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Sheriff proposes officer in schools

By Mavis Fodness

The Rock County Sheriff's Office is proposing a full-time school resource officer in the Luverne and Hills-Beaver Creek school districts

Sheriff Evan Verbrugge presented information at the Luverne School Board's April 27 meeting. He also addressed the Hills-Beaver CreekSchool's personnel and finance committee.

Neither entity committed to funding a portion of the estimated \$64,436 salary and equipment.

"Theywould be a liaison between schools and law enforcement," Verbrugge said at the Luverne meeting.

"It's not indicative that a problem exists, but we have issues."

He said issues often present themselves outside the school facilities and follow students into the

"A school resource officer would know the issues that happened the night before," Verbrugge said.

The daytime officer would be on-site to work immediately with school officials instead of being a 10to 15-minute phone call away.

Verbrugge said the officer could assist with truancy issues, social media bullying or de-escalating an incident.

When not involved with administrative staff, the officer would patrol hallways and become a resource for classroom teachers.

"I think there are a lot of positives,"

Verbrugge said. The officer would be paid overtime for working evenings such as at athletic events. Verbrugge said he did not include the estimated 225 hours

of overtime into the proposal. The new school resource officer would implement the D.A.R.E. curriculum, which addresses drugs, violence, bullying, Internet safety and other high-risk behaviors with fifth-grade students.

A Rock County deputy had previously taught the 10 45-to-60-minute lessons in each of the districts until

Officer in schools/see page 8A



Mavis Fodness photo/0511 Cardinal Dash

Fifth-graders begin the Third Annual PPIE Cardinal Dash: Keep Kids Running event in upper 70-degree temperatures Friday afternoon, May 5, behind the Luverne Elementary School. The goal for the fundraiser was \$15,000. The dash raised \$17,244.

Ready, set, dash!

Students, staff, parents exceed booster club fundraising goal with Cardinal Dash

By Mavis Fodness

Disappointed groans came from the 556 Luverne Elementary students who gathered Friday, May 5, on the high school football field.

Students were reacting to the news they didn't reach the \$15,000 fundraising goal set by the school's parent support group, PPIE or Parents Partners in Education for the Cardinal Dash: Keep Kids Running event.

"You crushed it!" announced PPIE President Anne Shelton as the groans quickly turned to cheers. "This is absolutely amazing!" The final total for the three-week pledge

drive was \$17,244. As part of the challenge, three elementary teachers agreed to have their hair sprayed red

prior to the Cardinal Dash, if the goal was met. School nurse Phil Paquette and fourthgrade teacher Jon Schomacker joined physical education instructors Corey Nelson, Brooks Maurer and TJ Newgard in having washable

red paint sprayed in their hair. Despite temperatures in the 70s, the spray hitting the scalp was a shock.

"It was cold," Schomacker said.



Mavis Fodness photo/0511 Cardinal Dash Students chant "Do the beard!" as first-grader Rebecca Arndt sprays red haircolor on Phil Paquette.

Adding the color were the five top fundraising students, Rebecca Arndt (first grade), Dawson Holtz (third grade), Cassandra Chesley (fifth grade), Nolin

Shelton (kindergarten) and Makena Nelson (fifth grade).

As a top fundraiser, she earned rights to the honors.

The kindergartners through fifth-graders were challenged to sell \$10 Cardinal pledge cards to friends, family and community members. The goal was to have every student

In return for the pledges, students would complete a half- or a two-mile fun walk/run.

Students earned prizes and were eligible for raffle drawings if they met a certain monetary level. Individual classrooms challenged one another for extra rewards.

Shelton said the classroom race was extremely close with Jon Schomacker's class arning the top spot by \$2.

"We had 10 classes with over \$800 (raised)," she added.

Wendy Bosshart's fifth-graders were the second-highest fundraisers followed by Amy Von Holtum (fifth grade), Laurie Rust (kindergarten) and Laura Louwagie (second grade) in the top five.

Funds raised are used by PPIE to pay for enhanced learning activities in school.

Cardinal Dash/continued on page 8A



Berm to slow floodwaters at Redbird Field

A berm is under construction along the Rock River in Luverne to minimize flood damage at Redbird Field. June 2014 flooding deposited corn stalks, debris and tons of sand and silt onto Redbird Field costing \$200,000 to clean it up. The city has been working with engineers and DNR hydrologists on a 4-foot-high earthen berm 450 feet long that extends from the Main Street bridge to the northeast corner of Redbird Field. The estimated cost of the project is \$55,000, and a state grant will cover most of that cost. Both engineers and state hydrologists note that the berm won't prevent flooding; water will still fill this area during floods. The goal is to divert water through the floodway in order to slow the rushing river and avoid the debris.

Minnesota state parks 'desperate' for funding

Blue Mounds drinking water is top priority

By Lori Sorenson

The Blue Mounds State Park is on its third camping season without drinking water — or water that's safe to bathe in, for that matter.

Essentially, the park's water is suitable only for flushing toilets.

"It's a poor reflection on the state of Minnesota when we can't even have drinking water in our state parks," said Phil Leversedge, deputy director of Minnesota's Division of Parks and Trails.

The solution is a \$1.1 million project that would connect the park to Rock County Rural Water and also replace the park's 40-year-old underground pipes.

Minnesota Gov. Mark Dayton's bonding bill dedicates \$34 million to the DNR for asset preservation to address failing infrastructure like that at the Blue Mounds.

The most urgent asset preserva-

tion needs for state parks and state trails make up about half of this amount.

However, the House version of the bill includes less than half that amount — \$15 million, and with the May 22 close of the session looming, park officials and park visitors alike are getting nervous.

'We are desperately hoping the House and Senate can come closer to the governor's request of \$34 million," Leversedge said.

"The Blue Mounds project will be at the top of our list of projects," he said. "The challenge will be funding."

He said the priority list also includes seven other must-do park improvements.

For example, Itasca State Park in northern Minnesota has a noncompliant sewer system threatening

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

Article 19: Luverne Automobile Company puts our town on the map at turn of the century

This is the 19th in a series that shares the rich history of Luverne as it celebrates 150 years. The following is about the Luverne Automobile Company from various sources:

Headlight Magazine in the late 1890s served as a community advertisement to encourage people to settle in Luverne. This is what it had to say about the Leicher Brothers: "This carriage and wagon manufactory is one of the most enterprising houses in this branch of industry. With every facility for the work, with

Luverne celebrates 150 years/continued on page 8A

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Meetings

Meditation and Mindfulness Practice will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 24, in the lower level of Hilger Commons at 215 N. Cedar Street in Luverne. For more information call Kim at 507-353-0041 or email kimberlyelizabeth@live.com.

Parkinson's Support Group will meet at 1 p.m. Thursday, May 18, at St. John Lutheran Church in Luverne. Call 507-530-3307 with questions.

MS Support Group will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, May 18, at Southwest Health and Human Services in $Luverne. All \, persons \, with \, MS, family \, and \, friends \, are \, invited.$ Call 283-2069 or 283-2964.

The Lady Luverne Red Hats will meet at 11 a.m. Friday, May 19 from the St. Catherine's East parking lot. They will be going to the Ellsworth Café and Kanaranzi Creek. Call Connie at 283-8470 by May 16.

Narcotics Anonymous will meet every Thursday evening at 6:30 p.m. at the Steen Reformed Church. Contact Robert for more information 507-329-2642.

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

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

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

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

Register now for 'I Can Climb' at park

Reservations are being taken for this summer's "I Can Climb" programs at the Blue Mounds State Park. Climbing sessions will be June 17 and 18, July 15 and 16, and Aug. 12 and 13. Details are at www.dnr.state.mn.us/state_parks/

Register now for summer rec classes

Register for summer community education classes now. Offerings include kids' classes on horsemanship, lego league, Ninjas, Dads, Daughters & Hair, Spanish, 150th Birthday Parade, Chess & Checkers, and a Jigsaw Puzzle Tournament. Other favorites for kids include soccer, morning day camps, kids in the kitchen, wood working classes, Jack & the Beanstalk Missoula Theatre, and Cabela's School of Fish.

Save money by registering ahead of May 24 for classes like morning rec, golf, arts & crafts, volleyball, gymnastics, running, and basketball. Adults will find classes on computer surfing, walleye fishing, genealogy, gardening, cooking with olive oil and balsamics, Summer walking group, Twins game, State Fair trip, Master Gardener garden tour, social media marketing, and more. Call 283-4724 with questions.

Kindergartners present 'Gettin' Down with Mama Goose' May 12

Luverne kindergartners will present their program, "Gettin' Down With Mama Goose!" at 2 p.m. Friday, May 12, in the Luverne Elementary Gym. Parents, family, community are all invited.

Band concert May 12

The Luverne High School-Middle School will perform their spring concert at 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 12, in the elementary gym.

Sandbox fill May 17

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

Food ministry May 18

New Life Celebration Church monthly food ministry will be from 5 to 6 p.m. Thursday, May 18, in the Luverne Senior Center for those having trouble putting food on the table. Children are asked to wait outside. Call 283-4366.

Master Gardener Plant Sale May 20

Rock County Master Gardeners' 13th Annual Plant Sale will be from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, May 20, in the Bomgaars parking lot in Luverne. Call Mary at 283-4019 with questions



Lori Sorenson photo/0511 van wyhe gunsmith

Mike Van Wyhe's gunsmith and repair shop, Tap Rack Bang Gunsmithing, will open this summer in the former Van Wyhe TV shop adjacent to his grandparents Harold and Toni Van Wyhe's home at 314 West Main St in Luverne.

Luverne grad opens gunsmith, repair shop

By Lori Sorenson

Luverne High School graduate Mike Van Wyhe is starting a new business in his grandpa's former electronics shop.

His gunsmith and repair shop, Tap Rack Bang Gunsmithing, will open this summer in the former Van Wyhe TV shop adjacent to Harold and Toni Van Wyhe's home at 314 West Main St.

"I've been into guns ever since I was a kid — taking stuff apart and putting it back together," Mike said.

"I've also enjoyed hunting and shooting guns." Mike, son of Chuck and Norma Van Wyhe, grew up helping his dad with Rock **County Pheasants Forever** banquets where he also was exposed to hunting firearms and equipment.

A 2007 Luverne High School graduate, he earned a wind turbine technician degree at Minnesota West Community and Technical College in 2009 before serving four years with the U.S. Marine Corps.

His business name, Tap, Rack, Bang is a military term for the response to a failure to fire in a firearm with a removable magazine.

To be a professional gunsmith, he completed a 14-month training in 2015 at the Colorado School of Trades in Lakewood, Colorado, and he's waiting for approval of his federal firearms license.

Mike said his business will include some firearms sales, but he won't have an inventory on hand.

It will start out part time in order to accommodate his already busy schedule.

He's a full-time college student working on his business management degree through the University of South Dakota's Sioux Falls University Center.

He's also a part-time Postal Service employee, currently serving as interim supervisor in Luverne.

In his spare time, he's been working on his shop primarily building workbenches for countertop workspace.

Being adjacent to his grandparents' home and living in his parents' basement across the backyard, Mike smiles and admits that he hasn't been short on help or supervision.

He has set a late June date as a target for opening.

Holy Trinity sold, deconsecration service May 14

By Lori Sorenson

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Luverne closed its doors last fall and the historic Sioux quartzite building was offered for sale.

With a purchase pending later this month, the church will be deconsecrated Sunday to transfer the property from sacred to secular use.

Bishop Brian Prior, St. Paul, will officiate the service at 9 a.m. Sunday, May 14. The community is encouraged to attend

the service, which will include Holy Eucharist, and a coffee will be served in the Hilger Commons afterward.

The stately church on the corner of LuverneStreet and Cedar Avenue has long been recognized as a significant local landmark.

It was built in 1891 by R.B. Hinkly with Sioux quartzite stone from the Blue Mound Quarry, which he owned.

The arched windows, which were shipped in from England, are all still original, as well as the altar and solid oak woodwork throughout.

The building was listed on the National

Register of Historic Places in 1980. According to Holy Trinity member Roni Feit, the new owner has committed to keeping the sanctuary intact and maintaining the

building's status on the historic registry. She declined to name the buyer until closing documents are signed at the end of the month.

Rick

Peterson



Lori Sorenson photo/holy trinity church to close

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Luverne has been sold, and a deconsecration service will be at 9 a.m. Sunday. Lowell and Roni Feit (left) and Bob DeYong are the only remaining members of the historic church.





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to leak into nearby water.

"PCA has told us we need to upgrade it," Leversedge said about the \$3.5 million deficiency.

"It's unacceptable for us to have a failing waste water system at the headwaters of the Mississippi River and one of our jewel state parks."

Another problem at the top of the list is Whitewater State Park in southeastern Minnesota where three septic systems are out of compliance.

"Whitewater State Park offers some of the best trout fishing in southeast Minnesota, and is one of our busiest campgrounds," Leversedge said. "Protecting water quality is a priority for us."

Other priorities are failing bridges along state trails, many of which are built on former railroad beds that still utilize original bridges that are over 100 years old.

"They're safe for pedestrians, but not for maintenance equipment, and that creates inefficiencies."

In all, Leversedge said the DNR has identified more than \$350 million worth of deferred maintenance in its facilities across the state, the majority of it in Minnesota state parks and trails, so the \$34 million requested in this year's spending cycle addresses only the worst of the problems.

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And Blue Mounds State Park is currently the worst of the worst.

Local park manager Chris Ingebretsen said the water issue has affected park attendance.

According to park data, 91,000 people visited the Blue Mounds in 2013.

That number dropped to 57,000 visitors in 2014, the year E.coli showed up in drinking water and flooding destroyed the dam and drained the lake.

In the past couple of years, visitor numbers have returned somewhat, but never to the level before water contamination. The fact remains that park visitors cannot drink or bathe in the water.

"It's incredibly important that water infrastructure improvements for Blue Mounds State Park are included on a bonding bill," Ingebretsen said.

"That said, even without drinking water, there's many great reasons to visit the park and I hope people come out and use it this season."

The only way to address park deficiencies is to convince legislators to approve the funds.

The House and Senate Districts 22 and 22A in southwest Minnesota are represented by Luverne lawmakers Bill Weber and Joe Schomacker,

"We'll try to make sure that's included in the bonding bill," Weber said earlier this year. "If they want to have good utilization of that park, there has to be a safe and dependable water supply."

He also alluded to additional needs to fund the Blue Mounds water and sewer infrastructure, much like parks all over the state.

"Unfortunately right now I think the DNR probably has more facilities than they can take care of," Weber said.

Leversedge said he hopes state park supporters let their representatives in St. Paul know how important it is to fund maintenance of state parks and trails.

"It is important to have their voices heard," he said. Schomacker said he supports parks and trails, but not

the amount Gov. Dayton is requesting.

"I would support the level of funding that gets water

back to the Blue Mounds," he said.

"The department and I may disagree that it's going to take \$34 million before they'd even consider our project, but if that's the level they want in order to guarantee the

project, I would support it as part of the larger package." Schomacker can be reached at 651-296-5505 or rep.joe. schomacker@house.mn. Weber can be reached at 651-296-5650 or Sen.Bill.Weber@senate.mn.

Chairs of the Capital Investment Committees are: Rep. Dean Urdahl (651-296-4344) or rep.dean.urdahl@house. mn, and Sen. David H. Senjem (651-296-3903) or sen.david. senjem@senate.mn.

The legislative session ends May 22, and the bonding bill would need to be finalized before that date.



'Heroes' DVD at museum

A Luverne soldier, the late Robert Anderson, is among 22 World War II soldiers who share their perspectives of the allied invasion that brought an end to Germany's Third Reich. "Heroes of WW2, the European Campaign" DVD is available at the Herreid Military Museum in Luverne. It's produced by the Reagan Legacy Foundation and the KAHR Foundation, a family foundation started in 2005 by Jeannine M. Rivet and Warren G. Herreid II for philanthropic endeavors.







Taproom legislation allows breweries producing less than 250,000 barrels annually to obtain on-sale malt liquor licenses to sell their own beer at their brewery. Take 16's taproom won't have a commercial kitchen; rather it will cater from local restaurants.

Take 16 Brewing opens taproom this summer

By Lori Sorenson

Take 16 Brewing Company in Luverne is launching construction of a taproom this spring with help from the Luverne Economic Development Authority.

At their Monday morning meeting, EDA board members approved a \$50,000 forgivable loan to Luverne Brew Partners LLC to renovate their existing Take 16 building on East Main Street.

The taproom project includes repairing a wall, installing a handicap entrance, electric, plumbing and HVAC work, tile, facade enhancements, and other structural repairs related to building stabilization.

It does not affect the adjacent Woodley's structure.

Workwill be completed by late June in time for Luverne's 150th celebration activities this summer.

The taproom will be open from 4 to 10 p.m. Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, plus special events.

Tim Gust and Curt Thorson attended Monday's meeting in city hall on behalf of the brewery, which opened in December of 2014.

"This has been in the works for a long time," Gust said. "It augments the production side of the brewery and it will be absolutely phenomenal to have the taproom anchoring the east end of Main Street."

Gust added that local restaurants and caterers will benefit from the taproom, which will not have a commercial kitchen.

"Any food we have will be brought in," he said.

In addition to the brewery's monthly block parties, Gust said he anticipates the taproom will host other community events that will require catering.

"We've always said we don't want to compete with our local restaurants."

Thorson said he expects the taproom to fill a need in the community.

"The craft industry is growing by leaps and bounds," he said. "We know people are really interested in having a taproomat the brewery.... People ask all the time, 'When are you going to open a taproom?"

Luverne Brew Partners will hire two more employees for the taproom, and that stipulation is outlined in the loan agreement approved Monday.

If, after two years, the two employees are not on staff, the company must repay the loan



Architect drawings show what the Take 16 taproom will look like when it's complete at the end of June. The taproom project includes repairing a wall, installing a handicap entrance, electric, plumbing and HVAC work, tile, facade enhancements, and other structural repairs related to building stabilization. It does not affect the adjacent Woodley's structure.



at 5 percent interest over a 10-year period.

