith and prayed for her family daily. Burton was kind, generous and a great cook. She loved shopping, especially on QVC and her favorite time of year was Christmas, when everyone in the family would get together.

Survivors include: her children, Alan of Fayal, Melissa (Jack) Kitzmiller of Sartell, Russell (Susan) of Savage, Dick (Brenda) of St. Cloud, and Charles (Pam) of St. Joseph; sister, Milla Holter of Rosemount; grandchildren, Katie Kitzmiller, Justin (Brittany) Kitzmiller, Sara (Mark), Trevor, Christopher, Amanda, Nicholas and Grace; and great-grandchildren: Daphne, Bailey and Amelia Kitzmiller and Kellen Johnson.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Richard; son, Marvin; grandsons, Tyler and Joseph; brother, Bruno Prince; and sister, Jeanne Bump.

Memorials are preferred to Country Manor Health Care Center’s Chapel Ministries.

Obituary and guestbook available online: williamsdingmann.com.

Obituary

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Call the Newsleader at 363-7741

PUBLIC NOTICE

**CITY OF ST. STEPHEN
ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 97: GAS FRANCHISE ORDINANCE
SUMMARY PUBLICATION**

The City of St. Stephen has adopted Ordinance 97: Gas Franchise Ordinance. Ordinance 97 establishes standards and regulations for a gas franchise with Northern States Power Co. within the City of St. Stephen.

This publication is a summary of Ordinance 97: Gas Franchise Ordinance. The full text of Ordinance 97: Gas Franchise Ordinance is available for inspection by any person during regular office hours at the office of the St. Stephen City Clerk.

This Ordinance was adopted by the City Council of St. Stephen on March 6, 2019, and shall be effective upon publication.

/s/ Jeff Blenkush
Mayor

/s/ Cris M Drais
City Clerk

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Fields

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everything as economically feasible as possible.

All the projects cost about \$100,000, money given by the city as well as raised by the PCPA. Many in-kind donations and money contributions lessened the project cost, including thousands of hours by volunteers to removed and replace sod. The removed sod was used in other areas of the city.

Among the improvements, other than the major soil changes, are these: adding dugouts to the youth Field 1, doubling the size of its batting cage, backstop extended and made higher and safer, clay batting mound and home plate to prevent erosions

and the need for constant re-surfacing, a drainage tile system added to youth fields 1 and 2, and seeding and irrigation system added to Field 2.

Champion Field was virtually “rebuilt,” Mathiasen noted – its playing surface, elevation changes, a state-of-the-art scoreboard, replacement of bull pens, irrigation system, added practice and warm-up areas and improvements to Champion’s nonplay and spectator areas, especially to facilitate drainage on the east end. The total cost was about \$43,000, not counting the worth of so much volunteerism.

Other improvements were sod replacement at Pinecone Park’s soccer fields, and a water feature to the dog park, which Mathiasen noted has become extremely well used since the park was created a few years ago.

Mathiasen told the council the use of the fields has grown constantly, with six major tournaments in the summer and people coming to play from throughout the state. Lacrosse also is growing more popular.

The only major unfinished project is youth baseball Field 2, Mathiasen noted. It will cost about \$95,000, he estimated.

The PCPA has applied for a \$43,000 grant and will find out in April if the grant will be secured. Mathiasen requested the council to match the grant funds if and when the grant is received so the field could be readied for play possibly by mid-June. The matching money could come from the city’s Recreational Field Fund. The council voted unani-

mously in favor of Mathiasen’s request.

The mayor and council member Tim Elness thanked Mathiasen. A soccer dad and a volunteer girls soccer coach, Elness said he has heard from so many out-of-town people, members of traveling soccer teams, about the excellence of Pinecone Central Park.

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March 10

6:45 p.m. Traffic stop. CR 1. An officer conducted a routine license-plate check on a vehicle. The owner of the vehicle was driving. The officer stopped the vehicle and the driver did have an expired license and could not provide proof of insurance. The officer cited the driver for both infractions.

March 11

10:20 a.m. School bus. Riverside Avenue N. An officer was dispatched for a vehicle not stopping for a school bus that had its stop arm extended. The bus driver had to employ the horn to get the vehicle to stop. The owner of the vehicle admitted to the officer they were the driver at the time. The officer gave a warning to the driver.

