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## Sharkee's building comes down, marks end of entertainment era

Structure was built in 1930s as the Chez Paree Night Club when that part of South Highway 75 was still rural

#### By Lori Sorenson

Reker Construction, Adrian, began demolition of the condemned Sharkee's building Monday to make way for what will be a new development district on that South Highway 75 real estate.

The city paid Sharkee's owner Dave Halverson \$220,000 following an agreement that was negotiated in December 2016.

By that time city officials had begun acquiring the structure and lot through eminent domain because of its condition and lack of action to address it.

The building — once a bar and restaurant — had been abandoned for two years and was in violation of health department and city codes and was considered a public nuisance and a hazard.

In addition to teardown expenses, it cost the city \$28,500 to remove asbestos and general garbage from the condemned building. This includes landfill fees, equipment and labor.



Lori Sorenson photo/0330 sharkee's demolition Heavy equipment moved onto the former Sharkee's property on South Highway 75 in Luverme Monday to begin demolishing the condemned building.

#### Paving the way for progress

Sharkee's and the Mert's Repair property are both part of a tax increment financing district.

The city purchased Mert's Repair lot for \$160,000 to the east of Sharkee's

and sold Marlin Kracht a new lot in the Industrial Park (for \$10,000) for his expansion.

The costs for acquisition and demolition of both lots — a total of four acres — will be recouped in the

TIF amount, \$600,000.

What that means is whoever buys the bare lot will pay full taxes on the improved property, but the difference between the current tax amount and the new tax amount will pay down the \$600,000 TIF debt.

After the TIF expires in 25 years, local governments will benefit from taxes paid on the full value of the

Sharkee's demolition/see page 8A

# Who pays for damage?

Road damage dominates bridge meeting discussion

#### By Mavis Fodness

While road maintenance and repairs were the focuses at last week's annual road and bridge meeting, the question of who should pay for reckless road damage took center stage.

About 50 township supervisors, county and city officials met March 21 in the basement of the Rock County Community Library.

County Administrator Kyle Oldrefacilitated discussion on county gravel road repairs.

"The county doesn't have an endless pot of money. ... to get real dollars for us we have to come back to you guys the taxpayers," he said. "Rebuilding is expensive."

The county is facing per-mile costs of up to \$6,000 to repair County Road 52 near Hills.

A producer repeatedly made trips over the thawing road base with heavy equipment, creating six-inch ruts stretching over four to five miles.

Instead of taxpayers paying for the repairs, Oldre asked if individual producers should be held accountable for the damage and the cost of repairs.

Since the damage to County Road 52 earlier this year, county commissioners have discussed possible solutions.

No decisions have been made, however.

"We need you to help us," said Commissioner Stan Williamson.

Questions arose from the meeting about how to enforce paying for repairs, instances of multiple road users damaging roads, and proper ways they can make road repairs on township roads.

A smaller committee will be formed to meet again in about three months.

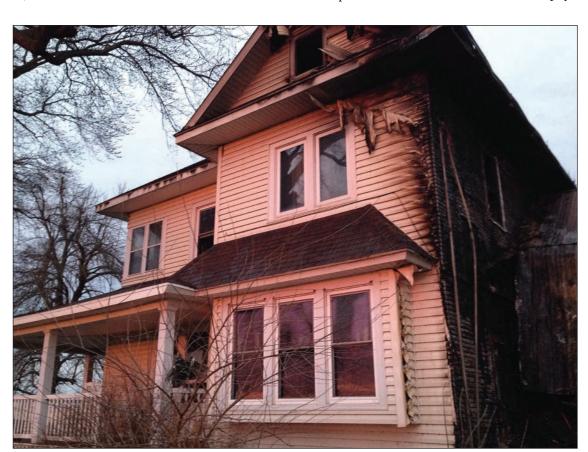
## County plans \$4.4 million in road, bridge upgrades

County Engineer Mark Sehr outlined the road and bridge projects for the next five years.

Each year the county spends between \$4-5 million to maintain the 320 miles of paved and graveled county roads in Rock County.

For 2017 Sehr has dedicated \$4.4 million for 10 bridge replacements,

**Road and bridge meeting**/see 2A



The Evers home on the south side of Kanaranzi was a total loss after the March 21 blaze.

## Kanaranzi home destroyed by fire

## By Lori Sorenson

The Paul and Emily Evers family lost their Kanaranzi home to a fire Tuesday night, March 21.

"It's tough," Emily Evers said Wednesday morning. "But we're so glad everyone's OK."

She said they were eating supper Tuesday night when she noticed flames in the kitchen.

"Flames were coming in through the kitch-

en window," she said. "It happened pretty fast."
The fire started outside on the porch, but it's unclear how it ignited. She said it wasn't a grill, and they weren't using the washer and

dryer that sit in the entryway.

"We think it might be electrical," she said.

According to Ellsworth Fire Chief Joe
Chapa, his department was dispatched at 7:11
p.m. Tuesday night to the Evers home on 61st
Street near Kanaranzi.

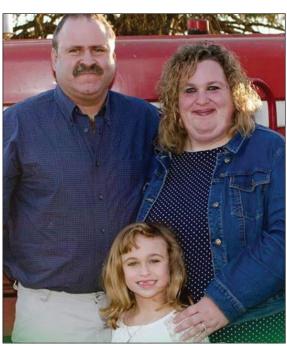
By the time they arrived, he said the north end of the house was engulfed in flames and despite their efforts Chapa said the house is a total loss.

"There was extensive damage," he said. "It's standing, but it's burned on the north end, and there's extensive heat and smoke damage in the rest of the interior."

Chapa said a specific cause hasn't been identified. "It got on the vinyl siding and up it went."

Chapa said fire crews were on the job for three hours, using 10,000 gallons of water brought in by tanker trucks from area fire departments.

In all, more than 30 firefighters were at the scene from Ellsworth, Adrian and Luverne



Submitted photos/0330 evers fire Paul and Emily Evers and their daughter, Allyssa, were displaced from their Kanaranzi home,

fire departments.

Paul Evers said he was impressed by the timely response and professionalism of the firefighters.

which was destroyed in a fire March 21

"The damage that's there was already done before they got there," he said. "I told them there's nothing in there worth risking your life for, but they

Kanaranzi house destroyed by fire/see page 8A

# District to address facility needs

## By Mavis Fodness

Luverne School District facilities need improvement, according to results of recent surveys and listening sessions.

Technology and security are priorities at the elementary school, and facility condition and gym space topped the list for the middle-high school.

Also, the district needs to retain and attract quality staff and focus on curriculum and achievement.

Fifty-nine people attended the two public listening sessions, and 31 people responded to the school's online survey.

Facility consultants with Foster, Jacobs and Johnson of Sioux Falls reported to the School Board at the March 23 meeting.

They said they were surprised more people responded in person to study questions than they did online. "Usually it's the other way around,"

"Usually it's the other way around," said consultant Mike Hubbard.

He surmised more organizations

are using online surveys more frequently because of the ease of setting up questions.

"People are getting surveyed out," he said.

Despite the surprise in how the results were gathered, both practices yielded good information, Hubbard said.

According to state educational adequacy standards, the elementary building is inadequate only in the security area.

Meanwhile, the middle-high school is deficient in classroom size and suitability, cafeteria/kitchen/serving, security and supervision, student commons/breakout areas and auditorium/performing arts spaces.

Among the 15 building improvements for the elementary school, infrastructure, space, site and playground upgrades are on the list.

As the older of the two facilities,

the middle-high school had 35 infrastructure and space improvement recommendations.

It will be up to the Luverne School Board to prioritize the order of the list. Cost estimates to address deficiencies will be presented at a later

**School facilities**/see page 5A

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## The Star Herald is Rock County's oldest business, documenting the news of its citizens since 1873

Article 13: Luverne entertainment influenced by Chez Paree Dance Club

This is the 13th in a series that shares the rich history of Luverne as it celebrates 150 years. This information comes from Historian Betty Mann and Star Herald archives:

Demolition of the former Sharkee's building this week marks the end of an entertainment era in Luverne that dates back to the 1930s, when the building was constructed as the Chez Paree Night Club. At that time, South Highway 75 wasn't yet developed, and the nightclub and its sometimes-questionable activities

Luverne celebrates 150 years/continued on page 8A

This week's moment in time is sponsored by:



## **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

#### Meetings

The Blue Mound Quilters will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday, April 3, at the Rock County Library. Mary Crawford will do the program. All quilters are welcome.

 $\textbf{Pink Ladies} \, of Sanford \, Luverne \, Hospital \, will \, meet$ at noon Monday, April 10, in the Blue Mound Room for a potluck salad luncheon and regular meeting. Bring eating utensils.

Pleasant View Cemetery Association annual meeting will be at 7 p.m. Monday, April 3, at the home of Richard and Ruth Opsata. For more information contact Janice Nuffer at 507-855-2266.

American Legion Post 123 and Auxiliary will meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 12, in the Post home.

Meditation and Mindfulness Practice will meet from 7-7:45 p.m. April 12 and 26 (every second and fourth Wednesday) in the lower level of Hilger Commons at 215 N. Cedar Street in Luverne. All are welcome. For more information call Kim at 507-353-0041 or email kimberlyelizabeth@live.com.

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

evening at 6:30 p.m. at the Steen Reformed Church. Contact Robert for more information 507-329-2642. Women's Alcoholics Anonymous meets at 8 p.m.

Mondays in the United Methodist Church. **Al-Anon** meets from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays

in Sanford Luverne. Call Stephanie at 507-449-1246. Narcotics Anonymous meets at 7 p.m. Fridays and for basic text study at 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays in the base-

ment of St. Catherine Catholic Rectory, 203 E. Brown St., Luverne. Use east door. Call 507-220-0137. Alcoholics Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. Wednesdays and Saturdays in the United Methodist Church,

Luverne. Call 605-321-4324. Alcoholics Anonymous and Al-Anon meet from 8 to 9 p.m. every Tuesday in Runals Memorial Hall, Edgerton. Call Naomi, 507-215-2956, with questions.

#### History Center open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

The new History Center on East Main Street in Luverne will be open regularly from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Call 283-2122.

#### 'Dixie Swim Club' coming to Palace

The Green Earth Players community theater group will perform "The Dixie Swim Club" March 31-April 2 in the Palace Theatre in Luverne. Friday and Saturday performances are at 7:30 p.m. and the Sunday show is at 2 p.m. Tickets are available at the Palace Box Office, 507-283-4339, or at the door.

#### 'Coffee with a Cop' March 31

Rock County Sheriff Evan Verbrugge will host "Coffee with a Cop" from 8 to 9:30 a.m. Friday, March 31, in the Magnolia Café. Commissioner Gary Overgaard will also be at the event. They will answer questions about law enforcement in the county.

### Sign up for 'Grease' by March 31

Reserve your seats now for the most popular, funfilled musical, "Grease," at the Chanhassen Dinner Theater on April 22. Register for this chartered bus trip by March 31 by calling Luverne Community Education at 507-283-4724. Cost of bus and dinner theater ticket is \$110.

### **Grief support begins April 3**

Sanford Luverne Hospice will offer a five-week grief support group for anyone grieving the loss of a loved one. Meetings are from 5-6:30 p.m. every Monday for five weeks beginning April 3 at Sanford Luverne Blue Mound Room. Meetings are free and confidential. Call Jilll Roemen at 507-283-1805 to register.

### **Red Cross blood drive April 3**

The American Red Cross will host a blood drive at Grace Lutheran Church from 1-7 p.m. Monday, Arpil 3.

To make an appointment or for more information, download the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit redcrossblood.org or call 800-733-2767.

A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in.



Mavis Fodness Photo/0330 Luverne Body Ribbon Cutting

## Luverne Body Shop owners cut ribbon at new location Luverne Area Chamber directors Stan Knobloch and Nancy Scheidt hold the ribbon for Luverne Body Shop & Auto Glass own-

ers Kevin and Mary Aaker (center with scissors) at Monday afternoon's ribbon-cutting ceremony at the shop's new location on Commerce Road in Luverne. Participating in the ceremony are (front row, from left) Stan Knobloch, Betty Mann, Kevin Aaker, Mary Aaker, Faye Bremer, Lori Hallstrom, Annie Opitz, Nancy Scheidt, (second row) Patti Olson, Verlon Shearer, Seth Miller, Dustin Walters, Andrew Hemme, Buster Rust, Marilyn Bloemendaal, Pam Haakenson, Holly Sammons, (back) Mark Ommen, Henry Kooistra, Steve Nath, Don Bryan, Cory Bloemendaal, Ryan DeBates and Pat Baustian.

After the ribbon-cutting ceremony at the new location of Luverne Body Shop & Auto Glass, visitors got a close-up look at some of the business' new equipment such as the aluminum welder (center) that owner Kevin Aaker explains to Luverne Area Chamber Executive Director Jane Wildung Lan-

phere (left) and chamber president Faye Bremer (right).

A large metal sign greets visitors as they enter the new Luverne Body Shop & Auto Glass building. The sign includes the message FGgg or "Forever in God's good graces" in the upper right-hand corner.





## Kenneth signs contract with Lismore

Townships split between Hardwick, Edgerton, Magnolia and Lismore

### **By Mavis Fodness**

Kenneth Fire Department's emergency service contracts were split between tour fire departments in action taken recently by the Kenneth City Council plus the supervisors in Vienna and Battle Plain townships.

The new contracts are ef-

fective April 1. Lismore Fire Department will provide first responder and fire coverage to the city of Kenneth for \$2,000 a year.

Coverage for the 28 township sections was split between Lismore, Hardwick, Magnolia and Edgerton fire departments. Luverne Fire Department also submitted proposals.

In Vienna Township, Lismore will cover the nine sections located east and west of Kenneth for \$180 per section.

Hardwick gained four

additional sections west of Kenneth adjacent to sections already under contract for \$400 per section.

Magnolia will cover six sections in Vienna Township at \$500 per section. These sections also connect to sections already contracted with Magnolia.

Battle Plain Township chose Edgerton to provide coverage to its nine sections originally with Kenneth.

According to township clerk Mark Vander Pol, the current contract with Edgerton was extended to include the additional nine sections. Edgerton already provides coverage to the north half of the township.

Vienna Township Chairman Kraig Rust said cost was the factor in his township's selection for emergency services.

In the past year, the Ken-

neth Fire Department was paged to one fire and four medical emergency calls.

Cost and first responder availability during the day time were factors in the city of Kenneth's decision to contract with Lismore.

"Lismore has about 15 first responders with eight to 10 working in town," Gangestad said.

Lismore is located seven miles east of Kenneth.

Earlier this year the Kenneth City Council voted to disband its volunteer fire department.

