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Luverne High School seniors earn time off from school through Service Day

By Mavis Fodness

Each year Luverne High School's upcoming graduates select a day as Senior Skip Day, celebrating their last days of classes by not attending or skipping school.

Instead of trying to keep the students from missing class, district officials have given students a way to earn a half-day off from school through Senior Service Day.

"It was done in a way knowing that seniors were going to have a skip day, so instead of fighting it, why not give them an opportunity to give back to the community that has supported and blessed them with a great education," said Ryan Johnson, principal at Luverne High School.

"This day is usually a very fun day. We end it with a picnic in the (city) park and then they have the afternoon free."

This year the 86 graduating seniors each signed up for one of 12 locations, offering their assistance for three hours in a variety of tasks.

Working in groups ranging in numbers from

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Mavis Fodness photos/0507 Service Day

Above, left, Omar Martinez Pizano cleans windows at the Palace Theatre. Above, as part of Senior Service Day, the equipment shed receives a new coat of paint and cardinal design. This year's design was by Spencer Schacht, and helping paint on Friday, May 1, were (from left) Tennessee Bruhn, Alexis Hanson, Jessica Limones, Brooke Nattress and Alexis Hiller.

Persistent drought prompts city to impose watering ban for third year in row

By Lori Sorenson

For the third year in a row, the city of Luverne has started the spring season with a watering ban to limit the use of city water.

Council members took action on the ban during their Tuesday night, April 28, meeting following discussion about Luverne's limited water supply.

"It's no big secret the static and

pumping levels aren't going in the right direction," City Administrator John Call said about the city's well levels.

He said the city of Luverne, which relies on a shallow water aquifer system, is in a regional drought area and has received minimal rainfall this spring.

"We've had minimal moisture

since July of last year, leading to low static and pumping levels for most of the shallow wells in our system," Call said.

Because of the dry conditions and Luverne's shallow aquifers, outdoor watering and sprinkling is not allowed.

The ban approved at Tuesday's meeting makes exceptions for some

watering, such as new lawns, new seeding, new sod and hand garden sprinkling.

The water restriction will be in effect until further notice.

Council members remarked at Tuesday's meeting that Luverne will be connected to the Lewis and Clark Regional Water System later this year, ensuring a more reliable water supply,

even during regional droughts.

Last year at this time, the watering ban was put in place when Luverne and Rock County were roughly 15 inches below normal rainfall.

Then the flood of June 2014 delivered 15 inches of rain in one weekend, raising static well levels and prompt-

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Mother's Day X 3

Newman triplets turn 16 this year; Boyenga triplets coming soon

By Mavis Fodness

On Sunday millions of women will be showered with gifts and words of appreciation.

Mother's Day will take on a triple meaning this year for the Anthony and Megan Boyenga household in Kanaranzi Township.

The young couple learned in early February that they were expecting their third child — as well as the fourth and fifth.

"We never, ever thought of having triplets," Megan said. "We braced ourselves for twins possibly."

With the sudden expansion of their household, (the couple has two boys, Rayden, 7, and Coyer, almost 2), the Boyengas have set up a Facebook page to update friends and family on the triplets' progress.

The periodic updates save the couple from repeating basic details.

Titled "Boyenga Triplets," the site has garnered 325 likes so far.

"The more support you have, the better," Anthony said.

Having the site has alleviated some of Megan's anxiety of being a mother to three babies all at once.

"I was terrified," she admitted. "How am I going to do this?"

Newman triplets turn 16

To answer some of Megan's questions, the Star Herald reached out to Luverne native Gina (Jarchow) Newman, who with her husband, Rob, is a mother of triplets. The three girls turn 16 this fall.

"It has been a blessing having three girls the same age," she said. "They are good friends and don't often fight."

Gina easily passed on tips she learned being a first-time parent in 1999.

"We tried to plan ahead for some things, borrowed what we could rather than purchase all the big ticket items, and tried to just go with whatever was thrown at us," she said.

Support from friends and family members helped the Newmans get through the first few months, adjusting to three infants. Managing three

children of the same age was easier once the girls became toddlers.

"To get out of the house, we would go swimming, play in parks, or find a lake where the girls could explore and throw rocks in the water," Gina said. "It doesn't have to cost a lot to entertain toddlers."

Living on the farm near Wilmont, the girls were given chores as they grew older, and they celebrated birthdays and holidays with each receiving approximately the same amount — to an extent.

"Everyone asks us if they will each get their own car (as they turn 16)," Gina said.

The answer is no. The girls will figure out how to share one vehicle.

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Mavis Fodness photo/0507 boyenga triplets

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Rob and Gina Newman became parents of triplets almost 16 years ago. Pictured (front, left) are daughters Kelly, Brianna and Jamie.

Crisis Center director resigns post in Luverne

By Lori Sorenson

The Southwest Crisis Center is seeking a new director for its Rock County office after Raevette Loonan resigned early in April.

"It was time for a change," she told the Star Herald last week.

Her resignation letter was dated April 8, and she

is now training in a position at First Farmers and Merchants Bank in Luverne.

"At least we'll still get to see her in town, and that's where I do my banking," said Crisis Center volunteer Mary Lou Mulligan.

She said the role of Crisis Center volunteers is also changing, and she's not sure she'll continue helping the local office.

"They're now requiring 40 hours of training for us to answer phones and handle paperwork," Mulligan said.

"A lot of us there are old-timers, and I'm not sure we're going to do it."

She said the Crisis Center and the people it serves will miss Loonan's passion and dedication to the cause of ending domestic violence and sexual assault.

"I thought she did a great job," Mulligan said, "especially with the school kids."

Loonan said it was volunteers like Mulligan who made the Crisis Center effective.

"I may have been the face at the desk, but I never did this job alone," Loonan said Friday.

"I had good volunteers and other professionals in the community who were part of the support network for survivors."

She said judges, attorneys, law

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Meetings

Lady Luverne Red Hats will meet at 11:30 a.m. Friday, May 8, to carpool from St. Catherine Catholic Church's east parking lot for lunch at Safari Bar and Grill in Renner. A 2 p.m. tour of Renner Lutheran Church will follow lunch. RSVP to Connie by Thursday, May 7, at 283-8470.

Pink Ladies will meet at 1:30 p.m. Monday, May 11, in the Blue Mound Room at Sanford Hospital in Luverne.

Rock County VFW Auxiliary Post #2757 will meet at 11:15 a.m. Tuesday, May 12, at the Minnesota Veterans Home in Luverne.

Rock County VFW Post #2757 will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 12, at the Herreid Military building in Luverne.

Tourist Club will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 12, at the American Legion in Luverne.

American Legion Post #123 and Auxiliary will meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 13, at the post home.

Beaver Creek Township Board will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 14, at the township hall.

Valley Springs Cemetery lot owners will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 19.

Al-Anon meets at 6:30 p.m. Thursdays in the Buffalo Ridge Meeting Room (lower level) at the Sanford Medical Center in Luverne. Call Stephanie at 507-449-1246.

Narcotics Anonymous meets at 7 p.m. Fridays in the basement of St. Catherine Catholic Rectory, 203 E. Brown St., Luverne. Use east door. Call Shawn at 507-220-3180.

Alcoholics Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. Wednesdays and Saturdays in the Rock County Community Library. Call 605-321-4324.

Bank Nite movie 'Big Hero 6' May 7

The free Bank Nite movie, "Big Hero 6," will begin at 6 p.m. Thursday, May 7, at the Palace Theatre in Luverne. Sponsored by First Farmers & Merchants National Bank and Papik Motors, a free, family-friendly movie is shown on the first Thursday of every month as it was done for "Bank Nite" in the 1930s. A cash prize drawing will follow the movie. Must be present to win.

Pops concert set for May 8

The Luverne Middle School and High School choirs will present their pops concert at 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 8, in the elementary gym. The concert will feature the sixth-grade choir, seventh- and eighth-grade choir, the ninth-grade girls' choir and the concert choir singing music from Disney movies. Cost is \$4 for school-age children and \$6 for adults. Activity passes will also be accepted.

Sign up by May 9 for CRC study group

The Christian Reformed Church in Luverne will host the women's summer Bible study, "Live a Praying Life," by Jennifer Kennedy Dean. The group will meet at 6:15 a.m. starting Friday, May 20, at the church. Call 507-283-8726 by May 9 to order a book.

Area schools announce graduation dates

Local schools will host graduation ceremonies on the following dates:

- **Adrian High School** is at 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 15, in the high school gym;
- **Ellsworth High School** is at 7 p.m. Friday, May 22, in the high school gym;
- **Hills-Beaver Creek High School** is at 7 p.m. Friday, May 22, in the high school gym; and
- **Luverne High School** is at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 17, in the Cardinal Gym at Luverne Elementary School.

Community Ed

Register for these activities by calling Community Ed at 283-4724.

Check the April 26 **Luverne Announcer** for the **summer community education brochure** listing classes and activities for all ages for the summer. Many activities have discounted registration fees paid ahead of May 13, including morning rec, arts/crafts, golf, gymnastics, running, volleyball, basketball, and tennis.

Student Driver Education class is being offered beginning June 15 to students in eighth grade or older. Fee is \$290 due with registration and covers 30 hours of classroom and six hours of behind the wheel driving.

1,2,3 Magic — A Discipline Battle Plan is for parents who would like to learn some new techniques to work with their children ages 2-12 years. Stacy Schepel, school social worker, will present this 2 evening class on **May 11 and 18**. Fee is \$65. Scholarships are available.

Concerned about your **child's development** (ages 0-5 years)? Call 283-4724 for a private screening at no cost.

Living in the USA

Finnish exchange student learns about schedules, small-town living

By Mavis Fodness

During his cultural exchange experience in Luverne, Akseli Hatakka from Helsinki, Finland, has garnered a nickname, a new haircut and an understanding of staying on schedule.

For the past eight months, Hatakka has been hosted by the Cyndi Priebe family and adopted the nickname "Axl" at the beginning of his 10-month stay in the United States because people stumbled pronouncing his name.

Axl comes from Axl Rose, the lead singer for the 1980s rock 'n' roll band, Guns N' Roses.

"Music is a passion of mine," said the easy-going 18-year-old. "(Axl) was the closest American version of my name."

Hatakka has expanded this passion for music by playing guitar in the high school jazz band and participating in its concert choir. He hopes to make music a part of a career choice once he returns to Finland in June.

Hatakka is participating in the AFS Intercultural Program intended to help students develop the knowledge, skills and understanding needed to create a more just and peaceful world, according to its website.

For Hatakka, his exchange experience also included taking part in sporting events, something he had little experience in at home.

"I am not the most athletic type of person," he said. "I'm glad I did — I am in better condition."

Hatakka said he chose the sports activities of cross country and wrestling, because he could compete individually to better his skills. While he was familiar with cross country, because he used to run at home, wrestling was an unfamiliar sport.

"My goal was not to get pinned," he said.

He achieved that in Luverne's last team meet during sectional competition in Worthington.

"I lasted the six minutes," he said.

He may have lasted six-minutes on the mat, but his normal shaggy haircut received a little trimming by the wrestling team captains



Submitted photo

Axseli "Axl" Hatakka (right) is Luverne High School's 2015 cultural exchange student and is pictured with his host family, Cyndi Priebe (center, holding Dakotah) and her son, Seth.

"He has been surprised by the expectations of coming to class regularly and doing his work around the home. He has matured quite a bit."

— Cyndi Priebe, exchange student host parent

when Hatakka didn't have his hair trimmed on his own. Excessive long hair, especially bangs, is prohibited, according to Minnesota High School League rules.

"I had that coming," Hatakka said of the impromptu ragged haircut.

He fully admits he is a procrastinator.

Cyndi Priebe said the change to following a daily routine was something she had to help Hatakka work through.

"He has been surprised

by the expectations of coming to class regularly and doing his work around the home," she said. "He has matured quite a bit."

From discussions with Hatakka's mother back in Finland, Priebe learned that life there is at a slower pace, even in the large metropolitan city of Helsinki. Public school is conducted more like college, where students have classes on a weekly basis versus every day.

The new pace is something Hatakka has been get-

ting used to, thanks to Seth, a junior in high school.

"Sometimes Seth thinks he is the older brother," she said.

It is a role that Seth has embraced.

"It's been really good," he said of the experience.

Each has taught the other different guitar playing techniques and, while Seth said Hatakka handles the skateboard better than he, both have developed better moves.

One thing he has learned about his new brother is that he needs a lot of sleep.

"(Axl) can't focus otherwise," Seth said.

Before Hatakka leaves in June, the two will take on one of Seth's activities — mixed martial arts.

Once back home, Hatakka will finish his last year of high school before taking the test for college.

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enforcement officers, family services and others played a role.

"Everyone helped the survivors and we all had to be on the same page."

Loonan focused a good share of her time trying to break the cycle of abuse by educating children early on about what's OK and what isn't

in terms of physical contact.

Elementary students learned the difference between "good touch and bad touch" and they also learned through a program called "hands are not for hitting."

High school students benefited from Loonan's talks about date rape and signs and symptoms of abusive

relationships.

Loonan was in charge of Luverne's office of the Southwest Crisis Center since 1994 providing assistance to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.

People come to the center in emergency circumstances needing a safe place to stay, gas money and some short-

term personal supplies.

While she'd like to see an end to those abuses in local families, Loonan has often said it's rewarding to at least be a part of the healing process for those who are helped through the office.

Information about the position is available at www.mnswcc.org.



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Lorie Line and her Fab 5 at Palace May 9

Pianist Lorie Line will return to Luverne this weekend for her popular intimate evening series.

During her Saturday, May 9, performance at the Historic Palace Theatre, Line plans to play the classics and originals that have made her one of the most well-known pianists in the country.

She will also highlight a few songs from her upcoming CD/Music Book, "The Heritage Collection, Volume Seven" releasing at the end of May.

Line has performed on over 2,000 stages in her 25-year career, known mainly for her holiday tours but also for her non-seasonal "intimate series" that bring her to smaller towns.

This year's Fab 5 features young talent from Minnesota, including Robbie Nordstrom on violin, Derek Bromme (from Duluth) on the trombone, Marcus Farrow on drums, bassist Christian Harger and guitarist Scott Deming.

"Surrounding myself with the best players possible makes making music so much more fun, and after touring all these years, I know how important that is ... and my crowd loves young, amazing talent."

Line has produced three television specials for PBS. Perhaps the most published pianist of her time, she has recorded 47 CDs and has published 47 books of music of her arrangements and compositions.

Line and her husband/tour manager, Tim, live in Orono on Lake Minnetonka.

Saturday's show starts at 7 p.m. and tickets are available at the Carnegie Cultural Center, 281-8294.

Line will be in the lobby at the Palace following the performance to greet her fans, sign CDs and music books, and take photos.

More information can be found at www.lorieline.com.



Lori Sorenson photo/0507 barck demolition

Demolition crews began tearing down this property on East Barck Avenue Thursday morning, April 20.

East Barck Avenue becomes 'open canvas'

By Lori Sorenson

The properties on the east end of Barck Avenue are under demolition this week as the city of Luverne paves the way for new housing in that block.

The city of Luverne and Cleveringa Construction have entered into a development agreement for the construction of two triplexes and one twin home on East Barck Avenue.

A tax increment financing district has been established to remove existing substandard buildings on three properties now owned by the city.

"We'll have an open canvas there for new development," City Administrator John Call said at the April 15 City Council meeting.

Water and sewer utilities will be stubbed in to the property line, and the three lots will be conveyed to contractor Merlin Cleveringa as he obtains building permits.

According to discussion at the April 2015 meeting, Cleveringa plans to start construction around mid to late May.

"I have three parties interested in purchasing them," Cleveringa reported



Chantel Connell photo/0507 barck demolition

By Thursday afternoon there was very little left of the former house on the corner of Barck and Blue Mound avenues. Below, this brick structure on East Barck Avenue was the last to go, in order to prepare the lots for new housing development.

to the council.

"We'll try to keep costs lower than the Blue Ridge Estates (in the new Manfred Heights Addition). According to surveys, there is a fairly decent demand for that price range."

Over the past year the city has acquired three blighted properties — 509, 501, and 409 E. Barck — "to achieve the goals of eliminating blighted property and to allow for potential residential development in the future," according to LEDA documents.

The city bought the corner lot at 509 E. Barck from John Granneman, Lakeville, for \$42,000 in December.

The LEDA bought the brick, commercial-looking structure at 409 E. Barck for \$28,000 last summer



Lori Sorenson photo/0507 barck demolition

from Gary Van Regenmorter, doing business as Glatco Partners.

The adjacent property (between that one and the one on the corner) was acquired by the city earlier in 2014 through tax forfeiture. That one, at 501 E. Barck, took up two city lots.

So, the city now owns

four contiguous lots on the north side of Barck Avenue, 150 feet deep.

Mayor Pat Baustian said he looks forward to the new subdivision being complete.

"We're excited about your development down there," he said to Cleveringa at the April 16 meeting. "We feel it will fill a need for years to come."

Rebates offered for air conditioner tune-ups

Luverne Municipal Utility is offering a \$30 rebate for homeowners who have their central air conditioner or air-source heat pump professionally conditioned.

As part of the service, contractors will clean coils and drains, check the refrigerant charge and belts, and inspect the entire system, including fans.

"Having your cooling system tuned up helps ensure it is working as efficiently as possible, and helps prevent future problems and unexpected costs," said Robyn Wessels, deputy finance clerk for the city of Luverne.

Through its Bright Energy Solutions program, Luverne Municipal Utility offers a variety of cash incentives to customers who install energy-efficient equipment such as central air conditioners and

heat pumps, as well as ductless mini-split systems.

