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## Papik Motors acquires Rock Rapids dealership

*Vander Lee Motors owners happy to sell to a family auto business*

By Lori Sorenson

Papik Motors in Luverne is buying Vander Lee Motors in Rock Rapids, Iowa, the two family businesses announced this week.

Work will begin soon to remodel the Rock Rapids dealership, and it will open in January under the new Papik Motors name.

"It's a great opportunity to expand and grow," Gary Papik said about the agreement with Norman and Rollie Vander Lee in Rock Rapids.

Papik will employ 10 to 15 employees (up from the current six) and it will expand its inventory and service options.

"We will be increasing the inventory we carry down there and we'll definitely show we're there to do business in the long term," Gary said. "We hope to set that tone right away."

He also said Papik Motors looks forward to being a good local partner in Rock Rapids.

"I really want to emphasize the fact that we're a family business buying another family business; we're not some big corporation coming into their town," Gary said. "It's a friendly transition."

The Papiks and Vander Lees said the sale was good for both parties.

"It will be good to have some new, fresh blood and new ideas," Rollie said. "I hope the town supports them as much as they have supported us."

Papik's son, Jordan Papik, and son-in-law Micky Sehr will spearhead the Rock Rapids operation.

"Part of the reason this worked so well is because of our shared values," Gary's daughter Heidi Sehr said. "It's a nice marriage of the two types of business."

For both businesses, the timing was right.

The Vander Lee family was anticipating retirements, while the Papik family was contemplating growth.

"My dad's been working here for 60 years, and I've been here 47," Rollie said, adding that he's been selling cars for 36 years.

"Dad will be 85 in March and I'm 59; he doesn't need to work anymore, and I'm ready for something new."

Gary said he's thinking about the next generation of potential Papik Motors owners.

"I have 10 grandchildren," he said. "They may not all be interested in the business, but I want to make sure the opportunities are here for them."

The Papik-Vander Lee discussions started Nov. 21, 2017, when

Papik-Vander Lee deal/see 2A



Mavis Fodness photos/1213 Hardwick Santa 2018

## HO, HO, HO! IN HARDWICK

A packed house greeted Santa Claus (aka Rodger Ossenfort) Saturday afternoon during the annual Santa Claus Day event in the Hardwick Community Center. The Hardwick Community Club sponsored the event featuring a puppet show called "Santa's Hat" by Jim Oliver (above) from Sioux Falls, a cupcake walk, make and take crafts, decorated sugar cookies and pictures with Santa. The free event took place Saturday.



**Pictured above,** Hadee Bullerman, 16 months, gets her first look at Santa Claus Saturday afternoon at the Hardwick Santa Day while her brother, Joseph (left), and mother, Brandee Bullerman, talk with Santa.

**Pictured at left,** Bentley Leicher makes eye contact with Santa to tell him what he wants for Christmas.



The puppet show gains some laughs from audience members including those sitting in the front row (from left) Owen Behan, Karsten Haas and Keegan Hector. **At right,** Riley DeRoos, 4, selects a cupcake she won during the cupcake walk.



## History Center hosts free showings of 'Nutcracker Ballet' Saturday

By Lori Sorenson

Winterfest weekend is already two weeks in the past, but Christmas is still two weeks in the future. To keep local holiday spirit alive, the Luverne Area Chamber and Rock County Historical Society are teaming up on a community event.

The History Center will host two free showings of the classic film "Nutcracker Ballet" at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15.

Residents, families and visitors are encouraged to enjoy the film and refreshments, pose for photos with the nutcracker photo board and take in the History Center displays.

The event is free of charge.

"We wanted to come up with something to do on a cold wintry day that doesn't cost a lot of money," said Chamber Director Jane Wildung Lanphere.

In addition to viewing the movie,

History Center visitors can tour the museum, shop the Christmas Haus gift store and experience the popular nutcracker collection.

"Kids just love the nutcrackers," said Historical Society volunteer Dolly Remme.

"That's the first thing they head for when they come through the door."

By exposing children early in life to the History Center and to Rock County's heritage, organizers hope

to generate more community interest in the facility.

Programs like last weekend's Christmas Party for Children and this Saturday's "Nutcracker Ballet" showings are designed to do just that.

"It gets them in here to see what we have," Remme said on Saturday when more than 200 people attended the Christmas party.

"I'm hoping they come back and take the time to look things over."

Beaver Creek elevator/see 3A

## Another historic building approved for facade funding

*Peggy Gust to improve Restoration Alley building at 222 E. Main Street in Luverne*

By Lori Sorenson

Members of the Luverne Economic Development Authority approved another application for a facade improvement project during their Monday morning meeting.

Peggy Gust is planning an improvement project at 222 E. Main St. in the building that houses Restoration Alley, Honeycomb Salon and Tim Gust's NationSat business office.

Planned improvements include:  
•removing existing canopy and

installing Hardie siding panels with pvc trim and paint.

•installing new aluminum window frames and new aluminum door with glass.

•installing new goose neck lights above transom/sign area; replacing three upper windows.

•acid-washing brick and tuck-pointing brick work.

•installing new steel door with

Gust facade improvement/see 16A



Dr. Rebecca Vis offers laser dentistry at Luverne Family Dental.

## Luverne dentist among first to offer laser care

By Lori Sorenson

Dr. Rebecca Vis at Luverne Family Dental is among 1 percent of dentists nationwide to introduce laser services to her patients this fall.

The FDA-approved technology offers dental care that requires no needles, no numbing, no drilling, no pain and no need for referrals outside Luverne for soft tissue care previously not available.

"Patients love it ... it's revolutionary," Vis said. "It's changed how we

Laser dental technology/see 3A



## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### Meetings

**Parkinson's Support Group** will meet at 1 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 20, at St. John Lutheran Church in Luverne. Call Dianne at 507-530-3307 with questions.

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

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

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

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

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

### Bell ringers needed

The Salvation Army Red Kettle campaign is looking for individuals or groups to ring the bell this holiday season for 2-hour shifts between the hours of 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. at either Teal's or Shopko. The campaign is through Dec. 24. Call or text Carrie at 507-220-8897 or go to [www.signup.com/go/RPLDfEg](http://www.signup.com/go/RPLDfEg) or for Shopko: <http://www.signup.com/go/byXNLpk>. All money raised stays in Rock County.

### 'Angel Fund' helps overdue school lunch accounts

Food service employees at Luverne Public Schools are hosting a spaghetti supper from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 13, in the Luverne Elementary School commons.

Proceeds from the freewill donation will go toward the "Angel Fund," to assist families with negative school breakfast and lunch accounts.

Volunteers will serve the privately purchased and donated food items.

The event occurs prior to the 7:30 p.m. band concert in the high school gym.

### Red Cross blood drives Dec. 13 and 19

The American Red Cross has an urgent need for blood donors into the holiday season. Donors are asked to participate in area blood drives.

• Luverne: Thursday, Dec. 13, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Luverne High School.

• Jasper: Wednesday, Dec. 19, from 1:30-6:30 p.m. at the Evangelical Lutheran Church, 101 Spicer Street.

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

### Community Blood Bank to collect donations in Adrian Dec. 17

Adrian Ambulance Services Building and Community Blood Bank will host a blood drive from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and from 3-6 p.m. Monday, Dec. 17, at the ambulance garage. An ID is required at the time of donation. For more information log onto [www.cbblifeblood.org](http://www.cbblifeblood.org), call 1-877-877-3070 or call Sanford Adrian Clinic at 507-483-2668.

### Register for Community Education Grades 5-6 basketball tournament

Luverne Community Education will host an invitational basketball tournament on Saturday, Jan. 26, for grades 5-6 boys' and girls' basketball teams. Register your team at [www.isd2184.net](http://www.isd2184.net) (select Community Ed under "schools") or call 507-283-4724. Cost is \$125 per team payable with registration.

### Classic 'Nutcracker Ballet' film shown free at History Center Dec. 15

The History Center in Luverne will share two free showings of the classic 'Nutcracker Ballet' at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15. Residents, families and visitors are encouraged to enjoy the film and refreshments, pose for photos with the nutcracker photo board and enjoy the History Center spirit of the holidays. The event is free of charge.



### Children create art for 'Little Hands, Big Ideas' exhibit

Saturdays are busy workdays at Lord Grizzly Gallery in downtown Luverne for the upcoming "Little Hands, Big Ideas" exhibition slated for Dec. 28-29. The idea for the upcoming preschool art show was that of gallery owners Cody and Nicole Henrichs' 5-year-old daughter, Noel (far right), who helped Kyler Krzmarzick, 4, with his painting Saturday afternoon while Cody (back, left), Eric Tieszen and Ashley Olson discussed painting techniques. The final creation day is Saturday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The event is free and open to all preschoolers. Materials are provided.

Mavis Fodness photos/1213 Coffey Youth Draw

At left, friends Riley Young, Brantley Graham and Kingston Bahr use all colors in their paintings Saturday afternoon during Creation Days at the Lord Grizzly Gallery.

Below, Kyler Krzmarzick uses green paint for his original work of art Saturday.



### Papik buys Rock Rapids dealership/continued from page 1A

Gary stopped in at the Rock Rapids business with a casual suggestion.

"I said, 'Hey, if you have any interest in doing something with your dealership, we'd be interested in working with you,'" Gary said.

"About four or five months later, they called to say they're interested in selling and were wondering if we'd be interested in talking about it."

Exactly one year later, the business received GM approval to proceed with the transaction.

"Things work out for a reason sometimes," Gary said.

The Vander Lees shared the same sentiments.

Norman had told his family he'd rather lock the doors than sell to a company that wouldn't be right for the community or the Vander Lee Motors legacy.

"But when Gary inquired, Dad was interested in working with him," Rollie said.

Gary said the Vander Lees

won't be disappointed.

"We'll operate the very same at both locations with the same level of service and processes," he said.

Papik Motors Luverne personnel will help supervise the Rock Rapids transition, but they'll be looking to hire new staff.

"It will all be new and different for everyone at first," Gary said.

The current Vander Lee motors office manager, Rhonda Hammer, will remain on staff, as will two service employees, Alana Broesder and Matt Clauson. Norman, Rollie and Rollie's son, Tom Vander Lee, are leaving the business.

Cosmetic updates to the Rock Rapids facility will be completed in the short term, but a GM-standard upgrade is planned in the next year or two.

Rollie paused when asked if he had any advice for the newcomers to Rock Rapids.

"You treat people fairly and ..." but then he switched gears mid-sentence. "These guys have been doing this long enough I don't have to give them advice. ... I wish them nothing but the best."

#### About Vander Lee Motors

The business has been a dealership since 1938 when it started as Kooiker Chevrolet.

Norman started working there as a bookkeeper in 1959 after getting his accounting degree at the University of South Dakota in Vermillion.

He made \$300 per month and eventually bought the business from Art Kooiker.

Rollie started with the company as a young boy, and Norman told his son his choices after high school were to go to college or work for someone else.

Rollie earned his business and accounting degree from Northwestern College in Orange City, Iowa, and returned to the family business after

graduating in 1982, eventually buying into the company over time.

#### About Papik Motors

Papik Motors dates back to 1914 when Jake Schoon started a garage in Steen and in 1928 opened Schoon Motors in Luverne.

In 1950 his son Warren became a partner, and in 1977 Gary Papik joined the Schoon Motors team. Warren later bought the business and Gary became vice president and general manager.

On May 26, 1989, Schoon and previous partner Arnie Tofteland were killed in a plane crash. Gary continued running the dealership and in 1990 bought the dealership along with Steve Schoon and Carolyn Tofteland.

In the fall of 1994, Gary became full owner and on Jan. 1, 1995, the business became Papik Motors. Later that year it moved to its new location on I-90.



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## Laser dental/continued from 1A

do things and what we can do for our patients."

To treat a cavity, for example, the laser can pinpoint the area of decay and prepare only that part of the tooth for the filling.

"It targets what it needs to target, and it doesn't damage other parts of the tooth," Vis said.

She said this is especially true for cavities in the side of a tooth next to a healthy tooth.

"You don't damage the teeth beside it," she said. "It's not so traumatic, and it allows for better restorations and better bonding."

Because the laser takes the pain and trauma out of dental work, Vis said the service is especially popular with children.

