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City budgets \$2.5 million in capital expenses for next year

By Lori Sorenson

The Luverne City Council is considering nearly \$2.5 million in capital purchases next year, according to a July 21 budget discussion in City Hall. That compares similarly to capital spending in 2014 and 2015 and an anticipated \$4.5 million in 2017.

The council met with city department heads to review upcoming spending in the areas of fire, government buildings, parks and recreation, streets, airport, pool and fitness center, the Luverne Loop, water, sewer, storm sewer, refuse, electric, liquor and others.

"It's a plan that stays somewhat flexible, depending on circumstances," City Administrator John Call said. "But it gives our finance officer something to look at. It's an excellent planning tool."

Following are items on the 2016 expense list, which includes those with an expected life of more than one year and a value of more than \$5,000.

•**Parks and Recreation** plans to spend \$130,500 next year. That includes \$60,000 for a 16-foot mower to replace the 2010 machine with 1,500 hours. This large area rotary mower is the largest in the city's fleet. "We definitely want to keep this key piece of equipment updated," Call said.

The Parks and Rec Department will also spend \$35,000 on small play structures for Hawkinson and Rotary parks and \$10,500 for skidloader attachments (snowblower and pallet forks) next year.

Parks and rec will spend \$25,000 on a sidewalk to the drinking fountain and main restroom in the Luverne City Park to make it more handicap- and elderly-accessible.

•**Handicap-accessible public restrooms** will be developed downtown for an estimated \$20,000. The current public restrooms are in the Cragoe Building, which is the former City Hall.

The city has leased public restroom space from Cragoe, but the city now owns the FGL commodities building next to the Palace and is considering developing that space for community promotion, in addition to public restrooms.

For example, it could be stocked

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Lori Sorenson photo/0806 fair midway

Fun at the Fair 2015

Pleasant summer weather and a variety of events and activities attracted solid crowds to the Rock County Fairgrounds for the first few days of public attendance.

Pictured above, Dragon riders buckle up on the midway.

Pictured at far right, Jenna Schelhaas convinces her market steer named Jedidah to give her a kiss during Saturday morning's Ribbon Auction. *Mavis Fodness photo*

Pictured at right, Cassie Flanagan enjoys her chocolate from her perch in the saddle near the horse arena Friday.

See page 8A for more photos and information from the 2015 Rock County Fair in Luverne.



Sears in Luverne announces it will close Aug. 29

By Lori Sorenson

Sears in Luverne is closing Aug. 29, according to a statement released this week by store owners Jeff and Amy Cook. "This was a tough decision ... and we appreciate all the support over the last couple of years," the release stated.

The announcement marks the end of another short chapter of local Sears ownership in a book comprised of short chapters.

The Cooks bought the business in June 2013 from Jan Sudenga, who had owned it for five years after buying it in 2008. She had been a Sears employee

for 14 years, first as an employee of Tim and Karis Gust in 1999, then of Brett Miller.

Luverne was without a Sears for five years after the corporation closed its catalog stores in communities nationwide in 1993.

In Luverne Rich DeSchepper had managed the Sears store for 17 years until that time. He said Sears approached him in February 1993 about becoming a dealer, but he said he wasn't interested and cautioned others about taking the risk.

"They expect each dealer store to do \$1 million each year in sales, and

I'm sorry, but that's just not going to happen in Luverne," DeSchepper told the Star Herald in 1993. "Buyer beware."

Luverne was without a Sears store for five years before it reopened on East Main Street in 1999.

Sears announced in mid-1998 it was looking for a local entrepreneur in Luverne to own and operate a Sears dealer store.

At that time, dealers were responsible for start-up and ongoing operating expenses associated with the store. These expenses include building or leasing a facility (roughly

6,000 to 10,000 square feet), providing in-store fixtures, hiring and training employees (three full-time equivalents), payroll and insurance. No clothing or household goods are sold in the dealer stores.

Dealers were paid variable commissions on merchandise sold plus bonuses. The national weighted commissions average for Sears was 9.25 percent.

Sears on East Main Street has been on a year-to-year lease with Living Rock Church, which owns the whole building and occupies the west portion for church operations.



Lori Sorenson photo/0806 prairie pedal bike tour

DNR Commissioner Tom Landwehr, Lt. Gov. Tina Smith and more than a dozen other riders from the DNR joined officials from Rock County and Luverne Wednesday, July 29, for the Prairie Pedal Bike Tour. The three-day 122-mile ride departed from Luverne Wednesday morning and included the Blue Mounds State Park, Touch the Sky Prairie, Split Rock Creek State Park, Pipestone, Lake Shetek, Camden State Park and Marshall High School.

DNR commissioner, lieutenant governor join 'Prairie Pedal Tour'

By Lori Sorenson

The head of Minnesota's Department of Natural Resources traveled from St. Paul to Luverne Tuesday night on a mission to promote outstate tourism.

"A lot of people don't realize how beautiful prairies are," said DNR Commissioner Tom Landwehr. "They have a very subtle beauty, and you don't appreciate them until you get out in them and walk through them."

At last fall's Pheasant Opener, a Twin Cities media outlet quoted the commissioner as saying, "There's nothing to do in southwest Minnesota other than pheasant hunting."

The quote was taken out of context, but Landwehr since then has been defending his stance on tourism in outstate Minnesota.

Among his critics were Luverne and Rock County leaders, in addition to Luverne legislators Sen. Bill Weber and Rep. Joe Schomacker.

The result is the Commissioner's Prairie Pedal Bicycle Tour of Southwest Minnesota July 29-31 that started in Luverne.

Outdoor recreation benefits regional outstate economies

On the eve of the bike ride, Landwehr and more than a dozen DNR staffers joined local legislators and city and county leaders at a reception in the Brandenburg Gallery Tuesday.

It was a loosely organized "meet and greet" session, but on everybody's agenda was outdoor recreation as it relates to economic development.

Commissioner Landwehr said he hoped to draw attention to three things with his trip to Luverne — the beauty of the prairie, outstate tourism and biking as an economic development tool.

"This part of the state is prairie," Landwehr said, "and we have four different state parks and the Casey Jones Trail that bring attention to the prairie as an asset to the communities."

He said bicycling is the best way to experience the outdoors, and he said communities can capitalize on bike trails as an economic development tool.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Meetings

Luverne Pink Ladies will meet at 1:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 10, at the Blue Mound Room at Sanford Luverne.

Rock County VFW will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 11, at the Herreid Military Building. Contact Buck Underwood at 449-0632.

Tourist Club will meet at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 11, at Sterling's Café.

VFW Auxiliary Post #2757 will meet at 11:15 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 11, at the Minnesota Veterans Home.

American Legion Post #123 will meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 12, in the Post Home.

Lady Luverne Red Hats will meet at 11:15 a.m. Friday, Aug. 14, to carpool from St. Catherine's east parking lot for lunch at the Green Lantern in Hardwick. RSVP to Connie at 283-8470 or Donna at 283-8019.

Summer fifth-grade band lessons

Summer fifth-grade band lessons will continue in the Luverne High School band room Monday, Aug. 10, to Thursday, Aug. 13. Lesson times are as follows: Flutes 1-1:30 p.m.; Clarinets 1:30-2 p.m.; Saxophones 2-2:30 p.m.; Trumpets 2:30-3 p.m.; Trombones 3-3:30 p.m.; Baritone/Tubas 3:30-4 p.m.; Percussion 4-4:30 p.m. Contact Angie Swenson at a.swenson@isd2184.net or 507-290-0147.

Women of Rock County Fine Arts show

Women of Rock County Fine Arts will show their new art work during the month of August at the Carnegie Cultural Center. The show includes work by Naidine Aanenson, Cindy Reverts, Kristen Peterson, Carol Ceynowa, Lois Young, Kathy Deuschle, Nan Kaufenberg, Judy Edenstrom, Mary Petersen, Lori Hallsrom and Kaia Nowatzki.

Bank Nite movie 'Home' Aug. 6

The free Bank Nite movie, "Home," will begin at 6 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 6, at the Palace Theatre in Luverne. Sponsored by First Farmers & Merchants National Bank and Papik Motors, a free, family-friendly movie is shown on the first Thursday of every month as it was done for "Bank Nite" in the 1930s. A cash prize drawing will follow the movie. Must be present to win. Last month's \$50 cash winner was Maggie VanderBurg.

Bars and Banana Seats set for Aug. 8

The third annual Bars and Banana Seats bike ride around Luverne will be Saturday, Aug. 8, starting at 4 p.m. at the Howling Dog Saloon. Events and activities are as follows:

- Registration of bikes will start at 4 p.m. (\$5 per bike)
- Silent auction (open to the public during the ride) will open at 4 p.m.
- Bottoms Up Pink Ladies will present a donation to a cancer fighter at 5:45 p.m.
- Kickstands up at 6 p.m.
- First stop: Sterling's Grille then a goofy game in the Kawasaki parking lot
- Second stop: Take 16 Brewery for a guided tour with the master brewer
- Third stop: Creamery Pond for a silly game
- Fourth stop: Eagles Club for some chow and a game
- Fifth stop: The Bluestem for a frivolous game
- Final stop: Howling Dog
- Silent Auction will close at 10 p.m.

Scott Wessels will not DJ the event as originally announced. See Bars and Banana Seats on Facebook.

Activities Eligibility Meeting Aug. 11

The Luverne High School Activities Eligibility Meeting will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 11, in the Luverne Elementary School gymnasium. The meeting is required for all students (and their parents/guardians) who plan to participate in Minnesota State High School League activities in grades nine-12 during the 2015-16 school year.

School starts Aug. 24; schedules available

Luverne High School/Middle School begins Monday, Aug. 24. Student schedules are available online starting Monday, Aug. 3, and in the school office Monday, Aug. 10. Schedule changes should be done before school starts.

The High School/Middle School Open House is from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 20. Student photos will be taken in the elementary school gym. Picture packets will be available on site.

New residents to the Luverne District should register students for 2015-16 school year. Call to make an appointment at 283-4491 for Middle School and High School grades 6-12. Parents of elementary grades K-5 can call 283-4497.

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with community informational brochures, and during some times of the year, staffed with a person to direct tourists and new residents.

•**The Street Department** is planning to spend \$87,250 in 2016.

That includes \$35,000 on a new pickup to replace the 2003 pickup, which will be retained for part-time and summer help.

Also in the 2016 streets budget is a DGR study of street overlay and rebuilds for an estimated \$10,000, and a crack filler at \$42,250. The equipment will replace the 2000 model that was malfunctioning.

•**The airport** plans to spend \$230,000 next year on the taxiway in the hangar area and \$65,000 on the corporate hangar building. Councilman Kevin Aaker, who serves on the airport board, reported that all hangars at the airport are now rented out.

•**The pool and fitness center** budgeted \$10,000 for new exercise equipment and \$6,000 for new pool play structures. The frog slide is slated for replacement.

•**Work on Phase 1 of the Luverne Loop** bike and hiking path in 2016 is estimated to cost \$692,378 next year. See the adjacent story about the trail's five-year budget plan.

•**The Water Department** plans to spend \$527,500 next year. That includes \$400,000 to paint the water tower on Highway 75 next year (see page 5A for the related story).

Other 2016 water expenses include \$27,500 for a pickup and utility box to be shared with the sewer department, \$40,000 for water main looping, \$40,000 for system upgrades and \$20,000 for its share of a cold storage building with the electric and sewer departments.

