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First-ever Ladies Expo draws hundreds to Luverne Saturday

By Lori Sorenson

Luverne's first-ever Love the Ladies Expo was a big hit Saturday as hundreds of people packed Grand Prairie Events to taste, sample and sign up for prizes.

Chamber Director Jane Wildung Lanphere estimates well over 600 people attended the event, with crowds at times lined up outside the building.

"This place was packed," said Quality Printing's Annie Opitz. "There was just a steady line of people." She pointed to her overflowing



The Blue Mound Liquor booth was a popular stop for Ladies Expo visitors to taste dessert drink samples.

"What an unbelievable day; it was phenomenal."

Jane Wildung Lanphere, Luverne Chamber

box of names for drawings and said they came from Chamberlain, Del Rapids, Sioux City, Larchwood and

other communities.

A group of Indiana firemen attracted attention with dark-blue uniforms and badges.

"We heard there was a Ladies Expo; we're here for the ladies," joked Bobby Alwine, an engineer with the Madison County Fire Department in Wyatt, Indiana.

The firemen had been to Luverne's Midwest Fire to test-drive a brush truck their department had purchased, and they spent Friday through Sunday in Luverne.

"We tour the plant and spend time

with them, and they really become part of the Midwest Fire family," said Account Representative Jeff Bowen about how they sell fire trucks.

"When our guests come to Luverne, they just love our town."

The firemen met Luverne's Dave and Stacy Riphagen at Sterling's Friday night and were invited to a Stampede game in Sioux Falls.

Dave is a Luverne firefighter and toured them through the Luverne Fire Hall, and Stacy invited them to

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Township gets tough on road damage

By Mavis Fodness

Mound Township supervisors are taking a proactive, common sense approach to the use and maintenance of their gravel roads.

About 20 producers met with township officials April 3 to brainstorm who would pay to fix a road if it's damaged.

"You damage the road, you'll pay for the repairs," said chairman Keith Schmuck.

Letters will be sent to about 230 residents and landowners in Mound Township informing them about the township board's decision.

The letter would also encourage people to report road damage to township officials in order for repairs to begin immediately.

Township clerk-treasurer Dave DeBoer said it could be a frost boil or it could be a report of heavy equipment damaging the road.

He said the open dialogue is intended to eliminate accusations or finger-pointing.

"Let's all of us work together and keep communicating," DeBoer said.

Road maintenance has been a regular topic at Mound Township meetings for almost a decade.

DeBoer said a Rock County Star Herald editorial about heavy equipment damaging County Road 52 prompted Mound Township supervisors to seek a more local solution. Also prompting action were discussions at the road and bridge meeting about a possible who-pays-for-road-damage ordinance.

"As a township, it's our duty to have good passable roads," DeBoer said. "We don't want a county ordinance ... and we don't want to be the road cops."

Since the township's meeting, some producers have stepped forward to discuss the purchase of extra gravel to place on the roads before the heavy use begins.

Road agreement included in conditional use permit

Township Chairman Schmuck also appeared at the March 27 County Planning and Zoning Commission meeting.

Central Specialties of Alexandria requested a conditional use permit to operate a temporary hot mix plant in an existing gravel pit in Section 35 of Mound Township north of Luverne.

At the meeting, Planning and Zoning Board members added a condition that a road haul agreement must be in place with Mound Township officials.

Schmuck said he was concerned that another company also uses 131st

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Mavis Fodness Photos/0413 Library Week

Mary Brands and her sons Jayden (left) and Dylan laugh about the outhouse becoming a home.



'Best Little Outhouse on Prairie' draws big laughs, big crowds

Rock County Friends of the Library sponsored Sioux Falls puppeteer Jim Oliver's performance of "Little Outhouse on the Prairie" Tuesday as part of National Library Week activities. The puppet performance was based in the 1870s and told of Jed and Jenny's quest to find a home. "This is the largest crowd we have ever had for National Library Week," said children's librarian Bronwyn Wenzel. More than 100 preschoolers and daycare providers gathered in the basement for the 45-minute performance.

Pictured at right, Gabe Horton, 5, laughs about the pioneers' "home" being a "two-seater."



'Men as Peacemakers' in Luverne April 22

Ending sexual exploitation in our communities; our online behavior matters

By Lori Sorenson

In every community across the country, pornography is the most prominent sex educator for children. It's no surprise, then, that generations of young people understand sexuality to be linked with violence, degradation and exploitation.

A Minnesota man is working to break this cycle. Ed Heisler, Duluth, is director of Men as Peacemakers, which engages men in reducing violence and exploitation of women and girls.

"What we are missing is a primary prevention strategy focused on reshaping cultural norms that allow commercial sexual exploitation



to thrive and allow a majority of men to remain silent, if not actively participate in commercial sexual exploitation," Heisler said.

The Southwest Crisis Center is bringing Heisler to Luverne Saturday, April 22, to address the community about men's roles in these efforts.

"As an advocate I am hearing an increasing number of sexual assault accounts begin with, 'I met this per-

son online," said Jennifer Lindsey of the Crisis Center in Luverne.

"Along with all the benefits of the World Wide Web and social media come a lot of potential dangers."

She said this is especially true of online dating sites.

"Alongside the dating site dangers lurks another often unsuspected danger, pornography," Lindsey said.

"I'd like to shed some light of reality into that fantasy world."

For this reason, she said everyone can help in ending sexual violence and exploitation.

"We are inviting all men in the community to join us for breakfast and learn more about their roles in

prevention," Lindsey said.

"Making a difference can be as simple as not repeating something that makes a joke of sexual violence or refusing to participate in the demand for pornography."

She said the April 22 event will be a good message for all community members, men and women alike.

"One of the reasons we chose to have this in Luverne is because I have had a lot of questions and interest from our community about sex trafficking. So we are hopeful that our community will respond well to this."

Heisler's "Don't Buy It Project"

Men as Peacemakers/see page 8A

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Article 15: Luverne celebrated its century mark in grand style - much like plans set for 150

This is the 15th in a series that shares the rich history of Luverne as it celebrates 150 years. This comes from Star Herald archives, compiled by Jane Wildung Lanphere:

Luverne celebrated its 100th anniversary on Labor Day weekend in 1967. The town was "spiffed up" for the occasion and hundreds of former residents made their way home for the four-day event. Estimates in the newspapers reported that during the four-day event 40,000 to 50,000 people participated in some way

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This week's moment in time is sponsored by:



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Meetings

Parkinson's Support Group will meet at 1 p.m. Wednesday, April 19, at St. John Lutheran Church to hear about the life experiences of two women. For more information call 507-530-3307.

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.

MS Support Group will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 20, at Southwest Health and Human Services in Luverne. All persons with MS, family and friends are invited. Call 283-2069 or 283-2964 with questions.

First Assemblies of God Church Bible study is at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, April 23. All are welcome to come.

Springwater Township Board will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 2, at the home of clerk Teresa Kramer.

Grand Prairie Cemetery Association will meet at 6 p.m. Wednesday, May 3, at the Grand Prairie Cemetery. If it rains, meet in Orv and Sons Plumbing in Ellsworth.

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.

Narcotics Anonymous meets at 7 p.m. Fridays and for text study at 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays in St. Catherine Catholic Rectory, 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.

County road restrictions end April 13

The ending date for spring weight road restrictions is Friday, April 13, on highways under the jurisdiction of the Rock County Highway Department. Call County Engineer Mark Sehr at 507-283-5010 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 with questions.

Concordia Christus Chorus

performs at St. John Good Friday

The internationally renowned Christus Chorus of Concordia University, St. Paul, will be part of the Good Friday Service at 7 p.m. Friday, April 14, in St. John Church, Luverne. The choir will perform sacred vocal music from their 2017 tour. The public is invited. There is no charge.

Advanced care planning seminars

Karis Gust, RN, will present three seminars on advanced care planning at Good Samaritan Society locations in Luverne. Sessions are at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 19, in the Mary Jane Brown chapel; at 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 19, in the Poplar Creek dining room; and at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 20, in The Oaks dining room. Call 507-283-1996 for reservations.

Monthly Food Ministry April 20

The Monthly Food Ministry, sponsored by New Life Celebration Church, will be from 5-6 p.m. Thursday, April 20, at the Luverne Senior Center. If you're having trouble putting food on the table, come for fresh produce, bread and meat. Children will be asked to wait outside. Call Gloria at 283-4366 with questions.

Shrine Circus tickets available for free

Local businesses are sponsoring free Shrine Circus tickets for area children at the following locations: Teal's Market, Teal's Food and Gas, Minnwest Bank on Main Street and Kniss Avenue, First Farmers & Merchants Bank, Exchange State Bank, Pizza Ranch and at the April 6 Bank Nite Movie at the Palace. The Shrine Circus is April 20-23. Call Everett Brandenburg, 507-920-7055, with questions.

Reserve sand for Optimist sandbox fill

The Luverne Optimist Club is sponsoring the annual youth sandbox fill Monday, May 17, starting at 6 p.m. Sand is donated by W&N Construction. Call Audrey at 507-283-2018 to sign up for sand delivery.

Lange, Vajgrt honored as 'Faces of Hope'

By Mavis Fodness

Five deserving people will be recognized as the Southwest Crisis Center's "Faces of Hope" at their upcoming awards banquet and fundraiser Saturday, April 22, at the Round Lake Vineyards and Winery in rural Nobles County.

The event begins at 5 p.m. with a social hour, followed by dinner, awards presentation and program. There will also be silent and live auctions.

Funds raised at the event are used to support SWCC's various services.

Four years ago SWCC began recognizing individuals who have made a significant impact to help support survivors/victims of domestic violence.

Each of the five counties served by SWCC turned in a nominee for the Faces of Hope award that recognizes an individual for support of domestic and/or sexual abuse survivors and to put an end to violence.

"Anyone can be a face of hope offering to lift someone up rather than put them down," said Kari Voss-Drost, SWCC assistant director.

Nancy Lange was chosen from Rock County. Other award recipients and their nominating counties are Teresa Widboom, Nobles; Myra Heckenlaible-Gotto, Cottonwood; Carrie Anderson, Jackson; and Fifth Judicial District Court Judge Terry Vajgrt, Pipestone.

For Lange, the award came as a total surprise.

"I was totally blown away," Lange said. "I have met a lot of excellent people in the family services field ... who want to protect children and families."

Lange recently retired

as a child protective services social worker with Southwest Health and Human Services in Rock County.

Former co-worker Dawn Anderson nominated Lange for Rock County.

"Nancy had a way of 'thinking outside of the box' to come up with short-term and long-term ways to help Rock County families," Anderson wrote. "She developed a great rapport with others and collaborated with so many others in the community in her job."

Lange's lasting legacy is that she always remained patient, believing that just the right help was around the corner for children and their parents in crisis.

Sometimes that right help was found at the Southwest Crisis Center, she said.

Vajgrt, Pipestone County's award recipient, also serves as the District Court judge in Rock County.

Voss-Drost, Lange and Anderson agreed Vajgrt provided hope to victims through his work in the courts system, first as an assistant county attorney and now as a district judge.

"He listens," Voss-Drost said. "He takes the time to listen to the survivors."

Lange said she worked with then attorney Vajgrt frequently, who relied on various agencies for case facts.

"He didn't do knee-jerk reactions," she said. "He is very well prepared."

"He sees the positive and he is going to let people know right from wrong," Anderson said.

Tickets for the awards banquet and fundraiser are \$50. For more information contact the SWCC in Worthington at 507-376-4311.



Mavis Fodness Photo/0413 Commissioner Tablets

Commissioners using tablets for better security and the environment

At their regular April 4 meeting, Rock County Commissioners received an up-close look at the Microsoft Surface Pro4 tablet each of the five commissioners will have for official county use. The tablets eliminate the use of personal computers and allow commissioners access and document storage on the county's secure Internet server.

Shawn Sweeney, the county's information technologies director, used the tablet setup for Commissioner Gary Overgaard (sitting, far left) while Commissioners (from left) Stan Williamson, Greg Burger, Sherri Thompson and Jody Reisch (not pictured) watch Sweeney demonstrate the tablet's various features including accessing the World Wide Web. The tablets are also intended to eliminate printed agendas for board meetings and county committees. For the commissioners' April 4 meeting agenda, tablets would have eliminated the need for 175 paper copies.

Five tablets were purchased through the county's contingency fund at a cost of \$1,288.78 each. The price included the tablet, keyboard/cover and wireless mouse accessories. The commissioners unanimously supported the purchase at their March 21 meeting.

Remax buys Smooky's

By Lori Sorenson

Dave Hup and Billy Cowell are remodeling the former Smooky's Pizza building on South Highway 75 for their RE/MAX Land and Home office.

Hup said they bought the Smooky's building this past winter, and they plan to have the new location open this summer.

"We're hoping to have the RE/MAX balloon here for Buffalo Days," Hup said.

He and Cowell have been co-owners of the franchise in Luverne since January 2016.

"It really took off better than we imagined," Hup said about the business.

Smooky's has been closed for several months, and Hup said he's looking forward to refurbishing the building for the RE/MAX

office.

LDH Construction, Hills, is doing the remodeling work for Hup and Cowell.

One highlight of the project is a 100-year-old salvaged bar that will be featured in the front office of the business.

"It's really cool — I'm really excited to get that in there," Hup said. "It will be our front counter and front desk area."

Until their new location is ready, Hup and Cowell will continue doing business out of their leased space on Main Street.

More information is at www.landandhome.com.

See the related story in this week's Star Herald about the future of Smooky's Pizza equipment and recipe.

Smooky's recipe preserved

By Lori Sorenson

Luverne's Smooky's Pizza has been closed for several months, but its one-of-a-kind recipe is in safe keeping until an interested entrepreneur comes forward to revive the business.

"I just didn't want it leaving town," said Luverne investor Gary Papik, who also purchased the Smooky's pizza ovens and equipment.

"Mel Smook was a good friend of mine, and I didn't want it ending up in the wrong hands."

Papik was clear that he's not interested in starting a pizza business, but he said the opportunity will be available for the right person with a sincere interest in reviving Smooky's Pizza.

"I'll probably never recover my investment," he said. "I'll get them started and help them get it going."

Smook, a 1947 Luverne High School graduate, started his pizza

business in 1974 in what had been his father Harm Smook's Texaco gas station at the building's current location on South Highway 75.

He sold the Smooky's in 1981 and it's had several owners and managers in the years since then.

The name changed to Smooky Bear's Pizza in 2005 when Gary Abell bought it and operated the business until 2010 when he died of pancreatic cancer.

Pam Abell sold the building this past winter to Dave Hup and Billy Cowell, co-owners of RE/MAX Land and Home's Luverne franchise. Hup and Cowell are renovating the building for a summer reopening.

Papik now owns the pizza equipment and recipe and said he hopes Smooky's will find a new place in Luverne.

"I do appreciate Luverne. It's been good to my family and myself," he said. "If I can do something to preserve its history, I will"



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Broadband installation in Rock County on track to finish next month

Governor's Broadband Task Force to visit Rock County this summer

By Mavis Fodness

Rock County's newest high-speed Internet customers will be connected next month as scheduled.

Since December, crews with Alliance Communications of Garretson, South Dakota, have been connecting individual homes and businesses to the 526-mile fiber broadband ring that surrounds Luverne.

As of early April, installation crews have finished connections in the Jasper and Beaver Creek areas.

Crews are now moving through the Hardwick and Kenneth areas. In the next couple of weeks, they will move to the last of the customers around Kanaranzi.

"We anticipate that the installation crews will be completed in the May time frame," said Andy Hulcher, technical supervisor with Alliance. "Our technicians and contractors will be staying as long as we have customers to hook up."

However, some installations to the more than 1,000 customers who have signed up for the Internet/phone/cable service have slowed due to scheduling problems.

Installation crews can spend up to four hours connecting various devices in a home. Home or business owners need to be on site for the installation to happen.

"We urge all customers who have not already scheduled their installation appointment to please call in today and schedule a time," Hulcher said.

"This will help them avoid any delays in getting hooked up to the most advanced network in the area."

The new network relies on fiber optic cable to bring the Internet/cable/telephone service directly to the premise."

Two years ago Rock County ranked in the bottom 10 percent in the state with access to high speed Internet.

Only 15 percent of the county's households had at least 10-megabytes-per-second download and 6-megabytes-per-second upload, which the Federal government defines as high speed Internet.

With the Rock County Broadband Alliance project, 100 percent of the county's households have access to high-speed Internet. The service is the envy of many communities around the state.

