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## Masks are recommended, not mandated

*Luverne School District develops protocols in which face coverings are 'highly recommended'*

By Mavis Fodness

The coronavirus "incident command team" will reconvene to finalize district COVID-19 protocols as the 2021-22 school year nears.

Luverne School Board members reviewed a draft of the protocols at an Aug. 12 workshop. Members David Wrigg and Eric Hartman were not at the meeting.

The workshop was an open meeting; however, the board took no public comments. No formal decisions were made.

Discussion focused on the growing list of COVID-19 protocols recommended by the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC).

Eight citizens attended the meeting along with six licensed school staff and two principals.

The incident command team consists of parents, public health professionals, the school nurse, public health, school administrators and school board members.

Superintendent Craig Oftedahl will reconvene the group to meet weekly ahead of the Sept. 7 school year opening.

"We'll talk through the whole process and do what makes sense in how we keep people safe," he said.

The team first assembled when the coronavirus reached pandemic numbers in early 2020 in Minnesota.

At that time, the state mandated schools to close the buildings and conduct distance learning to students' homes. When school resumed in the fall of 2020, masks were required to be worn by staff and students when meeting in person during the 2020-21 school year.

Face coverings are not recommended and are not mandated for the upcoming school year.

The only exception is masks must be worn on school buses. That federal mask mandate is in effect until mid-September.

"Right now it is a personal preference whether or not you want to wear masks (in the school buildings)," Oftedahl said.

"There are a lot of personal feelings around the table and I understand that. We'll have to make some decisions going forward as things change or we get mandated to do something."

Vaccinations (currently only available to those ages 12 and older) are also a potential recommendation from the district.

Because COVID-19 spreads rapidly through the air, classrooms currently meet the minimum four air exchanges an hour. In the newly remodeled middle-high school classrooms, air is exchanged 12 times per hour.

A "layered approach" to prevent the spread of the virus is promoted in the current draft of COVID-19 protocols. Health

School face covering/see 8A

## Beaver Creek City Council questions railcar storage

By Lori Sorenson

Residents and city leaders in Beaver Creek are questioning the placement of railcars on tracks north of town with openings only at intersections.

City council member Pat Bender brought up the issue at Wednesday night's meeting, asking how long the cars would be there.

"If we knew it was short term, that'd be different," she said. "But this has been going on for over a year."

Mayor Josh Teune acknowledged that the cars and the tracks are privately owned, and as such, the rail authority has a right to use the property in this manner.

However, the council discussed that the cars are a nuisance — blocking the view of Beaver Creek from County Road 4 motorists and blocking the northern view for residents



Lori Sorenson photo/0819 railcars

Hundreds of railcars are stored on railroad tracks between Luverne and Beaver Creek as companies rent rail space for their empty cars from Ellis & Eastern, which leases the 41-mile short-line railroad.

in town.

The council also discussed visibility at intersections approaching County Road 4, which has carried extra

traffic this summer due to I-90 construction detours.

The cars limit visibility, as do the weeds, said council member Alan Harnack.

"The 4- to 5-foot-tall weeds that border both sides of the cars — especially by the frontage road entrance, are very ugly and inconsiderate," Harnack said.

"We are very proud of what we have for a town our size, and we strive to keep it clean and well-groomed."

Empty cars reflect production downturn

Clark Meyer is president of Ellis & Eastern, which leases the 41-mile short-line railroad that runs through Nobles and Rock counties between Worthington and Manley.

He said it's difficult to say how long the cars will be stored on the rail by Beaver Creek, because different companies rent the space for different reasons and durations.

Railcar storage/see page 2A

## Luverne, Rock County populations grow

By Lori Sorenson

The populations of Luverne and Rock County both grew over the past 10 years, according to U.S. Census data released Thursday.

Rock County's population grew by a slim .02 percent (17 people), from 9,687 in 2010 to the latest count of 9,704 in 2020.

Luverne's population grew by 4 percent, from 4,745 in 2010 to 4,946 in 2020.

The gain is welcome news in rural Minnesota where many communities are shrinking, but the final tally is just shy of the 5,000-person threshold Census volunteers had hoped for.

"Initially it was a complete disappointment the city of Luverne was only 54 people short of reaching a population goal of 5,000," said city clerk Jessica Mead.

Local leaders and volunteers

had formed a Complete Count Committee to educate community members and work to make sure every resident was counted, and Mead was at the helm of group.

In terms of state and federal budgeting, cities of 5,000 or more are better positioned to receive that support.

While the committee didn't reach its goal, Mead said the group's efforts helped to ensure

most of Luverne's residents were counted.

"Seeing an average population change of two percent for other southwest Minnesota county seat cities, we are ecstatic to see over a four percent increase," she said.

"We are also happy to see Rock County shows a positive increase when most southwest

Census data/see page 3A



Mavis Fodness photo/0819 Games Afoot

"The Game's Afoot" opens Friday for seven performances over the next two weekends. Cast members include (from left) Casey McKenzie, Nicole Henrichs, Katie Walgrave, director Carol Ceynowa, Anissa Vis, Shawn Kinsinger, David Vis, DJ Luethje and Tim Ceynowa.

## 'The Game's Afoot' finally comes to Palace stage this weekend and next

By Mavis Fodness

The "The Game's Afoot" cast is feeling a little deja vu.

The original March 2020 public performances were postponed due to the coronavirus pandemic.

For 18 months, director Carol Ceynowa said the eight veteran actors and actresses kept practicing the murder mystery/comedy by Ken Ludwig using Zoom, limiting contact with each other to prevent the virus spread.

After rescheduling the public performances twice, the third time appears to be a go, even though COVID-19 cases are rising in Rock County.

"We could be in the same spot (to postponing again)," she said.

With their extra time, the cast has fine-tuned the timing with sound effects and with the dialogue for the plot that has many twists and turns.

"We have been able to add things because we have the luxury of time," said Ceynowa, who is directing her ninth GEP production.

The group perfected a turntable bar, which spins to show a decorated Christmas tree on one side and a bar that can hide a human body on the other.

'The Game's Afoot'/continued on page 2A

## LHS coach seeks to pair with H-BC in wrestling

By Mavis Fodness

Luverne High School varsity wrestling coach Jordan Kopp and assistant coach Lance Ripka met with Luverne School Board members during an Aug. 12 work session.

They asked the board to consider a cooperative wrestling agreement with Hills-Beaver Creek High School to bolster team numbers.

Kopp said 14 wrestlers are needed in each weight division to be considered a complete team.

Weight divisions range from 106 to 285 pounds. Last year LHS had seven to nine varsity wrestlers, leaving five to seven empty weight classes.

Out of 28 duals LHS competed in during the 2020-21 season, the team won two. If the team filled all weight classes, the team could have had a 16-12 season.

Kopp further pointed out that the Luverne youth program currently has 10 wrestlers who attend H-BC.

"Our goal of this co-op is to recruit kids who are actively involved in (youth) wrestling and those who are not out for a winter sport," Kopp said.

Eligibility in youth wrestling ends by seventh grade.

"(This) program could greatly benefit from them and provide H-BC students with an opportunity that they (H-BC School District) do not offer," Kopp added.

Because nearly half of Luverne's

Wrestling pairing/see 3A



## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### Meetings

**Town and Country Garden Club** will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 24, at the community gardens in Luverne for a program on trellises and staking for garden plants. Louella Voigt will be in charge. Call 507-597-6378 for more information.

**Rock County People First** will meet Monday, Sept. 13, in Luverne Pizza Ranch for a 5:30 p.m. meal and 6:30 p.m. meeting.

### Learn about fruit trees and berry bushes Aug. 19

Learn about the fruit trees, berry bushes and others that grow well in our area during a multi-sensory experience at the Prairie Ally food forest and productive perennial riparian buffer. University of Minnesota Extension Agroforestry Educator Gary Wyatt will present information at from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 19, at 308 N Blue Mound Ave. Cost is \$15. Register at [projectfoodforest.org/events](http://projectfoodforest.org/events).

### Free food for seniors Aug. 19

Nutrition Assistance Program for Seniors 60 and older, sponsored by A.C.E. of SW MN, will be from 2 to 3 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 19, with drive-thru distribution in parking lot at 319 E. Lincoln, Luverne. Call Linda Wenzel at 283-5064 for more information. Pre-registration is required.

### Free food offered Aug. 19

New Life Celebration Church will offer free food at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 19, at the Generations Building on East Lincoln Street in Luverne. Vehicles should enter the west parking lot from Lincoln Street and drive to the double glass doors on the west side of the building where volunteers will load groceries into cars. Walkers should receive their pre-packaged groceries on the east side of the building. Call 507-283-4366.

### Fishing derby Aug. 29

The Luverne Optimist Club Fishing Derby will be from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 29, at the Minnesota Veterans Home pond for ages 5 to 15. Food and prizes will be available.

### Bloodmobile in Luverne Aug. 24

The American Red Cross Bloodmobile will be in Luverne from noon to 6 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 24, at Grand Prairie Events on South Estey Street.

Donors can save up to 15 minutes by completing the RapidPass® pre-donation reading and health history questionnaire online, on the day of donation, from a mobile device or computer. Make an appointment through the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org), calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767). Bring a blood donor card or driver's license at check-in. Donors in August will get a free four-month Apple Music subscription (new subscribers only). Details are available at [RedCrossBlood.org/FeelTheBeat](http://RedCrossBlood.org/FeelTheBeat).

### Community Ed announcements

Call 507-283-4724 to sign up for the following opportunity. See [comed.isd2184.net](http://comed.isd2184.net) to view the brochure and list of offerings.

Have fun cooking at Kids in the Kitchen this summer for grades K-8 includes Bakery Fun Aug. 19. Fee is \$16/child.

Amazing Art on Fire on Aug. 21 is open to all ages (third grade and younger with adults) Fee is \$5, plus you will pick out and pay for a pottery bisque piece at the studio for \$10-\$30 cost. Apply glaze and watch it change in the fire.

### Community Ed seeks ideas

Those who have new ideas for Luverne Community Education can email [li.nath@isd2184.net](mailto:li.nath@isd2184.net) or call 507-283-4724. Those interested in teaching a class or updating information for a class they're teaching should email [c.arends@isd2184.net](mailto:c.arends@isd2184.net).

The Fall Community Education brochure — covering the months of September, October, November and December, will be available Sept. 5 on the school website at [www.isd2184.net](http://www.isd2184.net) under the Community Education link.

### Hospice Charity Dinner and Auction Aug. 26

Aug. 26 is the Hospice Dinner & Auction. Ticket can be purchased at: <https://luvacf.ejoinme.org/MyEvents/2021CharityDinner> or call 283-1805 no later than Aug. 19. The Silent Auction will be open for anyone to bid online Aug. 21-Aug 28 on the above website. All proceeds stay local to support Sanford Luverne Hospice.

## Railcar storage on tracks by Beaver Creek/continued from page 1A

Rail storage space is in demand after the pandemic economy, and leasing rail space to companies storing unused cars is a way for the railroad to secure revenue.

"It helps us pay the light bill," Meyer said Friday. "We would prefer moving trains, but when the ethanol plant shut down, we lost a lot of business."

The Luverne plant, which recently announced it will soon resume production, at one point moved 500 cars of ethanol per year on the local track.

And ethanol wasn't the only product that stopped moving by rail.

Ellis & Eastern moves freight for companies like Baker Hughes, one of the world's largest oil field services companies.

Many of the empty cars stored in Rock County were used to haul fracking sand, but recent bans on fracking (to mine oil or gas) and reduced fuel demand during the pandemic brought the industry to a halt.

"They'd rather have [railcars] hauling stuff, but with the economic downturn, there's nothing to haul so they're looking for car storage space," Meyer said.

CHS also rents space on the local railroad, but those cars are stored seasonally — when they're not hauling grain and fertilizer. When harvest begins this fall, those will come out of storage.

### Why by Beaver Creek?

Beaver Creek City Council members also wondered why the cars couldn't be stored on other parts of the track, rather than so many at Beaver Creek.

That question also has more than one answer, Meyer said.

For one thing, Ellis & Eastern has active rail traffic on the east end of the short-line rail moving



Lori Sorenson photo/0819 beaver creek railcars

Railcars and tall weeds limit visibility at the intersection of County Road 4 and Spring Brook Road near Beaver Creek where council members are hoping cars can be moved.

product between the Magnolia fertilizer plant and the terminal south of Worthington.

Meyer also said he tries to arrange the cars in the order they'll next come out of storage, but it's often not clear how long the cars will be there.

"Even when the customer puts them in storage, they don't always know," Meyer said.

But he added that some of the cars — like the ones used for grain — are seasonal and are stored on shorter term contracts.

Currently the poor condition of the rail on the South Dakota portion of the line prevents railcars from traveling from Luverne to Manley, but the line fulfills an industry need as a leased "parking lot" for empty rail cars.

As such, there are often 300 to 400 cars stored on the line between Luverne and Beaver Creek at any given time.

### Longview is promising

The Buffalo Ridge Regional Rail Authority, comprised of Rock and Nobles county commissioners, owns the short-line railroad between the Burlington Northern Sante Fe to the west and the Union Pacific to the east.

Ellis & Eastern, owned by Sweetman Construction Co. of Sioux Falls, is leasing the local track and recently secured a \$14.4 million federal grant to support rehabilitation of the line by re-enforcing bridges, replacing ties and adding ballast.

