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Influenza hits hard; flu shots still help

Most patients with flu symptoms won't be tested, since it's now known that influenza cases exist in the community

By Lori Sorenson

The cases of influenza have been steadily increasing nationwide and locally as well.

In Sanford Luverne, some patients have been hospitalized and many others have been seen at the clinic with flu-like symptoms.

High fever and body aches are signature influenza symptoms, but they can also include cough, headache, a cold, sore throat, vomiting and diarrhea.

Sanford Luverne physician Diane Kennedy said there are a few key points the community should know about influenza:

- It may not be necessary for every patient to be tested if influenza is suspected.

- It's not too late to get a flu shot.

- High risk populations need special attention.

"Once influenza has been diagnosed in the community, individual testing is not as important," Kennedy said.

Now that it's making the rounds in Luverne and Rock County, Kennedy said most patients with flu-like symptoms aren't tested because it is not required.

"The test is expensive and the kits are in short supply," she said.

Kits are reserved primarily for critically ill patients in high-risk groups and those who work or live with high-risk groups.

For example, a child care provider who cares for infants may be tested if he or she comes down with flu-like symptoms. Another example would be a nursing home employee.

Still, the temptation is to seek confirmation if illness strikes, and Sanford health care providers have been explaining to patients why the test may not be administered.

"I think it is difficult for the general public to understand that, and many people would like to be told they definitely have Influenza A rather than 'you probably have Influenza A or B' or some other viral infection," Kennedy said.

"Unfortunately in most cases, knowing the name of your virus does not change the treatment or the outcome."

Treatment often includes decongestants, rest and fluids.

In some cases, flu patients may get prescriptions for Tamiflu, which can soften the blow of influenza symptoms.

But Kennedy said these prescrip-

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Mavis Fodness photos/0215 Little Chefs

Leah Arndt, 4, frosts sugar cookies with her dad, Joshua.



Be mine

Early Childhood Family Education sponsored a special Monday morning event for 3- to 5-year-olds titled "Little Chefs." Expert Luverne baker Victoria Stearns brought her culinary skills to the ECFE experience by having participants make, bake and take their own heart-shaped sugar cookies. Each of the children brought grandma, grandpa, mom, dad or aunt to help with the cookie-making experience.



Hayden Elbers, 3, flours an upside-down tray with his aunt Abby Elbers before rolling out sugar cookie dough.



Faith DeBerg, 3, helps her mom Tabitha mix the cookie ingredients into a sticky dough. Below, Felicity Woodley, 3, attempts to crack an egg on the edge of a bowl that bears the reflection of her grandma, Karen Willers.



At left, 3-year-old Ava Meyeraan presses a heart-shaped cookie cutter into the fresh dough with her grandmother, Pam Luettel.



City charts 10-year plan for growth, services and amenities

By Lori Sorenson

The city of Luverne has a lot going on, and it can be mind-boggling to keep all the moving pieces together.

To keep long-range goals on track, city leaders have long relied on a comprehensive plan, which is updated on a 10-year cycle.

After several months of discussion with department heads, local leaders and a paid city consultant, a draft plan for the next 10 years is nearly complete.

An open house Feb. 5 at Grand Prairie Events provided an overview for the public that outlined primary points in the new 10-year plan.

Holly Sammons shared highlights of the event with the Luverne Economic Development Authority at the Monday morning board meeting.

"It's about how we see growth happening around the city with infrastructure, community development, industry, housing, destination branding, land use and more," said Sammons, EDA director.

"This tool provides a strategic plan for all the things we've talked about in the past few years."

In August 2016, the city contracted with consultants Bolton and Menk, Mankato, for \$50,000 to guide the process, and Sammons said the professional service was valuable in coordinating the interrelated efforts of various groups involved.

Highlights of the document were laid out in several stations around the room at the Feb. 5 open house, and the document itself is available to the public on the city's website, cityofluverne.org.

"This plan identifies places where change is needed and sets the type of land use and location to meet the needs of the community," the document points out in the introductory statement.

"It has the larger effect of influencing the character of the community and the quality of life in Luverne."

The "interrelated elements" working together in the comprehensive plan include:

- demographics and data analysis.
- land use planning and zoning.
- housing.
- parks and trails and natural resources.
- transportation.
- infrastructure and utilities.
- tourism.
- urban design and economic development.

The city's Comprehensive Plan, as in year's past, is an amendable document, but specifies firm goals. Among these are:

- work with the city, school and county on a solution to child care shortage.
- expand recreational opportunities by renovating and expanding

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County signs letter of complaint to state about license center

By Mavis Fodness

Rock County has joined other Minnesota counties frustrated over the troubled upgrade of the state's Driver and Vehicle Services (DVS) computer system.

At their Feb. 6 meeting, commissioners adopted a resolution in support of additional state funding for the extra time required of local license bureaus to work through the issues brought on by the state's new

computer system. The commissioners sent Gov. Mark Dayton and state legislators copies.

"We want them to recognize the impact on our licensing centers," said County Administrator Kyle Oldre.

In July 2017 the state updated its 30-year-old Minnesota Licensing and Registration System (MNLARS). Since then, vehicle title transfers and license plate tab renewals have been significantly delayed, due to the

system malfunctions.

Six months later the same issues still persist.

David Wrigg with the Rock County Deputy Registrar Office said under the old system title transfers would take 30 to 45 days for the new title to be received by the owner. The new system now pushes the title receipt to 99 business days.

He said he has worked with vehicle owners with online license tab

renewals where users are locked out of the system without completing the renewal.

"The best thing is to renew tabs in the local office," Wrigg said.

Rock County is not the only DVS office experiencing difficulties.

Oldre received the resolution from Nobles County Administrator Tom Johnson, whose commissioners adopted the same resolution last month. They received the document

from Jackson County.

"It sends a message that the counties are frustrated, No. 1, and No. 2, it's costing us money," Johnson said.

Neither Oldre nor Johnson expects the state to reimburse local licensing bureaus for the extra time personnel have invested in accommodating the new licensing system.

The centers receive payment

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Meetings

Parkinson's Support Group will meet at 1 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 15, at St. John Lutheran Church in Luverne. Call 507-530-3307 with questions.

MS Support Group will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 15, at Southwest Health and Human Services in Luverne. All persons with MS, family and friends are invited. Call 507-283-2069 or 507-283-2964 with questions.

Luverne Music Boosters will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 20, in the Luverne High School choir room. All parents of choir and band students are welcome to attend.

Meditation and Mindfulness Practice will meet the second and fourth Wednesdays in Hilger Commons from 7 to 7:45 p.m. at 215 N. Cedar Street in Luverne. For more information call Kim at 507-353-0041 or email kimberly-elizabeth@live.com.

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

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

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

Free tax help available at library

Volunteers through AARP are providing free tax services at the Rock County Community Library in Luverne during tax season. Call the library, 449-5040, to make an appointment. Appointments are required. Evening appointments are also available. The service is free for any private individual with a simple tax format. It's not for commercial, farming or investment taxes.

Hospice Dinner kick-off meeting Feb. 15

There will be a kick-off meeting at noon Thursday, Feb. 15, at The Bluestem for anyone interested in volunteering to help with this year's Hospice Dinner and Auction fundraiser. If interested in volunteering, call 507-283-1805 or email helen at helen.saum@sanfordhealth.com.

Free food Feb. 15

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

Growing soybeans workshop Feb. 22

The University of Minnesota Extension Service will host "Strategic Planning: Growing Soybeans that Out-Compete Weeds" workshop at 10 locations in January and February.

The nearest workshop will be from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Feb. 22 at the Murray County Fairgrounds in Slayton. Lunch is included. To register or for a list of other locations go to <https://z.umn.edu/strategic-farming>.

For more information contact Liz Stahl, Extension educator, at 507-372-3900 or stah0012@umn.edu.

Food producer training Feb. 27

Do you make and sell baked goods, home-canned pickles, salsa, jam and jellies? Are you a cottage food producer? The University of Minnesota Extension is hosting an advanced food safety handling course from 1 to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 27, at the SW/WC Service Cooperative in Marshall.

"Cottage Food Producer Food Safety Training" focuses on all aspects of cottage food products including baked, confectionary, dried, fruit preserves, and acidified fruit and vegetables. Participants will learn how to produce, package and label a safe food product.

Farm Financial workshop Feb. 28

The Southwest Minnesota Farm Business Management Association and the University of Minnesota Extension will present "Taking Charge of Your Finances: How to Survive and Thrive" from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 28, at the Luverne Pizza Ranch. This free, full-day workshop will provide information and strategies to help farm families be better prepared to make internal farm management decisions while also building stronger relationships with external partners.

There is no registration fee, but pre-registration is required to guarantee lunch and materials. To pre-register for the workshop, contact Gretchen Thillen, gthillen@umn.edu or 507-752-5094. Visit swroc.cfans.umn.edu for more information.



Lori Sorenson photos/0215 art

Lord Grizzly Gallery curator Cody Henrichs, Luverne, will host an opening event at 6 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16, to introduce the art and the artist, Diego Rodriguez-Warner.

'In the Wild'

Work of world-renowned artist on display at Lord Grizzly Gallery

By Lori Sorenson

Lord Grizzly Gallery's newest show is "In the Wild," featuring artist Diego Rodriguez-Warner whose work will be displayed through April 19.

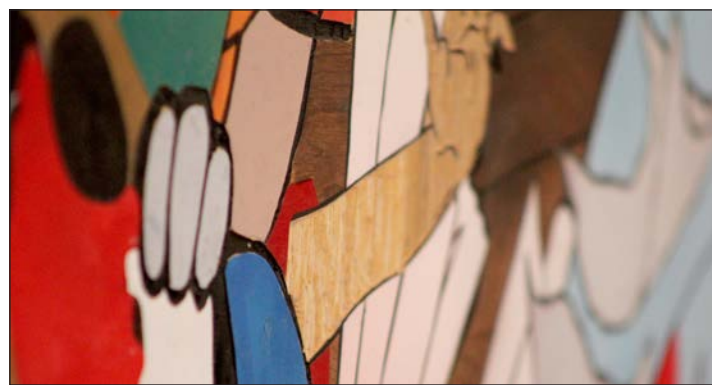
Gallery curator Cody Henrichs will host an opening event at 6 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16, to introduce the art and the artist.

He said the large pieces on display are among the smaller works Diego has created. "Most of his work wouldn't fit in here," Henrichs said.

Diego paints and carves onto large plywood panels, creating abstract, brightly colored landscapes with imagery intended to tell stories, often about power, victims and violence.

Diego was born in Managua, Nicaragua, in 1986, son of a freedom fighter for democracy.

In 2008 he studied under the Cuban Minister for Fine Arts in Havana and completed his Bachelor of Arts in COIN Theory (counterinsurgency) and Fine Arts from



Diego Rodriguez-Warner paints and carves onto large plywood panels, creating abstract, brightly colored landscapes with imagery intended to tell stories, often about power struggles.

Hampshire College in 2009.

In 2013 he received his Master of Fine Arts from the Printmaking Department of the Rhode Island School of Design where he and Henrichs became friends.

"Over the last seven years I have heard a common quote from Diego," Henrichs said. "In the wild' is a statement referring to finding his art in the homes of his patrons."

Henrichs said Diego's art offers a glimpse into his past and an explanation for his

we're here, to share art."

He said locals often ask him what he's selling at the gallery, and he said they're confused by how he pays the bills without selling art.

"The goal for us is very specific: We show art," Henrichs said. "It's an opportunity to experience it."

He said his own artwork — sculptures — is currently being shown in Boston and Philadelphia, and he's been paid for some major public art projects that are helping to support his family now.

When asked when he'll display his own work at the gallery, Henrichs didn't want to appear "narcissistic," but he didn't say it wouldn't happen.

Friday's event and the gallery are free and open to the public.

The public is encouraged to view Diego's work during gallery hours Fridays from 4-8 p.m. and Saturdays 2-8 p.m. or by appointment.

Diego will be in Luverne for the close of the show in April at a time and date to be announced.

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tions are handed out on a case-by-case basis.

"Tamiflu is really only recommended for high risk populations, such as children under 2 and individuals with chronic medical problems or over 65 years of age," she said.

Other things to know about Tamiflu:

- It can be prescribed to high-risk patients without testing for influenza if it is clinically suspected that the person has influenza.

- It can be used to prevent Influenza A infections in those with household contacts that have Influenza A and have not been immunized.

- Tamiflu is the only treatment option and its effectiveness is not 100 percent.

- It has side effects and needs to be given within the first 24 to 48 hours of developing symptoms.

The best treatment, as always, is prevention.

Influenza is passed from person to person through sneezes, coughs and infected surfaces like doorknobs, railings, shopping cart handles and other publicly shared areas.

In addition to getting the flu shot, the Center for Disease Control (CDC) recommends limiting contact with those who are ill, frequently and thoroughly washing hands with warm soapy water, covering mouths when coughing or sneezing and staying rested to boost personal immune systems.

Comprehensive plan/from 1A

the pool and fitness center and adding an indoor walking track.

- facilitate the construction of workforce housing along with an overall increase in residential construction to meet housing needs.

- enhance tourism and destination branding initiatives and take advantage of the 210,000 people within a 30-mile radius of the community who could contribute to the local economy.

- construct the necessary infrastructure — roads, electrical substation and utilities — to facilitate growth and expansion of the industrial park.

- acquire and develop property to accommodate the future need for residential,

commercial and industrial growth.

- continue trail development to enhance recreational opportunities and provide connections to other community amenities.

In general, community leaders want the Comprehensive Plan to improve business climate, quality of life — including unique historical character — and ensure critical services and infrastructure needs are met.

Now that the community has had the opportunity to review it, the Comprehensive Plan will go to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

The City Council would need to give the plan final approval.



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Luverne to host manufacturers for state focus group

By Lori Sorenson

Luverne has been selected to host a focus group for Enterprise Minnesota and the State of Manufacturing.

Luverne Economic Development Authority Director Holly Sammons shared details about the focus group with the EDA board Monday morning.

"The State of Manufacturing is the most comprehensive survey of Minnesota's manufacturers, revealing their perceptions and opinions on the economy and other major issues impacting business," Sammons said.