"You don't have that noise and the vibration that they're scared of with the drill," she said, adding that this is true for adults, too.

"People don't have that fear of coming to the dentist, so they might not put off going to the dentist," Vis said. "Plus, they can go back to work without waiting for the numbing to wear off."

She points out that laser dentistry doesn't involve radiation, something she gets asked about frequently.

"I tell my patients it's just like lasik for eyes; this is lasik for teeth," she said. "As much as you can get excited about dentistry, this is pretty exciting in the world of dentistry."

Plus, laser dental work takes less time, thanks to precision technology that eliminates extra steps required by a drill.

"I can see more people in a day, which is important here because I'm so busy," she said, explaining that her patients don't have to wait as long for care.

Luverne Family Dental already averages nearly 40 patients per day during its 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. business hours on Monday through Thursday.

The laser allows more efficient procedures and therefore room in the schedule for more patient appointments, which also helps pay for the \$150,000 machine — an investment other dentists have balked at.

"I'm the only one here, and I can make that decision on my own," Vis said.

"Some older dentists might not want to make that investment, but I'm young and I plan to be here a long time, so it made sense for me to do it."

The Solea Dental Laser is made by Convergent Dental, a private company in Needham, Massachusetts. Vis traveled to

Scottsdale, Arizona, in October for training to use the technology.

The CO2 laser technology, based on research by the California School of Dentistry, uses computer-guided wavelengths to perform painless procedures for both teeth and gums, from simple cavities to complex surgeries.

Vis said she's already expanded her care for dozens of "soft-tissue" treatments, such as removing skin flaps from wisdom tooth extractions, treating mouth sores and fibromas or alleviating swollen or inflamed gums.

Many of the soft-tissue treatments would have to be referred outside of her office prior to the laser option.

"The world of medical and dental are very closely related," Vis said. "We now have medical-grade laser treatment with a focus on dental care."

She added that her most important consideration in bringing the laser technology to Luverne is that it will improve quality of care for her patients.

"It was an opportunity for me to bring this to Luverne and to my patients," Vis said. "It's a standard of care issue, and my patients love it."

Vis, a Salem, South Dakota, native, has been a dentist in Luverne since 2009 and said it's been rewarding to do business in the community.

"I grew up in a small town, so I'm lucky to be in a practice like this," she said.

"I love the small town dynamic, and I see it as an honor that so many patients come to me. ... People can go anywhere for dental care, but they choose to come here."

That small-town focus is another reason Vis said laser technology is good for her patients.

"I don't like to drive to Sioux Falls, and most of them don't either — especially the elderly," she said. "If this means I don't have to refer them to Sioux Falls for care, it's better for everyone."

On a side note, Vis said she fields questions from the community about her role with Luverne Surgical Dental Clinic.

"They're friends of mine, and they offer another service here that we won't need to send patients out of town for," Vis said. "They're specialists in our field; they offer oral implants and surgeries, I offer dental care."

Luverne Family Dental can be reached at 507-283-9129.



Lori Sorenson photos/1213 choir concert

## Students sing 'Holiday Tidings'

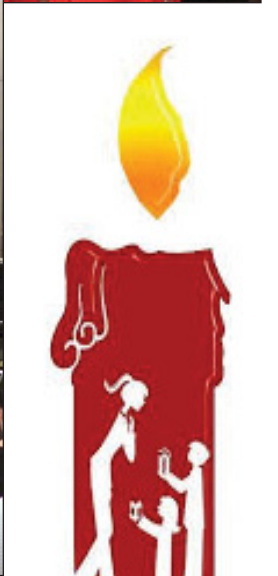
Luverne Middle School and High School choirs performed their Christmas choir concert, "Holiday Tidings," Friday night in the high school gym, which was filled to capacity with audience members. The evening included performances by the sixth-grade choir, seventh- and eighth-grade choir, ninth- and 10<sup>th</sup>-grade treble choir and the full high school concert choir.

The night also included a sing-along with audience members and the combined voices of all the choirs at the end of the night for "O Holy Night," sung in the dark by candlelight. Seana Graber is the choir director, and accompanists are Dolly Talbert, Janine Papik and Ross Bergman.

Pictured at right, the full high school concert choir sings "Mary, Did You Know?"

The ninth- and 10<sup>th</sup>-grade treble choir sings "Grown Up Christmas List."

Students in the Luverne High School band, along with middle school and younger musicians, will present their Winter Band Concert at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 13, in the school gym.



## Beaver Creek elevator to close; reopen with seasonal harvest schedule/continued from page 1A

"Bert's a great guy, and we're sorry to see him leave," McDowell said Monday.

McDowell said an important point is that three New Vision locations aren't closing; they're becoming seasonal operations that will be open full time during harvest and closed during the off-season months, unless employees are on site loading grain out.

"The Beaver Creek elevator handles 85 percent of its volume during the two months of harvest," McDowell said.

"We also handle a very small amount of bagged feed. There is very little commercial activity during the rest of the year. ... It isn't an option to staff these elevator locations when labor is needed elsewhere in our business."

He said employees are encouraged to fill in where and when needed to help out. "Teambuilding is impor-



Photo courtesy Tom McLaughlin, Flickr

New Vision Co-op will operate the Beaver Creek elevator on a seasonal schedule — open full time only during harvest — effective at the end of December. Adrian and Reading elevator locations are also affected by the change.

tant and getting the job done for our feed customers is a higher priority than maintaining a wintertime coffee shop for folks that may not be New Vision members. It would be great if New Vision could keep them open for that, but it's not a good business decision."

He presented his recommendation to the New Vision Board of Directors at their Dec. 4 meeting.

"It was a management responsibility we asked them to support," McDowell said. "Our strategy isn't to close elevators; our strategy is to get work done."

As part of the seasonal arrangement, the Beaver Creek, Adrian and Reading elevators will no longer sell bagged feed for cattle, hogs and pets.

New Vision maintains a feed route truck that delivers direct to the farm Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

These products will be available in Magnolia and Ellsworth.

Similarly, New Vision's elevators at Hills and Magnolia will continue to accept grain, or farmers may utilize New Vision's on-farm pickup service where possible (with transport rates imbedded in terminal prices).

"This service is managed by the New Vision grain originators and is more popular every year," McDowell said.

The changes are effective at the end of December in Beaver Creek and Dec. 14 in Adrian and Reading.

So far, these locations are the only New Vision terminals to assume this seasonal schedule; however New Vision has temporarily closed several locations during spring planting season for many years.

The Beaver Creek elevator dates back to the early 1900s

when it was the Farmer's Elevator of Beaver Creek.

In May 1993 the Beaver Creek Cooperative Elevator merged with the Hills Cooperative Farm Service. The new company became the Hills-Beaver Creek Co-op Farm Service.

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## The TSA and the best things about having a colostomy bag

One of the best things about having a colostomy bag is getting to light up airport scanners.



### THE NORTHVIEW

By Brenda Winter, Columnist

FYI: A colostomy is a surgical procedure during which surgeons divert one end of the large intestine into a visible opening - known as a stoma - on the patient's abdomen. A small pouch, or colostomy bag, is then placed over the stoma to collect waste products that would normally pass through the colon.

My colostomy bag didn't used to show up on the TSA scanners, but now it does. (I think they cranked up the scanners or got new ones.) Now, the bag is indicated by the scanner on my left hip as a bright yellow oval - suggesting perhaps the outline of a weapon or some kind of clever drug smuggling device.

I enjoy watching the expression of the TSA agents observing the scanner as they think maybe, finally, they've caught an actual terrorist.

"Oh sure, she's wearing comfortable walking shoes and that compression stocking peeks playfully out of the bottom of her mom jeans - but isn't that exactly what a terrorist would wear?"

I think they are trying to decide if I look like the kind of person who may have been radicalized to the point of committing terrorism by viewing YouTube videos produced by religious zealots. (Disgruntled Episcopalians, perhaps?)

Their faces fall with disappointment when I say, "It's a

colostomy bag."

Of course, to protect air travelers from all that is dangerous, they still have to pat me down.

The last agent to pat me down started at my ankles. I don't know how far TSA agents think colostomy bags extend, but they don't reach your ankles.

If one of the best things about having a colostomy bag is lighting up airport scanners, the second best thing is all the extra attention I get from security agents.

The agents who pat me down are torn between doing a tough-guy "ain't no terrorist getting by me" routine versus an "I'm really sorry about this and I think it's stupid, too" attitude.

A few years ago, after a long return flight from Israel, an observant TSA agent noted a bulge under my shirt.

I explained, "This is what a colostomy bag looks like after a 10-hour flight."

She dutifully checked the area of concern with a swab and looked startled when it tested positive for explosives.

I tried not to laugh out loud thinking about the kind of explosion that might happen if they kept me too long in the TSA holding area.

Ka-boom!  
It would have been the third best thing.

## Cheapest of the year fuel prices are no reason to be wasteful

At \$2.43, the national gas price average in early December has set a new record low for 2018, according to AAA, the auto club group.

This is nearly a nickel less than this time last December.

AAA expects this national gas price average to fluctuate through the end of the month and possibly end the year as cheap as \$2.40.

Locally we are already experiencing gas prices lower than the national average per gallon at \$2.19 at the time of this Star Herald publication.

The reason is that global crude oil supply is growing faster than anticipated, resulting in lower gas prices.

The U.S. is contributing to this surplus with record-breaking production levels.

Last month the U.S. recorded its highest level ever recorded by the

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Energy Information Administration at 11.7 million barrels per day.

The result has meant declining gas prices at the pump.

Since Memorial Day weekend, the national gas price has dropped more than 50 cents. At \$2.97 per gallon, that was the highest gas price reached at the national level. Prices began dropping when global oil production began to climb.

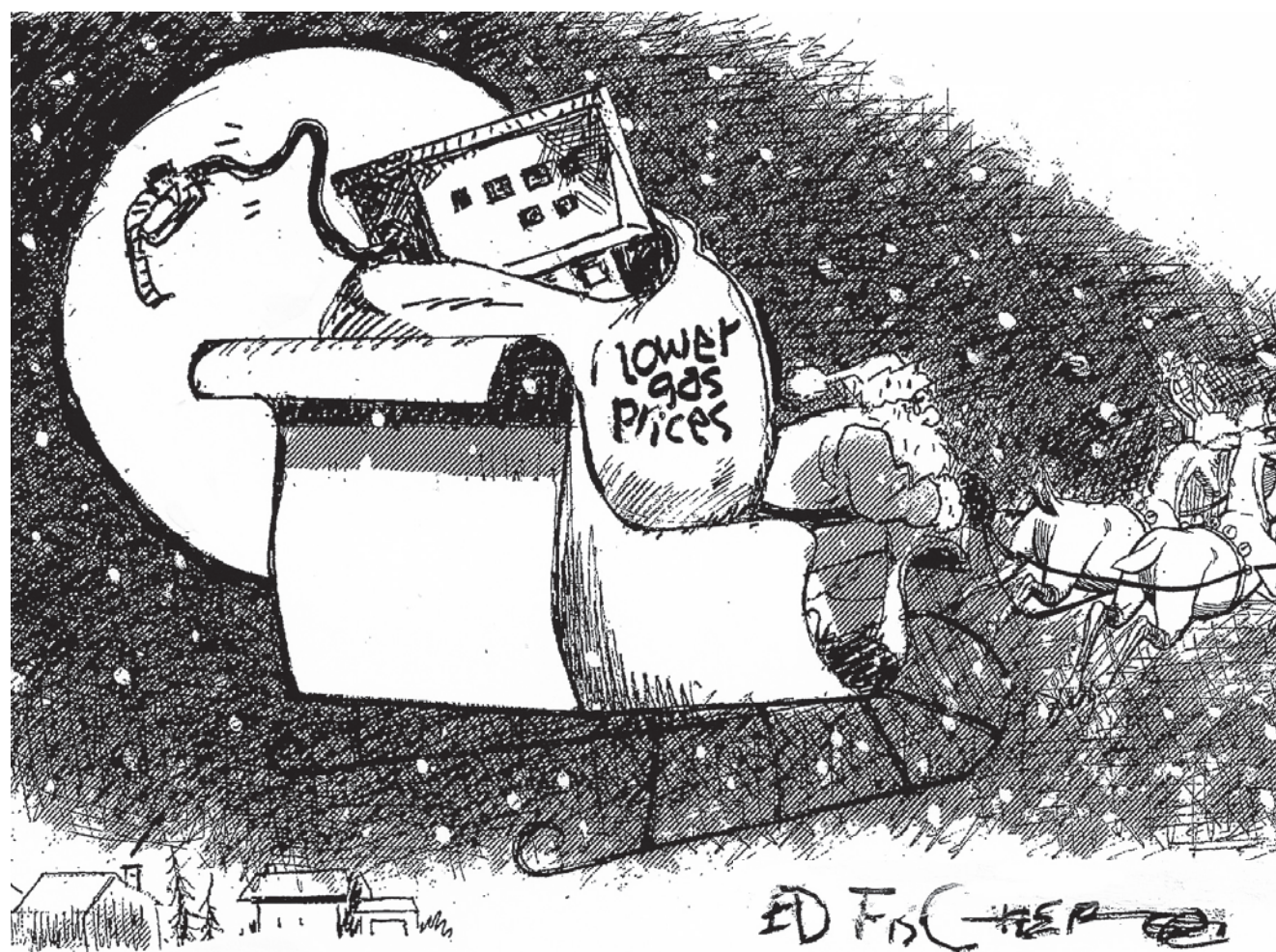
The little extra jingle in motorists' pockets is a nice feeling this holiday season, but cheap gas prices are no

excuse to waste gas by letting our cars and trucks idle just a little longer.