Ellis & Eastern also operates the rail line from Manley to Ellis, South Dakota, and that portion of the railroad will also undergo extensive improvements.

Earlier this month the rail authority and Ellis & Eastern officials met jointly with an engineering firm that reported on a site analysis that shows promise of economic growth along the Buffalo Ridge Railroad.

Specifically four sites along the railroad — three of them in Rock County — were identified for potential development for industries seeking to move products.

Rail improvements will take several years to complete, but the improved track will mean trains are moving, not parked.

And if development occurs as predicted, the economic gain for Beaver Creek and the region might be worth tolerating the parked railcars.

"We are continually working on opportunities, and the future for rail is bright," Meyer said.

"As the economy rebounds from the pandemic, we'll be in a great position to help keep more freight moving, which is what I think we all want. Until that happens, these are some of the things we'll do stay afloat."

Meanwhile, he said Ellis & Eastern officials will consider spacing the cars at Beaver Creek so allow wider visibility.

## GEP to perform 'The Game's Afoot'/continued from page 1A

The cohesiveness of the actors and actresses was evident last week as the group practiced in person at the GEP building on Main Street Luverne.

"They are really a dedicated group," Ceynowa said.

All but one of the original eight cast members return after the 18-month postponement.

Time commitments prevent Jim Harsma from portraying Inspector Henry Goring. Tim Ceynowa, who is the assistant director, now steps into the part.

"The Game's Afoot" takes place in December 1936.

Admired actor William Gillette (portrayed by Casey McKenzie) is recovering at home after being shot in the arm during a cast call. The actor is known for his role in the play, "Sherlock Holmes."

For Christmas, Gillette invites his fellow actors and actresses over to his Connecticut castle for a seven-day celebration. Invitees include Aggie Wheeler (played by Nicole Henrichs), Simon Bright (David Vis),



Mavis Fodness photo/0819 Games Afoot

An amateur Sherlock Holmes, William Gillette (Casey McKenzie, holding paper) shows (from left) Simon Bright (David Vis), Felix Geisel (Shawn Kinsinger) and Aggie Wheeler (Nicole Henrichs) the secret message that said Gillette was the target of a murder.

Madge Geisel (Anissa Vis), and Felix Geisel (Shawn Kinsinger).

DJ Luethje is Gillette's mother and Katie Walgrave is the gossip and play

critic Daria Chase, who's written several scathing reviews about everyone in the cast.

As the murder investigation gets underway, Gillette assumes his Sherlock Holmes persona to track down the killer before the next victim appears.

Through witty lines and lots of movement from cast members, the plot goes through various twists and turns, an element Ceynowa said drew her to direct the play.

The GEP production is on stage Friday through Sunday (Aug. 20-22) and again Thursday, Aug. 26, through Sunday, Aug. 29.

Sunday shows begin at 2 p.m. The other performances begin at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$14 for adults and \$7 for students.

The Palace Box Office is open on Main Street Luverne from noon to 5 p.m. weekdays. Call 507-283-4339 for tickets.

Tickets are also available online at [www.palace-theatre.us](http://www.palace-theatre.us).

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# No fowl

## City Council keeps ordinance banning chickens in the city of Hills

**By Mavis Fodness**

An offer to complete yearly inspections wasn't enough to change the "no fowl" ordinance in the city of Hills.

At the Aug. 10 city council meeting, Hills resident Faith Thompson asked about changing the ordinance that prevents residents from keeping laying hens within city limits.

Thompson, who moved to Hills a year ago, inquired on behalf of other residents who were interested in keeping a small coop for egg production.

She offered to enforce a new ordinance allowing chickens within the city limits. She suggested a \$25 yearly fee for residents who keep coops in their backyards.

Council members asked how issues such as the number of hens, the handling of manure, chickens running loose, and possible health hazards would need to be addressed.

Thompson said she was asked to address the city council today and was ill-prepared with possible solutions and more formal answers to the council's questions.

A new ordinance would need to be developed to

permit chickens in the city of Hills. "Right now we have an ordinance that says, 'No chickens,'" said council member Alan Leenderts.

Mayor Keith Elbers said the city has never had an ordinance allowing chickens to be kept in town. Councils have been reluctant to allow the practice because other ordinances are not being followed.

"We have people who don't even mow their lawns," Elbers said.

The current council is also skeptical of allowing chickens in town.

"All it's going to do is manifest itself into headaches," said council member Stacen Burgers.

The current ordinance prohibits farm animals and fowl within city limits. Farm animals include cattle, horses, mules, sheep, goats, swine, ponies, ducks, geese, turkeys, chickens, guinea hens and honey bees.

"It is unlawful for any person to keep any animals as herein defined," the ordinance states.

Council members encouraged Thompson to gather more information and return to future meetings.

The Hills City Council meets the second Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m.



Luverne City Council members and staff tour the pool and fitness center lounge area on the east side of the building.

# Pool and fitness center work progresses

**By Lori Sorenson**

Construction is progressing on the city's \$5 million pool and fitness center expansion and remodeling project, which is about 35 percent complete.

Luverne City Council members toured the project after their meeting on Tuesday evening, Aug. 10.

The walls and roof are now on the new building addition, which includes the fitness center weight room, cardio room and flat space room on the south side of the complex.

Also under the roof are the new locker rooms, four family changing rooms, coffee lounge, utility room and pump room for the outdoor splash pad.

At the Aug. 10 meeting the council approved a payment of \$578,151.49 to general contractor Hoogendoorn Construction, Canton, South Dakota.

Work during this payment period includes the following: masonry work, metal wall panels and trim, splash pad equipment (stored on site), plumbing and electrical work, and earth work.



According to the proposed project timeline, work will be completed by May of 2022. Meanwhile a temporary fitness

center has been set up in the city's trailhead building on Main Street and Blue Mound Avenue (formerly Casey's).

# Census shows local growth/ continued from page 1A

Minnesota counties saw a decrease."

While both Luverne and Rock County showed only modest gains, any population increase is noteworthy in a part of the state where many communities continue to show population declines.

Pipestone and Pipestone County shrank by roughly 2 percent. Murray County and Slayton declined nearly 7 percent and Redwood Falls and Redwood County shrank by more than 3 percent.

In Rock County, Luverne carried the county's population gains, and Hills held its own with a 2020 count of 686 people, exactly the same number as in 2010.

All other Rock County cities reported population declines.

- Beaver Creek decreased from 297 to 280.
- Magnolia shrank from 222 to 196.
- Hardwick decreased from 198 to 189.
- Steen is down from 180 to 171.
- Kenneth dropped from 68 to 60.

Data released by the U.S. Census Bureau on Thursday provided a more detailed look at population and demographic shifts within each state, including information on individual counties and cities.

Figures released earlier this year showed that Minnesota's population grew to 5.7 million in 2020, an increase of 7.6 percent, which was just enough for the state to keep its eight congressional districts.

Thursday's data release also included race, age and other demographic information for Minnesotans in the 2020 census.

One of the most important impacts of new census data is that it affects the state's political map, which must be redrawn to reflect population shifts.

Redistricting data will also be important at the local level where census data is used to determine boundaries of Luverne's voting wards. In turn, population data from the Luverne wards can have an impact on Rock County commissioner districts.



Above, the center island of the pool and fitness center parking lot will be removed to allow for more parking spots.

Pictured at left, Luverne City Council members and staff tour the pool and fitness center "flat space" exercise room after their Tuesday, Aug. 10, meeting.

Lori Sorenson photos

# LHS coach seeks to pair with HBC in wrestling program /continued from page 1A

weight classes remain open for meets, Kopp said no Luverne athlete would be displaced from a position on the team.

In the practice room athletes could potentially have a partner closer in

weight. Kopp also said some teams are hesitant to travel to Luverne for less-than-full-team matches.

To field a full team, other schools have turned to cooperative agreements, which Luverne has had in the past

with other schools.

"Myself, other coaches, wrestlers and parents feel that pairing with H-BC, we could fill those empty weight classes and provide an optimal experience for all involved," Kopp said.

"Luverne wrestling is not going to die out because we don't have that co-op agreement, but we believe it will benefit our kids at school."

An agreement between schools would divide the estimated \$13,000 in program

costs.

As a workshop session, Luverne school board members did not make any decisions on a possible cooperative sport agreement.

However, Superintendent Craig Oftedahl said there

is a timeline in order to have the pairing approved and recognized by the Minnesota State High School League.

Before the Luverne board can act, a formal request must first be made by the H-BC School Board.

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## How does my garden grow? Bigger than the shelf space in my pantry

As a first-year gardener I've made plenty of rookie mistakes this



### ON SECOND THOUGHT

By Lori Sorenson, editor

growing season. ... Planting too late in the spring, spacing plants too closely together, and not reading the directions on the seed labels.

Actually, the garden wasn't intended to be a garden in the first place.

It started as a swath of dirt our neighbor turned over for us with his tiller. "How big do you want it your garden?" he asked.

I didn't know. I had 24 asparagus shoots that needed a forever home.

He dropped the blades in the ground and produced a lovely patch of soft, black dirt that appeared to be just right.

The 24 asparagus seedlings formed two tidy rows that filled only a quarter of our "garden."

So, when the neighbor ladies were buying surplus "flats" of tomato plants on sale, I went in on a few.

After all, I had space in my garden.

And when one of the gals ended up with too many, I rescued the orphaned 'maters.

Because I had space in my garden.

And when my mother-in-law stopped over with a few cherry tomato plants, I gladly accepted them.

Because I had space in my garden.

... Or so I thought.

The baby asparagus shoots and rescued tomato plants at first grew neatly in their rows.

I weeded them and watered them, and built a chicken-wire fence around

them to keep out the rabbits and deer.

And my garden grew.

As did my confidence as a garden newbie.

The asparagus feathered out and the tomatoes produced blooms.

And they continued to grow.

As did my concern when they began growing over the top of and in between each other's rows.

Pretty soon there were no rows — only tangled vines of plants with large leaves that were hard to discern from weeds.

And before I knew it, large green tomatoes — too many to count — began forming under the heavy foliage.

After consulting the label for my "Big Beef" slicer tomatoes, I learned they should be "caged or staked" up to 36 inches apart.

The picture showed shrub-like greenery with bright red tomatoes happily dangling from climbing vines ... not lying in the dirt as mine were.

As my garden grows increasingly unruly, I'm wondering what my mom would say to reassure me.

"Don't judge a book by its cover," or "Nothing ventured, nothing gained."

But mostly what comes to mind as I prepare for a bumper tomato crop is, "My eyes were bigger than my stomach," at planting time. In other words, "My garden vision was bigger than the space in my pantry."

Salsa recipes anyone?

## 'Curious Rock County' answers questions about rocks and trains

### STAR HERALD EDITORIAL

Several weeks ago, the Star Herald launched its "Curious Rock County" segment, which solicits questions from readers with promises to search for answers.

**Q.** Our first question was a softball: **Where did Rock County get its name?**

**A.** Many might assume that it's named for the rock outcroppings of the Blue Mounds, but Rock County was named for the Rock River that flows through the county.

The river is named for the Blue Mounds, which on an 1843 map was designated "The Rock."

This information is according to Minnesota Geographic Names. Another railroad history source attributes the county name to its rocky soil.

**Q.** **What are the rules dictating train horns at intersections?**

**A.** Under the federal "Train Horn Rule," locomotive engineers must begin to sound train horns at least 15 seconds, and no more than 20 seconds, in advance of all public

grade crossings.

This is according to the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Railroad Administration "the train horn rule," which was updated in January 2020.

If a train is traveling faster than 60 mph, engineers will not sound the horn until it is within one-quarter mile of the crossing, even if the advance warning is less than 15 seconds.

There is a "good faith" exception for locations where engineers can't precisely estimate their arrival at a crossing and begin to sound the horn no more than 25 seconds before arriving at the crossing.

Train horns must be sounded in a standardized pattern of two long blasts, followed by one short and

one long blast. The pattern must be repeated or prolonged until the lead locomotive or lead cab car occupies the grade crossing. The rule does not stipulate the durations of long and short blasts.

The maximum volume level for the train horn is 110 decibels which is a new requirement. The minimum sound level remains 96 decibels.

Up next for Curious Rock County research:

**Q.** **What happened to the vineyard** on the east edge of Luverne? We reached out to folks in the know and will let you know what we learn.

Until then, more Curious Rock County questions may be submitted to editor@star-herald.com or by calling 507-283-2333.

## Stearns: Boulevards useful for recycling

To the Editor:

As a proud resident of Luverne, Rock County, and the Greater World, I would contest a thumbs down in the Star Herald last week.

During a recent move, my boulevard functionally recycled a hefty quantity of furniture, electronics and other various household items.

As I moved away from a home I had inhabited for nine years, I sorted and appropriately recycled the metals, electronics, building materials, and general waste at the Rock County Transfer Station.

But before doing so, I used my boulevard to recycle otherwise useful stuff. Nearly 90 percent of the items I placed there were taken by people of this community, and I presume that the items taken were taken by those who would reuse and repurpose them in some manner. These items would otherwise have ended up at the transfer station.

This facility transfers most of the waste in Rock County to its end destination, a place in Lyon County that is filling up. The heavy trucks that haul our slop of food and furniture every day of the week crumble roads that must be continually paved over and over again.

