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## Feedlot permits double

Requests for feedlot permits doubled in 2015, more requests coming in 2016

By Mavis Fodness

The Rock County Land Management Office issued more than twice as many livestock feedlot permits in 2015 than it did the year before, according to LMO assistant director Doug Bos.

In 2015 the LMO issued 24 feedlot permits, up from 11 issued in 2014.

Bos, who also serves as the county's feedlot officer, said all of the county's 600 feedlots are permitted through the LMO office, with each site permitted a specific number of animal units.

Each farm animal species is designated a number based on its size and manure production.

For instance, a mature dairy cow over 1,000 pounds is equal to 1.4 animal units — the highest amount. A duck has the least at 0.01, according to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency website.

Bos said feedlot operations expanding to more than 1,000 AUs needs to apply for a conditional use permit through the MPCA.

"These permits come from the state but it does go through the (county) zoning board and to the County Commissioners for approval," he told Rock County Board members at their Jan. 5.

"You ultimately are the ones that decide on any site of 1,000 animal units or more."

Expansion of hog production facilities led the list of permits issued in the county in 2015 with 11, seven of which were new sites. In 2014 there was one new hog barn expansion.

Also in 2015 there were seven cattle feedlots expanded, up from two the previous year.

In addition to the cattle feedlot permits, four new cattle barns (two were new sites) were constructed in 2015. There were six built in 2014.

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Luverne High School graduate Caitlin Miller (sitting on boat) waves to the crowd Dec. 20, 2015, as she and her rowing partner, George Pagano, set out from the Island of LaGomera on a 3,000-mile trip across the Atlantic Ocean.

## Luverne grad holding her own in trans-Atlantic challenge; two-person rowing team ahead of pace

By Mavis Fodness

As of Monday, Luverne High School graduate Caitlin Miller has rowed more than 1,100 miles across the Atlantic Ocean.

Miller of Hardwick is competing in the "Talisker Whiskey Atlantic Challenge," a 90-day, 3,000-mile journey from the Island of LaGomera (one of Spain's Canary Islands just off the coast of Africa) to English Harbor, Antigua.

She and her rowing partner, George Pagano of Media, Pennsylvania, began rowing on Dec. 20, 2014, a week later than expected due to poor weather conditions.

Their team name is "Cranial Quest" in honor of their fundraising efforts for treatment of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, a neurological disease that claimed the life of Pagano's grandfather in 2003.

Monday marked the 22<sup>nd</sup> consecutive day of their journey.

Out of 26 boats competing, their boat, "Washington's Crossing," was in 17<sup>th</sup> place.

Miller is a 2010 LHS graduate and recently earned her degree in environmental restoration at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln, where she was a member of the rowing team with Pagano.

Last spring teammates voted her and Pagano oarswoman and oarsman of the year respectively. Almost a year ago, Pagano asked Miller to row across the Atlantic Ocean.

"When George first told me about the Atlantic Challenge, my first thought was that he had lost all his marbles," Caitlin wrote on the pair's website, thecranialquest.com. "My second thought was 'Do people actually row the ocean?'"

The daughter of Alex and Karen Miller grew up in rural Hardwick, which is not located near any large bodies of water.

The Millers have received regular text messages from Caitlin and one phone call on the

weekend of Jan. 2-3 since her departure.

"She sounds in good spirits," Karen Miller said. "Other than some sore muscles, they are doing really well."

Other teams have clashed with sharks and suffered severe seasickness and dehydration. Two rowers had to be airlifted to safety.

Caitlin and Pagano say they have adjusted well to living on the ocean.

According to Facebook posts at "The Cranial Quest: Rowing for a Change," the pair are up to eating three to four meals a day while consuming 3,000 calories of snacks to reach their 5,000+ calorie goal for the day.

Their main foods are dehydrated mac and cheese and mashed potatoes. The pouches are heated up in a small pot. An automatic on-board water desalinator takes water from the ocean and purifies it for drinking.

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## Sundogs appear on frigid horizon

Luverne native Scott Lopau shared this photograph of sundogs on the western horizon Saturday afternoon, Jan. 9. Sundogs are atmospheric phenomena that consist of a pair of bright spots on either side of the sun. They occur in very cold weather when drifting ice crystals in the air act as prisms to refract the light. This photograph was taken on West Main Street in Luverne facing west with the RCO facility in the foreground. Sub-zero temperatures carried through the weekend and into Tuesday, with blowing snow on Monday night causing travel hazards for motorists in southwest Minnesota.

## Lottery frenzy generates business for local outlets

By Lori Sorenson

Convenience stores and gas stations all over Minnesota have been busy selling lottery tickets, with the Powerball Jackpot topping a record-breaking \$1.5 billion as of noon Tuesday.

With Wednesday's drawing looming, Luverne cashiers were selling tickets to nearly every customer that came through the door.

"Just about everyone who comes in buys one," said Reva Green, cashier for Holiday Station store, Luverne. "We've sold three times more than what we normally do."

According to Minnesota lottery officials, the Powerball jackpot has been growing since Nov. 7, 2015.

During the jackpot run, \$30 million in sales has resulted in \$6.7 million for Minnesota's General Fund and \$5.4 million to benefit Minnesota's environment.

Minnesota players have won more than \$3.7 million since the jackpot run began.

But the rapid lottery buildup in recent weeks prompted state lottery officials to issue a warning to play responsibly.

"Players should never spend more

than they can afford on any lottery ticket," was the message sent out Monday. "Please remember, it's just a game."

Green said she hasn't noticed irresponsible ticket buyers at her cash register. Most people, she said, buy only one or two tickets.

"It's just been fun," she said. "People say things like, 'I'll take the winning ticket,' or 'I want the guaranteed winner.' And I tell them, 'If I have the winning ticket, I'm buying it myself.'"

She admits that she does buy lottery tickets — in moderation — but especially when the jackpot grows as large as it has this time.

But mostly, she said, anticipating lottery winnings is a way to brighten a cold January day.

"It's fun to watch people's faces when they talk about how they'd spend the money," she said.

"They're going to spend it on homeless shelters, feeding people, going on a vacation far away from here ..."

Green said she gets hopeful for

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### Meetings

**Grand Prairie Cemetery Association Annual Meeting** will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 16, in the Fireman's Room of the Ellsworth City Hall.

**Luverne Music Boosters** will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 19, in the Luverne High School choir room. All parents of band and choir students are invited to attend.

**Rosedell Township** will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 19, in the township hall rather than on Monday, Jan. 18, due to Martin Luther King holiday.

**SWMN Habitat for Humanity Board** will meet Thursday, Jan. 24. Call 507-215-2091 for information.

**Al-Anon** meets from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the Buffalo Ridge Meeting Room (lower level) at Sanford Luverne. Call Stephanie at 507-449-1246.

**Narcotics Anonymous** meets at 7 p.m. Fridays and for basic text study at 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays in the basement of St. Catherine Catholic Rectory, 203 E. Brown St., Luverne. Use east door. For more information call 507-220-0137.

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

**Alcoholics Anonymous and Al-Anon** meet from 8 to 9 p.m. every Thursday in Runals Memorial Hall, Edgerton. Call Naomi, 507-215-2956, with questions.

### No book donations to library

Due to the lack of space while the Rock County Library undergoes renovation, Friends of the Library request book donations be held until the remodeling work is complete.

### Sign up for student driver education

Students attending eighth grade in the 2015-16 school year and older students can sign up for student driver education. Winter class begins in February and summer classes begin in June. Fee is due with registration. Call Luverne Community Education, 283-4724, with questions.

### Pork Producers Banquet Jan. 18

The Rock County Pork Producers banquet is set for Monday, Jan. 18, at the Blue Mound Banquet Center in Luverne. Registration begins at 6:30 p.m. with dinner at 7 p.m. and entertainment, the Mary Mack Show, at 8 p.m. Cost is \$10. Tickets are available at the door, and the public is welcome.

### Monthly Food Ministry

The New Life Celebration Church will sponsor the monthly food ministry at the Luverne Senior Center on Jan. 21. If you're having trouble putting food on the table, come for fresh produce, bread and meat. Children will be asked to wait outside.

### Swim party for grades 6-8

Rock Youth in collaboration with Luverne Area Community Foundation and the Rock County and Pipestone/Rock Counties Collaborative will host a swim party Friday, Jan. 22, from 7 p.m. to 8:55 p.m. There is no cost, and snacks and drinks will be provided. Contact Stephanie Pierce (507-227-6049) or Stacy Schepel (507-283-4491).

### Knights free throw contest

The Knights of Columbus will host a free throw contest at 4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 24, in the Luverne Cardinal Gym. Register at the door. The event is free for ages 9-14 and is sponsored by St. Catherine's Knights of Columbus.

### Luverne hosts fifth- and sixth-grade basketball tourney Jan. 30

Luverne Community Education will sponsor an invitational basketball tournament for grades 5-6 boys' and girls' basketball teams Saturday, Jan. 30. Each team will play at least two games in pool play format. Entry fee is \$100 per team. Register online at [www.isd2184.net](http://www.isd2184.net) under Community Education, or call 507-2833-4724.

### Rock/Nobles Cattlemen's Association banquet set for Feb. 1

The Rock/Nobles Cattlemen's Association banquet will begin with a social hour at 6 p.m. Monday, Feb. 1, at the Blue Mound Banquet Center in Luverne. Steaks will be served at 6:30 p.m. Dr. Gary Sides, a beef cattle nutritionist with Zoetis, will speak on issues facing the beef industry today.

# Legislators host listening sessions at Hills Tuff Home, Luverne MJB Home Jan. 18

By Lori Sorenson

Workers in local nursing homes will receive pay raises, thanks to recent legislation that changes how nursing homes are funded.

The Minnesota Legislature recently passed the Senior Care Reimbursement Reform Bill, which gives \$138 million in additional funding to nursing homes.

Hills Tuff Home Administrator Laura Preheim said the funding is a welcome relief for the Hills facility.

"The board and I were eager to utilize the increased funding to increase starting and existing wages, increase health insurance benefits offered to full-time employees and their families, attract qualified workers to health care careers, and to offer nursing scholarships to qualified employee candidates," Preheim said.

Minnesota Rep. Joe Schomacker and Sen. Bill Weber, both of Luverne, will host a listening session from 2:45 to 3:15 p.m. Monday, Jan. 18, at

the Tuff Memorial Home in Hills with staff and administration to discuss how the new law will affect them.

Schomacker, Minnesota House Aging and Long Term Care Policy chairman, said the listening session will be an opportunity to discuss senior care and to put faces on those who provide care for seniors.

Preheim said she's looking forward to the Jan. 18 event.

"We're excited for the opportunity to meet our legislators from southwest Minnesota and honored that they have chosen Tuff Memorial Home as part of their statewide tour," she said.

Previous Minnesota budget cuts tied to Medicaid reimbursements created a funding gap that hit rural nursing homes the hardest.

The new law means nursing homes in rural areas now will be reimbursed at the same rate as nursing homes in metro areas of the state.

According to information from Schomacker's office, the

estimated financial impact of the legislation for the Tuff Home is as follows:

- Annual change in Medicaid and estimated private revenue for Rate Year 2016: \$509,000. (This new revenue will be in addition to the care center's current reimbursement amount.)

- Change in Medicaid revenue per resident day: \$31.23.

- Percent change in Medicaid revenue: 20.49 percent.

Schomacker said senior care facility residents and the people who care for them are already starting to see the benefits of 2015's senior care reforms.

Under these reforms, payment rates set by the state for all residents — those who pay privately and those who rely on government assistance — will better reflect the actual costs of care.

As a result, some facilities have already been able to fill open positions, give employees raises, increase benefits and expand staff development opportunities.

Real performance incentives are also a key piece of the reform, meaning that a center that provides exceptional quality can see an increase in its rates.

Schomacker and Weber will host a similar listening session in Luverne following the one in Hills. It will be from 3:45 to 4:15 p.m. at the Good Samaritan Society — Mary Jane Brown Home on South Walnut Avenue.

The estimated financial impact for the Mary Jane Brown Home in Luverne is as follows:

- Annual change in Medicaid and estimated private revenue for Rate Year 2016: \$650,000. (This new revenue will be in addition to the care center's current reimbursement amount.)

- Change in Medicaid revenue per resident day: \$46.16.

- Percent change in Medicaid revenue: 30.95 percent.

— Hills Crescent writer Glenda McGaffee contributed to this article.

## 'Book Your Winter Getaway' at local library

By Lori Sorenson

Rock County Community Library Director Serena Gutnik is reaching out to all local reading enthusiasts to sign up for the annual winter reading program, "Book Your Winter Getaway."

The more readers, the more books, the better, said Gutnik, who said the Rock County Community Library gets special recognition for various distinctions including the most new participants enrolled in the program and most books read throughout the three-month period.

"So it's a friendly competition among the libraries in the Plum Creek Library system," she said.

The annual winter reading program, sponsored by the Plum Creek Library

System and its member libraries, began Jan. 2 and continues through March 31.

Gutnik said registrations are still being accepted for the program that's open to ages 18 and older, and rewards readers for doing what they love to do — read.

Participation is simple, she said: Sign up at the library and pledge to read at least 12 books during the three-month program.

Gutnik said most readers will meet that goal and many will exceed that number.

In Rock County, library patrons who complete the challenge will receive incentive prizes — mug, hot/cold pack, credit card case or tote.

Call the library at 449-4050, for information.



Lori Sorenson photo/0114 library reading program

Rock County Community Library Director Serena Gutnik is pictured with a collection of prizes that will be awarded to readers who complete their goals in the winter reading program that began Jan. 2.

## Music ensemble organizational meeting Jan. 20

By Lori Sorenson

Have a gift of music that you'd like to share with the community?

Local musicians are encouraged to attend a Jan. 20 organizational meeting for what could become a Luverne Area Music Ensemble.

The group has a potential to form a community band or choir, small choruses or even pep band ensembles for local events and celebrations.

"We have all this musical talent in Luverne," said Janine Papik, one of the organizers. "It would be fun to get everyone together and do this."

Papik is vice president of the up-and-coming Luverne Street Music, a non-profit school that connects music

professionals with students.

Luverne Street Music would host the community music ensemble in order to facilitate tax-deductible donations.

But Papik emphasized that the organization would depend on cooperation from the chamber, school and city officials with a goal of performing at various community functions as requested.

"It would involve having a place for rehearsal, use of existing instruments (for band), a budget for music and other supplies, as well as an honorarium for any directors," Papik said. "The sky is the limit."

That's why she said it's so important to gather input and ideas early in the plan-

ning stages, and she said she hopes interested musicians attend the meeting at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 20, at the Luverne Area Chamber.

She said membership is open to all experienced voice and instrumental (including piano and string instruments) musicians, regardless of age, who are able to read music and take direction. She said this would likely include anyone who has performed at the level of high school choir or band. Practice and performance schedules will be developed in accordance with group interests.

Already Papik said she's encountered requests for 2016 summer concerts and Christmas caroling and for the 2017

Luverne 150th celebration.

So far, Papik has been working with Luverne Street Music President LaDonna Iveland, Chamber Director Jane Wildung Lanphere, Luverne High School band director Richard Owen, and retired high school band director Dale Nelson, Luverne, on initial brainstorming.

"The idea is that we'd have this core of musicians who can fit a performance to whatever occasion comes up," Papik said.

For details, she can be reached at [janinepapik@hotmail.com](mailto:janinepapik@hotmail.com) or 605 321-2055. Information is also available at the Chamber, [luvernechamber@co.rock.mn.us](mailto:luvernechamber@co.rock.mn.us) or 507 283-4061.



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## Library closed for seven days as renovation gets underway this month

By Mavis Fodness

The Rock County Community Library will be closed for seven days as a planned remodeling project gets underway.

From Tuesday, Jan. 19, through Wednesday, Jan. 27, the library will be closed to patrons. A planned closure was already set for Jan. 18 for Presidents Day.

When the facility reopens Jan. 28, the library will be operating out of the basement until the project is complete.

A limited number of library materials will be available for checkout from the basement location, and Internet will be limited to wireless access only.

"Patrons will need to bring their own devices," said assistant librarian Barb Verhey. "There will be no computers or laptops available."

The renovation is expected to be complete by April 1.

Rock County Commissioners approved the renovation bids at their regular meeting Jan. 5.

The consulting firm, Library Consulting LLC out of

**Wireless Internet will be available, but patrons need to bring their own devices during renovation.**

the Twin Cities, estimated renovation costs at \$212,592. Bids came in at \$184,233 — \$28,000 under budget.

The lower-than-expected bids came under the contractor and contingency line items.

Luverne's Okie Honken submitted a bid of \$10,000 as the project's contractor. Estimates had contracting at \$21,013.

Another savings occurred when the contingency fund was set at \$16,000 (11 percent of the project's cost). The contingency was originally estimated at \$30,594.

