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Tri-State Band Fest is Saturday

By Lori Sorenson

The Luverne Cardinal Marching Band enjoyed a successful outing Saturday in Waseca with a first-place win on the parade route and a second-place finish on the field.

Luverne student competitors also received Waseca's "Spirit Award" for their attitude and enthusiasm at the event.

They'll bring this spirit to the Tri-State Band Festival in Luverne this weekend when more than 26 marching bands from across the tri-state area come to town for the annual event.

Now in its 67th year, Luverne's Tri-State Band Festival is the longest-running marching band festival in the region.

The parade will begin at 9:30 a.m. Saturday in downtown Luverne, with the Luverne Music Boosters as honored parade marshals this year.

The morning parade travels along Main Street, with judging near the corner of Main and McKenzie.

Field competition begins at 12:30 p.m. on the Cardinal Football Field along Highway 75.

Admission to the field is a Band Festival button that can be purchased for \$5 during the parade or at the gate.

The guest band this year is South Dakota State University Pride of the Dakotas under the direction of Luverne native Kevin Kessler.

The annual parade and field competition draws bands from Minnesota, Iowa and South Dakota, with more than 2,500 students participating.

The 2017 lineup includes 26 participating bands, with 19 bands performing in the parade and 15 performing on the field.

Minnesota bands include Pipestone Area, Adrian, Tracy, Worthington, Murray County Central, and Stewartville.

Competing from Iowa are Boyden-Hull, George-Little Rock, Sheldon, Sibley-Ocheyedan, South O'Brien and West Lyon.

South Dakota bands include Brandon Valley, Garretson, Huron, Lennox, Sioux Falls Lincoln, Madison, Sioux Falls O'Gorman, Sioux Falls Christian, Tea, West Central and Yankton.

The Luverne Area Chamber can be reached at 507-283-4061 with questions, or e-mail at luvernechamber@co.rock.mn.us.



Mavis Fodness photo/0928 Hurricane Fundraiser

Luverne Middle/High School Principal Ryan Johnson shows off his "haircut" Friday afternoon to the 650 students and staff during a school assembly. Below, left, Brooke Feit makes the first shave lines through Johnson's red hair. Below, Athletic Director Todd Oye (seated, center) prepares for the peeling of the wax off his left leg by Jake Haugen, whose fundraising efforts earned him the first yank of wax off Oye's leg.

Goals reached, heads (and legs) shaved

School administrators make good on pledges when students reach goals for hurricane relief



By Mavis Fodness

An ascent \$49 put a student-led fundraiser over the goal and placed three Luverne school administrators in the spotlight Friday afternoon.

Luverne High School students Jadyn Anderson and Anika Gust challenged middle and high school students to raise \$4,000 for americares.org, a non-profit disaster relief organization, to bring aid to hurricane victims in the South.

The final total was \$4,049. "I was so, so, so proud," said Anderson, a junior. "I heard stories of kids who were saving for tennis shoes give directly to relief."

The money collected from the middle- and high school fundraiser will go toward the

Hurricane relief fundraiser/see page 3A

County preliminary levy set to increase 4.75 percent for next year

By Mavis Fodness

Commissioners voted unanimously at their Sept. 19 meeting to increase the Rock County levy by 4.75 percent.

The 2018 preliminary levy increase of \$613,010 will bring the new levy amount to \$5,727,498.

"These numbers are just the taxpayers' contribution, not the total budget," Oldre said. "The county's (total) budget is really \$12 million."

Commissioners had discussed a 2.55-percent increase in earlier budget sessions but settled on the higher percentage at the Tuesday meeting.

"It (the higher levy percentage) gives the maximum amount of flexibility," said County Administrator Kyle Oldre.

The county is currently working with a Minneapolis firm on a classification and compensation study on the county's 80-member workforce.

The last comprehensive study was completed in 1993, Oldre said.

Melvin told commissioners Tuesday she specifically looked at individual positions (not the specific person), the responsibilities and the

County levy/see page 8A

The Locals pay tribute to Steve Miller Band

By Lori Sorenson

What started as a fundraiser for music students now promises to be a high-energy performance by a group that sounds remarkably like the Steve Miller Band.

The Locals, as they call themselves, are comprised entirely of Rock County musicians who will perform at 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 7, in the historic Palace Theatre.

Kenny Rolling is lead singer and lead guitarist, Susan Skattum plays keyboard. On drums is Dean Luethje, Keith Maine plays bass guitar, and Chris Nowatzki is a singer and guitar player.

Their concert is a tribute to the Steve Miller Band with classic 1970s hits like "Fly Like an Eagle," "Jet Airliner," "Jungle Love" and "Swingtown."

The Locals say the star of their show is "warm up singer" Susan Schneekloth, who performs 1970s

The Locals band/see page 8A



Lori Sorenson photo/0928 the locals band

Members of The Locals band are (from left) Keith Maine, Susan Skattum, Dean Luethje, Chris Nowatzki, Kenny Rolling and warm-up singer Susan Schneekloth.

What's it like to be poor?

Luverne leaders study poverty and its impacts on community

By Lori Sorenson

Jodi Pfarr grew up poor and understands what it's like to live without middle class luxuries like a car or a college savings account.

She also knows how hard it is — especially today — to escape poverty.

Pfarr now travels the country to educate people about poverty and its impact on communities.

She was in Luverne Thursday through the Blandin Foundation to guide community members through the process of ending poverty.

The Blandin Community Leadership Program recently launched its Leaders Partner-

ing to End Poverty (LPEP) as a way to help strengthen communities.

Pfarr has been the primary speaker at these workshops and she told a gathering at Grand Prairie Events that in order to end poverty a community needs to first understand poverty and its roots.

"Poverty isn't about individual decisions," she said. "How many times have you heard, 'If they would work harder or budget better, there wouldn't be poverty.'"

She said understanding poverty involves understanding the classes — lower,

Poverty in Luverne/see 3A

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Article 39: New Rock River Bridge in Luverne 'among the best in Minnesota' in 1931

This is the 39th in a series that shares the rich history of Luverne as it celebrates 150 years. This week is the second in a series by Betty Mann about the Rock River Bridge.

Rock County Historical Society President Betty Mann this week shares Part 2 in a series of stories from the Oct. 16, 1931, Rock County Herald about the new Rock River Bridge in Luverne and the building of the County 9 corridor and how the project became a significant asset to the community.

Luverne celebrates 150 years — New Rock River Bridge/see 6A

This week's moment in time is sponsored by:



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Meetings

Rock County DFL will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 28, in the Health and Human Services on Roundwind Road.

Blue Mound Quilters will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 2, in the Luverne Senior Citizens Center to make pillow cases for Magnolia Youth Services. All are welcome.

Springwater Township Board will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 3, at the home of clerk Teresa Kramer.

The Sanford Luverne Pink Ladies will meet at 1:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 9, at the Blue Mound Room at Sanford Luverne Hospital.

Meditation and Mindfulness Practice will meet at 7 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month in the lower level of Hilger Commons at 215 N. Cedar Street in Luverne. For more information call Kim at 507-353-0041.

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

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

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

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

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

Grief Support Group begins Sept. 28

Sanford Luverne Hospice will begin a five-week grief support group Thursday, Sept. 28. The sessions are from 5-6:30 p.m. in the Blue Mound Room at Sanford Luverne Medical Center. The meetings are free, confidential and are open to anyone in the area grieving the death of a loved one. Pre-register at the Hospice office or by calling 507-283-1805.

Jennica's Pumpkin Patch Sept. 30

Jennica's Journey presents the first annual Pumpkin Patch with games, snacks and pumpkin painting from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 30, at Verhey gardens near the Luverne City Park. Follow the signs. The event is a fundraiser for finding a cure for cystic fibrosis.

Zion celebrates 125 years Oct. 1

Zion Lutheran Church in Hardwick will celebrate its 125th anniversary Sunday, Oct. 1, with a special 10:30 a.m. worship service with guest speaker Pastor Leland Bendix, who served Zion from 1990-1999. A dinner will follow the worship service.

Blandin poverty discussion Oct. 3

Blandin Foundation along with #Luv1LuvAll (Leaders Partnering to End Poverty) will host a community conversation on poverty on Tuesday, Oct. 3, at Grand Prairie Events. A free light supper will be served from 5:30 to 6 p.m. and discussion is from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Register by calling 449-5777.

Chuckwagon Oct. 3

The 66th Annual Rock County DFL Chuckwagon Feed will be from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 3, at the Pizza Ranch in Luverne (through the regular buffet line).

Fire Department benefit movie 'Cars 3'

Luverne Fire Department members will be out Monday, Oct. 2, selling tickets for their annual benefit movie, "Cars 3," at the Palace Theatre. The movie will be Oct. 18-20 at several different times of day. National Fire Prevention Week is Oct. 8-14.

'Armor of God' Bible study starts Oct. 2

First Baptist Church Luverne will host a seven-week community Bible study, "The Armor of God," by Priscilla Shirer, from 1 to 7 p.m. starting Monday, Oct. 2. Call 283-4091 with questions.

CoffeeBreak and StoryHour kickoff

Luverne Christian Reformed Church will host a kickoff event for the community Bible study, CoffeeBreak and StoryHour at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 3.

The study of Nehemiah will begin Tuesday, Oct. 11, and continue every Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. through April. It's for all faiths — no previous Bible knowledge is needed. StoryHour is available for children ages 2 through kindergarten and nursery if available for babies. Call Kristi at 227-5102.

Facade improvements continue, city lots selling

Sincerely Yours joins list of local businesses sprucing up storefronts

By Lori Sorenson

Felicia Hanson has been working in recent months to improve her salon building on Main Street, and the Luverne Economic Development Authority on Sept. 11 approved funding to help the project along.

The EDA approved Hanson's application for the city's Façade Improvement Program at 123 E. Main Street.

The project will include tuck pointing and caulking stone joints, electrical work for window lights, vinyl window signage, quarter round window trim, insulation, seal and trim on the storefront, paint and a custom-built, curved aluminum awning.

The program will provide a \$4,020 grant, which covers 35 percent of the qualifying work, and she's already invested her own \$4,020 and has foregone the \$4,020 loan.

EDA Director Holly Sammons said Hanson's building is one of the oldest on Main Street.

"So we're excited to partner with her on this," she said.

The project is the 11th approved so far out of 25 submitted design proposals.

"There are lots of good things happening," Sammons said. "The program is well-received among our business owners, and it's probably the biggest impact we can have on our downtown aesthetics."

She mentioned that work on Coffey Building (Cody and Nicole Henrichs) is progressing well, with new windows recently installed.

"Small things like windows make a big difference for cleanliness and transparency," Sammons said.

Another recently approved façade improvement project is underway at the Rock County Eye Clinic, which is expanding into the former dental office and creating a new business front exterior.

The Historic Façade Improvement Program supports restoring downtown buildings as closely as possible to their historic appearance from 1878 to 1948.

The city covers architectural costs for a professional design proposal to ensure projects align with the goal of a historic Main Street.

One-third of qualifying projects is paid by a grant, one-third by a low-interest loan, and one-third is owner equity.



Luverne Economic Development Authority Director Holly Sammons reviewed façade improvement projects at the Sept. 11 meeting. **Pictured above**, she said that work on Coffey Building (Cody and Nicole Henrichs) is progressing well, with new windows recently installed. "Small things like windows make a big difference for cleanliness and transparency," Sammons said. Another façade improvement project is underway at the Rock County Eye Clinic, **pictured below**, which is expanding into the former dental office and creating a new business front exterior.



Two lots sold; two more pending

In the Sept. 11 EDA meeting, Sammons also updated the board on residential lot sales in Luverne.

James and Diana Oueron purchased Lot 2, Block 3 in the Manfred Heights Addition

south of John and Jeanne Bowron. Dave and Lori Tingle purchased Lot 1, Block 2 in the Sybesma Addition north of Rick and Mary Peterson.

"These two are expected to start construction in the next few days," Sammons said.

Manfred Heights lots cost

\$30,000 to \$40,000; Sybesma lots cost \$5,000 and have a cash incentive for buyers with families.

Sammons said two more lot purchases are pending in the Manfred Heights Addition, but those won't break ground until next year.



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Luverne School Board signs hockey agreement, teacher contract

By Mavis Fodness

After months of re-negotiating, Luverne School Board members unanimously signed an agreement with the Luverne Hockey Club effective now through the 2017-18 season.

The agreement retroactively covered last season, leaving the expired contract's terms at the same costs to the district. The district paid the salaries and benefits of the head coaches for the girls' and boys' teams.

Under the new one-year agreement signed at the board's Sept. 14 meeting, the district will also pick up the salary and benefit costs of the assistant coaches. Cost was estimated at \$7,300.

Board members rejected an agreement in June indicating they wanted more than a one-year agreement. A 10-year agreement expired last year.

According to Superintendent Craig Oftedahl, members of the Hockey Club will present program information to the board at a later date, before the next negotiations begin.

Interscholastic hockey began in Luverne High School during the 1999-2000 school year. At that time the Hockey Club agreed to cover all ex-

penses.

Teachers, district agree to two-year contract

School board members unanimously ratified the master agreement with the Luverne Education Association for 2017-18 and 2018-19 school years.

The contract gives a 2.75-percent increase in the salary schedule in each of the next two years with a 2-percent increase for other activities.

The cap on personal leave was increased from three teachers gone per day to four. The district will also contribute an additional 5 percent toward health benefits.

In other business, board members:

- approved the hiring of Joanna Stroeh as a part-time elementary paraprofessional, Jason Berghorst, middle school student council adviser; Seana Graber, assistant school musical adviser; and Colleen Deutsch and Michelle Munk, co-Special Olympics liaisons. Deutsch, also a school board member, refrained from the liaison vote.

- accepted the resignation of Becky Rahm as middle school student council adviser.

Poverty in Luverne/from 1A

middle and wealthy — and how they affect motivation for the future.

She said poor people typically focus on the priorities of here and now, like debt, transportation, clothing, jobs, mental health and other pressing issues.

The middle class are centered on achievement and filled with similar, yet different priorities such as credit card debt, car payments, careers and prevention.

Wealthy people are focused on connections, private clubs and associations, lawyers and accountants and traveling.

She said when people don't communicate across the classes, it perpetuates the class system and makes it difficult to address poverty and its roots.

"I'm passionate about creating sustainable communities where everyone's voice is heard," she said.

She said her goal is to help people of all backgrounds see how the class in which they were raised affects their life and workplace.

"True change can take hold when individuals and communities apply this new understanding," Pfarr said.

Luverne delves into poverty

The Blandin Foundation selected Luverne to be part of Leaders Partnering to End Poverty, covering the cost of the program.

In return, Blandin is seeking Luverne leaders who are committed to attending all seven training sessions and to attend as many community events as their schedule allows.

Thursday's workshops — the daytime and evening sessions — were an introduction to the Leadership Capacity Building Sessions, which will be monthly starting Oct. 26.

A follow-up "community conversation" is set for Tuesday, Oct. 3, at Grand Prairie Events. It's free and open to the public.

A free light supper will be served from 5:30 to 6 p.m. and discussion is from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Register by calling ATLAS at 449-5777.

The goal is to bring a wide variety of people from within our community together to discuss opinions and beliefs about poverty and how it impacts the Luverne community.

Anyone with an interest in addressing poverty is welcome to attend the future training sessions as well.



Lori Sorenson photo/0928 cunningham twins

The Cunningham twins, Sawyer (left) and Knox, celebrated their first birthday Saturday. They're pictured with their parents, Annalisa and Jason Cunningham, Luverne.

'Miracle times two'

One year after rocky start, Cunningham twins are thriving

By Lori Sorenson

Jason and Annalisa Cunningham, Luverne, are praying for a good night's sleep.

Since their identical twins, Sawyer and Knox, were born a year ago, they haven't slept more than 1 1/2 hours at a time.

