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Mavis Fodness photo/1003 Ellsworth Groundbreaking

Between rain showers Tuesday morning, City of Ellsworth officials ceremoniously broke ground on their new city hall. Pictured (from left) are architect Jeff Nelson, contractor Terry Kelley, councilor Paul Snyder, contractor Dan Kelley, councilor Collette Smythe, councilor Larry DeBeer, councilor Richard Gaul, commissioner Gene Metz, city attorney Don Klosterbuer, Mayor Tasha Domeyer, Sen. Bill Weber, Rep. Rod Hamilton, Rhonda Groen and city clerk Dawn Huisman.

Ellsworth breaks ground for new city hall Tuesday morning

By Mavis Fodness

On the same site where 10 months ago Ellsworth City Hall once stood, city officials and dignitaries ceremoniously broke ground for a new Ellsworth City Hall Tuesday morning. Actual construction begins Monday by Swift Construction Inc. of Sioux Falls.

The 3,583-square foot city hall and community room is expected to take 270 days to complete.

At a pre-construction meeting prior to the groundbreaking ceremony, the council discussed the new facility will be open June 26, 2020.

"The Jan. 15th fire was a decision that was made for the City of Ellsworth," said Mayor Tasha Domeyer. "Not a decision that the City of Ellsworth made."

On Sept. 23, council members approved an \$874,000 bid to replace the former two-story city hall that was built in 1915.

The new city hall will be a one-story struc-

*"I will raise proudly,
my shovel, for a
better tomorrow."*

— Mayor Tasha Domeyer

ture on the same Main Street location as the previous facility. A community meeting room and kitchen will be a part of the new facility.

Rain showers kept the groundbreaking ceremony indoors at the city's temporary location at Zion Presbyterian Church.

"We break ground today for our new city hall," Domeyer said. "I will raise proudly, my shovel, for a better tomorrow."

Ellsworth's determination to rebuild the city hall and maintenance shop was noticed

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H-BC earns national recognition

By Mavis Fodness

Hills-Beaver Creek Elementary School is the first Rock County school to be selected as a National Blue Ribbon School.

H-BC Superintendent Todd Holthaus broke the news to elementary staff and students Thursday during a group assembly.

Holthaus was notified about the honor earlier in the week before the districtwide announcement.

"I believe our staff, students and parents are of very high quality," he said. "Receiving the Blue Ribbon recognition affirms my belief."

H-BC Elementary was honored as "exemplary high performing" along with 10 other Minnesota schools.

These schools are in the Top 15 percent in English and mathematics as measured by state assessments.

Schools can also be recognized as a Blue Ribbon School for "exemplary achievement gap closing."

Holthaus said the 2018 Minnesota Comprehensive Assessment scores showed 89 percent of H-BC third-through fifth-grade students proficient in math and 86 percent proficient in reading.

"The Blue Ribbon distinction is a point in time," he said.

"The work continues."

Other Minnesota schools receiving the 2019 Blue Ribbon School honor include five other elementary schools.

They are Edina, Lonsdale, White Bear Lake, Alexandria and Savage.

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Mavis Fodness photo/1003 2019 Tri-State Band Festival

West Central High School placed second in the parade competition Saturday in Class A and earned the People's Choice — Parade award.

Skies clear for 69th Tri-State Band Festival

By Mavis Fodness

Rain predictions didn't materialize Saturday for the 69th Annual Tri-State Band Festival as the daylong competitive event was completed under dry and partly sunny skies.

"The Friday before, we were crossing our fingers it wouldn't rain," said Katie Oksness with the Luverne Area Chamber. "We were pretty fortunate on that one."

The 9:30 a.m. parade on Main Street began

in low 40-degree temperatures with 17 bands, including host band Luverne and guest band of Northern State University from Aberdeen, South Dakota.

Temperatures rose into the high 60s for the afternoon field competition that kicked off at 12:30 p.m.

Five of six Jarchow children in band

Five of Mike and Wanda Jarchow's six

children are members of the Luverne High School Marching Band.

"It's really convenient to have them all in one activity as it eliminates having to go to several different directions at the same time," Wanda said.

Mela, a senior, is one of the drum majors for the marching band. Elise, a junior, plays

Tri-State Band Festival/continued on 16

Sept. 11 county flood damage tallies \$283,000

By Mavis Fodness

Rock County officials experienced a feeling of déjà vu when tallying public infrastructure damage from the Sept. 11 flood event.

The total was \$283,000.

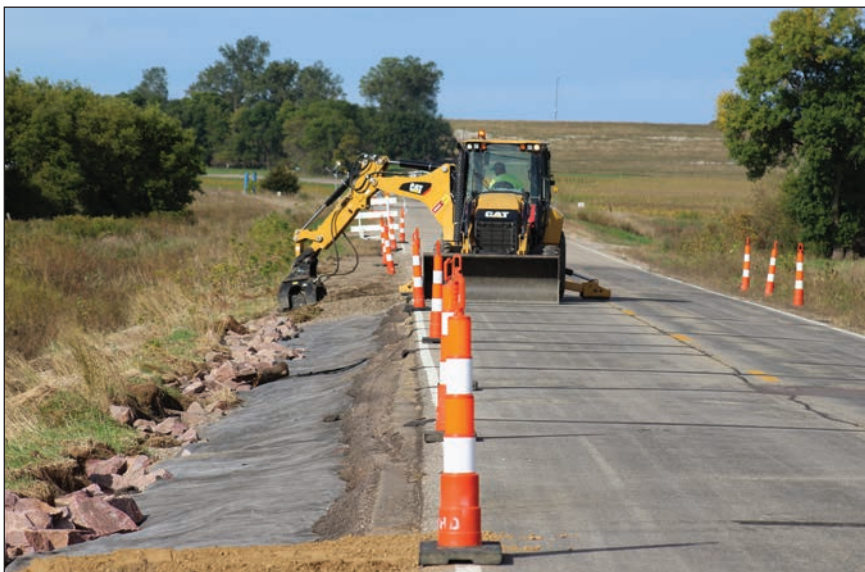
A similar flood event on June 20 caused an estimated \$280,000 in damages across the county.

Commissioners signed a resolution declaring a state of emergency for the Sept. 11 event at their Sept. 24 meeting.

The declaration allows the county to apply for state disaster program aid, which reimburses 75 percent of the repair costs. The county, municipalities and townships where the damage occurred are responsible for 25 percent of the repair costs.

Eight townships and one municipality submitted damage estimates

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Mavis Fodness photo/1003 Emergency Declaration

Rock County Highway Department worker Corey Deming uses a packer attached to the backhoe to smooth crushed concrete on the shoulder along County Road 8 Friday as part of \$283,000 worth of county flood repair.

Brain health is part of living well; talk about it

By Lori Sorenson

There may come a day when an anxiety episode is treated no differently than an asthma attack; both being conditions that require attention.

However, brain health carries a stigma, and a person with anxiety or depression is less likely to seek treatment.

That's what a group of local advocates are working to change.

#Luv1LuvAll is sponsoring a series of monthly Brain Health classes from 7 to 8 p.m. the first Monday of the month starting Oct 7. They'll continue through May (no December class) at Luverne Community Education.

The goal is to end stigma and encourage conversations about

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mental health — like physical health — toward improved quality of life, according to Angela Nolz, integrated health therapist at Sanford Luverne.

"I really do think it is about

Brain health series/see page 3



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Meetings

American Legion Auxiliary will have a special meeting at 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 3, in the Dell Hogan Post. Contact Dianna Tomlinson with questions.

Beaver Creek Township Board will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 7, in the township hall in Beaver Creek.

Vienna Township Board will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 8, in the Kenneth Community Center.

Blue Mound Quilters Guild will meet at 6 p.m. Monday, Oct. 7, at the Rock County Library for a Double Strip Ruler program by Diane Karlstad and Verla Fick. Call Mary Crawford at 605-212-3219 with questions.

Sanford Luverne Pink Ladies will meet at 1:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 14, in the Sanford Blue Mound Room for a program by Linda Wenzel, RSVP volunteer coordinator. Call 283-2297.

Women's Alcoholics Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. Mondays in the United Methodist Church.

Alcoholics Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. Wednesdays and Saturdays in the United Methodist Church, Luverne. Call 605-321-4324.

Alanon meets from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. the second and fourth Thursdays in Sanford Luverne Blue Mound Room. 507-449-1246.

Alcoholics Anonymous meets from 8 to 9 p.m. every Tuesday in Runals Memorial Hall, Edgerton. Call Naomi, 507-215-2956.

One Warm Coat accepts donations

The Rock County One Warm Coat project is collecting clean, reusable coats of all shapes and sizes (especially children's sizes) from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday through Oct. 31 at the ATLAS for Life office 201 Main Street, Luverne. Coats may also be dropped off at the Luverne Elementary School. Coat drive dates are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Nov. 2 and 4 to 7 p.m. Nov. 7. Call Destiny at 507-220-0030, the ATLAS office at 507-449-5777 or Lisa Dinger at school, 507-283-4497.

'Superstar' Oct. 4 at Palace Theatre

The Palace Theatre will host "Superstar: The Songs, the Stories, the Carpenters" at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 4. Tickets are available at the Palace Theatre box office or by calling 507-283-4339.

Shredding event Oct. 5

The Dakota Shred-It shredding truck will be at the Laundry Room parking lot at the corner of Main and Highway 75 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5, and will shred your important papers while you watch. No need to remove staples or paperclips. A freewill offering will be accepted for St. Catherine Carmelites fundraiser.

Girl Scouts event Oct. 7

Dakota Horizons Council will host a Girl and Parent Information Night from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 7, at Grand Prairie Events, Luverne, for a fun activity and sign-up for those who decide to join. Call 800-666-2141.

LHS Homecoming coronation Oct. 7

Luverne High School Homecoming coronation will be at 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 7, in the at Luverne Elementary School gym. Admission is \$3 for adults and students. A root beer float reception will follow in the Elementary Commons.

Fire department movie Oct. 7

Luverne Fire Department members will be selling movie tickets door-to-door on Oct. 7 for their annual firemen's show, "The Secret Life of Pets 2" which will be at the Palace Theatre Wednesday through Friday, Oct. 16-18.

Next dental clinic set for Oct. 9

The next dental clinic for children 0-26 is scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 9, at Rock County Health and Human Services. Call 612-746-1530 to schedule an appointment. All forms of insurance are accepted.

'Tables and Tastings' and 'Tour of Tables'

Sanford Luverne Hospice will host its Annual "Tour of Tables" Brunch from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 26, at Grand Prairie Events. A "Tables & Tastings" evening event will be from 4-7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 25, to preview the tables and enjoy complimentary tastings. Sign up for a table, purchase tickets or donate gift baskets by Oct. 14. Call Hospice at 283-1805 with questions or email helen.saum@sanfordhealth.org.

Lunch is served: New general manager joins Bluestem as Luverne restaurant expands hours

By Mavis Fodness

Almost seven years after opening The Bluestem at I-90 and Highway 75, chef Skyler Hoiland is adding lunch to the schedule, thanks to a new general manager on staff.

Ken Dixon of Luverne took over the business side of the restaurant July 2 after several decades in the restaurant industry. He most recently served as general manager of Chuck E. Cheese in Sioux Falls.

Bluestem will begin the 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. weekday lunch service Monday.

Dixon walked into the restaurant 15 months ago inquiring about a part-time cook position, as he explored opening another business in Luverne.

"I love to cook," he said. "But I am more of a numbers guy."

As Hoiland and Dixon discussed restaurant trends and philosophies, they found the chef and the "numbers guy" would make a good team.

Dixon recently married Luverne native Deb Hamann, who wanted to return home to be closer to her parents, Milo and Betty.

Dixon was tiring of corporate restaurant management and was thinking of starting his own business.

And so, "the stars aligned just right," Dixon said about his job at The Bluestem.

'I'm only one person ... I



Mavis Fodness photo/1003 Bluestem General Manager Ken Dixon (left) joined the Luverne's Bluestem restaurant in July as general manager. The move will allow Chef Skyler Hoiland more creativity in the kitchen and expanded hours, such as daily lunch and Monday night dinner.

need to start delegating'

When the previous manager stepped away several years ago in order to spend more time with his young family, Hoiland assumed the general manager duties along with continuing to be the head chef.

Since then, The Bluestem expanded into catering and now employs 42 part- and full-time employees.

Lately, Hoiland said he's been feeling the same pull toward spending more time with his almost 4-year-old daughter.

"I am realizing I am only one person," Hoiland said. "After seven years I need to start delegating a little bit."

Jessie Vande Hoef of Luverne oversees and manages the catering business,

located in its own building on East Main Street.

Hoiland, 29, said he's now excited to return to his true passion of cooking and experimenting with new flavors.

"Change is good, it keeps things more fresh and also keeps my kitchen crew excited about new items," he said.

Dixon understands Hoiland's need to be more creative in the kitchen while balancing family and business demands.

"That's one of the ways we relate," he said. "I see me in him at his age."

With two grown daughters and a grandson, Dixon knows it takes time to operate a business in a small town.

"We want people to talk about Luverne," Dixon said. "If a car stops here, it is good for all of us. We want their experience to be inviting, good quality and good service."

Keeping it fresh

Already Dixon has extended Hoiland's standards by greeting all customers as they enter the building, and having staff recognize first-time customers or those who want to try something new.

"I want people to open their pallets to different tastes," Hoiland said. "Keeping it fresh gets people to come back again."

Lunch will take the restaurant's focus on good service and quality food to a local crowd concerned about time.

Menu items feature quick and easy fare such as \$10 sandwiches and hamburgers, plus a \$12 buffet that changes daily. Prices include tax and a drink.

A Bluestem lunch should be a good experience that can be completed in about 30 minutes, according to Hoiland and Dixon who spent weeks asking customers what they desire in a lunch.

"If we do anything new, we have to nail it," Hoiland said.

The restaurant bar opens at 4 p.m. serving drinks and appetizers with supper service starting at 5 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays.

Palace presents 'Superstar: The Songs, The Stories, The Carpenters' Friday, Oct. 4

By Lori Sorenson

"Superstar: The Songs, The Stories, The Carpenters" will come to the Palace Theatre stage in Luverne at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 4.

The Carpenters had 16 consecutive Top 20 hits during the 1970s with songs like "Close to You," "We've Only Just Begun," "Superstar," "Rainy Days and Mondays" and "I Won't Last a Day Without You."

International vocalist Helen Welch now tours the country with a "documental" that celebrates the music and the story of the brother-sister duo, Richard and Karen Carpenter.

"They succeeded at a time when rock and roll was popular," Welch said. "They were singing ballads when bands like Pink Floyd, Led Zeppelin and the Rolling Stones were popular"

She said their unique sound among the noise



was what made the Carpenters were successful.

"It was wonderful, peaceful, beautiful ..." Welch said. "It was a completely new sound with lush harmony."

She said the Carpenters' music becomes more meaningful when

shared with back-stage stories behind the songs.

"The stories bring the songs to life," Welch said. "We dare you not to sing along."

Tickets are \$25 at the Palace Box Office, 507-283-4339, or online at www.palacetheatre.us.

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by the invited elected officials.

Rep. Rod Hamilton and Sen. Bill Weber renewed their funding efforts for a proposed multi-purpose center to be attached to the city hall at a later date.

A tour by the Capital Improvement Committee will take place next week to familiarize legislators about the Ellsworth project.

"Our goal is to get this project in the final bonding bill," Weber told a crowd of about two-dozen people gathered in the church basement.

Working with the city is a community task force, which is charged by council members to raise the almost \$1 million necessary for the multi-propose facility. A letter campaign of both businesses and individuals will kick off soon.

Chairwoman Rhonda Groen said state bonding dollars will reduce the task force's goal by 50 percent. Results of the bonding bill won't be known until mid 2020.

Until then, the task force's campaign will unfold in phases.

"First we are asking for just a commitment," Groen said.

The council's building committee will meet next week to redesign plans for the new maintenance shop. Previous bids came in over the amount budgeted by the city council.

"We will re-bid the project before the end of the year," said councilman Paul Snyder.



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Beaver Creek council proves tax abatement program for housing

By Lori Sorenson

New homes built in Beaver Creek are eligible to abate property taxes for five years, according to action at the Sept. 18 city council meeting.

Beaver Creek Mayor Josh Teune has been keeping pace with Rock County officials who approved a county-wide housing tax abatement on Sept. 3. Beaver Creek followed suit on Sept. 18.

“It’s for economic growth,” Teune said. “We’re hoping to bring more people to town and to the school district.”

