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## City ponders fallout of tru Shrimp departure

*'This might be a blessing in disguise with everything else we have going on'*

By Lori Sorenson

City leaders have shared mixed responses to tru Shrimp's Jan. 2 announcement that it will no longer build its planned \$300 million production facility in Luverne.

Members of the Luverne Economic Development Authority gathered Monday morning at their first monthly board meeting of the year.

It was also their first meeting since the tru Shrimp announcement, and they discussed key points that have surfaced in the days following the news.

Mayor Pat Baustian again expressed disappointment at tru Shrimp's sudden move to South Dakota — citing a Minnesota regulatory hurdle — after years of working with state and local officials.

"We had meetings with them as late as December, and they never gave us any indication that they were considering South Dakota," Baustian said.

"Don't tell me this was all about an environmental regulation."

He added that Sen. Bill Weber, Luverne, had worked tirelessly to secure Minnesota legislation for ag taxes and production tax credits for the company and was also disappointed.

The same was especially true for then-MPCA Commissioner John Linc Stine and his staff who had worked alongside tru Shrimp toward meeting each step of the environmental regulation.

The rule in question deals with "specific conductance" related to toxic levels of salt discharged in treated water from municipal wastewater treatment plants.

Linc Stine said his agency was prepared to help tru Shrimp and the city meet the state regulation, but tru Shrimp walked away before that could happen.

"Now it's full steam ahead on addressing specific conductance in our state regulation," Baustian said.

"We need to look at what we can

**Tru Shrimp fallout/see page 5**



Mavis Fodness photo/0117 Ellsworth Fire 0115

Luverne Fire Department uses its ladder truck Tuesday morning to direct water into the second story of the Ellsworth City Hall, which was built in 1902. They were among nine departments at the scene.

## Fire destroys Ellsworth City Hall

By Mavis Fodness

Nine fire departments battled a blaze Tuesday at the Ellsworth City Hall.

Ray Palmer, who handles maintenance for the city, said he received a phone call around 6 a.m. from school bus driver Dan Huisman who said water was streaming out of city hall and down the street.

Palmer said when he arrived, he noticed flames inside the two-story brick structure.

"I tried to get some stuff out," Palmer said. Ellsworth Fire Department received mutual

aid from the two-state area mostly from tanker trucks hauling water to the scene.

Luverne, Magnolia, Adrian, Rushmore and Lismore from Minnesota and Little Rock, Rock Rapids and George, Iowa, brought firefighters and equipment to the fire.

The city hall is located on the east side of Ellsworth's main thoroughfare, South Broadway Street, and the town's water tower borders city hall to the north.

**Ellsworth City Hall fire/continued on page 2**

## More than 700 hike by candlelight at state park

Friends of the Blue Mounds State Park team up with Take 16 for afternoon beer, bingo and brews before park hike

By Lori Sorenson

More than 700 people trekked along candlelit trails in the Blue Mounds State Park Saturday night for the second annual Friends of the Blue Mounds State Park Candlelight Hike.

The 2019 event drew more than double last year's impressive count of 300-plus, and while parking was a challenge, park naturalist Amber Brooks said the crowds were welcomed.

"Lots of extended families — grandma, grandpa, grandkids and parents — came out to enjoy the hike, and that doesn't count our four-legged canine friends who came out in force," Brooks said.

"It was truly a packed hike and everyone I talked to said they had a great time."

Several volunteers and park staff placed battery-operated votive candles in white paper sacks, which were weighted by plastic zippy bags of sand.

Hundreds of these paper luminaries lined the one-mile and two-mile trails that wound through the campground and looped out to the picnic area with campfires set up as warming and resting areas along the route.

Hikers could stop for hot cocoa and cookies (more than 500 were available) in the warming house shelter building, which was heated by a wood-burning stove.

"I spoke to visitors from areas of South Dakota (mostly Sioux Falls), one family from Iowa, and many families from Luverne and other cities close in Minnesota like Marshall," Brooks said.

"We had one visitor and her family come from two hours away in South Dakota to attend the event."

The event was free to attend, but a vehicle sticker was required for entrance into the park.

Those who didn't have annual stickers purchased day passes at the

**Candlelight hike/see page 16**

## County reaffirms commitment to Koehn Avenue

By Mavis Fodness

Rock County commissioners began the new year by electing a new chairman and reaffirming plans to finish a road project in Luverne that they supported in 2018.

Commissioner Greg Burger took the helm Tuesday morning, Jan. 8, from fellow commissioner Sherri Thompson. Gary Overgaard was elected vice chairman.

It has been the practice of the board for a commissioner to serve one year as chair, with the vice chair taking over the gavel the following year.

New chairman Burger reaffirmed the board's commitment to upgrade Koehn Avenue from U.S. Highway 75 to County Road 4 to a 1.1-mile paved highway with 10-ton weight capacity.

"I don't see any reason why we shouldn't," Burger said. "Anybody have any other ideas?"

County highway engineer Mark Sehr told commissioners they could drop the project, complete only a portion of the 1.1 miles, or go ahead

*"As it sits right now, it's going to be our most marketable commercial site in the county."*

— Kyle Oldre, County Administrator

with the project as planned. "Just because this truShrimp fell through doesn't mean there's not going to be other development out there," said Commissioner Jody Reich. Reich was among the county representatives present at a Jan. 3 meeting with truShrimp officials. They announced dropping plans to build their first shrimp harbor in Luverne and instead will move it to Madison, South Dakota. Tru Shrimp announced Luverne

as their first harbor site in late 2016.

In June 2017, commissioners supported adding 1.1 miles to the county's state-aid highway system in order to support the tru Shrimp project.

The additional state funding would upgrade Koehn Avenue west to Walnut Avenue, then north to County Road 4 as a state aid roadway.

Access to the harbor would have been off of Koehn Avenue.

Minnesota National Guard officials selected Luverne in late 2017 as the location for the new Luverne-Pipestone Minnesota National Guard Readiness Center.

A 15-acre site, also accessed from Koehn Avenue, is for a \$15.1 million readiness facility. Construction is scheduled to begin in early 2020 with completion in 2021.

County Administrator Kyle Oldre recommended the upgrade of Koehn Avenue as a state-aid highway to the commissioners.

"As it sits right now, it's going to be our most marketable commercial site in the county," he said.

## Committee explores options for Luverne as sister city

By Lori Sorenson

There is movement afoot to pair Luverne with an international "sister city," according to discussion at a community meeting last week.

About 15 people gathered Jan. 7 in the elementary school commons to consider whether or not Luverne should become a sister city and if it could benefit from — and be a benefit for — another city overseas.

Working through Sister Cities International, a local committee has been exploring options — possibly a small town in Germany, and considering implications of a partnership.

Marilyn Bloemendaal led the Jan. 7 meeting and said the first step to initiating a sister city relationship is to measure community interest in Luverne.

"It takes community engagement," she said. "It can't be just a few city leaders who think it's a good idea."

**Goal is to select a sister city and establish a pairing through Sister Cities International by this spring**

According to Sister Cities International, "sister cities are relationships that create lifelong friendship that support peace and prosperity among communities through people to people citizen diplomacy."

The sister city exchanges center on culture, education, business and municipal administration.

That's why last week's meeting aimed to include representatives from all those community sectors — school, students, fine arts, busi-

**Sister city/continued on page 2**



## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### Meetings

**Parkinson's Support Group** will meet at 1 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 17, at St. John Lutheran Church in Luverne. Call 507-530-3307 with questions.

**Rose Dell Township Board** will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 18, in the township hall. 605-595-3258.

**Blue Mound Quilters** will meet at 6 p.m. Monday, Feb. 4, at the Rock County Community Library. Program: Learn to make iron carrier. Call Dianne at 507-530-3307 with questions.

**Narcotics Anonymous** meets at a new time: 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Fridays in the basement of St. Catherine Catholic Rectory, 203 E. Brown St., Luverne. Use east door. Call 507-220-0137 with questions.

**Hardwick Goal Seekers** meet every Monday in Hardwick City Hall for the purpose of support and encouragement for weight loss journeys. Weigh-in begins at 6 p.m., and the meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. Call Glenda, 449-0568, with questions.

**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.

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

### Free food Jan. 17

New Life Celebration Church will offer free food — fresh produce, bread and meat — from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 17, in the Senior Citizens building in Luverne for those having trouble putting food on the table. Please bring your own bags or boxes. Call 283-4366.

### Winter Carnival Jan. 19

The Luverne Music Boosters' 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Winter Carnival is planned from 5-8:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 19, in the Luverne High School Gymnasium. Enjoy a fun night of games, prizes and food including a cake walk, bingo, raffle, cotton candy, face painting, balloons and many games. Concessions will also be available. Proceeds help support music education at Luverne Schools.

### Blood Drive at Grace Lutheran Jan. 21

January is National Blood Donor Month, and the American Red Cross is encouraging the public to donate blood from 1-7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 21, at Grace Lutheran Church at 500 N. Kniss Avenue in Luverne.

Make an appointment to donate blood by downloading the free American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting RedCrossBlood.org or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

### 'Get Hooked Ice Fishing Derby' Feb. 9

The "Get Hooked Ice Fishing Derby" is planned for 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 9, at The Lake in Luverne. Registration begins at 11:30 a.m. with concessions available from 11 a.m. by Boy Scouts Troop #32. Cost is \$15 for adults (two for \$25) and \$10 for youth (two for \$15). Prizes will be awarded, and free rods and reels will be given to youth until gone. Temporary and permanent ice houses are allowed. Weather date is Feb. 16. Call the Chamber at 283-4061.

### UMC sponsors free meal Jan. 23.

The United Methodist Church in Luverne will serve a free meal open to the community at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 23.

### Community Ed

Contact Luverne Community Education at [C.Arends@isd2184.net](mailto:C.Arends@isd2184.net) or 507-283-4724.

Luverne School students in grades 8 and older -- register now for **Student Driver Education class with the payment of \$335**. Class begins February 4. Out-of-district students may register for open spots on Jan. 28.

**Mike Frisch School of Fish** will teach anglers grades 3 and older about ice fishing on Feb. 2. For \$30 each child leaves ready to fish with a new rod and reel with tackle. Each child can invite one adult at no extra cost.

A six-session **Yoga** class begins on Jan. 21. Fee is \$48. **Track Those Creatures** on Jan. 24 is for children ages 5 through grade 3 who want to learn how to identify animal tracks around their yards. Fee is \$5.

**Snowballs and Snowmen Kids in the Kitchen** class for students grades K-6 will be Jan. 28. Fee is \$18.

**Pottery Wheel Throwing**, a basic intro class, will be four Mondays beginning Feb. 4. Fee is \$40, plus a \$10 material fee.



Mavis Fodness photo/0117 Ellsworth Fire 0115

Firefighters from nine departments battle a blaze at the Ellsworth City Hall Tuesday morning. The blaze was noticed around 6 a.m. The cause of the fire is unknown at this time. The historic building was built in 1902.

## Ellsworth City Hall destroyed by fire/continued from page 1

No other structures near the city hall were threatened by the blaze that sent smoke billowing from the building.

Henning Construction, Adrian, was called to the scene with an excavator and began

assisting firefighters by knocking holes in the brick structure.