Governor's task force coming to Luverne

Rock County Commissioner Jody Reisch has served as a county government representative on the Governor's Task Force for Broadband for the past year.

Reisch said he's received dozens of questions from

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— Andy Hulcher,
Alliance
Communication

other interested officials at the once-a-month meetings.

Questions ranged from funding to what residents are doing with the new technology.

This summer local residents will provide first-hand response to those questions during an official visit and meeting by the task force. Information shared at the local event will become part of the task force's annual report to the governor.

"Twenty years ago, broadband was a novelty," Reisch said. "It was used to email each other and for shopping."

Broadband's full potential has not been realized. Presentations to the task force have shown a small piece of what the technology can accomplish.

Emergency communication networks will no longer crash due to an influx of use, and the new technology can be used to warn residents, Reisch said.

He has also heard about road sensors that can relay surface conditions. Also he said he's hearing about how rural residents can stay in their homes longer through the use of various health monitoring devices.

"None of that would have been possible without broadband," Reisch said.

Rock County now includes the service as a positive asset to business owners. "It is no longer used against us," Reisch said.

About the task force

Gov. Mark Dayton established the 15-member task force in 2011 to develop, implement and promote broadband use throughout the state.

Through the governor's Border-to-Border Broadband Development grant program, Rock County Broadband Alliance received a \$5 million grant in early 2015.

Alliance Communications contributed \$8 million and Rock County \$1 million to bring the high-speed Internet service to all Rock County rural residents.



Lori Sorenson photos/0413 ladies expo

Sarah DeBeer of Teal's Market and Catering said she ran out of cake samples early in the day because of heavy crowds at the Ladies Expo. There were an estimated 600-plus people who attended the Expo in Grand Prairie Events.

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In the photograph at left, Indiana firemen (front, from left) Bobby Alwine, Jamie York, (back) Brant Gibson and Captain Rob Elkins took in the Ladies Expo Saturday while they were in town to test-drive a Midwest Fire brush truck their department had purchased. "We heard there was a Ladies Expo and we're here for the ladies," they joked.

In the photograph at right, Rita Dula, an esthetician for Salon 75, demonstrates a facial on her daughter, Brianna Dula, Saturday as one of several seminars offered during the Love the Ladies Expo in Grand Prairie Events.

Saturday's Ladies Expo where she had a booth for her Firefly and Dragonfly boutiques.

The mentored the booths, sampled drinks and snacks and had the honor of drawing the final name — Barb Verhey — for the cash drawing at the Expo.

Other cash winners were Linda Bruns, Lennox, South Dakota, and Lois Nath and RaVae Benson of Luverne. Wendy Grill, Luverne, won the six-foot party sub from Subway.

Lanphere said she was pleasantly surprised by the attendance at the event, which replaces the former home show in Luverne.

"What an unbelievable day; it was phenomenal," she said, recognizing sponsors, volunteers and vendors. "Thanks to all of you for making it possible."



Correction:

Lauree Teunissen is the new Luverne Senior Dining program site coordinator.

Her first name was incorrect in the April 6, 2017, Rock County Star Herald story "Senior dining begins 40th year with new coordinator."

The Star Herald regrets the error and seeks fairness and accuracy in all its reporting.

Contact the editor at 507-283-2333 or editor@star-herald.com.

Open House Bridal Shower
Nichole Loosbrock
bride to be of Austin Quebedeaux

Sat. April 22
10 a.m.

Lismore Legion Hall

Nichole is the daughter of Bruce & Brenda Loosbrock

Come & Go Open House Benefit
Paul & Emily Evers family
Saturday, April 22
2-5 p.m.
New Life Celebration Church, Luverne
110 N Oakley
507-449-6522

The family lost their house and possessions to a fire on March 22, 2017

The family is registered at Luverne Ace Hardware, Luverne Shopko & Target

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Oranges lead to sticker collection, remembrance of former story subject

Do you remember the gold stars elementary teachers would place on well-done assignments?

I loved the way the stars would twinkle as the teacher handed the papers back to us students. We were all excited when that star was included on our assignments.

Sometimes it wasn't a gold star but a sticker that read "Good Job" or "You're Awesome."

It certainly was a good motivator to complete the assignment correctly.

Now, decades later, stickers are still providing motivation to continue a good routine.

In an effort to eat more fresh fruit and fewer sweets, I began eating apples at work. Grapessoon followed and later oranges joined in the snack routine.

I grew to really like Halos, the small mandarins that are easy to peel. Besides, they had cute brand stickers attached to some of their fruit.

Soon I was taking those stickers and marking my consumption of fruit through the line of stickers on my desk calendar.

It was satisfying to see a line of stickers at the end of a workweek. It meant I ate healthier foods and I was sticking to my goal of eating less candy.

It was if the heads at the Halos company read my mind when they began the "United States of Pure Goodness 50 States Sticker Game."

Now I place stickers on the game map as I try to find all 50 states. I am hooked in collecting all 50 stickers.

I used to look through the plastic mesh bags at the condition of the oranges ... now I look through the plastic mesh to see which stickers are on the fruit.

I've found not all bags contain the equal number or variety of the fingerprint-sized stickers.

But I have certainly peeled and consumed a lot of oranges in accumulating 40 out of the 50 states. (The many duplicates are still collected on my desk calendar.)

My daily orange consumption has left me with an orange thumb



RUMINATIONS

By Mavis Fodness, Reporter

of sorts. Most days I have to scrub my thumb clean of the orange coloration from the peel.

I smile and think, "Some people have green thumbs. Mine is orange."

In the last couple of weeks, oranges have taken on a different symbol.

Several years ago I interviewed Walter Ranschau, a seasoned cattleman, on the secrets of raising good steaks and hamburger.

He was a widowed cattle rancher whose farm was across the road from the West Lyon High School near Larchwood.

His family still laughs fondly about my visit and the interview that lasted several hours.

The story was recently revisited at Walter's funeral and connected me to appreciate oranges even more.

Walter was a good friend of Father Tom Jennings, and he talked about Walter and oranges in a recent sermon.

An orange sat on the church altar during Father Tom's story about Walter, who was hours late in picking up his son to run an errand together. His son David was mad at his tardy father until Walter said quietly, "The oranges come in today."

Anger quickly melted away. You see, Walter orders several boxes of oranges from the local FFA chapter. One by one he delivers "a little bit of sunshine" as a reminder of his late wife. While she was in the nursing home, Walter would bring oranges to share with residents and nursing staff.

The receipt of one of Walter's oranges was a day brightener.

Walter's grandchildren handed out oranges at his funeral as homage to his good, kind heart.

I, too, now liken oranges to the pleasant meeting with Walter as well as receiving reward stickers for eating healthy.

'A Message To Men'

April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month; why does your online activity matter?

GUEST EDITORIAL

By Jen Lindsey, Southwest Crisis Center Advocate, Luverne

Pornography is often considered an acceptable personal pleasure that causes no public harm. But if you ask law enforcement, victims' advocates, health professionals and addiction professionals, they'll tell you it's anything but harmless. It's a public health crisis.

Pornography is referred to as the "gateway drug" of sex trafficking and sexual violence, because it normalizes abuse of women and children by treating them as objects. Many porn sites depict rape and abuse as if it were harmless, often equating pain with pleasure — which increases demand for sex trafficking, prostitution, child sexual abuse and child pornography.

Like other harmful addictions, it takes more porn and more deviant behaviors to get the same high, and this leads down a slippery slope of viewing increasingly violent, degrading and unusual material and possibly interacting with someone online or in person and engaging in risky situations.

An estimated 85 percent of men seek porn at least once a month, many daily. In 2016 the leading porn website alone got 23 billion visits. That's 729 people per second for just one website.

Like other addicts, porn addicts regularly report feeling shame and guilt, uncontrollable anger, diminished ability to focus, and an overall dissatisfaction with real life. And like other addictions, it strains relationships.

Though pornography is often considered "at least not cheating," research finds that 70 percent of partners of porn viewers experience symptoms of post-traumatic stress after discovering details of their partner's addiction and betrayal.

And invariably this creates an unstable environment for families and children, not only due to relationship stress, but also the likelihood of children viewing online porn.

Internet pornography has become the No. 1 sex educator for children as young as 8. The disturbing material, which is easily found online, teaches children that it's normal sexual behavior.

It sends the message that girls, women and children are commodities to be used and that "no" really means "yes" — that they actually enjoy aggressive and violent sex.

Even those children who don't view porn can suffer from "second-hand" porn because it perpetuates physical and verbal sexual harassment of girls and increases sexualized discourse among children.

A final message to our Rock

County residents in sleepy rural landscapes: Sexual exploitation happens everywhere, not just on streets of big cities or with elite escort services.

It can be a "boyfriend" offering up his partner to perform sexual favors with his friends in exchange for something other than money, such as drugs or property. Sexual exploitation is more than prostitution; it can be exotic dancing, stripping and pornography.

There is help for porn and sex addicts, and there is support for their families and communities.

The "Don't Buy It Project" is a public awareness campaign developed by Men As Peacemakers to prevent sexual exploitation and to educate communities about their role in standing up to it.

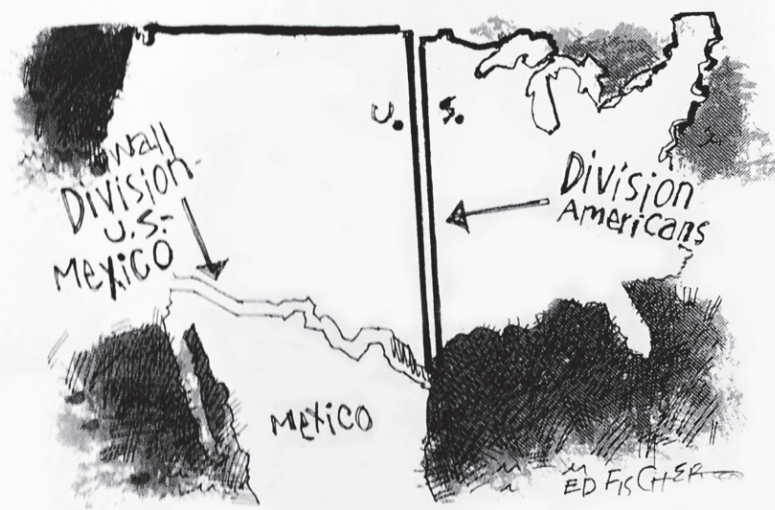
The Southwest Crisis Center will host a presentation by Ed Heisler, executive director of Men As Peacemakers, from 9 to 11 a.m. Saturday, April 22, at the Luverne American Legion Post 123. Call the Southwest Crisis Center, 507-283-9917, with questions. (See the related story about the presentation in this Star Herald.)

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Beckman: 'Choose to work together'

To the Editor:

Recently, many people in our country have been heard saying, "I'm scared of what our president is going to do to our country." Personally, I'm not that scared of what our president is going to do to our country; rather, I'm scared of what we ourselves are going to do to our country. Ever since the presidential election began, our country has been fighting. We are turning against each other, neighbor against neighbor, friend against friend, American against American.

I want people in the United States of America to realize there are going to be Democrats and Republicans in this country and they are going to have different views. You can try to change those views, but it will more than likely fail.

Our country is in a great feud right now and it's beginning to almost look like what began on April 12, 1861 — the Civil War. The country was divided North against South; now our beloved country is divided liberals against conservatives.

Abraham Lincoln was quoted at the Illinois Republican Convention in 1858 as saying, "A house divided against itself cannot stand." Take those seven words to heart; truly think about it. If our big feud goes on any longer, we may fall as a country. We will be known as the country that fell because of our very own people. There are other countries watching us, watching our childish actions. We are known to be the greatest country in the world, but are we right now? Prob-

ably not. If our own fellow Americans can't work together, how can we be the greatest country in the world?

People may argue with me saying they are using their First Amendment right.

They are using their right of free speech and that's completely fine; but it could lead into something a lot worse than rioting, perhaps a war.

Does our country want to go through another Civil War? I wasn't around then; none of us were. But it is one thing that the Civil War was the deadliest war in our nation's history. 620,000 men died in the Civil War. That is 620,000 American men who died at the hands of other American men.

They died because they chose not to work together; rather they chose to go against each other, as some wanted to form a new nation. Do you see that when you choose not to work together as one country that it will bring war? With any war, there will be bloodshed.

To whoever is reading this, I want you to know that there are many people in the United States of America, and they have their beliefs like you have yours.

Choose to work together and not to fight with each other. I want this country to stay great, and I'm sure you do too. Work together as brothers and sisters, not as enemies and foes. For we, the United States of America, are one nation under God.

Paige Backman Morris

Life is more than just eating, drinking and good times

About a month ago a gentleman named Kenneth Barker came into our office and introduced himself to me.

Mr. Barker hails from Rock Rapids, a place he and his wife, Jane, have called home for 57 years. The Barkers are both retired teachers. Kenneth likes to write and was wondering if we would be interested in publishing some of his writings.

I told him to email some and I would take a look at them.

What you're about to read is one he sent recently, and I think you'll agree the timing is perfect.

Take a walk with the Son

I have always been a fool of sorts. So, perhaps, have most of us. I have lived most of my 82 years thinking that possessions, power, and good times were what life was all about. Eating, drinking and living for the moment was what really counted. Immediate pleasure was what I sought for years. So do most of us.

How wrong I have been and am still from time to time. Life as we know it now is only the beginning, not the end. Call life a test if you must. In a sense, that is exactly what it is. It is a test for each and every one of us to



FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH

By Rick Peterson, General Manager Tollefson Publishing

try to discover why we are here and for what purpose.

It took me 80 years to finally find it in full. I regret deeply that it took me that long, but am thankful that I eventually did find it. For the first time in my life, I finally know that I have not passed the test and never will. However, since it is close to Easter, I have now fully realized that someone high, mighty, and humble paid the price and passed the test for me.

While some, perhaps most of you, are laughing at what I say, I simply ask you to use your heads and begin to use a little common sense for a change. We were all put here for a purpose by a power that cares more about us than we generally care about

ourselves.

Discovering our purpose is not easy. There are many distractions and detours along the way. Some will never find the path that leads to eternal happiness and bliss.

This Easter, I hope and pray that you put your focus where it should rightly be. Place it on the cross and the one who paid the price for all who will accept His leadership. He came that we might have life and have it more abundantly. He awaits all who will wake up and not only take a walk in the sun, but with the Son.

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son; that whoever believes in him shall not perish, but have everlasting life." — John 3:16

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ON THE RECORD

Dispatch report

March 31

- Complainant requested background check for housing.
- Complainant reported receiving phone call from unknown party stating they are bringing money to her home. Complainant called back to report caller contacted her again and said he was on his way in a yellow and black flatbed truck. Unknown plate.
- Complainant reported injured woman, paged ambulance.
- Complainant reported a 911 call with child on the line. No answer upon callback. Deputy reported all is clear.
- Complainant reported she sent money to Publishers Clearing House Mega Bucks Scam. Scam number is 331-431-6406.
- Complainant reported a man was yelling profanities and chasing a vehicle around the lot at location on foot. Vehicle left the parking lot and headed east on Interstate 90, caller was transported to Highway Patrol to report possible driving.
- Complainant reported people with flashlights on the ridge south of location.

April 1

- Complainant reported that subject sent suicidal text messages.
- Complainant reported that subject has been drinking and he is on medication. Complainant reported that he is acting crazy and violent.
- Received several reports of a transformer fire.
- Received call from monitoring company reporting alarm at courthouse. Deputy reported it is clear.
- Subject paid fine to clear warrant out of Martin County.
- Complainant reports receiving prank calls.
- Complainant reported a vehicle all over the road at location. Transferred to Highway Patrol.

April 2

- Complainant requested assistance from officers with an underage drinking party at location. Subject cited for underage drinking.
- Received 911 call about a man having a seizure - transferred to Pipestone.
- Complainant reported a car hit a sign.
- Complainant reported ignition interlock on his vehicle reported false positive testing. Deputy test complainant approximately 15 minutes later with results of 0. Complainant attempted a second time on the interlock, which reported a negative reading. Complainant asked to confirm the positive testing was a false positive.
- Complainant reported son was bitten by dog.
- Complainant requested welfare check on subject.
- Complainant reported kids driving around on 4-wheelers.
- Deputy reported some loud booms around location.

April 3

- Deputy transported subject to court from jail.
- Complainant requested we tow vehicle. Towed to impound. Pay tow bill.
- Complainant reported a piece of drive shaft fell off a vehicle at location. They are going to get it moved, but may need lights so nobody hits it.
- Complainant requested we serve papers on subject.
- Complainant requested deputy for juvenile student who is refusing to leave. All is clear, miscommunication between complainant and principal.

