

Luverne Mock Trial team brings first-year coach to state meet

By Mavis Fodness

Among a packed audience of friends and family Monday night in the Rock County courtroom, the Luverne High School 2018 Mock Trial team demonstrated why they're the Region 4 champions.

The Parents Night gathering was the first time students had an audience during one of their meets.

Last week the Cardinals defeated long-time rival Lakeview High School 204-199 for the honor of representing the region in state competition March 1-2 in Minneapolis.

This is the fourth consecutive year LHShas earned a trip to the state

Mock Trial tournament. The team, however, is not going to the tournament undefeated. They ended the current season with a 4-1 record.

On Feb. 7 the Lakeview team handed Luverne its first regular season defeat in four years when they won 246 to 243. "We talked to another team who won their first meet in three years," said senior Emma Verbrugge. "It made us realize how strong of a team we have."

During the 2018 season Luverne won matches over Lakeview's White team (238-219), Hills-Beaver Creek (228-191) and Springfield (228-213) before the team's loss to Lakeview's senior team.

The loss taught Luverne's young team an important lesson before

meeting Lakeview nine days later to decide which team would advance to the state competition. This time Luverne represented the defense at the meet.

"Generally we were able to handle the objections better," said first-year LHS coach Jason Berghorst. "Jeff worked hard that last week and a half with the lawyers."

Jeff Haubrich, assistant Rock County attorney, is the team's lawyer coach. "A good objection is very important," he said.

An objection prevents a bad fact or answer from entering the trial and, if done the right way, the objection disrupts the witness's thought process, he said.

During Friday's state qualifying meet, Luverne capitalized on an oversight in this year's Mock Trial case, State of Minnesotavs. Cameron

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Dog Park to open this spring on South 75

Luverne Rotary Club wraps up seven-year public service project

By Mavis Fodness

Luverne Rotary Club members will put the final touches on a sevenyear service project when signs go up at Rotary Park this spring on South Highway 75.

The park consists of a walk-in, bike-in rest and picnic area along with the city's only dog park.

Fencing was installed last fall around the dog park and completes the project that began as an idea in 2011.

Nadine Schoep chaired the dog park committee.

"You can come right from the park itself down to the dog park," she said. "Or you can sit in the picnic area and watch your dogs play."

Past Rotary president Jane No-

Fourwheelers no longer allowed

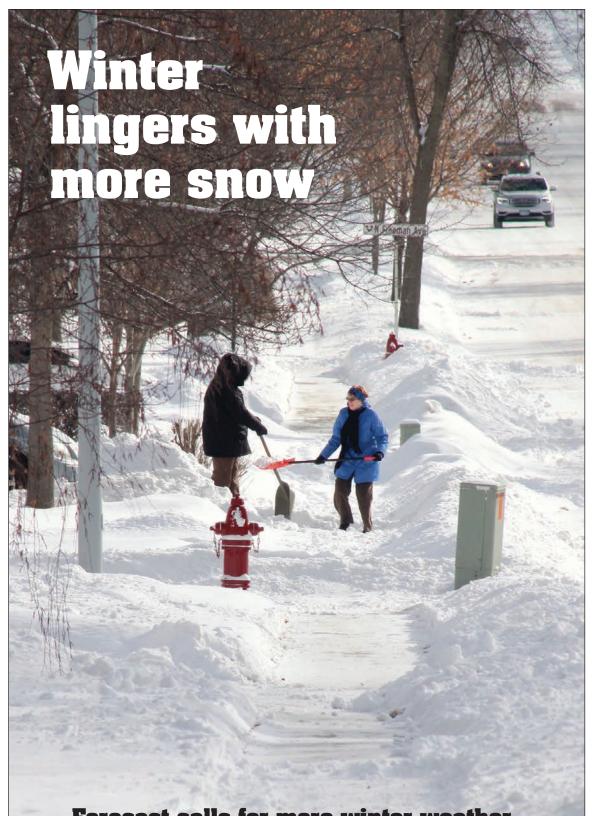
City Council repeals 10-year-old ATV ordinance; State law allows side-by-sides but not smaller ATVs

By Lori Sorenson

Luverne City Council is repealing the 10-year-old city ordinance that allows ATVs and golf carts to be permitted in city limits.

Byrepealing the 2007 ordinance, the city declines to regulate ATVs and golf carts in city limits and defers to existing state law to govern their operation.

The fact that the state already regulates ATVs and golf carts is the reason some council members voted against the city ordinance 10 years ago.



In a June 2007 meeting, then Councilwoman Esther Frakes said that because the state doesn't allow the most common class of ATVs on its roads, the city shouldn't either.

"That tells me it's not a safe mode of transportation," Frakes said at that meeting. "People who have spent countless hours studying this issue don't want them on streets and roadways."

She and then Councilman Maynard Lafrenz voted against the ordinance when it came to the council on July 24, 2007.

Voting in favor were then councilmen Jody Reisch and Pat Baustian, who cited the wishes of city residents to operate their ATVs in Luverne.

A public meeting earlier that year attracted a full crowd of interested ATV users, many of whom wanted expanded ATV use for longer hours and for purposes beyond business use.

Richard Hoven, for example, said his ATV saved gas for his trips to work out of town, and he wanted to use it foryard work and just to pleasure ride.

"We police ourselves," he said at the public meeting. "If we see someone out of line, we'll try to talk to them."

At the July 24 City Council meeting, Mayor Andy Steensma broke the tie vote by voting in favor or the ordinance, which made it legal to drive an ATV in town with a safety flag. Other provisions regulated the age of drivers, hours of operation, noise levels and other details.

Sheriff Evan Verbrugge and City Attorney Ben Vander Kooi had advised the council not to approve a city ordinance for ATVs, citing safety reasons and administrative burdens.

In a decade since the ordinance hit the books, Verbrugge said the ordinance is still difficult to enforce and

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Forecast calls for more winter weather

Keith and Caroline Van Westen clear their driveway and sidewalk on Dodge Street Tuesday morning after another February storm system dumped several more inches of snow on Rock County. The couple said the Dodge Street improvement project widened the street but narrowed the boulevard, causing plowed snow to spill over into sidewalks. "Ask anyone on Dodge Street, and they'll tell you the same thing," Caroline said. With rosy cheeks and smiles, they welcomed the exercise but admitted they're ready for winter to be over. Another round of snow is in the forecast for Thursday, meaning area residents will keep their shovels ready. (Lori Sorenson photo/0222 snow) votny supported the inclusion of a dog exercise area on the 1.4-acre city of Luverne parcel.

Novotny brought her own dog to similar parks in Sioux Falls. Occasionally she would travel with her pet.

"If you stop for lunch or gas, you need a place to let them out," she said. "They have been cooped up in the car and need to burn off a little energy."

Two fenced areas are available at the new Luverne park for exercising dogs off leash. One area is for smallsized dogs, the other for large dogs.

"What I love is that it is tucked behind buildings and away from traffic," she said. "Dogs won't be stimulated by the cars going by on the highway."

Water is available at the dog park for the thirsty canines. A doggy bag station will be installed this spring for owners to clean up after their pets.

In 2011 Rotary members approached the city of Luverne about developing a walk-in, bike-in picnic/ rest area and dog park on city-owned property between the Howling Dog Saloon and Subway restaurant.