•**Sewer department** expenses are expected to come to \$274,850 next year. That includes \$50,000 for sewer line replacement, \$27,500 for its share of a new pickup and utility box, \$28,600 for an alarm and controller replacement, \$33,500 for a crossroads sewer, \$100,000 for sewer collection in Luverne City Park, \$15,000 for new equipment and \$20,000 for its share of the new cold storage building.

•**The electric department** has budgeted \$405,000 for 2016 capital expenditures.



Lori Sorenson photo/0806 CVB reception

Luverne EDA Director Holly Sammons explains plans for the LOOP during the July 28 reception in the Brandenburg Gallery with DNR officials and local leaders.

Trail costs estimated at \$2 million over five years

By Lori Sorenson

The city will spend nearly \$2 million on the Luverne Loop hiking and biking path in the next five years.

That's according to discussion at the June 21 meeting to review the five-year capital improvement plan.

Work on Phase 1 of the Luverne Loop bike and hiking path in 2016 is estimated to cost \$692,378.

That includes \$100,000 for Creamery Pond site preparation, \$20,000 for signs to direct people to the trail, \$447,378 for work on the trail itself and \$65,000 for a trailhead shelter (including electrical wiring).

The location of a trailhead shelter has not been determined, but there has been some discussion about locating it near Redbird Field in order to take advantage of the new parking lot there and the Blue Mound Avenue connection to the existing bike path.

"A lot of work has gone into the trail, and I think it's a very worthwhile investment, but it takes a lot of money," Call said at Tuesday's meeting.

Some of the 2016 trail costs will be offset by a \$150,000 local trail connection grant.

•In 2017 a \$400,000 state grant is expected to offset trail costs for Phase II work, which is estimated to cost \$775,000.

Parking at the Creamery Pond for \$60,000, wayfinding signs for \$20,000 and trail construction at \$695,000 are included in the 2017 estimates.

•Loop expenses for 2018 are estimated at \$125,000.

This includes \$40,000 for sidewalks and \$25,000 for a fishing pier at the Creamery Pond, \$20,000 for wayfinding signs and \$40,000 for trailhead parking, possibly near Redbird Field.

A \$10,000 DNR grant is expected to offset the costs of the fishing pier in 2018.

•Loop expenses in 2019 are estimated at \$225,000. This includes \$50,000 for a Creamery Pond shelter, \$60,000 for playground equipment along the trail, \$25,000 for wayfinding signs and \$90,000 for a trailhead sidewalk, possibly at Redbird Field.

•Loop expenses in 2020 are estimated at \$190,000. This includes \$65,000 for Creamery Pond landscaping (possibly a berm), \$25,000 for wayfinding signs and \$100,000 for a restroom at the trailhead near Redbird Field.

A Luverne Loop Capital Project Fund has been set up to pay for capital costs associated with the trail.

At the June 21 capital budget meeting Call reminded council members that a five-year plan is just — a plan.

Some line items may "float" from one year to the next, while others may be added or deleted from the plan.

That amount includes \$50,000 to replace 50 light poles and fixtures, \$80,000 for its share of the new cold storage building, \$100,000 for power plant building maintenance, \$25,000 for transformers and \$150,000 for distribution upgrades.

•**The storm sewer fund** will see a \$9,000 expense for replacing rock and landscaping at the Veterans Pond.

•The city will spend \$5,500 to replace a power washer and \$38,000 on a 4-inch pump at

the central garage.

•There are no major capital expenditures planned for the **Fire Department** next year; however, a \$400,000 platform truck is on the list for 2018. The current 1985 platform truck is becoming harder to certify due to its age. A new one costs \$1.2 million, but the Fire Department will start looking for a used one instead.

A \$500,000 heavy rescue vehicle is in the Fire Department capital plan for 2019.

Another major expense anticipated in 2017 is \$300,000 for a new garbage truck in the Refuse Department.

These expenses are considered as part of the overall five-year capital improvement plan for the city of Luverne.

The other half of the city's 2016 expenses, the operations budget, will be reviewed next month. The Council will approve a proposed levy in September, and it will be certified in December.

Sioux Valley Energy line work in progress

Aug. 6 meeting to provide information for members

Sioux Valley Energy is working through portions of Minnesota this summer converting some areas of underground cable to overhead line.

The decision to convert some sections of underground electric cable to overhead is based on accessibility, capacity, cost and longevity.

Overhead lines are

typically more accessible for maintenance and are more cost effective. For larger capacity lines, underground cable is more than double the price of overhead line. Additionally, overhead line has twice the life expectancy of what underground cable has.

Much of Sioux Valley Energy's overhead electric lines have been in place for

60 to 70 years. Underground cable on the SVE system has been replaced twice during that same time period.

The Cooperative is planning a meeting in Edgerton on Thursday, Aug. 6, for members interested in learning more about underground to overhead conversion projects.

The meeting will be at 7

p.m. in the Tally Ho restaurant on Main Street in Edgerton.

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"Outdoor recreation is something millennials are looking for," Landwehr said. "We have an opportunity to show how you can be a biker and show that southwest Minnesota is a great place to live."

He said too often communities lose their young people to bigger communities because there isn't enough to keep them home, and outdoor recreation is one way to retain young professionals.

The Luverne Chamber and Convention and Visitors Bureau hosted the two-hour event, which included a meal of locally grown and prepared foods served with craft beer from Luverne's Take 16 brewery.

In addition to Sen. Weber and Rep. Joe Schomacker, the gathering included local media, city and county leaders and local economic development partners.

DNR representatives and these local leaders talked about Luverne's goals and objectives, including the Luverne LOOP, development of the Creamery Pond, Blue Mounds State Park, canoe/kayak access on the Rock River and several other issues under the supervision of the Minnesota DNR.

Landwehr thanked the local leaders and organizations for "pulling together" the Pedal through the Prairie, recognizing it's not easy to do.

"Biking will be the easy part," he said.

Landwehr himself is an avid biker and 10 years ago was a participant in the Minnesota Border to Border Triathlon that used to start in Luverne.

Lieutenant governor joins DNR commissioner on Prairie Pedal Bicycle Tour

Landwehr and his staff joined Minnesota Lieutenant Governor Tina Smith and more than a dozen others on

Wednesday's Prairie Pedal Bike Tour.

Smith said she had some specific reasons for traveling to Luverne and for joining the pedal tour.

"I'm really focused on economic development and how we can make the economy work for everyone," Smith said.

"Besides the obvious joy of riding a bike, we're promoting tourism as an economic value for the state."

Smith said she's an avid biker and has made it her personal goal to visit every state park in Minnesota.

The three-day 122-mile ride departed from Luverne Wednesday morning and included the Blue Mounds State Park, Touch the Sky Prairie, Split Rock Creek State Park, Pipestone, Lake Shetek, Camden State Park and Marshall High School.

Smith returned to Luverne after the bike tour Wednesday afternoon to meet with local leaders about economic development. Among the items discussed were broadband, prevailing wage and transportation.

Topics specific to Luverne included projects on the LIFT priority list, such as the LOOP bike trail, a campground and other local initiatives.

Smith heard about LIFT's accomplishments, which have resulted in \$5.5 million of local investment in projects such as the GrandStay Hotel, Sterling's Café, Take 16 Brewery, the Warehouse and others.

She praised the community for its successes.

"Sometimes partnerships mean we're happy to sit at the table while others do the work," Smith said. "It takes heart, effort and money."

She thanked community leaders for meeting with her. "It gets me thinking about what we can do from St. Paul to make it work better."



Lori Sorenson photos/0806 prairie pedal tour

Bicyclists line up at the Courthouse Square in Luverne Wednesday morning, July 29, prior to embarking on the 122-mile Prairie Pedal Tour. Among them were (below left) DNR Commissioner Tom Landwehr, Luverne EDA Director Holly Sammons, Minnesota Lt. Gov. Tina Smith and Rock County Commissioner Sherri Thompson. Pictured below right, Landwehr addresses a gathering Tuesday night in the lower level of the Brandenburg Gallery where DNR officials and local leaders discussed outdoor recreation as an economic development tool. In the photograph at the bottom, Smith (far left) meets with Sen. Bill Weber, Mayor Pat Baustian, councilwomen Esther Frakes and Caroline Thorson and EDA Director Holly Sammons in the County Board Room to discuss economic development opportunities in Luverne.



Chamber Director Jane Wildung Lanphere said she was pleased with the two-day events with state leaders.

"It was a great opportunity for our community to meet with people in St. Paul who make decisions about our natural resources," she said.

"It was a great opportunity to share the story of all the great things in large and small businesses that are happening in Luverne."



Chamber releases Talent Show results

By Lori Sorenson

Performers in the Annual Rock County Talent Show took to the Palace Theatre stage in Luverne Wednesday night to sing, dance and entertain for judges and audience members.

With a full program with more than 30 entries, the Palace auditorium was full and local talent showcased at its best.

"It was a wonderful night at the Palace Theatre," said Chamber Director Jane Wildung Lanphere.

When the curtains closed, judges tallied their scores and announced the winners in their respective categories.

Following are the winners of the Rock County Fair Talent Show, as reported by the Luverne Area Chamber:

Pre-Teen Division (ages 12 & under)

- 1st Place - Kianna Healy "Part of Your World"
- 2nd Place - Spotlight Dance - Ella Reisdorfer "Cin-



Photo courtesy Tashia Klosterbuer

Spotlight Dancers perform a number during the July 29 Rock County Talent Show in the Palace Theatre.

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- 3rd Place - Melley Brothers Band "Natural Disaster"

Teen Division (Ages 13-18)

- 1st Place - Rebecca Dose "Don't Rain on My Parade"
- 2nd Place - Spotlight Dance - Grace Rozeboom "Among All of God's Crea-

tures"

- 3rd Place - Gabrielle Ferrell - "Put Your Records On"

Open Division (any age)

- 1st Place - Nathan Sparks "Folsom Prison Blues"
- 2nd Place - Madilyn Oye "Proud Mary"
- 3rd Place - Spotlight Dance "Flash Light"

Prizes of \$100, \$75 and \$50 are awarded to the top three winners in each category.

All first place winners at the county fair level advance to the Minnesota State Fair Amateur Talent Contest.

The event is sponsored by the Rock County Fair Board and Sioux Valley Energy.

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All quotes are to be sealed and mailed to Glenda Kuehl, Business Manager at Hills-Beaver Creek School District, PO Box 547, 301 N. Summit, Hills, Minnesota 56138 and received on or before 3:00 P.M., Thursday, August 20 at the District Office. Quotes will be publicly opened after the submission deadline.

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Live as if you have cancer

Cancer can be a blessing.

I read those words in Brenda Winter's column a year ago when she wrote about her cancer diagnosis.

Now I know what she means. ... It took me awhile though.

My mom was diagnosed with an aggressive brain cancer on May 28, and I can assure you, I didn't consider it a blessing.

It's a cruel curse. A slap in the face to a woman who has lived her life so dedicated to good physical and spiritual health.

It isn't fair, and certainly isn't a blessing.

Selfishly, I thought about what my life would be like without Mom in it. The older I get, the more I need my mother.

Maybe it's because the older I get, the more I appreciate wisdom that comes with age. Mom's older and wiser, and I lean on her to navigate life's troubled waters.

But then, it's not about me. And it's not up to me.

And Mom, in her 70-year-old wisdom, reminds me it's not even about her. "Life is so temporary," she says. "So fleeting."

Of course she's right, when you consider eternity.

But I'm human — an earthly human with earthly wants and needs. Like needing and wanting my mother.