In addition to the \$50,000 renovation loan, the taproom project qualifies for Luverne's Façade Improvement Program, which the EDA also approved at Monday's meeting.

Eligible facade improvements include replacing windows and an entry door, new windowawnings, exterior light fixtures and electrical work, window signage, replacing three large overhead doors, and concrete work for handicap accessibility.

The cost of the facade enhancements is \$42,362.10, and

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Luverne Brew Partners is applying for a grant for 35 percent of the project cost — \$14,825. The company has chosen to forgo the loan portion of the façade program.

LEDA Board members

Engesser abstained from voting on the motions due to their personal interests in the brewery.

Mayor Pat Baustian praised the brewery for its

Sherri Thompson and Mike

progress and applauded the EDA for the economic incentives for the taproom.

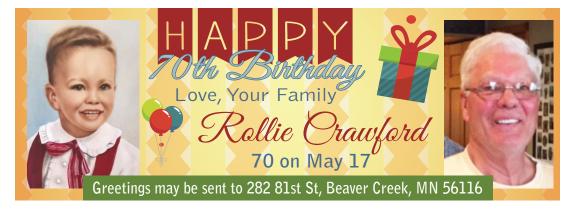
"This is a great economic development tool to encour-

age business and tourism in Luverne," he said.

Prior to 2011 taproom legislation, production breweries could not sell their beer directly to consumers.

The taproom law allows breweries producing less than 250,000 barrels annually to obtain on-sale malt liquor licenses to sell their own beer on-site at their brewery in a so-called "taproom."

There are currently eight different beer profiles of Take 16 beer on the market. A few are year-round beers and the others are seasonal. See take-16beer.com.







When the cellphone becomes a lifesaver

The cellphone is becoming the Swiss army knife of the technological age. It certainly became a handy tool that recently saved my life.



My husband,

Bryan, and I purchased an enclosed horse trailer a year ago. I am still getting used to where things need to be stored and how things operate.

I found out recently that the door between the living quarters and where the horses are stalled works a little too well.

On a rainy Wednesday afternoon I loaded the three horses for a health checkup with the veterinarian. It was the first time I loaded three horses into the three-slant trailer.

A nice feature about an enclosed trailer versus our previous open-sided livestock trailer is that its occupants are sheltered from the elements.

If needed, the new trailer's horse quarters have three folddown windows for additional ventilation. Access to the horses can occur from two doors.

These doors, however, only open by latches located on the outside of the trailer.

ThatrainyWednesdaymeant it was unnecessary to have the windows down or the doors open for loading.

With the windows and doors closed, the inside was warm and dry, which is handy on a rainy, chilly afternoon except when you're concerned about loading three horses for the first time. The preoccupation made for a funny error.

As I was moving tack items from the first stall into the living area, I tried out the lock on the adjoining door.

It works.

Simply by turning the knob and closing the door, I heard a snug seal and the lock click into place.

Nohorsecouldpushthedoor open. Even a person couldn't

RUMINATIONS

By Mavis Fodness, Reporter



Me and the trailer, Jan. 2016

move that door, I thought to myself. As I cozily avoided the elements while spreading wood shavings on the stall floors, it occurred to me the door was locked and I

was trapped. Due to the pouring rain, I didn't leave the back door open.

Thankfully, I had used my cell phone flashlight to find a lead rope in the tack box.

While I searched my contacts for a possible available neighbor, I heard the distinct rumbling of a semitrailer truck. The noise signaled only one thing - my dearly beloved was forced home early due to the rain.

I called him and watched out $the {\it trailer window} \, as \, he \, backed \, the \,$ semitrailer into the shed.

'You absolutely cannot tell anyone about this," is how I answered his "hello."

My knight in shining armor got quite a chuckle out of my pre-

I'm not sure if he has told everyone about rescuing his damsel in distress, but I'm thankful I didn't leave my phone in the house. It certainly rescued me from my own trailer.

Thank you for living in Rock County

It's time for some serious talk about new home construction

Almost a year ago the Rock County Commissioners began talking about amending the county's current tax abatement program to include new residential housing.

The old program began almost 20 years ago as an incentive for business owners to move to or expand within the county boundaries. Since that time less than 10 businesses have taken advantage of the program.

With so little interest in tax abatement, what do we have to lose if we expand the program to new home construction?

At their May 2 meeting, the commissioners selected two members to sit on a committee to further investigate the possible addition.

Eleven months after the first discussions, we think the talks are long overdue.

In the abatement program, the county would still collect taxes on the original value of the parcel, not on the improved value, for a certain number of years.

In most instances, the abatement from the county may be less than \$500. Whatever the amount, the abate-

ment is a good way to thank people for improving their homes and staying in Rock County.

It's a good, innovative idea.

We hope talks don't end just at the county level.

We see benefit in townships and even cities joining the county in offering a similar tax abatement option.

With the number of homes rotting in our communities, wouldn't it $be \, nice \, to \, have \, a \, program \, available \, to \,$ individuals as a thank you for making

improvements? Instead of looking at so many abandoned homes in our smallest communities, wouldn't it be nice if someone would want to build a new home and live there?

Let's thank them by offering them tax savings for a few years.

There are many details to be

worked out. We are looking forward to the innovative thinking that the commissioners are undertaking.

STAR HERALD EDITORIAL

Tax abatement on new residential housing is not uncharted territory.

Our neighbors to the east in Nobles County have had their home initiative program for three years and are considering renewing the program this fall. Their program has tripled the number of new homes built in the county within a threeyear period.

Those are some good numbers to consider.

Let's get down to some serious discussions about investing in our local residences.

We hope we are surprised at the jump in home construction numbers the program may generate for our county.



Voice of our READERS

Sokolow: Petition tells Congress to balance the budget

To the Editor:

If you'd like to tell the full Congresstobalancethebudget,thereisa Balanced Budget Amendpetition http://www.balanceourbudget. com/get-involved.

It may be that balancing the budget would bring about a new recession; however, if the national debt means we're headed for a depression anyway, then balancing the budget now might help us get out of it decades sooner.

Perhaps we should contact our statelegislators as well, to double our chances of passing such an amend-

> **Alex Sokolow** Santa Monica, California

Former local deputy solves cremains mystery

One of Rock County's former deputies made it to the pages of the Minneapolis Star Tribune last week.

Nick Schafer, now a sergeant with the St. Paul Police Department, was recognized for his effort in reuniting the cremains of a man with his family.

The story begins more than seven years ago when a Peoria, Illinois, man named James Harris died.

Fast-forward to seven months ago when the box with Harris's cremains somehow showed up at the gates of a St. Paul cemetery. On the box was Harris's name and contact information for the funeral home in Illinois.

The box containing Harris's cremains was turned over to the St. Paul Police Department.

Efforts to contact the funeral home and family in Illinois were unsuccessful, so the box of cremains sat on a shelf in the property room of the St. Paul Police Department.

About this time Sgt. Schafer

entered the picture. Schafer comes from good stock in Springfield, Minnesota. (My wife, Mary, also comes from the Schafer family tree.)



FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH

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

Putting his detective skills to work that he no doubt honed while working for the Rock County Sheriff's Department, he began to piece together just how Harris ended up at the gates of a St. Paul cemetery.

Schafer went to work online and eventually came across an obituary that seemed to match details of Har-

Next he did a Facebook search of family members mentioned in the obituary, which finally led him to Harris's niece Paulette Swindeman and James' sister Dovenia Harris, who live in Minnesota.

As it turns out, a cousin of James residing in Minnesota ended up with the box of cremains that were somehow left behind when that cousin

moved.

I know. Go figure.

Anyway Paulette and Dovenia figured that who ever moved into the apartment after the cousin left poor James behind are the ones who took the cremains to the cemetery.

Needless to say, Paulette and Dovenia and the rest of the Harris family had no idea of the journey James has been on, and they are very grateful to Nick. Paulette said, "I'm really happy

and thankful that he took care of the cremains and tracked us down. It was not his duty but he did it."

Dovenia Harris gave Nick a big hug and thanked him for doing the right thing.

We echo those thoughts.

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ON THE RECORD

Dispatch report

April 28

 Complainant at Luverne High School reported issue with a student.

•Complainant at Luverne High School requested test on subject for suspected impair-

•Complainant reported that he found some drug paraphernalia in the boulevard on

East Main Street. •Complainantrequesteda copy of driving history.

•Luverne Body Shop reported that a vehicle was loaned and not returned.

 Complainant requested an ICR for minor consumption out of Stearns County for diversion in Rock County.

 Complainant reported five kids riding in the box of an older model red Ford pickup. Complainant did not get a plate. Vehicle last seen on Warren Street near Teal's.

 Complainant reported metal scraps in the roadway 1/4 mile east of County Road 20 and Highway 23.

April 29

•Law enforcement assisted Pipestone with domestic near Jasper.

 Complainant requested to speak with deputy regarding

 Complainant reported they are holding subject at Rock County Sheriff's Office.

April 30 Complainant reported cows out of fenced area near Jasper. Contacted owner.

 Complainant reported she was scammed on her computer.

•Emergency Response Unit was called out for shots fired in Milford.

 Complainant reported his red'93 Ford Ranger stalled and is in a parking spot at location. Advised it could stay. Not blocking. Will get it towed out tomorrow morning.

May 1

 Complainant reported a truckhitthesign at 20th Avenue and 21st Street and bent it over. This happened during the night. White semi, lots of lights.

 Complainant reported he thought he was being scammed. He gave out his address to someone on the

•Complainant reported a driving complaint. Willing to sign. Deputy not in position. Gave to Lyon County.

•Complainant reported a car all over, possibly impaired, hit cones in South Dakotaroad construction.

•Two complainants reported people fighting at Luverne Street and Freeman Avenue. Possibly grabbed one person after assaulting them and threw them in their vehicle.

May 2

•Deputy out with aban-

doned vehicle. Complainant reported she has seen an elderly lady crossing and standing in the middle of Kniss Avenue. She seems oblivious that she is in traffic. It happened last night about 9 p.m. She is wearing a hairbonnet. Advised deputies will watch for her but to call when she sees her.

 Complainant requested to speak to a deputy about a possible abduction of some people from Portugal.

 Complainant reported quashed warrant.

 Complainant reported a male with a guitar case stumbling down Main Street in Luverne. Complainant is concerned the male is intoxicated and may need assistance.

May 3

 Received report from Pipestone County Sheriff's Office regarding fraud.

 Complainant submitted application for explosives permit.

 Complainant reported vehicle speeding up and down the road near Mead Court.

Received report from

 Complainant reported someone calling daughter's school claiming to be complainant. Deputy spoke with complainant.

 Complainant reported two males going through mailboxes on Donaldson Street. Deputy advised they were passing out fliers.

•Deputy stopped vehicle and warned for texting while

•Complainant reported burglar alarm at business. Key holder called and reported false alarm. Deputy reported all is OK.

blackChrysler33northbound at location doing speeds of over 100 mph. Information given to State Patrol.

*Complainant requested to speak with an on-call after-hours child care service provider.

vehicle all over the road on I-90 westbound. Transferred call to South Dakota State Patrol. May 4

 Complainant reported us so there was a record of the incident.

 Complainant reported subject walking in and out of traffic. Subject is currently sitting behind United Methodist Church. Deputy spoke with subject and all is OK.

 Complainant reported a jug of oil or something spilled on Highway 75. Deputy advised there is a small amount at Highway 75/Warren Street intersection and some just south of location in southbound lane. Citywas contacted for cleanup.

•Received report from SWHHS.

•Complainant reported tan Chevy Silverado driver

 Complainant reported vehicle driving recklessly. No plate given. •Received building tem-

perature alarm for business. Paged Luverne Fire Department and advised to contact kev holder.

a culvert possibly collapsed under road at 200th Avenue leaving big hole. Advised Mark Sehr.

to speak to deputy about

•Complainant reported

In addition, officers responded to 16 traffic stops, 2 funeral escorts, 5 drug court requests, 3 911 misdials, 2 accidents, 8 animal complaints, 13 ambulance requests, 6 paper services, 2 transports, 2 vehicles in ditch, 1 money escort, 5 background checks, 1 Logalarm, 2 POR registrations, and issued 4 permits to carry, 1 permit to purchase, and 23

Complainant reported a

Complainant reported a

 Complainant reported vehicle ran school bus stop

his car was run into by a walker at the church last night. The damage was two small dents on the driver's door. His airbag light came on last night but was not on this morning. Complainant took the car to Papik's and was advised the airbag should not be an issue. Complainantwanted to advise

 $throwing \, garbage \, from \, vehicle.$

Complainant reported

 Complainant requested people threatening her at city park.

May 5

people at location are playing music too loud.

burn permits.



Craig Mulder photo/0511 Hardwick Fire May 6

The Hardwick Fire Department was paged to a house fire early Saturday morning at an acreage located on 140th Avenue north of Hardwick. According to fire officials, no one had lived in the house for several years. The house was fully engulfed in flames when firefighters arrived on the scene and was a total loss.

By Mavis Fodness

An abandoned house northeast of Hardwick was a total loss due to a fire early Saturday morning.

The Hardwick Fire Department was paged to 2241 140th Avenue in Denver Township at 1:30 a.m. May 6.

"When we got there, three-fourths of the house was already engulfed, and there was no way to save it," said Lowell Schelhaas, Hardwick's fire chief.

"It (what remained of the house) was pretty much in the basement."

The department was at the scene for two hours, preventing the blaze from spreading to the six-acre grove.

Abandoned home burns Saturday morning

No one was living in the five-bedroom, 2 1/2 story home, according to Craig Mulder, whose late father Conrad last lived in the home.

He died in 2013.

Electricity was no longer connected to the house.

Mulder said while the front door was locked and the back door boarded up, there had been evidence of break-ins over the past couple of years. Neighbors also reported individuals

shooting at the windows. Plans were to level the house this

"We had some pictures and personal

stuff in a designated room. That's the only loss," Mulder said.

While it is suspected someone started the fire, Schelhaas said no evidence remained behind.

Mulder said he has contacted law enforcement.



Lori Sorenson photo/0511 walz tour

U.S. Rep. Tim Walz's staff met with local citizens Tuesday, May 2, in the Veterans Memorial Building, Luverne.

What's the most serious challenge in rural Minnesota?

By Lori Sorenson

U.S. Rep. Tim Walz dispatched his staff last week to all 21 counties he represents in District 1, which stretches across the southern edge of the state.

Rock County's meeting Tuesday, May 2, in the Veterans Memorial Building, Luverne, was among three in the first round of stops on the tour.

As roundtable participants and attendees entered the room, they were handed three note cards that posed questions.

"What's the best aspect of our way of life in southern Minnesota?"

challenge facing our rural

"What's the most serious

communities?" "If you could wave a magic wand, what's the one thing you'd want the federal government to do to enhance our way of life in

southern Minnesota?"

Prompted by the answers, discussion ranged from health care to employ-

ment, to housing and more. The group went to Springfield and Mountain Lake that day and to Jackson and Fairmont May 3.

Calling it the "Southern Minnesota Way of Life Tour," Walz instructed his staff to listen to constituents' thoughts and concerns, answer their questions, and hear their ideas on how to

enhance the lives of southern Minnesotans.

"My staff shares with me a deep passion for public service and belief in the power of participation in our democracy," Walz said about the tour.

"I look forward to hearing back from them about the ideas they gathered from First District constituents. Together, we can improve each other's lives and form a more perfect union."



Community Star Herald ONIVITY

Girl Scouts fundraiser features dessert creation by Bluestem's Skyler Hoiland

By Mavis Fodness

The local Girl Scouts are hosting a unique fundraiser featuring their signature cookies and local chefs.

The Bluestem chef Skyler Hoiland will be among those participating in Cookies, Corks & Brews Thursday, May 18, at the Icon Lounge and Events on North Main Avenue in Sioux Falls.

This is the first year the Dakota Horizons Girl Scouts District has conducted the event that pairs its cookies with various wine and beer varieties.

According to district spokesman Derric Miller, the fundraiser benefits various activities throughout the district that includes South Dakota, North Dakota and portions of Minnesota, including Rock County.

"The fundraiser for Dakota Horizons is for program sustainability and to help our organization grow," he said.

A similar event was conducted in Bismarck, North Dakota.

Besides the taste testing, the three-hour event also includes music, appetizers and silent and live auctions.

Miller said Brandon's Kendra Keuhn earned the Gold Honor, the Girl Scouts' highest achievement. Her project involved a series of engineering and science lessons to fourth- through sixth-graders, challenging the girls to take leadership roles in the sciences, Miller said.



Mavis Fodness photo/0511Bluestem Girl Scout

The Bluestem's Skyler Hoiland of Luverne will compete in a fundraiser challenge using Tagalongs, a popular Girls Scout cookie, May 18 in Sioux Falls. The fundraiser is for the Dakota Horizons Girl Scouts District that includes Rock County.

Cookies, however, will take center stage with seven local chefs vying for the dessert trophy.

Hoiland said he was challenged to create something sweet using the Tagalong cookie.

"I possibly got one of the easier cookies," he said. Hoiland likened the

event to "Chopped," a realitybased television game show chef competition.

The Girl Scouts May 18 event has potentially 200 judges who will sample and vote for their favorite cookie

The other invited dessert shops/restaurants and their assigned cookies include: Oh My Cupcakes! (Samoas), Flyboy Donuts (Trefoils), Avera Health (Thin Mints), Eileen's Cookies (Savannah Smiles), Country Club of Sioux Falls (Do-Si-Do's) and Half Bakes (S'Mores).

Hoiland said he likes a cooking challenge, but desserts aren't his forte.

"There is too much science involved," he said, explaining, "When you're baking a cake, you always follow the recipe."

Being out of his comfort zone and pitted against the top local dessert chefs doesn't mean Hoiland won't be "gunning for the trophy." He's taking the competition seriously.

