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Living Nativity braves the elements

By Travis Gulbrandson
Alexandria Echo Press

Both participants in and viewers of the Living Nativity held by First Lutheran Church in Alexandria withstood blowing snow and freezing wind to get the chance to see the Christmas story be retold.

The Nativity was held on Sunday, Dec. 5, from 4:30-6:30 p.m. as a drive-through only event.

First Lutheran is at 1655 18th Ave. E. in Alexandria. This was the second time it has had its Living Nativity at its new location after moving from downtown Alexandria.

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Photos by Travis Gulbrandson / Alexandria Echo Press

Live camels were among the animals that took part in the Living Nativity held by First Lutheran Church in Alexandria on Sunday.

Both actors and animals braved the wind and snow to take part in the Living Nativity on Sunday.



And the angel appeared before the shepherds abiding in the field keeping watch over their flock by night.



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TRUTH IN TAXATION MEETING

Douglas Co. sets levy increase of 4.44%

It's 1.45% less than the initial amount

By Celeste Edenloff
Alexandria Echo Press



Doehling Frisell

Most property owners in Douglas County will see their property taxes go up by 4.44% for the 2021 tax year.

This is a lower rate – 1.45% less – than the preliminary levy set by the commissioners back in September. After making cuts to the budget, the commissioners approved the lower levy amount, which was set at \$30.4 million instead of almost \$30.9 million.

Vicki Doehling, Douglas County auditor/treasurer, and Jill Frisell, finance director, provided a detailed presentation about the county's \$59.5 million budget and \$30.4 million levy during the annual Truth in Taxation meeting Thursday, Dec. 2

No questions were asked from the one non-county employee in attendance.

The county's levy increased by \$710,808,

an increase of 2.5% from last year. Its budget increased by \$2,606,355, a 4.6% increase.

The net levy budgets were also set for the following departments:

► County attorney – \$1.16 million. This is an increase of \$58,832 (5.33%).

► County auditor/treasurer – \$574,079. This is an increase of \$222,336 (63.21% – the largest budget increase.) The previous net budget for this department was actually \$1.4 million because it also included the finance department. But in 2021, the two departments were separated and after that, the 2021 net budget for just the auditor/treasurer's department was \$351,743.

► County recorder – \$33,077. This is an increase of \$1,158 (4.81%).

► County sheriff – \$9.5 million. This is an increase of \$273,905 (2.94% – the smallest budget increase.)

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You Dunn good kid

Alexandria Civil Air Patrol presents prestigious Amelia Earhart Award

By Thalen Zimmerman
Alexandria Echo Press

Harry Dunn, 15, of Sauk Center, received the Amelia Earhart Award and the Core Value of Respect Award at an Alexandria Civil Air Patrol award banquet for his sustained excellence in four areas of cadet life: leadership, aerospace, fitness, and character.

The banquet took place at New Life Christian Church on Tuesday, Nov. 30.

"It shows my hard



Contributed photo

Harry Dunn, accompanied by Lt. Col. Jill Holm, left, receives his Amelia Earhart Award from Col. Tom Theis, right.

work has paid off," said Dunn. "It is a really big deal for me because it is one of the steps to get to Cadet Colonel, which is one of my goals."

Cadet Colonel is the highest rank in the CAP; only 1% of cadets earn the rank.

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Car wash being built near Holiday Inn

By Travis Gulbrandson
Alexandria Echo Press

Passersby may be wondering about the new structure being erected near the Holiday Inn in Alexandria.

It's going to be a single-bay car wash with an area of 4,315 square feet, said Alexandria building official Lynn Timm.

The permit to build the facility was issued June 29 to Zoey Properties LLC out of Alexandria.

The contractor of the project is Breitbach Construction of Elrosa, Minn.

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A car wash is being constructed near the Holiday Inn in Alexandria, the permit for which was issued June 29.

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LAKES AREA FORECAST

The state of Minnesota was hit by two snowstorms over the weekend. The first one hit Saturday into Saturday night. This brought the heaviest snow across northern Minnesota, where 6 inches of snow or more fell. Much of central and west-central Minnesota picked up 1 to 4 inches of snow.



Mark Anthony
Meteorologist

A more powerful winter storm pushed across Minnesota on Sunday into Sunday night. An additional 12-18 inches of snow fell in parts of northeastern Minnesota. The other issue was strong winds on Sunday

into Monday of 40-plus mph, which produced white-out conditions. Blizzard warnings and winter storm warnings were issued across North Dakota and parts of northern Minnesota.

On the backside of this secondary system, Arctic air spilled into the Upper Midwest. Overnight low temperatures by Monday morning tumbled anywhere from 5 to 10 below zero with wind chills of 10 to 20 below zero.

We could see some additional light snow or flurries on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Highs should reach the 20s and 30s. We could even see some lower 40s by Sunday across the state.

Drive carefully as the roadways will continue to be slick at times.

WEATHER HISTORY

On this date in 1876, the term blizzard was first used. It was first used in a government publication called "Monthly Weather Review."

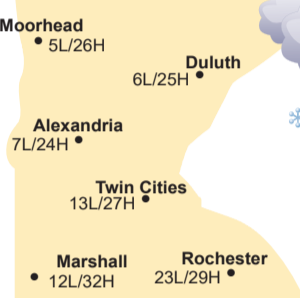
WEATHER FACT

A blizzard is a severe snowstorm with winds of 35 mph or greater, and visibility of less than 1/4 of a mile for more than three hours.

MN AT A GLANCE

Sunrise: 7:50 a.m. Sunset: 4:36 p.m.
Normal High: 24 Normal Low: 7

WEDNESDAY



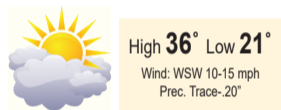
High **24°**
Low **21°**

Cloudy, 20% chance of flurries late. Winds: SSE 10-15 mph Prec. Trace-.20"

Some light snow will be possible for late Wednesday into Friday across the region as a couple of weak systems push across Minnesota. Temperatures will moderate for Thursday and Friday, with highs in the low to mid 30s. We could see the 40s returning by Sunday.

OUTLOOK

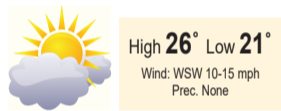
THURSDAY Mostly cloudy, 20% chance of flurries



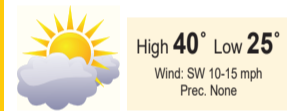
FRIDAY Mostly cloudy, 30% chance of snow.



SATURDAY Partly cloudy.



SUNDAY Partly cloudy and warmer



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COVID-19 CASE COUNT

Total number of COVID-19 cases confirmed by the Minnesota Department of Health in Douglas County and the surrounding area as of Dec. 6 (cumulative):
Douglas County – 8,015 (101

deaths).
Grant – 1,032 (10 deaths).
Otter Tail – 9,951 (130 deaths).
Pope – 2,103 (10 deaths).
Stearns – 34,249 (288 deaths).
Stevens – 1,709 (11 deaths)
Todd – 4,987 (44 deaths).
Statewide (cumulative) –

922,278 (9,654 deaths).
Active cases in Douglas County – 304 (according to Horizon Public Health as of Dec. 2).
People (16 and older) with at least one vaccine dose in Douglas County – 20,347 or 67.1% of the population (as of Dec. 2).

USPS looking to fill openings in Alexandria

The United States Postal Service is seeking to hire entry-level carrier positions as well as many part-time weekend and holiday package delivery positions in Alexandria.

Applicants are encouraged to come to the Alexandria Main Post Office on 720 Fillmore St. on Thursday, Dec. 9, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

To assist potential applicants, USPS personnel will be on-site to provide detailed information about the positions and answer questions. Starting pay for rural carrier associates is \$19.06 per hour and for city carrier assistants is \$18.51, paid bi-weekly.

Applications are accepted online only at www.usps.com/careers. Laptops

will be on site for application assistance. Applicants must be 18 years of age and be able to pass drug screening and a criminal background investigation. Applicants must be available to work weekends and holidays. See the job posting for full details for duties, responsibilities, requirements and benefits information. Job postings are updated frequently, so check back often for additional opportunities.

The United States Postal Service is an equal opportunity employer offering a fast-paced, rewarding work environment with competitive compensation packages, on-the-job training and opportunities for advancement.

FOR THE RECORD

Pope/Douglas Solid Waste Management Special Meeting Thursday, Dec. 16

Location: 2115 Jefferson Street, Alexandria

- 8 a.m.**
1. Call to order
 2. The Pledge of Allegiance
 3. Approve agenda
 4. Approve minutes of Nov. 18 meeting
 5. Financial reports

6. WTE Plant operations report
7. Landfill and Metal Recovery Operations report
8. MRF Operations report
9. Plant maintenance report
10. SCORE programs update
11. Bills
12. Other business: a. Capital projects and b. Certificate of Need – Morrison County

To join the meeting from a computer, tablet, or smartphone, visit us02web.zoom.us/j/83800838807?pwd=-V200dEpsOF1OaEZreU1zW-WNPWjRzd09. You can also dial in using your phone. To dial in by phone, call 312-626-6799 and enter the meeting ID, 838 0083 8807, and access code 615700. *This agenda is as of Monday, Dec. 6 and is subject to change.*

Head-on collision sends one to hospital

By Thalen Zimmerman
Alexandria Echo Press

An Alexandria woman was sent to the hospital after a head-on collision on County Road 17, north of Villard, around 7:49 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 2.

According to the Douglas County Sheriff's Office, Samantha Jacobs, 22, of Alexandria, was traveling southbound on County Road 17 in a Chevy S-10 with passenger Dylin Baker, 25, of Alexandria when a Ford Explorer, driven by Paul Carlsen, 66, of Forada, entered Jacobs' lane to avoid a stalled vehicle with a detached trailer, resulting in a head-on collision.

