

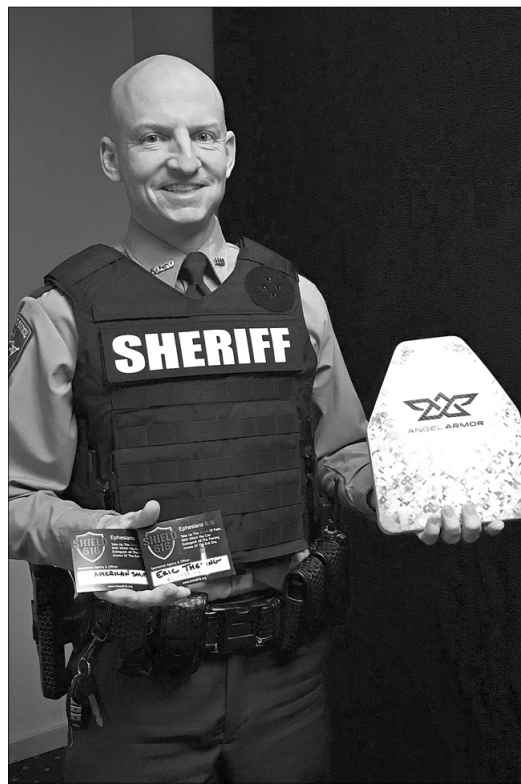
ASB donates \$2,100 to support Shield616, local service officers

American Solutions for Business recently donated a shield and helmet worth \$2,100 to Shield616, an organization founded to provide protection to those who serve local communities.

Due to limited budgets of some departments, new gear is often only available through donations. Shield616 offers two different packages that are provided to officers and first responders. A full armor police package costs \$2,100 and a full armor fire package costs \$2,300.

"This donation of rifle-rated plates and carrier gives me peace of mind that I am better protected to enter an active shooter situation or any other situation involving the use or threatened use of a rifle. It will allow me to do my job of protecting innocent citizens better and more safely," explains Eric Thesing, Pope County Deputy Sheriff and recipient of the shield donated by American Solutions for Business.

The connection is even more meaningful because Eric is also married to long-time ASB employee, Becky Thesing. Thesing continues, "I am very grateful to ASB for their donation. Our current vests do not protect us from rifle rounds, and we are seeing more and more that active-shooter situations often involve high-powered rifles by the suspect. All Pope County deputies, Glenwood police



Eric Thesing, Pope County Deputy Sheriff

department officers and Starbuck police department officers are now equipped with these vests thanks to the donations of local businesses like American Solutions for Business."

Area law enforcement service members met in early December to thank Shield616 and the local businesses who support the program.

"We're honored to participate in a cause like Shield616," says Justin Zavadi, ASB President. "Our law enforcement officers risk their lives every day to keep our community safe - it's imperative that we do everything we can to ensure their safety as well."

About American Solutions for Business

American was founded in 1981 in Glenwood, Minnesota and has evolved into a leading distributor, providing our customers with print, promotional products, marketing collateral, fulfillment and more. Despite our growth in technology, resources and sales, we maintain our grassroots attitude by operating as the only large employee-owned distributorship in the industry. This results in a team of personally-invested employees that care for our customers' branding, spend and creative reach to help achieve their goals.

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the charges state that Formo obtained "goods and services" valued at a total of \$6,382.64.

The first count of credit card fraud of more than \$2,500 could carry a penalty of not more than 10 years in prison and a \$20,000 fine, or both.

According to the complaint Formo used the credit card on five occasions to pay his own Verizon mobile telephone bill as well as other incidentals and a Netflix streaming service for 11 months. In addition he used the chamber credit card to pay personal insurance charges and an Xcel Energy bill. According to the complaint, he used the chamber's PayPal service, which takes money directly from the chamber's checking account, on 17 different occasions from January through June of 2018 to purchase Minnesota Vikings and Minnesota Wild sports memorabilia, cellular phone equipment, home furnishings, and other miscellaneous items. Those purchases totaled \$2,242.04, it was stated in the complaint.