Aging equipment and a dwindling pool of volunteers forced the town of 67 in northeast Rock County to make a decision to formally disband last month.

Gangestad said fire-fighting equipment and the fire hall will be sold at a later date.

## Road and bridge meeting/ continued from page 1

improving 2.5 miles of paved streets in Luverne, and adding an intersection warning system at county roads 4 and 17 near Manley.

Funds for those projects come annually from federal and state allocations, local wheelage and aggregate taxes, wind production revenue and local property taxes.

Last year local property taxes contributed \$784,695, or about 17 percent of the annual road budget.

To mill and overlay one mile of paved roadway is about \$750,000, Sehr said.



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## Walz to campaign for governor in 2018

By Lori Sorenson

Tim Walz, who represents Rock County and southern Minnesota in Congress, announced Monday he is running for governor of Minnesota in 2018.

The Democratic congressman from Mankato has for the past 10 years represented Minnesota's First District, which stretches across the southern part of Minnesota from border to border.

He's a familiar face in Rock County for his efforts with agriculture policy and veterans' issues.

He is the ranking member on the House Veterans Affairs Committee and recently wrapped up an outstate tour (including a stop in Luverne) meeting with veterans and their families on ways to improve veterans' access to health care.

"I am really proud of the work he did for the First Congressional District and would miss him being there," said Dale Moerke, Rock County's DFL party chairman.

"But I am hopeful that we will see a formidable candidate rise up to run for the congressional seat."

Moerke said there is a strong bench of DFL candidates to choose from and Walz will be competitive in the race for the DFL endorsement.

"He has demonstrated that time and time again in his congressional races," said Moerke, Luverne.

Walz's announcement

puts that Dist. 1 seat up for grabs, since he has said he won't return to a congressional re-election if he doesn't succeed in his bid for governor.

He filed his campaign committee with the Minnesota Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board, sayinghe's "allin" on his decision.

"This campaign will be about bringing Minnesota together. Our state is strongest when we unite," he said.

"Drawing on our rich heritage of hard work, opportunity and boundless optimism, there is no limit to what Minnesotans can achieve when we work together."

Walz, 52, said his "One  $Minnesota" \, campaign \, theme$ aims to bridge the geographical divide on issues facing the state, from transportation to the environment.

Gov. Mark Dayton announced several months ago he wouldn't seek another term, and Lt. Gov. Tina Smith recently announced she won't run for the position.

This has opened the door for other interested DFL candidates to throw their hats in the ring.

State Auditor Rebecca Otto, St. Paul Mayor Chris Coleman and State Rep. Erin Murphy, DFL-St. Paul, have already announced they're running for governor.

Others, like DFL Rep. Rick Nolan from the state's 8th Congressional District, have indicated interest.



multipurpose area of the school. Pictured here, Ecology Bus instructor Cody Michel guizzes students on various waste products and their potential value for reusing or recycling during a March 22 assembly. Students also learned about the value of purchasing products that have minimal packaging in order to reduce waste.

## Luverne High School band, choirs earn superiors at Large Group Contest

**By Mavis Fodness** 

Three of Luverne High School's vocal and instrumental groups earned superior ratings March 21 at the Minnesota High School League's large group music contest in Pipestone.

The concert band, concert

choir and ninth-grade girls' choir participated in the event.

Three judges evaluated each group's performance with a possible top score of 40

from each judge. Superior is the highest ranking.

According to instrumen-

tal instructor Richard Owen, the band earned scores of 36, 38 and 38.

The scores tied for first place out of nine bands performing that day.

"For me as a director, my biggest takeaway from the day was how fun it was to make music with my students," Owen said.

"We were feeling a sense of accomplishment for the work we had put into learning, both as individuals and as a group."

The concert choir and ninth-grade girls' choir also received superior ratings.

"The students sang so expressively and extremely professional," said vocal instructor Seana Graber.

"The Luverne choir also enjoyed seeing Dr. Svenning-

Russell Svenningsen was

in Luverne three days before the contest.

He was the school's guest clinician and spent the day working with the two choirs.

Svenning sen is associatemusic professor at Augustana College in Sioux Falls.



Mavis Fodness Photo/0323 School Showcase

## IPad applications in first grade

First-grade teachers (standing, from left) Angela Ahrendt, Lisa Lundgren, Sandy Klosterbuer and Sue Hup (not pictured) showed Luverne School Board members at their March 23 meeting how they use iPads for small group reading exercises in their classrooms. They shared information about how the iPads are used during the teachers' "Daily 5" curriculum with (sitting, from left) board clerk Brenda Teal and board members Eric Hartman, Reva Sehr and Shelley Sandbulte.

## Ambulance starts fund drive for new garage facility

raising funds to build a new garage for its vehicles and equipment. The twostall structure will be built across the street from the Sanford Luverne Medical Center Emergency Department.

'This new location will have many benefits," said Harlan Vande Kieft, Rock County Ambulance manager.

"The new location moves our ambulances out of high traffic and residential areas which will help us respond with less delay." He said modern ambulances are

bigger and the old facility isn't large enough for the up-to-date equipment to fit properly.

"I worry about staff members getting hurt or damaging the ambulances every time we have to back it through the small garage doors," Vande Kieft said.

The new building has a price tag ofnearly \$350,000; however, \$205,000 of that has already been raised.

"Our community partners are outstanding," said Tammy Loosbrock,

The Rock County Ambulance is Sanford Luverne senior director. "Community support for a facility like this is crucial. We greatly appreciate all of the donations and grants we have received."

> Before construction, the medical center needs to raise \$143,000. Donations can be made online through the Luverne Area Community Foundation at luvacf.org or through direct donations to the foundation.

> The Rock County Ambulance covers approximately 290 square miles and responds to more than 900 calls per year, ranging from motor vehicle crashes to various medical emergencies.

> Rock County Ambulance is committed to providing excellence in patient care and is committed to the health and wellness of the patients it transports daily, and responds to emergency calls for the residents in Rock County.

> More information regarding the new ambulance facility can be found at sanfordluverne.org.

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Send bids to: Deb Skyberg, 36026 Long Shore Trail, Frazee, MN 56544-8995 by March 31, 2107. Available to see by appointment or for more information: Call 701-205-5439 or email skybergstevedeb@gmail.com.

#### **Prairie Rose Minnesota Community Fund Grant and Scholarship Opportunity**

The Prairie Rose Minnesota Community Fund supports local projects and initiatives through grants, donations, gifts or contributions, related to the areas of environmental, biodiversity, amateur athletics, arts and cultural activities, education, health and wellness, disadvantaged individuals, community infrastructure improvements and community capital assets in the communities connected to the townships of Rose Dell, Denver and Springwater including the City of Hardwick in Minnesota and deemed eligible by the Prairie Rose Minnesota Community Fund Board of Directors.

Who can apply for a grant? If your non-profit organization is located within the footprint of the Prairie Rose Wind Farm (townships listed above) you are probably eligible to receive grants from the PR Community Fund.

Who can apply for a scholarship: Applicants must meet two of the following four

1. Be a resident of Rose Dell, Denver, or Springwater townships, the City of Hardwick or the portion of Jasper located in Rock County, Minnesota.

2. Be a landowner or a child of a landowner in Rose Dell, Denver or Springwater Townships, the City of Hardwick or the portion of Jasper located in Rock County, Minnesota.

3. Be a graduate of a local high school.

4. Non-traditional students must reside in Rose Dell, Denver or Springwater Townships, The City of Hardwick or the portion of Jasper that is located in Rock County, Minnesota

Grant & scholarship recipients are determined by the Board of Directors of the Prairie Rose Minnesota Community Fund.

Applications can be obtained from on the Luverne Area Chamber website at www.luvernechamber.com or by emailing Tammy Johnson, Board President, at tivan-

Applications must be received by May 22, 2017 to be considered eligible for awards.

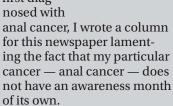
# **Star Herald** PINION

#### Anal cancer awareness

## A movement we can all get behind

March is colorectal cancer awareness month.

A few years ago, when I was first diag-



October, for example, is breast cancer awareness month, but anal cancer goes unmentioned in the annals of history.

Imagine the slight I felt after recently learning the organs "right next door" - the colon and the rectum — have an awareness month. Yet, the humble anus continues to go unnoticed, underappreciated, and is virtually wiped from consideration.

In a society completely bound up in being inclusive, one would think remembering to include all the organs would matter. If colons and rectums are worthy of an awareness month, how is it that the anus continues to be left in the dark?

Who is the gatekeeper deciding which organs to let into the "awareness month" club and which ones face elimination? How is it that an organ so important to the ebb and flow of daily life can be so overlooked?

One would guess, given the importance of anal health, information would be piling up

## THE **NORTHVIEW**

By Brenda Winter, Columnist

about its significance. Sadly it

And so I push on with my one-woman campaign for an anal cancer awareness month.

I understand designing a public education campaign could get messy.

Imagine suggesting the "monthly exams" so promoted by the breast cancer community? Who among us would bend over backward to make sure the information is conveyed with maturity and with proper decorum?

How exactly does one promote anal cancer awareness when most people would rather forget they even have an anus? It truly does seem that information regarding anal cancer awareness has fallen through the cracks.

So, dear reader, it is with a humble heart that I implore you to take your anus seriously. Don't ignore the symptoms of anal cancer. We've got to get to the bottom of the problem if progress is to be made!

I believe anal cancer awareness needs a month of its own. I think it's a movement we can all get behind, and I do believe these details will all be worked

in the end.

# Hats off to our volunteers

Tuesday, April 4, is National Service Recognition Day.

The fifth-annual event highlights the importance of citizen engagement and recognizes the dedication of the National Service Senior Companion Program, Foster Grandparent Program and Senior Corps RSVP volunteers.

In Rock County there are 445 volunteers participating in these programs with the largest number volunteering under the guidance of A.C.E. of SW Minnesota.

Last week the Rock County  $Commissioners\, passed\, a\, resolution$ recognizing the contributions of these volunteers.

We would like to expand that recognition to the various other organizations where volunteers are of vital importance. Many of these volunteers mainly work with our youth.

Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts and Rock

## STAR HERALD EDITORIAL

County 4-H are only a few of the local organizations that rely on adult volunteers to carry out their youth development missions.

However, none are as large or as diverse as A.C.E., Advocate. Connect. Educate.

In 2016, more than 57,100 hours were given to 61 agencies. Using today's minimum wage of \$9.50 per hour, their donated time is worth more than \$542,800 to the community.

They deserve a pat on the back. Increasingly counties across the nation are turning to volunteers as a cost-effective strategy to meet local needs.

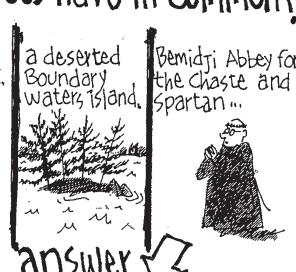
According to Rock County's recently signed resolution, programs like A.C.E. expand economic opportunities by creating a more sustainable community by providing education, career skills and leadership abilities for those who serve.

Volunteers provide vital support to all county residents and improve the quality of life in Rock County.

We thank all of you who find ways to give back to our communities.

# What do these Places have in common?





They're a few of the last places in Minnesota without casinos, lottery.

Bingo or other gambling! ED FIS (HERO

## March Madness lessens productivity across the nation

Well, bracket season is winding down, and for those of you living under a rock, I am referring to the NCAA basketball tournament.

Our office is not alone when it comes to time wasted in the workplace because of the bracket.

In fact, we have 24 brackets hanging on the wall right now. When you consider we employ 12 full- and part-time people, it's easy to see the popularity of filling out the bracket.

The 24 brackets hanging on our office pale in comparison to ESPN, the sports broadcast mega giant. This year ESPN had 14,647,144 brackets submitted. According to Fox Business, the office productivity across the country takes a \$1.3 billion hit in lost productivity during the tournament.

There is some good that goes along with all this, however, at least at our office.

One would think the office sports guy would be cleaning up on the



## FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH

By Rick Peterson, General Manager **Tollefson Publishing** 

brackets. I am here to tell you that is not the case, at least not this year. You have to go back to 2011 before you can find his name in the winner's column.

Be sure to go to said sports guy's column in today's paper because he is writing about the brackets as well. I am sure he'll have a much more detailed account as to why he hasn't been at the top of the list more often.

For the most part, almost everyone has the same chance of filling

out the winning bracket. That might explain how I won the office competition a few years ago.

I am currently tied for third place and have little to no chance of winning this year. I have Gonzaga winning the tournament, but so do two of the people ahead of me.

I hope your bracket has been good to you — and if it hasn't, join

Better luck next year.

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## Ask a Trooper: All headlight types must meet federal standards, turned on during times of low visibility

Question: Are the blue or Xenon headlamps legal in Minnesota?

Answer: Xenon or (HID) highintensity discharge headlights are legal if they comply with the same Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard requirements as halogen and incandescent headlamps.

Minnesota Statutes Chapter 169.468 requires the Commissioner to adopt vehicle safety rules in substantial conformance with federal motor vehicle safety standards for

any new vehicle, or for any new item of motor vehicle equipment. These standards are in 49 CFR Part 571.

If the vehicle has not been altered since the time of purchase from a dealer, it is almost certain that the lights are legal, as the manufacturer and dealer would need to follow federal guidelines above.

The aftermarket use of Xenon lights may pose a more difficult problem. Most aftermarket systems are in compliance with SAE and

federal standards; however, some "look-alike" systems are not. The vehicle lighting system in question would need to be inspected by a reputable mechanic. The bulbs should contain the proper markings to permit the lighting device to be traced back to the appropriate SAE standard. If they are not in compliance, a citation may be issued.

If someone wants to convert their vehicle to Xenon HID, they must purchasenewXenonHIDheadlamps. HIDs installed in headlight systems designed for halogen lights produce substantially different beam patterns.

It is an important time of year to remind motorists that the law states  $that you \, must \, turn \, on your \, head \, lights \,$ during harsh weather, rain, snow, fog or anytime there is low visibility. This will help ensure that other motorists can see you. Do not to rely on your daytime running lights alone as your taillights will not be working, thus making your vehicle difficult to see.

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

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## ON THE RECORD

#### Dispatch report

March 17

•Complainant requested welfare check. Deputy reported all OK.

•Received report from SWHHS.

•Complainant requested welfare check on subject. March 18

•Complainant reported that subject has a restraining order against her and is in the bar.

•Complainant reported a woman in need of medical attention in a vehicle on I-90.

•Complainant reported underage drinking in the bar on March 17. Transferred to deputy.

•Deputy reported emergency response callout.

•Complainant reported hit and run.

•Complainant reported mental health issues.

•Complainant reported driving complaint. No taillights and dim headlights. Transferred to Patrol.