Baker and Carlsen were both treated on scene with no suspected injuries. According to the accident report, Jacobs was unconscious when the responders arrived. She was treated on scene by Forada First Responders and North Memorial Ambulance, and later transported to Alomere Health with serious injuries. Jacobs was later discharged in stable condition.

Responding agencies included Douglas County Sheriff's Office, Forada First Responders, Pope County Sheriff's Office, North Memorial Ambulance and the Minnesota State Patrol.

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Transfer locations extended.

Minnesota is seeing one of the nation's largest COVID hospitalization surge and it's impacting care here at home.

Because of the massive constraints on bed capacity and staff, hospitals across the state and region are working tirelessly to coordinate care and transfer patients amongst facilities.

Alomere Health is exceeding capacity. This means we are postponing elective surgeries and redeploying staff around the organization to assist with critical care demands.

During this emergency, many Alomere patients have been—and continue to be—transferred to care facilities further away, many in different states. Getting care far from home makes it difficult for patients and their loved ones. Just like the beginning of this crisis, we are now asking for the community's support.

"Our entire care team remains on high alert for almost 2 years now. We are exhausted. Our critical staffing needs remain paramount to the amount of care we are able to provide to those we serve."

—Carl Vaagenes, Alomere Health CEO

Alomere Health continues to urge the public to get vaccinated and to thoughtfully consider the many care providers who are working tirelessly to care for our community through this difficult time.



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This is one of the many holiday floats that lit up the night for the Osakis Holiday Light Parade, which took place on Friday, Dec. 3.

Lighting up the night with holiday spirit

By Travis Gulbrandson
Alexandria Echo Press

On Friday, Dec. 3, the Osakis Chamber of Commerce hosted the Osakis Holiday Light Parade, which featured many brightly-lit floats decorated for the holiday season.

This is the second

year the event has taken place.

The Osakis Area Chamber of Commerce Board came up with the festive idea last year because it wanted some sort of event that would meet the guidelines for the pandemic but still provide excitement for

the holidays, according to Cory Abers, Chamber president.

“We just really want people to come out, enjoy the holidays and show their support for local businesses,” Abers said.

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A merry mall

Viking Plaza is ready for the holidays

By Thalen Zimmerman
Alexandria Echo Press

The Viking Plaza Mall is showing its Christmas spirit with trees, wreaths, lights, Christmas-themed vendors and a chance to meet Santa Claus throughout Dec.

If you decide to do any shopping at the mall this holiday season, be

prepared to see decorated Christmas trees located in various locations throughout the facility, colorful lights strung about over shops, and vendors lining the halls selling Christmas-themed gifts.

Santa will also be at the mall multiple times over December, offering a chance for children to get their photos taken while telling him all the presents they hope to receive this holiday season.

The jolly old Saint Nick will be located near the center of the mall in the old Hallmark location on

the following dates:

- ▶ Saturday, Dec. 4, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.
- ▶ Sunday, Dec. 5, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.
- ▶ Saturday, Dec. 11, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 5 p.m.
- ▶ Sunday, Dec. 12, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.
- ▶ Saturday, Dec. 18, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.
- ▶ Sunday, Dec. 19, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The mall will be open on Christmas eve from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and closed on Christmas Day.

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Thalen Zimmerman / Alexandria Echo Press

Vendors located in the center of the mall's corridors sell Christmas-themed gifts.

Affinity Credit Union collecting loose change for food bank

Staff report

Alexandria Echo Press

Affinity Plus Federal Credit Union will collect loose change this week at locations throughout the state, includ-

ing its branch in Alexandria, to raise money for Minnesotans who are hungry.

The credit union said it will match donations up to \$25,000 and turn the funds over to Second Harvest Heart-

land or to the local food bank.

Starting Monday, Dec. 6 through Thursday, Dec. 9, it will accept donations of loose change during normal business hours. On Friday, Dec. 10, from 11 a.m.-4 p.m., donors

will be able to drive up and donate. The first 50 donors will receive a holiday gift bag from Affinity Plus and Fox 9, which is also hosting the statewide event.

Affinity Plus said that \$1

provides three meals to Minnesotans experiencing hunger.

For more information, visit www.affinityplus.org/coins.

Affinity Plus is at 418 3rd Ave. E., Unit 108, in Alexandria.

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Follow her rounds as she makes her stops at 40 area businesses in the

Echo Press Wednesday, Dec. 15.

\$100 in Chamber Bucks to be awarded to one lucky winner.

Alexandria ECHO PRESS

A GUEST EDITORIAL

Letters to the editor among last bastions of conversation for those who disagree

Let's face it: We don't often talk to people we disagree with. Really talk, as in mix it up, with a forceful statement of what we believe and a forceful effort to knock down the opposing view.

But that still happens every day in our letters to the editor section. It's a venue for strangers to meet to hash out the issues of the day.

Letters to the editor are a time-honored way to give a soapbox to the ordinary person. They range from thoughtful capsule essays to the peevish rambles of cranks. Some letter writers are motivated to inform, others to persuade, and not a few seek simply to vent.

Although letters to the editor are a musty tradition, they've taken on added importance in a digitized era when many of us have retreated to our comfortable information silos. People look for views that confirm their own and are less likely than before to mix with those who hold contrary opinions.

Letters to the editor are a form of public dialogue, a true marketplace of ideas, where people of diverse viewpoints bump into each other as they plead their case.

Newspapers print letters as a public service and also because they can uniquely engage readers. But sometimes editors are accused of bias or censorship in selecting which letters to run.

A recent example involved a letter submission to The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead by Doug Goehring complaining about employers who require their employees to get vaccinated against COVID-19. Was this the same Doug Goehring who is the North Dakota agriculture commissioner?

The editor who handles the letter submissions emailed to ask, since it would be germane to point out to readers that Goehring is a public official. But Goehring never replied, so the letter didn't appear.

Without ever checking, a conservative Fargo radio talk show host seized upon the unpublished letter as "cancel culture," a view Goehring seemed to agree with in a recorded interview the host

posted online, as pointed out by Forum Communications columnist Rob Port, himself a conservative, who debunked the manufactured "cancel" complaint.

Once The Forum learned that letter writer Goehring was, in fact, the ag commissioner, his letter was promptly published.

Forum Communications newspapers are committed to running letters espousing diverse viewpoints, including those that differ from our own. We believe that's an important mission of newspapers.

It's been said that a good newspaper is a community in conversation with itself. We want a lively conversation, spiced with contrary ideas — right, left and in between. We think it's healthy for readers to be exposed to ideas that they don't agree with.

We'd like to think, in times that are so polarized and so full of distrust in those whose views don't align with our own, that our letters section can help in some small way to foster a greater understanding. We're regularly criticized for running letters that some find objectionable, but we think it's important for people to know what some of their neighbors believe, even if we ourselves detest that viewpoint.

Still, we reserve the right not to run all letters. We don't run letters that are defamatory or otherwise inappropriate.

There simply isn't room to run all the letters we receive. Some letters are poorly written and don't merit publication. Others repeat a point already made. With our websites, we sometimes run letters that we don't have room to print.

So it's really a golden age for the letter to the editor. And when we decide not to publish a letter, it's not because of "cancel culture." It's because of something called editing.

This editorial is the opinion of the FCC Editorial Advisory Board, an initiative of Forum Communications Co. Its mission is to invite dialogue, support diverse ideologies and solicit smart, engaged opinions and viewpoints. Board members represent FCC news organizations in Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota.

ized — even though for the most part they weren't — sold to the self-dispossessed like hotcakes. History, of course, attests to the vitality of such an approach. No quicker way to the bully pulpit than bullying. And the ingredients were ideal — a delightfully gullible "wronged" congregation to preach to and a cornucopia of minorities to despise — the time-tested, perfect cocktail to bring down a democracy.

And so here we sit today with the opposing party — Democratic and democratic — back in power but seemingly unaware of that fact as they conduct internecine wars. And as centrists and libs do their supremely choreographed neutralization dance, the snapshot differs none from the film — well, on second thought maybe one thing — as the cameras roll, no actions are being taken to preserve our fundamental institutions.

As Washington fiddles, the nation burns.

Dennis Q. Murphy
Medford, OR
(Former Alexandria, MN resident)

1996: Tom Lehman is named Player of the Year

This Week in 1996 — 25 years ago: Well-known Twin Cities news anchor Don Shelby will co-host the "Jaycees Jingle Bells" program. This week's program, which will feature a brand new set, will be the 47th annual Jingle Bells. This year, there will be 37 talent acts throughout the evening, some live, some taped. Long an Alexandria tradition, the televised event raises money to purchase food baskets and toys for needy families within an 80-mile radius of the city. Shelby is a long-time news anchor for WCCO-TV, KCCO's current station and CBS affiliate.

1981 — 40 years ago: The sale of Christmas stamps at the Alexandria Post Office has been so heavy that it sold out of them. Postmaster Glen Van Amber said the Post Office received 105,000 Christmas stamps, and all were sold by the end of last week. Wally Anderson, a spokesman for United Parcel Service (UPS), which has a branch office in Alexandria, said their office is working at full capacity and has added Saturday hours to handle the outgoing volume of packages.

1971, 50 years ago: Dennis H. Johnson, a dairy farmer south of Brandon, was chosen as the area's Outstanding Young Farmer. He has farmed for 12 years since joining his father in the partnership in 1959. He has since taken over completely and presently has a prize herd of 40



RACHEL BARDUSON
Observations from the Archives

registered Holsteins.

