

Lab results 'inconclusive' for source of discoloration on properties

By Lori Sorenson

The Minnesota Department of Health has analyzed a sample of the substance that discolored dozens of homes and properties in Luverne's western neighborhoods.

The lab results are in, and they reveal good news and bad news, according to Cory Boeck with the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency.

He said lab tests were "unable to detect hazardous compounds," so residents need not fear for their health.

That's the good news.

The bad news is the lab results don't point to a specific source of the contamination.

"Unfortunately the material didn't equate to a specific known compound," Boeck said.

The sample tested was scraped from a porch railing and trim from a home in the neighborhood near The Lake (formerly known as the creamery pond) where the discoloration was most prevalent.

Without knowing the source of the discoloration, Boeck didn't indicate a clear path going forward, except that it will remain under investigation.

For residents wondering what to do about their discolored properties, the lab results yield few solutions.

Marvin and Beverly Hoogland's house on Carsrud Circle in Luverne is supposed to be white, but now it looks more yellow than white.

Two years ago when the speckles showed up, they washed the entire house, only to have the contamina-



Lori Sorenson photos/0503 bison buggy

Crysteel Manufacturing in Lake Crystal built the \$94,000 Ford F-250 according to a long list of specifications to safely transport Blue Mounds State Park visitors closer to the bison and prairie habitat. Tours, made by reservation only, travel along the Mound Trail and inside the bison pasture.

Bison touring truck ready for passengers

By Lori Sorenson

At 4 feet, 10 inches, Blue Mounds State Park Naturalist Amber Brooks doesn't hold a commanding presence on the vast open prairie.

But behind the wheel of the new bison touring vehicle, she's in charge of 440 horses under the hood of a souped-up Ford F-250 Super Duty truck.

And it was custom-built with a reinforced roll cage and canopy over 12 passenger seats, all of which are equipped with seatbelts.



cal. "As Luverne started the work in developing our community as a destination, planners have not promoted the bison because we were unable to deliver on that promise of a bison experience," Lanphere said.

She and other tourism leaders several years ago requested a touring vehicle in order to promote the bison as a tourism draw.

At one point, local volunteers began planning and fundraising on their own, but they hit roadblocks with state requirements for passenger

tion happen again this spring.

Other residents have given up scrubbing and have opted to paint their properties a darker color that doesn't show the contamination as clearly.

Boecksaidthelabresultsshowed a mixture of numerous compounds that didn't add up to a specific source.

He shared the report with Luverne Building Inspector Chad McClure, but information, such as the comparative samples, had been redacted to protect the integrity of the investigation.

"Safety is a big deal," Brooks said. "We did everything we could to build it with structural integrity."

One Facebookviewer described the open-air touring truck as "something from Jurassic Park."

Brooks said she's pleased with the final product and she can't wait to start hauling passengers. "I'm not going to lie, I'm pretty excited about

it," she said Saturday during a sneak preview of the vehicle for the Star Herald.

Promoting bison to tourists

She's not the only one excited about it. Luverne Area Chamber Director Jane Wildung Lanphere has long known that tourists are



Bison tours leader and park naturalist Amber Brooks illustrates how booster seats work in the passenger compartment of the truck.

drawn to bison in their natural habitat, but it's not guaranteed that park visitors will see them.

Often the herd grazes in the far southwest corner of their pasture, eluding the curious eyes of park visitors on the bison view stand near the campground.

Taking tourists to the animals seemed logi-

safety and prairie protection.

But their ideas didn't fall on deaf ears. During a series of meetings among state and community leaders last year, the bison vehicle emerged as a priority, and funding was secured to pursue the tours and the staffing.

"With the State's investment in the bison buggy and by providing trained staff to host the tours — we can promote the bison experience in Luverne," Lanphere said.

"This should bring travelers from around the region, residents and visitors to Blue Mounds for a special experience."

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Child care discussion continues; school officials participate Monday

By Lori Sorenson

There were 56 licensed child care providers in Rock County in 2016, 48 in 2017 and 34 today, leading to a rapidly growing shortage of child care slots for working families who need child care.

And it affects far more people than the working parents and their employers. Among others, it affects children - whose odds of later success depend on the quality of care they receive in their earliest years.

Jeff Andrews of First Children's Finance has been guiding a series of meetings about child care shortages in Rock County.

The first one on Jan. 29 involved

local leaders and elected officials. The second one on March 12 invited local child care providers to share what they knew.

Monday's meeting involved Luverne School Board members and administration, and Andrews illustrated the link between child care and schools.

Early brain development affects lifelong success

By the age of 3, the brain is 85 percent developed. By the age of 6, it starts to parse out the connections it no longer feels are necessary.

And for brains that haven't been nurtured, or conversely - have been exposed to toxic stress or poor child environments - the essential connections never develop.

He pointed to the Perry Preschool Study that followed the lives of 123 children born in poverty and at high risk of failing in school.

The outcome showed that

Child care shortage/see page 5A

Family Dental building to get facade improvement

By Lori Sorenson

The Luverne Family Dental building at 115 E. Main Street will soon get a facelift according to action taken at the Monday morning meeting of the Luverne Economic Development Authority.

The building's owners, Kevin and Mary Aaker, submitted an application for the city's Historic Façade Improvement project.

The Aakers are applying for a grant in the amount of \$21,000 and a loan in the amount of \$21,000 at an interestrate of 2 percent for five years.

The work will include tuck point-

ing, replacing brick, and stone repair; installing new windows and doors; and replacing the lower level storefront area with repurposed stone and cement board and trim. The existing windows will remain.

Architect drawings indicate the cement board panels will be green, but the exact hue is yet to be determined.

Sammons presented the project information to LEDA members Monday and also pointed out that she's working with Family Dental on new

Facade improvements/see page 2A

Olympic gold medalist speaks in Luverne



Mavis Fodness photo/0503 Gigi Marvin Luverne High School freshman Rylee Gee poses with Olympic gold medalist Gigi Marvin at Grace Lutheran Church Sunday.

By Mavis Fodness

About 200 community members learned how professional athlete Gisele "Gigi" Marvin kept kindness and an upbeat attitude at the forefront in achieving her dreams of playing hockey and winning an Olympic gold medal.

Marvin shared her story Sunday night at Grace Lutheran Church in Luverne.

As an introduction, she received some good-natured ribbing from her uncle, Luverne Schools Superintendent Craig Oftedahl.

He read a long list of Marvin's academic and athletic achievements in high school, college, in the Olympics and currently as a player in the National Women's Hockey

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Meetings

Senior Citizens will meet at 12:30 p.m. Monday, May 7, at the Senior Citizens Center.

Rock County VFW Post 2757 will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 8, at the Herreid Military Museum. Call Buck Underwood at 507-449-0632 with questions.

Lady Luverne Red Hats will meet at 11 a.m. Friday, May 11, at St. Catherine east parking lot to carpool to Hardwickfor an 11:30 a.m. lunch at the Green Lantern with cards/games to follow. Call Donna at 283-8019 by May 8.

Sanford Luverne Pink Ladies will meet at noon Monday, May 14, for a potluck salad luncheon and meeting. Members should bring their own place setting and a salad to share. Call Alvina Christoffels at 283-2297.

Grand Prairie Cemetery Association will meet at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 16, at the Grand Prairie Cemetery. In case of rain, the meeting will be in the back room of Orv and Sons Plumbing in Ellsworth. Call Robert Essman at 507-290-0368 with questions.

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

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

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

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

County 4 closed May 2 at Manley

County Highway 4 will be closed Wednesday, May 2, from Manley to Valley Springs, South Dakota for railroad track repair on the Burlington Northern Railroad. The track repair and road closure is scheduled to start at 8 a.m. and end at 5 p.m. Call County Engineer Mark Sehr at 507-283-5010 with questions.

Spring weight restrictions lifted

Rock County Highway Engineer Mark Sehr has announced that spring road weight restrictions have been lifted on all county roads.

National Day of Prayer event May 3

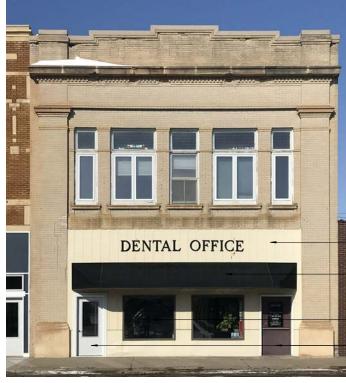
The Living Rock Church in Luverne will host a National Day of Prayer event Thursday, May 3. The church will be open from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. with a special "Pray for America — Unity" communityworship/prayer service at 7 p.m. in the parking lot.

Bank Night movie 'Coco' May 3

The free Bank Nite movie, "Coco," rated PG, will begin at 6 p.m. Thursday, May 3, at the Palace Theatre in Luverne. Sponsored by First Farmers & Merchants National Bank and Papik Motors, a free, family-friendly movie is shown on the first Thursday of every month as it was done for "Bank Nite" in the 1930s. A cash prize drawing will follow the movie. Must be present to win.

Trivia Night May 3

Take 16 and the Rock County Library will host Trivia Night the first Thursday of each month, beginning Thursday, May 3, at Take 16 Brewery on East Main Street in Luverne. Sign in with your team (one to four people per team) between 6:30 and 7 p.m. Trivia starts at 7 p.m. and there will be prizes.



PRESENT DAY FACADE





1920s history photo

Facade improvement/from 1A

signage and a new logo. "This is a good example of

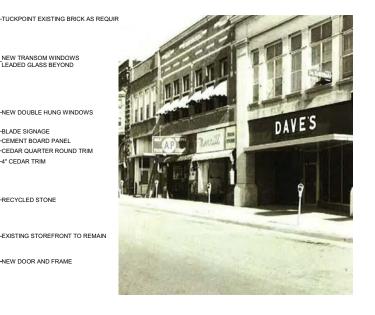
how one good project spurs another," Sammons said.

The building improvements will start soon, because some of the stone on the storefront is starting to crumble.

Kevin Aaker is a city councilman and also serves on the LEDA.

He abstained from voting and City Attorney Ben Vander Kooi noted for the record that Aaker had followed the project application process as a citizen, not as a city elected official.

The Family Dental façade improvement is the 21st to be approved through the program. Thirteen have been completed so far.



Remember Rally to raise funds for memorial

By Lori Sorenson

Diane Sherwood is raising money through her Remember Rally organization for a new endeavor — a Veterans Memorial project in Luverne.

With plans to build on 10 acres west of Shopko, the memorial would include a full-size replica of the Vietnam Wall in addition to panels that list those who were killed on 9/11, in Iraq and Afghanistan and in other conflicts.

Drawings for the \$6 to \$8 million campus include an education center about military subjects and a chapel/ meditation room, computer room, meeting room and more. "This project will be an amazing showcase for our community, and a great economic asset," Sherwood said. "People will come from all over to see it." Sherwood founded the Remember Rally nonprofit organization in 2003 to support emergency responders and others who were sickened by chemicals in the air during the 9-11 attack.

tionsinitiallywenttoNewYork, in care of Tuesday's Children and Mount Sinai Medical Center.

Ultimately, Sherwood hoped to raise money for a national medical facility in upstate New York to treat anyone suffering from chemical poisoning.

Sherwood said that facility is still a dream, but it has not been built.

Meanwhile, the organization has supported other local veterans projects, such as the Stacy Pearsall talks and phocover those costs.

Another important first step is securing land.

Virgil Christensen owns the 10 acres in question and is offering to sell it for \$250,000. "That's the big thing," Sher-

wood said. "Right now we're still in the planning stages until we secure the land."

Once that happens, an estimated \$280,000 would be needed for land surveys, soil testing and additional architect work.

So, in addition to raising ds to buy the land, the first donations raised will pay the architects, MSH in Sioux Falls. "There have been numerous planning meetings, we've worked with architects, completed lots of research, made numerous contacts and we are now in the phase to ask for your help," Sherwood said in a mass email last week. The planning committee consists of Sherwood, her daughter Adria Benson (a socialworker), Luverne Vietnam veteran Buck Underwood and Sherwood's friend, Mary Tonn, who is a small business owner in the Twin Cities.

"If it does go through, it's going to be a boost for the community and it will make the veterans in town and in Rock County really proud," Underwood said. "It would be a compliment to all who served and to future service members also."

He said he appreciates the Rock County Veterans Memorial and the Military Museum already in place, but he said plans for this one would includemore education on more details of the war experience.

"Some of it will be quite

Kindergarten program May 4

The annual Luverne Kindergarten music program, Class of 2030, will be presented at 2 p.m. Friday, May 4, in the elementary school gymnasium. This year's program is titled "The Best that I can Be," and features songs revealing some of the things students learned over the past school year. Parents, family and community members are invited to attend.

CMA ride May 5

The Christian Motorcyclists Association (CMA) will host its annual Run for the Son Saturday, May 5. The Redemption Riders chapter will be participating in the event. Those interested in participating should meet at 7 a.m. at 101 W. Maple Street (former Kawasaki shop) and leave for Windom at 7:30 a.m. for a gathering with other CMA chapters. Bikers will return to Luverne via Hwy. 75 and drive through the Veterans Home area around 11:15 a.m., then to lunch at First AOG.

(More community events continue on page 8A)

It expanded to include soldiers sickened by chemicals while serving in the Middle East.

Remember Rally dona-

tography sessions with local veterans in 2015. And Sherwood works to raise money for education and awareness of veterans' issues.

Now Remember Rally fundraising is focusing on the full-size replica Vietnam War Memorial and its related campus projects.

"This is a more planned, actual, true thing," Sherwood said.

Elaborate architect drawings detail a spectacular campus with reflecting ponds, monuments, landscaping and more.

The bill for those drawings, done by MSH, Sioux Falls, is roughly \$80,000, so the first fundraising dollars would Underwoodsaidhehopes the plans can come to fruition, both for veterans and for the community. shocking to people," he said, referring to replica "tiger cages" that Vietnam prisoners of war were transported in. "It was war, and they weren't catered to."

Sherwood has been reaching out for donations through social media, postal service communication and community meetings.

"We need donations of all sizes, and are also looking for a few major donors. This memorial will be a wonderful complement to our war museum downtown and will bring in tourists from around the country.

Sherwood can be reached at 507-283-4194 or promos@ iw.net.



Bison touring vehicle/from 1A

Prairie and bison need each other

Brooks said she's honored to be the voice of the bison and the prairie as the vehicle driver and tour leader.

"This was years in the making," Brooks said. "I was hired for this."

Brooks is the interpretive naturalist at the Blue Mounds State Park, but her primary role is bison and prairie resources education.

"That's kind of the point of the tours — to talk about that interdependence between the bison and the prairie," Brooks said.

"The bison can't survive without the prairie, and the prairie survives and thrives better with the bison."

Brooks has experience working in Custer State Park in the Black Hills of South Dakota, home of the world's largest bison herd.

And her studies focused on the science of bison and their habitat.

"The bison move around when they graze, while cows tend to stay in one place cattle eat the best and leave the rest, while bison are more equal opportunity grazers," Brooks said. "Bison are more sustainable. Also they're gorgeous."

Her tours will take visitors along the existing Mound Trail and onto a new path through the bison pasture.

"We'll stick to the trail in order to minimize impact," Brooks said.

"Other than rocks, the concern is we might hit some rare or endangered species — like the prairie orchid — and we don't want to disturb them."

All of that will be part of her educational talks on the tours.

"We don't want to destroy the biodiversity out here," she said. "We have this nice restored prairie and we want to protect it."

Built specifically for bison and prairie viewing

Brooks said they're still working on an appropriate name for the bison touring vehicle, because "bison buggy" isn't entirely accurate.

"We're trying to get away from calling it that," Brooks said. "It's a catchy "A big part of my tours will focus on respect — respect for the bison, respect for nature and respect for ourselves. We want to create that respectful environment."

> — Amber Brooks, park naturalist

•Passengers are not allowed to feed bison. "We want to maintain their wildness," Brooks said. Similarly, she said the tour bus will not "chase" bison to get closer to them. "That would be harassment," she said.

"A big part of my tours will focus on respect — respect for the bison, respect for nature and respect for ourselves. We want to create that respectful environment."

•Booster seats are available for children ages 4-8 (infants and toddlers younger than that aren't allowed to ride, because safety accommodations aren't available for them).

•Safety glasses are provided to protect against insects and wind.

•A removable passenger seat accommodates a wheelchair, which accesses the passenger area via a wheelchair lift.

•A rear access features fold-down steps to make loading easy.

•A dash camera allows Brooks to view passengers. It also switches screens to the back-up camera when the vehicle is in reverse.

•A speaker system helps Brooks deliver her educational messages on the tour. She'll stop the vehicle and step outside to the passenger area before talking.

Funding secured

The initial vehicle grant was \$80,000 from the Environment & Natural Resources Trust Fund, which also funded Brooks' position. The cost for the vehicle

was \$94,987.19. As of July 2018, her position will be funded by the <image>

Mavis Fodness photos/0503 Gigi Marvin

Gisele "Gigi" Marvin, a Warroad native, and a member of the 2018 U.S.A. women's gold medal hockey team, spoke to about 200 community members Sunday night at Grace Lutheran Church in Luverne. She shared Olympics stories of how exercising her religious faith helped unify rather than divide the team. She also talked about her commitment to play professional hockey. Pictured in the inset is her Olympic gold medal, which weighs about 1.3 pounds.

Gigi Marvin delivers Olympic message of optimism/from 1A

League.

Oftedahl had a front-row seat of Marvin's high school career. He was the activities director at Warroad High School, where Marvin graduated in 2005.

"She does have one weakness," Oftedahlrevealed. "She had 22 tardies in one quarter at Warroad High School. She still owes detention."

During her 40-minute talk, Marvin centered on how her strong biblical beliefs helped her through the unexpected difficulties of making the 2018 U.S.A. women's Olympic hockey team.

"I just want to share through the Olympic context some stories that bringtolifewhatitlookslike," she said.

Marvin was one of 23 players selected in early 2017 in what she thought was the final team before Olympic play opened in February 2018.

Instead, Marvin found herself shuffled into different offensive and defensive positions just weeks before the team left for PyeongChang, South Korea. It was as if she still had to audition for a place on the team.