The new housing tax abatement program, effective for new construction started after Sept. 1, is for anyone building a new house in Rock County and it lasts five years, commencing with occupancy. Abatement applications will be accepted until 2024.

The amount of tax savings will vary, depending on the value of construction and the taxing entities involved.

Superintendent Todd Holthaus said Monday that the Hills-Beaver Creek School

Board is also considering the tax abatement program for new housing construction in the district.

Program promotes community investment

A Beaver Creek resident was the first in the county to submit an application for abatement on a new home to be built near the golf course.

According to the Rock County Auditor Treasurer’s Office, the current assessed value of the Beaver Creek lot is \$35,300.

The assessed value of the property after \$498,000 construction is estimated to be \$385,800.

With the abatement process, the homeowner’s property taxes for five years will be based on the original \$35,300 assessment before improvements. The abated amount is \$350,500.

According to current 2019 tax rates, the savings this case are estimated at \$640 per year

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Mavis Fodness photo/1003 Emergency Declaration

Workers with the Rock County Highway Department haul and pack gravel on the shoulder of County Road 8, northeast of Luverne. Floodwaters from the Rock River poured over the roadway Sept. 11 causing shoulder erosion. More than \$283,000 in damages was experienced in the county from the one-day event.

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for the countywide damage total.

Rose Dell Township estimated the most damage at \$35,000 followed by Luverne Township (\$15,000), Denver and Vienna townships (\$10,000 each), Battle Plain Township (\$5,000), Mound Township (\$4,000), Magnolia Township (\$3,000) and Beaver Creek Township (\$1,000).

The city of Luverne tallied \$125,000 in damages and Rock County \$75,000.

With the damage estimate submission, officials with Homeland and Security Management will verify costs before reimbursing the county, city and townships for the infrastructure damage caused by the Sept. 11 event.

H-BC bond sale yields better-than-expected results, taxpayer savings

By Mavis Fodness

Hills-Beaver Creek School Board met in special session Monday night to review the result of an \$8.035 million bond refinance.

Matthew Hammer, a municipal advisor with Ehlers Inc. of Roseville, delivered the results of the Monday’s bond sale to the board.

“We have good news,” He said. “This is really, really good.”

Six companies expressed interest in refinancing the district’s debt.

Hammer said interest was high because the refinance was considered low risk and the underlying credit rating given to the H-BC district by Standard and Poors was an “A+/Stable.”

The credit rating took in account elements outside the district’s control such as enrollment history and the community’s economic base.

“It (the district credit rating) is an attribution to the decisions made by the board and the administration making sure overall that what can be controlled in the district can be controlled and being

controlled well from a financial perspective,” Hammer said.

Interest rates from Monday’s bond refinance sale ranged from 2.1045 to 2.3118 percent.

Northland Securities of Minneapolis submitted the lowest interest bid.

H-BC board members authorized the refinance of the bond at the new lower rate.

The 2.1 percent replaces the original 4 percent interest rate that at the bond’s maturity in 2036 would have climbed to 4.250 percent. The new interest rate reaches 2.250 in 2036.

With interest at almost half its original rate, the district taxpayers save \$1.569 million in interest costs, an additional \$100,000 more than anticipated in August.

The district expects to spend almost \$100,000 less on debt under the new 2021 to 2036 bond payment schedule.

Instead of \$725,000 a year, debt payments drop to \$626,000 for the next 15 years under the new debt service schedule. “It’s going to be a huge win for us,” said board member Dan LaRock.

H-BC Blue Ribbon/continued from page 1

Middle and high schools receiving the honor include Hancock, Montevideo, Eagan and Wayzata.

H-BC Elementary, along with 351 other public and non-public schools named as 2019 Blue Ribbon Schools, will be recognized at a Nov. 14-15 awards ceremony in National Harbor, Maryland.

H-BC will send three people to the event.

“When I was told there are approximately 89,000 elementary schools across the U.S. that could have been selected, it was very humbling and honoring that H-BC Elementary School was one of the few selected as a Blue Ribbon school,” Holthaus said.

Holthaus began H-BC Elementary principal duties in July. Previous principal Jason Phelps is now middle school principal in Luverne.



Submitted photo

Hills-Beaver Creek Superintendent Todd Holthaus announces to elementary students and staff in Beaver Creek Thursday that H-BC Elementary School was selected as a 2019 National Blue Ribbon School.

Since its inception in 1982, more than 9,000 schools across the U.S. have been recognized as National Blue Ribbon Schools.

H-BC Elementary is expected to become a model for other schools, according to the Blue

Ribbon website, with the local education leaders giving presentations at state, regional and professional meetings.

H-BC officials may also be called on to conduct site visits to model their leadership and instructional strategies.

Beaver Creek city levy may increase 5.5 percent

By Lori Sorenson

In other business at the meeting, Beaver Creek council members approved a preliminary levy for taxes payable in 2020.

They set the levy at \$127,000, which would be an increase of \$6,500, or a 5.5 percent increase, over the current levy.

By statute, cities must establish a preliminary levy in September, but it may be lowered (not increased) for the final levy, which is certified in December.

Splash pad seeks funds

The council has been exploring options for a splash pad in the city park near the

ball diamond on the southeast side of town.

At their Sept. 18 meeting, council members discussed funding sources — grants, donation and fundraising events — to support the project.

They’re considering a 20-by-40-foot oval splash pad with timed water jets surrounded by an 8-foot-wide

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increased dialogue about the fact that it’s OK to not be OK,” Nolz said. “That way we can move toward treatment options to be well.”

The monthly classes, free and open to anyone, will each address different components of brain health, with different community professionals spearheading each one.

The first session at 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 7, will feature a personal account of living with depression.

Others will feature medical doctors who will present information on the basics of brain health.

Nolz will speak about coping skills and resiliency; and counselors will address topics like chemical awareness, healthy relationships and mindfulness.

Start conversations early

Meanwhile, a parallel effort is planned for students in

Luverne’s sixth grade.

“The idea is that if we start educating them young enough, they can start having conversations as they get older,” Nolz said.

Working through the school guidance counselor, Nolz sent a letter to sixth-grade parents about the plan.

“The reasons for these educational sessions are vast and include our continued increased statistics on children struggling with mental health conditions such as anxiety and depression,” she wrote.

“It is the hope that these sessions start the conversation and end the stigma of opening up about any struggles our youth may be having. ... It is my personal hope that the message is clear that help is out there and change is possible. We also hope that these topics can assist in keeping kids well.”

The students will learn about brain health during their

Where’s the pork?

Restaurants vie for best pork entrée in Pork Challenge during October

By Lori Sorenson

October is Pork Month, and the Luverne Area Chamber is teaming up with local pork producers and restaurants for the “We Love Pork Challenge” now through Oct. 21.

Similar to the “Love the Burger Battle” with Rock Nobles Cattleman’s Association this spring, the We Love Pork Challenge this fall involves the Rock County Pork Producers and participating chefs.

“Six amazing Rock County restaurants will be serving their delicious pork sandwiches in a battle for the We Love Pork Challenge Trophy,” said Chamber Director Jane Wildung Lanphere.

Participating restaurants include: The Bluestem with its “Smothered Swine” sandwich, Green Lantern and it’s “Big Dad Pork Burger,” Hidden Hills Café and the “Hidden” pulled pork sandwich, Howling Dog and the “Boss Hog,” Sterling’s “Not Your Mother’s Pork Sandwich” and 75 Diner’s “Sweet and Tangy Pork Hoagie.”

When customers order the participating pork entrées between now and Oct. 21, they’ll receive sandwich ballots to fill out and leave with the restaurants when they’re done eating.

The Chamber will collect ballots each week and draw six customer names to win dining gift cards from the participating restaurants.

Ballot results will be tallied weekly and the award winning pork sandwich will be announced at the Ring-neck Reunion Celebration at Take 16 Brewing Company on Oct. 26.

“Table tents will be in

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Vienna Township Board

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One missing letter ... huge embarrassment

As I finish up on 15 years of proofreading here at the Star Herald, I still love my job.



One of the most amusing aspects of my job is to see the many ways that a missed or mistyped letter can potentially get us into trouble.

The first week that I showed up for proofreading at the Star Herald in late September 2004, I came at my job with a great amount of confidence in my abilities. I just knew that I could find every little wrong thing that might otherwise show up in print, because, after all, I had an English major degree from Mankato State.

You can imagine my angst about my job security as a proofreader when I returned to work the second week to peals of laughter from my co-workers and a big sign posted at my work station with the letter “l” underlined in the word “public.”

We had run a letter to the editor in the previous week’s edition (Oct. 7, 2004) in which a lovely Christian woman had lamented the demise of society and was upset that “... now we can no longer display the Ten Commandments in any public place.” I had somehow not seen that the “l” was missing in the word “public.”

Well, after the story raced through the community coffee

LUV MY JOB

By Esther Frakes, copy editor

groups and bridge clubs ... and I had shared it with my family and friends ... the management still kept me on.

That could have been a mistake, because it happened again!

Same word, same letter. Only it happened in my own responses to a questionnaire for the Star Herald just two weeks later when I ran a write-in campaign for Luverne City Council alderman in the fall of 2004.

I had responded that a goal of mine was “...to disseminate accurate information to the public.”

Guess what?! The “l” was missing again in the same word when the newspaper went to print.

That’s when I took matters into my own hands and figured out how to reprogram the computer of the composition editor as well as my own computer so they would not recognize the word “pubic” as correctly spelled and to auto-correct it to “public.”

Since then we think that “l” has never gone missing in the word “public.”

But never say never.

October is Domestic Violence Awareness month

Yoga is one healing approach for victims and anyone experiencing trauma

October is often a busy month with school sports, fall festivals and harvest season upon us. Easily forgotten is that October is Domestic Violence Awareness month.

In the past year, the Southwest Crisis Center in Rock County has provided services for 88 individuals who experienced domestic and sexual violence.

To help bring awareness that domestic violence does happen here in Rock County, the Southwest Crisis Center sponsored a yoga event called Warrior Heart Yoga Night, a one-hour session designed to help everyone find the strength of their warrior heart.

The Southwest Crisis Center takes a trauma-informed approach to our work with those who experience domestic violence. We provide or connect individuals with alternative methods of therapy.

Healing through yoga is one way in which we do that.

We recognize that not everyone processes trauma or heals in the same way. What works for some may not work for everyone so we need to provide a variety of resources.

The Southwest Crisis Center now has three certified yoga instructors on staff throughout our five-county service area.

The benefits of yoga are not limited to survivors of domestic violence.

Bessel van der Kolk, author of “The Body Keeps The Score” and director of the Trauma Center in Boston, says that 80 percent of the population has experienced some kind of trauma in their lives.

“Our studies show that yoga is equally as beneficial, or more beneficial, than the best possible medications in alleviating traumatic stress symptoms.

“In the studies we did involving

GUEST EDITORIAL

By Jennifer Lindsey, Southwest Crisis Center, Luverne



Purple ribbons around the light poles on Main Street Luverne are in honor of October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

neuroimaging of the brain before and after regular yoga practice, we were able to show that the areas of the brain involving self awareness get activated by doing yoga and those are the areas that get locked out by trauma and that are needed in order to heal it,” says van der Kolk.

Individuals who have experienced trauma often become disconnected from their bodies and stress

Southwest Crisis Center can help. All services are free and confidential by calling 800-376-4311, 24 hours/day.

takes its toll in many physical ways.

Although we often think of domestic violence as being physical, living in an emotionally abusive home can have the same traumatizing effect.

Yoga opens people up to connecting the mind and body and encourages feeling safe in your own skin.

The Southwest Crisis Center has provided alternative therapy 53 times to individuals in the past year.

Those who have attended regular yoga sessions have said there is a noticeable difference in their lives and that it has been an essential part of their healing process.

If you have questions about an unhealthy relationship or if you feel you may be experiencing domestic or sexual violence, the Southwest Crisis Center can help. All services are free and confidential by calling 800-376-4311, 24 hours/day.

Jennifer Lindsey serves as the Rock County advocate with the Southwest Crisis Center.

Take quiz to test road safety knowledge

Traffic quiz:

1. It is legal to operate a motor vehicle without a license plate light. **True or False**

2. The use of headphones while driving a motor vehicle is legal as long as the driver has one ear uncovered. **True or False**

3. The maximum bumper height for a private passenger vehicle or station wagon is 20 inches. **True or False**

4. It is legal to drive a pickup with the tailgate down, even if it is empty. **True or False**

5. An unattended vehicle obstructing traffic may be removed by a police officer. **True or False**

6. Animals either ridden or herded are considered traffic while using the roadway for purposes of travel. **True or False**

7. A Minnesota resident can receive a speeding ticket from another state jurisdiction, not pay the fine, and have his/her license in Minnesota suspended until such fines are paid. **True or False**

8. A bottom-dump cargo vehicle transporting gravel must be equipped with wheel flaps that cover the entire width of the vehicle, and have a ground clearance of six inches or less when fully loaded. **True or False**

9. A law enforcement agency can mandate the number of citations that they want their officers to write monthly? **True or False**

10. You can loan your car to someone, even though you know their license is suspended. **True or False**



Answer Key, 1:F 2:T 3:T 4:F 5:T 6:T 7:T 8:T 9:F 10:F

Question: I do not have a remote starter installed on my car. Is it illegal to leave it running while I go inside my house as it warms up and defrosts the windows?

Answer: There is no state law that prohibits leaving your vehicle running, but most cities have local ordinances against it. Check your local city ordinances in reference to this rule.

Leaving your vehicle running unattended is also an invitation for thieves. Just the other day there was an attempt to locate a stolen vehicle that occurred while the owner left the vehicle running unattended. This happens far too often.

There are many vehicle thefts involving unattended vehicles with the keys inside, doors unlocked, and engine running. This makes it very easy for auto thieves to steal your vehicle. Get into the habit of locking your vehicle each time you are going to leave it and take the keys with you.

By following the below tips, you

can reduce your chances of having your vehicle and/or your property stolen.

- Never leave your vehicle running unattended.

- Never leave your keys in the vehicle.

- Always lock your vehicle
- Look at purchasing a remote car starter as most of them have built-in security features while your vehicle is running to prevent the vehicle from being driven.

- Don’t leave valuables in plain sight. Place valuable items in the trunk if you can’t take them with you.

You can avoid a ticket — and a crash — if you simply buckle up, drive at safe speeds, pay attention and always drive sober. Help us drive Minnesota Toward Zero Deaths. 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. (Or reach him at, Troy.Christianson@state.mn.us)

ASK A TROOPER

By Sgt. Troy Christianson, Minnesota State Patrol

VOICE OF OUR READERS

Band Festival Committee: ‘Be proud of what this community has created’

To the editor:

The Tri-State Band Festival Committee salutes the Luverne community for the overwhelming support and participation in the 69th Annual Tri-State Band Festival.

This event would not happen without the involvement, commitment and energy of businesses, organizations and individuals in the tri-state region.

The City of Luverne and the Public Works Department assisted and coordinated the operation of the parade competition.

Superintendent Craig Oftedahl and the staff of Luverne Public Schools (particularly Todd Mann and the custodians) worked on arrangements for the field competition.

Businesses, organizations and institutions financially supported the event through button sales and advertising in the Tri-State Band Festival booklet.

Over 200 community volunteers offered their time and talents.

Minnesota National Guard, Luverne, provided safety, security and organization for the bands on the parade route.

Luverne band director James Jarvie and the Luverne High School Band hosted the 2019 competition. The greatest accolades belong

to the directors and members of the 27 competitive bands, our host band and guest band who participated in the festival. These musicians have spent countless hours in practice to prepare for this festival, and it showed.

We’re especially grateful for Dr. Terry Beckler, the directors and members of the Northern State University Marching Wolves for their exhibition in the parade and on the field. What a great example of excellence you shared.

On a personal level, I so appreciated the Band Festival Committee and staff who have spent the entire year working with me to put together and operate this tremendous community event. It has been an honor for me to serve as your chairperson.

Our community has a 69-year tradition in the operation of this festival. In order to maintain that reputation, it requires the hard work and dedication of everyone.

Be proud of what this community has created.

As planning begins for next year’s event, may that sense of community and partnership be the springboard for a great 2020 Tri-State Band Festival on Saturday, Sept. 26, 70 years strong!