In the days leading up to the May 18 event, Hoiland said he will put his measuring skills through a series of tests as he finalizes the dessert made from the cookie Tagalong, which was randomly assigned to him.

The competition allows Hoiland some latitude.

He said he might not use the cookie at all in his final creation. Chefs can use the cookie's ingredients

Peanut butter, chocolate and short bread are the Tagalong's primary ingredients. Hoiland said he is leaning toward deconstructing the cookie for his dessert entry.

The event is from 6 to 9 p.m. Thursday, May 18, in downtown Sioux Falls.

Tickets are \$50 per person can be purchased on line at www.gsdakotahorizons.org, by phone 605-271-9732 or by stopping at the Dakota Horizons office at 1101 S. Marion Road, Sioux Falls.

CELEBRATIONS

Births

Agirl, Everly June, weighing 7 pounds, 12 ounces, and 21 inches long, was born Sunday, April 23, 2017, to David and Amelia Brake, Wilmont, at Luverne Sanford Hospital. She joins siblings Hazel and Emerson. Grandparents are Kurt and Jody Mulder, Rushmore, and Doug and Marie Brake, Worthington. Great-grandparents are Sharon Mulvihill, Luverne, Joan Mulder, Worthington, Larry Mulvihill, Luverne, and Don and Doris Brake, Wilmont.

A boy, Mason Jacob, weighing 9 pounds, 2 ounces, and 20 1/2 inches long, was born Wednesday, April 19, 2017, to Kyle and Kayla Hailey, Luverne, at Sanford Sioux Falls. He joins a brother, Jonah, 2. Grandparents are Gary and Carmen Hailey, Pipestone, and Craig and Lori DeBoer, Luverne. Greatgrandparents are Leona Harmsen, Rock Rapids, Iowa, Janet Hailey, Pipestone, Clinton and Glenda DeBoer, George, Iowa, and Mynard and Charlotte DeVries, Jasper.

Agirl, Hailey Ann, weighing 8 pounds, 3 ounces, and 21 inches long, was born to Derek and Rebecca Spykerboer, Steen, on Monday, April 17, 2017, at Avera/McKennan Hospital in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Grandparents are Terry and Holly Metzler, Hills, and David and Amy Spykerboer, Beaver Creek.

A girl, Edyn Faith, weighing 8 pounds, 6 ounces, and 21 inches long, was born Tuesday, April 4, 2017, at the University of Minnesota Fairview Hospital to Brent and Heather Bielec, Lakeville. She joins a brother, Anders.

Grandparents are Wayne and Becky Uilk, Jasper, and Jeff and Wanda Bielec, Burnsville. Great-grandmother is Hilda Uilk, Pipestone.

Open Houses

Norman and Nancy Overgaard will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary from 8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, May 13, at the Grand Prairie Events. They request no gifts.

An open house bridal shower for Britton Dyer, brideto-be of **Trever Stoffel**, will be from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Saturday. May 13, in the Gathering Space at St. Catherine's Catholic Church in Luverne

Card Showers

Betty Burmeister celebrated her 85th birthday Monday, May 8. Greetings may be sent to her at 1233 161st Street, Luverne, MN 56156.

Colleen Enga will celebrate her 80th birthday Thursday, May 11. Greetings may be sent to her at 1504 Blue Ridge Drive, Luverne, MN 56156.

Mae Jean Oehlerts will celebrate her 90th birthday Saturday, May 13. Greetings may be sent to her at 1104 East Elder Street Apt. 4, Canton, SD 57013.

Rollie Crawford will celebrate his 70th birthday on Wednesday, May 17. Greetings may be sent to him at 282 81st St., Beaver Creek, MN 56116.

Florence Fick will celebrate her 90th birthday on Tuesday, May 23. Greetings may be sent to her at PO Box 46, Beaver Creek, MN 56116.

1925: Dogs found without tags may have owners facing charges

The following appeared in the Rock County Heraia on May

DOG LICENSES DUE

Dog owners in general should bear in mind that all dog licenses issued by the city of Luverne expire this morning and that under the provisions of a city ordinance they are required to secure new licenses and see that the tags are placed on their dog's collars today. These license tags may be secured from City Treasurer P. O. Skyberg at the National Bank of Luverne and as a measure of precaution it undoubtedly is advisable that this formality be gone through without delay. Chief of Police Connell is not only authorized to dispose of all unlicensed dogs, but may, if he so desires, also prefer charges against the dog owners for not complying with the law. License tags for male dogs cost \$2.50 and those for female dogs \$5.00.



BITS BY **BETTY**

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

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

Mann welcomes correspondence sent to mannmade@iw.net.

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Local insurance personnel honored by professionals association

Pam Haakenson, Agency Manager of Buffalo Ridge Insurance of Luverne, is Regional Vice President of Region V of the International Association of Insurance Professionals

Haakenson's responsibilities include developing leaders, influencing ca-

(IAIP)



reers and $connecting \, members \, through \,$ education in 11 states.

"Her insight, enthusiasm and passion have made the regional conferences and the organization stronger and successful," stated an association spokesperson.

The following members of the Insurance Professionals of Greater Sioux Falls were named at the 2017 IAIP Region V Conference of the International Association of **Insurance Professionals:**

Kathy Moore-Stark, Underwriting/Marketing Specialist of Berkley Classics of Luverne, wasnamed Insurance Profes sional of the Year.

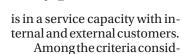
Moore-Stark

recognizes excellence among those who have been employed in the insurance industry a minimum of ten years.

The award

Among the criteria considered in conferring the award are the candidate's participation in association activities, involvement in the insurance industry, education programs, industry experience, current career position, activities undertaken in the community, and response to an industry-related essay

Jodi Tjeerdsma, Sr. Client Service Consultant, PC of Holmes Murphy & Associates LLC of Sioux Falls, was named Client Service Professional of the Year. The award recognizes excellence among those whose primary responsibility



ered in conferring the award are the candidate's participation in association activities, involvement in the insurance industry, education programs, industry experience, current career position, activities undertaken in the community and response to an industry related essay question.

Lori Boen, Claims Su-

pervisor of Continental Western Group of Luverne, was named Claims Profes-



The Claims Professional of the Year award recognizes excellence among those who work in some aspect of the claims field. Among the criteria considered are the candidate's claims experience and present professional capacity, $formal\,education\,in\,the\,claims$

field, association activity and response to a claims-related essay question.

Nadine Schoep, Human Re-

source Manager of Continental Western Group of

and



Chris DeSchepper, Account Executive Manager of Howalt-McDowell Insurance of Sioux Falls, were given the Award of Excellence for their dedicated service and outstanding achievement in the association.

The International Association of Insurance Profes-

sionals was organized in 1940 and is an association of insurance professionals dedicated to the development of leaders in the insurance industry. The group has 225 associations in the United States, Canada and Puerto Rico.

Senior Menu

Monday, May 15: Parmesan chicken, baked potato with sour cream, California blend vegetables, bread, fruit cocktail.

Program: Honor mothers. Tuesday, May 16: Beef tips in gravy, noodles, peaches, countryblend vegetables, bread, cookie.

Two buck Tuesday sponsored by Ketterling's.

Wednesday, May 17: Roast turkey, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, cranberry sauce, frosted cake.

> Program: Site Council. Thursday, May 18: Country

steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, squash, bread, pudding. Friday, May 19: Barbe-

cue chicken breast sandwich, creamy cucumber salad, fresh fruit, bar.

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

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

SCHOOL NEWS

Gust makes President's Honor List

Luverne graduate Tatiana Gust has achieved the honor of being named to the President's Honor List at Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter.

Jauert named District 112 Teacher of the Year

Jake Jauert (right) was named 2017 Teacher of the Year at an April 23 award banquet, according to District 112.

Jauert has taught first and second grade at Clover Ridge Elementary School in Chaska since 2006.

He will receive a \$3,000 grant and may represent Eastern Carver Schools in the Minnesota Teacher of the Year competition. In addition to Jauert, the

Teacher of the Year finalists included Eric Billups, Chaska Middle School East; Laura McCaghy, Clover Ridge Elementary School; Nancy Netz, Chanhassen Elementary School; and Travis Rother, Chanhassen High School.



The finalists received a \$500 grants for their schools.

Hemme, Essman named Women of Excellence

Delta Kappa Gamma Society International honored Katie Hemme, Jasper, (below, right) and Marcia Essman, Magnolia, (below, left) members of Alpha Meta Chapter of Minnesota Tau State.

They were honored as Women of Achievement for 2016 and 2017 at the banquet on April 21

in St. Cloud.

Women of Achievement are honored for their service to the teaching profession, community and Delta Kappa Gamma Society International.

Delta helps support them by promoting leadership and growth in personal and professional opportunities.





The Luverne Rotary Club honored three local students in the annual Four-Way Test essay contest this spring. Pictured with Luverne Rotary President Eric Hartman (far right) are finalists (from left) Josephine Golla (first place), Tenley Nelson and Tryg Gangestad.

Rotary selects essay winners

By Lori Sorenson

Local sixth-graders recently learned about truth, fairness, good will and team benefits through the Luverne Rotary Club's Four-Way

The Four-Way Test is the ethical code that Rotarians live by, challenging them to ask four simple questions:

- •Is it the truth?
- •Is it fair to all concerned?
- •Will it build goodwill; better friendships? •Will it be beneficial to all concerned?
- Rotary Club sponsors an annual essay contest

To engage students in the code, the Luverne

for Luverne sixth-grade English class students. The essay must be 200 to 500 words in length, and it must address the question, "How can I apply the Four-Way test to my life?"

Josephine Golla was the first-place essay writer and essays by Tenley Nelson and Tryg Gangestad were runners-up.

The three students and their parents attended a Rotary Club meeting this spring in Luverne where they read their essays and were awarded prizes.

Golla's winning essay (reprinted, below) has been forwarded to the Rotary Club district president for a districtwide contest.

2017 winning essay chosen by Luverne Rotary Club

By Josie Golla

Many people in today's society have some trouble speaking kindly and fairly to and about certain things. These people tend to make others feel uncomfortable. I choose to speak kindly and fairly about things by using the Four-Way Test to help decide if what I say is kind and fair. The Four-Way Test is four questions that can be asked about anything that is going to be said in a conversation. If each can be answered with a yes, then it is most likely all right to say.

The first question of the Four-Way Testis, "Is it the truth?" This question helps to keep me from lying about things that might hurt me in the future. If I lied to my friend about what I was doing after school because I didn't want to hang out with them, and they found out about it our friendship would fall apart. Lying about things can get me into a lot of trouble, like losing someone's trust or spreading a rumor about someone that hurts them. This question helps me to regulate the things that I say to make sure they are true.

The second question of the Four-Way Test is, "Is it fair to all concerned?" This question helps me to remain neutral in conversations. If I was in an argument and said something unfair about someone, I would probably hurt their feelings. Saying unfair things can damage relationships with other people, especially if that unfair thing mocks something about them, like their culture. This question helps me stay fair and neutral in conversations

The third question of the Four-Way Test is, "Will it build goodwill and better friendships?" This question helps me to say things that make others feel better and make new friends. If I use kind words to someone new at school, I could make a new friend. Making people feel

better by using good words is a great way to brighten someone's day. This question helps me to spread goodwill and make new and better friendships.

The last question of the Four-Way Test is, "Will it be beneficial to all concerned?" This question helps me to say things important to the conversation and to not get off topic. If I start to stray from the lines of a conversation, others may get frustrated with me and I could make them unhappy. Saying things that help create and keep conversations going is a way to make and strengthen relationships with others. This question helps me to have a nice conversation with others and not to get off topic.

Iuse the Four-Way Test to make sure what I say is kind and helpful to everyone. Mak ing people feel better through words makes me feel better as well. The Four-Way Test helps me every day of my life.

REMEMBER WHEN

10 years ago (2007)

 A break in the local Carrie Nelson murder case — now six years old — can be attributed to new DNA technology.

DNA from a watch found at the murder scene recently matched that of a prisoner in the South Dakota State Penitentiary.

Murder charges were filed Monday against 35-year-old Randy Leeroyal Swaney ...

Swaney, who has a long history of felony criminal activity, was set to be released this week, but will be held pending hearings on the new charges.

Nelson, a 1999 Luverne High School graduate, was murdered at age 20 while working in the Blue Mounds State Park office on May 20, 2001.

25 years ago (1992)

 The value of residential property has raised 12 percent in the last year, and commercial property values have increased nearly 5.5 percent.

County Assessor Bob Meester said values are booming because buyers are paying more for property.

Four residents attended the city's Board of Review meeting Monday. All were concerned about rising taxes and the increasing value of their home.

50 years ago (1967)

"Better grow a beard mister, or get a \$5 shaving permit this week" says Arnold Siebenahler, Centennial beard chairman.

"Every Luverne male who is old enough is expected to grow a beard on observance of the event or buy a \$5.00 permit" he added. Sale of the permits will be made on a house-to-house basis by the beard committee Friday night and Saturday. Failure to do so will mean "arrest" and being brought into Kangaroo court, Siebenahler said.

Sale of the shaving permits will provide funds for various Centennial events, Siebenahler said.

75 years ago (1942)

 Department and general store trade in southwestern Minnesota set a new high record for March, outstripping any previous March in nine-year records and ranging above March 1941 by more than 23 percent, according to figures just released by the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis. At the same time, first quarter sales volume exceeded that for the similar period a year ago by 28 percent.

Retail trade, as measured by reports from stores throughout the state also showed good volume with Match sales this year 32 percent above those recorded for March last year and sales for the first quarter of 1942 climbing 36 percent above those for the similar 1941 period.

100 years ago (1917)

•With seeding completed and no possibility of increasing the acreage of wheat, the government crop report claiming a big visible shortage can have but one effect. This is to aid the market manipulators in forcing up prices, thereby reaping a rich haul at the expense of the consumer.

If the government's chief aim was to boost prices it could not possibly have taken more effective measures than the policy it has adopted in its misguided efforts to stimulate production and conservation. Talk of a possible shortage is not going to make people eat less or save more until the shortage becomes a reality, but it will induce people with the means to hoard to purchase heavily and this create a misleading market condition.

DEATH NOTICE

Harriet Jordan

Harriet M. Jordan, 81, Hills, died Sunday, May 7, 2017, at

Sanford Hospice Cottage in Luverne.

A funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, May 11, at Hills United Reformed Church. Burial will follow at the Hills United Reformed Cemetery. Visitation is from 2-8 p.m. Wednesday, May 10, with family present from 6-8 p.m., at Jurrens Funeral Home in Hills.

Arrangements are by Jurrens Funeral Home of Hills, www.jurrensfuneralhome.co (0511 DN)

OBITUARIES

Alice Aukes

Alice Marie Aukes, 97, died Tuesday, May 2, 2017, at Friendship Manor in Shakopee.

A graveside service was Thursday, May 4, at Eastside Cemetery in

Alice Marie Aukes was born May 6, 1919, on

the family farm near Steen to Reinder and Ella (Arends) Aukes. She attended first through eighth grades in Steen and graduated from Hills High School in Hills in 1937. In June 1943 she enrolled in a six-week course to earn a second grade teacher's certificate and taught that fall in District 56 one-room schoolhouse near Brandon, South Dakota. In the fall of 1944 she began studying at Sioux Falls College in

Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and graduated in May 1946 with a certificate of commerce.

Over the next four years she worked at Wilson Storage & Transfer, Aladdin Company and Sioux Steel, all in Sioux Falls. She then moved

to the Twin Cities and worked at Farmers Union in South St. Paul, and six months later she started work at Robertson Lumber in Foshay Tower in downtown Minneapolis. In August 1967 she began work at Munsingwear in Minneapolis, where she finished out her professional career.

Alice enjoyed traveling and participating in Elderhostel learning programs. She took many trips to destinations

around the United States, including Alaska and Hawaii. She also made several trips to Europe, including Germany, where she connected with a distant cousin and researched family history. Her favorite trip was visiting the Holy Land in 1976.

Alice was an avid bird watcher and an active member in the Minneapolis Municipal Hiking Club. She enjoyed geneology, jigsaw puzzles, and Scrabble.

Alice is survived by her nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and four brothers, Roy, Leslie, Helmuth and Alvin Aukes.

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

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Maurice DeWispelaere

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

A memorial service was at Colonial Manor in Balaton. A graveside service with military honors will be at a later date in the Ivanhoe Cemetery

in Ivanhoe. Per Maurice's request, his body was donated to the Anatomy Bequest Program at the University of Minnesota Medical School in Minneapolis.

Maurice DeWispelaere was born Oct. 24, 1929, to Joe and Yvonne (DeMunck) DeWispelaere in LaPorte, Indiana. Maurice's family moved from Indiana to the Ivanhoe area to farm when he was six weeks old.

He attended a District 48 country school until the eighth grade. Maurice helped his dad farm, where he especially enjoyed riding and working with their Belgian horses. From April 1954 to

April 1956, Maurice served his country in the Ko-

rean War in the United States Army. He spent five months at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, in basic training camp and then built roads near Karlsruhe, Germany. He later served in the National Guard for 18

vears.

Maurice married Carol Giles on Nov. 8, 1958, in Marshall. They later divorced.

Maurice farmed between Ivanhoe and Arco and also worked construction in northern Minnesota. In October 1969 the family moved to Luverne, $where\,Maurice\,worked\,various$ jobs with construction.

Maurice lived in Montevideo before entering the Colonial Manor in Balaton in September of 2012.