AAA advises, when possible, to run the engine and heater only long enough to remove the chill. This will help conserve fuel. Also, parking your car or truck in a garage will help it stay warm.

We can do our part not to increase our demand for gas by not letting our vehicles run for extended periods of time.

It's nice to keep gas prices at these low levels.



## Studded tire use prohibited in state; some nonresident use permitted

Vehicle's suspension can be modified within six inches of manufactured bumper height



### ASK A TROOPER

By Sgt. Troy Christianson, Minnesota State Patrol

**Question:** I will be traveling to Minnesota in a few weeks. Can I use studded tires in your state?

**Answer:** According to Minnesota State Statute 169.72, "Every solid rubber tire on a vehicle must have rubber on its entire traction surface at least one inch thick above the edge of the flange of the entire periphery. No person shall operate or move on any highway any motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, having any metal tire in contact with the roadway, except in case of emergency."

An exemption includes the occasional use of studded tires by nonresidents under the following conditions:

- A person operating a motor vehicle licensed and registered in another state or province of a foreign country that authorizes the use of metal studs or wire embedded tires on its highways may use such on our state highways while occasionally within the state. Use of a vehicle in

Minnesota for less than 30 days in any consecutive six-month period would be considered occasional.

- The metal studs shall not exceed 5/16 of an inch in diameter including the stud casing with an average protrusion beyond the tread surface of not more than 7/64 of an inch. The number of studs in a tire shall not exceed two percent of the total net contact area.

A person whose regular place of employment is within the state or who is a student at an educational institution located within the state shall not operate a vehicle, regardless of its place of registration, upon any highway within the state if such vehicle is equipped with tires which would be unauthorized were the vehicle registered in this state.

**Question:** 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 type 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)*

### VOICE OF OUR READERS

#### Legacy Fund helped by supportive community

To the Editor:

Just a few things people should know. The paper in Luverne was helpful in putting a notice in about the Legacy Scholarship Fund. The American Legion Riders support veterans and their children. The Legacy Scholarship Fund is for children of veterans that have lost their lives since 9-11 or are 50 percent disabled. This is a way to help families of our brave men and women that have worn the U.S. uniform and still are. We are blessed to live in a community with generous support from businesses, individuals and organizations.

We are free today because of past people that wore the uniform of the U.S. and still are serving. We need to thank and help these good people. I will once again be out asking for donations in June or July for this great cause.

For God and country may no one ever put down a veteran that has or is serving our great nation.

Diane Strassburg  
Luverne

P.S. The City Park Christmas lights look wonderful. It's the best Christmas attraction in Luverne.

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## ON THE RECORD

### Dispatch report

**Nov. 30**  
 •Complainant reported a winter storm warning.  
 •Complainant conducted a welfare check.  
 •Complainant concerned for welfare of children.  
 •Complainant reported a rollover on I-90 near Beaver Creek.  
 •Nobles County reported they picked up subject on a Rock County warrant.  
 •Complainant reported an alarm on East Main Street.  
 •Complainant reported a driving complaint near Manley.  
 •Complainant reported a parking complaint on West Luverne Street.  
 •Complainant reported a blocked road via a train in Jasper.  
 •Complainant reported a stalled vehicle. Needed motorist assist at the City Park.

**Dec. 1**  
 •Complainant reported a car hit a guardrail westbound on I-90.  
 •Complainant reported her vehicle was stolen in South Dakota and it is in Luverne.  
 •Complainant reported an accident at County Road 6 and 51st Street near Hills.  
 •Complainant reported a property damage accident near Kanaranzi.  
 •Complainant requested a welfare check for subject on foot on South Kniss Ave.  
 •Deputy assisted another department on Warren and Main Street.  
 •Complainant reported a suspicious vehicle on North Kniss Ave.

**Dec. 2**  
 •Complainant on 70th Avenue reported 17 flat tires.  
 •Complainant reported a man walking at 40th Avenue and 71st Street near Beaver Creek.  
 •Complainant reported a house fire on North Cottage Ave.  
 •Complainant on North Oakley reported she is being harassed.  
 •Complainant reported a hitchhiker heading east on 71st Street near Beaver Creek.  
 •Complainant reported a van on the side of I-90 westbound.  
 •Deputy conducted a follow-up on prior CFS.

**Dec. 3**  
 •Complainant requested deputy PBT subject.  
 •Reserved for DWI arrest.  
 •Complainant reported mailbox was run over on North Kniss Ave.  
 •Complainant in Hardwick reported harassing communications.  
 •Complainant reported a driving complaint on South Donaldson.  
 •Complainant locked keys in their car on North Kniss Avenue.  
 •Complainant reported theft on West Warren.  
 •Complainant reported suspicious cars on 150th Avenue and 61st Street.  
 •Complainant reported an accident at 40th Street, Beaver Creek.

•Deputy requested for a trespassing issue on West Virginia Street.

**Dec. 4**  
 •Complainant reported a driving complaint at 121st Street and 60th Avenue near Beaver Creek.  
 •Complainant reported he is going to be doing bird surveys in Beaver Creek.  
 •Complainant reported keys locked in car on North Kniss Avenue.  
 •Complainant reported an accident on 101st Street.  
 •Complainant reported subject arrested on Rock County warrant.  
 •Deputy assisted with search warrant on West Luverne Street.  
 •Complainant requested deputy stand by for property pickup on West Brown Street.  
 •Complainant reported a broken window on West Mead Court.

•Deputy conducted a motorist assist on Dodge Street.  
 •Complainant reported a gas leak on East Lincoln Street.  
 •Complainant reported a burglar alarm on West Hatting Street.

**Dec. 5**  
 •Deputy out with an accident on I-90 near Beaver Creek.  
 •Complainant reported a white explorer swerving all over on North Donaldson Street by the school.  
 •Complainant reported a parking complaint on Pine Drive.  
 •Complainant reported lighted crosswalk on Barck Street is not working.  
 •Complainant reported juvenile is not in school.  
 •Complainant at 171st Street, Jasper, requested assistance in locating a vehicle.  
 •Complainant requested a welfare check.  
 •Weather siren testing.  
 •Complainant reported a DANCO violation on East Main Street.  
 •Complainant reported theft and requested extra patrol on North Estey.  
 •Complainant reported found property.  
 •Complainant on East Main Street reported she is being threatened.  
 •Complainant requested a welfare check on her brother.

**Dec. 6**  
 •Complainant reported fraudulent checks.  
 •Complainant reported subject arrested on Rock County warrant in Fairmont.  
 •Complainant reported fraudulent activity on bank account.  
 •Deputies assisted another department stolen vehicle recovery.  
 •Complainant requested welfare check on subject.  
 •Deputy requested tow for vehicle on Cedar.

In addition officers responded to 1 deer accident, 3 vehicles in the ditch, 6 escorts, 17 ambulance runs, 4 animal complaints, 1 burn permit, 3 fingerprint requests, 7 paper service attempts, 2 abandon 911 calls, 20 traffic stops and 1 test.



Lori Sorenson photo/1213 springwater township hall board

Springwater Township Board members (from left) clerk Teresa Kramer, supervisor Tom Baustian, vice-chair Troy Williamson and chairman Kurt Wenzel conduct their first official meeting in their new township hall Tuesday night, Dec. 4. In the audience is Russell Wenzel. The interior is carpeted with a small area by the door hard surfaced.

## Springwater Township Board opens new township hall for public meetings

By Lori Sorenson

The Springwater Township Board gathered Tuesday night, Dec. 4, for their first official board meeting in their brand new township hall.

On the agenda that evening, the board discussed final transactions associated with paying for the new facility.

They also signed a thank-you letter to the Prairie Rose Community Wind Fund Board for its role in paying for the new township hall.

For the past four years, the township has received wind production tax money (nearly \$13,000 per year) for the nine turbines located in Springwater Township.

In addition, the board applied for a grant through the Prairie Rose Minnesota Community Fund and received \$12,500 for that request.

In all, the entire cost of the \$41,000 project (including \$9,000 for demolition and cement pad) was covered by wind money.

"We now have a township hall that is handicap-accessible so all of our residents can attend our meetings if they so wish, and are able to vote in our township elections without any barriers," the letter stated.

It was signed by Springwater Township chairman Kurt Wenzel, vice-chairman Troy Williamson and supervisor Tom Baustian.

Dennis Reese Construction was the primary contractor for the nearly 700-square-foot building, which was completed at the end of November.

The former building, which once served as a country schoolhouse, was demolished earlier this year



Pictured above, the Springwater Township Hall that was demolished earlier this year once served as a country schoolhouse. It would have cost more to repair the roof and foundation than it did to start over with a new building.

Below, left, the new 700-square-foot Springwater Township hall is located at the site of the previous building on the corner of County Road 8 and County Road 6.



after the board agreed it would cost more to fix it than it would to start over.

In fact, for most of the past decade, the board had been meeting in the home of township clerk Teresa Kramer on the western edge of the township.

The property occupies one-third of an acre on the southwest corner of County Roads 6 and 8, and it had a deteriorating roof and settling foundation, in addition to hazardous wiring and no handicap accessibility.

After some discussions about leasing space in Beaver Creek, the board decided in the spring of 2015 to seek bids for a new, small, pole-type building on the same site.

Landscaping work will be completed in the spring of 2019, and the board is considering an open house for the new facility during the Springwater Township annual meeting in March.



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## New Vision beef, swine program provides 4-H'ers with pride of ownership

By Mavis Fodness

Rock County 4-H'ers can experience livestock ownership under an affordable lease agreement through New Vision Co-op.

The Club Beef and Club Swine programs provide students with animals to own, raise, exhibit and sell under the supervision of 4-Hand New Vision staff.

An introduction to the Rock County program is at 7 p.m. today (Dec. 13) in the Extension meeting room. The meeting is open for all youth in second grade through one year after high school graduation.

The program formats are similar to current offerings for 4-H families in Nobles and Jackson counties.

New Vision began the Club Beef program in Nobles County 11 years ago.

Last year 15 Nobles County 4-H'ers participated in the beef program.

The Club Swine program began last year with six 4-H'ers.

"A lot of kids are young; half under fifth grade," said Nobles County 4-H Program Coordinator Katie Klosterbuer. "It's a great introduction to livestock raising."

That introduction allows participants to move forward into the regular beef project with the potential to earn a trip to the Minnesota State Fair.

Many of the Nobles County 4-H'ers are now comfortable in pursuing a state trip, due to the knowledge gained from the club programs.

New Vision focuses on animal production with the hands-on learning experience.

"The biggest part of the project is learning that it costs money to buy a calf and it costs money to feed the calf," said Micah Rupp with New Vision.