**Dale Nelson, chairman
Tri-State Band
Festival Committee**

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ON THE RECORD

Dispatch report

Sept. 20
•Complainant on Mead Court requests transportation assistance.
•Complainant on W. Dodge Street reported a possible runaway.
•Complainant reported property found in Veterans Park.
•Complainant on E. Veterans Drive reported theft.
•Complainant requested a background check for a liquor license on N. Blue Mound Avenue.
•Complainant reported an accident on W. 1st Street in Hills.
•Complainant on 121st Street requested a deputy to remove subject from property.
•Complainant on N. Lyndale Street requested vehicle unlock.
•Complainant on County Road 4 and 20th Avenue, Manley, reported a two-vehicle accident.
•Complainant on W. Mead Court reported suspicious activity.
•Complainant on Highway 75 and Interstate 90 reported a two-vehicle accident at location with no injuries.
•Complainant on N. Cedar Street requested information on potential court order violation.
Sept. 21
•Complainant in Jasper reported a reckless driver.
•Complainant on 2nd Avenue, Hills, reported loud activity and suspicious behavior.
Sept. 22
•Complainant on Highway 75 and Main Street reported a group of people fighting.
•Complainant in Sioux Falls reported a subject with warrant.
Sept. 23
•Accident on Main and Cedar streets was reported.
•Accident was reported on S. Main Avenue, Hills.
•Driving complaint was reported at location west-bound on Interstate 90, mile marker 20, Magnolia.
•Complainant on Britz Drive reported possible abuse.
•Complainant on 150th Avenue, Hardwick, reported a burglary alarm.
Sept. 24
•Complainant on 141st Street reported a civil issue to law enforcement.
•A driving complaint on County Road 2 and County Road 10 was reported.
•Complainant on N. Kniss Avenue reported a stolen bicycle.
•Complainant requested information for a juvenile runaway out of Mitchell, SD.
Sept. 25
•Driving complaint was reported north bound on Highway 75 near Steen.
•Complainant on Highway 75, mile marker 5, Luverne, reported a two-vehicle collision with no injuries.
•Complainant on N. Kniss Avenue reported a truck went through the crosswalk with kids at location.
•Complainant on 81st Street, Beaver Creek, reported suspicious activity.
•Complainant on W. Main Street reported a marijuana smell from upstairs apartment.
•Complainant reported theft of her front license plate.
•Complainant reported harassment at location.
•Complainant on W. Hatting Street requested property exchange.
Sept. 26
•Complainant on S. Central Avenue reported a suspicious vehicle at location.
•Complainant requested alcohol testing.
•Power outage was reported in area.
•Complainant on N. River Road reported a drive-off.
•Complainant on 211th Street, Hardwick, reported someone is burning buildings.
Sept. 27
•Complainant on W. Warren Street reported suspicious activity.
•Complainant on 71st Street, Beaver Creek, reported a scam call.
In addition, officers responded to 2 complaints of cattle out, 1 deer accident, 3 stalled vehicles, 5 transports, 1 welfare check, 8 escorts, 28 ambulance runs, 5 animal complaints, 2 fingerprint requests, 1 alarm, 5 burn permits, 6 paper services, 6 drug court tests, 5 purchase/carry permits, 33 traffic stops, 15 abandoned 911 calls, and 1 OFP.



Luverne drone enthusiast Ryan Gee shared this image of Luverne's industrial park several weeks ago as Koehn Avenue was being paved to meet Minnesota Avenue to the west. It is a 10-ton road to accommodate industrial growth.

Luverne City Council addresses flood clean-up, industrial park, fuel tanks

By Lori Sorenson

Flood cleanup in the Luverne City Park, Riverside Park and Redbird Field was complete in time for Saturday's Tri-State Band Festival Saturday.

Luverne City Administrator John Call updated council members at their Tuesday night meeting on flood cleanup, costs and details.

The Sept. 11 flooding caused about \$77,000 worth of damage in the parks, considering fence repair, extra labor costs, some grass reseeding and removal of debris.

It's possible that disaster aid will cover about 75 percent of those costs.

Somewhere between 10 and 20 truckloads of sand were hauled out, but that's mild compared with the 300 truckloads hauled in the Father's Day flood of 2014.

Call discussed the difference between the most recent flood and the one in 2014 wasn't the amount of floodwater that came through, but rather the duration the floodwaters remained.

The Sept. 11 waters receded quickly, which meant there was minimal damage to grass and turf.

Old fuel tanks removed at airport

At Tuesday's meeting the council approved a \$25,000 payment to Seneca Companies for removal of the old underground fuel system.

Seneca is the contractor that installed the new Fuel Farm for the Luverne Airport this year.

In the process of removing the old tanks, soil testing revealed a small amount of contaminated soil (five wheelbarrows) that is being disposed of at a certified landfill.

The city will apply to the Department of Health for a \$10,000 grant to help with the cost of the removal of the underground tank.

Paving complete in industrial park

At their Tuesday meeting council members also approved a \$387,000 payment to Henning Construction, Inc. for

recent work on the industrial park expansion.

Over the course of the last few months Henning Construction has been finishing the work for the Industrial Park Expansion;

After installing underground utilities (water, sewer, and storm sewer) during the last construction, Henning has been focused this season on paving Koehn, Dakota, and Minnesota avenues.

The work is approximately 80 percent complete, with the paving sub-contractor planning to finish by the end of September.

The City of Luverne received a \$1.9 million grant from the State of Minnesota to assist in Luverne's \$2.6 million cost of putting all utilities into the Industrial Park, along with all of the paving and curb and gutter on the adjacent streets.

Once the work is complete, the city can submit the expenses for reimbursement.

Community Education offers classes, activities

Register by e-mailing C.Arends@isd2184.net or calling 507-283-4724.

Defensive Driving Refresher on Oct. 4, **Cliffline Climbing** on Oct. 5, **Pottery Class** on Oct. 5, and **Living with Depression, A Personal Account** on Oct. 7.

Fall Time Fun for parents and child 0-5 is Oct. 3 with goats, chickens and kitties, and fall activities. Go home with a pumpkin.

Fee is \$8 per child.

Register now for the local **Cardinal League Basketball** for grades 3-6 (no traveling involved). **Register by October 16.** Fee is \$30 (grade 3) and \$50 (grades 4-6). **Kick-off**

Meeting in November 4.

#Luv1LuvAll's mental health focus group will be offering **Living With Depression, A Personal Account** will be held on **October 7 at 7:00 pm at CE Room 802.** A guest speaker will be sharing his experiences with mental illness and how he overcame severe depression.

His story demonstrates how we can find strength in vulnerability and hope in the darkness.

Please register for this free class. Certificate of attendance forms will be available.

Grades 5-adults will get a basic intro to **Hand Building Clay** on **Oct. 8 and 15.** Fee is \$25, plus

\$5 material fee paid to instructor.

Let the experts simplify the home buying process at the **Doers Welcome class on Oct. 15.**

Learn basic design principals for professional **Flower Arranging on Oct. 22** when you design fall arrangement to take home. Fee is \$35 (includes all materials).

Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE) classes have openings Tuesday evening for parents with children ages 0-5 years, Thursday morning for parents with children ages 1-2 years and Mondays at 8:30 a.m. for infants birth to walking. Classes are held in the preschool rooms.

Library announces activities

Contact the library at rocklibrarystaff@gmail.com or call 507-449-5040 to register for events.

Mah Jongg is from 1 to 3 p.m. Thursdays.

Fall Story Hour for preschoolers ages 4-5, is from 10 to 11 a.m. Thursdays from Sept. 26 through Nov. 21.

Fall Lap Time is 10:30 to 11 a.m. Fridays, Sept. 27 through Nov. 22.

Evening Story Time is from 6:30 to 7 p.m. Tuesdays, Oct. 1 through Nov. 26.

Antiques Appraisal with Mark Moran is at noon Monday, Sept. 30.

Warrior Heart Yoga Night, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 2.

Trivia Night at Take 16 is at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 3.

DIY Book Spine Centerpieces is at 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 24.

Vampire Murder Mystery is at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 29.

Halloween Scary Stories, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 31, at Verhey Pumpkin Patch.

DIY Vinyl Painting is at 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 21.

DIY Book Page Wreaths is at 6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 12.

Library hours are Monday-Thursday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.



Papik picks of the week...



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\$19,990



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It's homecoming time!

Monday kicks off week of activities for both Hills-Beaver Creek and Luverne schools

By Mavis Fodness

Homecoming is a fall ritual in our local school districts and Hills-Beaver Creek and Luverne public schools are each celebrating their homecomings next week.

Each school celebrates homecoming week with daily dress-up days and other activities leading up to the Friday night football game.

H-BC activities begin Monday with coronation ceremonies slated for 7 p.m. in the high school gymnasium.

Master and mistress of ceremonies are Jax Wysong and Eve Burgers.

This year's king candi-

dates are Jaxon Steensma, Parker Gehrke, Kyle Kueter and Easton Harnack.

Queen candidates are Jo-Hannah Ladd, Larissa Kruid, Bryn Mongeau and Josie Bartels.

H-BC's annual homecoming parade is 2:45 p.m. Friday in Hills.

Luverne kicks off its homecoming events Saturday, Oct. 5, with a community pancake supper.

The event is from 5 to 7 p.m. in the high school gymnasium. Cost is \$8 adults and \$5 kindergarten through twelfth-grade students. Proceeds support high school student council events.

Luverne coronation is also 7 p.m. Monday. The event takes place in the elementary gymnasium.

King candidates for Luverne include Isaiah Bartels, Colby Crabtree, Gunnar Oldre, Andrew Wagner and Jordan Winter.

Queen candidates are Claire Baustian, Tacey Baustian, Alexandria Hartman, Alyssa Nattress and Maren Schaap.

H-BC plays Red Rock Central in their homecoming match Friday night. Luverne takes on Sibley East.

Both games start at 7 p.m. Friday at their respective high school fields.



1929: Special train ride planned for Thursday

The following appeared in The Rock County Star on September 20, 1929.

Excursion to Land O' Lakes

Arrangements Made for Special Train to Land O' Lakes Plant in Cities Next Thursday

An opportunity to see the Land O' Lakes Creamery plant in the twin cities at specially reduced rates will be afforded the people of this community Thursday, September 26th, according to an announcement made yesterday by County Agent C. G. Gaylord. Included in the special features arranged for those who will be members of this excursion are the low round trip rate, free dinner at noon, special entertainment on the train, thorough inspection of the Land O' Lakes plant, and time for visiting in the cities.

The round trip fare for this excursion will be \$4.00 from Worthington at which point the excursion train will start on its journey. The train will leave Worthington at 5:15 o'clock Thursday morning and return there at midnight of the same day. The train will leave St. Paul at 7:30 o'clock Thursday evening.

This excursion is being sponsored by the Omaha railroad and by the local creamery units of the Land O' Lakes Association located in the counties of southwestern Minnesota adjacent to the Omaha railroad. An attempt will be made to the trip interesting both coming and going and the Land O' Lakes plant in the cities will be ready to give the visitors a royal welcome.

All those interested in making the trip are requested to leave word to that effect at the Luverne Co-operative Creamery as soon as possible.

Donations to the Rock County Historical Society can be sent to the Rock County Historical Society, 312 E. Main Street, Luverne, MN 56156.



Above: Luverne High School conducts its annual homecoming coronation 7 p.m. Monday in the elementary gymnasium. Candidates include (front from left) Colby Crabtree, Claire Baustian, Tacey Baustian, Isaiah Bartels, (second row) Gunnar Oldre, Alexandria Hartman, Alyssa Nattress, Maren Schaap, Jordan Winter, and (on top of ladder) Andrew Wagner. Mavis Fodness photo

At left: Hills-Beaver Creek High School homecoming coronation takes place 7 p.m. Monday in the high school gymnasium. Homecoming candidates are (front row from left) Jo-Hannah Ladd, Larissa Kruid, Bryn Mongeau, Josie Bartels, (back) Jaxon Steensma, Parker Gehrke, Kyle Kueter and Easton Harnack. Glenda McGaffee photo/1003 HBC Royalty 2019

REMEMBER WHEN

10 years ago (2009)

•The Rock County Sheriff's Department is investigating a string of mailbox vandalisms in the Kenneth, Luverne and Magnolia areas.

Damage reports came in from Wednesday, Sept. 16, to Friday, Sept. 18, and during those three days, 16 mailboxes were vandalized.

On Wednesday, Sept. 16, seven mailboxes were vandalized: four in Luverne, two in Magnolia and one in Kenneth.

Thursday, Sept. 17, two vandalisms occurred, one in Kenneth and one in Luverne.

On Friday, Sept. 18, the last seven complaints were reported from homes in all three areas: five in Luverne, one in Kenneth and one in Magnolia.

As of press time, Sheriff Evan Verbrugge said no suspects had been named.

"These people continue to destroy mailboxes without any sense of ownership or care for someone else's property," Verbrugge said.

"These cases are frustrating because they happen so quickly. By the time (the owners) figure it out, the party is gone."

25 years ago (1994)

•Don Bryan, Hardwick, is recuperating from a long, painful process of having one of his kidneys removed.

Bryan, 47, underwent countless blood tests, had no food or water for three days after surgery, lost 15 pounds, and today still has difficulty laughing or coughing because doctors removed a rib in the process of taking his kidney.

Despite all this, he insists it was a small thing to do for a brother who needed his help. Bryan volunteered to donate one of his kidneys to his brother Dale Bryan, Jasper, who needed the transplant.

"This was a very, very, very minor inconvenience for me compared to what Dale's been through," he said. "When it's someone you care about it's all worthwhile...If it made his life better for two days, it's worth it for me."

The kidney transplant from brother to brother, however, will improve

Dale's quality of life for what the doctor's hope will be many years.

50 years ago (1969)

•The Rev. Larry Love will preach his final message Thursday night at the Rock County Christian Life Crusade series, sponsored by the Rock County Ministerium. The service will be held at Grace Lutheran church at 8 p.m.

The Crusade, which has been held nightly since Sunday, has been drawing large crowds each evening to the interdenominational cooperative emphasis on the Christian life.

Dr. Love, who is pastor of the First Reformed Church, Kalamazoo, Mich., has proven to be a popular speaker with wide appeal. His sermons have emphasized what the Bible says, and have not ventured into the areas of opinions or controversy.

75 years ago (1944)

•The Lincoln hotel, which has been owned and operated by Mrs. Mae Wynn, has been sold to Adolph Axelson, a farmer living north of Luverne. Possession will be given October 22, and Mr. and Mrs. Axelson will operate the hotel business.

Mrs. Wynn said that she planned to move to California to live with their daughter.

100 years ago (1919)

•Four indictments were returned by the grand jury in the regular term of district court, which opened Tuesday. The men indicted are:

Max Burg and C.E. Story, of Sioux City, charged with highway robbery; George Lowe, of Beaver Creek, charged with grand larceny, and William Lunzman, of Denver township, charged with using seditious language in respect with the government of the United States.



See You at the Pole

Students at both Luverne Elementary (above, left) and Luverne Middle-High School (above, right) met at the flagpoles of their respective schools Wednesday morning, Sept. 25, along with thousands of other students around the country for a national "See You at the Pole" time of prayer. The student-led grass-roots movement encourages students to gather briefly before classes on the fourth Wednesday of each September to pray.



Photos courtesy of Rock the Edge

OBITUARIES

Martha S. Nuffer

Martha Lousie Ann was born on July 28, 1935, to the late Felix and Helen Sellen in Luverne.

As a child Martha knew everyone in town and they all knew her by name. As a young girl, her love of dolls grew into a collection of over 1,000 and were of unusual nature. They were often on display and many civic organizations asked her to bring some of them to their meetings to speak about her collection.

Later, she was a champion baton twirler competing throughout the Midwest. She was also the majorette for the Luverne marching band from the 7th through 12th grade. As majorette, she was responsible for placing bands on the parade field during the Tri-State Band Festival. In 1984, the festival honored Martha by naming her a parade marshal.

She attended Loretta Heights Women's College majoring in art and fashion design. Following college, she returned to Luverne to work on the local paper. She was asked to participate in a local beauty contest, won, and continued winning until placing in the Miss Minnesota pageant. She was also named Miss Sioux Empire, a tri-state contest featuring young women from Iowa, Minnesota and South Dakota.

In 1958, she married Fritz Nuffer, an Army second lieutenant. During their 61-year marriage, they enjoyed 26 years of military life living in ten states and twice in Germany. Following their time in the service, they retired to Omaha, Nebraska, where they enjoyed Nebraska and Creighton sports, live entertainment, their many friends, and hosting Christmas parties. Family and friends always looked forward to the annual Christmas party where there was sure to be love and laughter. Martha was a gracious and skilled host.