Landfills in places close and far, from Lyon County to Minneapolis and across the world, are filling up and our waste disposal warrants our consideration.

I was proud enough to sort "junk," and much of it was given new meaning to people including a bed frame, head board, and a microwave.

Electronics waste is a huge problem to deal with and is rarely sorted from the garbage of most residents. How many of us truly know where the stuff we throw in our garbage cans goes?

We feel good recycling plastic waste, most of which is not recyclable in the first place. It ends up in the landfill anyway. Only the heaviest quality plastics have any value to recyclers.

As an educator I would encourage everyone in my community to research. Read or watch a documentary about clothing waste, electronics waste, food waste, etc. Know what you throw away and where it ultimately goes.

Maybe my second-hand clothes and my compost pile wouldn't be too low class anymore.

Joseph Stearns, Luverne



## Radisewitz: Not sure about getting vaccinated — know the facts

To the Editor:

Recently I talked with a retired physician. He shared how sad he was that several residents in Rock County haven't received their COVID-19 vaccination shots. He worked his whole life to save others and now some of those same people might get ill and possibly die because they won't take shots that are readily available to save them.

Not getting vaccinated is a right, and we need to respect an individual's decision, but it's important the individual knows all the facts to make the right decision.

•The COVID-19 vaccines are not a brand new discovery we need to fear. The mRNA science behind the vaccine has

been around over 20 years. The shot does not enter our DNA or use a live virus that could give you COVID-19. It's been used in treating other diseases such as AIDS, flu, Zika, rabies and CMV.

•This is not the first time our country has had to be inoculated. We've taken vaccines all our lives for smallpox, whooping cough, rubella, HPV, measles, mumps, polio and meningitis. COVID-19 is just the next in line.

•The new Delta variant COVID-19 is twice as transmissible as the original virus and causes more severe illness. Even healthy, vaccinated people carry the Delta virus in their nostrils and spread it to others, which is why we're seeing more mask mandates.

•Nationally, at this time, 97

percent of patients hospitalized with COVID-19 are unvaccinated.

•Children 12 and older are now eligible to get vaccinated.

•Even if you've had COVID-19, you should get vaccinated. You are twice as likely to get reinfected as someone who had their shots.

•A final fact for the unvaccinated — the chance of dying if you get the new Delta variant is 25 times that of a vaccinated person. This fall, when we start moving inside, the Delta variant is going to hit us hard. By not getting vaccinated, you are clearly placing your life and the lives of your loved ones at risk.

A friend was struggling about getting vaccinated based on religious ideals. All I could think about was the parable of the man sitting on top of

his house as the neighborhood flooded. Someone came by in a canoe, a boat and finally a helicopter. Each time, the man refused the help because he was waiting for the Lord to save him. After drowning, the man met the Lord and asked why he wasn't saved. The Lord said, "I sent you a canoe, boat and even a helicopter."

Today I want to tell my friend the Lord just sent a vaccine to save them. If you have friends or family members who are dragging their feet about getting vaccinated, tell them the facts. Get them to Lewis Drug on Highway 75. They can walk in anytime and get their shot right away. Plus, the pharmacist will show them where to go online to get \$100 from the state of Minnesota.

Cary Radisewitz, Luverne

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**CELEBRATION**

**Card showers**  
**Charlie and Carol Goehle** will celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on Saturday, Aug. 21. Greetings may be sent to 514 N. Fairview Drive, Luverne, MN 56156.

**Pat Fleseland** will celebrate her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday on Saturday, Aug. 28. Greetings may be sent to 301 Church Street, Kenneth, MN 56147.

**MENU**

**Monday, Aug. 23:** Pork loin, candied yams, broccoli, bread, bar.

**Tuesday, Aug. 24:** Swedish meatballs, mashed potatoes with gravy, carrots, bread, gelatin with whipped topping.

**Wednesday, Aug. 25:** Taco salad with salsa and sour cream, corn chips, fresh fruit, dessert.

**Thursday, Aug. 26:** Spaghetti, lettuce salad with dressing, fruit, dessert.

**Friday, Aug. 27—National Burger Day:** Hamburger on a bun with ketchup and mustard, roasted potatoes, fresh fruit, dessert.

Half-Price Day is anonymous.

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Call Lynette Hoiland at 283-9846 to arrange to pick up a dinner or for home-delivered meals.

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

**COLLEGE NEWS**

**Stratton earns degree at DSU**

Logan Stratton, Luverne, received a Master of Science in Computer Science—Cyber degree following the Spring 2021 semester at Dakota State University in Madison, South Dakota.



Mavis Fodness photos/0819 Iverson Mini Geep

A fun vehicle for Linda Iverson to complete errands or take a quick drive around Luverne, the Mini Geep has turned a lot of heads as Iverson drives to and from her home.

*Mini Geep is fun vehicle for Linda Iverson*

**By Mavis Fodness**

Linda Iverson of Luverne says she wasn't looking to buying a Mini Geep three years ago — the Geep found her.

Her husband, David, entered a moped raffle sponsored by the Masonic Lodge. He had the winning ticket.

When the Iversons stopped at Manley Motorsports, they asked owner Jim Vandenberg what other recreation vehicles were available. Linda, who was undergoing cancer treatments at the time, didn't feel strong enough to balance a moped.

Vandenberg showed them a powder blue Mini Geep he recently picked up. The vehicle is designed for children.

"They were very popular three or four years ago," Vandenberg said.

Due to the coronavirus, production of the utility terrain vehicle was stopped and just recently began gearing back up.

The four-wheeled, four-stroke

engine vehicle was perfect for Linda.

"I always wanted a convertible and I always wanted a Geep," she said. "Dave gave me both."

Linda instantly took to the manual transmission, having learned to operate a stick years ago.

"It's kind of fun driving the little thing," she said.

Linda uses the two-person UTV to run errands and to take joy rides around town. The vehicle is licensed and has a horn, seatbelts, blinkers and is equipped with a slow-moving vehicle sign.

While the speedometer indicates an 80-mph capability, Linda keeps to in-town driving speeds only.

"I haven't been picked up yet," she joked.

However, Linda tends to turn heads when she's driving the Mini Geep in Luverne.

"They take a second look," she said. "And they are looking at the Geep and not whose driving it."



**Riding in style**



The Original Mini Geep is modeled after the classic Army Jeep but the Mini Geep has only a 4-stroke gas engine and is meant for recreational use. Linda Iverson uses the vehicle for errands.

**1935: Muskrat hunting prohibited this year**

The following appeared in The Rock County Herald on March 8, 1935.

**Taking of Muskrats Unlawful this Year**

**State Game and Fish Division Issues Prohibitory Order After Dangers of Undue Depletion are Shown**

Trapping of muskrats or taking of them in any other manner will be unlawful throughout this year, according to an official statement received by County Auditor Ray Koehn from Erling Swenson, director of the division of game and fish of the Minnesota department of conservation. This order was issued following an investigation in which it was shown that muskrats in the state are in danger of undue depletion.

It takes effect at once, and shall be in force until December 31<sup>st</sup>, 1935. Specification is made that "no muskrats may be taken in the state of Minnesota in any manner except as may be provided by orders issued pursuant to Mason's statutes



**BITS BY BETTY**

**By Betty Mann, president Rock County Historical Society**

1927, section 5544, during the year 1935."

A survey of the muskrat situation was recently conducted by all game wardens in the state, within their respective districts. The nature of the reports sent in to the division of game and fish led the state department to issue its latest order, to protect these fur-bearers from possible extinction.

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

**REMEMBER WHEN**

**10 years ago (2011)**

•Legislation dealing with concussions in school sports is dictating how coaches decide when or if an injured athlete should return to the game.

Laws passed in more than 30 states this summer essentially prevent coaches and trainers from allowing athletes with head injuries to return to play without proper medical clearance.

The law was passed in response to a growing field of medical research that points to the long-term and debilitating symptoms of head injuries.

**25 years ago (1996)**

•The former Berkley Information System office on South Freeman Street will likely change hands this fall.

F&L Management and Development bought the building for \$87,500. The sale was negotiated by the Luverne Community Economic Development Corporation, with assistance from the Luverne Economic Development Authority and the city.

Tom Serie said he will move the F & L Management office from the Rock County Agriculture building on Gabrielson Road into the downtown building soon, because county officers related to agriculture, the environment and Extension need more space.

**50 years ago (1971)**

•After teaching for 10 years in a conventional, average school system, Dorothy Ricehill, former Magnolia resident and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Kroontje, Luverne, decided to try something a little more challenging.

Following her graduation in 1959 from Hope College in Holland, Mich., Mrs. Ricehill taught elementary education at

Storm Lake, Iowa. Last year she accepted a position as assistant missionary at the Red Bird Mission located in Beverly, Ky.

The Red Bird Mission was founded in the mountainous Appalachia region of Kentucky in 1921. It provides an educational, medical, social and religious center for a five-county area.

**75 years ago (1946)**

•Dick Creeger, local golfer, won first place and a new radio in the "pitching" contest held Sunday in connection with the Pipestone golf tournament.

Each tournament entry had the same opportunity to win, and each one had three tries. The drive was 150 yards at the eighth hole. Creeger's winning drive was just 10 feet, three inches from the cup.

Creeger was one of nine Luverne golfers in attendance at the meet. In all, 84 golfers participated, the winner being the former amateur champion of Hawaii, who is now visiting at Madison, S. D.

Other Luverne golfers in attendance were Dr. O. W. Anderson, Andy Solberg, Albert Birdsey, Lorren Church, Roger Pengra, Hugh Connell, Joe Peterson and John Carstens.

**100 years ago (1921)**

•John Engebretson was elected president; Theo. Torgrierson, John Colbeck and Nels Hovland, trustees; Carl E. Olson, treasurer; O. P. Remme, clerk; John Jacobson, justice of the peace; and Ed Knowlton constable; at a special election held Tuesday at Kenneth.

These officers were selected in recognition of the recent decision of the people of Kenneth to incorporate, which was decided by a unanimous vote, and the men above named have the honor of being the first officers of that village.

## Corn, soybean growers donate tires to Sheriff's Office

The Rock County Corn and Soybean Growers Board recently donated a full set of tires to the Rock County Sheriff's Office as part of a promotion for using soybean oil in tire treads.

Goodyear's soy-based "Eagle Enforcer All Weather" tires are designed for extreme climates.

According to state soybean promoters, soybean oil in a tire's tread compound creates low glass transition temperatures, helping to improve tire flexibility and provide better traction in colder temperatures.

"The Rock County Growers Board is proud to donate tires made with a product that we grow locally," said Lucas Peters, Rock County Corn and Soybean Growers chair.

"We were happy to promote the innovative use of soybeans while also supporting our county sheriff's department."

Rock County farmers and their soybean checkoff dollars are giving back to local emergency responders and also promoting the diverse uses of soybeans.

"We see the value of promoting the soy-based tires to be able to show consumers that soybeans are more versatile than people think when it comes to being used in household and industrial products," said Gary Gertz, Rock County Corn and Soybean Growers board member and MSGA Director.

"I hope this draws people's attention and has them checking the labels of products in their homes."

Goodyear has increased its use of soybeans by 73 percent since 2018 and pledged to fully replace all of its petroleum-driven oils with soybean oil by 2040.

The Rock County Corn and Soybean Growers Association is affiliated with the Minnesota Soybean Research & Promotion Council, which oversees the investment of soybean checkoff dollars on behalf of the nearly 28,000 soybean farmers in Minnesota.

The money is used to promote, educate and develop market opportunities for soybeans.



Submitted photo

## Solar ovens, stories, s'mores add up to end-of-summer fun

The Rock County 4-H Youth Development Program concluded the 2021 summer day camp program on Aug. 13 with "Summer Fun" at the Rock County Fairgrounds in Luverne. Nine campers in grades 1-4 captured the sun's energy in an attempt to roast marshmallows for s'mores, read and shared campfire stories, learned about fireflies and played games. Pizza Ranch of Luverne provided the pizza boxes for the solar ovens. Pictured above are Harper Hulstein (from left), Ian Meyeraan and Tucker Thone, who carefully covered their pizza boxes with aluminum foil for their solar ovens.

## OBITUARIES

### William Beimers

William "Bill" Beimers, age 84, of Luverne, Minnesota, died peacefully on Saturday, Aug. 14, 2021, at the Minnesota Veterans Home in Luverne.



Visitation will be Wednesday, Aug. 18, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Hartquist Funeral Home in Luverne. Funeral service will be Thursday, Aug. 19, at 10:30 a.m. at the American Reformed Church in Luverne. Burial with military flag presentation will follow at Maplewood Cemetery in Luverne. To sign an online registry, please visit [hartquistfuneral.com](http://hartquistfuneral.com).

William "Bill" Junior Beimers passed from this life peacefully on Aug. 14, 2021, surrounded by family and friends at the Minnesota Veterans Home in Luverne, Minnesota.

Bill was born on Aug. 2, 1937, to William and Louisa (Feenstra) Beimers on a farm east of Hospers, Iowa. He was baptized at Hospers Christian Reformed Church. When he was three, the family moved into the town of Sibley, Iowa. When he was age 14, the family moved to a farm near Sanborn, Iowa, where they resided for three years. Bill often reminisced about adding corn cobs to the stove in the middle of the night to keep the farmhouse warm. The family later moved to Sioux Center, Iowa, where Bill was confirmed at the First Christian Reformed Church. After graduating from Western Christian High School in Hull, Iowa in 1955, Bill was employed as a mechanic at South Side Service in Sioux Center.

