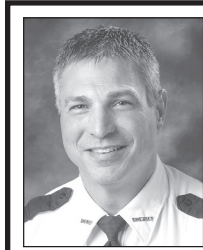


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SHERIFF Sean Deringer Weekly Activity Report



Wright County Sheriff's Office Activity Report for Period Ending March 28, 2022.

On March 21st, Zachary Steven Ahrens, 29, of Wadena was arrested in Douglas County on Wright County warrants for Domestic Assault and Receiving Stolen Property.

On March 21st, Tyler Robert Roering, 25, of Clearwater was arrested in Clearwater on a charge of Violation of a Harassment/Restraining Order.

On March 22nd, Kyle Steven Hohn, 32, of Elk River was arrested in Sherburne County on a Wright County warrant for 5th Degree Controlled Substance.

On March 23rd, David John Benson, 60, of Monticello was arrested in Silver Creek Township on a charge of 3rd Degree DWI.

On March 23rd, Jeremy Craig Degel, 36, of Champlin was arrested in Anoka County on a Wright County warrant for 5th Degree Controlled Substance.

On March 23rd, Shawn Conrad Tregoning, 31, of Minneapolis was arrested in Hennepin County on Wright County warrants for 5th Degree Controlled Substance and Theft.

On March 24th, Christopher David Brehm, 45, of Minneapolis was arrested in Hennepin County on Wright County warrants for Driving After Revocation and Theft.

On March 24th, Carlos Enrique Hernandez-Lopez, 26, of Maple Grove was arrested in St. Michael on a charge of Violation of a Domestic Abuse No Contact Order.

On March 24th, Jeremy Michael Juliot, 29, of Otsego was arrested in Clay County on a Wright County warrant for 5th Degree Controlled Substance.

On March 24th, Tong Kou Moua, 36, of Delano was arrested in Buffalo on a Wright County warrant for 2nd Degree Assault.

On March 24th, Stacey LouAnn Simon, 49, of Annandale was arrested in Maple Lake on a charge of 2nd Degree DWI.

On March 24th, Nicholas David Spreeman, 24, of Montrose was arrested in Montrose on a charge of Driving After Cancellation/Inimical to Public Safety.

On March 24th, Robert Charles Stenson, 27, of Abilene TX was arrested in Benton County on a Wright County warrant for 2nd Degree Criminal Sexual Conduct.

On March 25th, Thomas Lee Burgard, 32, of Otsego was arrested in Ramsey County on a Wright County warrant for 5th Degree Controlled Substance.

On March 25th, Joshua Lee Hill, 26, of Shoreview was arrested in Albertville on a charge of Receiving Stolen Property and Wright County warrants for 5th Degree Controlled Substance and Theft.

On March 25th, Brice Eddie Jeska, 28, of Howard Lake was arrested in Howard Lake on a charge of Fugitive from Justice from Other State.

On March 25th, Joshua Thomas Moist, 38, of Howard Lake was arrested in Waverly on a charge of Violation of a Domestic Abuse No Contact Order.

On March 25th, Jeffery Carl Mortensen, 31, of Dassel was arrested in Montrose on a charge of Violation of a Domestic Abuse/Order for Protection.

On March 25th, Marc Thomas Seay, 35, of Big Lake was arrested in Otsego on a Wright County warrant for 5th Degree Controlled Substance.

On March 25th, Cassandra Jasmin Stein, 35, of Richfield was arrested in Albertville on a charge of Violation of a Domestic Abuse No Contact Order.

On March 25th, Samantha-Jo Kathleen Welter, 33, of Buffalo was arrested in Buffalo on a Wright County warrant for 3rd Degree Controlled Substance.

On March 26th, Louis John Brott III, 51, of Monticello was arrested in Monticello on a charge of Driving After Cancellation/Inimical to Public Safety.

On March 26th, Jessica Lynn Schel-

lenberg, 38, of Maple Plain was arrested in Rockford on charges of Interfere with Emergency Phone Calls and Domestic Assault.

On March 26th, Arlesia Shanell Williams, 35, of St. Cloud was arrested in Benton County on a Wright County warrant for 2nd Degree DWI.

On March 27th, Cory Jobe Scott Remington, 29, of Montrose was arrested in Montrose on a charge of 2nd Degree Assault.

On March 27th, Cassandra Jasmin Stein, 35, of Richfield was arrested in Albertville on a charge of Violation of a Domestic Abuse No Contact Order.