March 12

11:10 a.m. Detention order. Fifth Avenue N. Officers were requested by a probation officer to assist in detaining an individual who was in violation of their probation requirements. The individual was arrested and transported to Stearns County Jail.

March 13

10:55 p.m. DWI. Second Street S. An officer witnessed a vehicle with multiple violations. The officer stopped the vehicle and conducted field sobriety tests. The driver was placed under arrest and transported to Stearns County Jail.

March 14

11:10 p.m. Domestic. Perimeter Drive. Officers were called to a domestic disturbance at a residence. One of the residents told officers they had been assaulted by another resident. Officers collected evidence and took the other individual into custody. Officers transported the person to Stearns County Jail.

March 15

4:10 p.m. Stalled vehicle. Pinecone Road. An officer received a call about a stalled vehicle in an intersection. The officer helped push the vehicle out of the intersection to a safer spot to wait for the driver's brother to arrive and help.

March 16

9:25 a.m. Traffic stop. CR 1. An officer going through an intersection had to stop quickly to avoid a collision with a vehicle that went through a red light. The officer stopped the vehicle and the driver admitted to running the red light. The officer cited the driver for the infraction.

March 17

11:25 p.m. Argument. Sunset Avenue. Officers went to a residence about an unwanted party. Officers separated the two individuals. One of the individuals had an order for protection against the other. The officers arrested the individual for violating the order for protection and transported the person to Stearns County Jail.

March 18

2:40 p.m. Traffic stop. Riverside Avenue S. An officer conducting a routine plate check discovered the owner of a vehicle had a suspended license. The driver matched the description of the owner so the officer stopped the vehicle. The driver did have a suspended license and could not provide proof of insurance. The officer cited the driver for both infractions.

March 19

7:30 a.m. Traffic stop. Pinecone Road N. An officer stopped a vehicle for not having a child in the proper child-safety-restraint system. The officer cited the driver for the infraction.

Wrestler

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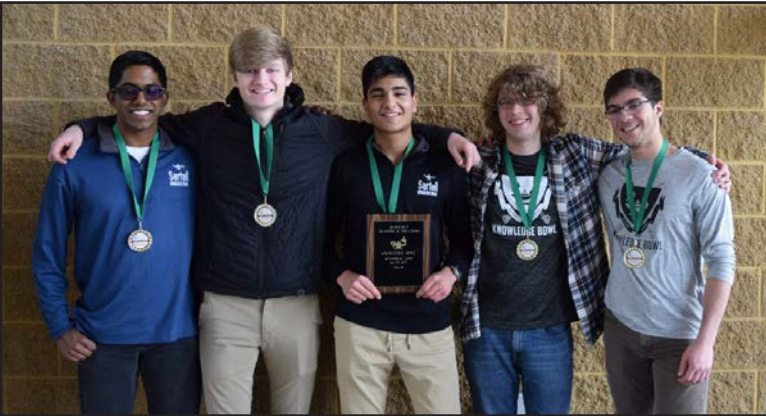
said. "If you do minimal effort, you will have minimal results. If you work the hardest you will have success. In wrestling you get the results you earn," Tony said. "If I work as hard as I can, I can achieve anything and more importantly in the classroom and then eventually into the workplace. She will have a work ethic that is unmatched."

"Girls wrestling is the fastest collegiate sport and it's growing. It has become the easiest way to obtain a scholarship for a female student-athlete and with that comes opportunities to get a scholarship and an education," Tony said.

The family travels to tournaments a couple of times a month and Avery enjoys traveling to far away places. In January, she placed third at a tournament in Omaha, Nebraska, and in October, she won third place in Des Moines, Iowa.

While her dad explained the value of athletics, Avery warmed up with the other kids with what appeared to be a game of dodge ball. As practice started, the young athletes gathered around Clark as he asked them about what they are proud of before starting the night's activities.

To join the wrestling club, contact Clark at 612-868-7157.



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Sartell's Knowledge Bowl team was one of six regional teams advancing to the State Knowledge Bowl after competition on March 18. The state event is April 10-11. The team includes Janagan Ramanathan, Jacob Fandel, Yash Hindka, Nathan Schmidt and Mo Alkhatib.



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The Sartell High School Gymnastics Team placed second at state on Feb. 22. This is the highest the team has placed at state. The team scored a 148.225 to secure their standing. (From left to right) Morgan Weber, Christa Meyer, Emma Schwartz, Carly Yang, Grace Wittmer-George, Ali Boschee, Abby Weber, Jes Lemke, Marley Michaud, Ella Simmons, Brenna Chisholm and Head Coach Tyler LaBonne.