The savings allowed the library's board of directors to add items from a "wish list," which included \$11,500 for new children's library furniture. Original plans repurposed existing furniture for that area.

"What I don't want us to

do is to do all this work and then next year you need another \$20,000 for something else," said Commissioner Jody Reisch, who also serves on the library board.

"Let's get this show ready and fully functional now instead of nickel-and-diming it later on."

A budget of \$15,000 was set by the commissioners for 13 new computers.

The library's disposal of its surplus property through an on-line auction site was also approved.

Monies for the library renovation came through the sale of a \$1.2 million general obligation bond in 2015. The bond included \$175,000 for the county's list of capital improvement projects.

In its own budget, the library reserved \$40,000 for renovations. These monies will be spent first before tapping into the CIP funds.

Any funds left over from the library renovation could go toward the county's other CIP projects including a computer-aided dispatch system for the sheriff's office.

## County Board tables action on sheriff request for computers in squad cars

By Mavis Fodness

At their Jan. 5 meeting, Rock County Commissioners postponed a decision on authorizing more than \$230,000 for a computer-aided dispatch system for the sheriff's department.

The CAD system, which would put computers in each of the county's squad cars, is seen as streamlining officers' paperwork responsibilities

including issuing traffic citations at the scene of the traffic stop.

Sheriff Evan Verbrugge presented a three-, four- and five-year payment schedule.

He brought a payment schedule to the commissioners after he was notified his department did not receive a grant for the in-squad computer system.

Payments under each of

the three payment schedules would begin in January 2017.

"They are trying to make it so it is affordable for us to do the CAD," Verbrugge said.

A portion of the CAD equipment and software can be paid through the law enforcement E-911 fund. The rest would need to be authorized from county reserves.

Exact dollar amounts will be presented at a later date.

## Commissioners vote no on paying fire department bill

By Mavis Fodness

Commissioners voted 3-2 at their Jan. 5 meeting not to pay a bill the county recently received from the Luverne Fire Department.

This is the first time a \$750 bill for a fire call was presented for payment to the county.

On Oct. 9, 2015, the Luverne Fire Department responded to a grass fire in the ditch along County Road 11 near 71st Street.

The fire was contained to a small area in the ditch owned by the county.

Responding to the scene was a tanker truck owned by the township association. The tanker truck, which carries water to a fire scene, is used only

for calls outside the Luverne city limits.

As is customary, the fire department bills property owners \$750 for a fire call. The monies (usually paid by an individual's property insurance once a bill is presented) are used to support the fire department.

When the township tanker is used on a fire call, the \$750 is deposited in a fund specifically for the truck's future replacement.

County Administrator Kyle Oldre said he talked to township officials about how the future tanker trucks are funded.

"They (the township association) never really thought

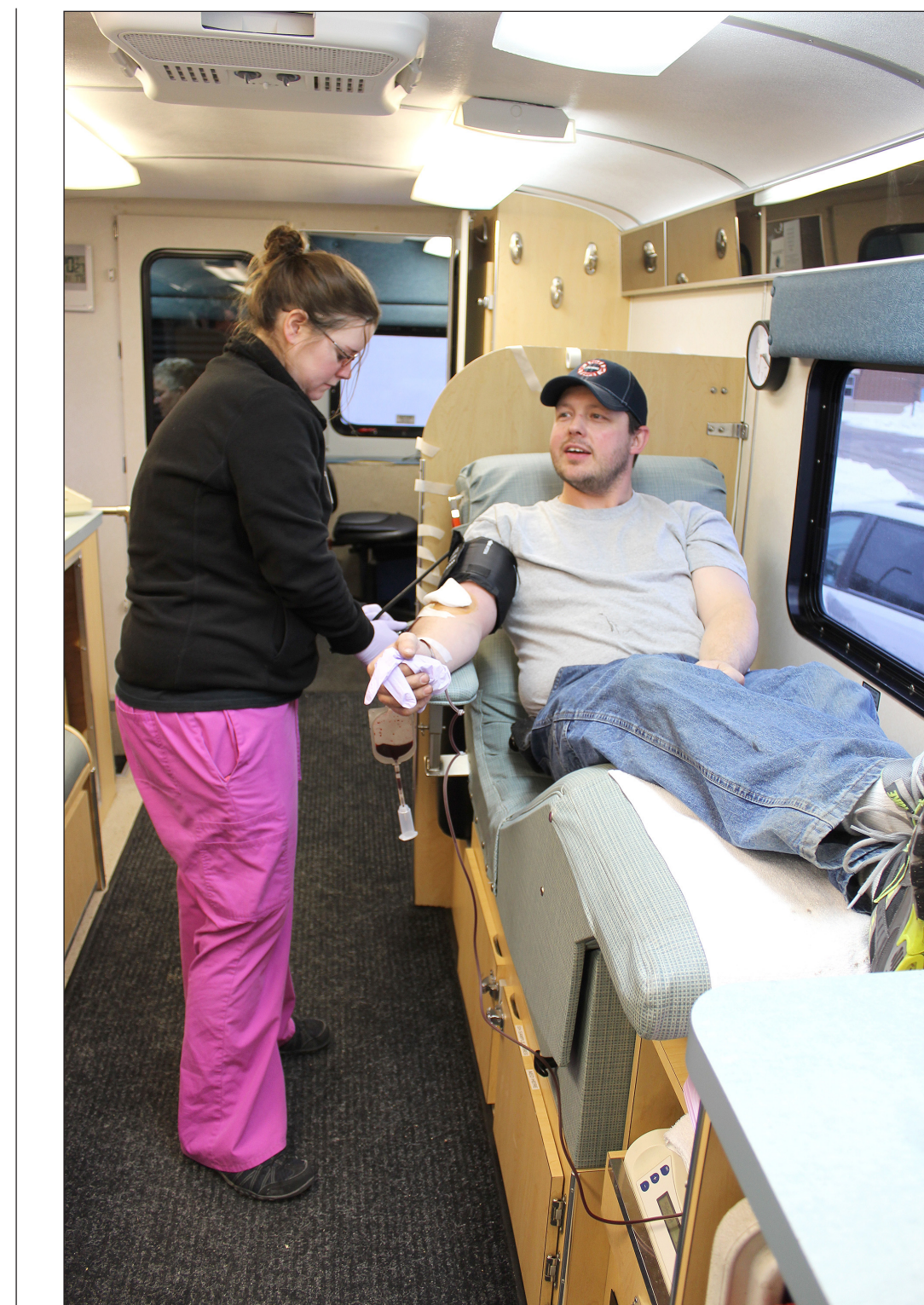
about other units of government," Oldre explained. "It (the bill) was intended to collect insurance money."

The Jan. 5 vote wasn't the first action commissioners had taken on the matter.

A motion not to pay the \$750 was made at the commissioners' Dec. 22, 2015, meeting. That vote ended in a 2-2 tie with Commissioner Jody Reisch, a member of the Luverne Fire Department, abstaining.

At the Jan. 5 meeting, Reisch and Sherry Thompson supported a motion to pay the bill with Ron Boyenga, Ken Hoime and Stan Williamson voting no.

After the meeting, Wil-



Mavis Fodness photo/0114 Blood Drive

## Law enforcement, EMTs win Heroes challenge

Al Pilaczynski (right) is one of 15 blood donors who designated the Luverne Fire Department during Monday's Ninth Annual "Heroes Behind the Badges," a friendly blood drive between firefighters and the law enforcement and emergency medical personnel. The law enforcement/EMTs won the competition with 17 donations during the five-and-one-half hour event. Community Blood Bank sponsored the challenge and Alexa Stenvig (left) was one of the personnel manning the bank's blood mobile.

## Feedlots/from page 1A

Two dairy feedlot expansions were permitted in 2015 compared with one new dairy calf barn permitted in 2014.

Already for this year, Bos said there is one application for a new hog facility, with three more in the planning stages. Three new cattle barns are also in the planning stages.

"For our farmers, they keep expanding," Bos said. "We don't have any huge sites but we have some pretty good operators, and economically for the county and for our area of people, jobs are important."

In other business at the Jan. 5 meeting, commissioners approved the 2016-17 MPCA County Feedlot Program Delegation Agreement Work Plan.

Under the plan, the LMO will randomly inspect 43 feedlots in 2016 and in 2017, up from 42 last year.

As a delegated county, the LMO is charged with the registration, inspection and compliance with state and federal mandates in order for producers to safely operate a feedlot in Minnesota.

In 2016 the county will receive \$50,632.

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them, but she also hopes she ends up with the winning ticket.

"I would share it with the community," she said. "I would give everyone in town some money. I know so many people who are struggling and it would be nice to say, 'Here. Have some fun.' ... I think that would feel wonderful."

From a business standpoint, Green said lottery sales have been good for Holiday in Luverne.

"If they come in and buy a ticket, they usually buy something else, like soda and chips.

Sales in Minnesota for the Saturday, Jan. 9, drawing topped \$13.1 million, breaking the previous record of \$10.8 million set on Nov. 28, 2012, for a \$587 million jackpot.

Saturday's drawing produced 263,866 winning tickets in Minnesota, totaling \$1.8 million in prizes, including one worth \$150,000 and 10 worth \$50,000.

The Star Herald went to press Tuesday afternoon, but Wednesday's Powerball jackpot was estimated to grow past \$1.5 billion, with

the estimated cash option at more than \$868 million.

According to state officials, lottery players have won more than \$6.3 billion since the Lottery began.

They say all Minnesotans are winners because \$2.5 billion in proceeds have helped preserve, restore and protect Minnesota's environment in each of Minnesota's 87 counties.

Lottery proceeds also help fund state programs including education, public safety, and health and human services.

## Atlantic challenge/continued from page 1A

Sleep deprivation caused the pair to adjust their around-the-clock rowing schedule from two to three hours as the other sleeps.

"It's amazing how a good playlist makes three hours of rowing fly by" was Saturday's Facebook message.

"Who do you think sings louder, Cait or George? Video evidence will be provided."

If all continues to go well, Miller and Pagano are sched-

uled to reach their destination in the first week of February, well ahead of the maximum 90-day finish.

They could be in contention of breaking the world record for a mixed-pair rowing team to cross the Atlantic.

That record stands at a little more than 60 days.

Their progress, however, could be headed toward the rowers Monday night.

A message on the Facebook site read, "No major

issues. No water in the cabin. Very good at keeping the doors shut even when it's incredibly hot."

Temperatures have ranged from 70 to 75 degrees during the pair's journey, Karen said.

She joked that she keeps any homesickness at bay with reminders of home temperatures in the single digits.

To track the duo's progress and to support their cause, visit thecranialquest.com.

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January is National Blood Donor Month

## Red Cross has urgent need for blood, platelet donations to prevent winter shortage

### STAR HERALD EDITORIAL

The American Red Cross has an urgent need for blood and platelet donations to prevent a shortage this winter.

Busy holiday schedules in November and December contributed to about 1,700 fewer blood drives held across the country compared to the two previous months, which has resulted in about 50,000 fewer donations and reduced the blood supply.

Donation appointments can be quickly and easily scheduled by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

"A decline in the blood supply after the winter holidays is not uncommon, but it can be replenished when generous volunteers roll up their sleeves to help save lives," said Sue Thesenga, communications manager for the Red Cross North Central Blood Services Region.

"We encourage our generous donors who are eligible, as well as new donors, to make an appointment to give blood or platelets and help ensure blood products continue to be available for patients. Every two seconds a patient in the U.S. needs blood."

January is National Blood Donor Month, which has been observed since 1970 with the goal of increasing blood donations during the winter —

one of the most difficult times of year to collect enough blood and platelet donations to meet patient needs.

In addition to winter bringing busy holiday schedules for many regular donors, severe winter weather can cancel blood drives, and seasonal illnesses, like the flu, may cause donors to be temporarily unable to give.

The nearest upcoming blood donation opportunity will be in Adrian from 1 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 27, at the Adrian High School.

#### How to donate blood

A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age (16 with parental consent in some states), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood.

High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements.

Blood donors can now save time at their next donation by using RapidPass to complete their pre-donation reading and health history questionnaire online, on the day of their donation, from a home or work computer prior to arriving at the blood drive.

To get started and learn more, visit [redcrossblood.org/RapidPass](http://redcrossblood.org/RapidPass) and follow the instructions on the site.

#### About the American Red Cross

The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides emotional support to victims of disasters; supplies about 40 percent of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; provides international humanitarian aid; and supports military members and their families.

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Future Minnesota Vikings fan Kingston Woods anticipates, but is denied, a spoonful of cheese dip during Sunday's game.

## Cheese dip loss trains child for life as Vikings fan

Heart-break is not new to Vikings fans. Heartbreak is what we expect.

So when the Vikings led for most of last Sunday's playoff game only to lose by missing a field goal in the last few seconds — Vikings fans were not surprised.

We are the kind of people who maintain low expectations so as to avoid disappointment.

This character trait — of expecting life to be disappointing and to probably get worse — is the same reason we all still live in Minnesota. Those with weaker constitutions have moved to warmer climates while we remain here.

It's the reason we say things like, "Could be worse," when things are bad. (Because things could be worse.) It's the reason we survey a picture-perfect summer evening and say, "Won't be long now and the snow will be flyin'."

Being a Vikings fan means having a tiny little voice in the back of one's mind that, no matter how far ahead the Vikings are, says, "Don't expect to win. It can all slip away and it will."

I should have recognized it as a sign when our TV screen went black Saturday evening — 18 hours before the Big Game. I think the Universe was telling me, "You really don't want to see this."

But I did not heed the warning of The Universe. We found a replacement TV.

A vat of chili simmered on the stove. A case of beer was chilling in the garage next to a

### THE NORTHVIEW

By Brenda Winter, Columnist

giant bag of corn chips.

Sixteen guests were expected. They had been invited to the house to watch the Vikings (possibly, but probably not, but just maybe) defeat the Seahawks. One Seahawks fan had been invited for the sake of rivalry — (in a sort of Minnesota Nice/Lutheran way.) "We're probably Number One! Or maybe not! We'll see!"

Any real animosity was covered over with cheese dip.

And that's where the unattended toddler comes into the picture. While the adults and teens in the room were trying to be hopeful — but not overly or underly hopeful — that the Vikings could win this one, he found the cheese dip.

The adults were not watching. No one was watching. This child had lived most of his 16 months consuming breast milk and floor crumbs. Until now cheese dip was just a dream and here it was right on the coffee table! He could almost touch it!

He leaned over the table reaching for the delightful bowl of slippery stuff. His pudgy little fingers grasped the edge of the bowl. Victory was within reach. And then it wasn't.

Somehow, some way, the cheese dip was whisked away and the child stared at a blank, empty space.

Won't be long and he'll be a Vikings fan.



### VOICE OF OUR READERS

#### Harrison: City should be proud of sponsored family

##### To the Editor:

Some 40 years ago Luverne sponsored a Vietnamese family of 10 children. Although only the oldest daughter, Thinh, spoke English, both she and her father immediately went to work at A.R. Wood.

Thinh (now Jackie), who left her husband behind, was pregnant. She had John on Christmas Day, and he just turned 40. We were invited to his birthday celebration in Kansas City, Missouri, on Dec. 19.

Jackie is a retired electrical engineer in San Diego, California. John has his master's, and he recruits professionals for the army. He is also a gifted musician.

I was so encouraged to hear how successful the family has been. The children went to college and several have graduate degrees.

They came with nothing, but now are living the American dream. The parents and one son have passed, but the rest have achieved the success that our country offers with perseverance and hard work. I told her we are lucky they came to the United States.

Fortunately, at that time, we had no concern that our refugees may be infiltrated with those who want to destroy us.

Certainly we need to take this into consideration



Lowell and Shirley Harrison, Luverne, are pictured with Thinh (Jackie) and her son, John Ta, on Dec. 19 in Kansas City for John's 40<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration.

now in this whole different world, but Luverne can be proud of what was accomplished by helping this family.

Shirley Harrison, Luverne

## Community support bolsters the daily work at Southwestern Youth Services

##### To the Editor:

At Southwestern Youth Services we have rolled up miles of red and green paper chain, packed away boxes of colorful ornaments and returned Christmas trees to their assigned spots in the attic. We have also reverted back to the reality of day-to-day living that, in the lives of our students, can often be quite harsh.

However, there is one remaining item that the staff and students still cling to from this holiday season that cannot be touched with our hands, overlooked in the rush back to normality or ignored in the stark memories of past family traumas.

Again we move forward with the clear understanding that there are

very generous and thoughtful people in the surrounding communities who really care about the SYS students, who genuinely have hope for their futures and care deeply about the welfare of these less fortunate young men.

As the students opened gifts on Christmas Eve, many had never experienced the joy of unwrapping gifts meant just for them. Some had never had anyone care about whether they are clothed properly, let alone in new clothes, or had someone show interest in their hobbies, let alone supply that hobby.