Firefighters were then able to spray directly at the blaze while the excavator began tearing down the structure from the east.

School was canceled be-

fore students began arriving at Ellsworth Public School because electricity and water were shut off to various parts of town to fight the blaze.

The cause of the fire is unknown. The City Hall building was constructed in 1904.

The Ellsworth City Council gathered for a 5:30 p.m. meeting Monday in the building the night before the fire was discovered.

Ellsworth is located one mile north of the Iowa border in Nobles County.

## Luverne may become sister city through Sister Cities International/from page 1

nesses, the chamber office and city leaders.

Luverne will likely take cues from Worthington, which is a sister city to Crailsheim, Germany, and has the longest sister city relationship in Minnesota.

According to Sister Cities International, 47 states have sister city relationships in more than 1,800 communities nationwide.

There are more than 130 countries around the globe that have formed sister city relationships within the United States.

Monday's group broke into three groups of five people to discuss why or why not Luverne should pursue becoming a sister city.

At the end of the evening, all three groups supported the venture and shared individual reasons for their interest.

For example, Luverne High School German students said they'd be interested in delving deeper into German culture and society.

Others at the meeting were interested because they've traveled abroad and want to learn more about an overseas community. Some at the meeting said they have experienced cultural exchanges and would like

to take relationships like those a bit farther.

Most all the meeting spoke of broadening their cultural horizons and several volunteered to serve on a committee to take the next step toward making Luverne a sister city.

"It can be a great adventure for our community," Bloemendaal said.

There has been some discussion about connecting with the small German community of Kryllburg, which has similar attributes to Luverne in terms of size and community offering.

Luverne will work with Sister Cities International to ultimately decide on the right city and to properly set up an exchange.

Bloemendaal said the Luverne Convention and Visitors Bureau and Sister City Committee are spearheading the effort.

Luverne Initiatives For Tomorrow and Luverne City Council are supporting the efforts along with Luverne Chamber, Rotary, Luverne Public School and Luverne Area Community Foundation.

Information regarding a sister city relationship will be on the agenda for the LIFT Annual Gala on March 1.



Mavis Fodness photo/0117 Gas Prices 2019

## Gas prices dip below \$2

Teal's Food and Gas Station attendant Ed Fonkert (left) fills the tank of Marcia Moeller's vehicle Friday for \$1.96 per gallon, the day before gas prices jumped back to over the \$2 mark. Fonkert said drivers' smiles were slightly bigger for the past several weeks. Moeller was among the happy gas customers. "It's been really nice," she said.

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# Haubrich said he expects little change as new county attorney

By Mavis Fodness

For the past three decades, Rock County residents elected Don Klosterbuer as county attorney.

For more than half of those years, Jeff Haubrich served as an assistant county attorney.

On Monday, Jan. 7, the roles were reversed when District Judge Terry Vajgrt swore in Haubrich as the county's first new county attorney in 32 years.

"I don't expect there to be much change," Haubrich said. "I hope to keep the work and general approach of the office fairly consistent with what it has been."

Haubrich moved to Luverne and began a general law practice in 2001 with Klosterbuer's firm. The two have since formed Klosterbuer and Haubrich, LLP.

"We are and always have been a part-time county attorney's office," Haubrich said. "There are not as many of those left as there once were, but in smaller counties it still can make sense."

When not handling prosecution of the county's adult and juvenile offenders, offering civil and litigation advice to county officials and initiating child protection services, Haubrich and Klosterbuer continue to operate a private general law practice.

Haubrich opened a branch office in his home-



Mavis Fodness photo/0117 Haubrich County Attorney Jeff Haubrich (right) is sworn in as the county attorney Tuesday morning, Jan. 8, in the Rock County Courthouse. District Court Judge Terry Vajgrt administered the oath.



Mavis Fodness photo/0117 County Swearing In 2019

## Leaders take oath of office

District Court Judge Terry Vajgrt (center) administered the oaths of office to the six elected county officials Tuesday morning, Jan. 8, in the Rock County Courthouse in Luverne. From left, Jeff Haubrich (sworn in as county attorney), Sherri Thompson (county commissioner), Jim Veldkamp (soil and water conservation district supervisor), Vajgrt, Josh Ossefoort (SWCD supervisor), Stan Williamson (county commissioner) and Evan Verbrugge (county sheriff).

town of Pipestone, but his new county attorney duties have prompted Haubrich to close that office effective Jan. 31.

"With the difficulty of staffing attorney's offices in Greater Minnesota, it is tough to have enough time and enough attorneys to get everything done. The work here has to be the top priority," he said.

Klosterbuer and Haubrich are currently searching for another attorney to join the office. Previous attorney Dana Hoffman accepted a position in Sioux Falls with the public defender's office.

Plans are to have the new

attorney take over the assistant county attorney position from Klosterbuer, who was appointed by Haubrich and confirmed by commissioners at their Jan. 8 meeting.

"I'm hopeful we can add an attorney or two at the firm and carry on the practice in addition to the county attorney work," Haubrich said.

"The biggest change is you may see some new faces in the coming years to supplement what we are doing."

Becoming an attorney was a longtime aspiration for the Pipestone High School graduate.

After high school, he attended St. John's University in Collegeville, Minnesota, receiving a bachelor's degree in government.

However, he postponed his aspirations to become a lawyer. "I had a pre-law type idea in undergrad but I was

tired of school by the end of college and wanted to go to work," Haubrich said.

He was hired as the assistant city administrator in Red Wing and three years later began night classes at William Mitchell College of Law in St. Paul.

He passed the bar in the spring of 2000, later moving to Luverne and assuming the assistant county attorney position in December 2001.

Haubrich and his wife, JoDee, have four children, Dylan, Sierra, Madeleine and Colton.



Glenda McGaffee photo/0117 Teune

## Teune is Beaver Creek mayor

Josh Teune, pictured Wednesday, Jan. 9, was sworn in as the new mayor of Beaver Creek in the city office. Teune will serve for a two-year term of office.



Lori Sorenson photos/0117 swearing in city offices

## Luverne city leaders sworn in to office

At the first Luverne City Council meeting of the year Jan. 8, Mayor Pat Baustian was sworn in for another two-year term, and Caroline Thorson and Kevin Aaker took the oaths of office for four more years on the City Council. In the photo at left, City Administrator John Call (right) administers the oath of office to Baustian. In the center photo, Mayor Baustian swears in Thorson for Ward 1, and at right he swears in Aaker for the Ward 2 council seat.

# New mayor in Hardwick to work with council on renewed goals

By Mavis Fodness

Willy Baker was sworn in as the new mayor of Hardwick Wednesday night, Jan. 9, in a ceremony that also returned a longtime Hardwick resident to the council.

Gordon "Sam" Hansen served on the council twice before, almost 20 and 30 years ago respectively. He was elected to a new four-year term in November.

"This city needs help," he said after the meeting. "We now have a council to do it."

Hansen joins Mayor Baker, Rich Hubbling, Lowell Schelhaas and Tom Haas, who was also re-elected to a four-year term on the council.

Haas was also re-affirmed as acting mayor at the council's first meeting of the New Year.

Baker said he'll continue several missions begun three years ago by the late Mayor Janyce Baustian to rid blight in the small town of about 200 residents, address the town's aging infrastructure and renew community pride among its residents.

"I see in the council now a good group to get things done," Baker said.

"We have a really good core group and we are heading in the same direction."

For several election cycles, Hardwick had no names on its ballots. Those people appointed to the council left by



In the photograph at left, Willie Baker (left) takes the oath of office Wednesday night, Jan. 9, with Hardwick City Clerk Tammy Johnson. Baker was elected to a two-year term as mayor. At right, Sam Hansen returned to the Hardwick City Council when he recited the oath of office administered by city clerk Tammy Johnson Jan. 9. Hansen was elected to a four-year council term.



Mavis Fodness photo/0117 Hardwick New Mayor 2019 Baker

the next election.

Baker said lack of leadership continuity is reflected in the town's infrastructure.

Baker said for the past two years he regularly attended council meetings and ran for the mayoral post in 2016 against Baustian.

Baker, his wife, Misty, and their daughter, Makayla, moved to Hardwick eight years ago.

Under Baustian's term as mayor that began in 2014, she stressed the need for street repairs and was working on solutions at the time of her death in September 2017.

Baker ran unopposed

for the two-year mayor seat, replacing Scott Edwards, who was the acting mayor at the time of Baustian's death. Ed-

wards didn't seek re-election.

Baker was appointed to fill Edward's council seat.

Baker, now mayor, said

the city's infrastructure needs have grown to include water and sewer lines, and Hansen added another issue at the

Jan. 9 meeting, the wastewater lagoons.

Hansen said the ponds were constructed during his first term on the council and are past their engineered life expectancy.

"We need to have Verlyn (Van Batavia) come to a future meeting and discuss what needs to be done," he said.

Van Batavia is the city's wastewater superintendent.

### In other business, the Hardwick council:

- accepted a \$2,500 donation to the Hardwick Fire Department from Chandler Feed and Grain.

- approved a resolution to add \$504 the property at 102 W. First St. for delinquent city services.

- agreed to move the next council meeting to 6:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 18, from the regularly scheduled Feb. 13 date.

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*Worry less.  
Pray more.*

**A worthy New Year's resolution  
for all moms who worry too much**

My 22-year-old son spent last weekend ice fishing with buddies on some frozen lake in central Minnesota.



He's an experienced angler and has driven on many frozen Minnesota lakes to auger countless holes in ice to retrieve untold numbers and species of fish.

Therefore, I told myself (again) I should not worry that my firstborn will fall through the ice surface and plunge to a frigid death.

But I'm his mother. So I worry. That's what mothers do. Not that it changes anything.

Worrying never does. But it doesn't stop loving mothers worldwide from worrying about everything from "Are they eating enough vegetables?" to "Are they wearing their seatbelts?"

The list is endless ... and exhausting to the really dedicated worriers.

I'm trying to get my worrying under control. For example, I no longer worry about widowed socks in the laundry. I used to feel lonely for them, but more often than not, their wayward partners show up and they're happily reunited. The ones who don't remarry get tossed. The end.

I also no longer worry about the weather. Experience has proven I can't control Mother Nature. I can only control whether or not I drive in a blizzard. Which I don't.

But sometimes my children and husband do, and in those cases I try not to worry.

**ON SECOND  
THOUGHT**

By Lori Sorenson, editor

*Yes, I've let  
go of lots  
of worries.  
Instead  
I pray.*

I used to worry about running out of topics for my column, but in 25 years at the Star Herald, it's never happened, nor have we ever run out of news to share with readers.

The bigger worry is how we're going to fit the infinite news possibilities into a finite work week and limited number of pages. This is a happening community, and I used to worry we're overlooking some major news.

But I don't worry about that anymore, because we'll never wrap our notebooks and cameras around all the news. Lots of great stories get away.

We just do the best we can with the information we're able to track down.

Yes, I've let go of lots of worries.

Instead I pray. Especially about the big things that moms — or any human beings for that matter — would never begin to control.

We need to leave those things to a much higher power; to worry would imply that we don't trust His plan.