Alexandria will have a new recreational complex as a result of about 70 acres of land in Crestwood Hills. A clubhouse, chalet and a trophy business will be in the building owned by Don Lundgren, and which will probably front on Highway 29. The area will likely be called "Crestwood's Eko Backen Golf." Lundgren currently operates a similar complex called Eko Backen at Scandia.

1996, 25 years ago: Christmas shopping is in full swing. Some of the hottest items include Dalmatian toys and games, casual sweaters, Skidoos, huge television sets, leather purses, and a craft item called "Squand." Squand is a big seller in Target's toy department. It's a craft-art item in which sand placed in water forms intriguing shapes. Also hot is an item called "Tickle Me Elmo." Cabbage Patch dolls are once again going like hotcakes.

Beginning Jan. 2, Douglas County will operate only one drop-off site for recyclable paper, glass, aluminum and plastic. It will be located at the Pope-Douglas Solid Waste Management facility, 2110 Jefferson St. in Alexandria.

2011, 10 years ago: By the time the final tally

was made, the Alexandria Jaycees were able to raise more than \$92,000 during the 63rd annual Jingle Bells Telethon with more than 30 acts during the four-and-a-half-hour live broadcast from Lake Geneva Christian Center. More than 200 volunteers showed up the next morning at H. Boyd Nelson to package and deliver the food and toy baskets to more than 1,000 families in the area.

Just For Fun, 1971 — 50 years ago: Once again, the Christmas stockings await the birth of December babies who are born at Douglas County Hospital North. The custom, started many years ago by the Franciscan Sisters, continues as women of the Hospital Auxiliary design the red flannel with notations such as "A Star is Born" and "Christmas Angel." This past year, 360 babies have been born at Douglas County Hospital North.

Sports Trivia, 1996 — 25 years ago: What will likely be the first of many honors for Alexandria native Tom Lehman is coming from the Golf Writers Association of America who have selected him as their Player of the Year. Lehman won his first major earlier this year, the British Open, and won the Tour Championship to end the season. He also was the leading money earner on the tour. Lehman received 187 votes in the balloting with Tiger Woods a distant second with 20.

Rachel Barduson of Alexandria is a regular contributing columnist to the Echo Press Opinion page.

COMMENTARY

Don't ignore embolism warning signs

Dr. Glenn Mollette
Newburgh, Indiana

On Saturday, October 2 I had to go to the hospital emergency room. The prior Tuesday I had an unusual leg spasm from my left thigh to my groin area. I've had pulled muscles from sports off and on and thought it was from exercise or just sitting weird in my recliner.

By later Wednesday I noticed an occasional cough that felt strange. On Thursday I called my family doctor's office and reported I was coughing occasionally and didn't feel right. I was told by the receptionist, "We aren't seeing sick people and the doctor thinks you should have a COVID test." I went for the test which came back negative.

On Friday evening my wife and I took a casual walk around the block of our neighborhood and I was breathing heavy from a simple walk. I knew there was something going on. I checked my heart rate and it was 85 beats per minute. Typically, it's between 60 and 65 bpm when resting. Thirty minutes later I checked it again and the resting rate was 95.

I spent Friday evening checking my blood pressure and heart rate. The blood pressure was averaging about 150 over 100 which is really high for me and my heart rate

was staying between 85 to 95 bpm.

By Saturday morning, I had to go to the emergency room knowing I was in trouble. After a CT scan and ultrasound imaging I was diagnosed with a massive blood clot in my left lung also known as a Pulmonary Embolism. Three doctors worked with me from 6 a.m. until 6 p.m. to save my life. They told me if I had waited one more day my story would be very different. I spent the day in the emergency room and the rest of the weekend in Intensive care forbidden to get out of bed. After a heavy dose of Heparin blood thinner and a bottle of daily medication to consume I was released from the hospital to slowly resume life.

There are reports that upward to 180,000 people in the United States die every year from Pulmonary Embolisms. This is more people than the number of people dying from breast cancer, car wrecks and HIV altogether.

Being in the emergency room wondering if I was going to live was scary to say the least. I worried about my wife and children. I knew they would have to make funeral arrangements and this made me feel bad for them.

My new theme is a recommitment to keeping

the feet moving. It's an easy thing to do. While traveling, flex the feet. Stretch the legs. Put them up whenever possible. Raise the knees up and down. Look for every possible opportunity to walk. When driving now it's a brief stop every hour for a five-minute stretch or walk. It slows the trip down, but I want to show up eventually than not at all.

I'm writing this because I want you to be aware of your body. Invest in a blood pressure cuff and a finger oxygen/heart rate monitor. Know what your typical numbers are so that you can know when your numbers aren't right and you need to seek medical attention.

Unfortunately, I know people who are no longer in this world because of a Pulmonary Embolism. They sneak up on us. The beginning signs of pain or swelling in your leg are often ignored by most people — including me. However, things can change quickly and this is why if this happens you must go to the nearest hospital emergency room to be checked out. It could save your life. Very fortunately, it did for me. One more day of waiting and it would have been too late. Don't ignore the warning signs.

Dr. Glenn Mollette, a national radio commentator, is the author of 13 books. His syndicated column is read in all 50 states.

LETTER

No quicker way to the bully pulpit than bullying

To the editor:
The unspoken magnetism drawing most Trumpsters to their hero is their shared persecution. Every attack upon him is one upon them as well. Creating such a construct is as politically brilliant as it is socially bizarre. Trump long ago postulated that his road to office would run not through his economic peers but rather the peons (aka peons) — the low-educated, paycheck-to-paycheck, white-populated backwoods of America.

The attraction was magical because his palpable anger mirrored the constituency he sought. And the hooks were many — latent and not-so-latent racism, the evils of reflection and intellect, the "Germanic Family" desire for a father figure (as long as it was him), and celebration of the traditional while denying the reality of change. But let's be honest — to believe that you can turn back the clock, you do have to be a bit cuckoo.

So the strategy of the victim-

Crispin "Cris" Reece



Crispin Todd Reece, age 58, passed away on Friday, November 26, 2021 at his home in Alexandria, MN. Cris was born December 7, 1962 in Wadena, MN to Charles and Delories Reece.

He graduated from Wadena Senior High in 1981 and shortly thereafter joined the United States Coast Guard. His first duty station was the Coast Guard Cutter Munro which participated in salvage efforts when the Korean Airline Flight 007 was shot down by Russia. His other duty stations involved a Search and Rescue/Law enforcement unit in Milwaukee, WI, Patrol boat CGC Pt. Lobos out of Panama City, FL, an Aids to Navigation unit in Huron, OH, USCGC Bayberry homeported in Seattle, WA, an Aids to Navigation unit in Green Bay, WI and the USCGC Greenbrier homeported in Natchez, MS. Further assignments included Quality Control at Marinette Marine shipyard in Marinette, WI, for the building of new ships the Coast Guard ordered, and he finished his career with the USCGC Dallas homeported in Charleston, SC. During his tenure on the CGC Dallas he participated in the arrest and confiscation of 15 drug shipments that totaled just less than 1 billion dollars street value. The CGC Dallas also participated in Operation Iraqi Freedom in the Mediterranean Sea and rank at time of retirement was Senior Chief Petty Officer Machinery Technician. Several people owe their lives to this man. He had an Electromechanical Degree. Cris also drove Semi tractor/tandem-trailers and had a flawless safety record.

Cris enjoyed motorcycles, hunting, fishing, and diving. Of all that he has done he prided himself on his biggest achievement, which was his family. He also enjoyed handing out thousands in two-dollar bills to children especially twins.

Cris is survived by his ex-wife: Dena Reece; daughter: Bianca; and granddaughter: Remi. He is also survived by his three siblings: Craig (Tina), Darwin, and Lisa and his stepmother: Bernie Reece. Cris was preceded in death by his parents: Charles and Delories Reece.

A memorial service will be held on Monday, December 6, 2021, 2:00 p.m. at Calvary Lutheran Church in Alexandria, MN with visitation one-hour prior to the service. This service will be live-streamed and recorded for family and friends to view from Cris' obituary page on the Anderson Funeral Home website at 2:00 PM on Monday. Burial will be at a later date at Minnesota State Veteran's Cemetery in Little Falls, MN.

Arrangements are with the Anderson Funeral Home and Crematory. www.andersonfuneral.net

Ramona Joy (Smith) Wright



Ramona passed into heaven with family at her bedside. Born March 5, 1930 in Olivia, MN and passed November 24, 2021 in Alexandria.

Ramona was the daughter of Ora and Edith (Mallard) Smith of Renville. She earned her teaching certificate and taught a number of years in rural schools. She married the love of her life, Helmer F. Wright, on April 18, 1949 at 1st Lutheran Church, Lake Lillian, MN. Ramona & Helmer had 5 children, Helmer (Jean) of Alexandria, Nathan (Mary) of Phoenix, AZ, Jeff (Kathy) Tulsa, OK, Candice of Osakis, and Karen (Ron) Propeck of Bemidji. She loved gardening, flowers, playing games and spending time with her 17 grandchildren, 48 great grandchildren and 5 great, great grandchildren.

Ramona spent the largest part of married life on the family farm near Osakis. She was an avid cook, reader and writer, and lover of family and friends. Ramona was full of life and had a wonderful sense of humor. She had a long and loving relationship with Jesus, always praying for her children and grandchildren to know Him as Lord and Savior.

Ramona was preceded in death by her husband and baby daughter Wright. She was anxious to see them in heaven. She is survived by her children, many grand and great grandchildren, numerous nephews and nieces. She will be laid to rest at Fort Ripley National Cemetery with her husband.