Some had never had a new basketball to call their own, a chess set that had all the pieces intact or candy to eat all day.

The students who received new coats wore them while opening other gifts. And, yes, while it is extremely chaotic during the gift-opening process (just imagine 28 kids opening gifts all at once!), the comments are of surprise, disbelief and wonderment.

The question, "Someone gave this to me?" is all too common. When the process is complete and all the gifts are labeled and inventoried, the staff members sit back and breathe it all in.

Just like little kids, the students are eager to show off their new prized possession or shirt or book or any number of other fascinating new things. It is heartwarming and encouraging for the staff to see the

positive side of our chosen careers.

As a longtime member of the SYS team, I am again moved by the outpouring of kindness, altruism and show of support that the surrounding communities demonstrate for our school month after month, year after year. It seems as though I am continually thanking someone for unexpected gifts, talking with someone who wonders how they can help or answering questions about our current needs at SYS.

This past Christmas was once again a great success, bringing hope, pride and seasonal joy for our students. While we all wish that all children could experience the ideal holiday season, we sadly acknowledge that the reality is much different.

For the staff, our daily work can be draining and depressing. The support that our school receives, however, bolsters staff resolve with the realization that we are not in this alone.

This letter goes out to everyone in our surrounding communities with heartfelt thanks for once again allowing us to continue with the lesson that there are many kind people in the world, that hope is not always elusive and that community is not just a geographical term. Christmas 2015 was a success at SYS and we couldn't have done it without you, our friends.

Carole Naasz and the staff and students of Southwestern Youth Services, Magnolia

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## ON THE RECORD

### Dispatch report

**Jan. 1**  
 •Deputy arrested subject for DWI. He was taken to jail.

**Jan. 2**  
 •Complainant reported someone shooting off fireworks on South Donaldson Street. Deputy spoke with homeowner.  
 •Deputy stopped subject and gave her a verbal warning.  
 •Complainant requested a welfare check on subject. She received a text from him and is concerned. Sent deputies to check.  
 •Complainant requested a deputy to remove an individual from the premises. He has been banned from the store and still comes in.  
 •Complainant reported a stalled motorist on Highway 23. Transferred to State Patrol.  
 •Complainant reported an abandoned snowmobile. Owner advised he would get it tonight.  
 •Complainant reported they had a kidnapping of a 14-year-old Hispanic girl. Suspect is 18 and driving a vehicle with Minnesota plates. Minnehaha County requested we be on the lookout for a silver Mazda and occupants.

**Jan. 2**  
 •Deputy found an open door to a business. Contacted key holder.  
 •Complainant reported a vehicle running for the past hour with someone inside. Sent deputy to check it out.  
 •Complainant reported that a road sign on the curve by his house had been knocked down. Not sure what kind of sign but looked like someone had slid around the curve and hit the sign. Township contacted for repairs.  
 •Complainant reported theft of medication.  
 •Complainant reported he was upset because a deputy showed up at his house wanting to talk to him. Complainant said the deputy would keep coming back until he talked to him. He wanted it to stop.  
 •Deputy arrested subject for third degree DWI and took her to jail.  
 •Complainant reported subject started a fire to burn some hay and did not have a current burn permit. Sent deputy.  
 •Complainant reported hay bales and cornstalks burning next to a shed. This is from the previous ICR.  
 •Deputy cited subject for speed.  
 •Deputy issued verbal warning to subject on traffic stop.  
 •Deputy stopped vehicle for no current registration. Subject had them but forgot to put them on.  
 •Deputy stopped vehicle for equipment violation.  
 •Complainant reported a broken bale of hay in the middle of the road. Deputy spoke with the subject who said he will move it.

**Jan. 3**  
 •Dispatch received a 911 call with what sounded like someone moaning. Could not get a response. Sent deputy to

location and tried calling the number back. It was a baby playing with the phone.  
 •Deputy cited subject for speed.  
 •Deputy cited subject for expired plates.  
 •Complainant requested a deputy to come and escort her roommates off the premises. They are threatening to call Social Services on her. Complainant was advised that as soon as she took money from them, she is no longer able to get rid of them as guests. Also did a welfare check on complainant's one-year-old son.

**Jan. 4**  
 •Complainant reported a suspicious vehicle around Take 16. Deputy reported it belonged to an employee.  
 •Complainant requested a welfare check on an employee. She was in jail.  
 •Complainant reported they found a checkbook in parking lot of the RSCO. Notified owner to come get it.  
 •Complainant reported that she is a crossing guard and a vehicle went through her stop sign at location. She gave the plate 507DOB. Plate was run and nothing came back. Complainant was advised to fill out complaint at law enforcement center.  
 •Dispatcher received a 911 hang-up. Called back and grandson was playing with the phone.  
 •Complainant reported that she is a crossing guard and a vehicle went through her stop sign at location. She gave the plate 212KCM red car. Complainant was advised to fill out complaint at law enforcement center.  
 •Complainant reported a bunch of garbage dumped on the east side of the road.  
 •Complainant reported a snowball thrown at his vehicle from a ditch. As he went further down the road he noticed lights in the ditch. Transferred to state patrol.  
 •Deputy stopped vehicle for expired tags.  
 •Deputy stopped another vehicle for expired tags.

**Jan. 5**  
 •Deputy spotted vehicle at location with back hatch open. Closed hatch.  
 •Complainant reported he has a flat at location. Transferred to state patrol.  
 •Complainant reported a large chunk of something in the road, possibly a cement piece about 3-by-4. Deputy advised upon arrival the party that had lost what was a fridge door out of his pickup retrieved the item from the roadway.  
 •Complainant reported the Luverne Fire Department would be out for training.  
 •Complainant reported when he was at Dollar General a pickup sideswiped his vehicle but he did not notice it until he got home. Complainant did not have a plate number. It was a red pickup, '90s style, with a hood scoop and some grey on it.  
 •Deputy stopped vehicle and advised driver to update tags.

•Deputy stopped vehicle for speed.  
 •Deputy stopped subject and issued warning for failure to signal.

**Jan. 6**  
 •G & S requested a deputy to come help with traffic control with his lights. He has one car in the median.  
 •Deputy conducted a traffic stop and issued citations for expired plates and no proof of insurance.  
 •Complainant reported insulation on County Road 4 on the way to Magnolia. When deputy arrived, someone was already there cleaning it up. It was loose insulation and someone came by and said they would push the rest of it off the road.  
 •Complainant reported garbage dumped between 231st Street and 221st Street at location. Called chairman of the Denver Township Board to advise we had a couple of calls on it.  
 •Reserved for monthly siren test.  
 •Complainant reported he is being harassed via text messages.  
 •Complainant reported the theft of a couple of items and has it on video.  
 •Complainant brought in a third of a can of old gunpowder he would like us to destroy.  
 •Complainant reported a black four-wheel-drive Chevy pickup truck hanging around the area the past couple days. Complainant advised it drives by slowly and sometimes parks down the street for a brief time. Deputies will stop the vehicle if they see it there again. It was gone upon arrival.  
 •Deputy stopped Minnesota license plate 761CJE and driver produced insurance information. He gave the driver until the end of the week to get tabs.  
 •Dispatcher received 911 call about a vehicle stalled in the middle of Highway 75 at County Road 7. Transferred call to state patrol.  
 •Deputy stopped a vehicle and warned subject for speed.  
 •Deputy conducted a traffic stop and warned subject for speed.

**Jan. 7**  
 •Complainant reported they just noticed their teal Road Master and blue moun-

tain bikes are missing. They may have been gone for a month or so.  
 •Deputy stopped vehicle and cited subject for speed.  
 •Complainant reported that she is in a domestic situation. Called an advocate to come to the Rock County Sheriff's Office. Subject turned himself in.  
 •Subject reported that she has a subject on parole and he missed a meeting with her. They are requesting that we keep an eye out for him as he was living in Rock County. Also gave a description of the vehicle he is driving.  
 •Deputy conducted a traffic stop by the city park.  
 •Deputy conducted a traffic stop at North Blue Mound Avenue & East Main Street.  
 •Deputy gave subject until next week to get current tabs; warned for speed.  
 •Complainant reported he was repossessing a vehicle in Luverne. Owner is aware of it.  
 •Deputy conducted traffic stop and warned subject to get his taillight fixed that was damaged in an accident. Subject also needs to get his license plate attached to the bumper of the car and not thrown in the dash. Subject needs to obtain current proof of insurance and bring it in.  
 •Complainant requested a welfare check on subject. No one has seen or heard from her in a couple of days.  
 •Complainant reported he saw a woman slip and fall. When he went to help, she got up and left.  
 •Complainant reported repossessing a vehicle in Luverne.  
 •Deputy cited subject for no proof of insurance. He was also warned for a taillight out and an uncased shotgun in the back of his pickup. Subject was advised the rules in Minnesota are different that South Dakota and what they are.  
 In addition, officers responded to 4 motor vehicle accidents, 4 vehicles in ditch, 2 funeral escorts, 14 ambulance runs, 2 parking violations, 8 paper services, 5 animal complaints, 2 fingerprint requests, 7 log/alarm sheets, 3 drug court tests, and issued 15 purchase/carry permits and 31 burn permits.

## Ketterling no longer pays for aluminum

By Lori Sorenson

Bill Ketterling of Ketterling Services announced this week that it will no longer pay for aluminum cans and aluminum scraps, effective immediately.  
 Ketterling Services, the local solid waste and recycling operator, has for years offered 25 cents per pound of aluminum (which amounts to about 40 cans).  
 But the announcement came this week as a result of the changes in the aluminum market, Ketterling said.  
 "We weren't very competitive in the first place," he said, adding that aluminum purchase was offered as a local convenience.  
 People could drive their aluminum to Sioux Falls or other markets and receive 35 cents or more per pound, and that option still exists.

But at Ketterling Services in Luverne, the company that used to pick up purchased aluminum is no longer doing business here.

R & T Unit Can Center, Sioux Falls, used to provide a semitrailer that Ketterling would fill up, and the company would pick up the trailer in Luverne, process the aluminum and return an empty trailer.

That service no longer exists, and Ketterling said it's cost-prohibitive for his business to continue buying aluminum without it.

People who want to continue being paid for aluminum can bring it to companies in Sioux Falls and other areas that still buy it.

Otherwise, aluminum is accepted in the local single-stream recycling program, as has always been the case.

## Luverne teen faces felony charges; second case involving same girl

By Lori Sorenson

A Luverne teen faces felony charges for his alleged role in a sexual encounter with a 14-year-old girl.

Micah Stensland-Bos, 18, appeared in Rock County District Court Monday on charges of third-degree criminal sexual conduct filed last summer.

According to court documents, an incident occurred on April 8 between Stensland-Bos and the 14-year-old girl during which the two had sexual intercourse.

While the girl had agreed to participate, the act is considered criminal when it involves a child younger than 16 and more than 24 months younger than the other person.

According to court documents, the parents of the girl learned about the incident on June 2 and reported it to law enforcement on June 4.

When interviewed, the girl told law enforcement she'd met Stensland-Bos through her sister earlier that year and that the two had hung out together several times.

She said he picked her up and they went to the shop at

his parents' place where they smoked marijuana and had sex. She said it happened around midnight and that he used a condom.

According to the court document, the girl's mother had texted Stensland-Bos about the incident, and he reportedly sent a reply text stating he was sorry for his actions.

The case is filed as a juvenile delinquency petition in Rock County District Court.

It was filed on Aug. 4, 2015, the same date as a similar case was filed against another local 18-year-old male that involves the same 14-year-old girl.

Both males were 17 at the time of the separate alleged offenses in the spring of 2015.

The Stensland-Bos case was originally misfiled as a confidential juvenile petition. It is now filed as a public document due to the felony level of the charges and the defendant is older than 16.

The outcomes of these cases are still pending, but predatory offender registration may be required for both accused males.



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### Hills-Beaver Creek Public Schools

**I.S.D. #671**

**Open Enrollment Deadline: January 15th**

January 15th is the deadline for nonresident students to apply for open enrollment to the Elementary School in Beaver Creek, District Office or online at [www.hbc Patriots.com](http://www.hbc Patriots.com). Open enrollment forms may be picked up in the district office of the Hills-Beaver Creek Public Schools from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.



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Becky Huiskes (below, far left) holds hands with daughter Emmery, Jerzey Hood and Ryder Koenig during Friday's walkathon at the Luverne Elementary gymnasium that included middle school students (right and bottom).



Mavis Fodness photos/0114 walkathon



## Luverne Elementary's monthly walkathons promote exercise, socialization

**By Mavis Fodness**  
Luverne Elementary School's physical education classes are a little more crowded the first Fridays of the month.

That's when parents and grandparents are invited to participate in the school's walkathon either on the school track or, in the case of this past Friday, in the school gymnasium.

Physical education teacher TJ Newgard borrowed the idea from his brother-in-law, who teaches in Slayton. "It's so we can get them active for 25 minutes," Newgard said.

Now in its sixth year, the walkathon event is occasionally used as a fundraiser, when students accept pledges for the number of times they circle the

*"It's fun to be with my kids at school."*

— Becky Huiskes

track or gymnasium. In the gymnasium one mile is 14 laps.

"It is fun to be with my kids at school," said Becky Huiskes, who regularly attends the walkathons with daughter Emmery, a kindergarten.

On walkathon days, two classes participate each hour for the entire school day, with some of Newgard's middle school students joining in during the morning classes.

## CELEBRATIONS

### Open House

**Glenda McGaffee** will celebrate 40 years of employment at the Tuff Memorial Home in Hills by hosting an open house at 3 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 14, at the Tuff Home.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

## MENU

### Senior Citizens

**Monday, Jan. 18:** Hamburger cabbage casserole, green beans, peaches, bread, pudding.

**Tuesday, Jan. 19:** Pork steak, sweet potatoes, winter blend vegetables, bread, scalloped apples.

Program: Two-buck Tuesday (?)

**Wednesday, Jan. 20:** Meatloaf with ketchup, tri-tater potatoes, creamed corn, bread, mandarin oranges.

Program: 11:15 a.m. organ music with Betty Mann.

**Thursday, Jan. 21:** Oven-crispy chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, carrots, bread, poke cake.

Program: 5 p.m. Food Giveaway with New Live Church.

**Friday, Jan 22:** Meaty beef stew with carrots and potatoes, cole slaw, biscuit, cheesecake.

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

Bring a friend or make new ones.

Call Janice Fick at 283-9846 to make dining reservations or for home-delivered meals.

## 1923: Local money orders can now be sent to relatives living in Germany

The following appeared in the Rock County Herald on December 21, 1923:

### U.S. AND GERMANY RENEW MONEY ORDER EXCHANGE

Under arrangements completed by the two governments, beginning November 1st, there again will be an exchange of money orders by the postal systems of the



United States and Germany, according to announcement

## BITS BY BETTY

By Betty Mann, president  
Rock County Historical Society

received this week by Postmaster Geo. W. Fried.

It has been impossible since the war to send money orders from the United States to Germany, much as this has been desired by people in this country who have relatives in Germany.

The new arrangement also provides that international reply coupons, costing 11 cents each, may be purchased at the Luverne postoffice and

sent to correspondents in Germany, where they may be exchanged by the recipient for postage stamps with which to prepay postage on mail destined for the United States.

The same money order rates will prevail as those to other countries, and the exchange on the money orders will be figured at the exchange rate in effect on the

day the money order advice is received at the Cologne exchange office.

Donations to the Rock County Historical Society can be sent to the Rock County Historical Society, P.O. Box 741, Luverne, MN 56156.

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

## SCHOOL NEWS

### Scholarships awarded to local students

Andrea Severtson, Kenneth, will receive the Yellow and Blue Scholarship for the academic year at South Dakota State University, Brookings.

The scholarship is part of the Jackrabbit Guarantee which awards a minimum \$1,000 academic scholarship to incoming freshmen who scored 24 or better on the ACT and maintain full-time enrollment with a 3.0 GPA or better.

Severtson, daughter of Sterling and Denise Severtson, graduated from Luverne High School and is a freshman animal science major. She plans to become a veterinarian. In high school, she was involved in 4-H, FFA, peer helping and figure skating.

Hilary Deragisch, Luverne, will receive a Shopko Scholarship at SDSU for the academic year.

The scholarship is awarded to students pursuing careers in retail pharmacy who live in one of the 13 states where Shopko operates.

Deragisch, who is majoring in pharmacy, is the daughter of David and Lori Deragisch, Luverne. She is a member of the American Pharmacists Association-Academy of Student Pharmacists and the Kappa Epsilon Pharmacy fraternity.

### St. Cloud State announces dean's list

St. Cloud State University, St. Cloud, has released the Fall 2015 dean's list. To qualify, students must have a GPA of 3.75 or higher on a scale of 4.0.