The three-phase project was

Rotary dog park/See page 2A

Luverne woman takes the helm at Rock County Library

By Mavis Fodness

Rock County Community Library's new director, Calla Jarvie, has been an avid reader since she was a child.

Her early interests were fiction, and Jarvie often related to characters like the main character in the children's series "Ramona."

Next came an interest in visiting different worlds, and she was captivated by the Harry Potter series. Most recently, Jarvie delved into reading nonfiction, especially biographies. "I find people (and their stories)

interesting," she said.

The love of books and reading,



"I want to take the time to get to know everyone. I want to know what the community wants and what they are looking for (in their library)."

— Calla Jarvie, director Rock County Library however, didn't point the Arlington, South Dakota, native to a career as a librarian right away. She didn't find her dream job until six years ago when working in Sioux Falls.

"I have always loved libraries and books but didn't really think about working in a library," she said.

When a position opened at Siouxland Libraries, her passion for reading prompted her to apply. As she settled into her new career, peers in a leadership group encouraged her to seek a master's degree to become a library director.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Meetings

Town and Country Garden Club will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 27, at the home of Deb Wynia for a program on vitamins. All gardeners are welcome. Call 507-597-6378.

Caregivers Support Group will meet from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 27, in the conference room of the Mary Jane Brown Good Samaritan Home, Luverne.

Lady Luverne Red Hats will meet at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, March 8, at the Luverne Pizza Ranch for lunch, cards and games. Call Connie at 507-283-8470 by Tuesday, March 6, for reservations.

Meditation and Mindfulness Practice meets at 7 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month in Hilger Commons at 215 N. Cedar Street in Luverne. For more information call Kim at 507-353-0041 or email kimberlyelizabeth@live.com

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

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

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

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

Hospice Dinner and Auction

Tickets are now on sale for the Sanford Luverne Hospice Dinner and Auction April 21 at Grand Prairie Events in Luverne. The event includes a plated dinner catered by The Bluestem, raffles, and silent and live auctions.

Tickets may be purchased in person at the Hospice Office in the Lvuerne City Office building (use City Office entrance on Luverne Street) or call the Hospice office at 507-283-1805 to purchase tickets using a credit card.

Cottage food training Feb. 27

Do you make and sell baked goods, home-canned pickles, salsa, jam and jellies? Are you a cottage food producer? The University of Minnesota Extension is hosting an advanced food safety handling course from 1 to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 27, at the SW/WC Service Cooperative in Marshall.

"Cottage Food Producer Food Safety Training" focuses on all aspects of cottage food products including baked, confectionary, dried, fruit preserves, and acidified fruit and vegetables. Participants will learn how to produce, package and label a safe food product.

Farm Financial workshop Feb. 28

The Southwest Minnesota Farm Business Management Association and the University of Minnesota Extension will present "Taking Charge of Your Finances: How to Survive and Thrive" from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 28, at the Luverne Pizza Ranch. This free, full-dayworkshop will provide information and strategies to help farm families be better prepared to make internal farm management decisions while also building stronger relationships with external partners.

There is no registration fee, but pre-registration is required to guarantee lunch and materials. To pre-register for the workshop, contact Gretchen Thillen, gthillen@ umn.edu or 507-752-5094. Visit swroc.cfans.umn.edu for more information.



Mavis Fodness photo/0222 Library Director Calla Jarvie

Calla Jarvie, Luverne, began her duties as the new director at the Rock County Community Library Feb. 12.

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She began as library director in Luverne on Feb. 12.

Jarvie graduated from the University of Minnesota-Duluth in 2009 with degrees in English and art history.

After finishing her course work, she pursued internships in Denver, New Orleans and Minneapolis.

Those internships, however, were often unpaid, but

they provided her with the opportunity to broaden her passion for reading.

"A library is cheap entertainment," she said.

Jarvie moved closer to home when her husband, James, became the K-12 music instructor with the Ellsworth School District. The couple moved to Luverne four years ago.

James shares a love of reading with his wife, who began reading of a different sort when she entered graduate school for library science.

The mostly online and weekend classes have cut into Jarvie's reading for pleasure. "Everything I read right

now I wouldn't recommend," she said. Jarvie will finish her master's degree from Emporia State University, Kansas, satellite program in August 2019.

As she studies, Jarvie will continue to settle into her library director position.

"I want to take the time to get to know everyone," she said.

"I want to know what the community wants and what they are looking for (in their library)."



Lori Sorenson photo/0222 Rotary Dog Park Signs like the one held by Rotary Club member Curt

Community Ed offers classes

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

Register now for summer baseball and softball - for students in K-12. Deadline is March 19.

Make your life easier by attending Time Saving Tips for Busy Family Meals on Feb. 26. Fee is \$10.

Prairie Rehab PT's will give you ideas to help with Knee Pain at class on Feb. 28. Fee is \$5.

Students in grades 1-5 - a second class of Get Slimed has been added on March 1. Changing up ingredients can create a lot of different versions of this favorite. Fee is \$11.

There are a lot of recipes to be shared and made at Play with Dough class for students in grades 1-5 on March 8. Fee is \$11.

Learn how to make delicious meals in minutes at Cooking Under Pressure on March 10. Fee is \$24 and includes sampling foods that are prepared in class.

Interact with the residents at the Poplar Creek while you ild a Fairy House Night Light on March 10. Fee is \$16

Bank Night movie 'Ferdinand'

The free Bank Nite Disney movie, "Ferdinand," rated PG, will begin at 6 p.m. Thursday, March 1, at the Palace Theatre in Luverne. Sponsored by First Farmers & Merchants National Bank and Papik Motors, a free, familyfriendly movie is shown on the first Thursday of every month as it was done for "Bank Nite" in the 1930s. A cash prize drawing will follow the movie. Must be present to win.

Middle School band/choir concert

The choir and band students in grades 6-8 will perform a concert at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 1, in the high school gym. The concert is free and open to the public.

World Day of Prayer March 2

Area women are invited to the Women's World Day of Prayer at 1:30 p.m. Friday, March 2, in the Steen Reformed Church. Ranee Hagen will speak about their mission work in Romania. Luverne services will be in the Presbyterian Church, also at 1:30. Area men and women are welcome.

Bloemendaal will be installed this spring as the final step of the club's community park project on South Highway 75 in Luverne. The Rotary Dog Park is the only one of its kind in the city.

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completed through Rotary fundraisers and grant applications for the \$14,000 project.

Grants were received from Rotary International, Sioux Valley Electric and Luverne Area Community Foundation. The grant money purchased park furniture, playground equipment, landscaping and fencing for the dog park.

The Rotary Club also partnered with the city of Luverne. They assisted with the park's infrastructure and

with in-kind services.

Phase 1 was the most complex and involved preparing the lot for the park. The city of Luverne and Henning Construction, Adrian, brought in soil to level the lot's extensive east-west slope.

The now-level west side of the park near the highway contains the picnic/rest area and tapers to the east into a gentle slope where the dog park is located.

The park is open to local residents as well as travelers.

Kids in the Kitchen (grades K-6) will cook up treats in time for St. Patrick's Day on March 15. Fee is \$18 or sign up with a friend and pay \$28.

Whitney Lafrenz will share information on wraps at Babywearing 101 to be held on March 12. Sibling care offered—request at time of registration. No fee, but registration required.