April 4

- Complainant requested to speak to deputy about identity theft.
- Complainant reported subject lets his dog out without a collar or chain when she is delivering mail. Feels it may

bite her.

- Complainant reported they are listing their house for sale and someone copied the listing to craigslist saying it was for rent trying to scam people out of rent money.
- Deputy reported he was flagged down and informed that vehicle speeds and litters around location at 6-730 a.m. every day.
- Complainant requested we view surveillance footage to see if we recognize some shoplifters.
- Deputy received complaint of vehicle driving through parking lot taking pictures.
- Deputy transported subject to Nobles County Jail.

April 5

- Complainant requested deputy assistance for a situation that could get out of hand. Complainant requested a deputy patrol the area around location.
- Complainant reported dealer tags lost on I-90 some time last week. Call dealership if found.
- Complainant called concerned she had not been able to contact her children via phone. Advised he lost his phone Saturday and got a new one Tuesday, will have the kids contact her after school. Complainant he hasn't gotten child support in nine months.
- Complainant reported that he hydroplaned and went off the road at location. No injuries reported. Transferred call to State Patrol.
- Complainant went off the roadway at location due to hydroplaning; no injuries reported. Transferred to State Patrol.
- Complainant asked to speak to a deputy about retrieving property from ex-boyfriend's house.
- Received 911 hang-up. Upon callback, complainant reported having an argument with someone and stated she did not want deputies to respond.
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- Performed probation compliance check on subject. Tested negative.
- Complainant reported a hit and run.
- Alarm company called to report low battery signal alarm. All clear. Attempted to contact key holder - left message.

April 6

- Complainant requested to speak to someone about a fraud case.
- Complainant reported he lost his wallet yesterday. He's not sure where, but was visiting Luverne. Call if found.
- Complainant reported a low battery alarm at location. All is clear at location per the County Administrator.
- Complainant requested deputy patrol the north parking lot at location. Three juveniles are playing around with a water shut off and have been asked to leave already.
- Complainant reported an entry alarm at their building under the water tower. All doors secure.

April 7

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In addition, officers responded to 1 deer accident, 36 traffic stops, 1 funeral escort, 4 fingerprint requests, 11 ambulance runs, 3 drug court tests, 7 log/alarm sheets, 3 paper services, 2 NSF checks, 2 911 hang-ups, 2 family and child complaints, 10 animal complaints, 5 permits to purchase, 3 permits to carry, and 47 burn permits,

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or another.

The Rock County Star Herald printed some interesting facts that were researched by Miss Ida Jones for the Centennial:

First surveyor - P. J. Kniss

First postmaster - Ed McKenzie

First mail carrier - Philo Hawes (from Blue Earth to Yankton, S.D.)

First schoolteacher - Ella Weber

First doctor - Dr. Berry (Beaver Creek)

First white woman to settle in Rock County - Mrs. Deborah Estey

First white child born in Rock County - Effie Ferguson

First threshing of oats - 1868 (by flail)

First train - October 2, 1876 (on Chicago & North Western)

First log house - on the southwest corner of Warren Street and Kniss Avenue

First churches - Methodist and Baptist

First ballpark - on South Kniss Avenue

First school - a sod shanty northeast of Luverne

First Courthouse - where the cannon now stands on the Courthouse lawn

First Christmas dinner menu - roast badger and beaver, parched corn and dried wild grapes

Friday night kicked off with an old time dance at the National Guard Armory which started at 9 p.m. The Luchtelts were a band that played old-time music in the area for many years.

On Saturday morning the ladies and families from the community were attired in long dresses and sunbonnets and other wearing apparel typical of pioneer days in a style show competition held at the Palace Theatre at 2 p.m.

At the gathering they also announced the Centennial Royalty. Appointed royalty for the event were Ida Jones and Floyd Norton. Floyd was a grandson of one of Rock County's first

settlers. Prizes were given to the best-dressed family, mother and daughter, lady, man and child. First place prize was \$4 and second place prize was \$2. Mrs. Ted Schoon provided background organ music for the event.

Klein Amusement Company was featured at the Rock County Fairgrounds for September 2, 3, and 4. Also opening at the Fairgrounds were the Antiques and Hobby Show in the Floral Building and the Cooties Beer Garden in the Commercial Building, which was raising funds for the hospital.

4-H, Cooties and the Mary Circle of the American Reformed Church had food stands at the Fairgrounds. Saturday night people filled the parking lot at Kenny's Super Valu for a juniors dance starting at 8 p.m. and adult dance at 9 p.m.

Square dancing was scheduled at the Armory and a "teen hop" was held in the parking lot of the First National Bank with music by "The Source".

Sunday morning was filled with morning worship services throughout Luverne. At 1 p.m. there was a horse show at the Rock County Fairgrounds. There were 11 different entry classes. First place prizes were trophies, and five ribbons were awarded in each place. After the horse show the community hosted the ever-popular greased-pig contest.

At 6 p.m. the Rock County Historical Society hosted a potluck picnic honoring Luverne's pioneers. Sixty-seven people registered for the Pioneer Picnic where they received certificates honoring their families, early pioneers. Rev. Martin Hauser made an eloquent speech about their sacrifice, and Frederick Manfred read a chapter from his forthcoming book, which deals with pioneer life. Many family members shared stories of their relatives.

At 8 p.m. throngs of people filled the grandstand at the Rock County



Tom Skattum was the winner of the greased pig contest in 1967 for Luverne's century celebration. (Daily Globe photo)

Fairgrounds to watch the "Council Fire - 1967. This was an Indian dance led by Disneyland's "Red Dawn" dance troupe.

One of the highlights of the Centennial was the beard contest with Dave Smith as emcee. Men were required to grow beards, and if they didn't want one, they had to purchase a \$5 shaving permit button.

Funds collected from the shaving permits and the \$1 Centennial buttons were the funds used to put on the celebration. The beard contest was judged at the fairgrounds grandstand on Monday morning at 10 a.m.

Reddest Category: 1st place - Marv Gonnerman; 2nd place - Marv Laachmann

Blackest Category: 1st place - Linley Becker; 2nd place - Glenn Goebel

Whitest Category: 1st place - Curt McIntyre; 2nd place - Floyd Norton

Trimmed Beard: 1st place - Reid Cleland; 2nd place - Carl Nash

Biggest Beard: 1st place - George Hoffelman; 2nd place - Harold Van Wyhe

Best Moustache: 1st place - Eddie Deutsch; 2nd place - Max Chesher

Best Moustache and Goatee: 1st place - Bob Dorn; 2nd place - Dale Swenson

Best Efforts: 1st place - Joe Kafka; 2nd place - Jerry Deuschle

Grand Champion Centennial Beard - Harold Van Wyhe

The grand parade was held Monday, Labor Day, kicking off at 2 p.m. Highlights of the parade were antique autos, old machinery and other articles depicting the history of Luverne such as covered wagons and floats with Centennial and other themes.

It was estimated that 11,000 people attended the more than 100-unit parade.

One of the features of the parade was the 1910 Luverne car owned and refurbished by Gordon Sundgard of St. Paul. Horse-drawn units were also numerous with the largest being the Minnehaha County Sheriff's Posse. The parade also featured floats, wagons, surreys and a yoke of oxen.

Ending the grand celebration was a talent show held at the fairgrounds grandstand featuring Bill Skewes as master of ceremonies. Categories for the contest were pre-teen, teen, adult, seniors, and old-time fiddlers with first and second place prizes in each category.

Winners of the contest were:

Adult: 1st place - vocalist Gary Hocking; 2nd place - Mrs. Willie Eichmann (vocal) and Mrs. Walter Klosterbuer (accordion)

Youth: 1st place - organist Tony Scheidt; 2nd place - tumbler Susan Bailey.

When the weekend was over, residents reported that never before in the 100-year history of this city have so many people jammed themselves into the streets.

The celebration was a whopping success! The headline of the Star Herald reported: "Crowds Throng Here To Make Centennial Whopping Success."

"Young and old alike came to celebrate - many in costume, many in whiskers, the rest in modern-day garb appropriate for the occasion. It was a fun event for three days and nights, and now that the official Centennial observance is over, virtually everyone is agreed that it was a success in every way."

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'Your chocolate cravings help make community development possible.'

—A message from Equal Exchange, a supplier of Fair Trade items

St. Catherine focuses on Fair Trade

By Mavis Fodness

For a decade the chocolate and coffee cravings of parishioners at St. Catherine's Catholic Church in Luverne have made a worldwide difference.

In 2007 the church's Partners for Human Concerns Committee began selling Fair Trade items.

Fair Trade is a non-profit organization that certifies products are made by workers paid fair prices for products or fair wages for labor.

It's all about shedding light on how companies profit from unfair labor practices or use of child labor, according to Mary Lou Mulligan, who coordinates the local sales.

Her involvement stems from her religious beliefs.

"According to Catholic teaching we need to be out and volunteering," she said.

At the first and third weekend Masses each month, Mulligan or one of the committee members sells items at the Fair Trade display.

She said high-pressure sales aren't necessary for the products from Providence Coffee and Equal Exchange, which have a strong local following.

Various chocolates, tea, hot cocoa and coffees are currently for sale. Prices range from 45 cents to \$9.

"We sell it for what we pay for it," Mulligan said.

"We don't do it for a profit." The paper wrap around the large \$3 chocolate bars explains how the purchase of one candy bar through Fair Trade helps the communities in which the various ingredients originated.

For instance, the cacao

used in the candy was gathered from the Dominican Republic, Panama, Ecuador or Peru. The sugar was from Paraguay and vanilla from Madagascar.

"Your chocolate cravings help make community development possible," are the words on the wrapper.

"... like building wells for safe drinking water in the Dominican Republic, purchasing vehicles for transport in Peru, expanding microfinance funding in Ecuador, and buying tractors in Panama."

Mulligan sees the offering of Fair Trade items as just helping others.

"We are all one people," she said. "God made us all the same."

St. Catherine's Fair Trade items are available for sale to the public. Contact Mulligan at 507-283-2653 for more information.

Through St. Catherine Church's Partners for Human Concerns Committee, coordinator Mary Lou Mulligan poses

beside the Fair Trade display in the Luverne church's gathering area.

After the first and third weekend Masses, Mulligan or one of the committee members sells items whose ingredients were purchased or harvested under Fair Trade practices. The group has sold Fair Trade items at cost for the past 10 years.



Mavis Fodness Photo/0413 Fair Trade

ENGAGEMENTS

Dan and Julia Schroeder, Granville, Iowa, and Paul and Lisa Heronimus, Ellsworth, announce the engagement of their children, Anna Schroeder and Kyle Heronimus, both of Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Anna graduated from Spalding Catholic High School, Granville, in 2009 and from South Dakota State University, Brookings, in 2013. She currently works as a registered dietitian for Hy-Vee in Sioux Falls.

Kyle graduated from Luverne High School in 2008 and from South Dakota State University in 2012. He currently works as an agronomy sales manager for CHS Eastern Farmers in Brandon, South



Anna Schroeder and Kyle Heronimus

Dakota.

The couple is planning a July 29, 2017, wedding at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Granville.

Curt and Shelly Trego, Watertown, South Dakota, and Doug and Pam Dooyema, Luverne, announce the engagement of their children, Jackie Trego and Sam Dooyema, both of Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Jackie graduated from Watertown High School in 2008, from the University of Sioux Falls in 2012, and from the University of South Dakota in 2015 with a Doctorate of Physical Therapy. She is a physical therapist at Prairie Rehabilitation in Sioux Falls.

Sam graduated from Luverne High School in 2009 and from the University of Sioux Falls in 2013. He is currently a PhD student studying



Jackie Trego and Sam Dooyema

cancer biology and microbiology at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee.

They are planning a May 28, 2017, wedding at the Canton Barn in Canton, South Dakota.

Let us share your news!

Have an engagement, wedding or academic accomplishment to share with readers? The Star Herald strives to recognize all accomplishments of the residents in our coverage areas. We rely on you for the information. Send community news to editor@star-herald.com or call 507-283-2333.

1885: Prairie fires ravage county

The following appeared in the Rock County Herald in 1885:

April 3, 1885

Geo B. Huntington had the misfortune to lose several stacks of hay, nearly all of which was timothy, by a prairie fire which swept over a portion of his land in section 3 of this township, last Friday. The loss is estimated at about \$100.

A prairie fire in Kanarazi township last Thursday destroyed Mr. John Howard's stable on his farm on section 4, and "cooked" a number of his pigs and chickens. The fire is supposed to have started on section 19 in Magnolia



BITS BY BETTY

By Betty Mann, president
Rock County Historical Society

township.

June 19, 1885

A tract of twenty-two acres of prairie on Charley Reynold's farm in Springwater township was burned over a short time ago and after the fire had passed over, a large number of despoiled prairie

chickens' nests containing 226 eggs were found.

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

Mann welcomes correspondence sent to mannmade@iu.net.

REMEMBER WHEN

10 years ago (2007)

•A proposed ATV ordinance was tabled at Tuesday's Luverne City council meeting.

A full crowd attended the meeting to voice objections to the ordinance, which would limit ATV use for business purposes or for handicapped people. Even then, hours would be limited and permits would cost \$50.

Councilman Pat Baustian made the motion to table the ordinance, saying he was open to changing the language in a way that would consider safety issues, while allowing people some freedom to use their vehicles.

25 years ago (1992)

•Rock County's voting attitude paralleled the state's in its first primary since 1956.

Less than 10 percent turned out to vote Tuesday, both statewide and countywide. Those who did vote in the county chose Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton and President George Bush. ...

It took the auditor's office only an hour and four minutes to count the 584 ballots cast in Rock County, which has 6,288 registered voters.

50 years ago (1967)

•Milton Abraham and Sam Polzin freely admit they get a creepy feeling just thinking about what a close call they had with death about 6 p.m. Saturday.

The two men were visiting back and forth, standing on both sides of Abraham's Luverne Millwork and Cabinet Shop truck.

The men heard a shot.

A moment later they heard a noise.

"It didn't sound like a bullet," said Abraham, "it sounded like a rock hitting the side of the truck."

If the bullet had been aimed four inches higher, it would have missed the side of the pickup and hit Abraham. Polzin was facing Abraham and he turned at the time the noise of the shot was heard.

75 years ago (1942)

•First steps toward the organization of an air raid warning service for Rock County were taken last week when men appointed by Civilian Defense Council Officials were registered and finger printed. Mayors were charged with the registration in the various villages, while Julius Brown, and a cops of assistants handled the job in Luverne.

According to Mr. Brown, one of the group will be sent to the University of Minnesota for a week's instruction and will come back to conduct classes in first aid and air raid warning for the appointed wardens.

100 years ago (1917)

•A meeting of the Luverne commercial club was held at the Manitou on Tuesday evening April 10th.

A street improvement committee consisting of five members was appointed as follows: J.P. Coffey, A.J. Daley, W.A. Rowe, H. Fitzer, and John Cameron. This committee was instructed to meet with the city council at an early date for the purpose of making arrangements for properly preparing and treating all the leading streets in the city with oil or Tarvia.

CELEBRATIONS

Open Houses

An open house bridal shower for **Sun Mee Top**, bride-to-be of **Alex Hardwick**, will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, April 22, at the First Presbyterian Church in Edgerton.

An open house bridal shower for **Nichole Loosbrock**, bride-to-be of **Austin Quebedeaux**, will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 22, at the Lismore Legion Hall in Lismore.

Laura May Bosch will celebrate her 90th birthday with an open house from 2:30 to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 15, at Bethany Meadows in Brandon, South Dakota. Greetings may also be sent to 3008 E. Aspen Blvd., Apt. 510; Brandon, SD 57005.

Steve and Penny Cattnach will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with an open house from 1-3 p.m. Sunday, April 30, at their home at 1001 W. Fairview Drive in Luverne.

Card Shower

Colleen DeSchepper is celebrating her 70th birthday. Greetings may be sent to her at 105 W. Veterans Drive, Luverne, MN 56156.

MENU

Monday, April 17: Swiss steak, baked potatoes, corn, bread, pineapple.

Program: Easter celebration

Tuesday, April 18: Roast turkey, mashed potatoes, peas and carrots, cranberry garnish, bread, fruit shortcake.

Program: Two-buck Tuesday sponsored by Luverne Chamber.

Wednesday, April 19: Chicken salad, fresh fruit, cucumber salad, muffin.

Program: site council.