Named to the dean's list from this area are Nathan Loosbrock, Adrian, (School of Health and Human Services, Nursing) and Spencer Schacht, Luverne, (College of Liberal Arts, Mass Communication).

### SDSU releases fall dean's list

South Dakota State University in Brookings has named several area students to the dean's list for Fall 2015 semester. To be named, students must earn at least a 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale.

Students with an asterisk received a 4.0. (Key for acronyms at end.)

The following students were named to the list:  
From Luverne: Ellen Dahl SA&S; Kristen Scheidt, SA&S; Brenna Brown, SEHS; Sydnie Weiss, SEHS; Bryanna Wessels, SNURS; \*Jordan Stegenga, SAGBS; \*Elizabeth Scheidt, SEHS; \*Brenton Thompson, SENGR; \*Hilary Deragisch, SPHA; \*Jake Aukes, SUC.

From Hills: Haley Van Wyhe, SEHS; Natalie Leuthold, SNURS.  
From Adrian: David Cook, SAGBS; Mitchell Voss, SNURS; \*Bridget Kramer, SAGBS.

From Ellsworth: \*Paige Meester, SEHS; \*Cole Meester, SENGR.  
From Kenneth: Arica Tweet, NED, SEHS.

(Acronyms: SAGBS - College of Agriculture & Biological Sciences; SA&S - College of Arts & Science; SEHS - College of Education & Human Science; SENGR - College of Engineering; SNURS - College of Nursing; SPHA - College of Pharmacy; SUC - University College.)

### Bethany Lutheran issues fall dean's list

Bethany Lutheran College in Mankato has listed two local students to their Fall 2015 dean's list. To make the list, a student must carry at least 14 academic credits and maintain at least a 3.5 grade point average.

Included on the list are Cora Mumme of Hardwick and Andrew Jelken of Luverne.

### SMSU Announces fall dean's list

Southwest Minnesota State University in Marshall has listed a number of area students on the dean's list for the Fall 2015 semester. Eligible students must achieve a 3.5 grade point average or higher. Students with an asterisk received a 4.0.

From Luverne: Cole Johnson; Brook Thompson.  
From Hills: Kelli Esselink; Katlyn Sandbulte.  
From Edgerton: \*Blake Jouvstra; \*Cassandra Stromberg; Austin LaFollette.

## ENGAGEMENT

Kay and Daniel Madsen, Adrian, Rodney Getzel, Brewster, and Mark and Cynthia Kurtz, Luverne, announce the engagement of their children Krista Getzel and Jonathan Kurtz, both of Luverne.

Krista graduated from Fairmont High School in 2006 and from Minnesota West, Jackson, also in 2006, where she studied nursing. She currently works at the Minnesota Veterans Home and Rock County Opportunities in Luverne.

Jonathan graduated from Luverne High School in 2009 and from Southeast Technical Institute, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, in 2010 with a specialty in HVAC. He currently works at Mark's Plumbing and Heating.



Krista Getzel and Jonathan Kurtz

They are planning a June 4, 2016, wedding at Grace Lutheran Church in Luverne.

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# McGaffee reflects on 40 years of employment at Tuff Home in Hills

By Lori Sorenson

At 19, Glenda McGaffee remembers not liking her new job at the Tuff Home in Hills.

"I hated it," she said. "I hated all the old people."

McGaffee said it didn't take long to like her job and love the people — her co-workers and the residents and their families.

This week McGaffee will observe her 40th anniversary of working at the Tuff Home, and she said it's a good time to reflect back on her career.

"I grew to love it through the years," she said Friday when asked about her 40-year job. "I love the elderly. If you can make their day brighter, then you've done your job."

Part of that commitment comes from the time her own mother, Henrietta Wassenaar, spent at the Tuff Home while McGaffee worked there.

"It occurred to me that we should think of all the residents as if they're our parents or grandparents," she said.

And this, she said, is what also makes it hard to say good-bye to residents when they pass away.

"They become your family, and you become their family," McGaffee said. "The residents see you more than they see their own relatives."

Further compounding losses, she said, is the fact that residents' family members stop visiting Tuff after their loved ones pass away.

"That's the hardest part about saying good-bye — you don't see their families anymore either," she said.



Pictured at the Tuff Home in the late 1970s were (front, left) Rosella Metzger, Dorothy Bos, Esther Nelson, Helga Van Goor, Lucy Knobloch, (middle) Rochelle Hoogeveen, Coleen Martens, Pearl Hoff, Malena Boeve, Anna Schouwenburg, Hendrene Leenderts, (back) Judy Jacobson, Bill Ehde, Pastor O. Paul Hougen, Jim Iverson and Glenda McGaffee.

When McGaffee started at the Tuff Home in 1976, it was a part-time job.

She was already a columnist for the Hills Crescent, and her neighbor, Judy Jacobson, encouraged

her to apply for an opening in the activities department helping residents with arts and crafts.

In the years since then, her job changed from activities to office work to social services and back

to activities, and she worked under (and helped train) several different administrators.

Rosella Metzger, who recently retired from 40 years in the Tuff Home dietary department, thinks of McGaffee as her "roomy," since the two women shared office space and knew each other so well.

"She has a good work ethic and a friendliness about her," Metzger said. "We got to be pretty close."

Metzger said she, like McGaffee, developed a unique perspective on aging after working so long in a nursing home.

"You don't think you're getting older, but you realize it when you start seeing people you know become residents," Metzger said.

"It's amazing how many people we worked with who became residents and then passed on."

McGaffee said her job makes her appreciate her own good health. "The older I get, the more I appreciate that I'm able to get up in the morning and do what I want to do," she said.

Most of her 40 years at the Tuff Home McGaffee worked full time, until she recently went half time in order to pursue her job at the Crescent.

"I'm so glad I started that job," she said. "It's a different world I get to see out there, other than the residents and my co-workers at Tuff. And at the same time, the residents and people at the Tuff Home have a lot to share with the Crescent, too."

McGaffee will host a small celebration at the Tuff Home at 3 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 14. Cake and coffee will be served.

## U of M Extension and SWROC's Winter Crops and Soils Days Feb. 1-4

The Southwest Research & Outreach Center (SWROC) and University of Minnesota Extension will host Winter Crops and Soils Day Feb. 1-4 in Montevideo, Luverne, Lamberton and Fairmont, respectively.

The Winter Crops and Soils Day programs will feature presentations on agricultural economics and cost management, soil fertility and nutrient management, aphid resistance, weed management, abiotic factors limiting crop yields, the weather's impact on yields and a panel discussion on where it is safe to cut crop inputs to reduce production costs.

Speakers from the Univer-

sity of Minnesota's Research and Outreach Centers and St. Paul Campus and University of Minnesota Extension include Paulo Pagliari, Jeff Stroock, Axel Garcia y Garcia, Bruce Potter, Bob Koch, Jeff Gunsolus, Tom Hoverstad, Don Nitchie, David Bau, David Nicolai and Lizabeth Stahl.

Winter Crops and Soils Day locations and times are as follows:

•Monday, Feb. 1, at the American Legion in Montevideo from 1 to 5 p.m.

•Tuesday, Feb. 2, at the Pizza Ranch in Luverne from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

•Wednesday, Feb. 3, at the Southwest Research & Outreach Center in Lamberton from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

•Thursday, Feb. 4, at the Knights of Columbus in Fairmont from 1 to 5 p.m.

Registration will begin 30 minutes prior to the given start time. No lunch will be served at the afternoon programs in Montevideo and Fairmont. The full-day programs in Luverne and Lamberton will include lunch and feature expanded presentations and longer Q & A sessions.

SWROC's Winter Crops and Soils Day is open to the public. Pre-registration is

required. Registration for the programs in Montevideo and Fairmont is \$25 and includes refreshments and handouts. Registration for the programs in Lamberton and Luverne is \$35 and includes refreshments, handouts and lunch. Continuing education units for certified crop advisers have been applied for.

Winter Crops & Soils Day is sponsored by the University of Minnesota Southwest Research & Outreach Center, College of Food, Agricultural & Natural Resource Sciences, and Extension. For more information, visit <http://swroc.cfans.umn.edu>.

## OBITUARY

### Jeffrey Rust

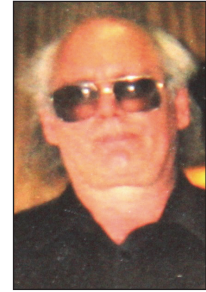
Jeffrey Paul Rust, 60, died Friday, Jan. 8, 2016.

Visitation will be at 1 p.m. Friday, Jan. 15, at Barnett-Lewis Funeral Home in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. A memorial service will follow at 2 p.m.

He is survived by his mother and father, Melvin and Dorothy (Hieronimus) Rust, Sioux Falls; brothers Mark

Rust, Sioux Falls, and Scott (Cheryl) Rust, Centerville, South Dakota. Jeffrey is also survived by several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Arrangements were by Barnett-Lewis Funeral Home of Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Email: [blfh@midconetwork.com](mailto:blfh@midconetwork.com). (0114 F)



## REMEMBER WHEN

### 10 years ago (2006)

•History was made during Thursday's boys' basketball game between Lincoln HI and Ellsworth in Ellsworth.

Cody Schilling, an EHS sophomore, became the school's youngest athlete to reach the 1,000-point club during the course of a 91-59 victory over the Rebels. ...

Cody's older brother, Curt Schilling, netted his 1,000<sup>th</sup> point in December of 2002. He later became the first EHS player to score more than 2,000 points as a senior in 2004.

### 25 years ago (1991)

•Luverne's curbside recyclables pickup program won't begin until March, although countywide recycling is underway. ...

The city plans to provide two containers for each Luverne household. One container will be labeled for newspaper and the other for glass, plastic and metal.

### 50 years ago (1966)

•Eugene Bendix has been named Teacher of the Year at Luverne High School. ...

This year is the first time the selection of a teacher has been made here. ...

Bendix teaches three classes of chemistry and a 9<sup>th</sup> grade science class at Luverne High School.

### 75 years ago (1941)

•The following headlines in the Rock County Herald the week of Jan. 10, 1941, reveal the local impact of World War II:

- Battery E Will Leave January 16
- Next Draft Call For Rock County Set For Jan. 28
- The War This Week
- Bank Grants Colonel Anderson Year's Leave
- Local Guardsmen Now Lieutenants

### 100 years ago (1916)

•The following advertisement appeared in the Jan. 14, 1916, Rock County Herald:

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We can also supply you with any style of Victor or Victrola. — Bert E. Leas, Luverne.



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## VFW donates televisions to veterans

Six television sets were given to the Minnesota Veterans Home in Luverne Jan. 6 by representatives from the Veterans of Foreign Wars District 3, which encompasses 18 VFW chapters in southwest Minnesota. Pictured from left are Terrie Gulden, VFW Post 2757, Luverne; Chuck Drown VFW Post 5334, Minneota; Ed Lozinski, District 3 commander; Duane Mabon, Minnesota Veterans Home activities director; Buck Underwood, District 3 senior vice commander; and Warren Herried, a World War II veteran and Minnesota Veterans Home resident.

## Sign-ups still underway for several FSA programs

•Jan. 18: FSA Office closed for Martin Luther King Day

•Jan. 29: 2015 LIP sign-up deadline; CRP "Early Out" request deadline

•Feb. 1: 2015 Wool Loan and LDP request deadline; 2014 and 2015 ARC-CO Payment recalculation request deadline; 2016 NAP Maple Sap sales deadline

•Feb. 15: FSA Office closed for Presidents Day

•Feb. 26: CRP General sign-up deadline

### Livestock Indemnity Program

The Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP) is now a permanent program providing benefits for livestock deaths in excess of normal mortality, caused by adverse weather, or attacks by animals reintroduced into the wild by

the federal government or protected by federal law, including wolves and avian predators. LIP payment rates are based on 75 percent of the fair market value of the livestock on the day before the date of death.

Eligible livestock include commercial buffalo, beef and dairy cattle, equine, goats, poultry, sheep and swine. Eligible adverse weather events include extreme heat, lightning, tornadoes and floods, as well as extreme cold, winter storms and blizzards.

Selected normal mortality rates are 1.5 percent for adult cattle, 5 percent for calves, 3

percent for adult swine, 4 percent for feeder pigs, 4 percent for adult sheep and 10.7 percent for lambs.

To be eligible for LIP, a producer must have legally owned the livestock on the day the animal died. The only contract growers that are eligible for LIP are

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# New mayor starts in Hardwick; not her first time in leadership

By Mavis Fodness

When Jan Baustian is sworn into office tonight (Thursday) as Hardwick's newest mayor, she will be stepping back into a position she first served in almost 30 years ago.

This time, however, Baustian said her role would be one of nurturing instead of trailblazing.

"The council, bless their hearts, are a bunch of young people that don't have much (mayoral) experience," Baustian, 72, said.

Previous mayor John Javner resigned as leader of the town of less than 200 people last month. He had one year left of his two-year term.

In 1983 Baustian was the first female councilor elected to the Hardwick City Council. Four years later she became the city's first woman mayor.

She said paying \$2 for her name to be on the election ballot 30 years ago was not a common occurrence.

"It was the first time we had names on the ballot," Baustian said.

Tradition had only write-in candidates who reluctantly accepted the



Jan Baustian is sworn in as the mayor of Hardwick. She will finish out the last year of the previous mayor John Javner's two-year term. Javner resigned at last month's meeting. She's pictured at the city limits Thursday, Jan. 7.

Mavis Fodness photo/0114 New Hardwick Mayor

beginning in 1983, four as a councilor and four as mayor. She stepped down in 1990 and has served once as a fill-in councilor when asked since that time.

Current council members asked last month if Baustian could fill in as mayor for the coming year.

"I don't want to say 'yes' and do half a job," she said.

Thinking she could be an asset to current council members, Baustian accepted.

"There are some things that need to be addressed," she said.

Baustian admitted she has a lot to learn as she transitions back to the position decades after she left.

"There is so much more to (being mayor) now," Baustian said. "It was a lot less formal back then."

For help with following state and federal rules, she will look to seasoned city clerk Tammy Johnson, who served in the same capacity when Baustian was first mayor. She will also look to the League of Minnesota Cities, an organization charged with assisting members with education, training, advocacy, policy development and risk management.

Besides the more formal duties, her time as mayor will also be different this time around.

The Hardwick native has since retired from working as a nurse at the South Dakota State Penitentiary in Sioux Falls, and her two children, Don and Tony, are now grown. Her husband, Howard, died in 1998 from cancer. Her stint as mayor will also be short term.

"I am hoping someone on the council will take a serious look at it," she said. "I am here to help them."

position. Once in office, they were also reluctant to conduct business in front of the public.

Baustian ran into that reluctance firsthand in the late 1970s when attended a

meeting with another Hardwick resident and again in the early 1980s when she tried attending a council meeting by herself.

"They asked us what are we were doing there," she

recalled.

When Baustian explained she wanted to listen in on official meeting business, the meeting stopped.

"We all sat there for 15 minutes. Nothing was said at all," Baustian said. "I told them, 'I guess one way to find out what's going on I'd better run for council.'"

Encouraged by her late brother, Charlie Braa, who was the county auditor, Baustian ran for office and won.

She served eight years on the Hardwick City Council

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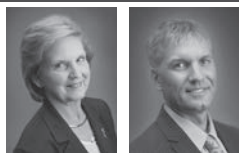
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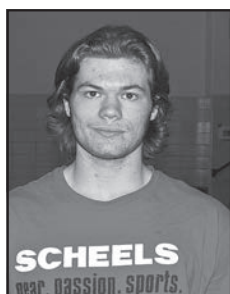
### Bailey Jacobsma

**Sport:** Basketball  
**Position:** Guard  
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**Extra-Curricular Activities:** Youth Group, Choir and Basketball  
**Future Plans:** Attend college and find something I love to do



### Brandon Claussen

**Sport:** Wrestling  
**Position:** 170  
**Parents:** Audrey and Terry Claussen  
**Favorite Subject:** History  
**Extra Curricular Activities:** Football, Track and Play  
**Future Plans:** College and get money



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## Question of the week: lake aeration

**Q: How does the DNR decide whether to aerate a lake to prevent winter fish kill?**

**A:** The DNR does not aerate lakes, but we do issue permits to lake associations, counties and other local partners who wish to aerate shallow lakes that are prone to fish kills due to lack of dissolved oxygen in the winter.

Public safety is the primary concern, so these permits require aerated parts of the lake to be clearly marked with thin ice signs and located away from high-traffic areas such as boat launches and snowmobile trails.

DNR fisheries and wildlife managers often provide guidance on whether or not aeration is desirable for a given lake.

For example, some shallow lakes are important habitat for waterfowl, where fish compete with ducks and geese for food while stirring up sediment that can harm aquatic vegetation.

In those cases, natural winter fish kills serve an important biological purpose.