Preschool Classes for ages 3-5 is now opening registration for Fall of 2018.

Half day Preschool classes are offered during the school vear for children who are 3 years old up to kindergarten age. Enrollments are accepted throughout the school year.

Age is determined as of Sept. 1 of school year. Free or reduced rates are available if income guidelines are met. Call 283-4724 for more information. New addition is 5 days of preschool for children age 4 and older.

Census Information is needed for preschool children in families new to the community. In order for the district to connect with families about school events and the statemandated preschool screening for all 3-year-old children. Families with 4-year-old children who have not been screened should call 283-4724 to be screened prior to kindergarten.



Safety net coverage enrollment period is underway for 2018

Fraser Norton County Executive Director

Producers on farms with base acres under the safety net programs established by the 2014 Farm Bill, known as the Agriculture Risk Coverage (ARC) or Price Loss Coverage (PLC) programs, can now visit the Pipestone and Rock County FSA offices to sign contracts and enroll for the 2018 crop year.

Theenrollmentperiodwill continue until Aug. 1, 2018.

Since shares and ownership of a farm can change year-to-year, producers on the farm must enroll by signing a contract each program year.

If a farm is not enrolled during the 2018 enrollment period, the producers on that farm will not be eligible for financial assistance from the ARC or PLC programs for the 2018 crop should crop prices or farm revenues fall below the historical price or revenue benchmarks established by the program.

Producers who made their ARC or PLC election when the programs began must still enroll during the 2018 enrollment period.

The ARC and PLC programs were authorized by the 2014 Farm Bill and offer a safety net to agricultural producers when there is a substantial drop in prices or revenues for covered commodities.

Covered commodities include barley, corn, oats,

soybeans and wheat, among others.

For more details regarding these programs, go to www.fsa.usda.gov/arc-plc,or contact the Pipestone County FSA Office at 507-825-5478.

The Rock County FSA Office can be reached at 507-283-2369.

Important Dates

Feb. 19: FSA office closed for Presidents Day.

March 15: 2018 NAP Pasture and Spring-seeded Annual Crops sales deadline; 2018 Crop Insurance Corn, Soybeans, Oats and Spring-Wheat sales deadline.

April 2: 2017 Small Grains Loan and LDP request deadline; 2017 LIP application deadline.

May 1: 2018 NAP Ornamental Nursery sales deadline; 2018 NAP Asparagus Acreage certification deadline.

May 15: Final RMA Small Grain Planting Date; CRP Primary Nesting and Brood Rearing Season begins; 2017 Strawberry Acreage certification deadline.

May 28: FSA Office closed for Memorial Day.

May 31: 2017 Corn and Soybean Loan and LDP request deadline; 2018 NAP Ornamental Nursery Crops Acreage certification deadline; Final RMA Corn for Grain planting date.

Ongoing: Continuous CRP sign-up.

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his safety concerns remain the same.

At last week's meeting he said he's seeing an increase number of unpermitted ATVs driven by young people with no helmets and with small passengers.

"It's just not safe," he said. "Years ago a group of ATV users asked for the ordinance.... I give them credit for asking, and they said they would help police it, but lately that hasn't been the case."

By repealing the ordiice smallerfour-wheelers

it before it gets out of control," Baustian said.

"... or worse yet, someone could get hurt or killed, and $then we'd \, really \, be wishing we$ had done something."

City records show 41 ATV permits were due for renewal at the end of 2017. Those are now expired and the permit holders will be notified of the repealed ordinance.

Minnesota Conservation Officer Andrew Dirks, Luverne, agrees with the council's decision to repeal the ordinance, especially with regard to smaller four-wheelers. "It says right on the machine, 'Not for highway use,' so the city assumes liability allowing them on city streets," Dirks said. "They're just not designed for road use with their low pressure tires. ... They're not safe." He said Class 2 ATVs the larger side-by-sides — are allowed in town but must have state registration displayed in 1¹/₂-inch letters and numbers on a 4-by-7½-inch plate on the back of the vehicle. Headlights must be on while in operation, and those 18 and younger must wear helmets and seatbelts (in vehicles equipped with belts). State law prohibits their use on state highways, however, so Highway 75 in Luverne would still be off limits. Dirks can be contacted with questions at 320-522-4283. Information is also available on the Minnesota DNR website. The repeal of Luverne's ATV ordinance will be effective March 1.

Mavis Fodness photos/0222 Mock Trial 2018 State Senior Emma Verbrugge (far right) portrays prosecution witness Officer Avery Stillday on the witness stand. She

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is guestioned by prosecuting attorney Hans Bakken.

Skeeter Farris.

Farris was driving a semitrailer pulling a belly dump trailer when he failed to stop at a highway intersection. He struck a car, killing the driver. Prosecutors argued that Farris operated the truck in a negligent matter.

While the prosecution tries to convict Farris, the defense tries to create reasonable doubt on Farris' negligence.

LHS team prosecution attorneys are Hans Bakken, Gunnar Oldre and Jordan Winter.

Prosecution witnesses are portrayed by Emma Verbrugge as Officer Avery Stillday, Grace Sweeney as Officer Casey Schwab and Solveig Tofteland as Cadet Lee Vang.

Defense attorneys are Alexa Chesley, Sophia Lanoue and Jessica Anderson.

Defense witnesses are Michael Rahm as driver Cameron Farris, Jadyn Anderson as truck company owner Blair Bambenek and Megan Rogers as accident investigator Morgan Garcia.

"The students really coach each other," Berghorst said. "Each trial our kids became more confident."

Luverne will bring that confidence to next week's state competition where they join 15 other teams.

"The students really coach each other. Each trial our *kids became* more confident." Jason Berghorst, Mock Trial coach



Senior Hans Bakken delivers the prosecution's closing arguments Monday evening at the Rock County Courthouse in Luverne for Parents Night.



will not be allowed on city streets. Only state-permitted and licensed side-by-side utility vehicles and licensed golf carts are allowed.

'This makes enforcement so much easier," Verbrugge said at the Feb. 13 meeting when the ordinance was repealed by unanimous vote.

"If we see a smaller ATV in town, we know that's not allowed; we don't have to wonder about the age of the driver or if they're permitted."

Baustian, now mayor, admitted the ordinance wasn't as helpful as he'd hoped it would be and that it would be better to defer to the state law.

In asking the council to repeal the ordinance, he pointed to a number of factors supporting his request. Only 50 to 60 percent of ATV users in town bother to get permits, and Baustian said law enforcement of the ordinance was weak.

"So many people weren't following the ordinance, it was becoming the wild Wild West and I felt we should stop

Last year Luverne placed eighth. The previous year's LHS team finished 10th.

Timekeepers and alternates for the team are Seno Chanthlansy, Lauren VerSteeg and Elise Jarchow. Kaitlyn Anderson portrays the bailiff.

The Luverne High School Mock Trial team will make its fourth consecutive appearance at the State Mock Trial Tournament representing Region 5 next week. Team members include (front row, from left) Sophia Lanoue, Lauren VerSteeg, Elise Jarchow, Kaitlyn Anderson, (middle) Seno Chanthlangsy, Alexa Chesley, Megan Rogers, Jadyn Anderson, Jessica Anderson, (back) Michael Rahm, Gunnar Oldre, Emma Verbrugge, Jordan Winter, Grace Sweeney and Hans Bakken. Missing is Solveig Tofteland.