And so, we trust, and we hope, and we pray. And try not to worry.

**First open the government,  
then implement the new Farm Bill**

**GUEST EDITORIAL**

By U.S. Sen. Tina Smith

It's no secret that farmers in Minnesota and across the country have been rocked by low crop and dairy prices, and a crippling trade war that has blocked billions of dollars in sales of U.S. farm products abroad. So, the last thing our farm economy needs as we move into the new year is to have the federal government shut down.

For me, job one in the new Congress is to end this wasteful and unnecessary shutdown that is hurting hundreds of thousands of federal workers and low-income federal contractors, who have been working for weeks without pay.

But beyond that, the shutdown is having a devastating impact on Minnesota producers who are finding county Farm Services Agency (FSA) offices shuttered. One Minnesota farmer said recently that lack of access to FSA services simply "adds insult to injury."

I recently heard from a Minnesota farm family who sold half their calf crop late last year but can't get the funds from the sale until the FSA is reopened. The money represents a large part of their yearly income.

And I have talked with struggling

Minnesota dairy producers who have been hit hard by falling dairy prices. During the Farm Bill debate, I worked with both Democrats and Republicans to improve dairy provisions that focus assistance on small and medium size farms. But due to the shutdown, dairy farmers will not be able to access and enroll in this much-needed safety net.

That's why I'm going to continue to push hard on the president and congressional leaders to come together to get the government open.

With so much uncertainty roiling the farm economy, it's more important than ever to get the 2018 Farm Bill implemented.

When the measure was signed into law in late December, it was the culmination of many months of hard work and compromise that will

bring some much-needed certainty to struggling producers.

For Minnesota, where agriculture creates \$121 billion in economic activity and supports 400,000 jobs, the five-year measure will be critically important to our state's economic future. For Congress, getting the bipartisan bill over the finish line also showed that our country can accomplish important things when we work together.

Importantly, it strengthens the farm safety net, including crop insurance and other tools to safeguard farmers from unexpected losses.

Now, we just need the government to reopen so that it can once again deliver all of the services people in our state and across the country have paid for and have come to rely upon.

**Pillbox purchase eliminates confusion, I think**

**FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH**

By Rick Peterson, General Manager  
Tollefson Publishing



I am sure many of you experienced date confusion over the recent holidays. By that I mean it was difficult at best during the weeks of Christmas and New Year to keep track of what day of the week it was.

It seemed for two weeks in a row we had two Mondays each week, and to kind of balance that out, it also seemed like it was Friday twice a week.

You probably found yourself asking others what day of the week it was on more than one occasion. Not to mention her by name, but one woman I talked to early the morning after New Year's Day said it best. She had to look at her pillbox that morning to see what day it was. Now that is how you handle day confusion.

On the subject of pillboxes, there is now one in our cupboard. I am on a pill regimen — two pills in the morning and one at bedtime. No big deal, except some days I forget if I have taken them or not.

I am pretty sure I have taken them. It's just that it's become such a habit I don't think twice about taking them, thus remembering if I did

or not comes into play.

I asked Mary to pick me up a pillbox the next time she was at the store. She brought home two options, one just the standard Sunday through Saturday box where you put the entire day's worth of pills in the little square, and the second with a morning and evening slot for each day. Bingo! That was the one.

So Sunday night I filled each little morning and nighttime box for the next seven days and I was set for the week.

Monday morning I went about my morning routine, and when it was time to use my new pillbox, I did what

I always did each morning — I opened the pill bottles and took my pills and went about my morning.

It didn't dawn on me at first, but as I was pouring a cup of coffee, I realized I didn't use my new pillbox.

Darn it! First day and I am already half a day off. So now what do I do? Just skip Monday's pillbox pills altogether or put the Monday morning pillbox pills back into the bottle and go on from Tuesday? How will I know what day it is tomorrow if Monday's pills are still in the pillbox?

Good grief! Who knew this would be so difficult. By the way, what day is it?

**January is Human Trafficking Awareness  
Month; if you see something, say something**

**To the Editor:**

Human trafficking often conjures images of girls in Bangladesh or Hong Kong, drugged and incoherent, being sold for sex and being raped by men.

While this statement is absolutely true, the face of human trafficking can also represent a "homegrown" commodity here at home.

In 2015 a CBS news report, KELO's Leland Steva reported on sex trafficking in South Dakota and interviewed a girl rescued from sex trafficking. This girl, Melissa, was trafficked by her own mother at a young age.

Many adults will sell their own children to cover the cost of their drug and alcohol addictions.

America's youth are being targeted and manipulated into the sex trade, and in fact Orтели and Burlingame (2018) states, "The U.S. nonprofit organization Polaris, which runs the National Human Trafficking Hotline, says that in the United States

victims may number in the hundreds of thousands. Trafficking cases identified via the hotline (from calls, texts, web forms, and e-mails) provide the largest publicly available data set on human trafficking in the United States. In 2017 there was a 13-percent increase in reported human trafficking cases from the previous year ..." (p.1)

In our small community we can feel immune to these tragedies, but the reality is that we can no longer keep our heads in the sand and think it can't happen here.

The University of Minnesota did a study, Mapping the Demand: Sex Buyers in the State of Minnesota (2017), and found "sex buyers are predominantly middle-aged, white, married men from across the whole state of Minnesota. They are representative of men in the general population of Minnesota, which is about 85 percent white" (p.3).

Furthermore, they found that "... data described sex buyers from a wide

variety of employment sectors, including businessmen, doctors, lawyers, dentists, judges, professors, police officers, correctional officers, pastors, executives, truck drivers, manual laborers, farmers, and sailors." (p.3)

The Minnesota Attorney General's website states, "sex trafficking is not just a Twin Cities problem. Trafficking affects people from all parts of Minnesota. An online sting in southwest Minnesota led to the arrest of 48 individuals. One 16-year-old who was trafficked in northern Minnesota stated that she was exploited on average by five men every day — which means that she was exploited over 1,800 times in a year." (2018)

January is Human Trafficking Awareness Month and so I wanted to do my part to make our community aware. If you see something, say something. Hotline number: 1-888-373-7888 or text 233733.

**Barb Austin  
Luverne**

*Make the most of your  
blood donation Jan. 21*

**To the Editor:**

Donating specific components of your blood is often the best way to help the greatest number of hospital patients.

Blood components are the following:

- Red cells carry oxygen to all parts of the body.

- Platelets are essential for blood clotting.

- Plasma is the liquid portion of the blood containing critical clotting factors.

Types of donations include whole blood donation, power red donation, platelet (and plasma) donations.

Give where you are needed most.

If you have type AB blood, consider making a plasma donation together with platelets. Only four percent of the U.S. population has this blood type.

If your blood type is A or B negative, consider making a

power red or whole blood donation.

For A or B positive blood type, consider making a platelet donation or a whole blood donation.

If you are O positive, consider making a power red or whole blood donation, or be evaluated for a platelet donation.

For donors with O negative blood, consider making a power red or whole blood donation. Anyone in need can receive your red cells. This component is universal. Only seven percent of the U.S. population has this type.

The American Red Cross encourages donors of all blood types to donate. Blood of every type is always in demand for patients in need of blood transfusions.

Please come and donate to help save lives on Monday, Jan. 21, from 1 to 7 p.m. at Grace Lutheran Church.

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Mavis Fodness photo/0117 Accident 0114

A two-vehicle crash occurred Monday afternoon on U.S. Highway 23, just south of County Road 7 in Rock County. A Ruthton man died at the scene. Highway 23 was closed from about 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. while officials cleared the scene.

## Head-on collision claims life of Ruthton man

By Mavis Fodness

A Ruthton man died Monday afternoon in a two-vehicle crash that closed down State Highway 23 south of Jasper for several hours.

According to information from the Minnesota State Patrol, Earl Dean Gruis, 67, was driving a 2014 Cadillac SRX southbound on Highway 23 just south of County Road 7 in Rock County when a 2013 Ford F250 driven by Kevin Jon Wheeler, 37, of

Tea, South Dakota, crossed the centerline.

The vehicles collided head-on and Gruis died at the scene, according to the Minnesota State Patrol.

Wheeler received life-threatening injuries from the crash that was reported at 12:36 p.m. and was airlifted to Avera McKennan Hospital in Sioux Falls.

A passenger in the Wheeler vehicle, Jeremiah Joe Charlie Williams, 32, of

Monroe, South Dakota, received non-life threatening injuries. He was transported to Pipestone County Medical Center in Pipestone.

The report noted road conditions were wet at the time of the crash.

Gruis was wearing a seatbelt while it is unknown if Williams or Wheeler were using seatbelts.

Highway 23 was closed to traffic for more than five hours between 191st and

201st streets in Rosedell Township with both lanes reopening about 6 p.m.

Jasper Fire Department and Jasper Ambulance responded to the crash. An ambulance crew from North Memorial Health came upon the scene.

Assisting the state patrol were Rock County Sheriff's Office, Rock County Ambulance and Minnesota Department of Transportation.

## City considers fallout from tru Shrimp departure/ from page 1

do to fix it and make sure we're set up for when tru Shrimp wants to put a second harbor in Luverne."

Tru Shrimp CEO Michael Ziebell told the Star Herald he wishes plans in Luverne could have worked, but the MPCA regulation was too big of a hurdle.

"It came down to two things," Ziebell said. "Time and uncertainty. We are determined to build a harbor this year, so the uncertainty of what would happen with this specific conductance ... we can't raise the capital we need with an open MPCA issue."

### Environmental protection or regulatory overreach?

On Wednesday this week Luverne City Administrator John Call, Sen. Weber and representatives from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency and Minnesota DNR attended a legislative hearing in St. Paul.

Call said the point of the hearing was to consider the "specific conductance" regulation — whether or not it's a necessary environmental safeguard or if it should be more flexible to reflect modern-day wastewater treatment protocols.

"We're hoping to look at whether it's an outdated measure or if it's a duplicate measure of salt in water," Call said.

The city has retained the legal services of Flaherty and Hood to lobby for lighter regulation on Luverne's behalf. There was some discus-

sion about the importance of protecting local water and soil, but LEDA board member Ryan DeBates said storm water runoff from salted streets and highways should also be a regulatory concern if toxic salt is the concern in commercial effluent.

Tru Shrimp will reportedly meet with Minnesota's new MPCA commissioner — Strom. The company was also planning to send staff to Wednesday's hearing, moves that LEDA board member Sherri Thompson called promising.

"That tells me they're still interested in Luverne," she said. "It's a good sign."

Tru Shrimp officials have indicated they might be ready to build their second harbor in three years.

"We want to make sure we're clear of regulatory challenges when they come back," Baustian said.

He estimates that tru Shrimp walked away from roughly \$40 million in Luverne and Minnesota incentives considering tax abatements, production tax credits and other offerings.

Meanwhile, Minnesota West Community and Technical College had developed new curriculum for aquaculture degrees in order to help meet anticipated labor shortages.

LEDA director Holly Sammons pointed out that no land had been conveyed to tru Shrimp and that the company will be responsible for repaying a \$149,000 loan for moving an L&O power line on the edge

of the property.