It's not that Mom's happy about her brain tumor. She's losing patience with treatment and would like to wake up with energy to match her crazy-long to-do lists for the day.

But she said she's blessed the tumor was operable. Other glioblastoma patients aren't so fortunate.

She said she's blessed with a strong, healthy body that's equipped to fight the cancer.



ON SECOND THOUGHT

By Lori Sorenson, editor

Weaker patients can't tolerate the radiation and chemotherapy. She said she's blessed with a husband and five daughters for her treatment support.

We took turns at Mom's side with appointments and information gathering (especially when the tumor interfered with her reading).

And here's where cancer became a blessing.

Those early doctor visits were intense, but in the waiting rooms between consults, we had time to ourselves. And we had time together in the car to Sioux Falls, and we ate lunch together in the Sanford cafeteria.

I couldn't remember the last time I'd spent that much one-on-one time with my parents — outside of the boisterous gatherings of our extended families.

It was a blessing.

With a treatment plan in place, Mom and Dad now commandeer the daily trips for radiation.

Their daughters, meanwhile, arrange for more frequent family gatherings.

Because tomorrow holds no guarantees for any of us, and it seems important to spend as much time as possible with the ones we love.

Cancer has a way of offering this kind of perspective.

... to focus on what and who's important and let go of details and obligations that get in the way. Living with this kind of clarity is a blessing in itself.

I don't wish for anyone to have cancer, but I do wish for everyone to live as if they have cancer ... and the blessings that come with it.

Do you know your neighbors? Your health and safety could depend on it

The Rock County Sheriff's Office and the members of Rock County Triad hosted a local celebration for National Night Out Tuesday.

The national observance began as a way for neighborhoods (both residential and business) to meet and connect with each other.

The premise for the celebration is that "friends take care of friends" and neighborhoods comprised of friends take care of each other.

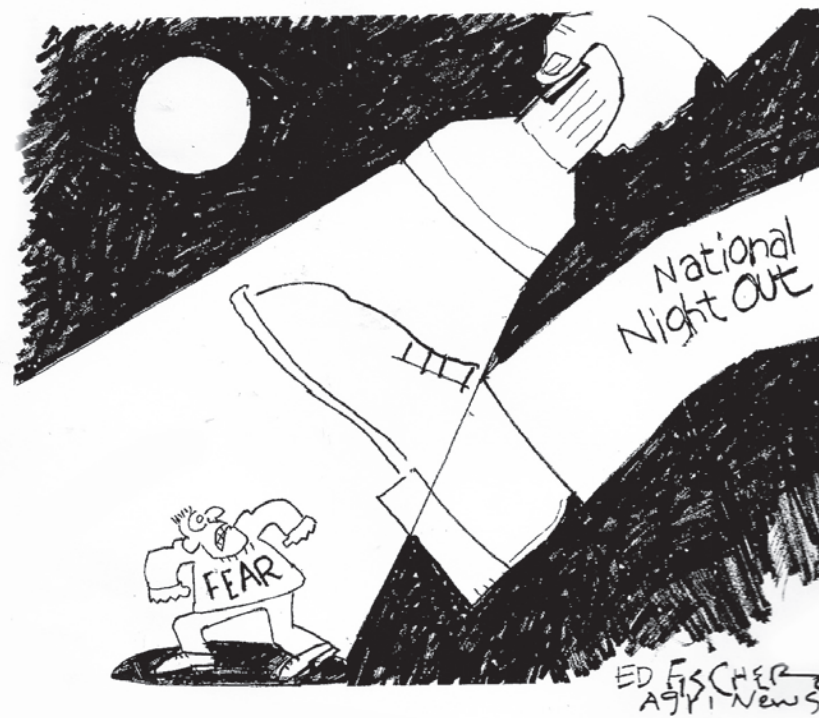
The goal of National Night Out is to remind us to be vigilant and work together to protect or help our neighbors and friends from harm, whether it be criminal activities, accidents or disasters.

Tuesday's event at the Law Enforcement Center included prevention information along with emergency personnel and vehicles.

It was an opportunity to get to know the people we count on in emergencies as well as see how the equipment, vehicles and personnel work together to keep this community safe.

We hope there was a nice crowd at the event and we hope it served as a reminder that our community is a great place to live, and that's partly because we know our neighbors and take care of each other.

STAR HERALD EDITORIAL



Green: Cecil the lion remembered — with action

To the Editor:

Like many others worldwide, I have been angered and saddened during the last week by reports of the illegal killing of Cecil the lion in East Africa by a dentist from Minnesota.

Cecil was a well-known and beloved animal, popular with tourists and part of a research study. All the facts are not in yet, but what is known is disturbing.

While Cecil's plight has been headline news, there are many other stories, big and small, that are concerning. The fragile environmental framework that has kept our world balanced and healthy is

becoming disassembled.

Last year I saw only a few butterflies and bees in my garden. This year I have seen no butterflies and perhaps two or three bees.

Minnesota has been a beautiful place to live, "the land of sky blue waters." Yet there are clouds on the horizon. I read of waters becoming polluted, the clear-cutting of forest trees for short-term profit rather than the responsible land management practices that has been a trademark of our state's "Minnesota nice" through the years.

Like many people, I have become frustrated and saddened by these developments. Many feel powerless

and wonder what we can do. What we can do is talk to other people, and in so doing we may find others who share these concerns. Taking action moves our energy out of despair. It has been said that every movement for change has begun with a small number of dedicated people linking arms with one another for support and strength.

It is not likely we can change what goes on in Africa, but we can take action to protect our own "land of sky blue waters." For change to happen, we have to believe it is possible and take that first step.

Larry Green
Luverne

Neighbor likens lawn mowing quirk to conversation between God and St. Francis

I started my last column with the words, "Mary and I." The column was about the two of us babysitting our granddaughter.

I use those three words, "Mary and I," from time to time generally because we do almost everything together, except hunting, fishing, golfing and watching TV.

So today the three words, "Mary and I," can be followed by "have been married for 38 years."

I know what you're thinking, and, yes, she is a saint.

She puts up with a lot of my quirkiness such as my lawn mowing obsession.

Mary, along with some of the neighbors in the "hood," would tell you I tend to take the mowing thing a little over the top.

That said, my neighbor Lori Hess sent me the following email. My take on the email is that Lori thinks St. Francis is referring to me...

GOD to ST. FRANCIS: Frank, You know all about gardens and nature. What in the world is going on down there on the planet? What happened to the dandelions, violets, milkweeds and stuff I started eons



FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH

By Rick Peterson, General Manager
Tollefson Publishing

ago? I had a perfect no-maintenance garden plan. Those plants grow in any type of soil, withstand drought and multiply with abandon. The nectar from the long-lasting blossoms attracts butterflies, honeybees and flocks of songbirds. I expected to see a vast garden of colors by now. But all I see are these green rectangles.

ST. FRANCIS: It's the tribes that settled there, Lord. The Suburbanites. They started calling your flowers "weeds" and went to great lengths to kill them and replace them with grass.

GOD: Grass? But it's so boring. It's not colorful. It doesn't attract butterflies, birds and bees; only grubs and sod worms. It's sensitive to temperatures. Do these Suburbanites really want all that grass growing there?

ST. FRANCIS: Apparently so, Lord. They go to great pains to grow it and keep it green. They begin each spring by fertilizing grass and poisoning any other plant that crops up in the lawn.

GOD: The spring rains and warm weather probably make grass grow really fast. That must make the Suburbanites happy.

ST. FRANCIS: Apparently not, Lord. As soon as it grows a little, they cut it — sometimes twice a week.

GOD: They cut it? Do they then bale it like hay?

ST. FRANCIS: Not exactly, Lord. Most of them rake it up and put it in bags.

GOD: They bag it? Why? Is it a cash crop? Do they sell it?

ST. FRANCIS: No, Sir, just the opposite. They pay to throw it away.

GOD: Now, let me get this straight. They fertilize grass so it will grow. And when it does grow, they cut it off and pay to throw it away?

ST. FRANCIS: Yes, Sir.

GOD: These Suburbanites must be relieved in the summer when we cut back on the rain and turn up the heat. That surely slows the growth and saves them a lot of work.

ST. FRANCIS: You aren't going to believe this, Lord. When the grass stops growing so fast, they drag out hoses and pay more money to water it, so they can continue to mow it and pay to get rid of it.

GOD: What nonsense. At least they kept some of the trees. That was a sheer stroke of genius, if I do say so myself. The trees grow leaves in the spring to provide beauty and shade in the summer. In the autumn they fall to the ground and form a natural blanket to keep moisture in the soil and protect the trees and bushes. It's a natural cycle of life.

ST. FRANCIS: You'd better sit down, Lord. The Suburbanites have drawn a new circle. As soon as the

leaves fall, they rake them into great piles and pay to have them hauled away.

GOD: No!? What do they do to protect the shrub and tree roots in the winter to keep the soil moist and loose?

ST. FRANCIS: After throwing away the leaves, they go out and buy something which they call mulch. They haul it home and spread it around in place of the leaves.

GOD: And where do they get this mulch?

ST. FRANCIS: They cut down trees and grind them up to make the mulch.

GOD: Enough! I don't want to think about this anymore.

St. Catherine, you're in charge of the arts. What movie have you scheduled for us tonight?

ST. CATHERINE: "Dumb and Dumber," Lord. It's a story about ...

GOD: Never mind, I think I just heard the whole story from St. Francis.

Oh, and by the way, Mary and I have been married 38 years. Happy Anniversary, Mary.

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ON THE RECORD

Dispatch report

July 24
 •Complainant reported he is receiving threats.
 •Complainant reported that she heard on the news about a white male trying to abduct children. Complainant reported that she had a similar incident happen to her last week Friday at her residence.
 •Complainant reported he lost his cell phone while out walking. It's a Tracfone, touch phone LG34.
 •Complainant reported some vandalism at the ball park in Steen.
 •Complainant reported his washer is filling with brown dirty water. Left a message for city personnel.
 •Dispatcher received a 911 call from the hotel but the front desk advised they don't know what room it came from.
 •Deputy reported a horse trailer blew a tire. He will follow vehicle to County Rd. 8 where the owner will try to take the tire off. Deputy will attempt to help the owner find a trailer.
 •Complainant reported his wife called him and said there was a strange pickup that pulled up at the house and a stranger was headed to the door. They would like a deputy to head that way. Complainant called back and said the neighbor was there now, too, so a deputy does not need to come.
 •Deputy stopped vehicle and cited subject for no Minnesota driver's license and speeding.
July 25
 •Complainant reported her backyard neighbor's dog is barking and has been for an hour and the back door is wide open. Dog was taken care of by owner.
 •Complainant reported a large piece of metal in the left lane of I-90 mm 6.
 •Complainant reported that subject threatened him via phone. Deputy spoke with subject and subject will be forwarding text messages he received from complainant.