ROCK COUNTY VETERANS

At left, Senior Michael Rahm is sworn in by bailiff Elise Jarchow. Rahm portrays truck driver Cameron Skeeter Farris on the LHS Mock Trial team. In the photo at right senior Emma Verbrugge (right) portrays prosecution witness Officer Avery Stillday. Verbrugge was asked questions about an accident report by defense attorney Jessica Anderson.



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Lesson in humility looms for teen driver invincible on ice

Son No. 2 has long held a fascination with mobility on ice. When

he was little, we spent many hours

ice-skating (in our snow boots) on the frozen lake at the state park. Of course, the exercise involved running and sliding, first upright and then on his behind.

Mom participated only in the upright portion of the game.

After an elementary school field trip to the ice arena, he fell in love with civilized skating and begged for outings with friends at the rink. At 16 he still enjoys open skate.

When he was old enough to drive an ATV, he learned (from son No. 1) how to spin like a top on a snow- and ice-covered driveway, all four wheels sliding

Now he's a licensed driver, and we shouldn't be surprised that half-ton pickups are now engaged in similar activity.

As a passenger in one such unannounced (deliberate) spin in a parking lot, I had to pry my fingernails out of the dash.

I know ... where's my sense of adventure. I once enjoyed risky behavior, but having kids takes all the fun out of risk.

Now I sound like a mom. "One of these days this won't end well." I hear the words come out of my mouth, but they fall on deaf ears.

No. 2 has a particularly robust sense of self-assurance, and I fear a lesson in humility may be looming.

When one of his friends sideswiped a signpost while "drifting," it should have been a wake-up call.

He empathized with his buddy about the ugly dent, but he couldn't imagine such fate befalling him personally.

ON SECOND THOUGHT

By Lori Sorenson, editor

I know ... where is my sense of adventure. I once enjoyed risky behavior, but ...

pickup.)

He's an admired friend and a skilled driver who didn't see it coming, yet this would never happen to No. 2.

"Mom, I know what to do if I slide," he patronized me. "You just turn the steering wheel in the direction of the slide."

I didn't ask if the upsidedown friend had tried that on black ice at 50 mph on a curve.

Countless good drivers (many in 4-wheel-drive super duty pickups) have landed in the ditch. Did all of these unfortunate souls not "know what to do"?

Experience is the best teacher, and I'm praying No. 2 learns his lesson without getting hurt or hurting someone else.

Mostly I just pray a lot in general for my teen driver. Last week No. 2 revved his

engine while leaving for school. I looked out the window

in time to see tire tracks in the south ditch of the driveway where he slid off the ice. They cut through the deep snow, narrowly missed a tree and entered the adjacent field where they traveled to the highway ditch.

By the time my gaze caught up to the mishap, snow

Keeping southwest Minnesota vibrant requires more workers

You and I know that Minnesota is a great place to live. There are plenty of numbers to back that up. Since 2009 our economy has been healthier than the U.S. as a whole. Minnesota's unemployment rate is lower than the national average and our job growth is more robust. Things are just better here in our corner of the Midwest.

This is where the "but" shows up. Minnesota is aging, which is fine; we all get old. But from a big picture standpoint, it's troubling. In the span of 15 years — from 2015 to 2030 — the number of Minnesotans age 65 or older is expected to jump from about 753,529 to 1,268,089. If current population trends continue, those 1.2 million people over age 65 will account for 1 in 5 state residents.

That simple statistic has profound implications because older Minnesotans, like older Americans everywhere, are less likely to work. And companies need workers to get things built and keep our economy vibrant.

This is such an important issue for our state that I've joined a group of legislators, business leaders and concerned citizens to explore the topic.

Called "Courageous Conversations: Minnesota's Aging Workforce," the effort is organized by the University of Minnesota's Center for the Study of Politics and Governance with support from the McKnight Foundation.

One of the reasons I've joined this initiative is that it is engaging Greater Minnesota with six sessions around the state.

The first conversation occurred

a few months ago in Minneapolis. The next one is scheduled for March 23 in Marshall. I invite you to join us because we want to hear from everyone.

GUEST COLUMNIST

By State Representative Joe Schomacker

So why is this important to our area?

After the Great Recession of 2008, things started to pick up around here in 2010. At that time, job vacancies in southwest Minnesota — both full- and part-time - lingered in the 700-800 range. In the eight years following 2010, we've seen some ups and downs in the number of job vacancies, but it's been mostly an upward trend. Today job openings in our area have more than doubled to 2,000, offering workers a median wage of \$13 per hour.

Companies like Avera Health, Archers Daniel Midland and tru Shrimp Systems, a shrimp farm using local grain in Balaton, are hiring or will be hiring soon. Other employers are hiring too. All in all, it's a good time to be looking for work.

Worker shortage threatens our ecomomy.

Without a talented, plentiful workforce, employers will be tempted to relocate plants and offices elsewhere. That could be a city in the South or maybe one of the coasts.

To keep our businesses thriving and in our community, we need to figure out a way to attract new people to southwest Minnesota or entice a lot of folks to keep working a little longer than we've come to expect. And probably, a little of both.

I am excited to work in our communities and engage with workers on future plans. That may mean removing hurdles that might discourage older workers from staying on the job, and encouraging positive attitudes about older workers and their importance to our businesses. We may also need to improve job training opportunities and introduce a bit more flexibility in work schedules.

Join us on March 23rd in Marshall to share your story and let's find a way to keep southwest Minnesota a vibrant place to live for generations to come.

More information at http://z. umn.edu/courageousconversations2, email cspg@umn.edu, or call 612-625-5340.

Joe Schomacker represents District 22A in the Minnesota House of Representatives. He is currently in his 4th term and serves as the chair of the Health and Human Services Reform Committees.





He recently consoled another friend who rolled his truck after sliding off the road. (The best lesson in this case was that kid ended up dangling - uninjured - from his seatbelt inside the upside-down

was flying from all four tires as they gained traction to safely enter the roadway. Sigh.

We can only hope this was yet another harmless lesson toward humility.

Laws involving following distances only pertain to vehicles pulling trailers

Question: What is the correct following distance? Everyone seems to be way too close behind each other.

Answer: The only law regarding following distance pertains to vehicles pulling trailers. This includes trucks as well as semi-truck tractors with trailers. They must maintain a minimum distance of 500 feet.

While state law does not require a specific distance for vehicles not pulling trailers, it does say that you shall not follow another vehicle more closely than is reasonable and prudent, having due regard for the speed of such vehicles and the traffic upon and the conditions of the highway.

We recommend the 3-secondplus following distance rule. Watch the vehicle in front of you. When that



vehicle gets past an object such as a sign, pole, bridge, etc., then count off three seconds. You should not arrive at that spot sooner than your count to three. If you do, then you are following too close!

Also, you must add one second for every hazard that exists. Hazards include but are not limited to heavy



By Sgt. Troy Christianson, **Minnesota State Patrol**

> traffic, rain, snow, fog, driving into the sun, etc. In some cases you might have to allow six, seven seconds (or even more) to be safe because of existing hazards.