Under an agreement signed by 4-H'ers, their parents and the cooperative, 4-H'ers pay initial fees of \$150 for a dairy beef calf and \$50 for a barrow or gilt.

In the agreement, the exhibitor assumes ownership of the animal at delivery, usually about three months before the county fair. The 4-H'ers are responsible for their animals' care and must show them at the county fair with other 4-H'ers in the program.

New Vision allows the 4-H'ers to charge feed expenses and the remaining value of the animal until after the animal is sold at fair. After the sale, the exhibitor receives any profits after New Vision is paid in full.

Each 4-H'er is required to keep profit and expense records on each animal.

Darin Ponto with New Vision assisted with the Nobles County Dairy Beef Program beginning 11 years ago both through his daughter's participation in the program and through his job with New Vision.

"It has been fun to be involved," he said. "Care is the key."

However, adult guidance is also a must because many of the 4-H'ers and their families are new to livestock production.

"These kinds of programs provide phenomenal resources for learning opportunities," Klosterbuer said.

New Vision offers lessons on feed rations, vaccinations, ear notching and other industry practices. Four-H volunteers assist with the fair preparation and handling the animals at the fair.

After the fair, 4-H'ers can choose to purchase the animals themselves.

Application deadline for the Club Calf and Club Swine programs is Feb. 1. The initial fees are also due Feb. 1 to the Rock County Extension Office.

For more information, contact Rock County 4-H Program Coordinator Kelsey Maeschen at 507-283-1302 or kmaesch@umn.edu.



Mavis Fodness photos/1213 Respect Lunch 2018

## Respect Lunch celebrates 21 years of family-style dining

Terri Ebert (above, standing) passes the tray filled with potatoes, corn, ham slices, peaches and dinner rolls to Paul Huiskes to serve himself and the seven third-graders at his table Friday morning during the Parent Partners in Education-sponsored Respect Lunch, where students dress up and apply manners learned in the classroom for the family-style meal. All students in kindergarten through fifth grade participated in the Respect Lunch. The annual event began in 1997. **Right:** Diana Schwartz carries a tray from the Luverne Elementary kitchen to one of the student tables.



Dawn DeWispelaere (left) waits for her granddaughter Harper to finish with the sliced ham before passing the mashed potatoes. **Below:** All three lunch periods at Luverne Elementary included tables covered in white linen, holiday-decorated paper plates and personal servers to bring the family-style dinner to each table. This is the 21<sup>st</sup> year of the Respect Lunch event sponsored by Parent Partners in Education or PPIE.



**Left:** Second-grader Nicholas Hoogendoorn (right) passes fellow student Olivia Reverts a plate of Rice Krispies bars made by Sterling's Bar and Grille of Luverne for all 700 students and volunteers participating in the Respect Lunch Friday at the Luverne Elementary School.



## 1953: County's first measurable snowfall totals four inches

The following appeared in the Rock County Star Herald on Dec. 3, 1953.

### County Gets Four Inches Of Snow

Rock county received its first snowfall of any consequence this season last Saturday afternoon and evening. By the time it had subsided it had reached a depth of about four inches.

Fortunately, there was no wind with it, but it contained just enough moisture that it had packed solidly on the streets and highways as cars drove over it. Subsequent freezing left the paved highways in the county and city streets a sheet of ice.

Local garages kept their tow trucks busy Saturday night and Sunday. There were no serious accidents, but motorists found that it was easy to become stalled wherever there was a slight incline.

Up to now, the only snow that had



## BITS BY BETTY

By Betty Mann, president,  
Rock County Historical Society

fallen in the county was just a trace about two weeks ago.

Saturday's snow lay as it had fallen over the landscape Sunday, presenting a beautiful sight to those who appreciate snow as scenic beauty.

It was considerably different from last year's first snow, which was accompanied by howling winds up to 40 miles per hour, necessitating the closing of schools, and causing other difficulties. Last year's snow storm was on November 26.

Temperatures reached a low of 4 degrees here Monday morning, coldest of the season.

On Tuesday the mercury climbed up to a point where the ice on the highways melted sufficiently so that roads cleared.

Luverne's new mounted snow loader was given its initial workout early Sunday. City snow removal crews were on the job at 1:30 a.m., using the blade to move the snow from curbs toward the center of the street. At 2:30

a.m. hauling was started, with the new loader filling each truck in a minute's time. By 5:30 a.m., all the snow on Main street from the Power plant to the Highway 75 intersection has been hauled away.

The push plow was used to clear the streets in town where there were inclines, because it was chiefly where there were hills that cars were having difficulty making progress.

The new snow loader can be used as a rotary plow as well. It cost the city \$1,685, and it was decided at Tuesday night's council meeting that it will be paid for in three equal monthly installments of \$500, and a final payment of \$185.

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@iu.net.

## CELEBRATIONS

### Births

A boy, Mason John, weighing 8 pounds, 9 ounces, and 21 inches long, was born Monday, Nov. 26, 2018, at Sanford Luverne to **Chris and Meghan Zylstra**, Beaver Creek. Grandparents are Kelly and Tammie Leuthold, Hills, and Scott and Kelli Zylstra, Rock Valley, Iowa. Great-grandparents are Larry and Mardi Leuthold, Hills, Ken and Carla Haats, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, Ron and Karen Zylstra, Inwood, Iowa, and Tom and Mary Coyne, Sioux Falls.

A boy, Simon David, weighing 8 pounds, 1 ounce, and 21 1/2 inches long, was born Monday, Oct. 29, 2018, at Avera McKennan in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, to **the Rev. Maggie and Alan Berndt-Dreyer**, Hills. Grandparents are Dave and Laura Berndt, Oshkosh, Wisconsin, and Dave and Cheryl Dreyer, Piedmont, South Dakota.

### Open houses

**Carol Kuhlman** will celebrate her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on Sunday, Dec. 23, with an open house from 1-4 p.m. at Grand Prairie Events located at 205 S. Estey Street in Luverne.

## MENU

**Monday, Dec. 17:** Sloppy Joe on bun, potato salad, corn, cookie.

Program: Christmas trivia.

**Tuesday, Dec. 18:** Christmas meal: Roast turkey with gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, cranberry sauce, bread, pumpkin dessert.

Program: Half-Price Day sponsored by Exchange State Bank.

**Wednesday, Dec. 19:** Barbecue riblet sandwich, tritaters, corn, mandarin orange gelatin.

Program: Site Council.

**Thursday, Dec. 20:** Country steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, dinner roll, fruit cobbler.

Program: Food Give-away.

**Friday, Dec. 21:** Spaghetti with Italian meat sauce, lettuce with dressing, cauliflower, garlic bread, peaches.

Program: Birthday party; Kitchen Band; Half-Price Day. *Senior Dining offers well-balanced and affordable meals in a community atmosphere.*

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

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



## Below-average temperatures don't give poverty event participants cold feet

Submitted photos

Freezing temperatures didn't stop Courtney Wendland (above and below) from participating in a poverty awareness event organized by herself and classmates Mikayla Wiederhoeft and Adriana Gonzalez (not pictured). Below: FCCLA adviser Carmen Thompson and member Morgan Bonnett watch at the Nov. 17 event in the Luverne City Park.

### Event brings public awareness to the different types of poverty

By **Mavis Fodness**

"DeFEET Poverty: One Step at a Time" drove home an important message on Nov. 17 when unseasonably cold weather shortened the event in Luverne City Park.

Dan Wendland was one of nine participants who learned of the conditions some people face daily by walking barefoot.

"If you are poor, no matter the weather, you're poor," he said. "You can't just be poor in nice warm weather."

Members of Future Career Community Leader Association (FCCLA) and Luverne High School students Courtney Wendland, Mikayla

Wiederhoeft and Adriana Gonzalez organized the event to bring awareness that poverty exists on the local level.

The trio are youth members of the #LuvLUvAll, a community group working to end poverty in Rock County.

The local group's efforts prompted the students to select poverty awareness as their FCCLA topic for Students Taking Action with Recognition (STAR).

In planning the event, the students didn't expect a light dusting of snow and high temperatures in the 20s on Saturday, Nov. 17, a date that typically sees temperatures in the low 40s.



"It helped me realize more of what people in poverty go through when it gets to the colder seasons," said

Wiederhoeft. "And how heartbreaking it is when people aren't able to get the necessities of life."

While money is only one of many "feet" poor people walk with, the students realized poverty takes on other forms such as being in poor health, educationally poor, poor spiritually and living in physically poor surroundings.

The experience left organizers counting their blessings.

"It made me realize what I had and how everything could be so much worse than it is," said Courtney Wendland, who graduates next spring.

"My parents do a lot for my siblings and me, and it can be easy to take things we get for granted and not appreciate the hard work they do to provide for us."



Nine people participated in the "DeFEET Poverty: One Step at a Time" event. FCCLA adviser Carmen Thompson took a picture of participants and event organizers. Pictured from left are Willy Baker, Mikayla Wiederhoeft, Morgan Bonnett, Kayleen Wiederhoeft, Adriana Gonzalez, Courtney Wendland, Dan Wendland and Jennifer Wendland.

## REMEMBER WHEN

### 10 years ago (2008)

The first part of Tuesday's City Council meeting was open to the public for the Truth in Taxation hearing.

No members of the public attended, but City Administrator John Call presented information about the 2009 budget for the benefit of television viewers.

Among notes of interest was the fact that Luverne residents pay \$1.25 per day for city services.

"You're getting a lot of services for that money," Call said. "And if you use our library, walking trails and fitness center, you're getting an even better deal."

Councilwoman Esther Frakes said Tuesday morning's snow removal was a good example of tax dollars at work.

"We could rise for an early morning meeting and have our streets already cleared," Frakes said.

The proposed 2008 tax levy collectible in 2009 is \$1,016,155. This represents a 2.5-percent increase in the city tax rate over the current year.

Overall the total property tax rate of all entities for Luverne is a decrease of 1.2 percent.

The levy will be certified at the Dec. 23 City Council meeting.

### 25 years ago (1993)

It's been a slow process, but the camel-back bridge over the Nobles-Rock Railroad between Magnolia and Luverne is coming down.

Crews started the process Thursday and continued to work on extracting the vertical timbers early this week.

Nothing in the bridge will be wasted. The nails, bolts and lumber will be sold for other projects.

At one time, before the hillside that the railroad cuts through was to be U.S. 16, the bridge was a vital connection for those who farmed east of the railroad tracks and needed to cross to the road leading into Luverne.

### 50 years ago (1968)

After 16 months of planning and building, Luverne again has a sale barn. Grand opening is slated for Saturday, Dec. 14, at 1 p.m., when a benefit auction will be held, and free coffee and doughnuts served.

Thanks to the generosity of farmers and businessmen of the community, enough money was raised to assure reconstruction of the barn which was destroyed during the disastrous fire at the county fair grounds in August 1967. Construction of the barn was begun late this summer, and with the exception of a few minor details, it is now complete.

### 75 years ago (1943)

Announcement that he would open a new Coast to Coast store in the Leas building, first door west of the Rock County Bank, on Saturday, December 11, was made this week by Paul J.

Beug, former Detroit Lakes lumber and implement man.

The Coast to Coast store, like those located throughout 12 other northwest states, will be owned and operated by Mr. Beug himself, who explained that he will be an independent operator, and not just a manager. However, he will have the advantages of the combined purchasing power of all other Coast to Coast stores. The motto of Coast to Coast, Mr. Beug said, is "nationally organized but locally owned."

The new store will feature tires, auto supplies, replacement parts, paints, varnishes, sporting goods, hardware, electrical merchandise, agricultural supplies, household goods, washing machines and radios.

### 100 years ago (1918)

A series of ten loyalty meetings will be held in Rock County next week in the campaign to secure members to the "America First Association" organized at the Northwest Loyalty meetings held in St. Paul and Minneapolis in November. A state-wide campaign is in progress, wherein loyalty meetings are to be held in every county in the state. The goal is to bring "America First" in heart and action during the war. In addition, "America First Association" buttons will be offered to those who wish them. These buttons will be sold for 50 cents, and the money realized over and above the cost of the buttons will be used to defray the expenses of the campaign. There will be no obligation upon anyone to purchase a button, nor to become a member of the association.