BIO

from front page

Girls experience and important life lessons to my daughters and their peers, helping them learn the skills and tools necessary to positively deal with the pressures and stresses of adolescence and life. I cannot think of a better way to help make a positive influence."

"When April told me about BIO Girls, I knew I wanted to be involved," Gilleland said. "Self-esteem is so important throughout life, creating more confidence and positive relationships. We want our young ladies to believe in themselves and push themselves to succeed. We will also help them learn effective communication skills and feel comfortable with change. I am so excited to be a part of this program."

The 2019 curriculum for the program will include lessons on anxiety, communication skills, compassion/kindness, peer pressure and more.

During group sessions, participants will practice skills they can apply to the real world. These skills can help them maintain healthy self-esteem and navigate them through the often challenging adolescent years.

Registration will open in summer for the 12-week program which begins in September, after Labor Day to coincide with the start of a new school year. The program will end with participants and mentors running the Dec. 7 Snowflake Shuffle 5K in St. Joseph.

BIO Girls is a nonprofit organization which was started by Missy Heilman, a former

college track teammate of Ryan's.

According to the biogirls.org website, girls' self-esteem peaks at age 9 and plummets by age 12.

Ryan and her husband, Dan, live with their three children, two daughters, second-grader Billie and kindergartner Zoie, and pre-schooler son, Casey, in Woodlawn Estates in Sartell.

She grew up in Sartell and has chosen to raise her family in the area. After graduating from Sartell High School, Ryan obtained a civil engineering degree from the University of North Dakota where she played soccer and ran track. She is currently a project manager and senior engineer with Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc., an engineering and architect firm.

Ryan said she believes the BIO Girls program will have a positive impact on youth in Sartell and the surrounding area.

Gilleland grew up in Sauk Rapids and currently lives in Sartell. She does not have children, but has been involved with organizations to help enhance the lives of area youth for more than 20 years.

These include Distributive Education Clubs of America, Junior Achievement and the St. Cloud school district Elementary Pen Pal Program.

As a St. Cloud Rotary member, she has worked with the Warm Hands, Heads and Hearts program and Summer-time by George.

Gilleland graduated from Sauk Rapids High School and earned a bachelor's degree in business management from St. Cloud State University. She owns and operates Gilleland

Chevrolet Cadillac with her brother, Grant, in St. Cloud.

Gilleland has lived in Sartell since 2001 and said she believes healthy communities begin with healthy youth.

The two chose Sartell as the BIO Girls program's location because they both live in the area and attend St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church together.

However, the program is open to all girls in Central Minnesota who would like to join.

There is a \$65 cost/per girl to join the Bio Girls program. This includes the 12-week program, 5K race entrance fee, a BIO Girls T-shirt and BIO Girls journal.

BIO Girls has a scholarship program, so all girls have a chance to participate.

Registration is limited to 35 participants. If more than 35 girls register, a lottery process will be used to determine who can participate.

In addition to the participation fee, Ryan and Gilleland also need to raise \$3,500 and recruit 10-12 adult mentors for the program.

BIO Girls tries not to turn girls away from participating, so Ryan and Gilleland encourage other people to make a difference by starting additional BIO Girls sites to offer a bigger impact on the area.

To learn more about the program and how to donate to the program, information can be found on the Sartell location Facebook page at facebook.com/BIO-Girls-Sartell-MN-376030493135851/.

If interested in starting additional BIO Girls sites, visit the website at biogirls.org.

Bids called for high school neighborhood street project

by **Dennis Dalman**
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An ambitious street-walkway-utility project for the neighborhood in the vicinity of the current Sartell High School will be advertised for bids, the Sartell City Council decided at its March 11 meeting.

The engineer's estimate for the base bid is \$1.44 million, according to Jon Halter, the city's engineer from Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc. A push-button crossing system at Pinecone Road at Seventh Street would require an alternate bid of an additional estimated \$350,000. The council decided to include that alternate in the bid package, but its members are not yet certain when or if that crossing will be installed.

All told, the base bid and related costs could total \$1,858,000.