On March 27th, Amanda Margaret Wurm, 37, of Maple Lake was arrested in Maple Lake on a charge of 3rd Degree DWI.

There were 20 Property Damage Accidents, 1 Personal Injury Accidents, 4 Hit and Run Accidents and 4 Car Deer Accidents.

There were arrests for 7 DWI, 0 Underage Consumption arrests, 1 School Bus Stop Arm Violations and 83 tickets for miscellaneous traffic violations reported this week.



County Attorney's Report

by Brian Lutes
Wright County Attorney

Sentencings by the Wright County Court for the Week of March 21, 2022.

Blemke, Daniel Leo, Jr., age 33, of Buffalo, sentenced on 03/11/22 for Felony Harassment-Second or Subsequent Violation in Ten Years to a stay of imposition for five years on conditions of probation, serve 188 days jail, pay \$75 surcharges, cooperate with the search of person, residence, vehicle, workplace and property, provide DNA sample, do not register to vote or vote until discharged from probation, obtain permission before leaving the state, have no use or possession of firearms or dangerous weapons, have no use or possession of alcohol or non-prescription drugs, submit to random testing, remain medically compliant, complete cognitive skill training, have no contact with victim or victim's residence of place of employment, complete an anger management program and follow all recommendations, maintain contact with probation agent, have no same or similar violations. Sentenced for Felony Violent Threats to a stay of imposition for five years on conditions of probation, serve 237 days jail, concurrent, pay \$75 surcharges, follow above conditions.

Buskee, Nancey Kathryn, age 54, of Peterson, sentenced on 03/07/22 for Gross Misdemeanor Arson in the Fourth Degree to 365 days jail; 365 days stayed for two years on conditions of probation, pay restitution, provide DNA sample, undergo a mental health assessment and follow all recommendations, serve 20 days on electronic home monitoring, maintain contact with probation agent, have no same or similar violations.

Kardor, Mitchell Blessing, age 23, of Elk River, sentenced on 03/11/22 for Misdemeanor Violation of a No Contact Order to 90 days jail, \$50 fine; 34 days stayed for one year on conditions of probation, serve 56 days jail, pay \$50 fine plus surcharges, provide DNA sample, abide by any outstanding order for protection/harassment order/ no contact order, complete the Wright County Domestic Abuse Batterer's Intervention Program and follow all recommendations, maintain contact with probation agent, have no same or similar violations.

Morgan-Grube, Zachariah Karl Z L, age 25, of Elk River, sentenced on 03/18/22 for Gross Misdemeanor Second Degree DWI to 365 days jail, \$200 fine; 361 days stayed for two years on conditions of probation, serve 4 days jail, pay \$200 fine plus surcharges, complete a DWI class, follow all recommendations from chemical dependency assessment, complete 26 hours on electronic home monitoring, have no use or possession of alcohol or non-prescription drugs, submit to random testing, maintain contact with probation agent, have no same or similar violations.

Mortensen, Jeffery Carl, age 31, of Montrose, sentenced on 03/10/22 for Felony Malicious Punishment of a Child to a stay of imposition for five years on conditions of probation, serve 180 days jail, pay \$50 fine plus sur-

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Marvin went on to play women's professional hockey for the Minnesota Whitecaps, Boston Blades, and Boston Pride. She is also a three-time Olympic Games Women's Hockey participant, winning two silver medals, and one gold medal in 2018. 2018 was the second time the United States Women's Hockey team won a gold medal, the first was in 1998.

Gigi Marvin is currently part of the Minnesota Wild's broadcast team. She is the second woman to be added to the Wild's broadcast team, along with Audra Martin.

What inspires me the most about Gigi Marvin is how involved she has been in hockey in Minnesota. She grew up playing here, played college at the University of Minnesota, and played part of her professional career with the Whitecaps. She is now an inspiration to me being a commentator for the Minnesota Wild. Growing up watching the Wild, I did not see women as full-time commentators or announcers. It's amazing to see a decorated Minnesotan,

Region 7W seeks feedback on transportation needs for planning study

Input needed from travelers in Benton, Sherburne, Stearns and Wright counties

Travelers who reside or drive in the Region 7W area of Benton, Sherburne, Stearns and Wright counties are invited to take an online map survey to pinpoint needs and issues for the area's Long Range Transportation Plan. The survey is open now through April 8, 2022, at www.mndot.gov/d3/region7w.