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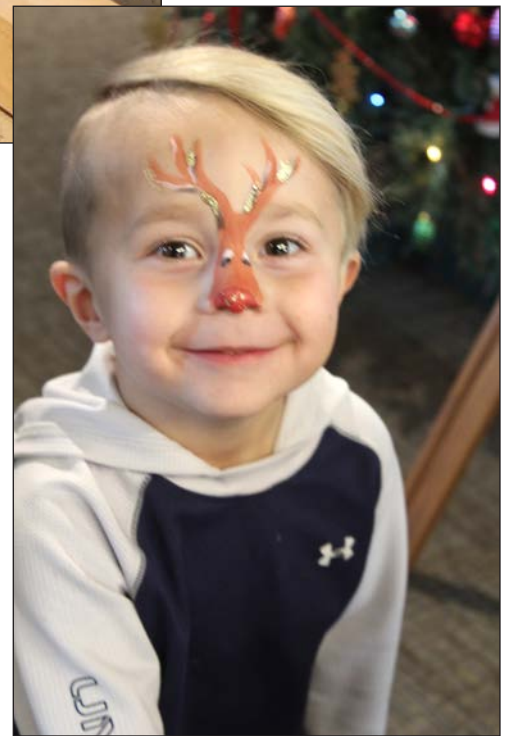
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**Above,** John DeJong and his son, Brooks, take a selfie in front of the vintage fire truck in the History Center showroom.

Bronwyn Wenzel, the Rock County Library children's librarian, reads a Christmas story to children gathered in the archive room at the History Center. **At right,** Kolby Hoffman shows his Rudolph, the red-nosed reindeer face paint.

Photos and text by  
Lori Sorenson



## KIDS CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS AT HISTORY CENTER

The History Center in Luverne opened its doors to all area children Saturday afternoon for a free Christmas party featuring face-painting, a scavenger hunt, make 'n' take projects, story time and snacks. Historical Society volunteers entertained more than 200 people by the time it was over, and they said the event accomplished exactly what they were hoping for. "It gets them in here to see what we have; the kids just love the nutcrackers," Dolly Remme said. "I'm hoping they come back and take the time to look things over."

Paige Hoffman brought her husband and four children to the event and said it was worth their trip from Wilmont. "It is neat; I'm really impressed by the nutcracker collection," she said, adding that her young boys especially enjoyed the nutcrackers. "They were very much in awe," she said.

**Below, left:** Cade and Avery Van't Hof pose with their faces in the nutcracker photo board just outside the History Center entrance.

**Below center:** Six-year-old Eli Ripka and his grandma, Cheri Hanson, work on the nutcracker scavenger hunt.



**Below,** nearly 100 nutcracker ornaments were given to children at the History Center.



**Below,** Historical Society volunteer Linda Bakken helps young Emmett Woodley tie a string to his nutcracker ornament that he created.



**Below,** Caitlyn Swanson (front) and Vanh Swanson guide Emma and Annabelle Swanson through the nutcracker collection display.



**At left,** Briana Naab with Fantasy Face Painting in Adrian paints Adaline DeJong's cheek with a star burst while she sits on the lap of her mother, Karis DeJong.

**Below,** Jennifer Juhl and baby Addison sign the guest book as they arrive at the History Center.



**Below,** Andrew Deutsch shows off his nutcracker face paint.



**At left,** Eli Ripka gets used to the idea of being a nutcracker.









John Rittenhouse photo/1213 lw desollar 1  
Luverne senior Dalton DeSollar went 1-1 at 145 pounds during the Luverne Triangular Thursday. LHS finished 0-2 as a team.

# Luverne's Brown is team-first guy

Something became very clear to me after watching the Luverne High School wrestling triangular Thursday.



## FROM THE SIDELINES

By John Rittenhouse, sports editor

It's hard to fault Brown for his commitment to the team, but I hope he takes his own health into account in the future.

LHS senior Tom Brown definitely is the type of athlete any coach would want to have on their roster.

Brown won both of his matches for LHS that evening by decisions, but that's only part of the story.

What Brown had to overcome to post his two wins is what grabbed my attention when the action was complete.

"Tom hurt his rib in the first match, but he gutted it out," said Cardinal coach Jordan Kopp.

"He is a true team player. He was hurting, but he still stepped out on the mat for the second match because he wanted to be there for his team."

I thought there was something unusual going on when watching Brown leave the mat after edging W-ML-B-O's Oscar Parada 5-4 during his first match.

The LHS senior looked like he was experiencing discomfort as he headed to the LHS side of the mat favoring what I thought was his abdominal area.

Since it was his first match of the season, I overlooked the situation as if it were a conditioning issue.

Brown looked like he was in even more discomfort as he left the mat after securing a 12-7 win over Worthington's Thomas Lais during his second match of the night.

When I witnessed the athletic trainer tending to Brown well after the second match was complete, it became clear it wasn't a conditioning thing.

"He went out there again and toughed it out because he wanted to be there for

his team," Kopp said.

That wasn't the case on Saturday, when he neglected Kopp's advice to take the day off instead of competing at the JCC tourney.

Brown won 0-2 in Jackson, losing one of his matches to an entry defeated on Thursday.

"I don't think he was ready to wrestle, and I told him to rethink his decision to compete. He just wanted to go out there anyway," Kopp said.

The good news — LHS will not wrestle again until Dec. 21, and Brown has time to mend his wound.

"We want him to take it easy in practice, if he practices at all in the next couple of weeks," Kopp said.

"It's nice to have a guy like Tom on the team, but we need him to be healthy."

A healthy Brown won 12 matches last season, when he capped the year by placing fifth at 170 pounds at the section tournament.

If Brown can overcome his early rib injury, Kopp has no doubt he can improve his mat success this winter.

"I see him placing better than fifth in his class at the section tournament this year," Kopp said.

"If he is healthy and things are going well, I definitely think he has a shot at improving his section showing."

# Cardinal wrestlers open season

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne Cardinal wrestling team opened the 2018-19 season by competing in a pair of events late last week.

Luverne hosted a triangular meet Thursday before attending the Jackson County Central Pizza Ranch Classic Saturday in Jackson.

Luverne wrestles at the Redwood Valley Invitational Dec. 21.

### JCC tourney

A pair of Cardinals placed individually and Luverne placed 16th as a team during Saturday's tournament in Jackson.

Seven athletes represented LHS at the varsity level for a team that scored 36 points to place 16th in a 17-team field led by Windom-Mountain Lake-Butterfield-Odin (159.5 points).

Riley Cowell and Jed Dooyema placed in their respective weight classes.

Cowell went 3-1 to finish third at 106 pounds.

Cowell pinned JCC's Nolan Ambrose in 53 seconds and posted a 7-2 win over Aitkin's Marshall Larson to advance to the semifinals, where he lost a 5-1 match to Adrian's

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their home debut against the Tigers at the Blue Mound Ice Arena Dec. 4.

Luverne rallied from an early deficit to knot the score at two in the second period, but Marshall registered four unanswered goals in the third period to prevail by four at game's end.

LHS trailed 2-1 after 17 minutes of play before tying the score at two when Sterrett registered an unassisted tally with 6:36 remaining in the second stanza.

Marshall settled the issue by scoring twice in the first seven minutes of the third period before adding a pair of late goals to prevail by four at game's end.

Joe Archbold snapped the deadlock when he scored 40 seconds into the third period before Mason Plante made it 4-2 with his second goal of the game at the 10:05 mark.

Landon Frost capped a two-goal effort with a power-play tally that came with 5:27 left to play before Jared Antony capped the scoring with an empty-net goal that came with 2:30 remaining.

Frost gave the Tigers a 1-0 lead 6:45 into the game with a short-handed goal, but Serie knotted the score at one 1:25 later.



John Rittenhouse photo/1213 lbh 10  
Luverne junior Easton Braun vies for a bouncing puck along with Marshall defenseman Jensen Meyer during a boys' hockey game at the Blue Mound Ice Arena Dec. 4.

Plante regained the lead (2-1) for the Tigers when he scored the final goal of the first period with 3:23 left.

Skattum stopped 42 of the 47 shots he faced in goal for the Cardinals. Jacob Von Tersch and Nath

registered assists for the hosts, who were outshot 48-36 by Marshall in the game.

# AHS makes mat debuts

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian wrestling squad kicked off the 2018-19 season with a two-event stretch.

The Dragons split matches at the Tri-Valley Triangular Thursday in Hartford, South

Dakota. Adrian also competed at the Jackson County Central Pizza Ranch Classic Saturday in Jackson.

The Dragons compete at a triangular meet in Fulda Thursday.

### JCC tourney

The Dragons turned in a strong showing during Saturday's tournament in Jackson.

The Dragons scored 94 points to place ninth in a 17-team field paced by Windom-Mountain Lake-Butterfield-Odin, which claimed the team title with 159.5 points.

Four Adrian matmen placed in their respective weight classes including Logan Taylor and Scot Edwards, who claimed individual titles at 126 pounds and heavyweight respectively.

Taylor registered pins over West Lyon's Quin Hortsman (2:24) and Aitkin's Nathan Rom (3:31) and posted an 11-0 major decision over Sioux City East's Rafe McClendon to reach the finals.

Taylor nipped Worthington's Damon Schutz 3-2 in the title match.

Edwards pinned three consecutive opponents in less than 40 seconds to prevail at heavyweight.

Edwards disposed of Harrisburg's Austin Abrahamson (25 seconds), W-ML-B-O's Eli Mutz (38 seconds) and West Lyon's Jordan Ver Meer (34 seconds).

Brayan Anaya made a bid to win the 106-pound title before settling with second place.

Anaya pinned Carter Racitiffe (unattached) in 1:59 and posted a 5-1 win over Luverne's Riley Cowell to reach the finals, where he lost 9-0 to Waseca's Mason Gehloff.

Adrian's Isaac Bullerman went 3-2 to place sixth at 132,

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## IMPORTANT PROPERTY TAX HOMESTEAD NOTICE ROCK COUNTY PROPERTY OWNERS\*

\*This will affect the amount of property tax you pay in 2019, and it may affect your eligibility for a property tax refund.

### HOMESTEAD

Have you purchased or moved into a property in the past year?

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### Who is a qualifying relative?

For agricultural property, a qualifying relative includes the child, grandchild, sibling, or parent of the owner or owner's spouse.

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### When do I apply?

You must apply on or before December 15, 2018.

Once homestead is granted, annual applications are not necessary unless they are requested by the Rock County Land Records Director.

Contact the Land Records Office by December 15, 2018 if the use of the property you own or occupy as a qualifying relative has changed during the past year.

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Tom Houselog  
Rock County Land Records Director



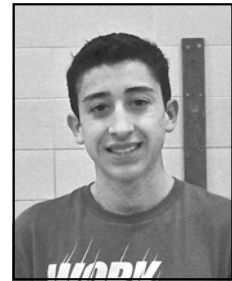
### Lilli Donohue

Sport: Hockey  
Position: Center  
Parents: Kelly Kiviranna  
Favorite Subject: Ceramics  
Extra Curricular Activities: CEO, Coffey Contemporary Arts, Sterling's Cafe & Grille, hockey  
Future Plans: Go to college to double major in Art & Psychology, eventually go to graduate school for Art Therapy.



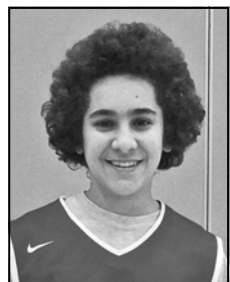
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Parents: Victor and Esmeralda Hernandez  
Favorite Subject: Biology, Sports Nutrition  
Extra Curricular Activities: Cross Country, Track, Baseball  
Future Plans: Move on to 4 year college for premed degree and a minor in health/sport nutrition.



### Ali Elsabagh

Sport: Basketball  
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Parents: Papa Haan  
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Brayan Anaya. Cowell bounced back to pin JCC's Logan Butzon in 3:11 during the third-place match. Dooyema went 3-2 to place sixth at 160 pounds. Luverne's Braydon Ripka and Dalton DeSollar went 1-2 at 132 and 145 respectively. Abraham Hernandez (113), Justyce Ripka (126) and Tom Brown (182) went 0-2.