"The results of this survey will provide important insights as to the challenges and the opportunities that our region's companies face."

The Southwest Initiative Foundation (SWIF) is sponsoring one of 15 focus groups this year that will take place throughout Minnesota.

Midwest Fire is assisting with planning for Luverne's event, which will be Wednesday, March 21, at the Take 16 Taproom.

"In this area — in small towns, it's important to shine a light on manufacturing and the issues we deal with,

especially in terms of finding skilled employees," said Darcie Johnson, Midwest Fire vice president and office manager.

"Plus, it's always good to hear from other manufacturers about how they're dealing with these challenges."

In building a fire truck, Johnson said every part of the process requires skilled labor — electricians, plumbers, welders and painters.

"Building a fire truck is not just placing Nut A on Bolt B," Johnson said.

Sammons pointed out legislators, economic development groups, universities, local elected officials, and many other key audiences and decision-makers receive the information generated by the State of Minnesota survey.

"So we want to make sure that our region's voices are heard," she said.

Ten to 12 manufacturing executives from southwest Minnesota will be invited to participate in the local process.

"It will be a neat opportunity to host the focus group and bring these manufacturers to town," Sammons said.



Lori Sorenson photos/0215 fishing derby crowds

Ice fishing contestants make their way to the Jaycox heated tent to find out the results of the afternoon's derby.

GET HOOKED

Annual ice fishing derby draws 400 people to The Lake

More than 300 anglers registered to fish in the third annual Get Hooked Ice Fishing Derby at The Lake in Luverne Saturday.

In all, crowds were estimated at more than 400 people, despite frigid temperatures in single digits.

Randy Hume of Brandon caught the largest fish - a 3.83-pound catfish to win the \$500 grand prize.

Luverne's Dean Wenzel netted a 3.67-pound northern as a near second, but he placed second in the adult division overall, because Courtney Nath caught more fish for a higher total weight.

The Luverne Area Chamber provided the following results, based on total weight of all fish caught.

Total Weight ADULT

1. Courtney Nath = 4.03 lbs
2. Dean Wenzel = 3.67 lbs
3. Josh DePyper = 2.46 lbs
4. Dick Remme = 1.665 lbs
5. Bill Tiesler = 1.22 lbs

Total Weight YOUTH

1. Brayden Scholtes = 1.315 lbs
2. Gracie Nath = 1.105 lbs
3. Jamison Drost = .725 lbs
4. Hunter Ahrendt = .665 lbs
5. Nora Louwagie = .62 lbs



Ethan Nath waits patiently in his fish house.



Courtney Nath was the first-place winner in the adult division. Below, grand prize winner Randy Hume, right, is pictured with volunteer Rob Wenzel.



Leroy Van Wyhe of the Beaver Creek Sportsman's Club helps Jeremy and Emmely Wallenberg weigh a little sunfish, pictured below on the scale.



City works with consultant to design, plan wayfinding signs

By Lori Sorenson

A local subcommittee is working with sign experts at Axia to develop a comprehensive system of wayfinding in Luverne.

"The object of wayfinding is to create a unique, helpful, efficient system that focuses on new visitors, creates efficient routes, points visitors to destination and pulls visitors north from the freeway," said Luverne EDA Director Holly Sammons.

She told the Luverne Economic Development Authority Monday that a community assessment has been completed and concepts have been generated.

Consultants are now working on the design development and determining location of signs and the

message schedule.

"There's definitely a science to this," Sammons said. "Four destinations per sign is the max. You want it to be visually attractive and representative of your brand."

She said the wayfinding signs will be completed around the community in phases, starting with Highway 75 and Main Street.

The subcommittee is comprised of representation from Luverne Initiatives For Tomorrow, city, chamber, county and the Design Committee.

This group is collaborating with the Blue Mounds State Park, the Minnesota Department of Transportation and Luverne Public Schools.

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from the state based on the number of vehicle filings they complete each year.

Last year, Rock County generated over \$119,000 in transactions. The equivalent of 2.5 employees work in the department.

Prior to the state's update, the department's operating costs were covered by the reimbursements.

After the system update, employee overtime costs have risen due to glitches in the state computer system.

In some instances transactions, such as transfer of

vanity plates, cannot be completed because the software has not been developed for such transactions.

"At first we thought by the first of the year we could work through this," said Rock County Auditor-Treasurer Ashley Kurtz.

Recently the state Department of Public Safety requested additional funds to bring the MNLARS system to full functionality. High priority defect fixes are scheduled to be in place by July with other solutions developed through December 2019.

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The 130th Annual Meeting of the policyholders of Sweet Township Mutual Fire Insurance Company, will be held in the meeting room of The Pipestone Pizza Ranch, 108 West Main Street, Pipestone, Minnesota, on Tuesday, April 10, 2018, at 2:00 p.m.

The purpose of this meeting is the election of three (3) directors for terms of three (3) years, hearing reports of the officers on the past year's business, and transacting such other business as may properly come before this regular meeting.

With regards to the election of members to the Board of Directors of the Company, candidates seeking to be placed on the ballot for election at the annual meeting shall be members of the Company in good standing and must be nominated and must file for the office of director in writing with the Secretary of the Company no later than March 12, 2018. The filing of the nomination must occur at the office of the Secretary before 5:00 p.m. March 12, 2018, by the order of the Board of Directors.

Gary Winter, President
Gerald Brockberg, Secretary
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NOTICE TO THE POLICYHOLDERS OF BEAVER CREEK MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY

Any policyholder wishing to be a candidate for the Office of Director must file such notice in writing with the Secretary, at the Home Office of the Company in Luverne, MN, at least thirty days prior to the April 3, 2018 Annual meeting of the Company, as provided by the Article of Incorporation. Last day for filing will be **March 5, 2018.**

BY ORDER OF THE DIRECTORS
Bernard Uilk, President
Mike Engesser, Secretary

53

Reflection on an age brings memories of 'big sis'

Fifty-three is just a number. That's what I keep telling myself anyway. The number looks like %# using the keyboard caps lock. Written backward, it's 35 — or #%.
A 53rd birthday has no real significance compared with round numbers like turning 50, which I've found to be one of the best so far.
But this year, turning 53 is "significantly significant" in my world. So much so that 54 can't come soon enough.
Seven years have passed since my sister died at age 53. As we aged, she would reach the milestones first and seven years later I would be there.
She blazed the trails that led to graduating from high school, choosing a life partner, and delivering the first grandchild in the Olson family. I followed in the same sequence, adding the final Olson grandchild, as it turns out.
Through her, I learned the importance of education, hard work and having a kind and generous heart. Avis would drop what she was doing and help her "little sis" at a moment's notice.
I miss her.
As my only sister there isn't anyone else who shared our same experiences. Many people thought we were twins. We might as well have been, considering our similar names and similar interests.
We often took road trips together, and thanks to her I know where the best bathroom stops are located on various routes. And as I, too, approach 53, the bladder becomes a higher priority when I travel.



RUMINATIONS

By Mavis Fodness, Reporter

She was the one I followed. The one I looked up to. The one who made me feel comfortable in my own skin, because she did things before me and then waited for me to catch up.

After this year I'll face milestones on my own.

My trailblazer died at 53 from a pulmonary embolism on Dec. 24, 2011, after a simple knee surgery.

Christmas was one of her favorite holidays. She would buy thoughtful gifts for everyone and hand them out by flashing her big — but shy — smile. As adults we didn't need to exchange gifts, but she found the holiday cheer too irresistible not to show.

Christmas Eve now makes me cringe. Dec. 24 is the date that forever froze her age at 53.

And as my birthdays inch closer to the number when our ages match, I'm aware that I'll soon be blazing my own trails.

And that scares me. Retirement, losing a spouse, welcoming great-grandchildren in the Olson family, and aging in a nursing home are all milestones she never reached.

We joked we would be in the nursing home together, giggling, pinching the orderlies and racing our wheelchairs down the hall.

As I venture beyond 53 without her, I am aware of a final landmark she reached ahead of me.

Heaven gained an angel that Christmas Eve seven years ago, and I can only hope to follow her footsteps and catch up to her in eternity.

Fishing Derby and Winter Carnival stack Saturday with family fun

It was fun to be in Luverne Saturday with two big events back-to-back on the same day.

The Third Annual Get Hooked Ice Fishing Derby drew 300 people to The Lake from 1 to 4.

Three hundred people.

And it was 5 degrees.

The icehouses dotting the lake from one end to the other was a sight to behold.

An even better sight was inside the little fishing shacks where people were sharing the experience around their holes in the ice.

The event attracted moms and boys, daughters and daddies, grandpas and grandkids and every other combination of anglers you can imagine.

Of course there were big kids in it for the big catch, and many solitary souls enjoyed the sport the way they

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prefer — alone with their lines in the water.

It was truly a cold day, but what happened on the ice was heartwarming, and it was another proud moment for Luverne.

That night, in the Luverne High School gym, we saw many of the same families enjoying the Luverne Music Boosters Winter Carnival.

This is a 38-year-old classic winter tradition and we're lucky to have it for solid family entertainment.

Now we see grandchildren of some of the first Winter Carnival students attending the event, and

it's great to see Luverne natives come home to let their own children experience it.

We may take for granted all the opportunities like these events on Saturday, but they don't happen without a lot of hard work by a lot of dedicated volunteers.

Kudos to the Fishing Derby organizers and Carnival volunteers, and a big thumbs up to all the generous businesses, individuals and organizations for sponsoring and donating to the cause.

It's all part of what makes life so great in our community.



Reflections on Luverne: If change is good, we're on a roll

Sometimes things change around us and we don't even notice them. Case in point: Over the last couple of weeks these two incidents happened.

As I was walking back to the office from a much deserved coffee break, a lady pulled her car over to my side of the street near the curb and rolled down her window. I could tell she was about to ask me for directions to somewhere.

I was ready to do my best Goggle Map impression when she asked where Roundwind Travel is. The puzzled look on my face must have told her I had no idea.

I've been here for 14 years and never heard of Roundwind Travel. I knew where Roundwind Road was and thought maybe someone was running a travel agency out of their home, and I told the lady as much. She was pretty adamant that it was located on Main Street.

Not wanting to argue with the lady, I told her the Great Planes



FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH

By Rick Peterson, General Manager
Tollefson Publishing

Travel was just up the street and on the left-hand side of the road. She rolled up her window and drove away.

Just this week early Monday morning there was a lady knocking on the back door of the H.S.I. building next door to our office. It seems the lady had dropped off an insurance payment at the front door drop box and after doing so realized Estenson Insurance Company had moved.

Again, I have been here 14 years and the Estenson Insurance Company moved to the other end of Main Street before my time.

Businesses change location or

owners all the time, but as it happens, we don't really pay much attention.

So starting at the south end of town, here are some of those changes that come to mind. C&D John Deere used to be Hohn Implement, Pamida is now Shopko, the Mag Steak House (named after the town Magnolia) became Magnolia Steak House named after the flower and is now Bluestem.

The Shell gas station is now a Holiday station. Country Kitchen became Chit Chat's, then Papa's Place, and soon to be something else. The Pizza Hut building was a used car lot for about a minute or

two and now the building has been moved to the west side of town. Mark Jacobson Implement is now Jaycox Implement, M&M is now Bomgaars, Sharkee's is gone altogether, and who knows the fate of China Inn/China Buffet building.

Rock Motor Sport is where Tri-State Auto was. The Rock County Co-op has been replaced by Herman Motors to the south and McClure Plumbing to the north. Connell Car Care replaced K&R Auto and Sturdavant's moved to where G&S Auto Sales was.

Across Highway 75, Kozlowski Insurance and Lewis Drug sit where there used to be a couple of rental houses.

Smokey Bears is the new den for ReMax Realty. The Dairy Queen is now the Laundry Room and The Gas Stop across the highway is W-2 Meats.

You see what I mean — the list goes on and on and I've only been here a relatively short time. So if change is good, we're on a roll.

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ON THE RECORD

Dispatch report

Feb. 2
 •Complainant reported possible child maltreatment.
 •Complainant reported possible drugs at Luverne High School - tested negative.
 •Welfare check requested for employee that did not show up to work.
 •Complainant reported dumpsters spray-painted in Hills.
 •Complainant reported alleged child maltreatment.
 •Abandoned vehicle reported in Magnolia; property owner notified.
 •Complainant requested to speak to deputy regarding a civil issue.
 •Officer initiated follow-up call for service on previous case.
Feb. 3
 •Subject tested for drug court.
 •Case follow-up.
 •Complainant requested welfare check in Jasper.
Feb. 4
 •Complainant reported vandalism case.
 •Motion alarm detected motion in Magnolia.
 •Follow-up call on vandalism call.
 •Follow-up phone call regarding vandalism.
 •Follow-up call regarding previous case.
 •Hit and run reported on Spring Street.
Feb. 5
 •Reserved for garbage complaint citation on East Park Street.
 •Domestic reported on East Park Street.
 •Complainant requested background check for housing.
 •Fire alarm on McKenzie Street. Cancelled due to alarm testing.
 •Complainant reported marijuana smell on Dodge Street.
 •Complainant reported credit card information was stolen.
 •Complainant reported car in water-filled ditch on I-90. Car is smoking.
 •Complainant requested UA observation.
 •Complainant reported car accident on Donaldson Street. No injuries.
 •Complainant reported bale in the road on Highway 75.
 •Complainant reported cars blocking alley behind library.
 •Complainant was contacted regarding precious issue with family member.
 •Burglar alarm on Kniss Ave. False alarm.
Feb. 6
 •Complainant reported driving complaint in Beaver Creek.
 •Complainant requested deputy for property exchange
 •Complainant reported parking issue.