•Complainant reported young males driving recklessly and doing donuts in the north parking lot of Power Fitness.

#### March 19

•Lyon County reports active pursuit crossing state border at location. No vehicle descriptors available.

 Property brought to Rock County Sheriff's Office.

•Deputy brought in cell phone found on Highway 75. Samsung phone with red case.

•Complainant reported two girls breaking glass bottles on her sidewalk.

•Complainant requested welfare check.

#### March 20

•Deputy requested welfare check. Male party was found walking along Highway 75 in Lyon County and was upset, stating there was trouble in his marriage and he didn't have a place to go. No answer at residence. Wife came to Law Enforcement Center looking for husband. Advised he is in Lyon County.

•Complainant reported her husband was at Grand Falls and making suicidal statements and was going to leave and drive off the road and kill himself. He is driving a white Kia Optima with a Miami Dolphins license plate holder. Advised Minnehaha County and Lyon County as well as deputy. Subject was located in Minnehaha County.

•Deputy reported open car door in driveway at location. Everything appears to be OK.

•Complainant requested to speak to a deputy regarding subject.

regarding subject.Complainant requested probation check on sub-

ject at location.
•Complainant requested residence check while out of town.

Complainant requested to speak to a deputy about a property dispute.

•Complainant requested an arrest and detain hold be placed on subject. Subject was arrested and taken to

Nobles County Jail.
•Complainant reported four kids playing in the creek

•Complainant reported vehicle ran stop sign at location. Vehicle is now out of county. Transferred caller to Pipestone County.

•Complainant requested to speak to a deputy about incident that was reported and dealt with in South Dakota by Brandon police.

### March 21

at location.

•Called out for warrant service in Windom.

•Complainant reported



# a phone call that was a prerecorded female voice who named herself Emily. Complainant immediately hung up and then dialed the number shown. A male voice answered and denied he had been using the phone recently. Complainant felt the call was suspicious

the call was suspicious.

•Complainant stated that they are moving, and there will be a trailer parked in front of their residence starting March 22 and remaining there for approximately three days.

•Complainant reported that several juveniles have been revealing their genitalia at the Blue Mound Ice Arena and possibly the city pool and fitness center.

•Complainant requested a DMT be performed on him for his CDL requirements

•Complainant reported fraudulent charges on her bank card that occurred in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Sioux Falls Police Department told her that she needed to report it in Luverne.

•Complainant requested law enforcement to her address. Her car is apparently being repossessed, but there is not appropriate paperwork. Per deputy the vehicle has been legally repossessed and has been towed away.

•Complainant reported structure fire at location.

•Complainant requested background check on subject for city employment. March 22

March 22
•Complainant reported

•Complainant reported flatbed trailer parked on property. Deputy contacted party, and he will have it moved.

•Complainant requested welfare check on subject. Deputy reported all OK.

•Complainant reported ditch on fire eastbound on I-90 near South Dakota and Minnesota border. Notified Metro. Fire Department dispatched.

### March 23

•Complainant reported a wrong-way driver at location. Vehicle described as a silver SUV. Notified Patrol.

•Complainant reported pedestrian light on Highway 75 by Sanford is out. Notified city.

•Complainant reported vehicle speeding and tailgating. Notified State Patrol.

•Complainant requested to talk to deputy about restraining order. Deputy spoke with complainant.

•Deputy completed es-

In addition, officers responded to 1 deer accident, 1 transport, 1 funeral escort, 23 traffic stops, 15 ambulance runs, 5 paper services, 3 animal complaints, 3 fingerprint requests, 7 log/alarm sheets, 12 drug court tests, 4 911 hang-ups, and issued 2 purchase/carry permits and 25 burn permits.

## Two more Edgerton men charged in local burglaries

By Lori Sorenson

Two more suspects have been charged in connection with the burglaries in northeastern Rock County last month.

According to Sheriff Evan Verbrugge, Pershin Shon Iron Boy and Benjamin Spencer were arrested last week for their role in mid-February burglaries of two rural residences.

Iron Boy, who will turn 20 next week, and Spencer, 21, were affiliated with 20-year-old Jacob Fennema, Edgerton, who was charged March 13 for the burglaries.

The court document states that on Feb. 13 law enforcement responded to a report of a burglary at the rural Kenneth home of Terry Medill, who said he returned home from work that day to find his front door swinging open with signs of forced entry.

He said he was missing a 12-gauge shotgun that had been given to him by his father when he turned 16. He described it as a Springfield pump action gun and that various shells were also missing. Medill later called the Sher-





Pershin Shon Iron Boy (left) and Benjamin Spencer are charged with burglary.

iff's Office to report that he discovered his prescriptions, including hydrocodone pain medication, were missing.

On Feb. 20 Rock County deputies were dispatched to a burglary investigation in northeastern Rock County at the home of Gary Baker who said their home had been broken into while they were at church Feb. 19.

Baker said their home had been accessed with the garage door opener in his pickup and the following items were taken: \$100 cash from his wife's purse, an unknown amount of coins from a jar (the entire jar was taken) and two cups, a webcam surveillance system, a small flashlight, and a farm account credit card.

Baker said they didn't no-

tice the items were missing until his wife went to buy groceries and discovered all her cash was gone. At that point they looked around the house and noticed other missing items.

They told law enforcement they believed someone familiar with their home had done it, and they suggested it might be Per-

shin Shon Iron Boy, a young man they had fostered when hewas placed at Southwestern Youth Services. Baker told officers he believed Iron Boy had been living with Fennema.

On March 11 deputies received a tip about a stolen shotgun that had been purchased from Fennema in Brandon.

The tip came from Fennema's former roommates who said they were expecting him to return to their acreage to retrieve some property he'd left there when they made him move out.

The roommate said he'd bought the shotgun from Fennema to help him out because he needed money.

Law enforcement waited near the residence and ar-

rested Fennema when he left the acreage.

According to the complaint, Fennema was taken to the Law Enforcement Center where he agreed to speak without counsel.

He admitted that he and Iron Boy and Spencer had broken into the Medill residence to lookfor money. He said they used a crow bar to get inside, and they took the shotgun and prescription medication. He also admitted to selling the shotgun and shells.

According to the criminal complaint, Fennema also admitted they burglarized the Baker residence because Iron Boyknewhowto get in. He said they took \$200 to \$300 in cash in addition to the surveillance system.

Fennema was then transported to jail, and the shotgun and ammo was later recovered.

Iron Boy and Spencer were each charged Monday, March 27, with second-degree burglary. Both had Edgerton addresses but were arrested in Cottonwood County.

If convicted, they face a maximum penalty of 10 years in prison and/or a \$20,000 fine.

## Search warrant turns up drugs in Hardwick residence

**By Lori Sorenson** 

A sentence order is pending for a Hardwick man who entered a guilty plea earlier this month on felony drug charges.

Nineteen-year-old Devin Gerloffwas taken into custody Feb. 22 after law enforcement executed a search warrant at his residence on West Main Street in Hardwick.

According to the criminal complaint filed in Rock County District Court, officers entered the residence around 9 a.m. and arrested Gerloff on felony burglary warrants out of Lyon County, Iowa.

The other occupants confirmed that Gerloff lived there but denied knowing of any stolen property at their place.

When asked if anything illegal was in the apartment, they directed officers to Gerloff's room where they saidhekeepsdrugs—mostly marijuana—in a safe.

After obtaining a warrant, officers recovered several small quantities of marijuana from a small locked Sentry safe which was opened with a key Gerloff had with him when he was arrested.

There was also a clear

plastic bottle and a clear plastic bag containing a white powder — cocaine — and prescription pills, Alprazolam and Clonazepam.

Also located was mail in the defendant's name as well as a hand-written log that appeared to be a record of narcotic sales, a scale and grinder and several more baggies.

A second Sentry fireproof safe contained paraphernalia and money, as well as a checkbook with the defendant's name on it.

Behind the bed two rifles were located, one a Savage Mark II .22 caliber and the other a Marlin model 336W 30/30 caliber. Both rifles were loaded but the chambers were empty.

The marijuana weighed 67.7 total grams. The cocaine weighed 3.2 grams.

On March 6 Gerloff en-

tered a guilty plea to one of two counts of felony drug possession.

The maximum penalty for a fifth-degree drug possession

a fifth-degree drug possession charge is five years in prison, a \$10,000 fine, or both. An April 24 sentence hear-

An April 24 sentence hearing was canceled, and Gerloff will be sentenced at a later time without a hearing.

## District facilities improvements/continued from page 1

meeting.

Survey results are available on the district website: www.isd2184.net.

The Luverne School Board hired FJJ in November to conduct a long-range facilities study. "Like many school districts."

"Like many school districts, Luverne School District is facing the challenge of aging facilities that don't fully deliver the educational benefits of more modern schools," Hubbard said.

Goals of the study are to outline a long-term facilities plan, improve classroom edu-

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According to the report, Luverne's enrollment will remain steady with variations ranging from 1,230 to 1,260 through 2027.

Current enrollment is 1,238 students in pre-K through 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

In other business on March 23, the board:

•received the resignation of Tony Johnson, middle



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school social studies teacher, effective at the end of the school year.

Johnson also resigned as head wrestling coach, middle school football coach and middle school softball coach. •accepted the retirement of elementary teacher Patsy Amborn, also effective at the end of the school year.

•approved hiring Jon Schomacker as the 2017 summer recreation director at a salary of \$8,400.





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# COMMUNITY Comments Star Heraiu

Up for the challenge

# College freshman continues high school service project

#### **By Mavis Fodness**

College freshman Ryleigh Beers thought she wouldn't have time to continue a community service project started last year as a Luverne High School senior.

After all, raising funds and organizing the packing of hygiene kits are time-consuming activities - time, she thought, that would be better spent studying for the challenging courses at St. Olaf College in Northfield.

However, a chance meeting with the same 4-H judge that she became acquainted with at the Minnesota State Fair in September 2016 started Beers thinking differ-

"It was the same guy," Beers said last week during a visit home for spring break. "He gave me an incentive to do more."

Beers received a purple ribbon for her youth leadership project last fall. A purple is the highest award at the state level. Why try to double the assembly of hygiene kits for just another purple rib-

An after-school workstudy job at Greenvale Park Elementary in Northfield with fourth- and fifth-graders answered Beers' question as to why more kits should be assembled.

"I work there four days a week," she said. "I see some kids who don't change their clothes every day."

Last year Beers assembled 225 hygiene kits for the homeless population in Sioux Falls, South Dakota

A small percentage of the kits were also donated to Luverne's Backpack Program. The Backpack Program gives income-eligible students weekend meals during the school year.

Without the food donations, some students wouldn't receive a well-balanced meal until returning to school on Mondays.

The students don't regularly receive shampoo, soap or toothpaste in their backpacks.

"These needs are often overlooked," Beers said. "Why not do it (the kits) again and outdo myself."

She named the project Hygiene Kits 2.0.

Beers' new goal is to double her first goal and organize the making of 550 hygiene kits for students in Luverne and Northfield.

She began writing grants for hygiene item purchases during her finals week. The application process meant detailing exact costs and packaging of the items in Ziploc bags.

It also required her to reach out to the community for assistance instead of doing assembly all by herself.

She, however, was in charge of purchasing the hygiene items and bags and setting up the packing events in both locations.

"There are a lot of moving parts," she said.

Besides shampoo, soap and toothpaste, the kits contain conditioner, toothbrush, washcloth, Band-aids, hand sanitizer and Kleenex.

She has already raised the \$3,150 for the 550 kits through grants from the Shopko Foundation, Sioux Valley Energy and Serve-A-Smile.

However, the students who would fill kits in Northfield have challenged Beers to make more kits.

"The Girl Scouts want to do 4,000 kits," she said. "I guess I want to see where the number goes."

Rising to the challenge, Beers has reached out to 4-H offices in Nobles and Rice (Northfield) counties for help, and she is filling out more grant applications.

Beers is in her last year of 4-H eligibility and hopes her project will continue after she graduates from the program late this fall.

Packing of the kits will be completed April 10 at Greenvale Elementary School. Locally, the Magnolia Juniors 4-H Club will fill kits May 22.

"I started this (hygiene) project in December 2015, Beers said. "I didn't think I would still be doing it in March 2017."

One state 4-H judge foresaw the need, and he is likely to see Beers at his table again.



Mavis Fodness Photo/0330 Ryleigh Beers 2.0

Ryleigh Beers holds last year's 4-H records showing members of the Magnolia Juniors 4-H Club assembling hygiene kits. The group plans to help Beers complete additional kits again this year in additional to students in Northfield, where Beers attends college.

## 1926: New pipe organ debuts at Palace theatre

The following appeared in the Rock County Herald on January 1, 1926:

MANAGER JOCHIMS IN-STALLS NEW PIPE ORGAN AT PALACE

New Instrument, Which Has Almost Unlimited Range of Possibilities, to be Played Sunday Evening.

Patrons of the New Palace theatre who attend next Sunday evening's show will be privileged to hear the initial program on a superb Mammoth Orchestral pipe organ being installed this week by Herman Jochims.

The new organ, which offers the volume and variations necessary to present an adequate musical setting for any production or occasion, will be played by T. J. Whitty, a talented pipe organist from England, whose services it has been possible to secure, through the fact that he was paying a visit to a sister residing in Minneapolis.

It is pointed out that so closely linked with human emotion and its interpretation is music, that, wherever moving pictures are made, "on the lot" in the great studios of Hollywood or New York, "on location" in rugged mountain passes, on prairie or in the desert, at home or



## BITS BY BETTY

By Betty Mann, president

abroad, the acting we watch on the screen is originally filmed to the accompaniment of music.

Sometimes alone violinist stands at one side, just beyond the scope of the camera's recording eye, calling forth the heart throbs of the hero or heroine with the subtle melodies of his instrument. Sometimes in the shabby room, the chapel or the cabin, the portable organ lends the solemn tones to darken the shadowy side of a moment pregnant with griefor sorrow. Sometimes the whirl and gaiety of the merry party is inspired and made genuine and convincing by the syncopated rhythms of the instruments of modern jazz.

If this, the so-called "musical setting," is so essential to the production of the animatedshadowswhichtelltheir stories, grave or gay, to the millions who visit the movies, it is held to be more important as an aid in the interpretation of the spirit of the re-enacted

scene on the silver sheet.

The instrument being installed is known as the Smith-Unit pipe organ, and is made by the Geneva Organ company of Geneva, Ill., while the installation work is being done by W. J. Dyer & Bro., of St. Paul, Northwestern representatives.