•Complainant reported subject is contacting her in violation of an order for protection. Also contacted Marshall, MN Police Department as subject is living there.
July 26
 •State Patrol arrested subject for DWI. Vehicle towed by G&S. Subject was taken to jail.
 •Dispatcher received a 911 call but they were disconnected before it was answered.
 •Complainant reported a black Mazda has been lurking around Hills since spring and whenever he tried to approach it, the car would take off. He followed the car to Larchwood, Iowa, to confront the driver and driver said he's from the area and likes to drive around.
 •Complainant reported his pickup is on fire near the hog barn at 1033 60th Ave. Paged Beaver Creek Fire Department.
 •Complainant reported his ex-wife assaulted him and locked him out of his house. They are having custody issues also.
 •Complainant reported a van full of people came into Subway and were harassing her. Complainant asked them to leave and they went to McDonald's. Deputy reported it was an unruly customer and no threats were made.
 •Complainant requested a deputy right away for a domestic.
July 27
 •Nobles County Sheriff's Office reported an active domestic in their county and requested help. Deputy assisted Pipestone County, State Patrol and Nobles County.
 •Complainant requested a deputy for the patient from the previous ICR who took off. He's outside kicking at and yelling at his wife. Deputy reported they are going to cancel the ambulance and he will transport patient to Sioux Falls.
 •Reserved for Fire Department drill.

•Complainant reported daughter's boyfriend took off with their two-month-old child and will not return the child.
 •Reserved for narcotics info.
July 28
 •Complainant reported a manhole cover on the south-bound side of N. Kniss Ave. at Adams Street came out and damaged his trailer. Sent deputy and contacted the city.
 •Complainant requested to speak with a deputy about a trespassing issue.
 •Complainant reported his wife may be having a heart attack and he would like a deputy to escort him to the hospital.
 •Complainant requested a deputy present for custody exchange.
 •Complainant reported a vehicle with its doors open and a person appearing to be passed out in the parking lot of the Vets Home. Driver just got off work and was so tired that she fell asleep in the vehicle.
July 29
 •Deputy arrested subject for DWI and called G&S to tow. Subject taken to jail.
 •Complainant reported someone came into her house and took a bunch of other things. She knows who did it and wants to press charges.
 •Reserved for POR registration.
 •Complainant brought in a Mastercard that someone lost. Contacted credit card company to have them contact the card holder.
 •Complainant reported that on Facebook subject posted that if he drives by his house again, he will get it twice, referring to slashing complainant's tires. Subject has already done this once.
 •Complainant reported subject has threatened to kill an ex who lives in Rock County.
 •Complainant reported they just fired someone and he took off with a company pickup and is very upset.

•Complainant reported a possible burglary. Doors were open and lights were on. When the owner gets home, she will come in and report what is missing.
July 30
 •Complainant reported a vehicle in the alley with at least one person checking out garages. Thought it was suspicious. Deputy checked and subject is just talking to a friend.
 •Complainant requested welfare check on subject who missed an appointment this morning.
 •Complainant reported credit card theft. Someone opened a card in his name that he did not authorize.
 •Complainant reported vandalism to some stop signs.
 •Complainant reported a brown Buick with a South Dakota license going over 90 mph on I-90. Notified State Patrol.
 •Complainant reported his girlfriend was supposed to come and get some things out of his house today. He was gone and unaware she still had a key. She took her belongings and some items that did not belong to her.
 •Dispatcher received a 911 call with no one on the line. Pocket dial.
 •Complainant reported a male and a child walking on I-90 westbound about 1/2 mile west of Beaver Creek exit. Also notified State Patrol.
 •Complainant reported fire trucks were out at the fairgrounds.
 •Deputy found a pair of balaclavas with blue bows. They are in dispatch at the Rock County Sheriff's Office.

In addition, officers responded to 3 motor vehicle accidents, 3 deer accidents, 1 transport, 2 funeral escorts, 12 ambulance runs, 2 parking violations, 5 paper services, 6 animal complaints, 1 fingerprint request, 7 log/alarm sheets, 6 drug court tests, and issued 2 purchase/carry permits and 8 burn permits.



Lori Sorenson photo/0806 water tower

The water tower on Highway 75 will be painted next summer as part of scheduled maintenance. The project will include Loverne's new logo, "Loverne — Love the Life."

Water tower painting may cost \$400,000 in 2016

By Lori Sorenson

The city of Loverne will spend approximately \$400,000 to paint the water tower on Highway 75 next year. The scheduled maintenance will provide the opportunity to put the city logo "Loverne — Love the Life" on the tower tank. "We're excited to get that tower branded," Call said at the July 21 capital budget meeting. The north tower by the hospital was painted with the new logo last year. On the northwest side is Loverne — Love the Life, on the southeast side is a logo for Sanford, which shares the cost of painting the tower. The estimated cost of the project includes encapsulating the structure during painting in order to prevent paint spray from damaging nearby property. During their July 21 capital budget discussion, City Council members recalled the 1989 tower painting project that was done without the protection of encapsulation.

"The wind came up that day and it was a mess for blocks," said Councilman Kevin Aaker. The project was botched when residents in the nearby neighborhoods complained of blue spray paint on their cars and homes. According to city records, 77 overspray complaints were turned in to the city's insurance for claims after that March 1989 water tower project. "You can't have painting and sandblasting in a neighborhood like that without protection," Call said at the meeting. The next time the water tower was painted in August 1998, there were no problems with spray — this time white, because workers used paint rollers. At that time the project cost \$55,000. For next year's water tower painting, it's anticipated that spray paint will be used, prompting the need for encapsulating the tower.

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Rock County included on father-son trek across America

Area family receives one of 15 running chariots donated along the 3,205-mile journey

Story and photos by Mavis Fodness

When father and son duo Shaun and Shamus Evans traveled through Rock County Tuesday morning, the event meant they were halfway to completing their 3,205-mile run from Seattle, Washington, to New York City.

The Evans' journey is to generate awareness for Ainsley's Angels, which promotes inclusion and active lifestyles for children with disabilities.

Ainsley's Angels is a non-profit organization named after Ainsley Ros-siter, who was diagnosed with infantile neuroaxonal dystrophy at the age 4. INAD is an extremely rare terminal illness that slowly causes global paralysis.

However, through the use of a racing chariot, 13-year-old Ainsley can experience the freedom of running by safely being pushed in the large stroller. Running has allowed her family a therapeutic release in dealing with their daughter's devastating disease.

Ainsley's Angels gave a running chariot to the Evans family of Galway, New York.

Dad Shawn Evans is an ultra-marathon runner and the chariot allowed Shamus, who was born with cerebral palsy (CP) and confined in a wheelchair, the opportunity to experience the feeling of running with his dad.

"It gets them off the sidelines," said mom Nichole Evans.

Shamus came up with the idea of "Power to Push," the cross-country run the Evans family is currently completing.

So far, the journey that is expected to take 70 days has

been enjoyable, especially last week's stop at Mount Rushmore.

"It was big," Shamus said. While there, he was able to view hailstones for the first time in a storm while in Custer, South Dakota, with his brother, Simon, 7, who remarked in awe that "it rained ice cubes," Nichole explained.

Sightseeing aside, the daily runs with his dad have been the most enjoyable.

However, the journey through Rock County by running chariot was limited to just outside of Beaver Creek because paved shoulders were not available along County Road 4. In cases where it is unsafe to push the chariot, Shawn runs alone.

Since leaving Seattle on July 4, he has averaged 50 to 60 miles per day, rotating through 10 pairs of running shoes. Only one pair is completely worn beyond any further use, Nichole said.

She is the primary driver of the recreational vehicle that travels ahead of Shawn on their awareness-building journey.

The journey will take them through 15 states, and at each overnight stop the family presents a running chariot to another family.

At Tuesday's stop in Worthington they presented a chariot to 18-year-old Tori Van Peurse of Chandler, who often completes her physical therapy in Luverne.

Van Peurse, the daughter of Ivan and Marilyn, was also diagnosed with CP at birth and is confined to a wheelchair.

"This (running chariot) gives her a chance to roll with the wind," Marilyn said.

The \$1,000 chairs are considered medical equipment but are often not cov-



Below: Nichole Evans (right) applies sunscreen to son Shamus Tuesday morning in Beaver Creek before dad Shawn continues the family's Power to Push run across America (photo at left).

Bottom left: The Evans family uses a recreational vehicle with a picture of Ainsley Ros-siter on its side for whom Ainsley's Angels is named. The non-profit organization inspired the family to raise awareness for its mission to promote inclusion and active lifestyles for children with disabilities through a cross country run from Seattle, Washington, to New York City.



ered by insurance, Nichole said.

The feeling of freedom experienced by Shamus while riding in the chariot prompted him to pester his parents for two years to complete the cross country trek and pay his positive experience back by giving a running chariot to others.

Shamus' desire to help

motivates his dad, a physical therapist.

"My passion is being a dad," Shawn said.

Nichole, a teacher, added that many fathers of children with disabilities distance themselves from physical interaction with their children. The running chariot allows a way to connect over a common activity.



The Evans' Power to Push journey will end Sept. 1 in New York City with a final chariot presentation at Citi Field, home of the New York

Mets. The Evans' journey can be followed on the Ainsley's Angels of America website at www.ainsleysangels.org.

August is the month for moving, thinning plants

It is August ... already!

This is the month to transplant, move or thin our German bearded iris. The plant will continue to grow in the direction the rhizome is pointing, so keep that in mind when you are replanting them so that someday you won't have to move the house to make room for the iris. Also, the rhizome must be exposed on top of the ground. The roots form on the sides and bottom of that bulb and if it is covered with soil, it will eventually rot.



KNOW IT AND GROW IT

By George Bonnema, Luverne Horticulturalist

August is also the time to divide or move peonies. Both fern leaf and standard peonies develop tubers and by this time in the growing season, you will be able to see the "eyes" for next year's growth.

When replanting the tubers, that eye must be within one inch of the surface of the soil or they will refuse to bloom.

When working with the fern leaf peonies, I lift the entire clump and wash the soil off with water pressure. Then I can see exactly what I am doing while trying to untangle the tubers. It is usually best to have a clump of three eyes to get a new clump to establish quickly.

With standard peonies, the tubers generally grow

straight down so you can just cut (chop) through the clump and remove half while leaving the other half unless you need to relocate the entire plant.

Water thoroughly when finished and then allow the soil to become dry before watering again. It is important not to overwater while the plants become re-established. Peonies grow best in full sun. Often they start out that way, and then over the years, trees in the area grow larger, producing shade, and the peonies lose their energy because of a lack of direct sun. Relocating the peonies is the only way to regain their energy.

CELEBRATIONS

Births

A girl, Hattie Rae, weighing 8 pounds, 1 ounce, 19 inches long, was born to **Matt and Justine Sandbulte**, Beaver Creek, on Monday, June 29, 2015, at Sanford Hospital in Luverne. She joins a sister, Emilee, 1 1/2. Grandparents are Jack and Jeane Leslie, Luverne, Gerrit Sandbulte, Beaver Creek, and Norinda Sandbulte, Garretson, South Dakota. Great-grandparents are Dolores Dreesen and Janice Sandbulte, both of Luverne, and Gerrit and Eunice Teunissen, Rock Val-

ley, Iowa.

A boy, Teagan Leo, weighing 7 pounds, 12 ounces, 21 1/2 inches long, was born to **Halden and Erica Van Wyhe**, Hills, on Monday, July 20, 2015, at Sanford Hospital in Luverne. Grandparents are Ron and Kellie Thier, Adrian, and Howard and Heidi Van Wyhe, Hills. Great-grandparents are Joe and Elaine Scheidt, Adrian, Wayne and Hendrene Van Wyhe, Hills, and the late Leo and Joni Thier, William and Wilma Nibbelink and Jennie Van Wyhe.

REMEMBER WHEN

10 years ago (2005)

When winds at speeds of almost 90 miles per hour swept through the county last Aug. 3, the local landscape temporarily changed in a huge way. Downed trees blocked city streets; vehicles collapsed; familiar signs fell, and fences were mangled.