The project involves the addition of sanitary sewer, water main, storm sewer, street-and-sidewalk reconstruction, road overlays, trails and pedestrian crossings in parts of the following areas:

At existing Second Avenue from Fourth Street N. to Fifth Street N.; on existing Fifth Avenue N. from 2-1/2 Street to Fifth Street N.; on existing 2-1/2 Street from Fifth Avenue N. to Third Avenue N.; on existing Fifth Street N. extending 611 feet east from Pinecone Road N.; and on existing Seventh Street N. from Pinecone Road N. to Riverside Avenue.

There will be a sidewalk installed on the east side of Fifth Avenue as part of the Safe Route to Schools effort, which, thanks to a grant, is part of the overall project. Seventh Street N. will be redone, with a trail added, as well. There are a couple of pedestrian crossings planned for Seventh Street N. and one across Pinecone Road N. at Central Park Boulevard.

The neighborhood has become busier with motor traffic and pedestrians as developments, including Pinecone Central Park, began to gain heavy use. In addition, the Pinecone Road corridor to its west will be extremely busy when the new high school opens to the north

next year.

Assessments for the project will be determined this coming fall. Residents will not be assessed for some parts of the project, such as the Safe Routes to School amenities. They will be assessed for street work (35 percent of the front-yard footage; 35 percent for storm sewer based on square footage; 35 percent of water main and 100 percent for the sewer service hook-up to homes).

Emmer staffer schedules Sartell office hours

Rep. Tom Emmer's office has started a new constituent service in Sartell.

Starting March, 19, a caseworker will be available from 10 a.m.-1p.m. at Sartell City Hall on the third Tuesday of the month.

Casework staff can assist people with issues with the federal government such as Social Security, veterans claims, the IRS, immigration, foreign adoptions and passports.

Scott Andreassen

For Director of Stearns Electric



Member of St. Cloud School District 742
Board Finance Committee & Finance Study Group
Chair Community Education Advisory Committee

Vote by internet, mail or at April 4 annual meeting

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Opinion

Our View

Gun safety skeptics weren't entirely right

A year has passed.

A year ago, we were focused on demonstrations and rallies supporting gun control safety legislation following the killing of 17 people at a Florida high school.

Skeptics doubted the public support would result in laws such as universal background checks, bans on assault-style weapons or high capacity magazines.

These measures are widely supported, for example, more than 90 percent of Americans are in favor of universal background checks.

The powerful gun lobby has blocked any legislation. In the 2016 election cycle, the gun lobby poured \$55 million into campaigns. Donald Trump benefited from more than \$31 million gun lobby money donated to support his campaign and oppose Hillary Clinton.

The skeptics were not entirely right. Democrats now control the U.S. House of Representatives and in St. Paul, Democrats control the state House, with Republicans holding a one-seat advantage in the Senate.

The election resulted in gun-safety legislation finally getting a vote. For these proposals to become law, citizens need to push Republicans to join the cause.

In Washington, the House passed two bills that address background check issues.

HR 1112 would require a gun dealer to wait up to 20 business days, as opposed to three under current law, to hear from the FBI regarding an individual's background check in instances in which no immediate determination on the individual had been made, before being allowed to complete the sale or transfer of a firearm. The bill would also modify the language that prohibits the sale of firearms to individuals on the basis of mental illness to bar sales to individuals "adjudicated with mental illness, severe developmental disability, or severe emotional instability." The bill passed 228-198, with Rep. Tom Emmer opposing it along with 190 other Republicans.

HR 8 would require most purchasers of firearms to undergo a background check through the National Instant Criminal Background Check System, including all sales and transfers of firearms through public and private purchases. The bill would specify instances in which a background check could be skipped at the time of a firearm's transfer, including when transferred as a loan or gift between family members, when transferred for hunting or fishing purposes or when transferred for use in a shooting range, so long as the weapon remains in the presence of its owner.

It passed 240-190 with Emmer and 187 other Republicans opposing it.

In St. Paul, a bill to allow law enforcement and family members to petition a court to prohibit people from possessing firearms if they pose a significant danger to themselves or others by possessing a firearm is moving through House committees. A similar bill appears stalled in the Senate.

Also in the Senate, a bill introduced by three Democrats to tighten background checks is also stalled.

Prove the skeptics totally wrong. Contact your state legislators.

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Minnesota Senate Building, Room 3231
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Not all political leaders move slowly. New Zealand's coalition government plans to unveil gun law reforms within the next week in response to a deadly shooting rampage at two mosques last week. These could include restricting the military-style semiautomatic weapons that were used in the attacks, which left 50 Muslim worshippers dead.