— Marilyn Danks, DNR aeration program specialist

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# Putting on a show



Joyce Fluit (left) and Verla Fick, members of the Blue Mound Quilters, set up the club's challenge display that had members incorporating the same polka dot-patterned fabric in a quilt project no larger than 24 inches.

## Blue Mound Quilters display works of art at Carnegie Cultural Center

Story and photos by Mavis Fodness

The Blue Mound Quilters are displaying two years of work this month at the Carnegie Cultural Center in Luverne.

Included in the more than 75 quilts, table runners and wall hangings is one quilt that took its quilter more than a year to complete.

With her Block of the Month membership, Mary Crawford constructed a Women of Courage quilt top from 12 individual patterns received monthly in the mail. Included with each pattern was a biography of a pioneering woman. Crawford said the fabric was Civil War reproductions and the result is a mix of floral prints, tonal blenders and color palette of tan, red, teal and green.

Working on the project gave the Beaver Creek woman a year of stress relief.

"I say it's therapy," Crawford said with a laugh. "And I need therapy."

Included with the displays are the quilt challenges from the 2014 and 2015 Rock County Fair.

A challenge involves each quilter incorporating the same patterned half-yard of fabric into a quilt pattern. No two quilters use the fabric in the same manner in their products.

The display also includes a challenge to the members of the Blue Mound Quilters. Their challenge involved the same polka-dotted material in projects no larger than 24 inches.

Blue Mound Quilters began about 30 years ago, according to current president Verla Fick of Luverne.

Each year for the past two decades, the quilters have assembled the quilt for the Sanford Luverne Hospice raffle.

The 2016 quilt will be displayed at the Cultural Center.

Fick said the group recently made pillowcases for the students

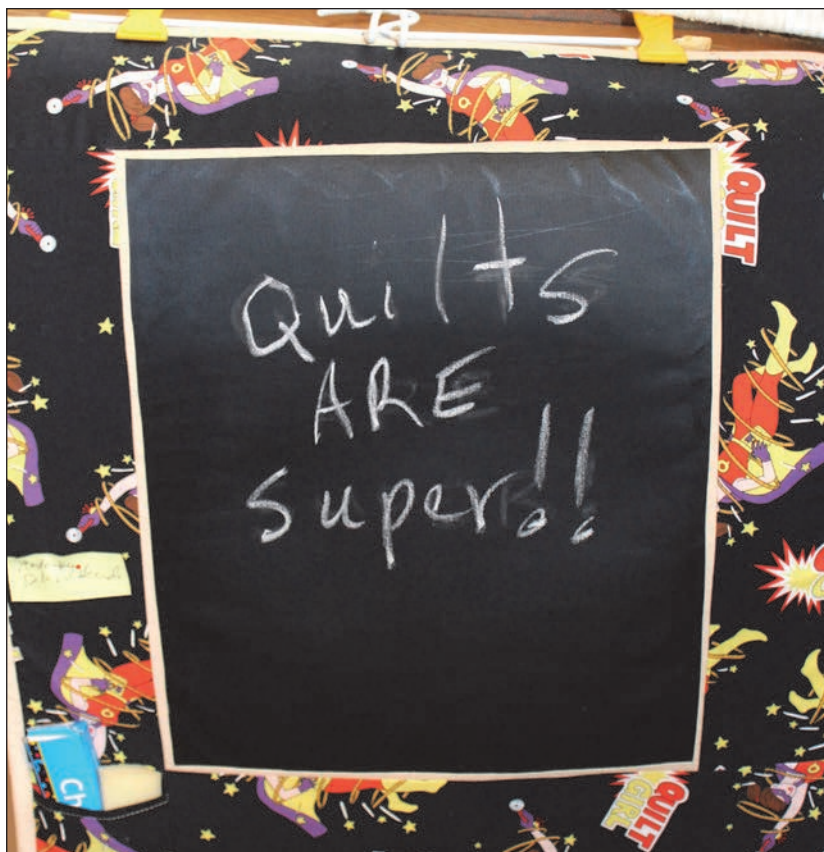
### Quilters' reception scheduled for Jan. 23

Members of the Blue Mound Quilters will answer questions at a special reception Saturday, Jan. 23.

The reception will be from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Carnegie Cultural Center, 205 N. Freeman Ave., Luverne.

Council for the Arts and Humanities of Rock County is sponsoring the reception.

The Blue Mound Quilters Quilt Show is at the center through Feb. 6.



Today's innovative quilt fabrics include those that can be written on with chalk.

at Southwestern Youth Services in Magnolia.

"I thought that would be a good service project for the club," she said.

Completion of the 30 pillowcases had some of the 22 members receiving an education.

"That's the reason I wanted to

join (the quilters)," said Joyce Fluit, also of Luverne. "I wanted to learn."

The quilt display at the Carnegie Cultural Center is open from 1 to 4 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday through Feb. 6.

Blue Mound Quilters host a quilt show for their members every two years.



Council for the Arts and Humanities of Rock County President Jerry Deuschle (top), with the help of David Svingen, hangs one of more than 75 quilt projects currently on display at the Carnegie Cultural Center.



**Left:** This quilt made by Beaver Creek's Mary Crawford took more than a year to complete through the Block of the Month, Women of Courage project. Each block pattern is in honor of a pioneering woman including Rosa Parks, Amelia Earhart and Christa McAuliffe.



**Right:** The club challenge display shows the design variations used by different club members as they incorporated the same polka-dotted fabric into a quilt pattern.

## Girls reel off three consecutive wins

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne girls' hockey team upped its record to 14-5 after recording three wins in five days.

After posting an eight-goal home win over Fairmont Jan. 5, the Cardinals topped Morris-Benson by seven goals in Benson Friday before securing a four-goal victory over Prairie Centre in Sauk Rapids Saturday.

Luverne skates in St. Peter Friday.

### Luverne 5, PC 1

The Cardinals scored four unanswered goals in the second and third periods to best the Blue Devils in Sauk Rapids Saturday.

The score was knotted at one after 17 minutes of play, but Luverne scored three times in the second period and once in the third to clinch the victory.

Gabby Olson opened the scoring for Prairie Centre with a power-play goal at the 6:58 mark of the first period, but that proved to be the highlight of the game for the Blue Devils.

LHS scored the next five goals, including three from Madisyn Dingmann, to settle the issue.

Dingmann knotted the score with 2:31 remaining in the first period before giving the Cards the lead (2-1) with an unassisted tally at the 9:17 mark of the second period.

Mariah Aukes recorded an unassisted goal 20 seconds later and Dingmann completed her hat trick with 1:16 remaining in the second stanza to give the Cards a 4-1 advantage.

Madi Oye scored Luverne's final goal with 57 seconds left in the game.

Aukes and Makayla Sterrett led the Cards with two assists in the game, while Madison Crabtree chipped in one.

Emilie Bartels made 24



Senior Mekayla Sterrett slips the puck past Fairmont's Jalyssa Wilson during Luverne's 10-2 win over the Cardinals at the Blue Mound Ice Arena Jan. 5. Luverne defeated the Cardinals before posting weekend wins in Benson and Sauk Rapids

John Rittenhouse photo/0114 lgh 2

saves for an LHS team that came up on the short end of a 25-23 edge in shots on goal.

### Luverne 8, M-B 1

The Cardinals opened a weekend road trip by registering a seven-goal win over the Morris-Benson Storm Friday in Benson.

Luverne scored the first six goals of the game and outshot M-B 41-13 during a one-sided contest.

Sterrett, Dingmann and Aukes scored two goals each to lead the Cardinals offensively.

Kennedy Gonnerman stopped 12 of the 13 shots she faced in goal.

LHS scored four goals in the first period to take control of the game.

Dingmann and Sterrett netted one goal each in the first 1:57 and Aukes and Carly Serie put the puck in the net one time each in a span of 1:49

in the middle part of the first period to make it 4-0.

Sterrett scored her second goal at the 9:35 mark of the second period, and Aukes capped her two-goal night with 1:51 remaining in the stanza to up the lead to 6-0.

M-B's Hanna Lindblad snapped Luverne's four-goal run 2:19 into the third period, but Maddie Dinger and Dingmann scored goals for the Cards in the final 8:28

to ice their seven-goal victory. Sterrett turned in a three-assist effort for LHS.

Dinger, Regan Feit, Claire Baustian, Crabtree, Lexi Henrichs and Adayla Rouzer charted one assist each.

### LHS 10, Fairmont 2

The Cardinals put together a pair of five-goal runs to highlight an eight-goal home

Girls/continued on page 5B

## Wrestlers post sweep in Tracy

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne Cardinal wrestling team swept the field at a triangular meet in Tracy Friday.

The Cardinals downed Fulda-Murray County Central 44-25 in the opening match before nipping Tracy-Milroy Balaton-Westbrook-Walnut Grove 39-36 in the finale.

Six Cardinals sported perfect 2-0 records at event's end.

Jake Haugen, Adam Fodness and Solomon Nielsen posted a pair of conquests on the mat.

Haugen secured a 5-2 win against F-MCC's Ben Blanchette before prevailing by technical fall over T-M-B-W-WG's Jake Byrne.

Fodness registered consecutive pins against F-MCC's Logan Ahlers (1:16) and T-M-B-W-WG's Jace Paplow (3:23).

Nielsen won by technical fall over F-MCC's John Sweetman and pinned T-M-B-W-WG's Rylan Fogelson in 1:00.

Tucker Oeltjenbruns, Will Natte and Jakob Olson drew forfeits from F-MCC and won matches against T-M-B-W-WG to go 2-0.

Oeltjenbruns notched a 17-5 major decision win against Luis Perez, Natte pinned Austin Axford in 1:16 and Olson pinned Cole Olson in 58 seconds.

Brandon Claussen went 1-0 for the Cards, while Jed Dooyema and Zach Luke went 1-1.

Tom Brown dropped one match for LHS.

Hunter Baker and Jeremiah Dooyema went 0-2.

The 5-9 Cardinals wrestle at a triangular meet in Springfield

Sweep/continued on page 3B



Luverne defenseman Chris Jelken advances the puck past center ice during Saturday's home game against Willmar. Luverne scored six goals in the second and third periods to secure a 7-2 win.

John Rittenhouse photo/0114 lgh 1

## Cardinals take care of Section 3A opponents

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne boys' hockey team disposed of three Section 3A opponents in a five-day span to up its record to 13-3.

The Cardinals rolled to a 14-goal home win over Fairmont Jan. 5 before skating to a nine-goal victory in New Ulm Friday.

LHS returned home to beat Willmar by five goals Saturday. Luverne hosts Redwood Valley Thursday.

### LHS 7, Willmar 2

The Cardinals racked up their fourth consecutive victory when they topped Willmar by five goals at the Blue Mound Ice Arena Saturday.

Jaxon Nelson exploded for six goals in the game to help the Cardinals turn a 1-1 draw in the first period into a comfortable victory.

Nelson opened the scoring 6:15 into the game, but Willmar tied the score at one when Grant Duinck scored for the visitors with 2:57 remaining in

the opening stanza.

Luverne moved in front 2-1 when Chaz Smedsrud scored 5:15 into the section period and Nelson added a goal at the 8:07 mark to make it a 3-1 difference.

Willmar's Eli Slagter trimmed the difference to one (3-2) with 7:08 remaining in the second stanza, but Nelson took over the game at that point.

The LHS sophomore scored three goals in a span of 3:51 to give the Cardinals a 6-2 cushion before the second period was complete.

Nelson capped his six-goal night and the scoring in the game with a short-handed tally 4:02 into the third period.

Kaden Ericson made 23 saves in goal for an LHS team that outshot Willmar 44-25 in the game.

Smedsrud led the Cards with three assists, while Nelson, Kasyn Kruse, Erik Tofteland, Jim Erickson and

Connor Sandbulte charted one assist each.

### Luverne 11, NU 2

The Cardinals gained some revenge against the team that ended their 2014-15 season in the section championship game when they dismantled the Eagles by nine goals in New Ulm Friday.

Led by a seven-goal effort by Nelson, Luverne opened a commanding 10-1 lead after two periods of play and matched New Ulm's output of one goal in the final 17 minutes to win the game handily.

Nelson scored three times in the game's first period that ended with the Cards sporting a 4-0 lead.

Nelson netted his first goal 5:11 into the game and capped the scoring in the stanza by striking twice in the final 5:08.

Smedsrud scored Luverne's second goal of the first period with six minutes remaining. Nelson added three more

goals to his tally to help the Cards outscore the Eagles 6-1 in the second period.

Nelson opened the scoring 1:26 into the second stanza before the Eagles snapped Luverne's five-goal run with a tally from Nate Miller at the 10:09 mark of the period.

Nelson sparked a 5-0 LHS run to end the second period with a short-handed tally with 9:20 remaining.

Kruse, Nelson, Nick Behrend and Smedsrud scored one goal each in the final 6:07 of the stanza to make it a 10-1 contest.

Nelson made it an 11-1 game when he registered a short-handed goal 4:56 into the third period before New Ulm's Brandon Mehlhop scored the final goal of the night with 5:45 left to play.

Luverne, which outshot the Eagles 39-21 during the contest, received a 19-save effort from Ericson.

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## Gymnasts threaten record book Jan. 5

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne gymnastics team returned to action after the Christmas break by competing in a pair of events last week.

The Cardinals turned in an outstanding performance during a 13-plus point home win over West Central Jan. 5.

LHS placed third at the four-team Martin County Area Invitational in Welcome Saturday.

The Cardinals host Jackson County Central Friday.

### MCA tourney

Luverne turned in a third-place effort during Saturday's invitational in Welcome.

The Cardinals scored 132.125 points to best Blue Earth Area (116.425) at the four-team event.

Jackson County Central (137.225) and Martin County Area (135.325) led the field.

Madison Schandelmeier had a big day for the Cardinals that included placing second all-around (34.25) and on the

bars (8.775), sharing second place on the beam (8.55) and finishing fifth on the vault (9.05).

Luverne's Erin Sietsema and Bergin Flom shared second place on the vault with 9.1 efforts.

Samantha Piece placed fifth on the floor with an 8.775.

JCC's Abby Schneckloth won the vault (9.35), beam (8.825), floor (9.1) and all-around (35.75) titles.

MCA's Bryanna Peterson took top honors on the bars with an 8.825.

### Individual results

Vault: Flom, 9.1; Sietsema, 9.1; Schandelmeier, 9.05; Pierce, 9.025; Melissa Teal, 8.7.  
Bars: Schandelmeier, 8.775; Flom, 7.575; Sietsema, 7.325; Meghan Witte, 6.975; Pierce, 6.75.  
Beam: Schandelmeier, 8.55; Pierce, 7.9; Flom, 7.775; Madigan Flom, 7.425; Shelby Nath, 6.8.  
Floor: Pierce, 8.775; B. Flom, 8.35; Witte, 8.225; Nath, 8.2; Schandelmeier, 7.875.

### LHS 133.975, WC 120.775

The Cardinals nearly set

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Luverne junior Bergin Flom leaves the mat during a floor routine that produced a score of 8.45 during a 133.975-120.775 home win over West Central Jan. 5.

## Nelson experiences sensational weekend

I found myself wondering over the weekend what it would be like to think like a hockey player.



### FROM THE SIDELINES

By John Rittenhouse, sports editor

Considering that I've never played the game before and knowing that I can't skate, it was an exercise in futility. Without having past experience to draw from, it became pretty clear that I'll never have the mindset of a warrior on ice.

With that being revealed, I did come to a conclusion at the end of my fruitless attempt to envision what it's like to be a hockey player.

Even as talented as Luverne's Jaxon Nelson is, there's no way he could have ever imagined that he would experience the success he did during a weekend set of varsity games.

Not even in his wildest dreams.

In what was a key weekend for the LHS squad in terms of Section 3A seeding next month, the Cardinals navigated dicey roads to play a game in New Ulm Friday before entertaining Willmar on Saturday night.

With Nelson turning into a one-man wrecking crew to lead the way, LHS produced a weekend sweep and outscored their opponents by a combined score of 18-4 in the process.

Nelson was simply sensational in both games. The LHS sophomore recorded an unimaginable 17 points during the weekend set, solidifying his position as the state's leading scorer of 2015-16.

LHS first-year coach Kullen Schrodt described the game in New Ulm as a business trip, and the Cardinals took care of their business in grand fashion.

The Cards put together five- and six-goal runs to

easily defeat the Eagles by an 11-2 margin.

Nelson led the assault by scoring three goals in each of the first two periods and adding a short-handed tally 4:56 into the third period during a seven-goal, three-assist performance.

He was equally impressive during Saturday's game against Willmar.

Nelson scored Luverne's lone goal in a first period that ended in a deadlock at one.

He went on to score four goals in the second period and register the team's lone tally in the third period of a 7-2 victory.