Martha was an accomplished artist working with oils and clay. She sold over 100 paintings and filled her home with her artwork.



In addition to her work as an artist and sculptor, Martha was a homemaker and taught baton lessons.

As a military wife, she and her family moved a number of times. Despite moving all over the country and even abroad, Martha maintained a broad range of loyal friends and was diligent in keeping those connections.

Along with raising two wonderful sons, Fritz and Steve, Martha also had a passion for dogs, raising numerous well-disciplined companions over her lifetime.

With all the moving Martha always made sure to make her family feel settled as soon as possible. The family knew they were settled in when Mom's artwork was hung and she would say, "We are home." Her family is blessed to have much of her artwork in their homes to remind them of their beloved mother and grandmother and to be able to appreciate her exceptional talent.

Martha was exceedingly proud of her family, most especially her two sons Fritz (Diana) and Steve (Melanie) and her grandchildren Megan, Jordan, Fritz, and Taylor. Her sons both graduated from college, which was one of her lifetime goals.

As a devout Catholic, Martha lived an exemplary life of faith, service and love. As such, the family asks that memorials be given to Elkhorn's St. Patrick Catholic Church. Martha, our love, we miss you so very much.

The family received friends on Monday, Sept. 30, from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the West Center Chapel, 7805 W. Center Road in Omaha, followed by Vigil Service at 6:30 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial was Tuesday, Oct. 1, at 10:30 a.m., St. Patrick Catholic Church-Elkhorn, 20500 W. Maple Rd. Family Entombment: Resurrection Mausoleum.

Arrangements were made by Heafey-Hoffmann-Dworak-Cutler, West Central Chapel, 7805 W. Center Rd. 402-391-3900, www.heafeyheafey.com. (1003 V)

Grace Wassenaar

Grace Wassenaar, 102, of Hills died Wednesday, Sept. 25, 2019, at Tuff Memorial Home in Hills.

A funeral service was Monday, Sept. 30, at Steen Reformed Church in Steen. Burial was in East Side Cemetery in Steen.

Grace Wassenaar was born July 6, 1917, in northwest Iowa to Gerrit and Jenny (Ten Haken) Bosch. She received her education at the District #43 country school. She was raised on a farm in the Luverne area.

On Jan. 24, 1939 she was united in marriage to William Wassenaar at her parents' home near Luverne. They made their home on a farm by Hills where they raised their family. To this union six children were born.

Grace and her husband worked side by side on the farm raising their family until William passed away in 1967 after a brief illness at the age of 58. Grace went to work as a nurse's aide at Tuff Memorial Home in Hills.

Grace was known as a

hard worker in addition to being a kind, devoted mother and grandmother.

She was a lifelong member of the Steen Reformed Church, where she served many years as a Sunday school teacher.

She is survived by her daughters, Gladys (Jerry) Schelhaas of Jasper, Betty (Jerry) Ackerman of Hills, Bonnie (Dave) Shelton of Luverne, and Nelva (Ron) Behr of Hills; 16 grandchildren, two step-grandchildren; 34 great-grandchildren; and eight great-great-grandchildren; sisters-in-law, Vivian Bosch and Mona Rozeboom; nieces, nephews and other extended family members.

Grace was preceded in death by her parents; husband, William Wassenaar; son, Gerrit "Sam" Wassenaar; daughter, Beverly Ann Wassenaar; brothers, William, Dries, Gerald, Marvin and Arth.

Arrangements were provided by Jurens Funeral Home of Hills, jurensfuneralhome.com.



Alma Birchard

Alma Ruth Birchard, 96, Luverne, died Monday, Sept. 30, 2019, at the Sanford Luverne Hospice Cottage in Luverne.

A memorial service will be 11 a.m. Friday, Oct. 4, at Grace Lutheran Church in Luverne, with visitation beginning one hour prior to the service at the church. Burial will be in North Lawn Memorial Park Cemetery in Spencer, Iowa.

Alma Ruth Roskens was born on Nov. 25, 1922, the fifth of six children, to Thomas and Dena (Boyenga) Roskens in Everly, Iowa. Alma was baptized at First Reformed Church near Everly and grew up on the family farm.

She attended school in Everly and graduated from high school in 1940. She received her teacher's certificate from Buena Vista College in Storm Lake, Iowa, and spent four years as a country school teacher.

On Feb. 23, 1949, Alma married Clarence Birchard in Fostoria, Iowa. Over the next years, they would make their home on farms near Fostoria, Everly, Spencer, and Maywood, Iowa, from 1975 to 1983.

Alma was a homemaker for 26 years. She was a housekeeper at New Inn and spent 20 years as a cook at the Spencer Golf and Country Club. Clarence and Alma were living on the family acreage near Everly when Alma officially retired in 2008.

In 2010, Clarence passed away. Alma then returned to Spencer where she would



remain until January of 2019, when she moved to Luverne to be closer to family.

Alma was a charter member of Hope Reformed Church in Spencer, which was founded in 1959. Alma was a hard worker and thrifty by nature. Faith and family were her first priorities. She and Clarence regularly attended their children's high school activities and always found time to take them fishing. Alma was known for her love of ice cream and her enjoyment of March Madness.

Clarence and Alma enjoyed 20 years of wintering in Texas with family and friends. She volunteered at Sunset Apartments in Spencer.

Alma is survived by her three children, John (Linda) of Maple Grove, Vicky (Roger) Henderson, and Larry (Roxanne) of Lowell, Arkansas; five grandchildren, Mark and Todd Henderson, Tom (Ashley) Birchard, Laura (Brennan) Torkelson, and Jason (Alyssa) Birchard; one great-grandchild, Tyler Torkelson; daughter-in-law, Kae B. Loverink of Bend, Oregon; sister-in-law, Linda Birchard of Spencer; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Clarence; a son, Randy Birchard; and all of her siblings and their spouses.

Arrangements were provided by Hartquist Funeral Home of Luverne, www.hartquistfuneral.com.

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Kathleen "Kay" Sehr

Kathleen "Kay" Sehr, 90, Luverne, died Sunday, Sept. 29, 2019, at the Good Samaritan Society - Mary Jane Brown Home in Luverne.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 2, at the Hartquist Funeral Home in Luverne. Funeral will be 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 3, St. Catherine Catholic Church in Luverne. Burial will be in St. Catherine Cemetery, Luverne.

Kathleen "Kay" Louise Rolph was born to Lemuel and Blanche (Chatelle) Rolph on April 17, 1929, at a midwife's home in Luverne. She grew up east of Hardwick in Battle Plain Township. Kay attended District 55 Country School and then attended and graduated from Luverne High School. She furthered her education by attending business school in Minneapolis.

On May 2, 1950, Kathleen was united in marriage to Nicholas Sehr at St. Catherine Catholic Church in Luverne. The couple made their home in rural Magnolia Township southeast of Luverne where they farmed. Kay was a devoted wife, homemaker, and mother to their four children.

In 1964 they moved to an acreage south of Luverne. Nick preceded Kay in death on May 14, 2008. A short time later, Kay moved into a home on Crawford Street in Luverne. In 2015, she moved to the Good Samaritan Society - Mary Jane Brown Home in Luverne.

Kay was a lifetime member of St. Catherine Catholic



Church in Luverne, having been baptized on April 29, 1929, confirmed on June 20, 1943. Kay was also a member of the Extension Club for many years and truly enjoyed vegetable and flower gardening. She and Nick traveled all over the United States and shared many group tours. Two of her favorite activities were ballroom dancing and square dancing. She and Nick attended dances nearly every Saturday evening with the "The Saturday Night Club" couples for over forty years.

Kay is survived by her four children and their spouses, Sue and Bob Ohnsorg, of Chaska, Steve and Becky Sehr, of Luverne, Kathy Sehr and Grant Johnson of Stillwater, and Mark and Reva Sehr of Luverne; eight grandchildren, Jennie (Chad) Killian, Micky (Heidi) Sehr, Paul (Linnea) Ohnsorg, Jeff Sehr, Peter (Ashlea) Ohnsorg, Katie (Eric) Wahlund, Matthew Sehr and Averil Sehr; six great-grandchildren; one sister, Albertine Appel of Ivanhoe; and one brother, Paul (Mryna) Rolph of Benson. She was preceded in death by her husband, Nick; her parents; two sisters, Virginia Kuske and Margaret Kasemodel; and three brothers, Jerome Rolph, Phillip Rolph and Stanley Rolph.

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Luverne pianist receives state award

By Lori Sorenson

Luverne's Dolly Talbert received the Advocate for Choral Excellence Award from the American Choral Directors Association of Minnesota.

"Dolly has given of her remarkable gift of music to many throughout our community," said Luverne choral director Seana Graber, who nominated Talbert for the award.

"Dolly is certainly the heart and soul of our choirs and I am so grateful I have the opportunity to collaborate with her."

Talbert directed Luverne High School's choral department from 1970 to 1993 and has spent her retirement accompanying school music groups and individual student performances, in addition to church and community musical events.

"My gratitude goes to Seana for thinking so much of the small work I do for her and the choirs that I accompany," Talbert said.

"I am so honored to receive the award and can only hope that God allows me to continue to help Seana for a few more years."

Talbert was honored with the ACE award during a banquet last month at St. Olaf College in Northfield where Graber spoke of Talbert's contributions to music.

"When Dolly walks in the choir room, my students are so excited to see her. When she sits down at the piano, I know the magic will begin," said Graber, who is Talbert's former student.

"I love that Dolly will give input on what we are working on and will interact with the choirs during rehearsal. I trust and value Dolly's ideas and opinions and I trust her working with my students. She only wants my students to grow and be successful and that is what I want for my students too."



Dolly Talbert recently received the Advocate for Choral Excellence Award from the American Choral Directors Association of Minnesota. She is pictured in Northfield with Chad Felton, Southwest District Chair for ACDA of Minnesota.

This professional admiration is mutual.

"It has been my pleasure and honor to work with her, especially since she was once my student," Talbert said.

"Now we have come full circle and I am thrilled with what she does with all of her vocal students."

The ACE Award program was first established in 2008, and has recognized 78 noteworthy individuals or advocates within a geographic region for their outstanding contributions to the choral arts within their communities.

Seven advocates from all corners of the state were honored at the 2019 event.

Graber said she was pleased to see Talbert recognized by her peers.

"Dolly is like family to me and I know she means a lot to my students as well," Graber said.

"I love working with Dolly and I am so happy I had the opportunity to recognize the outstanding contributions Dolly has given to my choirs and to our community by presenting the ACE Award to her."

GENERATIONS MENU

Monday, Oct. 7: Beef goulash, green beans, cinnamon apples, bread, pudding. Program: 8:30 a.m. Quilting. 9 a.m. Bone Builders.

Tuesday, Oct. 8: Baked ham with raisin sauce, au gratin potatoes, winter blend vegetables, bread, lime jello with pears. Program: 9 a.m. Half-price Day. Senior Dining board members. 11:15 a.m. Legal aid info.

Wednesday, Oct. 9: Meatloaf with ketchup, mashed potatoes, stewed tomatoes, bread, mandarin oranges. Program: 9 a.m. Bone

Builders. 11:30 a.m. Dietician Ann Busker from Sanford.

Thursday, Oct. 10: Lemon pepper fish, baked potato with sour cream, carrot coins, dinner roll, poke cake. Half Day Sponsor: Family of Loretta Baker. 11:15 a.m. Music by: Ron and Jane Cote.

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The foundation and walls of the new oxidation ditch are poured next to the existing oxidation ditch. This photograph is taken from the north end. Solid waste flows continuously through the unit, which uses forced air and bacteria to break down solids.

Wastewater treatment plant construction project continues

By Lori Sorenson

Gridor Construction, Buf-falo, is working on a \$14 mil-lion upgrade and rebuild of Luverne’s 60-year-old waste-water treatment system. The wastewater plant is being rebuilt, and major components — some that are original to the 1956 plant — are being replaced.

The work is divided into

two major parts.

The first part — to be finished by June 2020, will be primarily utilized by Premium Iowa Pork, which is paying \$6.7 million of the \$14 million project.

The other part of the project, with an estimated completion by November 2020, is to im-prove wastewater treatment capacity for the future growth



A new primary clarifier will join an existing one on the west and south end of the campus, and a 1960s clarifier to the east will be removed. At right, footings are poured for the new splitter box, which takes in wastewater flow and splits it to each of the clarifiers to moderate workload both ways.



of the community.

In all, the project will nearly double the capacity of the city’s current treatment plant capacity.

So far, the foundation and walls of the new oxidation ditch are poured and progress continues on the primary clarifier.

Gridor is also making progress on excavation for the

final clarifier, and footings are poured for the new splitter box.

The wet season has pre-sented issues for this project and others, in that the excavation has encountered high water levels.

To remedy it, Gridor has uti-lized several dewatering wells.



A new 50-by-80-foot building at the wastewater treatment plant will be used to store equipment like the TerraGator, which is used for sludge application.

Love the Pork Challenge/continued from page 3

each restaurant featuring photos of the sandwiches and contest details and will be a reminder to make the rounds and try all of these six great sandwiches,” Lanphere said.

“Encourage your friends, neighbors and family members to take part. All pork sandwich eaters have a chance to win a dining gift card and have fun in the process.”

Follows Luverne’s first ever Burger Battle earlier this year

The Pork Challenge comes on the heels of a locally popular “Love the Burger Battle” earlier this year that was sponsored by the Rock-Nobles Cattle-men’s Association.

Sterling’s received the trophy during the May 30 Buffalo Days Cruise In for its winning burger, the “Southwest Tangler Burger.”

The winning sandwich featured an Angus beef patty, cheddar and pep-per jack cheese, bacon, and southwest haystacks on pretzel bun topped with southwest ranch.

Other participating restaurants were 75 Diner, Green Lantern Bar & Grill, Howling Dog Saloon and The Bluestem.

Lanphere said the total point spread between the five competing burgers was less than .2 percent, making it indeed a burger battle.

More information is available on the Chamber website, www.luvernechamber.com.



Ballot results will be tallied weekly and a trophy will be awarded for the winning pork sandwich during the Ringneck Reunion Celebration at Take 16 Brewing Company on Oct. 26.

Beaver Creek housing tax abatement program/continued from page 3

for five years through the county’s portion of tax abatement.

The savings on Beaver Creek property taxes are estimated at \$2,822 per year for five years through the program.

The combined savings through city and county tax abatements could amount to \$3,462 per year, a total of \$17,310 over five years.

New construction to ease tight housing market

Teune said the council is excited about the tax abatement program and grateful for new investments by families.

“I really hope this gives people another incentive to build here, and to do so in the next few years in order to save some money,” he said.

Teune said the construction investment will free up a current home for sale in a notably tight housing market in Beaver Creek.

“The last four houses listed for sale were sold in two days,” Teune said.

“We have more room for ex-pansion, and the more people we have in Beaver Creek the better.”

Rock County will consider the Beaver Creek application at

an Oct. 22 public hearing, which is a necessary step in the process.

Beaver Creek council will need to set a public hearing as part of its abatement process.

Teune also said that two other parties are considering new con-struction in Beaver Creek, and those, too, could qualify for the tax abatement.

Program offered through Sept. 1, 2024

Applications are available on a first-come, first-served basis and are limited to \$200,000 or 10 percent of the net tax capacity, whichever is greater.

To be eligible, homeowners must pay current property taxes on time and in full and their applica-tions must be approved prior to the start of new housing construction.

Applications are available on-line at www.co.rock.mn.us or at the Rock County Land Records Office.

Signed applications are re-turned to the auditor’s office at the Rock County Courthouse and to Beaver Creek City Hall.

Abatements transfer with prop-erties if they’re sold during the five-year abatement period.

The initiative is available now through Sept. 1, 2024.

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Cardinals notch first BSC win

By John Rittenhouse
The Luverne Cardinal volleyball team posted consecutive wins at different venues last week.
LHS knocked off Worthington in three sets Sept. 24 in Luverne before securing a four-set victory in St. James Thursday.
The 9-9 Cardinals play Martin County West in Trimont Thursday.

LHS 3, St. James 1
The Cardinals evened their season record with a four-set victory in St. James Thursday.
The teams split the first two sets of the night, but the Cardinals notched 25-19 and 25-13 wins in the third and fourth sets to claim the match.
Luverne recorded a 25-18 victory in the first set, but the Saints bounced back to secure a 25-21 win in the second set.
Elise Ferrell (nine kills and 19 digs), Gracie Zewiske (six kills, nine blocks and 18 of 20 serving with two aces) and Tacey Baustian (18 of 18 serving and 25 set assists) made key contributions to the winning effort.
Mallory Thorson charted 14 blocks and Alyssa Nattress recorded 14 digs for the Cards.