The Capabilities of the instrument are almost limitless, ranging from the deepest throbbings of the pedal organ to the finest thread of silver sound produced by the violin. Volume, flexibility and versatility, almost beyond imagination, are at the organist's command. The reverent tones and deep church-like chords of the Cathedral organ, the wail of the flageolet, the crash of the heavy bass drum and tympani and the full tone melody of the full symphony orchestra are all within call.

In connection with the installation of the new pipe organ, the American Pho-

toplayer organ, installed in 1923, will be taken out. The new instrument has several times the volume, capacity and variety that the photoplayer organ had.

The attraction for Sunday evening will be "the Man on the Box.." based on Harold McGrath's novel of the same title, with Sid Chaplin in the leading role.

Chaplin is said to be even funnier than he was in "Charley's Aunt," first as a debonair young millionaire, then a typical cab driver, a groom, a butler, and finally a lady's maid involved in a frantic tussle for a set of plans for an aeroplane invention.

In addition to directing the production, Charles "Chuck" Relsner plays the heavy, a Russian spy. Alice Calhoun is the pretty heroine, Kathleen Calhoun an inventor's wife, and Helen Costello the hero's sister. The rest of the cast includes David Butler, Theodore Lorch, E. J. Ratcliffe, Chas. Gerrard and Harry Barrowes.

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

Mann welcomes correspondence sent to mannmade@iw.net.

## **CELEBRATIONS**

## **Birth**

A boy, Boyd Alan, weighing 7 pounds, 12 ounces, and 20 inches long, was born Sunday, March 5, 2017, at Sanford in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, to Mitchell and Brianna Leuthold, Hills. He joins a brother, Raylan. Grandparents are Doug and Lois Boeve and Alan and Lois Leuthold. Great-grandparents are Jim Boeve and Estelle Leuthold.

## **Open Houses**

A baby shower for Lyndsie (Johnson) Deragisch will be from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 8, at the American Reformed Church, 304 N. Fairview, Luverne.

An open-house bridal shower for **Dani Baker**, to-be of Shea Klooster, will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 8, at the Steen Reformed Church.

Gerhard Fick will celebrate his 85th birthday with an open house from 1-3:30 p.m. Saturday, April 8, at the Luverne Senior Citizens Center.

Greetings may be sent to 214 W. Veterans Drive, Luverne, MN 56156.

## Senior Menu

Monday, April 3: Swedish meatballs, mashed potatoes with gravy, spinach, bread, ice

Tuesday, April 4: Cubed beef in gravy, mashed potatoes, carrots, dinner roll, pudding dessert.

Program: Two-buck Tuesday sponsored by Papik Motors..

Wednesday, April 5: Chef salad (turkey, ham, cheese, lettuce with dressing, cucumber slices) muffin, bar.

Thursday, April 6: Liver or

pepper steak, buttered boiled potatoes, peas, bread, apricots.

Friday, April 7: Tuna casserole, green beans, cookies, mandarin oranges with gelatin. Program: Gerhard's 85th

birthday. Senior Dining offers wellbalanced and affordable meals

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ing reservations or for homedelivered meals.

## 'Be Brave' Beautiful Life Women's Conference April 1

The American Reformed Church Luverne will host the 2017 Beautiful Life Women's Conference from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, April 1, under the theme, "Be Brave."

This year's speaker, Rachel Barrentine, Nashville, Tennessee, is an award-winning singer and songwriter who shares her faith through music, speaking, writing and humor.

A continental breakfast and lunch, catered by the Bluestem, is included in the \$30 ticket cost.

More information is available at www.beautifullifeconferences.org or at the American Reformed Church office, 283-8600.

# REMEMBER WHEN

## 10 years ago (2007)

•The Lewis and Clark Water System received \$21 million in federal funding this year, up from the expected  $$17\ million$ .

Lewis and Clark Board Chairman Red Arndt gave the Luverne City Council an update on the project Tuesday night.

He said he expects federal funding to increase as cities are paying upfront for their share of the federal, state and locally funded project.

If Lewis and Clark receives \$35 million per year, the project will be complete by 2018.

## **25 years ago (1992)**

•The Palace Theatre and Palace Video will be living apart from now on.

The two businesses, both owned and operated by Larry and Carlene Boll, have been operating out of the Palace Theatre building.

Bolls started operating the Palace Theatre in

October of 1985 according to Carlene Boll and began renting videos about one year later.

In that time, the demand for the video rental part of their business has continued to grow but the space to expand has not been available.

### 50 years ago (1967)

•Rock County's 1967 highway improvement program, costing an estimated \$380,000, will get underway as soon as weather conditions permit, after contracts have been awarded.

Wm. P. Mohr, county highway engineer, has everything in readiness for the opening of bids for the several projects at two lettings next month, one on April 14 and one on April 21.

### 75 years ago (1942)

A quiet municipal election, on April 7 was in prospect for Luverne this week as no opposition developed

for the six incumbents who filed as candidates for

It appeared briefly that there would be a contest for the position of alderman from the north ward, when both B.S. Hinkly, the incumbent, and Dr. E.A. Blake filed for officer. Dr. Blake, however, later withdrew from the contest in favor of Alderman Hinkly.

### 100 years ago (1917)

•Those who are still on the market for choice draft horses should not overlook the sale to be held tomorrow afternoon by J.H. Bowron at his livery barn in the village of Magnolia. This sale will start at 1:30 o'clock and the offering will include eighteen head of horses, practically all of which are cow, 5 spring calves, several brood sows and a small quantity of farm implements will also be sold. The usual terms will be given. Reiter and Scott & Long will conduct the sale.

## **O**BITUARIES

#### **Betty Lou Faber**

Betty Lou Faber, 70, Harrisburg, South Dakota, died Saturday, March 25, 2017, at Mayo Clinic in Rochester.

A funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, March 30, at the First Christian Reformed Church in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Betty Lou Moss was born Dec. 21, 1946, to Albert and Henrietta (De Boer) Mossin Sioux Center, Iowa. The family lived near Carmel, Iowa, until Betty was six. They then moved to Luverne. She graduated from Southwest Christian High School in Edgerton.

On May 24, 1966, she married Larry Faber. Soon after their marriage she followed Larry's United States Navy service to San Diego, California, for six months. She returned home when he was deployed overseas. When Larry returned, they lived in Sioux Falls for many years. They moved to Michigan for 10 years, returning to Sioux Falls in 1998. Betty worked for Ameristar Realty as administrative assistant.

She was an active church member and volunteered extensively through the Stephen Ministry. She either led or attended Bible studies for many years. She enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren and attending their events. She enjoyed playing cards or watching Sioux Falls Christian sporting events, especially basketball and volleyball.

She is survived by her husband, Larry, Harrisburg; two

**Dolores Berning** 

Dolores C. Berning, 84, Adrian, died Wednesday, March 22, 2017, at the Sanford Luverne Hospice Cottage.

A funeral mass was Saturday, March 25, at the St. Adrian Catholic Church in Adrian. Burial followed at the St. Adrian Cemetery.

Dolores Konzwas born on Oct. 23, 1932, to Elmer and Helen (Engbarth) Konz in Adrian. She graduated from St. Adrian Catholic High School. She worked as a waitress and at the grocery stores in Adrian.

She married Ed Berning on Aug. 17, 1954, at St. Adrian Catholic Church.

The couple farmed near Wilmont for twelve years. In 1967 they moved to Adrian. Dolores worked as a cook at the Arnold Memorial Nursing Home in Adrian for 22 years before retiring in 1992. In 2015 Dolores and Ed moved to an apartment in Adrian. On March 20, 2017, Dolores moved to the Hospice Cottage.

She was a member of St. Adrian Catholic Church and the St. Adrian WCCW. She enjoyed baking, playing cards, traveling to casinos with Ed, and especially spending time with her family.

Dolores is survived by her husband, Ed Berning, Adrian; three children, Doug (Willy) Berning, Adrian, Diane (Dave) Banck, Luverne,

and Larry "Kono" Berning (special friend, Tess Vander Plaats), Adrian; four grandchildren, Bryan Banck (special friend, Andrea Bender), Tim (Becky) Banck, Kelly (Rory Witt), and

Jeremy (Alesha) Berning; seven great-grandchildren; five siblings, Vida Konz, Adrian, Leo (Ann) Konz, Adrian, Joe (Karen) Konz, Brandon, South Dakota, Tony (Nancy) Konz, Adrian, and Mary (Randy) Reisdorfer, Adrian; two brothers-in-law, Al Berning, Luverne, and Jim (Rita) Berning, Owatonna; a sister-in-law, Marie Smeins, Luverne; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a grandson, Jason Berning; two brothers, David and Carl Konz; her parents-in-law, Henry and Louise (Farwick) Berning; and brothers- and sisters-in-law Ralph and Lorraine Van Peursum, George and Doris Berning, Gertrude Berning and Myron Smeins.

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

(0330 F)

#### **Dorothy Buys**

Dorothy Mae Buys, 78, rural Hardwick, died Tuesday, March 21, 2017, at the Edgebrook Care Center in

A funeral service was Saturday, March 25, at the American Reformed Church in Luverne. Burial followed at Maplewood Cemetery in Luverne.

Edgerton.

Dorothy Harms was born on June 22, 1938 to Raymond and Florence (Terpstra) Harms on their farm south of Valley Springs, South Dakota. When Dorothy was young, the family moved for a short time to Larchwood, Iowa, and then to Inwood, Iowa, where Dorothy attended country school. She attended high school in Inwood and graduated in 1956. She then took nursing classes at the local college and also helped her dad, who was dealing with health issues from polio, on the farm. She took a position at Merrill Pioneer Community Hospital in Rock Rapids, Iowa, where she worked in the nursery.

Dorothy married Herman Buys on Oct. 25, 1963, at the First Reformed Church in Inwood. The couple farmed in rural Hardwick for over 52 years. Dorothy was a homemaker, gardened, took care of the calves, milked the cows, drove tractor,

and helped with all aspects of farming. In February of 2016, Dorothy en-

Center in Edgerton. Dorothy was a member of the American Reformed Church in Luverne

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where she taught Sunday School, Bible School and was a member of circle. She also volunteered as a 4-H leader and was a member of the Hardwick Community Club. She enjoyed baking bread, making applesauce, traveling to auctions, and listening to the South Dakota Old Time Fiddlers.

Dorothy is survived by her husband, Herman; her children, Leann (David) Hoogland, Hardwick, and Melroy (Laura) Buys, Edgerton; five grandchildren, Chelsey (Alex) Huisken, Cole Hoogland and Jessica, Miranda and Kayla Buys; and one great-grandchild, Beckett Huisken.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

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

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#### Pearl 'Nellie' Smith

Pearl Nellie Smith, 91, Luverne, died Sunday, March 12, 2017, at the Edgebrook Care Center in Edg-

A funeral service was Friday, March 17, at the American Reformed Church in Luverne. Burial followed at Maplewood Cemetery in Luverne.

Pearl Boeve was born on Jan. 16, 1926, to Ed and Jennie Boeve in Lester, Iowa. She attended country school in Lyon County. On Jan. 16, 1945, Nellie married Marvin Smith at her parents' home in Steen. The couple first lived near Ash Creek. Nellie was a homemaker, drove school bus and helped Marvin on the farm. In 1961 the family moved to a farm near Garretson, South Dakota, where Nellie worked alongside Marvin on the farm. They moved to Luverne in 1967. Nellie worked as a lab technician at Land O' Lakes for 27 years until her formal retirement. She then worked at Luverne Public Schools serving lunch. During their later vears, Nellie and Marvin enjoyed traveling south for many winters. Marvin died on July 2, 2007. In October 2014, Nellie

moved to the Oaks senior living apartments.

sons, Joel (Cassie) Faber, Wal-

nut Creek, California,

and Jeff (Christy)

Faber, Nicaragua; a

daughter, Jody Koo-

iman, Harrisburg,

Pennsylvania; seven

grandchildren, Ka-

tie (Joel Woudstra)

Faber, Sioux Center,

Iowa, Stacey, Bran-

den, and Rachelle

Faber, all of Nica-

ragua, and Ethan, Addison,

and Carson Faber, all of

Walnut Creek, California;

four siblings, Thelma (Gary)

Baker, Leota, Linda Vollan,

Brookings, South Dakota, and

Neal (Char) Moss and Jake

(Cheryl) Moss, all of Luverne;

her brothers-in-law. Marvin

(Deanna) Faber, Alvord, Iowa,

and Gordon (Sue) Faber, Rock

Rapids, Iowa; her sisters-in-

law, Dawn Moss, Luverne,

Alvina (Howard) Krikke, Shel-

don, and Lynda Faber, Worth-

death by her parents; a brother,

Bradley Moss; a son-in-law,

Stacey Kooiman; her broth-

ers-in-law John Vollan and

Wendell Faber; and a sister-

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Rochester, Stephens Ministry

at First Christian Reformed

Church, or to the Sioux Falls

Christian School for a scholar-

George Boom Funeral Home

of Sioux Falls, South Dakota,

www.georgeboom.com.

Arrangements were by

In lieu of flowers memori-

in-law. Noreen Moss.

ship in Betty's name.

She was preceded in

ing, South Dakota.

In October 2015 she became a resident at the Edgebrook Care Center in Edgerton.

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Nellie was a member of the American Reformed Church in Luverne. Her favorite pastimes were cooking and crocheting afghans

for her family.

Nellie is survived by her children, Marilyn (Bruce) Oye, Hardwick, Gary (Susan) Smith, Watertown, and Larry (Lori) Smith, Stewartville; a daughter-in-law, Peggy Smith, Allen, Texas; 11 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; and three sisters-in-law, Edna Dirks, Luverne, Charlotte Korthals, Hills, and Melba Boeve, Steen.

She was preceded in death by her husband; a son, Edwin Allen Smith; greatgrandsons Thomas Senger and Andrew Marvin; and seven siblings, Dick, Malena, Bert, infant sister Pearl Nellie, Peter, Edward and Johnnie.

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

(0330 F)

#### Sylvester Lonneman

Sylvester "Sy" Lonneman, 88, Adrian, died Thursday, March 23, 2017, at the Minne-

in Luverne. A funeral mass was Monday, March 27, at St. Adrian Catholic Church in Adrian. Burial was in the St. Adrian Cemetery with full military honors

sota Veterans Home

provided by the Adrian American Legion.

Sylvester Lonneman was born Jan. 29, 1929, to Antone and Elizabeth (Weidert) Lonneman in Adrian. He attended St. Adrian Catholic School. Sy was drafted into the United States Army in June of 1951. He served 22 months during the Korean Conflict. Sy was wounded and spent five months in a hospital in Japan. He returned to Korea's frontline and was discharged in March of 1955. Sy was awarded the Purple Heart, Bronze Star, Combat Infantry Badge and the Korean War Medal.