Bill met his future spouse, Esther Van Gorp, when her family's car fortuitously broke down in Sioux Center while on their way to drop Esther off at Dordt College. Bill lent the Van Gorp's his car to finish the journey while they waited for a part to arrive from Sioux City, and then called on Esther a couple days later to invite her out on a double date to the Clay County Fair. In March 1960, Bill was drafted into the United States Army where he served in South Carolina during the Cuban Missile Crisis. Bill frequently drove back to Iowa to see Esther, and on Sept. 2, 1962, they were united in marriage at Calvary Christian Reformed Church in Pella, Iowa.

After completing his military service, Bill became the service manager at Merit Motors in Sioux Center. In 1969 Bill and Esther moved to Blue Earth, Minnesota, where he taught auto me-

chanics at South Central Vocational Center and also worked part time at Yeager Implement. Always a hard worker, Bill attended college at Mankato State in the evenings, eventually earning a master's degree in vocational education and administration.

In 1975 the family moved to Tyler, Minnesota, where Bill became director for a newly established vocational center.

In 1976 they moved to Luverne, and Bill became administrator at Blue Mound Vocational Center, where he also taught auto mechanics and auto body classes and provided donuts to a generation of students. In 1981 Bill and Esther purchased the Luverne Laundromat & Dry Cleaners, where they enjoyed 18 years of serving customers from Luverne and the surrounding community.

An early riser from his farm days, Bill also handled local newspaper delivery for the Sioux Falls Argus Leader and Minneapolis Star Tribune. Bill and Esther sold the Laundromat in 1999, and Bill continued working part time as a bus driver for the Luverne Public Schools until his final retirement in 2014.

Bill believed in giving back to the community and was active with the Luverne Hospital Board, the Luverne City Council, and Rotary Club. He was also a member of the American Reformed Church in Luverne.

Bill's hobbies involved riding and working on motorcycles, restoring antique cars, and woodworking.

Bill is lovingly remembered by his wife Esther of Luverne; two children, Tom (Jo-Anne) of Orono, Minnesota, and David (Sarah) of Northfield, Minnesota; seven grandchildren, Cory (24) and Cole (21) Hummel; Oliver (5) and Charlotte (2) Beimers; and Henry (24), William (24), and Ann (20) Beimers; and sister, Dorothy Andersen of Sioux City, Iowa.

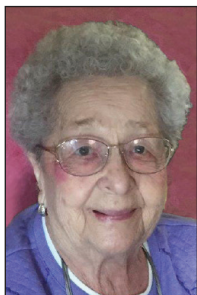
Bill was preceded in death by his parents, William and Louisa Beimers; sisters Theresa Riemersma and Katherine Kuiper; brothers-in-law Wilbur Riemersma, Louis Kuiper, and Howard Andersen; and sisters-in-law Donna (Howard) King and Bette (Darrell) Kelderman.

The family will be establishing a memorial through Luverne Dollars for Scholars to support post-secondary vocational and technical education.

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### Ethel Ten Hove

Ethel B. Ten Hove, 95, of 95 years, eight months, and 11 days.



Ethel was a member of the American Reformed Church in Woodstock. She enjoyed cooking, baking, flower gardening, and playing cards.

Ethel is lovingly remembered by her service will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 12, at the Woodstock American Reformed Church in Woodstock, with interment prior to the service at 10 a.m. at the Chandler Memorial Cemetery in Chandler.

Ethel Beatrice Ten Hove was born to Thomas and Etta (Beers) Scotting on November 29, 1925, on a farm in Lorain Township of Nobles County, Minnesota. When she was four years old, her mother died and her father married his wife's sister, Margaret. They lived on farms near Lake Wilson and Reading, Minnesota. Upon completion of her education, she worked for various families in the area.

Ethel married Henry Van Veldhuizen and lived in Boyden, Iowa. To this union they had two sons, Richard and Alan. Henry died in 1953 from ataxia.

In December of 1954, Ethel married Joe Ten Hove. Along with farming, Ethel and Joe owned and operated Ten Hove Grocery in Woodstock, Minnesota, for nine years. In 1992 Ethel and Joe moved to Pipestone, Minnesota. Joe preceded Ethel in death on July 23, 2011. She continued to reside in Pipestone and was recently a resident at the Ridgeview Estates and The Good Samaritan Community in Pipestone, where she died on August 8, 2021, at the age

of 95 years, eight months, and 11 days.

Ethel was preceded in death by her parents; her husbands, Henry Van Veldhuizen and Joe Ten Hove; sons Richard and Alan Van Veldhuizen; granddaughter Kaylene Van Veldhuizen; grandson Kevin Van Veldhuizen-August; sister and brother-in-law Grace and Herb Baumgard; half-sisters Pearl (Dale) Hibma and Ruth (Raymond) Johnson; and brothers-in-law Vaughn Lingen and Richard DeRuyter.

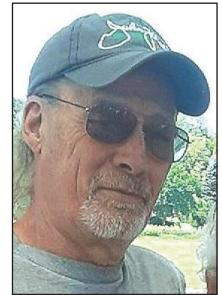
In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to the National Ataxia Foundation in memory of Henry, Richard, Alan, and Kevin.

Arrangements are provided by Hartquist Funeral Home - Pipestone Chapel, [hartquistfuneral.com](http://hartquistfuneral.com).

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### Lewis Kruger

Lewis "Lewey" Kruger, 66, Lennox, South Dakota, died Thursday, Aug. 12, 2021, at Sanford USD Medical Center, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, following a short battle with cancer.



A memorial service was Wednesday, Aug. 18, at Central Church in Sioux Falls.

Lewis Lee Kruger was born on Sept. 9, 1954, to Harvey and Carol (Petit) Kruger at Valley Springs, South Dakota. He grew up and attended school in Luverne, Woodstock, Pipestone and Trout Haven, South Dakota, before returning to Luverne. After high school, Lewis earned a degree in heavy equipment operation in South Carolina.

On Sept. 3, 1971, he married Barbara Kafka in Sioux Falls. The couple lived in Luverne, Sioux City, Iowa, Ricketts, Iowa, Beaver Creek, and Sioux Falls before making their home in Lennox for the past 33 years. Lewis began work erecting silos, then as a welder, farmer, garage door installer and general contractor. He then began a 37-year career in diesel mechanics for J & W Diesel and Truck Services, Sioux Falls.

Lewey was a devoted husband and father whose passion was helping family

or friends in need. He was a self-taught fixer and inventor of anything that could be constructed or driven. From specialty tools to custom tree houses, go-carts or adult big wheels, he could build it or fix it. He enjoyed woodworking and then painting his projects. He loved camping, travel and motorcycles.

Lewey is survived by his wife, Barb; children Shannon Kruger, Lewis "Rusty" Kruger, both of Springfield, South Dakota, and Amanda Kruger (Tony Barnes) of Harrisburg, South Dakota; seven grandchildren, Skye, Hayden, Payton "Paypay", Payton, Kaden, Colton and Ethan; great-grandson Kasen; his mother, Carol (Bill) Poppenga, Lennox; siblings Dean (Deb) Kruger, Brandon, Kathy (Charlie) Crow, Lake Crystal, John Kruger, Warsaw, Missouri, Bill (Donna) Kruger, Sioux Falls, Trudy (Dave) Tollefson, Duncan, Florida, and Robbie (Gigi) Moore, Lennox, as well as a host of other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his father, Harvey, and one brother, Paul Kruger.

Arrangements were provided by Dindot-Klusmann Funeral Home of Lennox, [dindotklusmann.com](http://dindotklusmann.com).

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### Volunteer In Your Community

Lutheran Social Service of MN is seeking volunteers in your area to provide companionship to older adults as well as helping school age children as a mentor. Volunteers of the program qualify for tax free stipends and travel reimbursement. Please contact Gail at 507.530.2295 or [gail.sumerfelt@lssmn.org](mailto:gail.sumerfelt@lssmn.org) for more information and to make an impact in your community!!



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# Luverne School District 'highly recommends,' not mandates, masks/continued from page 1A

professionals recognize no single intervention is effective; however, when used together they provide a layer of protection.

Draft protocols include:

•Physical distancing: Schools will create as much physical space between students and teachers as is feasible during the day. However, schools cannot guarantee 6 feet of physical distance at school.

•Face coverings: Based on the CDC and MDH, face coverings are highly recommended for all people within the school building.

Masks are available upon request.

•Health screenings: Families will be responsible for daily health screenings prior to their student(s) entering district school buildings. Students and staff are encouraged to stay home if they display any COVID-19 symptoms.

•Transportation: The federal government requires that face coverings be worn at all times on all public transportation. This includes school buses.

•Visitors: Non-essential visitors will be limited

during the school hours.

•Return to the classroom: Students will attend school five days a week with a regular schedule following the school calendar. Distance learning will not be available as a full-time option.

Students and staff will practice safety procedures such as regular hand washing, cough etiquette and distancing to reduce the spread of COVID-19.

•Communication: The district will provide on-going and systematic

communication from school to staff to families.

•Contact tracing: The MDH requires schools to report all positive COVID-19 cases and conduct contact tracing and identify close contacts. People who test positive for COVID-19 must stay home until all three of these things are true:

- 1.) They feel better and their symptoms have been resolved.
- 2.) It has been 10 days since they first felt sick or tested positive.
- 3.) They have no

fever for at least 24 hours without medication.

Close contacts include anyone who was within 6 feet of an infected person for a cumulative total of 15 minutes over a 24-hour period.

The school will notify parents when a student has been considered a close contact due to a positive case at school.

Parents should monitor their children for symptoms and keep students at home if they are ill.

Parents are expected to quarantine their child(ren)

if there is a positive Covid case in the household.

Exceptions to the close contact quarantine include fully vaccinated people and people who have had COVID-19 in the past 90 days.

The Luverne district will also follow the recommended Minnesota State High School League's layering prevention strategies for all extra-curricular options.

The Minnesota State High School League released the latest information on Aug. 12.

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A note from Mayor Patrick T. Baustian *We're All in This Together*

The Vax to School program is underway and I would like to thank the parents that have taken the steps necessary to get their children vaccinated. For those parents that are on the fence as to whether or not to vaccinate their children, please consider doing so. Consult with your family doctor if you have any concerns or questions as to the safety of the vaccine. As far as the latest on mask wearing, the Center for Disease Control and the Minnesota Department of Health recommend that people, both fully vaccinated and unvaccinated, continue to wear a well fitted mask in some settings and situations. As always stay safe, wash your hands and continue to mask up where appropriate.



**VAX TO SCHOOL**  
So our kids can be kids again.

Getting kids vaccinated for COVID-19 is the best way to keep them in school.  
Minnesotans 12 years of age and older are eligible.

**State Kicks Off 'Vax to School' Student Vaccination Campaign**

Only one-third of Minnesotans 12-15-years-old and less than half of Minnesotans 16-17-year-old are fully vaccinated against COVID-19

July 29, 2021 — Governor Tim Walz announced Minnesota's 'Vax to School' campaign encouraging students and families to get fully vaccinated by the beginning of the school year. Minnesotans 12 years of age and older are authorized to receive the two-dose Pfizer vaccine, which takes five weeks to go from first dose to fully vaccinated.

"Our kids deserve to be kids again" said Governor Walz. "In-person learning is critical to a child's well-being and academic success. Getting vaccinated is the best way to keep our students healthy, keep our educators and families safe, and prevent the virus from spreading in our communities."

"Our students deserve a worry-free and fun year back in the classroom, and we are doing everything we can to make that a reality," said Lieutenant Governor Peggy Flanagan. "We know our kids do best when they're in the classroom learning from their teachers, playing with their friends, and engaging in sports and activities — and getting them vaccinated is the best way to keep them safe while they do so."

ROCK COUNTY		
Data reported as of 8/8/2021		
People with at least one vaccine dose	4,146	<b>44.1%</b>
People with completed vaccine series	3,915	<b>41.6%</b>

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*I am confident that Luverne Area Residents, working together, will emerge from this pandemic much stronger as a community.*

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Sincerely,  
*Patrick T. Baustian*  
Mayor Patrick T. Baustian

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## Luverne Redbirds win Region 13C championship

*Undeclared in playoffs, Redbirds get first-round bye at state tourney*

**By Jason Berghorst**

With a sweep of the Milroy Irish in the region championship series, the Luverne Redbirds left little doubt who the best team in 2021 in Region 13C is.

The local amateur baseball team, now 25-5 on the season, entered the region tournament as the No. 1 seed.

The Redbirds proceeded to sweep the Adrian A's and Hadley Buttermakers in the first two rounds of the tournament without giving up a single run in those four games.

In the championship series played last week, Luverne defeated the Irish 3-2 in 10 innings Wednesday, Aug. 11, and 9-6 Friday to secure the Birds' first region championship since 2015.

As region champions, Luverne receives a first-round bye in the 48-team 2021 Class C Minnesota State Amateur baseball tournament.

The Milroy Irish and Windom Pirates, who finished second and third respectively, will also represent Region 13C in the state tournament, which is hosted by Waconia, Chaska and Hamburg this year.