### Positioned for future growth

Call said that Luverne's infrastructure improvements, spurred partly by tru Shrimp's production schedule, will only serve to make the city stronger for its residents and for future development.

For example, the \$4 million electrical substation was already in the works to strengthen Luverne's service for both future and existing customers.

The \$10 million waste water treatment plant upgrades are necessary for any Luverne growth, but it was spurred by Premium Iowa Pork's processing needs (in the former Gold'n Plump facility), and the company will pay for \$6.7 million of those costs.

The 10-ton road (Koehn Avenue), water, sewer and electric to the industrial park have long been on Luverne's capital improvement list.

Tru Shrimp put a deadline on that work and also qualified the city for a federal business and industrial grant that covered nearly half of the \$2.6 million costs.

The same is true for the 54 apartment units planned for the former Sharkee's lot in what will be the Towne Square development along Hatting Street and Highway 75.

Luverne already has a proven shortage of this type of housing — market rate rentals — and current growth and anticipated hiring is likely to feed demand for the available units. The city's role in that

project was to prepare the lot and secure a private developer that would build and own the apartments.

"We were going to do many of these things anyway," Call said about the city's recent investments. "Now we'll be ready for any future growth."

LEDA board member Mike Engesser said tru Shrimp's decision to put its first harbor in South Dakota may not be so bad for Luverne.

"This is an initial plant in a brand new industry," he said. "Will there be issues? Sure there will."

He noted that the company hasn't yet done soil borings in the prospective Madison site, and there are many unknowns remaining about the viability of the project there.

Engesser also referenced Luverne's current plans for growth.

"This might be a little blessing in disguise with everything else we have going on," Engesser said.

The \$31 million Luverne School building project will break ground this year, as will the \$30 million PIP retrofit of the Gold'n Plump plant.

The \$15 million National Guard Armory will break ground west of Papik Motors in 2020, in addition to several other major projects. "There's still a lot going on," Call said.

DeBates agreed. "We need to hold our heads high," he said about the change of plans for tru Shrimp. "This moves things out a few years and gives us time to accommodate growth."

## ON THE RECORD

### Dispatch report

**Jan. 4**  
•Complainant reported an order for protection violation in Detroit Lakes.

•Complainant reported he will be doing bird surveys in Beaver Creek.

•Complainant reported a power outage on North Estey Street.

•Complainant on East Maple Street requested information on a possible scam.

•Complainant reported a power outage.

•Complainant requested a background check for housing.

•Complainant on South Donaldson requested a welfare check.

•Complainant reported a hit and run on South Kniss Avenue.

•Complainant reported a vehicle in the middle of the road on South Kniss Avenue.

**Jan. 5**  
•Complainant on North Cedar Street reported a civil issue.

•Complainant reported drug paraphernalia in rural Beaver Creek.

•Complainant in Hills reported son had walked away.

**Jan. 6**  
•Complainant on East Brown Street reported his ex stole his phone about a month ago.

•Complainant on South West Park reported she lost a wallet with pink flowers.

•Complainant reported four broken mailbox doors in Magnolia.

•Complainant reported a possible elevator emergency on North Jackson Street.

•Complainant reported a break-in in Steen.

•Complainant reported an open garage door at a business on South Kniss Avenue.

**Jan. 7**  
•Complainant reported someone was outside her residence on West Mead Court last night and now the shed door is swinging.

•Sheriff is out for order for protection hearing.

•Complainant reported an order for protection violation on East Brown Street.

•Complainant reported an alarm in Beaver Creek.

•Complainant reported a hitchhiker on County Road 4.

•Complainant reported identity theft in Jasper.

•Complainant reported trespassing in Steen.

•Complainant requested deputy for a court hearing.

•Complainant requested to speak to a deputy.

•Complainant reported he lost his car key.

•Complainant reported strange activity on East Main Street.

**Jan. 8**  
•Complainant reported a 24-hour parking violation on West Lincoln Street.

•Complainant reported a guy parked his car in his yard in Garretson and said he's on his way to Pipestone.

•Complainant requested a background check for housing.

•Complainant reported subject arrested in Rock Rapids on a Rock County warrant.

**Jan. 9**  
•Complainant reported pedestrian signal not working on West Barck Avenue.

•Complainant requested escort to retrieve property from the impound lot.

•Complainant reported a gas drive-off on South Kniss Avenue.

•Subject arrested in Tea on a Rock County warrant.

•Complainant reported a stolen vehicle possibly headed to Steen.

•Complainant requested assistance on 90th Avenue.

•Complainant reported suspicious vehicle on Brandenburg Street.

•Complainant requested a deputy for a suspicious person on South Kniss Avenue.

•Complainant reported they are out with a warrant subject in Worthington.

**Jan. 10**  
•Complainant reported someone hit the electrical box on West Edgehill.

•Complainant requested a deputy for an order for protection hearing.

•Complainant reported a burglary in Steen.

•Complainant reported that his vehicle is missing in Hills.

•Complainant reported they recovered the stolen vehicle in Hills.

•Complainant reported an accident on Commerce Rd.

•Complainant reported a maroon car that is suspicious in Hills.

•Complainant reported two adult males fighting on North Kniss Avenue.

In addition officers also responded to 1 deer accident, 4 transports, 7 escorts, 20 ambulance runs, 6 animal complaints, 1 fingerprint request, 33 burn permits, 7 drug court tests, 3 permit to purchase/carry requests, 21 traffic stops, 3 abandon 911 calls and 3 paper service attempts.

**Rock County 4-H "Fruit & More" Sale**

Rock County 4-H'ers are selling assorted boxes of mouth watering fruit - apples, oranges, pears, grapefruit; along with cheeses, beef sticks, pickled herring, Puffins, PuffCrust Pizza and a variety of frozen foods. Here's your chance to eat healthy and support local youth. Contact a 4-H'er in your neighborhood or call the Rock County Extension Office (283-1302) from January 14 to February 3 to order. Delivery is March 15.



## Papik picks of the week...



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**\$16,990**



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Luverne High School will present the one-act play, "Golden Gone," at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 25, in the school theater. First-year director Joseph Stearns (back, far left) leads the cast and crew that includes (on floor from left) Xavier Carbonneau, Burke Johnson, Seno Chanthalangsy, (second row, sitting) Amelia Jarchow, Cameron Wessels, Josie Golla, Adriana Gonzalez, (back) director Stearns, Elise Jarchow, Melanie Rittenhouse, Nicole Hoogland, Nicole Aanenson and Meagan Hansen.

## Students perform 'Golden Gone' Jan. 25

### Story and photos by Mavis Fodness

The Luverne High School production of the one-act play, "Golden Gone," takes audience members on a journey between two states, inside a mental hospital and on a ride in a car.

A free public performance is at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 25, in the school auditorium.

Sophomore Josie Golla leads the nine-member cast in the 35-minute performance.

She portrays Aurelia, who was taken by her biological dad, Adam, when she was 8 years old.

"It's really an interesting idea to see inside her head after she is kidnapped by her dad," Golla said.

The play takes place nine years after the kidnapping.

The now teenaged Aurelia still lives in Pennsylvania with her dad, portrayed by senior Cameron Wessels. Sophomore Xavier Carbonneau plays Aurelia's boyfriend.

Her mother, Amy, (senior Adriana Gonzalez) is still in New Mexico and has become fixated with her missing "golden" daughter. Dismayed by their mother's lack of attention are Amy's other daughters, Ellen and Emily, (senior Nicole Aanenson and junior Nicole Hoogland respectively).

Mother Amy has taken to posting videos on YouTube and a troubled young woman, Melody (played by junior Melanie Rittenhouse), knows the secret to Aurelia's disappearance. From her room in the mental hospital, Melody realizes the power the knowledge gives her.

Also giving an outside perspective to the incident are next-door neighbor Dina played by junior Meagan Hansen and Aurelia's best friend, Brian, (Seno Chanthalangsy). The two converse as they ride in a

car and again when they reach their destination.

First-year director Joseph Stearns said the Dennis Bush play was selected specifically for the subsection 10 one-act play competition, taking place Saturday, Jan. 26, in Pipestone.

The play focuses on human behavior and the characters' failure to recognize reality.

"This particular play has been difficult for me to direct, especially as a new director, but I feel the students have a strong capacity to portray their characters in a way that makes the story meaningful," he said.

"At the end of the day, my biggest hope is that students find joy in performing."

The top two performances move on to the Feb. 2 section 3A competition in Redwood Falls. The section champion performs at the state event Feb. 7-8 in St. Paul.

Crew members include junior Amelia Jarchow, sophomore Elise Jarchow and freshmen Chance Tunnessen and Burke Johnson.



Josie Golla portrays Aurelia, the main character in the one-act play performance of "Golden Gone."



Practicing the one-act play, "Golden Gone," Thursday afternoon, Jan. 10, are (from left) Nicole Aanenson, Nicole Hoogland, Adriana Gonzalez, Josie Golla, Cameron Wessels, Xavier Carbonneau and Melanie Rittenhouse. The students will give a free public performance Friday night, Jan. 25.

## CELEBRATIONS

### Births

A girl, Ruthie Kay, weighing 6 pounds, 7 ounces, and 19 inches long, was born Tuesday, Dec. 18, 2018, at Sanford in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, to Brent and Melissa Hofmeyer of Sheldon, Iowa. She joins two siblings, Blake and Gavin, 5. Grandparents are John and Nyla Sohl of Luverne and Mike and Bonnie Hofmeyer of

Sheldon. Great-grandparents are Florence Sandbulte and Wilmanette Spykerboer.

### Card showers

Norman and Joyce Wessels celebrated their 70<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on Jan. 14. Greetings may be sent to them at 106 S. Oakley, Luverne, MN 56156.

## MENU

**Monday, Jan. 21:** Swiss steak, mashed potatoes, peas and carrots, bread, pineapple.

**Tuesday, Jan. 22:** Barbecued chicken breast, baked potato with sour cream, green bean casserole, bread, cake.

Program: Half-Price Day sponsored by Hartquist Funeral Home. Board meeting.

**Wednesday, Jan. 23:** Lasagna, California blend vegetables, garlic bread, pears, cookie.

**Thursday, Jan. 24:** Pork loin with gravy, mashed potatoes, stewed tomatoes, dinner roll, fruit crisp.

Program: Half-Price Day.

**Friday, Jan. 25:** Lemon pepper fish with tartar sauce, au gratin potatoes, mixed vegetables, bread, slice pie.

Program: Half-Price Day.

Senior Dining offers well-balanced and affordable meals in a community atmosphere.

Gift certificates are available at the meal site or online at [www.lssmn.org/nutrition](http://www.lssmn.org/nutrition).

Call Lauree Teunissen at 283-9846 to make dining reservations or for home-delivered meals.

## SCHOOL NEWS

### Feit named to dean's list

Brooke Feit, Luverne, was recently named to the dean's list for the Fall 2018 semester at Ellsworth Community College, Iowa Falls, Iowa. To be eligible, students must earn 12 or more graded credits with at least a 3.5 GPA.

### Iowa Lakes names honor students

Katie Reisdorfer, Adrian, and Katlyn Kracht, Luverne, have been named to the president's list for the Fall 2018 semester at Iowa Lakes Community College. Both students qualified for the president's list with a 4.0 grade point average.