Nelson's final numbers in the Willmar game were six goals and one assist, leaving him with a 17-point (13 goals and four assists) weekend.

I find it hard to believe Nelson will be able to keep up the hectic scoring pace he established over the weekend during the rest of the season.

Then again, I've been wrong about things like this before.

All I really know is that Nelson leads the entire state in goals (44), assists (34) and points (78) at the end of his amazing weekend.

Barring any unforeseen circumstances, I'm pretty sure Nelson will still be the state's leading scorer at season's end.

If Nelson continues to play somewhere close to the level he did last weekend, the Luverne boys will be a tough team to beat the rest of the winter.

## AHS girls top MCC

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian girls' basketball team racked up a third consecutive victory when the Dragons entertained Murray County Central for a Red Rock Conference game Thursday.

The Dragons never trailed in the contest and outscored the Rebels in both halves of a 57-35 victory.

The score was knotted at two in the first half when Adrian went on a 17-6 run ending with a three-point shot from Hannah Bullerman at the 6:26 mark to give the hosts a 19-8 advantage.

The Dragons extended their lead to 12 points (24-12) at the break when Lexi Slater converted a field goal with six seconds remaining in the opening stanza.

AHS scored the first two points of the second half as a part of a 10-3 run that left the Dragons sporting a 34-15 lead when Jodi Bents drained a three at the 13:56 mark.



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Adrian's Kaitlyn Christians puts up a shot in front of MCC's Katlyn Knakmuhs during Thursday's game in Adrian. Christians netted eight points during a 57-35 win.

MCC trimmed the difference to 14 points (34-20) as the half progressed, but AHS

countered with a 13-5 surge capped by a field goal from Hannah Bullerman to open

a 47-25 cushion with 7:05 left

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## Luverne's upset bid falls short against Tigers

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne boys' basketball team nearly staged a stunning upset when the Cardinals entertained the Marshall Tigers for a game Jan. 5.

Marshall, unbeaten in Big South Conference play entering the game, looked like it might run away with a victory

when it opened a 33-19 lead in the first half.

The second half belonged to the Cards, who outscored the Tigers 38-27 in the final 18 minutes and sported a two-point edge with 55 seconds left.

Marshall, however, outscored the hosts by five points the rest of the night to

prevail 60-57.

Quinton Siebenahler and Nick Overgaard tossed in 21 points each for the Cards, and Siebenahler snatched a team-high six rebounds.

Erik Wornoutka added five rebounds, four assists and four steals to the winning cause.

The 6-6 Cardinals host JCC

Thursday.

Box score  
Overgaard 3 5 0-0 21, Muller 2 1 0-0 7, Wornoutka 1 1 0-1 5, Curtis 0 0 0-0 0, Siebenahler 9 0 3-5 21, Bosch 0 1 0-0 3.

Team statistics  
Luverne: 23 of 41 field goals (56 percent), three of five free throws (60 percent), 15 rebounds, five turnovers.  
Marshall: 25 of 55 field goals (45 percent), seven of nine free throws (78 percent), 29 rebounds, five turnovers.

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Thursday.

Match wrap-ups  
LHS 44, F-MCC 25  
106 (F) Blankenship 11-3 Baker.  
113 (L) Oeltjenbruns by forfeit.  
120 (F) Ray by forfeit.  
126 (L) Jd.Dooyema by forfeit.

132 (L) Natte by forfeit.  
138 (L) Haugen 5-2 Blanchette.  
145 (L) Fodness pins Ahlers.  
152 (F) Gehl 12-7 Jr.Dooyema.  
160 (F) Meyer by forfeit.  
170 (L) Nielsen t.f. Sweetman.  
182 (L) Luke pins Cardenas.  
195 (L-F) double forfeit.  
220 (L) Olson by forfeit.

285 (F) Mendoza by forfeit.  
LHS 39, T-M-B-W-WG 36  
106 (T) Ellingson 4-3 Baker.  
113 (T) Van Dam by forfeit.  
120 (L) Oeltjenbruns 15-7 Perez.  
126 (T) Carlson pins Jd.Dooyema.  
132 (L) Natte pins Axford.  
138 (L) Haugen t.f. Byrne.

145 (L) Fodness pins Paplow.  
152 (T) Mayer pins Brown.  
160 (T) Axford pins Jr.Dooyema.  
170 (L) Claussen by forfeit.  
182 (L) Nielsen pins Fogelson.  
195 (T) Buchholz 5-4 Luke.  
220 (L) Olson pins Olson.  
285 (T) Bauer by forfeit.

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two program records during a convincing home victory over West Central Jan. 5.

Luverne's team tally of 133.975 was .025 away from the school record effort of 134 points.

Schandelmeier, who won the bars competition with an 8.55 effort, made a bid to match the school record in the

all-around competition of 35.1 before falling short by .025 with her 35.075 tally.

Schandelmeier also placed second on the vault (8.975), second on the beam (8.75) and third on the floor (7.725) during an outstanding evening.

Luverne also received event wins from Sietsema (9.175 on the vault) and Pierce (9.0 on

the beam).

Sietsema also placed fourth on the bars with a 7.6, and Pierce finished second on the floor with an 8.825.

Bergin Flom also had a big night that included her placing third on the vault (8.95) and bars (7.725), finishing fourth on the floor (8.45) and sharing fourth place on the beam

(7.575).

Individual scores  
Vault: Sietsema, 9.175; Schandelmeier, 8.975; B.Flom, 8.95; Pierce, 8.9; Melissa Teal, 8.65.  
Bars: Schandelmeier, 8.55; B.Flom, 7.725; Sietsema, 7.6; Anna Huisman, 6.85; Megan Witte, 6.65.  
Beam: Pierce, 9.0; Schandelmeier, 8.75; B.Flom, 7.575; Marisol Hartshorn, 7.45; Madigan Flom, 6.625.  
Floor: Pierce, 9.0; Schandelmeier, 8.825; B.Flom, 8.45; Witte, 8.225; Hartshorn, 7.6.

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Luverne senior Erik Tofteland moves the puck in front of Willmar's Isaac Kobeinia during Saturday's hockey game in Luverne. Tofteland charted one assist during a 7-2 win.

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Nelson and Smedsrud added three assists each to the winning effort, while Chris Jelken and Kruse chipped in two assists each.

Declan Beers and Erickson finished the game with one assist each.

### LHS 14, Fairmont 0

The Cardinals burned the nets early and often during a home rout of Fairmont Jan. 5.

Luverne scored 11 goals in the first two periods and added three more under running time in the third period to prevail by 14.

Kruse led an LHS team that

outshot Fairmont 66-10 with five goals.

Nelson and Smedsrud notched hat tricks and Brennan Hart added two goals to the winning effort.

Ericson recorded a 10-save shutout in goal.

Kruse registered a hat trick in the first 16:31 of a first period that ended with LHS sporting a 6-0 lead.

Behrend opened the scoring 1:22 into the game, and Smedsrud scored twice, including one short-handed tally in the first period.

Nelson registered his hat trick during a five-goal third

period that left the Cards sporting an 11-0 game.

Smedsrud and Hart chipped in one goal each in the period.

Hart scored his second goal 5:13 into the third period and Kruse capped his five-goal outburst by scoring twice in the final 9:26 of the game.

Smedsrud led LHS with five assists, Nelson and Kruse finished with three assists and Tofteland and Jesse Reed registered two assists each.

Nick Harder, Jacob Van Santen, Erickson, Jack Baustian and Spencer Swier registered one assist each.

## Dragons take first mat setback

### By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian wrestling team dropped its first match of the 2015-16 season at the Wabasso-Red Rock Central Tournament in Wabasso Saturday.

The Dragons defeated Atwater-Cosmos-Grove City (56-13) and Zumbrotta-Mazeppa (48-24) during the quadrangular event.

W-RRC topped the Dragons by a 36-30 tally.

Five Dragons went 3-0 during the event.

Greg Kern pinned A-CGC's Logan Anderson (1:13), Z-M's Spencer Defrang (3:10) and W-RRC's Austin Irlbeck (1:34), while Beau Bullerman registered consecutive pins

against A-C-GC's Carl Blom (50 seconds), Z-M's Connor Heitkamp (5:24) and W-RRC's Ben Johnson (3:34).

Michael Preuss pinned Z-M's Hauden Voxland (27 seconds) and W-RRC's Caleb Kemp (1:52) and secured a 13-5 major decision over A-C-GC's Ty Mortenson.

Skylar Hieronimus pinned Z-M's Hayden Stensland (1:27) and W-RRC's Zeke Johnson (1:27) and posted a 6-2 decision against A-C-GC's Rylan Molinaro.

Hunter Heitkamp pinned A-C-GC's Cullen Lewis in 46 seconds and claimed decisions against Z-M's Jacob Bennett (2-0) and W-RRC's Devan Liebl (10-9).

Matthew Slater (1-0), Landon Rogers (1-0), Ryan Elias (2-1), Logan Rogers (2-1) and Gavin Engelkes (2-1) sported winning records at day's end, while Mitchell Wagner, Scot Edwards and Dylan Gyberg went 1-1.

Chandler Combs and Logan Nelson went 0-3.

The 9-1 Dragons wrestle in Worthington Thursday.

### Match wrap-ups

AHS 56, A-C-GC 13  
106 (A) Bullerman pins Blom.  
113 (G) Lang 13-0 Combs.  
120 (A) Kern pins Anderson.  
126 (A) Hieronimus 6-2 Molinaro.  
132 (A) Elias 14-2 Whitecomb.  
138 (G) Holien 8-6 Nelson.  
145 (A) Lg. Rogers 6-1 Whitecomb.  
152 (A) Preuss 13-5 Mortenson.

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to play.

Both teams scored 10 points in the final seven minutes, leaving the 4-5 Dragons with a 10-point win.

Hannah Bullerman (13 points and five assists), Bents (11 points and five assists) and Paige Bullerman (11 points and six rebounds) led AHS

statistically.

Slater and Mikayla Jeffers grabbed six and five rebounds respectively for Adrian, which hosts Westbrook-Walnut Grove Friday.

### Box score

H-Bullerman 3 2 1-2 13, Hokeness 0 0 0-0 0, Tweet 0 0 0-0 0, Bents 1 3 0-0 11, Loonan 0 0 0-0 0, Weidert 1 0

0-0 2, Kunkel 2 0 0-1 4, Christians 4 0 0-0 8, Grussing 1 0 0-0 2, Sjogren 0 0 0-0 0, Jeffers 0 0 2-2 2, Slater 1 0 2-3 4, Heidebrink 0 0 0-0 0, P.Bullerman 5 0 1-2 11.

### Team statistics

Adrian: 23 of 55 field goals (42 percent), six of 10 free throws (60 percent), 32 rebounds, 10 turnovers.  
MCC: 13 of 54 field goals (24 percent), eight of 10 free throws (80 percent), 32 rebounds, 14 turnovers.

## H-BC boys end slide Friday

### By John Rittenhouse

The Hills-Beaver Creek Patriots snapped a four-game slide with a late run Friday in Hills.

After playing with the lead most of the night, H-BC fell behind Westbrook-Walnut Grove by two points with 5:14 remaining in the game.

The Patriots responded to the challenge by outscoring the Chargers 17-2 the rest of the night to nail down a 73-60 victory.

It looked like the Patriots might run away with an easy victory when they turned a nine-point halftime lead into a 39-25 advantage when Zach Scholten tipped in a field goal to cap a 5-0 spurt to start the second half.

W-WG, however, remained within striking distance by trimming the difference to seven points (45-38) with 11:58 left to play.

A 9-4 run capped by a three-point shot from Jed Burgers gave the Patriots a 12-point (54-42) cushion with 9:03 remaining, but the Chargers wouldn't give up the fight.

W-WG went on a 16-2 run of its own to move in front 58-56 with 5:14 left in the game.

H-BC answered the challenge in commanding fashion.

The Patriots reeled off seven consecutive points as a part of a 15-1 run ending with Burgers canning a pair of charity shots that gave the hosts a 71-59 lead with 1:28 left to play.

H-BC used a 2-1 scoring edge in the final minute to inflate the final margin to 13 points.

The Patriots played well early to open a 13-3 lead when Scholten drained a field goal at the 11:25 mark of the first half.

The lead was extended to 11 points (16-5) when Trenton Bass buried a three-point shot 23 seconds later, but W-WG battled back with a 13-5 run to trim the difference to three points (21-18) with 5:53 remaining in the stanza.

A 9-2 surge ending with Bass hitting a three-point shot gave the Patriots a 30-20



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H-BC junior guard Isaiah Vis leaves the court to put up a shot in front of Westbrook-Walnut Grove defender Andrew Quade during Friday's basketball game in Hills.

advantage with 2:27 left before settling with a 34-25 lead at the intermission.

Bass (18 points and three assists), Burgers (10 points), Isaiah Vis (10 points and seven rebounds) and Stuart Plimpton (10 points and three assists) led the Patriots offensively.

Scholten collected nine rebounds and Cooper Vaughn recorded five assists for the 3-8

Patriots, who play in Adrian Thursday.

### Box score

Vaughn 2 12-49, Burgers 0 2-4 10, Vis 5 0 0-10, Plimpton 3 0 4-7 10, Bass 3 3 3-5 18, Kueter 1 0 0-0 2, Scholten 3 0 0-1 6, Forshey 2 0 4-8 8.

### Team statistics

H-BC: 25 of 51 field goals (49 percent), 17 of 28 free throws (61 percent), 29 rebounds, 12 turnovers.  
W-WG: 19 of 44 field goals (43 percent), 17 of 25 free throws (68 percent), 40 rebounds, six turnovers.

## Ellsworth snaps seven-game skid against Fulda Raiders

### By John Rittenhouse

The Ellsworth boys' basketball team snapped a seven-game losing streak Saturday in Fulda.

Taking on the Raiders in Red Rock Conference play, the Panthers turned a seven-point (34-27) halftime advantage into a 12-point lead with less than two minutes left to play.

Fulda hit some three-point shots down the stretch to trim the difference to three points

late in the game.

The Raiders, however, couldn't convert the potential game-tying three in the final seconds as Ellsworth withstood the challenge to prevail 58-55.

Malik Herman (21 points and 17 rebounds), Brandon Kramer (17 points and eight rebounds) and Trei Hinrichs (11 points and six assists) paced the EHS offense.

Jared Leuthold (seven

rebounds and four assists) and Bobby Walkowiak (five assists) also played key roles in the win for the 3-9 Panthers, who host Heron Lake-Okabena Thursday.

### Box score

Leuthold 2 0 2-3 6, Walkowiak 0 1 0-0 3, Hinrichs 2 0 7-10 11, Herman 10 0 1-1 21, Kramer 8 0 1-1 17, Kruse 0 0 0-0 0.

### Team statistics

Ellsworth 23 of 44 field goals (52 percent), 11 of 15 free throws (73 percent), 38 rebounds, 17 turnovers.



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# JANUARY 5 SPORTS REPLAY

## Dragons sweep field at home triangular

The Adrian wrestling team upped its record to 7-0 after sweeping the field at the Adrian Triangular.

The Dragons rolled to a 60-9 victory over Fulda-Murray County Central and posted a 46-26 win against Marshall.

Greg Kern, Ryan Elias, Logan Nelson, Logan Rogers, Hunter Heitkamp and Michael Preuss all went 2-0 for the Dragons.

## Panther boys fall to Southwest Christian

The Ellsworth boys' basketball team dropped its seventh consecutive game when it took on Southwest Christian in Edgerton.

Ellsworth played with the Eagles during a first half that ended with SWC sporting a 42-36 lead, but the Eagles outscored EHS 40-22 in the second half to complete an 82-58 win.

Trei Hinrichs (20 points, five rebounds three assists), Malik Herman (17 points, eight rebounds and four blocked shots), Jared Leuthold (six assists) and Bobby Walkowiak (three assists) played well for the Panthers.

## Flying Dutchmen withstand H-BC's challenge

A spirited rally went unrewarded then the Hills-Beaver Creek boys' basketball team took on Edgerton in Edgerton.

H-BC fell behind by 17 points (38-21) in the first half, but the Patriots rallied to outscore the Flying Dutchmen 37-29 before falling 67-58 at game's end.

Cooper Vaughn (14 points and three steals), Jed Burgers (11 points), Stuart Plimpton (10 points) Trenton Bass (five rebounds and three steals) and Drew Forshey (three steals) turned in productive nights for H-BC.

# H-BC girls notch fourth-straight win

By John Rittenhouse

The Hills-Beaver Creek girls' basketball team opened play in 2016 by registering its fourth consecutive victory Thursday.

Taking on Westbrook Walnut Grove in Westbrook, the visiting Patriots outscored the Chargers in both halves of the game during a 70-44 victory.

H-BC led by seven (30-23) at the intermission before using a 40-21 scoring cushion in the second half to ice a 26-point victory.