Input from the public will help develop the future Region 7W Long Range Transportation Plan. Region 7W covers Benton, Sherburne, Stearns and Wright Counties, with the exception of the St. Cloud area, which has a separate planning entity.

The role of Region 7W is to address transportation issues in the four-county area and conduct regional transportation studies and plans to identify needs and improvements.

"Your feedback will be valuable in planning future transportation needs for

Region 7W in central Minnesota," said Tom Cruikshank, MnDOT District 3 transportation planner, who is leading the plan revision. "The survey map allows the public to place comments on areas of concern or that need improvement. This information will be used for the long range plan and will help guide priorities for projects seeking federal transportation funding."

Allina Health changes policy to allow additional visitors; masking and social distancing still required

Allina Health has changed its visitor policy guidelines allowing for additional family and friends to visit patients. Safety measures including masking and social distancing still remain in place, to keep our patients, staff and visitors safe.

All visitors and support persons will continue to be screened for symptoms consistent with COVID-19. Visitors or support persons who do not pass the screening will not be able to visit or accompany a patient in clinic and hospital settings.

For most inpatients, the policy changes mean there is no specific limit on the number of visitors as long as they pass the COVID-19 screening and safe social

To learn more about Region 7W, visit www.mndot.gov/d3/region7w/. Questions or concerns can be directed to Tom Cruikshank, transportation planner, at thom.as.cruikshank@state.mn.us or 320-223-6526.

MnDOT invites and encourages participation by all. If you need an ASL, a foreign language interpreter, or other reasonable accommodation, or need the online survey in an alternative format (such as braille or large print), please email your request to ADArequest.dot@state.mn.us or call 1-833-400-8432.

distancing is possible. Children ages 5 - 17 must be from the same household as the patient in order to visit and must be accompanied by an adult visitor.

In our birth centers, two support people are allowed per patient during triage, labor and delivery. In antepartum and postpartum areas up to two minors ages 5-17 from the same household are allowed, in addition to the two support people.

Complete visitor guidelines for other service areas of our hospitals can be viewed online.

At times, the number of visitors in a patient's room may need to be limited out of medical necessity, as determined by the care team.

Public Health releases weekly COVID-19 dashboard

Wright County Public Health has released its weekly COVID-19 dashboard for the period of March 18-24 and, for second straight week, the number of new cases over that seven-day period was the lowest since July 2021.

There were just 33 new confirmed cases over the last seven days. In addition, there were seven cases that required hospitalization, four cases that required treatment in an Intensive Care Unit and no deaths. Since the pandemic be-

gan, there have been 36,417 confirmed cases in Wright County, 1,473 cases that required hospitalization, 252 that required a stay in an ICU and 304 deaths.

To see the full dashboard, visit: <https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/026d05fb250c47e08ceb0700bfd00ee>. For information on the omicron variant, breakthrough cases and case rates among the vaccinated and unvaccinated, visit the Minnesota Department of Health website at <https://mn.gov/covid19/>.

Trail Mix Race presented by TC Running Company on April 16

Join us on Saturday, April 16, from 7 a.m. - 5 p.m., at Lake Rebecca Park Reserve, Rockford, for the Trail Mix Race. Trail Mix Race presented by TC Running Company celebrates 31 years of trail running! The course offers rolling hills, scenic wetlands, prairies, and big woods landscapes in one of the west metro's premier parks. Mix it up in race village with DJ-mixed tunes, hot turkey and wild rice soup or vegan broth courtesy of Lucky's 13 Catering, GoGo SqueeZ, and of course - trail mix!

Trail Mix has four distances available: 6K, 12.5K,

25K and 50K. From the first-time trail race participant to the most experienced of ultra-trail runners, there's something for everyone. In partnership with the Three Rivers Park District Foundation, 10 percent of every race registration supports adapted programming and helps purchase adapted equipment. Participants can make an additional donation when registering to make an even larger impact.

For complete details and to register visit: <https://www.threeriversparks.org/page/trail-mix>.

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Finan shared, "I think it is well managed. My concern as a citizen is focused on climate change and how we're going to achieve energy security and supply for the globe moving forward... I am very concerned with health and safety in general, but I also know advanced nuclear is very safe. Today's nuclear is very safe. It is the safest form of energy we have."

I echo Finan's sentiments on the importance of nuclear energy. As Minnesota works to find affordable, clean, renewable sources of energy, it is critical to keep all options on the table. In 2020, Minnesota's two nuclear power plants, Prairie Island and Monticello, safely fueled 26% of the state's electricity net generation, while emitting no greenhouse gases.