### Lonneman named to dean's list

Mitchell Lonneman, Adrian, was named to the dean's list for the Fall 2018 semester at Mount Marty College in Yankton, South Dakota. To be eligible, students must be full time with at least a 3.5 GPA.

### DSU Madison releases president's list

Marissa Fick, Logan Stratton and Danielle Watts-Boll of Luverne and Nicholas Lenz of Lismore were named to the president's academic honors list for the Fall 2018 semester at Dakota State University in Madison, South Dakota. To qualify, students must earn at least a 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale.

### Area students named to NDSU dean's list

Several area students were named to the dean's list for the Fall 2018 semester at North Dakota State University in Fargo. To be eligible, students must earn a minimum of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale with at least 12 graded credits.

Named to the dean's list were Avery Wysong, Beaver Creek, human development and family sciences; James Erickson, Luverne, civil engineering; and Sydney Thielbar, Luverne, accounting.

### Northern State names honor students

Northern State University, Aberdeen, South Dakota, has named two area students to its dean's list for the Fall 2018 semester. Zyandra Schroeder, Adrian, earned a 4.0 GPA, and Tayla Peterson, Luverne, was recognized for a GPA of 3.5-3.99.

## REMEMBER WHEN

### 10 years ago (2009)

•The swimming pool at the Rock County Community Pool and Fitness Center is open again after staff tackled an unusual water quality problem last week.

The pool was forced to close Jan. 2-5 after facility managers noticed discoloration along the walls of the pool.

"It's something the public wouldn't notice, but as pool operators we were able to recognize there was a problem," said one of the pool supervisors, Robyn Wessels.

She said the problem started late in December, but when customary water treatments weren't working, they turned to more dramatic treatment that required pool closure.

A water analysis at MC&R Pools in Sioux Falls recommended super chlorinating the pool, or shock treating it, in case the problem was algae related.

### 25 years ago (1994)

•Ordering coffee used to mean deciding whether you wanted regular or decaffeinated.

But the days of brown-colored, tasteless hot water are disappearing.

Coffee has suddenly become more sophisticated. Even rural Midwesterners find themselves floundering in the uncharted waters of roasts, blends, flavors, grinds, grinders, filters, espresso machines and other terminology used by discriminating coffee drinkers.

Michelle Olari, Hills, is doing her part to help people in Rock County learn what Europeans and coastal Americans discovered some time ago: Coffee drinking can be an adventure.

Doing business as The Coffee Explorer, she's been selling specialty coffees for her rural home during the past year or so. During the holiday season, she gave samples at the Hills grocery store and at the Rocking Horse in Luverne.

### 50 years ago (1969)

•No flu epidemic has hit Luverne but the Community Hospital was at 110 per cent occupancy as of Tuesday night.

"People of all ages, with all types of illness, are hospitalized," Joe McFadden, hospital administrator, stated.

The Luverne hospital was constructed for 42 beds. Tuesday night 47 patients were in the hospital. Not one was a baby.

"We converted the west waiting room to a hospital room with beds loaned from the V.F.W.," the administrator stated.

The 47 patients at the local hospital is a record. The hospital has reported all 42 beds full before but never over 100 per cent.

### 75 years ago (1944)

•Announcement that there would be another fox hunt this coming Sunday was made this week, following numerous requests by sportsmen for a duplication of the sporting event conducted here two weeks go. At that time, two fox were shot.

All those interested in participating are asked to meet at the Connell Chevrolet garage at 10 a.m. Only shotguns may be used, as hunting with rifles is barred. Proceeds from any fox shot will go to the club. Hunters may shoot rabbits for their own if they wish.

Those who take part are urged to bring lunch with them as the hunt will continue into the afternoon, with no "time out"

given to go home to eat.

### 100 years ago (1919)

•After having spent days in laboriously traversing many, many miles of extremely rough and scantily snow-covered country roads with a three-box sleigh filled with booze, Edward J. Gerber and William Passer, of Sioux Falls, came to grief Thursday of last week after having safely passed through Rock county and arrived at Sherman.

The men had purchased contraband goods at Springfield, this state, and were on their return to Sioux Falls. When they left their South Dakota homes for Minnesota's most popular "wet" town, a sleigh unquestionably offered the most expedient method of travel, but while they lingered to bask in the artificial good fellowship for which Springfield is notorious, the sun's warm rays continued to devour what little snow there had been, and it was in painful recognition of this fact that the men decided to stop at Sherman until one of the party could go to Sioux Falls and obtain an auto truck with which to complete the journey. ...

While Gerber left for Sioux Falls for the auto truck, Passer maintained a vigil over the booze laden sleigh, until his conduct aroused the suspicion of Marshal Harold Hanson. ...

When the sleigh was unpacked at the sheriff's residence, it was found to contain 160 quarts of whiskey, 20 gallons of alcohol, not to mention a quantity of beer in quart bottles. Based on South Dakota bootlegger prices the seizure is said to represent a value of approximately \$2,500 and is considered the most important haul that South Dakota authorities have made since the state went bone-dry.



Photo courtesy Rik Sferra



**'From Below' on display at Lord Grizzly Gallery**

The work of installation artist David Hamlow (pictured above, right) is on display at Lord Grizzly Gallery through Feb. 23 in the Coffey Contemporary Arts exhibition and education facility on Main Street in Luverne.

Hamlow's exhibit, "From Below," addresses the cost and value of daily life in a consumer culture. Since 1996 Hamlow has been saving virtually all the packaging from everything he purchases, transforming it into a range of modular sculptures and collages that envelop the viewer in the results of a single career of consumption.

"We live in an age of increasingly higher stakes: political, social, environmental," he said. "It can seem impossible that an individual could make a meaningful contribution to change." He said "From Below" explores the surprising impact of one person, one action, and one encounter between two individuals. The exhibit is named for a quote by Noam Chomsky that says, "Changes and progress very rarely are gifts from above. They come out of struggles from below."

Hamlow holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in studio art from Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter and a master's degree in fine arts in painting and drawing from the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities. He lives and maintains a studio in Good Thunder and has exhibited work regionally, nationally and internationally.

## 1954: Interstate, NSP power line started

The following appeared in the Rock County Star Herald on January 21, 1954



### Interstate, NSP Power Line Started

An 11-man crew arrived here this week to begin the construction of 84 miles of 161,000KV transmission line for Northern States Power Company and Interstate Power Company.

The new line will serve as a connecting link between the two utilities lines, for standby service.

It will extend from a point north of Sioux Falls to Heron Lake.

According to L. W. Walentine, Lincoln, Nebr., superintendent of the project, the contract calls for completion of the line by August 31. The companies are furnishing their own materials. Construction will be done by Commonwealth Electric, Lincoln, and A. S. Schulman Electric, of Chicago.

### Weather is Factor

The size of the crew will be determined by the weather, said Mr. Walentine. It will vary from its present size to possibly 40 men.

If there isn't any more snow, there is a possibility that setting of the poles will begin as soon as the materials have been delivered to the grounds where the lines will be built.

There will be an average of seven "structures" per mile, Mr. Walentine said. A "structure" is an "H" type arrangement of two poles and

## BITS BY BETTY

By Betty Mann, president Rock County Historical Society

a cross arm. The poles range from 55 to 85 feet in height.

For the most part, Luverne will be the headquarters for the working crew, Mr. Walentine stated. Materials have been unloaded at Magnolia and Beaver Creek in Rock county, and in other towns along the route. The Interstate portion, between Beaver Creek and Heron Lake, will be built first; that owned by Northern States leading from Beaver Creek to Sioux Falls last, according to present plans.

The contract calls for the use of union labor on the job, according to Mr. Walentine.

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

Mann welcomes correspondence sent to [mannmade@iw.net](mailto:mannmade@iw.net).

## OBITUARIES

### Barbara Elcock

Barbara Joyce "Barb" Elcock, 71, Worthing, South Dakota, died Wednesday, Jan. 9, 2019, at Dougherty Hospice House in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

A funeral service was Saturday, Jan. 12, at Grand Valley Lutheran Church in Canton, South Dakota.

Barbara Umland was born on Nov. 14, 1947, to Otto and Edith (Ross) Umland in Luverne. She was baptized and confirmed at St. John's Lutheran Church in Luverne. After graduating from Magnolia High School, she attended Beauty College in Sioux Falls.

She married Merrill Elcock on June 4, 1966. The couple moved to Yuma, Arizona, for a short time before moving back to South Dakota. In addition to raising her family, Barb worked at Sunshine in Tea for 11 years and Canton Food Center for 10 years.

She was a longtime member of Grand Valley Lutheran Church. She enjoyed traveling with family, attending her grandchildren's events, watching birds while relaxing on her deck, attending We Fest,



and spending time with friends and family, especially her sister and brother-in-law, Audrey and Keith. She loved her church family and enjoyed helping with Milk's Camp.

She is survived by five children, Scott (Sandy) Elcock and their children Payton, Preston, Paxton, and Jessie (Sean) Hanson;

Shellene (Brian) Smidt and their children Isaiah, Austin, Bobby, Ryan, Kadin, Reese and Sierra; Sondra (Dave) Hladky and their children Samantha and Cody; Stephanie (Corrie) Alexander and their son Colt; and Suzette (James) Brandsrud and their children Alyssa, Addyson, and Dylan; a sister, Audrey (Keith) Aanenson; a brother-in-law, Morris (Lynne) Elcock; a special cousin, Dawn Burden; and numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the Grand Valley Building Fund or Dougherty Hospice House.

Arrangements were provided by Anderson Funeral Home of Canton, [www.andersonandsons.com](http://www.andersonandsons.com).

(0117 F)

### Michael Wessels

Michael Lynn "Mike" Wessels, 69, Lake Shetek, formerly of Luverne, died Saturday, Jan. 12, 2019, at the Sanford Luverne Hospice Cottage in Luverne.

A memorial service was Wednesday, Jan. 16, at the First Presbyterian Church in Luverne. Burial with full military honors provided by the Luverne American Legion and VFW was in the Maplewood Cemetery in Luverne.

Michael Wessels was born July 18, 1949, to Norman and Joyce (Reemts) Wessels in Rock Rapids, Iowa. He graduated from Luverne High School in 1967. Mike later attended Mankato State University. He served his country in Vietnam in the United States Army.

Mike married Carol Van Engelenhoven on Oct. 14, 1972, at the First Presbyterian Church in Luverne. The couple lived in Luverne. Mike worked at IBP (Iowa Beef Packers) in Luverne before he began working as a custodian at the Luverne Public Schools and also at the First Presbyterian Church. He retired in 2012.



He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Luverne, the Currie American Legion, and the Luverne Eagles. Mike was an avid fisherman and sports fan. He enjoyed hunting, playing darts, spending time on Lake Shetek and the Minnesota Twins and Vikings.

Mike is survived by his parents, Norman and Joyce Wessels, Luverne; two children, Christal (Dan) Serie, Luverne, and April Sailor (fiancé Nick Wassenaar), Luverne; seven grandchildren, Carly, Ben, Will and Tori Serie, Lexxus Wessels, and Hazel and Griffin Sailor; a sister, Linda Schoon (fiancé Richard Knapper), Sioux Falls, South Dakota; a brother, Mark (Lin) Wessels, Rock Rapids; a niece, Karie Schoon; and two nephews, Aaron (Megan) Schoon and Sam Wessels.