The government's decision has been in part motivated by the frequency of mass shootings in the United States, which has among the most lax gun laws in the world. Since the beginning of the year, there have been 58 mass shooting incidents in the United States and 2,826 people have died from gun violence.

A year from now let's make sure the gun safety skeptics are out of business.

Though calendar says so, spring isn't here yet

It's spring. I know this because the calendar said so. Spring arrived at 4:58 p.m. Wednesday, March 20.

And I know this because last week, we sprang forward for daylight-saving time (more about that later). So now I can shovel snow at 8 p.m. without turning on the porch light.

I know spring is here because I spent a couple of hours this week rounding up the Sartell High School spring sports schedules that we'll publish in a couple of weeks. You'll be happy to know the baseball team kicks off its season with a game in Little Falls.

Spring is surely here because I can look out my patio door and see that the gas grill is no longer covered with a couple of feet of snow. And except for the snow-covered deck, it would be a great day for grilling.

Two of my favorite teams, the Twins and Minnesota United, will soon return to the Twin Cities for their home openers.

In just six days, March 28, the Twins will host Cleveland at Target Field. As an incentive, the team is offering puffy vests. Luckily, there's no game scheduled the next day, March 29. If by some odd chance, Opening Day is snowed out, the teams can play a day later. I hope the Cleveland players enjoy the day off. The long-range forecast for Opening Day calls for mostly sunny skies with a high of 47 degrees. Accu-weather says the RealFeel temp will be 42.

Target Field's grass is heated so it will be nice and green, even while the fans turn blue.

The Loons have a few more weeks for warm weather to return. After five

road games, the soccer team opens its new stadium, Allianz Field in St. Paul, on April 13. The team posted a video of stocking-cap-clad players touring the new facility and snow covered much of the field. About half of the players grew up in warmer locations but Ethan Finlay from Marshfield, Wisconsin, and Brent Kallman and Eric Miller from Woodbury should feel right at home.

I know it's spring because the streets are filled with potholes. You can spot them by the collection of roadside hubcaps knocked from wheels hitting the craters. I'll bet alignment shops and tire stores love spring.

Now, more about daylight-saving time. Again this spring, there's a push to make it permanent instead of springing ahead and falling back each year. The week after a time change has been found to lead to more car and work accidents, heart attacks and headaches, as well as decreased work productivity. It is estimated the resulting loss in productivity costs the United States economy \$434 million a year.

The permanent daylight time push comes from Florida, where theme park operations are happy to welcome you at Christmas or during spring break without having to turn on park lights



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Before the March 9 snow storm, Jeff Petersen spotted this wishful scene in the Northland Park neighborhood.

Mike Knaak
Editor



until later in the evening.

Of course, permanent daylight-saving time would mean the sun would not be directly overhead at noon, rendering useless your backyard sundial.

Worse, in the dead of winter, the sun wouldn't rise until almost 9 a.m., long after most of have left for work or school.

The calendar and when the sun sets doesn't help mark the change in seasons. I'll really know it's spring when I can watch outdoor sports without a winter jacket, drive on smooth roads and see green instead of mountains of white out my windows.

Do not discard your Social Security card

Dennis Dalman
Reporter



Whatever you do, do not throw away your Social Security card.

About a year ago, while weeding useless cards from my stuffed wallet, I came across a fragment of something that in ancient times had once been my Social Security card. Faded, scuffed, creased and thin as onion-skin, it looked like a tattered scrap from one of the Dead Sea scrolls. Time to toss it, I foolishly decided. Why keep it? My Social Security number has long been "tattooed" in my memory, so much so it's probably the only thing I'll remember for sure when I end up in a memory-care unit.

(Which reminds me: They constantly warn us never to give out Social Security numbers and yet every time we fill out a form, an application, anything at all, they insist we cough up a Social Security number. Thus, my number has become engraved into my very being.)

Recently, I had to renew my driver's license. I'd learned earlier I could get a "Real ID," which would be included in the cost of renewal, \$25.25. A Real ID will become necessary, as an added security measure, starting in October 2020 for anyone who wants to board an airplane for domestic flights. To get that ID, I needed to bring my birth certificate, Social Security number and two bills show-

ing current address. Well and fine. I grabbed two bill statements and took the copy of my birth certificate from my file cabinet, then off I went to the government center.