•Complainant requested deputy speak to client.
 •Drug Court UA.
 •Complainant requested to speak to deputy regarding custody.
Feb. 7
 •Complainant reported suspect tried to strangle her.
 •Complainant requested deputy for domestic victim assessment.
 •Complainant requested driver's license check.
 •Follow-up domestic call.
 •Nobles County requested transport of transient to state line.
 •Complainant reported truck driving erratically.
 •Complainant reported marijuana smell coming from apartment on Dodge Street.
 •Deputy conducted follow-up call.
 •Complainant reported alleged child maltreatment.
 •Complainant reported alleged child maltreatment.
 •Domestic reported on Oakley Street. Male acting violent.
 •Complainant reported suspended employee won't leave.
 •Complainant reported panic alarm on Brown Street.
 •Complainant requested deputy to discuss civil matter.
 •Complainant reported stolen vehicle in Hills.
 •Complainant reported alarm on Kniss Ave.
 •Complainant reported intoxicated female on Davidson.
Feb. 8
 •Complainant requested to speak to someone regarding his neighbor.
 •Private property accident involved parties advised to exchange information.
 •Complainant requested background check for housing.
 •Complainant reported alleged child maltreatment.
 •Complainant reported alleged child maltreatment.
 •Death notification conducted by deputy.
 •Complainant reported semi on its side in ditch near Hills. No injuries.
 •Subject tested for drug court.
 •Complainant reported truck on fire-unoccupied, paged fire.
 •Complainant reported neighbor doing construction and being noisy.
 •Complainant reported car stuck in snow pile.

In addition, officers also responded to 2 motor vehicle accidents, 9 escorts, 19 ambulance runs, 3 animal complaints, 12 burn permits, 18 paper serves, 5 permits to purchase/carry, 23 traffic stops, 3 tests, 1 abandon 911 call, 1 DWI and 2 snow removal tows.



Mavis Fodness photo/0215 New Hospice Location

Sanford Luverne Hospice recently moved its offices to 304 N. McKenzie Street inside the city of Luverne office building. Hospice director Helen Saum advises hospice visitors to use the city office's main door located on Luverne Street to reach the hospice office until a public access door is installed on the McKenzie Street side of the building.

Sanford Luverne Hospice now located in the city of Luverne building

By Mavis Fodness

Sanford Luverne Hospice's new office location at 304 N. McKenzie Street is challenging those wanting to visit the new location in person.

Earlier this year hospice moved from Luverne's Main Street to inside the city of Luverne (the former hospital) building.

Currently there is no public access into the hospice office area from McKenzie Street.

"People need to come to the city office main entrance and be directed down to our office," said hospice director Helen Saum. "This is only until a separate hospice entrance is added on McKenzie Street this spring."

The city of Luverne main office door is located on Luverne Street.

Hospice's move comes ahead of the organization's fundraising banquet scheduled for Saturday, April 21.

Tickets are currently on sale in person or by calling. Credit cards are accepted. Cost is \$55 per ticket.

Ticket pickup is at the new office location beginning Tuesday.

Table selection can be seen online at www.sanfordluverne.org.

While the city of Luverne office is not open Monday due to Presidents Day, the hospice office will be open and staff available for questions.

Their phone number is the same at 507-283-1805.

Walz, Johnson favored in caucuses

By Lori Sorenson

Tim Walz and Jeff Johnson won straw polls for governor at Minnesota's precinct caucuses last week.

Walz, Minnesota's 1st Congressional District representative, is seeking the DFL endorsement for governor. Johnson, a Hennepin County commissioner, is seeking the Republican nod.

Both were clear victors among statewide caucus-goers, and Rock County followed suit at local meetings Feb. 6 with polls favoring Walz and Johnson.

DFL locals supported Walz with 25 preference ballots at their gathering in the Luverne Senior Center. Chris Coleman drew 4, Rebecca Otto 3, Paul Thissen 2, Tina Liebeling 1, Erin Murphy 1, and 3 were uncommitted.

Only 10 people showed up at the Republican precinct caucus Tuesday in the Luverne Elementary commons. Four of them supported Johnson, and six were undecided.

Other candidates seeking Republican endorsement for governor include Keith Downey, Lance Johnson, Mary Giuliani Stephens and Phillip Parrish.

The Rock County GOP caucus was among the smallest in the state, but many precincts reported poor attendance for Republican straw polls.

Some speculate that Tim Pawlenty's last-minute hint of entering the governor's race may be the reason for statewide indecision among Republican caucuses.

Minnesota's current DFL governor Mark Dayton is not seeking re-election after two terms in office.

Straw polls, or preference ballots, are a way for parties to detect early on which candidates are most popular. These candidates also tend to get a head start in fundraising and party support.

Precinct caucuses are also the time and place to elect delegates for each party's Senate district and county conventions. They will in turn elect state convention delegates.

These will endorse candidates for governor, U.S. Senate seats, attorney general, state auditor and secretary of state. Congressional district delegates will endorse U.S. House candidates.

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Centenarian teachers

Mavis Fodness photos/0215 100 Days 2018



Overnight aging for the 100th day of school

Luverne Elementary second-grade teachers (from left) Lori Nath, Laura Louwagie, Kristin Schomacker, student teacher Aimee Moss and Kelly Bergan have a little fun Thursday, Feb. 8, dressed as 100-year-olds in honor of the 100th day of the 2017-2018 school year. "It is always fun to shake things up a bit and have some fun with the kids," Nath said.

Pictured **upper, right:** Arriving student Emma Abrahamson had a startled reaction from the teachers' new attire. **Middle, right:** Students Logan Wrigg (left) and Kale Ver Steeg laughed as they recognized teacher Kristin Schomacker.

After the greeting from teachers, the second-grade students completed different activities in recognition of the 100th day of school. Some of the activities included assembling a 100-piece puzzle, stacking 100 pennies or participating in a 100-second stare-down. **At left:** Carolyn Mahoney (left) and Jerzey Hood determine if 100 popsicle sticks can reach across the classroom.

At right: Tasked with how many of the 100 dice she can stack, Luella Johnson adds the 13th die to her stack.

After the Feb. 8 activities, there are 74 days left in the school year.



REMEMBER WHEN

10 years ago (2008)

The new tennis courts planned at Luverne schools will double the space for tennis play and education.

The Luverne School Foundation is now trying to help the project along and has launched the Campaign for Courts, hoping to raise \$75,000 for the project.

Mike Cox is president of the foundation.

He said, "Anything that's good about a project, this one has it."

Cox said the improved and expanded courts will be good for the students and people in the community who can use the courts when the school doesn't.

25 years ago (1993)

Luverne and Magnolia boards agreed to continue exploring Cooperation and Combination between their two districts at the annual joint meeting Tuesday.

The boards agreed they wanted to explore C&C further and see what their options are, according to Magnolia Superintendent Jan Nuffer.

A core committee, composed of two board members from Magnolia, two from Luverne, Luverne Superintendent Norman Miller and Nuffer, will gather in late March or early April to begin work. Community representatives, such as staff, parents of school age children, retired people and parents with young children will be added to the committee, Nuffer said.

50 years ago (1968)

Luverne's anti-spiking ordinance, in effect since Prohibition days, received a first reading by the City Council Tuesday night.

The action taken will eventually allow the mixing of an alcoholic beverage with a soft drink or water in a restaurant in the city for the first time in 50 years. Its authority will go into effect 30 days after publication of the legal notice.

The request has been put to the council on December 12, 1967 by Alvin (Tiny) Johanssen of Luverne, proprietor of Lambertson's Café. Johanssen at that time asked the city in a letter for a license to sell "set ups."

The Council reviewed the request at that time and after consulting City Attorney James Douville, necessary action was limited to change the appropriate City Ordinance. The ordinance was introduced Tuesday and will later be adopted.

75 years ago (1943)

Luverne is one of the cities included in the statewide network of airports as outlined by the Minnesota aeronautics commission, it was learned here this week.

The commission, in a report prepared for the state legislature, outlined an overall primary system of airports at Mankato, Brainerd, Winona, Austin, Worthington, Faribault, Grand Rapids, Detroit Lakes, Redwing, Crookston and Fergus Falls which would serve as feeder links for air travel and air freight. These

cities, together with 18 or 19 other cities, of which Luverne is one, would directly connect with each other by air route.

Luverne, according to the map showing the state airport plan, would be connected with Worthington and Sioux Falls. Worthington, on the other hand, would be connected directly with Luverne on the west, Fairmont on the east and Marshall on the north.

100 years ago (1918)

Recognition of the splendid merits and rapidly increasing popularity of the Luverne line of trucks and truck gears has this week resulted in the formation of a company of Sioux Falls business men, who will have the exclusive sale of this line of products of the Luverne factory.

The new company will be known as the Luverne Automobile Sales Company, and it will be composed of F.W. Koneman, H.R. Dennis and R.H. Dennis, with Mr. Koneman as business manager. While the company is incorporated in South Dakota, its main office and headquarters will be in Luverne.

Those who compose the new company are men of large financial resources, who have become thoroughly convinced that there is a great future for Luverne trucks and truckgears, and by placing their resources at the disposal of the Luverne Automobile Company, this concern will soon occupy the position which it has long deserved.

MENU

Monday, Feb. 19: Barbecued pulled pork, scalloped potatoes, stewed tomatoes, bun, applesauce.

Program: Presidents Trivia.

Tuesday, Feb. 20: Roast turkey, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, cranberry sauce garnish, bread, pumpkin dessert.

Program: Two-buck Tuesday sponsored by Connell Car Care. Haaky's birthday; Pinochle.

Wednesday, Feb. 21: Salisbury steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, squash, bread, blushing pears.

Program: Site Council.

Thursday, Feb. 22:

Creamed chicken on biscuit, California blend vegetables, fruit cup, pudding.

Program: \$2 Buck Day. What you didn't know about George Washington.

Friday, Feb. 23: Tuna noodle casserole, peas, coleslaw, bread, dessert.

Program: Free meal give-away.

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Polzine, Loosbrock crowned at event

Skylar Polzine and Taylor Loosbrock were crowned Adrian High School's 2018 Snow King and Queen during coronation ceremonies Feb. 5. The coronation kicked off a week of boredom-buster activities ranging from dress-up days, scooter hockey and drive your snowmobile to school day.

OBITUARY

Harris Van Develde

Harris J. Van Develde, 91, Minneapolis, died Friday, Feb. 2, 2018, at a hospital in Minneapolis.

He was born to Henry and Louise (Anderson) Vande Velde on Aug. 31, 1926, at Kenneth. After graduating from Luverne High School in 1944, he attended and graduated from Luther College in Decorah, Iowa, before serving in the U.S. Navy.

He married Bette Gundersen in St. Paul. They had two children, Tom and Marta. At that time Harris worked for Minnesota Machinery, National Cash Register, and many



years selling real estate. In the 1980s he returned to Kenneth where he assumed the duties of president of the State Bank of Kenneth for 13 years until he retired and returned to Minneapolis.

Harris is survived by his daughter Marta McCormack and grandson Van McCormack, both of Minneapolis, his sister-in-law Clare Vande Velde of Kenneth, and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Bette; his son, Tom; his parents; his sister Dolores Pederson; and a brother, Chuck Vande Velde.

(0215 F)

FFA NEWS

General livestock team competes at Sioux Empire contest

The Luverne-Adrian FFA general livestock team traveled to Sioux Falls Jan. 27 for the junior judging competition. FFA'ers placed 33rd out of 54 four-member teams. Team members included Halle Hough, Tyler Fick, Eric Somnis, Kaylie Ossefoort and Leah Wynia. Hough was the team's highest-scoring individual, placing 30th overall. Teams judged classes of cattle, swine and sheep/market goats for the competition.

DEATH NOTICE

Darwin Kreun

Darwin G. Kreun, 89, Luverne, died Sunday, Feb. 11, 2018, at the Sanford USD Medical Center in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. A funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16, at Bethel Christian Reformed Church in Edgerton. Burial will follow at Hillside Cemetery in Edgerton. Visitation will be from 6:30-8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 15, at the Colonial Funeral Chapel in Edgerton. Arrangements are provided by Colonial Funeral Home in Edgerton. (0215 DN)

Speech team places third at Pipestone

Seven individuals reach final rounds at the large invitational tournament

The Luverne Cardinal Speech team competed in Pipestone on Saturday and took third-place honors in large team category.

There were 337 competitors from 21 schools.

"The Pipestone Invitational is one of the larger meets the Cardinals attend each year," said coach Caroline Thorson.

The Cardinals had 34 students at the competition.

Students competed in three rounds of preliminary competition with the top six competitors reaching the final round. In the final round, competitors begin on a clean slate.

Seven Cardinal speech team members qualified for finals. The speaker, final placing, and category are as follows:

- Josie Golla, sixth place, prose.
- Jonah Louwagie, fourth, storytelling.
- Shane Berning, first, extemporaneous speaking.
- Chance Tunnissen, second, extemporaneous speaking.
- Alexa Chesley, fifth, discussion.
- Lindsey Roemeling, sixth, original oratory.
- Seno Chanthalangsy, first, humor.
- Blue ribbons for reaching one spot short of making finals were Jacinda Hustoft, poetry,



Submitted photo

The Luverne Cardinal Speech Team finished third in the large team category Saturday at the Pipestone Invitational Speech Meet. Participants who placed or received ribbons at the event were (front, left) Destiny Matthiesen, Sophia Lanoue, Alexa Chesley, Lindsey Roemeling, Solveig Tofteland, Seno Chanthalangsy, (middle) Shane Berning, Xavier Carbonneau, Josie Golla, Julie Ferguson, Jacinda Hustoft, Chance Tunnissen, (back) Naomi Ring and Jonah Louwagie.

and Solveig Tofteland and Seno Chanthalangsy, duo interpretation.

Red ribbon (two places out of the finals) were earned by Julia Ferguson and Xavier Carbonneau in storytelling; Sophia Lanoue, original oratory; Destiny Matthiesen, extemporaneous reading; and Naomi Ring, poetry. According to Thorson,

success in reaching the final rounds only tells one part of the Cardinals' performance at the tournament.

"At a meet this size, competition is tough and the Luverne students had some awesome placings in individual rounds," she said. "Many students placed in the top three in their individual rounds yet

still did not break into finals."

Veteran and new members shared in placing well in their individual rounds.

"It really was a banner day for our team as far as personal bests and solid performances," Thorson added. "We have a lot to look forward to, and the students are

gaining valuable experience and critiques as well as confirmation of their pieces and performances."

The season's first junior high meet will be today, Feb. 15, for students in grades seventh through nine.

The entire team will travel to Redwood Falls Saturday.

1968: 80-year-old Luverne town hall to be razed

The following article appeared in the Feb. 15, 1968, edition of the Rock County Star Herald. This is the first of two parts.