Rebates are also available for programmable thermostats, as well as variable speed motors in new furnaces or air handlers.

To learn more about the variety of rebates available to residential and business customers of your hometown utility, call 507-449-2388 or visit www.brightenergysolutions.com.

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Triplets — local families celebrate Mother's Day times 3/continued from page 1A

"There's always an old farm pickup that someone can drive if they can't figure it out," she said.

The Boyengas are anticipating their triplets' arrival July 1. Driving is a long way in the future for their boy and two girls.

Picking out names will be the Boyengas' first order of business and the Newmans recommend not rhyming or starting their first names with the same letter.

Her triplets, Jamie, Brianna and Kelly, agree, and in an email the trio answered questions about what it is like being a triplet.

"Many people actually don't believe us or they are just shocked," was one remark about being triplets.

They also heard a wide range of comments, but the most frequent has been, "It must be cool being a triplet!" and "Wow, that's so weird."

Brianna, Kelly and Jamie are adamant about one aspect of being a trio.

"Even if you meet twins or other multiples, treat them as individuals and don't always group them with their siblings, even if it's easier that way. Please, learn their separate names rather than 'Triplet No. 1, 2 and 3.'"

The Newman girls, now freshmen at Worthington High School, say they are very close and always help each other with homework and



Mavis Fodness photo/0423 Boyenga Triplets

Brothers Coyer and Rayden share the news of the pending siblings' genders with corresponding colored livestock paddles. Two girls and one boy are expected.

general advice.

"You are never alone," they shared. "You always have someone else your age to talk to and be around."

Together Kelly, Jamie and Brianna indicated they would celebrate Mother's Day, one that brings three times the joy to mom Gina with "breakfast in bed and a trio of handmade cards."

Triplet births in the U.S. at less than 1 percent

The odds of a woman giving birth to triplets are one in thousand, according to reproductive endocrinologist Dr. Keith Hansen with

use of fertility drugs such as Clomid, which helps with female ovulation.

Megan Boyenga said she took Clomid after she was diagnosed with polycystic ovarian syndrome to help with the birth of her second child.

The use of Clomid raises the chance of triplets to 10 percent, Hansen said. Other fertility drugs increase the chance of triplets to 30-40 percent.

Procedures such as in vitro fertilization (IVF), a procedure utilized for the Newman triplets, rarely results in more than twins.

Industry standards now use no more than two embryos for an IVF procedure, Hansen said.

In the United States, there were 4,364 triplet births in 2013, according to the latest data available from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)



Submitted photo

Kelly (left), Brianna and Jamie Newman will turn 16 this fall. They live on a farm near Wilmont and are students in Worthington High School.

website.

The number of twin births was 132,324, also in 2013.

Multiple births have

dropped dramatically from its peak in 1998. Since 2004, the average annual declines have been more than 4 percent, the CDC indicated.

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Keep or throw?

If toys could talk, I'd have a troubled conscience

The final step in clearing my attic for our new home-owners was removing several Rubbermaid tubs of toys that had survived the keep-or-throw process.



ON SECOND THOUGHT

By Lori Sorenson, editor

he spent a good share of his time safely perched atop the dresser. He didn't get drooled on, spilled on, or taken outside for adventures in the yard.

And, as such, he's been well preserved — and definitely a keeper.

Others weren't so fortunate.

Many stuffed animals are now missing appendages or have matted or stained fur, so those ended up in the throw pile ... along with remote control cars missing wheels and the Hot Wheels racetracks missing pieces of track.

Broken toys were no-brainers; they're garbage. (Trust me, many, many toys were saved as keepers and for Goodwill).

But as I emptied them into the dumpster, I recalled the Disney Pixar animated film, "Toy Story 3."

When Andy turns 17 and packs his things for college, sheer terror strikes the toys in his room as they come to grips with abandonment.

My heart ached for the toys in the movie that were once lovingly played with and were now being stored or thrown away. (Of course, it helped that movie characters could talk and that the sad music made their story even sadder.)

Now I know how Andy feels.

I avoided eye contact with discarded toys that lay strewn across the top of the garbage in our rural dumpster. Their playful colors created an odd contrast to the garbage they had joined.

I was grateful they couldn't talk, but I had a hard time ignoring the sad music in my head.

In 19 years of accumulating toys, we had thrown very few away. Once the boys outgrew them or stopped playing with them, I simply packed them away — usually during one of those cleaning flurries for last-minute guests.

Because the attic was big, and because I was in a hurry, everything got scooped into a container and got tucked away for later sorting.

"Later" arrived two weeks ago when I found myself seated on the attic floor surrounded by toys sorted in "keep" and "throw" piles.

The keepers were easy. If the memories made me smile, they were keepers.

For example, when Jonathan was born, my college friend Molly mailed us a baby gift that arrived in a square package that contained a gift-wrapped box with a Teddy bear inside.

I remember the details of that moment like it was yesterday. Jonathan, an infant, didn't care that a gift had arrived, but for me, receiving a rural mail package from a dear friend in St. Paul made my day.

The bear, with a satin blue ribbon tied in a bow around its neck, was enclosed with a handwritten note congratulating us on Jonathan's arrival. I read that thoughtful message many times over on that sunny afternoon in 1996.

As Jonathan grew and acquired a younger brother, I protected the bear from the rigors of boys' play.

He joined us for story time in the rocking chair, but

Are backyard poultry flocks at risk?

Deadly avian influenza virus detected in state, counties surrounding Rock County

STAR HERALD EDITORIAL

While the recent avian influenza outbreak poses a low risk to human health and is not a food safety risk, Gov. Mark Dayton declared a state of emergency to stop the spread of the highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI).

The declaration by the state's leader couldn't have come quickly enough.

As of May 5, more than 5 million birds have been euthanized in Minnesota involving 80 farms in 21 different counties. That number is expected to grow.

While Rock County is not home to large commercial chicken or turkey flocks, it is slowly being surrounded by reports of the virus.

Our eastern neighbor, Nobles County, had 21,000 turkeys destroyed due to an outbreak of the avian flu.

Now the Minnesota Department of Animal Health (DAH) suspects a backyard flock of 150 birds in Pipestone County, our northern neighbor, has the virus. Reports of H5N2 in Iowa and South Dakota, our southern and western neighbors, also continue to increase.

All suspected farms remain under quarantine until state and federal officials determine how the virus is spread.

Pipestone County reported the

first suspected non-commercial flock with signs of the infestation. The owner noticed unusual death losses and other signs of illness in his/her birds.

We in Rock County need to take notice and take steps to protect our backyard flocks.

Here are some recommendations by the DAH to assist in stopping the spread of the deadly virus.

•Eliminate the opportunity for domestic birds to interact with wild birds. Wild waterfowl are suspected carriers of the disease. The best way to avoid diseases that wildlife carry is to keep domestic animals separated from the wild.

•If you have birds at home, do not visit other farms, homes or facilities that also have birds. If you must visit, shower and change into clean clothes and shoes before and after the visit so you do not transport bird droppings.

•Before you drive down the road, consider where you're go-

ing; be sure your vehicle is clean and free of dirt, manure and other organic material that might be transported.

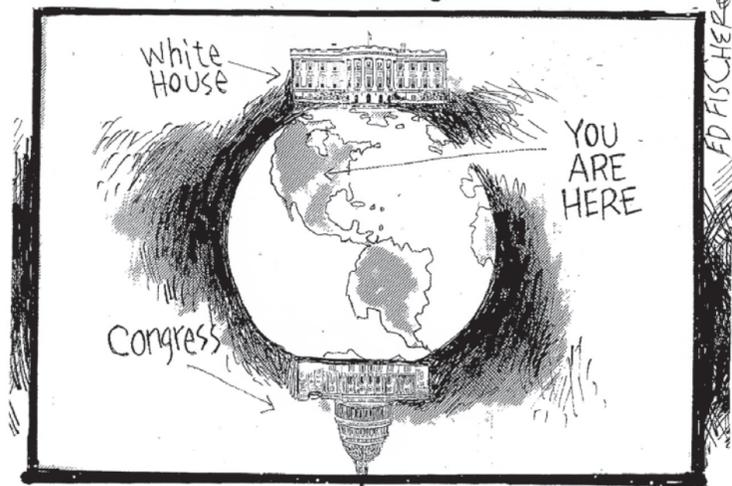
•Be on the alert. Early establishment of a 12-mile control and surveillance zone by state officials can help prevent the spread of the disease.

The University of Minnesota's poultry website contains more information for protecting both urban and backyard flocks. The link can be found at www.extension.umn.edu/agriculture/poultry/avian-influenza.

A hotline number 888-702-9963 is available for general questions about avian influenza and biosecurity measures that can be taken to protect birds.

For sudden onset of sickness or high mortality in any kind or type of poultry flock (commercial or backyard), call a special joint tactical team at 320-214-6700 ext. 3804.

DIRECTORY



A working horn necessary on all highway vehicles; trailer registration exemptions

Question: I bought a used vehicle and noticed that the horn does not work. Is a person required to have a horn?

Answer: Yes, you are required to have a working horn in the State of Minnesota.

According to Minnesota State Statute, "Every motor vehicle when operated upon a highway must be equipped with a horn in good working order and capable of emitting sound audible under normal conditions from a distance of not less than 200 feet. However, the horn or other warning device must not emit an unreasonably loud or harsh sound or a whistle. The driver of a motor vehicle shall, when reasonably necessary to insure safe operation, give audible warning with the horn, but shall not otherwise use the horn when upon a highway." It also states, "A vehicle must not be equipped with, and a person shall not use upon a vehicle, any siren, whistle, or bell, except as



ASK A TROOPER

By Sgt. Troy Christianson, Minnesota State Patrol

otherwise permitted in this section." (Such as an authorized emergency vehicle - squad car, ambulance, fire truck.)

I believe the definition of whistle is quite clear and unreasonably loud or harsh sounds should come down to commonsense and good judgment. When I was in high school, I used an aftermarket Dixie horn to play the General Lee's theme song from our high school football team's car. The car was painted maroon, had a picture of the school mascot and was

decorated with all of the football players' names. The horn sounded great at the football field but most certainly would not be legal on public roads.

Question: What is the law with small farm trailers being exempt from registration? A neighbor-friend of mine got ticketed for no Minnesota registration for hauling a lot less weight than that on his farm trailer being pulled with a pickup truck, but he thought he was exempt. He was helping me haul some large, old household items to the dump with it,

so I kind of feel partially responsible. Thanks for whatever information you can provide.

Answer: Many types of trailers are exempt from registration, but I am sure that what you are referring to is found in M.S.S. 168.012, Subdivision 2a: "Farm trailers with a gross weight of less than 10,000 pounds, drawn by a passenger automobile or farm truck and used exclusively for transporting agricultural products from farm to farm and to and from the usual marketplace of the owner, shall not be taxed as motor vehicles using the public streets and highways and shall be exempt from the provisions of this chapter."

The reason your neighbor was cited for not having registration is because of the part of the law that says: "... and used exclusively for transporting agricultural products from farm to farm and to and from the usual marketplace of the owner...." Because he was hauling something other than

that, he was no longer exempt and had to comply with normal trailer requirements, including registration. The officer probably mentioned this to your friend, who also could have possibly received other violation charges related to the trailer as well.

I hope this information clears it up for you. If anyone is getting cited by an officer for something and you don't understand something about the violation, just ask the officer to clarify the situation for you. A portion of state statutes were used with permission from the Office of the Revisor of Statutes.

If you have any questions concerning traffic-related laws or issues in Minnesota, send your questions to Sgt. Troy Christianson Minnesota State Patrol at 2900 48th Street NW, Rochester MN 55901-5848, Troy.Christianson@state.mn.us or on Twitter at [MSPPPIO_SOUTH](https://twitter.com/MSPPPIO_SOUTH).

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ON THE RECORD

Dispatch report

April 24
 •Deputy arrested subject for DWI. Driver was taken to jail for second degree DWI.

•Southwest Health and Human Services reported a vulnerable adult.

•Southwest Health and Human Services reported a man from Minneapolis came in and expected them to give him an apartment and other things. He was told to go to the Rock County Sheriff's Office to ask about a voucher from Salvation Army for the night. He didn't want anything to do with the Sheriff's Office and told them he would just stay in their parking lot and sleep in his car. They want him checked on, and if he's still there tonight, he needs to leave.

•Complainant requested a residence check for two weeks.

•Complainant requested a deputy come and arrest subject and administer a portable Breathalyzer test on him. Subject was taken to jail for a probation violation.

•Complainant reported there were two kids playing on the railroad tracks and putting stuff on the tracks 1/4 mile north on County Rd. 13.

•Complainant reported a 5-year-old child got off the patio and onto the roofline. The dog followed the kids. Parents are now aware of the situation.

•Complainant requested a deputy to drive by each night to check on drivers of four-wheelers racing and jumping the track at W. Warren and S. East Park streets.

•Complainant reported a teen just left the house and should not be out at this time of the night.

April 25
 •Deputy reported a whole trailer worth of furniture is sitting out on the lawn on W. Mead Court. Will advise the city.

•Complainant from Hills requested prom attendees be tested for alcohol.

•Complainant requested deputy be present for property exchange.

•Complainant reported a railroad crossing malfunction on 20th Avenue. They have dispatched personnel to fix it.

•Complainant requested to speak with a deputy about problems she has going on in her life. Deputy requested someone from the Crisis Center come and talk to her.

•Complainant reported a cat bite that occurred on 91st Street.

•Complainant reported that he is trying to sell his house and his sister keeps going into the house and taking things. She has been told to stay out but said she would break in and take things if she has to.

•Complainant reported no water at McDonald's. No-

tified city.

•Deputy cited driver for no Minnesota driver's license and no insurance. Requested G&S to tow.

•Deputy cited driver for no Minnesota driver's license and passenger for open bottle. Vehicle was released to a valid driver.

•Deputy reported juvenile male was hanging out in the parking lot and was told to move on.

•Deputy collected a bike that was on the 600 block of W. Edgehill Street and put it in the impound.

April 26
 •Deputy warned several juveniles for a curfew violation.

•Dispatcher received a 911 call with whispering. Caller was hard to understand but sounded like the word suicide. Deputies located individuals and transported two males to the law enforcement center. One was cited for underage consumption and released to his mother. The other was transported to jail for disorderly and underage consumption.

•Complainant reported an old-style green Buick doing donuts in the parking lot on W. Hatting Street on the east side of Stone Creek Townhomes.

•Complainant reported a motorist broke down on 100th Avenue and County Rd. 4. Driver is walking around like he is lost.

•Complainant reported his daughter is attempting to run away on foot. He is following her in his vehicle.

•Deputy reported a pick-up whipping circles out on County Rd. 4 near County Rd. 11. Deputy stopped vehicle and driver was cited for reckless driving.

April 27
 •Complainant reported possible identity theft.

•Complainant reported a white Chevy Silverado ran the stop arm at S. Blue Mound and Main streets.

•Complainant reported identity theft. Entered into NCIC.

•Complainant reported debris in the roadway on I-90 westbound MM 6.

•Complainant reported a red sedan almost forced him off the road and exited going south on County Rd. 3. Will sign a complaint.

•Complainant reported that someone stole a "tenant parking only" sign that was bolted to a tree on their rental properties on E. Luverne Street.

April 28

•Complainant from Hardwick reported a man was burning in his backyard and it's after midnight and complainant thought the burn ban was still on. Sent deputies to speak with subject.

•Complainant reported possible sexual abuse.

•Complainant reported possible child abuse.

•Complainant requested deputies for a disorderly person.

•Reserved for a search warrant.

•Complainant reported problems with custody issues.

•Complainant reported someone hit her mailbox on E. Fairway Drive.

•Complainant reported vandalism to vehicle.

•Complainant reported subject threatened to beat him up.

•Deputies served a warrant on subject for Blue Earth County. Subject bonded out.

April 29
 •Complainant requested to speak to a deputy about some personal issues going on in her life.

•Complainant reported subject violated an order for protection a couple of days ago.

•Complainant reported issuance of a bad check to Glen's Food Center on March 6.

•Complainant reported subject took his car without his permission from the motel and parked it by her garage.

April 30
 •Deputy arrested subject for DWI and took him to jail.

•Complainant requested a welfare check on an individual after a strange phone call.

•Complainant reported he was doing a controlled burn, and he started the neighbor's field on fire by accident. It's getting out of control. Paged Luverne F.D.

•Complainant reported subject is holding a baby and driving. Vehicle is headed eastbound on I-90 from Luverne.

•Complainant reported theft of TVs between April 20 and April 30.

•Complainant from Steen reported he heard two gunshots south of his house last night.

•Complainant from Hills requested to speak with a deputy in regard to a property dispute among family members.

•Complainant from Magnolia reported two kids tearing around Magnolia on a lime green four-wheeler. They did donuts in the elevator parking lot.

•Complainant reported she is unable to get in touch with her mother and requested a deputy check on her.

•Complainant from Hardwick reported they have a car that they own parked in the field approach on 251st Street and will try to pick it up tomorrow.

In addition, officers responded to 2 motor vehicle accidents, 29 ambulance runs, 1 paper service, 4 animal complaints, 1 false alarm, 4 fingerprint requests, 5 driver's license record requests, 7 log/alarm sheets, 5 drug court tests, 4 purchase/carry permits, 21 alcohol compliance checks and issued 22 burn permits.



Lori Sorenson photo/0507 rollover by kanaranzi

Single vehicle rollover

Local emergency responders were dispatched to a single-vehicle crash Friday afternoon near the intersection of 41st Street and 150th Avenue near Ash Creek. According to the accident report, the driver, Linda Hanson, was traveling south in a 1992 Buick Park Avenue when she lost control on the gravel and ran off the road into the south ditch. The incident was reported at nearly 3 p.m. The vehicle rolled over and the driver was taken to the hospital. The report doesn't indicate the extent of her injuries. Hills Fire and Rescue and the Rock County Sheriff's Office assisted at the scene.