He was preceded in death by his son, Andy Wessels, on Oct. 16, 2012, and a granddaughter, Lucie Sailor, on March 29, 2008.

Arrangements were provided by Dingmann Funeral Home of Luverne, [www.dingmannandsons.com](http://www.dingmannandsons.com).

(0117 F)

### Roger Peterson

Roger Stanley Peterson, 76, Perham, died Saturday, Jan. 5, 2019, at Prairie View Assisted Living in Perham.

A spring burial at Fort Snelling will be announced at a later date.

Roger Peterson was born Dec. 12, 1942, to Stanley and Evelyn (Lemke) Peterson in Minneapolis. He grew up and attended school in Minneapolis before serving in the U.S. Navy. He was honorably discharged in 1965.

Roger married Donna Olson on Sept. 23, 1967. The couple lived in Richfield where Roger worked for Northern States Power. They then moved to Bakersfield, California, where they purchased a convenience store



that they operated for 13 years.

Roger and Donna enjoyed playing co-ed volleyball and softball. The couple returned to Minnesota and moved to Roger's family home on Lake Sybil. He enjoyed fishing and was an avid Vikings and Twins fan.

Roger is survived by his in-laws, Chuck Kussman of Dayton, Ronnie (Johnnie) Olson of Henning, Larry (Pat) Olson of Wilmot, and Marilyn Bergman of Luverne; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Donna, in 2016 and his parents.

Arrangements are provided by Furey Funeral Home of Frazee, [www.fureyfh.com](http://www.fureyfh.com). (0117 F)

### Pearl Schomacker

Pearl Nellie Schomacker, 89, Luverne, died Monday, Jan. 7, 2019, at the Sanford Luverne Hospice Cottage in Luverne.

A funeral service was Friday, Jan. 11, at the Hartquist Funeral Home in Luverne.

Pearl Boeve was born to William and Hattie Boeve on June 19, 1929, on the family farm in Rock Rapids, Iowa. She was raised on the farm and attended country school near Rock Rapids through the fifth grade. Her family then moved to a farm near Larchwood, Iowa, where she completed her schooling at Klondike country school. After her schooling, she remained living and helping on the family farm.

Pearl married Roy Schomacker on Feb. 26, 1947, in Rock Rapids when he returned home from serving in the United States Navy. The couple made their residence on a farm near Doon, Iowa. In 1955 they moved to a farm in Vienna Township near Luverne, and in 1964 Pearl and Roy moved to a farm in Battle Plain Township in Rock County. Up to this time Pearl was a homemaker to their seven children. In 1980 she began working as a nurse's aide in the nursery at the Luverne Community Hospital. One year later the couple moved into Luverne. Roy died in January 1993. In 1995 Pearl retired from the hospital, and



in May of 2004 she moved from her house into the Centennial Apartments in Luverne.

Pearl enjoyed crocheting, sewing, reading, fixing puzzles, and playing cards. She cherished spending time with her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Pearl is survived by five children, LeRoy (Glenda) Schomacker of Luverne, Sharon Stamp of Dell Rapids, South Dakota, Roger (Pamela) Schomacker of Duluth, Bryce (Ginger) Schomacker of Luverne, and Randy (Sharon) Schomacker of Luverne; a daughter-in-law, Ruth Schomacker; a brother, Avor (Lucille) Boeve of Dell Rapids; sisters-in-law Grace Boeve of Luverne and Hattie Boeve of Vilzalia, California; 16 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Roy; two sons, Jerry and Milo; three brothers, Albert Boeve, Dick Boeve, and John Boeve; one sister, Jennie Boeve; and one son-in-law, Rob Stamp.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to the American Cancer Society and American Diabetes Association.

Arrangements were provided by Hartquist Funeral Home in Luverne, [www.hartquistfuneral.com](http://www.hartquistfuneral.com).

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## DEATH NOTICE

### Rodney Stone

A memorial service for Rodney Stone will be from 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 19, at First Baptist Church in Luverne.

Rodney Stone, 62, Luverne, died Saturday, Oct. 13, 2018, at the Sanford Luverne Medical Center.

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Luverne forward Rylee Gee fires a shot at Morris-Benson goalie Leah Thompson during Thursday's hockey game at the Blue Mound Ice Arena. Gee netted a short-handed goal in the third period in a 3-1 win.

## Hockey boys end five-game slide with road conquests

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne boys' hockey team registered its first victories of 2019 during a pair of road outings last week.

The Cardinals coasted to a 10-goal victory in Fairmont Jan. 8 before posting a four-goal win in Willmar Saturday.

Luverne, 6-8 overall, hosts Redwood Valley Thursday.

**LHS 8, Willmar 4**

A pair of explosive periods lifted the Cardinals to a four-goal victory in Willmar Saturday.

Luverne netted five unanswered goals in the first 17 minutes of play and added three more in the third period to ice the win.

LHS produced five goals in a span of 1:02 in the first period.

Colby Crabtree scored twice in the opening stanza, including one power-play tally.

Mark Sterrett, Tyler Roberts and Gage Nath chipped in one goal each.

The score was 6-0 when Ben Serie recorded an unassisted goal 2:34 into the third period, but Willmar received consecutive goals from Elbridge DeKraai, Nate Spencer, Tanner Bauman and Devin Shanky in a span of 3:52 to make it 6-4.

Serie regained the momentum for LHS when he netted a power-play goal with 5:57 left to play before Sterrett capped the scoring with a power-play tally that came with 3:10 left to play.

Shaid Shearer made 26 saves for an LHS team that outshot Willmar 31-30.

Sterrett and Nath registered three assists, Nathan

Nekali and Easton Braun charted two assists and Serie added one assist to the winning cause.

**LHS 12, Fairmont 2**

The Cardinals snapped a five-game losing skid when they rolled to a 10-goal win in Fairmont Jan. 8.

With Sterrett and Nath leading the way by registering hat tricks, LHS scored 10 goals in the first two periods and outshot the hosts 49-17 in a lopsided victory.

LHS assumed control of the contest with a six-goal first period.

Sterrett and Nath found the net one time each in the first 8:48 of the game before Joe Olson registered an unassisted tally for Fairmont with 6:58 remaining in the stanza to make it 2-1.

Serie scored twice and Crabtree and Nath netted one goal each in the final 4:30 of the first period to give the Cards a 6-1 cushion heading into the second stanza.

LHS settled the issue when Sterrett scored twice and Nath and Mason Steensma added one goal each in the first 11:24 of the second period.

Evan Carlson registered a goal for Fairmont with less than one second left in the second stanza to make it 10-2, but Luverne's Skylar Dingmann and James Chanthalangsy scored in the third period to cap the 10-goal conquest.

Serie recorded four assists, Sterrett and Steensma charted three assists and Marshall Dammann, Cooper Arends and Roberts chipped in two assists each for the winners.

Carlton Oftedahl, Austin Watts-Bolland and Adam Skindelen added one assist each to the winning effort, while Colton Schutz made 15 saves in goal.

## Girls open 2019 with wins

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne girls' hockey team began play in 2019 by posting a pair of two-goal victories last week.

The Cardinals beat Fairmont for the third time this season in Fairmont Jan. 8 before besting Morris-Benson for the second time this campaign at the Blue Mound Ice Arena Thursday.

Luverne, 13-4-2 overall, takes on Minnesota River Monday in Le Sueur.

**Luverne 3, M-B 1**

The Cardinals found themselves in an unexpected battle when they took on the Storm in Luverne Thursday.

Luverne rolled to an 11-0 win when they opened the season against M-B in Benson

last November, but the Storm gave the Cards a run for their money in the rematch.

The score was tied at one when M-B's Hannah Zimmel scored 1:17 into the third period, but the Cards answered the challenge by registering one short-handed goal and one power-play tally in the final seven minutes.

Rylee Gee netted a short-handed goal seven seconds into a penalty-killing situation with 6:05 left to play.

Kamryn Van Batavia iced the win by netting a power-play goal with 2:04 left in the game.

Both of Luverne's goals were unassisted tallies as was its opening goal of the game in the first period.

Reghan Bork gave the Cards a 1-0 lead with 3:23 remaining in the opening stanza.

LHS sported a 47-9 advantage in shots on goal in the game.

Cheyenne Schutz made eight saves in net for LHS.

**LHS 6, Fairmont 4**

The Cardinals opened their 2019 slate by securing a two-goal victory in Fairmont Jan. 8.

Kamryn Van Batavia scored four goals for LHS during a game in which the Cardinals never faced a deficit.

Van Batavia scored twice in the first 5:57 of the game that gave LHS a 2-0 cushion that was erased when Anna Nordquist and Emily Sokolowski found the net for Fairmont.



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Hills-Beaver Creek freshman Kenadie Fick battles for a rebound during Friday's 50-43 home win over RRC.

## Patriots prevail in weekend showdowns

By John Rittenhouse

The Hills-Beaver Creek girls posted a pair of wins on consecutive nights to up their basketball record to 15-0.

H-BC bested Red Rock Central by seven points Friday in Hills before edging Hamlin (Hayti, South Dakota) in Madison, South Dakota, Saturday.

Unbeaten H-BC plays Murray County Central in Slayton Friday.

**H-BC 66, Hamlin 63**

The Patriots needed a late-game rally to pull out a win over Hamlin at the Dakota State University Shoot-Out in Madison Saturday.

The Patriots faced a one-point deficit late in their game against Hamlin (Hayti, South Dakota) during the DSU Shoot-Out.

H-BC moved in front 60-58 when Sidney Fick canned a three-

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## Wrestlers hit mat three times in five days

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne Cardinal wrestling team experienced mat action three times in a five-day span last week.

The Cardinals lost a home match to Garretson, South Dakota, Jan 8 before going 0-3 at the Central Lyon-George-Little Rock Quadrangular Thursday in George, Iowa.

LHS competed at the Big South Conference Championships in Windom Saturday, where the Cardinals capped a 13-team field.

The Cardinals wrestle at a triangular in Fairmont Tuesday.

**BSC tourney**

The Cardinals found individual success hard to come by during the Big South Conference Championships in Windom Saturday.

LHS had seven athletes entered in the individual tournament and only one Cardinal posted some wins.

Tom Brown placed fifth at 182 to highlight Luverne's tournament appearance.

After being pinned by Redwood-River Valley's Mason Rummel in the quarterfinals, Brown bounced back to win two matches in the consolation bracket.

Brown rolled to a 14-3 win over Worthington's Cole Hennings before topping Windom-Mountain Lake Area's Kaden Haberman in the fifth-place match.

Justyce Rikpa, Camden Janiszski, Braydon Ripka, Dalton DeSollar, Chris Rosin



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Luverne senior Tom Brown pinned Garretson's Hayden Stoterau in 1:49 during the 182-match in Luverne Jan. 8. Garretson saddled the Cardinals with a 43-24 setback.

and Jamie McCarthy all went 0-2 for LHS.

