



# Rock County STAR HERALD

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## Rock County voters turn out in high numbers for 2018 election

By Lori Sorenson

Incumbents held on to their seats in the Luverne School Board election and the District 22A House contest, but there were upsets in the Vienna Township and Magnolia council elections.

**Luverne School Board** incumbents Katie Baustian (1,219 votes) Jodi Bosch (1,279), Eric Hartman (986) and Reva Sehr (1,078) held off challengers Jerry Benson (829) and Kenny Rolling (644). There were 59 write-ins. These numbers were as of 10 p.m. with 21 of 22 precincts reporting.

In the race for **Vienna Township Supervisor C**, challenger Brad Skatnum upended long-time incumbent Kraig Rust by a vote of 46-28.

On the **Magnolia City Council**, incumbent Gary Lee had 37 votes (38.96 percent) to keep his seat on the council, but incumbent Melanie Madison and challenger Jeff DeGroot tied for votes at 24 apiece (25.26 percent each). Sheila Jones had 8 votes and there were two write-ins.

**Minnesota District 22A House** race, incumbent Joe Schomacker (R-Luverne) was leading DFL chal-

lenger Max Kaufmann with more than 65 percent of the votes as of 10 p.m. Tuesday night (with 108 of 110 precincts reporting).

The bigger story with the 2018 Midterm elections, however, is voter participation. Seventy-three percent of Rock County's 5,159 eligible voters participated in the 2018 election.

"It was great to see all the new voter registrations," said Rock County Auditor Treasurer Ashley Kurtz.

"People were coming in through the whole process — young people, older people, people who had never

voted before."

She said the 2018 turnout in Rock County was particularly high considering it's only a midterm election.

In addition to a politically charged national contest for control of Congress, local participation was spurred by additional voting options.

For one thing, 18 of Rock County's 24 precincts now vote by mail ballot, and the option for early voting and absentee ballots makes the process easier than ever.

"We like it, too, because we can process those first and get them out

of the way before the polls close," Kurtz said.

By day's end Tuesday, her office received 423 absentee ballots and more than 1,345 mail ballots.

In the race for Minnesota governor, DFL candidate Tim Walz was leading his GOP opponent Jeff Johnson by a wide enough margin for AP to name Walz the new Minnesota governor. Other races were still too close to call as of 10 p.m. Tuesday.

See the Minnesota Secretary of State website sos.mn.us for all the latest election results.

## Tru Shrimp proceeds with plans in Luverne

By Lori Sorenson

Tru Shrimp announced Tuesday that engineering and construction plans are finalized for the 67-acre harbor complex coming to Luverne, and groundbreaking is on track for next summer.

The announcement comes on the heels of the Balaton Cove Hatchery successfully coming online with the first broodstock shrimp transferred from the company's genetics partner, Oceanic Institute.

"They are now stocked and growing in the pristine habitat of our indoor tidal basins," said tru Shrimp president and CEO Michael Ziebell.

"They are mating, spawning, and offspring are growing in our created seawater. The partnership with Oceanic Institute and the development of our hatchery mark the final steps of a truly integrated shrimp company."

Tru Shrimp is nearly four years in the making following the company's methodical and thorough technology development to grow shrimp in the Upper Midwest, indoors.

"Three years of research accompanied by painstaking engineering, construction development, and creation of a thorough business plan all enabled the board to agree to proceed with Luverne Bay Harbor and take the next steps toward commercialization," said Brian Knochenmus, chairman of the board of tru Shrimp.

Ziebell said the technology, science and engineering brought tru Shrimp to this point.

"The team and I are very proud and excited to continue the next step in our journey in Luverne," he said. "The City of Luverne and Rock County officials have been great partners in this process and we're honored to join their community."

Luverne Mayor Pat Baustian reacted to the announcement Tuesday.

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Lori Sorenson photo/1108 gep Christmas pageant cast

Cast and crew of the Green Earth Players' upcoming production of "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever" gathered for their first rehearsal at the Palace Theatre stage Monday night. Pictured are (front, from left) Taedra McKenzie, Mallorie Edstrom, Tenlee Pick, Alayna Oechsle, Naomi Harsma, Augusta Papik, Josie Scholten, Jo-Hannah Ladd, Haylee Overvaag, Lexi Overvaag, Lydia Jarchow, Brynlie Bork, (second row) Adrik Harsma, Elijah Henrichs, Brayden Luethje, Lauren Peters, Brandon Taubert, Zander Carbonneau, Ashlee Overvaag, Makayla Oechsle, Shawndra LeVeQue, Brooklyn Wicks, Kierra Lange, Andrea Luitjens, Elaine Nath, (third row) Charlie Mostad, Griffen Jarchow, Camden Hoven, Brianna Kinsinger, Elise Jarchow, Parker Carbonneau, Xavier McKenzie, Sarah Prohl, Zoe Perkins, Rylee Anderson, Katia Jarchow, Audrie DeBates, Janica Oechsle, (back) Assistant Director Molly Carbonneau, Director LaDonna Van Aartsen, Wanda Jarchow, David Vis, Anissa Vis, Annie Bork, DJ Luethje, Jim Harsma, Cheryl Nath, Holly Anderson, Scott Wessels, Anja Jarchow and Musical Director Sue Sandbulte.

## 'Christmas Pageant' sets mood for holidays

By Lori Sorenson

The Green Earth Players community theater group will perform "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever" the next two weekends at the Palace Theatre.

Performances are at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Nov. 9 and 10, and at 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 11. The second week has a Thursday performance at 7:30 p.m., in addition to the weekend shows, Friday through Sunday at the same times.

"It will be a fun little Christmas play to get

you in the spirit for the holidays," said director LaDonna Van Aartsen.

"And it's quick—just an hour and 20 minutes, so once it gets started it really just flows."

The 50-person cast is comprised of 40 children (in kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade) and 10 adults.

Anissa and David Vis play the lead roles of Mr. and Mrs. Bradley and Josie Scholten and Camden Hoven play the roles of their children, Beth Bradley and the little brother Charlie

Bradley.

The play is based on the best-selling children's book about six delinquent children named the Herdmans who were engaged in misfit behavior for their age such as smoking, cussing, drinking and shoplifting.

They go to church for the first time after being told that the church offers snacks. Despite protests from other church members, they are

'Best Christmas Pageant Ever'/see page 2A

## St. Catherine's to host 25th Fall Fest

By Mavis Fodness

Lots of time and talent will be on display Saturday night during the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Catherine's Church Fall Fest at Grand Prairie Events in Luverne.

Volunteers have spent months planning the gourmet meal, dessert dash, prize raffles, silent and live auction items for the evening devoted to fundraising for the church.

The event showcases the talents of many volunteers, especially the dessert makers.

For the past two years, volunteer Susan Schneekloth's desserts have been sought-after items during the evening meal's dessert dash and again later during the live auction of her dessert-a-month-for-a-year donation.

Bids have reached over \$1,000



Mavis Fodness photo/1108 Fall Fest 25 Years Susan Schneekloth's lemon tart with almond crust is among the Desserts-of-the-Month offered on the live auction Saturday during St. Catherine Church's Fall Fest.

during the dessert dash event.

It features diners placing monetary donations into envelopes. The amount determines the order the table selects high-end desserts made by volunteers like Schneekloth.

"I am more surprised as it (the bid) gets higher and I get nervous," she said.

Baking is not a full-time profession for Schneekloth, who is an accounting technician at the Minnesota Veterans Home in Luverne.

"Baking is my therapy," she said. Her baking therapy has been well received by bidders of the live auction.

Schneekloth's monthly dessert offering has reached bids of \$280 and \$400 in the two years she has placed her baking talent on the auction block.

St. Catherine's Fall Fest/see 8A

## Luverne fireman dies Sunday

By Lori Sorenson

Luverne firefighter Zachary Cowell will be remembered for his sense of humor, work ethic and dedication to friends and family, according to those who knew him.

"Firefighter Cowell had a passion for helping others and always wore a big smile on his face when doing so," said fire chief David Van Batavia. "Firefighter Cowell will be lovingly missed by his brothers of the Fire Service."

Cowell joined the Luverne Fire Department in April of 2013. He is a 2011 Luverne High School graduate and worked with the fam-



ily business, Cowell Construction.

He was found in the Cowell Construction shop Sunday morning according to reports from the Rock County Sheriff's Office.

"At approximately 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, Nov. 4, the Rock County Sheriff's Office along with the Rock County Ambulance were called to 104 N. Spring Street for a report of a male that was unresponsive," the statement read.

CPR was administered, but Cowell was pronounced dead

Zachary Cowell/see 2A



## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### Meetings

**Lady Luverne Red Hats** will meet at 12:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 9, at the Howling Dog for lunch and then to the Minnesota Veterans Home for bingo. Call Connie at 283-8470 by Nov. 6 if you plan to attend.

**JO Volleyball** signup meeting will be at 5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 11, in the Rock County Library, Luverne. Call 283-9787.

**Luverne Lions Club** will meet at 6 p.m. Monday, Nov. 12, at Luverne Pizza Ranch with District Governor Dick Kelly attending.

**Pink Ladies** will meet at 1:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 12, in the Sanford Luverne Blue Mound Room. School counselors will present information concerning suicide. Call Joan at 920-9076.

**Matthew 6 Board of Directors** will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 12, at the Luverne Pizza Ranch.

**Vienna Township Board** will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 13, in the Kenneth Community Center.

**American Legion Auxiliary** will meet at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 14, at the Legion Hall. Call 283-1934.

**Parkinson's Support Group** will meet at 1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 15, at St. John Church. Call 507-530-3307.

**MS Support Group** will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 15, at Southwest Health and Human Services in Luverne. All persons with MS, family and friends are invited. Call 283-2069 or 283-2964 with questions.

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

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

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

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

### Elementary music program is Nov. 9

Luverne Elementary School second- and fourth-graders will present "Mighty Minds," Friday, Nov. 9, in the elementary gymnasium. The public performance begins at 2:30 p.m. The program has students stressed out when they find out they will have to take a whole week of tests, but never fear, the heroic team of "Mighty Minds" comes to the rescue. Note the date change from the school calendar.

### Sign up by Nov. 9 for snowmobile safety

Luverne Community Education will offer a snowmobile safety course for ages 11 and older from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday Nov. 17, at Community Education.

Register prior to Nov. 9 for the Nov. 17 course by calling 507-283-4724. Dress to be outside. The cost is \$10 which includes lunch. Call Dave Severtson at 507-220-3235 with questions. Anyone born after Dec. 31, 1976, is required to take the course to operate a snowmobile in Minnesota.

The online portion should be completed and paid (\$29.95) prior to Nov. 17 at [www.snowmobilecourse.com/usa/minnesota](http://www.snowmobilecourse.com/usa/minnesota).

### Hardwick Veterans Day Nov. 11

The Hardwick American Legion will host a Veterans Day banquet Sunday, Nov. 11, in the Legion hall. Social hour is at 6 p.m. with dinner at 6:30. Speaker is Lieutenant Thomas Nelson of the U.S. National Guard and Boys State commander from Jackson. Maddie Oye will provide music.

### Blood Bank hosts blood drive Nov. 12

Sanford Luverne and Luverne Community Blood Bank will host a blood drive from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and from 3-6 p.m. Monday, Nov. 12, at Sanford Luverne, 1600 N. Kniss Avenue, Luverne. All blood donations will stay local for local use. Donors need to bring an ID to the donation site. Visit <http://www.cbllifeblood.org> or call 507-283-2321.