The complaint also stated that in January of 2019, a special agent for the BCA interviewed Formo and at that time he acknowledged that he knew the difference between acceptable and unacceptable use of chamber funds. He also verified that the acknowledged use of the funds was not part of his authorized compensation through his employment by the chamber. It was stated.

Formo was elected mayor of Glenwood in 2014, served for one term and was defeated in his bid for reelection in 2018. He worked as director for the Glenwood Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce from 2010 until he resigned in October of 2018.

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mothers, i.e. hospitals, clinics, Someplace Safe offices and more that could refer the mothers to the program.

Kiefer said that SHNFP is seeking to build better parenting cycles. "The mission is to empower moms to be strong mothers and in exchange, have strong children who will become strong parents." As a former client herself, Kiefer knows that there are many benefits to the program.

Kiefer also said that the one thing that stuck out most to her during her time in the program was that the home visitor/personal nurse was someone who would just listen when she needed to talk about anything. "For me personally, a lot of the support comes from the emotional support; just having somebody that truly cares because they do truly care and that is shown by the level of commitment they have towards each client and the training and ongoing training they all have in order to better serve these moms," she said.

As a nurse, Staples said that her favorite part about SHNFP is, "The connection and ongoing contact with first time moms. Since we can visit with them until baby is 2 years old, we really get to know each other and often it is hard to have to stop visiting at the end of the program."

Hutton said that she would highly recommend the program to other first time parents. "They gave me more information than I even thought I needed, and gave me a chance to have a conversation with another adult who didn't have any conflicting interests." Her advice to others who are considering entering the program is to not be afraid to try it. "Anyone can make time for the visits, and it is a rewarding experience."

A health-care provider, Someplace Safe, the local food shelf or Horizon Public Health can refer mothers to SHNFP or they can contact the Morris SHNFP office to learn more by calling 320-287-2585.



Local law enforcement members thanking Shield616 and contributing donors.

RAFFLE Tickets

If your organization needs raffle tickets, please give us a call.

Tickets can be numbered, perforated, put in books, specially designed and there is a variety of colors. *Reasonably Priced*

Finished in one week or less!

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United States Census 2020

WHY THE CENSUS BUREAU IS ESTABLISHING A "TRUST & SAFETY" TEAM

At the U.S. Census Bureau, we are devoting great resources, energy and passion to educating the public about the upcoming 2020 Census. We want the public to have the correct information so they can participate in the census and shape their future and the future of their community. That is why we are pooling our communications and external resources together into a unified Census Bureau Trust & Safety Team to ensure the public is properly educated on how the 2020 Census affects everyone.

Visit www.census.gov to learn more about:

- The work of the Trust & Safety Team
- Efforts to combat the spread of misinformation and disinformation about the 2020 Census
- Launch of a dedicated page on our website to Fighting 2020 Census Rumors

We need everyone to be vigilant in fighting misinformation, disinformation and troublesome rumors about the 2020 Census. Please email us at rumors@census.gov if you see any resources, social media postings or websites that you believe contain inaccurate or false information about the 2020 Census.

About the Census Bureau

We serve as the nation's leading provider of quality data about its people and economy. The Census Bureau is the federal government's largest statistical agency. We are a scientific organization focused on data. Policy-makers, businesses, and the public use our information to make far-reaching decisions.

School Calendar coming events

Monday, Jan. 20 - No school - teacher in-service

Friday, Feb. 14 - No school - teacher in-service

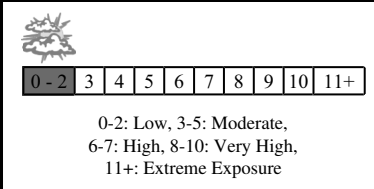
Monday, Feb. 17 - No school - President's Day

The Pope County Tribune Weather Summary

Pope County's Seven Day Forecast

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|----------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|
| | | | | | | |
| Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | Sunday | Monday |
| Partly Cloudy | Cloudy | Isolated Snow | Mostly Cloudy | Mostly Cloudy | Isolated Snow | Cloudy |
| 15 / -6 | 12 / 2 | 24 / 8 | 10 / 1 | 8 / -1 | 15 / 6 | 10 / 1 |

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Weather Trivia

What meteorological instrument was invented by Samuel F.B. Morse?