He enjoyed polka/waltz dancing, listening to polka and country music, tractor pulls, threshing events, fishing, farming, old cars, mechanics and the outdoors. He enjoyed his family

 $and \, the \, staff \, at \, Colonial \, Manor.$ Maurice is survived by

four children, Dan (Dawn) DeWispelaere, Luverne, Laurie (Jay Johnson) DeWispelaere, Glennallen, Alaska, Angie (Hans Schernthaner) DeWispelaere, Big Sky, Montana, and Dave (Angela) DeWispelaere, Loveland, Colorado; six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren, Nick (Bobbi) DeWispelaere and their children, Harper and Tejay; Abby DeWispelaere and her children, Alex and Hailey; Vince (Kristin) Johnson and their children, Ryder, Cash and Winter; Vanessa (Andrew) Duley and their son, Nathan; and Daniel and Alyssa DeWispelaere; a sister, Alice Murphy, Lawrence, Kansas; a sisterin-law, Clara DeWispelaere, Marshall; and several cousins and nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Mary (Stan) Taberski; and a brother, Alphonse DeWispelaere.

Hartquist Funeral Home of Luverne assisted with arrangements.

(0511 F)

Mary Ann Eernisse

Mary Ann Eernisse, 65, Leota, died Monday May 8, 2017, at her home.

A funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, May 11, at the Bethel Reformed Church in Leota. Burial will be in the Leota Community Cemetery. Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday,

May 10, at the church. Mary Ann Rosenboom was born Dec. 22, 1952, to Manual and Helen (Von Busch) Rosenboom in Worthington. She was raised on a farm by Rushmore. Mary graduated in 1970 from Worthington High School and obtained her CNA license after graduation.

Mary married Steve Ee-

rnisse in 1980. The couple lived in Leota until the present time. Af-

> ter having children, Mary went back to school and graduated in 1993 with her LPN license. During her years as a nurse, she worked at the Veterans Hospital in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, Sioux Valley Hospice, and many

years at the Minnesota Veterans Home in Luverne. She retired from work at the Veterans home in 2015 due to the progression of her illness.

Mary was a member of the Bethel Reformed Church in Leota. She enjoyed sewing, pottery, painting, creating stained glass pieces, and refurbishing old treasures. Her flower gardens were always blooming,

and she even got the "old boys" at the Veterans Home involved when she created a memorial garden there.

Mary is survived by her husband, Steve Eernisse, Leota; two daughters, Carrie (Tony) Schumacher, Waconia, and Jennifer (Ross) Brands, Edgerton; a son, Joshua (Nicole) Eernisse, Lino Lakes; her grandchildren Evan and Lane Schumacher, Kylee, Jayden, and Lucas Brands, and Allen Eernisse; a brother, Paul (Jeanie) Rosenboom, Worthington; and a niece, Sara Rosenboom.

She was preceded in death by her parents and an infant sister, Carolee.

The Leota Burial Association and Dingmann Funeral Home are in charge of arrangements.

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Mavis Fodness photo/0511 Cardinal Dash With his new red hair coloring, physical education teacher Brooks Maurer leads the kindergarten class off the starting line in Friday's Cardinal Dash.

At right, Luverne Elementary students, joined by staff and a few parents, enjoy the warmer along the trail west of the softball fields west of school.

Cardinal Dash a success/ continued from page 1A

Those events have included swimming lessons for second- and third-graders, Prairie Ecology Bus visits, author talks, kindness retreat, respect lunch and kindergarten track and field day.

"We all greatly appreciated the extra work you did to help make this event a huge success," Shelton said.

This is the third year for the Cardinal Dash event that combines physical fitness and the selling of pledge cards. The dash replaces PPIE's frozen food fundraiser.

In its two previous years, the fundraiser had failed to reach its goal.

Luverne 150th/Luverne Auto puts town on the map/from 1A

an extensive experience and a thorough acquaintance with every detail of carriage and wagon building, with a large and well-equipped shop, it is able to turn out all kinds of carriages, buggies, wagons and light vehicles on short notice. Wherever the work is known it is acknowledged to be superior in every way. Good work is aspecialty with this house."

From that auspicious start, Leicher Brothers developed into a prestigious and impressive manufacturing business.

In 1903, Al and Ed formed the Luverne Automobile Company. Around October 1903 Henry Bierkamp, a wagon customer of the Leichers, surprised them by informing them that he was not going to purchase another buggy.

He told them that he had been reading about the new-fangled gas buggies and had decided to buy one. This started Al Leicher thinking that maybe they should get in on the ground floor in the building of automobiles.

The auto arrived in November, and since it was the first car in Rock County nobody knew anything about it. Henry Bierkamp asked the Leichers if they would take charge of unloading the machine and learning how to operate it. When it arrived on the train, Al Leicher's 7 year old son, Bob, was set inside to steer it as they towed it to the carriage factory.

The Leichers studied it until the end of December 1903 and together with Henry Bierkamp, they decided to build automobiles in Luverne. By the end of March, the company completed their first touring car with a 10 horse-power, double cylinder, gas engine. A second car with a single cylinder engine was completed in May.

... One of their first sales was to a local doctor by the name of Wright. Dr. Wright's new car was a surrey type with a 10 horse-power engine which would reach a maximum speed of twenty-five miles anhour. Within a few years, the Luverne Automobiles were receiving acclaim from auto experts in the

In late February 1907, the site for a large factory was purchased and a twostory brick structure with a full basement was completed a year later on Maple Street. The basement was used for constructing the machines. The second floor was used for finishing purposes and the first floor was for displaying and storing the machines.

By 1909 the company made the decision to focus on the demand from the public for larger touring cars. From this time on the Luverne cars progressed quickly into one of the finest automobiles of the day. The Leichers introduced such things as self-starters, electric headlights and solid German silver radiators which became standard in the Luverne cars.

The company also took on special projects. In 1912, the City of Luverne decided they wanted a fire engine with a motorized pumper.

At that time the only place that could manufacture this type of fire engine was in New York. The city elders approached Al Leicher and asked him if it was possible for them to build a fire engine. The Leichers were glad to try anything and so they went ahead. They built what turned out to be a very successful fire engine as a sideline to automobiles. The chassis they used for the fire engine was a big touring car chassis.

During WWI, Luverne Automobile Company responded to the needs of Americaby producing farm trucks. With major manufacturing focusing on the war effort, farmers needed trucks for their work.

The Leichers formed the Luverne Motor Truck Company, using many of the methods they had learned when they manufactured the fire truck for the City of Luverne. The company also manufactured the first motorized hearse in the Midwest.

Following WWI and the introduction by Henry Ford of mass production, the Leichers could see that it would be impossible to compete with Detroit auto manufacturing. By 1928, the Fire Apparatus Company was formed to begin another new venture in manufacturing. Eventually, the Luverne Automobile Company died out as did all the other early small town manufacturers. Sons Bob and Jim continued operation of the Fire Apparatus Company until the 1970s.

Sheriff proposes school resource officer/continued from page 1A

this year. Verbrugge cited scheduling difficulties with his current 11-member staff.

Verbrugge's proposal originally committed the resource officer to two days a week in the H-BC district and three days a week in Luverne.

H-BChas since requested the officer be present only one day a week. H-BC's cost is estimated at \$8,083 for nine

Four days a week in Luverne would cost \$35,108 for the school year.

31, the resource officer would work in the Sheriff's Office, filling in for other officers during scheduled vacations and working summer community

Cost to the county for the

three months is estimated at From June 1 through Aug. \$21,243. Verbrugge said he applied for a resource officer grant two years ago.

> "It is in a pending status," he said, adding he may have to reapply.

Luverne School Board members agreed to discuss Verbrugge's proposal at an upcoming work session.

Theresource officer would be a general fund expense for both districts. Each has committed its safe schools funding to other projects.



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Girls extend True Team streak

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne girls extended their reign as Section 3A True Team champions by turning in a convincing victory in Slayton Monday.

Competing in a 14-team field, Luverne walked away with the championship by compiling 792 points.

Southwest Christian-Edgerton placed second with 719.5 counters.

By winning the section title, LHS earns the right to compete at the Minnesota State Class A True Team Championships in Stillwater May 20.

The Cardinals won eight meet championships and placed second in four events on their way to the team title.

Brooklyn Ver Steeg (1:00.49 in the 400), Jadyn Anderson (2:26.01 in the 800), Regan Feit (5:36.38 in the 1,600), Kami Sawtelle (36-8 in the shot put) and Bergin Flom (8-0 in the highjump) claimed individual titles.

Luverne also won the 400-, 800- and 3,200-meter relays with respective 52.97, 1:51.76 and 10:14.01 efforts.

Sierra Schmuck, Sydney Biever, Ivy Hudson and Tianna Doppenberg teamed up in the 400, while Schmuck, Biever, Meghan Mollberg and Gracie Zewiske ran the 800.

Ver Steeg, Tenley Nelson, Autumn Nath and Madison Schandelmeier won the 3,200 in 10:14.01.

Doppenberg (13.29 in the 100), Nelson (5:38.45 in the 1,600) and Feit (49.82 in the 300 hurdles) placed second individually.

Feit, Zewiske, Nath and Gabrielle Ferrell placed second in the 1,600-meter relay with a time of 4:20.38.

Hills-Beaver Creek, Adrian and Ellsworth placed sixth, 13th and 14th with 509.5, 321 and 51 points respectively.

Redbirds



Luverne senior Kami Sawtelle won the discus title at the True Team meet in Slayton Monday.

H-BC's Kourtney Rozeboom won the shot put title with a toss of 37-3 ¼, while Ashlee Kelderman, Sidney Fick, Paige Tilstra and Taryn Rauk placed second in the 400-meter relay with a time of 53.67.

Adrian's 400- and 800-meter relays consisting of Hannah Henning, Bailey Lonneman, Kendra Frodermann and Katia Suarez placed sixth with respective 56.67 and 1:58.18 times.

Hannah Kramer turned in the top effort for Ellsworth by placing 18th in the discus with a toss of 76-1.

Here is a look at the rest of the point-producing efforts turned in by area teams at the meet.

LHS girls

Third place: Doppenberg, 200, 27.55; Anderson, 400, 1:01.35; Sawtelle, shot, 36-8; Thorson, triple jump, 33-0. Fourth place: Schandelmeier, pole vault, 7-6.

Fifth place: Ferrell, 800, 2:33. Sixth place: Mackenzie Petersen, 100 hurdles, 18.65; Doppenberg, long Eighth place: Cassie Flanagan, 3,200,

13:07.59; Schmuck, 200, 29.24. Ninth place: Flom, high jump, 4-6; Thorson, long jump, 14-5 ½. 10th place: Petersen, 300 hurdles, 54.64; Petersen, high jump, 4-6. 11th place: Hudson, 100, 14.25; Leslie

Van Engelenhoven, 3,200, 13:56.83. 13th place: Savannah Siebenahler, triple jump, 28-4. 14th place: Lauren Ver Steeg, 100

hurdles, 19.68. 18th place: Emilie Staeffler, shot, 26-3 1/2. 20th place: Mckenna Westphal, discus,

H-BC girls

Third place: 800 relay (Kelderman, Madison Spath, Fick and Tilstra), 1:54.27. Fourth place: 3,200 relay (Kenadie Fick, Josie Bartels, Lauren Tatge and Ana Hagen), 10:53.8. Fifth place: 1,600 relay (Kelderman, Tay-

lor Durst, Bartels and Spath), 4:31.62. Seventh place: Rauk, 100, 14.07; Rauk, Eighth place: Rauk, long jump, 14-5 1/2;

Tilstra, triple jump, 30-6. Ninth place: S.Fick, 200, 29.4; K.Fick, 400, 1:05.63. 10th place: Durst, 1,600, 6:03.66; Roze-

boom, discus, 87-9. 11th place: Sadie Fuerstenberg, discus,

12th place: Tilstra, 100, 14.35. 13th place: Lauren Tatge, 1,600, 14:28.55. 15th place: Fuerstenberg, shot, 27-8; S.Fick, long jump, 13-7; Joslyn Birger,

triple jump, 27-8 1/2. 17th place: Birger, 300 hurdles, 58.14; Birger, 100 hurdles, 20.7. 18th place: Spath, 200, 30.54; Abby

Knobloch. 300 hurdles, 58.51. 20th place: Kiara Honken, 800, 3:06.16. 21st place: Knobloch, high hump, 4-2. 22nd place: Allie LaRock, high jump, 4-0; Knobloch, 100 hurdles, 21.71; Anna

Hagen, 1,600, 6:44.78. 26th place: LaRock, 400, 1:18.65.

Adrian girls Eighth place: Moriah Bullerman, 1,600,

Ninth place: Bullerman, 800, 2:38.98;

1,600 relay (Henning, Suarez, Lonneman and Bullerman), 4:38.07. 12th place: Rebekah Walton, shot, 29-

0; 3,200 relay (Khailee Nelson, Abby Leopold, Samantha Rivera and Karis Barr), 13:40.92. 14th place: Morgan Penning, 1,600, 6:24.16.

15th place: Penning, 800, 2:48. 17th place: Froderman, high jump, 4-2. 19th place: Ashley Schnoor, shot, 25-11; Elizabeth Erwin, 3,200, 17:52.44. 20th place: Makayla Preuss, 300 hurdles

21st place: Preuss, 100, 14.97; Nelson, 3,200, 19:32.74; Preuss, triple jump,

22nd place: Bullerman, long jump, 12-7 ½; Frodermann, 200, 31.55. 23rd place: Walton, triple jump, 22-9 1/4. 24th place: Penning, long jump, 10-9 1/4; Henning, high jump, 3-10; Walton, 300 hurdles, 22.94; Ashlee Christians,

400, 1:16.27. 25th place: Walton, 100, 15.44; Erika Alvarado, 200, 32.39; Cheyenna John, 400, 1:17.7; Trinity Grimmord, 300 hurdles, 24.63; Kendra Rautenkranz, 300 hurdles, 1:07.72.

Ellsworth girls 20th place: Kramer, shot put, 25-4 3/4.; Madyson Domeyer, 400, 1:13.82. 21st place: Domeyer, 100, 15.31. 22nd place: Ashlyn Meester, 400, 1:15.22. 23rd place: Domeyer, 200, 31.98. 26th place: Meester, 100, 15.48. 28th place: Meester, 200, 33.6.

By John Rittenhouse

Monday.

The Luverne boys' track team punched its ticket to Stillwater by winning the Section

3A True Team title in Slayton

One year after having a five-

year run as section champions

end with a second-place finish

at the same meet, the Cardinal

boys reclaimed the title by

scoring 782 points.

in Stillwater May 20.

with a time of 41.93.

in Slayton.

Cards dominate BSC foes

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne girls' golf team won three Big South Conference matches and placed second at a tournament during its most successful week of the 2017 season.

LHS posted road wins against Redwood Valley Thursday, Jackson County Central Friday and Pipestone Monday along with topping eight teams at a 10-squad tournament in Fairmont Saturday.

The 15-4 Cards play in a tournament at Oakdale Golf Club near Buffalo Lake Thursday.

LHS 195, Pipestone 222

The Cardinals upped their conference record to 3-2 with a 27-shot win in Pipestone Monday.

Hailey Remme shot a 44 to earn medalist honors and Madison Crabtree wasn't far behind by posting a 46 to highlight

Carly Serie and Anna Huisman contributed 52- and 53-stroke rounds to the team tally, while Jenna Zewiske and Samantha Pierce carded 54- and 55-stroke efforts without impacting the scoring.

Emma Budden led the Arows with a 54.

FHS tourney

Luverne turned in a solid showing by placing second at Saturday's 10-team tournament in Fairmont.

Led by a 90-stroke effort from Remme, the Cards registered a 393-stroke total to finish second behind Marshall (341) in the team standings.

Marshall's Ana Schwarz earned medalist honors by card-

ing a 77.

Crabtree, Huisman and Pierce contributed 94-, 104- and

105-stroke scores to the team tally.

Zewiske and Serie shot 108- and 110-stroke rounds without

impacting the scoring.

Luverne 197, JCC 207

The Cardinals captured their second conference conquest in as many days when they upended the Huskies by 10 strokes Friday in Jackson.

Crabtree and JCC's Abby Benson shared medalist honors by carding 43s, but Luverne's supporting cast proved to be more productive than the host season.

Remme, Zewiske and Samantha Pierce added 48-, 52- and 54-stroke scores to Luverne's team tally.

Huisman and Serie shot 56- and 67-stroke rounds without impacting the scoring.

Luverne 193, RWV 245

The Cardinals registered their first conference win of the season Thursday in Redwood Falls.

With Remme leading the way by firing a 41 to secure medalist honors, the Cards came up on the winning end of a 52-stroke decision.

Crabtree and Huisman contributed 44- and 51-stroke scores to the winning tally.

Zewiske, Pierce and Serie all shot 57s for LHS.

Bailey Kruse led RWV with a 42.

Boys climb into 3A saddle Monday

opener

By John Rittenhouse The Luverne Redbirds

opened the 2017 amateur baseball season by rolling to a 10-0 home win over Pipestone Sunday.

Luverne belted a pair of home runs in the first two innings to open a 6-0 cushion. $and \, Codie \, Zeutenhorst \, tossed$ a three-hit, eight-strikeout shutout to highlight the win. Phil Paquette cracked a

two-run home run in the first

inning and Cody Christensen

belted a grand slam in the

second to give the hosts an early lead. Logan Norman delivered a run-scoring single during a two-run fourth inning and drove in the final run of the

game with a double in the



John Rittenhouse photo/0511 redbirds 2

Luverne catcher Logan Norman gloves a bouncing ball in front of the plate during Sunday's 10-0 home win over Pipestone.

seventh.

Connor Crabtree added an RBI single during a two-run rally in the seventh inning, which ended the game due to the 10-run rule.

Box score

0 2 0

Christensen Paquette Zeutenhorst

Sandbulte Crabtree Norman D.Nibbelink

Track records fall at Dakota Relays

By John Rittenhouse

Athletes from Luverne, Hills-Beaver Creek and Adrian High Schools competed at the Dakota Relays in Sioux Falls over the weekend.

Some area competitors made their presence known at the event as LHS athletes turned in seven top-eight performances in Class A competition and the H-BC girls turned in three top-eight efforts in Class B.

Seniors Matt Hup and Griffin Ahrendt got the weekend off to a great start on Friday by setting LHS standards.