Symarried Helen Wieneke on Feb. 1, 1956, at St. Anthony Catholic Church in Adrian. The couple farmed with Sy's brother Anthony for 17 years south of Adrian. They continued to farm with his family until his retirement.

He was a member of St. Adrian Catholic Church and served as chairman of the Parish Board, chairman of the Financial Council, and the St. Adrian Knights of Columbus. He was also chairman of the Federal Landmark Board, an AMPI delegate, Nobles County Pork Producers delegate, and secretary of the Adrian Elevator Board and a member of the Adrian American Legion.

Sy enjoyed fly-in fishing trips to Canada, traveling through the United States,

events.

and golfing with his wife. Sy played baseball for many years and enjoyed playing poker. He also enjoyed attending his children's and grandchildren's

He is survived by his wife, Helen Lonneman, Adrian; seven children, Mark (Lori) Lonneman and Jerry (Connie) Lonneman, Adrian; Cindy Lonneman, Avon; Linda Lonneman (friend, Terry Worth), Sunrise Beach, Missouri; Kevin (Nancy) Lonneman and Ron (Leah) Lonneman, Adrian; and Allan (Valerie) Lonneman, Sioux Falls; 14 grandchildren, Aaron, Shaina, Kayla and Brady Lonneman; Tammy (Jon) Veld, Andrea (Erik) Kathman and Chad Lonneman; Andrew and Nate Lonneman; Mitchell and Baily Lonneman; and Chloe, Jacob and Dakota Lonneman; six great-grandchildren; a sister, Lorraine Monarch, Sioux Falls; three brothers, Anthony (Rita) Lonneman, Adrian; Orville (Elaine) Lonneman, Sioux Falls; and Frances (Suzie) Lonneman, Adrian; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two sons, Dean and Tim; two sisters, Leona Lonneman and Rita Cook; and two brothers, Vincent and Joseph Lonneman.

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

(0330 F)

#### **Marvin Schettler**

Marvin "Pat" Schettler, 71, died March 21, 2017, at his home in Wilmont.

was Saturday, March 25, at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Wilmont. Burial was in the Calvary Cemetery in Wilmont.

Schettler was born March 17, 1946, to August and Regina (Becker) Schettler in Bloom ont Catholic School. He then helped his dad on the family farm east of Wilmont.

alter on Nov. 19, 1966, at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Wilmont. They lived in Wilmont until January 1967 when they began farming west of Wilmont until 1985. In 1988 they moved to their current home in Wilmont. Pat continued to work construction and retired from Behr

of Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church and a member of the Wilmont Senior Citizens. He enjoyed farming, camping, fishing and gardening with his wife. He enjoyed time with his grandchildren. Hewasknown for his gift of gab.

sons, Tim (Colleen) Schettler,

A funeral mass

Marvin "Pat"

Township. He attended Wilm-Pat married Sharon Show-

Enterprises in 2001. He was a life long member

Pat is survived by his wife, Sharon, Wilmont; four Browerville; Mark

(Maradee) Schettler, Lismore; Patrick (Sharon) Schettler, Eden Valley; and Michael(Toni)Schettler, Adrian; a daughter, Diana (Jeremy) Nelson, Reading; a sonin-law, Mike Lange, Adrian; 19 grandchildren, Trysten

(Tyler) Olson, Tasha (Kyler) Spykerboer, Tom Slater, Samantha (Willie) Kruse, Brad Schettler, Matthew Schettler (Emily), Megan (Andrew) Johnson, Zachery (Brittany) Schettler, Kimberly Ose, DJ Ose, Darrin Ose, Seth Schettler, Colin Schettler, Anthony Schettler, Evan Schettler, Lexie Schettler, Lauren Nelson, Lane Nelson, and Leah Nelson; six great-grandchildren; four brothers, Donnie (Paula) Schettler, Currie; Alan (Jeri) Schettler, Rushmore; John (Diane) Schettler, Wilmont; Jim (Sandy) Schettler, Wilmont; and a sister, Carol (Steve) Erickson, St. James.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a daughter, Tammy Lange; and his parents-in-law, Eldon and Thelma Showalter.

Arrangements were by Dingmann Funeral Home in Wilmont, www.dingmannandsons.com.

(0330 F)

## **DEATH NOTICES**

### **Maurice DeWispelaere**

Maurice L. DeWispelaere, 87, formerly of Luverne, died Tuesday, March 7, 2017, at the Colonial Manor in Balaton.

A memorial service was Sunday, March 17, 2017, at the Colonial Manor. A graveside service with military honors will be at a later date in the Ivanhoe Cemetery in Ivanhoe. Per Maurice's wishes, his body was donated to the Anatomy Bequest Program at the University of Minnesota Medical School in Minneapolis.

Arrangements were through Hartquist Funeral Home in Luverne, www.hartquistfuneral.com.

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### Terry Westerbur —

Terry Westerbur, 66, Adrian, died of cancer Monday, March

27, 2017, at his home. A private committal service with family and friends will take place at a later date.

Arrangements are with Dingmann Funeral Home and Cremation Services in Adrian, dingmannandsons.com

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## Luverne celebrates 150/Sharkee's demolition marks end of era/continued from page 1A

happened on the outskirts of town on what was rural property.

It operated as a dance hall and night club for over a decade, with its business practices generating whispers among the coffee shops and church basement women about disreputable behavior.

The Sept. 9, 1943, Star Herald reported the controversy:

"The Chez Paree Night Club, the storm center of controversy and target for enforcement officials for several years, is 'no more' having been hit by a 'two front' drive by County Attorney Mort Skewes."

A court order shut down its operations, "abating it forever as a 'public nuisance."

The city had responded to bootlegging arrests and public complaints of "boisterous crowds who were often obscene, both in their speaking and their actions."

In the mid '40s it was forced to shut down, and in 1946 it reopened under new ownership.

According to the May 16, 1946, Star Herald, it reopened under the management of Bill Fiske.

"Entertainment will be furnished by the 'Mid-Westernaires' featuring Sue Dotson, singer, Dick Harris, yodeler, and the Arkansas Fiddler, direct from Chicago.

The Chez Paree Cafe will also open and will be operated by the owner, R.C. Morris."

Then the Star Herald announced "Two Veterans Buy Chez Paree Café" in the June 20, 1946 edition:

"The two South Dakota young men ... this week took possession of the Chez Paree Café, at the edge of Luverne on U.S. Highway 75. They purchased the business from R.C. Morris, who re-opened it a few weeks ago.

They are Bert Minnes, formerly of White, S.D., and Delvin Pederson, formerly



The former Sharkee's building on South Highway 75 was known for decades as the Rock County VFW Hall.

of Arlington, S.D., who came here to operate their own business.

They plan to operate the business 24 hours a day. They will specialize in steak and chicken dinners and short orders.

They will install gasoline pumps this week and will open the service station, in connection with the café, as soon as work is completed.

Not long after this, the building began to operate under the ownership and management of the Luverne VFW.

The 6,200-square-foot dance floor continued serving local entertainment functions and big name

And during the week it hosted VFW meetings and was rented out for other functions and banquets.

Thelowerlevelkitchen and banquet room was the go-to venue for fancy occasions and wedding receptions.

But times changed, and as big bands and local dances lost popularity, so did the grand VFW building and its 20,000 available square feet.

On Dec. 7, 1993, the Star Herald reported changes planned for the building.

Extensive remodeling and changes in the entertainment format could make the VFW Club Luverne's social hot spot.

"We're pretty excited about this thing. It's not going to be just a hall," said Post Commander Warren Herreid, "We're going to tie it all together into a first-class entertainment and social center."

To offset operating costs and to generate more revenue, Post 2757 members decided at recent meetings to go ahead with plans to change the VFW's appearance and style.

Perhaps the most sweeping change will be in the club's entertainment format.

Currently, club manager Jerry Berens books entertainment a year in advance. Starting after Jan. 1, there will no longer be scheduled dances for the public.

Wedding parties and general dance enthusiasts pay a cover charge at the door to enjoy the featured entertainment.

The problem with the current system is bands are expensive, some costing more than \$1,000 per night.

When attendance is low, the club loses money.

Also, collecting a cover charge from everyone at the door can be uncomfortable for wedding parties and for those who only want to enjoy a drink in the lounge.

Next year, however, this format will change.

The 6,200-square-foot dance floor will be divided into two separate, soundproof rooms, which will be rented out for weddings, parties and meetings.

Each room will have its own private entrance, stage, bar, restroom and 2,400-square-foot hardwood dance floor. The rooms will have a seating capacity of 350 people in addition to the dance floor

Wedding parties and

other groups can rent these rooms and hire their own entertainment.

The dining hall downstairs and catering services will remain the same. Two separate stairways to the rental rooms already exist for parties that want to utilize both the dining hall and rental rooms.

The club will charge approximately \$250 per night for large parties using the rooms and less for smaller meetings or conferences.

The rental fee includes a bartender and person at the door to check ID's. It also includes cleanup at the end of the night.

Berens said he has already booked 20 parties into the rooms for next year, and he said the VFW will still help the parties in arranging for their entertainment.

The reason for the change, according to Herreid and Berens, is to keep operating costs down.

"This is a changing world," Herreid said. "Dance attendance is down, and the cost of operating is up. A change is necessary to assure continued profitable operation. The VFW is very important to members and the community as well."

It was a good plan, but by 2000, it appeared the business move wasn't enough to stay ahead of expenses, according to the Jan. 12, 2000, Star Herald.

Luverne VFW members are getting out of the restaurant and entertainment business, and they're selling their building to a private party.

"Our members are getting older, and it's a big place to keep up and maintain. We wanted to go out in glory before we were forced to close the doors," VFW commander Bob Latham said Monday.

"Our sales were declining, and the building needs remodeling to bring it up to date. We felt that private ownership would be a better option."

Partners Allen Hurlbut, Worthington, and Brian Wixon, Balaton, have purchased the building from the VFW and will lease it back to the members until April 10 while they organize their affairs.

On April 11, Hurlbut and Wixon will open "Sharkee's" sports bar and restaurant in the South Highway 75 location.

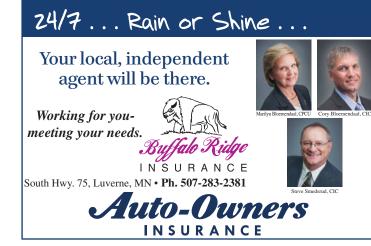
The new business will feature many of the same services the VFW currently offers.

It will serve nightly meals and noon lunches with an expanded menu, and it will accommodate parties of up to 500 people for banquets and dances.

The current Galaxy Room will continue to be used for live music and dancing. The basement for the time being will not be used, due to handicap accessibility issues.

Dave Halverson purchased Sharkee's in 2001 and operated it as a bar and restaurant until 2013.





## Sharkee's demolition/continued from page 1

developed lots.

Meanwhile, the city will circulate requests for proposals asking developers what they would do with the property and how much they're willing to pay for it.

If an appropriate plan is approved, new development could start as soon as this year or at least by the 2018 construction season.

In particular, city planners have specified that they would prefer to have a general mix of retail and possibly a mixed-use residential devel-

There have reportedly been several inquiries, but the city is not in negotiation with a particular developer at this time.

In other progess in

Luverne, city crews have begun the process of clearing trees from the former Ramage property on Highway 75 in the block north of W-2 Quality Meats.

That house had also been condemned and the city will clear the house and the old Culligan building in order to make the lot available for future development.







The Paul and Emily Evers home in Kanaranzi is a total loss after the March 21 fire.

## Kanaranzi house fire/continued from page 1

went to work and stopped it right where it was."

He said the Ellsworth Fire Department was already at the fire hall for training, so their

response time was fast. But he said the fire spread so quickly, the damage was already done before it was extinguished.

'We have to start over anyway," he said. "There's nothing but mud and soot and rubble."

Chapa said the fire alarms were going off in the home when they got there, which he saidwas a good thing. He urges everyone to check smoke and carbon monoxide detectors

regularly. Fire safety advocates sug-

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gest changing batteries twice a year when the time changes for daylight saving.

"Checkall smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors to make sure they're in operating condition," Chapa said.

With the recent time change and last night's fire he said, "Now is a good reminder to do it."

The couple owns the century-old house they've lived in for nearly three years.

"The kitchen and bathroom are gone, and everything

is smoke damaged," Emily said. They and their 8-year-old daughter, Allyssa, are tempo-

rarily staying at the Quality Inn

in Luverne, with help from the American Red Cross.

"Our insurance will pay for a rental home, but we haven't even had a chance to go home

to see what's left," Emily said.

New Life Celebration Church is organizing a household shower for the Evers family.

Čall Gloria Vink, 283-4366, or visit luvnewlife.org to help.

Also, students are contributing to "Make A Difference Jars" at Luverne Elementary School where Emily works as a paraprofessional.

"We appreciate all the support and prayers, she said. "I'd rather give than receive, so this is hard."

# **Star Herald** Star Heraiu SPORTS

# Remme, Schmuck grace conference list for Luverne

#### **By John Rittenhouse**

Two members of the Luverne High School girls' basketball program received postseason honors from Big South Conference officials last week.

One LHS player made the 2016-17 All-BSC Western Division Girls' Basketball Team and another Cardinal drew honorable mention from the league's coaches.

Senior Hailey Remme graces the all-league team, while junior Sierra Schmuck drew honorable mention.

Remme is one of 10 members of the Western Division squad. Worthington and Pipestone led the league by placing three players each on the all-league roster.

Seniors Rachel Skyberg, Kaia Anderson and Alexis Evans represent the Arrows, while seniors Emily Shaffer and Ahmitara

Alwal and junior Emma Thuringer are the Trojans on the roster. Marshall senior Natalie Petrich and junior Maddie Marks made the all-division squad, while Windom senior Madison Maras rounds out the roster.

Schmuck is one of five players to receive honorable mention. Jackson County Central senior Jayni Anderson and freshman Alaina Wolff, Redwood Valley senior Lexi Klinker and Pipestone freshman Zoe Velde are the other honorable mention selections.



Marisa and Mark Thier participate in the father/daughter number during Saturday's ice show at the BMIA.



John Rittenhouse photo/0330 skate 16

Moriah Flanagan is one of seven seniors who skated solo numbers during the weekend ice shows at the BMIA.

# Skaters turn in performances

#### By John Rittenhouse

The Blue Mound Figure Skaters staged a pair of performances of their annual ice show at the Blue Mound Ice Arena Friday and Saturday

"The Game of Life" was presented to receptive audiences that gathered in the arena for 7 p.m. showings on both nights.

The 2017 version of the ice show consisted of 36 numbers involving solo and group performances.