Luverne 3, WHS 0
The Cardinals picked up their first Big South Conference win of the year when they swept the Trojans in Luverne Sept. 24.
Luverne posted a pair of comfortable wins in the opening sets before pulling out a two-point victory in the finale to complete the sweep.
The Cardinals got off to a fast start in the first set by scoring the first three points on the way to opening a 12-3 lead



John Rittenhouse photo/1003 lvb 4
Luverne senior Mallory Thorson pushes the ball over the net during a home victory over Worthington Sept. 24. It was the first Big South Conference win of the year for LHS.

after Trista Baustian delivered an ace serve.
LHS proceeded to pad the lead to 12 points (21-9) when Zewiske registered a kill before completing a 25-13 win.
Worthington sported a pair of two-point leads in a second set that was eventually deadlocked at 13.
LHS put together an 11-1 run ending with an ace tip by Trista Baustian to open a 24-14 lead and prevailed 25-

15 after Thorson produced a set-ending kill.
The Trojans scored the first six points of the third set and led 17-9 as the contest progressed.
Luverne countered with a 13-4 run ending with an ace serve by Morgan Gonnerman to gain a 22-21 edge.
The teams exchanged points as the set continued before Luverne closed out a 27-25 win with an ace tip by Thorson.

Thorson (16 digs, eight kills and six blocks), Tacey Baustian (nine digs, 17 set assists and six blocks), and Zewiske (eight kills, nine blocks and 13 of 14 serving with three aces) led the Cardinals statistically.
Trista Baustian charted nine set assists, Ferrell registered seven kills and Gonnerman completed all eight of her serves and recorded three aces for the winners.

Girls win title at St. James Invitational

By John Rittenhouse
The Luverne girls' cross country team captured its second consecutive meet title during an outing in St. James Sept. 24.
Competing at the St. James Invitational, Luverne topped a six-team field with a 33-point performance.
Fairmont placed second with 41 points.
Tenley Nelson led the Cardinals by claiming the individual title with a time of 19:06.
Regan Feit and Brooklynn Ver Steeg placed fifth and ninth with respective 20:33 and 21:11 times, while Jenna DeBates and Elizabeth Wagner tied for 10th place with 21:20 efforts.
Grace Ingebretson (17th in 22:51), Kayla Bloemendaal

(18th in 23:17), Tiana Lais (26th in 23:41), Claire Baustian (52nd in 28:49.2) and Madigan Flom (53rd in 28:49.3) also ran in the varsity race.
The Cardinal boys were unable to complete the varsity race.
The event did start, but lightning and hail forced the race to be cancelled shortly after it began.
Here is a look at the rest of Luverne's results at the meet.

Junior high girls: Makena Nelson, third, 8:57; Maria Rops, fifth, 9:11; Andrea Luitjens, 21st, 12:10.

Junior high boys: Sage Viessman, fourth, 7:43; Ryan Fick, fifth, 7:47; Evan Bumgardner, 10th, 7:57; Owen Janiszeksi, 12th, 8:00; Levi Gonnerman, 19th, 8:38; Leif Ingebretson, 20th, 8:48; Matthew Rogers, 23rd, 9:09; Kaleb Hemme, 25th, 9:14.

Patriots pummel W-WG

By John Rittenhouse
The Hills-Beaver Creek football team bounced back from taking its first loss of the season by routing Westbrook-Walnut Grove Friday in Westbrook.
One week after falling out of football's unbeaten ranks in Mountain Lake, H-BC regained its winning form by hammering the Chargers 47-8.
Junior quarterback Gavin Wysong led the onslaught by running for 243 yards and five touchdowns.
Junior tailback Tyson Bork added 119 rushing yards and two touchdowns.
Although H-BC won the game handily, Patriot coach Rex Metzger wasn't completely satisfied with an effort that included three turnovers.

"I thought we played a sloppy game," said H-BC's mentor.
"We didn't have a lot of flow, but we did make some big plays offensively. I think we did get better in a few areas on defense. Overall, I guess we did take a big step forward in getting better."
The Patriots assumed control of the contest by producing touchdowns with their first five offensive possessions of the game to open a 33-0 halftime advantage.
Gavin Wysong set the tone by registering three rushing touchdowns in the opening quarter.
After H-BC forced W-WG to punt three plays into the game,

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John Rittenhouse photo/1003 tennis 2
Luverne's Mia Wenzel posted a win at four singles during Monday's 6-1 tournament victory over United South Central.

Tennis team reaches Section 3A semifinals

By John Rittenhouse
The Luverne Cardinals reached the semifinal round of the Section 3A Team Tennis Tournament by posting a home win Monday.
The fourth-seeded Cardinals entertained No. 5 United South Central for a quarterfinal-round clash.
Luverne earned the right to play another day by securing a 6-1 victory over the Rebels.
The win sends the 14-4 Cardinals to St. Peter on Thursday, where they will compete against No. 1 Blue Earth Area in semifinals at 9 a.m.
Luverne went 3-0 in doubles and claimed three of the four singles matches during Monday's victory.
Five of the six wins came in straight sets.
Solveig Tofteland and Lauren Ver Steeg saddled USC's Olivia Schwartz and Kelsie Chapman with 6-2 and 6-3 setbacks at second doubles, while Olivia Wieneke and Jacey Smith nailed down 6-1 and 6-4 victories over Maya Zebro and Brooklyn Yokiel at No. 3.
Luverne's Brynn Thier and Mela Jarchow pulled out a three-set win (4-6, 6-2, 6-2) over Alyson Swenson and Lauren Zebro at first doubles.
Claiming singles wins for LHS include Rozilyn Oye (6-3, 6-3 over Daylyn Huper at No. 1), Ainslie Robinson (6-3, 6-3 over Trinity Seedorf at No. 3) and Mia Wenzel (6-4, 6-1 over Sarah Mantor at No. 4).
USC's win came from Delaney Weber, who handed Elise Jarchow 6-1 and 7-5 losses at second singles.

Dragons spike Wolverines, E-Gals in RRC play

By John Rittenhouse
The Adrian volleyball team keeps rolling along after posting a pair of Red Rock Conference wins last week.
The Dragons swept Southwest Christian in Edgerton Sept. 24 before taking down Mountain Lake Area in Adrian Thursday.
Adrian, 17-0 overall, hosts Pipestone Thursday.

Adrian 3, MLA 0
The Dragons posted their 17th consecutive win when they swept a three-set match from the Wolverines in Adrian Thursday.
Adrian faced deficits in two of the three sets, but that didn't keep the Dragons from outscoring MLA 75-46 overall in a 3-0 victory.
AHS scored the first six points of the match and led 9-2 when Marissa Lehnhoff registered a kill in the opening set.
MLA scored the next four points to make it a 9-6 difference, but the Dragons countered with a 12-2 run ending with a service point from Julia Bullerman to open a 21-8 lead.
Bullerman capped a 25-13 win for AHS with a set-ending kill.
The second set featured 10 deadlocks before Adrian's Kasie Tweet recorded a service point to cap a 6-0 surge that gave the hosts a 19-13 advantage.
MLA closed the margin to two points (19-17), but AHS registered the next eight points to win 25-17 after Lehnhoff delivered a service point.
The Wolverines led 4-2 early in the third set before AHS moved in front 11-10.



John Rittenhouse photo/1003 avb 8
Adrian's Julia Bullerman came off the bench to record eight kills during Thursday's 3-0 home win over the Mountain Lake Area Wolverines. It was Adrian's 17th win of the season.

Adrian assumed control of the contest by going on a 13-3 run ending with a block from

Lehnhoff to open a 24-13 lead. The Dragons prevailed 25-16 when Bullerman recorded the

final kill of the night.
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Adrian places fifth in Redwood Falls Thursday

By John Rittenhouse
The Adrian girls' cross country team turned in a fifth-place performance at the Redwood Valley Invitational Thursday in Redwood Falls.
The Dragons turned in a 137-point effort to place fifth in a six-team field.

RWV claimed the team championship with 40 points. Moriah Bullerman led the Dragons by placing third with a time of 20:26.
Hiltyn Heitkamp (23rd in 23:16), Gracia Elias (32nd in 24:09), Taya Elias (43rd in 25:41) and Alysha Wieneke

(55th in 28:16) also made contributions to Adrian's team tally.
Two AHS boys competed at the varsity level at the event.
Dylan Graff and Ky Rupert placed 25th and 75th with respective 19:37 and 25:24 efforts.

The Dragons run at the Luverne Invitational Thursday.
Here is a look at the rest of Adrian's results from Thursday's meet.
Junior high boys: Bruce Farinella, 11th, 11:41; Cam Hinsch, 32nd, 16:21.

Panthers sweep Flying Dutchmen for first conference conquest

By John Rittenhouse
The Ellsworth volleyball team split a pair of Red Rock Conference matches last week.
The Panthers fell in three sets to Murray County Central in Slayton Sept. 24 before sweeping a three-set decision at Edgerton Public School Thursday.
Ellsworth, 6-9 overall, hosts Westbrook-Walnut Grove Thursday.



Chapa

Ellsworth 3, Edgerton 0
The Panthers registered an RRC victory when they swept the Flying Dutchmen in Edgerton Thursday.
Ellsworth outscored Edgerton 75-61 overall and increased its margin of victory with every set.
The Panthers prevailed by 25-22, 25-21 and 15-18

tallies.
Kallie Chapa (15 of 15 serving, 10 digs and six kills) and Morgan Dreesen (12 of 12 serving and 20 set assists) played well for the winners.
Claire Popkes (14 of 14) completed all of her serves as well.

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Wysong raced 36 yards for a touchdown during H-BC's second offensive play.
Chase Bosch added his first of five extra points following the touchdown to make it 7-0.
W-WG's next two offensive possessions stalled on downs, leaving Wysong with two more opportunities to score in the first quarter.
The Patriot quarterback scored on a 47-yard run during the second play of H-BC's second offensive possession before capping a 67-yard drive with an 11-yard scamper late in the first quarter to make it 20-0.
H-BC padded its lead to 33 points by scoring twice in the third quarter.
The Patriots moved the ball 70 yards after fielding a punt with Wysong capping a four-play series with a 56-yard run that upped the lead to 26-0.

H-BC defender Cole Baker recovered a fumble on the W-WG 40-yard line as the second quarter progressed.
Six plays later, Bork found the end zone at the end of a three-yard run to cap the scoring in the first half.
H-BC lost fumbles to end its first and third offensive possessions of the second half.
Bork, however, raced 62-yards for a score during the second possession to cap a 40-point run for the Patriots.
H-BC's second fumble of the second half, which happened during a punt return situation, gave W-WG the ball on the Patriots' four-yard line.
Charger Jace Paplow scored on a one-yard run moments later and a successful conversion pass following the touchdown trimmed the difference to 32 points (40-8).
H-BC answered the chal-

lenge during the second play of its next offensive possession when Wysong capped his five-touchdown effort with a 77-yard burst.
The 4-1 Patriots host 3-2 Sleepy Eye St. Mary's Friday in Hills.
Team statistics
H-BC: 380 rushing yards, 100 passing yards, 480 total yards, 10 first downs, four penalties for 25 yards, three turnovers.
W-WG: 51 rushing yards, 75 passing yards, 126 total yards, eight first downs, one penalty for five yards, two turnovers.
Individual statistics
Rushing: G. Wysong 8-243, Bork 10-119, Liam Raymon 2-11, Oliver Deelstra 2-10, Dewell Rauk 1-minus 3.
Passing: G. Wysong 6-9 for 100 yards.
Receiving: Bryce Bennett 2-39, Easton Harnack 1-30, Bosch 2-16, Zander Wysong 1-14.
Defense: G. Wysong 10 tackles, Bosch nine tackles, Bennett four tackles, Parker Gehrke three tackles, Bork nine tackles and one interception, Baker four tackles and one fumble recovery, Casey Kueter five tackles, Tory Knobloch three tackles, Z. Wysong eight tackles, Andrew Harris four tackles, Donovan Leenderts four tackles.

Fairmont doubles up Luverne

By John Rittenhouse
A gifted Fairmont football team led by a sophomore quarterback handed Luverne its second setback of the season Friday at Cardinal Field.
Fairmont, a team that reached the Minnesota State Class AAA championship game in 2018, proved it will be the squad to beat when the Section 3AAA playoffs later this fall.
Fairmont raced to a 27-12 lead in the game's first half and outscored LHS 13-8 in the second half to secure a 40-20 victory over the Cardinals.
Quarterback Zach Jorgensen played a key role in the game for FHS.
The sophomore sensation threw for three touchdowns and ran for two more to help his team double up LHS.
It didn't take Fairmont long to make its presence known during the clash.
The visitors received the game's opening kickoff and promptly moved the ball 70 yards in seven plays.
The drive ended with Jorgensen tossing a five-yard touchdown pass to Blake Buntjer to give FHS a 6-0 cushion 3:28 into the contest.
Luverne answered the challenge with its second offensive possession.
The Cardinals covered 55 yards in six plays during a series that ended with junior quarterback Bailey Cowell delivering a five-yard touchdown pass to Isaiah Bartels that knotted the score at six with 2:48 remaining in the opening quarter.
It took Fairmont 1:32 to regain the lead.
Following a 48-yard kickoff return by Gavin Rodning, FHS had the ball on Luverne's 32.
Four plays later, Jorgensen scored on a six-yard run and Jack Hestad added his first of four extra points following the touchdown to make it a 13-6 game.



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Luverne senior Matthew Sehr collects one of his four pass receptions during Friday's 40-20 home loss to Fairmont.

The first of four LHS turnovers enabled Fairmont to increase the lead to 13 points (20-7) early in the second quarter.
LHS attempted a pass on the fifth play of its third offensive possession that was picked off by Fairmont's Wyatt Frank at the FHS 21.
Frank returned the interception 79 yards for a touchdown 48 seconds into the second stanza.
According to Cardinal coach Todd Oye, Frank's big play turned the game into Fairmont's favor.
"It was a big swing in their favor when they came up with that pick six," Oye said.
"It was an unbelievable play by that kid. We were never able to come up with a big stop on defense after

that."
The Cardinals did climb back into contention late in the first half, when LHS forced FHS to punt.
Luverne's offense covered 64 yards in 12 plays with Cowell capping the drive with a 16-yard touchdown run that made it a 20-12 game with 1:45 left in the second quarter.
Fairmont, however, extended the difference to 15 points (27-12) before the first half was complete.
Following a 42-yard kickoff return by Rodning, the third play of Fairmont's next offensive possession yielded a 34-yard touchdown pass from Jorgensen to Cale Steuber with 30 seconds left in the second stanza.
LHS took advantage of a Fairmont mistake to trim the differ-

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Wabasso Rabbits blank Adrian-Ellsworth gridders Saturday afternoon

By John Rittenhouse
The Adrian-Ellsworth football team walked into an ambush Saturday in Wabasso.
Playing the Rabbits in a rare afternoon contest that was Wabasso's Homecoming game, the Dragons came up on the losing end of a 34-0 decision.
"We just didn't show up ready to play and it was evident from the opening kickoff until the game was over," said A-E coach Randy Schettler.
"They were one step ahead of us the entire game and we never found any momentum.

They were mentally and physically better than we were Saturday, and it turned into a good, old-fashion butt-kicking and we were on the wrong side of it."
It didn't take long for the Dragons to find out it might not be their day to shine.
A-E shanked the game's opening kickoff out of bounds, giving the Rabbits the ball at the Adrian 49-yard line.
Wabasso quarterback Carter Bentz scored on a one-yard run four plays later and Matt Evink kicked his first of four

extra points following the touchdown to make it a 7-0 game 1:24 into the contest.
The Rabbits proceeded to register two more touchdowns in the first quarter to open a commanding 20-0 lead.
After fielding an A-E punt, Wabasso's third offensive possession turned into a five-play, 65-yard march.
Bentz fired a 19-yard touchdown pass to Will Carlson at the end of the series, making it 13-0 with 1:58 remaining in the opening stanza.
The Dragons were forced to

punt again late in the quarter, but Wabasso's Tyler Bliss blocked the kick and recovered the ball on the AHS 28.
Rabbit Nick Marotzke raced 28 yards for a touchdown during the next play to give the hosts a 20-point cushion with 17 seconds left in the quarter.
The score remained 20-0 entering the third quarter, when A-E started to move the ball during its opening possession before losing a fumble on the Wabasso 33.
The Rabbits took the field and moved the ball 67 yards

in five plays with Bentz hitting Marotzke for a six-yard touchdown pass to up the lead to 27-0 with 1:28 remaining in the third quarter.
A-E lost the ball on downs on the Dragons' 40-yard line early in the fourth quarter.
Wabasso's Lance Wagner found the end zone on a two-yard run four plays later to cap the scoring with 8:16 left to play.
The 3-2 Dragons host New Ulm Cathedral Friday.
Game time is 3:30 p.m. in Adrian.