Thursday, April 20: Pork chop with gravy, mashed potatoes, carrots, dinner roll, fruit crisp.

Friday, April 21: Lasagna, country blend vegetables, lettuce salad, garlic bread, bar.

Program: birthday party.

Senior Dining offers well-balanced and affordable meals in a community atmosphere. Gift certificates are available at the meal site or online at www.lssmn.org/nutrition.

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

SCHOOL NEWS

Kienholz performs with college choir

Kristen Kienholz, a student at Northwestern College in Orange City, Iowa, will perform with the Women's Choir during the college's Chamber Orchestra and Women's Choir concert on at 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 21, in Christ Chapel.

FFA CHAPTER BRIEF

Eleven members of the Luverne-Adrian FFA Chapter traveled to South Dakota State University, Brookings, to participate in the 94th annual Little I competition March 31.

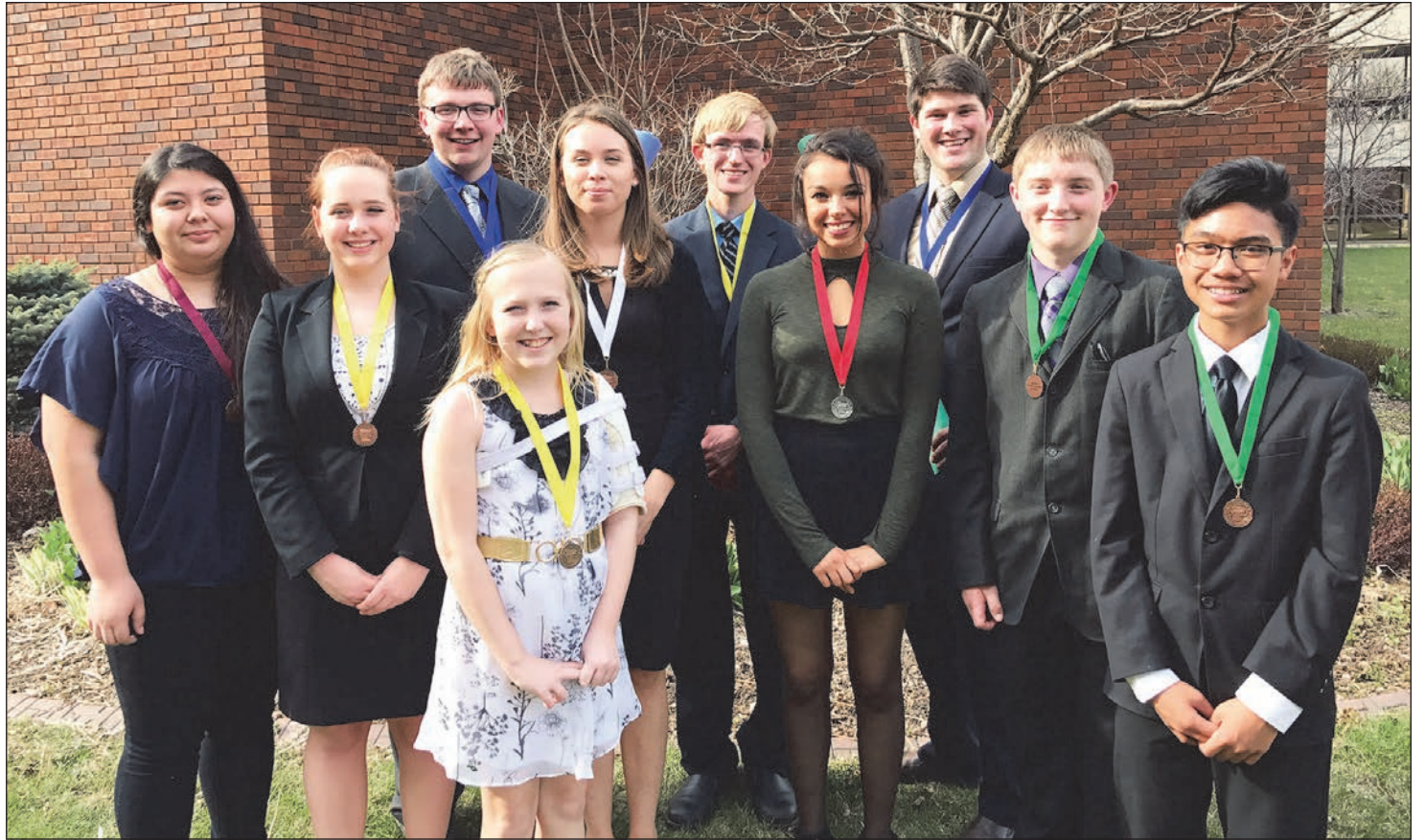
The FFA'ers competed in two team events.

The dairy contest participants included Devin Susie, Blake Madison, Paige Madison, Hannah Kruse,

Jaimie Ross and Paige Hinrichs, who earned the top individual score for the team.

The general livestock team included Ross, Kruse, Paige Madison, Kaylie Ossefoort, Riley Severtson, Blake Madison, Aleck Schoneman and Tommy Norman.

Norman had the high individual score for the group and placed 22nd out of more than 400 participants.



Submitted Photo
Ten Luverne speech students competed in the final rounds of the Section 3A tournament Saturday in Marshall. Pictured are (front row, from left) Hannah Baker, Seno Chanthalangsy, (second row) Adriana Gonzalez, Sage Ver Steeg, Samantha Ykema, Marisol Hartshorn, Chance Tunnissen, (back) Knute Oldre, Shane Berning and Dylan Thorson.

DEATH NOTICES

James Veldkamp

James Gordon Veldkamp, 82, Luverne, died Tuesday, April 11, 2017, at the Sanford Hospice Cottage in Luverne.

A funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, April 15, at the American Reformed Church in Luverne. Burial will be at Maplewood Cemetery in Luverne. Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m. Friday, April 14, at Hartquist Funeral Home in Luverne.

Arrangements are with Hartquist Funeral Home, www.hartquistfuneral.com. (0413 DN)

Pamela Butler

Pamela Rae (Lorenzen) Butler, 58, formerly of Jasper, died Thursday, March 30, 2017, in Fort Smith, Arkansas.

As per Pam's wishes, her ashes will be spread on her favorite mountain in Oklahoma at a later date.

Arrangements were through Burkhart Funeral Service, Antlers, Oklahoma, www.jburkhartfuneralservice.com. (0413 DN)

Richard Hudson

Richard Hudson, 94, Luverne, died Thursday, April 6, 2017, at the Sanford Luverne Hospice Cottage.

A funeral mass was Monday, April 10, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Currie with burial at Calvary Cemetery in Currie.

Arrangements were with Hartquist Funeral Home of Luverne, www.hartquistfuneral.com. (0413 DN)

Ten Cardinals earn medals at Section 3A speech competition

Luverne will send four students to state speech tournament

By Mavis Fodness

Four Luverne High School speech team members will compete at the Minnesota State High School League Speech Tournament later this month after qualifying at Saturday's 3A section meet in Marshall.

Seniors Marisol Hartshorn, Samantha Ykema,

Dylan Thorson and Knute Oldre will represent Luverne in Apple Valley for the April 21-22 event.

Thorson and Oldre placed first in extemporaneous speaking and discussion respectively. Hartshorn placed second in storytelling, and Ykema placed third in discussion.

Hartshorn will compete for the first time at the state tournament. Ykema and Oldre are returning for a fourth time and Thorson is a five-time qualifier, according to co-coach Caroline Thorson.

With three participants from each of the eight sections comprising the Minnesota State High School League, a total of 24 students

will compete in each speech category at the state level.

Results from other Luverne speech team members who competed in the final round at the section tournament are as follows:

Storytelling: Hannah Baker, fourth.

Extemporaneous speaking: Shane Berning, fourth; Chance Tunnissen, fifth.

Prose: Sage VerSteeg, fourth.

Humor: Seno Chanthalangsy, fifth.

Poetry: Adriana Gonzalez, sixth.

About those not going on to state, co-coach Caroline Thorson said, "Coach Folkestad and I were thrilled to see so many kids make it to

the final round (at sections) since competition is fierce. We know not everyone can go on, and not advancing does not diminish the pride we feel for all our speakers on the team."

She said team captain Ykema addressed her teammates one final time Saturday as they unloaded the bus back in Luverne.

"She told the team to be proud of their work and accomplishments, to celebrate their improvements and to use their critiques to do better," Thorson said.

"She told them to stick with speech because it will help them in all aspects of their lives. They will never regret it."

OBITUARIES

Jean Simmonds

Jean Charlotte Bofenkamp Simmonds, resident of Meadowlark Hills, Manhattan, KS, died of natural causes on April 5, 2017. She was 88 years old. She was a lifelong resident of Minnesota before moving to Kansas in December 2011.

Jean was born in Luverne, MN, July 22, 1928, the daughter of Ferdinand William Bofenkamp, MD, and Caroline M. (Hugel) Bofenkamp. She was preceded in death by her loving husband, Richard Allen "Dick" Simmonds; her parents; her sister, Joan (Bofenkamp) Donahoe of Sioux Falls, SD; and her former son-in-law, Dennis Leisz, Hopkins, MN.

Jean is survived by her six children: Daniel John Simmonds, and his wife, Nancy Simmonds, Ft. Wayne, IN; Michael Richard Simmonds, San Rafael, CA; Mary Elizabeth Leisz, Minneapolis, MN; Kathleen Jean Oldfather, and her husband, Michael Oldfather, Manhattan, KS; John Patrick Sim-

monds, and his wife, Tina Marie Simmonds, Elk River, MN; David Richard Simmonds, and his wife, Maria Simmonds, Honolulu, HI; and former daughter-in-law, Joy Zellers Simmonds, Venice, FL. Other survivors include 14 grandchildren, five step-grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren, six nephews and one niece.

Jean graduated from Luverne High School, Luverne, MN, and from College of Saint Teresa in Winona, MN, with a BS degree. She met her future husband of 60 years while golfing at Madden's Resort in Minnesota. They were married in Luverne in 1952. Over the next 33 years, Jean made a loving home for their six children. After Dick retired in 1992, Jean and Dick split their time between Minnesota and Naples, FL, continuing their lifelong love of golfing together.

As a high school and college student, Jean was an avid hunter, champion skeet shooter, golfer, tennis player, and classical pianist. But Jean's lifelong passion

was her children and grandchildren. She took great pride in their accomplishments and was generous with her time and her love. She will always be remembered for her fabulous cooking and comfortable home. She learned the grace of humility from her parents and showed us daily that spirituality is nothing more nor less than caring for others.

A Mass of the Christian Burial and Inurnment will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday July 1, 2017, at the Chapel in the Calvary Cemetery, Mankato, MN. In lieu of flowers, the family prefers memorials to be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan Ave., Fl. 17, Chicago, IL 60601 or Good Samaritan Fund, Meadowlark Hills Foundation, 2121 Meadowlark Rd, Manhattan, KS 66502 in care of the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Home, 1616 Poyntz Avenue, Manhattan, KS 66502.

Online condolences can be left for the family through the funeral home website at: www.ymlfuneralhome.com. (0413 V)

Vern Baker

Vern Allan Baker, 60, Luverne, died Thursday, April 6, 2017, at the Sioux Falls VA Medical Center in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

A memorial visitation was Sunday, April 9, at the Hartquist Funeral Home in Luverne. A private family burial with military honors was in the Eastside Cemetery near Steen.

Vern Baker was born Nov. 27, 1956, to Edward and Verla (Aukes) Baker in Rock Rapids, Iowa. He was raised on the family farm east of Steen and graduated from Hills Beaver Creek High School in 1974.

In June of 1974 Vern enlisted into the United States Air Force. He was an area chief and worked as a specialist mechanic in aircraft structural repair.

Vern was honorably discharged on Feb. 2, 1978, and returned to the family farm which he eventually purchased.

He was married to Susan Bove from 1978 to 2002. They had four children together.

In 1984 Vern changed careers and moved the family to Hills. He worked at Kolman-Athey Manufacturing in Sioux Falls for six years. He then worked for Exhaust Pros in Sioux Falls for over 16 years as an exhaust specialist and manager before a number of health concerns forced him into an early retirement.

Vern loved camping and visiting any place with a river setting. He enjoyed fishing, target shooting, and watching old westerns. He collected die-cast metal cars and tractors.

He is survived by four children, Alyson (Baker) and her husband Dana Olson of Hills, Karen (Baker) and her husband Alex Griffith of Brandon, South Dakota, Wayne Baker of Hills, and Robert Baker and his wife Kerri (Fransman) of Beaver Creek; nine grandchildren, Alexia Boltjes, Adrienne Boltjes, MacKenzie Griffith, Isaac Griffith, Abigail Olson, Caden Baker, Auston Olson, Maddox Baker, and Kaelyn Baker; four siblings, Warren (Loretta) Baker of Luverne, Gerhart (Marsha) Baker of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Debra (Darrell) Peterson of Pennock, and Bernita (Richard) Hup of Litchfield; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Arrangements were with Hartquist Funeral Home of Luverne, www.hartquistfuneral.com. (0413 F)

Joan Vant Hof

Joan Katherine Vant Hof, 80, Edgerton, died Friday, April 5, 2017.

A memorial service was Saturday, April 8, at First Reformed Church in Edgerton.

Joan Jeffer was born Jan. 14, 1937, to Dick and Hattie (Lyftogt) Jeffer in Sheldon, Iowa. She attended elementary school in Matlock, Iowa, and graduated from Sheldon/Edgerton High School in 1955 and moved to a farm near Leota.

On Jan. 17, 1956, she married John Vant Hof in Leota. The couple moved to California for several years and then returned to Luverne, where Joan worked for State Farm Insurance. Following their children's graduation,

the couple moved to Brainerd. Joan became an LPN and obtained a Bachelor of Nursing degree at Bemidji State University. She worked at Brainerd State Hospital. Upon her retirement, she moved to Edgerton.

On April 5, 2017, Joan entered Sanford Luverne Hospital for a procedure. After complications occurred, she was transferred to Sanford Hospital in Sioux Falls where she died.

Joan was a member of First Reformed Church in Edgerton. She was active in circle, Bible study, and book club. She enjoyed jigsaw puzzles, knitting, crochet, traveling, camping and watching Loren, Morgan, and Joni ride horses.

She is survived by her children, Dawn (Dennis) Vander Beek of Edgerton and Terry (Tammy) Vant Hof of Red Lake Falls; grandchildren Teresa (Daniel) Nyquist, Loren (Morgan) Vander Beek, and Joni Vander Beek, Heather (Joe) Bregier, Michael (Stephanie) Hallstrom, Bryce Hallstrom, and Katya Vant Hof; great-grandchildren Case and Kurtis Vander Beek, and Evan and Lilly Bregier; a brother, Joe (Wilma) Jeffer of Luverne; and a sister, Helen (David) Nordgren of Cross Lake.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a son, Dale Vant Hof; and a sister C.H. Kolleen.

Arrangements were by Colonial Funeral Home in Edgerton, www.edgerton-burialassociation.com. (0413 F)



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Submitted photo

Midwest Fire truck heads to Indiana

A Midwest Fire, Luverne, truck will be featured at a national conference in Indianapolis April 24. According to Jeff Bowen, account representative for Midwest Fire, Luverne, the event attracts 30,000 fire department representatives from all over the country. "It's the largest fire industry show in the world," he said. "We actually built this truck for the show." The 400-gallon flatbed brush truck is a rapid response vehicle with oversized tires and a lift kit. It was purchased by the Madison Township Fire Department in Wyatt, Indiana, and firemen from that crew test-drove it Saturday in Luverne. The photograph was taken atop a sand pile in a gravel pit northeast of Luverne. "They did a little off-roading with it," Bowen said.

Peacemakers/ from page 1A

is a prevention and education model used by communities to take a stand against sexual exploitation.

He has extensive experience in sexual and domestic violence prevention and has received statewide recognition for innovative programming.

"Men As Peacemakers believes that violence and exploitation can be prevented," Heisler said.

"Change begins with the individual, who can then be engaged and help create change in their relationships, communities and society."

In presentation material he poses the question, "It's her choice, right? Besides, I bet she makes a lot of money and she can quit anytime she wants to."

He answers the question with, "Don't buy it. People are not products. Men are more than consumers."

The April 22 event and free breakfast is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Luverne Body Shop, Quality Printing, Teals Market and Pizza Ranch. RSVPs are appreciated but not required by calling Lindsey at 283-9917 or jennifer@mnscc.org.



Going ...