The Redbirds' first game at the single-elimination state tournament will be Aug. 28 at 7 p.m. in Chaska vs. the winner of an Aug. 22 game between the Eagle Lake Expos and Cannon Falls Bears.

Luverne would need to win four consecutive games to reach the Class C championship game to be played at noon on Labor Day in Waconia.

The Redbirds have



Mavis Fodness photo/0819 Redbirds

Luverne Redbirds Isaiah Bartels and Skyler Wenninger put the squeeze on the Milroy Irish baserunner during Game 1 of the Region 13C Championships Wednesday night, Aug. 11, at Redbird Field in Luverne. The Redbirds went on to defeat the Irish 9-6 Friday to win the tournament.

drafted two additional pitchers for the state tournament.

Gavin Jacobson and Ben Scheevel both play for the Jackson Bulls during the regular season.

### Luverne 3, Milroy 2

For the first time since July 14, an opposing team scored a run on the Luverne Redbirds when the Milroy Irish tied the game 2-2 in the seventh inning of the first game of the region championship game Aug. 11.

A walk-off hit to center field by Luverne's Skyler Wenninger in the bottom of the tenth inning won the game 3-2 for the top-seeded host Redbirds.

Luverne scored first in the bottom of the second inning.

After a walk to Codie Zeutenhorst, a double by Tyler Reisdorfer and a sin-

gle by Declan Beers loaded the bases, Phil Paquette earned an RBI walk that scored Zeutenhorst.

A lead-off homerun by Beers scored a second run for Luverne in the third inning.

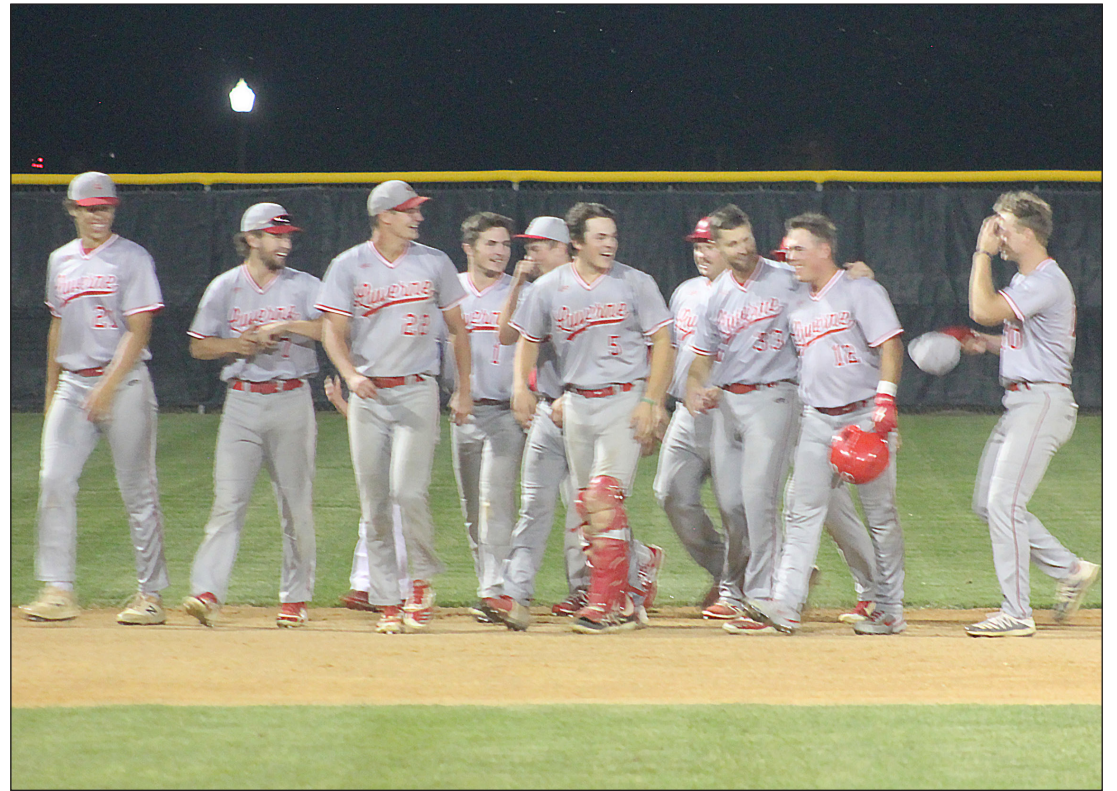
Redbirds pitcher Jake Haugen, who has had an outstanding 2021 season on the mound, retired the Irish side with only three batters per inning in the fourth, fifth and sixth innings.

A double by an Irish batter in the seventh inning got a runner on base, but Milroy was unable to score the run.

The Redbirds were also unable to score runs in the middle innings.

Luverne left the bases loaded in the fourth inning and two runners on base during both the sixth and

**Redbirds/See page 2B**



Jason Berghorst photo/0819 Redbirds Celebrate

The Luverne Redbirds congratulate teammate Skyler Wenninger on his game-winning hit in the 10th inning versus the Milroy Irish Aug. 11. Pictured are (from left) Isaiah Bartels, Logan Norman, Jake Haugen, Declan Beers, Cade Wenninger, Ben Serie, Brooks Maurer, Newt Johnson, Skyler Wenninger and Derek Lundgren.

## Hein wins Cardinal Pride competition

**By Jason Berghorst**

Luverne High School junior Kaleb Hein captured the overall championship of the Cardinal Pride competition staged Monday.

The annual event, which takes place on the first morning of football practice, encourages the players to be in the best possible physical shape heading into the season.

Events include bench press, cleans, squats, power press, 400-meter dash, shuttle run, jump rope and vertical jump.

Hein led the field by compiling 1,476 points to best second-place senior Ashton Sandbulte (1,440 points), third-place senior Nathaniel Cole-Kraty and the rest of the squad.

Hein won three of the eight individual event titles that make up the competition as well as placing in the top five of two other events.

He took top honors in the cleans (145 points), power press (302.5 points) and the vertical jump (160 points).

Other athletes claiming event titles include Zach Kruse (240 points in the bench press), Cole-Kraty (537.75 points in the squats), Jordan Friedrichsen (193 points in the 400), Sandbulte (206 points in



Jason Berghorst photo/0819 Cardinal Pride

Kaleb Hein (front, left) won the 2021 Cardinal Pride competition Monday. Other event winners and top-five overall finishers include (front row) Ross Bergman, Riley Sneller, (back, from left) Nathaniel Cole-Kraty, Zach Kruse and Ashton Sandbulte. Not pictured, Jordan Friedrichsen.

the shuttle) and Ross Bergman (133 points in jump rope).

Here is a look at the Top 10 overall finishers and Top 5 individual finishers in each event, with results in terms of points:

**Overall:** Hein, 1476; Sandbulte, 1440.13; Cole-Kraty 1337.25; Riley Sneller, 1322.95; Kruse 1314.5; Henry Hartquist, 1242.25; Eli Radtke, 1234.05; Connor Overgaard, 1129.75; Will Serie, 1115.68; Anyuon Atem, 1110.

**Bench:** Kruse, 240; Sandbulte, 208.13; Sneller, 207; Serie, 196.5; Hein, 182.

**Cleans:** Hein, 145; Overgaard, 132.65; Gavin Baum, 130; Sneller, 119.3; Radtke, 108.75.

**Squats:** Cole-Kraty, 537.75; Sandbulte, 355.5; Casey Sehr, 353.75; Hartquist, 348.75; Serie, 335.25.

**Power Press:** Hein, 302.5; Overgaard, 218.85; Sneller, 216.7; Friedrichsen, 197.8; Kruse, 190.

**400:** Friedrichsen, 193; Sandbulte, 190; Overgaard, 186; Sehr, 155; Hartquist, 153.

**Shuttle:** Sandbulte, 206; Hartquist, 193.5; Radtke, 192; Kruse, 186.5; Hein, 184.

**Jump Rope:** Bergman, 133; Sneller, 122; Sehr, 116; Kruse, 110; Radtke, 102.5.

**Vertical:** Hein, 160; Sandbulte, 146; Friedrichsen, 130; Gannon Ahrendt, 129.2; Owen Sudenga, 199.6.

## Arends repeats as stock car winner Friday

**By Jason Berghorst**

Dirt track race car drivers from Rock County placed at three local tracks this weekend.

Regular weekly races were staged at Rapid Speedway in Rock Rapids, Iowa, and Murray County Speedway in Slayton on Friday.

On Saturday night, Worthington Speedway hosted its weekly races while Rapid Speedway was the location of the third LSR (Luverne-Slayton-Rock Rapids) Enduro series race of 2021.

### Rapid Speedway

Colton Arends, Luverne, won his second Stock Car A Feature race in as many weeks at Rapid Speedway Friday night.

Scott Overgaard and Thomas Kracht, both of Luverne, finished fourth and fifth respectively in the same race.

Eric Gaul, also of Luverne, placed third in the Hobby Stocks A Feature race in Rock Rapids. Brandon Boeve, Beaver Creek, finished fifth.

Rapid Speedway also hosted the third race of the LSR Enduro series Saturday night.

Stacy Krohnberg, Walters, continued his dominance of the series, winning for the third time.

Jasmine Kalass, Luverne, finished third and Chase Overgaard, also of Luverne, placed sixth in the enduro race.

### Murray County Speedway

Two Rock County racers competed in Slayton at Murray County Speedway Friday night.

Dylan Fitzpatrick, Magnolia, finished seventh in the Hobby Stocks A Feature race while Hardwick's Silas Top placed seventh in the Bombers class.

### Worthington Speedway

Top was the lone local driver to race at Worthington Speedway Saturday night.

**Rock County racing results/continued on page 2B**












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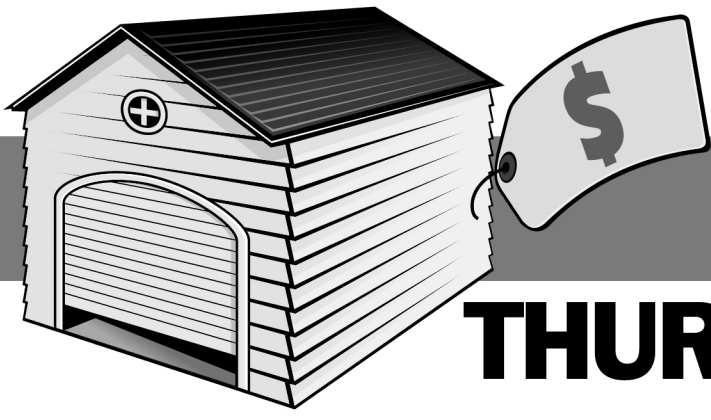
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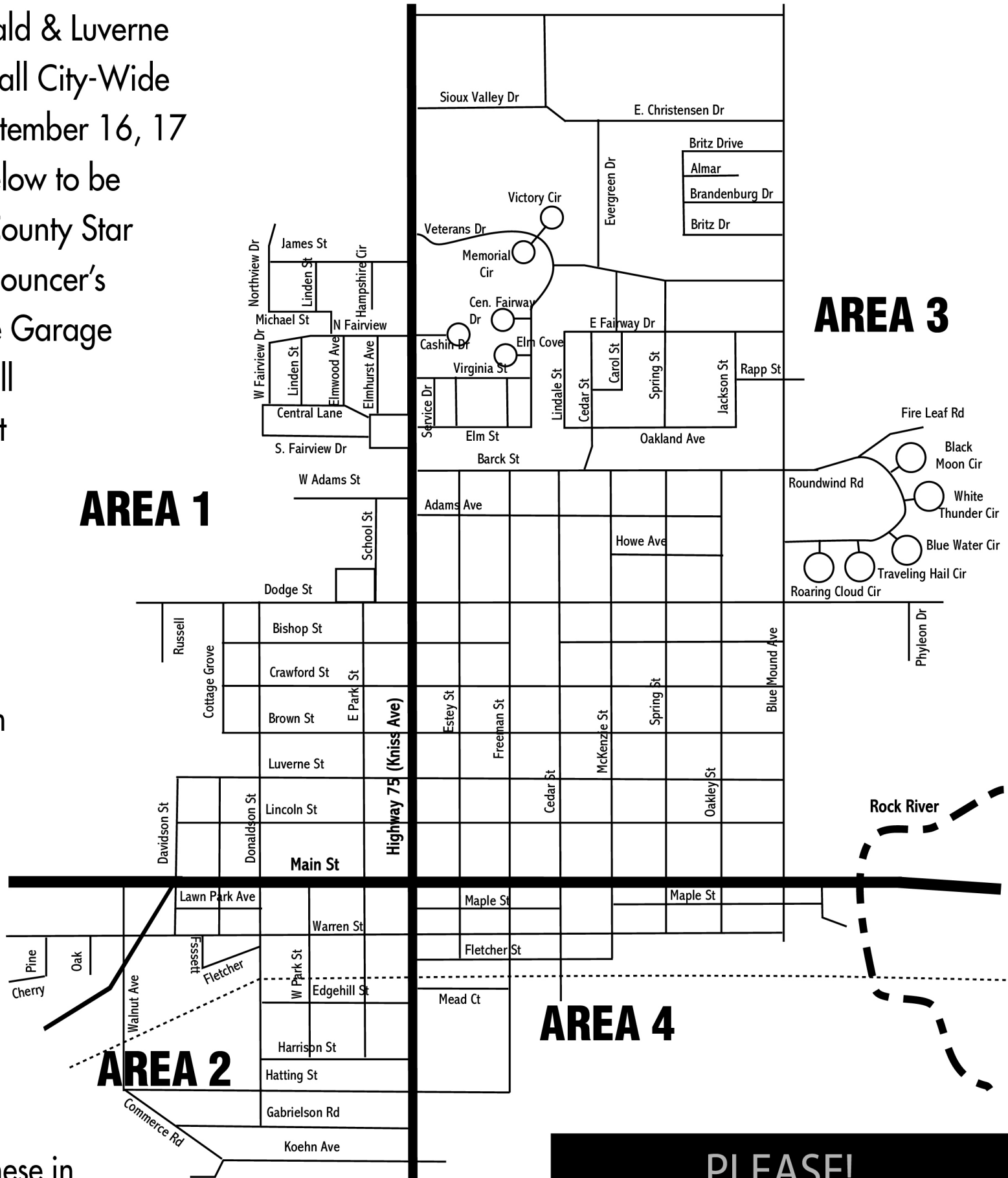
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August 19, 2021



## LIVEWIRES

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The Livewires 4-H Club consists of 23 members including (front row from left) Jacob Deutsch, Ivy Tiesler, Jaxen Jansma, Alexis Wrigg, Alayna Oechsle, (second row) Allison Honken, Joshua Honken, Darwin Jansma, Andrew Deutsch, Leah Kruse, (third row) Janica Oechsle, Emma Deutsch, Dalton Popkes, Claire Popkes, Karly Kruse, (fourth row) Andrew Honken, Logan Wrigg and Makayla Oechsle. The Livewires earned grand champion scarecrow and reserve champion community pride at the county fair. They received a blue ribbon on the banner.