Team statistics
Adrian: 98 rushing yards, 13 passing yards, 111 total yards, six first downs, eight penalties for 50 yards, two turnovers.
Wabasso: 174 rushing yards, 116 passing yards, 290 total yards, 12 first downs, three penalties for 15 yards, zero turnovers.
Individual statistics
Rushing: Brandon Schnoor 22-85, Logan Taylor 3-23, Andrew Bolluyt 4-6, Ian Stamer 2-5, Carson Wolford 1-2, Rilee Heidebrink 1-0, Isaac Bullerman 1-0, Quentin Wolf 1-0.
Passing: Stamer 1-14 for 13 yards.
Receiving: Brady Vortherms 1-13.
Defense: Taylor nine tackles, Preston Nelson nine tackles, Wolf seven tackles, Lance Luettel seven tackles, Bullerman three tackles, Vortherms three tackles.





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There's an app for that

In the 1980s, I had 12 different plat books that served as treasure troves of published property owners in counties where I hunted and it even had some of their phone numbers.

Back then I was hunting in Minnesota, Iowa, South Dakota and North Dakota, and I had a list of over 60 landowners with whom I had permission to hunt on their property.

We would race from spot to spot hunting roosters when there were, for all practical purposes, none to be found.

A good old plat book is still a good way of finding out who owns what and how to make contact with property owners, but there's a new way to get this information. It's a phone app called OnX.

I had this same great idea many years ago to come up with a digital plat book that could be downloaded on my phone.

The idea was that as I was driving around, if I found a good spot, I could ask permission right on the spot.

OnX takes that about 100 steps further and, in addition to land owner names and contact information, it includes things like all the public lands in the United States and a complete overlay of trails for off-roading.

I now use this app when traveling in the Black Hills, the sand hills of Nebraska and just about anywhere else I might travel.

A friend showed me how to use the map layers to see topography, terrain and, of course, all the creeks and streams that are present.

When hunting public lands in any state you can zoom in the parcel and see if it has a food plot. When hunting in unfamiliar territory, some of these spots



OUTDOORS

By Scott Rall, outdoors columnist

are 600 to 1,000 acres in size, you can see where the food plots are and skip those sites that don't have one.

One year in South Dakota we would only find roosters in the public lands that had a food plot and all the birds were right in those areas.

It has become an indispensable tool for the serious hunter. All of the property boundaries are all marked and it shows your location with a blue dot, so you can make sure you are never in the wrong spot.

The Pheasants Forever video crew and I shot a short video last fall that is now airing on the National Pheasants Forever website about the Minnesota Walk in Access Program.

It's titled "5 States 5 Programs, One Mission, Minnesota Episode 1." Check out the video and then check out the OnX map app for your phone.

The cost is \$39 per year for an individual state or \$99 per year for the whole Unites States.

It's a lot better than a pile of plat books under the seat in the truck and is constantly being updated. I feel it is the best phone-mapping app in its space. I will never be without it.

It will make you a more efficient hunter and with only a certain number of days in the field each year you need to make every outing count.

Scott Rall, Worthington, is a habitat conservationist, avid hunting and fishing enthusiast and is president of Nobles County Pheasants Forever. He can be reached at scottarall@gmail.com. or on Twitter @habitat champion.

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ence to seven points (27-20) late in the third quarter.

LHS senior Jacob Von Tersch intercepted a pass on the Cardinals' 47-yard line.

Luverne's offense covered 53 yards in three plays during the ensuing possession, which ended with reserve quarterback Casey Sehr firing a 14-yard touchdown pass to Von Tersch.

A successful Sehr-to-Colby Crabtree conversion pass followed the touchdown, making it a seven-point difference with 2:52 remaining in the third quarter.

Fairmont settled the issue on the third play of its next offensive possession, when Jorgensen hit Steuber for a 17-yard touchdown pass to make it a 33-20 game with 1:21 left in the third quarter.

LHS lost the ball on downs at the Cardinal 40-yard line early in the fourth quarter, which helped put the game out of reach when Jorgansen scored on an eight-yard run with 7:38 left to play.



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Luverne senior Colby Crabtree wraps up Fairmont's Cale Steuber before making a tackle during the second half of Friday's football game at Cardinal Field.

"We have a young team and we are making some mistakes,

but I think we are improving," Oye said.

"We just need to stop turning the ball over offensively and start making some stops defensively so we can get off the field. We also have to start making our extra points and stop giving up big returns on special teams."

The 3-2 Cards play Tri-City United in Montgomery Friday.

Team statistics
Luverne: 184 rushing yards, 161 passing yards, 345 total yards, 19 first downs, six penalties for 55 yards, four turnovers.
Fairmont: 143 rushing yards, 157 passing yards, 300 total yards, 15 first downs, four penalties for 45 yards, two turnovers.

Individual statistics
Rushing: LaShad Smith 14-86, Cowell 10-56, Ashton Sandbulte 4-13, Braydon Ripka 2-10, Matthew Sehr 1-8, C.Sehr 2-6, Zach Kruse 1-3, Trevor Halverson 1-2.
Passing: Cowell 8-17 for 125 yards, C.Sehr 5-11 for 36 yards.
Receiving: M.Sehr 4-60, Smith 2-47, Crabtree 2-20, Von Tersch 1-14, Gannon Ahrendt 1-13, Bartels 1-5, Cowell 2-2.
Defense: Jamie McCarthy 4.5 tackles, Crabtree four tackles, Nathan Nekali four tackles, Nathaniel Cole-Kraty 3.5 tackles, Zach Ahrendt three tackles, M.Sehr one fumble recovery, Von Tersch one interception.

Cardinals race against Class AA teams Saturday

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne cross country squads took the course at the Willmar Invitational Saturday.

Competing in fields consisting of mostly Class AA teams, the Cardinal girls placed seventh out of nine teams and the LHS boys finished ninth in a 10-squad field.

West Fargo, North Dakota, won the girls' team crown with 65 points. Hopkins won the boys' team title with 49 points.

The LHS girls, who com-

piled 133 points, received a fifth-place finish from Tenley Nelson. Nelson completed the course in 19:39.

Regan Feit (20th in 20:58), Jenna DeBates (25th in 21:03), Brooklynn Ver Steeg (33rd in 21:59) and Kayla Bloemendaal (55th in 23:01) made contributions to Luverne's team tally.

Mekena Nelson and Tiana Lais placed 65th and 67th with respective 24:25 and 25:22 efforts.

Brayden Tofteland led the

charge for an LHS boys' team that turned in a 231-point effort by placing 14th in 17:23.

Camden Janiszeski (52nd in 19:02), Jonah Friedrichsen (57th in 19:19), Brady Bork (58th in 19:27) and Ethan Curtiss (63rd in 19:51) capped the scoring for LHS.

Brody DeBates placed 65th in 20:10 without impacting the scoring.

The Cardinals host the Luverne Invitational Thursday. Here is a look at the rest of

Luverne's results.

Junior varsity boys: Camden Hoven, 102nd, 20:58; Graham Cunningham, 131st, 21:59; Sam Emery, 153rd, 23:10; Nicholas Rogers, 179th, 27:20.

Junior high girls: Maria Rops, 15th, 14:29; Andrea Luitjens, 47th, 17:27.

Junior high boys: Sage Viessman, 12th, 12:05; Ryan Fick, 15th, 12:11; Evan Bumgardner, 17th, 12:18; Owen Janiszeski, 21st, 12:28; Lelf Ingebretson, 40th, 13:20; Levi Gonnerman, 55th, 13:53; Matthew Rogers, 62nd, 14:16; Eli McLendon, 69th, 14:31; Kaleb Hemme, 80th, 15:00. Luverne placed third in a six-team field led by Wayzata (18 points) with 86 points.

Patriots register set wins over RRC Falcons

By John Rittenhouse

The Hills-Beaver Creek volleyball team was in a position to post a Red Rock Conference win Sept. 24 in Hills.

The Patriots, unfortunately, couldn't complete the deal.

H-BC took two of the first three sets during a match

against Red Rock Central, but the visiting Falcons prevailed in the final two sets to notch a 3-2 victory.

The Patriots notched 25-20 and 25-23 wins in the first and third sets, with RRC taking the second set by a 25-10 tally.

The Falcons evened the

match by securing a 25-15 win in the fourth set before winning the finale 15-12.

Kenadie Fick (12 digs and 19 of 19 serving with one ace) and Whitney Elbers (13 kills and four blocks) led H-BC statistically.

Joslyn Birger (16 of 16 serv-

ing), Kailey Rozeboom (23 set assists), Annie Bos (eight set assists), Abby Knobloch (10 kills) and Taryn Rauk (13 digs) also played well for the 6-10 Patriots, who host conference foe Murray County Central Thursday.

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Lehnhoff (14 of 15 serving with two aces, eight digs and 12 kills), Shawna Rogers (23 of 23 serving with one ace and seven digs) and Kasie Tweet (14 of 15 serving with two aces and 13 digs) led the Dragons to victory.

Kendra Frodermann and Bailey Lonneman led AHS with 12 kills, while Bullerman chipped in eight.

Mayssa Tweet and Jayden Zebe contributed 20 and nine digs respectively to the win-



Kendra Frodermann

ning cause.

Adrian 3, SWC 0

The Dragons kept their perfect season intact by sweeping a three-set match from the E-Gals in Edgerton Sept. 24.

Adrian had its way with the hosts by rolling to 25-14 and 25-16 victories in the opening sets.

SWC put up a better fight in the final set, but the Dragons came out on the winning end of a 27-25 decision.

Mayssa Tweet (24 digs and nine of nine serving with one ace) and Kasie Tweet (10 digs, 31 set assists and 14 of 16 serving with two aces) turned in strong efforts.

Lonneman (nine kills), Lehnhoff (nine kills), Brianna Reckamp (eight kills), Rogers (seven digs) and Morgan Neuenberg (eight of eight serving with one ace) emerged as key contributors as well for the winning Dragons.

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Luverne Christian Reformed Church
605 N. Estey St., Luverne
Office Ph. 283-8482; Prayer Line Ph. 449-5982
www.luverncrc.com — office@luvernecrc.com
Roger Sparks, Pastor
Sunday, Oct. 6: 9:30 a.m. Worship service. 11 a.m. Sunday School. 6:30 p.m. Evening worship service. Monday, Oct. 7: 9 a.m. Perk-Up — Lyn Care Center (Rock Rapids). Tuesday, Oct. 8: 9 a.m. Coffee break/story hour. Wednesday, Oct. 9: 7 p.m. Youth group.

First Baptist Church
1033 N. Jackson St., P.O. Box 975, Luverne
Ph. 283-4091; email: fbcluv@iw.net — www.fbcluverne.org
Walt Moser, Pastor
Thursday, Oct. 3: 6 a.m. Men's Bible Study. 1 p.m. Roll bandages for Zambia at FBC — all are welcome. 8 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3. Sunday, Oct. 6: 9:15 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship Service with Holy Communion. 6 p.m. Worship Service. Tuesday, Oct. 8: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study. 7 p.m. Deacon meeting. Wednesday, Oct. 9: 6:30 p.m. Awana/crazy hair night. Thursday, Oct. 10: 6 a.m. Men's Bible Study. 1 p.m. Roll bandages for Zambia at FBC — all are welcome. 8 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3.

Grace Lutheran Church
500 N. Kniss Ave., Luverne
Ph. 507-283-4431; www.graceluverne.org — graceluverne@iw.net
Ron Nichols, Pastor / Ann Zastrow, Associate Pastor
Thursday, Oct. 3: 8:30 a.m. Missions in Action. 1:30 p.m. Endowment Meeting. Friday, Oct. 4: 6:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Saturday, Oct. 5: 5:30 p.m. Worship Service with Holy Communion. Sunday, Oct. 6: 8:15 a.m. KQAD Radio Broadcast. 9 a.m. Worship Service with Holy Communion. 10 a.m. Fellowship coffee/treats. 10:15 a.m. Adult study and Sunday School. 6:30 p.m. Marriage Session. Monday, Oct. 7: 4:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Tuesday, Oct. 8: 9 a.m. Staff meeting. 6:45 p.m. Ministry meetings. 8 p.m. PPC meeting. Wednesday, Oct. 9: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study. 3:30 p.m. Faithweavers. 5:30 p.m. Supper for confirmation students. 6:30 p.m. Woven Worship with Holy Communion. 7:15 p.m. Chancel choir rehearsal; 7:15 p.m. 6-9th grade Confirmation. 7:45 p.m. 10th Grade Confirmation. Thursday, Oct. 10: 8:30 a.m. Missions in Action.

Bethany Lutheran Church
720 N. Kniss Ave., Luverne
Ph. 507-283-4571 or 507-449-0291 or 605-215-9834
pastorapalmquist67@yahoo.com
Sunday, Oct. 6: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 9:15 a.m. Bible Class. 10:15 a.m. Worship Service. Wednesday, Oct. 9: 3:30 p.m. No Catechism class. Thursday, Oct. 10: 2 p.m. Ladies Aid.

American Reformed Church
304 N. Fairview Dr., Luverne
Ph. 283-8600; email: office@arcluverne.org
Mike Altena, Pastor
Thursday, Oct. 3: 5:30 p.m. Tumbling Tikes. Friday, Oct. 4: 6:30 a.m. Community Men's Bible Study. 4:30 p.m. REFIT Fitness. Saturday, Oct. 5: 1 p.m. Multi-purpose room reserved. Sunday, Oct. 6: 9:30 a.m. Worship Service. 10:50-11:50 a.m. Family Education. Monday, Oct. 7: 7 p.m. Esther Circle. Tuesday, Oct. 8: Noon staff meeting. 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. Bible Study Fellowship. 6:30 p.m. Praise Team. 7 p.m. Consistory meeting; youth room reserved. Wednesday, Oct. 9: 4:30 p.m. REFIT Fitness. 5:30 p.m. Midweek meal. 6:30 p.m. Pioneer Clubs; Youth group. Thursday, Oct. 10: 5:30 p.m. Tumbling Tikes.

First Assembly of God Church
1075 110th Ave., 2 miles west of Luverne on County Rd. 4
Sundays: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 10 a.m. Morning Worship. 6:30 p.m. School of the Holy Spirit. Wednesdays: 7 p.m. Kids Connection; Men's Bible Study with Pastor Ken; Women's Bible Study with Pastor Gloria.

United Methodist Church
109 N. Freeman Ave., Luverne
Ph. 283-4529; email: luverneumc@iw.net
Thursday, Oct. 3: 1-3 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf. Saturday, Oct. 5: 9 a.m. Wedding — church rental. 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Sunday, Oct. 6: 9 a.m. Coffee hour and adult Sunday School. 10 a.m. Worship Service. 4:30 p.m. Genesis/Revelation Bible study. 6 p.m. ALIVE Youth Group. Monday, Oct. 7: 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Wednesday, Oct. 9: 6 p.m. FUEL and Confirmation. 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Thursday, Oct. 10: 1-3 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf.

First Presbyterian Church
302 Central Lane, Luverne
Ph. 283-4787; email: Firstpc@iw.net — www.fpcluverne.com
Thursday, Oct. 3: 9 a.m. PW Executive meeting. 10 a.m. Worship on Channel 3. Sunday, Oct. 6: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 9 a.m. 5th grade communion class. 10:15 a.m. Worship Service. 11:15 a.m. Coffee and fellowship. Tuesday, Oct. 8: 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Home communion. Wednesday, Oct. 9: 5:30 p.m. Bells. 6 p.m. Senior high fellowship. 6:15 p.m. Choir. 7:30 p.m. Session. Thursday, Oct. 10: 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Worship on Channel 3.