A Luverne Landmark for 80 Years . . . Town Hall Coming Down

No final service will be held and no eulogy given this week when Luverne's original City Hall's last bricks and plaster are hauled away for burial.

City employees late last week began dismantling the 80-year-old brick and stone landmark that stood on North Cedar just off Main St., the heart of the city's operation through the years.

Behind the walls of the building, the framing timbers were dangerously rotted and weakened.

Built of bricks manufactured at Luverne, the front is faced with the pink Sioux Quartzite quarried from the Blue Mounds north of here. The building years ago began to bulge at the seams and to heel dangerously outward in spots, necessitating its removal.

City Administrative Assistant Richard J. Stevens said the front wall at the top has tilted outward at a hazardous angle and in time it might topple. The north wall of the building also bulged some. Somewhere around 1957 when the Council debated remodeling the building they discussed the feasibility of tearing down and remodeling at length then decided to go ahead. They gambled and won. The building stood.

To Be Razed

The front half of the building - the two-story section - will be removed and turned into a parking lot for the time



BITS BY BETTY

By Betty Mann, president Rock County Historical Society

A LUVERNE LANDMARK FOR 80 YEARS . . . Town Hall Coming Down



LUVERNE'S FIRST TOWN HALL has stood for 80 years as the focal point of the city's business. It has been used as a meeting hall by the village and city councils, by firemen, various public organizations and the rear portion of the building is the former fire hall. The two story part of the building is made of Luverne brick and pink native stone and will be torn down soon. In the background at left is the new fire hall built by the city. (Star-Herald photo)

being. The rear section may be remodeled into a police station, according to tentative plans. This would give the police department space plus indoor parking for the two patrol cars.

City Hall was moved from the old building to the new location at the northeast corner of Cedar and Main last summer. The city now functions out of what formerly was a bank building. Voters approved a bond issue of \$21,150 for remodeling the present quarters.

This amount is a far cry from the bid accepted by city fathers on November 15,

1888 for a new Town Hall. The letting was the culmination of a long and arduous campaign by townspeople and the council to come to a workable agreement over a site, building and plans.

The official records of the council from the minute book of 1887 show the townfolks themselves initiated the move for an adequate city hall but after the ball got rolling on the project the council and the president had to sell the idea to the people again because a slight case of austerity had developed.

Citizens Petitioned

The movement began in 1887. On December 19 that

year a petition for erection of a town hall was put before the council. In January an election was held at Armory Hall Tuesday, the 10th. The question on the ballot was whether there should be issued \$5,000 in bonds for construction and furnishing a town hall. Bonds would run for 20 years at a rate of 6 per cent per annum. Of the 130 votes cast, all were in favor of issuing the bonds.

Acting optimistically the Council on March 5, 1888 authorized Joseph Schwartz to provide plans and specifications for a Town Hall for a sum of \$75 plus expenses of superintending construction at Luverne.

First Bid Opened

In April the Council accepted the proposition of George Huntington for the purchase of Lots 19-20-21-22 of Block 9 as the site of the Town Hall. On May 1, 1888 bids were opened with three bids received. Joseph Jones' bid was for \$6,464; P.N. Gillham's was \$6,393 and the bid of Charles E. Skinner was thrown out on a technicality - he had neglected to enclose the necessary earnest money deposit with his bid.

But the awards of bids was postponed. The council felt since they exceeded the bonds issue amount the bidding was too high. Two days later they met in special session and decided to canvas the town to ascertain if voters were willing to further provide additional funds by voting more bonds or otherwise provide for construction of the town halls.

Part two is next week.

Mann welcomes correspondence sent to manmade@iw.net.



Derek and Nicole Boeve

Kerkhoff, Boeve wed at St. Michael's in Morgan

Derek Boeve and Nicole Kerkhoff, both of Eagan, were married Saturday, Nov. 4, 2017, at St. Michael's Church in Morgan with officiant Father Mark Mallack.

Nicole is the daughter of Doug and Rhonda Kerkhoff of Redwood Falls, and Derek is the son of Marcia Boeve-Alfano, Luverne, and the late Jim Boeve.

Organist for the ceremony was Sean Connolly.

The bride's maid of honor was her friend Kacey Eggink. Her bridesmaids were her friends Corrie Tews, Paige Lynam and Lindsay Meuwisen, her cousin Sarah Ludewig, and the groom's sister Rashed Selden. The bride's personal attendants were her friends Katie Robinson and Kassi Tietz and the groom's sister-in-law Leah Boeve. Flower girls were Adalyn Mathiowetz, Claire Mathiowetz and Amelia Selden.

The groom's brother, Mikel Boeve, and the groom's friend Weston Sawtelle were best men. Groomsmen were David Nelson, Jake Clark and Marc Boelman, the groom's friends, and Zac Kerkhoff, brother of the bride. Ring bearers were Lucas Boeve and Weston Boeve. Ushers were Jeremy Hoff, Andrew DeBoer, Tyler Pattee and Alex Blonigan, friends of the groom, Erik Selden, brother-in-law of the groom, Lucas Tietz, friend of the couple, and Cooper Mathiowetz, cousin of the bride.

A reception followed the ceremony at Sleepy Eye Event Center.

Nicole is a graduate of Augustana University and is a registered nurse at Abbott Northwestern Hospital.

Derek is a graduate of the University of Minnesota Minneapolis and is a loan officer at Minnwest Bank in Eagan. They live in Eagan.

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Lori Sorenson photos/0215 carnival crowds

The Luverne High School gymnasium was filled to capacity Saturday night for the 38th annual Luverne Music Boosters Winter Carnival.

Luverne Music Boosters host Winter Carnival

By Lori Sorenson

The Luverne Music Boosters hosted their 38th Annual Winter Carnival Saturday night in the Luverne High School gymnasium.

The classic family entertainment lived up to its reputation by offering attendees a solid selection of carnival-style games, plenty of food, the popular cake walk, cotton candy, face painting and, of course, bingo.

By the end of the night, hundreds of prizes (donated by area businesses and individuals) were awarded and families took their children home with painted faces and tummies full of sugar.

The annual event is one of the Music Boosters' biggest fundraising events of the year, helping to fund all vocal and instrumental programs in Luverne Schools.



Below, Hope Van Meeteren holds Elizabeth Hoogland after they selected new head gear at the balloon-making booth. **At left**, the Mike and Wanda Jarchow family submitted another award-winning cake for the cake walk, this one a snowman. The photo **at lower right** is another award-winning cake — this one made by Nicole and Julia Hoogland — to look like nachos. **At far right**, Brooklynn Gillette reacts to her new look when face painter Naomi Ring holds a hand mirror. **Below right**, parent volunteers Paul Sandbulte and Rebecca Ingebretsen man the cotton candy machine.



Pierce Cunningham helps Karsten Haas, 4, and his mom, Anna Haas, send their race car around the track.



Molly Boltjes selects a rubber duck. Dolly Talbert and her grandson, Hayden Talbert, play Toss Across with Ashlee Boltjes.



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*"At the beginning of yoga (classes) we couldn't hold our poses."
 – sophomore hockey player Dalton Domagala*



Dalton Domagala, Colby Crabtree, Tyler Reisdorfer and Nick Harder hold the warrior pose during a recent yoga session.

Yoga helps LHS boys' hockey team stay healthy *(Adult sessions also taught through community ed)*

Story and photos by Mavis Fodness

Members of this year's Luverne High School boys' hockey team are finding themselves with fewer strains, pains and more mental focus.

Since practice began late last fall, a once-a-week yoga practice has been included along with the practice on the ice.

"I thought it was just a stretching routine at first," said head coach Phil Paquette.

As Paquette watched and sometimes participated in the yoga sessions, the goals changed for the team.

"Our goal was to help with discipline and mental focus," he said.

Yoga focuses on breathing and not on what happened in the past or what's coming up in the future.

Besides mental focus, it has helped with the team's physical strength.

Paquette said the varsity and junior varsity team members are drenched in sweat at the end of the 60-minute sessions. Not only does yoga burn calories, players report they are more flexible and are less prone to injury.

Last year, then high school junior Declan Beers suffered a knee injury and a high ankle sprain.

"I haven't had any of these this year," he said.

Diana Erickson is the team's yoga instructor. She has more than 20 years of yoga experience.

She has led athletes through the various poses that stretch, lengthen and strengthen the body's muscles before this hockey season.

"It's definitely a mental thing," said senior Cade Ver Steeg, who practiced yoga at a hockey camp. "You have to think to stay on your mat and not fall."

Sophomore Dalton Domagala agreed.

"At the beginning of yoga (classes) we couldn't hold our poses," he said.

As the group gained in core strength and focus, poses became easier to maintain.

The weekly yoga has helped Domagala become more fit. "At the beginning of practice my back was sore," he said.

Now the back soreness has lessened because yoga pushes him to lengthen his poses.

Thinking about his breathing enables him to push through the muscle tightness in his arms and legs. The improved flexibility has improved his goal-tending skills.

"When I am on the ice, I can get to the puck better because I have the stretch to reach farther," Domagala said.

Yoga benefits adults too

A bucket list item for Luverne's Stephanie Hoven was reached last fall when she received certification to teach yoga.

She is currently conducting her first yoga class through Luverne Community Education. She also hosted a yoga session at the Take 16 brewery.

"It's peaceful. Calming. It relaxes you," she said. In her classes Hoven emphasizes simple poses, encouraging participants to pose as best as possible.

"You can tailor yoga to any ability," she said.

Hoven began practicing yoga as a way to overcome the hip and hamstring stiffness from running.

She has a goal of completing a marathon in each state.

Without lessening the stiffness in her body, Hoven said she couldn't keep reaching for her goal. She's run in about 25 out of the 50 states.

Yoga instruction fulfills Hoven's desire to teach and dispel the belief that yoga is about ridiculous poses.

"You don't have to touch your toes and you don't have to do a handstand," she said. "You just move."



Above: Sophomore Colton Schutz and the rest of the Luverne High School boys' hockey team listen to yoga instructor Diana Erickson's calming voice as she explains to breathe deeply in and out, releasing the tension and stress from the school day.

Left: The LHS boys' hockey program dry room practice now includes weekly sessions of yoga taught by certified instructor Diana Erickson.

Below: Senior Cade Ver Steeg concentrates on lengthening his shoulder and arm muscles.



LHS releases second quarter honor rolls

A Honor Roll

Seniors: Madelyn Aleman, Pradana Arviano, Hans Bakken, Jarod Berndt, Anthony Cavazos, Isabella Donohue, James Erickson, Alexis Ferrell, Tyler Fick, Anika Gust, Alexis Henrichs, Timothy Lingen, Aric Meinerts, Rachel Oftedahl, Samantha Pierce, Michael Rahm, Mark Robinson, Megan Rogers, Sierra Schmuck, Daniel Tofteland, Cade Ver Steeg, Emma Verbrugge, Benjamin Wagner, Mckenna Westphal.

Juniors: Caitlyn Allen, Jady Anderson, Jessica Anderson, Likki Chanthalangsy, Carissa Cunningham, Jedidiah Dooyema, Gabrielle Ferrell, Jacinda Hustoft, Josiah Luethje, Derek Lundgren, Joel Ortiz, Mackenzie Petersen, Grace Sweeney, Austin Winter, Jenna Zewiske, Matthew Ziegler.

Sophomores: Claire Baustian, Tacey Baustian, Sydney Bieber, Alexa Chesley, Colby Crabtree, Graham Cunningham, Carson Ehde, Hannah Ehlers, Meagan Hansen, Zayda Holmgren, Nicole Hoogland, Anna Huisman, Amelia Jarchow, Kacie Kracht, Sophia Lanoue, Reka Meinerts, Gunnar Oldre, Melanie Rittenhouse, Nicholas Rogers, Austin Watts-Boll, Jordan Winter.

Freshmen: Kaitlyn Anderson, Peter Baustian, Ethan Beyer, Annaliese Braucht, Xavier Carbonneau, Seno Chanthalangsy, Rylee Gee, Dyllon Gehrke, Josephine Golla, Benjamin Jarchow, Elise Jarchow, Elisabeth Kelm, Shelby Kracht, John Miller, Autumn Nath, Rozilyn Oye, Ainslie Robinson, Genevieve Rolfs, Solveig Tofteland, Lauren Ver Steeg, Cade Wenninger, Gracie Zewiske.

B Honor Roll

Seniors: Felicity Austin, Emilie Bartels, Trey Baustian, Declan Beers, Gracie Bosch, Lane Bruhn, Cole Claussen, Madilyn Dinger, Chandler Eitrem, Samantha Faber, Derek Fodness, Coy Gonnerman, Alena Hilfers, Oscar Holmberg, Zane Holmgren, Brianna Huether, Pernille Kjorum, Janae Kopp, Kasy Kruse, Alexander Nelson, Jaxon Nelson, Frederik Nielsen, Tucker Oeltjenbruns, Jocilyn Oye, Tyler Reisdorfer, Jayden

Renken, Trey Roberts, Michaela Sandbulte, Zoey Sandbulte, Cody Saker, Ethan Thorson, Ashley Van Wettering, Wyatt VanSteenberg, Hannah Ver Steeg.

Juniors: Nicole Aanenson, Greta Ahrendt, Shane Berning, Matrim Borth, James Chanthalangsy, Carson Davis, Zoe DeBates, Lillian Donohue, Julia Ferguson, Jackson Golla, Quinn Graber, Tia Hadler, Jake Haugen, Halle Hough, Brayden Jacobsma, Luke Jarchow, Matthew Jelken, Brianna Jonas, Michelle Kramer, Carter Moerke, Faith Mounce, Courtney Nath, Rylee Olson, Nathan Overgaard, Madison Reisdorfer, Justyce Ripka, Lindsey Roemeling, Riley Severtson, Jade Smith, Emilie Staeffler, Grace Steensma, McCall Stegenga, Melissa Teal, Eric Thorson, Courtney Wendland, Cameron Wessels, Mikayla Wiederhoeft.