> When following a snowplow, it is recommended that you maintain a distance of a minimum of 10 car lengths. It is important to keep

your distance to avoid whiteout conditions that may be caused by the snowplow.

Crash facts show a much larger number of cars and pickup trucks being involved in fatal rear-end crashes than semi-truck tractors pulling trailers.

Question: Would you tell me the significance of the color maroon for the Minnesota State Patrol please?

Answer: The Minnesota State Patrol was created in 1929. The original trooper uniform was a long gray coat, riding boots, gray kneehigh pants and an eight-corner hat. The uniform was replaced in 1943 by maroon and gold uniforms to honor the University of Minnesota football national championship team. (The

Golden Gophers were national football champions 1904, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1940, 1941, and 1960.)

In 1958 the State Patrol adopted maroon as the standard squad color. Prior to that, a majority of the squad cars had been black, although some were various colors.

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

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

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ON THE RECORD

Dispatch report Feb. 9

•Complainant reported neighbor doing construction and being noisy. •Complainant reported a car stuck in a snow pile. •Complainant reported a vehicle collided with a

trash can on Freeman Ave. •Complainant reported non-custodial par-

ent removing child from school. •Complainant re-

ported home is on fire. Everyone is unharmed. Transferred to Pipestone County.

•Complainant reported party of four kids throwing snowballs at car on Warren Street.

•Complainant requested to speak with a deputy.

•Complainant requested to speak with a deputy about their son.

•Complainant reported her car broke down at Dollar General. She will get it as soon as she can and make contact with them.

Feb. 10

• Public assist resulting in an open bottle charge at Dollar General.

•Caller reported they hit a stop sign in Hills.

•Complainant requested a deputy, did a door unlock and the lady doesn't have money. Taking the tow truck down.

•Complainant reported a pickup shining in Steen. Not sure if they are hunting.

Feb. 11

•Complainant reported locked keys in vehicle - gave the number to a locksmith.

•Complainant reported man walking who doesn't appear dressed appropriately for the weather. Feb. 12

•Reserved for credit card fraud information.

•Reserved for warrant charges

•Reserved for deceased person information. •Complainant report-

ed theft on Warren Street. •Complainant relested to speak with

Ave. Deputies canceled prior to arrival.

•Complainant reported vehicle parked outside that shouldn't be there.

•Complainant reported physical altercation at the Christian Reformed Church.

•Complainant reported finding mother deceased.

•Complainant is making suicidal threats.

•Complainant repeatedly making 911 calls. Feb. 13

•Complainant reported she doesn't want to be there.

•Complainant requested to speak to deputy about harassing communications. Complainant requested to speak to deputy regarding warrant.

•Complainant reported domestic on Hatting Street.

•Complainant requested deputy make contact with son to transport his mother from the hospital.

Feb. 14

•Property damage to railroad crossing arm.

ed crosswalk traffic light not activating for pedestrians on Barck Street.

•Complainant reported railroad crossing arm down in Manley.

•Complainant reported scam phone calls.

•Complainant reported a smoker in the pick up line at the Luverne Elementary School.

•Complainant reported daughter's ex-boyfriend keeps driving by on Mead. Court.

Feb. 15

•Complainant reported family member has fallen inside home and doors are locked - called locksmith.

•Complainant requested to speak with deputy about a craigslist transaction.

•Complainant reported vandalism to vehicle.

 Complainant came to Law Enforcement Center and requested to speak with deputy regarding mental health committal.



Luverne elementary students enjoy blue skies and sunshine during their noon recess Wednesday, Feb. 14, on the south playground. Recent snow and continued winter temperatures have allowed for long-term construction of tunnels and forts in the snow pile that grows each time it snows and the parking lot is cleared. Tuesday's new snow provided more playground opportunities.

H-BC High School releases Honor Rolls

Quarter 2 A Honor Roll

Seniors: Amber Mace, Angela Martinyuk, Olivia Richards, Dylon Taubert, Paige Tilstra, Jacob Wingert.

Juniors: Grace Bundesen, Seth Glidewell, Mary-Frances Ladd, Luke LaRock, Garrett Raymon, Josie Scholten, Bailey Swan.

Sophomores: Josie Bartels, Whitney Elbers, Aleigha Glidewell, Larinda Kellenberger, Kailey Rozeboom.

Freshmen: Thomas Dysthe, Calvin Erickson, Hannah Fick, Abby Knobloch, Allison LaRock, Taryn Rauk, Lauren Tatge, Jacey Vanden Hoek, Austin Wilhelmi.

Eighth Grade: Taylor Durst, Kenadie Fick, Leeanna Gaugler, Danette Leenderts, Samantha Moser, Tara Paulsen, Liam Raymon, Tess Van Maanen, Mackenzie Voss.

Seventh Grade: Carter Abels, Devon Dysthe, Jenifer Martinyuk, Brayden Metzger, Cody Moser, Leif Tollefson, Joshua Wiersema.

Quarter 2 B Honor Roll

Seniors: Trevor Dolphin, Megan Gehrke, Brandon Gray, Halle Hoekstra, Grace Holthaus, Dawson Leenderts, Courtney Page, Matthew Swenson, Orvil Swenson, Dustin Teune, Dylan Tieszen, Avery Wysong.

Juniors: Amber Bos, Sidney Fick, Oana Ela Hagen, Tyler Jess, Wyatt Westrum, Preston Wilhelmi.

Sophomores: Joslyn Birger, Eve Burgers, Sadie Fuerstenberg, Easton Harnack, Larissa Kruid, Jo-Hannah Ladd, Jax Wysong.

Freshmen: Tyson Bork, Annie Bos, Chase Bosch, Erika Dysthe, Ethan Gray, Ashlee Kelderman, Kathleen Kiers, Tony Knobloch, Emilee Kodet, Abbigail Olson, Jacob Sheppard, Brandon Taubert, Gavin Wysong, Zander Wysong.

Eighth Grade: Austin Allen, Oliver Deelstra, Troy Durst, Sean Elbers, Weston Kellenberger, Ethan Kruger, Drew Leenderts, Daniel Martinyuk, Dallas Page, Aliyah Stoltenberg, Conner Vande Voort.

Seventh Grade: Luke Fuerstenberg, Tyrae Goodface, Alexander Harris, Ellynor Klosterbuer, Britton McKenzie, Elisha Taubert. Sophia VanSurksum.

Semester 1 A Honor Roll

Seniors: Brandon Gray, Grace Holthaus, Amber Mace, Angela Martinyuk, Olivia Richards, Dylon Taubert, Paige Tilstra, Jacob Wingert.

Juniors: Grace Bundesen, Sidney Fick, Seth Glidewell, Mary-Frances Ladd, Garrett Raymon, Josie Scholten, Bailey Swan, Levi VandenBosch.

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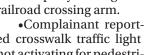
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Eighth Grade: Austin Allen, Oliver Deelstra, Sean Elbers, Weston Kellenberger, Drew Leenderts, Daniel Martinyuk, Dallas Page, Max Scholten, Aliyah Stoltenberg, Conner Vande Voort.

Seventh Grade: Luke Fuerstenberg, Tyrae Goodface,



deputy regarding child custody issue.

•Complainant reported possible suicide.

•Complainant reported suspicious activity in Hills.

•Complainant reported harassing communications.