Hup cleared 13-9 to place third in the pole vault, and Ahrendt covered 43-3 to finish eighth in the triple jump. Logan Stratton also turned

in a strong performance on

Saturday by placing fifth in the shot put with a toss of 51-11 1/2. The LHS girls placed fifth in the 400- and 3,200-meter relays with respective 51.78

and 9:55.26 times.

Sierra Schmuck, Gracie Ze-

wiske, Ivy Hudson and Tianna Doppenbergranthe 400, while Jadyn Anderson, Brooklyn Ver Steeg, Tenley Nelson and Regan Feit competed in the 3,200. Schmuck, Sydney Biever,

placed eighth in the 800-meter relay with a time of 51.78. Kami Sawtelle placed sixth in the discus with a distance

Zewiske and Doppenberg

of 119-4. The H-BC girls placed second in the 1,600-meter relay, fifth in the 800 relay and seventh in the 400 relay with

respective 4:15.2, 1:51.4 and

53.21 times. Taryn Rauk, Sidney Fick, Kenadie Fick and Paige Tilstra ran the 3,200, Ashlee Kelderman, Tilstra, Sidney Fick and Rauk competed in the 800 and Madison Spath, Tilstra, Sidney Fick and Rauk formed the 400-meter team.

Here is a look at the rest of the efforts turned in by area athletes over the weekend.

Luverne bovs 18th place: 400 relay (Cyris Halverson, Jordy Thone, Andrew Reisch and Ahrendt), 46.39. 21st place: 800 relay (Halverson, Jed Dooyema, Hup and Ahrendt), 1:36.53. 35th place: Jeremiah Dooyema, pole vault, 12-3.

LHS girls 15th place: Sawtelle, shots 36-5 3/4. H-BC girls

16th place: 3,200 relay (K.Fick, Taylor Durst, Kelderman and Josie Bartels), 22nd place: Kourtney Rozeboom, shot, 35-10.

H-BC boys 14th place: 800 relay (Trenton Bass Jed Burgers, Luke LaRock and Jax Wysong), 1:37.79. 15th place: 1,600 relay (Gavin Wysong,

LaRock, J. Wysong and Bass), 3:46.19. 16th place: 400 relay (G.Wysong, Bass, Burgers and J.Wysong), 47.05 25th place: Zach Scholten, high jump, Adrian boys

Dakota John, Chance Turner and Zach Bierman), 1:39.95. 30th place: 400 relay (White, John, Kasey Madtson and Bierman), 48.41. 77th place: Bierman, 100, 12.12.

Adrian girls

28th place: 800 relay (Tristian White

Kendra Frodermann, Katie Reisdorfer and Katia Suarez), 57.74; 800 relay (Henning, Frodermann, Reisdorfer and 70th place: Moriah Bullerman, 1,600,

30th place: 400 relay (Hannah Henning,

LHS easily outscored second-place Pipestone (688.5 points) and the rest of the squads in the 14-team field. The Cards will compete at the Minnesota State Class A True Team Championships LHS won four meet titles and placed second in four events to highlight its effort Logan Stratton won the shot put and discus crowns with respective 49-11 ½ and 139-2 tosses, while Griffin Ahrendt won the 300-meter hurdles

Cyris Halverson, Jordy Thone, Andrew Reisch and Matt Hup teamed up to win the 400-meter relay in 46.45.

Ahrendt, who placed second in the 110-meter hurdles with a time of 17.28, also finished second and set a school record in the triple jump for the second time in three days with a distance of 43-10 3/4.

Hup cleared 13-0 to place second in the pole vault, while Dylan Thorson placed second in the shot put with a toss of 45-2 1/4.

Adrian, Hills-Beaver Creek and Ellsworth placed eighth, ninth and 13th with 393, 392 and 227 points respectively.

Zach Bierman led AHS by placing fifth in the 100- and 200-meter dashes with respective 12.23 and 24.7 times.

ZachScholtenplacedfourth in the shot put with a toss of 41-5 for the Patriots, while H-BC's 800-meter relay consisting of Trenton Bass, Jax Wysong, Luke LaRock and Gavin Wysong finished fourth in 1:40.16.

Kade Boltjes turned in the top effort for EHS by finishing



John Rittenhouse photo/0511 boys 1

Senior Dylan Thorson placed second in the shot put competition at the Section 3A True Team meet in Slayton Monday.

third in the long jump with a distance of 18-11 1/4. Here is a look at the rest of

the point producing efforts turned in by area athletes at the meet.

Luverne bovs

Third place: Halverson, 100, 12.15; Matt Ziegler, discus, 128-5; Eli Haugom, high jump, 5-8; Jeremiah Dooyema, pole vault, 12-0; 800 relay (Hup, Jed Dooyema, Thone and Levin Stuker), 1:37.74; 1,600 relay (Jd.Dooyema, Jeremiah Dooyema, Austin Winter and Brandon Winter), 3:45.46. Fourth place: Halverson, 200, 24.39;

A.Winter, 800, 2:12.57; Dalton DeSollar, 1,600, 5:00.93; Ahrendt, long jump, Fifth place: Jd.Dooyema, 400, 53.37;

B.Winter, 800, 2:12.58. Sixth place: Reisch, triple jump, 38-1 Seventh place: Austin Winter, 1,600,

Eighth place: DeSollar, 3.200. 11:10.8: 3,200 relay (Michael Rahm, Hunter Hamann, Brayden Tofteland and Shane Berning), 9:40.32. Ninth place: Stuker, 200, 25.18; Reisch,

high jump, 5-2. 10th place: Jr.Dooyema, 400, 56.05; Berning, 3,200, 11:22.5. 11th place: Reisch, 100, 12.59. 12th place: Kaden DeSollar, 300 hurdles,

14th place: K.DeSollar, 300 hurdles, 49.41. 18th place: Tanner Wiese, long jump,

Adrian boys

Sixth place: Bierman, long jump, 18-1; 400 relay (Tristian White, Kasey Madtson, Dakota John and Bierman), 49,83, Seventh place: 800 relay (John, Madtson, Chance Turner and White), 1:46.09. Eighth place: Scot Edwards, shot,

Ninth place: Edwards, discus, 106-5; John, triple jump, 37-3 ¾; 1,600 relay (John, Michael Preuss, Turner and Eduardo Godines), 4:15.5. 11th place: Preuss, triple jump, 36-10 1/4; 3,200 relay (Tylor Hix, Brody Loos-

brock, Dominque Canelas and Godines) 10:08.43 13th place: White, high jump, 5-0. 16^{ւհ} place։ White, 100, 13.01; Loosbrock

1 600. 5:45.75: Canelas, 3,200, 11:52.8; Preuss, 110 hurdles, 21.54.

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Netters pad win total with three conquests

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne tennis team continued its impressive play by slaying three opponents to up its season record to 13-1-1.

The Cardinals posted a three-point home win over St. James and Fairmont May 2 and Monday respectively and rolled to a seven-point win in Redwood Falls Thursday.

Luverne plays in a triangular meet Saturday in Madison.

LHS 5, Fairmont 2

The Cardinals turned a strong performance in doubles to down Fairmont by three points Monday in Luverne.

The teams split the singles matches, but LHS won all three doubles contests in straight sets to secure the victory.

Dalton Schoeneman and Layne Curtis topped Andy Hagen and Connor Madsen 6-1, 6-4 in first doubles, while Jim Erickson and Isaac Gillette downed Tony Joseph and Thomas Klanderud by 6-1 and 6-2 tallies at No. 2.

Ethan Thorson and Luke Jarchow bested Blake Haugen and Aaron Hendricks 6-3, 6-2 at third doubles.

Chris Jelken edged Carter Klanderud 5-7, 7-6 10-1 (super tiebreaker) at first singles, while Cade Ver Steeg topped Tyrell Zieske 6-2, 6-4 at No. 3.

Fairmont's singles wins camefromTylerHedd(7-5,6-2 over Mark Robinson at No. 2) and Ben Hernes (6-1, 6-1 over Matt Jelken at No. 4).

Luverne 7, RWV 0

The Cardinals clinched at least a share of the conference title by sweeping Redwood Valley Thursday in Redwood

Luverne won six matches in straight sets and drew a forfeit in another to up their league record to 3-0.

Chris Jelken (6-1, 6-0 over Nathaniel Passe at No. 1),

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Freedom Ranch Firearms - 102,107

17th place: Turner, 110 hurdles, 21.58. 18th place: Hix, 1,600, 6:06.73.

20th place: Godines, 400, 1:01; Canelas

300 hurdles, 53.02. 21st place: Hix, 800, 2:41.6; William

Mcelice, 3,200, 17:16.48; Turner, long

jump, 15-9 ½. 22nd place: Preuss, 400, 1:04.52;

Loosbrock, 800, 2:46.57; Madtson,

300 hurdles, 59.88; Tucker Wieneke

Slocum Taxidermy 1 - 113, 112

Minnwest Bank - 100, 101

Team Scores:



Luverne junior Mark Robinson pulled out a three-set win at second singles during a 5-2 home win over the St. James Saints May 2. The win upped Luverne's BSC record to 2-0.

Robinson (6-3, 6-0 over James Trefry at No. 2) and Ver Steeg (6-0, 6-0 over Ben Collins at No. 3) prevailed in singles for LHS, while RWV forfeited the match at No. 4.

Schoeneman and Curtis notched 6-4 and 6-1 victories over Cain Bartsch and Bailey Sommers at first doubles, while Erickson and Gillette topped Cameron Sommers and Jordan Rasmussen by 6-0 and 6-1 scores at No. 2.

Trey Baustian and Jarchow posted 6-2 and 6-0 victories against Jacob Zollmer and Corbin Wabasha at third

Agri-Energy LLC – 112, 110 Big Orv's Bar – 91, 78

Timmer Dairy - 81, 90

Pizza Ranch - 91. 88 Luverne Body Shop - 107, 95

shot, 31-5.

H-BC boys

Blue Mound Auto Glass - 100, 106

Nergaard Construction - 80, 75

26th place: Edwards, 200, 30.79.

Fifth place: 400 relay (G. Wysong, Bass,

Sixth place: 3,200 relay (LaRock, Daw-

son Leenderts, Jacob Wingert and

Seventh place: Burgers, 300 hur-

Jed Burgers and J.Wysong), 47.75.

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Individual scores:

Doug Deutsch, -2

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Mike Gangestad – 2

dles, 46.33; Scholten, discus, 113-5;

Eighth place: 1,600 relay (Wingert,

Leenderts, Easton Harnack and Bork),

10th place: Burgers, 110 hurdles, 19.0;

Burgers, long jump, 17-7 ½. 12th place: Bass, 100, 12.74; Bass, triple

13th place: G.Wysong, 200, 25.83; Dean Fuerstenberg, discus, 101-3.

14th place: J.Wysong, 100, 12.91; Har-

nack, 110 hurdles, 21.01. 17th place: Harnack, 300 hurdles, 50.62;

Harnack, long jump, 16-61/2; Leenderts,

18th place: George Mercon, shot, 32-

20th place: LaRock, 200, 26.71.

J.Wysong, high jump, 5-4.

jump, 36-9.

triple jump, 34-2 1/2.

<u>25 x 25</u> Jim Slocum – 2

Luverne 5, SJ 2

The Cardinals picked up their second league win of the season when they topped the Saints by three points May 2 in Luverne.

The teams split four singles matches, but the Cards went 3-0 in doubles to settle the issue.

Schoeneman and Curtis posted a 6-2, 6-4 victory over Cameron Giese and Brandon Johnson at first doubles, while Baustian and Jarchow prevailed in straight sets (6-4, 6-1) over Daniel Coleman and Kyler Johnson at No. 3.

Erickson and Gillette came out on the winning end of a 3-6, 6-1, 6-0 decision over Dalton Wolle and Michael Coleman at second doubles.

Chris Jelken collected a 6-4, 6-0 win over Sandin Skow at first singles, while Robinson notched a 6-7, 6-4, 10-6 (super tiebreaker) conquest over Lucas Dau at No. 2.

St. James' received its points from Ben Foss (6-3, 6-4 over Ver Steeg at No. 3) and Trey Witcraft (6-4, 1-6, 6-3 over Matt Jelken at No. 4).

Fourth place: Carter Boyenga, discys

121-8; Sean Boltjes, 110 hurdles, 17.57.

Fifth place: S,Boltjes, 300 hurdles,

Ninth place: S.Boltjes, long jump,

10th place: K.Boltjes, triple jump, 37-1 1/4.

13th place: K.Boltjes, 400, 57.69; Boy-

14th place: Sam Kramer, 1,600, 5:39.83;

21st place: Robby Armstrong, 400,

23rd place: Rondae Nave, shot, 30-8 3/4.

Christian Hoiland, discus, 101-2.

24th place: Armstrong, 100 13.46.

26th place: Klein, 100, 29,42,

25th place: Austen Klein, 200, 29.42

Jim Slocum - 2

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Rick Ossefoort - 2

enga, shot, 34-7.

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Chris Balster

LHS, H-BC girls make impact in Pipestone

By John Rittenhouse

All four track programs from the Star Herald coverage area competed at the Bob Nangle Relays in Pipestone May 2.

Girls' squads from Luverne and Hills-Beaver Creek provided the highlights of the meet by placing first and second in Class A and Class B competition respectively.

The LHS girls compiled 169.5 points to top secondplace finishing Southwest Christian-Edgerton (156.5) and the other five teams in the Class A Field.

Lakeview won the girls' title with 150 points, while H-BC placed second in the sevensquad field with 146 points.

Adrian and Ellsworth placed fifth and seventh with 64 and 10 points respectively.

Luverne won nine meet titles and placed second in four events.

Kami Sawtelle captured the shot put and discus championships with respective 37-31/2 and 111-8 tosses, while Jadyn Anderson (1:01.25), Brooklyn Ver Steeg (2:27.45) and Regan Feit (5:32.79 in the 1,600) claimed individual crowns as well.

Luverne also won the 400-, 800-, 1,600- and 3,200-meter relays with respective 52.67, 1:50.13, 4:10.5 and 10:09.69

Sierra Schmuck, Gracie Zewiske, Ivy Hudson and Tianna Doppenberg ran the 400, while Schmuck, Sydney Biever, Zewiske and Doppenberg competed in the 800.

Ver Steeg, Feit, Zewiske and Anderson formed the 1,600-meter team, while Tenley Nelson, Gabrielle Ferrell, Autumn Nath and Madison Schandelmeier graced the 3,200-meter squad.

Nelson (5:34.68 in the 1,600), Ferrell (12:54.11 in the 3,200), Mackenzie Petersen (4-8 in the high jump) and Mallory Thorson (29-8 ¾ in the triple jump) placed second for the

The H-BC girls won seven Class B titles and placed second in four events.

Kourtney Rozeboom claimed the shot put and discus crowns with 34-10 and 94-8 tosses, while Taylor Durst took top honors in the 800-meter run with a time of 5:52.28.

H-BC secured the 400-, 800-, 1,600- and 3,200-meter relay titles with times of 53.78, 1:54.05, 4:25.61 and 10:46.81.

Ashlee Kelderman, Madison Spath, Paige Tilstra and Sidney Fick ran the 100, while Spath, Tilstra, Fick and Taryn Rauk teamed up in the 800.

Rauk, Tilstra, Sidney Fick and Kenadie Fick competed in the 1,600, while Kenadie Fick, Kalderman, Josie Bartels and Lauren Tatge formed the

3,200 team. Rauk (13.88 in the 100 and 14-4 ½ in the long jump), Kelderman (21.98 in the 200) and Durst (2:35.21 in the 800) placed second individually.

The AHS girls received second place efforts from Moriah Bullerman (5:52.37 in the 1,600) and Kendra Frodermann (4-8 in the high jump), while Hannah Kramer led EHS by placing fourth in the discus with a toss of 82-3.

The LHS boys scored 131 points to place third in a six-team Class A field led by Pipestone (169).

H-BC finished third in a

seven-team Class B group led by Russell-Tyler-Ruthton (126), while EHS and Adrian placed fifth and seventh with

80 and 65 points. The LHS boys won four events and placed second in

four events. Logan Stratton took top honors in the shot put and discus with 52-1 and 140-4 tosses. while the 400- and 800-meter relays produced the winning times of 46.8 and 1:34.9.

Cyris Halverson, Jordy Thone, Andrew Reisch and Griffin Ahrendt ran with the 400 team, while Halverson, Jed Dooyema, Matt Hup and Ahrendt formed the 800 squad.

Ahrendt (18-8 ¾ in the long jump and 41-8 1/2 in the triple jump), Dylan Thorson (46-7 in the shot) and Eli Haugom (5-6 in the high jump) placed second.

H-BC won one event and placed second in five events.

Zach Scholten cleared 5-10 to win the high jump and finished second in the shot put with a toss of 40-11.

Jed Burgers, who placed second in the 300-meter hurdles in 46.54, ran legs with H-BC's second-place 400- and 800-meter relays that recorded times of 47.1 and 1:41.95. Jax and Gavin Wysong and

Trenton Bass joined Burgers in the 400, while Bass, Luke LaRock and Scholten teamed up with Burgers in the 800. Jax and Gavin Wysong, LaRock and Bass placed sec-

ond in the 1,600-meter relay

in 3:49.08. Sean Boltjes (17.62 in the 110 hurdles and 44.29 in the 300 hurdles), Carter Boyenga (118-4 in the discus) and Kade Boltjes (18-1 ½ in the long iump) secured meet titles for EHS, while Zach Bierman led AHS with a second-place finish in the 100-meter dash

Here is a look at the rest of the point-producing efforts turned in by area athletes at the meet.

LHS girls

in 12.03.