### Paige Blom, Denver Go-Getters:

Red – Horsemanship Grades 3-5; Red – Barrel Race Grades 3-5; Red – Western Pleasure Grades 3-5; Participant – Dairy Showmanship Grades 3-5; Red – Horse Showmanship; Blue – Jumping Figure 8 – Grades 3-5; Blue – Pole Weaving Grade 3-5; Blue – Crossbred Spring Dairy Calf; Blue – Egg & Spoon Grade 3-5.

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### Ayden Bonnett, Magnolia Juniors:

Red – Trail Class Grades 10+; Red – Ranch Pleasure Grades 10+; Red – Horsemanship Grades 10+; Purple – Key Race Grades 10+; Blue – Horse Showmanship Grades 10+; Blue – Barrel Race Grades 10+; Blue – Western Pleasure Grades 10+; Blue – Jumping Figure 8 Grades 10+; Blue – Pole Weaving Grades 10+.

### Cash Bonnett, Magnolia Juniors:

Red – Horsemanship Grades 6-9; Red – Trail Class Grades 6-9; Purple – Key Race Grades 6-9; Red – Horse Showmanship Grades 6-9; Blue – Ranch Pleasure Grades 6-9; Blue – Pole Weaving Grades 6-9; Blue – Barrel Race Grades 6-9; Blue – Jumping Figure 8 Grades 6-9; Blue – Egg & Spoon Grades 6-9.

### Caul Bonnett, Magnolia Juniors:

White – Pole Weaving Grades 3-5; Blue – Horse Showmanship Grades 3-5; Blue – Barrel Race Grades 3-5; Blue – Ranch Pleasure Grades 3-5; Blue – Trail Class Grades 3-5; Blue – Jumping Figure 8 Grades 3-5; Blue – Horsemanship Grades 3-5.

### Morgan Bonnett, Magnolia Juniors:

Red – Trail Class Grades 6-9; Purple – Key Race Grades 6-9; Blue – Egg & Spoon Grades 6-9; Blue – Horsemanship Grades 6-9; Blue – Ranch Pleasure Grades 6-9; Blue – Pole Weaving Grades 6-9; Blue – Western Pleasure Grades 6-9; Blue – English Pleasure Grades 6-9; Blue – English Equitation Grades 6-9; Blue – Jumping Figure 8 Grades 6-9; Blue – Horse Showmanship Grades 6-9.

### Hallie Bork, County K-9's:

Red – Market Gilt; Participant – Swine Showmanship Grades 9+; Blue – Black Face Market Wether; Blue – Market Barrow; Red – Market Barrow.

### Hendrik Bork, County K-9's:

Red – Market Gilt; Red – Market Barrow; Blue – Black Face Market Ewe; Red – Market Gilt.

### Camdyn Broesder, Blue Ribbon:

Purple – Prospect Steer Calf.

### Grady Broesder, Blue Ribbon:

Cloverbud – Beef.

### Caylix Buchholz, Springdell:

Cloverbud General Projects (4); Cloverbud Communication Contest.

### Colton Buchholz, Springdell:

Purple – Communication Contest Creative Writing; Purple – Photography; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Home Environment; Blue – Home Environment; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Communication Contest Interpretive Reading; Blue – Photography; Blue – Communication Contest Public Speaking; Blue – Exploring the Environment.

### Coyer Buchholz, Springdell:

Cloverbud General Projects (4); Cloverbud Communication Contest (2)

### Krista Burkman, Springdell:

Purple – Communication Contest Photo Journalism; Purple – Clothing – Clothes You Buy; Purple – Photography; Blue – Needle Arts; Blue – Shop; Blue – Clothing-Clothes You Buy; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Fashion Revue Clothes You Buy; Blue – Fashion Revue Clothes You Buy; Blue – Communication Contest Creative Writing; Court of Honor Clothes You Buy.

### Fox Buswitz, Blue Ribbon:

Cloverbud General Project

### Kallie Chapa, Magnolia Juniors:

Red – Ranch Pleasure Grades 10+; Purple – Key Race Grades 10+; Blue – Egg & Spoon; Blue – English Pleasure Grades 10+; Blue – Trail Class Grades 10+; Blue – Horsemanship Grades 10+; Blue – English Equitation Grades 10+; Blue – Pole Weaving Grades 10+, Blue – Jumping Figure 8 Grades 10+, Blue – Horse Showmanship Grades 10+.

### Emma Deutsch, Livewires:

Purple – Photography; Blue – Photography; Blue – Photography; Blue – Crafts.

### Hayden Devine, Springdell:

Cloverbud Pet Show; Cloverbud Horse Showmanship; Cloverbud General Projects (2).

### Lily Ehlers, County K-9's:

Red – Trail Class Grades 10+; Red – Barrel Race Grades 10+; Red – Horsemanship Grades 10+; Red – Ranch Pleasure Grades 10+; Red – Pole Weaving Grades 10+; Red – Horse Showmanship Grades 10+; Blue – Photo Manipulation; Blue – Western Pleasure Grades 10+; Blue – Key Race Grades 10+; Blue – Egg & Spoon Grades 10+.

### Lanae Elbers, Blue Ribbon:

Red – Beef Rate-of-Gain; Blue – Indoor Gardening; Blue – Clothing Non-Garment; Blue – Food & Nutrition; Participant goat showmanship Grades 9+; Purple – Market Steer; Purple – Market Goat; Purple – Breeding Goat Doe.

### Gracie Fagerness, Blue Ribbon:

Purple – Photography; Participant Swine Showmanship Grades 6-8; Blue – Fine Arts; Purple – Market Barrow.

### Jed Fagerness, Blue Ribbon:

Purple – Market Barrow; Participant Swine Showmanship Grades 6-8; Blue – Photography; Blue – Shop.

### Blakley Fick, Magnolia Juniors:

Blue – Crafts; Blue – Photo Manipulation; Blue – Beginner Walk/Trot Grades 3-5; Blue – Elements of Photography; Blue – Food & Nutrition; Blue – Horse Showmanship Grades 3-5.

### Drew Fick, Magnolia Juniors:

Participant – Premier Showmanship; Purple – Breeding Gilt; Purple – Market Barrow.

### Mallie Fick, Magnolia Juniors:

Red – Jumping Figure 8 Grades 6-9; Red – Barrel Race Grades 6-9; Red – Egg & Spoon Grades 6-9; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Trail Class Grades 6-9; Blue Pole Weaving Grades 6-9; Blue Horsemanship Grades 6-9; Blue – Key Race Grades 6-9; Blue – Horse Showmanship; Purple – Market Gilt.

### Egypt Forrest, County K-9's:

Red – Food Preservation; Red – Food Preservation; Red – Clothing – Clothes You Make; Red – Clothing – Clothes You Make; Purple – Photography; Purple – Photography; Purple – Market Barrow; Participant – Swine Showmanship Grades 9+; Blue – Clothing – Clothes You Recycle; Blue – Photography; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Fashion Revue Clothes You Recycle; Blue – Clothing Non-Garment; Blue – Shop; Blue – Fashion Revue Clothes You Make; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Performing Arts; Purple – Pet Show; Fashion Revue Clothes You Make Court of Honor; Fashion Revue Clothes You Recycle Court of Honor.

### Fox Forrest, County K-9's:

Red – Food Preservation; Purple – Largest Vegetable; Purple – Vegetable Plate; Purple – Herb Gardening; Purple – Pet Show; Purple – Elements of Photography; Participant – Elements of Photography; Participant – Swine Showmanship Grades 6-8; Blue – Chickens Bantam Breeding Pen; Blue – Shop; Blue – Shop; Blue – Shop; Blue – Largest Vegetable; Blue – Largest Vegetable; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Flower Gardening; Blue – Flower Gardening; Blue – Food Revue; Blue – Chickens Market Pen; Blue – Chickens Market Pen; Blue – Needle Arts; Blue – Needle Arts; Blue – Needle Arts; Blue – Food Preservation; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Turkeys Market Pen; Blue – Clothing Non-Garment; Blue – Vegetable Plate; Blue – Vegetable Plate; Blue – Performing Arts; Blue – Performing Arts; Blue – Performing Arts; Blue – Indoor Gardening; Blue – Indoor Gardening; Blue – Market Barrow; Blue – Market Barrow; Blue – Photography; Blue – Photography; Blue – Chickens (Egg Production); Blue – Fruit; Blue – Market Gilt; Blue – Market Gilt.

### Joy Fry, Springdell:

Red – Fashion Revue Clothes You Make; Blue – Clothing – Clothes You Make

### Wyatt Fry, Springdell:

Blue – Fashion Revue Clothes You Make; Blue – Clothing – Clothes You Make.



## COUNTY K-9'S

Mavis Fodness photo/Fair Results 2021 County K9s

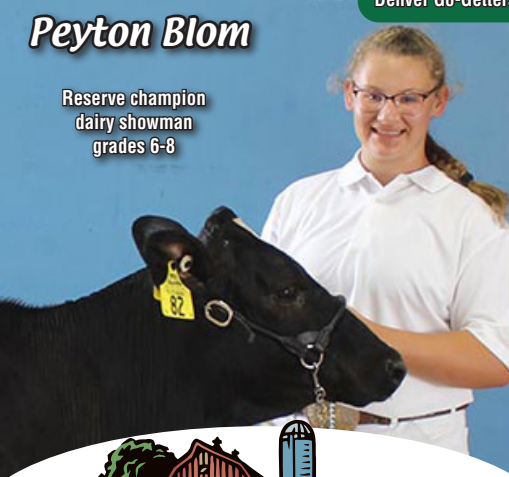

The County K9s 4-H Club consists of 21 members including (front row from left) Candace Porter, Egypt Forrest, Myles Trimble, (back) Lily Ehlers, Gabriella Porter, Fox Forrest and Ashlyn Johnson. Club members earned blue ribbons on the banner, scarecrow and community pride projects at the fair.

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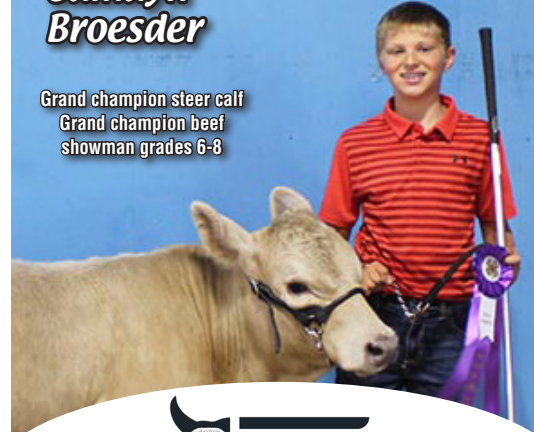


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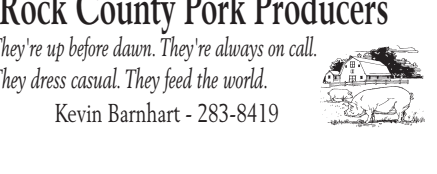

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The Magnolia Juniors 4-H Club consists of 34 members including (front row from left) Kailee Sandbulte, Kallista VanGrootheest, Blakely Fick, Caul Bonnett, Mallie Fick, Evan Ossefoort, (second row) Ayden Bonnett, Kallie Chapa, Morgan Bonnett, Lucas Madison, (back) Hunter Sandbulte and Austin Ossefoort. As a club, the Magnolia Juniors earned grand champion banner and reserve champion scarecrow at the county fair. A blue ribbon was received in community pride.