The family has scheduled a Life Celebration for summer 2022 when family and friends will gather to celebrate her wonderful life.

Special THANKS to the staff of Edgewood Healthcare of Alexandria and the Knute Nelson Hospice team.

Parker James Montgomery

March 4, 1999 - Nov. 30, 2021
AURORA, Colo. - Parker James Montgomery, 22, Alexandria, Minn., died Tuesday, Nov. 30, in The Medical Center of Aurora.

Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 7, at Anderson Funeral Home in Alexandria. Visitation will continue from 10-11 a.m., followed by a funeral at 11 a.m., Wednesday, Dec. 8, at First Lutheran Church in Alexandria. The funeral will be livestreamed on the funeral home's website. Private family interment will be in Kinkead Cemetery in Alexandria.

Arrangements by Anderson Funeral Home and Crematory.

Beatrice "Bea" Swenson

April 15, 1930 - Dec. 4, 2021
ROCHESTER, Minn. - Beatrice "Bea" Swenson, 91, Alexandria, Minn., died Saturday, Dec. 4, in St. Mary's Hospital.

Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 10, at Lind Family Funeral Home in Alexandria. Visitation will continue from 10-11 a.m., followed by a funeral at 11 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 11, at United Methodist Church in Alexandria. Interment will be in Kinkead Cemetery.

Arrangements by Lind Family Funeral & Crematory Services.

Vernon A. Olson

Oct. 17, 1926 - Dec. 2, 2021
PARKERS PRAIRIE, Minn. - Vernon A. Olson, 95, Parkers Prairie, Minn., died Thursday, Dec. 2, in St. Williams Living Center.

Visitation will be from 1:30-2:30 p.m., followed by a funeral at 2:30 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 11, at Anderson Funeral Home in Alexandria, Minn. Interment will be in Evergreen Cemetery.

Arrangements by Anderson Funeral Home and Crematory.

Darrell Anderson

May 13, 1936 - Dec. 3, 2021
EVANSVILLE, Minn. - Darrell Anderson, 85, Evansville, Minn., died Friday, Dec. 3, in Evansville Care Campus.

Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m., with a prayer service at 7 p.m., Friday, Dec. 10, at Glende-Nilson Funeral Home in Evansville. A celebration of life will be from 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 11, at Darrell's house. Interment will be Wednesday, June 8, at Mound Grove Cemetery in Evansville.

Arrangements by Glende-Nilson Funeral Home.

Nicole Apodaca



Nicole Elizabeth (Woods) Apodaca was born on December 11, 1967, the daughter of Donald and Elizabeth Woods in Cambridge, Minnesota. The family moved to Mendota Heights when Nicole was young. She enjoyed participating in youth sports which her dad helped coach. In addition, she participated in a Father Daughter group through the YMCA. Nicole loved the outdoors and camping with her family at Camp duNord. Nicole attended Henry Sibley High School and graduated in 1986. She furthered her education at Gustavus Adolphus receiving her degree in Psychology in 1990. During her time at Gustavus, she studied abroad in Sweden.

After graduating from college she worked at a group home for adults with disabilities. Later, she moved to Ben Lomond California to work at Mount Cross Lutheran Bible Camp as a Retreat Coordinator. This is where she met the love of her life Roger Apodaca. The couple was married on May 22, 2000. Their daughter, Ingrid, was born in 2004. The family moved back to Minnesota in 2007 where both Nicole and Roger worked at Mount Carmel Bible Camp.

Nicole loved being a mom. She enjoyed taking Ingrid to dance classes, vacation bible school, and Girl Scout Boundary Water trips.

Nicole's job of working with people with disabilities was a gift and her love for the kids and their love for her was infectious. The last few years she worked as a Para at Alexandria High School.

Nicole will be remembered for her incredible smile, her love of family, friends, and the outdoors. She was always prepared for anything with a tote in hand to provide whatever the occasion needed.

On November 29, 2021, Nicole died after 15 months of fighting cancer. She is survived by her husband, Roger Apodaca; daughter, Ingrid Apodaca; mother, Betty Woods; father, Don (Margaret) Woods; brother, Justin (Janell) Woods, and many nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts, uncles and friends.

Visitation will be held on Monday, December 6, 2021, 4:00 - 7:00 PM at the Anderson Funeral Home. Visitation will continue on Tuesday, December 7, 2021, from 10:00 - 11:00 AM at First Lutheran Church with the Funeral at 11:00 AM. In lieu of flowers memorials are preferred to the American Cancer Society and Luther Crest Bible Camp.



Beverly Rose (Bourassa) Scheffler



Smithville, TN - Beverly Rose (Bourassa) Scheffler, 84, passed away on Tuesday, November 2, 2021, at the Houston Medical Center in Warner Robins, GA. A service will be held at a later date, at Michigan Memorial Park, Flatrock, MI.

Beverly was born on March 24, 1937, in Woodhaven, MI to the late Louis and Bernetta (Wise) Bourassa. She worked as a dietician for many years at Douglas County Medical Center until her retirement. In addition to her parents, Beverly was preceded in death by the love of her life, Harley E. Scheffler, Sr., and her son, Jeffrey Scheffler.

Left to cherish her memory are her daughters: Tamara Scheffler of Perry, GA and Deborah Scheffler of Smithville, TN; sons: Harley E. Scheffler, Jr. (Julie) of Alexandria, MN, and Timothy Scheffler (Jordy) of Elbow Lake, MN.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to help return her, Harley E. Scheffler, Sr. and Jeffrey Scheffler to their final resting place in Michigan Memorial Park, this can be made to: Tamara Scheffler, 142 Felton Rd., Perry, GA 31069. With honor, Burpee-Scott Memorial Chapel & Crematory has been entrusted with arrangements.

Ronald Reed

Dec. 20, 1942 - Dec. 1, 2021
WADENA, Minn. - Ronald Reed, 78, Wadena, Minn., died Wednesday, Dec. 1, in his home.

Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to noon Friday, Dec. 10, at Karvonen Funeral Home in Wadena. A graveside service will be 12:15 p.m. Friday, at Wadena Cemetery in Wadena.

Arrangements by Karvonen Funeral Home.

Donald Dean Baustian

July 27, 1924 - Dec. 4, 2021
ALEXANDRIA, Minn. - Donald Dean Baustian, 97, Alexandria, Minn., died Saturday, Dec. 4, in Knute Nelson.

Visitation will be from 1:30-2:30 p.m., followed by a memorial service at 2:30 p.m., Friday, Dec. 10, at United Methodist Church in Alexandria. Interment will be at a later date in Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery.

Arrangements by Anderson Funeral Home and Crematory.

Verdie Maaninga

March 27, 1956 - Nov. 28, 2021
FARGO, N.D. - Verdier Maaninga, 65, Park Rapids, Minn., died Sunday, Nov. 28, in Fargo.

Visitation will be from 10-11 a.m., followed by a memorial service at 11 a.m., Tuesday, Dec. 7, at Karvonen Funeral Home in Wadena, Minn.

Arrangements by Karvonen Funeral Home.

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Joanne Olson

Feb. 10, 1932 - Dec. 3, 2021
ALEXANDRIA, Minn. - Joanne Olson, 89, Alexandria, Minn., died Friday, Dec. 3, in her home.

Visitation will be from 9-10 a.m., followed by a funeral at 10 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 11, at Oscar Lake Lutheran Church in Farwell, Minn. Burial will be in Oscar Lake Cemetery.

Arrangements by Anderson Funeral Home and Crematory.

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Luwayne Leuthard

May 18, 1955 - Nov. 29, 2021
 ASHBY, Minn. - Luwayne Leuthard, 66, Ashby, Minn., died Monday, Nov. 29, in his home.
 Visitation will be from 5-7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 10, at Glende-Nilson Funeral Home in Ashby.
 Arrangements by Glende-Nilson Funeral Home.

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Explore Alexandria Tourism names new executive director

Explore Alexandria Tourism, also known as Alexandria Hotel & Hospitality, has hired Joe Korkowski as executive director of the organization. Korkowski will be joining Explore Alexandria Tourism at the beginning of 2022 after more than 19 years at KXRA.



Korkowski

"The board of directors are thrilled to have Joe join Explore Alexandria Tourism," said board president Bill Schultz in a press release. "Really

looking forward to have his talents at the organization and feel he will be a great asset."

A lifelong resident of Douglas County, Korkowski began working in Alexandria in 1990 at KSAX-TV and then as News Director at KCCO-TV. Eventually moving across town to KXRA radio, Korkowski spent 16 years as a marketing strategist. In addition to helping form the station's website www.voiceofalexandria.com, he spent the past three years as the station's news director and Open Line host. He and his wife Sue have three

adult daughters and two grandchildren. Korkowski is active in many community organizations and loves pretty much anything outdoors, especially baseball and golf.

"I cannot wait to spend my days promoting all that is good within the Alexandria Lakes Area," Korkowski said in a press release. "After so many years in news looking for the stories that define this part of the state, I feel there's plenty of evidence to suggest it is unique because of the people, but also a great place for both natural

beauty and technological innovation. In this new role I will go from being the voice of Alexandria to the voice for Alexandria."

Explore Alexandria's previous executive director, James Feist, and his wife have recently relocated to Oregon. Feist has been with the organization for seven years.

"We are grateful for all of James' years of service," Schultz said. "He has made a significant impact on the organization and what it has done for the area. We wish him the very best on his future

endeavors."