But a year ago at this time, they were praying for their babies to live, so sleep is easy for them to sacrifice.

During pregnancy the babies developed twin-to-twin transfusion syndrome (TTTS), a disease of the placenta that affects identical twin pregnancies.

It's a rare condition that affects identical twins who share a common placenta. ... One takes on excess fluid and the other ends up with no amniotic fluid. Left untreated, it can be lethal for both babies.

A complicated, delicate, high-risk surgery in Denver, Colorado, in June was successful, but it was up to Annalisa to get them to full term.

She carefully monitored her diet and limited her mobility — to the point of using a wheelchair.

Every day mattered as they inched closer to the magical 28-week mark when it would be safe to deliver. "Getting from 20 weeks to 28 weeks was really nerve-wracking," she told the Star Herald last year.

As they reached — and surpassed — that date, prayers began in earnest for a safe delivery at 34 weeks.

The babies were delivered by C-section on Sept. 23 in Sioux Falls. Knox weighed 4 pounds, 14 ounces, and Sawyer weighed 5 pounds, 2 ounces.

Jason is the pastor at First Presbyterian Church in Luverne, so an army of prayer warriors were on their side.

The twins came home to Luverne late in October to their siblings Carrissa, 16, Graham, 15, Pierce, 13 and Colberg, 7.

Once home, the premie boys quickly caught up with their peers on the growth chart and they haven't had an emergency since they came home.

The identical twins are so identical that Sawyer wears a bracelet on his right wrist. "And we dress them in different clothes," Jason said.

Sawyer is also the one who recently mastered crawling. Knox is up on all fours, determined to catch up with his brother.

It's good to see them thriving, considering their rocky start.

Because their lungs were underdeveloped at birth, exposure to common infant respiratory ailments may have been lethal.

"We hibernated that winter," Annalisa said. "And we made the kids wash their hands when they came home from school."

Their oldest child, Carrissa, turned 16 in December and is now able to help with grocery trips and other errands. "That has made a big difference," Annalisa said.

Jason pointed out how much space twins require when they travel.

"By the time we load their car seats and double stroller in the van, we can't fit in one vehicle," he said, pointing out there's no such thing as a "quick errand" with twins.

"Life is not twin-friendly."

Twins under any circumstance create logistical obstacles, but the Cunninghams say they are grateful to face these "normal" challenges with healthy babies.

"They've done really well," Annalisa said.

The boys and their parents recently celebrated the one-year birthday with the Sanford Sioux Falls high-risk OB doctors and nurses who helped them in the early days and weeks.

Annalisa baked cake, fudge and treats for the staff members who wanted have their pictures taken with the twins.

"It is very unusual for both twins to do so well after twin-to-twin transfusion syndrome and that laser surgery procedure, so an outcome such as ours brings happiness to doctors and nurses," Jason said.

"From July to September of 2016 we had probably about 25 to 30 appointments in Sioux Falls. So we got to know nurses and ultrasound techs very well."

The Cunninghams today are grateful for answered prayers for their babies' health, but they're still praying for sleep.

"Sawyer slept 5 hours last night, so there's hope," Jason said last week, adding that it will only matter when both babies do that at the same time.

The full story about the Cunningham twins and their miracle birth first appeared in the Nov. 3, 2016, Star Herald.

It can be found in the archives online at www.star-herald.com.



Mavis Fodness photo/0928 Hurricane Fundraiser

Donning wigs to lip sync to the Spice Girls' song "Wannabee," Athletic Director Todd Oye (left), Superintendent Craig Oftedahl (center) and Principal Ryan Johnson (right) sing a female pop song which they promised to do if students raised at least \$4,000 for hurricane relief. Luverne's middle and high school students raised \$4,049.

Hurricane relief/1A

health needs of families in Texas and Florida displaced by hurricanes Harvey and Irma in late August and early September.

The school fundraiser from Sept. 13-21 included a competition between the middle school and high school as to who could raise the most money.

When students reached certain milestones, three administrators were prompted into action.

They fulfilled their promises during a student assembly Friday.

Athletic Director Todd Oye pledged to have his legs waxed if students raised \$1,000. Middle/High School Principal Ryan Johnson would have his head shaved if \$2,500 was reached.

At the goal of \$4,000 Superintendent Craig Oftedahl joined Oye and Johnson in donning wigs and singing the Spice Girls' song, "Wannabee."

With all three goals met, the administrators fulfilled their pledges Friday during a student assembly.

Americares.org began in 1975 and focuses on providing medicine and medical aid to people affected by poverty or disaster, according to its website.

Actors needed for minor roles in GEP production

Actors are still needed for minor roles to complete the cast for the Green Earth Players production of "Miracle on 34th Street." For more information, contact Bruce Kurtz at 712-229-7616.

Rehearsals are Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings at the GEP building, 401 E. Edgehill St., Luverne. The production dates are Nov. 10-12 and Nov. 16-19 at the Palace Theatre, Luverne.

Library offers Fall Story Hour and Laptime 2017

Fall Story Hour at the Rock County Library in Luverne is from 10 to 11 a.m. Thursdays through Nov. 16 for pre-school children ages 4-5. There is **no story hour Oct. 5**. Call 449-5040 to register.

Laptime, for ages birth-3 with an adult, is from 10:30 to 11 a.m. Fridays through Nov. 17. There is **no laptime on Oct. 6**. No registration required.

Both Storyhour and Laptime are filled with stories, songs, crafts and fun. Call 449-5040.

Rock County 4-H invites you to our 4-H WEEK OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, October 5
6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

at the Rock County Extension Office Meeting Room
(2 Roundwind Road, Luverne, MN)

The Rock County 4-H Ambassadors will be present to share their 4-H projects, lead a leadership activity, an engineering challenge, and do a robotics demonstration. The night will include refreshments and 4-H staff will be present to answer questions about registering for 4-H.



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Nora Jean
(daughter of Jed & Deann Mathiesen)
Grace Lutheran Church
Sunday, October 8 * 1-3 pm
registered at Target

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MOUND TOWNSHIP
All landowners or renters, please have all township road shoulders mowed by October 15, 2017.
If not done the township may hire it done and it will be charged to the taxes.
Mound Township

How many ways can we eat an apple? Ask Siri — or Betty

Siri is slowly doing away with recipe books, how-to manuals and other tried and true handy references.



ON SECOND THOUGHT

By Lori Sorenson, editor

Our old backyard apple tree has been busy bearing fruit, and we've been busy harvesting.

Since our McIntosh apples are somewhat "vintage" I consulted my 1950s-era community cookbooks for old-fashioned recipes.

Apple dumplings, apple-sauce, baked whole apples, apple cobbler and others were printed in typewriter font on the yellowed spiral-bound pages.

They were submitted by Lutheran churchwomen with names like Bertha, Opal and Henrietta who used ingredients like lard and oleo.

I imagined these rosy-cheeked, apron-clad farm ladies in their unair-conditioned, sweet-smelling kitchens rolling out dough and monitoring their wood-burning stoves.

These apple recipes had to be good.

But in the absence of lard and the patience for piecrusts, I eventually turned to my modern recipe source, Siri.

"Hey, Siri," I summoned the iPhone on the kitchen counter. "I need a recipe for apple dessert."

"OK," she replied. "I found this on the web for 'recipe for apple dessert.'"

And there, sure enough, was a long list of websites linking to apple recipes.

Siri is the modern housewife's best friend.

Come to think of it, she's popular with all wives, husbands and professionals of both genders for answers to questions about all topics in and outside of the kitchen.

For example, this summer Siri helped out when Chance encountered a skunk.

Poor thing.

His tail had been wagging rapidly, ears perked forward as he poked his nose into the end

rows of a soybean field. Suddenly the tail drooped, the ears flattened and the snout began pushing along the ground through the grass.

The smell hadn't yet drifted my way, but all this could only mean one thing.

"What's the best way to treat skunk spray on a dog?" I asked Siri.

She suggested a list of reputable products that could be found in most hardware or discount aisles. But it was 6 p.m. on Sunday.

"Hey, Siri. What's a good home remedy for skunk spray?"

The first link took me to a basic mix of vinegar, baking soda and a squirt of Dawn dish soap. It worked.

But sometimes Siri offers too many options, and she's too objective to suggest a best choice.

So my apple dessert recipe search dragged on and on.

Apple coffee cake? Apple upside-down cake? Apple cinnamon strudel? Cream cheese-frosted apple bars?

Which one? What to do? I scrolled through the choices while the peeled and pared apples began browning on the edges.

Then I spotted the red Betty Crocker beginner cookbook that I received as a young bride decades ago.

It was a fraction of the size of my mother's three-ring-bound Betty Crocker cookbook, but it had all the basics. A "Best of Betty," if you will.

And there on page 122 was "Classic Apple Crisp" with only a handful of ingredients — all of which were in my pantry.

The moral of the story?

I'm not sure there is one, except that in cooking and in life, sometimes less is more.

School improvement plan is wise investment in students

GUEST OPINION

By Katie Baustian, Luverne School Board member

With the new school year off to a successful start, now is a good time to talk about the school board's long-range plan to meet the facility needs of students, teachers and the community.

Luverne School District residents will decide whether to move forward with the school district's building improvement plan on Nov. 7.

It is important that district residents are familiar with what is included in the plan and how the plan was developed.

With input from local residents, and building assessment from independent experts, the school board went about developing this plan cautiously. We focused on only what was needed and finding the most efficient way to make the necessary improvements.

Just like you need to paint your house and repair your roof and sometimes add on to meet your family's needs, periodically schools need to be invested in to remain viable today and into the future. It's time again for our community to invest in its schools.

Two decades ago, we built a new elementary school. Now that the bonds for the elementary school are about to be paid off, we are focusing on investments that need to be made in our 61-year-old middle/high school.

Fortunately, the school building doesn't need to be replaced. We just need to make some renovations and repairs.

The School Board plan focuses on health and safety, technology access, constructing a new middle/high school cafeteria and renovation and expansions to make middle school classrooms large enough to meet today's education needs.

It also adds three classrooms to the elementary school and renovates space to make room for special education and community education classes to meet demand.

We also ask district residents in a second ballot question if we should build a new 700- to 800-seat performing arts center to be used by elementary and middle school/high school students for presentations, musical and theater performances.

This center would really become a hub for the entire community, available for presentations, performances and other purposes.

Because we are just finishing up with paying off the elementary school bonds from 20 years ago, the tax impact if voters approve both ballot measures is pretty low.

For agricultural homestead property valued at \$10,000 an acre, because of the new state tax credit, the monthly increase is 14 cents per acre above what is currently being paid.

For owners of a home valued at \$100,000, it will only cost \$5.58 more per month than what is being paid now for school property taxes.

I am passionate about our students and our community that we all call home, and I and other board members believe that this plan is a good investment for district taxpayers.

Strong schools make for a stronger community and investing

in these improvements makes good sense for our entire community.

District residents will determine the outcome, and I hope you agree that this is a good investment for current students and for generations to come.

The other school board members and I encourage community engagement and discussion of this plan.

We also encourage all district residents to visit the school district website at www.isd2184.net to find out more about our school building needs and how the school board plan addresses them.

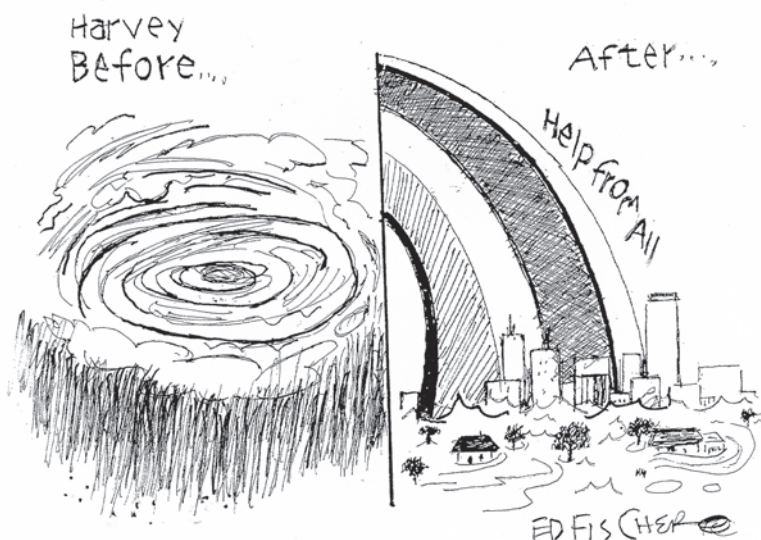
Early voting began on Sept. 22. Contact the Rock County Auditor at 507-283-5060 for more information.

The school vote takes place during the General Election Nov. 7 at the Luverne High School gymnasium. Polls are open that day from 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Every school district needs to invest in buildings to maintain their value and their ability to provide what students, teachers and the community need.

Please take time to find out about the school district's plan and the very real needs it addresses. I believe you will agree that this plan is a wise investment in our students, our schools and our community.

Katie Baustian is the current chairperson of the Luverne Public Schools Board of Education.



It's not too late for PF banquet tickets

If you haven't bought your ticket to The Rock County Pheasants Forever banquet, time is running out. The 33rd annual banquet is next Thursday night, Oct. 5, at Grand Prairie Events. Note the new location.



FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH

By Rick Peterson, General Manager
Tollefson Publishing

For years the annual banquet flip-flopped back and forth between Sharkee's and the Blue Mound Banquet Center. Both Dave Halverson and Glen Gust were longtime supporters of Pheasants Forever and their support was greatly appreciated and will no doubt be missed.

So this year, along with the new location, the beautiful Grand Prairie Events, Chef Skyler Hoiland from Bluestem Catering will be preparing the meal.

It would be really helpful if you would buy your tickets by Oct. 1 so we have a good handle on how many plan to attend this year's event. Those purchasing their tickets before Oct. 1 will have a chance to win a \$100 punch card to be used at the banquet.

Tickets can be purchased from one of the Pheasants Forever board members: Darin Kindt, Jeff Wieneke, Dan Kindt, Steve Heitkamp, Dave

Deragisch, Jeff Stewart, Matt Sorenson and me. We have tickets here at the Star Herald office as well.

Ticket prices are \$60 for a Pheasants Forever Membership and the banquet ticket. A dinner ticket for your spouse is \$25, and a Ringneck (under 16) is \$15. A Sponsor Membership is \$300, and The Golden Pheasant Banquet Sponsor is \$750.

At last count, 24 guns will be given away on raffles or games. Once again, Stretch Mulder and his crew will be handling the live auction, and Randy Schneekloth will be the master of ceremonies and keep things moving along.

Crowing time starts at 5:30 and the meal will be ready at 7 p.m.

So get your tickets for a great cause and have a great time.

Thanks for beautiful and clean city

To the Editor:

We want to let everyone know how proud we are of our beautiful and clean city.

Hats off to the city of Luverne, Chamber of Commerce, business owners and to all others who do their part to make this possible. We hear many compliments from visitors to our city.

Yes, we "Love Luverne" and are proud and blessed to be residents here.

Connie Wieneke
The Pool and Coffee Pals
Luverne

VOICE OF OUR READERS

P.S. We all appreciate our clean swimming pool.

Steensma: Enjoy green space before it's gone

To the Editor:

There are a lot of things I like about living in Luverne. It is a clean and well kept up city. They have made investments to improve storefronts and upgrade the corner of Highway 75 and Main Street.

I live in the Tri-State addition where it is a nice quiet part of town, where we see turkeys and deer often roaming about the trees and green grassy space on Roundwind Road. I enjoy watching people use

the space for playing ball, walking and taking wedding pictures.

I encourage you to come and enjoy the space as I have before the city begins its development; it may be your last chance. The city is not going to invest in this space to improve it as they have other parts of Luverne.