Sophomores: Dalwa Alinzi, Martin Anderson, Isaiah Bartels, Justice Brandt, Quinn Buss, Anita Cole-Kraty, Brody DeBates, Jacqueline Diaz, Sara Ernst, Madigan Flom, Jonah Friedrichsen, Madison Gebauer, Alexandra Hartman, Gracie Hudson, Sydne Johnson, Jaden Knips, Carter Loosbrock, Jonah Louwagie, Kaitlyn McDowell, Michael Meeker, Gabrielle Miller, Meghan Mollberg, Nathan Nekali, Samantha Niessink, Mallory Oye, Tyler Roberts, Henry Rolling, Ainsley Rysdam, Colton Schutz, Matthew Sehr, Cole Stoltenberg, Mallory Thorson, Brayden Tofteland, Jacob Von Tersch, Andrew Wagner, Sydney Wicks.

Freshmen: Russell Aanenson, Zachary Ahrendt, Cooper Arends, Rebecca Austin, Megan Click, Bailey Cowell, Ethan Curtiss, Tyrcia Davis, Tyler de Cesare, Rachel DenHerder, Regan Feit, Cassie Flanagan, Mia Halverson, Trevor Halverson, Emma Hinz, Camron Kopp, Kaden Lampron-DeSollar, Alex Mann, Destiny Matthiesen, Katlin Petronek, Sadie Reisdorfer, Jayson Rops, Hunter Sandbulte, Paige Sandbulte, Savannah Siebenahler, Brynn Thier, Leslie Van Engelenhoven, McKenzie VanGrootheest, Leah Wynia.



Lori Sorenson photo/0215 carwash update

Clean cars coming soon to Luverne

Construction progress continues on Top Notch Carwash south of I-90 near The Bluestem in Luverne. Pete and Kristie Jessen are launching the new business that will be in operation soon, depending on construction weather. The building footprint includes a 30-by-33-foot structure for two self-serve bays and a 45-by-45-foot building for two automatic wash bays. One of the auto-wash bays will be touchless and the other "soft touch" with chamois brushes.

Important Farm Service Agency deadlines coming closer for land owners, producers

By Fraser Norton
County Executive Director

Important Dates

Feb. 19: FSA office closed for Presidents Day.

March 15: 2018 NAP Pasture and Spring-seeded Annual Crops sales deadline; 2018 Crop Insurance Corn, Soybeans, Oats and Spring-Wheat sales deadline.

April 2: 2017 Small Grains Loan and LDP request deadline; 2017 LIP application deadline.

May 1: 2018 NAP Ornamental Nursery sales deadline; 2018 NAP Asparagus Acreage certification deadline.

May 15: Final RMA Small Grain Planting Date; CRP Primary Nesting and Brood Rearing Season begins; 2017 Strawberry Acreage certification deadline.

May 28: FSA Office closed for Memorial Day.

May 31: 2017 Corn and Soybean Loan and LDP request deadline; 2018 NAP Ornamental Nursery Crops Acreage certification deadline; Final RMA Corn for Grain planting date.

Ongoing: Continuous

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CRP sign-up.

Farm Service Agency policy reminders

The following reminders include important information in maintaining Federal Farm Program eligibility. Any questions should be directed to the Pipestone County FSA Office at 507-825-5478, or the Rock County FSA Office at 507-283-2369.

- Planting Exception - Planting fruits, vegetables (FAVs) or wild rice on payment acres enrolled in the Agriculture Risk Coverage (ARC) or Price Loss Coverage (PLC) Programs is prohibited unless the commodity is destroyed without benefit before harvest. Failure to comply with FAV and wild rice provisions will result in an acre-for-acre payment reduction.
- Reconstitutions - To be

effective for the current fiscal year (FY), farm combinations and farm divisions must be requested by Aug. 1 of the FY for farms subject to the ARC and PLC programs. A reconstitution is considered to be requested when all of the required signatures are received and other applicable documentation, such as proof of ownership, is submitted. Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) and non-ARC/PLC farms may be reconstituted at any time.

- Adjusted Gross Income Requirements - The average adjusted gross income (AGI) limitation for commodity and disaster programs is \$900,000 from all income sources. A person or legal entity, other than a joint venture or general partnership, is eligible to receive, directly or indirectly, certain program payments or benefits if the average

adjusted gross income of the person or legal entity falls below the \$900,000 threshold for the three taxable years preceding the most immediately preceding complete taxable year. However, the AGI limitation for conservation programs may be waived on a case-by-case basis if it is determined that environmentally sensitive land of special significance would be protected.

- Foreign Buyers Notification - The Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act (AFIDA) requires all foreign owners of U.S. agricultural land to report their holdings to the Secretary of Agriculture. Foreign persons who have purchased or sold agricultural land in the county are required to report the transaction to FSA within 90 days of the closing. Failure to submit the AFIDA form could result in civil penalties of up to 25 percent of the fair market value of the property. County government offices, Realtors, attorneys and others involved in real estate transactions are reminded to notify foreign investors of these reporting requirements.

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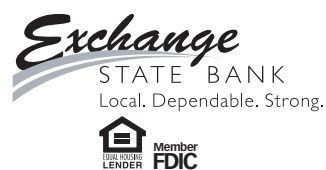
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Boys remain perfect in BSC hockey

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne boys' hockey team racked up its 15th consecutive Big South Conference victory Friday in Marshall.

Taking on the Tigers on their home ice, Luverne scored the first three goals of the game to set the stage for a 4-1 victory.

Kasyn Kruse scored a pair of goals to lead an LHS offense that outshot the Tigers 28-22 in the contest.

Daniel Tofteland was solid in net for the winners, making 21 saves in 22 attempts.

The teams skated to a scoreless draw through the first 11 minutes of play before LHS scored twice in a span of 1:47 late in the first period.

Coy Gonnerman opened the scoring with 5:06 remain-

ing in the stanza before Kruse recorded his first goal with 3:19 remaining.

Kruse capped his two-goal effort with an unassisted tally 10:46 into the second period to make it 3-0.

Marshall's Garret Hoffsnapped Luverne's three-goal run with a power-play tally that came with less than four minutes left in the second stanza, but Gaige Nath scored 1:43 into the third period for LHS to ice Luverne's three-goal win.

Jim Erickson, Nick Harder, Tyler Reisdorfer, Mark Sterrett and Kruse recorded one assist each for the winners.

The 18-5 Cards cap the regular season by taking on Minnesota River in Le Sueur Friday.



Kruse



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Luverne senior goalie Emilie Bartels stops a shot by Worthington's Ashton Fogelman during Thursday's game in Luverne.

Gymnasts best Windom to complete 3-3 league slate

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne Cardinals gymnastics team wrapped up a 7-9 regular season by challenging Windom-Mountain Lake Area Thursday in Windom.

The visiting Cardinals had their sights set on completing Big South Conference competition with a 3-3 record and got the job done by defeating the Cobras 129.55-123.825.

LHS athletes won three individual event titles to highlight the six-plus-point win.

Samantha Pierce, who shared the beam title with teammate Anna Huisman (8.2s), won the vault with a 9.175.

Pierce also placed fourth on the floor with an 8.35 effort, while Huisman placed second on the bars with a 7.825.

Meghan Witte claimed the bars and all-around titles with respective 8.275 and 33.625 tallies.

Witte also finished second on the vault and floor with 8.9 and 8.65 efforts.

Luverne's Melissa Teal placed third on the bars with a 7.225.

W-MLA's Katelyn Nichols posted an 8.675 to claim the floor crown.

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Cards fall in 3A semifinals

By John Rittenhouse

The 2017-18 season came to an end for the Luverne girls' hockey team during Section 3A Tournament play last week.

The fourth-seeded Cardinals opened the event by posting a two-goal home win over No. 5 Worthington Thursday, but top-seeded Marshall upended the Cards by three goals Saturday in Marshall.

Luverne ends the season with a 16-9-2 record.

Marshall 6, LHS 3

The Cardinals bowed out of the tournament during Saturday's semifinals in Marshall.

LHS and the Tigers skated

to a draw at one in the first period, but the hosts proceeded to score the next four goals to set the stage for a three-goal victory.

Marshall scored three goals in a span of 55 seconds of the second stanza to gain control of the game.

Leah Schaefer, Courtney Mauch and Kaitlyn Timm each scored a goal between the 13:35 and 12:40 marks to give the Tigers a 4-1 cushion.

The score was 5-1 when Sydney Mauch scored for the Tigers 3:20 into the third period, but Luverne climbed back into contention when Reghan Bork completed a hat trick with

goals that came 21 seconds apart to make it a 5-3 game with 9:48 left to play.

Marshall's Rachel VanKeulen settled the issue when she netted her second goal with 3:19 remaining to cap the scoring in the contest.

Both Van Keulen and Bork scored first-period goals.

Emilie Bartels made 26 saves in goal for an LHS squad that was outshot 32-22 in the game.

Luverne 3, WHS 1

The Cardinals reached the tournament's semifinals by besting the Trojans by two goals at the Blue Mound Ice

Arena Thursday.

The third meeting of the season between the teams was the most competitive one, but the contest ended with the same result, as LHS bested Worthington for the third consecutive time.

LHS, which posted 8-0 and 6-0 victories over the Trojans during the regular season, looked like it might coast to another lopsided win by scoring the first three goals of the game.

Worthington, however, blanked the Cards in the third period and scored one goal to make it a two-goal difference

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H-BC's run of 15 wins ends Thursday

By John Rittenhouse

The Hills-Beaver Creek girls' basketball team received its first losses since early December when the Patriots lost a pair of games late last week.

Southwest Christian topped the Patriots by two points in overtime Thursday in Edgerton. Pipestone saddled H-BC with a two-point setback in Hills Friday.

The 15-6 Patriots host Edgerton Friday.

Pipestone 64, H-BC 62

The Patriots took their second loss in as many days when they entertained the Arrows in Hills Friday.

H-BC played well enough to sport leads in both halves of the game, but Pipestone walked away with a two-point victory.

The Patriots got off to a good start by scoring the game's first five points before sporting a six-point cushion (8-2) when Sidney Fick drained a three-point shot at the 14:36 mark of the first half.

Pipestone trimmed the difference to two points (11-9) as the half progressed, but H-BC countered with a 7-2 spurt capped by a three-point shot from Abby Knobloch at the 9:46 mark to make it an 18-11 game.

The Arrows answered the challenge by going on a 10-2 run to gain their first lead of the game (21-20) with 6:57 remaining in the opening half.

H-BC did regain the lead (28-27) when Taryn Rauk sank one free throw with 1:56 left.

Pipestone, however, outscored the Patriots 4-2 the rest of the stanza to sport a 31-30 edge at the intermission.

The Arrows scored the first two points of the second half before H-BC turned a 17-11 surge into a 47-44 lead when Fick converted a field goal with 8:33 remaining.

The Patriots led by five (59-54) when Rauk drained a charity shot with 4:35 left to play,



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Hills-Beaver Creek junior Sidney Fick leaves the court to release a one-handed shot during Friday's home game against Pipestone. Fick scored 25 points during a 64-62 loss.

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Luverne girls rally to dump Redwood Valley

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne girls' basketball team staged an impressive come-from-behind victory in Redwood Falls Friday.

After facing a 19-point deficit in the first half, the Cardinals came roaring back to secure a 55-50 win and register their third consecutive victory.

LHS appeared to be in trouble when Redwood Valley opened a 26-7 lead during the first half, but the Cards whittled the difference to 10 points (31-21) before the first half was complete.

The Cardinals went on to outscore RWV 34-19 in the second half to clinch their third Big South Conference win of the season.

Sierra Schmuck and Joci Oye led the Cardinals offensively by netting 13 and 10 points respectively.

No team statistics were available from this game.

The 13-10 Cardinals host MCW Friday.

Box score
Meester 3 3 2-2 17, K.Chapa 1 0 3-4 5, L.Chapa 2 1 1-1 8, D.Dreesen 1 2 0-0 8, Ellsworth 13 0 3-5 5, Thorson 3 0 1-2 7, Oftedal 2 1 0-0 7, Sweeney 0 0 0-0 0, Petersen 0 0 2-2 2, Ferrell 1 0 3-5 5.



Schmuck

Panther girls end skid with victory in Okabena

By John Rittenhouse

The Ellsworth girls' basketball team split a pair of road games staged on consecutive nights last week.

The Panthers snapped a six-game losing skid with a 20-point win over Heron Lake-Okabena Thursday, but EHS came up on the short end of a 20-point decision in Hendricks Friday.

Ellsworth, 5-16 overall, caps the regular season with a home game against Murray County Central Monday.

Hendricks 58, EHS 38

Ellsworth's bid to win consecutive games went unrewarded when the Panthers challenged the Grizzlies in Hendricks Friday.

EHS was in a position to post a victory when it trailed by seven points (27-20) at halftime, but the Panthers couldn't stage a comeback in the second half.

The Grizzlies outscored EHS 31-18 in the final 18 minutes of play to complete a 20-point victory.

Ashlyn Meester pumped

in 17 points to lead EHS in scoring.

Kallie Chapa grabbed five rebounds and passed for five assists.

Box score
Meester 3 3 2-2 17, K.Chapa 1 0 3-4 5, L.Chapa 2 1 1-1 8, D.Dreesen 1 2 0-0 8.

Team statistics
Ellsworth 13 of 42 field goals (31 percent), six of seven free throws (86 percent), 16 rebounds, 12 turnovers.

Ellsworth 57, HL-O 37

The Panther girls snapped a six-game losing streak when they took on the Wildcats in Okabena Thursday.

Ellsworth raced to a 19-point lead in the first half and used a one-point scoring edge in the second half to complete a 20-point win.

The Panthers outscored HL-O 34-15 in the first half to assume control of the contest before sporting a 23-22 scoring edge in the second stanza.

Meester (17 points, seven rebounds, six steals and three assists), Lizzie Chapa (11 points, eight rebounds and four steals)

Skid/continued on page 4B

Redwood Valley ends Luverne's surge

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne boys' basketball team was unable to extend its longest run of wins this season Friday in Redwood Falls.

After posting three consecutive victories, the Cardinals entertained hopes of making it four straight conquests when they took on Redwood Valley in a Big South Conference clash.

RWV simply didn't let it happen.

The hosts sported a 19-16 advantage at the end of a low-scoring first half and outscored LHS 31-18 in the second half to secure a 50-34 win.

Derek Lundgren turned in

a 10-point, five-rebound effort for LHS.

