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Seventh- and eighth-grade choir members, including (back, left) Callie Trainor, Greyson Smith, Erin Steege, Megan Balk and Camryn Seehase; (third row, left) Braelyn Suckow, Jenna Aries and Asher Bergmann; (second row, left) Kylee Krueger, Malina Fober, Cecilia Sperfslage, Bereniesse Olandez-Sanches and Kelsey Trask; and (front, left) Kaitlyn Miller, Jaci Snyder, Kallie Thurman and Dana Snyder sing "Stormy Winter" as part of the middle school winter program Thursday, Dec. 15.

S-F Middle School students spread holiday cheer with winter programs

Sumner-Fredericksburg Middle School students held their annual winter programs Thursday, Dec. 15. Despite the snowy weather, the middle school gymnasium was filled with family members, friends and community members to see the talents of the fifth- through eighth-grade students as they spread holiday cheer with their two separate programs.

The fifth and sixth graders were first to present their program "Partridge in a Pear Tree." The fifth-grade band kicked off the night with four selections showing off the hard work they have been doing since the beginning of the school year to learn their new instruments. They played "Mary Had a Little Lamb," "Hot Cross Buns," "Go Tell Aunt Rhodie" and "Jingle Bells."

Chamber choir members performed two songs, including "A Holiday Road of Carols" and "Under Winter Moon" with teacher Jared Knapp as the trombonist. The sixth-grade band played five holiday selections, including "Jingle Bells," "Silent Night," "Away in a Manger," "Good King Wenceslas" and "Grandma Got Run Over By a Reindeer."

The fifth- and sixth-grade choir presented their program "A Party in a Pear Tree," which followed members of the 12 days of Christmas as they tried to rescue Party the Partridge from a pear tree. They performed seven songs, in-



Harley Teeling (back, left), Jameson Elliott and Treyton Rochford; (middle, left) Raelynn Kolthoff and Rosin Drudik; and (front, left) Braxtyn Rettinger and Ben Egan focus on their music as they perform "Away in a Manger."

cluding the opening of "The 12 Days of Christmas," "You Can Count on Me," "Five Golden Rings," "Swan Song," "Party Down," "Christmas is the Time" and a reprise of "The 12 Days of Christmas."

The cast of "A Party in a Pear Tree" included Raelynn Kolthoff, Party the Partridge; Dory Baker, turtle dove 1; Greyson Priebe, turtle dove 2; Stacy Walvatne, French hen 1; Jorja Volker, French hen 2; Marshall Dillon, French hen 3; Finley Fober, calling bird 1; Grady Leete, calling bird 2; Adalyn Hauser, calling bird 3; Bryceen Frost, calling bird 4; Rachel Taylor, gold ring 1; Tinlee Sassmann, gold ring 2; Olivia Rochford, gold ring 3; Braxtyn Rettinger, gold ring 4; Cymbaline Carlson, gold ring 5; Natalie Sorenson, ring holders 1; Oliva Zeien, ring holders 2; Neveah Larson, ring holders 3; Adalyn Hauser, ring holders 4; Abby Nelson, ring holders 5; Mason Cordes, goose 1; Andrew Sperfslage, goose 2; Jax Brinkman, goose 3; Aaden Lentz, goose 4; Ellie Werner, goose 5; Carly Krueger, goose 5; Faith Chandler, swan 1; Samantha Hesse, swan 2; Connor Stimson, swan 3; Garrytt Laabs, swan 4; Shea Novak, swan 5; Greg Baker, swan 6; Treyton Rochford, swan 7; Emily Suhr, maid 1; Saphira Hildebrandt, maid 2; Paige Holtz, maid 3; Elise

Tiedt, maid 4; Brynn Rethamel, maid 5; Serenity Thibadeau, maid 6; Lanece Munk, maid 7; Sawyer Bergman, maid 8; Jayden Haverkamp, cow 1; Axle Zmoos, cow 2; Riley Gruenberg, cow 3; Ryker Jacobs, cow 4; Levi Jarchow, cow 5; Logan Cain, cow 6; Eddie Kilcher, cow 7; Angelina Bartie, lady dancing 1; Rosin Drudik, lady dancing 2; Hannah Buhman, lady dancing 3; Alivia Woodring, lady dancing 4; Addi Rhea, lady dancing 5; Addison Reisner, lady dancing 6; Claire Koester, lady dancing 7; Erin Wurzer, lady dancing 8; Kailin Morse, lady dancing 9; Will Pitz, lords a-leaping 1; Ben Egan, lords a-leaping 2; Crayton Schuler, lords a-leaping 3; Levi Ameling, lords a-leaping 4; Reece Krivachek, lords a-leaping 5; Reid Meyer, lords a-leaping 6; Michael Fred, lords a-leaping 7; Drydin Jangula, lords a-leaping 8; Jacob Wilker, lords a-leaping 9; Ashton Martin, lords a-leaping 10; Luis Botel-

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Check out pages 5 and 6 for S-F Cougar basketball, wrestling and bowling results!