### Operation Christmas Child boxes

Boxes for Operation Christmas Child are now available at the south entrance of the American Reformed Church for those who are willing to participate. Filled boxes need to be dropped off the week of Nov. 12-18 at the church. For questions call Charla Sandbulte at 507-227-1722 or Karen Bosch at 605-413-9676. For more information go to [camaritanspurse.org](http://camaritanspurse.org).

### Free food Nov. 15

New Life Celebration Church will offer free produce, bread and meat from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 15, at the Senior Center on East Lincoln Street for those having trouble putting food on the table. Bring your own bags or boxes. Call 283-4366 with questions.

## Local airmen return from deployment

By Mavis Fodness

Six Luverne residents were among the airmen who returned home Tuesday morning after a four-month deployment in Southeast Asia through the South Dakota Air National Guard.

Returning safely to Joe Foss Field in Sioux Falls were Jaidyn Elbers, Joe Baustian, Makayla Sterrett, Alec Hoven, Abby Pierce and Jack Baustian.

Their parents are Todd and Diane Elbers, Pat and Katie Baustian, Tom and Melissa Sterrett, Richard and Jessy Hoven and Travis and Stephanie Pierce.

The local airmen were among dozens of personnel and aircraft deployed July 18 from the 114<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing as part of U.S. Air Force's Expeditionary Force rotation.

The U.S. Air Force routinely deploys fighter aircraft units to the region to provide combatant commanders with the capabilities needed to maintain a deterrent against threats to regional security and stability.

The first of the unit's deployed members began arriving in Sioux Falls Nov. 1.

An official Welcome Home ceremony for all deployed members and their families is planned for early December.



Submitted photos

Local Air Guard members (from left) Abby Pierce, Jack Baustian, Jaidyn Elbers, Joe Baustian, Makayla Sterrett and Alec Hoven pose for a group picture Tuesday morning after a 17-hour flight from Southeast Asia, where they were deployed for four months.

## Luverne Ace Hardware celebrates 15-year anniversary

By Lori Sorenson

Luverne Ace Hardware is observing its 15th anniversary, and store manager Kevin Mick said there's plenty to celebrate on the landmark year.

"It's a great store with local services that give you the benefit of stocking what your customers need and want," Mick said.

The store will observe the occasion on Saturday, Nov. 10, with free hotdogs and refreshments from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The store will be open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. with 20 percent discounts offered nearly storewide.

The day will feature hands-on demonstrations with Milwaukee Tools and Benjamin Moore paint sampling, as well as door prizes and goodie bags to the first 100 customers.

Luverne Ace Hardware opened on Nov. 20, 2003, in the building that was once Glen's Food Center, and in



Lori Sorenson photo/1108 ace hardware 15 years

Luverne Ace Hardware is celebrating its 15th anniversary this week. Pictured are store manager Kevin Mick (center) and department managers Stacie Ehlke (right) and Renita Enninga.

the years since then, it has added over 1,000 square feet of popular lines of home décor

and giftware. The paint department continues to draw customers

with specialists to help match colors and textures.

"We also do our best to get new popular brands in the store such as Magnolia Home paint," Mick said.

"That's what's nice here — we're not just a hardware store."

He said the store now has the advantage of five-day-a-week freight, "which means we can get most items for you the next day; no longer do you have to wait for our weekly truck," Mick said.

"It's options like these that allow us to better serve our customers."

Mick has been with Luverne Ace Hardware for over six years and with the Ace Hardware family for more than 32 years.

He is continuing as store manager after Darrell "Rocky" Rockman retired this fall.

The store employs 25 people; four of them are full time employees.

## 'Christmas Pageant'/continued from page 1A

given roles in the Sunday school's Christmas play, in which they tell the Christmas story in a nonconventional fashion.

Van Aartsen said this is what makes the play so enjoyable.

"It's a play inside a play," she said. "It's written to have some slip-ups. ... It's a fun play."

This isn't Van Aartsen's first foray into play directing; she previously directed Green Earth Players productions such as "Cheaper by the Dozen" and "Kids Say

the Darnedest Things."

In fact this isn't her first shot at the "Christmas Pageant," which she directed for the American Reformed Church performance several years ago.

Molly Carbonneau is assistant director and Sue Sandbulte is music director. Darrel Van Aartsen is technical director and Dianne Ossenfort is producer.

The cast began rehearsing their roles Oct. 1 and practiced three times a week at the Green Earth Players building on West

Main Street.

"My favorite part of this has been watching the kids become their characters," Van Aartsen said.

"We spent the first rehearsals helping them get past being shy and seeing their characters, and then later getting them to not overact their characters."

Tickets are on sale at the Palace Theatre Box Office, located next to the Palace Theatre. Hours are Monday through Friday from noon to 5 p.m. and the phone number is 507-283-4339.

## Cowell/from 1A

at the scene as a result of an apparent suicide, the sheriff's report stated.

Cowell was 26 years old — son of Tim Cowell, Luverne, and Heather Kroon, Steen; husband of Emily (Klarenbeek) Cowell, father of 2-year-old Jayce Cowell; and brother of Kelsie and Riley Cowell.

Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 7, at Grand Prairie Events, and the funeral is at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at the American Reformed Church in Luverne.

The full obituary appears on page 7A.



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# Government class seeks help from community

By Lori Sorenson

Luverne High School government teacher David Rysdam is seeking help from the community for his upcoming section on local government.

"I like to look at local issues as a way to cover the content," said Rysdam, who is in his third year of teaching in Luverne.

Part of his next study unit includes a survey put out by the students to the faculty and community to gain information and find new points of interests to be studied.

The link, <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NNKLFVT>, will be live after 5 p.m. on Nov. 13 and asks questions related to "What is the role of county government?"

Rysdam said his students are fortunate to live in a community with active growth, which allows them to see firsthand how local governments play a role in the lives of citizens.

"My first year the students were lucky enough to study tru Shrimp and their potential landing in Luverne and what that means for local government as well as the economy," Rysdam said.

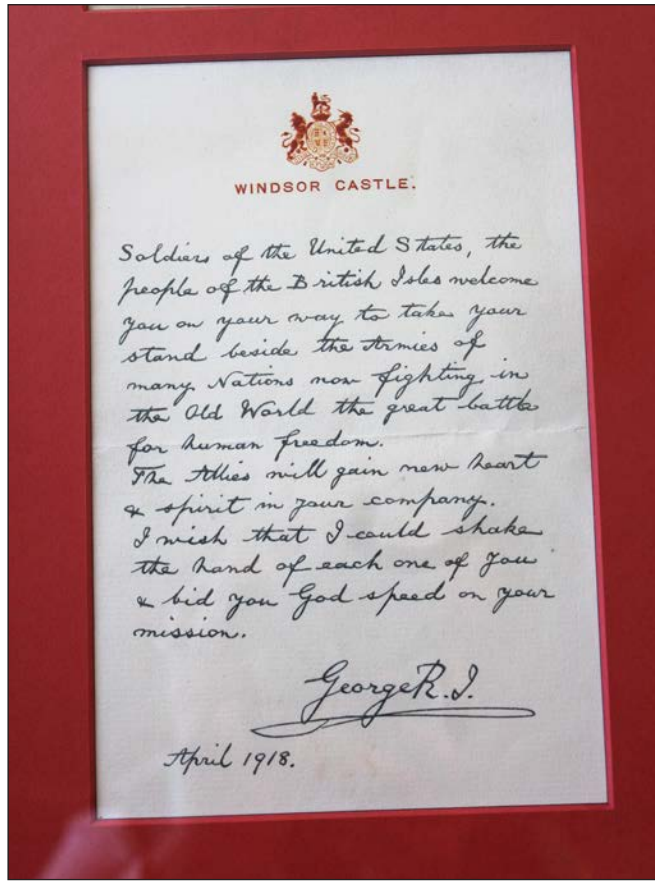
"Year 2 we studied the school referendum and how the school district took advantage of favorable loan opportunities provided by the state and their work with the community to secure improvements for building, as well as a performing arts center that the whole community can take advantage of."

This year Rysdam said students will study county government and its roll in working toward development in the area.

Lewis and Clark Regional Water System, rural broadband coverage and wind and solar energy are all topics that have been at the forefront of county interest over the past several years.

"We will be taking a look at these issues and how the county works with local, state and federal governments, as well as private industry, to carry out its duties," Rysdam said.

He encourages area residents to participate in the survey his students compiled in order to help them with their study of local governments.



Mavis Fodness photo/1108 Armistice Anniversary

Lee Alexander of Luverne holds a framed letter and envelope from King George V thanking her father-in-law, Clarence Alexander, for his service in World War I, which ended 100 years ago Sunday. The letter from King George V includes the royal crest and the words "Windsor Castle" across the top. For decades the King George V letter has hung on a wall with photos of Clarence Alexander and his squadron, a framed letter to home while he served in WWI, the WWI service medal, and his son Robert's medals earned while serving in the Korean War.

## 100-year-old letter thanks soldier for WWI service

By Mavis Fodness

Veterans Day marks the end of World War I and is a day to remember military veterans who fought for freedom and peace throughout the world.

Sunday marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of World War I, and in Luverne a piece of that century-old war quietly hangs in Lee Alexander's home on North Blue Mound Avenue.

Each morning for decades, Alexander has walked past the framed letter and envelope hanging on the wall by her front door.

The letter shows a royal crest and the words "Windsor Castle" printed in red ink across the top followed by 13 lines of a hand-written message

from King George V.

The King thanked Alexander's late father-in-law Clarence for helping the people of the British Isles "to take stand beside many nations now fighting in the Old World the great battle for human freedom."

"... I wish that I could shake the hand of each one of you & bid you God speed on your mission," the note dated April 1918 ended.

It was addressed to Clarence Alexander's mom, Rose, in Franklin, Pennsylvania.

By the time of its arrival, a drafted Clarence was in the midst of what would be 13 months of military service.

Seven months after the letter

was written, Germany declared a cessation of hostilities that became effective at 11 a.m. on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> month in 1918 and ended World War I.

The 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the war's end prompted Alexander to remember the letter and other military memorabilia in her home.

They include framed pictures of Clarence and his squadron, a framed letter from Clarence written during World War I to home, and military medals from her husband Robert's service during the Korean War.

Several years ago, Alexander added the medal given to soldiers who served in World War I.