Explore Alexandria Tourism is responsible for tourism marketing and promotion to visitors and groups through advertising campaigns, its website (ExploreAlex.com), social media and more. Funded by a 3% lodging tax, visitors pay on lodging, the organization's mission is to increase economic impact through tourism. The leisure and hospitality industry's typical annual economic impact is more than 2,200 private sector jobs and more than \$120 million dollars in gross sales for Douglas County.

Mark Anthony named news director for Leighton Broadcasting

Current KXRA-AM program director and on-air personality, Mark Anthony, has been named as the news director for Leighton Broadcasting's Alexandria stations at KXRA-AM, KX92, Z99 and their website www.voiceofalexandria.com.



Anthony

Anthony will move into the role currently held by Joe Korkowski, who has been named the new executive director of Explore Alexandria Tourism. Station manager Brett

Paradis said, "We are blessed to have someone on our team who is ready to step up and fill those big shoes in our news department. Mark has a wealth of broadcast and news experience behind him, and with his deep ties to Leighton Broadcasting and to the Alexandria area, he is the perfect choice to become our next news director. With Mark at the helm, we know that local news excellence will continue to be our focus. We are excited about the future, and we are pleased to be able to spend the rest of this year working with both Mark and Joe." Anthony said he knew

at a young age he wanted to work in radio. In ninth grade, he did a job shadow at his hometown radio station in Willmar and was hooked. He would go on to Minnesota State University-Moorhead to major in journalism where he earned a bachelor of science degree in mass communications-print journalism. He has been a life-long learner and has also earned a bachelor of science degree in broadcast communications from Charter Oak State College, and a bachelor of science degree in geosciences in broadcast meteorology from Mississippi

State University. He also holds master's degrees in World War II studies, business management, public administration/political science, and European history.

Over the years, Anthony has worked radio and TV from Alexandria, Willmar, Minneapolis, Fargo, Grand Forks, Des Moines, Cedar Rapids, St. Cloud and Joplin. He was the chief meteorologist at KSAX-TV for years until it was shut down, and he is currently working news and weather at Kool-TV in Alexandria, where he helped launched the regional network. "As Brett said, those

shoes will be hard to fill, but I'm looking forward to keeping up the longstanding tradition of news excellence that Joe and Dennis (Anhalt) provided," Anthony said.

Anthony is married to Tracey and they have three children - Rachel, Zach and Tony - and a black lab, Maggie.

Anthony and his wife are active in their church at New Life Christian Church in Alexandria. And he also enjoys playing guitar, writing songs, spending time with family and visiting with people in the Alexandria Lakes Area.

LEVY

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Here's a breakdown of other county departments:

- ▶ General: \$18.52 million
- ▶ Public Works: \$4.18 million
- ▶ Social Services: \$4

million

- ▶ Library: \$1.14 million
 - ▶ Capital projects: \$235,204
 - ▶ Bonds and interest: \$2.34 million.
- During the meeting, Doehling offered reasons why property taxes go up and down, and explained that the

county board only has discretion over its own budget and levy.

Here's a look at what can make an impact on property taxes:

- ▶ The market value and/or classification of your property may change.
- ▶ The market value and/or classification

of other properties in your taxing district may change, shifting taxes from one property to another.

- ▶ The state's general property tax may change.
 - ▶ The city or township budget and levy may change.
 - ▶ The county budget and levy may change.
 - ▶ The school district's budget and levy may change.
 - ▶ A special district's budget and levy may change.
 - ▶ Special assessments may be added to your property tax bill.
 - ▶ Voters may have approved a school, city, township, county or special district referendum.
 - ▶ Federal and state mandates may have changed.
 - ▶ Aid and revenue from the state and federal governments may have changed.
 - ▶ The state Legislature may have changed the portion of the tax base paid by different types of properties.
 - ▶ Other state law changes may adjust the tax base.
- Frisell explained how the budget process

works and some of the key budget drivers.

She said that counties provide essential community programs and services, such as road maintenance, law enforcement, social services and veterans services.

Each year, the county commissioners pass a new budget to cover the costs of those "crucial services," she said.

Frisell also added that residents are welcome to participate in the budget process by attending and speaking at public hearings or by contacting their county commissioners during the process.

The budgeting process begins in about June when department heads estimate the county's need for programs and services, along with their costs. Typically in September, the commissioners use the estimates to create a preliminary budget. In November, residents are notified of proposed property tax and at that time are invited to speak at public meetings.

Then in December, the Truth in Taxation meeting, which is when the final levy and budget is

set, will take place.

"Douglas County is constantly working to manage service demands with the need to keep levies low and plan for the future in a fiscally responsible way," said Frisell.

Some of the key budget drivers include keeping up with state mandates, scheduling road projects with new available funding, maintaining vital service levels to meet increased case-loads, and maintaining facilities and amenities that contribute to quality of life.

"Most of the cost of the county's services is in our staff and without staff, we cannot deliver vital and mandated services," said Frisell.

For the 2022 proposed revenue sources, 51% or about \$30.5 million, comes from property taxes. The rest comes from state grants, aid and reimbursement of services (25%), transportation sales tax (6%), federal grants and reimbursement of services (7%), charges and fees (7%) and others (4%).

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The cast of "Elf the Musical" take the stage at the Andria Theatre last week for a dress rehearsal.

LAUGH AND SING AT 'ELF THE MUSICAL'

Here's how to watch the sold-out play

By Celeste Edenloff
Alexandria Echo Press

Bummed that all nine performances to the Andria Theatre's production of "Elf the Musical" are sold out?

Don't be. There's good news. The Andria Theatre is adding pay-per-view as an option for watching the show. New lights have been installed, as well as new projections and an all-new 4K camera system, which will enhance the streaming capability.

The sold out production opens this Thursday, Dec. 9, but the pay-per-view option will be available for purchase beginning on Monday, Dec. 13. It can be purchased between Dec. 13 and 19 and can be viewed between Dec. 15 and 19. People who do this option can view it for 48 hours, with options to stop, rewind and watch again.

All the information will be on the downtown Alexandria theater's website, www.andriatheatre.org.

Director Donna Magnuson said "Elf the Musical" is a great story and the cast is a mix of newcomers and veteran actors.

She said it has been really fun to see the



Greg Raether and Triessa Spanswick rehearse a scene from "Elf the Musical," which opens at the Andria Theatre on Thursday, Dec. 9.

veterans stepping in to help those who are new to the stage, and that the

whole show is a unique experience. According to the Andria

Theatre's website, "Elf the Musical" is the hilarious tale of Buddy, a young

orphan who mistakenly crawls into Santa's bag of gifts and then is transported to the North Pole. Although the story is centered around Buddy, Magnuson said the story is also about how his real-life father, Walter, and how his views change.

"Elf is just a really great story," she said.

Stepping into a new role

Greg Raether, who is typically behind the scenes at the Andria Theatre, is trying his hand at being on the stage this time.

And he is doing so in a number of ways. Raether plays several different characters – a New Yorker, a police officer and even a fake Santa.

Additionally, he is the show's music director and he is also taking care of sound design, which is the hat he usually wears.

Raether said he started helping at the theatre during the summer of 2018 when his daughter, Mallory, was in "Suessical Jr." He said Mallory came home and said the theatre was looking for parents to help out and that he should volunteer.

Apparently, how he remembers it, is that the next day his daughter volunteered him and then told him that he was going to do it.

"I've been helping out at the Andria ever since,"

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12 Douglas County 4-H youth attend leadership training

By Echo Press staff
Douglas County sent 12 youth to a 4-H Junior Leader Workshop called "Ignite Your Spark" to learn leadership skills. The camp was held Oct. 21 at Faith Haven Camp near Battle Lake. This camp is designed to inspire and enable each participant to uncover unique abilities, develop greater confidence and master strategies for success as a leader in their 4-H program. Sixty youth in grades 6-9 attended, representing eight 4-H programs. Youth plan and carry out activities during the camp through committees they sit on where they learn

to work together as a team, become more confident and showcase their skills to others. Committees are guided by Continuing Committee Members who were chosen after last year's camp through an application process. Leadership workshops included team building, social emotional learning, communication, problem solving, stress management, exploring the Minnesota 4-H State ambassador program and learning about themselves. For information about 4-H, contact the Douglas County Extension Office at mnext-douglas@umn.edu.



Contributed / University of Minnesota Extension
Douglas County youth who attended 4-H leadership training: Back row, from left: Thomas Dutcher-Chippewans 4-H Club; Jackson Dutcher-Chippewans 4-H Club; Owinn Cimbura-Hoofbeats 4-H Club; Abigail Fiskness-Liberty Livewires 4-H Club; Lacie Lange-Liberty Livewires 4-H Club; Lacey Siira-Moe 4-H Club. 2nd row from left: Kaleb Fuglseth-Moe 4-H Club; Isabella Wilson-Lake Mary Troopers 4-H Club; Ethan Radil-Liberty Livewires 4-H Club. Front row, from left: Lauren Thoenness-Moe 4-H Club; Kendall Elmer-Moe 4-H Club; and Greta Fuglseth-Moe 4-H Club.

Horticulture scholarships offered to Douglas County students

By Echo Press staff
Alexandria Echo Press
The Tenth District of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society is awarding two \$500 scholarships this year. Each scholarship will be awarded to a college student who is pursuing a degree in horticulture

or agronomy. To qualify, the student's parents must live in District 10, which encompasses Douglas, Grant, Pope, Stevens, Traverse, Big Stone, Lac qui Parle, Swift, Chippewa, Kandiyohi, Renville, Yellow Medicine and Meeker. The student must be

enrolled in college and have satisfactorily completed at least two quarters or one semester at an accredited 2- or 4-year college and must have taken one or more horticulture or agronomy classes. Any student who would like to apply for

this scholarship should contact Polly Perkins by mail, PO Box 96, Milotna MN 56354; by email, pollyperkins@gmail.com; or by telephone, 320-298-4686. Applications must be returned to District 10 officers no later than Feb. 1.