25 years ago (1995)

Much like the railroads, free-ways and telephone lines brought opportunity to communities in days gone by, the Internet is presenting a whole new world of opportunity for those how are willing to pursue it. Exactly how to jump on the information superhighway dominated a portion of discussion at Tuesday's County Board Meeting.

50 years ago (1965)

About 30 entries have been listed this week for the first tractor pulling contest ever held in conjunction with

the Rock County Fair. The contests this evening begin in front of the grandstand at the Fair Grounds at 7 p.m.

75 years ago (1940)

The second annual tall corn contest for corn growers residing in the Luverne area was announced this week by the Worthington Creamery and Produce company, which is offering \$35 in cash prizes and additional awards for the tallest stalks entered in the affair.

100 years ago (1915)

Eight of Luverne's twelve barbers were fined Friday afternoon when officials of the Minnesota State Examining Board of Barbers proceeded to enforce the provisions of a supposedly "dead-letter" law, requiring barbers to undergo an examination and secure a license for working at their trade. Barbers in all of the four shops in the city were implicated.



Submitted photo

Van Grootheest trains with Pioneer

Matthew Van Grootheest, new Pioneer sales professional with Express Ag in Luverne, attended a conference at DuPont Pioneer headquarters in Johnston, Iowa, July 21-23 to learn about Pioneer products and services and to participate in training about crop management and development. The conference included laboratory and plot tours of research and experimental trials. Matthew is pictured with John Chism, senior manager of sales operations for DuPont Pioneer.

MENU

Senior Citizens

Monday, Aug. 10: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, carrots, bread, pineapple. Program: 11:20 a.m. Sing-along with George, Deb, Greta and Janice. 1 p.m. Pinochle.

Tuesday, Aug. 11: Barbecue pork ribs, potato salad, cauliflower, bun, fruit crisp. Program: Two Buck Tuesdays sponsored by Quality Print.

Wednesday, Aug. 12: Baked rigatoni and beef, corn, fruit salad, bread, pudding. Program: 1 p.m. Cards with Alyce; Peer Helpers visits.

Thursday, Aug. 13: Baked fish, potatoes, peas, pears, raspberry parfait dessert. Program: Peer Helpers visits.

Friday, Aug. 14: Marinated teriyaki chicken salad (chicken, lettuce with dressing), banana, breadstick, cookie.

Senior Dining offers well-balanced and affordable meals in a community atmosphere.

Bring a friend or make new ones. Call Janice Fick at 283-9846 to make dining reservations or for home-delivered meals.



Lori Sorenson photo/open class winners

Participants who received Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion ribbons in Open Class competition at the fair were invited to pose for a photograph Friday afternoon near the Floral Hall. Those available for the photo include (front, from left) Will Bergman, Ashton Sandbulte, Cayd Den Herder, Lorraine Stoel, Julia Ferguson, Shelbie Nath, Heather Johnson, Morgan Sauer, (back) Lori Witte, Andrew Prekker, Eric Fick, Mary Lutmer, Shirley Connor, Patty Kienholz and Alyssa Kienholz. Grand Champion winner Jayda Walgrave (not pictured) showed up for the photo after it was taken.

Rock County Fair names open class winners

Following are the results reported for Open Class competition at the 2015 Rock County Fair:

Floral category:

- Best of show, Lorraine Stoel; reserve, Eileen Hemme;
- Champions: Kellie Helmerud, Kristin Suhr, LaVonne Hanson, Margie Baker.
- Reserve champions: Eileen Hemme (3); Shirley Connor.
- Junior champions: August Jauert, champion; Margot Jauert, reserve.

Other categories:

- Baking: Best of show, Larry Gielen; reserve, Barb Sandbulte; champion junior, Sara Stegenga; reserve, Will Bergman.
- Table runners: champion, Maggie Schmidt; reserve,

Debra VanHerde.

- Gift basket: champion, Shirley Connor.
- Photography: champion, Heather Johnson; reserve, Autumn Nath; junior champion, Jayda Walgrave; reserve, Megan Popkes.
- Sewing: Best of show, Katie Walgrave; reserve, Deone Hemme; champions, Morgan Sauer, Cheryl Nath; reserve champions, Janet Marshall, Barb Sandbulte, Dawn Vanderbeek, Rebecca DeBoer; junior champion, Julia Ferguson; reserve, Isabelle Smeins.
- Senior citizens: Best of show, Don Kneip; reserve, Gloria Nelson; champions, Dorothy Koens, Lorna Boots, Mary Kraetsch, Eleanor Gretille; reserves, Lorry Toergerson, Cheryl Nath.
- Wood and wood carving: Best of show, Daryl Hil-

fers; reserve, Francis Ladd; champions, Jack Cragoe, Don Kneip; junior champion, Wesley Vis; reserve, Cayd DenHerder.

•Junior arts and crafts: Best of show, Andrew Prekker; reserve, Shelbie Nath; champions, Margot Jauert, Andrew Prekker, Carter Peterson; reserves, Janae Hermann, Sara Stegenga, Gabrielle Porter.

•Arts and crafts: champions, Mark VanAartsen, Gary Shamatt, Betty Kienholz, Tim Waterbury, Lori Witte; reserves, Sam Gesch, Gary Shamatt.

•Home preservation: Best of show, Trygve Gangestad; reserve, Nolin Shelton; champion adult, Margie Baker; reserve, Janice Schei; junior champion, Trygve Gangestad; reserve Nolin

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•Fruit and vegetables: Best of show, Colin Anderson; reserve, Lynette Jauert; champion senior, Lynette Jauert; reserve, Mary Lutmer; champion fruit, LaVonne Hansen; champion junior, Colin Anderson; reserve, Emma Lusty.

•Place settings: Best of show, Madeline Stegenga; reserve, Alyssa Kienholz; champions, Madeline Stegenga, Alyssa Kienholz; reserves, Amelia Whetstone, Carrie Shofner

•Crops: Champion, Alon Hemme; reserve champion, Eric Fick; tallest corn, Derek Fick (12 feet, 2 inches); reserve, Ashton Sandbulte, (11 feet, 5 inches).

•Bucket of flowers: Champion, John Crawford; reserve champion, Virginia Gerken.

Keith Luethje receives honor for 60 years of continuous service to the American Legion

By Lori Sorenson

Luverne's Keith Luethje was honored this summer for 60 continuous years of service to the American Legion.

He was presented a Certificate of Continuous Membership that was "issued in grateful appreciation for faithful and dedicated allegiance to the ideals of the American Legion."

The certificate recognized Luethje's 60 years of membership in good standing.

"And be it further known that such record of consistent loyalty to the American Legion merits the honor of being cited as an outstanding contributor to the programs of the American Legion."

The certificate is signed by the American Legion National Commander, Michael D. Helm, National Adjutant Daniel S. Wheeler and the Luverne Post Officer, Edward Stearns.

Stearns, along with local American Legion members Fred Cook and Jay Mann, presented Luethje with his certificate in June.



Lori Sorenson photo/0806 luethje American legion honor

Luverne's Keith Luethje (second from left) was honored this summer for 60 continuous years of service to the American Legion. Pictured with him in the American Legion Post 123 are Luverne American Legion members (from left) Fred Cook, Ed Stearns and Jay Mann.

Luethje was modest about his contributions to the organization but said he's always supported the mission of the American Legion.

"The American Legion was chartered and incorporated by Congress in 1919 as a patriotic veterans organization devoted to mutual helpfulness," according to the group's website.

"It is the nation's largest wartime veterans service organization, committed to mentoring youth and sponsorship of wholesome programs in our communities, advocating patriotism and honor, promoting strong national security, and continued devotion to our fellow service members and veterans."

1921: Health tent with public rest room is featured exhibit at Rock County Fair

The following appeared in the Rock County Herald on September 21, 1921:

WILL MAINTAIN REST ROOM AT FAIR GROUNDS

Instructive Health Work Exhibit Will Also be Made Under Direction of County Nurse Doyle

A public rest room will be one of the features of the Red Cross and Public Health exhibit at the Rock county fair to be held September 13th to 16th. The rest room and exhibit will be in charge of County Nurse Miss Mary Doyle.

A large tent has been donated by the fair association for rest room purposes and will occupy one of the prominent positions on the grounds. In addition to the rest room facilities, the "health tent" will have special facilities for the handling of all first aid cases on the fair grounds. Cots will be ready at all times for the use of the ill or the injured.

Health propaganda in pamphlet form will be distributed from another part of the tent, and the subjects covered will include everything from pre-natal care to



BITS BY BETTY

By Betty Mann, president Rock County Historical Society

the correct nutrition for the growing child.

This tent is expected to fill the long felt want of a place on the fair grounds, where women and children may rest, and where emergencies may be effectively handled.

A bureau of general information on public health

problems will be conducted and it is probable that several visiting public health nurses will be in attendance. Much help will be needed to successfully carry on the public health program at the fair and volunteer workers are requested to hand their names to Miss Doyle at the rest room before September 10th.

An additional feature in the public health program will be the showing of free health movies in the sales pavilion during the fair. This movie show is made possible by the Rock County Public Health Association and the pictures are exceptional inasmuch as they are complete dramas with a strong health moral.

If it is found feasible to darken the sales pavilion, the shows will be given afternoons as well as evenings, and the pictures are of interest to the young, as well as the old.

Mann welcomes correspondence sent to manmade@iwnet.

DEATH NOTICE

Willemina Doppenberg

Willemina Doppenberg, 97, Leota, died Thursday, July 30, 2015, at the Edgebrook Care Center in Edgerton.

A funeral service was Wednesday, Aug. 5, at the Ebenezer Christian Reformed

Church in Leota. Burial was at Leota Community Cemetery.

Arrangements were by the Leota Burial Association and Dingmann Funeral Home, dingmannandsons.com. (0806 DN)

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Fun at the Fair 2015

The 2015 Rock County Fair unfolded in Luverne last week.

At right, the Rock County Horse Project flag unfurls in the breeze Saturday morning during the National Anthem. Pictured from left are Mary Christians, Brianna Duerr and Kennedy Safer.

Below, Bridget and Levi Thielbar watch as their ball bounces off the rims of glasses during a midway game at the Rock County Fair.

Star Herald photos by Lori Sorenson and Mavis Fodness. More photos are featured online at www.star-herald.com.



Sheep don colorful blankets to keep clean for Thursday's sheep show.



At right, participants in horsemanship wait for their turn to compete Friday afternoon in the horse arena. Pictured are (from left) Cody Sasker, Adam Fodness, Andrea Severtson, Meranda Fick, and Dean Fuerstenberg.



Larry Wasmund of Pounded Treasures, St. Paul, demonstrates the lost art of blacksmithing at the Rock County Fair Thursday.



Above, Adayla Rouzer tidies up her area of the livestock barn Friday.

At right, Amy Kramer sells ice cream to Rex Metzger and his sons, Briggs and Brodie, in the Dairy Booth.



Three generations of Raaks coax a dairy heifer back to the barn Thursday. Pushing are (from left) Jacob Raak, Irwin Raak and Philip Raak with Ailynn Johnson pulling the lead chain.



At left, Hadley (front) and Emery Vanderburg enjoy a motorcycle ride on the midway at the fairgrounds Thursday.



Above, Cindy Reverts demonstrates the pottery wheel. **At left**, Kennedy Safer waits her turn at the horse arena.