•Complainant wants to report being harassed. •Complainant report-

ed fraud. •Deputies attempted

warrant service, attempt successful.

•Complainant reported feeling suicidal.

•Complainant reported burglary alarm on Kniss

•Complainant reported two males fighting in parking lot of the Howling Dog Saloon.

In addition officers also responded to 7 vehicle accidents, 3 transports, 9 escorts, 20 ambulance runs, 5 animal complaints, 22 burn permits, 1 welfare check, 1 narcotics law, 4 drug court tests, 7 permit to purchase/carry, 7 paper service, 15 traffic stops, 1 probation check, 1 abandon 911, 1 public assist, 2 tests, 3 fingerprints and 1 DWL

Alexander Harris, Ellynor Klosterbuer, Britton McKenzie, Elisha Taubert, Sophia VanSurksum.

Nitrogen Smart workshop set for Feb. 28 in Pipestone

Ag producers and ag professionals are encouraged to attend "Nitrogen Smart" from 1 to 4 p.m. Monday, Feb. 26, in Room 1314 of the Pipestone campus of Minnesota West Community and Technical College.

This training program presents the fundamentals for maximizing economic return on nitrogen investments while minimizing nitrogen losses.

Nitrogen Smart will edu-

cate producers on: •sources of nitrogen (N)

for crops. how nitrogen is lost from soil and how you can reduce losses.

 how to manage nitrogen in drainage systems.

•what the new Nutrient Reduction Strategy and Nitrogen Fertilizer Management Plan mean for Minnesota producers.

•practices to refine nitro-

gen management, including split applications, alternative N fertilizers, soil and tissue testing and N models.

Attendees will receive Nitrogen Smart designations, which will be good for three years. There is no cost to attend due to support from Minnesota Corn Growers and no registration is required.

The program is offered by the University of Minnesota Extension, Minnesota Corn

Growers and the Minnesota Agricultural Water Resource Center.

Source: Melissa Runck, Extension Educator-Ag Production Systems with University of Minnesota Extension in Murray and Pipestone Counties.

More information is at z.umn.edu/NitrogenSmart. Or call the Pipestone County Extension Office at 507-825-1190.



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Getting tough on pain Massage alternative runs circles around other therapies

Story and photos by Mavis Fodness

Activities of daily living have put a strain on Jean Staeffler's back.

Less than a year ago, the retired Luverne office worker had surgery to repair her injured vertebrae. The surgery was successful but her shoulders and back continued to hurt.

"My doctor recommended massage therapy," she said. "Through that I found cupping, and I am really liking it."

Cupping, also known as vacuum massage, uses various-sized glass and/ or silicone cups to lift the outer skin and muscles. The gentle upward pressure pulls oxygenated blood and healing nutrients into the muscle to rid it of pain.

Martha Nowatzki of Salon 75 in Luverne perfected the cupping technique a year ago.

"Cupping has the same effects of a deep tissue massage, but it doesn't hurt," she said.

Cupping exerts a gentle upward pull of the skin versus the use of hands and forearms that press down on the sore areas.

Depending on the client's needs, Nowatzki alternates traditional massage and cupping massage during 30-, 60- or 90-minute sessions.

Staeffler received her second cupping treatment last week.

"My muscles felt warmer and I was so much more relaxed," she said. "My muscles stayed so much more relaxed over time."

Through hand techniques, Nowatzki can feel if the therapy is having the like soft butter. Your fingers should sink into it," she said. "If it is not, you can feel a 'speed bump' where the tissues are stuck."

Hurting muscles are a tangle of tissue and muscle fibers that harden into adhesions or knots under the skin.

The lesions can range in size from very small like the head of a pin or very large like an egg.

"The size of the lesions is not indicative of how much it hurts," she said.

Massaging the area feeds the dehydrated cells with renewed blood flow, and continued massage ultimately eases the muscle tightness.

"The more blood flow to the area, the more nourished it is," Nowatzki said.

Cupping is an ancient technique going back hundreds of years. Ancient cultures used animal hours and, eventually fire cupping with glass cups.

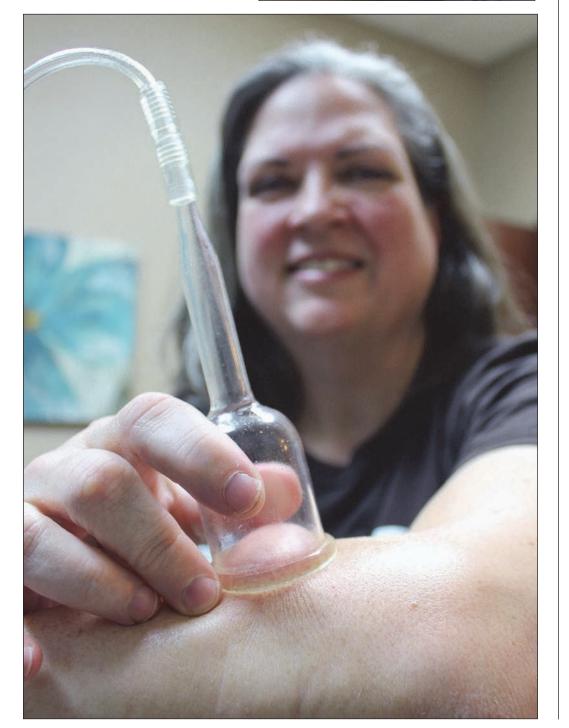
Instead of using fire to create suction under the glass cups, Nowatzki uses a small vacuum hose attached to a pump. Various levers and buttons on the pump control the speed of the suction as well as the force pulling at the skin.

Watching how the skin reacts under the cup tells Nowatzki if a muscle area is stuck and congested.

"In less tissues (muscles) the skin comes up smooth and light pink, but different textures and colors like purpose can indicated different issues," she said.

Nowatzki began instruction on vacuum therapy several months after Olympic swimmer Michael Phelps brought attention to the massage technique by the display of large purple dots on his back and shoulders at the Left: Red circles last for a few minutes on the skin during a massage using several soft silicone cups. The cups are moved by hand to a new set of muscles.

Below: Massage therapist Martha Nowatzki places a glass cup on her forearm in a vacuum therapy technique that alleviates muscle pain by lifting the skin to promote more blood flow and ultimately more nutrients to the sore area.



Celebrations

Open houses

George and Donna Scholten will celebrate their 80th birthdays with an open house from 1:30-4 p.m. Saturday, March 3, in St. Catherine's gathering space. Greetings may be sent to 202 Oak Drive, Luverne, MN 56156.

An open house bridal shower for **Brenna Brown**, bride-to-be of **Dylan Richters**, will be from 9-11 a.m. Saturday, March 3, at the American Reformed Church in Luverne.

A bridal shower for **Liz Solma**, bride-to-be of **Chris Mattis**, will be from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 3, at First Presbyterian Churchin Luverne.

Card showers

Gary Staeffler will celebrate his 70th birthday on Monday, Feb. 26. Greetings may be sent to him at 413 W. Warren Street, Luverne, MN 56156.

Menu

Monday, Feb. 26: Creamy vegetable soup, turkey sandwich, fruit cup, crackers, cookie. Program: Pinochle.

Tuesday, Feb. 27: Meatballs in gravy, mashed potatoes, beets, bread, lemon sponge cake.