"It is very challenging when you're in a situation where your entire dream is to make this team and you don't know where you're competing at,"



Luverne's Madden Von Tersch receives an autograph from Gigi Marvin on his Minnesota Gophers T-shirt.

Marvin played hockey for the university before embarking on a career in the National Women's Hockey League.

she said.

Marvin battled self-doubt, isolation from the coaches' plans and felt pulled toward verbally striking out at teammates.

She refused to use her status as the senior-most player to shame the younger players in order to lift herself up. She chose the approach she learned in church, began to strengthen while she was in college, and embraced while on a mission trip several years ago.

"It's easy to see Jesus in here because you see a cross, you see hymnals, Bibles, but I can see this in the real world," she said.

Real world meant battling temptations to choose negative paths instead of focusing on the positive. Prayer often brought an inner calm for her to focus on skating, an Olympic gold medal and bolstering her teammates.

"The goal every single day was to put kindness in action," she said.

The daily verbal encouragements and hidden written notes developed a unity that Marvin said continues today as the team attends various post-Olympic functions.

Her selfless attitude was contagious.

"So many of my teammates chose not to kick the women when they were down but chose to lift them up," she said.

Future plans have Marvin continuing to play NWHL with a bid to play at the 2022 Olympics.

Marvin also shared the message of kindness while pursuing dreams with students at Hills-Beaver Creek High School Tuesday morning.



name, but it's about so much more than the bison."

The truck, built specifically for getting park visitors closer to the bison and prairie habitat — inside the bison pasture at the park — was manufactured by Crysteel in Lake Crystal according to a long list of specifications.

"This is the vehicle we asked for and they built it for us," Brooks said.

•It has a reinforced roll cage and double-bar side protection (in case of curious bison).

•An overhead canopy with rain gutters protects visitors from the elements. "You're enclosed, but you're really still part of the prairie," Brooks said.

•There are 12 passenger seats, all with seatbelts (all passengers must be belted when the vehicle is moving). "It's a true off-road experience," Brooks said. "It will be bumpy."

The vehicle is road-worthy and can travel highway speed, but on tours, the fastest it will move is 15 mph. Legacy Amendment.

Future vehicle costs as well as supplies for interpretation related to the vehicle (binoculars, bison artifacts, etc.) will also be covered by the Legacy Amendment funding.

Now, Brooks said she's looking forward to tour passengers.

"It's here for the community," she said. "It's here for the public."

Tours are offered Friday, Saturday and Sunday starting Memorial Day weekend.

The website went live Sunday and will begin accepting reservations soon. It can be found at dnr.state.mn.us/ state_parks/blue_mounds/ prairie-and-bison-tour.

The cost is \$10 for adults, \$6 for youth, and 4-year-olds ride free. No one younger than 4 may ride, due to safety requirements.

"The Luverne Chamber and CVB look forward to working with the park to promote this great experience and draw additional traffic to the Luverne community and the state park," Lanphere said.



Mavis Fodness photo/0503 Bus Driver Appreciation

Thank you, bus drivers!

Luverne Peer Helpers thanked about a dozen local school bus drivers Thursday morning during an appreciation breakfast at the Luverne Pizza Ranch. Drivers were treated to breakfast pizza, cactus bread and biscuits and gravy during the buffet-style event. "They are kind of underappreciated," peer helper and senior student Sierra Schmuck said. Peer helpers also conducted appreciation events for school paraprofessionals

and office staff and are planning an event for teachers and janitors. "We just wanted to thank everyone," said junior Mackenzie Petersen.

Pictured at right, sophomore Amelia Jarchow shakes hands with bus driver Tom Fick, thanking him for his dedication to the safe transport of students to and from school.



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What's in a name?

'Not Our Cat' has many designations

Since our dearly beloved cat Harry went to the Big Cat House in the sky a few years ago, our home has been bliss-

fully free of pets. (With apologies to pet lovers everywhere.)

I know that pet adoption is all the rage these days. People don't get a pet anymore, they "adopt" or "rescue" a pet. My husband and I have done neither, but a cat, who is not our cat, has adopted us.

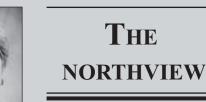
She appeared on our deck a few years ago, and because we are clever, we called her "Deck Kitty." She wandered from the city park to our deck and spent daytime hours in the sun. Guests would compliment us on our pretty, calico kitty and my husband would say, "That's not our cat."

But winter arrived and the cat became a garage dweller for a season and received the name "Garage Kitty." That winter she lived with two visiting Rottweilers who slept with her on a queensized mattress on the floor.

Spring came, the dogs moved home, and Garage Kitty became Deck Kitty again. She spent her days in the park killing "not our baby bunnies" and leaving them on the deck as tokens of her appreciation. (Do cats have appreciation? I doubt it.)

One day she tried to accompany a guest into our house. The guest asked if she should allow the cat in. My husband said, 'That's not our cat."

She became friendlier. When she first arrived she was a typical wild kitty, spooky and nervous. She became calmer and even let



By Brenda Winter, Columnist

She wandered from the city park to our deck and spent daytime hours in the sun. Guests would compliment us on our pretty, calico kitty and my husband would say, "That's not our cat."

the Toddler Girl hold her once in awhile. One day I asked the Toddler Girl, "What do you think the kitty's name is?" Without hesitation the child replied, "Bingo!" (As in Bingo is her name-o.)

And so, Deck Kitty was called Bingo until the Toddler Girl's cousin came and mis-heard "Bingo" as "Mango" and Bingo, the cat with many names, got one more and became Mango.

Which is her current designation unless you ask my husband about the cat's name. He will reply, "I don't know. That's not our cat."

It takes us to lower traffic deaths

Toward Zero Deaths is a statewide program where everyone who drives plays a role in the program's success.

So far TZD has slowly lowered the number of fatalities occurring on our roadways each year.

Twenty years ago, traffic fatalities in Minnesota began averaging more than 600 each year.

By 2003 that number was 655 of our friends and family members dying as a result of a vehicle crash.

That same year, the state adopted TZD to reduce traffic crashes, injuries and deaths on Minnesota roads. TZD uses the five E's to public safety: education, enforcement, engineering, emergency services and it's everyone's responsibility to drive safely on our roadways.

Since its implementation, TZD

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has seen deaths from vehicle accidents drop almost in half, to 357 last year.

However, according to our local state patrol officials, excessive speed continues to be a factor in the majority of accident occurrences - with distracted driving gaining — in reasons why accidents happen.

In 2011 there were 20 serious injury and six fatal accidents involving driving while distracted. By 2020 the Minnesota Highway Patrol projects fatal accidents will outnumber serious accidents by 20 to 16.

And it all comes down to human

choices.

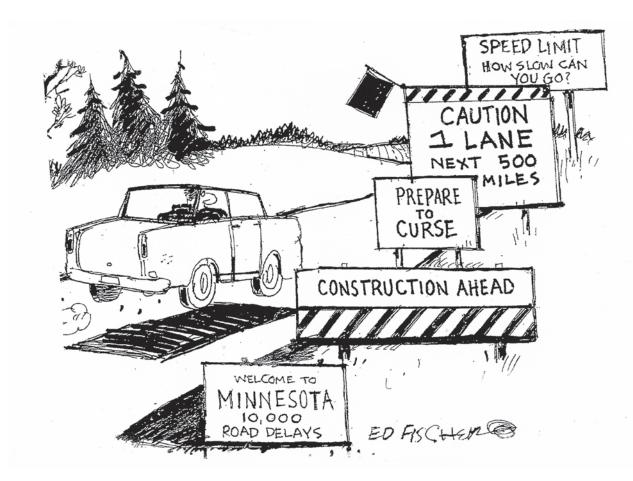
We choose to exceed the speed limit.

We choose to let distractions take our eyes and minds away from driving.

Fortunately we can easily control these factors by exercising some good judgment when getting behind the wheel.

While we have gradually adopted seatbeltuse(almost90percentofusdid in 2017), we can also let up on the gas and limit the distractions while we drive.Let's make Toward Zero Deaths just

plain Zero Deaths in the years to come.



Visibility garments, car horn use ensure roadway safety

Question: What is your policy on troopers wearing the high visibility safety vests while at a crash scene? Stay safe out there. Answer: All workers (tow truck drivers, EMS, fire, police



ASK A TROOPER

Wear a poppy, honor our veterans

To the Editor:

Poppy Day is coming this month of May and there is a meaning behind Poppy Day. The red poppy has served as an official symbol of remembrance for the American Legion Family for nearly a century. Millions of red crepe paper poppies made by Veterans as part of therapeutic rehabilitation have been distributed in exchange for donations that support the welfare of veterans, active military personnel and their families. The symbolism in wearing a red poppy can be traced to the efforts of one woman, Moina Michael. In 1918 she was inspired by the poem "In Flanders Fields," written by Canadian Lt. Col. John McCrae, a medical doctor. McCrae penned his famous war poem in 1915 for the funeral of a fellow friend and soldier, Alexis Helmer, who died during the Second Battle of Ypres. After reading "In Flanders Fields," Moina Michaels wrote a poem of her own titled "We Shall Keep the Faith." The last stanza expressed her idea to wear a poppy.

VOICE OF OUR READERS

etc.) who are working at a crash scene are required to wear high visibility garments or approved fire departmentgear, perthe Minnesota Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and the Federal Highway Administration.

The Minnesota State Patrol policy complies with state and federal regulations. It states that it's mandatory to wear the high visibility apparel when employees are involved in activities such as working at crash scenes, directing traffic, investigating crashes, conducting vehicle inspection, working road construction details, handling lane closures or obstructed roadways, and when managing disasters within the right of way.

High visibility garments are notmandatoryforlawenforcement personnel on routine traffic stops or in situations where it would create a greater safety hazard for the officer. An example would be a person with a gun-type situation that occurs along the highway.

High visibility garments are part of a nationwide worker safety project to reduce deaths and injuries. The high visibility garment standard has been successful in saving lives and preventing injuries

to workers in all occupations who work on our busy highways, streets, roads and parking lots.

Emergency responders are provided training on the importance of wearing safety equipment for our own safety and how to protect a crash scene to keep everyone safe.

Ouestion: I noticed that the horn on my vehicle does not work. Is there a law that says a vehicle must have a working horn and when it can be used?

Answer: According to state law, your vehicle must have a horn that's "in good working order and capable of emitting sound audible under normal conditions from a distance of not less than 200 feet. The horn or other warning device must not emit an unreasonably loud or harsh sound or a whistle." I believe the definition of whistle is quite clear, and use common sense to determine if a horn is unreasonably loud or harsh. If it's too loud or harsh, it could violate

a local noise ordinance.

Minnesota law says it's legal to honk a horn when it's "reasonably necessary to insure safe operation" on the road. For example, that would include warning other vehicles, pedestrians or animals as needed to avoid a crash.

If it's not a safety situation, it's illegal to honk the horn on the road. Excessive or illegal use of the horn could result in a road rage scenario, so only use it when needed for safety.

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

If you have any questions concerning traffic-related laws or issues in Minnesota, send your questions to Sgt. Troy Christianson -Minnesota State Patrol at 2900 48th Street NW, Rochester MN 55901-5848. Or at (Troy.Christianson@ state.mn.us) Twitter: MSPPIO_ SOUTH.

"And now the Torch and Poppy Red We wear in honor of our dead.

Fear not that ye have died for naught;

We'll teach the lesson that ye wrought

In Flanders Fields.

Moina decided she would always wear a poppy to honor the fallen, and shared her idea with businessmen attending a conference at her workplace. They were so encouraged by the idea they gave her \$10.00 and asked her to purchase poppies for them to wear - essentially the first time a donation was accepted in exchange for the small flower.

The following year, Michael's efforts were recognized by the American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary when both organizations adopted the poppy as the national memorial flower during their annual conventions.

This month the American Legion Family is asking all Americans to wear a poppy on National Poppy Day (Memorial Day.)

In 1977 American Legion Auxiliary National President Norma Brown said of the poppy's significance, "What we must keep in mind is that the basic purpose of wearing the poppy before and on Memorial Day is to honor our nation's war dead. It is an individual's personal gesture of remembrance of the sacrifice made by our fallen Americans.

In 2017 Congress passed legislation in support of National Poppy Day. Also, Poppy posters are made to ask the businesses to donate money and ask them to hang posters in their windows so passers-by see them to honor our servicemen and women.

Delores Mulligan Volunteer of American Legion Auxiliary Post 123, Luverne

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through high quality early childhoodeducation, children from at-risk environments showed marked increases in school success, employment and family relationships.

The study followed the children for 40 years and noted that in terms of societal resources, every \$1 spent on early childhood intervention had a return of \$10 to \$15.

They needed fewer special education services, had less contact with law enforcement and were more productive, contributing citizens.

It's about community vitality

This matters, Andrews said, because working parents who have limited child care options may not have access to nurturing and stimulating learning environments for their infants and children.

And when this happens at critical brain development years - essentially when most infants and children are in child care settings - it can have lasting effects for school and professional futures.

For these reasons, among many others, Andrews said it's important that communities are proactive about addressing child care shortages.

"It's about community vitality and about giving working parents the opportunity to go to work," Andrews said.

"There is real value to child care services not only to families receiving direct care but to the community."

Through his work at First



Lori Sorenson photo/0503 child care discussion school

Jeff Andrews of First Children's Finance addresses a group of Luverne school and city leaders about the child care shortage in Rock County. He said working parents who have limited child care options may not have access to nurturing and stimulating learning environments for their infants and children. And when this happens at critical brain development years - essentially when most infants and children are in child care settings - it can have lasting effects for school and professional futures.

Children's Finance, Andrews focuses on the business side of child care and helping providers develop successful business models and look at feasibility studies.

He said many in-home providers often fall into the business when they can't find child care for their own children, so they stay home and take on a few other children, and before they know it they're in the child care business.

Andrews encourages providers to develop a business plan and realize their economic value in a community.

Benson District takes lead on child care center

At Monday's meeting, Shelly Vergin of Benson Community Education was invited to share how the Benson School District took the lead in that small community of 3,000 to establish a child care center.

It started in 1994 with a before-and-after-school program for school age children, and it later extended care into the summer months.

In 2015 it added a preschool program which led to the natural progression to expand the program to

accept infants and toddlers in 2017when the school and community partners converted a 1920s former middle school building into a centerbased child care.

Vergin shared information about how the center doesn't make a profit, but it receives help from the city, county, grants, community foundation, a family foundation and other local donors to cover deficits.

She said their program accommodates 16 infants, 28 toddlers, 42 preschoolers and 56 school age children. Staff

members - 12 full time and 8 part time — are employed by the Benson School District and licensed by the state.

The Benson "Discovery Kids" child care center is full and starting a waiting list, and the community in-home providers also remain full.

Vergin joked that the program is still in its "diaper stages" and that the project leaders are still learning every day.

But she said the community has found a model that works and that has support of residents, employers and government leaders.

More than one solution

Emily Crabtree with the Luverne Area Community Foundation and Holly Sammons with the Luverne Economic Development Authority have been working with the local committee charged with exploring child care options.

They said the Benson model is one example of what can work in a community, and they said they wanted to bring the information to Luverne for discussion and consideration.

"We've been talking about this for 25 years," Crabtree said. "What comes from tonight ... if it turns your wheels, we'll call it successful."

Sammons said there may not be a single solution to Rock County's child care shortage; it may be several solutions.

'The process at this point is more important than the end result," she said. "We're vetting all options, hoping to connect people with resources, through a variety of facilitated conversations."

Another child care meeting to continue the conversation is set for May 7 in Grand Prairie **Events**

That one will invite local business leaders and employers and will focus on how they are affected by the child care shortage if and when their employees struggle with reliable child care.

A final meeting, the date for which will be announced, will involve the entire community and will attempt to wrap up and summarize the smaller, targeted discussions.

ON THE RECORD

Dispatch report Åpril 20

•Complainant requested subject be fingerprinted for probation.

 Complainant reported vandalism on Main Street. Complainant reported a

hit and run on Kniss Ave.

 Complainant reported reckless driving on Kniss Ave. •Complainant reported she is stuck in the carwash on

Kniss Ave. •Complainant requested transient pick up in Magnolia.

•Complainant reported sue with lights at the airport. to speak with a deputy about threats.

•Complainant requested a PBT on Cedar Street. •Complainant reported a

vehicle with hazardous driving on I-90. •Complainant reported

activated commercial burglary alarm on Interstate Drive. April 22

•Complainant reported domestic assault.

•Reserved for domestic arrest.

•Reserved for assault case. •Complainant reported erratic driving on Main Street.

 Complainant requested a welfare check.

•Complainant reported a vehicle parked on private property on McKenzie Street. •Complainant reported

a vehicle parking issue on Kniss Ave. •Deputy on 131st Street for

a roadside assist. April 24

•Deputy reported open door on Main Street.

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•Complainant reported traffic light burned out on Highway 75. Complainant reported kids running around unsupervised on Barck Avenue.

speeding.

•Complainant reported fire alarm on Luverne Street. Complainant reported

theft in Steen. •Complainant reported vehicle vandalism on Kniss

Ave. •Complainant reported neighbor littering on West Lawn Park.

•Complainant requested to be fingerprinted.

•Complainant reported iuvenile female walking along the Interstate.

•Reserved for runaway documentation.



Mavis Fodness photo/0503 Disaster Relief Meetings

April 21

•Reserved for threat investigation.

•Reserved for probation violation arrest.

•Complainant reported generator at fire department is making a loud whirring noise.

•Complainant reported motor vehicle accident on 100th Ave.

•Complainant reported street signs missing in Garretson.

•Complainant reported kids were hit with a pipe at the neighbors' house on Adams Ave.

•Complainant reported unoccupied vehicle in Beaver Creek.

•Complainant requested

•Complainant reported a fight on Kniss Ave.

•Complainant reported mom won't let her out of her car.

•Complainant reported suspected drug activity on Kniss Ave.

•Complainant wants to report theft on Walnut Ave.

 Complainant reported erratic driver on Highway 75.

•Complainant reported possible underage drinking on Maple St.

•Caller reported suspicious activity on Bishop Street.

April 23 •Complainant requested

driver's license check. •Complainant reported

theft on Walnut Avenue.