She is unsure what happened to

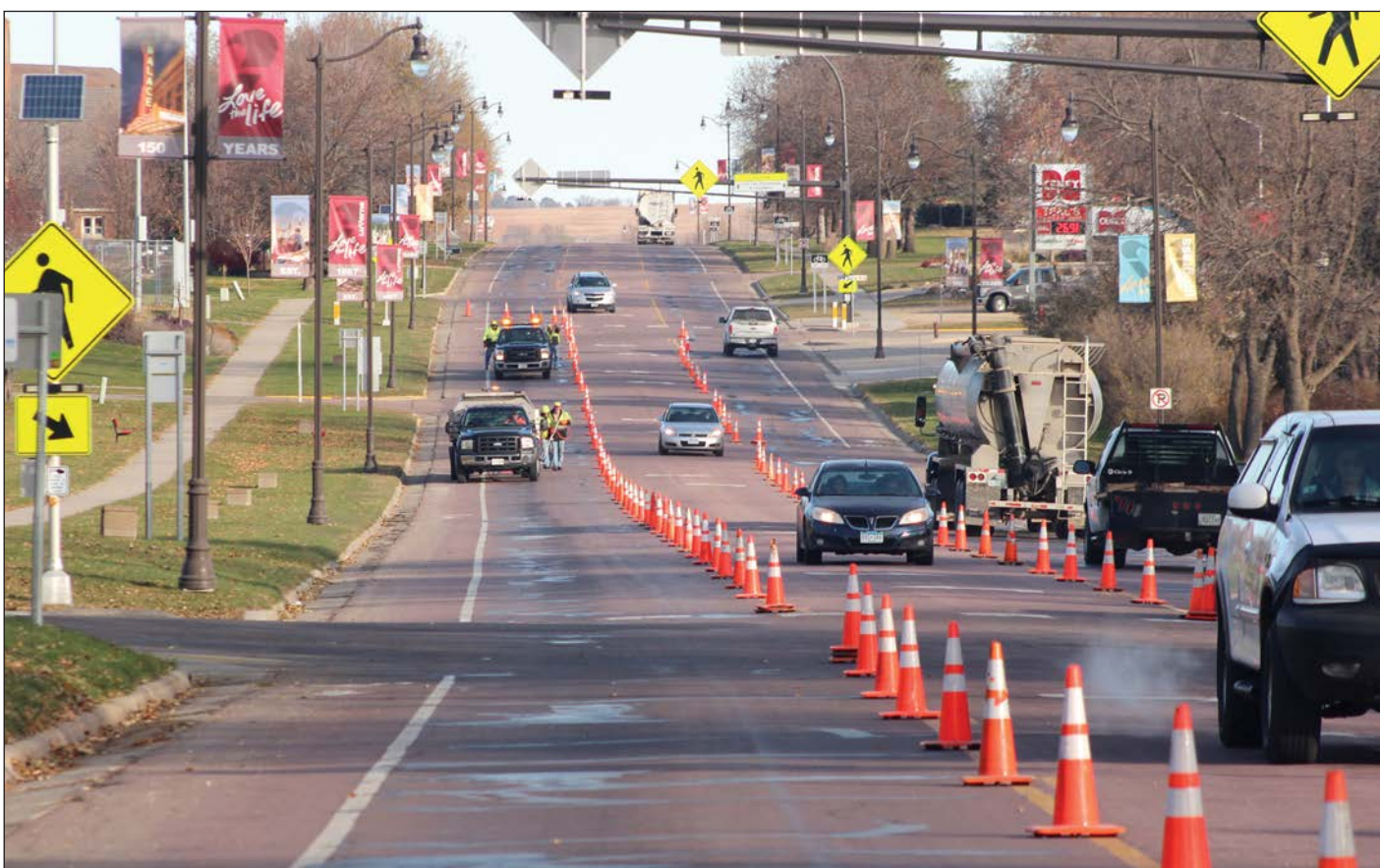
the actual medal Clarence would have received for his military service, but locating one from the Medals of America Company was an important find for Alexander.

"I thought it made closure for all the other pictures," she said. "It's a story of one man. That's what I like best about it."

Clarence was drafted into the U.S. Army and assigned to the aviation section, which later developed into the Air Force in 1947.

Clarence was stationed near London during some of the 13 months of his military service, and for his service he received a pension.

Armistice 100 years/see page 5A



Lori Sorenson photo/1108 highway 75 work

### Fall maintenance

Minnesota Department of Transportation crews work to fill cracks and perform other fall maintenance duties on Highway 75 in Luverne on Wednesday, Oct. 31.

### Tru Shrimp/ from page 1A

"This is great news for Luverne and Rock County," he said.

"We'll finally see activity in the spring of next year for this magnificent economic development opportunity in our community."

The company's goal is to have financing arranged by June 2019 with groundbreaking shortly thereafter.

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## Sometimes too many free T-shirts lead to confusion (and funny stories)

A simple reality of accepting free T-shirts is sometimes you can have too many in your household.



### RUMINATIONS

By Mavis Fodness, Reporter

*We are all gaining a little around the middle.*

Case in point: two florescent green T-shirts.

Same color.  
Same logos.  
Different sizes.

Last year I began folding T-shirts into rectangle shapes. In the drawers they stand on end like envelopes in a box. Only the T-shirts' color distinguishes one from the other.

When there were six people in my household, it wasn't unusual for the wrong-sized T-shirt to be in the wrong drawer.

Now that there are only two of us at home, the wrong size in the wrong drawer is downright funny.

One recent morning my husband, Bryan, quickly grabbed a florescent T-shirt out of his drawer and hurriedly slipped it on as his dad entered the house.

As he emerged from the bedroom, he quickly pulled the T-shirt down into place.

He began talking with his dad leading to the kitchen table, tugging the T-shirt down into place again.

At the table talking commenced about business — with Bryan pulling down at the shirt again and again.

"I must be gaining a little

weight," he mentioned to his dad.

"We are all gaining a little around the middle," his dad agreed.

More talking.  
More tugging.

After his dad left, Bryan continued to pull the T-shirt down.

When Bryan told me that the T-shirt seemed to fit just fine last week but now didn't want to stay in place, I burst out in uncontrollable laughter.

Bryan then realized that maybe the florescent green shirt he grabbed from his drawer wasn't his after all.

Sure enough — the extra-large he meant to put on was a size large T-shirt, a free one that's too large for me but too good to recycle. In a pinch I will occasionally wear the shirt around the farm.

I think I will keep that florescent-colored shirt. It's a great reminder of a really funny story.

## Get out and socialize Doctor advocates for more education during Caregiver Awareness Month

### GUEST EDITORIAL

November is National Family Caregiver Awareness Month, a time to recognize thousands of Minnesotans across the state who dedicate time, money and energy to caring for family members and friends, and to offer those caregivers help and resources.

In fact, more than 585,000 Minnesotans — one-tenth of the population — spend an average of 24 hours a week providing unpaid care for a loved one in need, many of whom suffer from Alzheimer's and other kinds of dementia.

The Alzheimer's Association estimates every 65 seconds someone in the U.S. develops Alzheimer's disease.

As part of National Family Caregiver Month, Dr. Daniel Trajano, vice president and medical director of Population Health for Blue Cross Blue Shield, has advice for those whose loved ones have received an

Alzheimer's diagnosis.

Trajano believes education is the key to combatting fear that often accompanies an Alzheimer's diagnosis and that social interaction is vital to wellness for both patient and caregiver.

Dr. Trajano suggests the following:

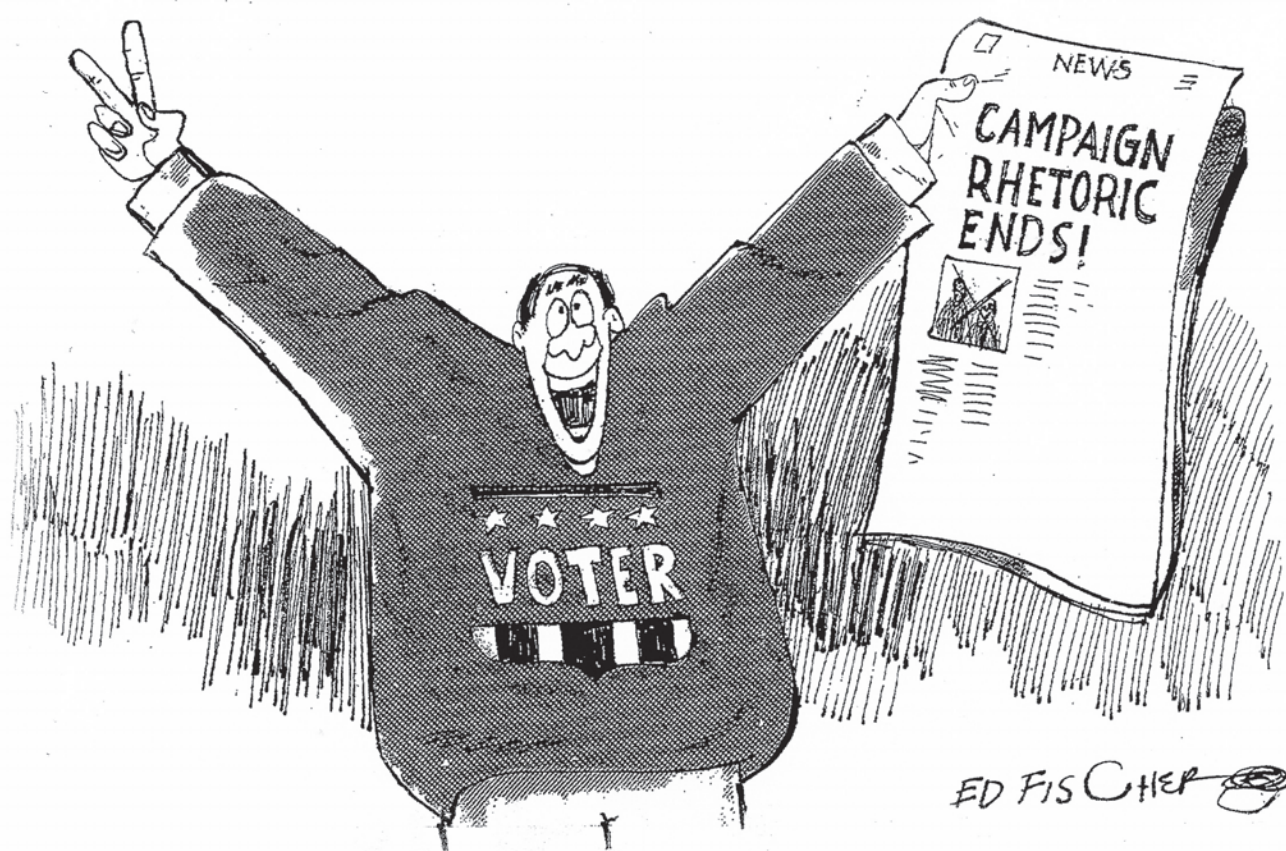
- Identify resources you might need down the road.
- Social interaction is vital to wellness — for both patient and caregiver.
- Social acuity is often heightened in people suffering from Alzheimer's

— so even if they struggle with remembering something from day to day, they are sensitive to mood, social tension and tone of voice.

In the case of repetitive questioning, try not to get frustrated with supplying the same answer repetitively.

Think of it this way — it's less about the specific answer and more about showing your loved one your willingness to answer their questions.

The words might always be "It's Monday, Mom," but your tone of voice, eye contact and gestures can say, "Love ya, Mom."



## Let law enforcement find owners of lost items

Trooper also clarifies questions about minimum and maximum vehicle heights

**Question:** My father found a wallet at a big retail store while on vacation and was concerned about handing it off to the staff there, instead deciding to contact the owner directly. He was eventually pulled over by local PD, with the wallet in hand, and was told he could be brought up on theft charges. What should he have done? His intent, clearly, was to ensure that the staff at the store wasn't going to pocket any cash from the wallet before putting it in their safe, but that's not how the police perceived it.

**Answer:** He should have turned it over to a supervisor at the store where it was found or reported it to the local Police Department or Sheriff's Office.