Seniors Moriah Flanagan, Madi Jo Frankenhoff, Makayla Huisman, Morgan Bain, Emma Baker, Brooke Top and Sydney Maciej skated solos during their final shows as members of the program, as did underclassmen Kendall Buss, Alyssa Nattress, Ashley

Hohn and Hannah Henning. The event also consisted of duet, trio and group numbers.

Some of the group performances include a large production number, a father/ daughter number and team compulsory numbers.



John Rittenhouse photo/0330 skate 7

Hannah Henning is one of four underclassmen to skate a solo number at the weekend ice shows.

Skaters between the ages of

performed during the shows. Skating instructors Courtney DeBoer, Katie Kopp, Sarah

Nuffer, Cathy Shearer and Sabrina Sowles are the overseers of the productions.

## 3-19 representing the states of Minnesota and South Dakota Seven area girls draw RRC honors

### **By John Rittenhouse**

Seven athletes from the Star Herald coverage area raked in postseason honors from Red Rock Conference officials last week.

Three players from Hills-Beaver Creek and one from Adrian grace the list of the 2016-17 All-Red Rock Conference Girls' Basketball Team.

One more player from H-BC and Adrian and onefrom Ellsworth received honorable  $mention\, recognition\, from\, the$ league's coaches.

Making the 18-player allconference team from H-BC are senior Avery Van Roekel and sophomores Sidney Fick and Grace Bundesen.

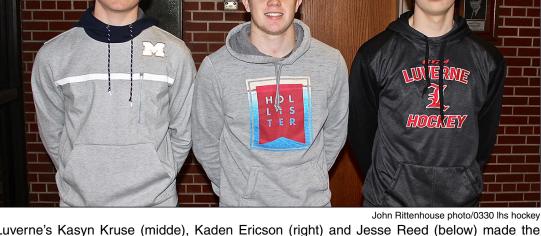
Adrian junior Hannah Bullerman also made the squad. H-BC senior Jasmine Lingen, Adrian junior Paige

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John Rittenhouse photo/0330 ahs gb

Adrian's Hannah Bullerman (right) made the 2016-17 All-Red Rock Conference Girls' Basketball Team. Paige Bullerman (left) received honorable mention.



John Rittenhouse photo/0330 lhs gb

Luverne senior Hailey Remme (left) made the 2016-17 All-Big

South Conference Western Division Girls' Basketball Team.

Junior Sierra Schmuck (right) drew honorable mention from

Luverne's Kasyn Kruse (midde), Kaden Ericson (right) and Jesse Reed (below) made the 2016-17 All-Big South Conference Boys' Hockey team. Ben Serie (left) and Nick Harder (below) received honorable mention from the league's coaches.

# Five Cardinals make hockey roster

### By John Rittenhouse

the division coaches.

The members of the Luverne Cardinal boys' hockey team reaped the rewards from winning the Big South Conference championship over the winter.

Three LHS players were selected to the 2016-17 All-BCS Team when the squad was released last week. Two more Cardinal players

drew honorable mention honors from the league's coaches. Making the 13-player all-conference roster from Luverne are seniors Kaden Ericson and Jesse Reed and

junior Kasyn Kruse. Junior Nick Harder and sophomore Ben Serie secured honorable mention for LHS.

Marshall matched Luverne by securing three spots on the all-league roster.

Senior Dylan Criquet-Danielson, sophomore Mason Plante and freshman Caleb Welvaert represent the Tigers

on the list. New Ulm, Redwood Valley



all-conference selections each.

Seniors Bayler Kraus and Brandon Melhop made the squad from New Ulm, as did **RWV** seniors Bailey Sommers and Jack Ryan.

Waseca senior Nick Rolling and junior Peter Meyer grace the roster as well.

Windom senior David Volk



Harder

rounds out the all-conference

Other honorable mention selections include Le Sueur-Henderson, St. Peter-Tri-City United senior Isaac Westphal and sophomore Hunter Wilmes, Waseca senior Andrew Weber and junior Jackson Priebe and New Ulm senior Nate Miller.



Hills-Beaver Creek's Sidney Fick (middle), Grace Bundesen (right) and Avery Van Roekel (missing) made the 2016-17 All-Red Rock Conference Girls' Basketball Team. Jasmine Lingen (left) received honorable mention.

# Tar Heels create one more chance to silence critic

A threepoint shot can be a game-changing play in the sport of basketball.



Based on the situation I face as an entry in the annual Tollefson Publishing NCAA Tournament pool, I could use a couple of them.

Actually, a threepointer won't keep afloat a ship that sank when my bracket champion, Arizona, bowed out of the tournament with a loss to Xavier in the Sweet 16 round Thursday night.

That loss relegated me to being another loser in a 24-entry field that includes co-workers, spouses and even some special guests who were invited to join the fray, even though their business interests lay outside our building on East Main Street.

Even though my fate has been sealed in terms of winning my first pool title since 2011, it doesn't mean I'm no longer interested in the way things play out in the final two rounds of the tournament.

With the possibility of earning 10 points with a North Carolina victory in the Final Four Saturday evening, my failed bracket experience could yield two positive outcomes.

Instead of my being tied for 19th place with three other pool members heading into the weekend, a Tar Heel victory over Oregon could propel me into the middle of the pack at tournament's end.

That may seem like a small consolation prize to some, but it's a far cry better than finding myself in the 23<sup>rd</sup> position in a 24-player pool when the Sweet 16 round is com-

plete. Not only would a UNC win save me some ridicule from pool members, it would restore some order within the Rittenhouse home.

## From the **SIDELINES**

By John Rittenhouse, sports editor

With my wife, Astrid, sporting a three-point lead over me at this point of the proceedings, I would no longer have to hear who was beating me inside our dwelling on West Crawford

Sweet Astrid, as she is referred to by some within the Star Herald office, can be anything but a gracious winner at times.

She has sported a lead over me in the pool standings after all of the first four rounds of the tournament to date and has taken it upon herself on more than one occasion to let me know where we stand.

To be fair, she's earned the right to gloat at my expense over the years.

Since claiming my lone pool title in 2011, we've picked our way to a draw over the last five years.

Astrid beat me in 2012 and 2016, while I topped her in the final standings in 2014 and 2015. We tied with the same score in 2013.

Considering she now finds herself in a position where points can no longer be added to her tally, Saturday could be a day of redemption for me.

My last-second, threepoint shot lies in the hands of the Tar Heels from North Carolina, and I'm eagerly waiting to learn what my fate will be.

Will I hear more of the same about who is beating whom from Sweet Astrid?

I hope not. I would rather see a UNC victory and gain the peace of mind in knowing that our series is no longer tied, which would give me the option of tossing out a couple of barbs at my biggest critic.



John Rittenhouse photo/0330 ahs bb

Adrian's Mitchell Lonneman (second, left) and Zach Hendel (second, right) made the 2016-17 All-Red Rock Conference Boys' Basketball Team. Jacob Stamer (left) and Ryan Wieneke (right) received honorable mention.

# Eight boys rake in conference honors

By John Rittenhouse

Eight basketball players from the Star Herald coverage area collected postseason honors from Red Rock Conference officials last week

Two Adrian and Hills-Beaver Creek athletes were selected to the 2016-17 All-Red Rock Conference Basketball

Two more AHS boys drew honorable mention recognition, as did one player each from H-BC and Ellsworth.

Adrian seniors Mitchell Lonneman and Zach Hendel and H-BC senior Zach Scholten and sophomore Preston Wilhelmi made the 18-player all-league team.

Adrian senior Jacob Stamer and junior Ryan Wieneke, H-BC senior Isaiah Vis and Ellsworth senior Jared Leuthold landed four of 13 honorable mention selections doled out by the league's coaches.

Red Rock Central and Westbrook-Walnut Grove led all squads by having three players each listed on the All-RRC

Seniors Trevor Pederson

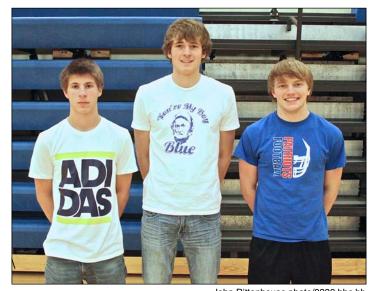


Leuthold

and Luke Engen and junior Brady Rasmussen made the team for RRC, as did senior Cole Bunting, junior Anthony Ross and sophomore Andrew Quade for W-WG.

Southwest Christian and Mountain Lake Area matched AHS and H-BC by placing two players each on the allconference team.

Senior Jeremy Vander Woude and junior A.J. Vander-



John Rittenhouse photo/0330 hbc bb

Hills-Beaver Creek's Preston Wilhelmi (left) and Zach Scholten (middle) made the 2016-17 All-Red Rock Conference Boys' Basketball Team. Isaiah Vis (right) received honorable mention.

by represent the Eagles, while senior Levi Stoesz and junior Marcus Boyd cracked the list for MLA.

Rounding out the all-conference squad are Fulda junior Dalton Slinger, Edgerton senior Mason Sluis and Heron Lake-Okabena senior Logan Knutson.

Other honorable mention selections include RRC senior Taylor Bunting and junior Sam Hansen, W-WG junior Tyson Elzenga, SWC senior Jared Vis and junior Logan Walhof, MLA senior Aaron Fast, Fuldajunior Mathias Kunerth and Edgerton senior Dayne Niemeyer and junior Trey Gilbertson.

## **BOWLING CLIPBOARD**

#### **Monday Night Bowling League** March 20

Games won: Luverne Lanes, 4

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## **Draw/**continued from page 1B

Bullerman and Ellsworth junior Devin Dreesen collected  $three \, of \, 13 \, honorable \, mention$ selections delivered by the league's coaches.

Conference champion Red Rock Central paced all teams by having four players named to the all-league squad.

Seniors Ramsey Piotter and Rachel Kedl and sophomores Kaitlyn Rindfleisch and Haley Simonson represent the Falcons on the roster.

Southwest Christian matched H-BC by securing three all-league selections.

Senior Chantel Groen and juniors Emily Nerem and Brooklyn DeKam made the team for the E-Gals.

Edgerton and Fulda landed two all-league selections each. Senior Elizabeth Buckridge and junior Chynna Berning are the Flying Dutchmen team members, while seniors Randi Tiesler and Courtney Zins

represent Fulda. Heron Lake-Okabena senior Gabi Stenzel, Murray County Central sophomore Montana Beckmann and Westbrook-Walnut Grove senior Emma Woelber round out the all-league team.

Other players drawing honorable mention include RRC senior Taylor Price and sophomore Venessa Kedl, SWC senior Leah Buys, junior Jazlyn Prins and sophomore Hannah



Dreesen



Nerem, Edgerton senior Jenny Nelson, Fulda junior Emily Schroer, HL-O senior Kaylan Untiedt and Mountain Lake Area senior Liana Blomgren and freshman Margo Stoesz.

## **SPORTS BRIEF**

### Lonneman inks

Adrian High School senior Mitchell Lonneman has signed a Letter of Intent to play basketball at Mount Marty College, Yankton, South

Dakota, next season. The 6-6 Lonneman is a three-year letter winner who averaged 16 points and nine rebounds per game for the Dragons last winter.

Lonneman is the son of Adrian's Ron and Leah Lonneman.

Check out the scores online www.star-herald.com

# CHURCH Star Herald

#### St. Catherine Catholic Church 203 E. Brown St., Luverne St. Catherine Ph.: 283-8502 St. Mary Catholic Church, Ellsworth

Friday, March 31: 3:30 p.m. St. Mary Stations. 4:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus Fish Fry at St. Catherine. Saturday, April 1: 5:30 p.m. Mass at St. Catherine. Sunday, April 2: 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Mary. 10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Catherine; Sunday School and CLW. Vouchers/Fair Trade. 6 p.m. LCF. 7:30 p.m. Bible Study. Monday, April 3:7 p.m. ECCW. Tuesday, April 4:9:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Prayer Clinic. 7 p.m. LCCW; Cub Scouts. Wednesday, April 5: 5:30 p.m. Social Ministry. 3:30 and 7 p.m. Faith Formation. 6:30 p.m. RCIA. Thursday, April 6: 4 p.m. Veterans Home Mass. 6:30 p.m. St. Catherine Stations. 7 p.m. Confessions.

#### **Luverne Christian Reformed Church** 605 N. Estey St., Luverne Office Ph. 283-8482; Prayer Line Ph. 449-5982 www.luverncrc.com — luvernecrc@ymail.com Roger Sparks, Pastor

Sunday April 2: 9:30 a.m. Worship Service. 11 a.m. Sunday School and Catechism Classes. 6:30 p.m. Worship Service. Monday, April 3: 9 a.m. PERK UP. 7 p.m. Friendship Class. Tuesday, April 4: 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, March 30: 6 a.m. Men's Bible Study at FBC. 7 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3. Sunday, April 2: 9:15 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Morning Service. 6 p.m. Evening Service. Tuesday, April 4: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study at FBC. Wednesday, April 5: 6:55 p.m. Awana. Thursday, April 6: 6 a.m. Men's Bible Study at FBC. Noon Senior Focus potluck. 7 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3.

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

Thursday, March 30: 4:30 p.m. Book Study. Friday, March 31: 6:30 p.m. Worship on Vast Channel 3. Saturday, April 1: 5:30 p.m. Worship with Communion. Sunday, April 2: 8:15 a.m. Radio Broadcast; Worship with Communion. 9:15 a.m. Coffee. 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Study. 10:45 a.m. Worship; First Communion. Monday, April 3: 1-7 p.m. Bloodmobile. 4:30 p.m. Worship on Vast Channel 3. Tuesday, April 4: 9 a.m. Staff meeting. Wednesday, April 5: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study. 10 a.m. Tuff Home Worship. 3:30 p.m. Faithweavers. 5:30 p.m. Lenten meal. 6:45 p.m. Lenten Worship. 7 p.m. Choir. Thursday, April 6: 4:30 p.m. Book Study.

#### **Bethany Lutheran Church** 720 N. Kniss Ave., Luverne Ph. 507-283-4571 or 507-449-0291 or 605-215-9834 pastorapalmquist67@yahoo.com **Andrew Palmquist, Pastor**

Sunday, April 2: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 9:15 a.m. Bible Class. 10:15 a.m. Worship. Monday, April 3: ELS Pastors meeting in Mankato. Wednesday, April 5: 9:30 a.m. Rebekah Circle. 3:45 p.m. Catechism. 6 p.m. Soup Supper. 7 p.m. Lent Vespers. 7:45 p.m. Catechism Class.