The former Culligan Building on Highway 75 came down last week, making way for new development on that lot. This photograph was taken Wednesday morning, April 5, from Lincoln Street facing south toward Main Street.



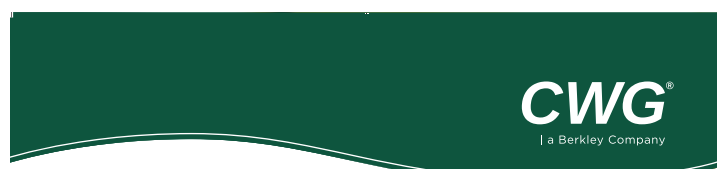
Going ...

This shot of the Culligan building demolition was taken Thursday morning, April 6, from the Main Street and Highway 75 corner facing north. In the background is the empty lot where the old yellow house (also demolished) once stood.



Gone ...

By Friday morning, the front door and its surrounding brick was all that remained of the 60-year-old Culligan building. This photograph was taken from Highway 75 facing east. The two lots to the north are now leveled black dirt.



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Road maintenance/ from 1A

Street as access to their gravel pits. That company already has a road maintenance agreement with Mound Township.

He said it was unfair for one company to be responsible for maintaining the road when another company also uses the same road.

At their April 3 meeting, commissioners approved the additional condition that Central Specialties is responsible for road maintenance from

the pit to Blue Mound Avenue.

Commissioners also approved a quartzite milling and processing permit request from Bremik Materials, Slayton, for Section 23 of Denver Township north of Hardwick.

No issues or concerns were raised with the permit request, said Land Management Director Eric Hartman.

No road maintenance agreement was added to Bremik's permit request.

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Monday, April 24

Route 2: Main St. to Dodge St.
Tuesday, April 25

Route 3: Dodge St. to Barck & Tri-State Addition
Wednesday, April 26

Route 4: Barck and to the North
Thursday, April 27

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John Rittenhouse photo/0413 lhs girls 4

Luverne's Brooklynn Ver Steeg, pictured during the high jump competition, captured a meet title in the 400-meter dash during the Luverne Quadrangular April 4. Ver Steeg also ran a leg with the winning 3,200-meter relay.

Girls shine at annual quad

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne girls' track team enjoyed a fantastic outing during the Luverne Quadrangular April 4.

The meet's name is deceptive as seven schools competed at the event, but no squad performed any better than the Cardinal girls.

LHS won 11 meet championships and placed second in six events during a commanding performance.

Seniors Kami Sawtelle and Bergin Flom won a pair of individual titles during the meet.

Sawtelle won the shot put and discus crowns with respec-

tive 36-8 and 107-3 tosses, while Flom claimed the high jump (4-8) and pole vault (8-0) titles.

Other individual championships went to Brooklynn Ver Steeg (1:04.21 in the 400), Madison Schandelmeier (2:33.58 in the 800) and Tenley Nelson (12:19.81 in the 3,200).

Luverne also won the 400-, 800-, 1,600- and 3,200-meter relays with respective 53.82, 1:51.7, 4:18.56 and 10:23.83 efforts.

Sierra Schmuck, Sydney Biever, Ivy Hudson and Tianna Doppenberg formed the 400-meter squad, while

Schmuck, Biever, Mackenzie Petersen and Gracie Zewiske ran the 800.

Schandelmeier, Regan Feit, Zewiske and Jady Anderson teamed up in the 1,600, while Schandelmeier, Gabrielle Ferrell, Ver Steeg and Nelson joined forces in the 3,200.

Doppenberg (28.03 in the 200 and 15-0 in the long jump), Ferrell (5:43.89 in the 1,600) and Feit (51.54 in the 300 hurdles) also turned in second-place performances, while Mallory Thorson finished second in the triple jump with a distance of 31-9 1/4.

A relay consisting of Ander-

son, Feit, Autumn Nath and Solveig Tofteland placed second in the 3,200-meter event with a time of 10:41.38.

Here is a look at the rest of Luverne's top eight efforts during the meet.

Third place: Schmuck, 100, 13.93; Ver Steeg, high jump, 4-6.

Fourth place: Madison Reisdorfer, 3,200, 14:14.06; Tia Hadler, shot, 30-6; Nath, high jump, 4-6.

Fifth place: Shelbie Nath, 200, 29.17.

Sixth place: 3,200 relay (Claire Baustian, Reisdorfer, Anika Gust and Cassie Flanagan), 11:56.19.

Seventh place: Hudson, 100, 14.14; Elise Jarchow, 100 hurdles, 19.93;

Thorson, long jump, 14-0 1/4; 400 relay (Mallory Oye, Hailey Kruger, Alyssa Nattress and Meghan Mollberg), 57.94.

Eighth place: Lauren Ver Steeg, 100 hurdles, 20.14; Mckenna Westphal, discus, 71-9.

Cardinals win twice in South Dakota

By John Rittenhouse

A pair of road wins in South Dakota last week left the Luverne tennis team sporting a 3-1-1 record for the season.

The Cardinals rolled to a nine-point victory in Vermillion April 4 before securing a five-point win in Madison Thursday. Luverne hosts another South Dakota team, Harrisburg, Tuesday.

LHS 7, Madison 2

The Cardinals completed a two-match road stretch in South Dakota by topping Madison by five points Thursday. LHS went 5-1 in singles and 2-1 in doubles to clinch the victory.

"We needed to step up our game against a good Madison team and we did that," said LHS coach Greg Antoine.

"Our singles players really played aggressively. We are working at creating opportunities and finishing off the point. Our doubles teams will be a strong part of our team this year. We have good depth to play well at all three positions."

Chris Jelken (10-3 over Blake Kennington at No. 1), Mark Robinson (10-2 over Chase Zingmark at No. 2), Jim Erickson (10-5 over David Pimentel at No. 4), Matt Jelken (10-5 over Bryce Eimers at No. 5) and Trey Baustian (10-3 over Jeron DeJabet at No. 6) posted singles conquests for the Cards.

Chris Jelken and Robinson cruised to a 10-1 victory over Kennington and Zingmark at first doubles, while Ver Steeg and Isaac Gillette prevailed by the same score over Eimers and DeJabet at No. 3.

Madison's Marcus Vanden Bosche saddled Ver Steeg with a 10-5 setback at third singles, and Vanden Bosche teamed up with Pimentel to top Dalton Schoeneman and Layne Curtis 10-7 at second doubles.

LHS 9, Vermillion 0

The Cardinals opened dual competition by sweeping a nine-point match from the Tanagers April 4 in Vermillion, South Dakota.

Luverne's experience and depth proved to be too much for the hosts to deal with as the Cards won all nine matches in straight sets.

"We were pretty dominant," said Antoine.

"Our depth is going to be a big factor for us this year. We have a lot of good players trying to make our top 10. We have a lot of experience and it really helped in our matches."

Posting singles wins for LHS are Chris Jelken (6-0, 6-0 over Avery Mallet at No. 1), Robinson (6-1, 6-0 over Joel Van Pearson at No. 2), Erickson (6-1, 6-0 over Owen Mechling at No. 3), Ver Steeg (6-0, 6-0 over Liam Mechling at No. 4), Baustian (6-3, 6-1 over Ross Dahlhoff at No. 5) and Matt Jelken (6-0, 6-0 over Harrison Freeman at No. 6).

Schoeneman and Curtis notched a pair of 6-2 wins over Mallet and Van Pearson at first doubles, while Robinson and Baustian saddled Dahlhoff and Freeman with a pair of 6-0 setbacks at No. 3.

Ver Steeg and Erickson notched 6-0 and 6-1 victories over Owen Mechling and Liam Mechling at No. 2.



John Rittenhouse photo/0413 gophers 12

Gopher sighting

Fresh off a final four appearance in the NCAA Women's National Volleyball Tournament last season, the University of Minnesota Golden Gopher volleyball team made an appearance in Luverne Saturday. The Gophers were in town for a joint drill session and a scrimmage against the University of South Dakota. With potential venues in Vermillion and Sioux Falls being booked over the weekend, the two Division 1 programs rented Cardinal Gym in the Luverne Elementary School and allowed the public to view the proceedings. In the picture above, Minnesota freshman Alexis Hart tips the ball away from the hands of a Coyote blocker.

Luverne, AHS take swings at Worthington event

By John Rittenhouse

Athletes from the Star Herald coverage area participated at the Worthington Girls' Golf Invitational Saturday at the Worthington Country Club.

The Luverne girls' squad made its 2017 debut at the event, while Adrian played as an incomplete team.

The opener proved to be a successful one for the Cardinals, who placed second in a field of six complete teams.

Led by medalist Anneke Weg (87), Worthington won the team title by besting LHS 402-416.

Windom (419), Fairmont (443), Fulda (455) and Murray

County Central (462) capped the field.

Seniors Hailey Remme and Madison Crabtree led Luverne with respective 94- and 97-stroke efforts, which were good for fifth and sixth place in the individual standings.

Jenna Zewiske and Saman-

tha Pierce added 110- and 115-stroke rounds to Luverne's team tally, while Carly Serie shot a 122 without influencing the scoring.

Two golfers represented AHS at the tournament.

Annika Elias and Gracia Elias shot respective 107- and 134-stroke rounds.

Dragons post impressive road victory in Jackson

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian baseball team evened its record at 1-1 with an impressive road win in Jackson Friday.

The Dragons found themselves facing a 2-0 deficit after one inning of play before outscoring Jackson County Central 10-1 the rest of the way to secure a 10-3 victory.

Adrian tied the game at two in the top half of the first inning before assuming control of the game with a seven-run rally in the third.

Jeffery Cauwels delivered a two-run double, Jacob Stamer tripled home two runs, and Nick Harder added a run-scoring double to highlight the third inning rally, which

left AHS sporting a 9-2 lead.

Adrian upped the lead to 10-2 by plating a run in the fourth inning before the Huskies capped the scoring with a run in the fifth.

Stamer (two hits and four RBIs), Cauwels (two hits and two RBIs) and Harder (two hits and one RBI) led AHS offensively.

Alex Loosbrock (two innings, two runs, four strikeouts), Mitchell Wagner (two scoreless innings), Skylar Polzine (one run in one inning) and Stamer (two scoreless innings) did the pitching for the Dragons.

Adrian hosts Mountain Lake Area for a Red Rock Conference game Thursday.

LHS softball squad opens 2017 season

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne softball team opened the season by playing three games in as many days late last week.

The Cardinals lost an 11-run decision to Edgerton-Southwest Christian Thursday in Luverne. LHS went 1-1 and placed third at the Martin County West Tournament Saturday in Welcome.

Luverne, 1-2 overall, plays a twin bill in Windom Thursday.

MCW tourney

The Cardinals broke even during Saturday's tournament in Welcome.

LHS lost a 5-4 game in the opening round to MCW, but the Cards bounced back to defeat New Richland-Hartland-Ellendale-Geneva 13-7 in the



John Rittenhouse photo/0413 softball 10

Luverne senior shortstop Hanna Honerman has the ball jarred out of her glove by sliding Edgerton-Southwest Christian runner Emily Nerem during Thursday's game in Luverne.

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Boys land four titles at annual home meet

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne Cardinal boys turned in a solid showing at their second home track meet of the season April 4.

The Cardinals served as hosts of the annual Luverne Quadrangular, which actually attracted seven schools.

Luverne made its presence felt by winning four meet championships and placing second in three events.

Logan Stratton claimed a pair of meet titles with tosses of 51-9 and 145-7 in the shot put and discus respectively.

Matt Hup also secured an individual title by clearing 12-0 in the pole vault and ran the anchor leg of the 800-me-

ter relay, which produced the winning time of 1:39.92.

Jed Dooyema, Jeremiah Dooyema and Andrew Reisch teamed up with Hup in the relay.

Turning in second-place efforts individually for LHS were Hunter Hamann (59.25 in the 400), Dylan Thorson (43-10 in the shot) and Jeremiah Dooyema (11-0 in the pole vault).

Here is a look at the rest of the top eighth finishes turned in by Luverne athletes during the meet.

Third place: Jd.Dooyema, pole vault, 11-0; Riley Siebenahler, triple jump, 37-4 1/4; Cris Halverson, 100, 12.17; Dalton DeSollar, 800, 2:16.47; Thorson, discus, 109-10; 1,600 relay (Brandon Winter, Austin Winter, Jd.Dooyema

and Jr.Dooyema), 3:46.57; 3,200 relay (A.Winter, DeSollar, Hamann and B.Winter), 9:24.68.

Fourth place: Brayden Toteland, 800, 2:35.77; Kaden DeSollar, 300 hurdles, 48.11; Eli Haugom, high jump, 5-6; 3,200 relay (Shane Berning, Michael Rahm, Seno Chanthalangsy and Jonah Friedrichsen), 10:03.34.

Fifth place: Friedrichsen, 3,200, 12:40.96; K.DeSollar, 110 hurdles, 20.17.

Sixth place: Siebenahler, 100, 12.35; Jordy Thone, 200, 27.53; Rahm, 400, 1:01.59.

Seventh place: Levin Stuker, 100, 12.46; Hup, 200, 25.98; Berning, 1,600, 5:29.78; Damien Stokes, 3,200, 12:53.95; Jayson Rops, 110 hurdles, 22.34; Brogan Hart, shot, 36-2; Reisch, high jump, 5-4; 400 relay (Thone, Stuker, Tanner Wiese and Halverson), 50.3; 800 relay (Ashton Sandbulte, Jesse Kontz, Eli Radtke and Jose Garcia), 1:56.86.

Eighth place: B.Winter, 200, 25.99; Kontz, pole vault, 8-0; Stuker, long jump, 17-1 3/4.



Luverne senior Jeremiah Dooyema takes the baton from his brother, Jed Dooyema, during the 800-meter relay at the Luverne Quadrangular April 4.

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Luverne sweeps RWV before falling Friday

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne baseball team compiled a 2-1 record during the second week of the 2017 season.

The Cardinals swept a Big South Conference twin bill from Redwood Valley during their home debut Thursday before dropping a four-run decision in Lamberton Friday.

Luverne, 3-1 overall, plays Hibbing in U.S. Bank Stadium in Minneapolis Thursday.

RRC-W-WG 7, LHS 3

The Cardinals took their first setback of the season when they squared off against the Falcons in Lamberton Friday.

Luverne sported a 1-0 lead when Mark Sterrett tripled and scored on a ground out by Tyler Reisdorfer in the top half of the first inning, but RRC-W-WG outscored LHS 7-2 the rest of the way to prevail by four runs.

The Falcons plated four runs in the bottom of the first to move in front to stay.

Luverne trimmed the difference to two runs (4-2) when Gaike Nath walked and scored on an error in the top of the fifth, but RRC-W-WG scored twice in the bottom of the fifth and once in the sixth to

make it 7-2.

Sterrett singled and scored on a single by Reisdorfer to cap the scoring in the seventh.

Declan Beers took the pitching loss after hurling four innings of six-walk, two-hit, four-run ball.

Kaden Ericson yielded two runs and issued four walks in the fifth inning, while Trey Roberts surrendered one run and one hit in the sixth.

Box score	AB	R	H	BI
Sterrett	4	2	2	0
Beers	3	0	0	0
Reisdorfer	4	0	1	2
Reed	4	0	1	0
Serie	1	0	0	0
Lundgren	3	0	0	0
Roberts	1	0	0	0
Reisch	0	0	0	0
Johnson	2	0	0	0
Mumme	1	0	0	0
Ericson	0	0	0	0
Nath	2	1	1	0

Luverne 7, RWV 2

The Cardinals opened Thursday's set by recording a five-run victory over RWV.

Luverne scored seven unanswered runs in the first six innings of play before surrendering a pair of runs in the top of the seventh to post a comfortable win.

Derek Lundgren delivered an RBI triple and scored on a sacrifice fly by Jesse Reed to highlight a three-run second

inning.

Reisdorfer doubled and scored on a passed ball to up the lead to 4-0 in the fifth frame.

LHS put the game away with a three-run sixth inning featuring a two-run single by Sterrett and a run-scoring single by Chase Johnson.

Reisdorfer secured the pitching win for working six scoreless innings of two-hit, six-strikeout ball on the mound. Lundgren yielded a pair of hits and two runs in the seventh inning.

Box score	AB	R	H	BI
Sterrett	4	0	1	2
Reed	3	0	1	0
Reisdorfer	4	1	1	0
Roberts	4	0	0	0
Serie	1	1	0	0
Lundgren	2	1	2	1
Reisch	1	1	1	1
Nath	3	2	1	0
Johnson	2	1	2	1

Luverne 16, RWV 4

The Cardinals completed their Thursday sweep by notching a 12-run, six-inning win over RWV.