Jasmine Lingen (17 points, six rebounds, four steals and four assists), Sidney Fick (15 points and five rebounds), Avery Van Roekel (14 points and three assists) and Grace

Bundesen (12 points, 10 rebounds and three steals) turned in big performances for the Patriots.

Makayla Kolbrek (six rebounds, four assists and three steals) and Madison Spath (four steals) also played well for the 6-2 Patriots, who play Red Rock Central in Jeffers Friday.

### Box score

Bos 0 0 0-0 0, Tilstra 2 0 0-0 4, Spath 1 0-0 5, Kolbrek 0 0 3-4 3, Lingen 8 0 1-2 17, Fick 5 0 5-6 15, Bundesen 3 0 6-9 12, Gehrke 0 0 0-0 0, Van Roekel 5 0 4-4 14.

### Team statistics

H-BC: 25 of 80 field goals (31 percent), 19 of 25 free throws (76 percent), 35 rebounds, 16 turnovers.  
W-WG: 16 of 46 field goals (35 percent), nine of 20 free throws (45 percent), 31 rebounds, 35 turnovers.

# E-Gals keep Panther girls winless

By John Rittenhouse

The Ellsworth Panthers dropped their first girls' basketball game of 2016 when they squared off against the Southwest Christian E-Gals in Edgerton Thursday.

EHS fell behind by 12 points (25-13) in the first half of the contest.

SWC proceeded to outscore the Panthers 38-22 in the second half to complete a 63-35 victory.

Megan Popkes scored 20 points and pulled down six rebounds for the winless Panthers.

The 0-8 Panthers take on Murray County Central in Slayton Friday.

### Box score

Kramer 2 1 0-0 7, Dreesen 3 0 0-3 6, Popkes 5 3 1-2 20, Smith 0 0 2-2 2.

### Team statistics

Ellsworth: 14 of 31 field goals (45 percent), three of seven free throws (43 percent), 17 rebounds, 25 turnovers.

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victory over Fairmont Jan. 5.

Luverne scored the first five goals of the game and turned in a five-goal third period after Fairmont scored twice to win the game handily.

Aukes registered a hat trick and Dingmann and Sterrett scored two goals each for LHS, which outshot Fairmont 46-19 in the game.

Aukes opened the scoring 1:09 into the game and Sterrett netted her first goal of the game with 7:02 remaining to make it a 2-0 contest.

Luverne stretched its lead to five goals when Sterrett netted an unassisted tally 28 seconds into the second period and Henrichs and Aukes added goals 2:24 apart to make it a 5-0 game with 8:35 remaining in the stanza.

Tieryn Arens snapped Luverne's five-goal run with 4:51 left in the second stanza and Jalyssa Wilson scored for Fairmont 24 seconds into the third period to trim the difference to two goals (5-2).

The Cardinals put the game away when Dingmann scored twice, Madison Crabtree netted her first goal and Aukes capped her hat trick in a span of 4:01 to make it a 9-2 contest.

Cori Nath capped the scoring with a goal at the 5:12



John Rittenhouse photo/0114 lgh 5

Luverne junior Mariah Aukes registered a hat trick during a Jan. 5 home win over Fairmont. The Cardinals defeated FHS 10-2 to complete a sweep of the annual season series between the teams.

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Aukes and Dingmann added two assists each to the winning cause, while Sterrett, Henrichs, Feit, Baustian and Crabtree chipped in one assist.

Bartels stopped 10 of the 11 shots she faced in goal during the first two periods of the game, while Gonneman made seven saves in eight attempts in the third period.

# AHS breaks even in RRC contests

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian boys' basketball team went 1-1 when the Dragons played a pair of Red Rock Conference games.

AHS fell by 31 points to Murray County Central in Slayton Friday before topping Red Rock Central by two points Monday in Adrian.

The 4-8 Dragons host Hills-Beaver Creek Thursday.

## Adrian 55, RRC 53

Junior Mitchell Lonneman hit a field goal with five seconds remaining to give the Dragons a two-point home win over the Falcons Monday.

RRC erased a 53-50 deficit by draining a three-point shot with 24 seconds remaining in regulation play, but Lonneman settled the issue when he drained a 12-foot jump shot from the baseline in the final seconds.

The Falcons scored the first seven points of the game only to have Adrian counter with a 15-7 run ending with a field goal from Ryan Wieneke that gave the hosts a 15-14 edge at the 9:37 mark of the first half.

The Dragons led by four (26-22) when Alex Loosbrock canned a three-point shot with 2:11 remaining, but the Falcons trimmed the difference to two points (28-26) before the intermission.

RRC scored the first seven points of the first half as a part of a 19-8 run that left the Falcons sporting a 45-36 advantage with 10:21 left to play.

Adrian, however, put together a 17-5 run ending with Loosbrock draining one free throw with 44 seconds left to put AHS in front 53-50.

Lonneman (17 points and 11 rebounds) and Zach Hendel (17 points) led the Dragons offensively.

Ryan Wieneke added four steals and three assists to the winning cause, while Jacob Stamer and Loosbrock chipped in three steals each.

### Box score

Stamer 1 0 2-2 4, Serrao 0 0 0-0 0, Bierman 2 0 0-0 4, White 1 0 0-0 2, Loosbrock 0 2 1-4 7, N.Lonneman 0 0 0-0 0, Hendel 8 0 1-2 17, Wieneke 2 0 0-0 4, M.Lonneman 7 0 3-5 17.

### Team statistics

Adrian: 23 of 47 field goals (49 percent), seven of 15 free throws (47 percent), 27 rebounds, 17 turnovers.  
RRC: 21 of 58 field goals (36 percent), six of 10 free throws (60 percent), 23 rebounds, 11 turnovers.

## MCC 70, Adrian 39

The Dragons were unable to knock off the top team in the conference when they challenged the Rebels in Slayton Friday.

MCC entered the game unbeaten in league play and remained that way by rolling to a 31-point win over the Dragons.

The Rebels led 32-19 after 18 minutes of play before outscoring Adrian 38-20 in the second half to win handily.

Stamer led the Dragons with nine points.

Hendel turned in a seven-rebound, three-assist, three-steal effort for Adrian, while Wieneke charted three steals.



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Adrian's Tristian White shoots over RRC's Taylor Bunting during Monday's boys' basketball game in Adrian.

### Box score

Stamer 0 3 0-2 9, Serrao 0 0 1-4 1, Bierman 0 1 0-0 3, White 0 0 1-2 1, A.Loosbrock 0 1 0-0 3, Varley 0 0 0-0 0, N.Lonneman 3 0 0-2 6, Hendel 3 0 0-0 6, Z.Loosbrock 0 0 0-2 0, Wieneke 1 0 0-0 2, Werkman 0 0 0-0 0, M.Lonneman 4 0 0-2 8.

### Team statistics

Adrian: 16 of 51 field goals (31 percent), two of 14 free throws (14 percent), 22 rebounds, 19 turnovers.  
MCC: 26 of 64 field goals (41 percent), 13 of 25 free throws (52 percent), 31 rebounds, nine turnovers.

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160 (G) Toedter by forfeit.  
170 (A) Heitkamp pins Lewis.  
182 (A) Ld.Rogers by forfeit.  
195 (A) Wagner by forfeit.  
220 (A) Edwards pins Berghuis.  
285 (A) Engelkes pins Maresch.

### Adrian 48, Z-M 24

106 (Z) Poulin pins Combs.

113 (A) Bullerman pins Heitkman.  
120 (A) Kern pins Defrang.  
126 (A) Hieronimus pins Stensland.  
132 (Z) Tupper 6-3 Elias.  
138 (Z) Nordquist 10-8 Nelson.  
145 (A) Lg.Rogers pins Gerbke.  
152 (Z) Jackson by forfeit.  
160 (A) Preuss pins Voxland.  
170 (A) Slater 7-2 Soltau.  
182 (A) Heitkamp 2-0 Bennett.

195 (Z) Steffen pins Wagner.  
220 (A) Guberg pins Haglund.  
285 (A) Engelkes pins Dahlein.

### W-RRC 36, Adrian 30

106 (W) Hesse pins Combs.  
113 (A) Bullerman pins Johnson.  
120 (A) Kern pins Irlbeck.  
126 (A) Hieonimus pins Johnson.  
132 (A) Elias 4-1 Doubler.

138 (W) Dudgeon 6-2 Nelson.  
145 (W) Bierl 2-0 Lg.Rogers.  
152 (A) Preuss pins Kemp.  
160 (W) Fulton by forfeit.  
170 (W) Altermatt by forfeit.  
182 (A) Heitkamp 10-9 Liebl.  
195 (W) Anderson 3-0 Gyberg.  
220 (W) Welch pins Edwards.  
285 (W) Coulter 5-3 Engelkes.

# BIG SOUTH CONFERENCE STANDINGS

Big South girls' hockey	
New Ulm	10-0
Luverne	8-1
Waseca	6-2
Marshall	5-4
Fairmont	5-5
SP-L-H	4-6
Windom	1-9
Worthington	0-12

Big South boys' hockey	
Luverne	9-0
SP-L-H	7-2
Marshall	7-2-1
New Ulm	6-3-1
RWW	5-4
Waseca	4-4
Windom	2-8
Fairmont	2-8
Worthington	0-12

BSC West boys' hoops	
Marshall	7-0
JCC	4-2
Worthington	2-3
RWW	2-3
Windom	2-4
Pipestone	2-4
Luverne	1-4

BSC West girls' hoops	
Marshall	6-0
Pipestone	4-1
Worthington	3-2
RWW	2-3
Windom	1-3
JCC	1-5
Luverne	0-3

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**St. Catherine Catholic Church**  
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St. Catherine Ph.: 283-8502

**St. Mary Catholic Church, Ellsworth**  
Saturday, Jan. 16: 5:30 p.m. Mass at St. Catherine. Sunday, Jan. 17: 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Mary's in Ellsworth. 10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Catherine.

**Luverne Christian Reformed Church**  
605 N. Estey St., Luverne  
Office Ph. 283-8482; Prayer Line Ph. 449-5982  
www.luverncrc.com — luverncrc@gmail.com

**Roger Sparks, Pastor**  
Sunday, Jan. 17: 9:30 a.m. Worship service. 6:30 p.m. Worship service.

**First Baptist Church**  
1033 N. Jackson St., P.O. Box 975, Luverne  
Ph. 283-4091; email: fbcluv@iw.net — www.fbcluverne.org

**Dick Lauger, Pastor**  
Thursday, Jan. 14: 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study at FBC. 7 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3. Friday, Jan. 15: 6 a.m. Men's Bible Study at FBC. Sunday, Jan. 17: 9:15 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Morning Service. Noon Sanctity of Life Fellowship Dinner. 6 p.m. Evening Service. Tuesday, Jan. 19: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study at FBC. Wednesday, Jan. 20: 6:55 p.m. Awana/T&T Gym Night. Thursday, Jan. 21: 7 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3.

**Grace Lutheran Church**  
500 N. Kniss Ave., Luverne  
Ph. 283-4431; www.graceluverne.org — Nichols-glc@live.com

**Ron Nichols, Pastor; Cole McCormick, Interim Pastor**

**Bethany Lutheran Church**  
720 N. Kniss Ave., Luverne  
Ph. 283-4571 — pastorapalmquist67@yahoo.com

Thursday, Jan. 14: 2 p.m. Ladies Aid. 5 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3. Sunday, Jan. 17: 9 a.m./9:15 a.m. Sunday School and Bible Class. 10:15 a.m. Worship. Monday, Jan. 18: 7 p.m. Annual Voters Meeting. Wednesday, Jan. 20: Catechism class.

**American Reformed Church**  
304 N. Fairview Dr., Luverne  
Ph. 283-8600; email: office@arcluverne.org  
Sunday, Jan. 17: 9:30 a.m. Worship service.

**Holy Trinity Episcopal Church**  
220 N. Cedar St., Luverne

Sundays: 10:30 a.m. Worship Service; Fellowship after service. Wednesdays: 6:30 p.m. Bible Study. Our Mission Statement: Historic Holy Trinity strives to serve God and our community through worship, stewardship and friendship. Contact Emily Lodine Overgaard at (507) 227-6175 for information. Come as you are — our leader wore sandals.

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

**United Methodist Church**  
109 N. Freeman Ave., Luverne  
Ph. 283-4529; email: luverneumc@iw.net  
Thursday, Jan. 14: 1-3 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf. 7 p.m. Coloring/Crafting event. Saturday, Jan. 16: 8 p.m. AA meeting in Upper Room. Sunday, Jan. 17: 9 a.m. Traditional Worship. 10 a.m. Coffee Hour. 10:05 a.m. Bible Study in Upper Room. 11 a.m. Come As You Are worship service. 4:30 p.m. Bait of Satan Bible Study. 6 p.m. ALIVE Youth Group. Monday, Jan. 18: 6:15 p.m. M&M Committee meeting. 7 p.m. Living Beyond Yourself Bible Study. Tuesday, Jan. 19: 8 a.m. Priscilla Circle. 6:30 p.m. Trustees meeting. 7:30 p.m. Church Council. Wednesday, Jan. 20: 6 p.m. Supper for FUEL Children's Ministry and Confirmation families. 6:30 p.m. FUEL Children's Ministry and Confirmation Class. Thursday, Jan. 21: 1-3 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf.

**First Presbyterian Church**  
302 Central Lane, Luverne  
Ph. 283-4787; email: Firstpc@iw.net — www.fpcluverne.com50

Sunday, Jan. 17: 10:15 a.m. Worship service.

**St. John Lutheran Church**  
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Ph. 283-2316, Dial-A-Devotion Ph. 283-4005  
email: stjoh@iw.net — www.stjohnlutheranluverne.org

Thursday, Jan. 14: 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Little Lambs Devotions. 1:30 p.m. Communion at Mary Jane Brown Home. 2:15 p.m. Communion at Poplar Creek. 3 p.m. Communion at Minnesota Veterans Home. Saturday, Jan. 16: 5:30 p.m. Worship. Sunday, Jan. 17: 9 a.m. Worship. 10:15 a.m. Christian Education Hour. 11:15 a.m. Junior Choir. 3 p.m. Circuit Youth event at Lake Shetek. Monday, Jan. 18: Newsletter Deadline. 10 a.m. Return from Circuit Youth Event. 11:15 a.m. Staff Meeting. 7:30 p.m. Parish Planning Council. Tuesday, Jan. 19: 1 p.m. Quilting. 2 p.m. Circle meetings. 6:30 p.m. Quilting; Adult Instruction Class. Wednesday, Jan. 20: 9 a.m. Little Lambs Devotions. 9:30 a.m. Bible Study. 6:30 p.m. Youth Supper; Catechism. 7 p.m. High School Bible Study; KFC; Senior Choir. Thursday, Jan. 21: 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Little Lambs Devotions.

**Living Rock Church**  
500 E. Main St., Luverne  
Ph. 449-0057; www.livingrockswmn.org  
**Billy Skaggs, Pastor**

Sundays: 10:30 a.m. Worship; Kids Rock Children's Ministry. 6 p.m. Youth Ministry. Life groups meet throughout the week.

**New Life Celebration Church**  
211 E. Main St., Luverne  
Ph. 449-6522; email: newlifecelebration@gmail.com

Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Worship in the lower level meeting room of the Creeger building. Every third Thursday: 5 p.m. Food give-away. Bible Study groups meet at various times and days.

**Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
305 E. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., P.O. Box 36, Hardwick  
Ph. 669-2855; email: revmumme@gmail.com — www.zionlutheranhardwick.com

**Mark W. Mumme, Pastor**  
Thursday, Jan. 14: 4 p.m. Zion worship on Channel 3. Friday, Jan. 15: 4 p.m. Zion worship on Channel 3. Sunday, Jan. 17: 9 a.m. Sunday school and Adult Bible Study. 10 a.m. Mentor program. 10:30 a.m. Worship with Communion. Monday, Jan. 18: Quilting. Wednesday, Jan. 20: Confirmation.

**Ben Clare United Methodist Church**  
26762 Ben Clare Ave., Valley Springs, S.D.  
igtwlb@WOW.net  
**Bill Bates, Pastor**

Sundays: 9 a.m. Worship; 10 a.m. Fellowship; 10:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages.

**First Lutheran Church**  
300 Maple St., Valley Springs, S.D.  
Ph. (605) 757-6662  
**Ray Heidenson, Pastor**

Saturday, Jan. 16: 10:45 a.m. Serve the Banquet in Sioux Falls. Sunday, Jan. 17: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship. Tuesday, Jan. 19: 7 p.m. Church Council meeting. Wednesday, Jan. 20: 7 p.m. Confirmation; choir practice.