Ben Steensma
Luverne

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ON THE RECORD

Dispatch report

Sept. 15
 •Complainant at S. Kniss business reported a bar fight between subjects. Property being destroyed in the process.
 •Complainant in Hills reported the city purchased the property on S. Church Avenue. Tomorrow the DOC crew is supposed to be there at 8:30 or 9 a.m. to start cleaning up and taking down trees. Would like a deputy in the area in case there is a problem.
 •Complainant reported mailbox on 190th Avenue vandalized or otherwise damaged.
 •Complainant called law enforcement center and requested to speak with deputy regarding purchase of a dog from subject.
Sept. 16
 •Information per deputy. Complainant holding six guns at his home at the request of an unknown female party. Complainant stated female is now stating she is going to report the firearms stolen, and that he would like it on the record that he was asked to hold them for her.
 •Minnwest Bank reported fraud.
 •Complainant reported white truck with flatbed trailer, no plate, driving erratically southbound on Highway 75.
 •Complainant reported her vehicle is broke down on U.S. Highway 75, mile marker 14. Transferred complaint to State Patrol.
Sept. 17
 •Complainant reported what she believes is stolen property at location.
 •Complainant reported theft at residence.
 •Complainant reported two

kids riding bike in the road and not moving for traffic.
 •Complainant reported someone in a clown costume walking down Highway 75 near the American Reformed Church.
 •Complainant conducted curfew check. Subject was not at location. Whereabouts are unknown.
 •Complainant in rural Steen reported people speeding past residence and driving in his driveway. No description of the vehicle available.
 •Complainant reported that he and a friend are lost and don't know how they will get home. Complainant was at a bonfire party at a house nearby and tried to walk to Luverne. He has now lost his way.
Sept. 17
 •Complainant reported fire alarm at Tuff Village.
 •Complainant reported port-a-potty overturned at location.
 •Complainant came to law enforcement center and requested to speak with deputy regarding his curfew. Deputy spoke with complainant.
 •Information only: 1997 Freightliner FL60 unknown plate at location. Complainant arranging tow.
 •Complainant reported vehicle was hit while parked at location. Unsure of time and date of accident.
Sept. 18
 •Complainant assisted vehicle.
 •Received report of child maltreatment from SWHHS.
 •SWHHS sent child maltreatment report.
 •Complainant reported man at location in vehicle loading and pointing guns at things.
 •ICR created per deputy request.
 •Complainant reported theft at

apartment on W. Hatting.
 •Complainant requested deputies perform welfare check on subject.
 •Complainant came to law enforcement center and requested to speak with deputy regarding a boat he purchased.
 •Complainant reported subject ran away from group home.
 •Complainant reported subject at location to collect personal property and requested deputy to monitor exchange.
 •Fire department raining.
 •Complainant reported vehicle at location with flashers on.
Sept. 19
 •Complainant reported activated fire alarm at location.
 •Complainant reported a construction barrel in the roadway.
 •Complainant requested a welfare check on subject, as she may be unable to care for herself.
 •Complainant reported severe thunderstorm warning for Rock County. Storm includes 70 mph wind and hail. All fire departments and ambulance notified.
Sept. 20
 •Deputy reported stalled vehicle at location.
 •ICR created per deputy.
 •Complainant reported run-away at Hills High School.
 •Complainant on Oak Drive reported neighbor harassing her children and her.
 •Complainant reported a man in a red Ford Taurus on South Kniss is harassing people at location.
 •Complainant requested to speak to a deputy about a parking issue.
 •Complainant requested a welfare check on subject at location.
 •Complainant requested Salvation Army voucher for hotel

room.
 •Complainant reported subject made threats to law enforcement.
 •Complainant reported vagrant with possible mental health issues is harassing people at Dollar General. Last known direction was north on Kniss Avenue.
Sept. 21
 •Complainant reported possible theft suspect at Dollar General.
 •Complainant reported some stuff is missing off her lawn. May be a landlord issue.
 •Complainant reported he just repossessed a vehicle.
 •Complainant reported her mother is threatening suicide.
 •Complainant reported a man would like a voucher for a night at the motel. Deputies out on previous call. Unable to locate.
 •Complainant requested room for the night.
 •Complainant reported suspect shoplifted a birth control product at Lewis Drug around 5:15 p.m.
 •Complainant in Hills reported a terroristic threat.
 •Complainant reported problems with her daughter. Contacted on-call Family Services.
 •Complainant reported harassing communications.
 •Complainant reported subjects' verbal altercation in street at location.
 In addition, officers responded to 4 motor vehicle accidents, 1 deer accident, 3 transports, 1 funeral escort, 31 traffic stops, 22 ambulance runs, 13 paper services, 7 animal complaints, 2 false alarms, 1 fingerprint request, 7 log/alarm sheets, 4 drug court tests, 2 money escorts, and issued 1 purchase/carry permit and 1 burn permit.

Sheriff, H-BC respond to student threat


By Lori Sorenson
 The Hills-Beaver Creek School District was on alert Friday after learning that a secondary student on social media Thursday night made a threat to "shoot up the school."
 Superintendent Todd Holthaus sent a message to district parents Friday morning informing them of the threat.
 "This threat has been taken with all seriousness," he wrote in the message to parents. "As a school, our students' safety is our No. 1 priority."
 He said classroom teachers spoke to students and, if needed, reassured students and answered their questions.
 The Rock County Sheriff's office was notified and enacted safety measures for the day's events. For example, Sheriff Evan Verbrugge and a deputy were in Hills at the school when classes started in the morning.
 Also, he said two deputies located the student who made the threat and visited with the child and the parents Thursday night.
 According to Verbrugge, there haven't been law enforcement issues with the student in the past, and the school is following its policy on responding to threats. In this case the student has been suspended for a number of days.
 In the district school buildings, extra precautions were taken to lock all exterior doors except the main entrances, which were monitored.
 It was homecoming week in H-BC Schools, and Holthaus said staff and students were aware of the threat but carried on with the school day as usual.
 He also clarified that the district was never under lockdown. "We will continue with Homecoming activities as scheduled," Holthaus said Friday.

St. Mary's Fall Dinner
Sunday, October 1 | 4-7 p.m.
 St. Mary's Church, Ellsworth, MN
 Roast beef, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Coleslaw, Corn, Relishes, Dinner Rolls, Pies, Dessert, Coffee & Milk

- Country Store
- Shopping Cart Raffle
- Basket Raffle
- 'Big Ticket' items!

Dinner takeout call Larry & Cathy Lewis 967-2397
 967-2273 (Call before Sunday at noon)

JACKSON VANMAANEN
TIP NIGHT at Luverne Pizza Ranch
Bake Sale and Silent Auction
October 2, 2017 | 5-8 pm



Please come out and support Jackson and his family!
 Bake Sale, Silent Auction, and Tip Jar with all proceeds going directly to Jackson and his family
 Thank you!
 Donations can be sent to Exchange State Bank in Hills, Luverne and Ellsworth
 Payable to Jackson VanMaanen Benefit

Dining & Entertainment

Luverne Special Olympics
BENEFIT & AUCTION
October 6 - 5-9pm GRAND PRAIRIE EVENT CENTER
 Live Auction starts 7pm
 Silent Auction ends 8:30pm
 105 S Estey St, Luverne

serving pulled pork & shredded chicken sandwiches
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 Back to Hills

SILENT AUCTION 5 - 7 p.m.

STREET DANCE 8:30 p.m. - 1 a.m.
 LEGACY ENTERTAINMENT - DJ. RON



66TH ANNUAL ROCK COUNTY DFL
Chuckwagon Feed



Tuesday, October 3
 Serving from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

★ Through the regular buffet ★

Luverne Pizza Ranch
 (Paid for by Rock County DFL Committee, Carole Ryden, Treasurer, Luverne)

Learn to Skate
Figure Skating Lessons
Hockey Skating Skills


ONLINE REGISTRATION
Begins September 1st

Come to our Registration Open House for assistance with online registration, skate and check out our equipment swap on
October 9th from 5:30-7:30pm at the Blue Mound Ice Arena in Luverne

Offering basic learn to skate classes as well as learn to skate hockey and figure skating classes. Classes are 30 minutes long with class times beginning at 5pm, 5:30pm and 6pm for Learn to Skate and Learn to Skate Hockey. More advanced figure skating lessons and skating team practices are from 6:30pm-9:30pm. Classes run for 10 weeks!!!

Classes Begin
Monday, October 16th
www.bluemoundfigureskating.com

For more info. call: Cathy 712-540-9021 Katie 507-227-1999



Zion Lutheran Church
 Hardwick, MN
125th Anniversary Celebration
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

10:30 am Worship Service
Rev. Leland Bendix, Guest Preacher
 (Served Zion from 1990-1999)
 Whole hog roast meal to follow the worship service

LUVERNE FIRE DEPARTMENT
 will be out selling tickets for their annual benefit drive.
MONDAY, OCTOBER 2

ANNUAL BENEFIT

SHOWTIMES
Wednesday, Oct. 18
 7 pm
Thursday, Oct. 19
 4 pm & 7 pm
Friday, Oct. 20
 4 pm, 7 pm & 9 pm

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CARS 3



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 Adults \$7.00 10 & Under \$3.00
American Legion
 Luverne
 124 W Main

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4-H'ers compete at state Shooting Sports and Wildlife event

By Mavis Fodness

Fourteen Rock County 4-H'ers participated in the Minnesota 4-H State Shooting Sports and Wildlife Invitational conducted earlier this month in Fairmont.

Participants, competition categories and placings included Michaela Abels, intermediate class B archery, 13th; Carter Abels,

junior skillathon, 73rd, and junior class A archery, 71st; Jacob Henning, junior BB gun, 24th; Austin Henning, intermediate .22 rifle field grade, 8th; Christian Kruse, intermediate .22 rifle field grade, 14th; Jacob Madison, junior BB gun, 52nd; Justin Mente, intermediate .22 rifle field grade, 17th; Den- nie Sandbulte, junior BB

gun, 6th; Hunter Sandbulte, intermediate .22 rifle field grade, 24th; Grace Sandbulte, intermediate .22 target, 29th; Austin Sandbulte, third-grade BB, participant; Layne Saker, junior BB gun, 47th; Sawyer Saker, junior BB gun, 66th; and Mia Wenzel, intermediate archery class B, 14th.

The 4-H shooting sports

project involved nearly 800 young people in the following areas: archery, muzzle loader, shotgun, air rifle, .22 rifle, air pistol, silhouette fund shoot and skill-a-thon.

Coordinating the local program is Angie Sandbulte with Derek Sandbulte as the BB and .22 rifle coach and Jason

Braucht as the archery coach.

The event took place Sept. 8-10 at the Martin County Fairgrounds.

For more information about shooting sports and/or wildlife projects, contact Chelsea Asche, Rock County 4-H program coordinator at 507-283-1302 or joh13978@umn.edu.

CELEBRATIONS

Baby Shower

A come-and-go baby shower for **Nora Jean**, daughter of **Jed and Deann Matthiesen**, will be from 1-3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 8, at Grace Lutheran Church in Luverne.

SENIOR MENU

Monday, Oct. 2:

Creamy vegetable soup, turkey sandwich, fruit cup, crackers, cookie.

Tuesday, Oct. 3:

Cubed roast beef in gravy, mashed potatoes, peas, dinner roll, pudding.

Two-buck Tuesday sponsored by Dingmann Funeral Home.

Wednesday, Oct. 4:

Liver or pepper steak, buttered boiled potatoes, carrots, bread, fruit crisp.

Thursday, Oct. 5:

Chicken and rice casserole, tropical fruit, lettuce with dressing, bread, bar.

Friday, Oct. 6:

Meatballs and gravy, mashed potatoes, country blend vegetables, bread, ice cream.

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

Gift certificates are available at the meal site or online at www.lssmn.org/nutrition.

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

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Loosbrock named hospital CEO to know

Tammy Loosbrock, Sanford Luverne Medical Center senior director, was named to the Becker Hospital Review's 60 Critical Access Hospital CEOs to Know in 2017.

This recognition is another in a growing list of Sanford Luverne achievements.

In April Healthgrades presented Sanford Luverne with its 2017 Outstanding Patient Experience Award.

In May the organization was evaluated by iVantage Health Analytics Strength Index and named one of 20 top critical access hospitals in the nation for best quality practice.

In June the awards and rankings from iVantage Health Analytics, Healthgrades, the National Rural Health Association, Women's Choice Award, Leapfrog Group and Medicare earned Sanford Luverne a spot on the 62 critical access hospitals list.

"The recognition given to Sanford Luverne this year, including the CEOs to Know achievement, are all earned by our dedicated staff," said Loosbrock. "Without their commitment to our patients and to providing quality services, none of these accolades would be possible."



Lori Sorenson photos/0928 little lambs playground

Little Lambs Preschool has new playground

Dan Hamann (left), Gene McClain and Bruce Predmore assemble the new playground equipment at St. John Lutheran Church on North Cedar Street Friday. The playground for the church's Little Lambs Preschool is being assembled on ground north of the church, and the current preschool playground space will be utilized for something else. The new playground was purchased with gifts and endowment funds.

1931 Rock River bridge dedication included 90-minute speech by Sen. Schall

The following appeared in the Rock County Herald on October 16, 1931, and is the second in a series about Luverne's Rock River bridge.

Senator Schall, after a brief statement concerning good roads, gave a political speech lasting an hour and a half. The following is the first part of his speech:

Southwestern Minnesota's most prominent trunk highway improvement—the re-routing of No. 9 east of Luverne—insofar as grading and bridge installations are concerned, is now completed except for minor details. To fully realize the proportions that this project embraced one must travel over the four and one-half mile stretch that carries the highway along the north side of the railway from East Main street to a junction with the old route of trunk



Bits by Betty

By Betty Mann, president
Rock County Historical Society

highway No. 9, in the center of Magnolia township.

The greatest amount of grading will be found over the mile and a half stretch through the Rock river valley where a grade, forty feet wide and at points 10 feet high, offers an adequate avenue of travel for all the traffic requirements that many years to come will impose. The bridge spanning Rock river, built on a level to conform with the East Main street grades, is generally conceded to be one of the finest structures of its kind built

by the Minnesota highway department anywhere within the state, and within an area not over half a mile east are two smaller bridges that might be used as model structures on any average trunk highway. The Rock river bridge is 200 feet in length and consists of five 40-ft. spans, while the auxiliary bridges to the east which are designed to handle any excess water that may flow down the Rock river are 60-ft. steel girder spans.

Building of this new highway in reality lengthens Main

street, as it is usually referred to, approximately 600 feet, for one coming from the east gets a splendid view of the city's principal business street fully two blocks quicker than was possible under the previous low grade of the curving highway. Recognition by the state highway department that nothing is more dangerous to motor travel than a grade railway crossing caused the engineers to extend the grade through Rock river valley at a level that it eliminates the incline at the Rock Island crossing.

In connection with the building of the new trunk highway the attractiveness and convenience of Luverne's public park has been greatly enhanced through the plans of the highway engineers with but little, if any, cost to the municipality. The addition of a lagoon, more

than three acres in extent, on the north side of the highway north of the park, and the graceful curve cut by Rock river, have likewise added much to the attractiveness of the park area.

The formation of this lagoon was rendered practical by the large amount of filling required in getting the necessary highway grade and when adequate dam facilities have been provided, it is quite certain that the lagoon will contain an adequate supply of water.

The nine-foot grade north of the park serves as an enclosure and when entirely finished will be quite attractive. The old winding highway now serves as a driveway for the recreation grounds with the sole connection to the new highway at the extreme east end of the park, just west of the old spillway. There a gently sloping, wide grade has been built from which traffic may leave the trunk highway of

motorists coming from what used to be known as the river road, may connect with the new highway on their way to Luverne. Incidentally, the park entrance at the east end has been regraded to conform in line and width with the wide approach to the trunk highway. A slight re-routing of the driveway through the extreme east portion of the park is to service this purpose and also that of eliminating a pronounced depression created by the required grading.