Third place: Doppenberg, 200, 27.96; Madison Reisdorfer, 3,200, 14:19.49. Fourth place: Savannah Siebenahler,

triple jump, 28-8 1/4.
Fifth place: Nath, 400, 1:05.12; Elise Jarchow, 300 hurdles, 55.0; Bergin Flom, high jump, 4-6; Doppenberg, long jump, 14-4 ¾. Sixth place: Hudson, 100, 14.04; Siebe-

Westphal, discus, 75-3; Thorson, long jump, 14-4 ½. Seventh place: Meghan Mollberg

100, 14, 19, Eighth place: Biever, 200, 28.81.

H-BC girls
Third place: Tilstra, triple jump, 30-7 1/4. Fourth place: Spath, 200, 30.12; Bartels, 400, 1:09.87; Ana Hagen, 800, 2:57.27. Fifth place: Tatge, 1,600, 6:21.29; Joslyn Birger, 100 hurdles, 20.53; Birger, 300 hurdles, 1:00.02; Sadie Fuerstenberg, shot, 28-3; Fuerstenberg

Seventh place: Birger, triple jump Eighth place: Abby Knobloch, high jump, 4-2.

Adrian girls

Third place: Bullerman. 800. 2:44.76: 400 relay (Frodermann, Bailey Katie Reisdorfer and Katia Suarez), 57.11; 800 relay (Lonneman, Suarez, Reisdorfer and Frodermann)

Fourth place: Rebekah Walton, shot, Sixth place: Walton, 100 hurdles, 22.59;

Makayla Preuss, 300 hurdles, 1:00.29; Sammy Wieneke, discus, 81-3; Bullerman, long jump, 12-7 3/4 Seventh place: Preuss, 100, 15,12:

Kendra Rautenkranz, 300 hurdles, 1:06.18; Ashley Schnoor, shot, 25-7; Schnoor, discus, 70-6; Hannah Henning, high jump, 4-2.

Eighth place: Henning, 200, 30.68; Karis Barr, 1,600, 7:23.01; Henning, 100 hurdles, 23.23.

Ellsworth airls Sixth place: Ashlynn Meester, 100,

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United Community Action Partnership is currently soliciting for proposals from qualified marketing firms to help facilitate a re-branding of our Community Transit program. CT will contract with a marketing firm to design a comprehensive marketing plan as well as design marketing materials. Contact Nick Leske, Transportation Operations Administrator at 507-537-7628 extension 1127 for entire proposal. Proposal deadline is May 19, 2017.

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Hup, Ahrendt best long-standing records

Two Luverne High School seniors rose to the occasion during the 92nd version of the **Howard Wood**



Dakota Relays in Sioux Falls over the weekend.

Participating at a meet that attracts some of the best athletes in a threestate area, Luverne's Matt Hup and Griffin Ahrendt did more than hold their own against stiff competi-

Not only did they turn in top-eight finishes in individual events, which is a grand accomplishment for any competitor.

They did so with flair by breaking two long-standing school records during the proceedings on Friday.

Ahrendt deserves kudos for his willingness to persevere.

The senior standout was unable to participate in the track program during the 2015 and 2016 seasons due to health issues, but he made up for lost time with his effort during the triple jump in Sioux Falls.

Ahrendt's third jump in the preliminaries covered 43-3, leading him to an eighth-place finish in the event and surpassing a school standard that remained in place for 30

Tony Carroll set the former record of 43-0 back in 1987, which means Ahrendt beat a mark that remained in place in four different decades by three inches.

"I can't really say I'm surprised that Griffin broke the record because he has been consistently jumping over 40 feet all season long. He had a jump of 42-11 3/4 earlier this year, so we knew he was capable of breaking the record," said LHS coach Pete Janiszeski.

Hup's performance in the pole vault was equally

By John Rittenhouse

score at three.

to register a save.

Thursday in Mountain Lake.

FROM THE **SIDELINES**

By John Rittenhouse, sports editor

impressive on Friday.

The pole vault competition proved to be a grueling challenge as it lasted longer than six hours from start to finish.

Hup proved to be the event's third-place finisher by clearing the height of 13-9, which surpassed a former LHS standard that remained in place for 13

Tim Rust owned the old record when he cleared 13-6 in 2004.

"Matt nearly cleared the final height of 14-3, but he grazed the bar during his final attempt and it fell off," Janiszeski said.

"Again, I can't say I'm surprised Matt broke the record either. He cleared 13-3 in the first meet of the year and he cleared 13-9 during his first attempt on Friday. On the right day, we think he could make 14-0 this year."

There's no guarantee Ahrendt and Hup will be able to reach the marks they did on Friday as the rest of the season plays out, but they could find themselves in unique company if they do.

A jump covering 43-3 would have given Ahrendt an eighth-place finish at last year's state meet, and only two boys cleared heights higher than 13-9 in the Class A pole vault competition last spring.

If Ahrendt and Hup put themselves in a position to compete at the state classic, there would be no better place to better the records they established over the weekend.

Dragons nip MLA

The Adrian baseball team upped its Red Rock Conference re-

The Dragons opened the scoring with a three-run rally in the

The score remained deadlocked until the top of the eighth, when Adrian's Ryan Wieneke singled with two outs, stole second

Alex Loosbrock worked seven innings of three-run, three-hit,

Landon Rogers recorded the final two outs of the eighth inning

base and scored the decisive run when Zach Hendel doubled.

top half of the second inning, but the Wolverines scored once in the bottom of the second and twice in the fourth to knot the

cord to 6-1 by nipping Mountain Lake Area 4-3 in eight innings

Cardinal softball girls take three of five games

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne softball team upped its record to 9-7 by winning three of five games in a seven-day span.

The Cardinals swept a doubleheader in Redwood Falls May 2 before losing two games to Pipestone in Luverne Thursday. The Cards posted a 10-run win Monday in Fairmont.

Luverne plays at the Heron Lake-Okabena Tournament Saturday.

LHS 12, Fairmont 2

The Cards erased an early deficit to post a six-inning victory in Fairmont Monday.

The hosts plated a pair of runs in the bottom of the first inning to gain an early advantage, but Luvernetied the game in the fourth inning and put together five-run rallies in the fifth and sixth innings to win by the 10-run rule.

Ariel DeBeer, who belted a two-run home run in the fifth inning, pitched six innings of eight-hit, two-run ball to earn the win.

Rylee Olson (four RBIs) and Katie Kracht (one RBI) led the Cards with three hits each, while Mariah Aukes drove in two runs and charted two hits.

Pipestone twin bill

The Cardinals wrapped up Big South Conference play with a 6-4 record after losing both ends of a home doubleheader against Pipestone Thursday. The visiting Arrows strolled

to a 12-0 win in the opener



John Rittenhouse photo/0511 softball 4

in first four innings of the sec-

ond game to set the stage for

Luverne's Katie Kracht takes a swing at the plate during Thursday's home doubleheader against Pipestone.

before completing their sweep with a 6-2 victory in Game 2.

Pipestone scored runs in five of six innings during a 12-run victory in Game 1.

The Arrows plated single runs in the first, fourth and fifth innings as well as putting together a four-run rally in the third inning and scoring five times in the sixth.

Olson worked all six innings as Luverne's pitcher. She fanned five batters and vielded 12 hits.

Olson doubled in the first inning for LHS, while Ashton Kruger and Gracie Bosch slapped singles in the second and third innings respectively. The Arrows scored five runs

Luverne trimmed the differ-

ence to three (5-2) by plating a pair of runs in the top of the fifth inning, but Pipestone added a counter in the bottom of the fifth to seal a four-run

DeBeer pitched six innings of nine-hit, two-strikeout ball for the Cards.

Aukes and Halle Hough delivered singles to account for Luverne's two hits in the game.

RWV twin bill

their sweep.

The Cardinals extended their longest run of wins this season to four games by sweeping a set in Redwood Falls May 2.

Luverne turned in a commandingperformanceagainst Redwood Valley by winning a pair of games by the 10-run

rule after five innings of play. LHS prevailed 15-5 in the opener before securing a 12-2

victory in the finale. The Cardinals scored the first 11 runs of the contest and never lost control of the battle in Game 1.

LHS upped its lead to 15-2 after scoring four runs in the top of the fourth inning, but RWV scored three times in the bottom of the frame to cap the scoring in the game.

Olson belted a grand slam homerun and Kracht cracked a two-run shot for the Cards, and both players finished the opener with two hits.

Zayna Hustoft added two hits to the cause as well.

DeBeer tossed all five innings to get the win. She fanned five batters and yielded six hits.

Game 2 was tied at two before LHS registered 10 unanswered runs to end the contest

The Cards scored two runs to snap the deadlock in the bottom of the second and put together four-run rallies in the third and fifth frames to ice the win.

Olson registered seven strikeouts and limited RWV to five hits in five innings to secure the pitching win.

DeBeer and Bosch slapped two hits each.

Froderman, Bierman lead Adrian track squads Thursday

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian track squads capped six-team fields at the Worthington Invitational.

The Adrian boys scored 39 points at the event led by Worthington (236), while the AHS girls registered 23 points in a field paced by Southwest Christian-Edgerton (155).

Kendra Frodermann produced a meet title for the Dragon girls by clearing 4-6 to win the high jump.

Zach Bierman turned in the top effort for the Dragon boys by placing second in the 100-meter dash in 12.05.

Here is a look at the rest of the efforts turned in by AHS athletes at the meet.

AHS boys Third place: Scot Edwards, shot, 40-2; Edwards, discus, 104-3; Dakota John, triple jump, 36-10 ¼; 400 relay (John, Kasey Madtson, Tristian White and Bierman), 48.34; 800 relay (White, Chance Turner, John and Bierman), 1:40.91. Sixth place: Tucker Wieneke, discus,

AHS girls

Third place: Moriah Bullerman, 1,600, 5:56.54. Fourth place: 800 relay (Hannah Hen-

ning, Katia Suarez, Katie Reisdorfer and Frodermann), 1:57.58. Fifth place: 400 relay (Frodermann,

Sixth place: Morgan Penning, 800, Seventh place: Rebekah Walton, shot,

Eighth place: Ashley Schnoor, discus,

74-0; Makayla Preuss, triple jump, 25-2 ¼.

Squeeze bunt yields win for Cardinal baseball team Monday

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne Cardinals posted a come-from-behind victory Monday in Adrian.

Facing an 8-3 deficit after three innings of play, Luverne rallied to plate two runs in the fourth inning and three in the fifth to knot the score at eight.

issue by plating one unearned run in the top of the seventh to set the stage for a 9-8 win.

Tyler Reisdorfer reached

base on an error, advanced to second on a wild pitch and stole third base. Reisdorfer scored the deci-

sive run when Ben Serie laid down a successful squeeze bunt.

Derek Lundgren pitched four and one-third innings of scoreless relief to earn the pitching win. Lundgren replaced Declan Beers, who surrendered eight runs in the two and two-thirds innings.

Beers and Trey Roberts slapped two hits and drove in one run each to lead the Cards at the plate.

Nick Harder (one run in one inning) took the pitching loss

Skylar Polzine (three runs in two and two-thirds innings), Mitchell Wagner (two runs in one and one-third innings), Lance Luettel (three runs in one inning) and Alex Loos-

brock (one scoreless inning)

also pitched for AHS.

Zach Loosbrock (three RBIs), Polzine (two RBIs), Wagner (one RBI) and Harder recorded two hits each for Adrian.

Box score	AB	R	Н	ы
Nath	3	2	1	0
Beers	5	0	2	1
Reisdorfer	3	4	0	0
Nelson	5	1	1	1
Serie	3	0	1	2
Sterrett	3	1	0	0
Lundgren	3	0	1	0
Roberts	2	0	2	1
Reed	3	1	0	1
Mumme	0	0	0	0

Fourth place: K.Boltjes, 100, 12.37; 400

relay (Robby Armstrong, Boyenga, Sam

Sixth place: S.Boltjes, long jump, 16-41/4.

Seventh place: Armstrong, 400, 1:01.4;

Eighth place: S.Kramer, 800, 2:36.71.

Third place: Bierman, long jump, 17-5;

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Fourth place: Scot Edwards, shot, 38-0;

Preuss, triple jump, 36-7; White, high

Fifth place: John, triple jump, 36-8.

Kramer and S.Boltjes), 50.05. Fifth place: S.Kramer, 1,600, 5:36.99.

triple jump, 37-0.

AHS boys

iump. 5-0.

Bierman), 1:42.52.

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Eighth place: Madyson Domeyer, 100, 15.15; Domeyer, 400, 1:11.83.

LHS boys

Third place: Halverson, 200, 24.79; Matt Ziegler, discus, 122-1; 3,200 relay (Austin Winter, Dalton DeSollar, Michael

Rahm and Hunter Hamann), 9:04.52. Fourth place: Hup, 200, 24.85; Reisch, triple jump, 36-1

Fifth place: Jd.Dooyema, 400, 54.72; DeSollar, 1,600, 4:55.08; 1,600 relay (Jd.Dooyema, Jeremiah Dooyema, Brandon Winter and Thone), 3:52.69. Sixth place: Reisch, 100, 12,37,

Seventh place: Thone, 100, 12.5; Jr.Dooyema, 400, 54.99; B.Winter, 800, 2:10.87; Shane Berning, 1,600, 5:13.56; Michael Rahm, 3,200, 11:51.62; Reisch, high jump, 5-2. Eighth place: A.Winter, 800, 2:10.91;

Brayden Tofteland, 3,200, 11:55.9; Kaden DeSollar, 110 hurdles, 21.26; Tanner Wiese, long jump, 16-3.

H-BC boys Third place: Jacob Wingert, 400, 58.09;

J.Wysong, high jump, 5-2. Fourth place: Easton Harnack. 110 hurdles, 21.16; 3,200 relay (Dawson

discus, 103-5; Burgers, long jump,

EHS boys Third place: Brandon Kramer, discys,

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Leenderts, Wingert, Harnack and Hunter Bork), 10:02.06. Fifth place: Harnack, 300 hurdles, 52.48; J.Wysong, 100, 12.39; Scholten,

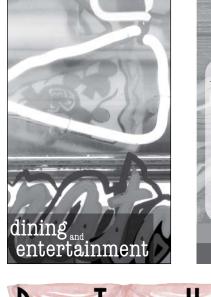
Sixth place: Dean Fuerstenberg, discus. 99-8. Seventh place: Leenderts, 200, 27.36;

Bass, triple jump, 34-9 3/4. 111-3; K.Boltjes, 200, 25.04; K.Boltjes, Sixth place: Preuss, 200, 26.9; Edwardo Godines. 400. 1:01.37; Brody Loosbrock, 1,600, 4:44.27. Seventh place: Tylor Hix, 1,600, 5:52.37;

Godiness, 110 hurdles, 23.86; Tucker Wieneke, discus, 96-7; White, long jump, 15-11 ½.

Eighth place: Domingue Canelas, 110 hurdles, 23.86; Edwards, discus, 96.2.

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Dragons nip Flying Dutchmen

The Adrian baseball team pulled out a 2-0 victory during a competitive home game against Edgerton-Southwest Christian.

The Dragons were limited to three hits, but they plated single runs in the first and third innings to deny E-SWC. Jacob Stamer, who recorded one hit along with Nick Harder and Nate Lonneman, pitched a seven-inning shutout. Stamer fanned 10 batters and surrendered two hits.

Patriots trounce Wildcats in Iowa

The Hills-Beaver Creek boys' golf team upended Heron Lake-Okabena 212-223 at Meadow Acres Country Club near Larchwood, Iowa.

Preston Maassen captured medalist honors for the Patriots by carding a 49.

Dylon Taubert, Parker Gehrke and Thomas Dysthe added respective 50-, 54- and 59-stroke rounds to the

Adrian Area girls fall in Edgerton

The Adrian Area softball team came up on the short end of a 13-2 decision when it squared off against Edgerton-Southwest Christian in Edgerton.

The Flying Dutchmen scored 13 runs in the first three innings of play to set the stage for a win by the 10-run rule after four and one-half innings of play.

Devin Dreesen, who tossed four innings of 14-hit ball to take the loss, led AA with two hits. Madison Neuenberg (two RBIs), Paige Bullerman and Autumn Grussing added one hit each to AA's cause.

W-WG defends home course against Hills-Beaver Creek

By John Rittenhouse

The Hills-Beaver Creek boys' golf team came out on the short end of a 172-205 decision to Westbrook-Walnut Grove Monday in Westbrook.

Kyle Kuehl and Nathan Ross shot 42s to earn medalist honors for the Chargers.

Dylon Taubert and Preston Maassen set the pace for H-BC by registering 45- and 47-stroke efforts, while Thomas Dysthe

Noah Hellerud and Carter Rozeboom posted 59s for the Patriots, while Parker Gehrke turned in a 72 without padding the team tally.

Tess Van Maanen and Hannah Fick posted 54- and 55- strokescores for an incomplete H-BC girls' team.

Adrian golfers host quadrangular

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian golf teams hosted a quadrangular event that included Hills-Beaver Creek players at the Adrian Area Country Club Thursday.

The event turned into a good one for teams from Fulda, which captured both event titles.

The Raider boys produced a score of 166 strokes to best Westbrook-Walnut Grove (173), H-BC (202) and Adrian

Fulda's Justin Dirks and Joe Fisher shared medalist honors with 40s, while Kyle Kuehl led W-WG with a 42.

Preston Maassen and Dylon Taubert led H-BC with 47s, while Thomas Dysthe and Noah Hellerud added 54-stroke rounds to the team

Parker Gehrke and Carter Rozeboom shot 56- and 64-stroke tallies without influencing the scoring.

Mitchell Veld led the Dragons with a 47, while Landon Runia and Brady Henning turned in 50- and 53-stroke rounds for AHS.

Cole Weidert, Easton Braun and John Christian turned in 60s for the hosts.

Fulda (212), W-WG (213) and Adrian (217) fielded complete teams for the event, while H-BC was incomplete.

W-WG's Avoree Bakken emerged as medalist by carding a 45, while Lynneigh Vrooman paced Fulda with

Alexia Kemper and Annika Elias shot 50- and 53-stroke rounds to lead the Dragons, while Gracia Elias and Josi Altman added 57s to the team

Cards split set with Huskies

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne Cardinal baseball team split a doubleheader against Jackson County Central Thursday at Redbird Field.