LHS triangular

The Cardinals opened the 2018-19 season by hosting a triangular in Luverne High School Thursday. LHS took on Big South Conference foes Windom-Mountain Lake-Butterfield-Odin and Worthington during the evening. The Cardinals dropped both matches, taking a 57-12 setback from the Cobras before falling 64-6 to the Trojans. LHS notched a pair of wins and Hernandez drew a forfeit during the W-ML-B-O match. Cowell topped Caden Swoboda 8-2 at 113 pounds, while Brown nipped Oscar Parada 5-4 at 182 during battle against

the Cobras. LHS also won a pair of matches against Worthington. Brown capped a perfect night by besting Thomas Lais 12-7 at 182. DeSollar posted a 7-4 win over Kent Lais in the Worthington match.

Match wrap-ups  
W-ML-B-O 57, LHS 12  
106 (W) Renquist 6-1 Tofteland.  
113 (L) Cowell 8-2 Swoboda.  
120 (L) Hernandez by forfeit.  
126 (W) Ekstrom pins J.Ripka.  
132 (W) Sammons pins Janiszkeski.  
138 (W) Willaby pins B.Ripka.  
145 (W) Renquist 7-0 DeSollar.  
152 (W) Sandoval pins Rosin.  
160 (W) Borsgard pins Dooyema.  
170 (W) Garcia 18-13 McCarthy.  
182 (L) Brown 5-4 Parada.  
195 (W) Swenson by forfeit.  
220 (W) Carlton by forfeit.  
285 (W) Mutz pins Schoneman.

WHS 64, Luverne 6  
106 (W) Galvez pins Tofteland.  
113 (W) Martinez 5-4 Cowell.  
120 (W) Ortiz pins Hernandez.  
126 (W) Artiga pins J.Ripka.  
132 (W) Schutz pins Janiszkeski.  
138 (W) Paw pins B.Ripka.  
145 (L) DeDolar 7-4 Lais.  
152 (W) Hennings pins Rosin.  
160 (W) Donkesloot 8-2 Dooyema.  
170 (W) Cornejo 11-3 McCarthy.  
182 (L) Brown 12-7 Lais.  
195 (W) Neuberger by forfeit.  
220 (W) Mullaney by forfeit.  
285 (W) Cam pins Schoneman.



Luverne senior Tom Brown won both of his matches during the season-opening Luverne Triangular Thursday. John Rittenhouse photo/1213 lw brown 2



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The Luverne Cardinal Special Olympics Team competed at the 2018 Special Olympics Bowling Tournament Dec. 1-2 in Mankato. Athletes and their unified partners include (front row, left) Alex Nelson, Lucas Boone, head coach Evie Kephart, Teresa Berghorst, (second row) Barb Runia, coach Joyce Weis, Alex Borth, Landon Runia, Grace Runia, David Weis, Jolene Hunt, Ariana Weidert, coach Keri VanderBeek, coach Danny Kephart, coach Dave Nelson, (third row) coach Wilbert Weis, Josh Mallon, Aaron Hoffman, Nancy Lewis, Jayden Winselman, Kristi Brandt, Tanisha Runia, coach Chris Nelson, (back) Bob Hoffman, Jim Klosterbuer, Tim Elbert, Matrim Borth, David Klosterbuer, John Weidert, head of delegation Harlan Kurrasch and Julie Winselman.

# Area athletes take their rolls at Special Olympics bowling event

Eight athletes took home first-place honors at the 2018 Special Olympics State Bowling Tournament Dec. 1-2 in Mankato in the single bowler division with another seven placing first in the unified doubles team tournament. Earning first place at the tournament for the Luverne Cardinal team were Teresa Berghorst, Matrim Borth, Tim

Elbert, Jolene Hunt, David Klosterbuer, Nancy Lewis, Alex Nelson and Grace Runia. First-place unified doubles teams include Matrim and Alexandra Borth, David and Jim Klosterbuer, Nancy Lewis and Danny Kephart, Alex and Chris Nelson, Grace and Landon Runia, Tanisha and Barb Runia and Jayden and Julie Winselman.

Additional medal finishes in the singles tournament included second place Kristi Brandt, Aaron Hoffman, Tanisha Runia, third-place Josh Mallon, Ariana Weidert, David Weis, and fourth place Jayden Winselman. Team medals for second place were given to Tim Elbert and Joyce Weis, Aaron and Bob Hoffman, Josh Mallon

and Dave Nelson, Ariana and John Weidert, and David Weis and Evie Kephart. Kristi Brandt and Keri VanderBeek bowled to third place in unified bowling and Teresa Berghorst and Jolene Hunt were participants. More than 5,300 athletics registered for the weekend competition at eight locations throughout Minnesota.

## BOWLING NEWS

**Thursday Bowling National League Dec. 6**  
Games won: Three Hole 3; Three Chumps 3; Bam Bams 2; Kougarettes 2; Three People 1; Don't Know 1.  
High Scratch Game Men: Zach Runia 211; Mike Hoover 204.  
High Scratch Game Women: Kathy Matson 188; Marie Opheim 148.  
High Scratch Series Men: Zach Runia 587; Mike Hoover 526.  
High Scratch Series Women:

Kathy Matson 478; Marie Opheim 381.  
Team High Scratch Game: Don't Know 484; Three Chumps 480.  
Team High Scratch Series: Don't Know 1389; Three Chumps 1318.  
Team High Handicap Game: Kougarettes 678; Three Chumps 632.  
Team High Handicap Series: Kougarettes 1817; Three Chumps 1774.

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while Breyer Hieronimus (113), Logan Sherer (145) and Preston Nelson (160) went 1-2 without placing. Axel Martinez and Max Lehmann both went 0-2 at 138 and 195.

posted one pin and drew one forfeit. Nelson covered Canton's Josh Merkle in 3:43, while Edwards stuck T-V's Ethan Nehlich in 39 seconds.

T-V triangular

The Dragons opened the season by splitting matches at the Tri-Valley Triangular Thursday in Hartford, South Dakota. Canton topped Adrian 48-27 in the opening match. The Dragons rolled to a 55-18 win over the host school in the second match. Four Dragons finished the night with 2-0 records. Anaya posted a 7-3 win over Canton's Korbyn Ockanya before pinning T-V's Tanner Van Asselt in 57 seconds. Sherer pinned Canton's Beau Williams in 5:06 before registering a 16-3 major decision over T-V's Mason Hendrickson. Nelson and Edwards each

Match wrap-ups  
Canton 48, AHS 27  
106 (A) Anaya 7-3 Ockjenga.  
113 (C) Ask pins Hieronimus.  
120 (C) Trowbridge by forfeit.  
126 (C) Sehr 12-3 Taylor.  
132 (C) March pins Bullerman.  
138 (A) Loosbrock by forfeit.  
145 (C) Petersen 12-4 Martinez.  
152 (A) Sherer pins Williams.  
160 (A) Nelson pins Merkle.  
170 (C) Smith 9-0 Wieneke.  
182 (C-A) open.  
195 (C) Rutten pins Lehmann.  
220 (C) Baldwin by forfeit.  
285 (A) Edwards by forfeit.  
  
Adrian 55, T-V 18  
106 (A) Anaya pins Van Asselt.  
113 (T) Geary pins Hieronimus.  
120 (A) Heidebrink 4-0 Groenewold.  
126 (A) Taylor pins Jensen.  
132 (T) Norgaard 6-3 Bullerman.  
138 (T) Lofwold 10-5 Loosbrock.  
145 (T) Lamer pins Martinez.  
152 (A) Sherer 16-3 Hendrickson.  
160 (A) Wolf by forfeit.  
170 (A) Nelson by forfeit.  
182 (A) Wieneke pins Nehlich.  
195 (A) Lehmann by forfeit.  
220 (A) Winselman pins Andresen.  
285 (A) Edwards pins Nehlich.

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## Blom probate

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

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
COUNTY OF ROCK  
Estate of Pauline L. Blom

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

It is Ordered and Notice is given that on December 31st, at 3:30 p.m., a hearing will be held in this Court at 204 E. Brown St., Luverne, MN 56156, Minnesota, for the formal probate of an instrument purporting to be the Will of the Decedent, dated August 5, 1994 and codicil(s) to the Will dated \_\_\_\_\_ and separate writings under Minn. Stat. 524.2-513 ("Will"), and for the appointment of Dean Blom whose address is 4649 Gettysburg Ave N., New Hope, MN 55428 as Personal Representative of the Estate of the Decedent in an Unsupervised administration.

Any objections to the petition must be filed with the Court prior to or raised at the hearing. If proper and if no objections are filed or raised, the Personal Representative will be appointed with full power to administer the Estate including the power to collect all assets, to pay all legal debts, claims, taxes and expenses, to sell real and personal property, and to do all necessary acts for the Estate.

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

A charitable beneficiary may request notice of the probate proceedings to be given to the Attorney General pursuant to Minn. Stat. 501B.41, subd. 5  
Dated: December 11, 2018

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

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(12-13, 12-20)

## Mortgage foreclosure sale set for Jan. 10

### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that default has occurred in the conditions of the following described mortgage:

Mortgagor: Charlene Ann Ver Meer a single person  
Mortgagee: M&I Bank FSB  
Dated: 03/22/2002  
Recorded: 03/27/2002  
Rock County Recorder Document No. 152525  
Transaction Agent: N/A  
Transaction Agent Mortgage Identification Number: N/A  
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Residential Mortgage Servicer: BMO Harris Bank, N.A.  
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That prior to the commencement of this mortgage foreclosure proceeding Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee complied with all notice requirements as required by statute; that no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof;

PURSUANT to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: January 10, 2019, 10:00 AM

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DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: The date on or before which the mortgagor must vacate the property if the mortgage is not reinstated under Minnesota Statutes section 580.30 or the property redeemed under Minnesota Statutes section 580.23 is July 10, 2019 at 11:59 p.m. If the foregoing date is a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, then the date to vacate is the next business day at 11:59 p.m.

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Dated: November 7, 2018

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By: PFB LAW, PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION

Attorneys for:  
BMO Harris Bank N.A., as successor to M & I Bank FSB, Mortgagee


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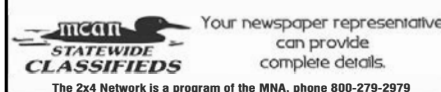
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Words can't express the heartfelt appreciation for all of the plants, food brought in, for all of the cards, phone calls and text messages and all of the kind words expressed during the loss of our husband, dad, grandpa and great grandpa, Russ Stevens. Thank you to RidgeView Estates' staff for all of the excellent care that he received while living there and to the Luverne Veteran's Home for the excellent care he received for the time he was there.

Althea Stevens, Mark & Lynn Stevens and families and Nancy Oye and families. (12.9-12.13)

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#### Summary

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The Blue Mound Area Theatre (Palace Theatre), a 501 (c) 3 non-profit corporation is now accepting applications for a part-time Executive Director to manage the day to day operations of the Historic Palace Theatre in Luverne, MN.

#### Duties:

- Technical theater operation: Sound, lights, rigging, digital projector, concessions and ticketing.
- Event management: Liaison to artists, performers and production companies.
- Program Development: Work with programming committee to schedule events. Book movies.
- Staff and volunteer management.
- Budget development and financial reporting.
- Work with regional and state arts organizations.
- Grant writing.
- Oversee facility maintenance and cleaning
- Advertising and promotion.
- Attend monthly board meetings

#### Qualifications:

- At least a year of relevant experience.
- The ability to lift 40lbs.
- Management or theater degree a plus.



Interested? Mail or email your resume to:  
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## Community Ed offers activities

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

Need gift ideas for adults or children on your List? **School of Fish on Ice** Feb. 2 for grades 3 & older with an adult, \$30; **Twins Trip** July 21, \$92; **Mama Mia** at Chanhasen April 13, \$115; **Minnesota Wild Trip** March 19, \$115; **Guthrie Theatre Guys & Dolls** Aug. 24, \$113; **Kids in the Kitchen Class**, \$18; or gift certificates are available.

Children ages 2-5 accompanied by an adult will hear a story and make a graham cracker gingerbread house, plus have a chance to visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus, at the **Gingerbread Holiday Event** on Monday, Dec. 17. Fee is \$5 per child.