Next week: The rest of Schall's speech.

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

Mann welcomes correspondence sent to mannmade@iw.net.



Photo by Joyce McCarthy

Kemper, Rogers crowned AHS Homecoming queen and king

Alexia Kemper (left) and Landon Rogers were crowned Adrian High School's Homecoming queen and king during coronation ceremonies Monday night. The Homecoming game against New Ulm Cathedral begins at 7 p.m., Friday.

REMEMBER WHEN

10 years ago (2007)

•Most businesses have responded positively to the smoking ban that takes effect across Minnesota Monday.

Public Health Educator Paula Anderson said, "We believe the majority of people are going to embrace the new law, because it's what Minnesotans wanted, it's what local folks wanted." Some examples of local businesses willing to change are Papik Motors declaring its entire grounds smoke free and Luverne Lanes already starting its league season smoke free.

The Freedom to Breathe Act essentially means no workplace that is open to more than one person can allow smoking.

25 years ago (1992)

•In an era of growing environmental restrictions and regulations, Rock County has taken a step to ease the pain.

The Board of Commissioners Tuesday agreed to a contract to ship the county's garbage to a regional landfill in Lyon County beginning July 1, 1993. The contract runs for five years or until the first two cells of Lyon County's landfill are full.

50 years ago (1967)

•The Lyon county attorney at Rock Rapids has filed a petition for preliminary hearing in Lyon County District Court to determine ownership of three head of cattle found on a farm near Inwood.

The animals were tentatively identified by Henry Spykerboer, Kanaranzi township farmer, from whom 42 head of feeder cattle were stolen from his feedlot five miles south of Luverne off U.S. 75 on September 11.

The Rock county sheriff's office, the Lyon County sheriff's office and state crime officials from both Minnesota and Iowa have been working on the case since the loss was reported two

weeks ago.

75 years ago (1942)

•A county airplane spotting service, part of a statewide network, is being organized in Rock county at the present time by Hugo Moeller, Luverne, county director of the airplane spotting service, and Lt. S. E. Greene, inspector-instructor of the airplane spotting section of the Minnesota State Guard.

An observation post in each village and in each of the county's 12 townships will be designated, and a chief observer and alternate have been chosen for each township. They will in turn organize a group of spotters who will work with them in reporting all planes seen or heard when and if this area is placed on the alert of military authority.

100 years ago (1917)

•Relief of the coal shortage, the farm labor shortage and the probable car shortage for potato shipments were matters that received serious consideration at a meeting of the Rock County Public Safety committee held Wednesday afternoon in this city.

Reports from various villages in the county showed that there is grave danger of a big shortage of coal unless something is done to relieve the situation. Some reports showed that less coal has been received up to the present date than ordinarily is received by July 1st. Arrangements were made by the committee for a detailed report of the coal situation in each locality, which report is to include the ordinary or expected source of supply, the amount needed to put coal supply on a normal basis and the probable total amount required for the winter. This report will be submitted to the newly appointed coal administrator for Minnesota and he will be urged to take the steps necessary to supply the shortage.

Homecoming candidates named for Luverne

The Luverne High School student body selected eight seniors as their 2017 Homecoming candidates. Vying for king and queen crowns are (front row, from left) Rachel Oftedahl, Sierra Schmuck, Gracie Bosch, Anika Gust, (back) Derek Fodness, Jaxon Nelson, Tyler Reisdorfer and Mark Robinson.

Coronation takes place at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 3, in the Luverne Elementary School gymnasium. Luverne will take on Blue Earth Area at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 6, in the Homecoming football game.

Mavis Fodness photo/0927 LHS Candidates 2017



COMMUNITY EDUCATION

Community Ed contact info: C.Arends@isd2184.net or 507-283-4724.

Join Community Education for **Renaissance Festival Bus Trip** Sept. 30. Fee is \$86.

Students age Kindergarten and older will get to experience a cross country race firsthand plus meet the LHS cross country team at **Runnin' for Fun** Sept. 29. Fee is \$5.

Mommy and Me Yoga is designed for parents to practice yoga with their children ages birth to 3 years. Class will be Tuesday mornings beginning Oct. 3. Fee is \$36.

Visit the **Pumpkin Patch** on either Tuesday, Oct. 3, or Thursday, Oct. 5, with other children ages 0-5 and their families. Fee is \$4/person which includes 1 pumpkin.

Windbreak design and maintenance on an acreage or farm will be highlighted at the **Plant Trees NOW for Tomorrow** class Oct. 16. All participants who want to learn more about picking the right tree and caring for trees are welcome. Rock County Soil and Water Conservation will take tree orders at class for delivery next Spring.

OBITUARIES

Janyce Baustian

Janyce Adelia Baustian, 74, Hardwick, died Tuesday, Sept. 19, 2017, at the Sanford USD Medical Center in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

A funeral service was Saturday, Sept. 23, at Zion Lutheran Church in Hardwick. Burial was at Memory Gardens Cemetery near Luverne.

Janyce Braa was born on March 13, 1943, to Arthur and Esther (Peterson) Braa in Luverne. She was baptized on April 8, 1943, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Edgerton and confirmed on June 9, 1957, at Zion Lutheran Church in Hardwick. She was raised on a farm north of Hardwick and graduated from Luverne High School in 1961. She went to school to become an LPN.

On Jan. 27, 1963, she married Howard Baustian at Zion Lutheran Church in Hardwick. The couple lived in Rapid City, South Dakota, for several years, then Garretson, South Dakota, and returned to Hardwick in 1970. Along with raising their two sons, Jan worked various part-time jobs. She continued to further her education and in 1992 received her associate's degree in nursing. She became an RN at the State Penitentiary in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. After a number of years she made the move to work as an RN at The Oaks and Poplar Creek retirement community in Luverne. She

recently retired but remained active playing cards, caring for her neighbors, drinking coffee, watching birds and tending to her yard.

Jan was a member of Zion Lutheran Church in Hardwick. She served on the Hardwick City Council and was twice appointed mayor of the town. She was a member of the Hardwick Mothers Club and Legion Auxiliary. She belonged to several card clubs and enjoyed shopping and socializing. She loved her family and attending her grandson's basketball games.

Jan is survived by her children, Anthony (Weldine Johnson) Baustian, Rapid City, South Dakota, and Donald Baustian, Luverne; five grandchildren, Lyndon, Nehemiah, Makjah and Uriah Baustian and Collin Johnson; siblings Emery Braa, Virginia Beach, Virginia, Arthur (Elaine) Braa, Rapid City, and Lewy (Laura) Braa, Sioux Falls; and her sisters-in-law, Carol Braa, Garretson, and Marian Braa, Luverne.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her granddaughter, Lindsay Baustian; her parents; brothers Donald, Kermit and Charles Braa; and a sister, Reva Braa.

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

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Toby Anderson

Toby Anderson, 87, Luverne, died Wednesday, Sept. 20, 2017, at the Sanford Luverne Hospice Cottage in Luverne.

A Mass of Christian Burial was Saturday, Sept. 23, at St. Catherine Catholic Church in Luverne. Burial with full military honors followed at St. Catherine Cemetery in Luverne.

Toby Anderson was born Sept. 13, 1930, to Tobias and Alvina (Smith) Anderson in Luverne. He was raised on a farm south of town and graduated from Luverne High School in 1948. Following his education, Toby worked at Gamble's Store. He entered the United States Army in January of 1951 and served in the Korean War, attaining the rank of sergeant. Upon his honorable discharge, Toby returned to Luverne and worked at Nelson's Hardware.

On July 20, 1961, Toby married Margaret Bofenkamp at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Ellsworth. The couple made their home in Luverne. In 1968 Toby began working for the city of Luverne in the public works department. He retired from the city in 1992.

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Odin Olson

Odin Elmer "Odie" Olson, 93, Minnetonka, died Thursday, Sept. 21, 2017, of natural causes.

A celebration of life was Tuesday, Sept. 26, at the Gethsemane Lutheran Church in Hopkins.

Odin Olson was born on March 6, 1924, to Olaf and Petra (Larson) Olson in Luverne. He graduated from Luverne High School in 1942 and from the University of Minnesota in 1945 with a degree in electrical engineering. He started a career in municipal engineering and worked most of his life with Pfeifer and Schultz/Henningson, Durham and Richardson (HDR, Inc). This included providing electrical consulting for the city of Luverne in power plant and electrical systems.

On June 11, 1949, he



married Arlene Crawford in Winnebago.

Odie was a Navy veteran. He served during World War II as engineering officer aboard a destroyer.

Odie enjoyed fishing, hunting, skiing and golf. He especially enjoyed having the whole family at their cabin on Cedar Lake near Annandale and their Florida home in Ocala.

Odie is survived by three children, Diane (Chuck) Pickett, James (Lori) Olson, and Barbara (James) Gabbert; eight grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and many relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Arlene; three brothers, Alvin, Milton, and Oscar; and a sister, Emma Palmer.

Memorials are preferred in lieu of flowers to the donor's choice.

(0928 F)

Dolores Dreesen

Dolores Dreesen, 85, of Luverne, died Tuesday, Sept. 19, 2017, at the Sanford USD Medical Center in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

A funeral service was Saturday, Sept. 23, at the American Reformed Church in Luverne. Burial followed at the Maplewood Cemetery in Luverne.

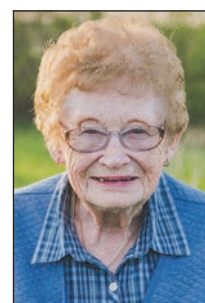
Dolores Rust was born Feb. 27, 1932, to Ben and Tina (Tjepkes) Rust on a farm east of Magnolia. She attended country school though the eighth grade and kept busy helping her parents on the farm with the chores.

On March 24, 1948, Dolores married Dick Dreesen at the Presbyterian Church parsonage in Worthington. The couple made their home in a trailer on the Buss farm.

In 1949 the couple began farming on their own, first renting a farm northwest of Luverne and then a farm southeast of Beaver Creek. In 1956 they purchased a farm northwest of Luverne in Springwater Township which they named "The I.O.U. Ranch."

In the 1980s Dick and Dolores began renting out their land. At this time Dolores helped clerk part time for Mulder Auction Services. The couple moved into Luverne in the fall of 2011. Her husband, Dick, died Feb. 26, 2014. Dolores continued to reside in their home.

Dolores was a member



Dick showed up on the yard with company. Dolores loved spending time with her family.

She is survived by her two children, Jim (Pat) Dreesen, Jasper, and Jeane (Jack) Leslie, Luverne; five grandchildren, Sheri (Doug) Baker, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, David (Nora) Dreesen, Fairfield, California, Jill (Chad) Buss, Luverne, Justine (Matt) Sandbulte, Beaver Creek, and Jenna Leslie, Luverne; eight great-grandchildren, John Baker, Tiffany and Megan Dreesen, Lauren and Cole Buss, Emilee and Hattie Sandbulte, and Boston Groff; two brothers, Marvin Rust, Magnolia, and Melvin (Dorothy) Rust, Sioux Falls; and a sister, Joyce (Duane) Mulder, Luverne; and other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Dick; an infant son, Donald Ray; her parents; a sister-in-law, Lena Rust; a brother-in-law, Lee Jenson; and a nephew, Jeff Rust.

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

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Evelyn Thode

Evelyn Marion Thode, 92, Luverne, died Friday, Sept. 22, 2017, at the Minnesota Veterans Home in Luverne.

A funeral service was Tuesday, Sept. 26, at Grace Lutheran Church in Luverne. Burial followed at Maplewood Cemetery in Luverne.

Evelyn Swenson was born Feb. 22, 1925, to Charles and Rose (Olson) Swenson in Luverne. She was raised on a farm in Springwater Township, Rock County. Evelyn was baptized on July 19, 1925, at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Luverne and confirmed on July 19, 1939. She attended Springwater Township Country School and Luverne High School. Evelyn's first job was Hack's Worthmore Egg Candling Processing. She moved to Spokane, Washington, for a short time and worked in a bakery. When she returned to Luverne, she began to work for Forrest Dairy Ice Cream Store.

Evelyn married Clarence Thode on May 19, 1949, at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Luverne. The couple made their home on a farm west of Hardwick. Clarence and Evelyn retired from farming in 1994. Clarence died on Sept. 27, 1997, and Evelyn moved to Luverne on Feb. 28, 1998. Evelyn was able to stay in her home until she became a resident of the Minnesota Veterans Home in Luverne in October 2012.

Evelyn was a member of Grace Lutheran Church and participated in various

Dennis Arp

Dennis Wayne Arp, 75, died Thursday, Aug. 17, 2017, at Sanford Hospital in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

His remains were interred in Rome, Georgia, with his wife and her family members.

Dennis was born Sept. 23, 1941, to Ernie and Helen (Ring) Arp in Luverne.

He was educated in Luverne Public Schools and graduated in 1959. He attended Augustana College in Sioux Falls.

He was drafted into the Army and served three years, including a full tour of combat duty with the Army Corps of Engineers in Vietnam. After he was discharged, he worked at General Mills in Minneapolis.

He married Lena Willine

church ministries: Ways and Means, sewing, back to school kits, and funeral group. Evelyn was a member of the Denver Extension Club. She enjoyed cooking, baking, gardening and reading. She loved bingo and entertaining family and friends.

Evelyn is survived by four children, Gerald (Mary) Thode, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, Pamela Schmidt, Tea, South Dakota, Joyce (Larry Mulvihill) Thode, Luverne, and Brian (Rita) Thode, Jasper; a daughter-in-law, Gayl Thode, Pipestone; 12 grandchildren, Michelle Thode, Brian (Toni) Schmidt, Michael (Jennifer) Thode, Mark, Laura and Krista (fiancé Tylan Vanderwal) Thode, Jason (Marissa) Thode, Roxanne Thode, Renae (Kawika) Afelin, BriAnna Thode, Brooke (fiancé David Bryan) and Nicole (Colton) Damm; 17 great-grandchildren; and a sister-in-law, Virgene Swenson Bullis, Luverne.

Evelyn was preceded in death by her husband, Clarence; a son, James Thode, a son-in-law, John Schmidt; a grandson, Mathew; great-grandchildren DeShawn and Alizandra; her parents; three brothers, Charles (Cecilia) Swenson, Douglas Swenson and Robert Swenson; and a brother-in-law, Lawrence (Leona) Thode.

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Phillips in 1966. They moved to the Portland, Oregon, area where his parents and siblings resided.

From there Dennis worked worldwide with international construction companies, building and maintaining industrial facilities for production of oil, mining output and industrial communities. His wife accompanied him to many areas of the world and shared many interesting experiences.

Dennis is survived by his siblings, Steve, Jolene, David, Ellen, Marsha and Janie, as well as a number of cousins, nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, his parents, and his father- and mother-in-law.

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The Locals band tribute to the Steve Miller Band performance Oct. 7/continued from page 1A

hits from artists like Blondie, Pat Benatar, Joan Jett, Sheryl Crow, Jefferson Starship and Journey.

"It's something way outside of my box," said Schneekloth, who said she's more accustomed to singing at weddings and funerals from sheet music.

"None of these guys use music," she said. "They listen to something and they just play it."

Schneekloth said she asked for sheet music and they suggested she listen to YouTube.

"That's what I did," she said. "And some of the words to these songs ... you have to wonder what frame of mind these artists were in."

Schneekloth said she may not get all the lyrics right, but she's enjoyed working with her band mates. "Being around these musicians ... They're amaz-



Lori Sorenson photos/0928 the locals rehearse

The Locals (from left) Susan Skattum, Chris Nowatzki and Kenny Rolling rehearse a few lines from Steve Miller Band's "Jungle Love" recently in Rolling's basement in Luverne.

ing to me," she said.