At Saturday night's Parade of Champions, senior beef showman champion Tommy Norman (holding heifer) poses with the beef project award winners. Pictured behind Norman are Claire Popkes, Dalton Popkes, Hannah Kruse, Jacob Raak, Matthew Raak, Caleb Raak, Jenna Schelhaas, Joshua Raak, Sean Elbers, Megan Popkes, Trevor Mente, Ellen Dahl, Austin Ossefort, Dylan Mente, Jared Leuthold and Payton Fick.

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Luverne first baseman Jared Pick places a tag on an elusive Lakefield runner to register an out during a July 29 Region 13C Playoff game in Luverne. The Redbirds defeated the Horned Frogs 10-3.

Redbirds roll into Region 13C semifinals with sweep

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne Redbirds opened the Region 13C Playoffs by sweeping a best-of-three-games series with Lakefield.

Luverne registered a seven-run win in the series debut at Redbird Field July 29 before completing a sweep with a nine-run win in Lakefield Friday.

The sweep sends the 18-3 Redbirds to the Region 13C semifinals, where they begin a series against Milroy Wednesday at Redbird Field.

Luverne 9, Lakefield 0

The Redbirds experienced

little trouble in disposing of the Horned Frogs during Friday's game in Lakefield.

Brandon Alfson, a draftee from Pipestone, tossed a two-hit shutout and Phillip Paquette belted a three-run homerun to lead Luverne to victory.

Alfson fanned six batters during his nine-inning stint on the mound and Paquette cracked his three-run homer to open the scoring in the top half of the first inning.

Luverne went on to score three runs in the third inning before plating single runs in the seventh, eighth and ninth frames.

Cole Johnson singled home two runs and Josh Slieter chipped in an RBI single to make it a 6-0 game in the third.

Paquette doubled and scored on a single by Codie Zeutenhorst in the seventh inning, while James Fisher drew a walk before scoring on a sacrifice fly by Joey Slieter to up the lead to 8-0 in the eighth.

A sacrifice fly by Mike Wenninger capped the scoring in the ninth inning.

Box score	AB	R	H	BI
S. Wenninger	3	1	0	0
Jy. Slieter	3	1	1	1
Paquette	5	3	3	3
Zeutenhorst	5	2	2	1
Pick	4	0	0	0

Skattum	1	0	0	0
Js. Slieter	4	1	3	1
Mauer	0	0	0	0
Johnson	4	0	2	2
M. Wenninger	0	0	0	1
Fisher	4	1	0	0
Norman	4	0	0	0

Luverne 10, Lakefield 3

The Redbirds opened Region 13C play by registering a seven-run win over the Horned Frogs in Luverne July 29.

The first game of the best-of-three series was competitive through six innings, but Luverne plated five runs in the home half of the eighth inning to ice the victory.

Luverne, which never

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Graphenteen registers first hole-in-one

By John Rittenhouse

A longtime player accomplished a career-first during a round of golf at the Luverne Country Club July 28.

Prior to that fateful day at the LCC, Mary Jo Graphenteen had won more Women's Club Championships (one in 1993) than she had registered aces during her career.

That changed late in the morning on July 28, when she registered a hole-in-one on the LCC's seventh hole.

Graphenteen, who was playing a nine-hole round with 1979 U.S. Open champion Jerilyn Britz that day, decided to attack the par-3 challenge that was playing at 145 yards into a stiff wind with a 5-wood.

Her club choice proved to be a good one, as Graphenteen's shot from the tee box landed on the green and rolled 10- to 15-yards into the cup.

"We thought it might have gone in, but we also thought it might have rolled past the pin and we just couldn't see the ball from where we were standing," Graphenteen said.

"We found out for sure it went in when we drove up to the green and found the ball in the cup."

Graphenteen said she has witnessed a hole-in-one in the past, but not coming off a club of her own.



Submitted photo

Mary Jo Graphenteen recorded a hole-in-one on the Luverne Country Club's seventh hole July 28.

Peterson wins first Enduro title by six seconds Saturday

By John Rittenhouse

One could think six seconds couldn't make much of a difference in a span of 15 years.

Hardwick's Heath Peterson believed that once, but not any more.

Prior to Saturday night, Peterson competed in the Rock County Fair's Enduro Race without posting.

Top-10 finishes were commonplace for the Rock County driver, but drawing the checkered flag at race's end seemed to elude Peterson.

"I've been racing here for 15 years and have placed second, third, fourth and just about every other position in the top 10. I just didn't win the race," he said.

That changed during Saturday's Connell Car Care Enduro Race, when Peterson edged out Luverne's Dave Niessink to capture the 2015 title.

In what is a rare occurrence, Peterson finished 200 laps around the Rock County oval minutes before the race's two-hour time limit was reached.



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Luverne's Adam Kinsinger (left) hands Hardwick's Heath Peterson the championship trophy for winning Saturday's Connell Car Care Enduro Race at the Rock County Fair.

As it turned out, he beat Niessink by a total of six seconds.

"We finally got our win, but I really didn't believe it,"

Peterson said. "Then they came up to me 15 minutes after the wait and told

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John Rittenhouse photo/0806 senior champs

Chris Nowatzki (right) won the low gross championship of the Luverne Country Club's Seniors' Club Tournament Saturday. Dick Cylkowski (left) claimed the low net title.

Nowatzki, Cylkowski nail down crowns during Seniors' Club Tournament

By John Rittenhouse

The 2015 version of the Seniors' Club Tournament staged Saturday at the Luverne Country Club came to an end with a repeat champion and a new winner.

Chris Nowatzki, the 2014 gross champion, turned in a repeat performance by cruising to a seven-shot victory in the 18-hole event.

Dick Cylkowski emerged out of the tournament's 70-and-over division to claim the low net championship by a total of one stroke.

Nowatzki, who won the 2014 gross title in his first year of eligibility, turned in an even stronger performance during his second year as a member of the 50-59 division.

Nowatzki shot a one-under-par 71 over 18 holes to walk away with the 2015 crown.

Cylkowski claimed the low net trophy by registering a net 65, which was one stroke better than the net 66 recorded by Gary Kurtz.

Nowatzki assumed control of the gross championship by turning in an outstanding

first round.

With a loop around the course that featured three birdies (Holes No. 4, 5 and 8) and making par six times, Nowatzki carded a three-under-par 33 to open a commanding lead over the field.

Tom Kopp and Corey Stratton, who were competing in the 50-59 division as well, proved to be Nowatzki's closest pursuers after nine holes of play.

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Luverne's Dave Niessink (No. 9) placed second at Saturday's Connell Car Care Enduro Race at the Rock County Fair. Niessink finished six seconds behind champion Heath Peterson.

Tournament season at LCC gets off to rousing start

Saturday marked the beginning of what is one of my favorite times of the year.



Tournament time at the Luverne Country Club does mean the golf season is winding down for some. To me it means the time has come to usher in the most intriguing events the LCC has to offer.

It started with the Senior Club Tournament on Saturday. The 18-hole event may not draw galleries of fans to watch the final group compete like the Men's Club Tournament (set for this coming Saturday and Sunday) and the Women's Club Tournament (set for Aug. 15) will.

Be that as it may, the Seniors' event is unique because any golfer who plays well enough can win the club championship as a member of any of the tournament's three flights.

While it may be true that I can't recall any player in the 70-and-over division claiming the championship title, that doesn't mean the older gentlemen are not playing competitive golf.

It's not uncommon for a member of the 70-and-over field to walk away with the tournament's low net trophy, like Dick Cylkowski did after registering a net score of 65 strokes.

I salute Cylkowski for producing a seven-under-par net tally, but I left the LCC being more impressed with a round turned in by another member of the 70-and-over division.

Not only did Ray Hoogeveen win the flight's low gross title with an 81, he tied for fifth place in the tournament's overall gross standings as well as tying for fifth place in the overall net standings with a 69.

After sharing a conversation with

FROM THE SIDELINES

By John Rittenhouse, sports editor

Hoogeveen after the tournament, I learned his success didn't come easy.

He underwent a surgical procedure to relieve some back pain he was experiencing over the winter, which left him with less than two months to fine-tune his golf game dating back to early June.

Two other men who captured my attention with their solid play competed as members of the 50-59 division.

Chris Nowatzki, the tournament's low gross champion, was nothing less than sensational.

One year after winning the tournament's gross title in his first year of eligibility, Nowatzki didn't experience a letdown.

In fact, Nowatzki played even better than he did when we won the 2014 title with a one-over-par 73.

Nowatzki seized control of his destiny by firing a three-under-par 33 during Saturday's opening round.

He registered his fourth birdie of the day during a two-over-par 38-stroke effort in the second round, which gave him a one-under-par 71 for the day and seven-stroke victory over second-place Dar Elbers (78).

Dan Kern, a longtime friend of mine, turned in a top-notch effort during his first year of tournament eligibility.

Kern fired a seven-over-par 79 for the tournament and placed fourth in overall net standings with a net 68.

Kern's 79 was good for a share of third place (he tied Tim Connell, who has won multiple Seniors' and LCC championships over the years) in the tournament's gross standings.

Luverne squad places second in state event

By John Rittenhouse

A 12 and Under baseball team from Luverne turned in a solid showing at the state level July 24-26.

Competing at the Minnesota Sports Federation State Class AA 12 and Under Baseball Tournament in Sartell, the Luverne squad won its pool with a 2-1 record and finished the tournament by placing second with a 5-2 overall record.

Luverne opened the event by defeating the Annandale Stars 6-2 in pool play July 24.

Luverne fell 5-4 to Hastings during the second round of pool play July 25 before defeating Waseca 3-2 later in the day to take top honors in the pool.

By winning its pool, Luverne qualified as one of 16 teams to complete the tournament in bracket play.

Luverne rolled to a 9-2 win over Norwood-Young America during the opening round July



Submitted photo

Luverne's 12 and Under Baseball Team compiled a 5-2 record and placed second at the Minnesota Sports Federation State Class AA Baseball Tournament in Sartell July 24-26. Team members include (front row, from left) Jamie Palmquist, Ben Jarchow, Hunter Baker, Ethan Beyer, John Miller, (back) coach Shane Palmquist, coach Jamie Beyer, Shaid Shearer, Cade Wenninger, Bailey Cowell, Jayson Rops, Riley Anderson and coach Dean Baker.

25 before defeating the Anoka Ramsey Maroon Tornados (6-5) and Windom (3-1) on

Sunday to advance to the championship game. Marshall Black saddled

Luverne with an 11-1 setback in the title tilt.

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Kopp shot a 78 to trail Nowatzki by five shots, while Stratton was six shots off the pace with a 79.

Nowatzki completed his 71-stroke masterpiece by registering a two-over-par 38 on the back nine.

His final round included making par five times and recording one birdie.

Kopp and Stratton slipped out of contention during the final round, opening the door for 50-59 entries Dar Elbers and Dan Kern.

Both Elbers and Kern matched Nowatzki's 38-stroke tally in the final round to place second and third in the division and overall standings. Elbers finished second with a 40-38-78.

Kern shot a 41-38-79 to share third place in the overall standings with Tim Connell, who won the low gross title in the 60-69 division with a 41-38-79.

Kurtz won the 50-59 division's low net title with his 66.

Jon Finke and Kern placed second and third in the division standings with net tallies of 67 and 68 strokes respectively.

Connell was pushed hard for the low gross title in the 60-69 division by Tracy Birdsey, who won the low net championship during the 2014 Seniors' Club Tournament.