Riley Siebenahler and Eli Haugom pulled down seven and five rebounds respectively, while Isaiah Bartels registered three steals.

The 5-16 Cards play in Edgerton Thursday.

Box score
Robinson 0 0 0-0 0, Lundgren 3 1 1-4 10, Bartels 2 0 1-1 5, Clausen 2 0 0-2 4, Terry 0 0 0-0 0, Jacobsma 1 0 0-0 2, Stemper 0 0 0-0 0, Siebenahler 3 0 1-2 7, Bierman 0 0 0-0 0, Haugom 2 0 2-2 6.

Team statistics
Luverne: 14 of 42 field goals (33 percent), five of 11 free throws (46 percent), 27 rebounds, 10 turnovers.
RWV: 17 of 44 field goals (39 percent), eight of 13 free throws (62 percent), 26 rebounds, two turnovers.



Star Herald file photo

Adrian's Preston Nelson dropped matches when the Dragons took on Tracy-Milroy-Balaton and Worthington last week.

Dragons boys slip below .500 mark Monday

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian boys' basketball team slipped below the .500 mark for the season after dropping a pair of games.

The Dragons lost an eight-point home game to Westbrook-Walnut Grove Friday before falling by 20 points Monday in Minneota.

Adrian, 10-11 overall, hosts Heron Lake-Okabena Thursday.

Team statistics
Adrian: 21 of 40 field goals (52 percent), 10 of 14 free throws (71 percent), 16 rebounds, 12 turnovers.
Minneota: 31 of 63 field goals (49 percent), nine of 15 free throws (60 percent), 33 rebounds, five turnovers.

W-WG 80, Adrian 72

The Dragons put up a good fight before falling to the top team in the Red Rock Conference Friday in Adrian.

League-leading W-WG did secure an eight-point win at night's end, but AHS made the Chargers earn it.

W-WG led 39-38 after 18 minutes of play before outscoring the Dragons 41-34 in the second half to put the game away.

Wieneke (16 points and six rebounds), Christian Weidert (16 points and three assists) and Skylar Pozline (12 points and 10 rebounds) played strong games for Adrian.

John charted three assists.

Minneota 78, Adrian 58

The home-standing Vikings turned a big second half into a 20-point victory over the Dragons Monday in Minneota.

The game was up for grabs when the teams battled to a draw at 34 in the first half.

Minneota, however, outscored AHS 44-24 in the second half to win handily.

Ryan Wieneke (25 points), Christian Weidert (13 points) and Skylar Pozline (10 points) played well offensively for AHS.

Dakota John recorded three assists for the Dragons.

Box score
Weidert 6 0 4-7 16, John 0 0 0-0 0, Wieneke 5 5 4-5 29, Henning 1 2 0-0 8, Veld 0 1 2-2 5, Reyne 0 0 0-0 0, Stamer 0 0 0-0 0, Polzine 6 0 0-0 12, Luettel 1 0 0-2.

Team statistics
Adrian: 27 of 68 field goals (40 percent), 10 of 14 free throws (71 percent), 28 rebounds, seven turnovers.
W-WG: 31 of 56 field goals (55 percent), 14 of 17 free throws (82 percent), 23 rebounds, two turnovers.

Box score
Weidert 4 1 2-3 13, John 0 0 0-0 0, Wieneke 5 3 6-7 25, Henning 0 1 0-0 3, Veld 0 1 0-0 3, Reyne 0 0 0-0 0, Stamer 0 0 2-2 2, Polzine 5 0 0-0 10, Luettel 1 0 0-2.

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The Cardinals host the Section 3A meet Saturday.

Bars: Witte, 8.275; Huisman, 7.875; Teal, 7.225; Pierce, 6.6; Madigan Flom, 6.05.
Beam: Huisman, 8.2; Pierce, 8.2; Witte, 7.8; Flom, 7.575; Mollberg, 6.9.
Floor: Witte, 8.65; Pierce, 8.35; Huisman, 8.3; Flom, 7.6; Mollberg, 7.3.

Individual scores
Vault: Pierce, 9.175; Witte, 8.9; Huisman, 8.45; Teal, 8.375; Meghan Mollberg, 8.25.

Skid/continued from page 3B

and Kallie Chapa (10 points and three assists) played key roles in the win.

Morgan Dreesen (nine rebounds and three assists) and Devin Dreesen (six rebounds and three assists) made major contributions as well.

Box score
Meester 5 1 4-5 17, K.Chapa 4 0 2-4 10, L.Chapa 4 0 3-4 11, M.Dreesen 4 0 0-0 8, D.Dreesen 1 1 4-4 9, Popkes 1 0 0-0 2, Mulder 0 0 0-2 0.

Team statistics
Ellsworth: 21 of 82 field goals (26 percent), 13 of 19 free throws (68 percent), 37 rebounds, seven turnovers.

Adrian matmen bow to T-M-B, Worthington to complete 4-16 regular season

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian wrestling team completed a 4-16 regular season by dropping a pair of matches last week.

Tracy-Milroy-Balaton handed the Dragons a 44-point setback in Adrian Thursday. The Dragons fell by 29 points Friday in Worthington.

AHS drew the eighth seed for the Section 3A Tournament and takes on No. 9 St. James during an opening round match Thursday in Minneota.

Worthington 48, AHS 19

Adrian turned in a strong showing during Friday's regular season finale in Worthington.

AHS did forfeit at five weight classes, but the Dragons won five of the nine matches staged on the mat during a 29-point loss to the Trojans.

Scot Edwards pinned Worthington's Adam Russell in 1:55 at 285, while Logan Taylor recorded a 12-2 major decision over Zayden Abdurahman at 113 for the Dragons.

AHS also received decision wins from Jesus Anaya (4-2 over Damon Shultz at 106), Isaac Bullerman (7-0 over Kent Lais at 120) and Chandler Combs (9-3 over Kaden Hennings at 145).

Match wrap-up
106 (A) Anaya 4-2 Schultz.
113 (A) Taylor 12-2 Abdurahman.

120 (A) I.Bullerman 7-0 Lais.
126 (W) Artiga pins Canales.
132 (W) Prunty pins Hokeness.
138 (W) Paw 6-4 Nelson.
145 (A) Combs 9-3 Hennings.
152 (W) Donkersloot by forfeit.
160 (W) Bickett by forfeit.
170 (W) Mullaney by forfeit.
182 (W) Byrne by forfeit.
195 (W) Herrera 7-2 B.Bullerman.
220 (W) Neuberger by forfeit.
285 (A) Edwards pins Russell.

duced Adrian's 10 team points.

Edwards pinned Sam Bauer in 54 seconds during the heavyweight match, while Taylor posted a 13-2 major decision over Caden Johnson at 113.

T-M-B 54, Adrian 10

The Dragons completed their home slate by dropping a 44-point decision to the Panthers Thursday in Adrian.

AHS forfeited at five weight classes and lost seven of the nine matches staged on the mat against T-M-B.

Edwards and Taylor pro-

Match wrap-up
106 (T) Horner 8-3 Anaya.
113 (A) Taylor 13-2 Johnson.
120 (T) Ellingson pins I.Bullerman.
126 (T) Ellingson t.f. Canales.
132 (T) Perez 7-2 Hokeness.
138 (T) Vandendriessche 2-0 Nelson.
145 (T) Axford 12-4 Combs.
152 (T) Axford by forfeit.
160 (A-T) open.
170 (T) Mayer pins Lehmann.
182 (T) Paplow by forfeit.
195 (T) Buchholz by forfeit.
220 (T) Timm by forfeit.
285 (A) Edwards pins Bauer.

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at game's end.

The Cardinals netted a pair of first-period goals to gain an early advantage.

Lexi Henrichs gave the Cards a 1-0 lead 4:01 into the contest and Claire Baustian made it a two-goal difference when she scored with 22 seconds remaining in the stanza.

LHS upped the lead to 3-0 when Billi Connell lifted the puck into the net with 15:38 remaining in the second period, but it proved to be the last goal the Cards would produce in the contest.

Worthington's Ashton Fogelman netted the game's final goal with 13:23 remaining in the third period.

LHS, which sported a 36-19 advantage in shots on goal in the game, received an 18-save effort from Bartels.

Kamryn Van Batavia led the Cardinals with two assists, while Rozilyn Oye and Maddie Dinger chipped in one assist each.



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Luverne forward Billi Connell scored the final goal in a 3-1 home win over WHS Thursday.

Late rally by Wolverines thwarts H-BC's upset bid

By John Rittenhouse

A three-game run of wins for the Hills-Beaver Creek boys' basketball team came to an end Friday in Mountain Lake.

The Patriots were in a position to secure their fourth straight win, but the Mountain Lake Area Wolverines staged a late rally to pull out a 67-66

victory.

H-BC was on top of its game early as the Patriots led 36-27 at the intermission.

MLA, which outscored H-BC 40-30 in the second half, gained a lead in the final minutes and held on to prevail by one point.

Preston Wilhelmi (27 points

and six rebounds) and Jax Wysong (19 points and four assists) turned in strong offensive efforts for H-BC.

Bailey Susie and Wyatt Westrum collected eight and seven rebounds respectively.

The 7-12 Patriots host Fulda Thursday.

Box score
Harnack 0 0 0-0 0, Leenderts 0 0 2-2 2, Westrum 3 0 2-5 8, Wilhelmi 3 5 6-10 27, Bork 0 0 4-6 4, Kueter 1 1 0-0 5, Susie 0 0 1-2 1, Wysong 6 0 7-9 19.

Team statistics
H-BC: 19 of 46 field goals (41 percent), 22 of 34 free throws (65 percent), 36 rebounds, 11 turnovers.
MLA: 22 of 57 field goals (39 percent), 16 of 24 free throws (67 percent), 28 rebounds, 11 turnovers.

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but the Patriots were unable to protect their lead.

The Arrows regained the lead at 63-62 at the end of a 9-3 run and extended the lead to two points (64-62) after sinking one free throw with 29 seconds left.

H-BC did get off a potential game-winning three-point shot attempt in the final seconds, but the ball missed the target and left the Arrows with a two-point win.

Fick (25 points and five rebounds) and Kourtney Rozeboom (11 points and seven rebounds) led H-BC statistically.

Knobloch pulled down six rebounds for the Patriots, while Grace Bundesen charted five rebounds and three assists.

Box score
Tilstra 0 0-0-0, Spath 1 1 0-0-5, Knobloch 1 12-27, Fick 24-9-1225, Bundesen 4 0 1-2 9, Rauk 1 0 3-4 5, Gehrke 0 0 0-0 0, Elbers 0 0 0-0 0, Rozeboom 4 0 3-3 11.

Team statistics
H-BC: 19 of 48 field goals (40 percent), 18 of 25 free throws (72 percent), 31 rebounds, 21 turnovers.
Pipestone: 25 of 69 field goals (36 percent), 10 of 18 free throws (56 percent), 32 rebounds, seven turnovers.

SWC 82, H-BC 80

Some last-second dramatics by SWC snapped H-BC's 15-game winning streak Thursday in Edgerton.

H-BC, which had not lost a game since Dec. 5, looked like



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H-BC's Megan Gehrke puts up a shot in traffic during Friday's home loss to the Pipestone Arrows.

it might win its 16th straight contest when the Patriots increased what was a 31-30 halftime edge into a 71-68 cushion late in regulation play.

That potential scenario changed when SWC's Emily Norem banked home a three-point shot with five seconds remaining to tie the score at 71 and send the game to overtime.

The score was tied at 80 late in the extra session when

SWC's Olivia Veldkamp hit an off-balance shot with one second left to give the E-Gals an 82-80 win.

Fick (27 points, nine rebounds, four steals and three assists), Bundesen (23 points) and Rauk (10 points and four assists) played strong games for H-BC.

Knobloch (five rebounds, four steals and five assists) and Rozeboom (five rebounds)

also made key contributions to H-BC's cause.

Box score
K.Fick 0 0 0-0 0, Tilstra 1 0 0-1 2, Spath 1 0 0-0 2, Knobloch 3 0 2-6 8, S.Fick 7 2 7-11 27, Bundesen 8 1 4-7 23, Rauk 5 0 0-0 10, Elbers 2 0 0-1 4, Rozeboom 2 0 0-0 4.

Team statistics
H-BC: 32 of 63 field goals (51 percent), 13 of 25 free throws (52 percent), 34 rebounds, 22 turnovers.
SWC: 31 of 80 field goals (39 percent), 15 of 17 free throws (88 percent), 32 rebounds, 16 turnovers.

Rock County Whitetail Classic is set for March 3rd

By Glenda McGaffee

The Beaver Creek Sportsman's Club, K and R Firearms and Scheels are sponsoring the Rock County Whitetail Classic from 5 to 8 p.m. Saturday, March 3, at the Legion Hall in Hills.

The event is open to the public free of charge. Prizes will be awarded for the best buck in several different size classes.

"We decided to have this event because a number of people we knew had deer

mounts in their homes that not many people had seen," said Greg Leenderts, one of the event organizers.

"So we are doing the event so everyone can have a chance to show off their deer. We also want to promote youth hunting."

Young people ages 10-18 who bring in a picture of them hunting will be entered into a drawing for a Scheel's gift certificate.

"Since it's a whitetail event, if they bring in a picture of a

doe they harvested or antlers of a buck they harvested, they will be entered twice," Leenderts said. "Anyone who wants can bring in their Rock County buck to be displayed."

Several deer-related businesses will set up booths, taxidermists will bring in displays, local gun shops feature new guns that are now legal to use in Minnesota for slug season and different food plot seeds and new technology bow strings will be displayed.

Businesses and organiza-

tions donating for the event include K and R Firearms, a Winchester SXP combo or Remington 870 Express combo (around \$750 value) to help defray expenses; Beaver Creek Sportsman's Club, paying for the rent of the Hills Legion Hall; Scheel's, a \$100 gift card; and Leenderts Lawn Care, \$100 toward the youth raffle.

Leenderts can be reached at 507-227-6328. Questions can also be directed to Jeff Ahrendt at 507-902-2748.

LHS wrestlers wrap up regular season in Morris

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne Cardinal wrestling team completed the regular season by participating at the Morris Area-Hancock-Ashby-Chokio-Alberta Dr. Baustian Tiger Memorial Tournament in Morris Saturday.