**Morgan Gonnerman, Willing Workers:**

Purple – Food & Nutrition; Blue – Clothing – Clothes You Buy; Blue – Quilting.

**Karsten Haas, Denver Go-Getters:**

Cloverbud General Project; Participant – Pet Show.

**Memphis Haeffner, Springdell:**

Cloverbud General Project (4).

**Cannon Halbersma, Springdell:**

Blue – Crafts; Purple – Crafts.

**Dashel Halbersma, Springdell:**

Cloverbud General Project.

**Allison Honken, Livewires:**

White – Key Race Grades 3-5; Red – Pole Weaving Grades 3-5; Red – Trail Class Grades 3-5; Red – Barrel Race Grades 3-5; Red – Horsemanship Grades 3-5; Red – Jumping Figure 8 Grades 3-5; Purple – Photography; Purple – Fine Arts; Purple – Fine Arts; Purple – Chickens; Blue – Photography; Blue – Photography; Blue – Chickens; Blue – Egg & Spoon Grades 3-5; Blue – Ranch Pleasure Grades 3-5; Blue – Chickens (Egg Production); Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Beginner Walk/Trot Grades 3-5; Blue – Chickens Egg Production; Blue – Horse Showmanship; Purple – Small Breed Rabbit.

**Andrea Honken, Livewires:**

Red – Barrel Race Grade 6-9; Red – Horsemanship Grade 6-9; Red – Jumping Figure 8 Grade 6-9; Red – Crafts; Blue – Western Pleasure Grade 6-9; Blue – Photography; Blue – Photography; Blue – Photography; Blue – Pole Weaving Grade 6-9; Blue Egg & Spoon Grade 6-9; Blue – Key Race Grade 6-9; Blue – Ranch Pleasure Grade 6-9; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Horse Showmanship Grades 6-9; Purple – Small Breed Rabbit.

**Joshua Honken, Livewires:**

Red – Chickens; Purple – Chickens (Egg Production); Purple – Small Breed Rabbit; Purple – Photography; Purple – Photography; Purple – Chickens Egg Production; Participant – Rabbit Showmanship Grades 6-8; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Photography; Purple – Chickens Market Pen.

**Grace Ingebretsen, County K-9's:**

Purple – Photography; Purple – Photo Manipulation; Blue –

Fine Arts; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Photography; Blue – Photography; Blue – Photo Manipulation; Blue – Photo Manipulation

**Gretchen Jacobsma, Magnolia Juniors:**

Red – Barrel Race Grades 10+; Red – English Equitation Grades 10+; Purple – Food & Nutrition; Red – Horse Showmanship Grades 10+; Blue – Key Race Grades 10+; Blue – Egg & Spoon Grades 10+; Blue – English Pleasure Grades 10+; Blue – Shop; Blue – Shop; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Ranch Pleasure Grades 10+; Blue – Horsemanship Grades 10+; Blue – Western Pleasure Grades 10+; Blue – Pole Weaving Grades 10+; Blue – Fine Arts

**Darwin Jansma, Livewires:**

Purple – Market Barrow; Participant – Swine Showmanship Grades 6-8; Participant – Poultry Showmanship Grades 6-8; Blue – Chickens Market Pen; Blue – Breeding Gilt; Purple – Chickens Brown Egg Production.

**Jaxen Jansma, Livewires:**

Cloverbud Swine Showmanship; Cloverbud General Project (2), Cloverbud Poultry Showmanship.

**Keagan Jessen, Denver Go-Getters:**

Purple – White Face Market Ewe; Blue – Speckled Face Market Ewe; Purple – White Face Market Wether; Purple – Speckled Face Market Wether; Purple – Trio of Market Lambs.

**Landon Jessen, Denver Go-Getters:**

Cloverbud Sheep Showmanship

**Ashlyn Johnson, County K-9's:**

Purple – Crafts; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Fine Arts; Purple – Pets.

**Luella Johnson, County K-9's:**

Blue – Crafts; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Crafts

**Elisabeth Kelm, Willing Workers:**

Fashion Revue Court of Honor – Clothes You Buy; Blue – Food Revue.

**Brianna Kinsinger, Magnolia Juniors:**

Purple – Photography; Blue – Photography; Blue – Photography; Blue – Performing Arts; Blue – Clothing Non-Garment; Blue – Fine Arts.

**Nathan Kinsinger, Magnolia Juniors:**

Purple – Market Barrow; Participant – Swine Showmanship 9+; Participant – Beef Showmanship 9+; Blue – Market Gilt;

Blue – Breeding Gilt; Participant – Premier Showmanship; Purple – Spring Calf Breeding Heifer; Purple – Cow/Calf In Pen.

**Ashlyn Klein, Denver Go-Getters:**

Blue – Holstein Winter Dairy Calf; Blue – Photography; Blue – Holstein Fall Dairy Calf; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Dairy Prospect Market Steer; Blue – Junior Dairy Herd.

**Claire Knobloch, Blue Ribbon:**

Red – Beef Rate-of-Gain; Blue – Photography; Purple – Market Heifer.

**Tory Knobloch, Blue Ribbon:**

Red – Beef Rate-of-Gain; Participant – Beef Showmanship 9+; Purple – Market Heifer.

**Matthew Koedam, Denver Go-Getters:**

Cloverbud Beef Showmanship; Cloverbud General Project (4)

**Christian Kruse, Magnolia Juniors:**

Purple – Breeding Ewe; Purple – Speckled Face Market Ewe; Purple – Black Face Market Wether.

**Karly Kruse, Livewires:**

Purple – Beef – Junior Yearling; Participant – Beef Showmanship Grades 9+.

**Leah Kruse, Livewires:**

Red – Beef Rate-of-Gain; Participant – Beef Showmanship Grades 9+.

**Blake Leenderts, Blue Ribbon:**

Participant – Beef Showmanship Grades 6-8; Blue – Prospect Market Calf.

**Danette Leendeerts, Blue Ribbon:**

Red – Beef Rate-of-Gain; Purple – Elements of Photography; Purple – Market Steer; Participant – Beef Showmanship Grades 9+; Blue – Photography; Blue – Food & Nutrition

**Donavon Leenderts, Blue Ribbon:**

Red – Beef Rate-of-Gain; Purple – Market Heifer.

**Drew Leenderts, Blue Ribbon:**

Purple – Market Steer; Participant – Beef Showmanship Grades 9+.

**Hunter Leenderts, Blue Ribbon:**

Participant – Beef Showmanship Grades 6-8; Blue – Prospect Market Steer Calf.

**Bradey Lemme, Springdell:**

Blue – Food & Nutrition; Blue – Geology; Blue – Aerospace; Blue – Wildlife/Biology.

**James Lindsey, Denver Go-Getters:**

Blue – Fishing Sports; Blue – Self Determined.

**Ellie Loose, Magnolia Juniors:**

Red – Horsemanship Grades 6-9; Red – Small Breed Rabbits; Red – Small Breed Rabbits; Red – Western Pleasure Grades 6-9; Red – Trail Class Grades 6-9; Red – Jumping Figure 8 Grades 6-9; Participant – Rabbit Showmanship Grades 6-8; Red – Horse Showmanship Grades 6-9; Blue – Ranch Pleasure Grades 6-9; Blue – Key Race Grades 6-9; Blue – Barrel Race Grades 6-9; Blue – Pole Weaving Grades 6-9; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Egg & Spoon Grades 6-9; Blue – Small Breed Rabbit.

**Andrea Luitjens, Magnolia Juniors:**

Purple – Small Breed Rabbits; Purple – Large Breed Rabbits; Purple – Small Breed Rabbits; Purple – Market Rabbit; Purple – Small Breed Rabbit; Purple – Market Rabbit; Participant – Poultry Showmanship Grades 6-8; Blue – Large Breed Rabbit; Blue – Photo Manipulation; Blue – Photography; Purple – Small Breed Rabbit; Purple – Large Breed Rabbit.

**Joshua Luitjens, Magnolia Juniors:**

Cloverbud General Project, Cloverbud Rabbit Showmanship.

**Jacob Madison, Magnolia Juniors:**

Blue – Food Preservation.

**Lucas Madison, Magnolia Juniors:**

Blue – Food Preservation; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Shop.

**Lillian Maloney, Springdell:**

Purple – Communication Contest Interpretive Reading; Blue – Communication Contest Creative Writing; Blue – Flower Gardening; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Food Revue.

**Norah Maloney, Springdell:**

Purple – Indoor Gardening; Blue – Communication Contest: Creative Writing; Blue – Communication Contest: Interpretive Reading; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Flower Gardening; Blue – Food Revue.

**Justin Mente, Magnolia Juniors:**

Participant – Poultry Showmanship 9+; Blue – Food Preservation; Blue – Chickens (Egg Production); Blue – Shop; Purple – Junior Yearling Breeding Heifer.

**Mazzi Moore, Blue Ribbon:**

Purple – Communication Contest Public Speaking; Purple – Communication Contest Creative Writing; Blue – Communication Contest Interpretive Reading; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Shop.

**Penni Moore, Blue Ribbon:**

Purple – Communication Contest Creative Writing; Blue – Communication Contest Interpretive Reading.

**Cody Moser, Blue Ribbon:**

Purple – Market Steer; Participant – Beef Showmanship 9+; Blue – Market Barrow

**Hailey Moser, Blue Ribbon:**

Purple – Photo Manipulation; Participant – Swine Showmanship Grades 6-8; Blue – Photography; Blue – Photography; Blue – Market Gilt.

**Jack Moser, Blue Ribbon:**

Blue – Market Barrow.

**Samantha Moser, Blue Ribbon:**

Purple – Market Barrow; Participant – Premier Showmanship; Blue – Photography




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The Springdell 4-H Club is made up of 23 members including (front row from left) Caylix Buchholz, Leeland Maloney, Amelia Devine, Hayden Devine, Coyer Buchholz, (back) Keisha Veldkamp, Norah Maloney, Lillian Maloney, Colton Buchholz, Brenna Reker and Zach Uhl. Members earned a purple ribbon on the scarecrow and blue ribbons in banner and community pride.

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**Nathan Kinsinger**

Grand champion cow-calf in pen  
Reserve champion breeding heifer spring call

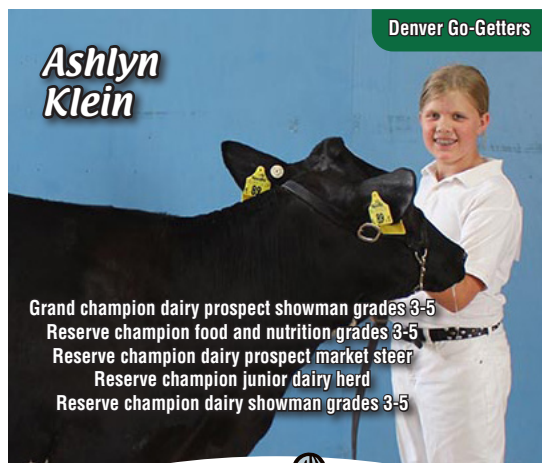


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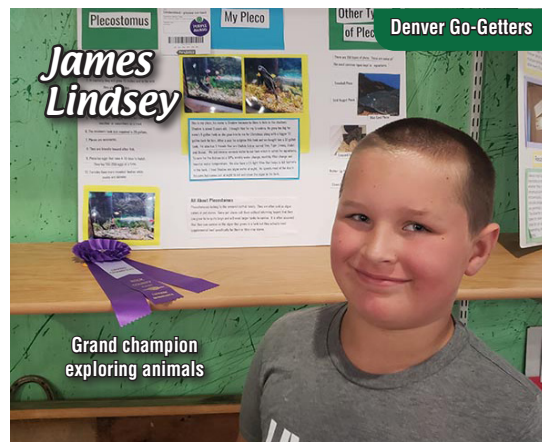


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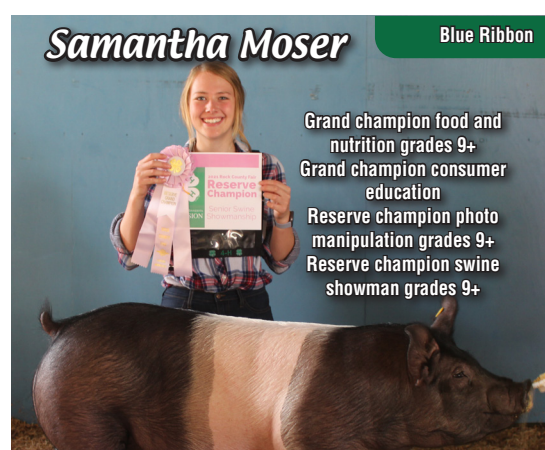


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Grand champion clothing non-garment grades 3-5  
Reserve champion clothing non-garment grades 3-5

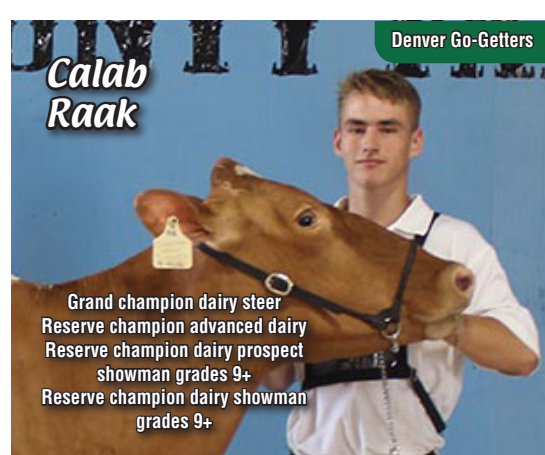


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## BLUE RIBBON

Mavis Fodness photo/Fair Results 2021 Blue Ribbon

The Blue Ribbon 4-H Club consists of 32 enrolled members including (front row from left) Ava Steinhoff, Larissa Steinhoff, Donavon Leenderts, Addison Sammons, Danette Leenderts, Gracie Fagerness, Kellie VanDerBrink, (back) Max Sammons, Drew Leenderts, Kennedy Safer, Claire Knobloch and Jed Fagerness. At the county fair, club members earned grand champion community pride, reserve champion banner and a blue in scarecrow.