Rolling is the mastermind behind the operation.

He's a multi-talented musician who sings and plays guitar — and steel

guitar — and even crafts his own instruments.

The idea behind the Oct. 7 event, he said, was to showcase local talent.

"There's so much talent in this town," Rolling said. "And this show will be a great example of that. ... Everyone's heard these guys perform in church, but they've never heard them like this."

The story behind the band name is simple.

"There's a 'Luverne Shops Local' sticker in every storefront, but when it comes time to hire a band, it seems like we bring someone in from outside Luverne," Rolling said.

"There's enough people in town, we can do this on our own."

To prove it, Rolling started recruiting talent.

In his own church, St. Catherine, he found members Skattum, Schneekloth and Nowatzki.

"I went in kicking and screaming," said Susan Skattum who agreed to join the group after repeated

requests from Rolling.

"He started asking me last spring, and I kept telling him, 'I'm not your girl. I'm a church accompanist.'"

She is also a piano teacher and board member for the Luverne Street Music program, the non-profit that will receive proceeds from the Oct. 7 show.

Skattum said she's had no regrets about finally agreeing to join.

"I'm having a great time," she said Monday. "I'm learning. ... I'm a note reader, and now I'm relying on chords. It's been good for me."

Ironically, she said the experience has forced her to take her own advice.

"I tell my piano students, 'Don't be afraid to share your talent,' but now I've had to get out of my own comfort zone," Skattum said.

The Locals' music sounds remarkably like the

tribute artists who wrote the songs, and that's largely due to practice.

"I knew everyone was capable of doing what this group has become," Rolling said.

"But it's really been cool to watch them blossom."

Rolling said he's looking forward to the Oct. 7 show, but he's already setting his sights on the next one.

"My goal is to do this again on a regular basis," he said. "Maybe recruiting different musicians."

Papik Motors, Jaycox Implement, Main Street Financial, Exchange State Bank and Professional Ag Marketing are sponsoring the Oct. 7 production.

Tickets are on sale at the Palace Box Office. Cost is \$20 for adults and \$10 for students.

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Lori Sorenson photos/0928 the locals rehearse

Keith Maine plays the bass guitar for The Locals band, which will perform Oct. 7 in the historic Palace Theatre.

County preliminary levy/continued from page 1A

education qualifications for specific jobs.

With the collected data, Melvin compares each position with that of other counties and municipalities to determine an equitable pay scale. She said the scale would specifically be used to determine a position's salary or hourly wage if vacated and

a replacement was hired.

Commissioners anticipate, based on the completed study (scheduled for later this fall), that the county's current pay scales would need to increase.

The amount of the increase is unknown, and the possible percentage is built into the preliminary levy request.

Department budgets expand

In the meantime, department heads built salary increases into their individual budgets. Increases took into account potential step increases, a 2.5-percent cost of living increase, and an additional \$25 per month per employee insurance contribution.

Increases in department budgets ranged from 3.33 percent for the county administrator to 15.69 percent for data processing.

Individual contracted services increased from 2.19 percent for Extension services to 50 percent for prison care. The prisoner care budget increased an additional \$50,000 for 2018 to \$150,000, up from the current budget of \$100,000.

Rock County contracts with Nobles County for its prison care at a rate of \$55 per day per person. The additional \$50,000 will add 909 days to the budget, according to Oldre.

In earlier budget discussions, Sheriff Evan Verbrugge told commissioners the prisoners under Rock County's care have stayed longer and have had more medical expenses than in past years. He doesn't foresee these expenses decreasing.

Oldre estimates prison care for 2017 will be about \$140,000, or about \$40,000 over budget. The overage will be taken out of the county's reserves.

Commissioners also increased their reserves budget. In 2017 they earmarked \$132,094 into reserves. For next year they increased the reserves amount by 111 percent or to \$280,000.

Counties and municipalities set preliminary levies annually in September and finalize the percentage in December after conducting Truth in Taxation hearings with the public.

By setting a preliminary levy amount, commissioners are able to lower the percentage but cannot increase the initial percentage according to state statute.

In county state aid, Rock County received an increase in accordance to legislation passed last session. The county will receive \$520,654 for 2018, a 210-percent increase over last year's amount of \$167,650.

Commissioners agree to one capital expenditure

Commissioners will invest \$100,000 next year to purchase and install laptop computers in each of the 12 sheriff's department squad cars.

Rock County was one of two counties in the area that had not switched to computer-aided dispatch or CAD.

Commissioners have been in discussions with the sheriff's office for the past two years.

CAD allows officers to access information about individuals or vehicles directly from laptop computers with secure Internet connections in their squad cars. Previously, dispatchers would relay the information to the officers over the radio.

CAD will also allow deputies to complete paperwork in their vehicles instead of returning to the Luverne station and finishing the paperwork at a desktop computer. The reports and citations are electronically downloaded and filed.

Sheriff Verbrugge said during a demonstration with Minnesota State Patrol this fall that his department can no longer give out written citations because the forms are no longer available.

"No one is making (printing) those citations because it is all electronic," he said. "There is a lot of wasted time (doing paperwork), we could be doing something else."

Verbrugge estimated his 12 deputies average two to three citations per officer per shift with 10 daily reports completed.

Exact cost of installation and software were not presented. Cost of the laptop computers was estimated at \$28,000.

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The same stall routine was performed four years ago when six of the twelve Crevier children rode the 10-foot-tall giraffe unicycles during their 90-minute performance on the television show "America's Got Talent." On Friday in Luverne (from left) Micah, Ben, Josiah, Katie, Isaiah and Hollie completed the stall routine.

Crevier family brings message and athletic talent to Luverne

Photos and story by Mavis Fodness

Luverne's middle and high school students assembled in the gymnasium Friday afternoon for a message of perseverance by a South Dakota family whose champion attitude took them to Madison Square Garden and around the world.

Bruce and Diane Crevier currently live near Elkton, South Dakota, and operate Champions Forever Ministries. The couple and their 12 children perform basketball tricks and ride unicycles as part of their "Spintacular Basketball Show."

Bruce Crevier's message to the more than 650 local students and staff involved learning from one's mistakes and choosing to be a champion.

"Don't be afraid to give extra effort," Bruce said after his family's 45-minute performance. "Kids nowadays just want to get by. — I didn't want an ordinary life."

His drive was apparent early growing up as the 11th of 12 children, and he desired to do things better.

Bruce holds four Guinness world records for basketball spinning (four for the most spinning basketballs and one for spinning one basketball for the longest time). The family's talent for spinning was incorporated into the ministry that began more than 20 years ago.

Encouragement after a family performance in Florida had Bruce sending in a video of his family's act to the television show "America's Got Talent" four years ago. The Creviers were one of 75,000 acts invited to audition and earned a spot in the top 50



Bruce Crevier and his daughter Hollie perform the Double Dribble Pass routine.

acts. They performed a 90-second act at New York's Madison Square Garden in front of the four guest judges.

Portions of the same unicycle act were performed for the Luverne students over a much longer performance

period.

A former LHS student helped family members with equipment at the local performance.

LHS Class of 2014 Josh Slieter recently married Katie, the fourth oldest of the Crevier children. Both are students at South Dakota State University in Brookings.

"I can be honest and say hanging out with them, they are very humble and kind," Slieter said.

The family incorporated G.A.M.E. into their message. The acronym stands for Goals, Attitude, Morals and Excellence.

The character-building message encouraged students to set ambitious goals, not to let circumstances dictate attitudes, to be morally pure, and to deal with the consequences of wrong decisions by making oneself better.

Bruce said after his family's performance Friday he wants to remind students and adults that God loves them and His plan wants them to be champions.

The same message is relayed when the family performs together or individually during the more than 100 assemblies a year both in the U.S. and worldwide.

The couple also wrote and published a book called "The Champion Code."

In the 200+ page book, the Creviers outline seven things champions do before they die. They also operate a website at champions-forever.com.

The Crevier family's local performance was school-sponsored.

"I like their positive message to students of you can do and achieve things," said middle/high school Principal Ryan Johnson.



Above: Audience members were invited to participate in many of the basketball spin skills including seventh-grader ShyAnn Wickherst, who eats a spoonful of applesauce as Josiah Crevier holds the plastic spoon with a spinning basketball on its end.

At right: Josh Slieter (on floor) tossed a basketball to his wife, Katie, (right) and to her brother Josiah Crevier during a student assembly Friday afternoon in the Luverne Middle/High School gymnasium. Slieter graduated from LHS in 2014.



Girls spike Huskies, Raiders

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne volleyball team improved its record to 14-2 with a pair of victories.

The Cardinals defeated Jackson County Central in five sets Thursday in Luverne before posting a three-set sweep in Fulda Monday.

Luverne plays in Windom Thursday.

Luverne 3, Fulda 0

The Cardinals experienced little trouble in disposing of the Raiders in Fulda Monday.

Luverne outscored Fulda 75-34 in the process of securing 27-7, 25-10 and 25-17 victories.

Sierra Schmuck (14 set assists and 15 of 15 serving with one ace), and Alexis Ferrell (seven blocks, 12 digs and 15 kills) had big nights for the winners.

Gracie Bosch chipped in eight digs and Greta Ahrendt six kills for LHS.

Luverne 3, JCC 2

The Cardinals exorcised a demon when they knocked off the Huskies in a five-set match Thursday in Luverne.

After losing either South-west Conference or Big South Conference matches to JCC for 21 consecutive seasons, Luverne turned the table on the Huskies.

Trailing 2-1 after three sets of play, Luverne rallied to capture the fourth and fifth sets to beat JCC in a league match for the first time since October of 1996.

After dropping the second and third sets in order, Luverne's comeback began in the fourth battle of the night.

The score was tied at one when LHS went on an 11-5 run to open a 12-6 lead after Ferrell registered a kill.

JCC battled back to trim the difference to two points (12-10), but a 9-2 surge gave the Cards a 21-12 advantage that set the stage for a 25-17



Luverne senior Rachel Oftedahl delivers a spike during Thursday's home match against Jackson County Central. The Cardinals defeated the Huskies for the first time since 1996 in league play.

victory when Ferrell recorded a set-ending kill.

The decisive fifth set was tightly contested early with the

score being tied at six different occasions.

The score was deadlocked at eight when a 5-2 push by the

Cards ending with a service point from Mallory Thorson

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Cardinals capture first Western Division title

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne tennis team captured its first Big South Conference Western Division title after splitting a pair of league wins on the road last week.

Luverne lost a three-point decision in St. James Sept. 19 before sweeping a match against Redwood Valley in Redwood Falls Thursday.

Luverne, St. James and Pipestone all sported 4-1 records when division play was complete, so the tiebreaker used to settle the division title was the total sets won by all three teams in the matches against each other.

LHS won nine sets, St. James eight and Pipestone four, leaving the Cardinals as the division champions.

By winning the division title, the 10-3-1 Cardinals earned the right to host Blue Earth Area (champions of the Eastern Division) for the Big South Conference championship Tuesday (Sept. 26).

Luverne 7, RWV 0

The Cardinals wrapped up the Western Division title by sweeping Redwood Valley in Redwood Falls Thursday.

Luverne won all seven matches in straight sets to complete league play with a 4-1 record.

"We really played well against RWV," said LHS coach Greg Antoine.

"It would be hard to single anyone out because all of our players went out and took care of business as usual. We served quite well and were really aggressive. It's a good time to be playing our best tennis of the year with sections coming up."

LHS received singles wins from Samantha Pierce (6-0, 6-3 over Janessa Whitaker at No. 1), Joci Oye (6-0, 6-1 over Gabby Hovie at No. 2), Carissa Cunningham (6-0, 6-0 over Payden Beran at No. 3) and Ainslie Robinson (6-2, 6-3 over Isabel Hillstead at No. 4).

Emilie Bartels and Riley Severtson rolled to 6-0 and 6-1 victories over Tess Munshower and Ashlyn Doering at first doubles, while Rosilyn Oye and Elise Jarchow downed Aubrey Bidinger and Annika Gibbs by 6-1 and 6-0 tallies at No. 2.

Mela Jarchow and Lauren Ver Steeg completed the sweep by securing a 6-0, 6-3 win over Maddie Hicks and Abby Gill at third doubles.

St. James 5, LHS 2

The Cardinals took their first loss in Big South Conference Western Division play when they squared off against the Saints in St. James Sept. 19.

St. James went 3-1 in singles and took two of the three doubles matches to win the match handily.

"It was a pretty windy day and it affected a lot of shots," said LHS coach Greg Antoine.

"There were not nearly as many close matches as we had with Pipestone the week before."

Luverne's singles win came from Cunningham, who nailed down a pair of 6-2 victories over Clare Lepp at No. 3.

Rozilyn Oye and Elise Jarchow claimed a three-set win (4-6, 6-2, 6-1) over Abby Bright and Miranda Tetzloff at second doubles.

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Luverne junior Jake Haugen snags a pass in front of Pipestone defender Carter Nesvold during Friday's Battle Axe game at Cardinal Field. The ball was dislodged out of Haugen's hands before the play was complete.

Arrows take Battle Axe away from Cardinals

By John Rittenhouse

One year after gaining possession of the coveted Battle Axe Trophy for the first time in three seasons, the Luverne Cardinals had to give it back to Pipestone Friday at Cardinal Field.

The way the 2017 version of the annual rivalry game played out on the field, LHS was in a giving mood most of the night.

Luverne turned the ball over six times in the first half and seven times overall during a game either team had a good chance to win.

Ultimately, Pipestone claimed the prize by turning two of Luverne's turnovers in the first half into touchdowns to set the stage for a 14-0 victory.

The game was a strange one to say the very least.

Luverne sported an advantage in total yards and first downs when the contest was complete, but it wasn't enough to overcome the turnovers that

plagued LHS most of the night.

The Cards turned the ball over during six consecutive possessions in the first half (three fumbles and three interceptions) and tossed another interception to squander one of their two best scoring opportunities in the second half.

The miscues started early as the Cardinals lost fumbles on the Pipestone 6- and 33-yard lines at the end of the first two offensive possessions of the contest.

Pipestone was unable to take advantage of the first two turnovers, but the third one proved to be a charm for the Arrows.

Pipestone defender Braden Rieck picked off a pass late in the first quarter and returned it 24 yards to the LHS 26-yardline.

Six plays later, Arrow Garrett Ploeger scored on a six-yard run at the 10:11 mark of the

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Patriots lose Homecoming game to W-WG

By John Rittenhouse

The Hills-Beaver Creek football team slipped to 2-2 overall after losing their annual Homecoming game Friday in Hills.

H-BC scored the first points of the game against undefeated Westbrook-Walnut Grove, but the Chargers bounced back to outscore the Patriots 28-14 the rest of the night to secure a 28-20 victory.

"It was a weird game and a lot of things went wrong for us," said Patriot coach Rex Metzger.

"We had a few defensive mishaps in the second quarter, when we dug ourselves into a hole. We came back in the second half and held them under 100 yards on defense, but we had some untimely turnovers that hurt us in the third quarter."

Although things didn't go H-BC's way most of the night, the Patriots were in a position to pull out a victory.

They simply didn't get the job done.

The teams battled to a scoreless draw in the first quarter before scoring a combined 34 points in the second stanza.

H-BC drew first blood after the Patriot defense stopped W-WG on downs late in the opening quarter.

The H-BC offense took the field and advanced the ball 74 yards in 10 plays.

Gavin Wysong, who ran the ball for 101 yards, capped the drive with a six-yard touchdown scamper at the 9:37 mark of the second period to give the hosts a 6-0 lead.

H-BC's advantage didn't last long.

The Chargers moved the ball 65 yards in five plays during their next possession.