At the service counter, I showed those papers, and like a robot I was about to rattle off my Social Security number. Then she asked for the card. Oops! The actual card, she said, is required for the Real ID. Oh well. I asked could I bring the card later, once I get a new one, and still get the Real ID included in the cost I was about to pay for my regular driver's license? Nope. She explained the Real ID is a kind of enhanced driver's license that allows one to fly as well as drive. It's a two-in-one card, not an added one in addition to a regular driver's license, as I'd thought.

Oh well. I won't be flying the friendly skies anytime soon. I'll have to get a new Social Security card and then a Real ID, just in case, so I'll be good-to-go when I win some fabulous trip.

Anyway, here's my advice: Mem-

orize your Social Security number if you haven't already. Do not keep the card on your person. Put it in an alphabetized folder in a filing cabinet or in a safety-deposit box. Check the expiration date on your driver's license (it always falls on your birthday, every four years). If you don't have a copy of your birth certificate, go get one and file that, too. That way, you'll be all set when you go off to get a new driver's license, one with Real ID status. Then you will be able to fly within the United States with that ID or with a passport. You will still need a passport for foreign travel.

Oh, and one more thing: When you go for license renewal, be sure to bring your eyeglasses. When I peered into the vision-testing gizmo at the license bureau, the woman told me to read the letters on the upper line. For a split second I panicked; the entire line was a hopeless blur. In the next split second, one of huge relief, I realized I didn't have my glasses on. I'd put them in my shirt pocket 10 minutes earlier so I could squint closely, like Mr. Magoo, at the microscopic print on the renewal form. Grabbing my glasses, I managed to identify the letters – or most of them.

Embarrassed, I laughed. She laughed, too. She was probably thinking, "He doesn't need a license renewal; he needs a dog and a cane."

PUBLIC NOTICE

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
SARTELL-ST. STEPHEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO 748
FEB. 25, 2019
DISTRICT SERVICE CENTER BOARD ROOM

The regular school board meeting of Independent School District 748 was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Vice Chair Jeremy Snoberger. Members present: Snoberger; Pamela Raden, clerk; Amanda Byrd, treasurer; Lesa Kramer, director; Patrick Marushin, director; and Jeff Schwiebert, superintendent. Member Jason Nies, chair, attended the meeting remotely via telephone from the following location: Court-yard Milpitas Silicon Valley, 1480 Falcon Drive, Milpitas, California 95035. Members absent: none.

A motion was made by Kramer and seconded by Marushin to APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED. All in favor. Motion carried.

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

a. Minutes of the regular school board meeting held on Jan. 28, 2019
Minutes of the board work session held on Feb. 4, 2019

b. Checks in the amount of \$2,870,197.83 as presented:

General Fund	2,550,724.10
Food Service Fund	99,996.55
Transportation Fund	145,241.33
Community Service Fund	45,076.15
Capital Expenditure Fund	29,159.70

Check numbers 174477 - 174742
ACHs in the amount of \$2,362.74 as presented:

General Fund	2,195.84
Food Service Fund	103.27
Transportation Fund	40.25
Community Service Fund	23.38

ACH numbers 181900032-181900050
Receipts in the amount of \$3,880,403.90 as presented:

General Fund	2,623,673.99
Food Service Fund	229,668.93
Transportation Fund	40,880.84
Community Service Fund	129,939.67
Capital Expenditure Fund	770,679.72
Building Fund	3,616.24
Debt Service Fund	81,634.51
Summer Rec Agency Fund	300.00

Receipts 45556 - 45679

Wire transfers in the amount of \$7,302.67 as presented:

General Fund	520.02
Food Service Fund	5,432.07
Community Service Fund	1,350.58

Wire transfers 201800052-201800056

Building Fund Checks in the amount of \$3,827,564.34 as presented:

Building Fund	3,827,564.34
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Check numbers 600454 to 600478

c. Accept the following donations:
Pine Meadow PTO Elementary, Pine Meadow Elementary, \$1,003.64, PME art supplies; Sartell-St.Stephen Education Foundation, ISD #748, \$100, SMS technology conference; Sartell Sabre Dance Team, Sartell High School, \$7,500, outside funded dance coaches; United Way c/o Heather Wensel, ISD #748, \$360, general donation.