The individual tournament attracted nine teams.

LHS placed eighth with 54 points, while St. Francis claimed the team crown with 218.5 points.

Tucker Oeltjenbruns turned in Luverne's top effort by placing second at 132 pounds.

The LHS senior pinned Breckenridge's Dylan Pearson (1:32) and MA-H-A-CA's Dalton Rose (3:30) before dropping a 5-2 decision to Kerkhoven-Murdock-Sunberg's Jonathan Tostenson in the finals.

Riley Cowell and Jed Dooy-

ema placed fourth at 106 and 152 respectively with 1-2 records.

Jayden Renken finished fifth at 160 with a 2-1 mark, while Brayden Ripka placed sixth at 113 with a 1-2 record.

Luverne opens postseason play in Fairmont Thursday.

MLA saddles Adrian girls with conference home loss

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian girls' basketball team lost its sixth Red Rock Conference clash of the season Thursday in Mountain Lake.

AHS and Mountain Lake Area were teams with nearly identical records, but the Wol-

verines outscored the Dragons by six points in both halves of a 43-31 victory.

MLA led 20-14 after 18 minutes of play before sporting a 23-17 scoring advantage over the Dragons in the second half.

Lexi Slater turned in a 12-point, five-rebound effort

for the Dragons.

Bailey Lonneman and Paige Bullerman collected six cars each, while Hannah Bullerman passed for three assists.

The 8-13 Dragons play Southwest Christian in Adrian Thursday.

Box score
Kemper 0 0 0-0 0, H.Bullerman 2 0 3-4 7, M.Bullerman 2 0 0-0 4, Balster 2 0 0-0 4, Nelson 0 0 0-0 0, Lonneman 0 0 0-0 0, Slater 6 0 0-0 12, P.Bullerman 1 0 2-2 4.

Team statistics
Adrian: 13 of 41 field goals (32 percent), five of six free throws (83 percent), 28 rebounds, 15 turnovers.
MLA: 17 of 39 field goals (44 percent), six of nine free throws (67 percent), 20 rebounds, 10 turnovers.

With streak behind them, Patriots need to focus on future

After a tough couple of nights late last week, I would like to offer a little advice to the Hills-Beaver Creek girls' basketball team.



FROM THE SIDELINES

By John Rittenhouse, sports editor

There is no use in crying over spilled milk.

After putting together an incredible stretch of basketball that included posting 15 consecutive wins dating back to Dec. 5, the Patriots received setbacks on Thursday and Friday nights.

H-BC was in a position to win both games, but things didn't fall in favor of the Patriots in both instances.

My point is that it doesn't really matter.

Neither one of the setbacks was embarrassing by nature, and H-BC just needs to forget about the past and concentrate on what I think will be a big couple of weeks for Patriot players and fans.

There is no shame in the 82-80 overtime loss H-BC received from SWC in Edgerton Thursday.

The Patriots were on the verge of defeating the defending Section 3A champions until an E-Gal banked home a three-point shot in the final seconds of regulation play to send the game to overtime.

The contest was on the verge of going to a second overtime period when another E-Gal tossed in an off-balance shot before the final horn sounded that gave SWC a two-point victory.

I'm sure Friday's 64-62 home loss to Pipestone was equally frustrating for the Patriot players, but I wasn't disappointed.

What I witnessed was a gutsy effort by the home team against another quality opponent.

H-BC led by seven points in the game's first half and sported a five-point advantage with 4:35 left to play in the game, but the fatigued Patriots couldn't fend off a 10-3 run by the Arrows in the final four minutes simply because they ran out of gas.

The good news is that neither loss ended H-BC's season, and I expect the Patriots to turn things around when they cap the regular season with three home games against Fulda, Edgerton and Heron Lake-Okabena.

I see the Patriots winning all three of those games and entering the South Section 3A Tournament as the No. 2 seed.

I'll go out on a limb and predict H-BC will win the first two tournament games, which could give it another shot at SWC for the tourney title.

A lot of things can happen between now and then that could turn my vision into wishful thinking, but I'm hoping it plays out that way.

I've long subscribed to the thought that it is tough to beat a good team three times in the same season, and that would be the prospect facing SWC if the E-Gals meet the Patriots in the title tilt in Marshall on March 2.

RRC trounces EHS boys

By John Rittenhouse

The Ellsworth boys' basketball team dropped its fifth consecutive contest when the Panthers entertained Red Rock Central in Ellsworth Friday.

The visiting Falcons took care of business on the court by outscoring EHS in both halves of a 67-21 victory.

RRC led 30-11 after 18 minutes of play before outscoring the Panthers 37-10 in the second half to prevail by 46 points. Zach Buntjer led the Pan-

thers with eight points and nine rebounds in the game.

Brandon Kramer pulled down seven rebounds for the 2-17 Panthers, who host Westbrook-Walnut Grove Thursday.

Box score
N.Kruse 1 0 2-4 4, K.Boltjes 1 0 0-0 2, T.Kruse 1 0 0-0 2, Jansma 0 1 0-0 3, B.Kramer 1 0 0-0 2, Buntjer 3 0 2-8 8.

Team statistics
Ellsworth: eight of 43 field goals (19 percent), four of 12 free throws (33 percent), 22 rebounds, 15 turnovers.

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St. Mary Catholic Church, Ellsworth

Thursday, Feb. 15: 9 a.m. Head Start. 4 p.m. Veterans Home Mass. 7 p.m. St. Catherine and St. Leo Pastoral Councils at St. Catherine. Friday, Feb. 16: 9:30 a.m. Mass at Parkview Manor; Stations. 4:30-7 p.m. Knights of Columbus Fish Fry. Saturday, Feb. 17: 2:15 p.m. Veterans Home bingo. 5:30 p.m. Mass at St. Catherine. Sunday, Feb. 18: 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Mary; Faith Formation. 10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Catherine; Sunday School and CLW. 7 p.m. RCIA. Tuesday, Feb. 20: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study. Wednesday, Feb. 21: 3:30 and 7 p.m. Faith Formation. 8 p.m. St. Mary's Knights of Columbus. Thursday, Feb. 22: 9 a.m. Head Start.

Luverne Christian Reformed Church

605 N. Estey St., Luverne
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www.luverncrc.com — office@luverncrc.com

Roger Sparks, Pastor

Sunday, Feb. 18: 9:30 a.m. Worship service. 10:50 a.m. Sunday School and Catechism classes. 6:30 p.m. Worship service. Tuesday, Feb. 20: 9:30 a.m. Coffee Break/Story Hour.

First Baptist Church

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

Walt Moser, Pastor

Thursday, Feb. 15: 6 a.m. Men's Bible Study. 7 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3. Sunday, Feb. 18: 9:15 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Morning Service. 6 p.m. Evening service. Tuesday, Feb. 20: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study. Wednesday, Feb. 21: 6:30 p.m. Awana. Thursday, Feb. 22: 6 a.m. Men's Bible Study. 7 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3.

Grace Lutheran Church

500 N. Kniss Ave., Luverne
Ph. 507-283-4431; www.graceluverne.org — graceluverne@iw.net

Ron Nichols, Pastor; Stephen Hilding, Associate Pastor

Thursday, Feb. 15: 8:30 a.m. MIA. Friday, Feb. 16: 6:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Saturday, Feb. 17: 5:30 p.m. Worship with Communion. Sunday, Feb. 18: 8:15 a.m. Radio broadcast. 9 a.m. Worship with Communion. 10 a.m. Fellowship Coffee; Sunday School; Adult Study. 1:30 p.m. Worship at Mary Jane Brown Home. 2:15 p.m. Worship at Poplar Creek. Monday, Feb. 19: Grace Notes deadline. 4:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. 5:45 p.m. Echoes of Harmony rehearsal. Tuesday, Feb. 20: 9 a.m. Staff meeting. Circle meetings. 5:30 p.m. Meet for Ride and Dine. Wednesday, Feb. 21: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study. 8:15 a.m. Caring Visitors meet. 3:15 p.m. Faithweavers. 5:30-6:30 p.m. Lenten meal. 6:45 p.m. Lenten Service. 7:45 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal. Thursday, Feb. 22: Circle meetings.

Bethany Lutheran Church

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Andrew Palmquist, Pastor

Sunday, Feb. 18: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 9:15 a.m. Bible Class. 10:15 a.m. Worship. Wednesday, Feb. 21: 3:30 p.m. Catechism Class. 6 p.m. Soup Supper. 7 p.m. Lenten Vespers.

American Reformed Church

304 N. Fairview Dr., Luverne
Ph. 283-8600; email: office@arcluverne.org

Mike Altana, Pastor

Thursday, Feb. 15: 5:30 p.m. Tumbling Tikes. Friday, Feb. 16: 6:30 a.m. Community Men's Bible Study. 4:30 p.m. REFIT Fitness Class. Sunday, Feb. 18: 9:30 a.m. Worship Service. 10:50 a.m. Family Education Hour. 7 p.m. Junior RCYF; Senior RCYF. Tuesday, Feb. 20: 10 a.m. Staff meeting. 6:45 p.m. Bible Study Fellowship. Wednesday, Feb. 21: 4:30 p.m. REFIT Fitness. 5:30 p.m. Midweek meal. 6:30 p.m. Pioneer Clubs; YEL. 6:45 p.m. Rachel Circle. 7 p.m. Abide Praise Team. 8 p.m. Adult Choir. Thursday, Feb. 22: 5:30 p.m. Tumbling Tikes.

First Assembly of God Church

1075 110th Ave., 2 miles west of Luverne on County Rd. 4

Sundays: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 10 a.m. Morning Worship. 6:30 p.m. School of the Holy Spirit. Wednesdays: 7 p.m. Kids Connection; Men's Bible Study with Pastor Ken; Women's Bible Study with Pastor Gloria.

United Methodist Church

109 N. Freeman Ave., Luverne
Ph. 283-4529; email: luverneumc@iw.net

Dorie Hall, Pastor

Thursday, Feb. 15: 1-3 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf. Saturday, Feb. 17: 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Sunday, Feb. 18: 9 a.m. Traditional service. 10 a.m. Coffee Hour and Adult Sunday School. 11 a.m. Come as You Are Service. Prayer Warriors meet after service. 4:30 p.m. Genesis/Revelation Bible Study. Confirmation retreat. Monday, Feb. 19: Messenger deadline. Confirmation retreat. 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Wednesday, Feb. 21: 1-3 p.m. Sewing Day. 6 p.m. F.U.E.L. and Confirmation. 7 p.m. Lenten worship service at UMC. 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Thursday, Feb. 22: 1-3 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf.

Living Rock Church

500 E. Main St., Luverne
Ph. 449-0057; www.livingrockswmn.org

Billy Skaggs, Pastor

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

New Life Celebration Church

110 N. Oakley, Luverne
Ph. 449-6522; email: newlifecelebration@gmail.com

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

First Presbyterian Church

302 Central Lane, Luverne
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Thursday, Feb. 15: 10 a.m. Worship service on Channel 3. Sunday, Feb. 18: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 10:15 a.m. Worship. 11:15 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship; Music Staff. Monday, Feb. 19: Church office closed. Tuesday, Feb. 20: 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3. 7 p.m. Esther Circle. Wednesday, Feb. 21: 9:15 a.m. Mary Circle 1:30 p.m. Rebekah Circle. 3:15 p.m. Youth Club. 6:10 p.m. Confirmation. 7 p.m. Lenten service at Methodist Church. 8 p.m. Choir. Thursday, Feb. 22: 10 a.m. Worship service on Channel 3.

St. John Lutheran Church

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Gary Klatt, Pastor

Thursday, Feb. 15: 9 a.m. Little Lambs Devotions. 11:30 a.m. DCE Devotions at Mary Jane Brown Home. 1 p.m. Parkinson's Support Group. Saturday, Feb. 17: 5:30 p.m. Worship. 6:30 p.m. "Chopped." Sunday, Feb. 18: 9 a.m. Worship. 10:15 a.m. Christian Education Hour. 11:15 a.m. Junior Choir rehearsal. 2 p.m. Circuit Forum. Monday, Feb. 19: Newsletter deadline. 7 p.m. Parish Planning Council. Tuesday, Feb. 20: 11:15 a.m. Staff Meeting. 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Quilting. 2 p.m. Circle meetings. Wednesday, Feb. 21: 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Little Lambs Devotions. 9:30 a.m. Bible Study. 6 p.m. Lent worship service. 6:30 p.m. Supper. 7 p.m. KFC/Catechism; High School Bible Study; Senior Choir. Thursday, Feb. 22: 9 a.m. Little Lambs Devotions. 9:45 a.m. Rock County Ministerial Association at LHS.

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Thursday, Feb. 15: 3:30 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3. Friday, Feb. 16: 3:30 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3. Sunday, Feb. 18: 9 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Study. 10 a.m. Mentor Program. 10:30 a.m. Worship with Communion. 2 p.m. Circuit Forum at St. John in Luverne. Monday, Feb. 19: 1 p.m. Quilting. Wednesday, Feb. 21: 7 p.m. Lenten worship service with Rev. Sestak; Fellowship follows. 7 p.m. Confirmation at St. John. Thursday, Feb. 22: 3:30 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3.

Ben Clare United Methodist Church

26762 Ben Clare Ave., Valley Springs, S.D.
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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

Intern Pastor Laura Phillips

Sunday, Feb. 18: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship service. Tuesday, Feb. 20: 7 p.m. Church Council Meeting. Wednesday, Feb. 21: 7 p.m. Lenten Service at First Lutheran.

Palisade Lutheran Church

211 121st St., Garretson, S.D.
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Sunday, Feb. 18: 9 a.m. Worship service. 10 a.m. Sunday School. Wednesday, Feb. 21: 7 p.m. Lenten Service at First Lutheran.

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Kristi Franken, Pastor

Sunday, Feb. 18: 9 a.m. Magnolia Worship Service. Wednesday, Feb. 21: 6:30 p.m. Confirmation at Adrian UMC.