**Alayna Oechsle, Livewires:**

Purple – Crafts; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Needle Arts; Blue – Food & Nutrition; Blue – Food & Nutrition.

**Austin Ossefoort, Magnolia Juniors:**

Blue – Market Steer; Blue – Shop.

**Evan Ossefoort, Magnolia Juniors:**

Blue – Crafts; Blue – Market Heifer; Blue – Shop.

**Claire Popkes, Livewires:**

Purple – Market Steer; Participant – Beef Showmanship Grades 9+.

**Dalton Popkes, Livewires:**

Purple – Market Steer; Participant – Beef Showmanship 9+.

**Aisha Porter, County K-9's:**

Purple – Communication Contest Interpretive Reading; Purple – Photography; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Photography.

**Candace Porter, County K-9's:**

Purple – Photography; Purple – Photography; Purple – Communication Contest Public Speaking; Purple – Food & Nutrition; Blue – Photography; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Communication Contest Interpretive Reading; Blue – Food & Nutrition

**Gabriella Porter, County K-9's:**

Purple – Photography; Purple – Crafts; Blue – Needle Arts; Blue – Needle Arts; Blue – Photography; Blue – Communication Contest Interpretive Reading; Blue – Food Preservation; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Flower Gardening.

**Caleb Raak, Denver Go-Getters:**

Blue – Junior Dairy Yearling; Blue – Dairy Steer Rate-of-Gain; Blue – Junior Dairy Yearling; Blue – Shop; Blue – Livestock Demonstration; Blue – Dairy Prospect Market Steer; Participant – Premier Showmanship; Purple – Dairy Steer; Purple – Advanced Guernsey; Purple – Dairy Production; Blue – Senior Dairy Herd

**Jacob Raak, Denver Go-Getters:**

Blue – Shop; Blue – Junior Dairy Red & White Yearling; Par-

tipant – Premier Showmanship; Purple – Dairy Prospect Market Steer; Purple – Junior Dairy Holstein Yearling; Purple – Two-Year-Old Holstein; Purple – Senior Dairy Herd.

**Brenna Reker, Springdell:**

Red – Fine Arts; Blue – Home Environment; Blue – Home Environment; Blue – Fashion Revue Clothes You Buy; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Fashion Revue Clothes You Make; Blue – Fashion Revue Clothes You Make; Blue – Clothing – Clothes You Make; Fashion Revue Court of Honor Clothes You Make; Fashion Revue Court of Honor Clothes You Buy; Blue – Food Revue.

**Kennedy Safer, Blue Ribbon:**

White – Pole Weaving Grades 10+; Red – Key Race Grades 10+; Blue – Trail Class Grades 10+; Blue – English Pleasure Grades 10+; Blue – Egg & Spoon Grades 10+; Blue – Western Pleasure Grades 10+; Blue – Barrel Race Grades 10+; Blue – Horsemanship Grades 10+; Blue – Jumping Figure 8 Grades 10+; Blue – Ranch Pleasure Grades 10+; Blue – English Equitation Grades 10+; Blue – Horse Showmanship Grades 10+.

**Addison Sammons, Blue Ribbon:**

Cloverbud Dairy Showmanship

**Ella Sammons, Blue Ribbon:**

Purple – Spring Dairy Calf; Purple – Junior Red & White Yearling; Purple – Junior Dairy Herd

**Maxwell Sammons, Blue Ribbon:**

Purple – Spring Dairy Calf; Blue – Junior Dairy Herd; Blue – Fall Dairy Calf.

**Austin Sandbulte, Magnolia Juniors:**

Red – Small Breed Rabbits; Red – Crafts; Red – Crafts; Red – Crafts; Participant – Beef Showmanship Grades 6-8; Participant – Swine Showmanship Grades 6-8; Blue – Prospect Market Heifer Calf; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Small Breed Rabbit; Blue – Market Gilt.

**Dennie Sandbulte, Magnolia Juniors:**

Red – Small Breed Rabbit; Purple – Photography; Participant – Poultry Showmanship 9+; Participant – Swine Showmanship 9+; Participant – Beef Showmanship Grades 9+; Blue – Market Barrow; Blue – Small Breed Rabbit;

Blue – Photography; Blue – Photography; Blue – Prospect Market Steer Calf; Blue – Ducks Breeding Pen; Blue – Photo Manipulation; Blue – Photo Manipulation; Purple – Small Breed Rabbit; Purple – Ducks Market Pen

**Grace Sandbulte, Magnolia Juniors:**

Purple – Ducks Market Pen; Purple – Small Breed Rabbit; Purple – Photography; Purple – Small Breed Rabbit; Participant – Beef Showmanship Grades 9+; Participant – Swine Showmanship Grades 9+; Blue – Heifer Calf; Blue – Heifer Calf; Blue – Ducks Breeding Pen; Blue – Market Gilt; Blue – Small Breed Rabbit; Blue – Fine Arts.

**Kailee Sandbulte, Magnolia Juniors:**

Participant – Beef Showmanship Grades 6-8; Blue – Photography; Blue – Prospect Market Steer Calf; Blue – Crafts.

**Chloe Schoeneman, Willing Workers:**

Blue – Largest Vegetable; Blue – Chickens Brown Egg Production; Purple – Chickens Egg Production White Eggs.

**Dakotah Sina, Livewires:**

Purple – Junior Yearling Breeding Heifer; Blue – Junior Yearling Breeding Heifer; Purple – Prospect Market Steer Calf.



## WILLING WORKERS

Mavis Fodness photo/Fair Results 2021 Willing Workers

The Willing Workers Club has seven members including (from left) Sarah Stegenga, Chloe Schoeneman and Elisabeth Kelm. Club members earned a blue ribbon in banner.

**Daniel Sina, Livewires:**

Cloverbud Beef Showmanship.

**Demmi Sina, Livewires:**

Cloverbud Beef Showmanship.

**Connor Snell, Springdell:**

Cloverbud General Project (4); Cloverbud Rabbit Showmanship.

**Noelle Snell, Springdell:**

Cloverbud Rabbit Showmanship; Cloverbud General Project (4).

**Reagan Spath, Blue Ribbon:**

White – Pole Weaving Grades 6-9; Red – Trail Class Grades 6-9; Red – Jumping Figure 8 Grades 6-9; Red – Key Race Grades 6-9; Red – Horsemanship Grades 6-9; Red – Barrel Race Grades 6-9; Red – Western Pleasure Grades 6-9; Red – Horse Showmanship; Blue – Egg & Spoon Grades 6-9; Blue – Ranch Pleasure Grades 6-9.

**Sarah Stegenga, Willing Workers:**

Blue – Clothing – Clothes You Buy; Blue – Food & Nutrition.

**Ava Steinhoff, Blue Ribbon:**

Purple – Photography; Blue – Communication Contest Interpretive Reading; Blue – Self Determined; Red – Fine Arts; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Photography; Blue – Photography.

**Larissa Steinhoff, Blue Ribbon:**

Purple – Photography; Purple – Photography; Blue – Photography; Blue – Vegetable Plate; Blue – Food & Nutrition; Blue – Food & Nutrition.

**Aaliyah Stensland, Springdell:**

Red – Crafts; Red – Crafts; Blue – Fishing Sports; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Crafts.

**Andres Stensland, Springdell:**

Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Engineering Design – Robotics; Blue – Indoor Gardening.

**NeVaeh Stensland, Springdell:**

Blue – Crafts; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Fine Arts.

**Ivy Tiesler, Livewires:**

Cloverbud Rabbit Showmanship; Cloverbud Pet Show; Cloverbud Sheep Showmanship; Cloverbud General Project (3).

**Myles Trimble, County K-9's:**

Blue – Crafts; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Fine Arts; Blue – Fine Arts.

**Zachary Uhl, Springdell:**

Blue – Shop; Blue – Shop; Blue – Shop; Blue – Tractor.

**Kallista Van Grootheest, Magnolia Juniors:**

Cloverbud General Projects (3); Cloverbud Fashion Revue; Cloverbud Beef Showmanship; Cloverbud Rabbit Showmanship.

**Kellie VanDerBrink, Blue Ribbon:**

Purple – Pet Show; Red – Horse Showmanship Grades 10+; Blue – Ranch Pleasure Grades 10+; Blue – Horsemanship Grades 10+; Blue – Jumping Figure 8 Grades 10+; Blue – English Pleasure Grades 10+; Blue – Key Race Grades 10+; Blue – Trail Class Grades 10+; Blue – Barrel Race Grades 10+; Blue – Western Pleasure Grades 10+; Blue – English Equitation Grades 10+; Blue – Pole Weaving Grades 10+.

**Keisha Veldkamp, Springdell:**

Red – Barrel Race Grades 10+; Participant – Sheep Showmanship Grades 9+; Red – Horse Showmanship; Blue – Speckle Face Market Wether; Blue – Speckled Face Market Wether.

**Amber Wiersema, Blue Ribbon:**

Blue – Crafts; Blue – Needle Arts.

**AnnMarie Wiersema, Blue Ribbon:**

Blue – Crafts; Blue – Crafts; Blue – Needle Arts.

**Alexis Wrigg, Livewires:**

Cloverbud General Project (3).

**Logan Wrigg, Livewires:**

Purple – Crafts; Blue – Crafts.



## DENVER GO-GETTERS

Mavis Fodness photo/Fair Results 2021 Denver Go Getters

The Denver Go-Getters 4-H Club is made up of 14 members including (front row from left) Morgan Koedam, Matthew Koedam, Karsten Haas, (second row) Peyton Blom, Ashlyn Klein, Paige Blom, (back) Caleb Raak and Jacob Raak.

**Congratulations to all 4-Her's on a job well done!**

**Jacob Raak** Denver Go-Getters

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Grand champion two-year-old dairy cow  
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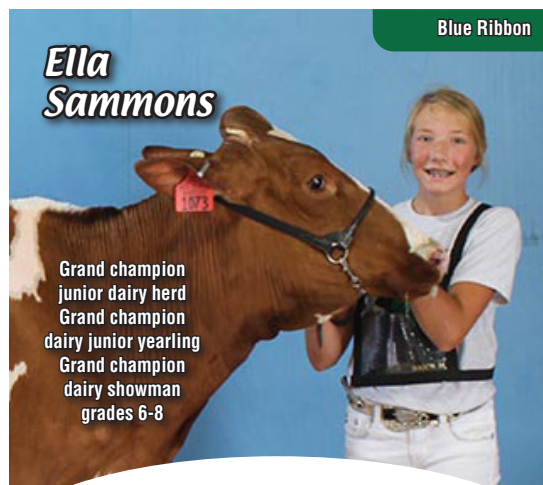
Grand champion horse showman grades 10+  
Reserve champion pleasure horse grades 10+



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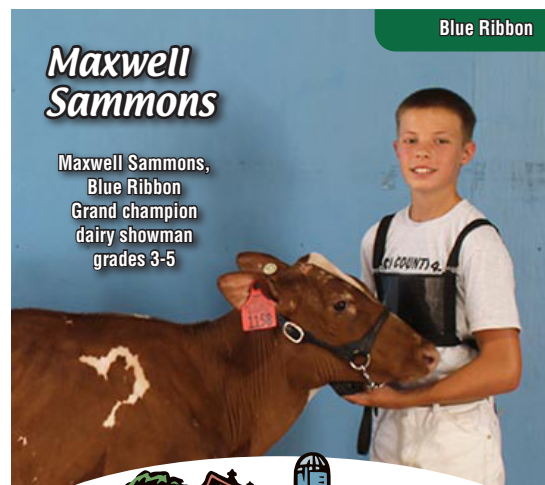
Grand champion junior dairy herd  
Grand champion dairy junior yearling  
Grand champion dairy showman grades 6-8



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**Norah Maloney, Springdell**  
Grand champion food revue grades 3-5

**Colton Buchholz, Springdell**  
Grand champion child and family development  
Grand champion crafts and fine arts grades 3-5  
Grand champion photography grades 3-5  
Grand champion cat  
Reserve champion geology

**Elisabeth Kelm, Willing Workers**  
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Grand champion craft grades 9+  
Grand champion plant and soil sciences  
Grand champion clothes you buy  
Reserve champion consumer education  
Reserve champion fashion revue clothes you buy

**Brenna Reker, Springdell**  
Grand champion clothes you buy  
Grand champion fashion revue clothes you make  
Grand champion clothes you make  
Reserve champion home environment  
Reserve champion food revue grades 6-8  
Reserve champion clothes you make  
Reserve champion food and nutrition grades 6-8

**Cannon Halbersma, Springdell**  
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