Luverne scored three or more runs in four of the game's six innings to walk away with a convincing victory.

Lundgren drew a bases-loaded walk and Ben Serie

ripped a three-run double to give the Cards a 4-0 lead in the top of the first.

RWV scored twice in the bottom of the first, but LHS countered by scoring three times in the second and four times in the fifth to open an 11-2 cushion.

Lundgren tripled home two runs and Reisdorfer doubled home a run in the second.

Roberts recorded an RBI double in the four-run fifth inning that included three runs scored on an error in center field.

RWV scored twice in the bottom of the fifth before LHS capped the scoring with a five-run sixth inning.

Johnson singled home two runs and Reed and Reisdorfer slapped RBI doubles to highlight the sixth-inning surge.

Serie tossed four innings of four-run, three-hit, seven-strikeout ball to earn the win.

Reed blanked RWV over the final two frames.

Box score	AB	R	H	BI
Sterrett	3	3	1	0
Mumme	1	0	0	0
Reed	3	3	1	1
Reisdorfer	5	2	3	1
Roberts	5	0	1	1
Beers	4	2	0	0
Lundgren	3	2	1	3
Serie	2	1	3	3
Reisch	2	0	2	1
Nath	2	1	1	0
Johnson	3	2	2	2

Dragons complete second test of season

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian track squads made an appearance at the Luverne Quadrangular April 4.

The event's name is deceptive as seven schools actually compete at the meet, and competition is strong.

Adrian finished the day with a pair of second-place performances highlighting its meet showing.

Senior Zach Bierman produced both second-place efforts.

Bierman finished second in the 100-meter dash with a time of 11.89 and placed second in the long jump with a distance of 18-7 3/4.

Moriah Bullerman turned in the top effort for the AHS girls by finishing third in the 1,600-meter run in 6:02.01.

Here is a look at the rest of Adrian's top eight finishes at the meet.

Adrian boys
Third place: Tristian White, long jump, 17-8.
Fifth place: Scot Edwards, shot, 37-2; Edwards, discus, 100-8; 400 relay (Bierman, White, Dakota John and Kasey Matdson), 48.62; 1,600 relay (Bierman, John, White and Chance Turner), 3:53.93.
Sixth place: 800 relay (Turner, John, Michael Preuss and Matdson), 1:47.58.



Adrian's Kendra Rautenkrantz releases the shot during competition at the Luverne Quadrangular April 4.

Eighth place: Brody Loosbrock, 800, 2:45.35; Tucker Wieneke, discus, 99-3.

Adrian girls
Sixth place: 400 relay (Katia Suarez, Katie Reisdorfer, Kendra Frodermann and Bailey Lonneman), 57.96; 800 relay (Rebekah Walton, Reisdorfer, Lonneman and Frodermann), 2:00.91.

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Remarkable career for Adrian coach comes to an end

Being on the receiving end of a text during the morning hours of April 4 turned my world upside down.



The message was short and went straight to the point, but it didn't exactly make my day.

"John, just wanted to let you know that I've decided to step down from my coaching duties at Adrian High School. I had a great run and an enjoyable ride."

With those two sentences, I realized Randy Strand's remarkable coaching career just came to a close.

It was a tenure that nearly matched my run as the sports editor of the Star Herald.

I arrived on the scene in August of 1986, one year after Strand took over as head coach of the AHS football program in 1985.

His 32-year reign as a football coach was an impressive one.

Strand compiled a 236-104 career record, and his teams finished the year with winning records in 28 of those 32 seasons.

The Strand-led Dragons captured nine conference championships, six section titles and turned in four second-place showings at the Prep Bowl.

Adrian's on-field success gave Strand the opportunity to coach in two Minnesota all-star games, and I believe his entire body of work will soon lead him to be inducted into the Minnesota State Football Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

Strand already is a member of the state's Girls' Basketball Hall of Fame, and he deserves to be there.

After serving as an assistant coach for the AHS boys' program, Strand became head coach of the girls' team prior to the 1986-87 season and kept the job for 31 years.

He compiled a 479-279 record during the run and captured eight conference championships.

Strand's teams won four sub-section titles and captured the Section 3A championship in 2009.

Since 1996, Adrian's teams have won 20 or more games 10 times.

FROM THE SIDELINES

By John Rittenhouse, sports editor

"There's no one reason why I decided to step down now. I just felt the time was right to do so."

- Randy Strand, AHS coach

His career numbers speak volumes for Strand's coaching career, but it was what he did behind the scenes that made him my MVP.

When it came to lining up stories and photos for our fall and winter previews, which can be a stress-filled couple of weeks for me, I really didn't have to concern myself about AHS football and girls' hoops.

We would do the football interview on Friday of the first week of practice, and he always staged a photo night for the second week of practice on a Thursday night.

Our girls' basketball interview was annually completed on the Sunday evening before the first practice, and I would be allowed to come and get a photo of Adrian's seniors the next day or the day after that.

Strand made things easy for me for 31 years, and I'll be forever thankful for that.

"There's no one reason why I decided to step down now. I just felt the time was right to do so," Strand proclaimed.

"Coaching wasn't a job for me. It was a passion. I would always preach to the kids that it doesn't get any better than high school athletics, and I absolutely loved being a coach. I do have a hollow feeling in my gut right now, but I think time will take care of that."



John Rittenhouse photo/0413 ells track 1

Ellsworth's Sean Boltjes started off the 2017 track season in a strong way at the Luverne Quadrangular April 4. Boltjes placed second in the 110- and 300-meter hurdles. He was the lone Panther athlete to place at the event.

Ellsworth Panthers open track season April 4

By John Rittenhouse

The Ellsworth track athletes made their 2017 debut in Luverne April 4.

Competing at an event named the Luverne Quadrangular that actually attracted

seven teams, the Panthers ran into some strong competition.

The Ellsworth girls didn't place in the top eight finishers in any event, but the EHS boys registered a pair of second-place efforts and placed in

seven events overall.

The day was a good one for Sean Boltjes, who finished second in the 110- and 300-meter hurdles with respective 18.29 and 44.95 times.

Here is a look at the rest of

Ellsworth's top eight performances during the meet.

Third place: Kade Boltjes, 200, 25.15. Fourth place: Carter Boyenga, discus, 101-0. K. Boltjes, long jump, 17-4. Fifth place: Sam Kramer, 800, 2:37.36. Sixth place: 400 relay (S. Boltjes, Robby Armstrong, Boyenga and K. Boltjes), 48.75.

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third-place game.

The Cardinals fell behind 3-0 in the first game before rallying to plate single runs in the third and fourth frames to make it a 3-2 contest.

LHS moved in front 4-3 with a run-scoring double from Ariel DeBeer and an RBI fielder's choice off the bat of Katie Kracht in the top of the seventh, but the Mavericks scored twice in the bottom of the inning to pull out a one-run victory.

DeBeer led the Cards with two hits in the game, while Zayna Hustoft and Rylee Olson added one hit each.

Olson pitched six-plus innings and took the loss. She fanned seven batters, walked six and yielded five hits.

The score was tied at four in the third-place game when Luverne erupted for six runs in the bottom half of the third inning to open a 10-4 lead.

Both teams scored three runs the rest of the way to leave

the Cards with their first win of the season.

Olson, who drove in six runs with two hits in the game, belted a grand slam homerun in the third inning.

Kracht ripped a solo home-run in the third and recorded two hits and two RBIs.

Mariah Aukes, who registered two RBIs, led LHS with four hits.

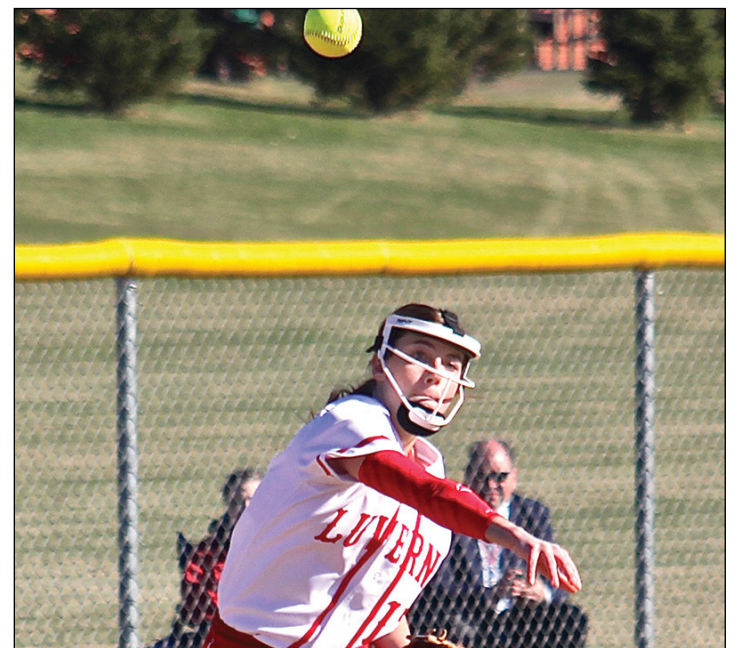
DeBeer pitched seven innings of 11-hit, six-strikeout ball to earn the win.

E-SWC 15, Luverne 4

The Cardinals came up on the short end of an 11-run decision during their season debut in Luverne Thursday.

The Cardinals sported a 1-0 lead two innings into the contest and led 4-3 after four frames, but the Flying Dutchmen exploded for 12 runs in the fifth and sixth innings to win the game handily.

Luverne batters registered 11 hits in the game led by



John Rittenhouse photo/0413 softball 6

Luverne third baseman Gracie Bosch delivers a throw to register an out during Thursday's home loss to E-SWC.

Makayla Huisman and Kracht, who recorded three safeties each.

DeBeer added two hits to

the cause. Olson tossed all six innings and took the loss after yielding 14 hits and 15 runs.

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Hills-Beaver Creek seventh-grader Oliver Deelstra sports a slim lead over a pair of runners in the early stages of the 1,600-meter run at the Luverne Quadrangular April 4. The meet was H-BC's second event of the season.

Patriots claim pair of meet championships at LHS event

By John Rittenhouse

The Hills-Beaver Creek track teams found some success at the Luverne Quadrangular April 4.

Competing at an event that actually attracted seven schools, the Patriots did more than hold their own.

H-BC produced a pair of meet championships and placed second in four events.

The Patriot girls claimed one meet title and placed second in three events.

Sidney Fick won the triple jump competition with a dis-

distance of 38-3 1/2 and ran a leg with H-BC's 400-meter relay, which finished second in 54.84. Madison Spath, Grace Bundesen and Paige Tilstra teamed up with Fick in the relay.

Bundesen placed second in the shot put with a toss of 33-9 1/2, while Kourtney Rozeboom finished second in the discus with a distance of 87-8.

Zach Scholten secured a meet championship for the Patriot boys by clearing 6-0 in the high jump.

The boys' 800-meter relay

placed second with a time of 1:41.16.

Tyson Bork, Luke LaRock, Gavin Wysong and Jax Wysong formed the team.

Here is a look at the rest of H-BC's top finishes at the meet.

H-BC girls
 Third place: Rozeboom, shot, 33-8 1/2; 800 relay (Spath, Bundesen, Tilstra and Fick), 1:55.1; 1,600 relay (Tilstra, Taryn Rauk, Bundesen and Fick), 4:23.17.
 Fifth place: Tilstra, triple jump, 29-7; 800 relay (Kenadie Fick, Samantha Moser, Rauk and Ashlee Kelderman), 1:58.47; 1,600 relay (K. Fick, Taylor Durst, Spath and Kelderman), 4:36.4; 3,200 relay (Durst, Kelderman, Lauren Tatge, Josie Bartels), 11:27.53.
 Sixth place: Rauk, 100, 14.09; Sadie Fuerstenberg, shot, 29-3; Rauk, long

jump, 14-2.
 Seventh place: Bartels, 1,600, 6:42; Fuerstenberg, discus, 73-3.
 Eighth place: Tatge, 1,600, 6:45.96.

H-BC boys
 Third place: Scholten, shot, 38-6 1/2; 400 relay (Trenton Bass, LaRock, Jed Burgers and Isaiah Vis), 48.23.
 Fourth place: 400 relay (Hunter Bork, T. Bork, G. Wysong and J. Wysong), 48.41; 800 relay (Bass, Burgers, Vis and Scholten), 1:47.28; 1,600 relay (G. Wysong, LaRock, Vis and J. Wysong), 3:48.99.
 Fifth place: Dawson Leenders, 400, 1:01.12; Bass, triple jump, 36-8 1/2.
 Sixth place: Burgers, 300 hurdles, 49.34.
 Seventh place: J. Wysong, triple jump, 35-7 1/2.
 Eighth place: T. Bork, 100, 12.54; Cole Baker, 1,600, 5:43.5; George Merson, shot, 35-10 1/2; T. Bork, triple jump, 35-6.

H-BC boys club Wildcats in Worthington

By John Rittenhouse

The Hills-Beaver Creek boys collected their second golf victory of the year when they bested the Heron Lake-Okabena Wildcats at the Worthington Country Club

Thursday.

With Preston Maassen leading the charge by earning medalist honors for H-BC with a 48, the Patriots strolled to a 26-stroke win.

Dylon Taubert added a 53

to the team tally, while Noah Hellerud and Thomas Dysthe capped the team scoring with 57s.

Parker Gehrke shot a 59 without impacting the tally.

Ben Sheldahl carded a 53 to

lead the Wildcats.

Tess Van Maanen and Hannah Fick shot 61s for an incomplete H-BC girls' team.

H-BC competes at a meet in Adrian Thursday.

Adrian golfers host triangular Thursday

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian golf squads entertained foes for a triangular Friday at the Adrian Area Country Club.

The Adrian boys broke even for the day by topping one opponent and falling to another.

AHS nipped Red Rock Central 217-218, but it was Windom that took top honors in

the field with a 196.

Windom's Jacob Cory and Tylan Porath shared medalist honors with 47s.

Mitchell Veld and Landon Runia led the Dragons with 53s, while Alex Freimuth and Easton Braun contributed respective 55- and 56-stroke rounds to the team tally.

Brady Henning and Cole

Weidert shot 63- and 79-stroke rounds without impacting the scoring.

Cade Bittner led RRC with a 52.

Windom topped AHS 219-231 in the girls' competition, while RRC played with an incomplete squad.

Paige Pigman led the Eagles to a 12-stroke win over Adrian

by carding a 45.

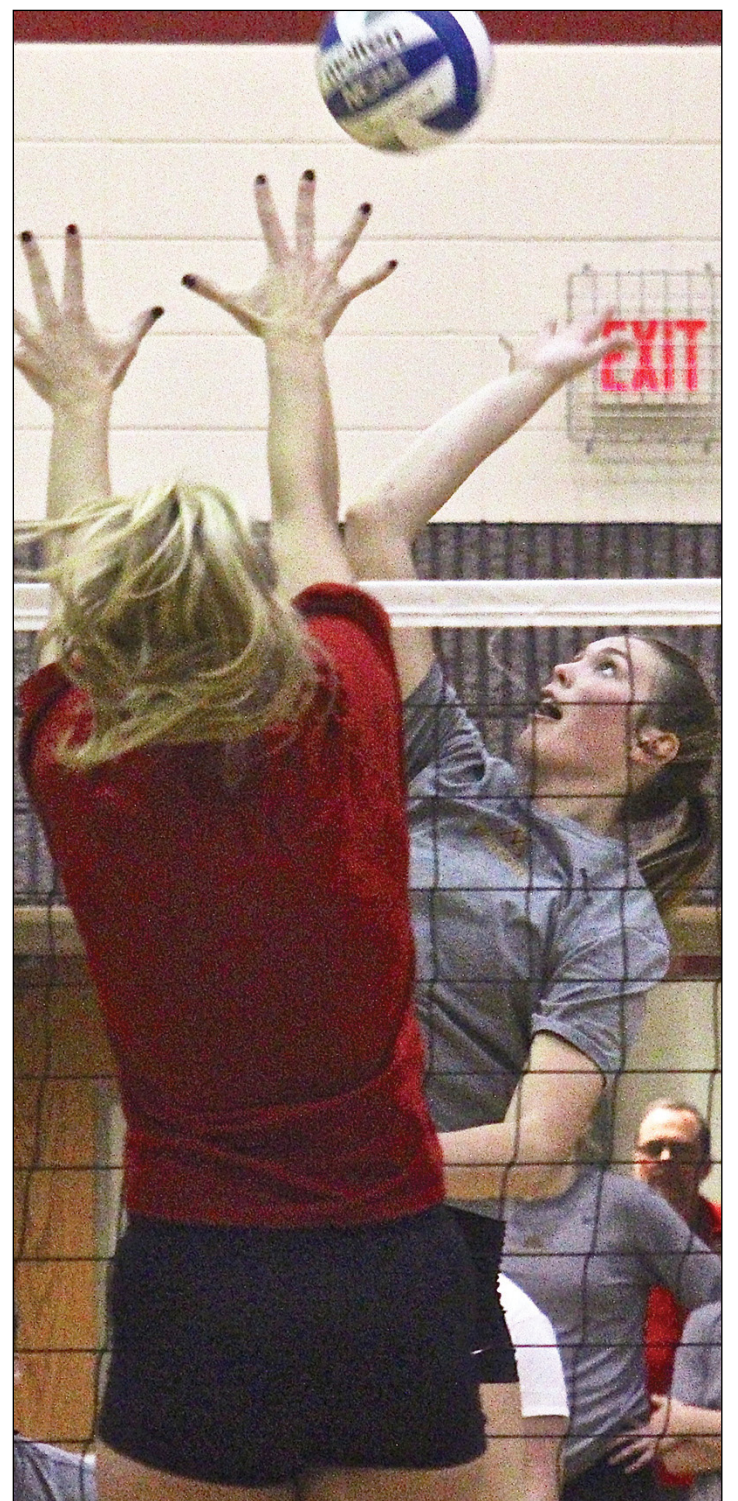
Alexia Kemper paced the hosts with a 47, while Annika Elias, Gracia Elias and Josi Altman added 53, 60- and 71-stroke scores to the team tally.