#### **American Reformed Church** 304 N. Fairview Dr., Luverne Ph. 283-8600; email: office@arcluverne.org Mike Altena, Pastor

Thursday, March 30: 5:30 a.m. Breakfast at The Banquet. Friday, March 31: 6:30 a.m. Community Men's Bible Study. Saturday, April 1: 9 a.m. Beautiful Life Women's Conference. Sunday, April 2: 9:30 a.m. Worship Service; Youth Sunday. 10:50 a.m. Family Education. 7 p.m. Senior RCYF. Monday, April 3: 7 p.m. Esther Circle; Worship Team meeting. Tuesday, April 4: 10 a.m. Staff meeting. 1:30 p.m. Rebecca Circle. 6:45 p.m. Bible Study Fellowship. 7 p.m. Ridder Team meeting. Wednesday, April 5: 5:30 p.m. Midweek Meal. 6:30 p.m. Pioneer Clubs. 6:45 p.m. Rachel Circle; YEL. 7 p.m. Abide Praise Team. 8 p.m. Choir. Thursday, April 6: 6 p.m. Ladies' Night Out. 7 p.m. VBS teacher meeting.

#### First Assembly of God Church 1075 110th Ave., 2 miles Kenneth and Gloria Kashner, Pastors

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

#### **Bethlehem Lutheran Church** Pastor Maggie Berndt-Dreyer 112 N. Main St., Hills Ph. 962-3270

e-mail: bethlehemluth@alliancecom.net Maggie Berndt-Dreyer, Pastor

Sunday, April 2: 9 a.m. Communion at Tuff Chapel. 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Communion at Bethlehem. 7 p.m. Grades 6-8 Youth Night. Tuesday, April 4: 2:30 p.m. Bible Study at the Tuff Home. 3:15 p.m. Bible Study at the Village. Wednesday, April 5: 9 a.m. Quilting. 6 p.m. Meal (Board of Trustees). 7 p.m. Lent Service.

#### **United Methodist Church** 109 N. Freeman Ave., Luverne Ph. 283-4529; email: luverneumc@iw.net **Dorie Hall, Pastor**

Thursday, March 30: 1-3 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf. Saturday, April 1: 8 p.m. AA meeting in Upper Room. Sunday, April 2: 9 a.m. Traditional Service. 10 a.m. Coffee Hour and Adult Sunday School. 11 a.m. Come as You Are Service. 1:30 p.m. Worship at Mary Jane Brown Home. 2:15 p.m. Worship at Poplar Creek. 4:30 p.m. Genesis and Revelations Bible Study. 6 p.m. A.L.I.V.E. Youth Group. Monday, April 3: 7 p.m. Schwartz Scholarship meeting. 8 p.m. AA meeting. Tuesday, April 4: 8 a.m. Priscilla Circle. Wednesday, April 5: 1-3 p.m. Sewing Day. 5:30 p.m. Meal for F.U.E.L. and Confirmation Families. 6 p.m. F.U.E.L. Children's Ministry. 7 p.m. Lent Service at First Presbyterian. 8 p.m. AA meeting. Thursday, April 6: 1-3 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf.

#### First Presbyterian Church 302 Central Lane, Luverne Ph. 283-4787; email: Firstpc@iw.net — www.fpcluverne.com Jason Cunningham, Pastor

Sunday, April 2: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 10:15 Worship. Monday, April 3: 5-6 p.m. Weight Watchers. Wednesday, April 5: 7 p.m. Lent Service.

#### St. John Lutheran Church 803 N. Cedar St., Luverne Ph. 283-2316, Dial-A-Devotion Ph. 283-4005 email: stjohn@iw.net — www.stjohnlutheranluverne.org **Gary Klatt, Pastor**

Thursday, March 30: No Little Lambs. Saturday, April 1: 9 a.m. Assemble subs. 5:30 p.m. Worship, Sunday, April 2:9 a.m. Worship; Junior Choir sings. 10:15 a.m. Christian Education Hour. 11:15 a.m. Junior Choir rehearsal. 4 p.m. Junior LYF. Monday, April 3: 6:30-7:30 p.m. Little Lambs Dad's Night. 7 p.m. Elders meeting. Tuesday, April 4: 11:15 a.m. Staff meeting. 1 and 6:30 p.m. Quilting. 6:30-7:30 p.m. Little Lambs Dad's Night. Wednesday, April 5: 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Little Lambs Devotions. 9:30 a.m. Bible Study. 6 p.m. Worship. 6:30 p.m. Confirmands photos; Lenten supper by Social Ministry. 7 p.m. KFC; Elder visits with Confirmands; High School Bible Study; Senior Choir. 8 p.m. Kingdom Builders. Thursday, April 6: 9 a.m. Little Lambs Devotions. 2 p.m. Women's Society.

#### **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: 5

p.m. Food give-away at Senior Citizens Center. Bible Study groups meet at various times and days.

#### Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church 305 E. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., P.O. Box 36, Hardwick

Ph. 669-2855; email: revmumme@gmail.com — www.zionlutheranhardwick.com Mark W. Mumme, Pastor

Thursday, March 30: 3:30 p.m. Zion worship airs on Cable 3 TV. 7 p.m. 125th Anniversary Committee meeting. Friday, March 31: 3:30 p.m. Zion Worship on Channel 3. Sunday, April 2: 9 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Study. 10 a.m. Mentor Program. 10:30 a.m. Worship with Communion. 11:30 a.m. Potluck dinner. Monday, April 3: 1 p.m. Quilting. Wednesday, April 5: 6 p.m. Confirmation; Lenten luncheon. 7 p.m. Lenten Worship Service. 7:45 p.m. Choir Practice. Thursday, April 6: 3:30 p.m. Zion Worship on Channel 3.

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

Bill Bates, Pastor Sundays: 9 a.m. Worship; 10 a.m. Fellowship; 10:30 a.m. Sunday School

#### First Lutheran Church 300 Maple St., Valley Springs, S.D. Ph. (605) 757-6662 **Intern Pastor Laura Phillips**

Sunday, April 2: 9 a.m. Worship Service with HC. 10 a.m. Sunday School. Wednesday, April 5: 7 p.m. Lenten Service with Pastor Trey Daum at Palisade Lutheran.

#### **Palisade Lutheran Church** 211 121st St., Garretson, S.D. Ph. (507) 597-6257 — firstpalisade@alliancecom.net **Intern Pastor Laura Phillips**

Sunday, April 2: 9:15 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship with HC. Wednesday, April 5:7 p.m. Lenten Service with Pastor Trey Daum. Thursday, April 6: 7 p.m. Church Council meeting.

## Spring season is here

I am going to Minneapolis this weekend to meet my parents and my aunt and uncle to see a Gilbert and Sullivan opera. This will be my first time going along, but over the past few years, this has become an annual event for the others. When coordinating dates, my dad referred to the trip as his "harbinger of spring."

Though I couldn't have told you the exact meaning of "harbinger" at the time, I knew what my dad meant. It was his reminder that spring would undoubtedly come. No matter how cold and long the winter seemed to get, it would not last forever. The days would get longer, the weather warmer, and soon we would be back to open windows and spending time outdoors.

When I looked up the definition of "harbinger," I found that it is something that announces the approach of something else. People often ask, what reminds you of spring? And we think of things like water running off the melting snow, calves being born, robins singing outside our windows, and the days getting longer. When we see and experience these things, we remember that spring will come again,

## **B**UILT ON A ROCK

#### By Reverend Maggie Berndt-Dreyer, **Bethlehem Lutheran** Church

like it always does.

I want to ask an additional question this year. "What does spring remind you of?" It reminds me of the gospel, of new life, of the resurrection, of the truth that we cling to that no matter how dark or cold our days get, no matter how frozen solid our hope can get, new life will come. The warmth of the light of Christ will shine on us until we are transformed, until we are made new. Spring always follows winter. Light always follows the dark of the night. Resurrection always follows death.

Let the signs of spring all around you be a reminder of the faithfulness of God's love for us. God's love that never abandons you or leaves you in the darkness, but shines even in the darkest and coldest of places, until you are ready for the new life of spring.

#### First Presbyterian Church 201 S. 3<sup>rd</sup> St., P.O Box 73, Beaver Creek Ph. 507-935-5025 Email: lori.firstpres@gmail.com **Worship Leader Michael Blank**

Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. 10:30 a.m. Sunday School. Third Wednesday: Deborah Circle.

**Magnolia United Methodist Church** 501 E. Luverne St., Magnolia Church Ph. 283-9698; cell 227-7821 adrmagumc@frontiernet.net -- www.adrianmagnoliaumc.comKristi Franken, Pastor

Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship. Wednesday, March 22: Lenten Service in Adrian. 6 p.m. Soup. 6:30 p.m. G1 in Adrian.

#### Steen Reformed Church 112 W. Church Ave., Steen Ph. 855-2336 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.

**Hills United Reformed Church** 410 S. Central Ave., Hills Office Ph. 962-3254 hillsurc@alliancecom.net Alan Camarigg, Pastor Sundays: 9:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Worship Services.

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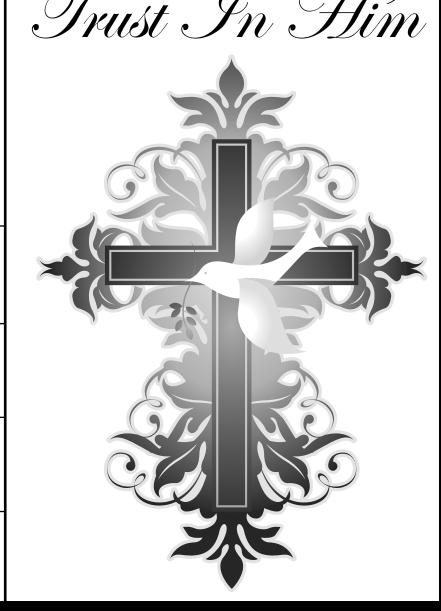
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# Public Notices

## Mortgage foreclosure sale set for April 20

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

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

DATE OF MORTGAGE:December 23, 2015

MORTGAGOR: Tyller Kracht, a single person.

MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING: Recorded December 23, 2015 Rock County Recorder, Document No. 187566.

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association. Dated December 1, 2016 Recorded December 7, 2016, as Document No.

TRANSACTION AGENT: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. TRANSACTION AGENT'S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ON MORT-

GAGE: 100031200012614498 LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON MORT-

GAGE: Wintrust Mortgage, a division of Barrington Bank and Trust Co., N.A. RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE SERVICER: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association

MORTGAGED PROPERTY ADDRESS: 241 Minnesota Avenue East, Steen, MN 56173

TAX PARCEL I.D. #: 19-0098-000

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:

A tract of land commencing at the Northwest corner of the NE 1/4 of Section 32, Township 101 North, Range 45 West, of the 5th P.M.; thence South 726.5 feet; thence East 96 feet to the place of beginning; thence South 119 feet; thence East 96 feet; thence North 119 feet; thence West 96 feet to the place of beginning; otherwise known as Lots 8 and 9 in Block 7 of the unrecorded plat of Dries Bosch Addition to the City of Steen, Rock County, Minnesota.

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Rock

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$81,720.00

AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE, INCLUD-ING TAXES, IF ANY, PAID BY MORTGAGEE: \$82,773.53

That prior to the commencement of this mortgage foreclosure proceeding Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee complied with all notice requirements as required by statute; That no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof;

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

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: April 20, 2017 at 10:00 AM

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

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

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: If the real estate is an owner-occupied, single-family dwelling, unless otherwise provided by law, the date on or before which the mortgagor(s) must vacate the property if the mortgage is not reinstated under section 580.30 or the property is not redeemed under section 580.23 is 11:59 p.m. on October 20, 2017, unless that date falls on a weekend or legal holiday, in which case it is the next weekday, and unless the redemption period is reduced to 5 weeks under MN Stat. Secs. 580.07 or 582.032.

MORTGAGOR(S) RELEASED FROM FINANCIAL OBLIGATION ON MORTGAGE: None "THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STAT-UTES, SECTION 582,032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUC-TION, AND ARE ABANDONED."

Dated: February 13, 2017

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association

Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee

USSET, WEINGARDEN AND LIEBO, P.L.L.P Attorneys for Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee

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## Mortgage foreclosure sale set for April 20

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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

DATE OF MORTGAGE: November 24, 2014

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$45,500.00 MORTGAGOR(S): Lisa Reisgies, Unmarried

MORTGAGEE: U.S. Bank National Association

DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING: Recorded: December 24, 2014 Rock County Recorder

Document Number: 185212

Transaction Agent: Not Applicable

Transaction Agent Mortgage Identification Number: Not Applicable Lender or Broker: U.S. Bank National Association

Residential Mortgage Servicer: U.S. Bank National Association

Mortgage Originator: Not Applicable

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Rock Property Address: 335 E Minnesota Ave, Steen, MN 56173-9645

Tax Parcel ID Number: 19-0094-100

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: A parcel of land commencing at the Northwest corner of the Northeast Quarter (NE1/4) of Section Thirty-two (32) in Township One Hundred One (101) North, Range Forty-five (45) West of the 5th P.M.; thence South 726.5 feet; thence East 324 feet to the place of beginning; thence at right angles in a Southerly direction 119 feet; thence at right angles in an Easterly direction 120 feet; thence at right angles in a Northerly direction 119 feet; thence at right angles in a Westerly direction a distance of 120 feet to the point of beginning.

Also described as the East Half (E1/2) of Lot Two (2) and all of Lots Three (3) and Four (4) in Block Five (5) in the Unrecorded Plat of Dries Bosch Addition to the City of Steen, Minnesota

AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE: \$50,364.68 THAT all pre-foreclosure requirements have been complied with; that no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof;

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

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: April 20, 2017 at 10:00 AM

PLACE OF SALE: Law Enforcement Center, Lobby, 1000 N. Blue Mound Ave.,

to pay the debt secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any, on said premises and the costs and disbursements, including attorney fees allowed by law, subject to redemption within six (6) months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns.

If the Mortgage is not reinstated under Minn. Stat. §580.30 or the property is not redeemed under Minn. Stat. §580.23, the Mortgagor must vacate the property on or before 11:59 p.m. on October 20, 2017, or the next business day if October 20, 2017 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

Mortgagor(s) released from financial obligation: NONE

THIS COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL

CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS

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

DATED: February 17, 2017 MORTGAGEE: U.S. Bank, National Association Wilford, Geske & Cook P.A. Attorneys for Mortgagee 7616 Currell Blvd Ste 200 Woodbury, MN 55125-2296 (651) 209-3300 File Number: 036880F01

(03-02, 03-09, 03-16, 03-23, 03-30, 04-06)

## Mortgage foreclosure sale set for May 4

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT DEFAULT HAS OCCURRED IN THE CONDITIONS OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED MORTGAGE:

DATE OF MORTGAGE: October 09, 2012

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$107,257.00 MORTGAGOR(S): Jason Wicks and Shelley Wicks, Husband and Wife MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for

Premier Home Mortgage, Inc., its successors and/or assigns DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING:

Recorded: October 11, 2012 Rock County Recorder

Document Number: 180397 LOAN MODIFICATION:

Dated: November 20, 2015

Recorded: December 14, 2015 Document Number: 187494

LOAN MODIFICATION:

Dated: November 20, 2015

Recorded: June 27, 2016

Document Number: 188640 ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE:

And assigned to: First Guaranty Mortgage Corporation Dated: July 31, 2015

Recorded: August 10, 2015 Rock County Recorder

Document Number: 186773

Transaction Agent: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

Transaction Agent Mortgage Identification Number: 100966251208200245 Lender or Broker: Premier Home Mortgage, Inc.