d. Accept the resignation of Vernon Klaverkamp, District, bus driver, 3/22/19. Accept the retirement of Kaye Heins, SHS, para, 5/31/19; David Plante, ORE, custodian, 5/31/19.
Student Representative Report: Yash Hindka, student representative

Hindka reported on happenings around the district. Pine Meadow held its annual Bingo Night which was well attended and will have parent teacher conferences along with Music in our Schools this week. Oak Ridge saw the One District One Book wrap up last week and will also have parent teacher conferences this week. The Oak Ridge annual Bingo Night will be on March 8. The Middle School fifth- and

sixth-grade Math Masters team will participate in regionals at Sauk Rapids-Rice on March 1 and eighth-graders will participate in Kids Connecting to the Community on March 5 and 6. The high school Nordic ski team won the state title. Dance won the state title in high kick and gymnastics took second at state. Wrestling will be sending individuals to state this week.

Construction Manager Report on Building Process:

Construction Manager Lee Gruen reported the music area has all carpet installed with door work starting next in that area. The kitchen area has been painted, the commons area only needs painting and the pool area tile work is halfway complete. The gymnasium is ready for flooring work and the theater area concrete work is finished. There will be an upcoming site work kickoff meeting to setup for spring work restarting at the site.

Superintendent Report: Jeff Schwiebert, superintendent

Schwiebert reported some thoughts on the levy and stated if the board is in need of information the board should have Mike Hoheisel of Baird attend the April work session. In preparation for grades six through eight the current high school will be closed to the public from Aug. 18 to May 2020 for remodeling. The project remains in a good financial state. With the remodel, the district is looking at options for the gymnastics team as they were going to use the south gym at the current high school next year. Next Friday budget adjustment conversations about reductions will take place. The district was not awarded the Morgan Family Grant, as such the Sartell-St. Stephen Education Foundation expressed interest in taking up the same cause. In regards to snow days the district is currently down a net four days, with the recent makeup day on President’s Day. In review of the current snow day situation the suggestion was made to change April 22 from a teacher workshop day into a full school day for students and forgiving the three remaining days for students. This suggestion is based on the current snow situation and would change if more cancelled days are needed in the future.

School Board Committee

Report:

Clerk Raden reported on the Technology and Communications Committee meeting held on Feb. 20.

Enrollment Report: Superintendent Schwiebert reported on the current enrollment numbers for each school.

A motion was made by Raden and seconded by Marushin to APPROVE #1-9:

New Employees/Changes: Joy Bemboom, SMS, junior high boys tennis, \$1,861 (4.5 percent), BA, B (\$41,353), replacing Matt Horning, 4/1/2019; Karen Johnson, ORE, para, \$16.42/hour, RIV, S1, 4 hours/day, replacing Nikki Mortezaee, 2/11/2019; Karen Johnson, ORE, student supervisor, \$13.87/hour, R1, S1, 2.25 hours/day, replacing Nikki Mortezaee, 2/11/2019; Chris Magnuson, SHS, assistance baseball, \$4,581 (9.5 percent), BA, I (\$48,216), replacing Scott Hentges, 3/18/2019; Kim Mitchell, SHS, assistant girls swim, \$3,649 (9.5 percent), BA, 0 (\$38,410), replacing Sam Kendall, 8/13/2019; Nick Peterson, SHS, strength training consultant (outside funded), \$7,365, new position, 18-19 school year.

Leaves of Absence: Joyce O’Hara, SMS, para, LOA, 3/1/19-4/14/19; Traci Schellinger, SMS, eighth-grade language arts, LOA, 8/26/19-9/16/19; Christina Voegle, SMS, fifth-grade language arts, 19-20 school year.

All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Kramer and seconded by Byrd to APPROVE PK-2 PROGRAMMING RECOMMENDATION AS PRESENTED. All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Marushin and seconded by Raden to APPROVE COMMUNITY EDUCATION AND CITY OF SARTELL PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT. All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Marushin and seconded by Raden to APPROVE ACTIVITIES LOGO SUITE. All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Raden and seconded by Byrd to APPROVE UPDATED BUSINESS LOGO. Nies, Snoberger, Raden, Byrd and Marushin in favor. Nay vote by Kramer. Motion carried 5-1.

Official Review of Policies:
The Board had the official review of policies: 410, 414, 415, 514, 522, 524, 531, 533, 535 and 616.