•Complainant reported a hit and run on Kniss Ave.

•Complainant reported a parking violation on Carol Street.

April 25

•Complainant wished to file theft report for insurance. •Complainant reported boxes of cereal on roadway

near Magnolia. •Complainant reported

someone driving with suspended license.

April 26

•Deputy reported speeding vehicle not stopping in Beaver Creek.

•Arrest for felony fleeing/

•Reports of suspicious activity on Lincoln Street.

•Report of vehicle driving erratically all through town in Kenneth.

•Complainant called Law Enforcement Center and requested to speak with a deputy regarding a prior case for service.

•Burglar alarm reported on Kniss Ave.

In addition officers also responded to 3 deer accidents, 1 transport, 6 ambulance runs, 1 animal complaint, 41 burn permits, 2 drug court tests, 6 permits to purchase/carry, 20 traffic stops, 5 abandon 911 calls, 1 paper service, 4 tests and 2 DWI's.

Homeland Security personnel travel to Luverne

Homeland Security Emergency Management officials spent Thursday morning at the Rock County Law Enforcement Center in Luverne.

They spoke with municipality and utility representatives about damage caused by high winds followed by a winter storm event from April 13-15.

The cities of Hills and Luverne did not meet damage thresholds, however the cities of Beaver Creek and Magnolia sustained damage.

Also claiming damages are electrical cooperatives of Sioux Valley Electric of Coleman, South Dakota, and L&O Cooperative of Rock Rapids, Iowa, and the Rock County Highway Department combined to have \$728,886 in material and overtime costs associated with the blizzard.

The state will now approve the 75 percent reimbursement to cities, utilities and the county of its eligible costs.



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Star Herald COMMUNITY



Parents Partners in Education President Anne Shelton (standing, center) addresses students and staff of Luverne Elementary Thursday afternoon, April 26, to kick off the fourth annual Cardinal Dash. At right: Students use a virtual reality lab for one of their lessons.

School kicks off annual fundraiser

Portion of proceeds to go toward virtual reality lab purchase

By Mavis Fodness

Luverne Elementary's 560 students will ask for donations from friends, family and community members through May 11 during the fourth annual "Cardinal Dash" fundraising campaign.

Parents Partners in Education (PPIE) organizes the activity, and this year's goal is \$18,000, a thousand dollars over last year's goal.

PPIE uses the fundraiser to provide a variety of activities and materials to supplement educational experiences. The experi-

ences include swimming lessons, equipment, books and playground equipment.

Portions of this year's revenue will purchase equipment for a virtual reality lab for the school.

PPIE President Anne Shelton said the district's technology integration specialist Susan Beers recently borrowed VR lab equipment from the Southwest West Central Service Cooperative in Marshall.

"She then used it with all K-5 students," Shelton said. "Her Facebook post about using it with the kids inspired the goal of purchasing one." A VR lab is estimated to

cost \$9,500. Beers said the lab consists of 30 viewers and

30 mobile devices that link through the Google Expeditions program.

"What's cool about it is that you can go to places you can't go to on a field trip," she said. "It takes a movie or slides to the next level."

For their VR lab experience, each class chose a specific "field trip."

Some classes visited the San Diego Zoo, traveled to Jupiter or climbed Mount Everest by placing the viewer

REMEMBER WHEN

Friday, May 18.

Margaret Cook, who has been the county treasurer since 1978, says she has a few reservations about her job should it assume the county auditor's responsibilities.

"I'm happy doing what I'm doing," Cook said. "I like working with the people. I don't want to sit at a desk."

CELEBRATIONS

Births

A girl, Maria Christine, weighing 8 pounds, 12 ounces, and 21 inches long, was born April 15, 2018, at Sanford Sioux Falls, South Dakota, to Ian and Anna Sandager, Hills. She joins three sisters, Bridget, Clara and Ingrid. Grandparents are Terry and Lois King, Duluth, and Mark and Karen Sandager, Hills.

Open houses

An open house bridal shower for Kendra Doerr, bride-to-be of Trevor Paulsen, will be from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 5, at the Steen Reformed Church in Steen.

An open house baby shower for Alexis Klarenbeek and baby girl "K" will be from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 5, at the Luverne Pizza Ranch.

An open house baby shower for Alyssa (Ryan) Hoff will be from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 12, at the St. Catherine gathering space in Luverne.

Card showers

Betty Burmeister will celebrate her 85th birthday on Tuesday, May 8. Greetings may be sent to her at 1233 161st Street, Luverne, MN 56156.

MENU

Monday, May 7: Salisbury steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, beets, bread, pineapple.

Program: 12:30 p.m. Senior Citizens Meeting.

Tuesday, May 8: Barbecued pulled pork, potato salad, cauliflower, bun, fruit crisp.

Program: HalfPrice Day sponsored by TouchMark. Wednesday, May 9:

Tater-tot casserole, corn, fruit salad, bread, pudding. Program: Minnesota

Day. Music by Bruce Dysthe. Thursday, May 10: Lemon pepper fish, macaroni and cheese, peas and carrots, bread, raspberry parfait dessert.

Friday, May 11: Chicken salad, pea and cheese salad, fresh fruit, bread, blondie.

Program: Dietitian Ann Marie.

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 homedelivered meals.

10 years ago (2008)

•Students and staff at Luverne schools might not have to keep track of lunch tickets anymore.

The school is testing a state-of-the-art computer system that will use finger scans to check students in the lunch line rather than the ticket method. Middle school and high school students will use the system first during a trial period. Superintendent Gary Fisher said the system is worth a try because people don't have to keep their card with them, the lines will go faster, and no one else can eat using their ID number.

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of the planet's surface for them

2015 and replaced the group's

frozen food fundraiser with a

cards for the next two weeks

with awards earned by top sell-

ing individuals and classrooms.

The fun run takes place

The Cardinal Dash began in

Students sell the \$10 pledge

they are the followers.

their eyes.

to explore.

fun run activity.

"It's literally like being there," Beers said. "I am the guide and In the expedition to Jupiter, Beers said she could point students' attention to specific areas

beer licenses, the city council denied applications for renewals of three tavern licenses and served notice that a higher standard of operations must be observed by licensees in the future.

Applications denied were those of the Brass Rail, Swede's café and Eberlein's tavern. Their present licenses expire the first Monday in May

25 years ago (1993)

It's rarely a good idea to make decisions based on what everyone else is doing.

But Rock County may follow Nobles and Murray counties' lead on a measure that could save taxpayers thousands of dollars annually.

County Board members agreed Tuesday to a proposal that would allow them to combine the offices of county auditor and treasurer. County Treasurer Margaret Cook and County Auditor Charles Braa sat quietly as the Board discussed the possibility of this combination,

Twenty-two counties already have combined these offices, according to County Attorney Don Klosterbuer, and the arrangements have reportedly worked out well. ...

50 years ago (1968)

•The supermarket burglars who have been working in this area struck again last Friday night at Sheldon, Ia. They broke into three markets gaining entrance through roof ventilators. At Kenny's Super Valu they obtained over \$8,000 in cash and checks and a brand new safe was demolished by the safe blowers. At National Tea store the safe opening job was bungled and it is believed that maybe the burglars were scared away. Swanson's stores does not use a safe but hides its receipts and nothing was obtained there.

Kenny's has been hit by burglars six months ago and last week's robbery was the sixth in four years.

It is believed that the same crew who broke into Les' Foodland here recently engineered the Sheldon breakins, altho entrance was gained at Les' by smashing a small hole in the wall on the south side.

75 years ago (1943)

•Climaxing a red hot special session, called for granting of

There were a number of subjects covered by the councilmen during their first fast and furious hour and a half long discussion, beer drinking, spiking, morals, social disease. But when the meeting adjourned all were of the unanimously expressed opinion that something would have to be done quickly to provide suitable entertainment for the youngsters to head off a serious menace of a juvenile problem.

100 years ago (1918)

•The tenth and last of the series of auction sales held in this county under the direction of the Rock County Chapter of the Red Cross was conducted in Springwater township Wednesday under the auspices of the Springwater Farmers' club, and was one of the most successful sales of the series. A report of the receipts is not available at this writing, but the total will be close to \$5,000. This will bring the aggregate receipts from the ten sales close to \$55,000. The exact figures are still unavailable as the banks in a number of instances have been unable to close the accounts, but the total above given is believed comparatively close.

1952: Hallett opens new gravel pit

Thefollowingappeared in the Rock County Star Herald on June 19, 1952.

New Gravel Plant Now Operating

Hallett's are now in operation at their new sand and gravel plant located two and a half miles north east of the Rock Island depot.

Announcement was madelastweek by Joe Lorge, St. Peter, general superintendent of Hallett Construction Co.'s operations.

"The new plant has the last word in modern sand and gravel screening equipment," said Mr. Lorge.

"This plant is set up to produce five different sizes of aggregate at the same time."

"We are now already producing specification material."

On Hoime Farm

The plant is located on the Edwin Hoime farm. northeast of Luverne.

The plant located east of the Luverne city park that has been operated by Hallett's for nearly 15 years



Bits by Betty

By Betty Mann, president Rock County **Historical Society**

is going to be abandoned. The equipment is being torn down and just as soon as the stock pikes are exhausted $the plant will be closed \, down$ completely.

The company already has built up good sized stock piles at their new location. Harm Nagel will continue as manager. Milford Fred, St. Peter, was superintendent of construction of the new plant.

New Equipment

An office and a 30 ton scale have been erected at the new gravel plant location. Power for the operation of Hallett's new plant will be provided by two 60 k.w. generators and two 80 horse power diesel motors. Hallett's have their own trucks for delivery of material.

'We appreciate sincerely the business we have always had in Rock County," said Mr. Lorge, "and our new plant represents our intention to always render the finest service possible with nothing but the finest quality materials.

"With that in mind we now have installed the most modern plant equipment possible and we want to serve you always with the fairest, squarest, friendliest and most courteous dealings."

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@iw.net.



Minnesota author visits Luverne

Emotional thriller author Brian Freeman (above), who has made his home near the Twin Cities for 35 years, visited the Rock County Library in Luverne. He gave interested readers insights into his award-winning story series featuring three distinct characters of Jonathon Stride, Frost Easton and Cab Bolton. He told a group of about 20 Thursday night, April 26, that he likes to put characters into emotional plots to see how they will react. Freeman's visit to Plum Creek Library System member libraries was sponsored by the Minnesota Arts and Cultural Heritage fund. After Freeman's tour was announced a few months ago, local library director Calle Jarvie said the library hasn't been able to keep his books on the shelves.

At right: Freeman autographs one of his books for Luverne resident Sue Bynum.

Mavis Fodness photos/0503 Author Brian Freeman



Local FCCLA chapter increases its membership, participation

By Mavis Fodness

Luverne High School FCCLA Chapter tripled its membership over the past year thanks to the efforts of a dozen current members.

Juniors Lindsey Roemeling and Jacinda Hustoft presented information about the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America chapter Thursday night, April 26, to school board officials.

Today our chapter contains over 50 members, boys and girls, in both middle school and high school," Roemeling said.

Last year the chapter membership consisted of 12 sophomores

"Our chapter has been able to flourish," Roemeling said. Existing members used open houses, promotional posters, verbal invitations and classroom presentations to draw students' attention to the organization.

Members stayed engaged through various fundraising events plus member events such as ice cream socials and weekly officer meetings.

One aspect of the organization has students competing in more than 50 different categories through Students Taking Action with Recognition presentation program.

STAR competitions are conducted at regional, state and national levels with the top scorers earning the state and national trips.

For Luverne, 43 students competed at the regional STAR event with 41 students qualifying for the recent state convention

Thirty-eight students attended the state convention with adviser Carmen Thompson.



Five members of the Luverne High School FCCLA Chapter earned trips to the National Family, Career and Community Leaders of America Convention beginning June 28 in Atlanta, Georgia. Trip earners include (from left) Sage Ver Steeg, Zoe DeBates, Jacinda Hustoft and Lindsey Roemeling. Missing from photo is Shane Berning.

Luverne earns chapter award at state convention

Luverne's FCCLA members earned state recognition due to its large number of awards given to its members at the April 20-21 state convention in the Twin Cities.

Twenty students earned 11 gold awards at the state event. Students include Ashlee Boltjes, Zoe DeBates, Shane Berning, Mikayla Weiderhoft, Courtney Wendland, Sage Ver Steeg, Jacinda Hustoft, Lindsey Roemeling, Carissa Cunningham, Nicole Hoogland, Seno Chanthalangsy, Kinsie Hamann, Kacie Kracht, Hannah Baker, Rylee Anderson, Pierce Cunningham, Parker Carbonneau, Ross Bergman, Ella Lanoue and Cedar Viessman.

Roemeling was elected state vice president of community service at the convention.

At the regional level, Carissa Cunningham was elected southwest region president. Adriana Gonzalez is secretary and Courtney Wendland is southwest region peer educator.

Five students move on to national competition

Five students will compete at the national convention beginning June 28 in Atlanta, Georgia.

Roemeling and Hustoft will present the same chapter-inreview presentation given at the school board meeting at the national event.

Shane Berning and Zoe DeBates will present their "Luverne Gateway" idea in the hospitality and tourism category.

Before the June event, the pair plans to add information to their presentation.

"We actually want to bring this into the Chamber to see if this could be real," DeBates said.

Luverne Gateway is an online store where locals as well as visitors can plan a night out, family day package or homeaway-from-home package by selecting various coupons.

Some coupons are free, and some larger packages are of-

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OBITUARIES

Donna Edmundson

Donna Sophia Edmundson, age 80, of Garretson, passed away on Monday, April 23, 2018, at the Sanford Hospice Cottage in Luverne after a courageous battle with Progressive Supranuclear Palsy (PSP), a rare neurodegenerative disease.

Donna was

born on May 27, 1937, in Sioux Falls, to Clemence and Marie (Meyer) Oppold. She grew up on a farm between Sioux Falls and Harrisburg and graduated from Harrisburg High School in 1955. She married LeMoyne Edmundson on February 28, 1960, at Palisade Lutheran Church. Donna worked at E.W. Smith Insurance in Sioux Falls and Rock County Bank in Luverne prior to raising her three children on their family farm in rural Garretson. She then worked for 24 years at Palisade Manor in Garretson where she was knownforherpersistentwork ethic, positive attitude, warm smile and patience. Donna was also an active member of Palisade Lutheran Church and was involved in Ladies Aid, WELCA Circle and taught Sunday school when her children were younger. She loved her grandchildren and enjoyed attending their various school activities and sporting events. Whether it was hockey, basketball, baseball or attending county fairs, she always supported her grandchildren and all of their aspirations. She had a love for the Minnesota sports teams, but was truly an avid Minnesota Twins fan. She also enjoyed sewing, gardening, baking, and cooking. She made wonderful meals that were a trademark of all family gatherings. Donna always looked forward to having a houseful of family for holidays and summer road trips with them to the Black Hills. The love and compassion

she had for her family and friends will forever be cherished — she always chose to see

the good in everyone. We may have lost Donna in a physical presence, but she is here in spirit with us all. We firmly believe, as she also did and taught us to believe, that someday our

Heavenly Father will reunite us again. Until then, as a family, we are thankful and eternally grateful to have had her in our lives and see the ways in which she touched others' lives as well.Donnawasawomanwho embodied grace, and despite her complications with (PSP) in later years, her dignity still remained. She was a woman of faith and led a selfless lifealways passionate and willing to serve others. Donna will be greatly missed by so many but never forgotten. She loved angels and now we have gained

the best one. Survivors include her husband, LeMoyne, Garretson; children: Karla (Steve) Grogan, Eagan, MN, Kelvin (Melissa) Edmundson, Garretson, and Kristen (Erik) Nelson, Sioux Falls; six grandchildren: Derek Grogan, Alyssa Grogan, Cheyenne Edmundson, Haley Edmundson, Carter Nelson and Lexi Nelson; siblings: Lloyd (Shirley) Oppold, Paul Oppold, and Delores (Howard) Schmuck, all of Sioux Falls; several nieces and nephews, and many life-long friends. She was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Walt Oppold; and a brotherin-law, Wayne Edmundson. Funeral services will begin at 10:30 AM Saturday, April 28, 2018, at Palisade Lutheran Church, Hwy 23 and 121st Street rural Garretson. Visitation will be from 5-7:00 PM Friday with family present at the Minnehaha Funeral Home in Garretson.

Walter Baustian Jr.

Walter Henry Baustian Jr., 84, Luverne, died Friday, April 27, 2018, at the Minnesota Veterans Home in Luverne. A funeral Mass will be at 10:30 a.m.

Saturday, May 5, at St. Catherine Catholic Church in Luverne. Burial will be in the St. Catherine Cemetery with full mili-

tary honors provided by the Luverne American Legion and VFW. Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m. Friday, May 4, at Dingmann Funeral Home in Luverne with a prayer service at 7 p.m. Visitation will also be one hour prior to the service at the church.

Walter Baustian Jr. was born on April 1, 1934, to Walter Sr. and Frances (Brandenburg) Baustian as the tenth of twelve children, living most of his life on a farm in Springwater Township in Rock County. Walter attended country school in Rock County and graduated from Luverne High School in 1952. Following his graduation, he helped on the family farm and then served in the United States Navy from November 1955 to August 1957. Walter married Jean Siemonsma on Aug. 12, 1958, at St. Ann Catholic Church in Humboldt, South Dakota. The couple farmed northwest of Luverne for over 50 years before retiring and moving to Luverne. Following retirement, Walter worked at the Minnesota Travel Center until 2014. Walter was a member of St. Catherine Catholic Church, serving as a member of the 3rd Degree Knights of Columbus, joyfully handing out Tootsie **Rolls and working the** Friday fish fry during the Lenten Season. He enjoyed the camaraderie with his fellow Knights and worked to perfect his bowling game every Wednesday night. In his later years, visits from grandchildren and great-grandchildren brought him great joy.