Both Connell and Birdsey shot 41s during the opening



John Rittenhouse photo/0806 senior division

Six players claimed division titles during Saturday's Seniors' Club Tournament at the LCC. They are Tim Fey (back, left), Ray Hoogeveen (front, left), Tim Connell (back, second left), Gary Kurtz (back, second right), John Oksness (front, right) and James Stratton (back, right).

round, but Connell used a 38-41 scoring cushion in the final round to claim the division's low gross title by a 79-82 margin over the challenger.

Greg Thone placed third in the flight's gross standings with his 45-38-83.

John Oksness won the low net championship of the 60-69 division with a net 73.

Dave Gangestad, Don Klosterbuer and Birdsey shared second place with net 74s.

Ray Hoogeveen, who shared fifth place in the tournament's

overall gross standings along with Stratton, Kopp and Kurtz, took top honors in the 70-and-over division.

Hoogeveen registered a 40-41-81 to nip Dave Iverson (40-42-82) in a tight battle for the gross championship in the division.

Tom Arends (47-44-91) and George McDonald (49-42-91) shared third place in the gross standings of the 70-and-over division.

Cylkowski won the division's low net crown with his net 65, while Hoogeveen and

Iverson placed second and third with net 69 and 70 tallies respectively.

The 2015 version of the tournament also included a pre-seniors division.

James Stratton fired a 37-36-73 to win the division's gross title, while Cory Norman (38-38-76) and Aaron Moerke (45-42-87) finished second and third.

Tim Fey claimed the division's low net crown with a 69, while Norman and Stratton shared second place with net 71s.

SPORTS BRIEF

Activities meeting

The Luverne High School Activities Eligibility Meeting is set for 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 11, in the Luverne Elementary School gym.

This is a mandatory meeting for students (and their parents/guardians) who plan to participate in Minnesota State High School League

athletic activities in grades nine-12 during the 2015-16 school year.

Topics covered in the meeting include MSHSL policies, school policies and eligibility forms necessary to participate.

A fall sports sign-up is available at the conclusion of the meeting.

me that I won. That's when I realized we finally got one in the bag."

Peterson was one of 51 drivers who started Saturday's race, which ended with 17 cars remaining on the track.

Both he and Niessink were credited with completing 200 laps at event's end, leaving them three laps in front of Luverne's Steve Walker, who

finished third at night's end by completing 197 laps.

A subtle change proved to be the key to victory for Peterson. "I got some advice from some guys who always do well at this race," he said.

"They told me to put on smaller tires, so I did. It made a big difference. The car handled a lot better on the track."

Two other drivers from Luverne finished among the top five at race's end.

Greg VandeVelde and Jesse Connell completed 194 and 192 laps to place fourth and fifth respectively.

Two of the next three finishers were South Dakota entries.

Bridgewater's Matt Anderson and Lennox' Dana

Hood placed sixth and eighth with 190- and 181-lap tallies respectively.

Luverne's Matt Lynch finished seventh by completing 184 laps.

Luverne's Jasmine Kalass and Chris Hoogland round out the top 10 finishers by completing 179 and 177 laps to place ninth and 10th respectively.

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trailed in the game, took a 2-0 lead with RBI singles from Zeutenhorst and Skyler Wenninger in the first and second innings respectively.

Lakefield battled back to knot the score at two by plating single runs in the third and fourth innings.

Luverne moved in front to stay when Zeutenhorst singled home a run in the fifth inning before Josh Slieter walked and scored on a wild pitch in the sixth to make it a 4-2 game.

The teams exchanged runs in a seventh inning that ended with the Redbirds sporting a 5-3 edge.

Paquette reached base and scored in the seventh on a wild pitch for Luverne.

A five-run rally in the bottom of the eighth settled the issue for the Redbirds.

Joey Slieter, Jared Pick and

Josh Slieter delivered RBI singles to highlight the rally, while Johnson drew a bases-loaded walk.

Andrew DeBoer pitched eight complete innings to nail down the win.

DeBoer fanned 11 batters and surrendered three runs and nine hits.

Wenninger retired the side in order in the top of the ninth, fanning two of the three batters he faced.

Box score	AB	R	H	BI
Wenninger	4	2	2	1
Jy.Slieter	5	2	2	1
Paquette	5	1	3	0
Zeutenhorst	4	1	3	1
Kor	0	0	0	0
Skattum	0	0	0	0
Pick	5	1	2	1
Js.Slieter	5	1	2	1
Johnson	3	1	1	1
Fisher	1	0	0	0
Sandbutte	1	1	0	0
Norman	4	0	1	0



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Luverne's Steven Walker (No. 12), pictured during Saturday's Enduro Race, won the pure stock feature during Thursday's Rock County Speedway Races. Walker topped 14 other drivers in the feature event.

Four drivers land championships during Rock County Speedway Races

By John Rittenhouse

Thursday night turned into a busy evening for those in charge of overseeing the Rock County Speedway Races at the Rock County Fair.

One year after an outside entity hosted an event that attracted 47 cars in three different classes, a locally run event gave racing fans more of a treat.

A total of 65 cars hit the track in four different classes for an action-packed night of racing that extended well into Thursday night.

Local drivers put on a good show in the pure stock class.

Luverne's Seth Miller and Dave Niessink earned berths into the 14-car A feature race in the class by placing first and second respectively in a 10-car B feature event.

Niessink went on to place third in the A feature, finishing behind Luverne entries.

Steven Walker won the feature title and Greg VandeVelde finished second.

Hardwick's Heath Peterson and out-of-county resident Scott Brady placed fourth and fifth in the pure stock feature race.

A pair of Rock County drivers



John Rittenhouse photo/0806 race 27

Luverne's Shane Fick (7) keeps pace with Chris Breen (97) in micro sprint competition during the Rock County Speedway Races staged Thursday night in Luverne.

found success in the hobby stock feature event.

A total of 16 drivers mixed it up in the hobby stock finale, with area residents Tom and Larry Kracht turning in respective second- and fifth-place efforts.

Out-of-county residents Dan Stranberg, Dustin Gulbrandson and Travis Vanden Top placed first, third

and fourth in the hobby stock feature.

A total of 20 drivers competed in the micro sprint competition and one Rock County resident thrived in the field.

Along with placing fourth in a 12-lap trophy dash, Luverne's Brandon Buysse finished fifth in the 20-lap A feature.

Out-of-county driver Colin

Smith won the trophy dash.

Derek Steen, Jacob Hughes, Trey Thesenutz and Chris Breen finished first, second, third and fourth respectively in the feature event.

Seven out-of-county drivers competed in the front-wheel drive class.

Josh Lien won the A feature in the class.



John Rittenhouse photo/0806 redbirds 10

Luverne manager James Fisher races down the first-base line in an unsuccessful attempt to beat out an infield hit during the playoff opener against Lakefield in Luverne July 29.



John Rittenhouse photo/0806 scrambler

A team sponsored by Rhonna Jarchow took top honors during the 18th annual Rock County Kids Golf Scrambler staged at the Luverne Country Club Monday. Team members include (from left) Scott Bowman, Adam Siebenahler, Tim Fey and Cory Norman.

Team Jarchow wins golf scrambler

By John Rittenhouse

Twenty teams gathered at the Luverne Country Club Monday for the 18th annual Rock County Kids Golf Scrambler.

In what proved to be a tight competition, a team sponsored by Rhonna Jarchow walked away with the tournament title.

Jarchow's foursome recorded a net tally of 28.3 strokes during the nine-hole event.

Scott Bowman, Adam

Siebenahler, Tim Fey and Cory Norman formed the winning team, which produced a four-under-par 32-stroke gross score tally.

A team representing the Estenson Company placed second.

Dave and Josh Gangestad, Tim Knoll and Tim Connell registered a five-under-par 31 gross score.

Their net score was 28.75 strokes.

KQAD placed third in the

tournament's final standings after producing a gross tally of 33 strokes.

Steve and Mary Jo Graphenteen, Mark Iveland and Ryan Johnson combined efforts to churn out a net score of 29.1 strokes for KQAD.

Event organizers revealed that the 2015 version of the tournament raised a record \$7,200.

The money goes to the local Child Guide and Big Buddies programs.

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- 11:00 a.m.: Worthington, MN – Pizza Ranch, 1132 Oxford St.
- 1:00 p.m.: Faribault, MN – Eagles Club, 2027 Grant St. NW
- 1:30 p.m.: Luverne, MN – Rock County Library, 201 W. Main St.
- 3:30 p.m.: Owatonna, MN – American Legion, 137 W. Broadway St.
- 4:30 p.m.: Slayton, MN – Pizza Ranch, 2306 Broadway Ave.
- 6:00 p.m.: Dodge Center, MN – Community Center, 35 E. Main St.

August 11, 2015

- 8:00 a.m.: Marshall, MN – Ramada Inn, 1500 E. College Dr.
- 8:00 a.m.: Preston, MN – B&B Bowl and Restaurant, 401 Kansas St NW
- 10:30 a.m.: Granite Falls, MN – Super Motel Granite Falls, 845 Highway 212 W
- 11:00 a.m.: Austin, MN – Austin Public Library, 323 Fourth Ave. NE
- 1:30 p.m.: Olivia, MN – Renville County Admin Building, 105 South 5th St.
- 1:30 p.m.: Albert Lea, MN – Comfort Inn, 810 Happy Trails Ln.
- 4:30 p.m.: Redwood Falls, MN – Library, 509 S. Lincoln St.
- 4:30 p.m.: New Richland, MN – City Hall, 203 N. Broadway

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Thomas Jennings, Pastor

Thursday, Aug. 6: 9 a.m. St. Catherine Mass. Friday, Aug. 7: 9:30 a.m. Mass at Parkview Manor in Ellsworth. Saturday, Aug. 8: 5:30 p.m. Mass at St. Catherine. Sunday, Aug. 9: 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Mary. 10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Catherine.

Luverne Christian Reformed Church

605 N. Estey St., Luverne

Office Ph. 283-8482; Prayer Line Ph. 449-5982

www.luverncrc.com — luverncrc@gmail.com

Roger Sparks, Pastor

First Baptist Church

1033 N. Jackson St., P.O. Box 975, Luverne

Ph. 283-4091; email: fbcluv@iw.net — www.fbcluverne.org

Dick Lauger, Pastor

Thursday, Aug. 6: 7 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3. Friday, Aug. 7: 6 a.m. Men's Bible Study at FBC. Sunday, Aug. 9: 9:15 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Morning Service. 6 p.m. Evening Worship Service. Tuesday, Aug. 11: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study at FBC. Thursday, Aug. 13: 7 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3.

Grace Lutheran Church

500 N. Kniss Ave., Luverne

Ph. 283-4431; www.graceluverne.org — Nichols-glc@live.com

Ron Nichols, Pastor

Josh Enderson, Pastor

Thursday, Aug. 6: 4:30 p.m. Book Study. Friday, Aug. 7: 6:30 p.m. Worship telecast on Channel 3. Saturday, Aug. 8: 5:30 p.m. Worship. Sunday, Aug. 9: 8:15 a.m. Prerecorded Radio broadcast. 9 a.m. Worship. Monday, Aug. 10: 4 p.m. Worship telecast on Channel 3. Wednesday, Aug. 12: 7 a.m. Men's Study. Thursday, Aug. 13: 4:30 p.m. Book Study.

Bethany Lutheran Church

720 N. Kniss Ave., Luverne

Ph. 283-4571 — pastorapalmquist67@yahoo.com

Andrew M. Palmquist, Pastor

Thursday, Aug. 6: 5 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3. Friday, Aug. 7: 4:30 to 7 p.m. VBS. Saturday, Aug. 8: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. VBS. Sunday, Aug. 9: 9:15 a.m. Bible Class. 10:15 a.m. Worship with Communion. Tuesday, Aug. 11: 3:30 p.m. Communion at Veterans Home. Thursday, Aug. 13: 2 p.m. Ladies Aid meeting. 5 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3.