St. John Lutheran Church
803 N. Cedar St., Luverne
Ph. 283-2316; email: stjoh@iw.net
www.stjohnlutheranluverne.org
Gary Klatt, Pastor
Thursday, Oct. 3: 2 p.m. Women's Society. Saturday, Oct. 5: 9 a.m. Vine and Branches Conference. 5:30 p.m. Worship Service. Sunday, Oct. 6: 9 a.m. Worship Service (Junior Choir sings). 10:15 a.m. Christian Education Hour. 10:20 a.m. Adult Bible Study. 11:15 a.m. Junior Choir. 4 p.m. Junior LYF. Tuesday, Oct. 7: 9 a.m. Winkel at Luverne. 10 a.m. Worship on Channel 3. 1:30 p.m. Quilting. 6 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. 7 p.m. Elder's meeting. Tuesday, Oct. 8: 7 pm. Guild. (Benjamin on vacation Oct. 8-12; DCE Jessica on vacation Oct. 9-24). Wednesday, Oct. 9: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study. 6 p.m. Youth dinner. 6:30 p.m. Catechism. 7 p.m. KFC; High School Youth Group; Senior Choir. Thursday, Oct. 10: 11 a.m. Salad luncheon. 1:30 p.m. Communion at Mary Jane Brown Home. 2:15 p.m. Communion at Poplar Creek. 3:30 p.m. Communion at MN Vet's 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
110 N. Oakley, Luverne
Ph. 449-6522; email: newlifecelcbration@gmail.com
Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Worship Service at 110 N. Oakley. Every third Thursday: 4:30 p.m. Food give-away at Generations Building. Bible Study groups meet at various times and days.

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
Laura Phillips, Pastor
Sunday, Oct. 6: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School at First Lutheran. 10:30 a.m. Worship Service with Holy Communion at First Lutheran Church.

Palisade Lutheran Church
211 121st St., Garretson, S.D.
Ph. (507) 597-6257 — firstpalisade@alliancecom.net
Laura Phillips, Pastor
Sunday, Oct. 6: 9 a.m. Worship Service with Holy Communion at Palisade Lutheran. 10 a.m. Sunday School at Palisade Lutheran. Monday, Oct. 7: 9 a.m. Quilting begins on Mondays at Palisade. Thursday, Oct. 10: 8 p.m. Palisade Council meeting.

First Presbyterian Church
201 S. 3rd St., P.O. Box 73, Beaver Creek
Ph. 507-935-5025
email: lori.firstpres@gmail.com
Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship.

Magnolia United Methodist Church
501 E. Luverne St., Magnolia
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What a day that will be

On our grand-daughter's second birthday, I watched with excitement as she opened each gift. A big smile would appear on her face each time a gift was put on her lap. One gift that year was a baby doll that my wife found. As she pulled off the birthday paper, she saw it was a doll. Her eyes became large like a saucer. Her mouth opened in surprised and a loud squeal filled the room. The best gift ever in a two-year-old's memory.

I believe our eyes will grow as large as saucers and the squeal of excitement will come out of every mouth as we see the glory of heaven. We will be in the very presence of God. You probably have read some descriptions the Bible gives about heaven. Read on, then close your eyes and ponder heaven, though words are inadequate to describe heaven. The descriptions are inadequate because we can't understand something so spectacular.

In heaven there will be no hunger, no thirst, no scorching heat. Christ will be our shepherd and will guide us to springs of living water. God himself will wipe away every tear from our eyes. (Rev 7:16-17)

In heaven, mourning and crying will be removed. All the reasons we mourn and/or cry on earth will disappear (Rev 21:4). There are so many reasons for sadness today; sickness, marriage problems, children, grandkids, great grandkids, sibling problems, and the list seems endless. In heaven all the reasons for our tears will be removed. What a glorious day that will be when our Jesus we

BUILT ON A ROCK

**By Pastor Walt Moser,
First Baptist Church,
Luverne**

shall see. As you read this article you may be plagued by pain or you may know someone whose body is riddled with pain. In heaven there will be no more pain. Whatever the cause of the pain on this earth, it will be removed. Joints will be repaired perfectly, arthritis will be totally gone, cancer will be forgotten, because it is not there.

We will be able to see Christ face to face. Through the Old Testament we are told that no man can see God face-to-face and live because of sin, but in heaven all sin is removed, and we will see the glorious face of the one who saved us from our sin, the Lord Jesus Christ.

Heaven is a free gift to all who believe in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. Jesus made it possible for all of us to enjoy heaven and all it has to offer.

Enjoy the words Jim Hill penned in the song "What a Day That Will Be."

*What a day that will be
When my Jesus
I shall see
The One who saved me by
His grace
When He takes
by the hand
And leads me to the Promise Land
What a day,
Glorious day that
will be.*

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Jesse Baker, Pastor

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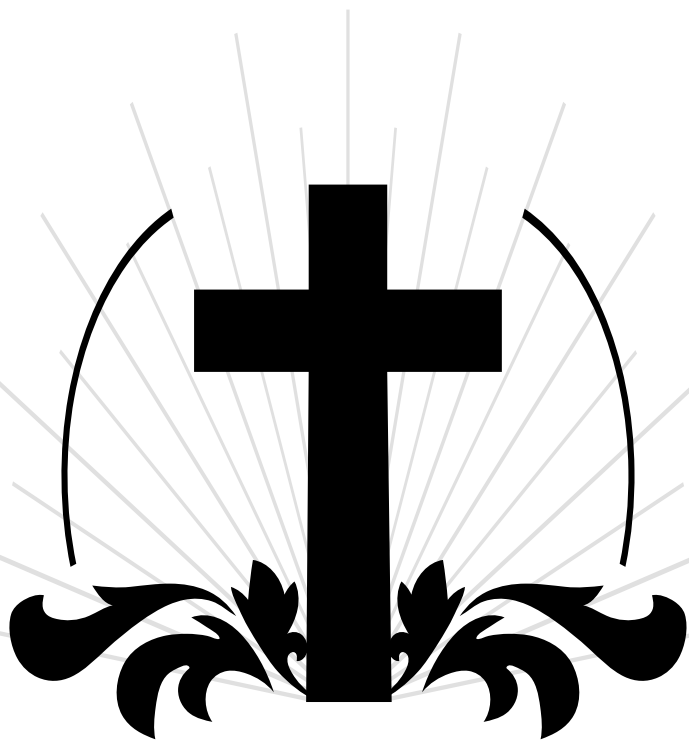
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ISD #2184 School Board meets Aug. 22

MINUTES OF THE SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2184, ROCK COUNTY, LUVERNE, MINNESOTA.

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, ISD #2184, was held in the District Office on August 22, 2019, at 7:00 p.m.

The following members were present: Katie Baustian, Jodi Bosch, Colleen Deutsch, Shelley Sandbulte, and Reva Sehr. Absent: Eric Hartman and Tim Jarchow. Also present: Craig Oftedahl, Marlene Mann, Stacy Gillette, Jason Phelps, Jason Berghorst, Lynette Stensland, Jordan Winter, Roger Hudson (ICS/JLG), and Mavis Fodness – Rock County Star Herald.

Chairperson Bosch called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance. It was noted there is an addendum to the agenda. Motion made by Baustian, second by Deutsch, to approve the agenda with addendum. Motion unanimously carried.

The School Board members took a tour of the construction prior to the business meeting.

Chairperson Bosch read a Summary of the Superintendent's Evaluation.

Administrative reports were given.

Motion made by Baustian, second by Sehr, to approve the July 18, 2019, School Board meeting minutes as provided. Motion unanimously carried.

Roger with ICS/JLG gave a construction update. Ninety percent of the second floor has been sheetrocked. They will be working on the acoustical ceilings in the music area next week.

Business Manager Marlene Mann reviewed the district bills. Motion made by Deutsch, second by Baustian, to approve the district bills as presented in the amount of \$871,214.82 and the Student Activity bills as presented in the amount of \$1,885.74. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Deutsch, second by Sehr, to receive the Student Activity report showing the balances as of July 31, 2019. Motion unanimously carried.

The following bakery products quotations were reviewed:

PAN-O-GOLD BAKING CO

Whole Grain Bread Sandwich — \$1.48 per 24 oz loaf (.062 per oz)

White Sandwich Bread — \$1.48 per 24 oz loaf (.062 per oz)

Whole Grain Hot Dog Buns — \$3.43 per 30 ct (.115 per bun)

6" White Hot Dog buns — \$1.44 per 12 ct (.120 per bun)

4" Whole Grain Hamburger Buns — \$3.43 per 30 ct (.115 per bun)

4" White Hamburger Buns — \$1.44 per 12 ct (.120 per bun)

3.5" White Hamburger Buns — \$1.39 per 12 ct (.116 per bun)

3.5" Whole Grain Hamburger Buns — \$6.66 per 60 ct (.111 per bun)

Whole Grain Footlong — \$1.69 per 6 ct (.282 per bun)

Whole Grain 6" Hoagie Buns — \$3.53 per 24 ct (.147 per bun)

White 6" Hoagie Buns — \$3.53 per 24 ct (.147 per bun)

Whole Grain Bread R/T — \$1.44 per 24 oz loaf (.060 per oz)

Kids Choice White Bread — \$1.60 per 24 oz loaf (.067 per oz)

Kids Choice Whole Grain Bread — \$1.60 per 24 oz loaf (.067 per oz)

Dakota 12 Grain Bread — \$1.90 per 24 oz loaf (.080 per oz)

BIMBO BAKERIES

Sara Lee Classic 100% Whole Wheat Bread — \$1.40 per 20 oz loaf (.070 per oz)

Sara Lee Whole Grain White Bread — \$1.40 per 20 oz loaf (.070 per oz)

Sara Lee White Sandwich — \$1.40 per 24 oz loaf (.059 per oz)

RI 51% Whole Grain White Bread — \$1.55 per 24 oz loaf (.065 per oz)

RI Wheat SW Bread — \$1.88 per 24 oz loaf (.079 per oz)

RI White Hot Dog Buns \$1.95 per 16 ct (.122 per bun)

53% Whole Grain White 4" Hamburger Bun \$1.75 per 12 ct (.146 per bun)

53% Whole Grain White Cone Bun \$2.00 per 16 ct (.125 per bun)

6" Steak Bun Split Top \$4.25 per 24 ct (.177 per bun)

RI 10" Cone \$2.00 per 6 ct (.334 per bun)

RI White Hamburger Bun \$1.60 per 12 ct (.134 per bun)

53% Whole Grain White Hoagie Bun \$4.50 per 24 ct (.188 per bun)

53% Whole Grain White 3-1/2" Hamburger \$1.85 per 16 ct (.116 per bun)

EDGERTON BAKERY

1-5 Wheat Bread \$2.00

2 oz. Hamburger Bun \$2.40

2 oz. Hot Dog Buns \$2.55

Brat Buns \$2.75

Luncheon Buns \$2.35

Motion made by Baustian, second by Sandbulte, to accept the quotation from Bimbo Bakeries per the recommendation of the food service department. Motion unanimously carried.

The first reading of Policy 808 – Therapy Dogs in School was held. It was noted that there will be a second reading and possible adoption of the policy at the September 26 school board meeting.

Motion made by Deutsch, second by Sehr, to adopt the following:

Luverne School District is part of a multi-district partnership that is offering a Creating Entrepreneurial

Opportunities course during the 2019-20 school year. The SWMN CEO board has advertised for a licensed instructor from July 15, 2019, to August 5, 2019, but did not have any applicants that possessed those credentials. Luverne School District would like to propose to the Board that Katie Baustian be hired under the Exemption for Technical Educational Instructors, Minnesota Statutes, Section 122A.30. This statute allows a school district to hire a career and technical education teacher that is .80 FTE or less and exempt them from licensure. Katie was interviewed by members of the multi-school partnership and was determined to have the necessary skills and background to teach the course. She will be employed by SWMN CEO through Southwest Minnesota Christian High School.

It was noted that member Baustian will abstain from the vote. Motion carried.

The Tri-State Band Festival Committee's request for use of the school facilities was discussed. There will be some alternate plans due to the construction this year. Motion made by Sehr, second by Baustian, to approve the facilities usage request from the Tri-State Band Festival Committee.

Motion made by Baustian, second by Deutsch, to approve the hiring of Jodi Nelson as long-term substitute for Brooke VanEssen, Elementary Teacher, from the beginning of the 2019-20 school year through approximately October 24, 2019. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Sehr, second by Deutsch, to approve the hiring of Heidi Schacht as long-term substitute for Alicia Reker, Elementary Teacher, from the beginning of the 2019-20 school year through September 27, 2019. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Deutsch, second by Baustian, to approve the hiring of Wendy Peters as long-term substitute for Julie Fettes, English Teacher, from the beginning of the 2019-20 school year for ten weeks. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Deutsch, second by Baustian, to approve the hiring of Avery VanRoekel as B-squad Volleyball coach. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Baustian, second by Sehr, to approve the hiring of Samantha Steensma as MS Volleyball coach. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Deutsch, second by Sehr, to approve the hiring of Stephanie Roozeboom as MS Volleyball coach. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Baustian, second by Sandbulte, to approve Joel Evans as a volunteer coach for MS Football. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Baustian, second by Deutsch, to approve Dan Serie as a volunteer C-squad Football coach. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Deutsch, second by Sandbulte, to approve Dr. Josh Crabtree as a volunteer Varsity Football coach. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Deutsch, second by Sehr, to accept the resignation of Christian Mader, Social Studies Teacher, effective July 31, 2019. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Deutsch, second by Sehr, to approve the hiring of Macey Skattum as part-time Title Paraprofessional effective September 5, 2019. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Baustian, second by Deutsch, to approve the hiring of Bonnie Behr as full-time Special Education Paraprofessional effective September 5, 2019. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Sandbulte, second by Deutsch, to approve the hiring of David Edwards as full-time Special Education Paraprofessional effective September 5, 2019. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Sehr, second by Baustian, to approve the hiring of Kellsie Rivas as full-time Special Education Paraprofessional effective September 5, 2019. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Deutsch, second by Sehr, to approve the hiring of Thomas Milne as full-time Special Education Paraprofessional effective September 5, 2019. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Baustian, second by Deutsch, to approve the hiring of Lisa Turbes as full-time Special Education Paraprofessional effective September 5, 2019.

Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Deutsch, second by Sandbulte, to approve the hiring of Maryln VanGrootheest as full-time Special Education Paraprofessional effective September 5, 2019. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Deutsch, second by Sehr, to approve the hiring of Canaan Petersen as MS Social Studies teacher and MS Baseball coach for a salary of \$54,534.00. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Sandbulte, second by Sehr, to approve the hiring of Nancy Hurley as long-term Early Childhood Teacher for Rebecca Runnoe from September 5 through October 31, 2019. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Sandbulte, second by Sehr, to approve the hiring of Jessica Knorr as part-time Title Paraprofessional effective September 5, 2019. Motion unanimously carried.

Chairperson Bosch informed the School Board that the Notice of Intent to Negotiate has been received from Superintendent Oftedahl. Committee reports were given.

The upcoming meeting dates were reviewed. Motion made by Deutsch, second by Baustian, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried.
Dated: August 22, 2019

Tim Jarchow, Clerk

(10-03)

Rock County Commissioners meet Sept. 3

Herreid Board Room

Rock County Courthouse

9:00 A.M.

September 3, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Chair Burger with all Commissioners present. Also in attendance were Administrator Kyle Oldre, County Attorney Jeff Haubrich and Deputy Administrator Susan Skattum.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by members and guests.

Motion by Williamson, seconded by Reisch, to approve the September 3, 2019 County Board agenda, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Overgaard, seconded by Thompson, to approve the August 6, 2019 County Board minutes, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Reisch, seconded by Overgaard, to approve the consent agenda, declared carried on a voice vote.

1. UCAP Service Agreement for Transportation Services

2. Resolution No. 22-19, BCA JPA SWIFT #164700

Dan and Marie LaRock, Founders of Rock Ranch, provided an overview of the mission of their Equine facility. Founded in 2016, Rock Ranch is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization providing opportunities for persons to improve themselves physically, cognitively, socially and psychologically while learning the art and skills of horsemanship. Eligible participants are children ages 5-17 and have served over 122 young participants and currently have a waiting list; they are also offering a Senior Saddles program. Rock Ranch is also an Eagala (Equine-assisted psychotherapy and personal development certified counseling) facility also available to serve youth that has experienced trauma. Due to the growth of their operation, Rock Ranch is building an indoor riding arena that will operate year round; construction is scheduled to begin in late fall and will continue into May of 2020. LaRocks requested a donation of \$15,000 - \$20,000 for their building project; no action was taken.