If the wallet had been stolen and discarded where your father found it, it would be considered stolen property. Explaining to law enforcement how and where the wallet was found might clear him as a suspect of possessing stolen property. If further evidence is required, law enforcement could obtain video footage from the store that would support his statement.

Wallets, purses and property found on state highways or freeways have been turned into troopers and MSP office staff employees. We examine the property in an attempt to find a form of identification that

could be used to contact the owner.

If you lose a wallet or purse that contains credit cards, contact your credit card company to report it missing as soon as possible. Contact your state's Department of Vehicle Services to report your driver's license missing and to request a duplicate license. If the wallet or purse is stolen, report it to your local law enforcement agency. A report will be generated and the items will be returned to you if found.

**Question:** The other night my coworker got pulled over and was given a warning about ride height. It was not slammed to the ground but the trooper said that it was illegal. What is the Minnesota state law for ride height?

**Answer:** Minnesota law states that if a vehicle's suspension has been altered by more than 6 inches either higher or lower, it is illegal, unless the bumper is modified to within the 6 inches of the original manufactured bumper height.

All passenger vehicles must be equipped with front and rear bumpers that do not exceed a height of:

- 20 inches on any passenger automobile or station wagon.
- 25 inches on any four-wheel drive multipurpose vehicle, van,

or pickup truck, when the vehicle is being operated on a public highway.

The height of the bumper shall be determined by measuring from the bottom of the bumper, excluding any vertical bumper attachments, to the ground.

A vehicle which has an original bumper and does not exceed a height of 30 inches, may be modified by attaching a full width bumper to the original bumper to meet the height requirement. The attached bumper must be at least 4.5 inches vertically, be centered on the vehicle's centerline, extend at least 10 inches on either side of the frame, and be attached to the frame in at least four places with angle braces at no less than 45 degrees so that it effectively transfers impact to an extent equal to or greater than the original bumper.

*You can avoid a ticket — and a crash — if you simply buckle up, drive at safe speeds, pay attention and always drive sober. Help us drive Minnesota Toward Zero Deaths.*

*If you have any questions concerning traffic related laws or issues in Minnesota send your questions to Sgt. Troy Christianson — Minnesota State Patrol at 2900 48th Street NW, Rochester MN 55901-5848. (Or reach him at, Troy.Christianson@state.mn.us).*



## FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH

By Rick Peterson, General Manager  
Tollefson Publishing

## Take time and thank our veterans

Sunday is Veterans Day, and as you may know, we observe Veterans Day on Nov. 11 because World War I ended on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month of the year 1918.

I encourage you to stop what you're doing this Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and take a few moments to think about all the men and women who have served this country and the world for that matter.

If you have a veteran in your family or one in your neighborhood, take the time to tell them you appreciated their service, extend your hand and simply say thank you.

If you haven't toured the Herreid Military Museum or visited the Rock County Veterans Memorial recently, please do so this week. In addition to that, make plans to attend one of the

events planned to honor our veterans.

On Sunday, Nov. 11, the Hardwick Veterans Day Banquet gets underway with a 6 p.m. social hour and a 6:30 dinner followed by a program with guest speaker Lieutenant Thomas Nelson of the U.S. National Guard and special patriotic music by Maddie Oye.

On Monday, Nov. 12, there will be a 9:30 program at the Hills Beaver Creek High School Gym featuring a Veterans Day message and music by the Hills Beaver Creek High School Band.

At 2 p.m. Monday afternoon will be a Veterans Day program at the Luverne High School with a special Veterans Day message and performance by the Luverne High School Band. All of these events are open to the public.

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## ON THE RECORD

### Dispatch report

**Oct. 26**  
 •Complainant reported an assault on Oak Drive.  
 •Complainant reported an eviction in Hardwick.  
 •Complainant reported a vehicle seems abandoned on Abbott Ave.  
 •Complainant reported a parking complaint on N. Elm St.  
 •Complainant on 81<sup>st</sup> Street reported a vehicle being driven without permission near Beaver Creek.  
 •Complainant reported a theft in Hardwick.  
 •Extra patrol requested in Steen.

**Oct. 27**  
 •Complainant reported a burglary on S. Freeman Avenue.  
 •Complainant reported cows out on 70th Avenue.  
 •Complainant reported people blowing leaves and grass on the road in Magnolia.  
 •Complainant reported a couple of cars parked with their lights off on Hwy. 75.  
 •Complainant requested to speak to a deputy concerning a strange voicemail.  
 •Complainant reported someone is on the acreage on 140th Ave.  
 •Complainant reported someone is at the Quarry in Hardwick.  
 •Complainant reported his car broke down on Hwy. 75.

**Oct. 28**  
 •Complainant reported a motion alarm on S. Kniss Avenue.  
 •Complainant reported a possible hit and run on W. Mead Court.  
 •Complainant requested traffic control when towing company gets to 121st Street.

**Oct. 29**  
 •Complainant requested a deputy for a court hearing.  
 •Complainant reported an abandoned vehicle on County Road 4.  
 •Complainant reported an abandoned vehicle on Hwy. 75.  
 •Complainant requested subject be tested for random DOT drug/alcohol test.  
 •Complainant reported male knocking on windows on W. Lincoln Street.  
 •Complainant reported assault on W. Hatting Street.  
 •Complainant reported an erratic driver on Hwy. 75.  
 •Complainant reported that his son was assaulted on W. Barck Avenue.  
 •Complainant reported two-vehicle accident on W. Lincoln Street; no injuries.  
 •Deputy conducted a follow-up at the Hardwick Quarry.  
 •Complainant reported a fire in the grain leg on Hills.

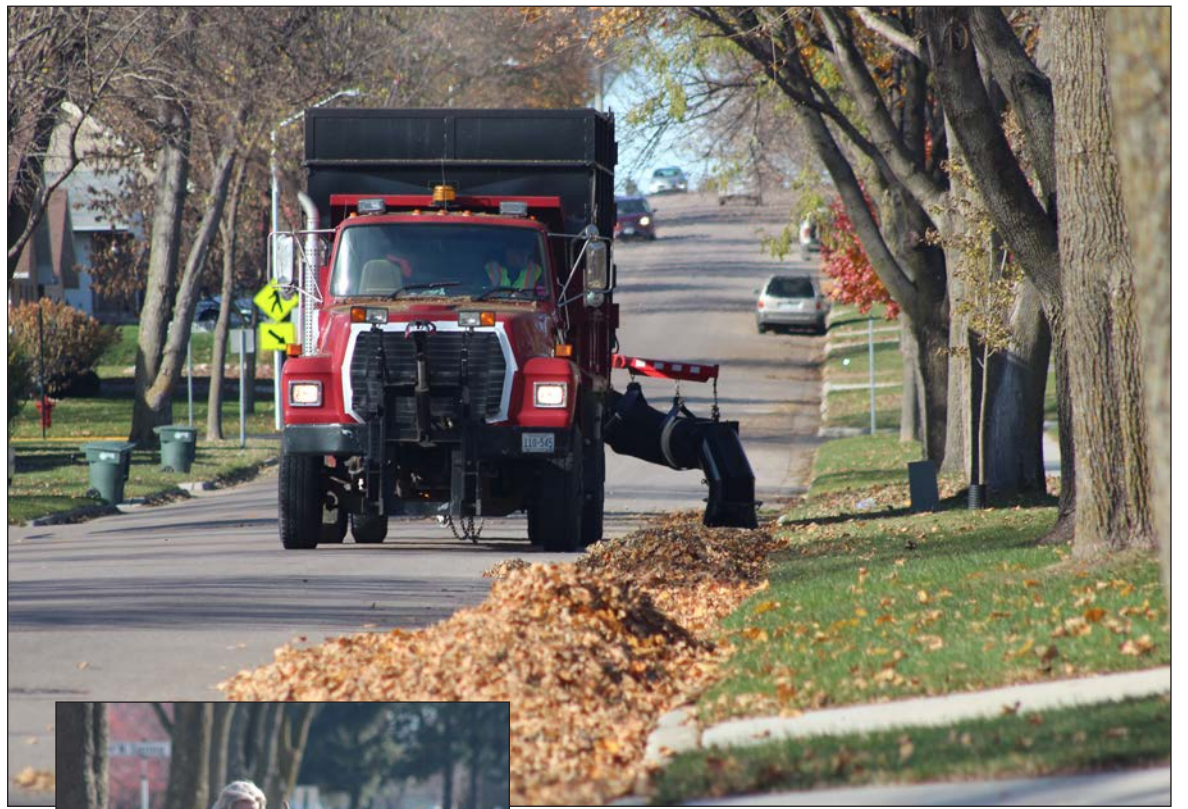
**Oct. 30**

•Complainant reported horses and cattle out 1/4 mile west of Beaver Creek.  
 •Bird surveys in the Beaver Creek area.  
 •Complainant reported a deer tag issue.  
 •Complainant reported an abandoned vehicle on County Hwy. 4 and County Road 11.  
 •Complainant reported a one-vehicle accident in Ellsworth; no injuries.  
 •Complainant reported two black calves on the roadway at County Road 59 and Hwy. 23 near Jasper.  
 •Complainant reported a parking complaint on W. Bishop.  
 •Complainant reported a raccoon on a roof on West Luverne Street.  
 •Reserved for narcotic laws in Steen.

**Oct. 31**  
 •Deputy conducted a follow-up on W. Luverne Street.  
 •Complainant reported an order for protection for information.  
 •Complainant reported a field and ditch fire at 161<sup>st</sup> Street and 110<sup>th</sup> Avenue near Hardwick.  
 •Complainant on S. Kniss Avenue reported cones spread out in such a way that they look like they have been hit.  
 •Deputy conducted a follow-up on N. Davidson Street.  
 •Complainant requested a welfare check.  
 •Complainant reported cattle out at 221<sup>st</sup> Street and County Road 6.  
 •Complainant reported a diesel truck speeding by on Luverne Street.  
 •Deputies conducted a probation check on East Luverne Street.

**Nov. 1**  
 •Complainant requested a welfare check.  
 •Subject assisted with vehicle release at the impound lot.  
 •Subject arrested on probation violation.  
 •Complainant requested a deputy stand by for property pickup on West Brown Street.  
 •Complainant reported a blue pickup on West Elm Street has been parked there for more than 24 hours.  
 •Complainant conducted a foot patrol on Main Street.  
 •Complainant reported a vehicle accident on I-90.  
 •Complainant reported suspicious activity in Steen.  
 •Deputy conducted a follow-up.

In addition officers responded to 5 deer accidents, 1 transport, 7 escorts, 17 ambulance runs, 3 animal complaints, 2 fingerprint requests, 3 burn permits, 3 drug court tests, 8 permit to purchase/carry requests, 5 abandon 911 calls, 10 traffic stops, 1 paper service and 1 test.



Lori Sorenson photos/1108 leaf sucker

## City helps with leaves

Greg McClure makes a sweep down the hill on Barck Street Wednesday, Oct. 31, during the second week of the city's annual leaf pickup. City officials had indicated they would offer another round of leaf pickup, but a stretch of rainy weather changed those plans and residents will need to dispose of their own yard waste. Also pictured, 90-year-old Marian Helling rakes leaves into the curb just ahead of McClure and the leaf "vacuum" Wednesday morning. She pointed out that when she and her husband, the late Gordy Helling, built their house on Barck Street 60 years ago there was nothing but a cornfield in their back yard.