CAST
Kevin Lee – Santa Claus
Triessa Spanswick – Mrs. Claus
Fiona Schmidt – Elf
Olivia Zollner – Elf
Jayme O'Brien – Elf
Lily Eken – Elf
Claire Eken – Elf
Grace Shurson – Elf
Lucy Gustafson – Tiara
Gavyn Schmidt – Charlie
Patrick Sieve – Buddy
Brianna Varnum – Jovie
Kylee Dummer – Michelle Hobbs
Eric Schmidt – Walter Hobbs
Leah Drexler – Emily Hobbs
Felicia Fredrickson – Ms. Greenway
Ari Janssen – Deb
Nick Zabroski – Matthew
Brody Uhlenkamp – Macy's Santa
Greg Raether – Fake Santa
KD Tomoson – Charlotte
Misty Hunter – Macy's manager
Sam Swensrud – Store elf
Linnea Hoven – Store elf
Mie Meier – Store elf
Madi Roering – Store elf
Blake Steussy – Store elf
Hazel Eken – Bratty child
Brian Fleming – Police officer

CREW
Director – Donna Magnuson
Assistant director/makeup design/hair design – Maryn Cabinaw
Music director/sound design – Greg Raether
Vocal coach – Heather Hjelle
Choreographer – Christine Riley
Set designer and set construction – Greg Bohl
Stage manager/props/set decor – Hilary Ninman
Costume design – Molly Eken
Lighting technician – Jen Raether
Sound technician – Bryce Gall
Projection – Claudia Bursch



Celeste Edenloff / Alexandria Echo Press
Buddy the elf, played by Patrick Sieve, sits on Santa's lap during "Elf the Musical" at the Andria Theatre. Santa is played by Kevin Lee.

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he said, noting that he loves it and that it really is a family affair. Since the summer of 2018, Mallory has been in six or seven shows, he helps out with sound design and as a sound technician, and his wife, Jen, has been a

lighting technician, stage manager and assists wherever she is needed. He is excited – and maybe a little nervous – to actually be on stage this time, and said the whole cast is incredible. "This cast is super talented and works hard," Raether said. "And they are super funny. It is going to be a great show."

Email reporter Celeste Edenloff at cedenloff@echopress.com.

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Forensic psychologist to speak at Cherry Street Books

On Dec. 8 from 6:30-8 p.m., forensic psychologist Frank Weber will be at Cherry Street Books in Alexandria. Weber will speak on the writing of true crime, forensic work and his latest book. Weber has profiled cold case homicides for the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension and narrated an investigative show on the Oxygen channel titled Murdered by Morning. Weber's newest novel, "Burning Bridges," examines the life and demise of a psychopath in central Minnesota.

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Frank will demonstrate a lie detector test during his presentation. Cherry Street Books is located at 503 Broadway St.

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'Tis the season for sleigh bells, holiday showcases, exchanging gifts with family and friends, and decorating the Christmas tree. It's also a time to spread joy to those around us. First Western Bank & Trust is excited to get into the spirit of the season with the return of "100 Cheers," a celebration of those who make our community special. FWBT began the "100 Cheers" tradition in 2014 as a 100 random-acts-of-kindness campaign during the holiday season to commemorate their 50th anniversary. Each year the goal is to spread cheer in unexpected ways. This holiday season, starting Monday, Dec. 6, "100 Cheers" will begin in all seven regions FWBT serves.

In previous years, FWBT has celebrated its customers, community members and small business owners. This year, the "100 Cheers" campaign will focus on bringing blessings to the most selfless individuals you'll ever meet: Non-profit employees, educators and other essential workers. From Dec. 6-10, more than 700 people will experience some Christmas joy and a heartfelt "thank you" for all that they do through this campaign. "Each year our employees are excited to participate in the '100 Cheers' campaign. It has been so heartwarming to see the smiles of those that receive the cheers. We are proud to give back to the communities we serve, across every region. What a great way to start the Christmas Season", said chairman, president and CEO Brenda Foster in a press release. First Western Bank & Trust employs more than 330 people across 17 locations in North Dakota, Minnesota and South Dakota.

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GYMNASTICS



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Members of the Alexandria gymnastics team, including middle, left to right, Chloe Steele, Loren Buggert and Ellie Rauk, watch from the side of the beam where they are cheering on their teammate during the varsity portion of the meet in a win over Willmar on Dec. 2.

Cards see good things to build on

By Eric Morken

Alexandria Echo Press

Alexandria senior gymnast Ailynn Fettig was the final routine of the night during the Cardinals' season-opening meet against Willmar on Thursday.

Willmar had just wrapped up its final event on the beam before Fettig's floor performance was about to

begin. Athletes from both teams gathered around the mat to cheer her on in what turned out to be a first-place finish after Fettig turned in the best overall score of the night with a 9.4 on the floor.

"This sport is very individualized," Alexandria head coach Tayler Kaufman said of the support the athletes give each other in gymnastics. "Everyone knows what it's like to be

on their own in front of a large crowd, so just having that support and empathy for one another — they remember their first times ever competing and going out there each time. It's a nice safety net for everyone that they know they're loved no matter what the score is."

Fettig is one of four seniors for the Cardinals this winter with Loren Buggert, Sarah Kelly and Ellie Rauk joining

her. That first-place finish on the floor was part of an overall win in the all-around (35.30) for Fettig as she helped the Cardinals to a team win over Willmar by a score of 135.55 to 128.575.

"We're just coming into our season so there's always room for improvement, but I feel like we came out with a positive mindset," Fettig said. "We came out with confidence, and all together

we performed really well tonight for the first meet."

Alexandria was performing in its temporary new home located at the gymnasium that sits in the same building as the Douglas County Library. Next year, the Cardinals will perform in a new facility with an addition going up at Discovery Middle School.

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BASKETBALL



Eric Morken / Alexandria Echo Press

Brandon-Evansville boys basketball coach Trent Hintermeister high fives Kobe Reiland as Reiland returns to the bench during the Chargers' game against Ashby on March 18. Hintermeister is very in favor of the Minnesota State High School League implementing the use of a 35-second shot clock starting in the 2023-24 season.

Shot clocks coming to a gym near you

MSHSL board approves 35-second clocks for 2023-24 season

By Eric Morken

Alexandria Echo Press

Shot clocks are finally coming to Minnesota high school basketball.

The Minnesota State High School League's Board of Directors approved a motion to mandate the implementation of shot clocks to

the varsity levels of boys and girls basketball, starting with the 2023-24 season.

No board member voted against the motion.

The shot clock will be 35 seconds per possession.

The mandate only exists for the varsity level, though schools can use them at lower levels, should both schools in any game agree to it.

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GIRLS BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Chargers improve to 2-0

Alex wraps up impressive first week at 2-1

By Eric Morken

Alexandria Echo Press

The Brandon-Evansville girls basketball team got 21 points from sophomore Kylee Dingwall as the Chargers won at Bertha-Hewitt in a 57-43 final on Friday.

"It was a very physical game and that got us

to play sloppy at times, but the girls still found a way to win," B-E head coach Zach Traphagen said. "We know that we have to do a much better job of playing with composure offensively. Credit to Bertha-Hewitt on playing very physical and making us uncomfortable at times."

Olivia Otto joined Dingwall in double figures as she put in 14 points. Seven differ-



Otto

ent players scored in all for the Chargers.

"Kylee Dingwall and Olivia Otto did a really nice job of tak-

ing the ball to the basket and finishing strong through contact," Traphagen said. "Defensively, we need to do a better job of playing aggres-

sively without committing unnecessary fouls. A win is a win, but I believe the girls know we need to play much better moving forward."

BRANDON-EVANSVILLE 57, BERTHA-HEWITT 43
B-E SCORING - Grace Otto - 4; Sophie Koep - 2; Olivia Otto - 14; Sydney Schaefer - 6; Kaytlyn Pattrin - 3; Kylee Dingwall - 21; Kiley Lund - 7

Alex finishes first week 2-1

The Alexandria girls

ROUNDUP: Page 11

Hockey roundup: Cards pick up wins

Lumberjacks add to West Division lead

By Eric Morken

Alexandria Echo Press

The Alexandria boys hockey team had a second straight game on the road to start its season, and the Cardinals bounced back from a loss at Sartell by beating River Lakes 4-1 Thursday.

Alexandria (1-1) outshot the Stars (0-2) 33-14 as Gabe Evink stopped 13 shots and allowed just a Joel Sow-



Berg

ada goal late in the third period.

It was a 4-0 game at that point after Mason Stennes,

Brycen Berg and Josiah Gronholz all scored in the first period. Berg added his second goal of the night — both coming on the power play — in the second frame to give Alexandria all the cushion it needed.

Berg had a 3-point night after also assist-

ing on Gronholz's goal. Gronholz and Pieter Mulder each added two assists, and Tripp Shatek, Jack Breitzman and Leo Kompelien added an assist.

Alex girls win ahead of tie with Buffalo

The Alexandria girls made easy work of Sartell-Sauk Rapids on Thursday as the Cardinals erupted offensively in an 8-0 win.

Alexandria outshot the Storm 'N' Sabres 42-12, scoring two in each of the first two periods before



Aure

blowing the game open with a 4-goal third period. Kaci Trosvig, MaKenna Aure and Hanley

Block all had two goals, while Peyton Boesl and Cadence Ellingson added a goal apiece. Kennedy Ellingson had two assists, and Riley Nyberg, Lauren Maras (2), Sophia Korynta, Aure and Block all added assists, as well.