Walter is survived by his wife, Jean Baustian, Luverne; six children, Mike (Cyndy) Baustian of Jasper, Diane (Andy) Kunkel of East Wenatchee, Washington; Lori Edmundson of Harrison, Montana, Pat (Katie) Baustian of Luverne, Kim (Mike) Mohr of Mitchell, South Dakota, and Kris (Tom) Denevan of Sioux Falls, South Dakota; 24 grandchildren, 15 greatgrandchildren; a son-in-law Jim Smart, LaHarpe, Kansas; siblings Neva Clausen of Luverne, Lester Baustian of Brandon, South Dakota, Joan Baustian, Adrian, Michigan; and sister-in-law Mitzi Baustian of Jasper.

Wyona Drenth

Wyona Drenth, 87, Ellsworth, died Saturday, April 21, 2018, at Park

View Manor Nursing Home in Ellsworth. Afuneralservice

was Friday, April 27, at Zion Presbyterian Church in Ellsworth. Burial followed at Bethel Reformed Cemetery in rural Little Rock, Iowa.

Wyona Snuttjer was born Oct. 1, 1930, to Rev. Onno and Reka (Huisman) Snuttjer in Lennox, South Dakota. She was raised in Lennox. Ås the daughter of a pastor, Wyona grew up in the church, learning to play the organ. She also played piano and marimba. She graduated from Platte, South Dakota, High School in 1948. She attended Central College for one year and began teaching country school in Liberal Township near George, Iowa.

On June 15, 1951, she married Edward Drenth. The couple lived and farmed south of Ellsworth nearly all their married lives. Edward died in 2009 but Wyona remained on the farm, active in its management. Wyonasharedhermusical ability with Bethel Reformed and Zion Presbyterian churches of Ellsworth and First Presbyterian Church of Luverne. She encouraged the music

education of her children



Wyona as patient and organized, steeped in the Christian faith, and loving music, nature, sewing, gardening and canning. She also loved word games and educational pursuits.

She is survived by six children, Eileen (Dennis) Sohl of Greeley, Colorado, Steven Drenth of Cypress, California, Rodney Drenth of Ellsworth, Judith Drenth (husband Douglas Anderson) of Burnsville, Lora Drenth (husband, David LaTourelle) of Hager City, Wisconsin, and Mark Drenth of Jackson; four grandchildren, David (Janel) Sohl, Daniel (Mindy) Sohl, Morgan (Patrick Williams) Polley, and Karl Polley; four great-grandchildren, Carter, Elaina, Grant and Finley Sohl; one brother, Norman (Ann) Snuttjer; and many other



Video tribute and on-line condolences at www.minnehahafuneralhome.com. (0503 V)

He was preceded in death by his parents, infant twin sisters, three brothers, Elaine Slaughter, Virgil "Bud", Melvin, Norbert, Herbert, and Jerry; and a daughter Lisa Smart in 2003.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials directed to Luverne Hospice or the St. Catherine Kitchen Renovation Fund.

Arrangements are provided by Dingmann Funeral Home of Luverne, www.dingmannandsons.com.

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tjer and Paul (Marianne) Snuttjer. Arrangements were provided by Jurrens Funeral Home of George, Iowa.

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extended family members. Wyona was preceded in death by her parents; her

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DEATH NOTICES

Alma Krogman

Alma C. Krogman, 101, formerly of Lismore, died Sunday, April 29, 2018, at the St. Anthony Health Care and Rehabilitation in St. Anthony.

A funeral Mass will be at 11 a.m. Friday, May 6, at St. Anthony Catholic Church in Lismore. Burial of cremains will be at the St. Anthony Cemetery in Lismore. A visitation will be at 10 a.m. Friday at the church.

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

(0503 DN)

Douglas VanHeerde -

Douglas Glen Van Heerde, 57, Venice, Florida, died Wednesday, April 11, 2018, in Venice, Florida.

A celebration of life was Sunday, April 22, at Maxine Barritt Park in Venice. A local memorial service is being planned for 1 p.m. Saturday, June 23, at the Senior Center in Luverne.

Arrangements were provided by Farley Funeral Home of Venice, www.farleyfuneralhome.com.

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Prom!

Prom celebrations at area high schools unfolded with the usual fanfare of bright lights, a decorated gym and Grand March. But unique to this year's prom is that the weather cooperated in a spring season that has to this point been unseasonably cold and wet. Saturday was sunny with calm winds and temperatures in the 60s.



'Viva Las Vegas' in Ellsworth Pictured at left, juniors Noah Kruse (left) and

Pictured at left, juniors Noah Kruse (left) and Sierra Smith were one of 12 couples participating in the Grand March for Ellsworth High School's 2018 prom, "Viva Las Vegas," Saturday night in the gymnasium. Following the dance were after-prom activities at the Sky Zone in Sioux Falls.





'Once Upon a Time' at AHS

Adrian High School conducted its annual juniorsenior prom Saturday night in the school gymnasium. Theme for the event was "Once Upon a Time." Junior Miah Kunkel (left) and sophomore Noah Reyne participate in the Grand March.

Register by May 3 for May 9 Poverty Simulation and free meal

The Leaders Partnering to End Poverty (#Luv1LuvAll LPEP) have been discussing over a series of meetings to share ideas about how poverty affects senior and family nutrition, resources, housing and other areas.

To wrap up discussion, LPEP will host a Poverty Smulation and free meal at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 9, at Grand Prairie Events.

Registration deadline is May 3. Call ATLAS at 507-449-5777 to register. Child care and transportation are available upon request.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Antiques appraisal at library May 12

The Rock County Library will host Mark Moran for an antiques appraisal event at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 12. The public may call the library at 507-449-5040 to make an appointment to have an antique appraised for free. The event is also open to the public, so everyone is welcome to come in and watch.

Solve Masquerade Murder Mystery at Rock County Library May 17

Guests at the "Murder at the Masquerade Murder Mystery" will need to unravel clues and crack codes to find the killer and why he was killed at a special event at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 17, at the Rock County Library in Luverne. Call the library at 507-449-5040 to RSVP — and to volunteer to be a suspect. Snacks will be provided. The event is sponsored by Friends of the Rock County Community Library.

Performing arts workshop for May 20

Youth in grades 5 through 12 are invited to the Rock County 4-H Performing Arts Workshop Sunday, May 20, at the Rock County Extension Office in Luverne.

The workshop will be from 2 to 4 p.m. and is free to 4-H'ers and non-members.

Focus of the workshop will be on stage acting and include learning about the basics that includes dancing.

Register calling or emailing the Extension office at 507-283-1302 or mnext-rock@umn.edu.

Wanted: Community service projects

Rock County youth are setting aside June 25-29, 2018, for "Service Over Self" to assist individuals and/or organizations with projects around Rock County. If you have a project, call 507-283-9664.

Train to be a youth firearms teacher

The Minnesota DNR needs more youth firearms instructors to offer youth gun safety classes in Rock County. Training class to become a certified volunteer instructor to teach the field day for the online firearms safety course, as well as to teach in the classroom, is offered through the DNR. Pre-registration is required. Participants must be at least 18 years old and pass a background check. Register for this class at http://www.dnr. state.mn.us/index.html. Go to the Education and Safety Tab, click on Safety Training Instructors. Call Com. Ed. at 283-4724 to carpool to July 30 class in Marshall. Contact jennifer.mueller@ state.mn.us with questions.



Lori Sorenson photos/0503 prom

'Diamonds are Forever' in Luverne

Luverne High School students celebrated their 2018 prom Saturday night under the theme, "Diamonds are Forever." Pictured during Grand March festivities are Jesse Konz and Melissa Teal. The Luverne High School gymnasium is pictured in the photograph above. Prom couples paraded past audiences in both the gym and in the school auditorium.

FCCLA/from page 7A _____

-fered at a cost.

illness and educate those who

"They're all incentives to come into our small community," she said.

Sage Ver Steeg expanded her information presentation on "Hidden Illnesses" to earn a trip to nationals for her advocacy project.

She developed a website that offers support and care kits to those affected by an invisible

are not affected.

Ver Steeg developed the kits through a \$500 Disney's Youth Services of America grant.

"It's just something to make them feel better," she said.

FCCLA is a national career and technical student organization for young men and women in family and consumer science education.



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Food Forest taking root

Students from Southwestern Youth Services in Magnolia worked on the Project Food Forest last week at 308 N. Blue Mound Ave. in Luverne. Thursday, April 26, was the first of three community workdays. They were among dozens of community volunteers who signed up to take shifts at the site. At left, Jaci Nussbaum secures protective fencing around newly planted cherry dogwoods. "The goal is to get as many edible plants in public places as possible," said Luverne host site coordinator Kim Rockman. She is pictured below with

Extension Educator Gary Wyatt, who was on site for an educational "productive buffer," which he is seeding to the east of the Rockman residence along a stream.

Plans for the Prairie Ally Food Forest call for the planting of various fruit and nut trees, perennial vegetables and vines. The Luverne garden is part of Project Food Forest based out of Sioux Falls. Once the public forest becomes productive, anyone in

need of food can harvest the produce.





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Golf girls post season's first victory by tiebreaker

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne girls' golf team began play in 2018 by splitting a pair of home matches at the Luverne Country Club.

The Cardinals came out on the winning end of a tiebreaker to defeat Pipestone during the opener Thursday.

Luverne came up six strokes short when it squared off against Jackson County Central Monday.

LHS hosts Redwood Valley Thursday.

JCC 214, Luverne 220

The Cardinals fell from golf's unbeaten ranks when they challenged the Huskies at the Luverne Country Club Monday.

With Molly Brinkman securing medalist honors by firing a 48 to lead the charge, JCC came out on the winning end of a six-stroke decision.

Samantha Pierce turned in the top round for LHS by carding a 50.

Hannah Ver Steeg, Anna Huisman and Paige Sandbulte contributed respective 55-, 56- and 59-stroke scores to Luverne's team tally.

Brynn Thier and Josie Golla registered 62- and 64-stroke tallies without impacting the scoring for the Cardinals.

LHS 211, Pipestone 211

The Cardinals prevailed in a tiebreaker during their 2018 season debut Thursday at the Luverne Country Club.

The four lowest-shooting scorers for LHS and Pipestone produced identical 211-stroke team tallies.

The meet went down to the team's fifth lowest scorers, where Luverne's McCall Ste-

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John Rittenhouse photo/0503 tennis 7

Luverne's Cade Ver Steeg posted a win in straight sets at second singles during Friday's home victory over Worthington.



John Rittenhouse photo/0503 girls golf 9 Senior Hannah Ver Steeg shot a team-low 48 during Thursday's win over Pipestone at the Luverne Country Club.

LHS netters sweep opponents

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne tennis team extended its winning streak to six consecutive victories by downing two teams late last week.

The Cardinals posted a threepoint conquest over Sioux Falls Lincoln's junior varsity squad Thursday in Sioux Falls before sweeping a home match against Worthington Friday.

Luverne, 6-3 overall, hosts Redwood Valley Thursday.

Luverne 7, WHS 0

The Cardinals opened Big South Conference play by blanking the Trojans Friday in Luverne.

After a slow start to the match, LHS battled back to win all seven matches, including six in straight sets.

Prevailing in singles for the Cards were Mark Robinson (6-4, 6-4 over Blaine Doeden), Cade Ver Steeg (6-4, 6-1 over Sullivan Kerrigan), Jim Erickson (6-0, 6-2 over Pokwar Taw) and Trey Baustian (6-2, 6-0 over Kyle Janssen).

Luke Jarchow and Matt Jelken posted a 6-1 and 6-3 win against Kip Jensen and Cade Linder at first doubles, while Cole Stoltenberg and Ethan Thorson prevailed by 6-2 and 6-3 tallies against Max Langerud and Ryan Newman

at No. 2.

Matt Sehr and Tyler Fick secured a 6-2, 3-6, 6-3 victory over Anwar Farra and Michael Schneider at No. 3.

LHS 6, Lincoln 3

The Cardinals registered their fifth consecutive victory when they topped Sioux Falls Lincoln's junior varsity squad by three points Thursday in Sioux Falls.

Luverne went 5-1 in singles and claimed one doubles victory during the win over the Patriots.

Robinson (7-5, 6-4 over James Yousef), Erickson (6-0, 6-2 over Preston Koski), Baustian (6-1, 6-1 over Jackson Howell), Jelken (6-0, 6-2 over David Michelson) and Jarchow (6-1, 4-6, 11-9 over Jonathan Nash) posted singles wins for the Cards.

Ver Steeg and Baustian came out on the winning end of a 6-3, 4-6, 10-7 match in second doubles against Koski and Howell.

Lincoln's Ryan Rasmussen saddled Ver Steeg with a 7-5, 6-1 setback in singles.

Yousef and Rasmussen downed Robinson and Erickson 0-6, 6-2, 10-7 at first doubles, while Mickelson and Nash bested Jelken and Jarchow 6-1, 4-6, 11-9 at No. 3.

Cardinals post four wins over non-league foes

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne baseball team recorded five wins against non-conference opponents over a seven-day span.

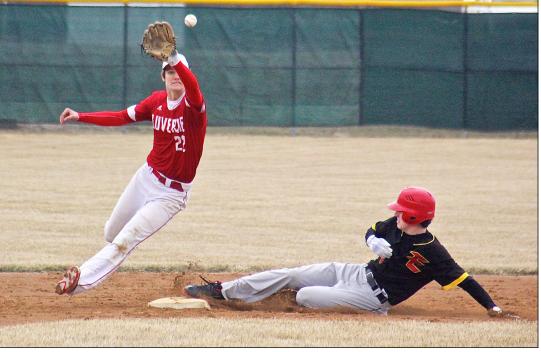
The Cardinals posted a 10run win over Edgerton-Southwest Christian at Redbird Field April 24 before rolling to a 21-run home rout of Martin County West Friday.

Luverne took both ends of a doubleheader against Fairmont Monday in Fairmont, upping its record to 9-0 at the end of the set.

The Cards play a conference doubleheader in Jackson Thursday.

LHS 6, Fairmont 3

The Cardinals pulled out a win in extra innings to open Monday's twin bill in Fairmont.



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Luverne junior Jake Haugen reaches to snag a late throw as an Edgerton-Southwest Christian runner steals second base during an April 24 game at Redbird Field.

Luverne, Adrian, H-BC win combined 11 titles at Worthington meet

By John Rittenhouse

Track athletes from Luverne, Hills-Beaver Creek and Adrian High Schools participated at the Worthington Invitational Thursday.

The local entries won a combined 11 meet titles and claimed one team championship at the meet.

The Luverne girls returned home with the team title by pacing a nine-squad field with 148.5 points. H-BC and Adrian $finished\,sixth\,and\,seventh\,with$ 53 and 33.5 points respectively.

Worthington won the boys' crown with 183 points. LHS placed fourth (101.5), Adrian sixth (42) and H-BC seventh (39.5).

Luverne claimed seven meet titles on the way to winning the girls' championship.

SydneyBiever(14.06), Regan Feit (50.33 in the 300 hurdles) and Mallory Thorson (32-9 in the triple jump) won individual events.

LHS also took top honors in the 400-, 800-, 1,600- and 3,200-meter relays with respective 53.5, 1:52.9, 4:23.86 and 10:28.49 efforts.

Sierra Schmuck, Gracie Zewiske, Biever and Ivy Hudson ran in the 400- and 800-meter events.

Feit, Autumn Nath, Tiana Lais and Brooklynn Ver Steeg formed the 1,600-meter team, while Ver Steeg, Feit, Gabrielle Ferrell and Jadyn Anderson teamed up in the 3,200.

Mollberg (14.3 in the 200), Lais (1:05.72) and Feit (7-0 in the pole vault) placed second for the Cards.

H-BC turned in four second-place finishes during its sixth-place showing in the girls' standings.

Kourtney Rozeboom finished second in the shot put and discus with respective 36-3 and 109-10 efforts, while Taryn Rauk ran 200 meters in 28.85 to place second.

Madison Spath, Sidney Fick, Ashlee Kelderman and Rauk placed second in the 400-meter relay in 44.74.

Moriah Bullerman turned in the top effort for the AHS girls by winning the 800-meter run in 2:41.34.

Jed Dooyema led the LHS boys to their fourth-place finish as a team by winning the 400-meter dash (53.55) and the pole vault (12-3).

Austin Winter (2:12.44 in the 800) and Dalton DeSollar (5:49.19 in the 1,600) placed second for the Cards.

The AHS boys recorded a pair of second-place performances during the meet.

Ryan Wieneke covered 400 meters in 54.4, and Scot Edwards tossed the shot 42-0.

Tyson Bork claimed a meet title for the H-BC boys by taking the 100-meter dash in 12.09.

Here is a look at the rest of the point-earning efforts turned in by area athletes at Thursday's meet.

LHS girls

Third place: Hudson, 200, 29.21; Mackenzie Petersen, high jump, 4-6. Fourth place: Elizabeth Wagner, 3,200, 13:34.89; Petersen, 100 hurdles, 18.82; Savannah Siebenahler, 300 hurdles, 55.74; Thorson, long jump, 15-4. Sixth place: Mallory Oye, 200, 29.47; Cassie Flanagan, 800, 2:53.34; Fla-nagan, 1,600, 6:18.57; Petersen, 300 hurdles, 56.78; Siebenahler, triple jump, 28-8 ¾; 800 relay (Siebenahler, Mollberg, Thorson and Oye), 1:59.61; 3,200 relay (Nath, Wagner, Kamryn Van Batavia and Anika Gust), 11:36.26. Seventh place: Zewiske, 200, 29.71; Ferrell, 1,600, 6:21.03; Hudson, long jump, 14-1. Eighth place: Nath, high jump, 4-4;

H-BC girls

Third place: 800 relay (Spath, Fick, Kelderman and Rauk), 1:55.84. Fourth place: Taylor Durst, 400, 1:07.78.

Ferrell, long jump, 14-0.

Fifth place: 3,200 relay (Kenadie Fick, Durst, Lauren Tatge and Ana Hagen), 11:13.91.

Sixth place: S.Fick, 400, 1:07.86. Seventh place: K.Fick, 400, 1:09.32. Eighth place: Abby Knobloch, 300 hurdles, 57.49.

AHS girls Third place: Kendra Frodermann, high jump, 4-6. Fourth place: Frodermann, 100, 29.37; Bullerman, 1,600, 6:05.46. Fifth place: 400 relay (Hannah Henning, Erika Alvarado, Bailey Lonneman and Frodermann), 56.43. Sixth place: 1,600 relay (Henning,

Alvarado, Lonneman and Henning), 4:39.87.