Multiple I-90 projects impact local traffic

Interstate 90 travelers are advised of "construction ahead" in southwestern Minnesota as projects begin in May and reach into five counties for the majority of the construction season.

I-90 traffic will be carried two-way on two lanes; however, construction staging will dictate ramp closures. Motorists are advised to check www.511mn.org before they travel for up-to-date ramp closures and corresponding detours.

Among the I-90 projects

planned this summer is an eastbound concrete overlay between Adrian and Rushmore

The project will be from June 1 through October, weather permitting.

Access to Adrian at State Highway 91 will remain open in both directions.

The Nobles County Road 13 eastbound ramp will be closed, as will the eastbound rest area at Adrian.

All of this summer's I-90 construction projects can be reviewed at www.

dot.state.mn.us/d7/projects/190preserve/

Constructed in the 1970s, the I-90 pavements are nearing the end of their service life.

MnDOT is investing \$50 million in savings and \$30 million of District 7 funds over the next few years into the rural interstate system to improve performance.

The \$80 million investment will improve 120 miles of some of the poorest interstate pavements and an additional \$20 million will be invested to repair the bridges.

Senior Service Day/continued from page 1A

four to 12, the students completed tasks that primarily required cleaning, planting, painting or washing.

One place that received some sprucing up was the Palace Theatre in downtown Luverne.

"We love having the seniors here," said Diane Ossefort, a member of the Blue Mound Area Theatre. "We appreciate their help."

Senior Service Day began in the 1990s as Luverne's solution to the state's requirement of adding community service within the high school program, according to Superintendent Gary Fisher, then high school principal.

"It has been a good thing," he said. "We get a lot of things done around the community."

Besides the Palace Theatre, students helped out at the Luverne Chamber of Commerce, Luverne Fire Department, Sanford Luverne Hospital, Rock County Opportunities, Blue Mounds State Park, the high school and elementary school, city of Luverne and Mary Jane Brown Home.

Fisher said anyone can request students to help with projects by contacting the high school office, 283-4491, for next year's service day.



Mavis Fodness photo/0507 Service Day

Seniors Monaya Hustoft (left) and Allison Schandelmeier apply clear stain to the raised garden beds in the outdoor classroom located near the Luverne Elementary School. Pictured below, Naomi Dooyema and Audrey Emery work at polishing the 450 wooden seats at the Palace Theatre.



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Luverne FCCLA group to participate in national event in Washington, D.C.

Eleven Luverne Middle/High School students attended the Minnesota State FCCLA Conference in Bloomington April 16-18.

The students had the opportunity to hear featured speakers throughout the event to help them become better leaders in their schools and communities.

They also competed in a STAR (Students Taking Action with Recognition) event, and two Luverne students and one LHS group qualified as alternates for the National Conference.

The students included Zoe Brown in Job Interview and Alyssa Kienholz in National Programs in Action.

The group included Zoe Brown, Kat Siebert, Mira Uithoven, and Jenna Schelhaas in Parliamentary Procedure.

Due to another team not being able to attend the National Conference in Parliamentary Procedure, the LHS group will have the opportunity to compete at the National Level in July.

They will be traveling to Washington, D.C., to attend and compete at the National FCCLA Conference.



Star Herald file photo

Eleven Luverne Middle/High School students attended the State FCCLA Conference in Bloomington April 16-18. Pictured are (front row, from left) Mira Uithoven, Alyssa Kienholz, Zoë Brown, Amy Cook (adviser), (second row) Melissa Tweet, Sam Aanenson, Courtney Wendland, (third row) Nicole Aanenson, Adriana Gonzalez, (back) Mikayla Wiederhoeft, Jenna Schelhaas and Kat Siebert. Brown, Siebert, Uithoven and Schelhaas advanced to national competition.

Body size is not only measured by clothing sizes

Biometric data. Your stats. Your digits. BMI, waist-to-hip ratio, height, weight, body surface area, dress size, pant size, bra size, even IQ. While we're at it, EQ, LDL, HDL, AIC and TSH.

Some of these measurements are familiar to some of you. What are they? They all measure people.

Or do they? I hear many people worrying out loud about different aspects of their health related to their body size. While numbers can help guide us regarding our health, remember that these numbers are only tools for guidance. They do



HEALTHY BYTES

By Mary Brown, Sanford Luverne registered nurse health coach

not measure a person. The perfect dress size does not equal perfection, and perhaps a person can indeed be too rich and too thin.

So how does a person gain or maintain health? What is the goal if not a number?

Well, that's a good question that can't answer entirely.

A conversation with your health provider can help you

guide your goals. While you're there, ask him or her to take into account your genetics and your personality. Be prepared to discuss not only family and genetic makeup but also family and personal habits. Family history is more than genetics; traditions carried for generations affect the health of the family for generations.

However, each generation gets to "tweak" the tradition a little or a lot.

The most important thing to remember when working to reach your health goals — whether that means bringing your BMI into a healthy range, fitting into a mother-of-the-bride dress, reducing your cholesterol, improving your diabetes or avoiding another heart attack is that the numbers don't define you. They guide you. The numbers are a tool and nothing more.

Mary Brown is a registered nurse with an interest in health promotion and fitness. She can be reached at union-jack524@gmail.com.

MENU

Senior Citizens

Monday, May 11: Beef tips with gravy, noodles, peaches, country blend vegetables, bread, cookie.

Program: 1 p.m. Pinochle and games.

Tuesday, May 12: Beef stew with carrots and potatoes, coleslaw, bread, fruit crisp.

Program: Two Buck Tuesday sponsored by St. John Lutheran Church.

Wednesday, May 13: Roast turkey, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, cranberry sauce garnish, frosted cake.

Program: 1 p.m. Card making with Alyce.

Thursday, May 14: Bar-

becue chicken breast sandwich, pea and cheese salad, fresh fruit, bun, bar.

Program: Wedding anniversaries. 11:20 a.m. Music with Bruce Dysthe.

Friday, May 15: Country steak, potatoes with gravy, squash, bread, pudding.

Call Janice Fick at 283-9846 to make reservations.

1922: Businesses gather for bargain day sale

The following appeared in the Rock County Herald on May 5, 1922:

Next Wednesday, May 10th, Will Be Big Bargain Sale Day in Luverne

Sixty-one Business Houses Join in Holding Community Sale Day, All to Offer Special Bargains in Seasonable Merchandise

Sixty-one of the business houses of Luverne have united for the purpose of making next Wednesday, May 10, a community sale day — a day of unexcelled bargains for those who wish to buy.

Almost without exception, each one of the sixty-one business places will quote unusually low prices on at least one article of their stock in trade, and in most instances prices have been slashed deeply on several articles of seasonable demand.

In short, the day will be one when rock-bottom prices prevail on innumerable necessities of life, but to definitely ascertain just how great a saving



BITS BY BETTY

By Betty Mann, president Rock County Historical Society

will be possible to shoppers, one must turn to the double page advertisement which appears elsewhere in this issue and carefully read the uniformly sized announcements in which the different concerns make their bid or patronage.

Genuine, money saving prices are the fundamental principle back of the project, and the present plans provide

for holding one similar event each month throughout the summer and fall, if the plan proves satisfactory.

In keeping with the plan of having the stores remain open Wednesday evening, which was inaugurated this week, the business places will be open in the evening on Community sale day for the accommodation of those who are not served during the day.

The evening, however, will not be the most advantageous time to profit by the special prices, for this is really arranged for as recreation period, and following the supper hour an open-air concert will be given and a pavement dance held. Matinee picture programs will be shown at both theatres during the afternoon at greatly reduced prices for the entertainment of those who finish their trading early.

But the predominating contention is that it's going to pay for everyone to shop in Luverne next Wednesday.

Mann welcomes correspondence sent to manmade@iu.net

CELEBRATIONS

Births

A boy, Franklin Kurt, weighing 8 pounds, 5 ounces, 21 inches long, was born to **Canaan and Kelli Petersen**, Boulder City, Nevada, on Wednesday, April 8, 2015, in Boulder City. He joins two siblings, Teddy, 6, and Quincy, 3. Grandparents are Daniel and Dawn Petersen, Luverne, and Dan and Anita Kappeman, Montrose, South Dakota. Great-grandparents are Kurt and Dorothy Petersen, Luverne, and the late Evelyn Iveland.

A girl, Harper Renae, weighing 7 pounds, 14 ounces, 21 inches long, was born to **Eric and Kilee Uittenbo-**

gaard, Steen, on Saturday, April 18, 2015, at Sanford Hospital in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Grandparents are Alan and Vonnie Baker, Steen, and Marlin and Tammy Uitenbogaard, Boyden, Iowa.

Open houses

Lester Baustian will celebrate his 85th birthday with an open house from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 16, at 1370 60th Ave., Luverne. He requests no gifts.

Elaine Hamann will celebrate her 90th birthday with an open house from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, May 17, at First Presbyterian Church in Luverne. She requests no gifts.

REMEMBER WHEN

10 years ago (2005)

•During a noon staffing workshop Monday, Luverne Superintendent Vince Schaefer announced to School Board members he intends to resign.

Schaefer accepted a position with the Beresford, S.D., school district.

25 years ago (1990)

•Donald Veldkamp, president of Tri-State Insurance, Luverne, is leaving that position to head up another division of the W.R. Berkley Corporation in Lincoln, Neb., Tri-State announced yesterday.

Veldkamp becomes president of Union Insurance Company.

50 years ago (1965)

•A Sioux Falls wholesale auto supply firm will open a branch in the front of the building, just west of Herman Motor Co., which Fred Herman has purchased from W.L. Krug.

Herman announced this week that he had bought the building and that he had made arrangements to lease the front part to L and L Motor supply ... They will open about July 1.

75 years ago (1940)

•The sides of the Brown Elevator company building at Hardwick literally burst last week, spreading corn over a large area of ground. The cause of damage was cited as being due to the frost leaving the ground, causing the foundation to settle more on one side with the result that the weight of the corn shifted to one side of the building.

100 years ago (1915)

•At the next meeting of the county commissioners to be held on May 25th, the Rock County Agricultural society will appear before the board with a petition for an appropriation of \$5,000 for the purpose of buying additional ground and building a live stock barn for the county fair.

Sanford Luverne purchases telehealth unit with grant from Luverne Area Community Foundation

A grant from the Luverne Area Community Foundation has allowed Sanford Luverne Clinic to purchase a portable telehealth unit for residents at the Good Samaritan Society — Mary Jane Brown Home to access care from the facility.

This unit will enable MJB residents to connect with a physician without leaving the safety and comfort of the nursing home.

Through the use of the telehealth unit, Sanford Luverne hopes to decrease emergency room visits and hospital readmissions, and reduce the stress nursing home residents may experience when being transferred to the clinic or hospital.

"Residents of the Mary Jane Brown Home can now make an appointment to be seen remotely for non-emergency health concerns such as earache, low fever or skin rash," said Laurie Jensen, director of clinic operations at Sanford Luverne.

"Sanford Luverne Clinic staff receive vital signs and assess issues up close through the unit before determining the best course of treatment."



Dr. Zach Nolz (right) and registered nurse Casey Westphal use the telehealth system to see Mary Jane Brown residents (above) electronically from Sanford Luverne.

Good Samaritan Society Director of Nursing Services Hali Reiter said she's looking forward to the health care improvement.

"Telehealth visits will positively impact the resident's quality of life by having



their acute medical needs assessed by a physician more quickly and without having to go out to an appointment," Reiter said.

SCHOOL NEWS

DSU awards Lentz Champion Scholarship

Riley Lentz, a senior at Hills-Beaver Creek High School, was recently awarded the DSU Champion Scholarship. The scholarship is awarded to high-achieving students based on ACT scores and high school GPA.

Riley will attend Dakota State University in Madison, South Dakota, in the fall to pursue a degree in production animation. He is the son of Cindy Pohlman, Hills, and Rich Lentz, Marathon, Florida.

OBITUARIES

Dwayne Christensen

Dwayne L. Christensen, 72, Luverne, died Thursday, April 30, 2015, at his home.

A funeral service was Monday, May 4, at St. Catherine Catholic Church in Luverne. A private family burial of cremains will be at a later date.

Dwayne Christensen was born Oct. 19, 1942, to Lester and Josephine (Rensch) Christensen in Ellsworth. He graduated from Magnolia High School. He started his truck driving career when he was 14 years old.

On Sept. 16, 1961, he married Becky Skattum at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Ellsworth. After their marriage they moved to Kanarazi where Dwayne worked with his father in the family trucking business. When he was 23, Dwayne took over the family trucking business when his father died.

In 1979 the family moved to Magnolia and he continued to truck as well as own and operate the Mobil gas station in Luverne. He was also part-owner of the truck wash in Luverne. They moved to Luverne in 1982, and Becky got her CDL license. They started driving truck together, making four trips a month

to California for many years.

They worked together until Dwayne had health problems in 2014. He entered home hospice care on April 17, 2015.

He was a member of St. Catherine Catholic Church in Luverne. He enjoyed driving truck. They took every one of their grandchildren with them on separate trucking trips. He also enjoyed collecting guns, watching NASCAR racing, bowling and snowmobiling. He loved animals of all kinds, especially dogs and horses.

Dwayne is survived by his wife, Becky Christensen, Luverne; four children, Amy (Barry) Cowell, Todd (Mary) Christensen, Tim (Pam) Christensen, and Sue (Chad) VerSteeg, all of Luverne; 14 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; a sister, Nyla (Don) Bullerman, Adrian; and many other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; infant twin sons, Pat and Mike Christensen; and a sister, Verla.

Arrangements were by Dingmann Funeral Home of Luverne, dingmannandsons.com.

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Mary Etta Johnston

Mary Etta Johnston, 84, Hills, died Monday, April 27, 2015, at Sanford Hospital in Luverne.

A funeral service was Saturday, May 2, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Hills.

Mary Etta Johnston was born Dec. 19, 1930, to Virgil R. and Gladys E. (Collins) Anderson in Eagle Butte, South Dakota. She attended country school and Eagle Butte High School. While in high school she lived with her grandmother. After high school she worked at a café in Eagle Butte.

On April 3, 1949, she married Norman "Dan" Johnston in Dupree, South Dakota. They moved to her parents' ranch near Eagle Butte.

Through the years they lived various places including Alaska, just off the Glenn-Allen Highway, Susanville, and Orangetown, California, where they owned and operated Signal Gas Station.

In 1961 they moved to Falls City, Oregon, and lived there until April 1968, when they moved to Olivet, South Dakota. In June 1969 they returned to Falls City. In 1971 they moved to Hills.

Mary Etta was passionate about drawing, painting, leather work, crocheting, knitting and gardening. She espe-

cially enjoyed playing music and writing songs and poems.

She is survived by two children, Dan (Tracie) Johnston, Florida, and Jillian Johnston, Sioux Falls, South Dakota; four grandchildren, Tracy Selby, Winchester, California, Dan L. Johnston III, Dallas, Texas, Nicholas

Klein, Hills, and Brandee Hanson, Eureka, South Dakota; eight great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; two brothers, Cal (Sandy) Anderson, Redding, California, and Jack (Debbie) Anderson, Alturas, California; six sisters, Alice (Leon) Beauchamp, Falls City, Kathryn (Larry) Carey, Bend, Oregon, Alexia Baughman, Redmond, Oregon, Virginia Martin, Susanville, California, April Ayla and Eva Ward, both of Dallas, Oregon; and many other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Norman Johnston, on July 23, 2003; an infant daughter, Joy Romaine Johnston; three brothers, Charles, Bill and Guy Anderson; a sister, Hope Cult; and a grandson-in-law, Justin Hanson.

Funeral arrangements were by Jurrens Funeral Home of Hills, jurrensfuneralhome.com.

(0507 F)



Margaret Nelson

Margaret Hope Nelson, 80, Luverne, died Sunday, May 3, 2015, at South Shore Care Center in Worthington.

A private family memorial service will take place at a later date.

Margaret Fritz was born May 3, 1935, to Barney and Gettys (Cain) Fritz in Luverne. She graduated from Luverne High School and later worked as a clerk for the city of Luverne. On July 23, 1976, she married Marv Nelson. After their marriage the couple lived in Luverne. They owned and operated The Corner Shop in Luverne.

Margaret was a member of St. Catherine Catholic Church in Luverne. She enjoyed reading and traveling.

She is survived by four children, Paula (Wayne) Ko-

lander, Heron Lake, Peggy Williamson, Kathleen, Georgia, Pam Verde, Worthington, and Tim (Denise) Bentson, Maple Grove; eight grandchildren, Alexa (Jason) Wozniak, Kelly Scheidt, Aaron Faber, Shannon Faber, Erica (Andrew) Battle, Rachel Verde, Adam Bentson and Emily Bentson; and three great-grandchildren, Adrienne Jackson, Andrew Jr. and Brianna Battle.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a grandson, Joshua Lee; an infant sister, Frances Fritz; and three brothers, Gene, Dan and Jim Fritz.

Arrangements are by Dingmann Funeral Home of Luverne, dingmannandsons.com.

(0507 F)



John Serie

John "Jumpy" Serie, 74, Waseca, died Monday, May 4, 2015, at the New Richland Care Center.

A funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 9, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Waseca. Burial will follow at St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Waseca County.

John Serie was born March 23, 1941, to Wallace and Caroline (Cawels) Serie in Luverne. He graduated from Luverne High School and went on to attend Worthington Community College and Mankato State University.