Eric Hartman, Land Management Office Director presented a (2) conditional use permit (CUP) for Juhl Wind Energy in partnership with Agri Energy/GEVO for the placement of wind turbines to be located in Section 17 and Section 19 of Luverne Township. Hartman stated that all permitting requirements have been met and Planning & Zoning recommended approval of the permit with (8) conditions. John Jarchow spoke in opposition of both permits citing noise, blade shadowing and visual obstruction. After considerable discussion from GEVO and Juhl representative and Jarchow, motion by Williamson, seconded by Reisch, to table action on both permits until the September 10 County Board meeting, declared carried on a 4-1 vote with Commissioner Overgaard voting nay.

Mark Sehr, Engineer, requested to bid let (4) bridge projects: SAP 067-598-019 (Bridge 67K39), SAP 067-598-021 (Bridge 67K42), SAP 067-599-181 (Bridge 67K47), and SAP 067-599-182 (Bridge 67K48) with a bid letting date of September 23rd at 11:00 AM; motion by Williamson, seconded by Thompson, to approve, declared carried on a voice vote.

The Engineer presented Resolution No. 21-19, MVSLT Bridge Fund (Acct#29) Agreement, an agreement with MnDOT to use MVSLT Bridge Funds for the construction of Bridge 67574 over the BNSF railroad on County Highway 52; motion by Burger, seconded by Williamson, to approve, declared carried on a voice vote.

The Engineer fielded a number of inquiries regarding potential in-kind donations/services and the Engineer stated that currently, he limited in time and material resources.

Ashley Kurtz, Auditor/Treasurer, presented the claims and per diems of \$1,300.00; motion by Burger, seconded by Reisch, to approve, declared carried on a voice vote. A complete listing of the claims is available upon request at the Auditor/Treasurer's office.

SEPTEMBER 3, 2019 CLAIMS OVER

A & B BUSINESS INC 2,364.36

AUTOMATIC SECURITY COMPANY INC 4,218.60

BAKER & TAYLOR 4,213.62

BREMIK MATERIALS, INC 24,615.32

BUTLER MACHINERY CO 3,749.04

CENTERPOINT ENERGY 10,599.80

CHS 12,092.56

CLIFTON LARSON ALLEN LLP 20,000.00

COUNTIES PROVIDING TECHNOLOGY 6,482.00

DE RAAD WELDING & MACHINE INC 2,568.00

ERICKSON ENGINEERING 2,867.00

FLEET SERVICES DIVISION-ADMIN FMR 5,904.27

KAJEET INC 4,959.26

KETTERLING SERVICES INC 12,121.66

LUVERNE/CITY OF 9,936.28

LYON COUNTY LANDFILL 17,478.32

MORRIS ELECTRONICS 6,358.20

MVTL LABORATORIES INC 2,694.10

NOBLES COUNTY AUDITOR-TREASURER 9,712.50

POWERPLAN 3,782.67

RACOM 45,431.55

REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA 2,960.70

ROCK COUNTY OPPORTUNITIES 2,379.13

STAPLES ENTERPRISES INC 4,032.07

SUPERIOR TECHNOLOGY GROUP LLC 2,640.00

105 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$2,000 40,307.19

\$264,468.20

Motion by Williamson, seconded by Reisch, to approve the Fund Balance report, declared carried on a voice vote.

The County Board was in receipt of a notice from MN Public Facilities Authority (MPFA) stating that General Obligation Note 97-0054-R-FY00 for Rural Water infrastructure project has been satisfied and cancelled.

The County Board was in receipt of draft summary of the 2020 budget which reflected a 7.11% increase; also stated that they will need to decide on a number HVAC improvements identified by Johnson Controls and whether or not to bond or seek other financing options. The Administrator was directed to schedule a Budget Committee (Burger & Reisch) and Building Committee (Williamson & Reisch) meetings and report back.

Motion by Reisch, seconded by Overgaard, to adopt a Rock County Home Initiative Policy and Application to provide incentives to encourage the construction of new single family housing units, and to encourage replacement of dilapidated housing structures within Rock County from September 1, 2019, through August 31, 2024, declared carried on a voice vote.

The County Board was informed of a planning meeting scheduled for September 9-12 for the new Guard Armory building; presented as information only.

The County Board was informed of an employee resignation from Deputy Sheriff Shelley Douty; the County Board thanked her for the 12-years of service with Rock County.

The County Board was informed of changes to the recycling program as per directives from Millennium Recycling as they are no longer accepting plastic bags; contaminated loads will be surcharged \$110 per ton. Other recycling changes include an increase for loads that contain glass, which will change from \$35/ton to \$45/ton. Ketterling Sanitation, Inc. has requested the county to share in the increase for the materials generated at the county recycling sheds. Motion by Reisch, seconded by Williamson, to approve an amendment to the Recycling Contract with Ketterling

Sanitation, Inc. and pay the surcharges resulting from contaminated loads from the county's recycling sheds up to 2 tons/week, declared carried on a voice vote.

The Administrator presented an update regarding establishing an EDA and stated that he needs to follow up a few municipalities regarding the resolution to join the EDA.

Commissioner Reisch stated that he attended the following meetings and events: City/County Liaison, Recycling and Naco Conference in Washington D. C. Commissioner Thompson stated that she attended the following meetings and events: no report

Commissioner Williamson stated that he attended the following meetings and events: Rock County Opportunities, Mental Health and Martin Township.

Commissioner Overgaard stated that he attended the following meetings and events: Transit, Battle Plain Township, Ag Tech/Blandin, City of Kenneth, Regional Extension, Local Extension, Hardwick Fire Department fundraiser, City/County Liaison, Planning & Zoning, AMC and Corn & Soybean Growers event.

Commissioner Burger stated that he attended the following meetings and events: no report.

With no further business to come before the County Board the meeting was declared adjourned.

(10-03)

Rock County Commissioners meet Sept. 10

Herreid Board Room

Rock County Courthouse

9:00 A.M.

September 10, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Chair Burger with all Commissioners present; also in attendance were Administrator Kyle Oldre, County Attorney Jeff Haubrich, Assistant County Attorney Don Klosterbuer and Deputy Administrator Susan Skattum.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by members and guests.

Motion by Reisch, seconded by Thompson, to approve the September 10, 2019 County Board agenda, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Overgaard, seconded by Williamson, to approve the September 03, 2019 County Board minutes, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Overgaard, to approve the consent agenda, declared carried on a voice vote.

• CareerForce Day in Rock County, September 19, 2019 Proclamation

The County Board was also in receipt of a CareerForce Open House event on September 19th kicking off the WorkForce Center's new identification of CareerForce.

Kari Voss-Drost, Southwest MN Crisis Center Assistant Director, presented a program update which featured a services overview and activity update.

Drost stated that a focus is on housing support (short term hotel/motel stay) for the area and are currently in the process of establishing focus groups in collaboration with Luv1LuvAll beginning in November. Drost also presented a 2020 funding request of \$5,000, the request was deferred to the Budget Committee.

Tom Houselog, Land Records Office Director introduced new employee Katie VanGrootheest hired as an Administrative Assistant in his department. The County Board welcomed her as Rock County's newest employee.

Clark Meyer, President of Ellis & Eastern, requested a letter of support for a CRISI federal grant application, for rehab improvements to the Buffalo Ridge Regional Rail line; motion by Williamson, seconded by Burger, to approve, declared carried on a voice vote.

Ashley Kurtz, Auditor/Treasurer, presented the claims; motion by Reisch, seconded by Williamson, to approve, declared carried on a voice vote. A complete listing of the claims is available upon request at the Auditor/Treasurer's office.

SEPTEMBER 10, 2019 CLAIMS OVER \$2,000

AXON ENTERPRISE INC \$3,432.00

CHS 9,085.29

COUNTIES PROVIDING TECHNOLOGY 6,322.00

GENE ROLLINGER TUCKPOINTING & CAULKING 9,460.00

KETTERLING SERVICES INC 12,000.98

LAWSON PRODUCTS, INC 3,979.31

LEADSONLINE 2,192.00

LYON COUNTY LANDFILL 15,570.54

MORRIS ELECTRONICS 4,695.92

REVIZE LLC 2,000.00

ROCK COUNTY OPPORTUNITIES 3,229.73

STAPLES ENTERPRISES INC 3,640.25

WEX BANK 2,252.74

54 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$2,000 22,012.21

\$ 99,872.97

The County Board was in receipt of the Fund Balance report; motion by Overgaard, seconded by Thompson, to approve, declared carried on a voice vote.

Kurtz informed the County Board that the 2018 Audit Exit is scheduled for September 24, 2019 at 8:00 a.m.

Gene and Barb Ashby, County Residents, discussed a project update regarding a proposed bike trail funded by them going east from Luverne along Rock River Road. The proposed trail does not qualify for regional funding until it develops into a loop; the Engineer stated that he is considering adding a one mile bike path lane on both sides of CSAH 4 going east from Luverne, however the CSAH 4 project is not scheduled until 2022. The proposed bike trail is in need of design plans from an engineer, which is needed to draft the easements from property owners; Sehr stated he does not have the staff resources to develop those design plans in the timeframe to bid the project in February of 2020 and estimates those engineering costs at \$50,000. After discussion, no action was taken.

The County Board briefly discussed Informational items: Kanaranzi-Little Rock Appointment, 2018 MCIT Annual Report, FEMA updates from townships, Walleye Wind project update; no action was taken.

Commissioner Reisch stated that he attended the following meetings and events: Budget Committee

Commissioner Thompson stated that she attended the following meetings and events: BRRRA and National Guard Readiness Center kick off meeting.

Commissioner Williamson stated that he attended the following meetings and events: BRRRA, Beaver Creek and Springwater Township meetings.

Commissioner Overgaard stated that he attended the following meetings and events: National Guard Readiness Center kick off meeting, Blandin, Mound Township.

Commissioner Burger stated that he attended the following meetings and events: National Guard Readiness Center kick off meeting and Budget Committee.

Eric Hartman, Land Management Office Director, reviewed (2) conditional use permits (CUP) for Juhl Energy in partnership with GEVO to construct (2) wind turbines to be located in Section 17 and Section 19 of Luverne Township (board action was tabled from the September 3, 2019 meeting). Attorney Carol Overland, representing John and Kathy Jarchow requested to remove the conditional use permits from the agenda due to questions regarding application procedures identified by the Zoning Ordinance; the request was denied by the Chair. Ms. Overland argued that (8) conditions identified on each permit have not been met, thus both permits should be denied. Assistant County Attorney Don Klosterbuer stated that the (8) conditions on both permits are pre-construction conditions and that construction cannot begin until those all conditions have been met. After considerable discussion to include comments from John Jarchow and Brad VerSteege, the following motions were offered:

• Motion by Overgaard, seconded by Williamson, to approve a conditional use permit for Juhl Energy Development in partnership with Agri-Energy/GEVO for the placement and operation of a 2.49 megawatt wind turbine to be located in north portion of the East 100.56 acres of the NE 1/4 Section 19 of Luverne Township owned by Kirk Gabrielson with (8) Prior to on-site construction conditions, declared carried on a unanimous vote.

• Motion by Overgaard, seconded by Williamson, to approve a conditional use permit for Juhl Energy Development in partnership with Agri-Energy/GEVO for the placement and operation of a 2.49 megawatt wind turbine to be located in the NW corner of the 116.46 acre portion of the NE 1/4 Section 19 of Luverne Township owned by Greg Gabrielson with (8) Prior to on-site construction conditions, declared carried on a unanimous vote.

In the audience, Brittney Bruce with Next Era Energy, introduced herself and stated that Next Era Energy has purchased the Walleye Wind project from RES. Bruce stated that she has been making introductions to all township and city officials within the foot print of the Walleye Wind project.

With no further business to come before the County Board the meeting was declared adjourned.

(10-03)

Read the Public Notices online

Malone 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 Jeff Malone 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 NW1/4 of the NW1/4 of section 3 in Kanaranzi Township, Rock County, Minnesota.

The proposed facility consists of a total confinement barn to house 2400 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.

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COUNTY OF ROCK

In Re: Estate of
Roy Hoiland, Deceased

PROBATE COURT
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PROBATE DIVISION

Court File No. 67-PR-19-300
ORDER AND NOTICE OF HEARING
FOR FORMAL PROBATE OF WILL AND
APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE
IN SUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
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TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND CREDITORS:

It is Ordered and Notice is hereby given that on the 21st day of October, 2019, at 8:30 O'clock a.m., a hearing will be held in the above named Court at Rock County Courthouse, Luverne, Minnesota, for the formal probate of an instrument purporting to be the will of the above named deceased, dated February 24, 2017, and for the appointment of Guy Holland, whose address is 201 Indiana Ave., Adrian, Minnesota 56110, as personal representative of the estate of the above named decedent in supervised administration, and that any objections thereto must be filed with the Court. That, if proper, and no objections are filed, said personal representative will be appointed to administer the estate, to collect all assets, pay all legal debts, claims, taxes and expenses, and sell real and personal property, and do all necessary acts for the estate. Upon completion of the administration, the representative shall file a final account for the allowance and shall distribute the estate to the persons thereto entitled as ordered by the Court, and close the estate.

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District Court Judge
/s/ Denise Brandel
Court Administrator

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Notice to creditors of Nelson probate

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In Re: Estate of
James Howard Nelson, a/k/a James H. Nelson,
a/k/a James Nelson, a/k/a Jim Nelson, Deceased

Court File No. 67-PR-19-319

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trumpet. Griffen, a sophomore, plays saxophone. Anja, a freshman, plays clarinet. Katia, a seventh grader, is a percussionist whom Mela recruited for the high school band.

Mela, as well as the other Jarchow children, has been in band since starting in the fifth grade.

Typically, the high school band is made up of ninth- through 12th-graders. "We usually don't have enough (percussion) pit members and typically pull up eighth-graders," Mela said.

When first-year marching band instructor James Jarvie talked to his drum majors about finding additional members of the percussion pit, Mela was quick with a suggestion.

"I have a sister in band," she recalled saying. "I feel we could use her."

The other Jarchow kids agree that this year's band feels more like family than previous years. "It feels pretty normal," Griffen said. "It's pretty fun."

Dad Mike often drives one of the buses when the band travels to competitions. The kids also don't mind if a parent comes along, especially when the band breaks for lunch.

"It is really nice," Mela said. "I don't have to bring money."

Results from the 69th Tri-State Band Festival
Waseca High School was awarded with the K.M. Getman Award for excellent sportsmanship and spirit. Brookings earned the



Mavis Fodness photos/1003 2019 Tri-State Band Festival



Tracy Area High School Marching Band stops and performs in front of the judges and spectator bleachers set up at the intersection of Main and McKenzie streets. At left: Angi, Alex and Reagan Gangestad of Luverne bundle up against the 40-degree temperatures that greeted the Saturday morning parade.

sweepstakes award in parade. Roosevelt earned the field sweepstakes award.

People's Choice awards were given to West Central for their parade performance and O'Gorman for their field performance.

Luverne High School, as host band, performed exhibitions in both the parade and field competitions.

Parade and field results:
•Class A:
Parade: first, Murray County Central; second, Garretson, out of five bands. No Class A schools participated in the field competition.

•Class AA



The crowd reacts approvingly to Brandon Valley High School Marching Band field performance Saturday afternoon at the football field at Luverne High School. The band finished second in the field competition event.



Parade: first, Sioux Falls Christian; second, West Central, out of six participants.

Field: first, West Lyon Community; second, Sibley-Ocheyedan, out of six bands.

Left: Patti Nelson and Dolly Talbert, former Luverne general music and choir teachers, were among eight former teachers honored as parade marshals at the Saturday event.



West Central earned outstanding wind and percussion sections. Lennox was named outstanding percussion.

West Lyon earned outstanding drum major recognition. **•Class AAA**
Parade: first, Brookings; second,



Five of Mike and Wanda Jarchow's six children are members of the Luverne High School Marching Band and include (from left) Katia, Elise, Mela, Griffen and Katia.

Above far left: Colorguard members Hannah Baker (foreground) and Brenn Siebenahler in unison Saturday as they lead the Luverne High School Marching Band during Saturday's Tri-State Band Festival down Main Street Luverne.

Above center: Huron High School performed a kaleidoscope-themed field show Saturday afternoon.

Waseca, out of the bands. Field: first, Brookings; second, Waseca, out of five bands.

Brookings earned outstanding wind and percussion awards from the judges and O'Gorman earned the outstanding auxiliary and drum major awards.

•Class AAAA
Parade: first, Worthington. No second place was awarded.

Field: first, Roosevelt; second, Brandon Valley, out of four participants.

Roosevelt was chosen for the outstanding wind section.

Brandon Valley earned outstanding percussion, auxiliary and drum major awards.

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