Steen Reformed Church

112 W. Church Ave., Steen
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Jeremy Wiersema, Pastor

Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Worship; service broadcast on KQAD. 10:45 a.m. Sunday School. 6 p.m. Youth Group. Evening worship at 6 p.m. first and third Sundays. Wednesdays: 7 p.m. Midweek.

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Sunday, Feb. 18: 9 a.m. Communion at Tuff Chapel. NO Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Communion at Bethlehem. Tuesday, Feb. 20: 2:30 p.m. Bible Study at Tuff Home. 3:15 p.m. Bible Study at Village. Wednesday, Feb. 21: 9 a.m. Quilting. 2 p.m. Joint circles meet at Village Garden Room. 6 p.m. Lent meal. 7 p.m. Lenten service.

Hills United Reformed Church

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Alan Camarigg, Pastor

Sundays: 9:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Worship Services.

God's love for us

Happy Valentine's Day! Are you doing something special with your loved ones today? It's nice to have a day when we can show extra gestures of kindness and love to those around us.

Did you know that St. Valentine was a real person? February 14th (269 AD) marks the day when Valentinus (his Latin name) was martyred, executed for his faith in Jesus. Valentinus was a common name back then, and there are several individuals who are remembered on this day. Valentinus was a priest in Rome or was a bishop who served in Terni, Italy. He is known for his kindness, his faith in Jesus Christ as his Savior, his teaching and promoting Christian marriage between a man and a woman, and his great courage in the face of persecution.

One legend tells that when Valentinus was in prison, he befriended the blind daughter of a judge. After her vision was restored by God after much fervent prayer, she and her family became Christians. Later when Valentinus was imprisoned again for his faith under Emperor Claudius II, before he was executed, he wrote a note to the judge's daughter and signed it, "from your Valentine."

This year Ash Wednesday falls on the same date as Valentine's Day. Maybe that seems like a strange pairing. One involves somber repentance and serious reflection over our sins and signals the beginning of the Lenten season in the church. The other involves showing love and special kindness to those we interact with.

For the Christian this is really not a strange pairing at all. In our worship we begin each service with the confession of sins where we publicly admit before God that we have failed to keep his commandments. We have not loved God or our neighbor as we should. We desperately need a Savior. Then the pastor pronounces absolution and reassures his listeners that their sins are all forgiven by Christ.

Jesus took our place, perfectly keeping the 10 commandments and perfectly loving God and all people. And then, even though he was innocent, Jesus willingly suffered the awful shame and punishment for all sins by his death on the cross. And three days later Jesus rose triumphantly from the dead, just as he

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By Rev. Andrew Palmquist, Bethany Lutheran Church, Luverne

promised, and appeared to many witnesses proving he was the Savior of the world and God's beloved Son.

This is the Good News that we hear each Sunday in our law/gospel sermons based on God's Word. During the Lenten season (40 days, not counting Sundays), we spend extra time and offer midweek services where we contemplate the seriousness of our sin and the important events that took place leading up to Jesus' holy Passion.

And what is the result of the Gospel, God's Good News? As Christians we are now free to live our lives out of love and thankfulness for what Jesus has done for us. Christ demonstrated his perfect, selfless love throughout his life, death, and resurrection. He continues to show this wonderful, amazing love to us still today.

Jesus deeply cares about each one of us and hears our prayers. He knows the hardships that we face and gives us the strength and encouragement to get through them. He rejoices with us during the good times and provides many blessings to us throughout life. And our Lord is preparing a place in heaven for each of us who believe in him.

This is the great love that we strive to reflect in our lives to those around us. We love our parents, grandparents, children, and extended family because God first loved us. We are adopted into his family through faith in Jesus. We show kindness, thoughtfulness, and Christian love to our friends, coworkers, strangers, and even enemies because of God's perfect love shown to us through his Son Jesus.

Yes, on this Valentine's Day I encourage you to do something very special for your loved ones. Bring them to God's house with you and hear once again of Jesus' great love and sacrifice for you.

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Rock County seeks bridge replacement and grading bids by March 5

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS
BRIDGE REPLACEMENT AND APPROACH GRADING / S.A.P. 067-599-179
BIDS CLOSE AT 11 A.M. MARCH 5, 2018
LIVERNE, MINNESOTA

Sealed "Bid Packets" will be received by the Rock County Highway Department at Luverne, Minnesota until 11:00 a.m. on Friday, March 05, 2018.
READ CAREFULLY THE PROVISIONS FOR THE WAGE RATES AS CONTAINED IN THE PROVISIONS, AS THEY WILL AFFECT THIS PROJECT.

Attention is called to the fact that the contractor must comply with the Special Equal Employment Opportunity Provisions & Wage Rates as contained in this Proposal. Proposals will be opened and read publicly in the presence of the Rock County Highway Engineer at the Rock County Highway Building located at 1120 North Blue Mound Avenue in Luverne, MN immediately following the hour set for receiving bids for the following Rock County Highway work. Bids will be awarded on Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at the regular Board of Commissioners Meeting.

Construction of Bridge 67572, a 92' Concrete Slab Span. The project is located in Rose Dell Township, 1.7 Miles West of T.H. 23 on 221st Street, over The Split Rock Creek.

The major items of work are: 77 Cu. Yd. Structural Concrete; 2,842 Sq. Ft. of Bridge Slab Concrete; 184 Lin. Ft. of Type S (TL-4) Railing Concrete; 48,050 Pounds of Reinforcement Bars (Epoxy Coated); 510 Cu. Yds. Random Riprap (Class III); 300 Lin. Ft. 12" -- C-I-P Piling; 2 -- 12" C-I-P Test Piles 60 Ft. Long; 400 Lin. Ft. 16" -- C-I-P Piling; 2 -- 16" C-I-P Test Piles 60 Ft. Long; and Approach Work.

Plans, specifications, and proposals may be viewed, and downloaded at www.questodn.com and at the Rock County Highway Department website, www.co.rock.mn.us/highway. Questions may be directed to the office of the Rock County Highway Engineer, 1120 North Blue Mound Avenue, P.O. Box 808, Luverne, Minnesota 56156-0808 / (507) 283-5010.

The non-refundable cost for plans and one proposal will be \$30.00. Bids must be accompanied by a certified check or corporate surety bond drawn in favor of the Rock County Treasurer in the amount of at least five percent (5%) of the proposal.

Sealed bids shall be clearly marked "PROJECT NO. S.A.P. 067-599-179" The Board of Rock County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any defects therein.

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Mark R. Sehr, P.E.
Rock County Highway Engineer
(2-8, 2-15, 2-22)

Bristow probate

FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
DISTRICT COURT
COURT FILE NO.: 67-PR-18-20
PROBATE COURT DIVISION

STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF ROCK
In Re: Estate of Joyce Bristow,
Decedent

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

It is Ordered and Notice is given that on February 26, 2018 at 3:30 p.m., a hearing will be held in this Court at the Rock County Courthouse 204 East Brown, Luverne, Minnesota 56156, for the formal probate of an instrument purporting to be the decedent's Will dated April 6, 1976, and for the appointment of Minnie Van Batavia, whose address is 207 S. Steen Street, Steen, Minnesota 56173, as personal representative of the estate of the decedent in an unsupervised administration.

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

Notice is also given that, Subject to Minn. Stat. § 524.3-801, all creditors having claims against the decedent's estate are required to present the claims to the personal representative or to the Court within four (4) months after the date of this notice or the claims will be barred.

Dated: 1-18-2018

/s/ Terry Vagirt
Terry Vagirt
Judge of District Court
Filed by
Court Administrator
1-18-18

/s/ Katherine A Morgan
Attorney Katherine A Morgan (MN#393289)
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(2-08, 2-15)

Van Wyhe Farms assumes name

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Name: Howard Van Wyhe
Address: 726 21st Street Hills, MN 56138

Name: Greg Van Wyhe
Address: 1058 Goldfinch Ave Rock Rapids, IA 51246

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Signature : /s/ Leroy Van Wyhe DATE: 1-9-2018
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Leroy Van Wyhe 507-962-3372.

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(2-15, 2-22)

Rock County Highway Department seeks proposals by March 12

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS
C.P. 067-401-019

Sealed proposals will be received by the Rock County Highway Department at Luverne, Minnesota until 11:00 a.m. on Monday, March 12, 2018.

READ CAREFULLY THE PROVISIONS FOR THE WAGE RATES AS CONTAINED IN THE SPECIAL PROVISIONS, AS THEY WILL AFFECT THIS PROJECT. Attention is called to the fact that the Contractor must comply with the **Special Equal Employment Opportunity Provisions** as contained in the Proposal.

Proposals will be opened and read publicly in the presence of the Rock County Highway Engineer at the Rock County Highway Building located at 1120 North Blue Mound Avenue in Luverne, Minnesota immediately following the hour set for receiving bids for the following Rock County Highway work. Bids will be awarded on Tuesday, March 20, 2018 at the Regular Rock County Board of Commissioners Meeting held in the Law Library at the Rock County Courthouse.

The Quantities of Work are: 2,408 gals of 4" ReflectORIZED Edgeline Pavement Marking Paint - White and 1,718 gals of 4" ReflectORIZED Centerline Pavement Marking Paint - Yellow.

Plans, specifications and proposals may be viewed and downloaded at www.questodn.com and at the Rock County Highway Department website www.co.rock.mn.us/highway.

The non-refundable cost for plans and one proposal will be \$30.00

Bids must be accompanied by a certified check or corporate surety bond drawn in favor of the Rock County Treasurer in the amount of at least five percent (5%) of the proposal.

Sealed bids shall be clearly marked "PROJECT NO. SAP 067-401-019." The Board of Rock County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any defects therein.

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Mark R. Sehr, P.E.
Rock County Highway Engineer
(2-15, 2-22, 3-1)

Slieter probate

PROBATE COURT
DISTRICT COURT
PROBATE DIVISION
COURT FILE NO. 67-PR-19

STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF ROCK

Estate of Barbara Joan Slieter, a/k/a Barbara J. Slieter,
Deceased

ORDER AND NOTICE OF HEARING FOR FORMAL PROBATE OF WILL AND APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE IN SUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND CREDITORS:

It is Ordered and Notice is hereby given that on the 12th day of March 2018, at 3:30 O'clock p.m., a hearing will be held in the above named Court at Rock County Courthouse Luverne, Minnesota, for the formal probate of an instrument purporting to be the will of the above named deceased, dated August 29, 2012, and for the appointment of Randall J. Slieter, whose address is PO Box 122, Olivia, Minnesota 56277, as personal representative of the estate of the above named decedent in supervised administration, and that any objections thereto must be filed with the Court. That, if proper, and no objections are filed, said personal representative will be appointed to administer the estate, to collect all assets, pay all legal debts, claims, taxes and expenses, and sell real and personal property, and do all necessary acts for the estate. Upon completion of the administration, the representative shall file a final account for the allowance and shall distribute the estate to the persons thereto entitled as ordered by the Court, and close the estate.

Notice is further given that ALL CREDITORS having claims against said estate are required to present the same to said personal representatives or to the Court Administrator within four months after the date of this notice or said claims will be barred. Dated: January 16, 2018

/s/ Damon T. Eisma
Attorney for Petitioner
Eisma and Eisma
130 East Main, Box 625
Luverne, MN 56156
(507)283-4828
I.D. #249269

/s/ Terry S. Vagirt
Judge of District Court
/s/ Denise Brandel
Court Administrator

(2-15, 2-22)

Weber public hearing for variance request

Notice of Public Hearing for Variance Request for Shirley Weber

Close Proximity Owners and Local Officials of the Rock County Board of Adjustment.

Notice is hereby given that the Rock County Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing on Monday, February 26, 2018, at the Rock County Law Enforcement Center located at 1000 North Blue Mound Avenue, Luverne, Minnesota, at 8:00 p.m. to act on the following application:

A request for a variance to allow the placement of a new confinement swine finishing barn less than one-half (1/2) mile from an existing dwelling. The proposed location for the placement of this barn is to be in the S 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of Section 6 of Clinton Township, T101N, R45W, Rock County, Minnesota.

Property Owner and Applicant: Shirley Weber
Legal Description: S 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of Section 6 of Clinton Township, T101N, R45W, Rock County, Minnesota

The property described is zoned A-2, General Agriculture. All persons interested may appear and be heard at said time and place, or submit views in writing or by representative.

Dated: February 15, 2018

By Order of the Rock County Board of Adjustment
Eric Hartman, Zoning Administrator
311 W. Gabrielson Road
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507-283-8862, Extension 4

(02-15, 02-22)

Rozeboom probate

FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
DISTRICT COURT
COURT FILE NO. 67-PR-18-22

STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF ROCK

In Re: Estate of Harvey A. Rozeboom,
Decedent.

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

It is Ordered and Notice is given that on March 19, 2018 at 3:30 p.m., a hearing will be held in this Court at the Rock County Courthouse, 204 East Brown, Luverne, Minnesota 56156, for the formal probate of an instrument purporting to be the decedent's Will dated July 21, 2015, and for the appointment of Harlin G. Rozeboom, whose address is 831 21st Street, Hills, MN 56138, as personal representative, Lowell D. Rozeboom, whose address is 25354 481st Avenue, Garretson, SD 57030 and Ethan W. Rozeboom, whose address is 330 51st Street, Hills, MN 56138 of the estate of the decedent in an unsupervised administration.

Any objections to the petition must be raised at the hearing or filed with the Court

prior to the hearing. If the petition is proper and no objections are filed or raised, the personal representatives will be appointed with the full power to administer the estate, including the power to collect all assets; pay all legal debts, claims, taxes, and expenses; sell real and personal property; and do all necessary acts for the estate.

Notice is also given that, subject to Minn. Stat. § 524.3-801, all creditors having claims against the decedent's estate are required to present the claims to the personal representatives or to the Court within four (4) months after the date of this notice or the claims will be barred.

BY THE COURT
/s/ Terry Vagirt
Terry Vagirt
District Court Judge
Court Administrator
Jennifer Thode
Filed on Jan. 23, 2018

/s/ Katherine A. Morgan
Attorney Katherine A. Morgan (MN #393289)
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The family of Gwen Kneip would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, food and help after her passing. Thanks to Trinity Lutheran Church members for their help at the funeral. Thanks to Rev. Robert Moeller for his visits, support and guidance.

**Don Kneip,
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