On Oct. 29, 1966, he married Ahne Baumgartner in Luverne.

He traveled with a family-owned carnival for several years and in 1972 they bought Luverne Lanes Bowling Alley, which they owned and operated for 30 years. He also did sanding and refinishing of hardwood floors in addition to owning and operating a tent rental business.

He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Waseca and the Knights of Columbus as well as the Sons of the American Legion and was a Professed 3rd Order

Carmelite. He enjoyed fishing, watching sports, fixing things, teasing people and making people laugh.

John is survived by his wife, Ahne Serie, Waseca; seven children, Jorge (Martha) Serie, St. Anthony Village, Julie (Michael) Hawk, Schwenks-

ville, Pennsylvania, Jona (Joseph) Winkelman, Minneapolis, Joe (Dawn) Serie, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, Jill (Robert) Lambert, Wichita, Kansas, Joy (Todd) Amunrud, Northfield, and Nicolas (Kayla) Serie, Alexandria; 23 grandchildren; four siblings, Tom Serie, Luverne, Laura (Terry) Akkerman, Sioux Falls, Nan (Tom) Skattum and Rick (Carol) Serie, all of Luverne; a sister-in-law, Audrey Serie, West Concord; and many other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Brian John Serie; and a brother, Larry Serie.

Arrangements are by Dennis Funeral and Cremation Services of Waseca, www.dennisfuneralhomes.com.

(0507 F)



Lorain DePauw

Lorain Joseph Depauw, 91, Luverne, died Friday, May 1, 2015, at the Minnesota Veterans Home in Luverne.

A funeral service was Wednesday, May 6, at St. Catherine Catholic Church in Luverne. Burial was at St. Catherine Catholic Cemetery in Luverne with full military rites presented by Dell Hogan American Legion Post #123 and Rock County VFW Post #2757.

Lorain DePauw was born May 2, 1923, to Henry and Minnie (Wolvert) DePauw in rural Hardwick. After graduating from high school, Lorain served in the U.S. Army in the infantry from September 1942 to March 1946 and was awarded the Bronze Star.

On April 5, 1947, he married Audrey Jones in Luverne. After their marriage the couple lived in Luverne. Lorain worked at Backer-Goehle Hardware in Luverne for 10 years. He then worked at Luverne Fire Apparatus for more than 30 years before retiring in 1987. Lorain became a resident of the Minnesota Veterans Home on April 20, 2009.

He was a member of St. Catherine Catholic Church in Luverne and the Rock County VFW Post #2757, where he had served as Past Commander. He enjoyed fishing, camping and working with wood.

Lorain is survived by his wife, Audrey DePauw, Luverne; three daughters, Pat (Bruce) Koglin, Hermantown, Cheryl (Alan) Enger, Harrisburg, South Dakota, and Barb (Gary) Haraldson, Duluth; seven grandchildren, Tim (Griselda) Fairbanks, Carrie (Tim) Herschbach, Scott (Julie) Fairbanks, Kristie Lovro, Chad (Becky) Haraldson, Amy (Brett) Brisk and Molly Haraldson; and 15 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; three sisters, Gertrude Dohlman, Emma Verdick and Lucile DePauw; and four brothers, William, Albert, Marvin and Marlowe DePauw.

Memorials may be directed to the Minnesota Veterans Home in Luverne.

Arrangements were by Dingmann Funeral Home of Luverne, dingmannandsons.com.

(0507 F)



DEATH NOTICE

Janice Riggins

Janice Lee Riggins, 68, Luverne, died Wednesday, April 29, 2015.

She was a Luverne resi-

dent since 2009.

No funeral arrangements are pending.

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Sharon Iveland

Sharon Iveland, a 1969 Luverne graduate, was born on Jan. 22, 1951, in Luverne. She spent her life teaching, loving and being. Grateful for her spirit and love are her brothers and sisters, nieces and nephews, Aikido community, her "kids" and her extended family and friends.

After graduating high school, Sharon lived with her sister, Linda, in Minneapolis. She moved to California in 1971. In the late 1970s Sharon met her partner, David McCormick, and together they moved from the big city of San Francisco, California, to the small mountain community of Whale Gulch on Northern California's Lost Coast. Together they built their homestead, which included a 200-pound slab of pipestone they had hauled from Luverne to the Gulch. They were master carpenters in charge of building the community school in Whale Gulch and provided day care to many local children. Sharon also taught preschool, yoga, did massage therapy and was a birth coach.

Sharon did not have children of her own; however, many kids took refuge in Sharon's house at different stages of their lives. She gave them a home and guided them to becoming caring adults involved in their communities.

After David's passing in 1988, Sharon continued living in the Gulch for a number of years. Sharon became a member of the Aikido community and trained in this martial art and reached the level of second-degree black belt.

In 2008 she spent a year in Luverne with her mom, Betty. Sharon was a member of Grace Lutheran Church and played in the bell choir during this time.

In 2011 Sharon moved from the Gulch to Santa Cruz, California, to be closer to her family. She continued her Aikido training and helped "babysit" her grandnieces and nephew, Sadie and Bodhi.

Her last days were spent in a log cabin in the Redwood Forest, outside of Santa Cruz. She lived with nephew J.R.'s family and her much loved dachshund, Rosie B. Joyful. The view from Sharon's bedroom was the coastal mountains to the west, as the sun set, and occasionally the fog rolling in, as it did in Whale Gulch.

Choosing to hospice at home allowed Sharon's family and friends to surround her with the love and support she so graciously gave throughout her life. Hospice was an integral part of Sharon's journey. She helped start hospice in her community. In 2010 she was interviewed about her experience with living and dying in a Hospice documentary, "Death, Birth, and Living." Sharon's birthing and

hospice care of others gave her a unique perspective on the life cycle. Her own battle with a life-threatening disease and her mom's hospice care were instrumental in shaping how Sharon lived.

During her "Living Memorial" the last two weeks of her life, countless numbers of her "kids" drove hours and hours to express love and thanks to Sharon for her kindness, unconditional love, and continued support. One of the "Gulch children" hauled the pipestone slab down to Santa Cruz for Sharon's memorial garden. Sharon's Aikido communities both in Santa Cruz and Northern California made the journey to connect with Sharon's generous and inclusive spirit one last time.

J.R. and wife Rachel and their children, Sadie and Bodhi, welcomed all who made a journey to say goodbye to Sharon. Sadie, age 7, and Bodhi, age 5, were truly Sharon's most cherished blessing. The family is profoundly grateful and humbled by this pilgrimage of love to Sharon's bedside.

On Sunday, April 12, 2015, Sharon took her last breath on this earth. Sharon's wish was that people remember her in their own way. She encouraged all to take an Aikido class or donate to a cause close to their heart. Hospice of Santa Cruz County provided amazing warmth and comfort.

Donating to your local hospice in her memory would be a wonderful way to honor Sharon.

Having been blessed by her presence are her six siblings, Linda (David) Johnson, Santa Cruz, David (Denise) Iveland, St. Peter, Ruthie (Larry) Brown, Alamosa, Colorado, Mary Jo (Steve) Graphenteen, Luverne, Paula Iveland (Raden Pramugi), Santa Fe, New Mexico, and Mark Iveland (Denise and Sydney Hanson), Luverne; eight nieces and nephews, J.R. (Rachel) and Jamil, Jacob, Megan (Jared) and Melissa (Adam), Taylor (Vashti) and Anthony, and Nathan (Lori); six grandnieces and nephews, Sadie, Bodhi, Finn, Bergen, Cash and Peyton.

Making a place for Sharon will be her parents, Red and Betty Iveland, her dear David McCormick, and her brother, Howie Iveland, who will finally have someone to laugh at his jokes.

Along with the "Living Memorial," family members shared in a private memorial in Linda's garden and at Maplewood Cemetery. A celebration is being planned in her honor and memory in Whale Gulch at a later date.

In her words, "Let every breath turn to love and grace and let that love and grace heal mankind."

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ing the ban to be lifted.

Since then, however, the area received little rainfall, and Rock County is now several inches below normal for the year, according to local weather recorder Troy Thone.

"Since July 2014 (past 10 months) we've received only 8.55 inches of rainfall which is over 10 inches (10.51) below normal," Thone said.

"In looking at our number of days with measurable precipitation, our normal is 82 days and we have received only 60, so we are below normal by 22 days."

His data compares January 2014 through April 2015 to compare and include the June 2014 floods.

"Even after the significant rainfall in June 2014, we are still over 5 inches below nor-

mal for the past 16 months, Thone said.

"Days with measurable precipitation is even further below normal by 23 days."

He said the U.S. Drought Monitor has the entire area classified as "D1 — moderate drought."

This is the second worst out of five drought classifications. D4 is "exceptional drought" and D0 is "abnormally dry."

"So it goes without saying that conditions are extremely dry," Thone said

The Drought Monitor describes D1 level impacts as "Some damage to crops, pastures; streams, reservoirs, or wells low, some water shortages developing or imminent; voluntary water-use restrictions requested."



Stephanie Christensen photos/0507 fire

The Luverne Fire Department works to contain a fire west of Luverne Thursday, April 30, near the Assembly of God Church.

Controlled burn gets out of control near church

By Lori Sorenson

Members of the Luverne Fire Department responded to a grass fire west of Luverne Thursday morning, April 30.

The fire started west of the First Assemblies of God Church along the north side of County Road 4 around 11 a.m.

The fire appeared to be spreading toward the northwest across a field of

corn stubble, but it didn't appear that any structures were damaged.

According to Luverne Fire Chief David Van Batavia, the owner of the property, the church pastor, had been burning tall grass in a wetland near the property line.

He said the blaze got out of control and burned several hundred feet of nearby field cover.



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Participant awareness of the condition of CRP acreage is crucial to remaining in compliance with CRP regulations. Failure to adequately maintain CRP acreage may result in a compliance violation and payment reduction.

CRP maintenance activities may be conducted without FSA approval anytime outside the established primary nesting and brood-rearing season from May 15 through Aug. 1.

However, spot treatment of specific areas in critical need of maintenance may be conducted at any time with prior approval from FSA. To request approval, contact the Rock County FSA Office, 283-2369.

Furthermore, don't forget to annually certify all CRP acreage with FSA prior to the July 15 deadline; and also notify FSA of any changes that may affect CRP payment eligibility, such as transfer of ownership.

Girls extend True Team reign

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne girls extended their reign as the Section 3A True Team Track and Field Champions Monday at Cardinal Field.

The hosts turned in a dominating performance by scoring 812 points to run away from the other squads in a 14-team field.

Southwest Christian placed second to LHS with 685 points.

Hills-Beaver Creek and Adrian also competed at the meet, placing ninth and 13th with 390.5 and 260.5 points respectively.

LHS, which won the meet title for the ninth-straight season, earns a berth in the Minnesota State Class A True Team Championships in Stillwater May 16.

The Cardinals won the state title last season.

Luverne won eight meet titles and placed second in five events during its chase to the championship.

Tayla Peterson (12:91 in the 100 and 1:01.12 in the 400) and Morgan Edwards (35-2 in the shot put and 111-7 in the discus) led the charge by claiming two individual crowns each.

Gabrielle Ferrell (5:28.18 in the 1,600) and Courtney Siebenahler (32-9 1/2 in the triple jump) captured individual titles as well.

Luverne also won the 400- and 800-meter relays with 53.0 and 1:49.88 times.

Sierra Schmuck, Naomi Dooyema, Joci Oye and Tianna Doppenberg ran the 400. Schmuck, Dooyema, Kynzie



Jaidyn Elbers and the Luverne girls' track team captured the title of the Section 3A True Team Track and Field Championships for the ninth consecutive season Monday in Luverne.

John Rittenhouse photo/0507 track 1

Golf boys post 14 wins in three events

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne boys' golf team racked up 14 wins during a three-event stretch.

The Cardinals posted road victories in Redwood Falls and Pipestone Thursday and Monday respectively. LHS also won the Fairmont Invitational Saturday.

LHS ended the stretch with a 15-3 record.

The Cardinals challenge Adrian at the Adrian Area Country Club Tuesday.

LHS 175, Pipestone 188

The Cardinals completed Big South Conference play with a 3-3 record after besting the Arrows by 13 shots Monday in Pipestone. Chaz Smedsrud grabbed medalist honors for LHS with a 41.

Coy Gonnerman carded a 44 and Colton Arends and Jack Baustian capped the team scoring by shooting 45s.

Casey Klosterbuer and Seth Miller recorded 49- and 50-stroke rounds without impacting the scoring.

Jaden Stahl led the Arrows with a 43.

Fairmont invite

The Cardinals experienced their most successful day of the season during the Fairmont Invitational Saturday.

For the first time in program history, LHS won the team championship at the 13-squad event with a 310-stroke total.

Mark Spreiter led the Cards to victory by shooting a one-over-par 72 to place second individually.

Arends, Gonnerman and Smedsrud added 77-, 80- and 81-stroke rounds to the team tally.

Klosterbuer and Baustian shot 94- and 100-stroke rounds without impacting the scoring.

JCC, which placed second to LHS with a 321-stroke team tally, received a medal-earning round of 71 strokes from Joe Brinkman.

Luverne 165, RWV 179

The Cardinals picked up their second conference win of the year when they topped RWV by 14 shots Thursday in Redwood Falls.

Spreiter, who fired a 40 to share medalist honors with RWV's Colin Fuhr, led the charge for LHS.

Smedsrud recorded a 41 for the Cards, while Arends and Gonnerman capped the scoring with 42s.

Baustian and Klosterbuer shot 47- and 57-stroke rounds without impacting the scoring.

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LHS boys qualify for state meet

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne boys' track team qualified for state competition by winning the Section 3A True Team Track and Field Championships in Luverne Monday.

Competing in a 14-team field, the Cardinals scored 754.5 points to easily best second-place Canby (669 points).

It is the fifth-straight year LHS has captured the section title, and the victory sends the Cardinals to the Minnesota State Class A Track and Field Championships in Stillwater May 16.

Hills-Beaver Creek and Adrian also competed at Monday's meet.

H-BC placed sixth with 470.5 points, while Adrian finished 12th with 379 points.

LHS won four meet championships and placed second in two events during the competition.



Jordy Thone (left) begins his leg of the 3,200-meter relay after taking the baton from Austin Winter Tuesday in Luverne.

John Rittenhouse photo/0507 track 2

Baseball team wins three of four tilts

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne baseball team reeled off three consecutive wins before dropping one game during a busy stretch.

The Cardinals nipped St. James by one run in Luverne April 28 before sweeping a home set from Jackson County Central Thursday. New Ulm handed the Cards a one-run loss Monday in Luverne.

The 7-7 Cards host Worthington Tuesday.

NU 8, Luverne 7

Luverne's bid to win four consecutive games for the first time this season fell short Monday at Redbird Field.

Visiting New Ulm opened a 7-1 lead after two and one-half innings of play and withstood a challenge by LHS to secure a one-run win.

Luverne trailed 2-1 after Connor Hoffman singled and scored on an error in the bottom of the first inning, and they fell behind by six when the Eagles scored four runs in the second inning and one in the third.

The Cards, however, climbed back into contention by scoring four runs in the third inning and one in the fourth



John Rittenhouse photo/0507 lbb 8

Luverne senior Andrew Verhey prepares to backhand a bouncing ball during a home win over St. James April 28.

to make it a 7-6 game.

Jaxon Nelson doubled home two runs and Andrew Verhey added an RBI double to highlight the rally in the third.

Verhey recorded an RBI with a fielder's choice in the fourth.

The teams capped the scoring by plating one run each in the fifth inning.

Tommy Vajrt delivered an RBI double to account for Luverne's final run.

Nick Overgaard took the pitching loss after tossing two innings of nine-run ball.

Vajrt (two runs in two and two-thirds innings), Hoffman

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H-BC, Luverne athletes shine at Howard Wood Dakota Relays

By John Rittenhouse

Luverne and Hills-Beaver Creek High School athletes turned in some top-notch performances during the Howard Wood Dakota Relays in Sioux Falls over the weekend.

LHS and H-BC turned in a combined 10 top-10 performances in one of the biggest meets they will compete in this year.

H-BC's sprint-medley relay turned in a record-setting effort during Class B competition.

Not only did Paige Tilstra, Madison Spath, Sidney Fick and Jenna Wilgenburg win the event with a time of 4:18.74, they shattered a school record that remained in place from 1982 by nearly 10 seconds.

The Patriot girls also placed fourth and ninth

in the 1,600- and 800-meter relays with respective 4:19.27 and 1:54.2 times.

Grace Bundesen, Tilstra, Sidney Fick and Wilgenburg formed the 1,600-meter team, while Spath, Tilstra, Tessa Velgersdyk and Wilgenburg teamed up in the 800.

H-BC's Isaiah Vis, Cooper Vaughn, Carey Taubert and Carson Baker placed fourth in the boys' sprint-medley relay with a time of 3:50.18.

Competing in Class A, Luverne's top effort came from the girls' 800- and 400-meter relays, which placed second and fifth with respective 1:47.6 and 52.01 times.

Sierra Schmuck, Naomi Dooyema, Kynzie Smedsrud and Tayla Peterson formed the 800-meter squad, while Schmuck, Dooyema, Joci Oye and Peterson teamed



John Rittenhouse photo/0507 hbc relay

H-BC's Sidney Fick (left), Paige Tilstra (second, left), Madison Spath (second, right) and Jenna Wilgenburg (right) set a school record and won a Howard Wood Dakota Relay record in the sprint-medley relay over the weekend.

up in the 400.

Morgan Edwards also had

a strong showing by placing sixth in the shot put with a

toss of 38-5 1/4.