Program: Two-buck Tuesday sponsored by Exchange State Bank.

Wednesday, Feb. 28: Cubed roast beef, mashed potatoes, peas, dinner roll, pudding.

Thursday, March 1: Chickenhotdish and rice, green beans, peaches, bread, bar.

Friday, March 2: Egg bake, oven-baked potatoes, fruit cocktail, bread, coffeecake.

Senior Dining offers wellbalanced and affordable meals in a community atmosphere.

Gift certificates are available at the meal site or online

muscle.

She has 22 years of experience as a massage therapist.

"Healthy muscle feels

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Zachery and Emily Cowell

Klarenbeek, Cowell wed at American Reformed Church

Emily Klarenbeek and Zachery Cowell, both of Luverne, were married Saturday, Oct. 7, 2017, at the American Reformed Church in Luverne.

Emily is the daughter of Brad and Janna Klarenbeek of Luverne, and Zachery is the son of Tim Cowell, Luverne, and Heather Kroon, Steen.

Pastor Mike Altena officiated at the ceremony. Special music was provided by pianist Darla Timmer, flutist Erica Mesman and soloist April Cowell.

Shelby Rozenboom, sister of the bride, was the matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Bobbie Cowell, cousin of the groom, and Jessie VandeHoef and Taylor Stratton, friends of the bride. The bride's personal attendants were Abby Cowell, cousin of the groom, and Mace Walgrave, friend of the bride. The groom's cousin Emma Cowell was the flower girl.

Bestman was the groom's brother Riley Cowell. His groomsmen were his friends Matt Reverts, Lee Sells and Derek Elbers and the bride's brother Paul Klarenbeek. Ringbearers were the groom's cousin Callum Cowell and the couple's son Jayce Cowell. Ushers were the groom's friends Josh Connell, Kendall Meyer and Steven VerHey.

A reception followed the ceremony at Grand Prairie Events in Luverne.

The bride is a 2011 graduate of Southwest Minnesota Christian High School in Edgerton. She is employed at Rock County Eye Clinic in Luverne.

The groom is a 2011 graduate of Luverne High School. He works for Cowell Construction in Luverne.

They are living in Luverne.

at www.lssmn.org/nutrition. Call Lauree Teunissen at 283-9846 to make dining reservations or for home-delivered meals.

REMEMBER WHEN

10 years ago (2008)

•In a decade-long trend of rising land values in Rock County, news of \$5,000 or \$6,000 per acre land sales hasn't been unusual.

Bit a land auction last weekend brought prices that top any so far - \$7,800 per acre.

"We went from \$3,000 to \$7,000 in less than three minutes," said auctioneer Bill Korth of Jensen Management.

"Once we got to \$7,000, I started getting nervous. It was uncharted territory in Rock County, so it was quite an adrenaline rush. ... I'm still on cloud 9."

The previous record price for land in Rock County was \$6,500 per acre for land sold in Martin Township last summer.

25 years ago (1993)

•A debate rages in the Luverne School District over the need for a new \$500,000 telecommunication tower that some teachers say will go unused.

Telecommunication isn't new to the Luverne School District. For about eight years, the school has paid annually for use of a telecommunication network system. The system links 10 school districts under a joint power agreement, allowing them to share classes and instructors via televisions.

The ten on the network are charged about \$95,000 total annually which is shared equally among them. But Kim Schmidt, coordinator of the network, said none of the districts have paid the full amount because the system hasn't been in full use.

50 years ago (1968)

•Two of Rock county's three high school superintendents have not reached decisions yesterday on what they would be doing about holding baccalaureate services for their 1968 graduating classes. The third one said that unless the attorney general's ruling Monday was strictly interpreted to prohibit it, baccalaureate would be held as usual in his school.

Superintendents Harvey Eitreim of Luverne and Reinhold Opp of Magnolia said they would be discussing Attorney General Douglas Head's opinion, declaring baccalaureate unconstitutional with their school boards at their March meeting.

75 years ago (1943)

•Refunds to patrons of the Rock County Co-operative Oil company in the form of dividends totaled \$15,830.97 during 1942, compared to \$15,622.41 during 1941 it was revealed Tuesday when the financial statement of the organization was read at the Luverne armory. About 500 persons were present at the meeting.

Curtailed travel and rationing were credited with having cut into the volume of lite-ends during the year just past, the gallonage during 1942 having dropped from 1,796,339 to 1,778,072.

Interest paid on stock during 1942 amounted to \$1,443.00.

100 years ago (1918)

•The recent order of the Minnesota Commission of Public Safety requiring all aliens in Minnesota to register, with the exception of the alien Germans who recently registered under the order of the federal department of justice, becomes effective next Monday, which will be the first registration day. The registration must be completed within three days, or by the night of Feb. 27th.

Pursuant to the order of the commission the board of county commissioners, at their meeting on Tuesday, fixed the hours of registration between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. on each of the days stated – Feb. 25^{th} , 26^{th} and 27^{th} . The place of registration will be at the office of the clerk of the town, village or city in which such aliens reside. The notice adopted by county board will be found elsewhere in this issue.

SCHOOL NEWS

Krueger named to dean's list/honor roll

Ashton Krueger, Luverne, has been named to the Explore Center List of Distinguished Students as a freshman undeclaredundergraduate at the University of Nebraska Lincoln for the Fall 2017 semester.

Kern makes St. Cloud Tech president's list

St. Cloud Technical and Community College has named

Taylor Kern, Luverne, to the president's list for earning a 4.0 GPA during the Fall 2017 semester.

Schacht named to St. Cloud dean's list

Spencer Schacht, Luverne, has been named to the St. Cloud State University dean's list for the Fall 2017 semester. To be eligible, students must earn at least a 3.75 on a 4.0 scale.

Schacht is majoring in mass communications.



Submitted photo

Fourteen Luverne High School speech team members placing at the Redwood Valley Invitational Saturday, Feb. 17, included (front row, from left) Xavier Carbonneau, Lindsey Roemeling, Seno Chanthalangsy, Sage Ver Steeg, Alexa Chesley, Melanie Rittenhouse, Lauren Ver Steeg, (back) Briana Jonas, Jacinda Hustoft, Jonah Louwagie, Gunnar Oldre, Chance Tunnissen, Shane Berning and Roz Oye.

LHS claims third place at Redwood Valley **Speech Invitational**

Luverne students were among the 300 speakers from 22 schools that competed in the Redwood Valley Speech Invitational on Saturday, Feb. 17.

The Cardinal team captured the third-place large team trophy.

Individual honors went to students placing first- through sixth-place in the final round. Blue ribbons were given for one place out of medals and red ribbons for two places out of medals.

The following Luverne members placed or received ribbons at the tournament or :

•Discussion: Alexa Chesley, sixth place, and Melanie Rittenhouse, blue ribbon.

•Dramatic interpretation: Brianna Jonas, blue ribbon.

•Duo interpretation: Roz Oye and Lauren VerSteeg, third.

•Extemporaneous speaking: Shane Berning, first, Chance Tunnissen, fourth.

•Humorous interpretation: Seno Chanthalangsy, first, Gunnar Oldre, blue ribbon. •Original oratory: Lindsey Roemeling, blue

ribbon. •Poetry: Jacinda Hustoft, fourth.

•Prose: Sage Ver Steeg, first.