Luverne capped a 13-team field with eight points.

**CL-G-LR quad**

The Cardinals lost three consecutive matches at the Central Lyon-George-Little

Rock Quadrangular Thursday in George, Iowa.

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## Ashlyn Meester nets 37 points during EHS win

By John Rittenhouse

A sensational night by Ashlyn Meester lifted the Ellsworth girls' basketball team to a 59-49 victory over Westbrook-Walnut Grove Friday in Westbrook.

With Meester pumping in a career-high 37 points to

go along with three steals, the Panthers outscored the Chargers in both halves of the contest.

Ellsworth led 27-19 after 18 minutes of play before using a 32-30 scoring edge in the second half to complete a 10-point win.

Sierra Smith (seven rebounds), Kallie Chapa (six rebounds and three assists), Lizzie Chapa (six rebounds) and Morgan Dreesen (six rebounds) also played well for the Panthers.

The 3-7 Panthers host Heron Lake-Okabena-Ful-

da Friday.

**Box score**  
Meester 7 3 14-15 37, Dreesen 1 1 0-2 5, K.Chapa 2 0 0-0 4, L.Chapa 3 0 2-2 8, Smith 2 0 1-2 5.

**Team statistics**  
Ellsworth: 19 of 56 field goals (34 percent), 17 of 27 free throws (63 percent), 31 rebounds, 11 turnovers.









# Star Herald CHURCH

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**St. Catherine Catholic Church**  
203 E. Brown St., Luverne  
St. Catherine Ph. 283-8502; email: stcatherine@iw.net  
Thursday, Jan. 17: 9 a.m. Head Start. 7 p.m. PC. Friday, Jan. 18: 10 a.m. Mass at Parkview Manor. Saturday, Jan. 19: 2:15 p.m. Veterans bingo. 5:30 p.m. Mass at St. Catherine. Sunday, Jan. 20: 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Catherine. CLW. 10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Leo. Monday, Jan. 21: 10 a.m. Book Bunch. Tuesday, Jan. 22: 1-4 p.m. Mission Sewing. 7:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus. Wednesday, Jan. 23: 3:30 and 7 p.m. Faith Formation; Second-grade parent meeting.

**Luverne Christian Reformed Church**  
605 N. Estey St., Luverne  
Office Ph. 283-8482; Prayer Line Ph. 449-5982  
www.luvernrc.com — office@luvernrc.com  
**Roger Sparks, Pastor**  
Sunday, Jan. 20: 9:30 a.m. Worship Service. 10:50 a.m. Sunday School and Catechism classes. 6:30 p.m. Worship.

**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, Jan. 17: 6 a.m. Men's Bible Study. 2 p.m. Mary Jane Brown Home Birthday Party. 7 p.m. Nominating Committee Meeting. 8 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3. Sunday, Jan. 20: 9:15 a.m. Membership Class; Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Morning Service. Noon Celebration of Life Meal. 6 p.m. Evening Service. Monday, Jan. 21: 7 p.m. Constitution Review Team Meeting. Tuesday, Jan. 22: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study. Wednesday, Jan. 23: 6:30 p.m. Awana / Sparkie's Parents Night.

**Grace Lutheran Church**  
500 N. Kniss Ave., Luverne  
Ph. 507-283-4431; www.graceluverne.org — graceluverne@iw.net  
**Ron Nichols, Pastor**

Thursday, Jan. 17: 8:30 a.m. Missions in Action. Friday, Jan. 18: 6:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Saturday, Jan. 19: 5:30 p.m. Worship with Communion. Sunday, Jan. 20: 8:15 a.m. Radio broadcast. 9 a.m. Worship with Communion. 10 a.m. Fellowship Coffee. 10:15 a.m. Adult Study and Sunday School. Monday, Jan. 21: Grace Notes deadline. 1-7 p.m. Bloodmobile in Fellowship Hall. 4:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Tuesday, Jan. 22: 9 a.m. Staff meeting. 7 p.m. Mary/Martha Circle at Grace. Wednesday, Jan. 23: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study. 3:30 p.m. Faithweavers. 5:15 p.m. Youth Supper. 6 p.m. Woven Worship with Communion. 7 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal; Grades 6-8 Confirmation. 7:30 pm. Grade 9 Confirmation. Thursday, Jan. 24: 9:30 a.m. Naomi Circle; Rachel Circle at Centennial. 1:30 p.m. Lydia Circle. 2 p.m. Sarah Circle at Camelot. 7 p.m. Priscilla/Elizabeth Circle.

**Bethany Lutheran Church**  
720 N. Kniss Ave., Luverne  
Ph. 507-283-4571 or 507-449-0291 or 605-215-9834  
pastorapalmquist67@yahoo.com

Sunday, Jan. 20: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 9:15 a.m. Bible Class. 10:15 a.m. Worship. Monday, Jan. 21: 7 p.m. Annual Voters' Meeting and Open Forum. Wednesday, Jan. 23: 3:45 p.m. Catechism classes.

**American Reformed Church**  
304 N. Fairview Dr., Luverne  
Ph. 283-8600; email: office@arcluverne.org  
**Mike Altna, Pastor**

Friday, Jan. 18: 6:30 a.m. Community Men's Bible Study. 4:30 p.m. REFIT Fitness. Saturday, Jan. 19: 8 a.m. Consistory Retreat. Sunday, Jan. 20: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:50 a.m. Family Education. 6 p.m. Middle School gathering. Monday, Jan. 21: Office closed. Tuesday, Jan. 22: Noon Staff meeting. 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. Bible Study Fellowship. Wednesday, Jan. 23: 4:30 p.m. REFIT Fitness. 5:30 p.m. Midweek Meal. 6:30 p.m. Pioneer Clubs; Junior and Senior Youth Group. 7 p.m. Rachel Circle; Praise Team.

**First Assembly of God Church**  
1075 110<sup>th</sup> 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  
**Dorie Hall, Pastor**

Thursday, Jan. 17: 1-3 p.m. and 5-6:30 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf. Saturday, Jan. 19: 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Sunday, Jan. 20: 9 a.m. Coffee Hour and Adult Sunday School. 10 a.m. Worship. Endowment Fund Waffle Lunch. 4:30 p.m. Genesis/Revelation Bible Study. 6 p.m. ALIVE Youth Group - Redeemed Remnants. Monday, Jan. 21: 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Tuesday, Jan. 22: Messenger deadline. Wednesday, Jan. 23: 5:30 p.m. Community meal. 6 p.m. F.U.E.L. and Confirmation. 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Thursday, Jan. 24: 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, Jan. 17: 10 a.m. Worship service on Channel 3. Sunday, Jan. 20: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 10:15 a.m. Worship Service. 11:15 a.m. Coffee and fellowship. Monday, Jan. 21: 9 a.m. Quilting group. Tuesday, Jan. 22: 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3. Wednesday, Jan. 23: 3:30 p.m. Youth Club. 5:30 p.m. Bells. 6 p.m. Middle School Fellowship and Confirmation. 6:15 p.m. Choir. 7:30 p.m. Deacons.

**St. John Lutheran Church**  
803 N. Cedar St., Luverne  
Ph. 283-2316; email: stjoh@iw.net  
www.stjohnlutheranluverne.org  
**Gary Klatt, Pastor**

Thursday, Jan. 17: 12:30 p.m. Rock the Edge at LHS. 1 p.m. Parkinson's Support Group. Saturday, Jan. 19: 5:30 p.m. Worship. Sunday, Jan. 20: 9 a.m. Worship. 10:15 a.m. Christian Education Hour. 11:15 a.m. Junior Choir. Monday, Jan. 21: Newsletter deadline. No Little Lambs Jan. 21-25; Little Lambs Conferences Jan. 21-24. 7 p.m. Parish Planning Council. Wednesday, Jan. 23: 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, Jan. 24: 9:45 a.m. Rock County Ministerial Association at Christian Reformed Church.

**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: newlifecel@iw.net  
Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Worship at 110 N. Oakley. Every third Thursday: 4:30 p.m. Food give-away at Senior Citizens Center. Bible Study groups meet at various times and days.

**Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
305 E. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., P.O. Box 36, Hardwick

Thursday, Jan. 17: 3:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Friday, Jan. 18: 3:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Sunday, Jan. 20: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 9:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study. 10 a.m. Mentor program. 10:30 a.m. Worship with Communion. Monday, Jan. 21: 1 p.m. Quilting. Tuesday, Jan. 22: 7 p.m. Women's Bible Study. Wednesday, Jan. 23: February newsletter deadline. 6:30 p.m. Confirmation. Thursday, Jan. 24: 3:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3.

**Ben Clare United Methodist Church**  
26762 Ben Clare Ave., Valley Springs, S.D.  
igtwlb@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, Jan. 20: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship. 11:30 a.m. Congregational meeting and lunch.

**Palisade Lutheran Church**  
211 121<sup>st</sup> St., Garretson, S.D.  
Ph. (507) 597-6257 — firstpalisade@alliancecom.net  
**Laura Phillips, Pastor**

Sunday, Jan. 20: 9 a.m. Worship Service. 10 a.m. Sunday School.

**First Presbyterian Church**  
201 S. 3<sup>rd</sup> 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**  
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**Alan Camarigg, Pastor**

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## Changed for good

The coming of the New Year always seems to be a time when we focus on change. Hopefully change for the better. We want to eat healthier. We want to exercise more. We want to drink caffeine less.



### BUILT ON A ROCK

**By Jessica Blocker,  
Director of Christian  
Education, St. John  
Lutheran Church,  
Luverne**

Or maybe our focus is on others. We want to spend more time with family. We want to volunteer more within the community. I know there are certainly things I want to work on in my own life and improve upon.

However, I would wager a guess that we don't usually make a New Year's resolution stating that we want to sin less this year. There may be bad habits that we want to break, but I doubt that we take a look at ourselves and our lives and put "sin less" on our lists of things to accomplish this year. I know I haven't. Maybe it is because in truth we recognize for ourselves that we are sinful human beings. Paul writes in Romans 3, "All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

Now you may be thinking, "Wow, Jess, this is kind of a bummer of a way to start off the New Year." And you'd be right! But thankfully things don't end there, with us stuck as sinners falling short of God's glory. For we are also God's saints! "But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you

may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light" (1 Peter 2:9).

On our own we are not capable of change, though we may certainly like to think sometimes that we can do it all ourselves. But we have been called out of darkness and changed in Christ.

Jesus didn't need the New Year to come and to make a resolution for himself that this year would be the year to save sinners. He has loved us with an everlasting love since before we were born!

Though we may strive for perfection, to drop those extra Christmas pounds or give up a bad habit, there is nothing we must do to earn Christ's love and redemption. He has given us the greatest change we could ever ask for.

Through baptism, we are new creations in Christ. And while he is unchanging, we have been changed through his sacrifice on the cross.

Happy New Year to all of us saints and sinners who find our joy in Jesus!