The LHS boys placed fifth and sixth in the 3,200-meter and sprint medley relays with times of 8:29.27 and 3:43.37.

Payton Stemper, Drew Weis, Ethan Marshall and Jeremiah Dooyema ran the 3,200, while Jackson Winter, Trenton Rops, Weis and Stemper competed in the medley.

Winter also placed second in the 100-meter dash with a time of 11.44, while Rops placed 10th in the 300-meter hurdles in 41.01.

Here is a look at the rest of the results turned in by H-BC, LHS and Adrian, another Class B entry, during the weekend meet.

H-BC

12th place: girls' 400 relay (Spath, Bundesen, Fick and Velgersdyk), 54.57.

15th place: boys' 800 relay (Vaughn, Isaiah Wagenaar, Zach Scholten and

Taubert), 1:39.51.

21st place: boys' 400 relay (Vaughn, Drew Forshey, Vis and Taubert), 48.32.

24th place: Taubert, triple jump, 39-9 1/4.

Scholten also competed in the high jump without placing.

LHS

12th place: Rops, 110 hurdles, 16.05.

19th place: Logan Stratton, shot, 46-10 3/4; Gabrielle Ferrell, 3,200, 11:35.7.

32nd place: Smedsrud, 300 hurdles, 50.18.

39th place: Jaidyn Elbers, 300 hurdles, 50.67.

51st place: Marshall, 1,600, 4:49.56.

53rd place: Mitchell Muller, 300 hurdles, 45.72.

Matthew Hup and Kami Sawtelle also competed in the pole vault and shot put events without placing.

AHS

17th place: boys' 800 relay (Zach Bierman, Theron Miller, Tanner Kamm and Taylor Recker), 1:37.83.

19th place: boys' 400 relay (Bierman, Miller, Kamm and Recker), 47.96.

20th place: girls' 400 relay (Shaina Combs, Brooke Echter, Katie Reisdorfer and Katia Suarez), 55.4.

64th place: Moriah Bullerman, 1,600, 5:44.67.

97th place: Morgan Sauer, 1,600, 6:04.24.

Netters bounce back after two setbacks

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne tennis team went 1-2 during a stretch of playing three matches on consecutive days.

The Cardinals lost a one-point home decision to St. James April 28 before falling to Sioux Falls O'Gorman's junior varsity squad by three points in Sioux Falls April 29. LHS ended the skid by sweeping Redwood Valley in Redwood Falls Thursday.

The 10-5 Cardinals host Pipestone for a non-conference match Thursday.

Luverne 7, RWV 0

The Cardinals completed Big South Conference play with a 3-1 record after sweeping RWV Thursday in Redwood Falls.

LHS won six of the seven matches in straight sets.

Erik Wohnoutka (7-6, 6-2 over Tyler Hagen at No. 1), Cory Stroeh (6-0, 6-2 over Max Russell at No. 2) and Jacob Jarchow (6-3, 7-5 over Nate Benson at No. 3) won their singles matches in straight sets.

Trey Baustian pulled out a 6-2, 3-6, 6-2 victory over Aaron Boyle at No. 4.

Dalton Schoeneman and Chris Jelken nailed down 6-2 and 6-0 victories over Cole Pettis and Nathaniel Passe at first doubles, while Mark Robinson and Cade VerSteege saddled Logan Dehncke and Sam Christianson with a pair of 6-1 setbacks at No. 2.

Tanner Baustian and Isaac Gillette posted a 6-3, 6-2 victory against Beau Nesburg and Michael Davila in the third slot.

O'Gorman JV 6, LHS 3

The Cardinals dropped



John Rittenhouse photo/0507 tennis 4

Luverne freshman Trey Baustian keeps the ball in play during his fourth singles match against St. James April 28.

their second consecutive match when they challenged Sioux Falls O'Gorman's junior varsity squad April 29 in Sioux Falls.

The Knights won five of the six singles matches and posted one victory in doubles on the way to securing a three-point victory.

"They are a good team. They are pretty steady and don't make a lot of mistakes. It was a great learning opportunity

for our team," said LHS coach Greg Antoine.

O'Gorman's Jeremy Bird (10-2 over Stroeh at No. 1), Sam Derner (10-7 over Trey Baustian at No. 3), Aidan Nguen (10-1 over Gillette at No. 4), Zach Curd (11-10, 7-3 in the tiebreaker over Robinson at No. 5) and Jonah Dailey (10-2 over Jim Erickson at No. 6) posted singles wins for the hosts.

The Knights' first doubles

team of Bird and Nick Moran handed Jelken and Schoeneman a 10-6 setback.

Jarchow notched a 10-8 win over Moran at second singles for LHS.

Wohnoutka and Stroeh secured an 11-9 victory over Derner and Nguen at second doubles, while Robinson and VerSteege secured a 10-7 win against Curd and Dailey at No. 3.

St. James 4, LHS 3

The Cardinals dropped their first conference match of the season when they fell by one point to the Saints April 28 in Luverne.

The Saints won three of four singles matches and prevailed at second doubles to best LHS.

"It was a really close match. We just couldn't find a place to win the fourth point," said coach Antoine.

Schoeneman and Jelken posted a 7-6 (7-2 in the tiebreaker), 6-1 win over Colin Hoppe and Cole Skow at first doubles, while Tanner Baustian and Gillette rolled to a 6-0, 6-2 victory over Thor Henderson and Dan Coleman at No. 3.

Jarchow posted Luverne's win in singles by downing Brandon Hjelmmer 6-4, 6-3 at No. 3.

St. James received singles wins from John Foss (6-4, 6-2 over Wohnoutka at No. 1), Sandin Skow 6-2, 6-4 over Stroeh at No. 2) and Brandon Johnson (6-0, 6-2 over Trey Baustian at No. 4).

Aaron Pluym and Cameron Giese saddled Robinson and VerSteege with 6-3 and 6-1 setbacks at second doubles.

LHS, H-BC squads win Arrow Relay titles

By John Rittenhouse

Track programs competing at the Bob Nangle Arrow Relays in Pipestone April 28 experienced an outstanding day.

The Luverne squads swept the team titles in Class A competition, while the Hills-Beaver Creek boys won the Class B title and the Patriot girls finished second.

The Adrian and Ellsworth boys placed fourth and fifth in Class B competition, while the AHS and EHS girls finished fifth and eighth respectively.

The Luverne boys won five meet titles and placed second in five events at the meet.

Jackson Winter won the 100- and 200-meter dashes with respective 11.32 and 23.11 efforts, while Payton Stemper took top honors in the 800- and 1,600-meter runs in 2:06.51 and 4:50.16.

Logan Stratton won the shot put with a toss of 46.2.

Placing second individually for LHS were Trenton Rops (15.82 in the 110 hurdles and 42.56 in the 300 hurdles), Ethan Marshall (4:55.58 in the 1,600) and D.J. Reker (130-3 in the discus).

Stemper, Drew Weis, Marshall and Brandon Winter placed second in the 1,600-meter relay with a time of 3:41.16.

The Cardinal girls claimed four meet titles and placed second in seven events.

Morgan Edwards (36-6 in the shot), Kami Sawtelle (113-5 in the discus) and Courtney Siebenahler (33-2 in the triple jump) captured individual titles.

Sierra Schmuck, Naomi Dooyema, Joci Oye and Tianna Doppenberg won the 400-meter relay in 54.3.

Doppenberg (13.38 in the 100 and 15-7 in the long jump), Madison Schandelmeier (2:33.68 in the 800), Gabrielle Ferrell (5:34.06 in the 1,600), Kynzie Smedsrud (50.17 in the 300 hurdles), Sawtelle (33-4 in the shot) and Edwards (104-1 in the discus) placed second for LHS.

The H-BC boys won seven events and placed second in four events.

Isaiah Vis (19-6 3/4 in the long jump and 39-5 in the triple jump), Carey Taubert (54.15 in the 400), Isaiah Wagenaar (18.95 in the 110 hurdles) and Zach Scholten (6-0 in the high jump) posted individual conquests.

H-BC also won the 400- and 800-meter relays with 47.92 and 1:42.14 times.

Cooper Vaughn, Drew Forshey, Vis and Taubert ran the 400. Wagenaar, Scholten, Vaughn and Forshey teamed up in the 800.

Taubert (24.23 in the 200 and 39-4 in the triple jump), Carson Baker (4:57.1 in the 1,600) and Forshey (49.99 in the 300 hurdles) placed second individually.

The Patriot girls won six meet championships and placed second in one event.

Jenna Wilgenburg, who took top honors in the 400-meter dash with a time of 1:02.69, won the 800-meter run and set a new Class B meet record with a time of 2:27.5.

Grace Bundesen cleared 4-8 to win the high jump.

H-BC also placed first in the 400-, 800- and 1,600-meter relays with respective 55.06, 1:58.05 and 4:21.67 times.

Paige Tilstra, Madison Spath, Sidney Fick and Tessa Velgersdyk ran the 400, while Spath, Bundesen Fick and Tilstra competed in the 800. Tilstra, Spath, Fick and Wilgenburg formed the 1,600-meter team.

Velgersdyk placed second in the 200-meter dash in 29.26.

The Adrian boys won one meet title and placed second in three events.

Theron Miller, Zach Bierman, Tanner Kamm and Taylor Recker won the 1,600-meter relay in 3:44.93.

Recker (5-10 in the high jump) and Hunter Heitkamp (11:54 in the 3,200) placed second individually, and the 400-meter relay consisting of Bierman, Miller, Kamm and Recker finished second in 47.94.

The Dragon girls won two meet titles and placed second in one event.

Morgan Sauer won the

1,600- and 3,200-meter runs in 6:09.13 and 13:36.4, while Moriah Bullerman placed second in the 800-meter run in 2:37.7.

Jon Beekman turned in the top efforts for the Ellsworth boys by winning the 200-meter dash (24.22) and placing second in the long jump (19-1).

Christin Stuber registered all of the points for the EHS girls by finishing fifth in the 100- and 200-meter dashes with respective 14.38 and 30.33 times and placing sixth in the 400-meter dash in 1:11.2.

Here is a look at the team standings and the rest of the point-producing results turned in by area athletes at the meet.

Class A boys: Luverne 141.5, Worthington 132, Redwood Valley 117, Canby 100, Pipestone 77, Murray County Central 43.5, Tracy-Milroy-Balaton 43.

Class A girls: Luverne 159, Worthington 119, Pipestone 113, RWV 89, Canby 78, T-M-B 64, MCC 35.

Class B boys: H-BC 157, Lakeview 113, Southwest Christian 92, Adrian 83, Ellsworth 69, Fulda 66, Westbrook-Walnut Grove 32, Russell-Tyler-Ruthton 25.

Class B girls: SWC 184.5, H-BC 128, Lakeview 88, Fulda 82.5, Adrian 69, R-TR 40, W-WG 21, Ellsworth 11.

LHS boys
Third place: Griffin Ahrendt, triple jump, 38-2.
Fourth place: Cyris Halverson, 100, 12.43; Weis, 800, 2:13; Mitchell Muller, 300 hurdles, 45.12; Tanner Wiese, long jump, 17-11 1/2.
Fifth place: Dylan Thorson, shot, 40-1 1/2; 400 relay (Halverson, Wiese, Ahrendt and Muller), 49.05; 3,200 relay (Weis, Marshall, Austin Winter and Jeremiah Dooyema), 9:12.05.
Sixth place: B. Winter, 400, 58.27; Stratton, discus, 112-7; Ahrendt, high jump, 5-2.
Seventh place: Ahrendt, 200, 25.12.
Eighth place: Dalton DeSollar, 3,200, 11:50.87; Muller, 110 hurdles, 18.58; Eli Haugom, high jump, 5-0.

LHS girls
Third place: Schmuck, 100, 13.4; Dooyema, 200, 27.83; Smedsrud, 100 hurdles, 17.38; Siebenahler, long jump, 14-5 1/2; 800 relay (Schmuck, Dooyema, Smedsrud and Oye), 1:54.03; 3,200 relay (Ferrell, Schandelmeier, Mallory Thorson and Mariah Aukes), 10:39.09.
Fourth place: Jaidyn Elbers, 100 hurdles, 18.43; Elbers, 300 hurdles, 52.45; 1,600 relay (Ferrell, Elbers, Mackenzie Petersen and Sydney Biever), 4:30.94.
Fifth place: Doppenberg, 200, 28.53; Bergin Flom, high jump, 4-6.
Seventh place: Oye, 400, 1:06.8.
Eighth place: Madison Reisdorfer, 1,600, 6:10.42; Aukes, 800, 2:53.2.

H-BC boys
Third place: Bundesen, 400, 1:07.92; Kourtney Rozeboom, shot, 29-3 1/2; Fick, long jump, 13-6 1/2.
Fourth place: Velgersdyk, 100, 14.9; Karmen Fuerstenberg, 300 hurdles, 57.66; Rozeboom, discus, 89-2; Tilstra, triple jump, 29-2; 3,200 relay (Josie Bartels, Eve Burgers, Sadie Fuerstenberg and Halle Hoekstra), 12:17.49.
Fifth place: Olivia Richards, 1,600, 6:32.57; Avery Van Roekel, discus, 81-11.
Sixth place: Spath, long jump, 13-0.
Seventh place: K. Fuerstenberg, 100 hurdles, 22.88; Richards, triple jump, 27-10.
Eighth place: Hailey Leuthold, shot, 23-1.

H-BC girls
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Sixth place: Spath, long jump, 13-0.
Seventh place: K. Fuerstenberg, 100 hurdles, 22.88; Richards, triple jump, 27-10.
Eighth place: Hailey Leuthold, shot, 23-1.

Adrian boys
Third place: Cain Rautenkranz, 110 hurdles, 19.64; Recker, 400, 57.0; 800 relay (Chris Christians, Heitkamp, Quinn Cleveland and Kasey Matdson), 1:46.31.
Fourth place: Miller, high jump, 5-6.
Fifth place: Miller, 100, 12.28; Christians, 400, 59.0; Rautenkranz, 300 hurdles, 51.0.
Sixth place: Kamm, 200, 26.13; Bierman, long jump, 16-5 1/2.
Seventh place: Christians, 200, 26.37; Cleveland, shot, 32-5 1/2.
Eighth place: Matdson, 100, 12.71; Alex Fuerstenberg, 800, 2:43.21; Heitkamp, discus, 82-6; Christians, long jump, 15-10.

Adrian girls
Third place: 800 relay (Morgan Kern, Kaitlyn Christians, Bullerman and Katie Reisdorfer), 2:02.2; 1,600 relay (Bullerman, Katia Suarez, Kern and Reisdorfer), 4:41.51.
Fourth place: Suarez, 400, 1:09.61; Shaina Combs, 100 hurdles, 21.14; Combs, high jump, 4-4; 400 relay (Brooke Echter, Combs, Christians and Kern), 58.08.
Sixth place: Christians, 200, 30.79.
Seventh place: Ashley Schnoor, shot, 23-10; Schnoor, discus, 72-2; Echter, high jump, 4-2.

Ellsworth boys
Third place: Beekman, 100, 11.96.
Fourth place: Tyler Kurrasch, discus, 102-10; Madison Lewis, triple jump, 35-4 1/2; 400 relay (Kurrasch, Cole Meester, Lewis and Beekman), 49.52.
Fifth place: Meester, 800, 2:22.93; Sean Boltjes, 110 hurdles, 22.69; Kurrasch, shot, 33-3; 1,600 relay (Kurrasch, Lewis, Malik Herman and Meester), 4:08.51.
Sixth place: Herman, 800, 2:26.03; Nathan Wallenberg, 1,600, 5:34.78; Herman, triple jump, 33-4 1/2.
Seventh place: Bobby Walkowaik, long jump, 16-1 1/2.
Eighth place: Lewis, 200, 26.47; Samuel Kramer, 1,600, 6:11.84; 800 relay (Kade Boltjes, Carter Boyenga, Kramer and S. Boltjes), 1:59.28.

AA softball team drops four contests in two outings

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian Dragons let a potential softball victory slip away when they challenged the Wildcats in Okabena Thursday.

AA led 1-0 and sported a 6-4 lead after four and one-

half innings of play, but the Wildcats scored six runs in the bottom of the fifth and withstood a late challenge by the Dragons to secure a 10-9 victory.

Devin Dreesen led a 12-hit attack offered by AA with

four hits and three RBIs.

Brooke Grussing (two RBIs), Madisyn Dingmann and Alecia Lunt recorded two hits each.

Dreesen took the pitching loss after relieving Jodi Bents in the fifth inning.

AA also dropped games to Fairmont (26-2), New Ulm Cathedral (16-3) and Madelia-Truman (8-0) at the Windom Tournament Saturday, but no statistical information was available from those contests.

Adrian ups RRC baseball record to 6-0 with sweep of HL-O

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian baseball team remained unbeaten in Red Rock Conference play after sweeping a twin bill from Heron Lake-Okabena in Adrian Thursday.

The Dragons rolled to a 15-2 win in the opener before posting a 10-3 victory in the finale.

After falling behind 1-0 in

the first inning of Game 1, AHS put together a six-run rally in the top of the fourth and scored nine runs in the seventh inning to win handily.

Nate Lonneman led a 20-hit attack by notching four safeties in the game. Logan Rogers slapped three hits and Michael Preuss and Zach Hendel chipped in two hits.

Tony Sieve pitched five and

one-third innings of four-hit, one-run, seven-strike-out ball to earn the win. Logan Rogers recorded the final five outs of the game.

Game two was knotted at three until Adrian put together a seven-run rally in the bottom of the sixth to settle the issue.

Adrian, which registered 14 hits in the contest, received a three-hit performance

from Brady Lonneman. Nate Lonneman and Logan Rogers chipped in two hits each.