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

Thursday, Jan. 14: 7:30 p.m. Church Council meeting. Saturday, Jan. 16: 10:45 a.m. Serve the Banquet in Sioux Falls. Sunday, Jan. 17: 9 a.m. Worship. 10 a.m. Sunday School. Wednesday, Jan. 20: 7 p.m. Confirmation at First Lutheran.

**First Presbyterian Church**  
201 S. 3<sup>rd</sup> St., Beaver Creek  
Sunday, Jan. 17: 9 a.m. Worship; 9:45 a.m. Sunday School.

## Find joy in life

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law."



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By Martha Fick, Good Samaritan, Mission Effectiveness

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**Kristi Franken, Pastor**  
Sunday, Jan. 17: 9 a.m. Worship service.

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Sunday, Jan. 17: 9:30 a.m. Worship; Pulpit supply Carl Gerhart. Building Fund Offering. 6 p.m. Evening Service; Grant Diekevers. 6:30 p.m. RCFY. Wednesday, Jan. 20: 7 p.m. Midweek.

**Bethlehem Lutheran Church**  
Interim Pastor Grant Fisher  
112 N. Main St., Hills  
**Hills United Reformed Church**  
Sunday, Jan. 17: 9 a.m. Worship at Tuff Chapel. 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship with Communion at Bethlehem. Annual meeting follows service. 7 p.m. Grades 6-8 Youth Night. Tuesday, Jan. 19: 2:30 p.m. Bible Study at Tuff Home. 3:15 p.m. Bible Study at Village. Wednesday, Jan. 20: 9 a.m. Quilting. 2 p.m. Combined Circles meet at Tuff Village. 7 p.m. Circle of Hope; Confirmation. 7:30 p.m. Grades 9-12 Youth Night. Thursday, Jan. 21: Pastors Conference meeting at Grace Lutheran in Luverne.

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

DATE OF MORTGAGE: September 15, 2006

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$37,899.00

MORTGAGOR(S): Bernie Christensen and Javon Christensen, Husband and Wife

MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for First Franklin a division of National City Bank

TRANSACTION AGENT: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. MIN#: 100425240010209283

SERVICER: Specialized Loan Servicing

LENDER: First Franklin a division of National City Bank.

DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Rock County Minnesota, Recorder, on September 20, 2006, as Document No. 164852.

ASSIGNED TO: Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for First Franklin Mortgage Loan Trust 2006-FF16, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-FF16 Dated: August 12, 2015, and recorded August 20, 2015 by Document No. 186841.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:

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Beginning at a point on the West line of Block 6 in Greenvale Addition to the City of Luverne, 125 feet South and 272 1/2 feet West of the Northeast Corner of said Block; thence East 136 feet 3 inches; thence South 25 feet; thence West 8 feet 3 inches; thence South 65 feet; thence West 128 feet; thence North on the West line of said Block 6, 90 feet to the point of beginning and Lot 8 in 1st Sub-division of Block 6 in Greenvale Addition to the City of Luverne, Rock County, Minnesota

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PROPERTY I.D.: 20-0662-000

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Rock

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THAT no action or proceeding has been instituted at law to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof; that there has been compliance with all pre-foreclosure notice and acceleration requirements of said mortgage, and/or applicable statutes;

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: 10:00 AM on January 7, 2016

PLACE OF SALE: Law Enforcement Center, Lobby, 1000 North Blue Mound Avenue, Luverne, MN

to pay the debt then secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any actually paid by the mortgagee, on the premises and the costs and disbursements allowed by law. The time allowed by law for redemption by said mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns is 6.00 months from the date of sale.

If Mortgage is not reinstated under Minn. Stat. Section 580.30 or the property is not redeemed under Minn. Stat. Section 580.23, the Mortgagor must vacate the property on or before 11:59 p.m. on July 7, 2016, or the next business day if July 7, 2016 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

"THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 582.032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED."

Dated: November 19, 2015

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for First Franklin Mortgage Loan Trust 2006-FF16, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-FF16 Randall S. Miller and Associates, PLLC Attorneys for Assignee of Mortgage/Mortgagee Canadian Pacific Plaza, 120 South Sixth Street, Suite 2050 Minneapolis, MN 55402 Phone: 952-232-0052 Our File No. 15MN00066-1

THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR. A-4550998

## NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

The above referenced sale scheduled for January 7, 2016 at 10:00 AM, has been postponed to January 28, 2016 at 10:00 AM, located at Law Enforcement Center, Lobby, 1000 North Blue Mound Avenue, Luverne, MN, Rock Minnesota The time allowed by law for redemption by said mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns is 6.00 months from the date of sale. If Mortgage is not reinstated under Minn. Stat. Section 580.30 or the property is not redeemed under Minn. Stat. Section 580.23, the Mortgagor must vacate the property on or before 11:59 p.m. on July 28, 2016, or the next business day if July 28, 2016 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

Dated: January 7, 2016

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for First Franklin Mortgage Loan Trust 2006-FF16, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-FF16 Jennifer K Fischer (0311248) Attorneys for Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for First Franklin Mortgage Loan Trust 2006-FF16, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-FF16 Randall S. Miller and Associates, PLLC Canadian Pacific Plaza, 120 South Sixth Street, Suite 2050 Minneapolis, MN 55402 (952) 232-0052 Our File No. 15MN00066-1 PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, YOU ARE ADVISED THAT THIS OFFICE MAY BE DEEMED A DEBT COLLECTOR ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. THIS NOTICE IS REQUIRED BY THE PROVISIONS OF THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT AND DOES NOT IMPLY THAT WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT MONEY FROM ANYONE WHO HAS DISCHARGED THE DEBT UNDER THE BANKRUPTCY LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES. A-4557549 01/14/2016

THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.

(01-14)

## Mortgage foreclosure sale set for Jan. 7

### 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 conditions of the following described mortgage:

DATE OF MORTGAGE: September 2, 2008

MORTGAGOR: Daniel L. Wendland and Jennifer D. Wendland, husband and wife.

MORTGAGEE: Minnwest Mortgage Corporation.

DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING: Recorded September 3, 2008 Rock County Recorder, Document No. 169736.

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: Minnesota Housing Finance Agency. Dated September 2, 2008 Recorded September 3, 2008, as Document No. 169737.

TRANSACTION AGENT: NONE

TRANSACTION AGENT'S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ON MORTGAGE: NONE

LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON MORTGAGE: Minnwest Mortgage Corporation

RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE SERVICER: U.S. Bank National Association

MORTGAGED PROPERTY ADDRESS: 603 East Park Street North, Luverne, MN 56156

TAX PARCEL I.D. #: 20.1371.100

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:

Lot 3 in Block 2 in Thompson's Addition to the City of Luverne, Rock County, Minnesota

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Rock

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$138,265.00

AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE, INCLUDING TAXES, IF ANY, PAID BY MORTGAGEE: \$160,957.41

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 7, 2016 at 10:00 AM

PLACE OF SALE: Sheriff's Office, Main Entrance, Law Enforcement Center, 1000 North Blue Mound Avenue, Luverne, MN

to pay the debt then secured by said Mortgage, and taxes, if any, on said premises, and the costs and disbursements, including attorneys' fees allowed by law subject to redemption within six (6) months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns unless reduced to Five (5) weeks under MN Stat. §580.07.

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: If the real estate is an owner-occupied, single-family dwelling, unless otherwise provided by law, the date on or before which the mortgagor(s) must vacate the property if the mortgage is not reinstated under section 580.30 or the property is not redeemed under section 580.23 is 11:59 p.m. on July 7, 2016 unless that date falls on a weekend or legal holiday, in which case it is the next weekday, and unless the redemption period is reduced to 5 weeks under MN Stat. Secs. 580.07 or 582.032.

MORTGAGOR(S) RELEASED FROM FINANCIAL OBLIGATION ON MORTGAGE: None "THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 582.032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED."

Dated: October 29, 2015

Minnesota Housing Finance Agency Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee

USSET, WEINGARDEN AND LIEBO, P.L.L.P.

Attorneys for Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee

4500 Park Glen Road #300

Minneapolis, MN 55416

(952) 925-6888

135-15-008140 FC

THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.

## NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 580.07, the foregoing foreclosure sale is postponed until March 10, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. at the Sheriff's Office, Main Entrance, Law Enforcement Center, 1000 North Blue Mound Avenue, Luverne, MN, in said county and state.

Dated: January 8, 2016.

Minnesota Housing Finance Agency Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee

USSET, WEINGARDEN AND LIEBO, P.L.L.P.

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(01-14)

## PUBLIC NOTICE

The following is a summary of the operation budget for the 2016 fiscal year for the County of Rock. This summary is published in accordance with Minnesota Statute 375.169. The detail for the County Budget is on file in the Office of the County Auditor-Treasurer at the Courthouse and may be reviewed during normal hours, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday thru Friday.

### COUNTY SUMMARY BUDGET

	2015 Budget	2016 Budget
<b>REVENUES</b>		
County Portion of Tax Levy	\$ 5,009,217	\$ 5,153,362
Other Taxes and Penalties	271,100	734,140
Special Assessments	303,346	301,811
Licenses and Permits	44,499	49,100
Shared Revenues	1,246,749	1,287,537
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	55,000	55,000
Local Grants	23,685	226,030
State Grants	350,866	392,087
Federal Grants	77,250	17,524
County Program Aid	164,918	164,019
Charges for Services	1,742,737	1,679,284
Fines and Forfeitures	1,200	1,200
Investment Earnings	65,000	62,000
Miscellaneous Revenue	220,013	225,788
Other Financing Sources	190,750	-
<b>TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES</b>	<b>\$ 9,766,330</b>	<b>\$ 10,348,882</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		
General Government	\$ 2,280,128	\$ 2,342,343
Public Safety	1,853,842	1,831,927
Highways & Streets	2,336,820	2,313,608
Human Services	1,140,463	1,191,077
Sanitation	827,420	670,022
Health	16,800	16,800
Culture & Recreation	388,830	423,635
Conservation of Natural Resources	324,174	411,617
Economic Development	1,940	1,940
Intergovernmental	159,973	171,983
Debt Service	435,940	902,180
Other Financing Sources	-	71,750
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES</b>	<b>\$ 9,766,330</b>	<b>\$ 10,348,882</b>

(01-14)

## Mortgage foreclosure sale set for Feb. 11

### 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(S): Darryl R. Boltjes and Marti K. Boltjes, husband and wife

MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., a Delaware corporation as nominee for Aegis Lending Corporation, a Delaware corporation

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Soundview Home Loan Trust 2006-3, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-3 by assignment recorded on March 5, 2014 as Document Number 183568 in the Office of the County Recorder of Rock County, Minnesota.

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$76,500.00

DATE OF MORTGAGE: April 11, 2006

DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Recorded on September 25, 2006 as Document Number 164883 in the Office of the County Recorder of Rock County, Minnesota.

THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON THE DATE OF

THE NOTICE: \$76,472.99

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: The South Seventy Feet of the West One Hundred Thirty-five Feet of the North Half of Lot Five (5) in Block Three (3) of PJ Kniss Addition to the City of Luverne, Minnesota, subject to easements, if any, Rock County, Minnesota.

STREET ADDRESS OF PROPERTY: 114 N DONALDSON ST, LUVERNE, MN 56156-1418

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Rock County, Minnesota

TRANSACTION AGENT: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

NAME OF MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR: Aegis Lending Corporation, a Delaware corporation

RESIDENTIAL SERVICER: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

TAX PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 20-0970-000

TRANSACTION AGENT'S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 100055140023452580

THAT no action or proceeding has been instituted at law to recover the debt then remaining secured by such mortgage, or any part thereof, or, if the action or proceeding has been instituted, that the same has been discontinued, or that an execution upon the judgment rendered therein has been returned unsatisfied, in whole or in part.

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: February 11, 2016 at 10:00 AM

PLACE OF SALE: Rock County Sheriff's Office, in the Lobby of the Rock County Law Enforcement Center, 213 East Luverne, Luverne, Minnesota to pay the debt then secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any actually paid by the mortgagee, on the premises and the costs and disbursements allowed by law. The time allowed by law for redemption by said mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns is six (6) months from the date of sale.

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: Unless said mortgage is reinstated or the property redeemed, or unless the time for redemption is reduced by judicial order, you must vacate the premises by 11:59 p.m. on August 11, 2016.

THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 582.032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED.

MORTGAGOR(S) RELEASED FROM FINANCIAL OBLIGATION ON MORTGAGE: None

Dated: December 17, 2015

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR SOUNDVIEW HOME LOAN TRUST 2006-3, ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES

2006-3

Mortgagee

SCHILLER & ADAM, P.A.

By: /s/

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N. Kibongni Fondungallah, Esq.

\*Curt N. Trisko, Esq.\*

Samuel R. Coleman, Esq.

Attorneys for Mortgagee

The Academy Professional Building

25 North Dale Street

St. Paul, MN 55102

(651) 209-9760

(15-2085-FC01)

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(12-24, 12-31, 1-7, 1-14, 1-21, 1-28)

## Mortgage foreclosure sale set for Feb. 25

### 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:

DATE OF MORTGAGE: August 27, 2012

MORTGAGOR(S): Scott Wessels and Michele Wessels, husband and wife.

MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for United Wholesale Mortgage

DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Recorded September 5, 2012 Rock County Recorder, Document No. 180085.

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC. Dated March 6, 2015 Recorded March 17, 2015, as Document No. 185622.

TRANSACTION AGENT: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

TRANSACTION AGENT'S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ON MORTGAGE: 100032413512135984

LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON MORTGAGE: United Wholesale Mortgage

RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE SERVICER: M&T Bank

MORTGAGED PROPERTY ADDRESS: 222 North Estey Street, Luverne, MN 56156

TAX PARCEL I.D. #: 20.1678.000

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: The W 100 1/4 feet of the N 1/2 of Lot 2 in Block 15 in Warren and Kniss Second Addition to the City of Luverne, Rock County Minnesota

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Rock

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$122,100.00

AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE, INCLUDING TAXES, IF ANY, PAID BY MORTGAGEE: \$125,847.44

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: February 25, 2016 at 10:00 AM

PLACE OF SALE: Sheriff's Office, Main Entrance, Law Enforcement Center, 1000 North Blue Mound Avenue, Luverne, MN to pay the debt then secured by said Mortgage, and taxes, if any, on said premises, and the costs and disbursements, including attorneys' fees allowed by law subject to redemption within six (6) months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns unless reduced to Five (5) weeks under MN Stat. §580.07.

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: If the real estate is an owner-occupied, single-family dwelling, unless otherwise provided by law, the date on or before which the mortgagor(s) must vacate the property if the mortgage is not reinstated

### EMPLOYMENT

In home Personal Care Attendant wanted. We are seeking a reliable person to assist an elderly individual with tasks of daily living. Bathing, meal preparation, laundry, light housekeeping, shopping, etc. 3-4 days a week. Call for more details at 605-201-5275.  
(1.10-1.28)

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(1.3-1.21)

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(12.31-1.17)

### CARDS OF THANKS

We would like to thank all who remembered us with their prayers, cards, love and well wishes during this difficult time. Thank you to all the healthcare professionals, both in Luverne as well as in Sioux Falls, for their kindness and care or Edwina. Thank you to Jeff Hartquist for your kind and professional services. God bless you all,  
**LeRoy Rust and Family**  
(1.14-1.17)

Thank you to all my friends and helpers who made my 75th birthday very special. Thanks to Maria and Nocho for making it a memory I'll never forget.  
**John Thies**  
(1.18-1.21)

Many thanks to all of my friends and relatives for all the cards, letters and phone calls I received for my 87th birthday. Thank you!  
**Russell Wenzel**  
(1.10-1.14)

Thank you for the kindness that each of you have shown to me in your own special way. I have been blessed by all the wonderful people in my long life of 100 years.  
**Bertha Thompson**  
(1.10-1.14)

### CARDS OF THANKS

Sincere thanks for the flowers, plants, cards, food and prayers during our loss. Thank you to Reverend Gary Klatt, St. Johns Evangelical Lutheran Church, for the numerous in-home visits over the years and for preparing a beautiful funeral sermon. Thank you to the St. John's Ladies Circle for preparing and serving lunch. Thank you to Jeff at Hartquist Funeral Home for all of his help and support. Thank you to Parkview Manor, Ellsworth, Minnesota for the excellent care given to our mom. With deepest gratitude we thank all of the family and friends that have touched Louise's life and shared their stories with us. She cherished every relationship she had with each of you. Always in our hearts,  
**The Louise Kiebach Family**

**Marilyn Carlson, Lake Wilson, MN  
Jenny Kiebach, Hardwick, MN  
Nancy(Norman) Overgaard, Luverne, MN  
Dale(Pat) Kiebach, Harrisburg, SD  
Joyce(Robert) Saarloos, Young America, MN**  
(1.10-1.14)

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(1.10-1.14)

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