The Cardinals nipped the Huskies 3-2 in the opener before falling 8-0 in the finale.

LHS, which ends Big South Conference play with a 6-4 record, hosts Worthington Thursday.

LHS 3, JCC 2

The Cardinals saddled the Huskies with their first league loss of the season during Thursday's opening game.

JCC gained the upper hand by plating a pair of runs in the top of the first inning, but the Cards outscored the Huskies 3-0 the rest of the way to prevail by one run.

Tyler Reisdorfer doubled and scored Luverne's first run when Derek Lundgren singled in the bottom of the second.

TreyRoberts and Gaige Nath delivered RBI singles to settle the issue in the fifth inning. Ben Serie tossed six innings

of six-hit, two-run ball to earn Reisdorfer pitched a score-

less seventh inning to record a save.

AB R H BI 3 0 2 1 Box score



John Rittenhouse photo/0511 lbb 6

Luverne third baseman Jaxon Nelson waits to tag out a straying Jackson County Central runner during Thursday's twin bill at Redbird Field. The Cards and Huskies split the set.

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oberts	3	1	1	1	
eisch	1	0	1	0	

JCC 8, Luverne 0

The Huskies avoided a sweep by coasting to an eight-run victory in Game 2.

JCC scored all eight of its runs in the first three innings (one in the first, two in the second and five in the third) and limited the Cards to three hits without allowing a run.

Derek Lundgren doubled for LHS in the second inning, while Declan Beers and Serie registered singles in the third

and seventh innings.

Jaxon Nelson surrendered one run in two hits and took the pitching loss in a oneinning stint on the mound.

Lundgren yielded seven runs and nine hits over the next two innings before giving way to Roberts, who tossed three scoreless innings of three-hit ball.

Box score	AB	R	Н	В
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Beers	3	0	1	0
Nelson	3	0	0	0
Reisdorfer	2	0	0	0
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Serie	2	0	1	0
_undgren	2	0	1	0
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Roberts	2	0	0	0
Numme	2	0	0	0
Nath	1	0	0	0
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Luverne boys take golf lumps

By John Rittenhouse

A slumping Luverne boys' golf team compiled a 1-13 record during a four-event week.

The Cardinals lost Big South Conference road matches against Redwood Valley, Jackson County Central and Pipestone along with placing 11th at a 12-team tournament in Fairmont Saturday.

Luverne, 6-19 overall, plays in Adrian Monday.

Pipestone 165, LHS 185

Luverne's Big South Conference record dipped to 1-4 after the Cardinals took a setback in Pipestone Monday.

With Trey Pottratz firing a 37 to lead the way, the homestanding Arrows rolled to a 20-stroke win over LHS.

Coy Gonnerman led the Cards with a 42, while Will Stegenga, Carter Stemper and Carter Loosbrock added 46-, 48- and 49-stroke rounds to the team tally.

Jack Golla and Aleck Schoen-

eman posted 54- and 57-stroke tallies without influencing thescoring.

FHS tourney

The Cardinal boys placed 11th in a 12-team field during Saturday's tournament in Fairmont.

LHS compiled 388 strokes during the 18-hole event to finish well behind team champion New Ulm, which registered a 319.

Gonnerman led the Cards with an 87.

Schoeneman and Golla carded 96s, while Stemper charted a 109 to cap the team

Loosbrock shot a 111 without influencing the tally.

JCC 167, Luverne 202

The home-standing Huskies had little trouble in disposing of the Cardinals when the teams met Friday in Jackson.

Scott Flatebo registered a 39 to earn medalist honors for a JCC squad that saddled LHS

with a 35-stroke setback.

Gonnerman and Stemper shot 44s to pace the Cards, while Golla and Loosbrock contributed 55- and 59-stroke rounds to the team tally.

Stegenga and Schoeneman carded 60- and 61-stroke rounds without influencing the scoring.

RWV 172, Luverne 195

The Cardinals were unable to notch their second league win of the year when they challenged RWV Thursday in Redwood Falls.

Matthew Muetzel carded a 37 to lead the hosts to a 23-shot victory over LHS.

Gonnerman set the pace for Luverne with a 41.

Stemper turned in a 46 for the Cards, while Schoeneman and Golla capped the scoring

Stegenga and Loosbrock recorded 55- and 56-stroke rounds without influencing the scoring.

AA softball team falls four times in two outings

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian Area softball team came up empty in four attempts to post a victory late last week.

The Dragons lost a 10-run home game to Mountain Lake Area in Ellsworth Thursday before falling three times at the Windom Tournament Saturday.

AA, 1-11 overall, hosts Murray County Central Thursday.

Windom tourney

AA dropped three consecutive games during Saturday's tournament in Windom.

Martin County West (6-1), New Ulm Cathedral (12-4) and Fairmont (12-1) all upended the Dragons.

MCW scored four unanswered runs in the first three innings and went on to prevail by five counters in the opener.

Devin Dreesen, who recorded one hit at the plate, pitched six innings of five-hit

ball against the Mavericks. Kristina Couwels led Adrian

at the dish with two hits, while Paige Bullerman added a safety.

AA sported a 3-0 advantage over NUC before the Greyhounds rallied to outscore the Dragons 12-1 over the final four innings to prevail by eight runs.

Avery Balster pitched all six innings and surrendered 15 hits to NUC.

Dreesen slapped three hits and drove in two runs in Game 2. while Autumn Grussing (one RBI), Bullerman, Madison Neuenberg and Maritza Beltran added one hit each.

Fairmont scored the first 12 runs of the finale before surrendering AA's lone run in the bottom half of the fifth inning.

 $Buller man \, recorded \, two \, hits$ at the plate, while Dreesen (one RBI), Paige Madison, Neuenberg, Beltran and Nathalia Vasquez chipped in one hit each.

Dreesen tossed five innings of eight-hit ball for AA.

MLA 12, AA 2

The Dragons dropped their fifth conference game of the spring when they came up on the short end of a 10-run decision against the Wolverines Thursday in Ellsworth.

AA scored the game's first run in the home half of the fifth inning and faced a onerun deficit (3-2) after three innings of play.

MLA, however, outscored the Dragons 9-0 the rest of the way to win handily.

Grussing led AA at the plate with two hits and one RBI, while Dreesen and Neuenberg

chipped in one hit each. Balster took the pitching loss after tossing four innings of eight-run, three-hit ball. Dreesen surrendered four runs and seven hits in the final three innings.

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

Sunday, May 14:9:30 a.m. Worship Service, 6:30 p.m. Worship Service. Monday, May 15: 9 a.m. PERK UP at Mary Jane Brown, 7 p.m. Bridal shower for Brooke Mouw.

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 11: 6 a.m. Men's Bible Study. Noon Senior Focus Potluck. 7 p.m. Worship Service on Vast Channel 3. Sunday, May 14: 9:15 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Morning Service. 6 p.m. Evening Worship. Tuesday, May 16: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study at FBC. Thursday, May 18: 6 a.m. Men's Bible Study at FBC. 7 p.m. Worship service on Vast Channel 3.

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

Thursday, May 11: 2 p.m. GLCW Garden's Program at Mary Jane Brown, 4: 30 p.m. Book Study. Friday, May 12: 6:30 p.m. GLC Worship on Channel 3. Saturday May 13: 5:30 p.m. Worship. Sunday, May 14: 8:15 a.m. Worship; Radio Broadcast, 9:15 a.m. Coffee, 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Study, 10:45 a.m. Worship. Monday, May 15: Grace Notes Deadline. Tuesday, May 16: 9 a.m. Staff meeting, 5:30 p.m. Ride and Dine. Wednesday, May 17: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study, 9 a.m. Naomi Circle at The Oaks, 7 p.m. Choir Circle.

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

Thursday, May 11:2 p.m. Ladies Aid. Sunday, May 14:9 a.m. Sunday School. 9:15 a.m. Bible Class, 10:15 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion. Wednesday, May 17: 3:45 p.m. Catechism.

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

Friday, May 12: 6:30 a.m. Community Men's Bible Study. Sunday, May 14:9:30 a.m. Worship Service. Noon Commons reserved. Tuesday May 16: 10 a.m. Staff Meeting, 7 p.m. Ridder Team Meeting. Wednesday, May 17: 7 p.m. Magnify Praise Team.

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

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

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 11: 9 a.m. Little Lambs Devotions. 1:30 p.m. Communion at Mary Jane Brown. 2:15 p.m. Communion at Poplar Creek. 3:30 p.m. Communion at the Veterans Home. Saturday, May 13:10:30 a.m. Spring Fling - On Butterfly Wings, 5:30 p.m. Worship with Communion. Sunday, May 14: 9 a.m. Worship with Communion. 10:15 a.m. Christian Education Hour (last day of Sunday school). Monday, May 15: 6 p.m. Anniversary Committee meeting. 7 p.m. Parish Planning Council. Tuesday, May 16: 11:15 a.m. Staff meeting. 1 p.m. & 6:30 p.m. Quilting. 2 p.m. Circle meetings. Wednesday, May 17: No Bible Study. 9 a.m. & 1 p.m. Little Lambs devotions. Thursday, May 18: 9 a.m. Little Lambs Devotions.

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

Thursday, May 11: 1-3 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf. Saturday, May 13: 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Sunday, May 14: 9:30 a.m. Coffee Hour, 10:30 a.m. Celebration Service with Communion, 4:30 p.m. Genesis/Revelations Bible Study; Media Day. Monday, May 15: 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Tuesday. May 16: 6:30 p.m. Trustee Meeting, 7:30 p.m. Church Council Meeting. Wednesday May 17: 1-3 p.m. Sewing Day. 6 p.m. F.U.E.L. End of year party. 8 p.m. AA meeting. Thursday, May 18: 1-3 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf.

First Presbyterian Church 302 Central Lane, Luverne

Ph. 283-4787; email: Firstpc@iw.net — www.fpcluverne.com Jason Cunningham, Pastor

Sunday, May 14: 9 a.m. Sunday School for all ages; Senior Brunch, 10:15 a.m. Worship Service. Tuesday, May 16: Over 60's Cookout. Wednesday, May 17: Circle Meetings.

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

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

New Life Celebration Church 110 N. Oakley, Luverne

Ph. 449-6522; email: newlifecelebration@gmail.com

Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Worship at 110 N. Oakley. Every third Thursday: 5 p.m. Food give-away at Senior Citizens Center. Bible Study groups meet at various times and days.

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church 305 E. 2nd St., P.O. Box 36, Hardwick Ph. 669-2855; email: revmumme@gmail.com — www.zionlutheranhardwick.com Mark W. Mumme, Pastor

Thursday, May 11: 3:30 p.m. Zion Worship on Channel 3. Friday, May 12: 3:30 p.m. Zion Worship on Channel 3. Sunday, May 14: 9 a.m. Sunday School; Adult Bible Study. 10 a.m. Mentor Program, 10:30 a.m. Worship Service. Monday, May 15: 1 p.m. Quilting. Tuesday, May 16: 7 p.m. 125th Anniversary Committee Meeting. Thursday, May 18: 3:30 p.m. Zion Worship on Channel 3.

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

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

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

Intern Pastor Laura Phillips

Sunday, May 14:9 a.m. Worship Service. 10 a.m. Special Congregational Meeting; Sunday School. Wednesday, May 17: 7 p.m. Confirmation; Choir practice.

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

Saturday, May 13: 9:30 a.m. Adopt-a-Highway Project. Meet at church. Sunday May 14: 10:30 a.m. Worship Service. Wednesday, May 17: 7 p.m. Confirmation at First Lutheran Church.

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

e-mail: bethlehemluth@alliancecom.net

Sunday, May 14:9 a.m. Worship at Tuff Chapel. 10:30 a.m. Communion at Bethlehem. Tuesday, May 16: 2:30 p.m. Bible Study Tuff Home. 3:15 Bible Study at the Village. Wednesday, May 17: 9 a.m. Quilting. 2 p.m. BLCW Honor Day. 7 p.m. Circle of Hope at Marilyn Nelson's Home. 6:30 p.m. Last Confirmation class.

Just a reminder

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"Green side up." After this had happened several times, the wife was quite distressed. "Why do you keep shouting, 'Green side up?' We haven't chosen green for any of our color choices."

after the couple made

note on his clipboard and

dow and called out loudly,

then walked to the win-

"Oh, don't worry about dat," said Ole. "I am yust giving Lars a reminder. He's out in de yard putting down de sod."

Accountability is an important part of everything that we do. Sometimes we all need a reminder or two to keep us on track. Other times we may need to give the reminder to someone else. Everybody needs encour-

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By Martha Fick, Good Samaritan Chaplain, retired

agement.

Words like, "That still isn't right, or I need you to try harder," might hurt, but also might be true.

On the other hand, words like, "You never do anything right, you will never amount to anything, you are such a loser," are always lies. God tells us that each of us has been created uniquely precious in His sight. Even when we need correction, no one has the right to condemn us. God loves us. We are His precious and redeemed children.

Lord God, help us listen to discern the truth in what people say. Give us the wisdom to reject what is wrong and the strength to learn from what is right. Thank you for reminding us that we are all precious in tour sight. In Jesus' name, Amen.

First Presbyterian Church 201 S. 3rd St., P.O Box 73, Beaver Creek Ph. 507-935-5025 Email: lori.firstpres@gmail.com

Worship Leader Michael Blank

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

> **Magnolia United Methodist Church** 501 E. Luverne St., Magnolia Church Ph. 283-9698; cell 227-7821

adrmagumc@frontiernet.net — www.adrianmagnoliaumc.com Kristi Franken, Pastor Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship. Wednesday,

April 26: 6:30 p.m. Confirmation in Magnolia.

Steen Reformed Church 112 W. Church Ave., Steen Ph. 855-2336 Jeremy Wiersema, Pastor

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

> **Hills United Reformed Church** 410 S. Central Ave., Hills Office Ph. 962-3254 hillsurc@alliancecom.net Alan Camarigg, Pastor

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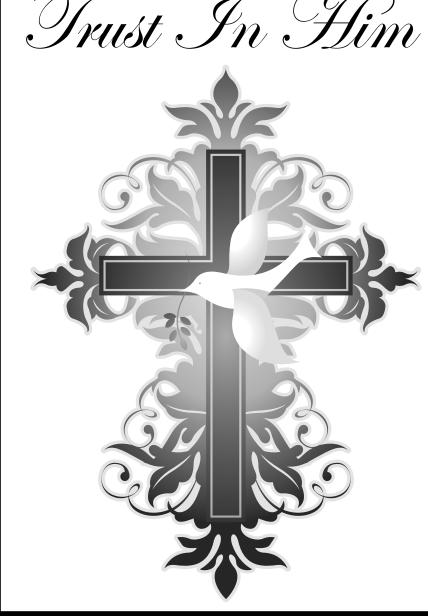
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Public Notices

Mortgage foreclosure sale set for June 1 Set for June 1 Set for June 15

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

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

DATE OF MORTGAGE: February 18, 2008

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$135,141.04

MORTGAGOR(S): Juan J. Bonnilla Olmo, a single person

MORTGAGEE: CitiFinancial Services, Inc.

SERVICER: Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC

LENDER: CitiFinancial Services, Inc.

DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Rock County Minnesota, Recorder on February 20, 2008, as Document No. 168356

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

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

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 423 W Lincoln St., Luverne, MN 56156 PROPERTY I.D: 20-0961-000

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Rock

THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON THE DATE OF THE NOTICE: One Hundred Fifty-Five Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-Eight and

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

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

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: June 1, 2017 at 10:00 AM

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

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

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

Dated: April 6, 2017

Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company Randall S. Miller and Associates, PLLC Attorneys for Assignee of Mortgage/Mortgagee Canadian Pacific Plaza 120 South Sixth Street, Suite 2050

Minneapolis, MN 55402 Phone: 952-232-0052 Our File No. 17MN00033-1

THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.

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

Mortgage foreclosure sale set for June 2

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

ACTION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that default has occurred in the conditions of the

following described mortgage: DATE OF MORTGAGE: July 2, 2009

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$54,863.43

MORTGAGOR(S): Jacob Ely Wright and Amber Rae Wright, a married couple MORTGAGEE: CitiFinancial Services, Inc.

LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON THE MORTGAGE: CitiFinancial Services, Inc.

SERVICER: Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC

DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Filed July 7, 2009, Rock County Recorder, as Document Number 171680

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:

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

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 120 Donaldson St S, Luverne, MN 56156

PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 20-0852-000 COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Rock

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

THE NOTICE: \$86,960.24 THAT all pre-foreclosure requirements have been complied with; that no action

or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof;

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

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: June 2, 2017, 10:00am PLACE OF SALE: Sheriff's Main Office, West Side Sheriff Dept, Front Step,

Luverne, MN 56156 to pay the debt secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any, on said premises and the

costs and disbursements, including attorneys fees allowed by law, subject to redemption within 6 months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s) the personal representatives or assigns. TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: If the real estate is an owner-occupied,

single-family dwelling, unless otherwise provided by law, the date on or before which the mortgagor(s) must vacate the property, if the mortgage is not reinstated under section 580.30 or the property is not redeemed under section 580.23, is 11:59 p.m. on December 2, 2017, or the next business day if December 2, 2017 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

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

Dated: April 4, 2017 Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC Assignee of Mortgagee SHAPIRO & ZIELKE, LLP Lawrence P. Zielke - 152559 Diane F. Mach - 273788 Melissa L. B. Porter - 0337778 Randolph W. Dawdy - 2160X Gary J. Evers - 0134764 Tracy J. Halliday - 034610X Attorneys for Mortgagee 12550 West Frontage Road, Suite 200 Burnsville, MN 55337 (952) 831-4060

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

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

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

DATE OF MORTGAGE:December 23, 2015

MORTGAGOR: Tyller Kracht, a single person.

MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

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

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

TRANSACTION AGENT: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. TRANSACTION AGENT'S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ON MORT-GAGE: 100031200012614498

LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON MORT-GAGE: Wintrust Mortgage, a division of Barrington Bank and Trust Co., N.A.

RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE SERVICER: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National MORTGAGED PROPERTY ADDRESS: 241 Minnesota Avenue East, Steen, MN

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

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:

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

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Rock

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$81,720.00 AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE, INCLUD-

ING TAXES, IF ANY, PAID BY MORTGAGEE: \$83,181.09

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

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

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: June 15, 2017 at 10:00 AM

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

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

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: If the real estate is an owner-occupied, single-family dwelling, unless otherwise provided by law, the date on or before which the mortgagor(s) must vacate the property if the mortgage is not reinstated under section 580.30 or the property is not redeemed under section 580.23 is 11:59 p.m. on December 15, 2017, unless that date falls on a weekend or legal holiday, in which case it is the next weekday, and unless the redemption period is reduced to 5 weeks under MN Stat. Secs. 580.07 or 582.032.

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

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

Dated: March 31, 2017 JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee USSET, WEINGARDEN AND LIEBO, P.L.L.P. Attorneys for Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee 4500 Park Glen Road #300 Minneapolis, MN 55416 (952) 925-6888

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THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.

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

ISD #2184 School Board meets March 23

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

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, ISD #2184, was held in the District Office on March 23, 2017, 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, Stacy Gillette, Ryan Johnson, Kara Ahrendt, Jon Schomacker, Evan VerBrugge, Dave Bergeron, Mike Hubbard, and Mavis Fodness - Rock County Star Herald.

Chairperson Baustian called the meeting to order. The Chairperson requested a slight change to the agenda asking for the administrative reports be prior to the Showcase. Motion made by Hartman, second by Sehr, to approve the agenda with the adjustment. Motion unanimously carried.

First Grade teachers Angela Ahrendt, Sue Hup, Lisa Lundgren, and Sandy Klosterbuer showed the School Board how they use i-pads in their classrooms, specifically in the teaching of reading, but in other subjects as well.

Wade Hiller, Evan VerBrugge, Angela Sneller, and Angie Sandbulte presented information to the School Board regarding the A.L.I.C.E. training they attended this week. Their goal is to complete training during the remainder of this school year and to implement A.L.I.C.E. during the 2017-18 school year.

Administrative reports were given.

Mike Hubbard, Lori Eckrich, and Roger Degroot, representing Foster, Jacobs and Johnson made several presentations to the School Board: Listening Sessions Results; Long-Range Facilities Plan Survey Results; Educational Adequacy Summary; and a Preliminary Building Improvement Measures List regarding a Long-Range Master Plan for the school district's buildings.

Motion made by Hartman, second by Bosch, to approve the February 23 and March 16, 2017, school board minutes as presented. Motion unanimously carried. Business Manager Marlene Mann reviewed the school district bills with the School

Board. Motion made by Bosch, second by Sehr, to approve payment of the bills as presented in the amount of \$1,153,411.42. Motion unanimously carried. Motion made by Bosch, second by Hartman, to receive the Student Activity report

showing the balances as of February 28, 2017. Motion unanimously carried. Chairperson Baustian reviewed the first reading of Policy 725 - Credit Card Policy. There will be a second reading and approval at the April 27, 2017, school board meeting.

School Board. Motion made by Bosch, second by Hartman, to approve the expenditure budget as presented in the amount of \$16,055,045.00. Motion unanimously carried. Motion made by Hartman, second by Bosch, to approve contracts with the SW/WC Service Cooperative for the 2017-2018 school year for a total amount of \$149,554.06.

Business Manager Marlene Mann reviewed the revised expenditure budget with the

Motion unanimously carried. Motion made by Hartman, second by Sandbulte, to set a bid date of April 25, 2017, at 2:00 p.m. for roof replacement. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Bosch, second by Hartman, to approve the Certified Staff Seniority List. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Jarchow, second by Bosch, to approve the hiring of Jon Schomacker as the 2017 Summer Recreation Director for a salary of \$8,400.00. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Hartman, second by Bosch, to accept the resignation of Tony Johnson, social studies teacher, head wrestling coach, MS football coach, and MS softball coach, effective at the end of the 2016-17 school year. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Sandbulte, second by Sehr, to accept the retirement of Patsy Amborn, elementary teacher, effective at the end of the 2016-17 school year. Motion

Chairperson Baustian noted that we have received the Letter of Intent to Negotiate from the Luverne Education Association. Superintendent Oftedahl has requested the LEA to give him some dates to consider to begin the negotiating process.

Member Jarchow noted that he attended the Staff Development Committee meeting. The upcoming meeting dates were reviewed. Motion made by Bosch, second by Sehr, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried. Dated: March 23, 2017

Shelley Sandbulte, Clerk

Summons

STATE OF MINNESOTA **COUNTY ROCK**

IN DISTRICT COURT FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT Case Type: Quiet Title Action

Jillian Johnston, Plaintiff,

Lester Brower; the unknown heirs of Lester Brower; Tena Brower, a/k/a Tina Brower; the unknown heirs of Tena Brower, a/k/a Tina Brower; Tommy Anderson; the unknown heirs of Tommy Anderson; all persons unknown claiming any right, title, estate, interest or lien in the real estate

described in the complaint herein, Defendants.

SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MINNESOTA TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon Plaintiff's attorneys an Answer to Complaint, which is filed in the office of the Court Administrator of the above-named county, within twenty (20) days after service of this Summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. This action involves, affects, or brings in question real property situated in the County of Rock, State of Minnesota, described as follows:

The object of this action is to remove, terminate and quiet any interest of the defendants to this action and to the real estate described above.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT NO PERSONAL CLAIM is made against any of the Defendants. If any Defendant unreasonably defends the action, then Plaintiff is requesting an order of the Court directing that said Defendant shall pay full costs to the Plaintiff.

Civil cases are subject to Alternative Dispute Resolution processes as provided in Rule 114 of the General Rules of Practice for District Courts. Alternative Dispute Resolution includes mediation, arbitration, and other processes set forth in the rules. You may contact the Court Administrator for information about these processes and about resources available in your area.

The undersigned hereby acknowledges that sanctions may be awarded pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 549.211.

Dated this 4th day of May, 2017.

/s/ Paul A. Vis Eisma and Eisma 130 E. Main, PO Box 625 Luverne, MN 56156 (507) 283-4828, ID#297550 (05-11, 05-18, 05-25)

Blue Mound Dairy applies for conditional use permit

Notice of Public Hearing for Conditional Use Permit for Blue Mound Dairy.

Pursuant to the Rock County Zoning Ordinance, notice is hereby given by the Rock County Planning and Zoning Commission that a public hearing will be held at the Rock County Law Enforcement Center located at 1000 North Bluemound Avenue, Luverne, Minnesota at 7:30 p.m., Monday, May 22, 2017. The purpose of this hearing is to rule on the application for Conditional Use Permit for the following:

Applicant

and Property Owner: Blue Mound Dairy

SW 1/4 of Section 28 of Mound Township, T103N, Location:

R45W, Rock County, Minnesota Conditional Use: Expansion of an existing feedlot of 1580 Animal Units

to 1720 Animal Units Zoning District: A-2, General Agriculture

The conditional use is for the expansion of an existing feedlot on the property described above. The feedlot consists of total confinement barns, partial confinement barns, and open lots with runoff controls, feed storage areas, earthen lined basins, a poured reinforced concrete basin, an a manure stacking slab. Using 1.4 animal units per dairy cow, 0.7 animal units per dairy heifer, and 0.2 animal units per dairy calf, the current site has a capacity of 1580 animal units.

The applicant is proposing to add a 100' x 200' animal holding area to hold an additional 100 cows. Using 1.4 animal units per mature cow, the expansion of the facility will add 140 animal units.

The site, after expansion, will have a total capacity of 1720 animal units. Dated: May 11, 2017

By Order of the Rock County Planning and Zoning Commission Eric Hartman, Zoning Administrator 311 W. Gabrielson Road Luverne, MN 56156 507-283-8862, Extension 4

(05-11, 05-18)

Rock County seeks proposals by June 5

WALK AND CURB AND GUTTER / S.A.P. 067-632-003 BIDS CLOSE AT 11 A.M. JUNE 5, 2016 Sealed proposals will be received by the Rock County Highway Department at

GRADING, AGGREGATE SURFACING, BITUMINOUS SURFACING, CONCRETE

Luverne, Minnesota until 11:00 A.M. on Monday June 5TH, 2017. READ CAREFULLY THE PROVISIONS FOR THE WAGE RATES AS CON-

TAINED IN THE PROVISIONS, AS THEY WILL AFFECT THIS PROJECT. The contractor's attention is called to the fact that he/she must comply with the

Special Equal Employment Opportunity Provisions 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 June 6Th, 2017 at the regular Board of Commissioners Meeting.

The project consists of the re-construction of C.S.A.H. No. 32 (Luverne Street)

in the City of Luverne Minnesota, between Cedar Street and Blue Mound Avenue. The major items of work are: 6,719 Sq. Ft. Concrete Walk; 968 Lin. Ft. Sanitary Sewer Pipe; 330 Lin. Ft. Storm Sewer, 1,682 Lin. Ft. Water Main, 60 Lin. Ft. Bore & Jack Steel Casing Pipe; 5,380 Tons Class 5 Aggregate Base; 2,635 Lin. Ft. Concrete Curb & Gutter; and 1,700 Tons Bituminous Wear and Non-Wear Course Mixture / Type

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

The non-refundable cost for plans and one proposal will be \$15.00.

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. 067-632-003" The Board of Rock County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any defects therein.

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Mark R. Sehr. P.E. Rock County Highway Engineer (05-11, 05-18, 05-25)

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(4.27-5.14)

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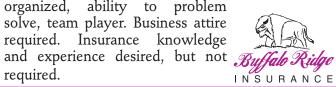
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> Laura May Bosch (5.4-5.7)

A special thank you to Otto Bouma's dear McDonald's friends, Dr. Ceyenowa, his staff, the Luverne Hospital, Hospice, Doug Eisma, Hartquist Funeral Home and many others. Thanks you for being a blessing to our dad, grandfather and great grandfather. Thank you for your prayers, cards, visits, food and memorial gifts when our loved one went to Heaven. Thank you for being a blessing to us. All our love,

The family of Otto Bouma (5.11-5.14)

Sincere appreciation and God's blessing on all who prayed, sent cards with your memories, and love shown in many ways to our family at the time of the death of our husband and father, Jim Veldkamp. Thank you too for all the visits to Jim when he was in the nursing home. Special thanks to Pastor Mike Altena and Jeff Hartquist for their loving assistance.

Frances Veldkamp and family

(5.11-5.14)

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Pet Friendly

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On Site Laundry

Utilities included

FOR LEASE CENTENNIAL **APARTMENTS**

RENTALS

1 & 2 Bedrooms For those 50+ or Disabled Income based rent + All utilities included JANE: 507-283-2652 **Equal Housing Opportunity** LloydManagementInc.com

SHOP SPACE FOR LEASE in Luverne

Good location.

Available July 1. Approximately 2,000 sq. ft. Can build to suit needs

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AGRICULTURAL

WE HAVE **SEVERAL** CREWS OF BEAN WALK-ERS. We also pick rock, put up and take down fences. We will do any type of farm work. Call 712-943-2084, 712-251-3277 or 712-899-5219. (4.27-9.20)

EMPLOYMENT

Shipping/Receiving Lead -Edgerton, MN

Fey Industries, Inc., a nationwide leader in manufacturing vinyl promotional, safety and custom packaging products since 1965, is seeking an energetic, self-motivated leader for the shipping/receiving department. If you are looking for competitive wages, a climate controlled working environment, and much more...JOIN OUR TEAM!

Job Requirements: Include, but not limited to, leading shipping/warehouse associates, processing shipments, inventory control and forklift operation. Shipping, warehouse and inventory experience preferred.

INDUSTRIES, INC. Facebook.com/feyindustries for more details. Send resume to: 200 4th Ave N., Edgerton, MN

56128 or email to: hr@feyindustries.com

HOMEMAKERS

EMPLOYMENT

We are seeking caring and reliable individuals for homemaking services in the Luverne & Rock County, Ellsworth & the Pipestone area. Homemakers assist clients

with duties such as cleaning, cooking and laundry. Homemakers must have reliable transportation. Background checks will be completed.

Hourly wage is \$10.58. Applications can be found online at www.smoc.us or contact Cherie at

Southwestern MN Opportunity Council, Inc. 507-876-4H 95048th 2491

EMPLOYMENT

Looking for 2 temporary CDL drivers. Approximately 2 months starting May 1. Run from Luverne, MN to Spirit Lake, Iowa. Call John 507-829-5500. (4.23-5.11)

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

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Carriers needed for

LUVERNE Call **283-2333** or stop in at the Announcer office (ask for Jenn)

EMPLOYMENT

NEED EXTRA

CASH?

Luverne Announcer

RECYCLE!

Help Wanted Internet Installer/Repair Technician

Lismore Cooperative Telephone Company is seeking a full-time individual to become a member or our team providing hybrid broadband service in and around Lismore, MN.

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



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- Technology Resource Area Skills Assessments
- Career Counseling
- Training
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Assistance

Interview Preparation

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Sandy Demuth, Career Specialist 507-295-5029

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GENERAL NOTICE TO CONTROL OR ERADICATE NOXIOUS WEEDS

Notice is hereby given this 1st day of May, 2017, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 18.83, Subdivision 1 (2016), that all persons in Rock County, Minnesota, shall control or eradicate all noxious weeds on land they occupy or are required to maintain. Control or eradication may be accomplished by any lawful method, but the method(s) applied may need to be repeated in order to prevent the spread of viable noxious weeds seeds and other propagating parts to other lands. Failure to comply with the general notice may mean that an individual notice, Minnesota Statutes, Section 18.83, Subdivision 2 (2016), will be issued. An individual notice may be appealed within two working days of receipt to the appeal committee in the county where the land is located. Failure to comply with an individual notice will mean that the inspector having jurisdiction may either hire the work done or seek a misdemeanor charge against the person(s) who failed to comply. If the work is hired done by the inspector, the cost can be placed as a tax upon the land and collected as other real estate taxes are collected. You may obtain a list of the plants that are designated noxious and the members of the appeal committee from your County Agricultural Inspector or County-Designated Employee. You can also obtain this information from you Local Weed Inspectors. Local Weed Inspectors include the township supervisors, city mayors or the appointed assistants. More information regarding the MN Noxious Weed Law and a list of County Agricultural Inspectors and County Designated Employees can be obtained from the Minnesota Department of Agricultures's Web Site by visiting: http:// www.mda.state.mn.us/en/plants/pestmanagement/weedcontrol/cailist.aspx.

Doug Bos, Assistant Director Rock County Land Mgt 311 W Gabrielson Luverne, MN 56156 507-283-8862 Ext 4

Note: The Local Weed Inspectors are listed below with phone numbers.

ROCK COUNTY TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS

BATTLE PLAIN TOWNSHIP: 442-3892 - Arlyn Rylaarsdam, Charmain; 227-0115 Aaron Sandbulte, Supervisor B; 442-3554 - Greg Talsma, Supervisor C;

BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP: 673-2300 - Burdette Braun, Chairman; 673-2392 -597-3745 - Peter Bakken, Supervisor; 673-2291 - Diana Schwartz, Supervisor

CLINTON TOWNSHIP: 283-2926 - Steve Top, Chairman; 855-2227 - Kurt Elbers, Supervisor; 855-2287 - Henry Zwaan, Supervisor

DENVER TOWNSHIP: 669-2076 - Kyle Hemme, Chairman; 605-838-7324 - Tony Roos, Supervisor A; 669-2905 - Donald Arends, Supervisor B KANARANZI TOWNSHIP: 283-8655 - Allen Boeve, Chairman; 967-2530 - Mike

Boyenga, Supervisor; 967-2320 - Jeff Fick, Supervisor B

LUVERNE TOWNSHIP: 283-9064 - Melvin Fick, Chairman; 283-8246 - Mark Overgaard, Supervisor; 283-1865 - Brad Ver Steeg, Supervisor B

MAGNOLIA TOWNSHIP: 283-2601 - Norman Gyberg, Chairman; 238-8530 -Dennis Strassburg, Supervisor B; Mike Davis, Supervisor C

MARTIN TOWNSHIP: 855-2312 - Gawaine Diekevers, Chairman; 673-2472 - Allen Nuffer, Supervisor C; 962-3751 - David Swanson, Supervisor B

MOUND TOWNSHIP: 283-9099 - Keith Schmuck, Chairman; 283-2528 - Dean Wenzel, Supervisor B; 669-2621 - Raymond Hansen, Supervisor A

ROSE DELL TOWNSHIP: 348-7300 - Joe Buysse, Chairman; 348-8629 - Larry

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Troy Williamson, Supervisor A; 673-0005 - Tom Baustian, Supervisor B VIENNA TOWNSHIP: 283-9621 - Kraig Rust, Chairman; 283-8936 - Larry Tweet,

Supervisor A; 283-9429 - Chad Meinerts, Supervisor B

MUNICIPAL INSPECTORS

BEAVER CREEK: Jamie Dysthe **HILLS:** Keith Elbers **KENNETH:** Delbert Gangestad

STEEN: Mel Van Batavia

HARDWICK: Janyce Baustian JASPER: Mike Baustian **MAGNOLIA:** Dennis Madison **LUVERNE:** Pat Baustian

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ASKS YOUR COOPERATION IN THIS WEED CONTROL WORK. Gary Overgaard, Stan Williamson, Greg Burger, Sherri Thompson, Jody Reisch

DOUG BOS, COUNTY AGRICULTURAL INSPECTOR For methods of controlling noxious weeds, see your Township, Municipal, or County Weed Inspector.