American Reformed Church

304 N. Fairview Dr., Luverne

Ph. 283-8600; email: office@arcluverne.org

Thursday, Aug. 6: 6:30 a.m. Ladies Night Out. Friday, Aug. 7: 6:30 a.m. Community Men's Bible Study. Saturday, Aug. 8: 8 p.m. Union Gospel Mission — Esther Circle. Sunday, Aug. 9: 9:30 a.m. Worship Service; Zeutenhorst baptism. 10:45 a.m. Projection meeting. 11 a.m. Fellowship Hall reserved. Tuesday, Aug. 11: 10 a.m. Staff meeting. 7 p.m. Consistory meeting. Wednesday, Aug. 12: 7 p.m. Teacher training; Magnify Praise Team.

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church

220 N. Cedar St., Luverne

Sundays: 10:30 a.m. Worship Service; Fellowship after service. Wednesdays: 6:30 p.m. Bible Study. Our Mission Statement: Historic Holy Trinity strives to serve God and our community through worship, stewardship and friendship. Contact Emily Lodine Overgaard at (507) 227-6175 for information. Come as you are — our leader wore sandals.

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305 E. 2nd St., P.O. Box 36, Hardwick

Ph. 669-2855; email: revmumme@gmail.com — www.zionlu-theranhardwick.com

Mark W. Mumme, Pastor

Thursday, Aug. 6: 4 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3. Friday, Aug. 7: 4 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3. Saturday, Aug. 8: 10 a.m. Mumme/Knop bridal shower at Zion. Sunday, Aug. 9: 9:30 a.m. Worship Service. Monday, Aug. 10: 1 p.m. Quilting. Tuesday, Aug. 11: 7 p.m. Elders' meeting. 8 p.m. Church Council meeting. Thursday, Aug. 13: 4 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3.

First Assembly of God Church

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

Kenneth and Gloria Kashner, Pastors

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

United Methodist Church

109 N. Freeman Ave., Luverne

Ph. 283-4529; email: luverneumc@iw.net

Dorie Hall, Pastor

Thursday, Aug. 6: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. UMW/WOW Salad Luncheon. 6:30 to 8 p.m. Vacation Bible School — First Presbyterian Church. Friday, Aug. 7: 6 p.m. Wedding rehearsal. Saturday, Aug. 8: 4 p.m. Hanson/Christensen wedding and reception. Sunday, Aug. 9: 9:30 a.m. Coffee in the Courtyard. 10:30 a.m. Celebration Service to honor faithful elders with Holy Communion. 11:30 a.m. Catered meal honoring faithful elders. Monday, Aug. 10: 1 p.m. Kids Against Hunger meeting at The Bean. Wednesday, Aug. 12: 7 p.m. Family Ministry team meeting.

First Presbyterian Church

302 Central Lane, Luverne

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

Jason Cunningham, Pastor

Sunday, Aug. 9: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:30 a.m. Fellowship. Monday, Aug. 10: 5 p.m. Weight Watchers. Tuesday, Aug. 11: 5:30 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3.

St. John Lutheran Church

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Ph. 283-2316, Dial-A-Devotion Ph. 283-4005

email: stjohnc@iw.net — www.stjohnlutheranluverne.org

Thursday, Aug. 6: 2 p.m. Women's Society. Friday, Aug. 7: Church office closed. Saturday, Aug. 8: 5:30 p.m. Worship with Holy Communion. Sunday, Aug. 9: 9 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion, Senior Choir sings and induction of Allie Parkhurst. 10:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study. 11:30 a.m. Potluck picnic at city park. 1:30 p.m. Worship at Mary Jane Brown Home. 2:15 p.m. Worship at Poplar Creek. Tuesday, Aug. 11, through Friday, Aug. 14: Pastor attending continuing education class in St. Louis, Missouri. Tuesday, Aug. 11: 7 p.m. Women's Missionary Guild. Wednesday, Aug. 12: No Bible Study.

Living Rock Church

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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

211 E. Main St., Luverne

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

Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Worship in the lower level meeting room of the Creeger building. Every third Thursday: 5 p.m. Food give-away. Bible Study groups meet at various times and days.

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

Ray Heidenson, Pastor

Sunday, Aug. 9: 9 a.m. Worship Service.

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

Thursday, Aug. 6: Pastor Kristi at Hospice meeting in Luverne. Sunday, Aug. 9: 9 a.m. Worship Service. Pastor Kristi at Parkview Manor. Wednesday, Aug. 12: 7 p.m. Adrian/Magnolia joint meeting in Adrian. Thursday, Aug. 13: 2 p.m. UMW in Magnolia.

The other way

"There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way to death." (Proverbs 14:12 ESV)



BUILT ON A ROCK

By Martha Fick, Good Samaritan, Mission Effectiveness

Ole and Lars went hunting and were dragging the deer they got back to their pickup. Another hunter approached pulling his deer too.

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Palisade Lutheran Church

211 121st St., Garretson, S.D.

Ph. (507) 597-6257 — firstpalisade@alliancecom.net

Ray Heidenson, Pastor

Friday, Aug. 7: TBD: Wedding rehearsal. Saturday, Aug. 8: TBD: Rollag wedding. Sunday, Aug. 9: 10:30 a.m. Worship Service. Thursday, Aug. 13: 8 p.m. Church Council meeting.

First Presbyterian Church

201 S. 3rd St., Beaver Creek

Steen Reformed Church

112 W. Church Ave., Steen

Ph. 855-2336

Reuben Sinnema, Pastor

Thursday, Aug. 6: 1:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study at Bethany Meadows. Sunday, Aug. 9: 9:30 a.m. Worship; Pulpit Supply: Dave Mohlenkamp. 6:30 p.m. RCYF. Wednesday, Aug. 12: 6 to 8 p.m. Church Council. Thursday, Aug. 13: Volunteer Day at Thrift Store in Worthington.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Interim Pastor Grant Fisher

112 N. Main St., Hills

507-962-3270

Thursday, Aug. 6: Interim meeting in Redwood Falls. Sunday, Aug. 9: 9 a.m. Worship at Tuff Chapel. 10 a.m. Worship at Bethlehem. Tuesday, Aug. 11: 2:30 p.m. Tuff Home Bible Study. 3:15 p.m. Tuff Village Bible Study.

Hills United Reformed Church

410 S. Central Ave., Hills

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Alan Camarigg, Pastor

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(8-6, 8-13)

**City of Luverne adopts
Ordinance No. 339**

ORDINANCE NO. 339, THIRD SERIES

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE "ZONING MAP" PROVIDED FOR IN CITY CODE, SECTION 11.26, TO INCLUDE EXPANDING I-1 GENERAL INDUSTRY DISTRICT AND REZONING PARCEL 20-0101-000 FROM N-C, NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL DISTRICT TO I-1, GENERAL INDUSTRY DISTRICT (GREAT PLAINS PROCESSING)

THE CITY OF LUVERNE DOES HEREBY ORDAIN:

SECTION 1. The official "City of Luverne Zoning Map" governed and established by City Code, Section 11.26, originally adopted by Ordinance No. 272, Third Series, and succeeding amendments, is hereby amended and this ordinance constitutes the "Third Amendment to City of Luverne Zoning Map" to rezone the said property from N-C, Neighborhood Commercial to I-1, General Industry, described as follows:

A tract of land in the Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) of Section Ten (10), Township One Hundred Two (102) North, of Range Forty-Five (45) West, being all of Auditor's Outlots 14, 15 and that part of 13 lying South of a line parallel to and 478.6 feet distant from the E.W. Quarter line of Section 10-102-45, more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the center of Section Ten (10), Township One Hundred Two (102) North, of Range Forty-five (45) West, of the 5th P.M. thence S 0°00' E. along the N.S. Quarter line of said Section Ten (10) for 1000.2 feet to the point of beginning, said point being on the South line of the right-of-way of U.S.T.H. #16, thence S. 0°00' E. for 32.5 feet to the North line of the right-of-way of the C.&N.W. Ry. Co., thence N. 62°54' E. along said line of right-of-way for 879.4 feet to the Southwest corner of Auditor's Outlot 16, thence N 1°22'W. along the West line of said Outlot 16 for 170.0 feet, thence S 88°38' W. for 561.6 feet to the East line of the right-of-way of U.S.T.H. #16, thence Southwesterly along said East line of right-of-way for 575.5 feet to the point of beginning, containing an area of 4.9 acres, more or less, subject to easements now in effect.

SEC. 2. The City Administrator is hereby instructed to cause the official "City of Luverne Zoning Map" as adopted in said Ordinance No. 272, Third Series, to be amended consistent with the amendment adopted herein including the notation of this ordinance number and its adoption date thereon and when so amended, said Zoning Map shall henceforth be the "City of Luverne Zoning Map" of all zoning districts delineated in City Code, Chapter 11.

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

/s/ Patrick T. Baustian, Mayor
Patrick T. Baustian

/s/ John M. Call, City Administrator
John M. Call

Public Hearing: July 20, 2015
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The Swanson-Nelson Sale is back. Rock County's best two-household garage sale. Thursday, Aug. 13, 4 to 8 p.m.; Friday, Aug. 14, 12 p.m. to 8 p.m.; Saturday, Aug. 15, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. New, high-end cosmetics (Lancome, Estee Lauder, Clinique, Bare Minerals, Bath and Body). Top-brand children's and adult clothing and accessories (WHBM, Rock Revivals, Miss Me's, BKE, Victoria's Secret, Coach, Eddie Bauer, North Face, Under Armour, Ralph Lauren, Gap, Gymboree). New cosmetic bags, totes, duffels. Household, books, office and school, toys. 105 N. Water Ave, Hills, MN. (8.6-8.9)

Collectors Sale: Friday, Aug. 14, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, Aug. 15, 8 to 5 p.m. 2035 County Road 4, Magnolia, MN 56158. Antique collectible furniture, lighting, clockworks, beer signs, lights, glassware, advertising, toys, banks, signs, bb guns, knives, auto., misc., sculptures, porcelain, pottery, western and nautical décor, historical items, model cars, tractors, trains, model kits, doll furniture, sports equipment, musical instruments, misc. Twenty years of collecting and this is my first sale. Cash only. (8.6-8.9)

Huge Rummage and Bake Sale: Hwy. 270 and Main Street, Hills, MN. Aug. 7 from 1 to 7 p.m.; Aug. 8 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Gun cases, dog carriers, VCR/DVD with remote, Ansel Adams paintings, microwave stand, king bed frame, bike, housewares, Patriot apparel, complete Wii set, dresser, twin bed, cleats, bread machine, TV trays. Clothes: Girls 2T-Junior Miss, Boys 4-5T, Womens/Mens M-XL and more. (8.2-8.6)

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CARDS OF THANKS

The American Red Cross wants to thank all the volunteers who made the blood drive a special event, before, during and after, especially the blood donors. We went over our goal. We had one donor receiving a 9 gallon pin. Thanks again everyone. (8.6-8.9)

The family of Henrietta Mulder would like to thank the staff at Mary Jane Brown home, Dr. Crabtree, Jeff at Hartquist Funeral Home, staff of Hospice, Pastor Sparks, friends and family for their caring thoughts, cards and flowers.

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