Kyle Kuehl completed the march with a one-yard touchdown plunge at the 7:17 mark of the second quarter and Andrew Quade tossed a successful conversion pass to Nathan Ross following the touchdown to give W-WG a two-point edge at 8-6.

A three-and-out series by



Hills-Beaver Creek junior fullback Bailey Susie prepares to make contact with Westbrook-Walnut Grove's Jace Paplow during Friday's Homecoming game in Hills.

the H-BC offense followed by a short punt set up W-WG's second touchdown of the quarter.

Quade scored three plays after the punt on a 20-yard run and hauled in a two-point conversion pass from Anthony Ross to up the lead to 10 points (16-6).

H-BC lost the ball on downs as the second quarter progressed, setting up another scoring-march by the Chargers.

Kuehl's second of three rushing touchdowns in the game, an eight-yard scamper, gave W-WG a 22-6 advantage.

The Patriots climbed back into contention on the next play.

Wysong fielded the ensuing kickoff on H-BC's 23-yard line and returned the ball 77 yards for a touchdown.

H-BC's ensuing two-point

conversion attempt failed, which left the Patriots facing a 22-12 deficit entering the second half.

There was no scoring in the game's third quarter, but the Patriots did squander two scoring opportunities by losing fumbles inside W-WG territory.

H-BC did cash in on a scoring chance in the fourth quarter when quarterback Weston Harnack produced a touchdown with a five-yard run before tossing a successful conversion pass to Josh Kueter that trimmed the difference to two points (22-20).

H-BC did get the ball back with an opportunity to regain the lead, but the Patriots were unable to take advantage of the situation.

Another short punt by H-BC gave the Chargers excellent

field position, and Kuehl made the Patriots pay for the opportunity when he found the end zone at the end of a five-yard run to complete the scoring in the game.

H-BC plays in Fulda Friday.

Team statistics
H-BC: 153 rushing yards, 89 passing yards, 242 total yards, nine first downs, three penalties for 25 yards, two turnovers.
W-WG: 206 rushing yards, 78 passing yards, 284 total yards, nine first downs, one penalty for 10 yards, zero turnovers.

Individual statistics
Rushing: G. Wysong 21-101, Harnack 5-4, Bailey Susie 4-26, Jax Wysong 6-19, Preston Maassen 1-1.
Passing: Harnack 5-12 for 89 yards.
Receiving: Kueter 1-40, J. Wysong 3-35, G. Wysong 1-14.
Defense: Luke LaRock five tackles, Dawson Leenderts four tackles, Tyson Bork four tackles, Susie two tackles and one blocked punt, Dean Fuerstenberg 10 tackles, Maassen 13 tackles, Garrett Raymon seven tackles, Jesse Elbers five tackles, George Merson three tackles.

LHS girls' teams steal spotlight

Two Luverne High School sports programs have exceeded expectations this fall.



Both the LHS girls' tennis and volleyball teams didn't have bright lights shining on them when practice began in the middle of August, but both programs have taken center stage based on their performances thusfar.

I have to believe LHS veteran tennis coach Greg Antoine couldn't have imagined his team would be sporting a 10-3-1 record at this stage of the season.

Based on our annual pre-season interview, Antoine's outlook on the campaign was modest at best.

"I would say a .500 record would be a good season for us," Antoine said before competition began.

That didn't sound like a man exuding confidence back then, but he's more than pleased with what has taken place on the court this fall.

LHS compiled a 4-1 mark in Big South Conference Western Division play, as did St. James and Pipestone.

When the Cardinals won the tiebreaker (total sets won in the matches between the teams this year), LHS captured its first Western Division crown and earned the right to host Blue Earth Area (Tuesday, Sept. 26) for the BSC championship match.

No matter what happens the rest of the way, I have to salute each and every member of the tennis program for the way they turned their coach and me into true believers.

As much as the tennis squad has surprised me in 2017, the Cardinal volleyball team has stunned me even more.

As if losing six seniors

FROM THE SIDELINES

By John Rittenhouse,
sports editor

who were fixtures on the court in 2016 wasn't a tough transition to make, the Cardinals had to adjust to taking instruction from a new head coach this fall.

Needless to say, the Cardinals have met the challenge by upping their record to 14-2 with a road win in Fulda Monday.

First-year head coach Susan Bork was more concerned with stressing the basics than she was with wins and losses when practice started in August.

Based on what I've seen on the court to date, the Cardinals have absorbed Bork's instruction and have emerged as one of southwest Minnesota's top teams for the first time in years.

Thursday's home win over JCC (Luverne's first over the Huskies in 21 years) and a victory over Class A power Hills-Beaver Creek speak volumes of the way LHS is playing this year.

With senior Lexi Ferrell blossoming into the best hitter I've watched play since H-BC's Erin (Boeve) Metzger more than one decade ago, I think the Cards can make some noise before the season is complete.

LHS faces a stiff test in Windom tonight, and future foes Pipestone and Worthington can't be overlooked.

With that being revealed, I've become a believer in this LHS squad that plays very well as a team.

In fact, I can envision a 20-win season with a couple of postseason victories for this special unit.

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second quarter.

Pipestone missed the ensuing extra point, leaving the Arrows with a 6-0 cushion.

Luverne proceeded to turn the ball over with its next two offensive possessions, but the Arrows were unable to turn the ensuing possessions into points.

The Cards were on the move late in the second quarter when they made a costly mistake.

Facing a second-and-six situation on the Pipestone 29, LHS attempted a pass that was picked off by Matt Enger.

Enger proceeded to return the ball 85 yards for a touchdown with 26 seconds remaining in the first half.

When quarterback Cody Thompson carried in the ensuing two-point conversion, the scoring in the game was complete.

LHS did threaten to score twice in the second half without being able to get the job done.

The Cards advanced the ball to the Pipestone 22 with their first offensive possession of the third quarter, but a penalty for too many men in the huddle led to LHS losing the ball on downs.

Luverne moved the ball



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Luverne junior wide receiver James Chanthalangsy attempts to elude a Pipestone defender after hauling in one of his two pass receptions during Friday's game at Cardinal Field.

from its own 14-yardline to the Pipestone 27 in the fourth quarter, but the threat ended when Pipestone's Jordan Baatz intercepted a pass with 5:14 left to play.

The Arrows never did give LHS possession of the ball the rest of the night before leaving town with the Battle Axe

in hand for the fourth time in five seasons.

The 0-4 Cardinals play in St. James Friday.

Team statistics
Luverne: 153 rushing yards, 96 passing yards, 249 total yards, 19 first downs, two penalties for 20 yards, seven turnovers.

Pipestone: 99 rushing yards, 99 passing yards, 198 total yards, 13 first downs, six penalties for 40 yards, two turnovers.

Individual statistics
Rushing: Kasyn Kruse 13-64, Declan Beers 12-50, Brayden Jacobsma 10-33, Ben Serie 2-6.
Passing: Serie 12-25 for 96 yards.
Receiving: Charlie Reisch 4-34, Tyler Reisdorfer 2-21, Kruse 3-18, James Chanthalangsy 2-17, Colby Crabtree 1-6.
Defense: Payne Bonnett 10 tackles, two sacks and one fumble recovery, Reisdorfer six tackles, Kruse 5.5 tackles, Max Skattum 5-5 tackles, Beers three tackles, Jed Dooyema three tackles, Cade Ver Steeg one interception.

Sleepy Eye keeps Adrian football squad winless

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian football team remains winless in 2017 after dropping its fourth consecutive game Friday in Sleepy Eye.

The Dragons and Indians were tied at six after 12 minutes of play, but Sleepy Eye scored 31 unanswered points in the second and third quarters to set the stage for a 44-19 conquest.

Sleepy Eye running back Landon Strong led the charge by carrying the ball for 217 yards and four touchdowns, while Jacob Berg added two rushing touchdowns.

The Indians compiled 393 rushing yards and 426 total yards against an AHS squad that struggled on defense.

"When you give up 426 yards, you're going to lose," said AHS coach Randy Schettler.

"Their offensive line played well. They were able to run the ball and we didn't tackle very well. Their backs racked up a lot of yards after contact."

After a three-and-out possession by the AHS offense, Sleepy Eye opened the scoring in short order.

Strong capped a three-play, 68-yard possession with a 58-yard touchdown burst to give

the Indians a 6-0 cushion 3:38 into the contest.

Adrian countered Sleepy Eye's quick strike with an impressive march.

The Dragons moved the ball 82 yards in 17 plays with quarterback Ryan Wieneke capping the march with a one-yard touchdown run at the 1:07 mark of the opening period.

The score remained tied at six when Adrian's extra-point attempt failed.

Sleepy Eye's 31-point run started with an 18-point second quarter.

Shortly after Wieneke's touchdown for AHS, the Indians advanced the ball 80 yards in six plays with Berg ending the possession with a 33-yard touchdown run.

Strong also carried in the two-point conversion, giving the Indians a 14-6 advantage 11 seconds into the second stanza.

AHS, which turned the ball over four times in the game, lost a fumble on the Sleepy Eye 45-yard line with 9:12 remaining in the first half.

The Indians covered 55 yards in four plays with Strong scoring on a 23-yard run 1:08 later.

When Eugino Flores tacked on the extra point, Sleepy Eye sported a 21-6 cushion.

Sleepy Eye took advantage of an interception to cap the first-half scoring late in the second quarter.

Flores booted a 27-yard field goal with two seconds left to give the Indians a 24-6 lead they would take into the second half.

The Indians put the game away with a pair of quick touchdowns in the third quarter.

Sleepy Eye received the opening kickoff of the second half and moved the ball 65 yards with Strong scoring on a 29-yard scamper to make it 30-6.

The Indians recovered an AHS fumble moments later, which led to a 31-yard run by Strong and a successful extra point from Flores to up the lead to 31 points (37-6) at the 8:37 mark of the third quarter.

The teams proceeded to exchange possessions as the third quarter progressed before Adrian produced its second touchdown of the game early in the fourth quarter.

A six-play series ending with a 33-yard touchdown pass

from Wieneke to Brendyn White and a successful extra point by Dominiq Canales made it a 37-13 game with 10:47 remaining.

The Indians answered the challenge 1:12 later when Berg scored on a four-yard run and Flores added the extra point to regain a 31-point (44-13) advantage for Sleepy Eye.

Adrian's reserve offense capped the scoring in the game at the end of a 13-play, 60-yard drive.

Marshall Wagner ended the march with a one-yard plunge with 3:55 left to play.

The 0-4 Dragons host New Ulm Cathedral for their annual Homecoming game Friday.

Team statistics
Adrian: 274 rushing yards, 73 passing yards, 347 total yards, 17 first downs, 10 penalties for 85 yards, four turnovers.
Sleepy Eye: 393 rushing yards, 33 passing yards, 426 total yards, 12 first downs, four penalties for 20 yards, one turnover.

Individual statistics
Rushing: Dakota John 19-36, Landon Rogers 8-55, Brandon Schnoor 11-36, Canales 7-34, Nick Harder 4-14, Wagner 3-19, Logan Taylor 2-6, Preston Nelson 1-1, Wieneke 2-42.
Passing: Wieneke 5-12 for 73 yards.
Receiving: Ian Stamer 1-6, Harder 1-17, White 2-42, Schnoor 1-8.
Defense: Harder nine tackles, Michael Preuss six tackles, White six tackles, Chance Turner five tackles, Wieneke one fumble recovery.

Cards test section course

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne cross country runners received an opportunity to test the course that will be the site of the 2017 Section 3A.

Luverne traveled north to participate at the Lacqui Parle Valley-Dawson-Boyd Invitational last Tuesday (Sept. 19).

The Cardinal girls, who had some of their regular varsity runners compete at the junior high level, placed second in a nine-team varsity field with 75 points.

The host team claimed the team title with 48 points.

The LHS boys finished fifth out of 11 complete teams in varsity action with 103 points.

LQPV-D-B captured the meet crown with 33 points.

Regan Feit and Gabrielle Ferrell led the Cardinal girls by placing second and eighth with respective 21:07 and 22:29 times.

Cassie Flanagan (12th in 22:56), Leslie Van Engelenhoven (25th in 23:56) and Claire Baustian (32nd in 24:21) capped the scoring for the Cards.

Austin Winter and Shane Berning set the pace for the Cardinal boys by finishing

eighth and 11th with 18:44 and 19:00 efforts.

Brayden Tofteland (20th in 19:24), Dalton DeSollar (32nd in 20:26) and Jackson Golla (38th in 20:36) made contributions to Luverne's team tally.

Jonah Friedrichsen (40th in 20:47) and Michael Rahm (42nd in 20:56) also ran in the varsity race.

Luverne competed at the Murray County Central Invitational in Slayton Tuesday, Sept. 26.

Here is a look at the rest of Luverne's results from the LQPV-D-B meet.

Junior varsity girls: Megan Rogers, eighth, 26:19.

Junior varsity boys: Hunter Hamann, third, 20:35; Seno Chanthalangsy, fifth, 20:53; Abraham Hernandez, 25th, 22:39; John Miller, 35th, 23:16; Nick Rogers, 51st, 24:33.

Junior high girls: Tenley Nelson, first, 11:10; Brooklynn Ver Steeg, second, 11:17; Tiana Lais, third, 12:08; Elizabeth Wagner, fourth, 12:14; Grace Ingebretson, ninth, 12:41.

Junior high boys: Brady Bork, first, 10:53; Griffen Jarchow, fourth, 11:32; Ethan Rahm, fifth, 11:34; Alex Baumberger, 14th, 12:05; Sam Emery, 15th, 12:08; Ashton Eitrem, 16th, 12:16; Carsen Tofteland, 17th, 12:19; Camden Hoven, 22nd, 12:43; Henry Ramstorf, 29th, 13:09; Camden Janiszkeski, 34th, 13:17; Burke Johnson, 35th, 13:18; Noah Mehlhaff, 48th, 14:15.

per Midwest.

Adrian entered athletes in four difference races, including the girls' and boys' varsity attractions.

The Dragon girls placed 25th out of 31 teams in the Class A varsity race.

West Central Area claimed

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The Saints received singles conquests from Renata Hernandez (6-4, 6-2 over Pierce at No. 1), Ellie Becker (6-1, 6-1 over Joci Oye at No. 2) and Luci Kulseth (6-2, 6-3 over Robinson at No. 4).

St. James' Hannah Loewen

and Jaelyn Haler came out on the winning end of 6-3 and 6-0 decisions against Bartels and Severson at first doubles, while Gabby Trapero and Noel Westcott saddled Mela Jarchow and Ver Steeg with 6-4 and 6-1 setbacks at No. 3.

the team title with 132 points.

Moriah Bullerman led the Dragons by placing 45th in a 238-runner field with a time of 23:09.


Gracia Elias (84th in 24:18), Halle Heitkamp (176th in

27:18), Alysha Wieneke (190th in 28:10) and Courtney Penning (199th in 28:32) made contributions to Adrian's team tally.

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Patriot girls rack up eight victories

By John Rittenhouse

The Hills-Beaver Creek volleyball team racked up eight wins during a four-event week.

The Patriots won matches against Heron Lake-Okabena, Westbrook-Walnut Grove and Edgerton as well as going 5-0 to win the Elkton-Lake Benton Tournament.

H-BC, 15-3 overall, plays in Mountain Lake Thursday.

H-BC 3, Edgerton 0

The Patriots captured a busy week by sweeping the Flying Dutchmen in Edgerton Monday.

H-BC prevailed 25-20 and 26-24 in the first two sets of before coasting to a 25-15 win in the finale.

Olivia Richards (11 kills and two blocks), Sidney Fick (11 kills and five blocks), Grace Bundesen (three kills and seven blocks) and Avery Wysong (23 set assists and three ace serves) led the Patriots to victory.

Megan Gehrke (six kills), Courtney Rozeboom (six blocks) and Grace Holthaus (three ace serves) also made contributions for H-BC.