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DOUGLAS COUNTY DISTRICT COURT

Tuesday, Nov. 23

Garcia, Raymond Joe Jr., Alexandria; Felony fleeing a peace officer in a motor vehicle, conditions of the court, \$3,922.32 fees, three years supervised probation, 30 days local jail with four days credit for time served

Wednesday, Nov. 24

Anderson, Dillon Robert, Brandon; Felony fifth degree controlled substance crime — possession of resinous marijuana under .25 grams, commit to commissioner of corrections correctional facility in St. Cloud, \$135 fees, conditions of the court

Tuesday, Nov. 30

Taylor, Ali Jo, Saint Cloud; Felony fifth degree controlled substance crime — heroin possession, conditions of the court, two days local jail with two days credit for time served, \$50 fees

Robinson, Timothy Edward, Jr., Fergus Falls; Felony fifth degree controlled substance crime — methamphetamine possession under .25 grams, commit to commissioner of corrections correctional facility

in Saint Cloud, 42 days local jail with 28 days credit for time served, \$285 fees, conditions of the court, four years supervised probation

Wednesday, Dec. 1

Lee, Stacy Ann, Alexandria; Felony fifth degree controlled substance crime — methamphetamine possession in excess of .25 grams, conditions of the court, \$50 fees, 90 days local jail with seven days credit for time served, five years supervised probation

Thursday, Dec. 2

Henderson, Bailey Brian, Alexandria; Felony domestic assault by strangulation, 20 days local jail with five days credit for time served, \$350 fees, conditions of the court, three years supervised probation

Lavigne, Kyle Lee, Granite Falls; Felony fifth degree controlled substance crime — methamphetamine possession under .25 grams, conditions of the court, \$200 fees, 167 days local jail with 111 days credit for time served, five years supervised probation

This is not a comprehensive report of all district court activity, rather, a brief recap of felony charges.

DUNN

From Page 1

To earn the award, Dunn had to take a comprehensive review of aerospace topics from history, navigation and how a plane operates; receive an 80% or higher grade on leadership topics and styles and complete a physical fitness test. Other prerequisites for the award include reciting the Cadet Oath from memory and active participation in unit meetings.

“The hardest part for me was the reading that went into studying because of my dyslexia,” he said.

Receiving the award means he has completed phase three — the command phase— and promoted Dunn to Cadet Captain, requiring him to take on more of a command role within the squadron. If Dunn decides to enter into the senior level of the CAP, he will be able to enter at the rank of captain. He is also eligible to participate in the International Air Cadet Exchange — an



Harry Dunn holds his Core Value of Respect Award and his Amelia Earhart Award.

annual student exchange program designed to promote character, goodwill and cooperation among the world’s civilian auxiliary aviation programs.

“I was a little nervous accepting the award, but my dad said, ‘Harry, you don’t need to be nervous. You already did the hard stuff; this is the fun stuff,’” said Harry.

Dunn said he first joined the CAP three

years ago after his friend, Ben Kakac, invited him to a search-and-rescue exercise during taekwondo practice.

“I really enjoyed it. My time in the CAP means a lot to me, and I have learned a lot about the military and what it means to serve as well as to keep persisting,” said Dunn.

Dunn plans on joining the Air Force and becoming

ing a SERE specialist — whose job is to train airmen to survive, evade, resist and escape any situation in any environment — or become part of the security forces — the airforce’s version of military police.

Once Dunn is eligible to receive a pension from the Air Force, he would like to study history — a passion of his — at either the University of Minnesota or Bemidji State University, where his grandpa studied, to become a history teacher.

Dunn says learning the core values of the CAP — respect, integrity, service and excellence — has helped him a lot, and he hopes they will continue to help him reach his goals.

Other Awards Presented:

► Cadet of the Year: Cadet Major Faith Johannes

► Senior Member of the Year: Second Lieutenant David Bartlow

► Dedication award: Chaplain Lieutenant Jill Holm

Core Value Awards:

► Excellence: Cadet Major Alaina Walsh

► Respect: Cadet Captain Harry Dunn

► Volunteer Service: SM Leeann Jorgensen

► Integrity: Cadet A1C Ian Winter

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Douglas County 4-H Awards Night Celebration



Friends of 4-H

The Friend of 4-H Award recognizes a person, group or organization that has made an outstanding contribution to the 4-H Youth Development Program. Generally, persons outside of the 4-H program are recognized with this award. However, 4-H leaders working on a county or state level are also eligible. Rod and Mary Froemming were recognized for their support of the Douglas County 4-H shooting sports program. Rod Froemming also represented Leaf Valley Toms for their support of young people who are interested in the outdoors. The award was presented by 4-H volunteer and wildlife coordinator, Teresa Schmidt.



From left, Mary Froemming, Rod Froemming and Teresa Schmidt.

Douglas County 4-H held its annual 2020-2021 Awards Night Celebration on Monday, Nov. 22.

Rod Eldevik from the Alexandria Rotary Club welcomed and congratulated the winners.

4-H members were recognized for the following accomplishments:

- "I Dare You" awards
- Outstanding Project awards
- Minnesota 4-H Key Awards
- Scholarships from the Alexandria Rotary, Alexandria Elks Lodge 1685 and the Thornton family for 4-H career youth leadership

The Friends of 4-H and Adult Volunteer of the Year were also recognized.

Award sponsors included the Alexandria Rotary, Alexandria Elks Lodge 1685, Douglas County 4-H and the Thornton Family. Douglas County Public Works provided the facilities.

4-H is Minnesota's largest youth serving program providing young people with access to positive youth development and leadership programs, according to Jodi Hintzen, who works with 4-H youth development for the Douglas County Extension office.

"4-H makes a difference," she said, adding that according to a Tufts University study, 4-H youth have better grades, are more than twice as likely to contribute to their communities and are 47% less likely to participate in risky behaviors.

For more information or to join 4-H, contact the Douglas County Extension office at 320-762-3890 or send an email to either hintz010@umn.edu or jkokett@umn.edu.

Danforth 'I Dare You' Award



Abigail Fiskness of the Liberty Livewires 4-H Club in Osakis.

Each year this award is presented to two junior leaders who have been active on a club and county level. We have dared them to achieve their highest potential and to influence others through lives of service.



Kaleb Fuglseth of the Moe 4-H Club in Brandon.

Outstanding Projects Award

These awards are given to members with a strong background in a project area they have completed records for. To receive this award, a member must show evidence of quality exhibits, evidence of knowledge learned in a project, evidence of helping others learn about the project through demonstrations, project meetings or one-to-one and evidence of leadership on the club and county level.



From left, Averie Mounsdon of the Liberty Livewires 4-H Club in Osakis, Outstanding Family and Consumer Science Award; Rylee Bundermann of the Lake Mary Troopers 4-H Club in Alexandria, Outstanding Personal Growth and Development Award; and Reagan Lennes of the Lake Mary Troopers 4-H Club, Outstanding Animal Science Award.

4-H Volunteer Award

The 4-H Adult Volunteer award recognizes adults that have been active in the 4-H program. They have consistently volunteered their time and support for several years.



Kim Taveirne from Douglas County 4-H.



Callie Taveirne of the Liberty Livewires 4-H Club in Alexandria.

Minnesota 4-H Key Award

Minnesota 4-H Key Award is awarded to youth who have completed three years as a youth leader and completed seven out of nine requirements including attending youth leader workshops, club program planning, community service, hold club or county officer position, 4-H promotion, youth project leader and serve on club or county committees.



Thomas Dutcher of the Chippewans 4-H Club in Garfield, Outstanding Mechanical, Natural, and Plant Science Award.

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Young Entrepreneurial Award is a \$ 500 cash award sponsored by Alexandria Rotary. \$500 each is given to selected youth who have demonstrated entrepreneurial skills in a 4-H project area. Brenden Bryce was recognized for livestock production and Daryn Botzet for his crop production.



From left, Brenden Bryce of the Lake Mary Troopers 4-H Club in Lowry, Rod Eldevik from the Alexandria Rotary Club and Daryn Botzet of the Carlos Happy Helpers 4-H Club in Carlos.

Karl Glade Elks Citizenship Award

This \$500 cash award is sponsored by the Alexandria Elks. It is presented to a 4-H member enrolled in youth leadership and or citizenship. Members must show evidence of helping others learn through demonstrations, project meetings or helping others one-on-one, evidence of leadership at the club and county level of officer or committee member, evidence of helping others and the ability to work with others.

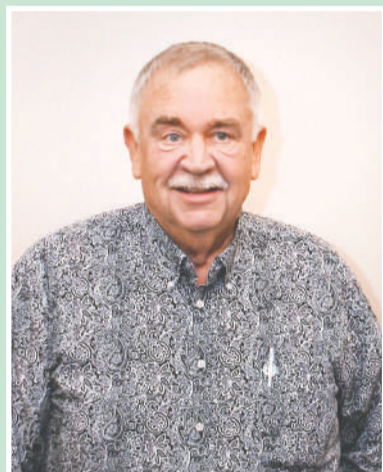
Elks Emerging Leader Award

This \$500 cash award is sponsored by the Alexandria Elks. In 2021, Alexandria Elks provided funds for a leadership award for an emerging leader beginning their leadership journey and showing promise. To recognize, encourage and support youth leaders as they continue improving and developing as a leader in their community.

Bill Meyer from the Alexandria Elks Lodge 1685 presented the scholarship checks for the Karl Glade Elks Citizenship Award and the Alexandria Elks Emerging Leader Award.



Rylee Bundermann of the Lake Mary Troopers in Alexandria.