**Steen Reformed Church**  
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Ph. 855-2336

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**Bethlehem Lutheran Church**  
Pastor Maggie Berndt-Dreyer  
112 N. Main St., Hills  
Ph. 962-3270

e-mail: bethlehemiuth@alliancecom.net  
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## Vanden Bussche probate

FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
DISTRICT COURT  
PROBATE DIVISION  
Court File No. \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
COUNTY OF ROCK  
Estate of Lloyd Thomas Vanden Bussche

### NOTICE AND ORDER OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL AND APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

It is Ordered and Notice is given that on February 4, 2019, at 3:30 p.m., a hearing will be held in this Court at 204 E. Brown Street, Luverne, MN 56156, for the formal probate of an instrument purporting to be the Will of the Decedent, dated July 16, 2012 and codicil(s) to the Will dated \_\_\_\_\_, and separate writing(s) under Minn. Stat. 525.2-513 ("Will"), and for the appointment of Cynthia Reu, whose address is 1495 115th Street, Luverne, MN 56156 as Personal Representative of the Estate of the Decedent in an Unsupervised administration.

Any objections to the petition must be filed with the Court prior to or raised at the hearing. If proper and if not objections are filed or raised, the Personal Representative will be appointed with full power to administer the Estate including the power to collect all assets, to pay all legal debts, claims, taxes and expenses, to sell real and personal property, and to do all necessary acts for the Estate.

Notice is also given that (subject to Minn. Stat. 524.3-801) all creditors having claims against the Estate are required to present the claims to the Personal Representative or to the Court Administrator within four months after the date of this notice or the claims will be barred.

A charitable beneficiary may request notice of the probate proceedings be given to the Attorney General pursuant to Minn. Stat. 501B.41, subd. 5

Dated: 1/9/2019

BY THE COURT  
/s/ Terry Vajgrt  
Judge of District Court  
COURT SEAL  
/s/ Denise Brandel  
Court Administrator

Attorney for Petitioner  
Benjamin Vander Kooi, Jr.  
Vander Kooi Law Offices, P.A.  
127 E. Main, PO Box 746  
Luverne, MN 56156  
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Email: lawkooi@gmail.com

(1-10, 1-17)

## Summons

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
COUNTY ROCK

DISTRICT COURT  
FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
Case Type:  
Civil Other: Quiet Title Action  
Court File No: \_\_\_\_\_

Amanda Jo Plueger,  
Plaintiff,  
vs.

SUMMONS

Estate of Elmer Metzger, deceased,  
Mariann L. Metzger, and Chris VanderWal,  
Defendants.

### TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS:

1. **YOU ARE BEING SUED.** The Plaintiff has started a lawsuit against you. The Plaintiff's Complaint against you is attached to this Summons. Do not throw these papers away. They are official papers that affect your rights. You must respond to this lawsuit even though it may not yet be filed with the Court and there may be no court file number on this Summons.
2. **YOU MUST REPLY WITHIN 20 DAYS TO PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS.** You must give or mail to the person who signed this Summons a written response called an Answer within 20 days of the date which you receive the Summons. You must send a copy of your Answer to the person who signed this Summons located at:  
7616 Currell Boulevard, Suite 200, Woodbury, Minnesota 55125
3. **YOU MUST RESPOND TO EACH CLAIM.** The Answer is your written response to the Plaintiff's Complaint. In your Answer you must state whether you agree or disagree with each paragraph of the Complaint. If you believe the Plaintiff should not be given everything asked for in the Complaint, you must say so in your Answer.
4. **YOU WILL LOSE YOUR CASE IF YOU DO NOT SEND A WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE COMPLAINT TO THE PERSON WHO SIGNED THIS SUMMONS.** If you do not Answer within 20 days, you will lose this case. You will not get to tell your side of the story, and the Court may decide against you and award the Plaintiff everything asked for in the Complaint. If you do not want to contest the claims stated in the complaint, you do not need to respond. A default judgment can then be entered against you for the relief requested in the complaint.
5. **LEGAL ASSISTANCE.** You may wish to get help from a lawyer. If you do not have a lawyer, the Court Administrator may have information about places where you can get legal assistance. **Even if you cannot get legal help, you must still provide a written Answer to protect your rights or you may lose the case.**
6. **ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION.** The parties may agree to or be ordered to participate in an alternative dispute resolution process under Rule 114 of the Minnesota General Rules of Practice. You must still send your written response to the Complaint even if you expect to use alternative means of resolving this dispute.
7. **THIS LAWSUIT MAY AFFECT OR BRING INTO QUESTION TITLE TO REAL PROPERTY** located in Rock County, State of Minnesota, legally described as follows:

That part of the Northwest Quarter (NW1/4) of Section Thirty-two (32), Township One Hundred One (101) North, of Range Forty-six (46) West of the 5th P.M., described as follows:

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8. **THE OBJECT OF THIS ACTION IS TO** quiet title to real property described herein.  
Dated: 12/3/2018

WILFORD, GESKE & COOK, P.A.  
By: /s/ Michael R. Sauer  
Michael R. Sauer (#387005)  
Attorneys for Plaintiff  
7616 Currell Blvd., Suite 200  
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(1-10, 1-17, 1-24)

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- **Contact:** For more details contact Todd Holthaus, Superintendent at: [lholthaus@isd671.net](mailto:lholthaus@isd671.net) or 507-962-3240 ext. 13
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## CARDS OF THANKS

Thank you very much for the many cards, gifts, phone calls and the time spent with family in celebration of my 90th birthday. It was great to hear from so many people and it made the day very special!  
**Russell Wenzel**  
(1.17-1.20)

I would like to thank everyone for the birthday cards, flowers, gifts and phone calls. Also, thanks to my family for hosting my birthday party. I had a wonderful time. It all meant a lot to me! I loved seeing old friends and new ones.  
**Blessings to you all,**  
**Carol Kuhlman**  
(1.17-1.20)

The family of Lloyd Vanden Bussche would like to thank everyone for the prayers, kind words, flowers, cards and gifts in his memory. Thanks so much to Jeff Hartquist and his staff for all their help. Thanks to Pastor Moser for his kind words and visits and the ladies of First Baptist for lunch. God Bless each of you. (1.17-1.20)

## CARDS OF THANKS

Thank you to Rock County Sheriff's Department and Beaver Creek First Responders for your support and quick response on 12/31/18.


**Earl Vanden Bussche and Family.**  
(1.17-1.20)

A most sincere thank you for all who have sent cards and texts, for all the well wishes and personal messages of care and concern, for the delicious meals and desserts, for those who filled in for me as necessary and especially for all the prayers during my knee surgery and recovery. I cannot begin to express the gratitude I feel for having such amazing friends and family! God never promised a life without trials, but He did promise He would always be with us and equip us to handle those struggles with exactly what we need at exactly the right time. God gave me each of you and "thank you" hardly seems adequate for such abundant blessings!

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Jan. 20 2 p.m.  
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Saturday Feb. 9 8 p.m.  
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Pictured are (front, from left, starting with girl in red) Reese Henning, Aubrey Nuffer, Breanna Richters, Addison Wieneke, Gianna Sowles, Nevaeh De-Boer, Zayda Holmgren, Sophia Eisma, Grace Schneekloth, Mara Thier, Kallista Van Grootheest, Mya Akin, Marisa Thier, Sylvia Eisma, Aliyah Tiesler, Lexi Hamner, Ellianna Kopp, Afton Nuffer, (back) Madison Ruesch, Faith Hoiland, Emma Schneekloth, Riley Severtson, Katharine Kelm, Augusta Papik, Lilly Hamner, Audrina Tiesler, Maranda Thier, Kendall Buss, Alyssa Nattress, McKenzie Engwicht, Bailey Weg, Alysha Wieneke, Elizabeth Spiegelhoff, Hannah Henning, Lauren Ver Steeg, Grace Goeden, Elisabeth Kelm, and (not pictured) Anika Springer and Anisa Vanden Bosch.

## Crystal Classic Jan. 18-20 in Luverne

The Blue Mound Figure Skaters will host the Ice Crystal Classic 2019 Jan. 18-20 at the Blue Mound Ice Arena in Luverne. This is the local club's largest competition to date with 105 skaters attending from nine different rinks (which includes local skaters) and 19 different coaches.

Skating will begin with team events at 7 p.m. Friday. On Saturday skating begins at 8 a.m. and continues until 7:30 p.m. On Sunday skating begins at 8 a.m. and ends at 4:15 p.m. Medals and/or trophies are awarded to all the skaters in each event and team trophies are awarded to the top three teams. The home rink is not in the running for trophy placing.

## Blue Mounds State Park candlelight hike attracts more than 700 people/continued from page 1

park office when they entered Saturday, and dozens of cars lined County Road 20 leading into the park as the event began.

More than 160 daily passes were purchased at \$7 apiece, along with three annual passes, and Friends of the Blue Mounds State Park raised \$1,000 at the Take 16 afternoon Bingo, barbecue and brewery pint sales (\$1 for each pint sold benefited the Friends group).

"We are thrilled about that," said Friends member Taylor Graphentee. "It's a great start to the year for us. We're really grateful for the community that came out to support us."

Brooks said the cross promotion between Take 16 and the Friends group likely fueled interest in the hike.

"Parking was our big challenge but our team really grabbed it by the horns and worked it out and ended up parallel parking cars along the north side of the road in the park," she said.

"We are definitely looking to next year. We are going to keep in mind what went well and what needs improvement for our next year's event. After the success of this year it'd be criminal not to continue this new tradition."



At left, volunteers Bronwyn Wenzel (left) and Sarah Deutsch stay ahead of park manager Chris Ingebretsen in the UTV, which was loaded with bags.



Star Herald photos by Lori Sorenson




Several volunteers (like Ashton Pick at right) and park staff placed battery-operated votive candles in white paper sacks (like the one above),



which were weighted by plastic sand that was sealed in small reclosable plastic baggies to keep the wind from tipping them.





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## Brainerd woman arrested in connection with local auto thefts

**By Lori Sorenson**

The Rock County Sheriff's Office was involved in the arrest of a Brainerd woman who is allegedly connected with vehicle thefts in Hills and Adrian.

According to information released Friday from Sheriff Evan Verbrugge, his office received a call around noon Thursday, Jan. 10, about a possible stolen vehicle from Hills.

Upon arrival, the deputy located a Buick Rendezvous that was stolen from Lyon County, Iowa, earlier in the morning.

The vehicle that was most recently stolen was a 2005 Chevrolet Tahoe belonging to Chris Harnack, Hills.

It was determined later that the suspect, Shakrya Johnson, 22, Brainerd, had entered a residence in Hills owned by Colter Deutsch and had taken miscellaneous items from inside the home.

Johnson was eventually arrested in Nobles County where she had stolen another vehicle from Adrian.

Law enforcement also determined that Johnson had

committed a gas drive-off at a gas station in Brandon, South Dakota.

The stolen items from the Harnack vehicle and the Deutsch residence were reportedly recovered, and Johnson is currently held in the Nobles County Jail awaiting formal charges.

Verbrugge said the woman was polite and pleasant. "I was told you would never suspect her as a person of interest," he said.

He added that Johnson was allegedly affiliated with two males that were arrested the day before near Rushmore for the same thing.

"They stole a vehicle from Lyon County, Iowa, and got to I-90," Verbrugge said. "I believe she was arrested in Lyon County and was released. Then the next day she stole another vehicle."



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