E-LB tourney

The Patriots posted five consecutive wins to capture the championship of the Elkton-Lake Benton Tournament Saturday in Elkton, South Dakota.

H-BC breezed through the competition by winning 10 sets without taking a loss.

The Patriots opened the event by saddling Dell Rapids St. Mary's with 25-12 and 25-14 setbacks before posting 25-12 and 25-17 wins over Irene-Wakonda in the second round.

H-BC rolled to 25-17 and 25-20 victories over host E-LB in the third round and bested Alceator-Hudson 25-19, 25-14 in the fourth run.

The Patriots completed their run to the title by securing 25-7 and 25-18 wins against Iroquois in the finale.

Fick, who finished the tournament with 36 kills, 12 blocks and 11 digs, was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player at event's end.

Gehrke (10 kills and eight ace serves), Bundesen (six

kills and six blocks), Rozeboom (eight kills and five blocks) and Wysong (five kills and 70 set assists) also turned in outstanding efforts.

Richards added 22 kills to the cause, Tilstra charted 22 digs and Holthaus served six aces.

H-BC 3, W-WG 1

The Patriots posted their second four-set win in two days when they downed the Chargers in Westbrook Thursday.

H-BC got off to a good start by taking the first two sets from Westbrook-Walnut Grove by 27-25 and 25-18 tallies.

The Chargers extended the match by pulling out a 26-24 win in the third set, but H-BC settled the issue by rolling to a 25-10 rout in the finale.

Fick (14 kills, 10 blocks, 10 digs and four ace serves), Richards (10 kills, four blocks and two ace serves) and Gehrke (three kills and 21 of 21 serving with six aces) played key roles in the win.

Wysong (25 set assists and four ace serves), Bundesen (eight kills and three blocks), Tilstra (12 digs) and Rozeboom (seven kills and three blocks) emerged as key contributors as well.

H-BC 3, HL-O 1

The Patriots ran their conference record to 3-0 with a home win over the Wildcats Sept. 19.

In a match that featured teams with 2-0 records in league play, the Patriots overcame a 1-0 deficit to secure a four-set victory.

HL-O came out strong and prevailed 25-21 in the opening set.

H-BC countered by notching 25-16, 29-27 and 25-16 victories over the next three sets to take the match.

Bundenen (five kills, three blocks and two ace serves), Fick (15 kills, eight blocks, nine digs and two ace serves) and Richards (11 kills and six digs) led the Patriots at the net.

Wysong (35 set assists and two ace serves), Holthaus (14 of 14 serving with two aces) and Tilstra (13 digs) also played well for the winners.

Injury-riddled Dragons fall twice

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian volleyball team dipped to 1-3 in Red Rock Conference play after dropping a pair of league matches last week.

The Dragons fell in three sets against Red Rock Central in Adrian Sept. 19 before being swept by Heron Lake-Okabena Thursday in Okabena.

Adrian, 9-6 overall, plays Southwest Christian in Edgerton Tuesday.

HL-O 3, Adrian 0

The Dragons were unable to pick up their second league win of the season when they squared off against the Wildcats in Okabena Thursday.

HL-O outscored AHS 75-53 overall during a three-set victory.

The Wildcats produced convincing 25-17 and 25-15 wins in the first two sets before securing a 25-21 victory in the finale.

Miah Kunkel (eight kills and nine digs) and Paige Bullerman (seven kills and nine of nine serving with one ace) led AHS at the net.

Mayssa Tweet (11 digs and 17 assists) and Lexi Slater (seven digs and 11 of 11 serving) also turned in productive nights.

RRC 3, Adrian 0

An injury-riddled Adrian squad couldn't knock off the Falcons when the teams squared off in Adrian Sept. 19.

Playing the match without Kasie Tweet, Paige Tweet and Bailey Lonneman due to various injuries, the Dragons were forced to use a makeshift lineup to challenge RRC.

The Dragons were in a position to win the opening set, but RRC pulled out a two-point win in the opener and captured



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Adrian junior Miah Kunkel tips the ball at the net in front of Red Rock Central's Nicole Schroeppfer during a Sept. 19 match in Adrian. RRC saddled the Dragons with a 3-0 setback.

the next two sets to complete a sweep.

The opening set was tied for the better part of the contest before AHS used a 3-1 spurt ending with a service point from Rylie Hokeness to open a 24-21 advantage.

The Falcons countered with a 7-2 surge to steal a 28-26 win. RRC won the next two sets by more convincing margins.

The Falcons scored the first seven points of the second set on the way to opening an 11-3

cushion.

A 5-0 run capped by a block from Bullerman trimmed the difference to three points (11-8), and the Dragons trailed by four (19-15) when RRC was whistled for a line violation as the set progressed.

RRC proceeded to outscore Adrian 6-4 the rest of the set to prevail 25-19.

The Falcons scored the first two points of the third set and led by five (7-2) moments later.

A kill from Hokeness closed

the gap to two points (7-5), but RRC countered with a 15-6 run to open a commanding 22-11 advantage.

The Falcons prevailed by 12 points (25-13) moments later.

Mayssa Tweet recorded 20 set assists for the Dragons, while Alexia Kemper and Slater charted seven digs each.

Bullerman and Kunkel charted eight and six kills respectively, while Kunkel completed all 13 of her serves. Hokeness served one ace.

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gave LHS a 13-10 cushion.

The teams proceeded to exchange the next two points before Mackenzie Petersen sealed JCC's fate with a kill that iced a 15-11 win for the Cards.

LHS dominated play in the opening set by scoring the first three points on the way to building a 24-9 lead when Ferrell delivered a service point.

LHS prevailed 25-11 moments later.

The Cardinals sported an 18-14 lead when Ferrell registered a kill in the second set, but the Huskies countered with an 11-2 run to secure a 25-20 victory.

LHS sported a 22-20 edge after Thorson recorded a service point in the third set.

JCC, however, scored five of the next six points to pull out a 25-23 win.

Ferrell (seven blocks, 20 kills, 27 digs and 17 of 17 serving with one ace) and Schmuck (21 set assists, 25 digs and 22 of 23 serving with one ace) led LHS statistically.



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Luverne junior Mackenzie Petersen fields a spike during Thursday's win over JCC.

Thorson (two blocks), Tacey Baustian (12 set assists), Bosch

(24 digs), Ahrendt (nine kills) and Petersen (eight kills) also

played key roles in the win for the Cardinals.

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Annika Elias finished 211th with a time of 29:39 without impacting the team tally.

Four Dragon runners competed in the Class A boys' varsity race.

Brady Henning turned in a strong showing by finishing 24th in a 286-runner field with a time of 18:05.

Christian Weidert (164th in 20:33), Caleb Hornstein (245th in 23:22) and Mitchell Veld (277th in 26:43) also represented Adrian in the race.

The Dragons run at the Redwood Valley Invitational Thursday.

Here is a look at the rest of

Adrian's results from Saturday's meet.

Eighth-grade boys: William White-McLeise, 348th, 18:39.

Eighth-grade girls: Hiltyn Heitkamp, 65th, 15:00.

SWC, Hendricks top EHS

By John Rittenhouse

The Ellsworth volleyball team came up on the short end of 3-0 decisions when the Panthers played matches on consecutive days last week.

Southwest Christian swept the Panthers in Ellsworth Thursday during a Red Rock Conference clash. EHS also lost a three-set decision in Hendricks Friday.

Ellsworth, 3-11 overall, hosts Fulda Thursday.

Hendricks 3, EHS 0

The Panthers were unable to record their fourth win of the season when they took on the Grizzlies in Hendricks Friday.

The hosts posted a pair of convincing wins and won one tightly contested set during a night in which the Grizzlies outscored Ellsworth 75-47.

Hendricks cruised to 25-16 and 25-9 wins in the first and third sets.

EHS challenged the Grizzlies in the second set before

falling 25-22.

Morgan Dreesen (one ace serve and two tip kills), Ashlyn Meester (three kills and two blocks), Kallie Chapa (one kill and one block) and Sierra Smith (two kills and one block) turned in strong efforts for EHS.

Devin Dreesen led the Panthers with four kills.

SWC 3, Ellsworth 0

The Panthers slipped to 0-3 in Red Rock Conference play after dropping a three-set home match to the E-Gals Thursday.

SWC was in control of the match the entire night by outscoring EHS 75-39.

The E-Gals registered 25-13, 25-14 and 25-12 wins.

Devin Dreesen led the Panthers with four kills, while Morgan Dreesen served one ace and registered one block.

Meester served a pair of aces for EHS, which received one block each from Smith and Chapa.

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Nergaard Construction - 89, Big Orv's Bar - 86, Timmer Dairy - 86, Howling Dog - 86

Individual scores: 25 x 25, Doug Deutsch

24 x 25, Doug Deutsch, Jim Slocum

BOWLING NEWS

Thursday Bowling National League Sept. 21

Games won: The Real Guys 3; The Troublemakers 3; Those Guys 3; Stooges 1; Rock Stars 1; Those Girls 1. High Scratch Game Men: Brian Mazza 209; Zach Runia 201. High Scratch Game Women: Marie Opheim 131; Tyra Feekes 129. High Scratch Series Men: Zach Runia 572; Dave Nelson 543.

High Scratch Series Women: Tyra Feekes 355; Marie Opheim 351.

Team High Scratch Game: The Troublemakers 535; Those Guys 528.

Team High Scratch Series: The Troublemakers 1526; The Real Guys 1485.

Team High Handicap Game: Those Guys 668; The Stooges 638.

Team High Handicap Series: The Troublemakers 1832; Those Guys 1809.

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St. Catherine Catholic Church
203 E. Brown St., Luverne
St. Catherine Ph.: 283-8502; email: stcatherine@iw.net
St. Mary Catholic Church, Ellsworth

Thursday, Sept. 28: 4 p.m. Mass at Veterans Home. 7 p.m. St. Catherine P.C. Friday, Sept. 29: 9:30 a.m. Parkview Manor Mass. Saturday, Sept. 30: 5:30 p.m. Mass at St. Catherine. Sunday, Oct. 1: 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Mary. 10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Catherine; Sunday School and CLW. Wednesday, Oct. 4: 10 a.m. Mass at Mary Jane Brown Home. 3:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. Grades K-10 Faith Formation.

First Baptist Church
1033 N. Jackson St., P.O. Box 975, Luverne
Ph. 283-4091; email: fbcluv@iw.net — www.fbcluverne.org
Walt Moser, Pastor

Thursday, Sept. 28: 6 a.m. Men's Bible Study at FBC. 7 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3. Sunday, Oct. 1: 9:15 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship service with Communion. 6 p.m. Evening Service. Tuesday, Oct. 3: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study. Wednesday, Oct. 4: 6:30 p.m. AWANA. Thursday, Oct. 5: 6 a.m. Men's Bible Study at FBC. 7 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3.

Grace Lutheran Church
500 N. Kniss Ave., Luverne
Ph. 507-283-4431; www.graceluverne.org — graceluverne@iw.net
Ron Nichols, Pastor; Stephen Hilding, Associate Pastor

Thursday, Sept. 28: 9 a.m. Naomi Circle at The Oaks. 9:30 a.m. Rachel Circle. 1:30 p.m. Lydia Circle. 2 p.m. Sarah Circle at Mary Jane Brown. 4:30 p.m. Book Study. 7 p.m. Priscilla/Elizabeth Circle. Friday, Sept. 29: 6:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Saturday, Sept. 30: 5:30 p.m. Worship. Sunday, Oct. 1: Noisy Sunday. 8:15 a.m. Radio broadcast. 9 a.m. Worship with Communion. 10 a.m. Fellowship coffee; Sunday School; Adult Study. Monday, Oct. 2: 4:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Tuesday, Oct. 3: 9 a.m. Staff meeting. Wednesday, Oct. 4: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study. 10 a.m. Worship at Tuff Home. 3:15-5 p.m. Faithweavers. 5:30 p.m. Meal. 6 p.m. Woven Worship. 7 p.m. Grades 6-9 Confirmation; Chancel Choir practice. 8 p.m. Grade 10 Confirmation. Thursday, Oct. 5: 8:30 a.m. Missions in Action. 4:30 p.m. Book Study.

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

Sunday, Oct. 1: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 9:15 a.m. Bible Class. 10:15 a.m. Worship. Wednesday, Oct. 4: 9:30 a.m. Rebekah Circle. ELS General Pastoral Conference. Thursday, Oct. 5: ELS General Pastoral Conference.

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

Friday, Sept. 29: 6:30 a.m. Community Men's Bible Study. 4 p.m. REFIT Fitness Class. 6 p.m. Rehearsal. Saturday, Sept. 30: Leuthold/Cuperus wedding. Sunday, Oct. 1: 9:30 a.m. Worship Service. 10:50 a.m. Family Education. 7 p.m. Senior High RCYF. Monday, Oct. 2: 7 p.m. Esther Circle. Tuesday, Oct. 3: 10 a.m. Staff meeting. 1:30 p.m. Rebecca Circle. 6:45 p.m. Bible Study Fellowship. 7 p.m. Ridder meeting. Wednesday, Oct. 4: 4:30 p.m. REFIT Fitness Class. 5:30 p.m. Midweek meal. 6:30 p.m. Pioneer Clubs; YEL. 6:45 p.m. Rachel Circle. 7 p.m. Abide Praise Team. 8 p.m. Adult Choir. Thursday, Oct. 5: 5:30 p.m. Tumbling Tikes. 6 p.m. Ladies Night Out.

First Assembly of God Church
1075 110th Ave., 2 miles west of Luverne on County Rd. 4

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

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

Thursday, Sept. 28: 1-3 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf. Saturday, Sept. 30: 9:30 a.m. Tri-State Band Festival — free coffee and donuts. 8 p.m. AA meeting. Sunday, Oct. 1: 9 a.m. Traditional Service. 10 a.m. Coffee Hour; Adult Sunday School. 11 a.m. Come as You Are Service. 4:30 p.m. Genesis/Revelation Bible Study. 6 p.m. A.L.I.V.E. Youth Group. Monday, Oct. 2: Noon-2 p.m. LLP Meeting in Mankato. 8 p.m. AA meeting. Wednesday, Oct. 4: 1-3 p.m. Sewing Day. 6:30 p.m. FUEL and Confirmation. 8 p.m. AA meeting. Thursday, Oct. 5: 1-3 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf.

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

Sunday, Oct. 1: 9 a.m. Sunday school. 10:15 a.m. Worship; Fifth grade First Communion. 11:15 a.m. Coffee and fellowship. Tuesday, Oct. 3: 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3. Wednesday, Oct. 4: 3:15 p.m. Youth Club. 6 p.m. Bell rehearsal. 7 p.m. Choir rehearsal; Evangelism and Stewardship. 7:30 p.m. Worship Committee. 8 p.m. Property and Finance; Christian Ed. Thursday, Oct. 5: 10 a.m. Worship service on Channel 3.

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

Thursday, Sept. 28: 3:30 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3. Friday, Sept. 29: 3:30 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3. Sunday, Oct. 1: 9 a.m. Sunday School/Adult Bible Study. 10 a.m. Mentor Program. 10:30 a.m. Worship Service. Wednesday, Oct. 4: 6:30 p.m. Confirmation. Thursday, Oct. 5: 3:30 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3.