## Armistice 100-year anniversary/continued from page 3A

"For each year of service, veterans would receive \$10," Alexander remembered. "He received a \$130 pension in the 1930s." Upon Clarence's honorable discharge, he returned to Pennsylvania and resumed a civilian life and married his wife, Hazel. Lee, who also grew up in Pennsylvania, married Clarence and Hazel's son Robert. Hazel gave the King George V letter to Alexander in the late 1950s. "I am the repository of family history," she explained. Lee and Robert moved to Minnesota in 1977, when Robert accepted an engineering position with A.R. Wood Manufacturing. Clarence and Hazel would often visit Robert, Lee and their two children Margie and Robert Jr. in Luverne.

Alexander said she has fond memories of Clarence, with his arm circled around a 3- or 4-year-old Robert Jr. on the couch watching a baseball game on TV. "They never talked," Alexander remembered. What passed between the two may have prompted Robert Jr. to join the Air Force after his 1983 graduation from Luverne High School. The King George V letter will be given to Robert Jr. per Alexander's wishes for continued preservation in the family. She is unsure how many of the King George V letters were sent to U.S. families or how many letters still exist today. "I am just glad we have them saved," she said. "So many people throw things out." The United States joined the

Allied nations of Great Britain, France, Russia, Italy, Romania and Japan in April 1917. The six countries had resisted the advances of German, Austria-Hungarian and Turkish armies into Europe since July 1914. The United States' entrance into the conflict against Germany turned the fight in the Allies' favor. The U.S.'s decision to send troops prompted King George V to write letters to U.S. military families. Information at the Herreid Military Museum in Luverne noted 115,516 U.S. soldiers died from 1917-1918 due to its involvement in World War I. Veterans Day, or Armistice Day in Europe, was declared an official U.S. holiday in 1938. In 1954 the holiday was redesignated to honor American veterans of all wars.



**Hardwick Veterans Day Banquet**  
 Sunday, November 11  
 Social Hour 6 p.m. • Dinner 6:30 p.m.  
 Hardwick Legion Hall  
 Guest Speaker - *Thomas Nelson, Jackson, MN*  
 Lieutenant of US National Guard & Boys State Commander  
 Special patriotic music by *Maddie Oye*  
 Open to the Public  
 Sponsored by the Hardwick American Legion and Auxiliary

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 November 11, 2018

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 • Veterans Day Message  
 • Music by the Hills/Beaver Creek High School band

Monday, November 12, 2018 • 2 pm (new time this year)  
 Luverne High School Gym  
 Highlights of the program include:  
 • Veterans Day Message  
 • Music by the Luverne High School concert band & choir  
 Open to the public

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## Former St. Mary's Church hosts first worship service as Trinity Temple

*Special events planned for Saturday's service, which is open to the public*

**By Mavis Fodness**

Newly named Trinity Temple in Ellsworth will host its first worship service at 5 p.m. Saturday with Pastor Bill Ostermeier at the pulpit.

"We are excited," said Ostermeier, who is also pastor at Jasper Community Church, an interdenominational, charismatic and full gospel Christian group.

The inter-denominational focus continues as Ostermeier organizes an additional congregation in the former St. Mary's Catholic Church.

The 133-year-old building continues as a place of worship after St. Mary's closed Oct. 5.

"We may have some differences but we are all brothers and sisters in the Lord," Ostermeier said.

Love, joy, peace and forgiveness (gifts from the Holy Spirit) are part of the temple's charismatic focus.

The worship service stemmed from Saturday night Bible studies in the temple basement where eight to nine people meet regularly to discuss what it means to be Christian.

"We had people interested and that's the main thing," Ostermeier said.

The group decided to organize the 5 p.m. Saturday worship service in lieu of Saturday's Bible study, along with a variety of activities leading up to it.

Various religious organizations are assisting the new church with the celebration.

The Christian Motorcyclists Association, the Redemption Riders based in Luverne, will serve a free pancake brunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday in the temple basement.

*'We may have some differences but we are all brothers and sisters in the Lord.'*

— **Pastor Bill Ostermeier**

At the service, "Advent Cappell," a Seventh Day Adventist choir from Flaudreau, South Dakota, will perform along with a quartet from the Ebenezer Christian Reformed Church in Leota.

"Insights for Men," an interdenominational Christian men's ministry based in Pipestone, will assist Ostermeier with the liturgy.

"It's kind of a full day for us," he said. "We are excited."

People interested in learning more about the Trinity Temple worship services can show up at 5 p.m. Saturdays or contact Ostermeier at billginny08@icloud.com.

In 2013 Ostermeier organized Jasper Community Church in the former Rosedell Trinity Church in Jasper. Twenty families attend Sunday services and Bible studies (also on Wednesdays) in Jasper.

Ostermeier is retired and lives in Sioux Falls with his wife, Ginny.



Mavis Fodness photo/1108 Trinity Temple

Pastor Bill Ostermeier, pictured in the former St. Mary's Catholic Church in Ellsworth, purchased the church last month and organized a Saturday Bible study group. The group will have its first worship service in the newly dubbed "Trinity Temple" at 5 p.m. Saturday.

### CELEBRATIONS

#### Card showers

**Arnie Stoel** will celebrate his 85<sup>th</sup> birthday on Thursday, Nov. 15. Greetings may be sent to him at 119 E. Fairway Drive, Luverne, MN 56156.

### MENU

**Monday, Nov. 12:** Barbecued pulled pork, scalloped potatoes, peas, bun, pears.

Program: Veterans Day special music with Myrna Phelps; Pinochle.

**Tuesday, Nov. 13:** Salisbury steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, stewed tomatoes, bread, blushing pears.

Program: Half-Price Day sponsored by Real Estate Retrievers.

**Wednesday, Nov. 14:** Chicken with marinara sauce, noodles, broccoli, fruit cup, bread, pudding.

Program: Pastor of the Month Mike Altena, American Reformed Church.

**Thursday, Nov. 15:** Roast turkey with gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, cranberry sauce, bread, pumpkin dessert.

Program: Half-Price Day; Celebrating Thanksgiving. Food Give-away.

**Friday, Nov. 16:** Hamburger casserole, pineapple, corn, bread, bar.

Program: Birthday Party with Kitchen Band. Half-Price Day.

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## REMEMBER WHEN

### 10 years ago (2008)

•Rock County Commissioners voted unanimously to build a bus garage and offices for Heartland Express near the Law Enforcement Center on North Blue Mound Avenue.

The county must contribute 20 percent of a \$618,750 budget to receive a \$495,000 federal transportation grant.

The county has already spent \$43,500 on architectural fees for the structure and will contribute a \$43,080 in-kind payment using staff and equipment provided by the Rock County Highway Department.

Putting the nearly \$500,000 federal grant to work in Rock County makes sense, according to Commissioner Jane Wildung. "This is a golden opportunity," she said.

### 25 years ago (1993)

•Apartment buildings and houses should be sprouting in Evergreen Addition before spring.

The Luverne Economic Development Authority Monday approved the prices for 55 lots in the area being developed east of the Veterans Addition.

After the Luverne City Council gives final approval, Luverne real estate agents will be notified of the prices and procedures

for sales.

Administrative Services Director Bryan Kienholz estimated the lots will be available to the public within two weeks. The first sales will be to those who present the city clerk with formal purchase agreements completed on the assigned date.

### 50 years ago (1968)

•A record 271 absentee ballots were received at the county auditor's office for Tuesday's election. Voters had until 5 p.m. Friday to vote by absentee ballot.

Sixty-six of the 271 were from men in the service. Luverne's northwest ward had 14 servicemen voting. The same ward also had the most absentee ballots in Rock county, 61.

Fourteen absentee ballots were received at the auditor's office for president only. These 14 ballots were from voters who have lived in Minnesota less than six months.

### 75 years ago (1943)

•Kodiak is a paradise, once you've been on Attu," declared 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Clarence Jensen, home on leave from Attu. ...

There was little about Attu which Lt. Jensen could tell because of censorship restrictions. The Japs have all gone, he said,

and although it is alleged that one remains on the island, he has never seen him. "The only Japs there are dead ones," he stated.

Attu, far out on the Aleutian chain, is close enough to Japan so that Japanese broadcasts come in clearly. "We often listened to 'Tokyo Rose,' the feminine broadcaster who speaks fluent English. After one of the Japanese bombing raids on Attu, she reported that the entire American forces had been wiped out. She's always dishing out propaganda like that."

### 100 years ago (1918)

•As a means of assisting the farmers of Rock county in overcoming the problems and situations that are rapidly developing out of the war, the federal government is urging the appointment of a county agricultural agent as an emergency measure.

A.D. Wilson, federal food administrator for Minnesota, has written County Auditor Skyberg, requesting that he advise him as to the date of the next meeting of the county commissioners, so that a representative of the government may meet with the board and fully explain the project.

Mr. Wilson states that there are federal funds to the amount of \$1,800 available for each county for the employment of a county agricultural agent.



Submitted photo

### Five generations

Ethel Ossefoort of Hills (seated) posed for a five generation photo recently with (back, from left) Jean Staeffler, Luverne, Kammi Biber, Brandon, South Dakota, and Samantha Lingen holding Adeline from Baltic, South Dakota.



Submitted photo

### Five generations

Five generations of the Williams family recently posed for a photograph. They include, from left, grandfather Travis Pierce, mother Paige (Pierce) Paquette, baby Teddy Paquette, all of Luverne; and great-great-grandmother Irene Williams and great-grandmother Lila (Williams) Pierce, both of Jackson.

### Stay informed through local Nixle messages

Local cell phone users can receive critical information from the Rock County Sheriff's Office through Nixle, an online public safety message system.

Those who sign up for the free service can receive information directly from the sheriff's office involving severe weather, criminal activities, traffic delays or road closures.

To sign up for the local Nixle notifications, text "Help" to 888777 for mobile alerts or visit [nixle.com](http://nixle.com) for more information.

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## OBITUARIES

### Russell Harmsen

Russell Earl Harmsen, 95, Pipestone, died Friday, Oct. 26, 2018, at the Minnesota Veterans Home in Luverne.

A memorial service was Wednesday, Oct. 31, at First Presbyterian Church in Pipestone. A private family burial will be in the Ihlen Cemetery near Ihlen at a later date.



Russ bought into partnership with Dale Hess at the Glass House Steak House. Russ and Evelyn became sole proprietors in 1962. After 25 years in business Russ and Evelyn sold the Glass House in 1984 to Jerry and Diane Geske. Russ then worked for Wilson Manufacturing in Pipestone the next 17 years. In June of 2007, Russ and Evelyn moved to St. Cloud. On Aug. 20, 2018, he became a resident of the Minnesota Veterans Home in Luverne.

Russ was a member of First Presbyterian Church in Pipestone. He loved the outdoors, whether fishing, hunting, gardening, or waterskiing (even on his 80th birthday). He loved being able to spend time at the cabin which his father built in 1950. He loved his family and the time he spent with them.

Russ is survived by his wife, Evelyn, of Luverne; six children, Bev York of Columbia Falls, Montana, Joyce (Carl) Pierret of Blaine, Vicki (Brad) Quist of Pickerel Lake, Deanna "Dee" Scott of Luverne, Mike (Karen) Harmsen of Clearwater and Kim (Tom) Frazier of East Bethel; 20 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and three children, Gene Krell, Randy Krell and Terry Harmsen.