Maria Johnson led the Red Rock Central Falcons with a 52-stroke effort.

APRIL 4 SPORTS REPLAY

Dragons, Patriots open 2017 golf season
 The Hills-Beaver Creek and Adrian golf squads opened the 2017 season at the Adrian Area Country Club. Led by a 43 from Jeremy Vander Woude, visiting Southwest Christian posted a 198-stroke total to win the boys' competition over H-BC (216) and Adrian (217). Mitchell Veld paced the Dragons with a 48, while Dylon Taubert led H-BC with a 51. AHS topped SWC 230-296 in the girls' match, while H-BC was incomplete. Alexia Kemper led AHS with a 44, Tess Van Maanen carded a 54 to pace H-BC and Ella Fondberg led SWC with a 52.

Adrian Area falls in softball debut
 The Adrian Area softball team came up on the short end of a 21-4 decision during the opening game of the season in Worthington. The Dragons led 2-0 early in the game, but the Trojans scored 21 times, including a 14-run fourth inning, the rest of the way to prevail by 17. Devin Dreesen and Avery Balster, who surrendered 13 and eight runs respectively as the AA pitchers, led the Dragons at the plate with three and two hits.



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In-state Gopher talent
 University of Minnesota freshman Brittany McLean, pictured attacking the ball at the net during Saturday's scrimmage in Luverne, is a 2016 graduate of Rosemount High School.

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St. Catherine Catholic Church

203 E. Brown St., Luverne
St. Catherine Ph.: 283-8502

St. Mary Catholic Church, Ellsworth

Thursday, April 13: 2:30 p.m. Tuff Mass. 5:30 St. Catherine Holy Thursday Mass. 7:30 p.m. St. Mary Holy Thursday Mass.
Friday, April 14: Good Friday. 12:15 p.m. St. Catherine. 4:30-7 p.m. Knights of Columbus Fish Fry. 7:30 p.m. Saint Mary. Saturday, April 15: 5:30 p.m. Mass at St. Catherine. 7:30 p.m. Easter Vigil at St. Catherine. Sunday, April 16: Easter Sunday. 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Mary. St. Mary Fellowship. 10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Catherine; No Sunday School, Faith Formation or CLW. Easter egg hunt. 6 p.m. LCF. 7:30 p.m. Bible Study. Tuesday, April 18: 9:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Prayer Clinic. Wednesday, April 19: 3:30 and 7 p.m. Last day of Faith Formation. 8 p.m. St. Mary Knights of Columbus. Thursday, April 20: 1-4 p.m. Fun Day. 4 p.m. Veterans Home Mass.

Luverne Christian Reformed Church

605 N. Estey St., Luverne
Office Ph. 283-8482; Prayer Line Ph. 449-5982
www.luverncrc.com — luverncrc@gmail.com
Roger Sparks, Pastor

Saturday, April 15: 9 a.m. Cadets make subs. Sunday April 16: 9:30 a.m. Worship Service. 11 a.m. Sunday School and Catechism Classes. 6:30 p.m. Worship Service. Monday, April 17: 9 a.m. PERK UP at Mary Jane Brown Home. 7 p.m. Shelby Klarenbeek Bridal Shower. Tuesday, April 18: 9:30 a.m. Coffee Break/Story Hour. Wednesday, April 19: 7 p.m. GEMS/Cadets.

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, April 13: 6 a.m. Men's Bible Study at FBC. 7 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3. Friday, April 14: 6 p.m. Good Friday Communion Service. Sunday, April 16: 9 a.m. Easter breakfast. 10:30 a.m. Morning Service. No Sunday School; No evening service. Tuesday, April 18: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study at FBC. Wednesday, April 12: 6:55 p.m. Awana/Store; last regular night and last night to say sections. Thursday, April 13: 6 a.m. Men's Bible Study at FBC. 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, April 13: 7 p.m. Maundy Thursday worship with Communion. Friday, April 7: 6:30 p.m. Worship on Vast Channel 3. 7 p.m. Good Friday worship service. Saturday, April 15: 5:30 p.m. Worship. Sunday, April 16: 7 a.m. Sunrise worship with Communion. 8-9:30 a.m. Easter brunch. 8:15 a.m. Radio Broadcast. 10 a.m. Worship with Communion. Monday, April 17: Grace Notes deadline. 4:30 p.m. Worship on Vast Channel 3. 5:45 p.m. Echoes. Tuesday, April 18: 9 a.m. Staff meeting. 5:30 p.m. Ride & Dine. Wednesday, April 19: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study. 3:30 p.m. Faithweavers. 7 p.m. Choir. Thursday, April 20: 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

Thursday, April 13: 2 p.m. Ladies Aid. 7 p.m. Maundy Thursday Worship with Communion. Friday, April 14: 7 p.m. Good Friday Tenetbrae Worship. Sunday, April 16: 8 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service. 9:15 a.m. Easter breakfast. Monday, April 17: 7 p.m. Quarterly Voters Meeting. Wednesday, April 19: 3:45 p.m. Catechism class.

American Reformed Church

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

Thursday, April 13: 7 p.m. Maundy Thursday Communion Service. Friday, April 14: 6:30 a.m. Community Men's Bible Study. Sunday, April 16: 9:30 a.m. Easter Worship Service. 10:50 a.m. Family Education. Tuesday, April 18: 8 a.m. Staff meeting. 6:45 p.m. Bible Study Fellowship. 7 p.m. Ridder Team meeting. Wednesday, April 19: 5:30 p.m. Junior RCYF Fundraiser meal. 6:30 p.m. Pioneer Clubs. 6:45 p.m. Rachel Circle; YEL. 7:30 p.m. Awards night. Thursday, April 20: 10 a.m. Mary Jane Brown GSC Volunteer Brunch.

First Assembly of God Church

1075 110th Ave., 2 miles west of Luverne on County Rd. 4
Kenneth and Gloria Kashner, Pastors

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

United Methodist Church

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

Thursday, April 13: 1-3 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf. 7 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service at UMC. Friday, April 14: 7 p.m. Good Friday Cantata at UMC. Saturday, April 15: 8 p.m. AA meeting in Upper Room. Sunday, April 16: 8 a.m. Youth service. 9 a.m. Easter breakfast. 10 a.m. Easter egg hunt. 10:30 a.m. Easter Celebration Service. 4:30 p.m. Genesis/Revelations Bible Study. 6 p.m. A.L.I.V.E. Youth Group. Monday, April 17: 8 p.m. AA meeting. Wednesday, April 19: 1-3 p.m. Sewing Day. 8 p.m. AA meeting. Thursday, April 20: 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

Thursday, April 13: 7 p.m. Maundy Thursday worship with Communion. Friday, April

First Lutheran Church

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

Thursday, April 13: 7 p.m. Joint Parish Maundy Thursday Service. Friday, April 14: 7 p.m. Community Good Friday Service at Valley Reformed Church in Valley Springs, South Dakota. Sunday, April 16: 7 a.m. Sunrise Service with Communion at First Lutheran. 10 a.m. Easter worship with Communion at Palisade. Tuesday, April 18: 7 p.m. Church Council meeting. Wednesday, April 19: 7 p.m. Confirmation resumes; choir practice.

14: 7 p.m. Good Friday Cantata, "Behold the Darkness" at United Methodist Church. Sunday, April 16: 8 a.m. Easter Sunrise service. 9-10 a.m. Easter Breakfast. 10:15 a.m. Easter worship service. Monday, April 17: 5-6 p.m. Weight Watchers.

St. John Lutheran Church

803 N. Cedar St., Luverne
Ph. 283-2316, Dial-A-Devotion Ph. 283-4005
email: stjoh@iw.net — www.stjohnlutheranluverne.org
Gary Klatt, Pastor

Thursday, April 12: No Little Lambs. 12:30 p.m. Rock the Edge meeting. 1:30 p.m. Communion at Mary Jane Brown Home. 2:15 p.m. Communion at Poplar Creek. 3:30 p.m. Communion at Veterans Home. 7 p.m. Maundy Thursday worship with Communion; Senior Choir sings. Friday, April 14: No Little Lambs. 7 p.m. Good Friday Worship with Christos Chorus from Concordia, St. Paul. Saturday, April 15: 5:30 p.m. Chancel Guild. No Saturday worship. Sunday, April 16: 7 a.m. Easter Worship with Communion. 8 a.m. Easter breakfast. 9 a.m. Easter Worship with Communion. Monday, April 17: No Little Lambs. Church office closed. 6 p.m. Anniversary Committee meeting. 7 p.m. Parish Planning Council. Tuesday, April 18: 11:15 a.m. Staff meeting. 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Quilting. 2 p.m. Circle meetings. Wednesday, April 19: 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Little Lambs devotions. 9:30 a.m. Bible Study. 1 p.m. Parkinson's Support Group. 6:30 p.m. Youth Supper. 7 p.m. Youth Bible Study; KFC; Senior Choir. Thursday, April 20: 9 a.m. Little Lambs Devotions. 9:30 a.m. History Committee meeting.

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: newlifecel@icloud.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. 2nd St., P.O. Box 36, Hardwick
Ph. 669-2855; email: revmumme@gmail.com — www.zionlutheranhardwick.com
Mark W. Mumme, Pastor

Thursday, April 13: 3:30 p.m. Zion Worship on Channel 3. 7 p.m. Maundy Thursday Worship Service with Communion; Choir Sings. Friday, April 14: 3:30 p.m. Zion Worship on Channel 3. 7 p.m. Good Friday worship service. Sunday, April 16: 7:30 a.m. Easter Worship service with Communion; choir sings. 8:30 a.m. Men's Club serves Easter breakfast. Monday, April 17: 1 p.m. Quilting. Thursday, April 20: 3:30 p.m. Zion Worship on Channel 3.

Ben Clare United Methodist Church

26762 Ben Clare Ave., Valley Springs, S.D.
igtwtb@WOW.net
Bill Bates, Pastor
Sundays: 9 a.m. Worship; 10 a.m. Fellowship; 10:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages.

Palisade Lutheran Church

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

Thursday, April 13: 7 p.m. Joint Parish Maundy Thursday Service at First Lutheran. Friday, April 14: 7 p.m. Community Good Friday Service at Valley Reformed Church in Valley Springs, South Dakota. Sunday, April 16: 7 a.m. Sunrise Service with Communion at First Lutheran. 10 a.m. Easter worship with Communion at Palisade. Wednesday, April 19: 7 p.m. Confirmation resumes at First Lutheran.

First Presbyterian Church

201 S. 3rd 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.com
Kristi Franken, Pastor

Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship.

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.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Pastor Maggie Berndt-Dreyer
112 N. Main St., Hills
Ph. 962-3270
e-mail: bethlehmluth@alliancecom.net
Maggie Berndt-Dreyer, Pastor

Thursday, April 13: 2:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service at Tuff Home. 7 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service at Bethlehem Lutheran Church. Sunday, April 16: 7 a.m. Easter Sunrise service with Communion. 9 a.m. Worship at Tuff Chapel. No Sunday School. Tuesday, April 18: 2:30 p.m. Bible Study at the Tuff Home. 3:15 p.m. Bible Study at the Village. Wednesday, April 19: 9 a.m. Quilting. 2 p.m. Combined Circles at Tuff Village. 6:30 p.m. Confirmation. 7 p.m. Circle of Hope. 7:30 p.m. Grades 9-12 Youth Night.

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.

Only one Jesus

Holy Week is her it marks the end of Lent and the beginning of Easter. We are completing our journey with Jesus to the Cross of Calvary. It has been hard and arduous as we remember our sins and the temptations to sin that plague every step of our lives. Every sin that we recall weighs heavier upon the cross that Jesus must carry for us. We struggle with the temptation to forget about our sins and just forget about Lent and Jesus. Just skip these unpleasant things and focus on the resurrection of Easter and the joy of life.

We all know that there are plenty of people who do just that. They think only on the good and seem to do just fine in life. This would be OK if life was limited to this world. But there is another life to come that all people must prepare to live. This is the life of eternity that does not end. This life has two possible destinies: heaven with God and hell without God. The Bible describes both of these places as being created by God. Heaven is created for those who believe all that God teaches in the Holy Scriptures. Hell is created for those who deny what has been revealed through the Holy Scriptures.

Jesus came into the world to help everyone to believe what the Bible reveals. He proclaimed the Bible to be the true Word of God for all generations. He supported the Word with miracles of healing, feeding the multitudes, and driving out demons. He obeyed the Word perfectly and trusted completely in the promises of the One who inspired the Bible. He even allowed Himself to be arrested, beaten, falsely convicted, crucified, and died to prove that the Word was true in all that it proclaimed. Then He rose from the dead on the third day and revealed Himself to His followers just as the Scriptures had foretold.

BUILT ON A ROCK

By Pastor Gary Klatt,
St. John Lutheran
Church, Luverne

Jesus did all of this so that He could share what He had accomplished with those who would believe in Him.

All mankind has sinned and turned away from the loving God who created us. Because of this sinful condition that we all live with each day, we cannot change ourselves and come back to this loving God. We are a helpless and hopeless people if left to ourselves. Our only destiny is Hell. But this loving God has provided a way for helpless sinners to be saved. He sent His Son, Jesus, to win for us a victory that we could not win for ourselves. God has said in His Word that whoever believes in Jesus as Savior and Lord can share in the destiny of heaven that He has reopened for mankind.

Faith in Jesus is the only way for sinners to be forgiven, and this forgiveness can only be given if sinners begins by admitting to their sinful and helpless condition. This is why we spend 40 days each year in the journey of Lent. We are reminded of our real-life condition without Jesus and at the same time of His amazing love to fulfill God's Word on our behalf. Lent is what prepares us to appreciate Easter as the greatest gift of joy we could ever want. Through Jesus we are all assured that heaven already belongs to us. By faith in Jesus we have already died for our sins and risen with Jesus to live forevermore.

Remember Jesus and what He means for you every day. Happy end to Lent and eternal joy in Easter!