Bill Meyer from the Alexandria Elks.



Jackson Dutcher from the Chippewans 4-H Club in Garfield.

Thornton Trophy

This award for 4-H junior leadership was first given in 1932 by Ralph Thornton, secretary of the Douglas County Agricultural Association (1915-1951). It has been carried on by his son, Joe, and now his daughter, Elizabeth, and grandson, Mike. It consists of a silver pitcher and awarded based on a 4-H member's youth leadership career. Recipient is someone who has been active on club, county and possibly state and national levels. This award is unique to Douglas County 4-H.



Averie Mounsdon from the Liberty Livewires 4-H Club in Osakis.



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- Ryan & Courtney Engelbrecht
- Samantha Lahman, Extension Educator
- Shane Elmer
- Skid Pro Attachments
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Todd County Planning & Zoning increasing fees

Effective on Jan. 1, 2022, Todd County Planning & Zoning will be increasing its fees for conditional use permit applications, rezoning applications and variance applications from \$350 to \$425.

The reason for this is to help better cover costs of preparation for the meeting, staff time and per diems for the board members. This also means that after-the-fact fees for these applications will be increased to \$850.

The change was heard before the County Board of Commissioners on Sept. 21, brought to a public hearing before the Board on Oct. 5, and was officially adopted on Oct. 19.

No other changes were made to the Planning & Zoning fee schedule for 2022.

Call 320-732-4420 if you have questions about this or any land use or permitting issue.

MnDOT, MDA to host virtual public sessions on Clean Fuel Standard

The Minnesota Department of Transportation and Minnesota Department of Agriculture will host two public sessions to explore ways to reduce the impacts of climate change through a Minnesota Clean Fuel Standard.

In October 2021, the Walz administration directed state agencies to determine if and how Minnesota should move forward with a CFS.

MnDOT and the MDA are engaging stakeholders and listening to the public as a key part of that process. The state's goals through this process include identifying action steps to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the transportation sector, create new jobs, attract new economic investments, and reduce air and water pollution in both urban and rural communities.

The public is invited to participate in one of two upcoming virtual sessions:

▶ Tuesday, Dec. 14, from noon-1:30 p.m.

▶ Wednesday, Dec. 15, from 5:30-7 p.m.

For more information about a Clean Fuel Standard and links to access the public meetings, visit MnDOT's website.

DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Thursday, Nov. 25
Assist other agency, 7th Avenue E.

Assist other agency, 45th Avenue E.

Suspicious vehicle, dark colored Mustang parked at gas station with male acting suspicious, State Highway 29 N.

Assist other agency, 6th Avenue E.

Friday, Nov. 26
Assist other agency, 42nd Avenue W.

Suspicious vehicle, three cars in the driveway of a home that has recently burned down, one vehicle is disabled, going to be towed, 10th Avenue SW.

Assist other agency, Ridgeview Terrace NE.

Public assist, Darling Avenue E.

Fire, garage fire, Holmes Avenue, Brandon.

Motorist assist, Interstate 94, Osakis.

Suspicious activity, caller states she has seen a person standing by her door on her camera twice, listening to caller's calls, Second Street E, Brandon.

Assist other agency, State Highway 29 N.

Assist other agency, 6th Avenue W.

Saturday, Nov. 27
Suspicious activity, caller says she saw a female use a butter knife to break into an apartment, caller did not and could not see the apartment from her door camera and was only assuming someone broke in, no signs of forced entry, 2nd Street E, Brandon.

10-52 with one vehicle, one vehicle rollover, Interstate 94, Evansville.

Public assist, Carlson Beach Road NW.

Driving complaint, caller in left lane, semi in right lane, semi doors are open and there's manure flying on caller's car, Interstate 94, Garfield.

Public assist, Holmes Avenue, Brandon.

Assist other agency, 6th Avenue W.

Motorist assist, Interstate 94.

Motorist assist, County Road 3 NE, Carlos.

Suspicious activity, Meeker Street, Evansville.

Sunday, Nov. 28
Property damage crash, minor crash in parking lot, Arrowwood Lane NW.

Assist other agency, South Broadway Street.

Criminal damage to property, caller had damage to mailbox and feels it is not being addressed, County Road 107 SW, Kensington.

Property damage crash, two-vehicle crash, no injuries, County Road 12 NW, Garfield.

Assist other agency, State Highway 114 SW.

Assist other agency, Daydream Loop, Osakis.

Monday, Nov. 29
Motorist assist, driver was stopped in the turn lane as he waited for a local business to open, advised he needed to find another location to park, Oak Street S.

Fire, semi fire, County Road 4 SW.

Fraud, caller was notified that student loans were taken out in his name that he did not apply for, West Street, Garfield.

Fraud, identity stolen, Hidden Valley Road SW, Brandon.

Fraud, caller sold something on the Internet and received a counterfeit bill as payment, Homestead Road NE, Nelson.

Tuesday, Nov. 30
Public assist, County Road 82 NW, Evansville.

Assist other agency, Elm Street.

Theft, theft of items from construction trailer, Brophy Landing NW.

Driving complaint, red Ford Explorer all over the road, County Road 27 SW.

10-52 with one vehicle, male party rolled his car and is bleeding from his face, County Road 12 NW, Garfield.

Suspicious activity, caller says there's a lot of people in the cabin at location and said vehicles left when she yelled at them, County Road 82 SE.

ALEXANDRIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Thursday, Nov. 25
Suspicious vehicle, male stole caller's keys and is driving erratically in the street, 7th Avenue E.

Suspicious vehicle, third degree DWI, Sixth Avenue W.

Public assist, Fillmore Street.

Assist other agency, Sunset Way NE.

Suspicious activity, caller is worker at Super 8 and found a suspicious bag, State Highway 29 S.

Suspicious person, male party walking through yards, out for a walk and picking up garbage, Cedar Street.

Juvenile trouble, 45th Avenue E.

Property damage crash, minor crash, 50th Avenue W.

Public assist, South Le Homme Dieu Drive NE.

Public assist, Victor Street.

Assist other agency, County Road 45 SW.

Friday, Nov. 26
Suspicious vehicle, 42nd Avenue W.

Suspicious activity, person ran behind a house when police came around the corner, person said he is just scared of cops, 9th Avenue W.

Public assist, State Highway 29 S.

Driving complaint, vehicle all over the road, Broadway Street.

Fraud, person wrote a bad check for \$300 and took off, State Highway 29 S.

Suspicious activity, caller states unknown persons keep taking her car for a joyride, she's hidden it and they keep finding it, Fairgrounds Road.

Suspicious activity, State Highway 29 S.

Public assist, Darling Avenue E.

Public assist, Second Avenue E.

Suspicious activity, County Road 46 SE.

Suspicious activity, caller said male seems to be picking a lock on a Highlander, 4th Avenue W.

Suspicious activity, Elm Street.

Public assist, unknown vehicle drove off with a gas nozzle attached, 50th Avenue W.

Suspicious activity, gas nozzle on the ground in the parking lot, didn't see vehicle, State Highway 29 S.

Assist other agency, Broadway Street.

Driving complaint, person drove really close to caller and then struck her sister's vehicle, Broadway Street.

Saturday, Nov. 27
Suspicious activity, two males on the porch on the back side of the house, Broadway Street.

Suspicious activity, came upon vehicle pulling over with female passenger in the grass puking, spoke with occupants and they pulled over to let passenger vomit, had sober driver, advised to drink some water, Third Avenue E.

Public assist, Pioneer Road SE.

Public assist, Hawthorne Street.

Suspicious activity, caller thinks he saw a dead body in a field, animal remains, State Highway 29 S.

Property damage crash, minor crash, 50th Avenue W.

Suspicious activity, Cedar Street.

Fire, fire on the side deck, Sixth Avenue W.

Suspicious activity, smells like someone is smoking cigarettes in the building, Elm Street.

Assist other agency, 17th Avenue E.

Public assist, Ash Street.

Suspicious vehicle, unoccupied

vehicle, North Nokomis NE.

Sunday, Nov. 28
Public assist, North Nokomis Street.

Theft, gas siphoned out of caller's vehicle while at church, Sixth Avenue E.

Driving complaint, red Volkswagen all over the road, Voyager Drive.

Assist other agency, Broadway Street.

Suspicious person, Broadway Street.

Assist other agency, 50th Avenue W.

Shoplifting, a male shoplifted some food about an hour ago, Third Avenue E.

Public assist, 34th Avenue E.

Suspicious activity, Sessions Street NW.

Driving complaint, dark blue SUV keeps driving past caller's house revving the engine, State Highway 29 N.

Monday, Nov. 29
Fraud, caller reporting his personal information may have been stolen during a burglary in which a government computer containing 26.5 million veterans' information was taken, Tolena Road NE.

Fraud, caller is married to a retired veteran, husband's personal military information may have been stolen along with hers, Tolena Road NE.

Property damage crash, minor crash, Broadway street.

Public assist, State Highway 29 S.

Drug-related activity, believes employee is smoking marijuana in the backroom, 30th Avenue E.

Property damage crash, minor crash, 34th Avenue E.

Shoplifting, theft of candy, 50th Avenue W.

Suspicious activity, Kenwood Drive.

10-52 with pedestrian, man hit by car, 15th Avenue W.

Criminal damage to property, 33-year-old male intoxicated, destroying caller's car, City Park Road.

Tuesday, Nov. 30
Public assist, Cedar Street.

Public assist, Pioneer Road SE.

Suspicious activity, Irving Road.

Public assist, Voyager Drive.

10-50 hit and run, no injuries, Birch Avenue.

Public assist, 10th Avenue E.

Assist other agency, 17th Avenue E.

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