LHS boys

discus, 105-9.

Third place: Eli Haugom, high jump, 5-6; Ashton Sandbulte, 100, 12.5; 800 relay (Sandbulte, Jordy Thone, Dooy ema and Haugom), 1:40.9 Fourth place: Thone, 100, 12.53; 1,600 relay (Dooyema, Winter, Jamie McCarthy and DeSollar), 3:47.29; 3,200 relay (DeSollar, Winter, Brayden Tofteland and Michael Rahm), 9:20.94. Fifth place: Brogan Hart, discus, 106-11; Hart, shot, 39-2; Eli Radtke, pole vault,8-0;Haugom,triplejump,35-21/5. Sixth place: Rahm, 800, 2:21.43; Tofteland, 1,600, 5:07.8; Matt Ziegler,

Seventh place: Thone, 400, 57.47; Brady Bork, 3,200, 12:20.54; Ziegler,

shot, 37-7. Eighth place: Griffen Jarchow, 3,200, 12:35.22; 3,200 relay (Shane Berning, Ethan Rahm, Jarchow and Ethan Curtiss), 10:37.51.

AHS boys

Fourth place: Tucker Wieneke, discus, 110-3; R.Wieneke, long jump, 18-2. Fifth place: 400 relay (Dakota John, R.Wieneke, Chance Turner and Brendyn White), 49.61. Sixth place: R.Wieneke, 200, 25.58;

John, triple jump, 34-11 1/4.

Seventh place: 800 relay (John, Turner, Tahj Schroeder and White), 1:46.5; 1,600 relay (John, Christian Weidert, Turner and White), 3:55.9

Eighth place: White, long jump, 17-9 1/4.

37-1.

H-BC boys Third place: Garrett Raymon, discus, 116-11; 400 relay (Easton Harnack, Luke LaRock, Hunter Bork, T.Bork), 48.05. Fourth place: 800 relay (Harnack,

LaRock, H.Bork, T.Bork), 1:41.91. Fifth place: T.Bork, long jump, 18-0 1/2. Sixth place: LaRock, 100, 12.72. Seventh place: H.Bork, 200, 25.71; D.J. Swenson, 800, 2:23.52. Eighth place: Brandon Taubert, 110 hurdles, 19.95; George Merson, shot,

Dragons break through by taking two from E-SWC

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian baseball team split four games in a seven-day span. The Dragons lost a 12-run home decision to Russell-Tyler-Ruthton April 24 before sweeping a Red Rock Conference doubleheader from Edgerton-Southwest Christian Thursday in Adrian. Adrian's wins were followed by a 13-run loss in Pipestone

Monday. The 2-3 Dragons host Jackson County Central Friday.

Pipestone 14, AHS 1

The home-standing Arrows made short work of the Dragons when the teams locked horns in Pipestone Monday.

Pipestone scored 10 runs in the first two innings of play and coasted to a 13-run, five-inning victory over Adrian.

The score was 10-0 before Adrian scored its lone run of the game in the top half of the fourth inning.

Pipestone scored three times in the home half of the fourth and blanked Adrian in the top of the fifth to win the contest by the 10-run rule.

Noah Reyne led the Dragons with two hits and scored the team's lone run, while Landon Rogers doubled for AHS.

Reyne was saddled with the pitching loss after yielding 10 runs (six were earned) and seven hits in one-plus innings.

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John Rittenhouse photo/0503 la softball 2

Luverne eighth-grade catcher Billi Connell prepares to haul in a foul ball for an out during the first game of Friday's doubleheader sweep of Adrian Area.

Cards take two from AA in softball Friday

By John Rittenhouse

Two softball teams from the Star Herald coverage area squared off in a doubleheader Friday in Luverne.

The Luverne Cardinals entertained the Adrian Area Dragons for a non-conference twin bill.

Luverne came away with a pair of victories to up its record to 6-0. The Cards prevailed 9-6 in the opener before taking the finale 12-1.

Game 1 was tied at five after AA scored four runs in the top of the fourth inning, but the Cards scored the next four runs to set the stage for a three-run victory.

Halle Hough pitched all seven innings to earn the win. She fanned three batters and yielded three earned runs.

Rylee Olson, who had two RBIs, and Billi Connell registered three hits at the plate for the winners.

Courtney Nath, Sydne JoŸson and Rozilyn Oye slapped two hits and recorded one RBI each.

Devin Dreesen, Madison Neuenberg and Kristina Cauwels recorded four, three and two hits respectively for the Dragons.

Dreesen tossed all six innings and took the loss for AA.

Luverne scored 12 runs in the first three innings to set the stage for an 11-run, four-inning victory in the nightcap.

Boys split conference contests at LCC

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne boys' golfteam opened the 2018 season by splitting a pair of Big South Conference matches at the Luverne Country Club.

The Cardinals pulled out a three-stroke win over Pipestone during the season debut Thursday.

Jackson County Central handed the Cards a 15-stroke setback Monday.

Luverne hosts Redwood Valley Thursday.

JCC 190, Luverne 205

The Cardinals took their first setback of the season when they took on the Huskies at the Luverne Country Club Thursday.

With Jack Brinkman leading the way by firing a medalearning round of 44 strokes, the Huskies came out on the winning end of a 15-stroke decision.

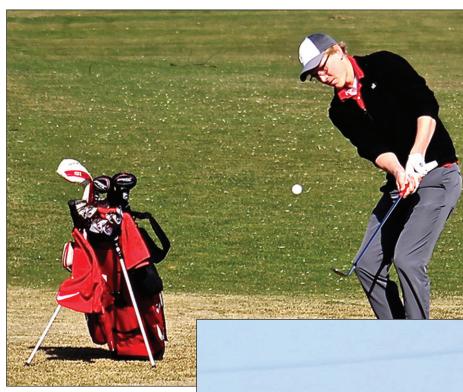
Coy Gonnerman set the pace for LHS by posting a 46.

Will Stegenga carded a 50 for the hosts, while Carter Stemper and Cooper Arends capped the team scoring with 55s.

Gunnar Oldre and Jack Golla shot respective 60- and 67-stroke rounds without impacting the scoring for the Cards.

LHS 198, Pipestone 201

The Cardinals opened the 2018 season by pulling out a three-stroke win over the Arrows at the Luverne Country Club Thursday.



John Rittenhouse photo/0503 boys golf 3 Luverne senior Coy Gonnerman, pictured chipping the ball in front of the eighth green, shot a 45 to share medalist honors with Pipestone's Charlie Rops during Thursday's meet at the LCC.

Luverne's Gonnerman and Pipestone's Charlie Rops shared medalist honors by shooting 45s to lead their teams.

Stegenga and Oldre added respective 50- and 51-stroke rounds to the winning team tally.

Stemper, Golla and Arends all shot 52s for the winners.

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Carter Stemper lines an iron shot down the eighth fairway during Thursday's home win over the Pipestone Arrows.

Bullerman turns in top effort for AHS in Iowa

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian track teams made an appearance at the Sibley-Ocheyedan Invitational Monday in Sibley, Iowa.

The Dragons turned in a total of five point-earning efforts by placing sixth or

better at the meet.

Moriah Bullerman turned in Adrian's best effort by placing second in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:37.67.

The girls' sprint-medley relay finished second with a time of 2:01.79.

Erika Alvarado, Hannah Henning, Bailey Lonneman and Kendra Frodermann formed the relay.

Two AHS boys placed sixth in a combined two events.

Ryan Wieneke finished sixth in the 400-meter dash

in 53.58 and covered 19-7 in the long jump to place sixth as well.

ScotEdwards unleashed a toss of $42-7\frac{1}{2}$ to place sixth in the shot put.

The Dragons compete in Worthington Thursday.

Baseball team ups BSC record to 4-0 Thursday

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne Cardinals swept a Big South Conference doubleheader against Pipestone Thursday at Augustana College in Sioux Falls.

The Cardinals posted an 11-run win in Game 1 before prevailing by 10 runs in the finale.



Bartels 4 0 1 2 Crabtree 1 1 0

LHS 11, Pipestone 1

The Cards overcame a 1-0 deficit to win by the 10-run rule after six innings of play

three and two-thirds innings of scoreless ball in relief of Nath, who recorded one out and yielded one run as the starting pitcher.

Olson drove in three runs at the plate with two hits, while Connell led the Cards with three hits and drove in two runs.

Hough and Shelby Kracht (one RBI) registered two hits as well. Nieuenberg and Avery Balster singled to account for AA's two hits in the game.

Balster took the pitching loss after working the first two innings, and Maritza Beltran pitched the final two frames for the 0-3 Dragons.

H-BC nips HL-O-F in 2018 golf debut

By John Rittenhouse

The Hills-Beaver Creek boys' golf team posted a victory during its season-opening match Thursday in Brandon, South Dakota.

The Patriots squared off againstHeronLake-Okabena-Fulda at the Hidden Valley Course.

The teams played 17 holes (one was unplayable) on the par-three course, and H-BC came out on the winning end of a 287-288 decision.

Dylon Taubert fired a 65 to lead the Patriots, while Dal-

las Page, Noah Hellerud and Jacob Axness contributed respective69-,75- and 78-stroke rounds to the team tally.

Thomas Dysthe and Parker Gehrke shot 79- and 81-stroke rounds without impacting the scoring.

Joe Fischer landed medalist honors for HL-O-F by posting a 64.

H-BC fielded an incomplete girls' team for the meet.

H-BC's Tess Van Maanen shot a 67 to lead all players, while Hannah Fick registered a 78. The wins leave LHS with a 4-0 league mark.

LHS 15, Pipestone 4

The Cardinals scored the first six runs of the game and never lost control of the contest during Thursday's opener against the Arrows.

LHS put together a fourrun rally featuring a two-run double by Mark Sterrett and RBI singles from Declan Beers and Derek Lundgren in the first inning before making it 6-0 with an RBI triple from Tyler Reisdorfer and a runscoring single by Jaxon Nelson in the second.

The Cards proceeded to score five more runs in the fourth inning and four in the seventh to win handily.

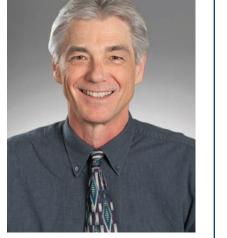
Sterrett doubled home three runs and Nelson and Ben Serie chipped in RBI singles in the five-run fourth.

Isaiah Bartels delivered a two-runsingle, Nelsonsingled home a run and Colby Crabtree registered an RBI for a fielder's choice in the seventh.



To my co-workers, colleagues, patients and members of the Luverne Community:

Thank you for your support over the last 35 years. My greatest gift at retirement is that I had the opportunity to get to know all of you.



Richard Morgan, M.D.

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Luverne courtesy runner Jacob Von Tersch rounds third base before scoring one of his team's 10 runs during a victory over Edgerton-Southwest Christian at Redbird Field April 24.

Jake Haugen earned the pitching win by working four innings of four-run ball.

Crabtree blanked the Arrows over the final three frames.

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in the finale.

Pipestone plated a run in the top of the first, but the Cards countered with a fiverun rally in the bottom half of the frame to assume control of the contest.

Reisdorfer belted a home run, Lundgren doubled home two runs and Nelson and Bartelsslapped RBI singles during the first.

LHS went on to plate single runs in the second and sixth innings and scored four times in the fifth to complete the win.

Serie drilled a home run in the second inning, and Reisdorfer tripled home two runs and Serie and Beers added RBI singles during the fifth inning.

Sterrett ended the game with an RBI double in the sixth inning.

Serie worked three innings of scoreless relief to collect the victory.

Lundgren yielded one run in three innings as the starting pitcher.

Box score	AB	R	н	BI
Reisdorfer	4	2	2	3
Serie	4	3	3	2
Beers	4	1	3	1
Nelson	4	1	1	1
Lundgren	4	1	2	2
Haugen	3	1	0	0
Sterrett	4	1	3	1
Bartels	3	0	1	1
Crabtree	3	1	2	0





John Rittenhouse photo/0503 softball 11

Luverne's Courtney Nath begins a slide to home plate that accounted for the game-winning run during the first game of Monday's doubleheader against Edgerton-Southwest Christian in Luverne.

Seven-game streak ends for Cards Monday

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne softball team was put to the test of playing four doubleheaders in the first week of the season.

Luverne swept sets from Redwood Valley, Adrian Area (see page 2B for the Adrian Areagamestories) and Jackson County Central.

The Cardinals split a twin bill against Edgerton-Southwest Christian Monday.

The 7-1 Cards play another doubleheader in Pipestone Thursday.

E-SWC twin bill

The Cardinals split games with the Flying Dutchmen Monday in Luverne.

The Cards rallied to post a 7-6 come-from-behind victory in Game 1.

Game 2 belonged to E-SWC, which secured a 13-1 conquest in four and one-half innings.

After falling behind 4-0 in the opener, LHS bounced back to pick up its seventh consecutive win with an impressive comeback.

The rally started when the Cards cut E-SWC's lead in half (4-2) when Courtney Nath walked and scored on a throwing error and Billi Connell delivered an RBI double in the bottom of the fourth inning.

E-SWC extended the lead to 5-2 by scoring once in the top of the fifth, but the Cards countered with a four-run rally in the bottom of the fifth to move in front 6-5.

Shelby Kracht registered an RBI ground out and Sydne Johnson triple home two runs and before scoring on a wild pitch to give the Cards a onerun edge.

The Flying Dutchmen knotted the score at six in the top of the seventh, but Luverne settled the issue by producing the decisive run in the bottom of the seventh.

Nath tripled and scored the winning tally after Johnson delivered an RBI for a fielder's choice.

Rylee Olson pitched all seven innings to earn the win in the opener. She fanned seven batters, yielded seven hits and five earned runs.

Game 2 belonged to the Flying Dutchmen, who scored once in the bottom of the first inning before exploding for eight runs in the third to open a 9-0 lead.

LHS scored once in the top of the fourth, but E-SWC countered with a four-run rally in the bottom of the fourth and blanked the Cards in the fifth inning to win the game by the 10-run rule.

Halle Hough took the pitching loss after tossing four innings of 13-run, 10-hit ball.

Shelby Kracht recorded an RBI single for the Cards, who received one hit each from Connell and Johnson.

JCC twin bill

The Cardinals ran their record to 4-0 by sweeping a

doubleheader from the Huskies Thursday in Luverne. The Cards notched an 11-4 victory in the opener before

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Luverne's Britz prepares to compete at first Seniors' Open

The competitive juices are flowing again inside of Luverne's Jerilyn Britz. It's been

a while since Britz has played golf in a highprofile event, but that will change in July.

The 1979 Women's U.S. Open champion has indicated that she will play the Inaugural U.S. Senior Women's Open slated for July 12-15 at the Chicago Golf Club in Wheaton, Illinois.

According to Britz, it was an opportunity too good to pass up.

"It's going to be the firstever U.S. Women's Senior Open, and it will be nice to be a part of that because it will be a part of history," she said.

Britz learned about the event when she attended a reunion for past U.S. Open champions in 2016.

It captured her attention then, and she quickly found out that she receives an exemption into what is expected to be a field of more than 100 players since Britz is a past Open champion.

"I'm thankful that I don't have to go through the qualifying process. There are qualifying events (17 in the month of June), but past champions get in automatically," she said.

That doesn't mean Britz plans to make a token appearance at the four-day, 72-hole event.

In fact, she is working hard on her game right now in order to put her best foot forward when it comes to teeing it up against the best women's players age 50 and over in a couple of months.

"I'm 75 years old now, so I'll be one of the oldest players in the tournament," Britz offered.

"It's been about 25 years since I've played a tour event, so I've been putting in a lot of work trying to get ready." There's no question about it. Britz is taking this event seriously. She spends a good part

FROM THE **SIDELINES**

By John Rittenhouse, sports editor

of the winter traveling from Luverne to Oklahoma on a yearly basis, and her treks to the Norman area were more like business trips this year.

Britz spent a lot of time at the practice facility at the University of Oklahoma hitting countless practice balls in preparation for the event.

She also hired a personal trainer to help her with weight training cardiovascular training to whip her into shape, and Britz worked with golf instructors to tune up her swing.

Now that she is back in Luverne, Britz plans to play a lot of practice rounds at the LCC and other area courses as well as working on her skills on the driving range and practice greens between now and July.

"I want to be competitive, so I have to put in the time and effort to be competitive. I'll be playing walk and carry rounds every day and try to hit more than 100 balls on the practice range every day. The good thing is this type of practice is fun and I'm having a lot of fun doing it," she said.

As an outsider looking in, I'm hoping the hard work and preparation pays off for Britz in July.

It would be fun for a lot of people to watch Jerilyn Britz find success at the CGC on FS1 (the network that will be televising the tournament), and she is doing everything possible to turn in a good showing.

"If you are competitive, you have to think you have a chance to win it," she said.

"After putting in all of

Panthers score 84 points in Mountain Lake T

By John Rittenhouse

The Ellsworth boys' track team turned in a third-place performance at the Mountain Lake Area Progressive Chiropractic Invitational Friday in Mountain Lake.

Competing in a six-team field, the Panthers registered 84 points to finish behind meet champion St. James (143) by 59 points.

Ellsworth won four meet titles and placed second in three events to highlight the outing.

Kade Boltjes took top honors in the 200-meter dash (24.44) and the long jump (20-1), while Sean Boltjes won

the 300-meter hurdles in 43.38. Noah Kruse, Sean, Kade and Cole Boltjes won the 400-meter relay crown with a time of 46.57.

Placing second foe EHS were Kade Boltjes (39-3 1/2 in the triple jump), Sean Boltjes (17.62 in the 110 hurdles) and Kruse (57.95 in the 400).



John Rittenhouse photo/0503 girls golf 3

Senior Samantha Pierce strikes an approach shot from the Luverne Country Club's first fairway during Thursday's home match against Pipestone. LHS won the match by a tiebreaker.

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genga edged Courtney Kanthak 60-61 to give the Cards the victory.

Ver Steeg led LHS with a 48, while Pierce, Huisman and

Golla added respective 52-, 53- and 58-stroke efforts to the team tally.