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Mortgage foreclosure sale set for June 1

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

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

DATE OF MORTGAGE: February 18, 2008
ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$135,141.04
MORTGAGOR(S): Juan J. Bonnilla Olmo, a single person
MORTGAGEE: CitiFinancial Services, Inc.
SERVICER: Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC
LENDER: CitiFinancial Services, Inc.
DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Rock County Minnesota, Recorder on February 20, 2008, as Document No. 168356

ASSIGNED TO: Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company dated 04/26/2016 recorded on 05/02/2016 as Document No. 188255

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: The real property in Rock County, Minnesota, described as follows: The North One Hundred Twenty-two (N. 122) feet of the East Eighty-one and one-half (E. 81 1/2) feet and the South Twenty (S. 20) feet of the West Seventy and three-fourths (W. 70 3/4) feet of the East half (E 1/2) of the North half (N 1/2) all in Lot Four (4), in Block Three (3), of P. J. Kniss' Addition to the City of Luverne, Minnesota, subject to easements of record, if any. Rock County, Minnesota
PROPERTY ADDRESS: 423 W Lincoln St., Luverne, MN 56156
PROPERTY I.D.: 20-0961-000

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Rock
THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON THE DATE OF THE NOTICE: One Hundred Fifty-Five Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-Eight and 74/100 (\$155,988.74)

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

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

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: June 1, 2017 at 10:00 AM
PLACE OF SALE: Law Enforcement Center, Lobby, 1000 North Blue Mound Avenue, Luverne, MN

to pay the debt then secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any actually paid by the mortgagee, on the premises and the costs and disbursements allowed by law. The time allowed by law for redemption by said mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns is 6 months from the date of sale. If Mortgage is not reinstated under Minn. Stat. Section 580.30 or the property is not redeemed under Minn. Stat. Section 580.23, the Mortgagor must vacate the property on or before 11:59 p.m. on December 1, 2017, or the next business day if December 1, 2017 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

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

Dated: April 6, 2017
Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC,
a Delaware Limited Liability Company Randall S. Miller and Associates, PLLC
Attorneys for Assignee of Mortgage/Mortgagee Canadian Pacific Plaza,
120 South Sixth Street, Suite 2050
Minneapolis, MN 55402
Phone: 952-232-0052
Our File No. 17MN00033-1

THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.
(04-13, 04-20, 04-27, 05-04, 05-11, 05-18)

Veldkamp public hearing for variance request

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR VARIANCE REQUEST FOR JAMES VELDKAMP

Close Proximity Owners and Legal Officials of the Rock County Board of Adjustment. Notice is hereby given that the Rock County Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing on Monday, April 17, 2017, at the Rock County Library located at 201 West Main Street, Luverne, Minnesota, at 7:30 p.m. to act on the following application:

A request for variance to allow the placement of a new confinement swine finishing barn less than one (1) mile from the incorporated city limits of Jasper, Minnesota. The proposed location for the placement of this barn is to be in the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 1 of the fraction of Rose Dell Township, T104N, R47W, Rock County, Minnesota.

Property Owner & Applicant: James Veldkamp
Legal Description: SW 1/4 of Section 1 F of Rose Dell Township, T104N, R47W, Rock County, Minnesota

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

Dated: April 6, 2017
By Order of the Rock County Board of Adjustment
Eric Hartman, Zoning Administrator
311 W. Gabrielson Road
Luverne, MN 56156
507-283-8862. ext. 4

(04-06, 04-13)

Rock County seeks road surfacing proposals by May 12

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

S.A.P. 067-604-030; S.A.P. 067-618-009 / Bridge No. 67K40; S.A.P. 067-618-010; S.A.P. 067-635-004 and the Luverne High School. (North Parking Lot)

Sealed proposals will be received by the Rock County Highway Department at Luverne, Minnesota until **10:00 a.m. on Friday, May 12, 2017.**

READ CAREFULLY THE PROVISIONS FOR THE WAGE RATES AS CONTAINED IN THE SPECIAL PROVISIONS, AS THEY WILL AFFECT THIS PROJECT.

Attention is called to the fact that the Contractor must comply with the **Special Equal Employment Opportunity Provisions** as contained in the Proposal. Proposals will be opened and read publicly in the presence of the Rock County Highway Engineer at the Rock County Highway Building located at 1120 Blue Mound Avenue in Luverne, Minnesota immediately following the hour set for receiving bids for the following Rock County Highway work. Bids will be awarded on Tuesday, June 6, 2017 at the regular Rock County Board of Commissioners Meeting held in the Law Library at the Rock County Courthouse.

The Major Quantities of Work are: 63,969 Sq. Yds. Mill Bituminous Pavement; 10,672 Tons Type SP 12.5 Bituminous Wear Course Mix; 52 Lin. Ft. of 16"x4' PCST. Box Culvert + 2 End Sections; 210 Tons Aggregate Base Class 5; 596 Cu. Yds. Aggregate Backfill; 72 Cu. Yds. Aggregate Bedding; 70 Tons Rock Bedding; and 733 Sq. Yds. Bituminous Pavement Removal.

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

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

Sealed bids shall be clearly marked "**PROJECT NO> SAP 067-604-030**".
The Board of Rock County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any defects therein.

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Rock County Highway Engineer.

(04-13, 04-20, 04-27)

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., Luverne, Minnesota

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 REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 582.032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED.

DATED: 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)

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, Minnesota

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., Luverne, Minnesota

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 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
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 REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 582.032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED.

DATED: 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 June 15

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: Tyler 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. 189667.
TRANSACTION AGENT: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.
TRANSACTION AGENT'S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ON MORTGAGE: 100031200012614498
LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON MORTGAGE: 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, INCLUDING TAXES, IF ANY, PAID BY MORTGAGEE: \$83,181.09
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: June 15, 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 December 15, 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 RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED."

Dated: March 31, 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 - 17-001420 FC

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(04-13, 04-20, 04-27, 05-04, 05-11, 05-18)

Blue Mound Firearms assumes name

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NAMEHOLDER(S):
Name: **Northern Plains, LLC.**
Address: **116 S. Sunshine Avenue, Luverne, MN 56156**

By typing my name, I, the undersigned, certify that I am signing this document as the person whose signature is required, or as agent of the persons of the persons(s) whose signature would be required who has authorized me to sign this document on his/her behalf, or in both capacities. I further certify that I have completed all required fields, and that the information in this document is true and correct and in compliance with the applicable chapter of Minnesota Statutes. I understand that by signing this document I am subject to the penalties of perjury as set forth in Section 609.48 as if I had signed this certificate under oath.

Signature : /s/ **Joseph Juhl** DATE: 3-24-2017
Joseph Juhl, Owner, Northern Plains, LLC.
EMAIL FOR OFFICIAL NOTICES: info@bluemoundfirearms.com
List a name and daytime phone number of a person who can be contacted about this form:
Joseph Juhl 507-935-0489.

(04-06, 04-13)

Mortgage foreclosure sale set for June 2

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

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

DATE OF MORTGAGE: July 2, 2009
ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$54,863.43
MORTGAGOR(S): Jacob Ely Wright and Amber Rae Wright, a married couple
MORTGAGEE: CitiFinancial Services, Inc.
LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON THE MORTGAGE: CitiFinancial Services, Inc.
SERVICER: Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC
DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Filed July 7, 2009, Rock County Recorder, as Document Number 171680
ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:

The North Fifty-eight (N. 58) feet of Lot Three (3) in Block Two (2) in Kniss Park Addition to the Village (now City) of Luverne

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 120 Donaldson St S, Luverne, MN 56156
PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 20-0852-000
COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Rock
THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON THE DATE OF THE NOTICE: \$86,960.24

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: June 2, 2017, 10:00am
PLACE OF SALE: Sheriff's Main Office, West Side Sheriff Dept, Front Step, Luverne, MN 56156

to pay the debt 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 6 months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s) the personal representatives or assigns.

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 December 2, 2017, or the next business day if December 2, 2017 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES SECTION 582.032 DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN 5 UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED FOR AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED.

Dated: April 4, 2017
Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC
Assignee of Mortgage
SHAPIRO & ZIELKE, LLP
Lawrence P. Zielke - 152559
Diane F. Mach - 273788
Melissa L. B. Porter - 0337778
Randolph W. Dawdy - 2160X
Gary J. Evers - 0134764
Tracy J. Halliday - 034610X
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12550 West Frontage Road, Suite 200
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(04-13, 04-20, 04-27, 05-04, 05-11, 05-18)

ISD #2184 seeks roofing bids by April 25

LUVERNE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
REQUEST FOR BIDS

Luverne School District is requesting bids for the 2017 re-roofing project of the Elementary School as described in the construction documents. Bids will be received by Independent School District No. 2184 until 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 25, 2017, at the office of the Superintendent of Schools, Luverne, Minnesota.

Bids will be opened publicly and read aloud at the above time and place. Bids received after 2:00 p.m. will be returned unopened.

Envelopes containing bids must be sealed, marked on the lower left-hand corner "Sealed Bid Enclosed - Roofing" with the name and address of the bidder and the date and hour of the opening and addressed to:

Superintendent of Schools
Independent School District No. 2184
709 North Kniss
Luverne, MN 56156

Each bidder must accompany his bid with a Cashier's Check, Bid Bond or Certified Check equal to 5 percent of the amount of the bid payable to the Owner as a guarantee of prompt execution of the Contract in accordance with the Proposal and Contract Documents and that he will furnish bond acceptable to the Owner covering performance of the Contract.

Copies of the plans are on file in the District Office.
Project to begin after June 1, 2017, and be fully completed on or before July 29, 2017. Independent School District No. 2184, Luverne, Minnesota, reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any irregularities in bids.

Shelly Sandbulte, Clerk
(04-06, 04-13)

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Sincerely,
Howie Vis
(4.13-4.16)

We would like to thank our family and friends for all the cards, flowers, and gifts for our 60th Anniversary. Also to the Bluestem for the party room and good food and service.
Glenn and Marlene Meester
(4.13-4.16)

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EMPLOYMENT

Rock Rapids Kids Club is looking for Child Care Assistants for the school-age program for the summer months, and a full-time Child Care Assistant for the 2 year old room. Hours vary between 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. Interested individuals may contact Kids Club for an application at the information below: Desiree Kopp Rock Rapids Kids Club Director 304 S. Lincoln St. Rock Rapids, IA 51246 712-472-2686 kidsclubdirector@premieronline.net. (4.13-4.30)

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EMPLOYMENT

Adrian Public School is seeking applications for two (2) Middle/High School Special Education Teachers for the 2017-18 school year. Applicants with SLD and/or DCD endorsements in Special Education are preferred along with a Minnesota Licensure or obtaining a Minnesota Licensure. Coaching opportunities possible. Submit a Letter of Application, Resume, District Employment Application, Credential Package including Transcript, Letters of Reference, and Copy of MN License to: District Office, Adrian Public School, PO Box 40, Adrian, MN 56110. For additional information you can email or contact Dean of Students Cate Koehne at c.koehne@isd511.net. Positions will remain open until filled. (3.26-4.12)

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EMPLOYMENT

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EMPLOYMENT

Adrian Public School is accepting applications for an Elementary Secretary beginning August 7, 2017. This is a part time position consisting of 1720 hours from August through June of the school year. The preferred applicant

EMPLOYMENT

will have excellent communication and customer service skills, be highly organized and able to handle multiple tasks, proficient with technology with experience in Microsoft Word, Excel, Google Docs, software information systems and be able to do general website updates, use a phone system, operate fax and copier machines. In addition, the preferred applicant will have two or more years of clerical training in office management and/or two or more years of secretarial experience. Interested applicants please submit a letter of application, resume, district application, and letters of recommendation to District Office, Adrian Public School, PO Box 40, Adrian, MN 56110. The position is open until filled. (4.13-4.30)

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EMPLOYMENT

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HILLS-BEAVER CREEK

Hills-Beaver Creek School District
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Website: www.hbc Patriots.com

Email: t.holthaus@isd671.net
Telephone: (507) 962-3240 Ext. 13

Full Time Elementary Teaching Position 2017-2018 School Year

Position: Elementary Teacher-1 FTE
Qualifications: Current Minnesota Elementary Education License Required
Location: The Hills-Beaver Creek School district is located in the far Southwest corner of the state of Minnesota. The district lies just 20 miles east of Sioux Falls, South Dakota. We are a tiny (growing) family orientated school district with a strong desire to assist our students in their learning.
Application Deadline: Open until filled.
Other Items: Must be interested in being part of a dynamic team that is focused on student achievement.
Apply To: Todd Holthaus, Superintendent, Hills-Beaver Creek Schools, PO Box 547, 301 N Summit Ave, Hills, MN 56138 or email—t.holthaus@isd671.net Letter of application, resume, copy of teaching license, transcripts, and three (3) current letters of reference.
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Applicants need a degree in Early Childhood Education, Child Development, or School-age Care AND direct service experience with children.

Must have a valid driver's license and reliable vehicle.

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Happy Easter

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Balloon Egg Hunt

What you need:

Balloon helium tank
9 inch balloons in a variety of Spring colors
thin ribbon clear tape
plastic Easter eggs + treats for filling

Instructions:

1. Fill balloons with helium and tie them off to secure.
2. Tie long strands of ribbon around treat-filled Easter eggs, securing with a piece of tape.
3. Place eggs all around the yard.

NOTE: Make sure ribbon isn't cut too long. Optimal height for the floating balloons should be around toddler height.

Carrot Napkins

What you need:

large orange paper napkin
green plastic utensils
green pipe cleaners

Instructions:

1. Take napkin and unfold it so it forms a rectangle
2. Put your utensils in the left hand corner, fold the right corner of the napkin into the center
3. Roll the napkin around the utensils, pulling it tight as you go- and roll until your napkin is all the way around them in the shape of a carrot
3. Take two pipe cleaners and tie them around the top of your utensils and napkin



Edible Easter Basket

What you need:

4 Theater box candy boxes 2 Laffy Taffy or Nerd ropes
Glue gun and glue Cardboard Fake grass

Instructions:

1. Glue the candy boxes together in a box
2. Cut out a piece of cardboard that will fit the bottom of the basket. Glue it to the bottom of the boxes.
3. Hot glue one end of the Laffy Taffy rope to the middle and top of the candy box. Glue the other end of the rope to the middle of the other box of candy. Do this one more time with the remaining rope.
4. Fill basket with grass and goodies.

Peep Fruit Kabobs

What you need:

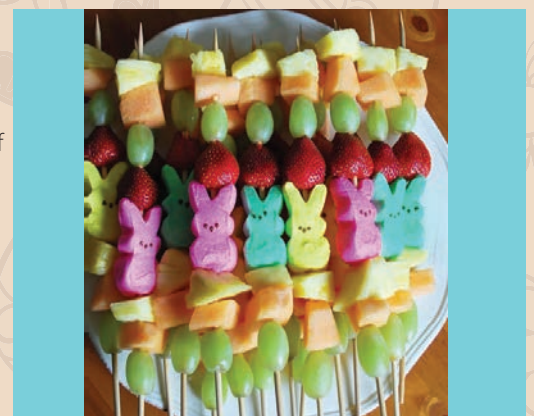
Wooden skewers
1-2 packages of Peeps (more if you want a variety of color)

Fresh fruit of your choice

Instructions:

1. Layer fruit on a skewer with a peep in the center.

NOTE: Make soon before serving so the sugar on the Peeps doesn't run.



Pipe Cleaner Bunny Ears

What you need:

3 white pipe cleaners 2 pink pipe cleaners

Instructions:

1. Take one of the white pipe cleaners and bend it into a bunny ear shape. Do the same with a pink one
2. Put the pink pipe cleaner on top of the white, but move it down an inch or so to make it a little smaller
3. Twist the ends of the pipe cleaners together at the bottom. Repeat the process to make a second ear.
4. Take your last, white pipe cleaner and bend it into an arch like a headband
5. Twist the bottom of each ear onto the arched pipe cleaner to attach them.

Bunny Lollipops

What you need:

Safety lollipops Wax paper Scissors
Ribbon Glue & glue gun White pom poms

Instructions:

1. Cut the wax paper into squares no larger than 5"x5"
2. Remove 2 safety pops from their plastic wrap
3. Place the pops on top of each other
4. Gently wrap the wax paper around the pops, securing it at the top with a small piece of ribbon.
5. Glue a white pom pom on the front



Peeps Race Cars

What you need:

Large Marshmallows, cut horizontally
Marshmallow Bunny Peeps Mini pretzels
Cream-Filled Cakes (e.g. Cloud Cakes or Twinkies)
Decorator Icing Frosting Sprinkles

Instructions:

1. Cut a small rectangle out of the top of the cream-filled cake about a third of the way back from the "front" of the car.
2. Use the white decorator icing to adhere the bunny Peep, mini pretzel "steering wheel" and large marshmallows in place.
3. Use frosting and sprinkles to decorate your car.

Easter Snack Mix

What you need:

4 c. Chex Cereal 2 c. Pretzels
2 c. Cheerios 1 bag White Chocolate Chips
1 c. candy coated easter eggs (Hershey's, Cadbury, M&M, etc)

Instructions:

1. In a large bowl, mix all ingredients except chocolate chips.
2. Place chocolate chips in microwave safe bowl. Melt for 1 min. 30 sec. at 70% power and stir until smooth.
3. Pour chocolate over snack mix and stir.
4. Pour on wax paper and let set until hard.



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