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

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### Zachery Cowell

Zachery Mark Cowell, 26, Luverne, died Sunday, Nov. 4, 2018.

Visitation will be Wednesday, Nov. 7, from 4-8 p.m. at Grand Prairie Events in Luverne.

A funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 8, at the American Reformed Church in Luverne. The service will also be livestreamed at www.arcluverne.org. Burial will be at Maplewood Cemetery in Luverne.



Zachery Cowell was born on Jan. 21, 1992, to Tim and Heather (Bush) Cowell in Luverne, where he was raised and attended school. Zach grew up enjoying various motorsports and water sports.

Zach married Emily Klarenbeek on Oct. 7, 2017, at the American Reformed Church in Luverne.

He worked for his dad in his youth, starting with snow removal and eventually joined the construction trade. In addition to working at Cowell Construction, he helped out at Sells Farms and Hoff Farms. On April 4, 2013, he joined the Luverne Fire Department.

In addition to the Luverne Fire Department, Zach was a member of the Eagles Club in Luverne. He enjoyed snowboarding, wakeboarding, riding

dirt bike motorcycles and loved watching his brother, Riley, wrestle. He also enjoyed spending summer days on the boat and the kayaks. He was a talented woodworker and cook. Each Sunday he would try a new recipe for others to enjoy, oftentimes utilizing his meatsmoker. He enjoyed his family and friends.

Zach is survived by his wife, Emily of Luverne; his son, Jayce; his mother, Heather Kroon of Luverne; his father and stepmother, Timothy and Jessica Cowell of Luverne; siblings Kellsie Rivas and Riley Cowell of Luverne; nieces and nephew Aniyah, Ajayda and Kodac Rivas; grandmothers Deb Bush of Luverne and Jean Cowell of Magnolia; parents-in-law Brad and Janna Klarenbeek of Luverne; brother-in-law Paul Klarenbeek of Luverne; sister-in-law Shelby (Brett) Rozenboom of Council Bluffs, Iowa; numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

He was preceded in death by his grandfathers, Steve Bush and Eldon "Sonny" Cowell and his stepfather, Jason Kroon.

Memorials are preferred for an educational fund for Jayce.

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

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### Frederick Von Der Lieth

Frederick Charles Von Der Lieth, 82, Hills, formerly of Beaver Creek, died Friday, Nov. 2, 2018, while under hospice care at the Tuff Memorial Home in Hills.



A funeral service was Tuesday, Nov. 6, at St. John Lutheran Church in Luverne. Burial followed in the Beaver Creek Cemetery.

Frederick Von Der Lieth was born on April 22, 1936, to Charles and Marie (Schultz) Von Der Lieth in Doon, Iowa. He was baptized on Oct. 4, 1936, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Rock Rapids, Iowa, and confirmed on Aug. 19, 1956, at St. John Lutheran Church in Luverne. Fred attended school in rural Rock Rapids. When his family moved to a farm near Beaver Creek, Fred completed his education through the eighth grade. He then remained on the farm, working alongside his father. Later in life, Fred also worked as a farmhand for neighboring farmers. He loved the farm life and animals. In his later years he especially enjoyed

the company of his cats.

In December 2017 Fred became a resident at the Tuff Memorial Home in Hills. He enjoyed his time at the care center and the community of residents. He was crowned king in May 2018 at Tuff and asked to participate in the Hills Friendship Days Parade.

Fred was a member of St. John Lutheran Church.

He was an avid reader and enjoyed putting together jigsaw puzzles, playing bingo and listening to WNAX radio for the farm reports and country music.

Fred is survived by his half-sister Patricia Skoglund of Lancaster, California, and other family.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Vernon Von Der Lieth; four half-brothers; and a half-sister.

Memorials may be directed to St. John Lutheran Church in Luverne.

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

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Submitted photos

### Lending a helping hand (or rake) on service day

Students at Southwestern Youth Services in Magnolia spent Oct. 29 in Luverne giving senior residents a hand in raking leaves. The annual Community Service Day leaves the students with an understanding of community and neighbors. The school receives names of residents who could use help raking and moving leaves to the curb for pickup by city of Luverne employees. This is the event's fifth year.



## 1953: More rural school districts consolidate

The following appeared in the Rock County Star Herald on February 19, 1953.

### 19 More Rural Districts Study Reorganization

School district reorganization meetings are becoming common in Rock county.

Several meetings have been held in Luverne, regarding school consolidation. This week, meetings were also held at Beaver Creek and Hills.

### 11 Districts Represented

On Monday night, 26



## BITS BY BETTY

By Betty Mann, president Rock County Historical Society

board members from Districts 9, 16, 18, 19, 20, 22, 44, 57, 64 and 73 met with the Beaver Creek school board to discuss consolidation possibilities. Supt. R.M. Brynson, Magnolia, spoke on the problems of consolidation and answered a number of

questions from the floor.

Plans were made to call a public meeting at some future date to discuss the matter further, and meanwhile, rural board members present will obtain opinions of residents of their districts regarding their views on the

subject.

### Meeting at Hills

A mass meeting was held at Hills last night, at which B.N. Hendrickson of the Minnesota Department of Education was the speaker.

Districts invited to attend the meeting were Nos. 1, 14, 34, 37, 38, 39, 19, 57, 61 and 66.

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

Mann welcomes correspondence sent to manmade@iw.net.

## COMMUNITY EDUCATION

### Community Ed

Contact Luverne Community Education at C.Arends@isd2184.net or 507-283-4724.

Participants grade 5 to adult register now for the Circular Loom Creations Classes. Hat class will be Nov. 13 and Slipper class Nov. 19. Fee is \$23 per class, which includes the looms to take home and continue creating more clothing.

Thanksgiving Feast Kids in the Kitchen class for students grades K-6 will be Nov. 12. Fee is \$18.

Now is your chance to ask questions during Prairie Rehab's open forum class "What Hurts?" on Nov. 14. Fee is \$5.

Make a Recycled Rug out of jeans or sheets is Nov. 15. All materials and supplies will be at class. Register by Nov. 9. Fee is \$26.

Just a few tickets left for Chanhassen Dinner Theater bus trip to see "Holiday Inn" Nov. 17. Fee is \$115.

Using a new T-shirt learn how to make an Infinity Scarf that is stylish and comfortable on Dec. 6. Fee is \$18 including all materials. Register by Nov. 16.

Grandparents and children ages 2-5 years are invited to Grandparent & Me Class. Activities and projects are planned for the evening of Nov. 20. No fee, but please register by calling 283-4724.

## DEATH NOTICE

### Ruth Mary Welch

Ruth Mary Welch, 93, Worthington, died Tuesday, Oct. 30, 2018, at the Good Samaritan Society Mary Jane Brown Home in Luverne.

A funeral service was Saturday, Nov. 3, at the Dingmann Funeral Home in Worthington. Burial was in the Worthington Memorial Gardens Cemetery.

Arrangements were provided by Dingmann Funeral Home of Worthington, www.dingmannandsons.com.

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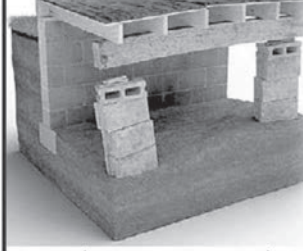
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## night for Trunk 'n' Treat



Dressed as a flamingo is 3-year-old Hattie Sandbulte. **Below:** Parker Witt, age 1½, walks intently between candy stops.



Cowgirl Lucile Almond hangs on tight to her parents, Jordan and Rachel.



Photos by Mavis Fodness

Luverne Area Chamber organized the 6th Annual Trunk 'n' Treat Halloween afternoon on Main Street Luverne. Thirty-nine merchants and organizations parked cars and trucks to the curb with trunks and tailgates opened to reveal holiday decorations inside. Hundreds of area children and parents walked the two-block trick-or-treat route to the vehicles lining both sides of the street. As candy supplies allowed, trick-or-treaters circled the blocks more than once. An evening trunk 'n' treat event was hosted at the Grace Lutheran Church where five vehicles gave candy to the 200 who attended a similar event.

Prizes were given to merchants for best trunk and costume design. First place prize of \$150 was awarded to Salon 75, second place (\$100) to the Rock County Library and third (\$50) to the Luverne Education Association.

Skies were sunny and temperatures in the 50s accompanied the 1 1/2-hour event. Many of the trick-or-treaters only donned in light jackets or no coats at all for the late afternoon activity. **Below:** Trick-or-treater Grady DeBoer portrays a fireman while brother Graham was the fireman's accompanying dalmation.



**Right:** Jayden Dass, 10, used makeup to create a realistic zombie face.



Cruella de Vil (Amy Cowell) was present on Main Street with two of the "101 Dalmatians," Sue VerSteeg and Kennedy Gonnerman.



**Left:** "Farmer" Karis De Jong poses with her livestock and children Adaline (left) and Brooks.

**Right:** Kysten Willers, 6, wore a jacket over his "Man in the Yellow Hat" costume with Melayna Kopplow dressed as "Curious George."



**Left:** Exchange State Bank created the U.S.S. Minnow in their portrayal of the 1950s television show "Gilligan's Island." Tyler Bush (left) was dressed as Gilligan and Ryan DeBates as the Skipper. The two handed out Lifesaver gummies.

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### St. Catherine's Fall Fest/continued from page 1A

Last year's high bid for Schneekloth's monthly desserts was split between Mike and Cheryl Cox and Mike and Jennifer Engesser.

"Sue's desserts were always decadent, rich and delicious," Jennifer Engesser said. "They were way fancier than anything I would make at home."

Fall Fest is meant to be a special night out for families.

Chairpersons Jason and April Schutz hope all who attend Saturday night's event go home satisfied.

"We try to make it a lot of fun," Jason Schutz said. "(And) to make the event as family-friendly as possible."

Children can attend a "pajama party" at the church, where activities such as pop-

corn and a movie are planned while parents attend the events at Grand Prairie Events.

Both events begin at 5:30 p.m. and both are open to the public. Along with Saturday night's activities, Fall Fest also involves the sale of raffle tickets, a bake sale and gift basket drawings at the church.

Fall Fest began in 1993 to supplement the church's liturgy budget.

Dave Knips was one of the original organizers.

"It was an event to bring parishioners together and as a result we could enhance our liturgy," he said. "At that time we raised \$7,500 and we were happy with it."

The early Fall Fests were conducted at the church.

Parishioners and com-

munity members were invited to partake in a noon turkey dinner.

Raffles were conducted and the event expanded into a tent erected on the church property for children's games and musical entertainment.

At its peak, the dinner fundraiser raised about \$18,000 and required dozens of volunteer workers.

Six years ago, organizers decided to change the Fall Fest format from a noon turkey dinner to a night out for adults and children.

The change was meant to refocus on the Fall Fest's original purpose. "This is a fundraiser first and foremost," said Kenny Rolling.

Rolling chaired the first revised Fall Fest in 2012, having brought the idea from Cold Spring, where St. Boniface Catholic Church conducts its "Boni Ball" each year.

The move away from the \$8 turkey dinner to a \$30 catered supper by the Bluestem boosted fundraising efforts to last year's total of \$28,000.

"It is our largest fundraiser," said parish administrator Mary McLaughlin. "It is about 10 percent of our operating budget."