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

Thursday, Sept. 28: 9 a.m. Little Lambs devotions. 9:45 a.m. Rock County Ministerial Association. 11:30 a.m. Devotions at Mary Jane Brown Home with DCE Jessica. Saturday, Sept. 30: 5:30 p.m. Worship. Sunday, Oct. 1: LWML Sunday. 9 a.m. Worship; LWML door offering. 10:15 a.m. Christian Education Hour. 11:15 a.m. Junior Choir. Monday, Oct. 2: 9 a.m. Circuit Pastors Conference at Slayton. 6 p.m. Anniversary Planning Committee. 7 p.m. Elders Meeting. Tuesday, Oct. 3: 11:15 a.m. Staff Meeting. 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Quilting. 1:15 p.m. Communion at Ellsworth. 2:15 p.m. Communion at Hills. Wednesday, Oct. 4: 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Little Lambs devotions. 9:30 a.m. Bible Study. 2 p.m. Communion at Brandon. 3 p.m. Communion in Sioux Falls. 6:15 p.m. Board of Stewardship. 6:30 p.m. Youth dinner; Catechism. 7 p.m. Senior Choir; KFC; High School Bible Study. 8 p.m. Kingdom Builders. Thursday, Oct. 5: 9 a.m. Little Lambs devotions. 2 p.m. Women's Society.

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

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

New Life Celebration Church
110 N. Oakley, Luverne

Ph. 449-6522; email: newlifecelcebration@gmail.com
Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Worship at 110 N. Oakley. Every third Thursday: 5 p.m. Food give-away at Senior Citizens Center. Bible Study groups meet at various times and days.

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

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

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

Intern Pastor Laura Phillips
Sunday, Oct. 1: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship Service with Communion. Wednesday, Oct. 4: 7 p.m. Confirmation.

Palisade Lutheran Church
211 121st St., Garretts, S.D.
Ph. (507) 597-6257 — firstpalisade@alliancecom.net

Intern Pastor Laura Phillips
Thursday, Sept. 28: 1:30 p.m. WELCA meeting. Sunday, Oct. 1: 9 a.m. Worship Service with Communion. 10 a.m. Sunday School. Wednesday, Oct. 4: 7 p.m. Confirmation at First Lutheran. Thursday, Oct. 5: 8 p.m. Church Council meeting.

First Presbyterian Church
201 S. 3rd St., P.O. Box 73, Beaver Creek
Ph. 507-935-5025

Email: lori.firfirstpres@gmail.com
Worship Leader Michael Blank
Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. 10:30 a.m. Sunday School.

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

Kristi Francken, Pastor
Sundays: 9 a.m. Magnolia Worship Service with Sunday School following service. 10:30 a.m. Adrian Worship Service. Wednesdays: 6:30 p.m. Confirmation at Magnolia UMC.

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

Jeremy Wiersema, Pastor
Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Worship; service broadcast on KQAD. 10:45 a.m. Sunday School. 6 p.m. Youth Group. Evening worship at 6 p.m. first and third Sundays. Wednesdays: 7 p.m. Midweek.

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

e-mail: bethlehemluth@alliancecom.net
Sunday, Oct. 1: 9 a.m. Communion at Tuff Chapel. 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Communion at Bethlehem. 7 p.m. Grades 6-8 Youth Group. Tuesday, Oct. 3: 2:30 p.m. Bible Study at Tuff Home. 3:15 p.m. Bible Study at the Village. Wednesday, Oct. 4: 9 a.m. Quilting. 7 p.m. Grades 9-12 Youth Group. 7:30 p.m. Church boards meet.

Hills United Reformed Church
410 S. Central Ave., Hills
Office Ph. 962-3254
hillsure@alliancecom.net

Alan Camarigg, Pastor
Sundays: 9:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Worship Services.

Almighty source of peace

Scripture to consider: Daniel 2:1-23. Summary – A mighty king dreamed an upsetting dream. He longed for but didn't find peace until he was ready to say, "Blessed be the God of Heaven."

What would you do if you woke up in the middle of the night, scared out of a deep sleep by a troubling dream? What if the dream was so vivid and unforgettable and upsetting that you couldn't fall back asleep? You might tell yourself that it was just a dream. And you might pray about it. You might talk things over with God, remembering that He is greater than all things including your fears. Knowing the Scriptures, you would cast your cares on God, trusting that He cares for you (1 Peter 5:7).

In Daniel 2, we meet a person who was rich and famous. In his day, Nebuchadnezzar was the most powerful person on the planet. He was the king of Babylon! But though he lived in luxury, he was poor. Why? Because he served false and vain gods. He served gods that people had created, not the God who created the universe. We see Nebuchadnezzar's spiritual poverty in the way he dealt with an upsetting dream. He dreamed that there was a colossal idol in the shape of a man, a statue made of various metals and materials. And in his dream a stone struck the statue with such force that it reduced the statue to powder. Then the stone became larger and larger until it was all he could see.

What a strange dream! Did the statue represent Nebuchadnezzar and Babylon? Did the stone mean that his doom was certain? Nebuchadnezzar was worried, filled with dread. He was rich and powerful. Yet he was poor. This reminds us of what Jesus said: What does it profit a person to gain the whole world, if he loses his soul?

Nebuchadnezzar turned to his advisers and demanded that they explain his dream. In dictatorial fashion he said, "This what I have firmly decided. If you do not tell me what I dreamed and interpret it, I will have you cut in pieces and your houses turned into piles of rubble. But if you tell me the dream and explain it you will receive from me gifts and rewards

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By Pastor Roger Sparks,
Luverne Christian
Reformed Church

and great honor. So tell me the dream and interpret it for me."

His advisers knew they were in trouble. If the king would tell them what he dreamed, they would come up with some kind of explanation. But they were sunk if Nebuchadnezzar insisted that they tell him what he dreamed and what it meant. That was impossible, even with the help of his gods.

In his book, "Dreams and Dictators," Herman Veldekamp pointed out that whenever people and nations turn away from the true and living God they become empty and fearful. Commenting on post-Christian cultures he wrote, "The world stands on the edge of emptiness. We see unrest, uncertainty and anxiety as old economic, political and religious certainties collapse. The more our world imagines that it doesn't need God, the more it becomes senile, tired and unsure. Like Nebuchadnezzar, people find themselves waking up from the bad dream of unbelief; and they're anxious about 'the things to come'."

In contrast to anxious Nebuchadnezzar and his distraught advisers, we meet Daniel. It's not that Daniel was better; it's that he knew and served the God of heaven and earth. Daniel prayed to the God for whom all things are possible. God made known to Daniel what the king had dreamed, and what it meant. The stone that toppled that statue and filled the earth represented the coming of the kingdom of God.

The king of Babylon was amazed when Daniel told him what he had dreamed and what it meant. He praised the God of heaven.

What about you? Have you become spiritually senile, having forgotten to trust and serve the true and living God? If you seek Him in His Word, the holy Bible, you will find Him. You will find that He was seeking you.

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NAMEHOLDER(S):

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(09-28, 10-05)

Rock County Commissioners meet Sept. 5**Herreid Board Room 9:00 A.M.
Rock County Courthouse September 5, 2017**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Williamson with all Commissioners present; the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Williamson, to approve the September 05, 2017 County Board agenda, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Burger, seconded by Reisch, to approve the August 22, 2017 County Board minutes, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Reisch, seconded by Overgaard, to approve the consent agenda, declared carried on a voice vote.

1. Approval of Benchmark Communities & Jobs for comparable worth study Elizabeth Schear, Rock County Opportunities Director, informed the County Board that the agency currently has a decrease in revenues of \$66,000 due to CMS and DHS agencies redefining programs and affecting the demand in employment and the services provided by clients; also stated that the agency has been experiencing a high amount of employee turnover. After considerable discussion, the County Board encouraged Shreer to explore service options for sustainability. Shreer also stated that effective October 1st, RCO will be contracting with UCAP for client transportation needs.

Mark Sehr, Engineer, requested authorization for final payment of \$28,836.28 to M & K Bridge Construction for SP 067-615-009, bridge 67571 replacement over the Kanaranzi Creek on CSAH 15; motion by Overgaard, seconded by Reisch, to approve, declared carried on a voice vote.

Eric Hartman, Land Management Office Director, presented a recommendation from the Planning & Zoning Commission to re-zone a tract of land located in the SE 1/2 and all that part of the NE 1/4 lying South of the right-of-way of I-90 as now established across the NE 1/4, All in 15-102N-45W with the exception of a 1,650 foot by 750 foot tract located within SE 1/2 of Section 15. Motion by Burger, seconded by Overgaard, to re-zone the tract of land as described above to I-1 General Industry; a roll call vote was taken with all Commissioners voting aye. Motion was declared carried.

Ashley Kurtz, Auditor/Treasurer, presented the claims and per diems of \$2,250.00; motion by Reisch, seconded by Thompson, to approve the claims and fund balances, declared carried on a unanimous vote. A complete listing of the claims is available upon request at the Auditor/Treasurer's Office.

Claims over \$2,000:

AMERICAN COMMUNICATIONS INC	3,212.50
CONTECH ENGINEERED SOLUTIONS LLC	8,621.91
MARTINEZ CONSTRUCTION	7,400.00
MORRIS ELECTRONICS	3,112.50
NOBLES COUNTY AUDITOR-TREASURER	9,511.25
TOWMASTER	131,894.50
WIDSETH SMITH NOLTING & ASSOC, INC	3,613.00
ZIEGLER INC	2,770.00
72 payments less than 2000	22,949.87
Total	\$193,086

The County Board was in receipt of the Fund Balance report; motion by Reisch, seconded by Burger, to approve the Fund Balance report, declared carried on a voice vote.

The County Board was in receipt of community event entitled Leaders Partnering to End Poverty with guest speaker Jodi Pfarr scheduled for September 21 at Grand Prairie Event Center.

The Administrator stated that a Hills-Beaver Creek School/County Liaison meeting has been scheduled for September 11 at 6:00PM in Hills, Minnesota.

Commissioner Reisch attended the following meetings: Plum Creek Library and Luverne Economic Development Commission.

Commissioner Burger attended a Southern Community Care meeting and stated they are hiring a new director.

Commissioner Thompson attended an event with US Senator Klobuchar referencing a follow up of the Lewis & Clark project.

Commissioner Overgaard attended a One Watershed One Plan (1W1P) meeting in Worthington, the Klobuchar event, City/County Liaison, Planning & Zoning and an AMC Extension meeting.

Commissioner Williamson stated that he was also present for the Klobuchar event.

The Administrator and Auditor/Treasurer review a 2018 budget summary that currently reflects a 2.55% increase. After considerable discussion, it was determined to have the Budget Committee meet with County Attorney, Sheriff and Library Director to discuss details of their budget. The preliminary budget needs to be adopted by September 30th. It was determined that the Budget Committee would meet on September 8th at 8:30AM.

The Administrator stated that Tessa Melvin, Management Consultant of DDA Human Resources, Inc. will present preliminary results of a market study for Rock County as part of the Comparable Worth Study. Due to her availability, the County Board meeting will begin at 2:00PM instead of 9:00AM.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned.

(09-28)

Mortgage foreclosure sale set for Oct. 26**NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE****THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.**

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

DATE OF MORTGAGE: 01/23/2015
ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$124,208.00
MORTGAGOR(S): Gary A. Kintzle, A Single Man
MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Plains Commerce Bank, a Corporation
DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: 02/11/2015 as 185445 in the Office of the County Recorder, Rock County, Minnesota

The mortgage was assigned for value as follows:

Assignee: Freedom Mortgage Corporation

Assignment dated: 07/19/2017

Assignment recorded: 08/08/2017

Assignment recording information: Document No. 191141

All in the records of the County Recorder in and for Rock County, Minnesota.

TAX PARCEL I.D. NO.: 04-0102-000

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN THE NE 1/4 OF SECTION 20, TOWNSHIP 104 NORTH, RANGE 45 WEST OF THE 5TH P.M., ROCK COUNTY, MINNESOTA, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID NE 1/4, THENCE IN A SOUTHERLY DIRECTION A DISTANCE OF 1335 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE AT A RIGHT ANGLE IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION A DISTANCE OF 590 FEET; THENCE AT A RIGHT ANGLE IN A SOUTHERLY DIRECTION A DISTANCE OF 456 FEET; THENCE AT A RIGHT ANGLE IN A EASTERLY DIRECTION A DISTANCE OF 590 FEET; THENCE AT A RIGHT ANGLE IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION A DISTANCE OF 456 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING

Abstract Property
STREET ADDRESS OF PROPERTY: 2169 110th Ave., Hardwick, MN 56134
COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Rock
LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR: Plains Commerce Bank, a Corporation
RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE SERVICER: Freedom Mortgage Corporation
THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE: \$125,313.13 AS OF 09/22/2017.

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

Pursuant to the power of sale contained in said Mortgage, the Mortgage will be foreclosed, and the mortgaged premises will be sold by the Sheriff of Rock County, Minnesota at public auction as follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: 10/26/2017 at 10:00 AM

PLACE OF SALE: Rock County Sheriff's Office, 1000 N. Blue Mound Ave, Luverne, MN 56156 to pay the debt then secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any actually paid by the mortgagee, on the premises and the costs and disbursements allowed by law.

The time allowed by law for redemption by said Mortgageor(s) or Mortgageor's personal representatives or assigns is 6 Months from the date of sale.

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: If the mortgage is not reinstated under Minn. Stat. §580.30 or redeemed under Minn. Stat. §580.23, the mortgage must vacate the mortgaged property by 11:59 p.m. on 04/26/2018, or the next business day if 04/26/2018 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

MORTGAGOR(S) RELEASED FROM FINANCIAL OBLIGATION ON MORTGAGE:

None.

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

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(09-14, 09-21, 09-28, 10-05, 10-12, 10-19)

Star Herald
CLASSIFIEDS**CARDS OF THANKS**

We, the family of Mary Odland, would like to express our sincere thank you to the Luverne community for their genuine concern and many acts of kindness following the death of our mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother.

A sincere thank you to the doctors and staff at the Sanford Luverne Medical Center over the years.

Thank you to Pastor Ron Nichols for his prayers and comforting words, to the Grace Lutheran Church women for the delicious lunch, and to Jeff Hartquist and staff for their courteous and efficient help at this difficult time.

Our last very special thank you is for the community of Luverne for an outpouring of love and support that was overwhelming to our whole family. The memorials, cards, flowers, phone calls, visits and food brought in make us realize how fortunate we are that Dr. Don and Mary chose Luverne 63 years ago to build a medical practice and raise a family. In love and appreciation,

**Mark & Pat, Mark,
Matthew & Tony
David & Sharon, Kris,
Laura & Eric
Paul, Ryan, Will,
Wade & Wyatt
Debbie & Steve**

(9.28-10.1)

A HUGE THANK YOU to Jane Lanphere, Lorna Bryan, Chamber Committee and all Members for recognizing me as the "Outstanding Chamber member of 2016." This award was very "humbling" and much appreciated. Thanks to all my past customers and staff for their loyalty shown to me. It's been a pleasure being part of and serving the Luverne Community.

**Thank you and God Bless,
Glen Gust**

(9.24-9.28)

CARDS OF THANKS

We thank everyone for your prayers, cards, visits, phone calls and well wishes after Rollie's surgery. We are very blessed to have great family and friends.

Rollie and Karen Miller

(9.24-9.28)

Thank you to everyone who helped me celebrate my 101st birthday at the Mary Jane Brown community room. Especially those who gave flowers, lined up guests, bought cake and took me out to eat later. I am very fortunate to have so many caring relatives and friends near me.

Ruth Ashby

(9.24-9.28)

I want to thank everyone for helping celebrate my 60th surprise party. It was awesome.

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(9.24-9.28)

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EMPLOYMENT

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The CEO facilitator position is a part-time position leading students from multiple communities in Southwest Minnesota. The School Districts involved include, Adrian, Pipestone, Edgerton, Hills-Beaver Creek, Southwest Christian, Ellsworth, and Luverne.

The CEO Board of Directors is seeking an interested candidate with a Bachelor's Degree (education degree preferred, but not required) and must possess a passion for students and must be able to connect with people and the business community of Southwest Minnesota.

Interested candidates should send a resume, a transcript, and three (3) letters of reference to:
Craig Oftedahl, Superintendent
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