Brady Lonneman worked the first four and one-third innings on the mound and yielded three runs before giving way to Rogers, who earned the win by working the final two and two-thirds innings. Rogers fanned seven batters.

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Arrows take two from LHS softball team

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne softball team dropped a pair of Big South Conference contests when it entertained Pipestone for a doubleheader Thursday.

The visiting Arrows rolled to a 16-1 win in five innings during the opener before securing a 12-2 victory in six innings during the finale.

Pipestone scored 14 consecutive runs in the first three innings of play to set the stage for a 15-run win in Game 1.

LHS, which was limited to five hits, scored once in the bottom of the fifth when Rylee Olson tripled and scored on a single by Susan Thompson.

Bryanna Wessels doubled for the Cards, while Ariel Reker and Madi Oye chipped in singles.

Olson pitched all five innings and took the loss. She yielded 21 hits.

The Arrows scored nine runs



Katie Kracht registers a force out during Thursday's twin bill softball game against Pipestone.

in the first two innings of the nightcap to lead the way to a 10-run victory.

Luverne received a double

by Katie Kracht and one single each from Alexis Hiller, DeBeer, Thompson, Wessels, Oye and Kayla Thone.

DeBeer tossed all six innings and was saddled with the loss. She surrendered nine hits.

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(two-thirds of one inning) and Connor Crabtree (two innings) pitched in relief.

Box score	AB	R	H	BI
Hoffman	2	2	1	0
Bosch	4	1	2	0
Verhey	4	1	2	2
Crabtree	4	0	1	0
Nelson	4	2	2	2
Vajgrt	4	0	1	1
Suelter	4	0	1	0
Sommers	4	1	1	0
Olson	4	0	0	0

Luverne 13, JCC 0

A strong overall performance by senior Connor Crabtree led the Cards to a 13-run win in Game 1 of Thursday's twin bill.

Crabtree tossed no-hit ball for five innings and drove in three runs with two hits at the plate during the game.

Crabtree fanned seven batters and walked two during his complete game on the mound.

LHS supported the pitcher by scoring five runs in the first inning, six in the third and two in the fourth.

Crabtree doubled home one run, Verhey and Nelson slapped RBI singles and Vajgrt and Joe Sommers drew bases-loaded walks in the first inning. Crabtree singled home two runs, Jakob Olson recorded an RBI double and Sommers and Hoffman slapped RBI singles to highlight the third-inning rally.

Cole Bosch singled home one run and Verhey registered a sacrifice fly to cap the scoring in the fourth.

Box score	AB	R	H	BI
Hoffman	4	3	3	1
Bosch	3	2	2	1
Verhey	3	1	2	2
Crabtree	3	1	2	3
Nelson	2	2	1	1
Vajgrt	2	0	0	1
Sommers	2	1	1	2
Overgaard	3	1	1	0
Olson	3	2	1	1

Luverne 16, JCC 5

The Cardinals completed their sweep of the Huskies by recording an 11-run victory in Game 2.

Hoffman pitched a complete game and drove in two runs for



Senior catcher Connor Crabtree is unable to snag an errant throw to home plate during a win over St. James April 28.

an LHS squad that produced runs in six of the game's seven innings.

Hoffman recorded five strikeouts and walked three batters during his seven-inning pitching stint.

Luverne led 7-0 after scoring three runs in the first inning and two runs in the second and fourth frames.

Zach Suelter singled home a run and Vajgrt notched a fielder's choice to highlight the three-run first inning.

Crabtree singled home a run to account for the lone RBI in the second inning and Nelson singled home a run and Suelter recorded a sacrifice fly during the third inning.

LHS led 8-2 when Connor Sandbulte singled and scored on an error in the fifth inning before the Cards put the game

away with four-run outbursts in the sixth and seventh frames.

Sandbulte doubled home two runs, Hoffman delivered an RBI single and Olson chipped in a sacrifice fly in the sixth.

Olson stroked a two-run triple and Hoffman doubled home one run to highlight the seventh-inning rally.

Box score	AB	R	H	BI
Hoffman	5	1	3	2
Bosch	3	3	0	0
Verhey	3	1	1	0
Crabtree	2	4	1	1
Nelson	3	2	1	1
Vajgrt	4	0	1	1
Suelter	2	2	1	2
Olson	4	1	1	3
Sandbulte	4	2	2	2

Luverne 20, SJ 19

The Cardinals snapped a four-game slide by staging a stunning rally April 28 at Redbird Field.

Trailing 19-12 heading into the bottom of the seventh inning, LHS plated eight runs with two outs in the frame to pull out a one-run victory.

The rally featured a two-run double by Nelson, a two-run single by Bosch and an RBI groundout by Verhey.

The comeback became complete when Vajgrt lifted a fly ball to center field with the bases loaded. When the ball caromed off the outfielder's glove and skipped away from the defender, three runs scored to end the game.

It was the second comeback LHS staged in the game as the Cardinals countered a nine-run outburst by the Saints in the top of the second by scoring nine runs in the bottom of the frame.

Sandbulte, Verhey and Bosch registered two-run singles and Sommers and Suelter singled home one run each to highlight Luverne's second inning.

St. James proceeded to score 10 runs in the next five innings, while Luverne scored two runs in the fourth and one in the fifth before exploding in the seventh.

Bosch doubled home a run and Sommers recorded a sacrifice fly in the fourth, while Verhey drove in a run with a ground out in the fifth.

Nelson pitched one scoreless inning of relief to earn the win.

Overgaard (12 runs in two and one-third innings), Vajgrt (seven runs in three and two-thirds innings) and Suelter (one walk) also worked on the mound.

Box score	AB	R	H	BI
Hoffman	3	2	1	0
Verhey	5	2	1	4
Crabtree	4	0	1	0
Baum	0	2	0	0
Bosch	5	3	3	5
Nelson	5	3	3	2
Sommers	3	2	2	2
Overgaard	0	0	0	0
Suelter	4	0	2	1
Vajgrt	3	2	2	0
Martinez	0	1	0	0
Sandbulte	4	1	1	2

Luverne girls cap 3-3 BSC slate on links

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne girls' golf team compiled a 7-4 record during a three-outing stretch.

The Cardinals posted road wins over Redwood Valley and Pipestone Thursday and Monday. LHS also went 5-4 and placed fifth at the Fairmont Invitational Saturday.

LHS ended the stretch with a 9-11 record.

LHS 193, Pipestone incomplete

The Cardinals capped a 3-3 Big South Conference slate by winning a match by forfeit over the Arrows Monday.

With only three players available to play the varsity event, Pipestone lost the contest.

Luverne received 45- and 47-stroke rounds from Hannah VerSteege and Hailey Remme respectively.

Madison Crabtree and Hailey Franken turned in 50- and 51-stroke efforts for LHS.

Fairmont tourney

The Cardinals walked away with a winning 5-4 record during Saturday's 10-team

tournament in Fairmont.

LHS turned in a 387-stroke total to place fifth in a field that was led by Marshall (342 strokes).

Remme led the Cards with a 94, while Crabtree, Makayla Sterrett and VerSteege added 95-, 98- and 100-stroke scores to the team tally.

Franken carded a 120 without impacting the scoring. Marshall's Hannah Peterson fired a 75 to secure medalist honors.

Luverne 200, RWV 202

The Cardinals edged RWV by two shots to pick up their second conference win of the season Thursday in Redwood Falls.

Kenzie Mace secured medalist honors for the hosts after posting a 43, but it wasn't enough to knock off the Cardinal girls.

Sterrett and Remme led LHS by shooting 46- and 48-stroke rounds.

Crabtree and VerSteege capped the team scoring by registering 52- and 54-stroke efforts.

Cardinals, Dragons split

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne and Adrian Area softball teams split a twin bill in Luverne Monday.

A late rally gave the Cardinals a 12-6 victory in Game 1. Adrian Area plated a pair of runs in the bottom half of the seventh inning to win Game 2 by a 11-10 tally.

LHS faced a 6-5 deficit after four and one-half innings of play in the opener before scoring seven consecutive runs in the fifth and sixth innings to pull out a six-run victory.

Alexis Hiller and Katie Kracht led the Cardinals offensively by registering four and three hits respectively.

Brianna Jonason, Rilee Olson, Bryanna Wessels and McKenzie Weninger added two hits each to the winning cause.

Jodi Bents (one homerun) and Brooke Grussing registered three hits each for the Dragons, while Madisyn Dingmann added two hits.

Riley Olson pitched all seven innings for the Cards to get the win, while Devin Dreesen tossed all six innings to take the loss for AA. Luverne overcame an 8-4 deficit to take a 10-9 lead after scoring two runs in the top of the sixth inning in Game 2.

AA, however, scored a pair of runs in the bottom of the seventh inning due to an LHS error to post a one-run win.

Bents, Grussing, Dreesen, Olivia Weidert, Rebecca Sjogren and Madison Neuenberg registered two hits each for the winners.

Jonason, Olson, Susan Thompson and Madi Oye slapped two hits each for the Cards.

Bents tossed all seven innings to earn the win for the 2-14 Dragons.

Kaitlyn Roberts yielded nine runs in three-plus innings as Luverne's starting pitcher. Ariel DeBeer took the loss after surrendering two runs in four innings for the 3-11 Cardinals.

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H-BC golfers fall by one stroke

The Hills-Beaver Creek boys left Westbrook disappointed when they dropped a 193-194 decision to Westbrook-Walnut Grove.

Justin Sandbulte emerged as the medalist for H-BC after carding a 44, while Stuart Plimpton (47), Preston Maassen (49), Noah Holthaus (54) and Derek Fick (54) also stood out for H-BC.

Braden Ellingson shot a 56 without contributing to the team tally.

Heron Lake-Okabena upends Adrian Area

The Heron Lake-Okabena Wildcats scored the first seven runs of the softball game to set the stage for a 7-2 victory over Adrian Area in Ellsworth.

AA, which received two hits from Madisyn Dingmann and Devin Dreesen, avoided a shutout by plating a pair of runs in the bottom of the seventh inning.

Dreesen took the pitching loss after tossing seven innings of seven-hit ball.

Adrian girls match win output of Dragon boys with golf conquests

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian golf teams found some success during a pair of outings.

The Dragons swept the competition during the Adrian Triangular Thursday. The Adrian squads split matches in Worthington Monday.

The AHS girls sport a 13-3 record after the stretch, while the AHS boys stand at 13-2.

Worthington event

The Dragons and Trojans split matches at the Worthington Country Club Monday.

The Adrian girls came out on the winning end of a 186-205 decision, but the AHS boys came out on the short end of a 161-172 tally.

Alexia Kemper led the Dragon girls to a 19-shot win by shooting a medal-earning round of 43 strokes.

Katie Wieneke, Jada Elias and Mackenzie Wagner added 44-, 48- and 51-stroke scores to the winning team tally.

Madelyn Odell and Courtney Penning posted 62- and 64-stroke scores without influencing the scoring.

Ashley Hoefker led the Trojans with a 47.

Will Mulder led the WHS boys to an 11-shot victory over

AHS by carding a 37 to secure medalist honors.

Ben Henning paced the Dragons with a 41.

Ryan Elias and Collin Kemper shot 42s for Adrian, while Brady Henning wrapped up the team scoring with a 47.

Tommy McCarthy and Mitchell Veld shot 50- and 51-stroke rounds without impacting the scoring.

AHS triangular

The Dragon teams ruled the roost during Thursday's triangular in Adrian.

The AHS girls turned in a 187-stroke effort to best Heron Lake-Okabena (229) and Southwest Christian (277) during the event.

Wieneke fired a 43 to capture medalist honors for AHS.

Wagner, Jada Elias and Alexia Kemper contributed 47-, 48- and 49-stroke rounds to the team tally.

Odell (53) and Penning (68) played without impacting the scoring.

Kailey Wendland led HL-O with a 48, while Riley Mohlenkamp paced SWC with a 57.

A medal-earning round of 37 strokes by Ben Henning led the Dragon boys to a 163-stroke tally.

SWC (205) and HL-O (227) capped the field.

Collin Kemper registered a 40 and Ryan Elias and Tommy McCarthy capped the team scoring for AHS with 43s.

Brady Henning and Veld shot 46- and 47-stroke rounds without impacting the scoring.

Jay DeBoer led SWC with a 45, while Hunter Timko paced HL-O with a 51.

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Tri-State Buffalo receiver Tyrel Kool breaks out of the grasp of a Midwest Rampage defender during Saturday's South Plains Football League game in Hills.

Rampage rough up Buffalos Saturday

By John Rittenhouse

The Tri-State Buffalos experienced a rough start to the 2015 season Saturday in Hills.

Entertaining the Midwest Rampage in the Southern Plains Football League opener, the Buffalos found themselves on the receiving end of a 61-0 thrashing.

The Rampage rolled to a

35-0 lead in the first half and outscored T-S 26-0 in the second half to complete the contest.

The visitors scored on a 59-yard pass and a three-yard run in the first quarter and registered a three-yard run and touchdown pass covering nine and 27 yards in the second quarter to open a commanding lead.

Midwest continued its dominance in the second half by recording touchdowns with its first four offensive possessions.

The Rampage tossed touchdowns covering 81, five 34 and seven yards in the second half.

The 0-1 Buffalos host The Panic Saturday.

Patriot golfers take down Eagles, Wildcats at different venues

By John Rittenhouse

The Hills-Beaver Creek boys posted a pair of wins over Red Rock Conference opponents.

The Patriots coasted to a 54-shot victory over Heron Lake-Okabena in Lakefield Friday before nailing down a 20-shot win over Southwest Christian Monday near Larchwood, Iowa.

H-BC sports a 6-5 record after the wins.

H-BC 197, SWC 217

The Patriots played the role of hosts when they challenged the Eagles at Meadow Acres

Country Club near Larchwood Monday.

The match turned into a good one for H-BC, which handed SWC a 197-217 setback.

Stuart Plimpton earned medalist honors for the Patriots by shooting a four-over-par 40.

Noah Holthaus, Braden Ellingson and Justin Sandbulte added 50-, 53- and 54-stroke rounds to H-BC's team tally.

Anthony Ackerman and Preston Maassen shot 57- and 76-stroke rounds without influencing the scoring.

Jay DeBoer led SWC with

a 45.

H-BC 197, HL-O 251

The Patriots came out on the winning end of a 54-stroke decision when they challenged the Wildcats in Lakefield Friday.

Sandbulte and Plimpton shared medalist honors by carding 46s for H-BC, while Holthaus and Ackerman added 50- and 55-stroke rounds to the team score.

Maassen and Ellingson shot 59- and 66-stroke rounds without influencing the scoring.

AHS track squads compete in Worthington

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian track teams placed fourth in five-team fields at the Worthington Invitational Thursday.

The Adrian boys scored 62 points, while the girls compiled 57 points.

Worthington won the boys' and girls' team titles with 335 and 209 points respectively.

The Adrian boys won a pair of meet titles.

Taylor Recker took top honors in the high jump (5-10) and ran a leg with the 1,600-meter relay, which posted the winning time of 3:42.21.

Zach Bierman, Tanner Kamm and Theron Miller round out the 1,600-meter squad.

Moriah Bullerman won the 1,600-meter run for the AHS

girls with a time of 5:47.06.

Here is a look at the rest of Adrian's point producing efforts from the meet.

Adrian boys

Third place: Miller, 200, 25.17; Miller, high jump, 5-2; 400 relay (Chris Christians, Miller, Kamm and Recker), 47.94.

Fifth place: Cain Rautenkranz, 110 hurdles, 19.84; Kamm, high jump, 4-10; Bierman, long jump, 16-8; 800 relay (Alex Fuerstenberg, Dakota John, Tristan Nelson and Rautenkranz), 1:47.8.

Seventh place: Kasey Madtson, 200, 26.4; Kamm, shot, 33-10. Eighth place: Reker, 100, 12.3.

AHS girls

Third place: Morgan Sauer, 1,600, 6:02.58; 1,600 relay (Bullerman, Katie Reisdorfer, Morgan Kern and Katia Suarez), 3:35.86.

Fourth place: 400 relay, (Brooke Echter, Shaina Combs, Kern and Suarez), 58.69; 800 relay, (Reisdorfer, Echter, Kern and Suarez), 1:59.54.

Fifth place: Reisdorfer, 200, 28.96; Combs, discus, 85-8; Elizabeth Erwin, long jump, 12-1. Sixth place: Erwin, 400, 1:16.26; Combs, high jump, 4-4; Kern, long jump, 11-3. Seventh place: Ashley Schnoor, shot, 23-6 1/2; Schnoor, discus, 72-8.

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Smedsrud and Oye teamed up in the 800.

Dooyema (26.91 in the 200), Ferrell (2:26.57 in the 800), Madison Schandelmeier (5:32.06 in the 1,600), Kami Sawtelle (34-1 in the shot) and Bergin Flom (7-6 in the pole vault) placed second individually.

Jenna Wilgenburg turned in a pair of strong individual performances to highlight H-BC's appearance at the meet.

Wilgenburg, who placed second in the 400-meter dash in 1:01.28, won the 800-meter run in 2:22.89.

Moriah Bullerman turned in the top efforts for the AHS girls by placing seventh in the 1,600-meter run and eighth in the 800-meter run with respective 5:43.41 and 2:34.35 times.

Here is a look at the team standings and the rest of the individual results from the meet.

Standings: Luverne 812, SWC 685, Cedar Mountain 648.5, Pipestone 613, Canby 605.5, Tracy-Milroy-Balaton 556.5, Jackson County Central 516.5, Windom 456, H-BC 390.5, Lakeview 354, Murray County Central 338, Fulda 333.5, Adrian 260.5, Westbrook-Walnut Grove 191.