The **4-hour Defensive Driving Refresher Class** will be Dec. 13 for adults 55 years of age or older. (Must have taken the 8-hour course.) Cost is \$20 prepaid.

A second **Kids in Kitchen Christmas Treats** class has been added to the schedule for students grades K-6. This newly added class will be Dec. 18. Fee is \$18 or register with friend and pay \$14/person.



Peggy Gust is planning an improvement project at 222 E. Main St. in the building that houses Restoration Alley, Honeycomb Salon and Tim Gust's NationSat business office. The image at left illustrates the planned improvements. The image at right shows the front of the building as it currently appears.

## Facade improvement planned for downtown historic building/continued from page 1A

transom to the upstairs apartment. •fabricating and installing a blade sign and two additional signs. •installing a Dryvit Outsulation system to east side exterior brick wall. Total project cost is estimated to

exceed \$62,000. Gust is applying for a grant in the amount of \$21,000 and is choosing to forgo the loan option.

**City sells EDA lot to Shearers**  
In other business at Monday's

EDA meeting, the board approved a lot sale in the Industrial Park Walnut Addition to Martin and Cathy Shearer.

The Shearers paid the list price of \$12,500 for the lot where they will construct a 48-by-60-foot insulated

steel building for personal storage and work space.

The lot is fully improved with water and sewer hook-ups available.

They intend to break ground on the building in February or March.

## Rock County FSA announces results of County Committee election

Congratulations to Paul Doherty on winning election to his first three-year term on the Rock FSA County Committee and to Allen Gilmore on winning reelection to his

second three-year term on the Pipestone FSA County Committee. Paul and Allen will begin their new terms on Jan. 1, 2019, with Paul representing the farmers

in the townships of Clinton, Kanaranzi, Luverne and Magnolia and Allen representing the farmers in the townships of Eden, Elmer, Osborne and Sweet.

Paul Boyenga received two write-in votes in Rock County and Seth Spronk two write-in votes in Pipestone County. Paul and Seth will serve as the First Alternate in Rock and Pipestone, respectively. An alternate is only called upon to attend meetings when the County Committee member is unable to attend a meeting or complete their term. As always, these results are subject to Minnesota FSA State Committee approval.

Paul Doherty has produced corn, soybeans, cattle and hogs in Kanaranzi Township for 39 years. He is an

active member of the Rock County Corn and Soybean Growers and in the past has served as chairman for both the Rock County Rural Water Board and Rock County Planning and Zoning Board. Paul is married to Pat, who is also involved in the farming operation. They have two daughters and a granddaughter.

Allen Gilmore has produced corn, soybeans and hay all his life in Pipestone County. He also has a cow calf operation, as well as draft quarter horses. Allen is an active member of his church. He is married to Barb and they have two daughters and eight grandchildren.

The next meeting of the County Committee will be an organizational meeting on Jan. 15, 2019, in Rock County and Jan. 16, 2019, in

Pipestone County. At these meetings, members of the County Committee will select a minority adviser and vote to determine the positions of chairperson and vice chairperson for 2019.

In Rock County Paul Arends is the current chairperson, Chad Hoff the current vice chairperson, Mark Vander Pol the regular member and Charla Sandbulte the minority adviser.

In Pipestone Jared Nelson is the current chairperson, Allen Gilmore the current vice chairperson, Ken Christensen the regular member and Nancy Hinricher the minority adviser.

Paul Arends was ineligible to run again due to term limits. He has served on the committee for a total of nine years and has been the chair-

person for three of those years. Paul has done an excellent job of serving the producers of Rock County. His dedication, guidance, and wise council will be greatly missed by all of us. Thank you, Paul.

Committee members are a critical component of the day-to-day operations of FSA, applying their judgment and knowledge to help in the delivery of farm programs at the county level.

The committee system for administering federal farm programs was established by Congress in the 1930s and provides farmers with a direct link to FSA. This grassroots system makes FSA unique among government agencies because it gives producers a much-needed say in what happens locally.

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### Hinkly 'last chance' tour Dec. 13

Thursday is the last chance for visitors and community members to tour the holiday decorated Hinkly House before Christmas. Volunteer artists Diane Jauert and Carol Ceynowa have decorated the historic home on North Freeman Street in Luverne with Carol's felt creatures along with the Victorian Christmas décor. Volunteers Shirley Harrison and Janet Burger will open the doors from 10 to 11:30 a.m. on Dec. 13. Also, the Hinkly House is available for small social gatherings; call the Chamber at 283-4061 to reserve.

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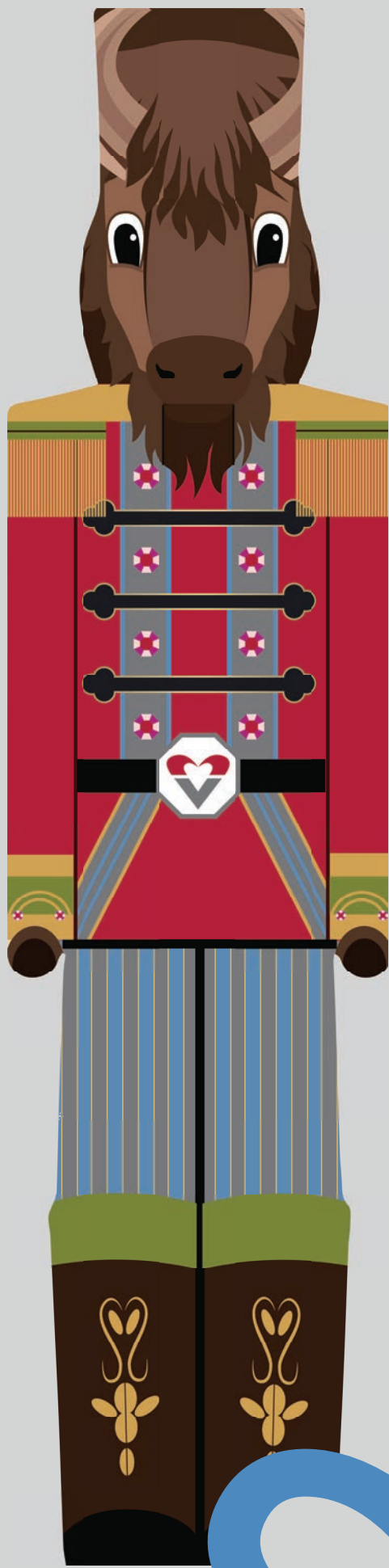


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# Jessica Van Batavia's students:



Jessica Van Batavia's second-grade class includes (front row, from left) Destiny Brandt, Madeline Zavala Soto, Lucas Hein, Levi Kelly, Tavion Torres, Ty Kopp, (middle row) Blakley Fick, Adalyn Uithoven, Makenzie Smith, Brayden Luethje, Emma Cowell, Hayden Sauer, Porter McClure, (back) Avery Wagner, Elijah Ellefson, Lilly Lanoue, Gracyn Woodley, Maddox Schomacker, Lucy Bose and Marcus Gengler.

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year by doing my chores. Please bring a stack of money because it is for my mom.  
Love,  
Madeline Zavala Soto

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year by sharing my toys. Please bring Linda Uithoven a dolphin floaty because she loves dolphins.  
Love,  
Adalyn Uithoven

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year by helping my poppa take care of my sister. Please bring my sister a new toy because I love her.  
Love,  
Tavion Torres

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I have listened in school and now I am smarter. Please bring DJ some money because he wants this.  
Love,  
Elijah Ellefson

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year because I have been nice. Please bring Lucas Kelly a dirt bike because he has really wanted one.  
Love,  
Levi Kelly

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year because I have helped my mom with chores. Please bring Nick a Lego set because he loves Legos or a small car.  
Love,  
Lucy Bose

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year by helping people. I have helped my mom. Please bring mom a pot of flowers because mom is so nice.  
Love,  
Hayden Sauer

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I have been kind. Please bring Eli Woodley a Seahawk hat because he really likes them.  
Love,  
Gracyn Woodley

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year by doing everything I have to. Please bring my mom a necklace because she is super duper nice.  
Love,  
Lilly Lanoue

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year because I have been helpful. Please bring my mom a necklace because she loves necklaces.  
Love,  
Destiny Brandt

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year because I helped my mom clean the house. Please bring mom and dad a watch because they need one.  
Love,  
Blakley Fick

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year because I have been kind to others. Please bring Henry a fluffy blanket because he is a really good napper.  
Love,  
Maddox Schomacker

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year because I share. Please bring Greta a slime kit because I love her.  
Love,  
Porter McClure

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year by helping my mom and dad with their chores. Please bring my cousins a new bracelet because they love bracelets a lot.  
Love,  
Brayden Luethje

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year because I have helped others. Please bring Kaleb a PS4 because I love my brother.  
Love,  
Lucas Hein

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year by listening at school. Please bring my guardian angel a note to tell her that I love her because she is the best even though I can't see her.  
Love,  
Makenzie Smith

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year because I have listened on the bus. Please bring Donny a cat and a puppy because then we can play ball with them.  
Love,  
Avery Wagner

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year by helping people up. Please bring my grandma Mary a walker because then she can walk.  
Love,  
Marcus Gengler

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year by helping my mom. Please bring my brother wrestling headgear because we have had ours for a long time.  
Love,  
Ty Kopp

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year by helping my mom with the dishes. Please bring my grandma a bag of flowers because she is very special.  
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# Kristin Schomacker's students:



Kristin Schomacker's second-grade class includes (front, from) Tenlee Pick, Olivia Reverts, Jazmin De La Cruz, (middle row) Ahna Tofteland, Avalynn Van Belle, Lydia Jarchow, Vanessa Chapin, Juliana Frey, Ari Jung, Jady Janssen, (back) Jackson Viger, Daniel Osias, Madden Von Tersch, Cade VandenHoek, Ben Buss, William Gehrke, Nick Hoogendoorn, Tyler Wicks, Grayson Oakland, Charlie Von Tersch and Nolan DeKam.

Dear Santa,  
I will give you a new reindeer. Will you please give my mom gum?  
From,  
Grayson Oakland

Dear Santa,  
I hope you can give me a hoverboard for a present and I want to be kind enough. Can you give an Elsa dress for my sister?  
Your friend,  
Tenlee Pick

Dear Santa,  
Are your reindeer doing ok? How is Rudolph the red nosed reindeer doing? Is he sick? And how do they fly? And how are your elves doing? How fat are you getting? Will you please bring my baby brother a baby rattle for Christmas?  
Love  
Jady Janssen

Dear Santa,  
Am I on your Christmas list? Well I don't want Christmas presents. I just want my mom to have a good Christmas. Thanks Santa! Can you give my dad a new phone please? I just want my dad to have a good Christmas too. Thanks!  
Your friend,  
Will Gehrke

Dear Santa,  
I want for my dad a plow and a backyard rink. I want for Nick a backyard football field of the Bears. I want a backyard football field of the Chiefs. I want a referee mini figure. How are the reindeer doing? How is Mrs. Claus doing? Do your reindeer need any cares? I want Tanos Ultimate Battle (Lego set).  
Love,  
Madden Von Tersch

Dear Santa,  
My elf, Elfie, ate brownies for breakfast. He was probably full. My dad wants a new big toolbox. Elfie could have a new sweater. P.S. Tell Elfie this is Nolan. Thank you for the toys.  
From  
Nolan DeKam

Dear Santa,  
I want a snake. My brother wants a toy car. I want a fidget spinner. My brother wants blocks. Please, I want a drone. Please, I want a PS4 so bad and I want \$500,000 please. I also want a phone watch. Thank you!  
Love,  
Daniel Osias

Dear Santa,  
I have a question. How do you deliver all those presents in one night? Oh and with your cookies I'll put a surprise for your reindeer. I would like a scooter for Christmas.  
Love,  
Ari Jung

Dear Santa,  
How is Herbie (our elf) doing? Please send him early! Please! I know I don't have to ask you anything because we have Herbie to tell but tell the reindeer I say Hi!  
From,  
Tyler Wicks

Dear Santa,  
I was wondering if you could give something to the homeless people? How is Mrs. Claus doing? Do you guys take care of the elves or is there somebody else to do it, like is there a head elf? Are you allergic to cats?  
Love,  
Ahna Tofteland