Answer: The telegraph, which made timely detection of storm systems possible.

Weather History

Jan. 7, 1989 - A tornado in southern Illinois obliterated half the community of Allendale, injuring 50 people and causing more than five million dollars in damage. Thunderstorm winds gusting higher than 100 mph caused 10 million dollars damage at Franklin, Ky.

Jan. 8, 1973 - A severe ice storm struck Atlanta. The storm paralyzed the city, closing schools and businesses. Damage from the storm was estimated at 25 million dollars. One to four inches of ice coated northern Georgia, leaving 300,000 without electricity for up to a week.

Detailed Local Forecast

Today we will see partly cloudy skies, high temperature of 15°, humidity of 77%. West northwest wind 11 to 19 mph. The record high temperature for today is 45° set in 2003. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight, overnight low of -6°. South southwest wind 5 to 11 mph. The wind chill for tonight could reach -19°. The record low for tonight is -30° set in 1986. Wednesday, skies will be cloudy with a slight chance of isolated snow, high temperature of 12°, humidity of 72%. East wind 6 to 18 mph.

Peak Fishing/Hunting Times This Week

| Day | Peak Times | | Day | Peak Times | |
|-----|-------------|-------------|--|------------|------------|
| | AM | PM | | AM | PM |
| Tue | 8:38-10:38 | 9:04-11:04 | Sat | 11:57-1:57 | 12:26-2:26 |
| Wed | 9:31-11:31 | 9:59-11:59 | Sun | 12:56-2:56 | 1:25-3:25 |
| Thu | 10:28-12:28 | 10:57-12:57 | Mon | 1:53-3:53 | 2:21-4:21 |
| Fri | -- | 11:27-1:27 | www.WhatsOurWeather.com | | |

Sun/Moon Chart This Week

| Day | Sunrise | Sunset | Moonrise | Moonset |
|------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| Full 1/10 | Tue 8:01 a.m. | 4:53 p.m. | 2:24 p.m. | 4:45 a.m. |
| | Wed 8:01 a.m. | 4:54 p.m. | 3:05 p.m. | 5:53 a.m. |
| | Thu 8:00 a.m. | 4:56 p.m. | 3:55 p.m. | 6:58 a.m. |
| | Fri 8:00 a.m. | 4:57 p.m. | 4:56 p.m. | 7:59 a.m. |
| Last 1/17 | Sat 8:00 a.m. | 4:58 p.m. | 6:06 p.m. | 8:51 a.m. |
| | Sun 7:59 a.m. | 4:59 p.m. | 7:22 p.m. | 9:35 a.m. |
| | Mon 7:59 a.m. | 5:00 p.m. | 8:39 p.m. | 10:12 a.m. |

Last Week's Almanac & Growing Degree Days

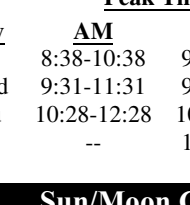
| Date | High | Low | Normals | Precip | Farmer's Growing Degree Days | | | |
|-------|------|-----|---------|--------|------------------------------|-------------|------|-------------|
| 12/30 | 25 | 14 | 23/3 | 0.00" | Date | Degree Days | Date | Degree Days |
| 12/31 | 14 | 7 | 23/3 | 0.00" | 12/30 | 0 | 1/3 | 0 |
| 1/1 | 30 | 18 | 23/3 | 0.00" | 12/31 | 0 | 1/4 | 0 |
| 1/2 | 32 | 28 | 23/3 | 0.00" | 1/1 | 0 | 1/5 | 0 |
| 1/3 | 27 | 14 | 23/2 | 0.00" | 1/2 | 0 | | |
| 1/4 | 27 | 3 | 23/2 | 0.00" | | | | |
| 1/5 | 36 | 19 | 23/2 | 0.00" | | | | |

Growing degree days are calculated by taking the average temperature for the day and subtracting the base temperature (50 degrees) from the average to assess how many growing days are attained.

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Recycling picked up:

Week of January 6