The Board had the first reading of revisions of policies: 413, 506, 527, 529, 530 and 532.
Schedule Work Session and Committee Meetings:

School Board Recognition Week - Feb. 18-22, 2019

Future Board Work Session - Monday, March 4 at District Service Center - 6:30 p.m.

Future Board Meeting - Monday, March 18 at District Service Center - 6:30 p.m.

Discussion was held regarding the Resource Training and Solutions Board of Directors’ Election.

Committee assignments were reviewed.

A motion to ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:17 p.m. was made by Marushin and seconded by Kramer. All in favor. Motion carried.

/s/ Pamela Raden, Clerk

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PUBLIC NOTICE

SARTELL-ST. STEPHEN SCHOOL DISTRICT

CALL FOR BIDS

The Sartell-St. Stephen School District Administration recommends the Board of Education authorize a Call for Bids for the following projects:

Sartell EXISTING High School to Middle School remodel, all bid packages

Work will include the following types of work: interior demolition, concrete cutting, concrete patching, metal stud framing and drywall, flooring, paint, acoustic ceilings, interior storefronts and glazing, hollow metals doors and frames, Laboratory Casework, Architectural Casework Division 10 specialties, Fire Suppression, Mechanical, Plumbing and Electrical.

Sartell-St. Stephen School District will receive sealed bids at the District Service Center on April 16, 2019. Bids should be delivered to 212 Third Ave N., Sartell, Minn. Attention Joe Prom.

Plans will be available on or after March 25, 2019. Contact the office of Bradbury Stamm Construction-Winkelman Office for document access at 320-253-2411 or lgruen@bradburys-tamm.com.

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People



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The Sartell Pee Wee hockey team is District 5 Champion. In playoff action Feb. 23, the team beat River Lakes 4-0 and faced them again on Feb. 24 claiming a 6-3 win.

Three Sartell students have been named to the dean's list at Bemidji State University for fall semester. The students are **Angela Higgins**, **Jarret Janu** and **EvaLynn Jundt**. To be eligible for the dean's list, students earn a 3.5 grade-point average.

Dr. Kimberly Tjaden of Sartell has been named the 2019 Family Physician of the Year by the Minnesota Academy of Family Physicians.



Tjaden

This award is presented annually to a family physician who personifies the highest ideals of family medicine: compassionate, comprehensive patient care and involvement in the community.

Tjaden has been practicing family medicine in St. Cloud for 20 years. She sees patients at the St. Cloud Medical Group South Campus and is actively involved in community health education and outreach to underserved populations.

She is an alumnus of the University of Nebraska College of Medicine.

Two Sartell students were named to the fall semester dean's list at St. Olaf College, Northfield. They are **Jacob Franzmeier**, son of Paula and Martin Franzmeier, and **Lizzy Minnerath**, daughter of Sylvia and Dale and Minnerath. The dean's list recognizes students with a semester grade-point average of 3.75 or higher on a 4-point scale.

Kaylee Tenvoorde of Sartell has been named to the president's list at Bemidji State University for fall semester. To be eligible for the president's list, students earn a perfect 4.0 grade-point average.

Kayla Nelson of St. Stephen has been named to the fall semester dean's list at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities. To qualify for the dean's List, a student must attain a minimum 3.66 grade-point average.

McKenzie Fossen of Sartell has been named to the president's honor roll at the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks. To qualify, a student must have an overall cumulative grade-point average of 3.80 or higher.

Seven Sartell students have been named to the dean's list for fall semester at St. John's University. They are **Dean Amundson**, son of Charmin and Ben Amundson; **Benjamin Bierscheid**, son of Karla Pallansch and Scott Bierscheid; **Elliot Edeburn**, son of Ann Elise Edeburn; **Brandon Kramer**, son of Lesa and Dan Kramer; **Spencer Pierskalla**, son of Joni and Sam Pierskalla; **Matthew Immelman**, son of Pamela and Aubrey Immelman; and **Matthew Michaud**, son of Shelly Smith. To be included on the dean's list, students must have a semester grade-point average of at least 3.80.

Chase Meyers of St. Stephen has ben named to the fall semester dean's list at the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks. To be named to the dean's list, students earn a grade-point average in the top 15 percent of students. Meyers was also named to the president's honor roll. To qualify, a student must have an overall cumulative grade-point average of 3.80 or higher.

BLACK HILLS OF SOUTH DAKOTA TOUR

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Wednesday, May 24 - Tuesday, June 4

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Tour of Hutterite Colony

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