Zoey Sandbulte posted a 67 without influencing the

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scoring.

Paige Morgan shot a 46 to earn medalist honors for the Arrows.

Here is a look at the rest of Ellsworth's meet results.

Third place: Robby Armstrong, 400, 58.36. Fourth place: 800 relay (Simon Boy-

enga, Austen Klein, Eli Kruse and Armstrong). Fifth place: C.Boltjes, 200, 26.17; S.Boltjes, long jump, 17-4. Seventh place: Armstrong, 100, 13.15; C.Boltjes, 400, 1:02.78. Eighth place: Sam Kramer, 800, 2:33.57.

Dragons fall

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian Area softball team made its 2018 debut Thursday in Ellsworth.

The Dragons locked horns with Worthington in a nonconference clash that turned into a slugfest.

AA sported a 4-3 edge after one inning of play, but the Trojans outscored the Dragons 9-6 the rest of the game and led by as many as six runs (12-6) before settling with a two-run conquest at game's end.

Kristina Cauwels registered three hits at the plate and drove in three runs for AA, including one home run.

Autumn Grussing chased home two runs with two hits.

Devin Dreesen registered three hits and Paige Bullerman and Madison Neuenberg chipped in two safeties each. Avery Balster took the pitching loss after tossing six innings of 11-run ball before giving way to Dreesen, who yielded one run in the seventh inning.



this work, it would be awfully disappointing not to make the cut. I would like to play all four days of the tournament and see what happens."

Patriots run in Garretson

By John Rittenhouse

The Hills-Beaver Creek track squads mixed it up at the Jesse James Invitational Friday in Garretson, South Dakota.

Competing in eight-team fields, the Patriot girls scored 61 points to place eighth and the boys finished seventh with 31 points.

Deubrook Area won the girls' team title with 161 points, while Tri-Valley landed the boys' championship with 175 points.

The Patriot girls claimed a pair of meet championships and placed second in two events at the meet.

Senior Kourtney Rozeboom claimed the shot put and discus titles for the girls with respective 39-6 and 116-5 tosses.

Taryn Rauk finished second in the 100-meter dash in 13:05, while the distance medley relay placed second in 4:47.01.

Kenadie Fick, Taylor Durst, Ashlee Kelderman and Rauk formed the medley relay.

Tyson Bork turned in the top performance for the Patriots.

Bork, who placed fifth in the 100-meter dash (11.36) and the triple jump (18-3), finished third in the 200-meter dash in 22.92.

Here is a look at the rest of H-BC's point-producing performances during Friday's meet.

H-BC girls

Third place: 800 relay (Fick, Durst, Kalderman and Rauk), 1:59. Fourth place: Rauk, long jump, 114.3. Fifth place: Birger, triple jump, 28-2 ½. Sixth place: Lauren Tatge, 3,200, 14:38.54; Abby Knobloch, high jump, Seventh place: Knobloch, 300 hurdles 53.22.

Eighth place: Tatge, 1,600, 6:33.04.

H-BC boys

Fifth place: Easton Harnack, triple jump, 35-3 ½.

Sixth place: Brandon Taubert, triple jump, 34-4 ½; 800 relay (Dewell Rauk Tryce Bennett, Harnack and Zander Wysong), 1:50.09.

Seventh place: Taubert, 110 hurdles, 19.34; Garrett Raymon, discus, 115-7. Eighth place: Harnack, 110 hurdles, 19.65; Raymon, shot, 38-7 1/2.



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LHS led 3-1 after four and one-half innings of play, but Fairmont knotted the score at three by plating single runs in the fifth and seventh innings.

The Cardinals settled the issue in the top of the ninth when Derek Lundgren delivered a two-run single and Jake Haugen walked and scored on a wild pitch to clinch a threerun victory for LHS.

After falling behind 1-0 early in the game, Jade Smith and Tyler Reisdorfer slapped run-scoring singles to give the Cards a 2-1 edge in the top of the second.

The lead expanded to 3-1 when Haugen delivered a run-scoring single in the top of the fifth.

Haugen tossed five innings oftwo-run ball without gaining a decision.

Ben Serie, who pitched the next three and two-thirds innings, picked up the win.

Reisdorfer recorded a oneout save.

Box score	AB	R	н	BI
Reisdorfer	4	1	2	1
Serie	4	0	2	0
Beers	3	1	1	0
Nelson	3	1	1	0
Haugen	4	2	3	1
Lundgren	4	1	1	2
Sterrett	5	0	0	0
Bartels	3	0	1	0
Smith	4	0	1	1

LHS 3, Fairmont 0

Lundgren and Isaiah Bartels pitched a combined shutout to lead the Cards to a three-run win in Monday's nightcap.

Lundgren blanked FHS through the first four innings to get the win and Bartels tossed three scoreless innings of relief to collect a save.

The Cardinals supported their pitchers by scoring two runs in the first inning and one in the third.

Serie walked and scored on a wild pitch and Lundgren registered an RBI single to make it 2-0 in the first.

Jaxon Nelson singled home a run to cap the scoring in the third.

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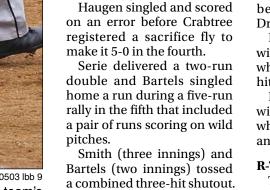
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Rozilyn Oye led the Cards with three hits, while Connell

LHS scored at least one run in every inning and never trailed in Game 2, which was called off due to darkness after six innings of play.



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Luverne courtesy runner Jacob Von Tersch rounds third base before scoring one of his team's 10 runs during a victory over Edgerton-Southwest Christian at Redbird Field April 24.

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The Cards tied the score at one in the bottom of the first before scoring three times in the second inning, 11 times in the third and six times in the fourth.

Reisdorfer led the offensive outburst by registering three hits and driving in three runs,

while Declan Beers recorded two safeties and drilled a three-run home run in the third inning.

Nelson, Derek Lundgren, Jake Haugen, Bartels and Colby Crabtree added two hits each to the winning cause. Smith pitched three innings

of one-run ball to earn the win. Bartels worked one inning of scoreless relief, while Reisdorfer yielded one run in one

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Dragons/cont. from page 1B____

E-SWC twin bill

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The Cardinals notched their

fourth consecutive win to open

the season when they downed

the Flying Dutchmen by 10

runs in five innings at Redbird

The contest was a scoreless

drawthrough two and one-half

innings of play, but the Cards

scored three runs in the third

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The Dragons picked up their first wins of the season by sweeping a doubleheader from the Flying Dutchmen in Adrian Thursday.

Adrian nipped E-SWC 2-0 in Game 1 before coasting to a 16-0 win in the finale.

Ian Stamer pitched a twohit shutout that included four strikeouts to highlight the win in the opener.

AHS, which was limited to two hits, plated a pair of runs in the bottom half of the first inning to settle the issue.

Skylar Polzine and Lance Luettel recorded one hit and scored one run each, while Brent Hokeness added another safety.

Adrian scored 16 runs in the first four innings to set the stage for a lopsided win in Game 2.

Reyne fanned six batters to highlight a one-hit shutout.

Rogers and Jeffery Cauwels belted homeruns for the Dragons.

Rogers finished the game with three hits and three RBIs, while Cauwels registered two hits and three RBIs.

Luettel drove in four runs with two hits in the finale, while Polzine added two hits and one RBI.

R-T-R 13, Adrian 1

The Knights made short work of the Dragons when the teams squared off in a nonconference game in Adrian April 24.

R-T-R scored the first 11 runs of the game, including 10 in the fourth inning, to set the stage for a five-inning, 12-run win over the Dragons.

Grant Jansma drove in one run and accounted for Adrian's lone hit in the contest.

Polzine took the pitching loss for Adrian without surrendering an earned run as the Knights capitalized on six AHS errors in the field.

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Hough drove in three runs

for a seven-run victory.

Connell added three hits to the winning cause, while Gracie Bosch and Sydne Johnson chipped in two each.

Olson pitched all seven innings to earn the win.

She fanned 11 batters and yielded 10 hits and three earned runs.

The Cards scored 19 runs in the first three innings of the nightcap before settling with a 16-run victory at game's end.

Olsontossed all three frames, registering three strikeouts, yielding four hits and surren-

RWV twin bill

Box score

Reisdorfer

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Serie Beers

Nelson

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Luverne 23, MCW 2

The Cardinals exploded for

23 runs during a four and one-

half inning trouncing of the

Mavericks Friday at Redbird

The Cardinals got off to a strong start to the 2018 season by sweeping a doubleheader from RWV April 24 in Luverne.

LHS strolled to a 9-1 win in the opener before coming out on top during a 15-12 slugfest in the finale.

The Cardinals scored five runs in the game's third and fourth innings to set the stage for an eight-run victory in the opener.

Olson tossed all seven innings to get the win. She fanned 10 batters and vielded five hits and one earned run. Olson also drove in three

Houghnotchedthepitching win after tossing four innings of eight-hit, seven-strikeout, nine-run (five were earned) ball.

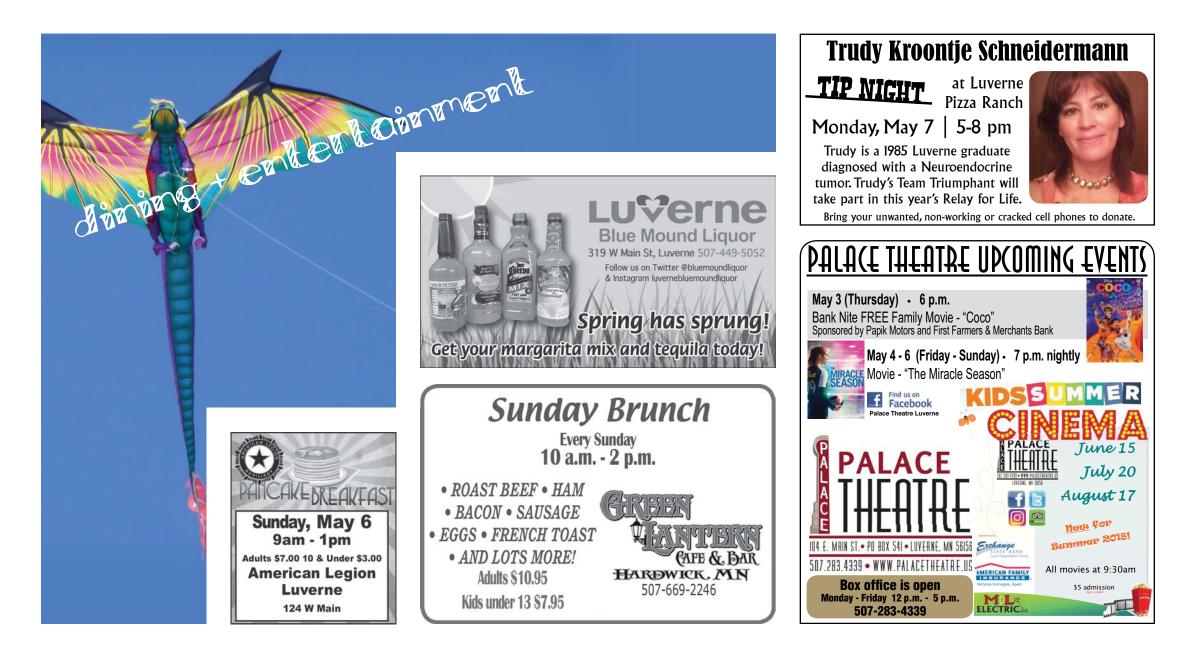
Olson registered a save after tossing two innings of three-hit, five-strikeout, three-earned-run ball in relief of Hough.

Hough led the Cards at the plate with three hits and four RBIs, while Olson and Connell drove in two runs with two hits each.



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Luverne's Rozilyn Oye dives to first base to avoid a potential double play during Monday's home softball set with E-SWC. The Cardinals split the set with the Flying Dutchmen.



Church

St. Catherine Catholic Church 203 E. Brown St., Luverne

St. Catherine Ph.: 283-8502; email: stcatherine@iw.net Thursday, May 3: 9 a.m. Last day of Head Start. Saturday, May 5: 5:30 St. Catherine Mass. Sunday, May 6: St. Mary Sacramental Breakfast. 8:30 a.m. St. Mary Mass. 10:30 a.m. St. Catherine Mass; CLW; Fellowship – KCs. 1:30 p.m. Service at Mary Jane Brown Home. 2:15 p.m. Service at Poplar Creek. Tuesday, May 8: St. Catherine FC.Wednesday, May 9: 7 p.m. Beloved. Thursday, May 10: 2:30 p.m. Tuff Mass. 4 p.m. Mass at Veterans Home.

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www.luverncrc.com — office@luvernecrc.com Roger Sparks, Pastor Sunday, May 6:9:30 a.m. Worship Service. 6:30 p.m. Worship Service. Monday, May 7: 9 a.m. Perk-up at Poplar Creek.

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, May 3: 6 a.m. Men's Bible Study. 8 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3. Sunday, May 6: 9:15 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Morning Service with Communion. 6 p.m. Evening Service. Monday, May 7: 7 p.m. Constitution Review Team Meeting. Tuesday, May 8: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study. 7 p.m. Deacons Meeting. Wednesday, May 9: 7 p.m. Missions Team Meeting. Thursday, May 10: 6 a.m. Men's Bible Study. 8 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3.

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Thursday, May 3: 8:30 a.m. MIA. Grace Serving at the Banquet in Sioux Falls. Friday, May 4: 6:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Saturday, May 5: 4 p.m. Remme wedding. 5:30 p.m. Worship with Communion. Sunday, May 6: 8:15 a.m. Radio Broadcast. 9 a.m. Worship with Communion. 10 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Study; Fellowship coffee. 2 p.m. Lorraine Olson's recitals. Monday, May 7: 4:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Tuesday, May 8: 9 a.m. Staff meeting; GLCW Executive Board Meeting. 6:45 p.m. Ministry meetings. 8 p.m. PPC meeting. Wednesday, May 9: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study. 6 p.m. Woven Worship with Communion. 7 p.m. Chanel Choir rehearsal. Thursday, May 10: 2 p.m. GLCW at Mary Jane Brown Home.

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

Sunday, May 6: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 9:15 a.m. Bible Class. 10:15 a.m. Worship with Communion. Wednesday, May 9: 3:30 p.m. Catechism Class. Thursday, May 10: Ascension of our Lord. 2 p.m. Ladies Aid.

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

Thursday, May 3: 5:30 p.m. Tumbling Tikes. 6 p.m. Ladies Night Out. Friday, May 4: 6:30 a.m. Community Men's Bible Study. 4:30 p.m. REFIT Fitness. Saturday, May 5: 3-5-7 p.m. Luverne Street Music recitals. Sunday, May 6: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:50 a.m. Family Education. 7 p.m. Junior RCYF; Senior RCYF. Monday, May 7: 7 p.m. Esther Circle. Tuesday, May 8: 10:45 a.m. Staff Meeting. 6:45 p.m. Bible Study Fellowship. 7 p.m. Consistory Meeting. Wednesday, May 9: 4:30 p.m. REFIT Fitness. 7 p.m. Praise Team practice; VBS Teachers Meeting. Thursday, May 10: 5:30 p.m. Tumbling Tikes.

First Assembly of God Church

1075 110th Ave., 2 miles west of Luverne on County Rd. 4 Sundays: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 10 a.m. Morning Worship. 6:30 p.m. School of the Holy Spirit. Wednesdays: 7 p.m. Kids Connection; Men's Bible Study with Pastor Ken; Women's Bible Study with Pastor Gloria.

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

Thursday, May 3: 1-3 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf. Saturday, May 5: 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Sunday, May 6: 9 a.m. Traditional Service. 10 a.m. Coffee Hour; Adult Sunday School. 11 a.m. Come As You Are Service. 4:30 p.m. Genesis/ Revelation Bible Study. Monday, May 7: 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Wednesday, May 9: 6:30 p.m. PPR meeting. 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Thursday, May 10: LPEP Poverty Lunch. 1-3 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf.

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

Thursday, May 3: 9 a.m. Little Lambs Devotions. 2 p.m. Women's Society. Saturday, May 5: 5:30 p.m. Worship. Sunday, May 6: VBS Kick-off Sunday. 9 a.m. Worship. 10:15 a.m. Christian Education Hour. Monday, May 7: 9 a.m. Circuit Pastors' Conference in Marshall. 7 p.m. Elders Meeting. Tuesday, May 8: 1:30 p.m. Communion at Hills. 6 p.m. Mom's Night Out. 7 p.m. Guild. Wednesday, May 9: 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Little Lambs Devotions. 9:30 a.m. Bible Study. Thursday, May 10: 9 a.m. Little Lambs Devotions. 11:30 a.m. DCE meeting at Burnsville. 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.

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

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

New Life Celebration Church 110 N. Oakley, Luverne

Ph. 449-6522; email: newlifecelebration@gmail.com Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Worship at 110 N. Oakley. Every third Thursday: 4:30 p.m. Food give-away at Senior Citizens Center. Bible Study groups meet at various times and days.

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church 305 E. 2nd St., P.O. Box 36, Hardwick Ph. 669-2855; email: www.zionlutheranhardwick.com

Thursday, May 3: 3:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Friday, May 4: 3:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Sunday, May 6: 9 a.m. Sunday School; Adult Bible Study. 10 a.m. Mentor Program. 10:30 a.m. Worship with Communion. 11:30 a.m. Potluck dinner. Monday, May 7: 9 a.m. Circuit Pastors meeting. 1 p.m. Quilting. Tuesday, May 8: 6:30 p.m. Elders meeting. 7:30 p.m. Church Council meeting. Thursday, May 10: 3:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3.

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

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

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

Sunday, May 6: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship with Communion. 11:30 a.m. Fellowship Dinner. Monday, May 7: 7 p.m. Intern Team meeting. Wednesday, May 9: 7 p.m. Confirmation.

Palisade Lutheran Church 211 121⁵t St., Garretson, S.D. Ph. (507) 597-6257 — firstpalisade@alliancecom.net Intern Pastor Laura Phillips

Sunday, May 6: 9 a.m. Worship with Communion. 10 a.m. Sunday School. Monday, May 7: 7 p.m. Intern Team meeting at First Lutheran. Wednesday, May 9: 7 p.m. Confirmation at First Lutheran. Thursday, May 10: 8 p.m. Church Council meeting.