LHS girls

Third place: Schandelmeier, 800, 2:31.22; Smedsrud, 300 hurdles, 48.4; Sawtelle, discus, 110-9.

Fourth place: Smedsrud, triple jump, 31-7 1/2; Peterson, 200, 27.35; Smedsrud, 100 hurdles, 16.69; 1,600 relay (Ferrell, Schandelmeier, Jaidyn Elbers and Tianna Doppenberg), 4:24.83.

Fifth place: Elbers, 300 hurdles, 50.97; Siebenahler, long jump, 14-9 3/4.

Sixth place: Schandelmeier, pole vault, 7-0; 3,200 relay (Mariah Aukes, Madison Reisdorfer, Mallory Thorson and Mackenzie Petersen), 11:09.99.

Seventh place: Schmuck, 100, 13.3; Reisdorfer, 3,200, 13:24.02.

Eighth place: Elbers, 100 hurdles, 18.06. 10th place: Claire Baustian, 3,200, 13:57.91.

11th place: Doppenberg, long jump, 14-1 1/4.

13th place: Oye, 400, 1:05.78; Petersen, high jump, 4-4.

18th place: Flom, high jump, 4-2.

H-BC girls

Third place: 400 relay (Paige Tilstra, Grace Bundesen, Sidney Fick and Tessa Velgersdyk), 55.04; 1,600 relay (Tilstra, Bundesen, Fick and Wilgenburg), 4:18.46.

Fourth place: 800 relay (Madison Spath, Bundesen, Fick and Tilstra), 1:54.89.

Seventh place: Bundesen, high jump, 4-4.

Eighth place: Kourtney Rozeboom, discus, 88-11.

11th place: Spath, 400, 1:05.24; Rozeboom, shot, 28-1.

12th place: Tilstra, triple jump, 28-10.



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Kami Sawtelle unleashes a throw that gave her second place in the shot put standings during Monday's meet in Luverne.

3/4; 3,200 relay (Josie Bartels, Halle Hoekstra, Eve Burgers and Sadie Fuerstenberg), 12:03.56.

16th place: Velgersdyk, 100, 14.32; Fick, long jump, 13-5 1/2.

18th place: Karmen Fuerstenberg, 300 hurdles, 57.9; Olivia Richards, triple jump, 26-7 1/4.

19th place: Spath, long jump, 12-10 3/4.

20th place: Spath, 100, 13.99; K.Fuerstenberg, 100 hurdles, 21.68.

21st place: Hunter Harvey, 300 hurdles, 1:03.4; Avery Van Roekel, discus, 72-4.

22nd place: Harvey, 100 hurdles, 24.28.

23rd place: Bartels, 1,600, 6:34.52; Haley Leuthold, shot, 21-5.

24th place: Olivia Richards, 800, 2:57.59.

25th place: Richards, 1,600, 6:44.82; Leuthold, 200, 31.76.

26th place: Velgersdyk, 100, 14.32.

Adrian girls

Eighth place: 1,600 relay (Bullerman,

Katia Suarez, Morgan Kern and Katie Reisdorfer), 4:33.82.

11th place: 400 relay (Brooke Echter, Kaitlyn Christians, Kern and Shaina Combs), 57.19.

12th place: Morgan Sauer, 1,600, 6:02.24.

13th place: 800 relay (Echter, Kern, Elizabeth Erwin and Khailee Nelson), 2:08.45.

14th place: Suarez, 400, 1:06.39; Combs, discus, 79-8.

15th place: Sauer, 800, 2:44.05.

17th place: Ashley Schnoor, discus, 77-2.

18th place: Suarez, 100, 13.92; Reisdorfer, 400, 1:09.3; Combs, 100 hurdles, 21.01.

19th place: Combs, 300 hurdles, 59.26; Schnoor, shot, 22-11.

20th place: Erwin, 3,200, 16:27.53; Christians, 200, 29.78.

22nd place: Reisdorfer, 300, 30.15.

23rd place: Kern, long jump, 12-0 3/4.

24th place: Christians, 100, 14.27.

28th place: Erwin, long jump, 9-9 1/2.

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Jackson Winter won the 100- and 200-meter dashes with respective 11.26 and 22.88 times, while Trenton Rops won the 110- and 300-meter hurdles with 15.87 and 41.93 efforts.

Payton Stemper placed second in the 800-meter run in 2:06.66, and the 800-meter relay finished second in 1:39.98.

Cyris Halverson, Mitchell Muller, Brandon Winter and Griffin Ahrendt formed the squad.

The H-BC boys collected one meet title and placed second in two events.

Isaiah Vis won the long jump by covering 19-7 1/2.

Carey Taubert (52.75 in the 400) and Zach Scholten (5-8 in the high jump) placed second for H-BC.

Taylor Recker claimed a meet title for the AHS boys by clearing 5-10 to win the high jump.

Here is a look at the team standings and the rest of the results from Monday's meet.

Standings: Luverne 754.5, Canby 669, Windom 656.5, Murray County Central 601.5, Pipestone 562, H-BC 470.5, Tracy-Milroy-Balaton 446.5, Fulda 446, Jackson County Central 433, Lakeview 424.5, Southwest Christian 388.5, Adrian 379, Cedar Mountain 302.5, Westbrook-Walnut Grove 237.

LHS boys

Third place: Halverson, 100, 11.71; Rops, 200, 23.41; Stemper, 1,600, 4:45.39; Ethan Marshall, 3,200, 10:46.78; Logan Stratton, shot, 46-5 1/4; D.J. Reker, discus, 133-7; 1,600 relay (Stemper, Drew Weis, B.Winter and Marshall), 3:41.61; 3,200 relay (Weis, Jeremiah Dooyema, Austin Winter and Jordy Thone), 9:09.13.

Fourth place: Weis, 800, 2:08.7.

Fifth place: Muller, 300 hurdles, 44.36.

Sixth place: Marshall, 1,600, 4:48.56; Muller, 110 hurdles, 17.55; Dooyema, pole vault, 10-0; 400 relay (Halverson, Tanner Wiese, Matthew Hup and Griffin Ahrendt), 49.35.

Seventh place: Ahrendt, triple jump, 38-1.

Eighth place: J.Winter, 400, 54.98; Hup, pole vault, 10-0.

Ninth place: Dalton DeSollar, 3,200, 11:26.91; Dylan Thorson, shot, 39-7 3/4; Stratton, discus, 115-3; Muller, triple jump, 35-9.

13th place: Ahrendt, high jump, 5-2.

15th place: B.Winter, 400, 57.48; Eli Haugom, high jump, 5-2.

23rd place: Wiese, long jump, 16-10.

23rd place: Halverson, long jump, 16-3.

H-BC boys

Third place: Taubert, triple jump, 39-4.

Fourth place: 400 relay (Cooper Vaughn, Drew Forshey, Vis and Taubert), 47.86.



John Rittenhouse photo/0507 track 13

Luverne senior Jackson Winter won the 100- and 200-meter dashes during Monday's track meet in Luverne.

Fifth place: Vis, triple jump, 38-10; Forshey, high jump, 5-6; 800 relay (Vaughn, Scholten, Vis and Isaiah Wagenaar), 1:41.72.

Seventh place: Taubert, 200, 24.56; Carson Baker, 1,600, 4:57.83.

Eighth place: Forshey, 110 hurdles, 18.19.

Ninth place: Baker, 800, 2:17.18.

11th place: Wagenaar, 110 hurdles, 18.85; 3,200 relay (Nick Kiers, Dylan Forshey, Dean Fuerstenberg and Trenton Bass), 10:29.74.

12th place: Dr.Forshey, 300 hurdles, 47.28; Scholten, discus, 109-1; 1,600 relay (Fuerstenberg, Kiers, Logan Leuthold and Baker), 4:07.87.

14th place: Wagenaar, 300 hurdles, 49.1.

15th place: Vaughn, long jump, 17-1 1/2.

16th place: Vaughn, 100, 12.34; Scholten, shot, 34-5 1/2.

17th place: Leuthold, discus, 91-8.

18th place: Leuthold, 800, 2:29.45.

23rd place: Leuthold, shot, 30-7 1/4.

24th place: Jacob Wingert, 200, 28.33.

26th place: Kiers, 100, 13.24.

27th place: Bass, 400, 1:05.21.

Adrian boys

Third place: Theron Miller, high jump,

5-8.

Fourth place: Recker, 400, 53.47.

Fifth place: Miller, 400, 53.62; 1,600 relay (Miller, Chris Christians, Tanner Kamm and Recker), 3:43.09.

Eighth place: Miller, 100, 12.07; 800 relay (Zach Bierman, Christians, Hunter Heitkamp and Kasey Madtson), 1:42.61.

Ninth place: Bierman, 100, 12.13.

10th place: 400 relay (Bierman, Kamm, Madtson and Tristan Nelson), 50.85.

13th place: Heitkamp, 3,200, 12:31.35; Cain Rautenkranz, 110 hurdles, 19.86; Recker, long jump, 17-2 1/2.

15th place: Kamm, 200, 25.79; Rautenkranz, 300 hurdles, 49.68.

18th place: Christians, 200, 26.28.

19th place: Dakota John, 110 hurdles, 21.7.

20th place: Jade Swank, 3,200, 13:56.43; John, 300 hurdles, 55.05; Heitkamp, discus, 85-3.

21st place: Alex Fuerstenberg, 1,600, 6:03.6; Quinn Cleveland, discus, 77-1; Bierman, long jump, 16-7.

22nd place: Heitkamp, shot, 31-5 1/4.

24th place: Fuerstenberg, 800, 2:39.78; Cleveland, shot, 30-5 3/4.

26th place: Cody Hix, 1,600, 7:28.37.

28th place: Madtson, 800, 2:53.64.

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1033 N. Jackson St., P.O. Box 975, Luverne
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Dick Lauger, Pastor

Thursday, May 7: Noon Senior Focus potluck. 7 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3. Friday, May 8: 6 a.m. Men's Bible Study at FBC. Sunday, May 10: 9:15 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Morning Service. 2 p.m. LHS Baccalaureate. 6:00 p.m. Evening Service. Monday, May 11: 8 p.m. Union Gospel Mission Service. Tuesday, May 12: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study at FBC. 7 p.m. Deacon's meeting. Thursday, May 14: 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study at FBC (Psalms 85-87). 7 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3.

Grace Lutheran Church

500 N. Kniss Ave., Luverne
Ph. 283-4431; www.graceluverne.org — nichols-glc@live.com
Ron Nichols, Pastor
Josh Anderson, Pastor

Thursday, May 7: 4:30 p.m. Book Study. Friday, May 8: 6:30 p.m. Worship telecast on Channel 3. Saturday, May 9: 5:30 p.m. Worship. Sunday, May 10: 8:15 a.m. Radio broadcast; Worship with Communion. 9:15 a.m. Coffee. 9:30 a.m. Senior Brunch Last Sunday School. 10:45 a.m. Worship; Sunday School kids sing; Senior recognition. 1:30 p.m. Communion at Mary Jane Brown Home. 2:15 p.m. Communion at Poplar Creek. Monday, May 11: 9 a.m. Bible Study at Mary Jane Brown. 4 p.m. Telecast. Tuesday, May 12: 9 a.m. Staff meeting GLCW Executive Board. 5:30 p.m. Ministries mini retreat at The Bluestem Wednesday, May 13: 7 a.m. Men's Study. Thursday, May 14: 2:15 p.m. GLC Women meet at Mary Jane Brown Home. 4:30 p.m. Book Study.

Bethany Lutheran Church

720 N. Kniss Ave., Luverne
Ph. 283-4571 — pastorapalmquist67@yahoo.com
Andrew M. Palmquist, Pastor

Thursday, May 7: 5 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3. Sunday, May 10: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 9:15 a.m. Bible Class. 10:15 a.m. Worship with Communion. Tuesday, May 12: 3:30 p.m. Communion at Veterans Home. Thursday, May 14: 2 p.m. Ladies Aid. 5 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3.

American Reformed Church

304 N. Fairview Dr., Luverne
Ph. 283-8600; email: office@arcluverne.org
Mike Altena, Pastor

Thursday, May 7: 6 p.m. Ladies Night Out. Friday, May 8: 6:30 a.m. Community Men's Bible Study. Sunday, May 10: Last week of Sunday School. 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship Service. 10:50 a.m. Family Education. 2 p.m. Baccalaureate. 6:30 p.m. Prayer Time. Tuesday, May 12: 1 p.m. Staff meeting. 7 p.m. Consistory meeting. Wednesday, May 13: 7 p.m. Abide Praise Team.

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church

220 N. Cedar St., Luverne

Sundays: 10:30 a.m. Worship Service; Fellowship after service. Wednesdays: 6:30 p.m. Bible Study. Our Mission Statement: Historic Holy Trinity strives to serve God and our community through worship, stewardship and friendship. Contact Emily Lodine Overgaard at (507) 227-6175 for information. Come as you are — our leader wore sandals.

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1075 110th Ave., 2 miles west of Luverne on County Rd. 4
Kenneth and Gloria Kashner, Pastors

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United Methodist Church

109 N. Freeman Ave., Luverne
Ph. 283-4529; email: luvneumc@iw.net
Dorie Hall, Pastor

Thursday, May 7: 1 to 3 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf. Sunday, May 10: 9:30 a.m. Coffee Hour with cake for Confirmation. 10:30 a.m. Celebration Worship Service with Service of Confirmation. Tuesday, May 12: 7 p.m. Finance Committee meeting. Wednesday, May 13: 1 p.m. Sew Day. Thursday, May 14: 1 to 3 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf.

Palisade Lutheran Church

211 121st St., Garretson, S.D.
Ph. (507) 597-6257 — firstpalisade@alliancecom.net
Ray Heidenson, Pastor

Sunday, May 10: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship Service with Confirmation. Thursday, May 14: 8 p.m. Church Council meeting.

First Presbyterian Church

302 Central Lane, Luverne
Ph. 283-4787; email: Firstpc@iw.net — www.fpcluverne.com
Jason Cunningham, Pastor

Sunday, May 10: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 10:15 a.m. Worship; Choir Cantata. 2 p.m. Baccalaureate. Monday, May 11: Scholarship applications due. 5 p.m. Weight Watchers. Tuesday, May 12: 1:15 p.m. Communion at Veterans Home. 1:45 p.m. Communion at Centennial. 2:15 p.m. Communion at Poplar Creek. 2:45 p.m. Communion at Mary Jane Brown Home. 5:30 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3. Wednesday, May 13: 10: a.m. PW Bible Study. 7:30 p.m. Session. Thursday, April 14: 5 p.m. Music Staff meeting.

St. John Lutheran Church

803 N. Cedar St., Luverne
Ph. 283-2316, Dial-A-Devotion Ph. 283-4005
email: stjoh@iw.net — www.stjohnlutheranluverne.org
Gary Klatt, Pastor

Thursday, May 7: 2 p.m. Women's Society. 7 p.m. Little Lambs graduation. Friday, May 8: Last day of Little Lambs classes. Saturday, May 9: 5:30 p.m. Worship with Holy Communion. Sunday, May 10: 9 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion; Senior Choir sings. 10:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study. 2 p.m. LHS Baccalaureate. Monday, May 11, through Thursday, May 14: Little Lambs parent/teacher conferences. Monday, May 11: 8:30 a.m. Circuit pastors' conference in Pipestone. 7:30 p.m. Men's Club. Tuesday, May 12: 1:15 p.m. Communion in Ellsworth. 2:15 p.m. Communion at Lyon Manor. 2:45 p.m. Communion at Rock Rapids Health Centre. 3:30 p.m. Communion in Hills. 5:30 p.m. Mom's Night Out. 7 p.m. Guild. Wednesday, May 13: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study. 7:30 p.m. Parish Planning Council. Thursday, May 14: 1:30 p.m. Communion at Mary Jane Brown Home. 2:15 p.m. Communion at Poplar Creek. 3:30 p.m. Communion at Veterans Home.

Living Rock Church

500 E. Main St., Luverne
Ph. 449-0057; www.livingrockswmn.org
Billy Skaggs, Pastor

Sundays: 10:30 a.m. Worship; Kids Rock Children's Ministry. 6 p.m. Youth Ministry. Life groups meet throughout the week.

New Life Celebration Church

211 E. Main St., Luverne
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Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Worship in the lower level meeting room of the Creeger building. Every third Thursday: 5 p.m. Food give-away. Bible Study groups meet at various times and days.

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305 E. 2nd St., P.O. Box 36, Hardwick
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Mark W. Mumme, Pastor

Thursday, May 7: 4 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3. Friday, May 8: 4 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3. Saturday, May 9: 10 a.m. Carlisle/Uilk bridal shower. Sunday, May 10: 9 a.m. Mentor Program. 9:15 a.m. Sunday School; Adult Bible Study. 10:30 a.m. Worship Service. 2 p.m. LHS Baccalaureate. Monday, May 11: 1 p.m. Quilting. Tuesday, May 12: 7 p.m. Elders' meeting. 8 p.m. Church Council meeting. Thursday, May 14: 4 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3.

Ben Clare United Methodist Church

26762 Ben Clare Ave., Valley Springs, S.D.
igtwb@WOW.net
Bill Bates, Pastor

Sundays: 9 a.m. Worship. 10 a.m. Fellowship. 10:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages.

First Lutheran Church

300 Maple St., Valley Springs, S.D.
Ph. (605) 757-6662
Ray Heidenson, Pastor

Sunday, May 10: 9 a.m. Worship Service with Confirmation. 10 a.m. Sunday School. Wednesday, May 13: 7 p.m. Choir practice.