Residential Mortgage Servicer: RoundPoint Mortgage Servicing Corporation

Mortgage Originator: Not Applicable COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Rock

Property Address: 404 N Estey St, Luverne, MN 56156-1464

Tax Parcel ID Number: 20-1731-000 LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: The W.90 feet of the S.77 feet of Lot 3 in Block 21 in Warren and Kniss' Second Addition to the City of Luverne, Rock County,

AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE: \$116,301.53 THAT all pre-foreclosure requirements have been complied with; that no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof;

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

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: May 04, 2017 at 10:00 AM PLACE OF SALE: Law Enforcement Center, Lobby, 1000 N. Blue Mound Ave.,

to pay the debt secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any, on said premises and the costs and disbursements, including attorney fees allowed by law, subject to redemption within six (6) months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s), their personal If the Mortgage is not reinstated under Minn. Stat. §580.30 or the property is not

redeemed under Minn. Stat. §580.23, the Mortgagor must vacate the property on or before 11:59 p.m. on November 06, 2017, or the next business day if November 06, 2017 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

Mortgagor(s) released from financial obligation: NONE

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THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STAT-UTES, SECTION 582.032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUC-TION, AND ARE ABANDONED. DATED: March 09, 2017

ASSIGNEE OF MORTGAGEE: First Guaranty Mortgage Corporation

Wilford, Geske & Cook P.A. Attorneys for Assignee of Mortgagee 7616 Currell Blvd Ste 200 Woodbury, MN 55125-2296 (651) 209-3300 File Number: 033794F02

(03-16, 03-23, 03-30, 04-06, 04-13, 04-20)

## Mortgage foreclosure sale set for May 4 NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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

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

DATE OF MORTGAGE:December 20, 2012 MORTGAGOR: Travis Dammann, a single man.

MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING: Recorded December 21, 2012 Rock County Recorder, Document No. 180873. ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: JPMorgan Chase Bank,

National Association. Dated September 27, 2016 Recorded October 3, 2016, as Document No. 189217. TRANSACTION AGENT: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

TRANSACTION AGENT'S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ON MORTGAGE: 100521008080053334 LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON

RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE SERVICER: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association

MORTGAGED PROPERTY ADDRESS: 413 Spring Street North, Luverne,

MN 56156 TAX PARCEL I.D. #: 201448000

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:

MORTGAGE: Plains Commerce Bank

Lot 5 in Block 23 in Van Eps and Vary's Addition to the City of Luverne COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Rock ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$80,070.00

AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE, INCLUDING TAXES, IF ANY, PAID BY MORTGAGEE: \$76,314.72 That prior to the commencement of this mortgage foreclosure proceeding

Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee complied with all notice requirements as required by statute; That no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof;

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

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: May 4, 2017 at 10:00 AM

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

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

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: If the real estate is an owneroccupied, single-family dwelling, unless otherwise provided by law, the date on or before which the mortgagor(s) must vacate the property if the mortgage is not reinstated under section 580.30 or the property is not redeemed under section 580.23 is 11:59 p.m. on November 6, 2017, unless that date falls on a weekend or legal holiday, in which case it is the next weekday, and unless the redemption period is reduced to 5 weeks under MN Stat. Secs. 580.07 or 582.032.

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

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

Dated: March 1, 2017

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee

USSET, WEINGARDEN AND LIEBO, P.L.L.P. Attorneys for Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee 4500 Park Glen Road #300 Minneapolis, MN 55416 (952) 925-6888 30 - 17-001222 FC

THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.

(03-9, 03-16, 03-23, 03-30, 04-6, 04-13)

## ISD #2184 School Board meets Feb. 23

MINUTES OF THE SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2184, ROCK COUNTY, LUVERNE, MINNESOTA.

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, ISD #2184, was held in the District Office on February 23, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. The following members were present: Katie Baustian, Jodi Bosch, Colleen Deutsch, Eric Hartman, Tim Jarchow, and Reva Sehr. Absent: Shelley Sandbulte.

Also present: Craig Oftedahl, Marlene Mann, Stacy Gillette, Ryan Johnson, Jodi Rops, Kara Ahrendt, and Dylan Thorson. Chairperson Baustian called the meeting to order. It was noted there is an addendum to the agenda. Motion made by Deutsch, second by Hartman, to approve

the agenda with addendum. Motion unanimously carried.

Administrative reports were given. Motion made by Hartman, second by Bosch, to approve the January 26, 2017, school board minutes as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

Business Manager Marlene Mann reviewed the school district bills with the school board. Motion made by Deutsch, second by Hartman, to approve the bills in the amount of \$2,084,451.90. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Bosch, second by Sehr, to receive the Student Activity report showing the balances as of January 31, 2017. Motion unanimously carried.

It was noted that action on the 2017-18 school calendar will be tabled as Mr. Oftedahl is still trying to work out inservice dates with Garnet Hillman.

Motion made by Deutsch, second by Bosch, to approve Policy 513 - Student Promotion, Retention, and Program Design. This was the second reading of this policy. Motion unanimously carried. Motion made by Bosch, second by Hartman, to change the June 29 school

rd meeting to June 22, 2017. Motion unanimously carried Motion made by Deutsch, second by Bosch, to accept the retirement of Dale Hanson, chemistry and physics teacher, effective at the end of the 2016-17 school

year. Motion unanimously carried. Motion made by Hartman, second by Sehr, to approve the hiring of Al Stoakes as assistant track coach. Motion unanimously carried. Motion made by Deutsch, second by Bosch, to approve the hiring of Marcus Walgrave as assistant track coach. Motion unanimously carried. Motion made by Hartman, second by Deutsch, to approve the hiring of Natalie Willers as assistant track coach. Motion unanimously carried. Motion made by Deutsch, second by Sehr, to approve the hiring of Jodi Nelson as assistant track coach. Motion unanimously carried

Motion made by Bosch, second by Sehr, to approve a request from Rod Rosin, custodian, for a medical leave of absence from February 13-March 3, 2017. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Hartman, second by Sehr, to approve Craig Nelson as a volunteer track coach. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Deutsch, second by Hartman, to approve a request from Tammy Case, paraprofessional, for a medical leave of absence from February 27-March 20, 2017. Motion unanimously carried.

Committee reports were given. Upcoming meeting dates were reviewed. Motion made by Deutsch, second by Hartman, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried.

Dated: February 23, 2017

Shelley Sandbulte, Clerk

## ISD #2184 School Board meets March 16

MINUTES OF THE SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2184, ROCK COUNTY, LUVERNE, MINNESOTA.

A special meeting of the Board of Education, ISD #2184, was held in the District Office on March 16, 2017, at 8:00 p.m. The following members were present: Katie Baustian, Jodi Bosch, Colleen

Deutsch, Eric Hartman, Tim Jarchow, Shelley Sandbulte, and Reva Sehr. Also present: Craig Oftedahl, Marlene Mann, Stacy Gillette, and Mavis Fodness - Rock County Star Herald. Chairperson Baustian called the meeting to order. Motion made by Deutsch,

second by Hartman, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion unanimously The 2017-2018 school calendar was reviewed. Motion made by Bosch, second

by Sehr, to approve the calendar as presented. Motion unanimously carried. Superintendent Oftedahl and Business Manager Marlene Mann reviewed the

plans for the Elementary school secure entrance. The Facilities Committee had reviewed the plans on Monday. Motion made by Hartman, second by Deutsch, to move forward with the plan as presented and secure a second quote. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Jarchow, second by Sandbulte, to approve an extended leave of absence for Pam Christensen, Elementary teacher, through March 24, 2017. Motion unanimously carried.

The School Board set a work session for April 6 at 7:00 p.m.

Motion made by Hartman, second by Deutsch, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried.

Dated: March 16, 2017

Shelley Sandbulte, Clerk

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## Mortgage foreclosure sale set for May 18

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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

DATE OF MORTGAGE: August 02, 2007

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$31,500.00

MORTGAGOR(S): Neale G. Hamann, a single person

MORTGAGEE: Peoples Bank

DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING: Recorded: August 14, 2007 Rock County Recorder

Document Number: 167229

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: And assigned to: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

Dated: August 02, 2007

Recorded: August 14, 2007 Rock County Recorder

Document Number: 167230

And assigned to: Iowa Bankers Mortgage Corporation

Dated: March 06, 2017

Recorded: March 14, 2017 Rock County Recorder

Document Number: 190262

Transaction Agent: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

Transaction Agent Mortgage Identification Number: 1003445-0001089259-6 Lender or Broker: Peoples Bank

Residential Mortgage Servicer: Iowa Bankers Mortgage Corp.

Mortgage Originator: Not Applicable COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Rock

Property Address: 819 201st St. Hardwick, MN 56134-4048

Tax Parcel ID Number: 10-0122-000

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: That part of the SW 1/4, Section 25, Township 104 North, Range 46 West of the 5th P.M., Rock County, State of Minnesota, described as follows: Commencing at the Southwest Corner of said Section 25, thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East (assumed bearing) along the South Line of the SW 1/4 of said Section 25 for a distance of 741.29 feet to the point of beginning, thence continuing North 90 degrees 00 minutes and 00 seconds East along said South Line for a distance of 746.44 feet; thence North 01 degrees 21 minutes 41 seconds East for a distance of 689.32 feet; thence North 83 degrees 17 minutes 46 seconds West for a distance of 169.66 feet; thence South 00 degrees 07 minutes 03 seconds West for a distance of 184.58 feet; thence South 89 degrees 31 minutes 22 seconds West for a distance of 612.69 feet; thence South 02 degrees 03 minutes 55 seconds East for a distance of 519.59 feet to the point of beginning

AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE: \$17,699.23 THAT all pre-foreclosure requirements have been complied with; that no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof;

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

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: May 18, 2017 at 10:00 AM

PLACE OF SALE: Law Enforcement Center, Lobby, 1000 N. Blue Mound Ave., to pay the debt secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any, on said premises and the

costs and disbursements, including attorney fees allowed by law, subject to redemption within twelve (12) months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns.

If the Mortgage is not reinstated under Minn. Stat. §580.30 or the property is not redeemed under Minn. Stat. §580.23, the Mortgagor must vacate the property on or before 11:59 p.m. on May 18, 2018, or the next business day if May 18, 2018 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

Mortgagor(s) released from financial obligation: NONE THIS COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT

A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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

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

DATED: March 20, 2017 ASSIGNEE OF MORTGAGEE: Iowa Bankers Mortgage Corporation Wilford, Geske & Cook P.A. Attorneys for Assignee of Mortgagee 7616 Currell Blvd Ste 200 Woodbury, MN 55125-2296 (651) 209-3300 File Number: 037264F01

(03-30, 04-06, 04-13, 04-20, 04-27, 05-04)

#### **CARDS OF THANKS**

The family of Delores Berning thanks you for your many acts of kindness. A special thank you to Luverne Hospice Cottage, Brenda Bullerman, Dr. Morgan, and the Dingmann Funeral Home. Also thank you to the CCW Ladies for serving lunch. Thank you to Monsignor Caletti and Father Jim Berning. No cards are being

**Ed Berning Doug and Willy Berning Dave and Diane Banck** Larry (Kono) Berning and special friend, Tess VanderPlaats

(3.30-4.2)

Thank you to our family and friends for your cards, prayers, and memorials that were given for our mother, grandmother, and great grandmother. Thank you to Edgebrook Care Center and Pipestone Hospice for her care. Also thanks to Jeff Hartquist and Pastor Altena for the beautiful service.

The family of Nellie Smith

(3.30-4.2)

Thank you to the Ellsworth, Adrian and Luverne Fire Departments for responding to our house fire. Thank you to the community for their support in our time of need. God Bless you all.

The Evers Family

(3.26-3.30)

We would like to thank the many family, friends, doctors, and nurses for the fantastic care, visits, cards and most of all prayers during my open heart/double bypass surgery. If it wasn't for all of you, this healing process would have been very difficult. A special thank you to Rick Tatge for the snow removal at our home while I was in the hospital.

> LeRoy Schroeder and family (3.26-3.30)

Thank you for remembering me on my 85th Birthday. I had a very nice day.

**Dolores Dreesen** (3.26-3.30)

A special thank you to MinnWest Bank for packaging the bags for February.

Luverne Backpack Program (3.26-3.30)

#### **WINDOWS**

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(3.26-3.30)

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(3.30-4.16)



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(3.26-4.12)

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(3.12-3.29)

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April 10, 2017.

# ROCK COUNTY SUMMER EMPLOYMENT

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light equipment; minimum pay is \$10.01 per hour. Job applications are available at www.co.rock.mn.us/ employment or by contacting the Rock County Administrator's office at the Rock County Courthouse in Luverne, Minnesota at 507-283-5065 or by email to susan.skattum@co.rock. mn.us. Office hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Applications will be accepted until all

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Koehne at c.koehne@isd511.

net. Positions will remain

open until filled. (3.26-4.12)

The work will include installation of our new wireless internet, maintenance and repair. Applicant must be comfortable with heights and have the ability to work in a customer orientated, fast-paced environment. Submit resume and letter of application to: Lismore Cooperative Telephone Company, PO Box 127, Lismore, MN 56155. Email: info@lismoretele.com by February 20 or until position is filled.





## Full-time diesel mechanic needed to join our team.

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If you are interested in applying, please email your

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## SEASONAL PUBLIC WORKS WORKER

The City of Luverne is seeking applicants for the 2017 summer season in the Public Works Department. Job duties include various types of manual labor and operation of light equipment in the maintenance of City streets, parks, and landscaping. These are temporary positions and not intended to last beyond late summer or early fall. Desirable qualifications: Valid Class D driver's license, building or grounds maintenance experience and good driving record. Pay will be based on experience and qualifications; min. \$10.84/hr. Applications will be accepted until positions are filled, first review date April 10, 2017. Application packets are available online at www.cityofluverne.org or from City Clerk Jessica Mead at City Offices, 305 E. Luverne Street, PO Box 659, Luverne, MN 56156 (507) 449-9898. EOE.



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