Fredericksburg Review Christmas series

Lantow retiring from city after nearly 34 years, plans to continue volunteering

Editor's note: This Christmas season, the Fredericksburg Review is focusing on people within the community who give their time and talents to make the city of Fredericksburg a better place for everyone. This year's Christmas series began with a focus on Misty Prosser who is providing community members of all ages programs as the new park and rec director. Last week's focus was on Theresa Schulz and her breast cancer diagnosis and the support from family and friends which brought light to her in a dark time. This week, in the final week of the Christmas series in the Review, the focus is on Cindy Lantow who is retiring from the city after many years of service and her involvement in various community organizations. Please join us this Christmas season in recognizing the people and organizations who help so many in the community of Fredericksburg without seeking out the recognition they deserve.

Communities around the globe rely on the generosity of individuals and organizations to thrive and make it a better place for all and the city of Fredericksburg is no exception. One individual is Cindy Lantow who is retiring Dec. 31 after serving as the city's clerk, administrator and deputy clerk for nearly 34 years and she also volunteers her time with many different organizations.

In 1989 Lantow was working several different jobs including bartending, waitressing and at the co-op when she saw the city had an opening for the deputy clerk position. She didn't believe she had the training so she decided not to apply, but one evening while bartending then-mayor Ray Niewoehner and his wife were in the



CINDY LANTOW

restaurant while Lantow was working. "He goes, 'Cindy come here and sit with us,' so I went, sat and talked with them and he went, 'You need to apply for that deputy clerk's job.' I told him I didn't have the training and he said just apply for it. I applied and I got it, I didn't think I would ever get it," she explained. "I started as deputy clerk and when the clerk passed away I became the clerk, so I was deputy clerk

for about seven years." When Lantow first started working for the city in June 1989 she went to clerk school, which was one week of training every summer for three years. Brad Niewoehner was clerk at the time so he helped her learn a lot as they would work on various tasks together, but when he passed away unexpectedly Lantow had to learn a lot on her own.

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New flag drop box at AMVETS Hall allows flags to be disposed of properly

Outside of the AMVETS Hall, Fredericksburg, along Main Street is a new drop box which has been installed to allow members of the community to properly dispose of worn flags. AMVETS commander Ralph Schultz and Rollie Cahoy installed the drop box Thursday, Dec. 1.

"There have been times over the past years where I have seen flag drop boxes in use and decided Fredericksburg needed a drop box," Schultz commented. "Previously people would bring them to my house and this is easier for everyone. Seeing the drop boxes will remind people to drop off worn flags instead of the flags getting thrown away improperly."

The drop box in Fredericksburg will be checked weekly and flags will be disposed of in a yearly flag burning ceremony conducted by the AMVETS members.

A new flag drop box was recently installed at the AMVETS Hall to allow community members the opportunity to properly dispose of worn flags. (Photo submitted)



Review Preview

Thursday, Dec. 22: 1:00/1:15 p.m., Two-hour early out - vacation. 1:30 p.m., Early-out movie at Upham Memorial Library.
Friday, Dec. 23: Fredericksburg Review office in Sumner closed. No school.
Saturday, Dec. 24: Christmas Eve.
Sunday, Dec. 25: Christmas Day.
Monday, Dec. 26:

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Tuesday, Dec. 27: No school.
Wednesday, Dec. 28: Recycling pick-up. No school.
Thursday, Dec. 29: No school.
8:30 a.m., S-F varsity girls basketball scrimmage at Crestwood.
Friday, Dec. 30: No school.

9:00 a.m., Fredericksburg Garden Club meets.
9:00 a.m., S-F varsity girls basketball scrimmage vs. Riceville in Sumner.
Saturday, Dec. 31: 9:30 a.m., S-F varsity boys basketball scrimmage vs. Osage at TBD.
Monday, Jan. 2: No school. Fredericksburg Review office in Sumner closed. 5:00-7:00 p.m., Fredericksburg Food Bank open.
Tuesday, Jan. 3: No school.
Wednesday, Jan. 4:

No school - professional development for teachers. 7:00 p.m., City council meeting at city hall.
Thursday, Jan. 5: 10:00 a.m., Bingo at Upham Memorial Library. 6:15 p.m., S-F JV/varsity wrestling at Columbus Catholic.

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