For more information about any of the Fall Fest activities, contact St. Catherine's Church at 507-283-8502.

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## Dragons fall in finals

By John Rittenhouse

A magical volleyball season for the Adrian Dragons came to an end Saturday at Southwest Minnesota State University in Marshall.

Adrian qualified for the South Section 3A championship match for the first time in program history by defeating Tracy-Milroy-Balaton Tuesday in Worthington before capturing the tournament title with a win over Red Rock Central Thursday in Marshall.

The Dragons returned to SMSU Saturday to take on Minneota for the Section 3A championship, where they came up on the short end of a 3-0 decision.

Adrian ends the year with a 27-4 record.

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Adrian's Shawna Rogers attacks the ball in front of RRC's Karli Arkell during Thursday's match in Marshall.

# Girls place fourth in state field

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne girls' cross country team wrapped up a successful 2018 season at the Minnesota State Cross Country Championships in Northfield Saturday.

The Cardinals had high hopes of placing among the top three teams at the state classic, but that dream eluded LHS by seven points.

Luverne returned a 147-point effort, finishing fourth in a 16-team field led by Perham (94) and Howard Lake Waverly (99).

Winona Cotter edged the Cardinals for third place with a 140-point effort.

"I know you would think our initial reaction of not meeting our ultimate goal of placing third would be disappointment," said Pete Janiszkeski.

"When you look at everything in the grand scheme of things, we did pretty well. We placed fourth in the state for the third time in the past four years, and our point total was one of our best we've ever had at state. That's pretty good."

The Cardinals do have plenty to be proud of when it comes to their showing in Northfield.

They moved up two spots from placing sixth at last year's state meet, and their fourth-place effort matches the program-best finishes at the 2015 and 2016 state meets.

Only the 2005 LHS team, which placed fifth with 146 points, produced a lower point total at state than the 2018 edition of the Cardinals did on Saturday.

"Our kids competed hard and did what we needed to do. We just came up short of reaching our ultimate goal, but we are the fourth best Class A team in the state. That's not too bad considering there are some



Tenley Nelson

like 250 to 270 teams in our class. I'm sure there are a lot of teams out there that would like to be where we finished on Saturday."

A pair of Cardinal runners made the all-state squad by placing among the top 25 runners during Saturday's race.

Freshman Tenley Nelson, who placed fifth in the Class

A field in 2017, earned a medal by finishing seventh with a time of 18:34 last weekend.

Luverne sophomore Regan Feit made the all-state team for the third consecutive season on Saturday.

Feit, who placed 15<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> at the 2017 and 2018 state meets respectively, finished 20<sup>th</sup> this year with a time of 19:27.



Regan Feit

Three other youngsters capped the team scoring for LHS in Northfield.

Freshman Brooklynn Ver Steeg finished 67<sup>th</sup> with a time of 20:12, while first-year program member Jenna DeBates, a seventh-grader, placed 97<sup>th</sup> in a 176-runner field with a time of 20:25.

Competing at the state meet for the second time, eighth-

grader Elizabeth Wagner finished 102<sup>nd</sup> in 20:27.

Both Wagner and DeBates recorded seasonal-best times on Saturday, while Ver Steeg improved her time (20:45) and placing (89<sup>th</sup>) compared to the 2017 state meet.

Tiana Lais and Makena Nelson placed 110<sup>th</sup> and 156<sup>th</sup>

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Luverne junior Brayden Tofteland (6) placed 102<sup>nd</sup> at the Minnesota State Class A Cross Country Championships in Northfield Saturday. Senior Dalton DeSollar (below) placed 117<sup>th</sup>.

## Boys complete season Saturday

By John Rittenhouse

A pair of Luverne High School boys wrapped up the 2018 season at the Minnesota State Class A Cross Country Championships in Northfield Saturday.

LHS senior Dalton DeSollar and junior Brayden Tofteland earned trips to Northfield by securing individual berths into the state classic during the Section 3A meet in Luverne Oct. 25.

They became the first LHS boys to compete in Northfield since 2014 on Saturday, where they battled hard as members of a 176-runner field.

"I thought our boys raced well," said LHS coach Pete Janiszkeski.

"The times they recorded were comparable to what they had been doing all year, which is pretty good for kids running at state for the first time."

DeSollar topped Tofteland at the section meet, but it was Tofteland who turned in Luverne's top effort in Northfield.

The LHS junior placed 102<sup>nd</sup> with a time of 17:28.



1108 boys cc 3

DeSollar wasn't far behind Tofteland at the end of the race. The LHS senior finished the race in 117<sup>th</sup> with a 17:39 effort.

"I think both of our boys would have been happy if they ran times under 7:15, which was a difference of about 15 to 20 seconds or so. I thought they ran well, competed hard and I was pleased with their efforts. It was their first time running in Northfield, and which isn't an easy thing to do for runners who haven't experienced it before. You can talk about things like not starting out too fast or not starting out too slow, but you have to experience it for yourself because it really is a balancing act."

Geno Uhrbom, a sophomore from Greenway-Nashwauk-Keewatin, won the Class A individual title with a time of 15:38.

Perham claimed the team championship with 64 points. Lac qui Parle Valley, the section 3A champion, placed fourth in the 16-team field with 170 points.

Redwood Valley, another Section 3A representative, capped the field with 329 points.

## MLA blanks H-BC in title tilt

By John Rittenhouse

The 2018 football season came to an end Thursday for the Hills-Beaver Creek Patriots during the Section 3 Nine-Man championship game at Southwest Minnesota State University in Marshall.

The second-seeded Patriots locked horns with No. 1 Mountain Lake Area in a game that gave the winner a berth in the state quarterfinals.

MLA extended its season by defeating H-BC for the second time this year.

The Wolverines handed the Patriots a 27-0 setback during a game played in Hills in early September and improved on that showing by posting a 34-0 victory in Thursday's rematch.

H-BC ends the season with a 9-2 record.

"I would be very surprised if MLA does not make the state championship game," said H-BC coach Rex Metzger.

"They are a very solid team, both on offense and defense." H-BC, which carried an

eight-game winning streak into the contest, couldn't get things going on either side of the ball.

MLA sported a 297-127 advantage in total yardage in the contest and produced points in three of the game's four quarters.

The Wolverines led 14-0 at halftime before outscoring the Patriots 20-0 in the second half.

MLA set the tone for the night by putting together an 11-play, 45-yard drive with its first offensive possession of the contest.

The Wolverines faced a fourth-and-nine situation during the final play of the series, which resulted in an 11-yard touchdown pass from Abraham Stoesz to Ethan Nickel that gave the Wolverines a 6-0 lead.

H-BC picked up one first down with its first offensive possession before punting the ball back to MLA.

Again, the Wolverines took

advantage of a short field by covering 45 yards in five plays with Mace Herrig capping the possession with a five-yard touchdown run at the 3:23 mark of the first quarter.

Stoesz hooked up with David Larson for a successful conversion pass following the touchdown, giving MLA a 14-0 advantage it would take into the second half.

H-BC was in a position to stage a rally entering the second half, but the Wolverines dashed that prospect by producing touchdowns with their first three offensive possessions in the third and fourth quarters.

The Patriots received the kickoff to start the third quarter and lost the ball when MLA's Eli Karschnik recovered a fumble on the H-BC 30-yard line two plays into the third stanza.

MLA's Drake Harder registered a 29-yard run during the next play and Herrig scored on

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John Rittenhouse photo/1108 hfb 10

MLA defensive back Abraham Stoesz bats down a pass intended for H-BC's Jax Wysong during Thursday's Section 3 Nine-Man Football championship game in Marshall.



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Luverne's Jenna DeBates (left) and Elizabeth Wagner made contributions to the team tally during a fourth-place showing at the Minnesota State Class A Cross Country Championships at St. Olaf College in Northfield Saturday.

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with respective times of 21:01 and 22:18 without impacting the scoring for LHS.

Lais, an eighth-grader, improved her time (21:58) and placing (154<sup>th</sup>) compared to 2017.

Nelson, a seventh-grader, made her initial appearance

at the state meet on Saturday.

Winona Cotter sophomore Grace Ping claimed the individual title with a time of 17:19.

Lac qui Parle Valley, the other Section 3A team competing at Saturday's meet, placed eighth with 221 points.

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#### Minneota 3, AHS 0

The state's top-ranked Class A team derailed Adrian's trek to the state tournament when the Dragons met the Vikings for the section title Saturday in Marshall.

Minneota, which placed second at last year's state tournament, earned a return trip to the state classic during the title tilt.

The Vikings outscored AHS 75-47 during a 3-0 victory.

Adrian led 4-1 after Shawna Rogers delivered a kill early in the opening set before the Vikings went on a 16-4 run to open a 17-8 lead.

Minneota went on to win the set by nine points (25-16).

The teams exchanged points early in the second set before the Vikings gained a 7-4 edge.

Minneota proceeded to put together a 16-7 run to open a 12-point lead (23-11) before settling with a 25-14 victory at set's end.

The Vikings raced to a 10-2 lead on the way to building a 14-4 advantage in the third set.

AHS outscored the Vikings 13-11 the rest of the way, but it wasn't enough to keep Minneota from securing a 25-17 win.

Kasie Tweet (24 set assists and 11 digs), Miah Kunkel (12 kills and 15 digs) and Bailey Lonneman (seven kills) played strong matches for the Dragons.

Mayssa Tweet, who charted 11 digs, completed 100 percent of her serves along with Rogers and Avery Balster.

#### Adrian 3, RRC 1

The Dragons captured their first South Section 3A Tournament title when they disposed of the Falcons in four sets at Southwest Minnesota State University in Marshall Thursday.

The second-seeded Dragons took the first two sets of the contest and bounced back from a third-set loss to claim the tournament championship with a win in the fourth set.

Adrian set the stage for victory by posting a pair of 25-21 wins to start the match.

The Dragons sported a pair of two-point cushions in the early stages of the opening set before opening a 10-5 lead when Marisa Lehnhoff registered a block to cap a 4-1 surge.

Fourth-seeded RRC battled back to trim the difference to one point at two different occasions before knotting the score at 15.

Adrian countered with a 5-1 spurt capped by a kill from Kunkel to open a 20-16 lead before prevailing by four points when Lonneman registered a set-ending kill.

The Dragons sported a pair of three-point leads early in the second set before expanding its advantage to six points (18-12) when Lehnhoff delivered a kill.

RRC fought back to trim the difference to one point (21-20) before the Dragons put together a 4-1 surge ending with a service point from Brianna Reckamp to lock up another four-point conquest.



John Rittenhouse photo/1108 avb 10

Adrian senior Avery Balster spikes the ball at Red Rock Central blocker Nicole Schroeffer during the South Section 3A championship match at SMSU in Marshall Thursday.

The Falcons turned in their best performance during a third set that featured the score being tied at six different occasions.

The score was tied at eight when RRC went on a 14-3 run to opening a commanding 22-11 lead before winning by 11 points (25-14) shortly after that.

AHS sported a 4-0 lead early in a fourth set that was tied at seven different occasions.

The score was tied at 12 when the Dragons reeled off three consecutive points to gain a 15-12 lead after Kasie Tweet recorded a service point.

RRC closed the margin to one point four times, including at 24-23 with the Falcons serving.

RRC's serve sailed over the back line, giving the Dragons the title with a 25-23 win.