First Presbyterian Church 201 S. 3rd St., P.O Box 73, Beaver Creek Ph. 507-935-5025 Email: lori.firstpres@gmail.com Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. 10:30 a.m. Sunday School.

Magnolia United Methodist Church 501 E. Luverne St., Magnolia Church Ph. 507-483-2492; cell 227-7821; email: adrmagumc@gmail.

com www.facebook.com/adrianmagnoliaumc Kristi Franken, Pastor Sundays:9 a.m. Magnolia Worship Service. Wednesdays: 6:30 p.m. Confirmation.

Steen Reformed Church

Post-resurrection message: 'Peace be with you'

From Easter Sunday (April 1st this year) to the Day of Pentecost (May 20th this year) the church is called to listen freshly to the Gospel accounts of the Risen Christ. It's known as "The Great Fifty Days."

When you read the post-resurrection accounts of the disciples' encounters with the risen Lord in John's Gospel, you find a repeated message. Not once, not twice, but three times Jesus says to the disciples, "Peace be with you!" (John 20:19, 20:21, 20:26). These are noteworthy words. The risen Christ could have said something like "Guess what? I am alive!" or chided the disciples for hiding out in the locked room, "What are you doing cowering behind locked doors? I'm alive and you should know to get busy!"

Instead, Jesus spoke to the situation of the disciples. They were probably in need of peace as they tried to figure out what to do next in the postresurrection world. This was all new to them! They likely needed peace in their hearts and souls after everything they had seen from those who had opposed and crucified Jesus. That same opposition was still around.

The world around the disciples needed a message of peace, as Jerusalem was a hotbed of unrest in the Roman Empire. Jesus came saying, "Peace be with you!" With these simple words, Jesus addressed the fears of the disciples, the unbelief of Thomas, the churning in our own souls. Repetition of the greeting, "Peace be with you" emphasizes that there is a reason for hope even in times of doubt and despair. The message

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By Pastor Jason Cunningham, First Presbyterian Church, Luverne

is a renewing one and an empowering one. The resurrected Lord brought not only victory over the grave, but also hope for present living. As a result, those first disciples found that they could open the locked door and bring the message of Christ's resurrection to the world. After "Peace be with you," Jesus sent the disciples to spread the good news of resurrection and life. But first, they needed the peace of Christ.

The Post-Easter greeting, "Peace be with you" comes to us as well. Our world ... and lives ... and hearts ... and minds also could use the peace of Christ. John says that he wrote his Gospel in order that people would come to believe in Christ and have life through him. A preacher named Arthur Walker once wrote, "It is as though Jesus anticipates the times yet to come when believers will fall into the despair of the disciples." So, the message "Peace be with you" is meant to jump off the pages of John 20 across the centuries to us.

Another person plays off of one of Jesus' "I Am" sayings to expound Jesus' message: "I am the way to wayfarers. I am the truth to those seeking reality. I am the life to dying people. Peace be with you!" Hear the words of the Great Fifty Days of Easter speaking to you: Jesus said, "Peace be with you!"

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

Thursday, May 3: 9 a.m. PW Executive Committee. 10 a.m. Worship on cable access channels. 1 p.m. PW Bible Study. Sunday, May 6: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 10:15 a.m. Confirmation Worship Service. 11:15 a.m. Confirmation reception. Monday, May 7: Scholarship forms due. Tuesday, May 8: 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Worship on cable access channels. Wednesday, May 9: 7 p.m. Session. Thursday, May 10: 10 a.m. Worship on cable access channels.

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: bethlehemluth@alliancecom.net Sunday, May 6: 9 a.m. Communion at Tuff Chapel. 9:30 a.m. Last Sunday of Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Communion at Bethlehem. 7 p.m. Grades 6-8 Youth Night. Tuesday, May 8: 2:30 p.m. Bible Study at Tuff. 3:15 p.m. Bible Study at The Village. Wednesday, May 9: 9 a.m. Quilting. 6:30 p.m. Confirmation. 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.



Public Notices

Notice of public sale of tax-forefeited lands

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the parcels described in the List of Tax-Forfeited Land that is contained herein shall be sold to the highest bidder at public sale. The sale will be governed by the provisions of Minnesota Statute § 282.01 and by the resolution of the Rock County Board of Commissioners authorizing such sale. The resolution reads as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED, that all parcels of tax-forfeited land listed on the List of Tax-Forfeited Land be classified as nonconservation land; that the basic sale price of each parcel on the List of Tax-Forfeited Land, that is on file with the Clerk of the County Board, be approved and authorization for a public sale of this land be granted, pursuant to Minnesota Statute § 282.01; that the sale will be held at 10:00 AM, Wednesday, May 23, 2018, by the Rock County Auditor at the Rock County Courthouse, for not less than the basic sale price; and that all sales shall be full payment or on the terms set forth on the List of Tax-Forfeited Land.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the conditions and terms of the public sale shall be as described in the list contained here-in and approved by the Rock County Board of Commissioners.

Information about the sale of tax-forfeited land in Rock County can be obtained at the office of the County Auditor, Rock County Courthouse, 204 East Brown St, Luverne, Minnesota, 56156. Telephone: (507) 283-5060.

Given under my hand and official seal at Luverne, Minnesota, this 17th day of April, 2018.

(COUNTY SEAL) Ashley Kurtz Rock County Auditor-Treasurer

LIST OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND FOR PUBLIC SALE

NON-RE	SIDENTIAL PROPERTIES		
MUNICIPALITY/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/ADDRESS	PARCEL NUMBER	VALUE	ASSESSMENTS BEFORE FORFEITURE
CITY OF LUVERNE	Sector and the sector		
That part of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (NW 1/4 of SW 1/4) of Section Eleven (11), Township One Hundred Two (102) North, of Range Forty-Five (45) West, of the 5th P. M., bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point in the extended North line of Mead Court in the County Auditor's Plat of Luverne Outlots, Luverne, Minnesota, that is Nine (9) feet Southeasterly of, as measured radially from a curved segment of the centerline of the Chicago, Saint Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha Company Spur Track i. C. C. Number 17 as now located and established; thence Northeasterly parallel to said Spur Track I. C. C. Number 17, an arc distance of One Hundred Forty (140) feet; thence Southeasterly along a straight line, a distance of Seventy-Seven (77) feet, more or less, to an intersection with a curved line that is One Hundred Twenty-Five (125) feet Southeasterly of, as measured radially and parallel to the center line of the main track, now removed, of the former Doon Branch of said Railway Company, as said main track (now removed was located and established, in a Westerly and Southerly direction, over and across said Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (NW 1/4 of SW 1/4) of Section Eleven (11), said point of intersection being Forty (40) feet Southwesterly, as measured along the last said parallel line, from the North line of Lot Three (3) of County Auditor's Plat of Luverne Outlots; thence Southwesterly along the last said curved and parallel line, to a point in the North line of Mead Court extended; thence Westerly along said North line of Mead Court extended; a distance of Eight-Seven (87) feet, more or less, to the point of beginning.	20-0044-000	\$ 6,200.00	\$ 305.92

RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES

RADON WARNING STATEMENT

The Minnesota Department of Health strongly recommends that ALL homebuyers have an indoor radon test performed prior to purchase or taking occupancy and recommends having the radon levels mitigated if elevated radon concentrations are found. Elevated radon concentrations can easily be reduced by a qualified, certified, or licensed, if applicable, radon mitigator.

Richters probate

FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT DISTRICT COURT PROBATE DIVISION Court File No. 67-PR-18-93

STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF ROCK Estate of **Dick Edward Richters**, Decedent

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

It is Ordered and Notice is given that on May 21, 2018 at 3:30 p.m., a hearing will be held in this Court at 204 E. Brown St, Luverne, MN 56156, Minnesota, for the formal probate of an instrument purporting to be the Will of the Decedent dated, November 16, 2011, ("Will"), and for the appointment of Carol Richters, whose address is 1316 - 51st St., Luverne, MN 56156 as Personal Representative of the Estate of the Decedent in an unsupervised administration. Any objections to the petition mist be filed with the Court prior to or raised at the hearing. If proper and if no objections are filed or raised, the Personal Representative will be appointed with full power to administer the Estate including the power to collect all assets, to pay all legal debts, claims, taxes and expenses, to sell real and personal property, and to do all necessary acts for the Estate.

Notice is also given that (subject to Minnesota Statutes section 524.3-801) all creditors having claims against the Estate are required to present the claims to the Personal Representative or tot he Court Administrator within four months after the date of this Notice or the claims will be barred. Dated: April 11, 2018

> BY THE COURT Terry S. Vajgrt Judge of District Court Denise Brandel Court Administrator

Attorney for Petitioner Jennifer L.J. Gilk Gilk Legacy Law PLLC 1241 E. Bridge St., Suite A PO Box 126 Redwood Falls, MN 56283 Attorney License No: 238363 Telephone: (507) 627-4525 FAX: (507) 627-4528 Email: office@gilklegacylaw.com

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City seeks south substation bids by May 17

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids will be received by the City Clerk of Luverne, Minnesota, at the City Offices, 305 E. Luverne St., P.O. Box 659, Luverne, MN 56156-0659, until 2:00 PM, on May 17, 2018, for South Substation Construction, at which time the bids shall be publicly opened and read aloud.

The general nature of the work on which bids will be received consists of construction of a 115 kV rated, 69 kV operated, substation. The work consists of dirt and rock work, concrete foundations and concrete work, steel, fencing, conduit and ductwork, manholes, ground grid, power and control cables, buswork, circuit switcher, control building, and AC and DC wiring. This also includes the installation of Owner-furnished GOAB switches, steel structures, laminated wood poles, tangent wood poles, three-way and single-way transmission switches, PT, and connecting to power the Owner-furnished power transformer, switchgear, and control panels

The above work shall be in accordance with the specifications and proposed form of contract now on file in the office of the City of Luverne, Minnesota, by this reference made a part hereof as though fully set out and incorporated herein.

The Contractor and all subcontractors shall submit to the Owner a signed statement verifying compliance with each of the criteria described in the State of Minnesota "Responsible Contractor" law as codified in Minnesota Statute section 16C.285. See the Instructions to Bidders for more details.

Contractors desiring a copy of the project documents for individual use may obtain them from www. questcdn.com. You may download the digital plan documents for \$15 by inputting Quest project #5722366 website's Project Search page. Please contact QuestCDN.com at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in free membership registration, downloading, and working with this digital project information. An optional paper set of the proposal forms and specifications for individual use may be obtained from the office of the Engineer, DGR Engineering, 1302 South Union Street, P.O. Box 511, Rock Rapids, IA 51246, telephone 712-472-2531, Fax 712-472-2710, e-mail dgr@dgr.com, upon payment of \$75.00, none of which is refundable All bids shall be made on bid forms furnished by the Engineer and shall be accompanied by bid security in the form of a certified check or bid bond, made payable to the City of Luverne, in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the bid, which security becomes the property of the City in the event the successful bidder fails to enter into a contract and post satisfactory performance and payment bonds. Payment to the Contractor will be made on the basis of ninety percent (90%) upon certification of work completed; ten percent (10%) thirty-one (31) days after final completion and acceptance. The construction shall be performed upon a Notice to Proceed issuance. Substantial completion of the project shall be no later than January 31, 2019. See the specifications for more details on construction timing requirements. The City reserves the right to defer acceptance of any proposal for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days after the date proposals are received and no proposal may be withdrawn during this period. The City also reserves the right to reject any or all bids and enter into such contract as it shall deem to be in the best interest of the City. Dated this 3rd day of May, 2018.

Every buyer of an interest in residential real property is notified that the property may present exposure to dangerous levels of indoor radon gas that may place the occupants at risk of developing radon-induced lung cancer. Radon, a Class A human carcinogen, is the leading cause of lung cancer in nonsmokers and the second leading cause overall. The seller of any interest in residential real property is required to provide the buyer with any information on radon test results of the dwelling.

MUNICIPALITY/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/ADDRESS	PARCEL NUMBER	VALUE	ASSESSMENTS BEFORE FORFEITURE
CITY OF HARDWICK	and the second second		
108 S Buckingham St Hardwick MN 56134	14-0082-000	\$ 1.00	\$ 1,704.71
Special after forfeiture:		0.00	
Basic sale price:		\$ 1.00	
103 S Buckingham St Hardwick MN 56134	14-0096-000	\$ 1.00	\$ 10,752.01
Special after forfeiture:		0.00	
Basic sale price:		\$ 1.00	
CITY OF STEEN			
232 S Steen St Steen MN 56173	19-0039-000	\$ 1.00	\$ 3,987.49
Special after forfeiture:		0.00	
Basic sale price:		\$ 1.00]
220 E Railroad Ave	19-0105-000	\$ 1.00	\$ 2,715.84
Steen MN 56173			
Special after forfeiture:		0.00	
Basic sale price:		\$ 1.00	

TERMS FOR THE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND IN ROCK COUNTY

PUBLIC SALES: BASIC SALE PRICE

All Parcels are offered at public auction and sold to the highest bidder. The minimum bid acceptable is the basic sale price that is shown on the list of tax-forfeited land. The basic sale price is equal to the appraised value or the appraised value plus any extra charges for special assessments levied after forfeiture or for hazardous waste control.

EXTRA FEES AND COSTS: IN ADDITION TO THE BASIC SALE PRICE

A 3% surcharge for the state assurance account will be collected at the time of the sale. The following extra fees will be collected when the basic sale price is paid in full: a state deed fee of \$25.00, a deed filing fee of \$46.00, and a state deed tax equal to the greater of \$1.65 or 0.33% of the basic sale price.

PAYMENT TERMS: CASH

Full payment due at time of sale.

SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS: LEVIED BEFORE AND AFTER FORFEITURE

The balance of any special assessments that were levied before forfeiture and canceled at forfeiture are not included in the basic sale price and may be reassessed by the municipality. These special assessments are shown on the list of tax-forfeited land under the column entitled "Assessments Before Forfeiture.'

Any special assessments that were levied after forfeiture and certified to the County Auditor have been added to the appraised value and must be paid by the purchases as part of the basic sale price. These special assessments are shown on the list of tax-forfeited land with a special line entitled "Specials After Forfeiture."

CONDITIONS: RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF PROPERTIES

Sales are subject to the following restrictions on the use of properties:

- (1) existing leases,
- (2) easements obtained by a governmental subdivision or state agency for a public purpose
- (3) building codes and zoning laws,
- (4) all sales are final with no refunds or exchanges allowed, and
- (5) the appraised value does not represent a basis for future taxes.

PRIVATE SALES: PARCELS NOT SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCITON

Any parcel not sold at a public sale may be purchased after the public sale by paying the basic sale price. The basic sale price cannot be changed until the parcel is reappraised, republished, and again offered at a later public sale.

TITLE: PROOF OF OWNERSHIP

The buyer will receive a receipt at the time of the sale. The Department of Revenue will issue a state guitclaim deed after full payment is made. A state deed has the characteristics of a patent form the State of Minnesota. However, services of an attorney may be necessary to make the title marketable

Information about the sale of tax-forfeited in Rock County can be obtained at the office of the County Auditor-Treasurer, Rock County Courthouse, 204 East Brown Street, Luverne, Minnesota 56156. Telephone (507) 283-5060.

CITY OF LUVERNE, MINNESOTA By /s/ Jessica Mead City Clerk (5-03)

Affidavit of candidacy for mayor and aldermen

NOTICE OF FILING AFFIDAVIT OF CANDIDACY FOR MAYOR AND ALDERMEN **CITY OF LUVERNE, MINNESOTA**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that filings for office of Mayor and Aldermen open May 22, 2018, and shall close June 5, 2018, at 5 o'clock p.m. Filings or other questions should be addressed to the City Clerk, City Offices, 305 E. Luverne Street, P O Box 659, Luverne, Minnesota, 56156. Telephone 507-449-9898. Any qualified and eligible person may file an Affidavit of Candidacy individually, or an application signed by at least five voters may be filed on behalf of and accepted by a qualified and eligible person.

The offices to be elected for which filings are open are as follows:

Mayor - 1 (2-year term) (North) Ward I Alderman - 1 (4-year term) (South) Ward II Alderman - 1 (4-year term)

Jessica Mead City Clerk (5-03)

Board of Appeal and Equalization to meet May 15 ASSESSMENT NOTICE

The Board of Appeal and Equalization for Luverne City will meet at 4:00 P.M., on Tuesday, the 15th day of May, 2018, at the Luverne City Hall. The purpose of this meeting is to determine whether property in the jurisdiction has been properly valued and classified by the assessor.

If you believe the value or classification is incorrect, please contact the assessor's office at 507-283-5022 to discuss your concerns. If you disagree with the valuation or classification after discussing it with your assessor, you may appear before the local board of appeal and equalization. The board will review your assessments and may make corrections as needed. Generally, you must appeal to the local board before appealing to the County Board of Appeal and Equalization.

Given under my hand this 3rd day of May, 2018.

Jessica Mead City Clerk (5-03)

PUBLIC NOTICES



ISD #2184 School Board meets March 22 MINUTES OF THE SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOL

DISTRICT NO. 2184, ROCK COUNTY, LUVERNE, MINNESOTA.

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, ISD #2184, was held in the District Office on March 22, 2018, at 7:00 p.m.

The following members were present: Katie Baustian, Colleen Deutsch, Eric Hartman, Tim Jarchow, Shelley Sandbulte, and Reva Sehr. Absent: Jodi Bosch. Also present: Craig Oftedahl, Marlene Mann, Stacy Gillette, Ryan Johnson, Lori Oechsle, Diane Robinson, Amy Cook, Stacy Schepel, Phil Paquette, Jodi Rops, Mark Robinson, and Mavis Fodness - Rock County Star Herald.

Chairperson Baustian called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance. She requested two changes to the agenda - item 8.3 2018-19 and 2019-20 school calendar be moved to non-action items; and, the addition of hockey agreement to the non-action items. Motion made by Deutsch, second by Hartman, to approve the agenda with these changes. Motion unanimously carried.