First Presbyterian Church

201 S. 3rd St., Beaver Creek

Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. 9:45 a.m. Sunday School. Third Wednesdays: 1:30 p.m. Deborah Circle.

Kenneth Lutheran Church

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Bethlehem Lutheran Church

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Thursday, May 7: Interim meeting in Redwood Falls. Sunday, May 10: 9 a.m. Worship at Tuff Chapel. 10:30 a.m. Worship at Bethlehem. 2 p.m. Luverne Baccalaureate. Tuesday, May 12: 2:30 p.m. Tuff Home Bible Study. 3:15 p.m. Tuff Village Bible Study. Wednesday, May 13: 9 a.m. Quilting. 6:30 p.m. Last eighth- and ninth-grade Confirmation.

God's love remains

"[Christ] has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross." Ephesians 2:15-16

Joseph Sittler, a Lutheran theologian, once told this story about the symbol of the cross. Sittler was at a conference, which was being held at a convent. Every day he walked by the chapel and saw the nuns at prayer, gazing at the large cross that hung over the altar. This made him stop and wonder: "Is there any other image in the history of the world that could survive such constant gazing, reflection and prayer? What other form could absorb all of the worries and apprehensions heaped upon it? Is there any other image in the world that could stand the weight of so profound a demand? And the answer was immediate and obvious: 'No.'" (Gravity and Grace, Augsburg Fortress, 2005, p 21)

The cross has always been a central symbol in our Christian faith. I think that its staying power is because of the tremendous power that it has. It has the power to forgive sins. It has the power to show us God's unending love. And it has the power to unite. Paul tells us in Ephesians that the cross of Christ has made us one, breaking down all barriers that had once been there. Before God we are all people of the cross.

BUILT ON A ROCK

By Josh Anderson,
Grace Lutheran Church,
Luverne

There are many images that we try and replace the cross with, images that we think will be able to take on our pain and replace the cross. So we begin to gaze at these new symbols and begin to heap all of our worries and pains on them. But we quickly learn that these new symbols just don't work. Soon the symbols fall apart and we are left alone once again, with all of our worries and apprehensions sitting in our lap. But God's love and grace, as symbolized in the cross, always remain and are always there to take on our cares once again.

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What can you do that will help you remember that God's love and peace are always in the midst of your life?

Magnolia United Methodist Church

501 E. Luverne St., Magnolia
Church Ph. 283-9698; cell 227-7821
adrmagumc@frontiernet.net — www.adrianmagnoliaumc.com
Kristi Franken, Pastor
Sunday, May 10: 9:15 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

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112 W. Church Ave., Steen
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Reuben Sinnema, Pastor

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Mortgage foreclosure sale set for May 21

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE
THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that default has occurred in the conditions of the following described mortgage:

DATE OF MORTGAGE: July 23, 2007
ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$131,100.00
MORTGAGOR(S): Betty Birdsey, a single person
MORTGAGEE: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.
LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON THE MORTGAGE: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.
SERVICER: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.
DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Filed August 9, 2007, Rock County Recorder, as Document Number 167203

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:
The South Eight-six feet (S 86') of Lot One (1) in Block Twenty-five (25) in Van Eps and Vary's Addition to the Village (now City) of Luverne, Minnesota.
PROPERTY ADDRESS: 504 N Cedar St, Luverne, MN 56156
PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 20-1456-000
COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Rock
THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON THE DATE OF THE NOTICE: \$66,965.29

THAT all pre-foreclosure requirements have been complied with; that no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof;

PURSUANT, to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: May 21, 2015, 10:00am
PLACE OF SALE: Sheriff's Main Office, West Side Sheriff Dept, Front Step, Luverne, MN 56156

to pay the debt secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any, on said premises and the costs and disbursements, including attorneys fees allowed by law, subject to redemption within 12 months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s) the personal representatives or assigns.

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: If the real estate is an owner-occupied, single-family dwelling, unless otherwise provided by law, the date on or before which the mortgagor(s) must vacate the property, if the mortgage is not reinstated under section 580.30 or the property is not redeemed under section 580.23, is 11:59 p.m. on May 21, 2016, or the next business day if May 21, 2016 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

"THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES SECTION 582.032 DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN 5 UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED FOR AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED.

Dated: March 27, 2015

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.
Mortgagee

SHAPIRO & ZIELKE, LLP
BY
Lawrence P. Zielke - 152559
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12550 West Frontage Road, Ste. 200
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(952) 831-4060

THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR
(4-2, 4-9, 4-16, 4-23, 4-30, 5-7)

Mortgage foreclosure sale set for June 11

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE
THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that default has occurred in conditions of the following described mortgage:

DATE OF MORTGAGE: October 30, 2009
MORTGAGOR: Kimberly A. Lange, an unmarried woman.
MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.,
DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING: Recorded November 4, 2009 Rock County Recorder, Document No. 172481.

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: Bank of America, N.A.. Dated June 11, 2014 Recorded June 18, 2014, as Document No. 184107.

TRANSACTION AGENT: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.
TRANSACTION AGENT'S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ON MORTGAGE: 100061907000122275

LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON MORTGAGE: First Farmers & Merchants National Bank
RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE SERVICER: Bank of America, N.A.
MORTGAGED PROPERTY ADDRESS: 304 East 2nd Street, Hardwick, MN 56134

TAX PARCEL I.D. #: 14.0134.000
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:

Lots 9 and 10, in Block 2, in Halverson's Addition to the City of Hardwick
COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Rock
ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$38,919.00
AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE, INCLUDING TAXES, IF ANY, PAID BY MORTGAGEE: \$41,394.09

That prior to the commencement of this mortgage foreclosure proceeding Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee complied with all notice requirements as required by statute; That no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof;

PURSUANT to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: June 11, 2015 at 10:00 AM
PLACE OF SALE: Sheriff's Office, Main Entrance, Law Enforcement Center, 1000 North Blue Mound Avenue, Luverne, MN

to pay the debt then secured by said Mortgage, and taxes, if any, on said premises, and the costs and disbursements, including attorneys' fees allowed by law subject to redemption within six (6) months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns unless reduced to Five (5) weeks under MN Stat. §580.07.

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: If the real estate is an owner-occupied, single-family dwelling, unless otherwise provided by law, the date on or before which the mortgagor(s) must vacate the property if the mortgage is not reinstated under section 580.30 or the property is not redeemed under section 580.23 is 11:59 p.m. on December 11, 2015, unless that date falls on a weekend or legal holiday, in which case it is the next weekday, and unless the redemption period is reduced to 5 weeks under MN Stat. Secs. 580.07 or 582.032.

MORTGAGOR(S) RELEASED FROM FINANCIAL OBLIGATION ON MORTGAGE: None

"THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 582.032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL

PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED."
Dated: April 6, 2015

Bank of America, N.A.
Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee

USSET, WEINGARDEN AND LIEBO, P.L.L.P.
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THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.
Document version 1.1 December 11, 2013
(4-16, 4-23, 4-30, 5-7, 5-14, 5-21)

Rock County seeks highway bids by June 1

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS
S.A.P. 067-600-002 (150th Avenue/Vienna Twp.)
Grading & Aggregate Surfacing

Sealed proposals will be received by the Rock County Highway Department at Luverne, Minnesota until 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, June 1st, 2015.

READ CAREFULLY THE PROVISIONS FOR THE WAGE RATES AS CONTAINED IN THE SPECIAL PROVISIONS, AS THEY WILL AFFECT THIS PROJECT.

Attention is called to the fact that the Contractor must comply with the **Special Equal Employment Opportunity Provisions** as contained in the Proposal. Proposals will be opened and read publicly in the presence of the Rock County Highway Engineer at the Rock County Highway Building located at 1120 North Blue Mound Avenue in Luverne, Minnesota immediately following the hour set for receiving bids for the following Rock County Highway work. Bids will be awarded on Tuesday, June 2nd, 2015 at the regular Rock County Board of Commissioners Meeting held in the Law Library at the Rock County Courthouse.

The Major Quantities of Work are: 3,100 Cu. Yds. Common Excavation; 8,723 Cu. Yds. Common Borrow; 2,480 Tons Aggregate Surfacing; and Clearing & Grubbing. Plans, specifications and proposals may be examined and obtained at ****Quest.com****. Any questions contact, the office of the Rock County Highway Engineer, 1120 North Blue Mound Avenue, P.O. Box 808, Luverne, MN 56156-0808 / (507) 283 - 5010. The non-refundable cost for Plans and one proposal will be **\$30.00**.

Bids must be accompanied by a certified check or corporate surety bond drawn in favor of the Rock County Treasurer in the amount of at least five percent (5%) of the proposal.

Sealed bids shall be clearly marked **"PROJECT NO. SAP 067-600-002."**
The Board of Rock County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any defects therein.

Rock County is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.
Mark R. Sehr, P.E.
Rock County Highway Engineer
(5-7, 5-14, 5-21)

Mortgage foreclosure sale set for June 25

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that default has occurred in the conditions of the following described mortgage:

DATE OF MORTGAGE: November 07, 2006
ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$64,260.00
MORTGAGOR(S): Michael Zinnel, a single person
MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Taylor, Bean & Whitaker Mortgage Corp, its successors and/or assigns
DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING:
Recorded: November 09, 2006 Rock County Recorder
Document Number: 165362

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE:
And assigned to: Bank of America, N.A., successor by merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP FKA Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, LP
Dated: March 23, 2012
Recorded: April 02, 2012 Rock County Recorder
Document Number: 178916
And assigned to: Selene Finance LP
Dated: October 09, 2014
Recorded: April 14, 2015 Rock County Recorder
Document Number: 185779

Transaction Agent: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.
Transaction Agent Mortgage Identification Number: 100029500014247724
Lender or Broker: Taylor, Bean & Whitaker Mortgage Corp
Residential Mortgage Servicer: Selene Finance LP
Mortgage Originator: Not Applicable
COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Rock
Property Address: 119 E Barck Ave, Luverne, MN 56156-1107
Tax Parcel ID Number: 20-0375-000

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:
The W1/2 of Lot 4 in Block 15 in Barck, Adams & Howes Addition to the City of Luverne, Rock County, Minnesota
AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE: \$62,001.66
THAT all pre-foreclosure requirements have been complied with; that no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof;

PURSUANT to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above-described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: June 25, 2015 at 10:00 AM
PLACE OF SALE: Law Enforcement Center, Lobby, 1000 N. Blue Mound Ave., Luverne, Minnesota

to pay the debt secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any, on said premises and the costs and disbursements, including attorney fees allowed by law, subject to redemption within six (6) months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns.

If the Mortgage is not reinstated under Minn. Stat. §580.30 or the property is not redeemed under Minn. Stat. §580.23, the Mortgagee must vacate the property on or before 11:59 p.m. on December 25, 2015, or the next business day if December 25, 2015 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

Mortgagor(s) released from financial obligation: NONE
THIS COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.

THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 582.032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED.

DATED: April 21, 2015

ASSIGNEE OF MORTGAGEE: Selene Finance LP

Wilford, Geske & Cook P.A.
Attorneys for Assignee of Mortgagee
7616 Currell Blvd Ste 200
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File Number: 032673F01

(5-7, 5-14, 5-21, 5-28, 6-4, 6-11)

Hwy. Department public hearing set for May 19

ROCK COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT TRANSFER OF STATE FUNDS
PUBLIC HEARING SET FOR MAY 19, 2015

Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Adoption of Resolution No. 19-15, to transfer Municipal construction Funds to the Regular construction Funds Account
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Rock County Board of Commissioners will conduct a public hearing pursuant to Minnesota State Aid Operation Rules 8820.2400 on May 19, 2015 at 9:00 A.M. in the Herreid Board Meeting Room at the Rock County Courthouse, 204 East Brown Street, Luverne, Minnesota to consider the transfer of Municipal construction Funds to the Regular construction Funds Account.

All persons interested may appear and be heard at the time and place set forth above. Individuals unable to attend the public hearing can make written comment by writing to the County Administrator of County of Rock, Rock County Courthouse, P.O. Box 509, Luverne, Minnesota 56156. Written comments must be received prior to the public hearing.

BY ORDER OF THE COUNTY BOARD
/s/ Kyle J. Oldre, County Administrator
(5-7, 5-14)

Yellow Nook Photography assumes name

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Minnesota Statutes Chapter 333

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ASSUMED NAME: **Yellow Nook Photography**
PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS:
415 West Brown St., Luverne, MN 56156
NAMEHOLDER(S): **Michelle Lynn Aanenson**
415 West Brown St., Luverne, MN 56156

By typing my name, I, the undersigned, certify that I am signing this document as the person whose signature is required, or as agent of the person(s) whose signature is required who has authorized me to sign this document on his/her behalf, or in both capacities. I further certify that I have completed all required fields, and that the information in this document is true and correct and in compliance with the applicable chapter of Minnesota Statutes. I understand that by signing this document I am subject to the penalties of perjury as set forth in Section 609.48 as if I had signed this certificate under oath.

SIGNED BY: /s/ Michelle L. Aanenson
MAILING ADDRESS: None provided
EMAIL ADDRESS FOR OFFICIAL NOTICES: michelleaanenson@hotmail.com
(5-7, 5-14)

III V Farms applies for livestock feedlot permit

NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS
MINNESOTA RULE 7020.2000, SUBP. 4
NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR LIVESTOCK FEEDLOT PERMIT

Notice is hereby given per Minnesota Statutes 116.07, subd. 7(a), that III V Farms LLC has made application to the County of Rock, for a permit to construct a feedlot with a capacity of 500 animal units or more.

The proposed feedlot will be located in the NW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 16 in Battle Plain Township, Rock County, Minnesota.

The proposed facility consists of a total confinement barn to house 2,400 head of swine between 55 and 300 pounds. Using 0.3 animal units per head, total animal units are 720. The building shall have a poured reinforced concrete pit for manure storage. The total animal unit capacity will be 720.

This publication shall constitute as notice to each resident and each owner of real property within 5,000 feet of the perimeter of the proposed feedlot as required by Minnesota State Law.

(5-7)

Mann Made Custom Woodworking assumes name

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ASSUMED NAME: **Mann Made Custom Woodworking**
PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS:
942 110th Ave., Luverne, MN 56156
NAMEHOLDER(S): **Cory Jerold Mann**
942 110th Ave., Luverne, MN 56156

By typing my name, I, the undersigned, certify that I am signing this document as the person whose signature is required, or as agent of the person(s) whose signature is required who has authorized me to sign this document on his/her behalf, or in both capacities. I further certify that I have completed all required fields, and that the information in this document is true and correct and in compliance with the applicable chapter of Minnesota Statutes. I understand that by signing this document I am subject to the penalties of perjury as set forth in Section 609.48 as if I had signed this certificate under oath.

SIGNED BY: /s/ Cory Jerold Mann
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Habilitative Services, Inc., a leader in the development of quality services for individuals with disabilities, has an opening for a Team Lead position in Luverne, MN. In this position, you will lead a team of staff in providing services to individuals with physical/developmental disabilities and traumatic brain injuries. A degree is preferred with two to four years of experience in a related field. Habilitative Services, Inc. offers a competitive benefit package. NEW! HSI offers a \$100 sign-on bonus after the completion of 6 months of employment. Apply online at www.habsvinc.com. Job #7024TL. Applications accepted through May 7, 2015. EOE/AA. (4.26-5.7)

Ellsworth Public School is accepting applications for a school bus route driver for the 2015-2016 school year. Applications can be picked up at the school office or by calling 507-967-2242. (4.23-5.10)

EMPLOYMENT

Glen's Food and Gas is seeking a night and weekend cashier. Pick up an application at Glen's Food Center or talk to Sherri or Glen. (5.3-5.21)

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Dorothy Bos
(5.7-5.10)

A sincere thank you to family and friends for their cards, thoughts and words of kindness and support in the loss of our mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Thank you to the Pipestone County Sheriff's Department, EMTs, Sanford in Luverne and Sioux Falls, Air Care and Hartquist Funeral Home Chapel for the special care she received.

Family of Lucille Brockberg
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Karlie Brockberg
Stacy Jolitz and Vern Carl
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Thank you to the Rock County Star Herald for packaging the April backpacks.

The Backpack Program
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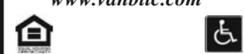
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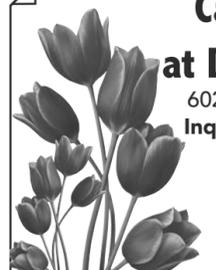
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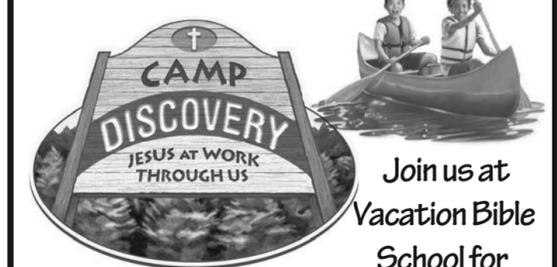
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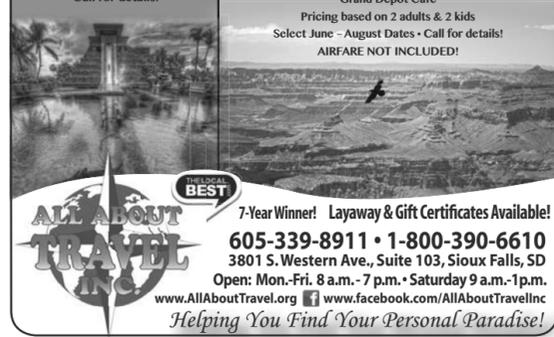
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