Lehnhoff (13 kills and seven digs), Kunkel (12 kills and 13 digs) and Lonneman (12 kills and eight digs) played well in the front row for AHS.

Kasie Tweet (21 digs, 36 set

assists and 27 of 29 serving), Mayssa Tweet (100 percent serving and 21 digs), Shawna Rogers (100 percent serving and four blocks) and Balster (19 digs and 100 percent serving) played key roles in the victory as well.

#### Adrian 3, T-M-B 1

The Dragons qualified for their first postseason championship match in program history when they topped the Panthers during the semifinals in Worthington Oct. 30.

Adrian played well early to take a 2-0 advantage before the Panthers bounced back to win the third set.

AHS settled the issue by rolling to a convincing victory in the third set to notch its 26<sup>th</sup> win of the season.

Adrian fell behind 7-1 in the opening set and faced a 22-21 deficit before reeling off four consecutive points to secure a 25-21 win.

The second set belonged to the Dragons after they turned an 11-7 cushion into a 25-17

victory by outscoring T-M-B the rest of the contest.

T-M-B returned the favor by opening an 8-4 lead that led to a 25-17 victory in the third set.

The fourth set was tied at six before Adrian embarked on a 19-8 run to secure a 25-14 win.

The night turned into a memorable one for AHS junior setter Kasie Tweet, who registered her 1,000<sup>th</sup> career set assist as a part of a 38-set assist effort.

Tweet also completed all 16 of her serves and recorded three aces.

Kunkel (19 kills, 17 digs and 15 of 15 serving), Balster (23 digs, five kills and four blocks), Lonneman (nine kills and six digs), Rogers (15 of 15 serving, three kills and three blocks) and Lehnhoff (four kills and 11 of 12 serving) also turned in strong efforts.

Reckamp completed all of her service attempts for the winners, while Mayssa Tweet was 11 of 12 serving and charted 16 digs.

## FINAL FALL SPORTS STANDINGS

<b>South Central District</b>	MACCRAY	0-8
<b>White Division football</b>		
RWV	7-0	
JCC	6-1	
Pipestone	5-2	
Luverne	4-3	
Blue Earth Area	3-4	
St. James	2-5	
MCW	1-6	
Windom	0-7	
<b>Southwest District East</b>		
<b>Sub-District football</b>		
MCC	5-1	
Springfield	4-2	
T-M-B	4-2	
NUC	4-2	
Sleepy Eye	2-4	
Adrian	1-5	
Wabasso	1-5	
<b>South District</b>		
<b>West Division football</b>		
MLA	8-0	
H-BC	7-1	
R-T-R	5-3	
W-WG	5-3	
RRC	5-3	
CM-C	3-5	
HL-O-Fulda	3-5	
E-E	3-5	
RCW	1-7	
<b>BSC West volleyball</b>		
Marshall	6-0	
JCC	5-1	
Windom	4-2	
RWV	3-3	
Pipestone	2-4	
Luverne	1-5	
Worthington	0-6	
<b>BSC West tennis</b>		
St. James	5-0	
Pipestone	3-1	
Luverne	3-2	
RWV	2-2	
Marshall	1-4	
Worthington	0-4	
<b>RRC volleyball</b>		
Adrian	9-1	
RRC	9-1	
SWC	7-3	
MCC	7-3	
H-BC	5-5	
HL-O	5-5	
W-WG	5-5	
MLA	5-5	
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# Tigers oust Luverne

By John Rittenhouse

Luverne's bid to advance to the championship match of the South Section 3AA Volleyball Tournament didn't pan out Oct. 30 in Marshall.

The fifth-seeded Cardinals faced a difficult task when they took on No. 1 Marshall on the Tigers' home court during the semifinals.

In the end, Marshall lived up to its lofty billing.

The Tigers outscored LHS 50-17 to gain a 2-0 advantage and rallied from an early deficit in the third set to complete a 3-0 sweep of the match.

Luverne ends the season with a 12-14 record.

Luverne's Tacey Baustian served the first point of the opening set to give the Cards a quick lead, but Marshall countered with an 8-1 surge to gain a six-point lead (8-2).

The Cards closed the gap to four points (8-4) when Greta Ahrendt registered a service point before Marshall went on a 9-1 run to gain a commanding 17-5 advantage.

Another service point from Baustian closed the margin to 11 points (21-10), but Marshall scored four of the next seven points to seal a 25-13 victory.

The second set belonged to the Tigers, who scored the first three points on the way to



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Luverne's Sidney Biever prepares to spike the ball over the net during a Section 3AA Volleyball Tournament match in Marshall Oct. 30. LHS came out on the losing end of a 3-0 decision.

building a 9-1 cushion.

Luverne made it a six-point (10-4) difference with a service point from Ahrendt before Marshall registered 14 consecutive points to make it a 24-4 cushion.

The Tigers prevailed 25-5 moments later.

Baustian served the Cardinals

to a 5-0 lead in the third set.

The advantage swelled to nine points (10-1) after McCall Stegenga registered an ace serve, but Marshall responded to the challenge shortly after that.

A 13-3 run gave the Tigers their first lead at 14-13, and they still led by one (19-18)

before putting together a 6-2

spurt to clinch a 25-20 win.

Ahrendt turned in an eight-kill, eight-dig effort for the Cards, who received a team-high 13 digs from Mackenzie Petersen.

Baustian completed 15 of 16 serves, while Stegenga was 10 of 10 with two aces.

# Tiebreaker falls in my favor with dry state meet

Looking at the season overall, I didn't have a very good year covering cross country meets.



## FROM THE SIDELINES

By John Rittenhouse, sports editor

My basic problem boils down to weather.

If I'm not mistaken, I laid eyes on five meets over the past two-plus months.

While some of the meets were staged under excellent conditions for an observer, others were not.

The 2018 season was a hit-or-miss prospect for me and my camera, which I did my best to protect when the day called for it.

The year did get off to a great start when I watched the Luverne Cardinals race in Mountain Lake for the first time in my career in late August.

It was a rather warm day with clear skies and a lot of sun, but that was a perfect situation for a meet that had both varsity teams running before noon.

To me, it was the second-best weather day of the season next to the Bruce Gluf Classic in Luverne a couple of weeks later, when more blue skies and before noon starting times made for a perfect morning to shoot a meet.

My luck changed in October, when the annual Luverne Invitational forced me to wear a stocking hat and gloves for the first time.

Along with the cool conditions, I was forced to stash my camera inside my coat to avoid the rain that appeared during the boys' varsity race.

Compared to the invitational in early October, the Section 3A meet later in the month was a walk in the park.

Rain on the day of the meet made for a soggy course for the runners and spectators, but I didn't have to hide the camera in my coat that I can remember during the races.

If you are keeping score at home, that means I was hitting at a .500 clip through the first four meets of the season.

The first two meets were perfect for viewing, but the second two were not.

That left Saturday's state meet in Northfield to be my tiebreaker for the year, and I guess it worked in my favor.

I wasn't even concerned about the weather after watching a WCCO weather forecast on Wednesday that revealed no rain in the Northfield area around Saturday's race time.

After a co-worker informed me on Friday that the forecast may have changed, I immediately logged onto The Weather Channel and found out that both of Saturday's early afternoon races would take place under light rains.

At that point, and after driving well past Fairmont with rain falling the entire way Saturday morning, I was ready to give the tiebreaker to Mother Nature.

I gained some hope when the rain ceased on the way to Albert Lea and when I traveled north on 35W, but I had to turn on my wipers again about 20 minutes away from Northfield.

Upon arriving at St. Olaf College, I believe I caught a break.

The rain totally disappeared, with the exception of an occasional sprinkle, and I'm happy to say that I remained dry for the two-plus hours I was on the course.

It was a cool and somewhat breezy day at the state meet, but I knew things could have been worse.

I didn't get wet, so I'll call that a win for me.

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a one-yard plunge during the second play to make it a 20-0 game 1:12 into the third stanza.

H-BC picked up one first down during its second possession of the second half before being forced to punt.

The Wolverines' offense took the field and covered 51 yards in eight plays.

Herrig capped the drive with his third rushing touchdown of the contest, a four-yard run at the 5:32 mark of the third quarter.

Stoesz ran in the ensuing two-point conversion to give the Wolverines a 28-0 advantage.

A three-and-out possession by the H-BC offense forced the Patriots to punt the ball away less than two minutes later.

MLA gained possession of the ball on the H-BC 43 and covered that distance in seven plays to record the game's final touchdown.

Harder scored on a three-yard run 14 seconds into the fourth quarter to cap MLA's 34-0 victory.

It was a disappointing finish to the season for H-BC, but Metzger was proud of the way his team played in 2018.

"We went 9-2. That's not a bad year for our guys," he concluded.

**Team statistics**  
H-BC: 122 rushing yards, five passing yards, 127 total yards, seven first downs, five penalties for 25 yards, one turnover.



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Hills-Beaver Creek's Tyson Bork is tripped up by Mountain Lake Area's Kade Wassman during Thursday's Section 3 Nine-Man Football championship game at Southwest Minnesota State University in Marshall.

**MLA:** 200 rushing yards, 97 passing yards, 297 total yards, eight first downs, six penalties for 33 yards, zero turnovers.

**Individual statistics**  
Rushing: Gavin Wysong 13-21, Tyson Bork 9-47, Jax Wysong 12-40, Easton Harnack 1-0, Carter Rozenboom 2-3, Parker Gehrke 2-11.

**Passing:** G. Wysong 1-5 for five yards.  
**Receiving:** Bailey Susie 1-5.  
**Defense:** G. Wysong eight tackles, Luke LaRock two tackles and one sack, Harnack three tackles, Chase Bosch nine tackles, J. Wysong five tackles and one sack, Susie 10 tackles, T. Bork three tackles, Hunter Bork two tackles, Tory Knobloch seven tackles, Garrett Raymon 12 tackles.

## BOWLING NEWS

### Thursday Bowling National League Nov. 1

Games won: Don't Know 4; Three Chumps 3; Three People 3; Three Hole 1; Kougarettes 1; Bam Bams 0.  
High Scratch Game Men: Zach Runia 256; Landon Runia 234.  
High Scratch Game Women: Kathy Matson 148; Marie Opheim 147.  
High Scratch Series Men: Zach Runia 660; Landon Runia 569.  
High Scratch Series Women: Kathy Matson 364.  
Team High Scratch Game: Don't Know 568; Three Chumps 523.  
Team High Scratch Series: Don't Know 1519; Three Chumps 1433.  
Team High Handicap Game: Don't Know 691; Three Chumps 673.  
Team High Handicap Series: Don't Know 1888; Three Chumps 1883.

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*Sunday, November 11*

*Hardwick Legion Hall*

*Social Hour 6 p.m., Dinner 6:30 p.m.*

**Veterans Day Message** ■ Thomas Nelson, Lieutenant of US National Guard & Boys State Commander

**Music** ■ Maddie Oye

**Open to the public**

### *Rock County Veterans Day Program*

*Monday, November 12*

*Hills/Beaver Creek High School Gym*

*9:30 a.m.*

**Veterans Day Message**

**Music** ■ Hills/Beaver Creek High School Band

**Open to the public**

### *Rock County Veterans Day Program*

*Monday, November 12*

*Luverne High School Gym*

*2 p.m.*

**Veterans Day Message**

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