For this reason, I am au-

thoring a bill to fully repeal our state's ban on the construction of new nuclear power facilities in Minnesota, which has been in effect for over two decades. My proposal does not mandate building any new plants, but instead allows power companies to consider all options.

Therefore, I strongly believe we need low-carbon electricity that is not dependent on the weather or wind and our nuclear power plants provide just that.

Contact me

As always, if have questions or concerns on any legislative topic, feel free to contact me any time. You can call me at 651-296-5655 or send me an email at sen.mary.kiffmeyer@senate.mn. It is a privilege to serve as your state senator.

Sincerely,
Mary

the 1960s with her husband, she was inducted into the Minnesota Business Hall of Fame in 1985.

Honorable groups and organizations- The Minnesota Lynx who have won four WNBA Championships. The Minnesota Whitecaps who have won one Clarkson Cup and one Isobel Cup. The Minnesota Machine who have won three WFA Division titles. The Minnesota Vixen who have won four WFA Division titles.

There are many more inspirational women in and from Minnesota; this article could be pages long. A last highlight in Minnesota that is very personal to me, is Augsburg University (then Augsburg College) offering

the first NCAA lacrosse team in the state of Minnesota in 2014. The Augsburg Women's Lacrosse team was the first team in Minnesota to participate at the NCAA level. I was fortunate to be a part of that historic team my freshman year of college. It's amazing that the first NCAA lacrosse team in the state was a women's team.

I hope that everyone had an amazing March and that everyone was able to recognize the inspirational women in their lives.

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Athletic director stepping down

Annandale Advocate -- Annandale School District's Activities Director Luke MacLean recently announced that he would be resigning at the conclusion of his contract which ends June 30. He has been the Activities Director since 2013. MacLean was also the Head High School Baseball Coach from 2014-2021.

Hanover teacher shows wonders of nature to her 4th grade students

Crow River News -- Jenny Boldt takes her fourth-grade class out on adventures for "Forest Fridays" for 30-to-45-minute sessions of outdoor time to learn about different topics such as math, history, and science. Boldt designated a forested area for the school, marking the area with a sign her husband made that says, "Hanover School Forest."

Dassel Volunteer Fire Department actively recruiting new members

Enterprise Dispatch (Dassel-Cokato) -- The Dassel Volunteer Fire Department is searching for recruits with a current roster of 18 firefighters with room for 30. Many of the 18 members are planning to retire soon. The Minnesota Department of Public Safety indicated that recruitment and retention as the most significant issues in 2020. Applications are available at www.dassel.com or for pick up at Dassel City Hall, located at 460 3rd St N. For questions or more information contact the Fire Station at 320-275-3260 or by email at dasselfire@dassel.com.

Delano boys' basketball team named academic state champs

Delano Herald Journal -- Each year, the Minnesota Basketball Coach reviews each team's academic performance in the state and selects a champion from each section of each class based on grade-point average (GPA). Delano was chosen as one of the Class AAA

champions for the 2021-2022 basketball season. The team GPA this year was 3.78. Team members received certificates recognizing the achievement.

New organ to fill church with hymns and happiness

Herald Journal (Howard Lake-Waverly area) -- St. John's Lutheran Church in Howard Lake has decided to replace its deteriorating pipe organ that has provided music for more than 60 years. St. John's now has the opportunity to acquire a world-class pipe organ from Luther Seminary in St. Paul. The church has out together a committee that has been working on making this possible for the congregation, with the goal to purchase the organ by 2024.

Maple Lake welcomes Dangerous Man brewers to the community

Maple Lake Messenger -- At the March 15 Maple Lake City Council meeting, the council voted to amend city zoning ordinance to include brewer taprooms as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission. The ordinance comes in response to an application by Dangerous Man Brewing Company to open a brewery and taproom in the Creamery Manufacturing building. Dangerous Man currently runs a microbrewery in Northeast Minneapolis.

Highway 25, County 11 could switch roadways

Monticello Times -- Sherburne County and the Minnesota Department of Transportation have been talking about swapping the routes of Highway 25 and County Road 11 across the Mississippi River bridge from Monticello. Under the proposed agreement, Highway 25 from the Mississippi River and north to Big Lake would become the new County Road 11, and County Road 11 from the Mississippi River northwest to Highway 10 near Becker would become the new Highway 25. The Big Lake City Council has approved a resolution supporting the modified route.