Dear Santa,  
I hope you have enough help this year. I hope the cookies are good! Can you give my Mom and Dad a new TV for Christmas? P.S. It's for the bathroom.  
Your friend,  
Lydia Jarchow

Dear Santa,  
Can you get my mom a roomba? Can you get me a hoverboard? How fat are you getting now? I am excited for Christmas and I have been good this year.  
Your friend,  
Cade VandenHoek

Dear Santa,  
How fat are you getting? Can you bring my mom something special? Can you bring my brother some gift cards for Fortnite? Can you bring Jason something special? Can you bring my dad something special? Can you bring my three dogs something to chew on?  
Love,  
Juliana Frey

Dear Santa,  
Can you get Mallory a stuffed animal? Can you get Jake a PS4 game? And can you get Madden a Lego set?  
Your friend,  
Charlie Von Tersch

Dear Santa,  
Hi! How are you doing? Well I am fine. Now I am going to give you a list. Can you give my mom a wreath? Oh and my dad wants a new toolbox. Oh and me, I want a foot spa.  
Thank you!  
Avalynn Van Belle

Dear Santa,  
What is it like in the North Pole? How hot does it get? How many reindeer do you have? How cold does it get? How often does it snow? Does my elf come to see you every night? How many houses do you go to? Are there more naughty or nice kids? P.S. My elf's name is Sammy or Jo!  
Love,  
Nicholas Hoogendoorn

Dear Santa,  
Can you give food to the poor children?  
From,  
Olivia Reverts

Dear Santa,  
I want a dog and goalie gear too and I want to give my brother a book.  
From,  
Ben Buss

Dear Santa,  
I want to know how old you are. Tell me about the reindeer. I wish that I could see you. Can you touch your nose and disappear? That is what I see on movies. I wish that my sister gets a horse for Christmas!  
Love,  
Vanessa Chapin

Dear Santa,  
What do you want? When is your birthday? Can I get you a present? What is your favorite thing in the world? I want to meet you soon!  
Have fun!  
Your friend,  
Jack Viger

Dear Santa,  
I want a watch phone and a doll. I really want to see you Santa and I have been good Santa.  
Your friend,  
Jazmin De La Cruz



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# Lori Nath's students:



Lori Nath's second-graders include (front, from left) Arianna Churchill, Alina Hanenburg, Benjamin Morales, Vanessa Sayavong, Jasmine Lomeli, (middle) Zack Owen, Reece Kracht, Sophia Nolz, Jaxson McTigue, Griffin Sailor, Aden Remme, James Waddington, Leah Fountain, (back) Nolan Sneller, Owen Sieve, Leighton Hubbling, Lily Krohe, Marayna Hawes, Yerari Castillo Alvarez and Brody Buntjer.

Dear Santa,  
Please bring my brother Taven a Mickey Mouse big stuffed animal because he loves Mickey Mouse stuffed animals.  
Love,  
Arianna Churchill

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a princess book because I love to listen to princess stories and songs.  
Love,  
Leah Fountain

Dear Santa,  
Please bring Miles a Chase transformer because he has been wanting one.  
Love,  
Alina Hanenburg

Dear Santa,  
Please bring my mom a coffee cup because her old one broke. And a new watch, because she couldn't find the right batteries.  
Love,  
Marayna Hawes

Dear Santa,  
Please bring Eli a drone because he will love it because he is my cousin.  
Love,  
Leighton Hubbling

Dear Santa,  
Please bring my mom an instant pot because she only has one and she could make more yogurt.  
Love,  
Reece Kracht

Dear Santa,  
Please bring daddy a remote control car so he can play with me and my siblings. Thank you!  
Love,  
Lily Krohe

Dear Santa,  
Please bring Morgan McTigue a lego set because she has been nice and she has very few.  
Love,  
Jaxson McTigue

Dear Santa,  
Please bring Lestor a drone because Lestor's drone is broken.  
Love,  
Benjamin Morales

Dear Santa,  
Please bring Jersey a new L.O.L. doll because she only has one and she is one of my favorite cousins.  
Love,  
Sophia Nolz

Dear Santa,  
Please bring my sister a L.O.L. doll because my sister really wants one.  
Love,  
Zack Owen

Dear Santa,  
Please bring Xander a game because he likes to play games.  
Love,  
Aden Remme

Dear Santa,  
Please bring my mom a Target gift card because she likes stuff she can't afford and she can buy Christmas decorations.  
Love,  
Griffin Sailor

Dear Santa,  
Please bring my mom a new lamp because she accidentally broke it and I'll tell you that when she was picking up the toys, she tipped over her lamp. She really wants a new one.  
Love,  
Vanessa Sayavong

Dear Santa,  
Please bring Sam Kleis a drone and a case because he loves drones a lot!  
Love,  
Owen Sieve

Dear Santa,  
Please bring my dad a lawn mower because he is very nice and because his broke down.  
Love,  
Nolan Sneller

Dear Santa,  
Please bring mom and dad \$100 on a Subway card because they have been good all year.  
Love,  
James Waddington

Dear Santa,  
Please bring Daniel a lot of sippie cups because he breaks them.  
Love,  
Bobo (Brody Buntjer)

Dear Santa,  
Please bring my mom a surprise and my grandma a visa because she lives in El Salvador and wants to come to America.  
Love,  
Yerari Castillo Alvarez

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2BD 3BA

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**702 N Spring, LUVERNE**  
4BD 2BA

You need to look no further! This 4 bedroom 2 bath home is ready for you! Enter your new home and enjoy the light filled living room and formal dining room with 9 ft ceilings, original hardwood floors, character and charm all around. Main floor bedroom, and you'll appreciate the recently updated kitchen with new stainless steel appliances. The upper level features 3 harmoniously updated bedrooms and a full bath, soak your cares away in the claw foot tub. The basement boasts a large family room, laundry area, spacious storage room and a full bath with a gorgeous tiled walk in shower. Entertain family and friends in your private fenced in yard. Single stall garage. Additional Bonus garage with walk up loft area (great potential for this space) with finished bonus room, the possibilities are endless. Mechanicals and components have been inspected and updated. Give your favorite agent a call today!

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# Laura Louwagie's students:



Laura Louwagie's second-grade class includes (front, from left) Allison Beyer, Summer Mollberg, Kalysa Kremin, Greysen Eitrem, Owen Thom, William Saarloos, Aryia Scott, (middle row) Bridget Sandager, Mallory Berning, Miyah Gober, Marshal Hoff, Quinn Sandbulte, Alayna Nelson, (back) Graham Hartquist, Jaden Dressen, Riley Heck, Emersyn Remme, Delaney Ahrendt and Isaac Camarillo.

Dear Santa,  
Please bring Mom a new bag because she needs a new bag. Also because she takes care of me and I love her.  
Love,  
Aryia Scott

Dear Santa,  
Please bring a new goalie stick for Graham. He has been being very nice to me and he deserves it. He would like it for knee hockey.  
Sincerely,  
William Saarloos

Dear Santa,  
Please bring Jordan and Tyra a new bike because their tires are flat. I would like a new dirt bike too.  
Sincerely,  
Riley Heck

Dear Santa,  
Please bring a new phone for my 25-year-old sister because she needs a new one. Hers is broken.  
Sincerely,  
Alayna Nelson

Dear Santa,  
Please bring a shopping card from Walmart for my mom because my mom likes to shop a lot.  
Sincerely,  
Isaac Camarillo

Dear Santa,  
Please bring a gift card to my brother Ben because he likes to shop with my mom. He'd probably buy fishing stuff! Oh, so catchy!  
Sincerely,  
Graham Hartquist

Dear Santa,  
Please bring a coffee mug for my dad because he drinks a lot of coffee! He needs a new one.  
Sincerely,  
Owen Thom

Dear Santa,  
Can you bring new work shoes for my dad because he really needs work shoes.  
Sincerely,  
Greysen Eitrem

Dear Santa,  
Please bring a 10,000 remote control car for my sister. Hers is broken.  
Sincerely,  
Miyah Gober

Dear Santa,  
Please bring an LOL doll for my cousin Raven because I think she'll really like it. Also, she'll be surprised when she opens it.  
Sincerely,  
Summer Mollberg

Dear Santa,  
Please bring an LOL doll for Clara because she really wants them and because I have some. I like playing with her LOL dolls.  
Sincerely,  
Bridget Sandager

Dear Santa,  
Please bring good luck to my great uncle because he has been moving bales. He has been only getting 2 hours of sleep last week. Let him get the fields ready.  
From,  
Quinn Sandbulte

Dear Santa,  
Please bring a big, fluffy teddy bear for my brother Logan. Logan loves teddy bears. He has a whole bunch of stuffed animals in his bed because he loves stuffed animals.  
Sincerely,  
Marshal Hoff

Dear Santa,  
Please bring a gift card from the Wildflower for my mom because she likes that place so much.  
Sincerely,  
Allison Beyer

Dear Santa,  
Please bring an unlimited edition toy tractor for my brother Landon. He has been working on this shelf of toy tractors. He really wants it bad. He has been good, so have I. I think I'm excited for Christmas.  
Sincerely,  
Delaney Ahrendt

Dear Santa,  
Please bring a new phone for my sister Blaycie. She cracked it the day she got it, so please bring a new phone. Oh, and you forgot mom and dad last year. You even need to get the old people. Sorry if I was a little bossy. I hope you learned that even if they are old, you still should give people gifts. I hope you have a good Christmas.  
From,  
Emersyn Remme

Dear Santa,  
Please bring a candy bar for my brother because he is special. He really likes sweet things and he loves those things.  
Sincerely,  
Kalysa Kremin

Dear Santa,  
Please bring a baby LOL doll for Natalie because she only has 1 and it's an LOL pet. She never got to play with one.  
Sincerely,  
Mallory Berning

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# Kelly Bergan's students:



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Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year by playing with my baby sister. Please bring my baby sister a toy dog because that is her favorite animal.  
Love  
Sofia Jacobsma

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year by helping mom with my little sister. Please bring Addy a fluffy bunny because she can play with it and sleep with it.  
Love  
Nolin Shelton

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year because I respect my mom and dad. Please bring Sutton a Diggs jersey because she does not have one yet.  
Love  
Deegan Stoffel

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year by cleaning my room and by helping out. Please bring my great-grandma a fragile tea set because she has a very fragile house and it would go good.  
Love  
Mallorie Edstrom

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year because I have been helping my mom a lot. Please bring my aunt some cream because she really needs it to help her hand get better.  
Love  
Briella John

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year because I have been helping my family. Please bring Polly a toy bunny because then she will stop taking my toys.  
Love  
Ellis Oakes

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year because I sometimes pick up the house. Please bring my dad a new electric screw driver because his broke.  
Love  
Elijah Lanoue

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year because my mom burnt her hand so I took good care of my brother. Please bring Karen a new cooking set because she loves to make treats.  
Love  
Addy Chapa

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year because I helped my brother when he fell down. Please bring my brother a trike because he always wants to ride mine.  
Love  
Harper Dewispelaere

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year by helping my mom. Please bring my dad a car because he has a small car and he wants a big car.  
Love  
Ridha Kadhim

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year by doing chores around the house. Please bring my baby sister a toy cat because that is her favorite animal.  
Love  
Kaleah Woods

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year by helping my big sister take care of my baby sister. Please bring my mom a new phone because hers is broken.  
Love  
Cristian Olivas

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year by helping my sister. Please bring my sister some mints because she can't go to sleep without them.  
Love  
Anthony Rodriguez

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year by helping my mom with Kulley a lot. Please bring my brother Paw Patrol toys because when we go somewhere he says I want that!  
Love  
Krosby Sandbulte

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year because I helped my sister when my brother hurt her. Please bring Alex a ps4 because jack doesn't share.  
Love  
Ryder Kobernusz

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year by taking out the trash. Please bring my mom some luck because she is not lucky.  
Love  
Jason Knap

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year by helping kids when they get hurt. Please bring my dad something for his broken rib so it can get better.  
Love  
Rhett Kobernusz

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year by helping my mom clean. Please bring James a big Lego set because he is a good brother to me.  
Love  
Cheyanne Hoffenkamp

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year by working hard in school. Please bring my mom a ring because she takes good care of me.  
Love  
Andy Phongphaychit

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