Phil Paquette, Amy Cook, and Stacy Schepel presented information on the "Caring Hands Dental Clinic". They are planning for the Caring Hands Dental Clinic to be in our district on April 13 to make oral health presentations. They are also exploring possible dates in May to conduct a dental hygiene clinic for students in our district. These services would be at no charge to the school district.

Administrative reports were given.

Motion made by Deutsch, second by Jarchow, to approve the February 22, 2018, School Board minutes as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

Business Manager Marlene Mann presented the school district bills to the School Board. Motion made by Hartman, second by Jarchow, to pay the bills as presented in the amount of \$1,294,570.00. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Deutsch, second by Sehr, to receive the Student Activity Report showing the balances as of February 28, 2018. Motion unanimously carried.

Business Manager Marlene Mann reviewed the revised expenditure budget with the School Board. Motion made by Deutsch, second by Hartman, to approve the expenditure budget as presented in the amount of \$16,374,074.00. Motion unanimously carried.

Superintendent Oftedahl reviewed the 2018-2019 contracts with the SW/WC Service Cooperative. He noted the largest contract is for special education services. Motion made by Hartman, second by Sandbulte, to approve the 2018-19 contracts with SW/WC Service Cooperative as presented in the total amount of \$176,463.28. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Sandbulte, second by Hartman, to set a bid date of April 23, 2018, at 2:00 p.m., to receive bids for groundskeeping equipment to include blower, broom and mower attachments. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Deutsch, second by Jarchow, to approve the annual review of Policy 533 - Wellness Policy. There were no changes to the policy. Motion unanimously carried.

Information regarding high school gymnasium bleachers was presented. Motion made by Jarchow, second by Deutsch, to approve the quotation received from Seating and Athletic Facility Enterprises, Inc., for a total cost of \$119,150.00, which includes removal of the existing

bleachers. It was noted that we did not need to go through the bidding process as this company is a part of the Cooperative Purchasing program through SW/WC Service Cooperative. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Deutsch, second by Hartman, to approve the certified staff final Seniority List as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Sehr, second by Jarchow, to approve the hiring of Cory Schmuck as MS Softball coach. Motion unanimously carried

Motion made by Sandbulte, second by Deutsch, to approve the hiring of Connor Hoffman as MS Baseball coach. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Deutsch, second by Sehr, to approve the hiring of Mike Gonnerman as MS Golf coach. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Jarchow, second by Sehr, to approve Jeremy Olson as volunteer softball coach. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Hartman, second by Jarchow, to approve Katherine Dahl as volunteer softball coach. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Sehr, second by Hartman, to approve the hiring of Aimee Moss as Special Education teacher beginning with the 2018-19 school year at a salary of \$39,422.00. Motion unanimously carried.

No committee reports were given.

Superintendent Oftedahl distributed information regarding the third option for a

Schelhaas as custodian effective April 3, 2018. Motion unanimously carried. Motion made by Bosch, second by Deutsch, approve the hiring of Scott Kruger

as custodial effective April 23, 2018. Motion unanimously carried. Motion made by Deutsch, second by Sehr, to approve the hiring of Barb Antoine as MS boys tennis coach. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Hartman, second by Deutsch, to approve the hiring of Jon Schomacker as 2018 Summer Recreation Coordinator for a salary of \$8,600.00. Motion unanimously carried.

Superintendent Oftedahl presented information regarding the hockey contract with the Luverne Hockey Association. Discussion was held.

Superintendent Oftedahl informed the school board that he had received an email from Sheriff Evan VerBrugge and Mayor Pat Baustian regarding a school resource officer with the possibility of funding being provided 1/3 by each entity: county, city and school district. Discussion was held.

Superintendent Oftedahl reported he has been contacted by Holly Sammons from the City of Luverne regarding possibly naming the softball and baseball fields located to the west of the school building. Naming these fields would assist the city in their way finding signage program. He asked the school board to give possible name ideas some thought and discussion would be held at a later date.

The upcoming meeting dates were reviewed.

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

Dated: April 12, 2018

Shelley Sandbulte, Clerk (5-03)

Bridge replacement bids due **May 14**

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS BRIDGE REPLACEMENT & APPROACH GRADING / S.A.P. 067 - 599 - 178 BIDS CLOSE @ 11:00 A.M. MAY 14, 2018 LUVERNE, MINNESOTA

Sealed *Bid Packets* will be received by the Rock County Highway Department at Luverne, Minnesota until 11:00 A.M. on Monday, May 14, 2018.

READ CAREFULLY THE PROVISIONS FOR THE WAGE RATES AS CON-TAINED IN THE PROVISIONS, AS THEY WILL AFFECT THIS PROJECT.

Attention is called to the fact that the contractor must comply with the **Special** Equal Employment Opportunity Provisions & Wage Rates as contained in this Proposal

Proposals will be opened and read publicly in the presence of the Rock County Highway Engineer at the Rock County Highway Building located at II20 North Blue Mound Avenue in Luverne, MN immediately following the hour set for receiving bids for the following Rock County Highway work. Bids will be awarded on Tuesday, May 22, 2018 at the regular Board of Commissioners Meeting.

Construction of Bridge 67573, a 107' Concrete Slab Span. The project is located in Luverne Township, 1 Mile North of C.S.A.H. 15 on 144TH Avenue, over Elk Creek.

The major items of work are: 75 Cu. Yd. Structural Concrete; 3,317 Sq. Ft. of Bridge Slab Concrete; 214 Lin. Ft. of Type S (TL-4) Railing Concrete; 54,970 Pounds of Reinforcement Bars (Epoxy Coated); 670 Cu. Yds. Random Riprap (Class III); 360 Lin. Ft. 12" - C-I-P Piling; 2 - 12" C-I-P Test Piles 70 Ft. Long; 600 Lin. Ft. 16" - C-I-P Piling; 2 - 16" C-I-P Test Piles 85 Ft. Long; & Approach Work.

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

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

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

Sealed bids shall be clearly marked "PROJECT NO. S.A.P. 067-599-178" The Board of Rock County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any defects therein.

Rock County is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. Mark R. Sehr. P.E. Rock County Highway Engineer (4-19, 4-26, 5-3)

FOR SALE

For Sale: Landscaping rock 1 1.2 or 3/4 inch. Yard dirt. Also do stump grinding. Wayne Biever Construction 507-227-4521 or 507-283-4614. (4.26 - 5.13)

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EMPLOYMENT

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ROCK COUNTY LAND RECORDS OFFICE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

school calendar for 2018-19 and 2019-20. He will also be presenting the information to the staff

Chairperson Baustian opened discussion regarding the contract with the Luverne Hockey Association. Discussion was held.

Chairperson Baustian reviewed the upcoming meeting dates. It was noted that there will need to be a special school board meeting set for April 12. The School Board will need to approve the design and concept of the building project at this meetina

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

Dated: March 22, 2018

Shelley Sandbulte, Clerk (5-03)

ISD #2184 Special meeting April 12

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

A special meeting of the Board of Education, ISD #2184, was held in the District Office on April 12, 2018, at 7:00 p.m.

The following members were present: Katie Baustian, Jodi Bosch, Colleen Deutsch, Eric Hartman, Tim Jarchow, Shelley Sandbulte, and Reva Sehr. Also present: Craig Oftedahl, Marlene Mann, Ryan Johnson, Stacy Gillette, Diane Robinson, Jodi Rops, Lynn Remmers and Katie Becker with JLG, Todd and Joel of ICS Consulting.

Chairperson Baustian called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance. Motion made by Deutsch, second by Hartman, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

Lynn Remmers, Katie Becker, and Todd Wetzel presented information regarding the building project. They reviewed the process used for design and scope of the building project; the design goals; and the construction cost estimate.

Motion made by Hartman, second by Deutsch, for the approval and sign off of the design and to give permission to move into the next phase of the project. Motion unanimously carried.

Superintendent Oftedahl presented the results of the survey of school employees regarding the school calendar for 2018-19 and 2019-20. Discussion was held. Motion by Deutsch, second by Hartman, to approve the 2018-2019 calendar as presented with the first day of school for students being set for September 4, 2018, and the last day of school for students being May 10, 2019. Graduation was set for May 12, 2019. Motion unanimously carried. Motion made by Sandbulte, second by Bosch, to approve the 2019-2020 calendar as presented with the first day of school for students being set for September 16, 2019, and the last day of school for students being May 22, 2020, with graduation set for May 24, 2020. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Hartman, second by Jarchow, to approve the request from Tiffany Veal, Special Education teacher, for a leave of absence under the Family and Medical Leave Act beginning April 2, 2018, for the remainder of the school year. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Deutsch, second by Sehr, to approve the hiring of Jodi Nelson as long-term substitute special education teacher beginning April 2 for the remainder of the school year. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Sandbulte, second by Deutsch, to approve the hiring of Austin Maxwell as special education teacher for a salary of \$39,422.00 beginning with the 2018-19 school year. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Bosch, second by Jarchow, to approve the hiring of Matthew Watnemo as social studies teacher and 9th grade girls basketball coach for a salary of \$43,660.00 beginning with the 2018-19 school year. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Sehr, second by Hartman, to accept the resignation of Rebecca Redetzke as chemistry and physics teacher effective at the end of the 2017-18 school year. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Deutsch, second by Sehr, to approve the hiring of Lowell

Schilling applies for livestock feedlot permit

NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

MINNESOTA RULE 7020.2000, SUBP. 4

Notice is hereby given per Minnesota Statutes 116.07, subd. 7(a), that Casey Schilling has made application to the County of Rock, for a permit to construct a feedlot with a capacity of 500 animal units or more.

The proposed feedlot will be located in the NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of section 2 in Kanaranzi Township, Rock County, Minnesota.

The proposed facility consists of a total confinement barn to house 2,400 head of swine between 55 and 300 pounds. Using 0.3 animal units per head, total animal units are 720. The building shall have a poured reinforced concrete pit for manure storage. The total animal capacity will be 720.

This publication shall constitute as notice to each resident and each owner of real property within 5,000 feet of the perimeter of the proposed feedlot as required by Minnesota State Law.

(5-03)

City of Luverne adopts Ordinance No. 365

ORDINANCE NO. 364, THIRD SERIES AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CONVEYANCE OF REAL ESTATE (ROUNDWIND ADDITION, CITY OF LUVERNE, ROCK COUNTY, MN) THE CITY OF LUVERNE DOES HEREBY ORDAIN:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to City Charter, Section 12.05, the City Council is authorized to sell or convey the following described real estate located in the City of Luverne, County of Rock, State of Minnesota, described as follows, to-wit:

The West Eighty-seven and one-half (W. 87 1/2) feet

of Lot One (1) and the South Twenty-Two (S. 22)

feet of the West Eighty-seven and one-half (W. 87 1/2)

feet of Lot Four (4), all in Block Thirty (30) in

Van Eps and Vary's Addition to the Village (now City)

of Luverne, Minnesota.

To RSD Development, LLC.

SEC. 2. The Mayor and City Administrator are hereby authorized and directed to execute such legal documents as are necessary to accomplish this sale and are further authorized to execute and deliver a warranty deed upon complete fulfillment of all terms and conditions

SEC. 3. This ordinance takes full force and effect seven (7) days after its publication

/s/ Patrick T. Baustian, Mayor /s/ John M. Call, City Administrator (5-03)

Read the Public Notices online www.star-herald.com

The Rock County Administrator is now accepting applications for the position of Administrative Assistant in the Land Records Office until May 10, 2018. The position preforms a high level of customer service and conducts clerical work all while providing general office functions. Duties include: vital record functions, updating assessment records in the county tax system, assessment applications and recording of property transfers. Applicant qualifications are a high school diploma or equivalent with a two year related degree and two years of work related experience or any equivalent combination of education, training and experience; must also possess good oral and writing communication skills and experience with Microsoft office software applications. This is a full time benefit eligible position with minimum hourly range of \$16.37 - \$17.70 DOQ and maximum hourly range of \$23.30. A detailed job description and an application form for this position can be accessed at http://www.co.rock.mn.us/employment.html For additional questions, please contact the Rock County

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CLASSIFIEDS

EMPLOYMENT

Help wanted: Full-time Support Professional position available in Luverne, MN. Hours include paid sleep time! Hours are every Thursday from 2 p.m. to 8:30 on Friday and every Sunday 12 noon to Monday at 8:30 a.m. Applicant must be at least 18 years of age, have a valid driver's license. and possess excellent life coaching skills, any additional training needed will be provided. For additional information regarding this position or to request an application call or text your inquiry to 605-530-4440. (4.29-5.17)

EMPLOYMENT

Oasis Care Home is now hiring various weekend shifts and for full-time Monday through Friday 2:30 - 10 p.m. for a CNA. \$13.50 per hour. Call Mandy at Oasis Care Home for more information at 507-449-6156. (4.15-5.3)

New Prairie Insulation of Beaver Creek has a full-time Insulation Installer position available. Monday through Friday, health insurance, vacation, holiday, retirement plan, bonus opportunities. Will train. Call Dean at 605-376-3006 or 507-673-2548. (tc)

EMPLOYMENT

Looking for yardman to work 4 hours once a week every week in Hardwick. Call 507-669-2585 (5.3 - 5.20)

Help wanted: Someone in Hardwick is seeking assistance for general housework for four hours and personal care 1 hour every 2 weeks. Call 507-669-2585 (5.3 - 5.20)

Help Wanted: Age 55+ workers needed for part-time custodial work at Adrian and Beaver Creek Rest areas. Contact Green View at 651-639-1913. (4.15-5.3)

DEBOER Full Time Automotive Service Technician

DeBoer Chevrolet Co. is looking for an energetic person to become part of our service team. If you are a self-starter and able to multi-task, we want to hear from you. This position is full-time, Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. plus every other Saturday from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

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Contact Stewart at 507-442-4341 or info@deboerchev.com

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Luverne Announcer carriers needed for

EMPLOYMENT

Garage Superintendent Nobles County - Public Works This position supervises, directs, and participates in the maintenance and repair of County motor vehicles and equipment. QUALIFICATIONS: Vocational/technical diploma in Heavy Equipment Repair or related field with a minimum of five years experience in heavy equipment maintenance, mechanical repair supervision, or related field. Current CDL required; supervisory experience preferred. APPLY TO: Nobles County Administration Office, 315 10th Street, P.O. Box 757, Worthington MN 56187. (507) 295-5201 (8:00 am to 4:30 pm). Visit our website at www.co.nobles. mn.us. REQUIRED: County application forms are required. Resumes WILL NOT be accepted as substitutes. Closing Date for Applications: May 18, 2018. EEO Employer.

(4.29-5.3)

PCA/CNA needed for in home care of a middle aged woman in the Lismore area. 25 hours a week guaranteed, Monday through Friday in the mornings. Duties will include helping with personal care and additional activities as needed. This is an excellent long-term position in a comfortable smoke free/pet free setting. For more information, or to submit a resume, please send email to bsl 1960@hotmail.com (4.19-5.6)

SERVICES

Handy Man: if you are looking for someone to do those extra things that don't get done or repaired, odd jobs, small jobs, I also do some landscaping. Call Darwin Brands at 507-290-0174. (4.19-5.27)

GARAGE SALES

Going into a town home garage sale: Thursday, May 3 and Friday, May 4 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, May 5 8 a.m. to noon. Lots of garden/shop tools, snow blower, patio table and chairs, umbrella, two patio swings, bird bath, misc, household, many other items too numerous to mention. (5.3)

CARDS OF THANKS

From the family of Jacob Gonnerman: Due to the overwhelming amount of sympathy, love and support shown in his passing, we found this to be the easiest way to say thank you. We would like to thank our family, friends and those close to Jake for the food, cards, flowers and monetary donations to Courtney, Amelia and Wesson. Thank you to the Beaver Creek Rescue Team, Sanford Luverne ambulance crew, Sanford Luverne staff and Dr. Diane Kennedy for the care given that night. Pastor Ron at Grace Lutheran Church for his words of prayer and wonderful service. Dingmann Funeral Home for all of the arrangements. And last, to Jake's friends and family for sharing his stories and memories for us all to hold on to, to get through this difficult time.

Courtney, Amelia and Wes-

son Gonnerman,

Ron and Mary Lou Gonnerman Trisha and Brad Goembel and family, Kevin, Glenda and Glen Dreesen

(4.29-5.10)

We would like to thank everyone who participated in, attended or donated to the following fundraisers: Baskets for Boltjes, Sharon Strong t-shirts and the One Act Play fundraiser in January. We appreciate everything that has been done for us.

> **Sharon Boltjes** and family (4.29-5.3)

hank you

RENTALS

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(tc)

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CARDS OF THANKS

We would like to take this time to thank everyone for all the support you have shown thus far. Whether it be your prayers and kind words of concern, a card, a phone call or gift cards and money to help with travel and medical bills, it's all very much appreciated. Thank you for the gift baskets, hats, blankets, meals and all the other little things that have made a large impact. The support myself and my family have been receiving is overwhelming in such a wonderful way.

Sharon Boltjes and family (4.29-5.3)

The family of Shirley Mollberg would like to extend their thanks and appreciation for the expressions of sympathy, visits, cards, food and memorials. A special thank you to Dr. Morgan and his staff for their many kindnesses and excellent care. We are also grateful to the Luverne Hospice staff for their care, compassion and support. Thank you, Father Tom, for your visits, prayers and celebrating the funeral mass. We are appreciative to the LCCW for serving the meal and to Dingmann Funeral Home for their assistance with arrangements. We remember and celebrate the life of Shirley Mollberg.

Diane and Terry Gonnerman and family, David and Linda Mollberg, and family, Mary and Terry McDowell, and family, Jeff McClure and family, Tom and Carol Mollberg, and family Linda and Jon Rust, and family.

(4.29-5.3)

Thank you for your generous donations to the 2017 Red Arrow Drive. Nearly 100% of your donations serve people in Rock County. If you would still like to make a donation, please send it to: Rock County Red Arrow, P.O. Box 895, Luverne Mn 56156. Thank you, the **Red Arrow Board.**

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CARDS OF THANKS

Thank you my friends for the prayers, calls, cards and caring thoughts helping me through my cancer diagnosis, surgery and treatment. You all made me feel special and loved. God Bless you,

Dick Smook (4.29-5.3) **RENTALS**





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EMPLOYMENT

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