•Storytelling: Jonah Louwagie, sixth, Xavier Carbonneau, red ribbon.

Luverne conducts first junior high meet

Eleven schools combined to bring 135 seventh- through ninth-grade students to the first Luverne Junior High Speech Meet Thursday, Feb. 15 in Luverne.

Individual honors earned by Luverne students included: Hope Thorson, third, creative expression; Ella Lanoue second, discussion; Solveig Tofteland and Seno Chanthalangsy, first, and Roz Oye and Lauren VerSteeg, second, duo interpretation; Cedar Viessman, fourth, extemp reading; Chance Tunnissen first, Ross Bergman, second, Parker Carbonneau, and third, extemp speaking; Rvlee Anderson, fifth, great speeches; Luke Thorson, second, humorous; Rebecca Austin, first, Cassie Flanagan, second, and Ethan Nath, fourth, informative speeches; Elizabeth Grimm, fifth, prose; Xavier Carbonneau, fourth, and Hannah Baker, fifth, storytelling.

According to speech coach Caroline Thorson, junior high meets are important for a couple of reasons.

"One, it gives younger students

more level playing field and, two, it provides an opportunity for our more veteran students (high school juniors and seniors) to learn how a tournament is set up and conducted," she said.

Visiting schools as well as Luverne students served as judges for the contest.

Luverne's Julia Ferguson and Jacinda Hustoft, were two of the four student judges. Both commented on how difficult the judging piece was.

"In several cases, they noted that it was hard to decide between a few of the rankings," Thorson said.

After the event both students now understand the difficulty adult judges have in deciding which criteria to use in rendering the final decision.

Thorson commented she hopes the students continue to be active in speech after they graduate from high school.

"Adult judges are always needed," she said.

Junior high meets will be conducted Thursday, Feb. 22, in Tracy, and Monday, March 5, in

OBITUARIES

LaVerle Lorenzen

LaVerle Mae Lorenzen, 91, Luverne, died Monday, Feb. 12, 2018, at the Good Samaritan Society Mary Jane Brown

Home in Luverne. A funeral service was Saturday, Feb. 17, at the United Methodist Church in Luverne. Burial followed at Trosky Cemetery in Trosky.

LaVerle Mae Colbeck was born Aug. 18, 1926, to Harry and Jettie (Matley) Colbeck in Trosky, where she was raised and attended school. When she was in the fifth grade, she moved with her parents to Pipestone and graduated from Pipestone High School in 1944. Upon completion of her education, she became employed at Wood Novelty in Pipestone.

On March 28, 1949, she married Orland Lorenzen at the Methodist Church in Pipestone. Following their marriage, they farmed near Hardwick. In 1953 they moved to a farm near Edgerton, and in 1960 they moved to a farm near Beaver Creek. In 1965 they moved to a farm north of Magnolia where they lived until 1973 when they moved into Magnolia. LaVerle worked for a short while at the Magnolia Steak House. She then became a day care provider in her home until her retirement in 1991. LaVerle was very dedicated to raising her grandchildren. Orland died on Oct. 1, 2013.

LaVerle was a member of the Magnolia Methodist Church, the Magnolia United Methodist Women, and the Naomi Circle. She was a char-

Betty Jean Steenstra

Betty Jean Steenstra, 76, Edgerton, died Monday, Feb. 12, 2018, at

her home. A memorial service was Saturday, Feb. 17, at the Dingmann Funeral Home in Luverne. A

ter member of the American

Legion Auxiliary in Hardwick. She and her husband were a team. Together they raised a big garden each year. They also spent time gathering wood for the wood burner and while doing this, they cleaned out many area groves. She is survived

by five children, six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren: daughter Sheila (Jeff) Hazard of Sioux Falls, South Dakota; son Randal (Becky) Lorenzen of Magnolia, granddaughter, Emily (Drew) Albin, great-granddaughters, Gwen and Evelyn; daughter Sharon (David) Boltjes of Adrian, granddaughter, Haley Boltjes (boyfriend Erik Ness); daughter Sharlene (Jim) Vrtacnik of Bigfork, grandson Joshua (Kim) Vrtacnik, great-granddaughter, Evie, and grandson Joseph (Courtney) Vrtacnik, great-grandchildren, Mackenzie and Emmett); son Ryan (Rhonda) Lorenzen of Wakefield, Nebraska, granddaughters, Hannah and Sarah; three sisters-in-law, Marion Colbeck of Edina, Marion Lorenzen of Jasper, and Luella Haroldson of Jasper; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Orland; a son, RichardLorenzen; herparents; six sisters, Virgie Barck, Leona Olbele, Mabel Colbeck, Milda Buffington, Marthy Colbeck and Dorothy Taubert; and three brothers, Leland, Leo and Floyd Colbeck.

Arrangements were provided by Hartquist Funeral Home of Luverne, www. hartquistfuneral.com. (0222 F)

doing puzzles, reminiscing about the good old days and especially spending time with

> her family. **Betty is survived** by her daughter, Kiersten (Ron) Hagberg, Holland; her



The Cardinals compete in Adrian Saturday.

an opportunity to compete on a

1968: Discussions continue on razing Luverne townhall

The following article appeared in the Feb. 15, 1968, edition of the Rock County Star Herald. This is the last of two parts.

A Luverne Landmark for 80 Years...Town Hall Coming Down

Almost Stalemate

On May 5 a committee reported to the council that they could not report on the canvassing in favor or disfavor - stalemate.

The feeling of the town council was that the effort by the committee was feeble and that a canvass should be again taken by the president of the council.

Philo Hawes was president of the council in 1888 at the time, with J.W. Gerber, G.H. Hinton and W. Webber as recorder. Hawes replaced Wm. Jacobsen who had resigned on May 1 as president of the council.

In the middle of May the council set an election for June 7 to vote on additional bonds in the amount of \$3,000 at 6 per cent for 20 years to cover the additional cost of the first bids received if they accepted these. The plan flopped. Only 57 voted for the building, 94 against.

Size Specified

On June 18 Schwartz was again retained to prepare new plans and specifications for a town hall building to be 28 by 60 feet. Schwartz and the council wasted no time. The plan was adopted that night and compensation for the plans, already prepared, was fixed at \$115, with extra copies to



THIS BELL, CAST IN 1890, by the McShane Bell Works, Baltimore, stood atop the old City Hall for almost 80 years. It was used as a fire alarm by the city in hose cart days and later served as a curfew warning at night. Jim Vanderberg, at right, and Don Cornelison, city employees, say the bell has a clear, sharp ring that reverberates for minutes when sounded. The bell is destined to be placed on the grounds of the new fire station. (Star-Herald photo)

be supplied at \$30.

August 13 the council hit pay dirt. The bid of P.N. Gillham was accepted by the council. He estimated a completion date of November 15, 1888. Gillham's bid was \$4,385. The only other bidder wasGeorgeSoutar, \$4,550. The Rock County Bank of Luverne was awarded sale of the bonds.

Completed 1888

The building was completed and accepted on November 15 but on December 4 the city was not yet occupying it. A contract later was awarded to Gillham for a Blue Mound flagstone sidewalk in front of the building at a cost of \$150. J.H. Bailey was hired on March 5, 1889 to keep a

fire in the hall for \$5 per month.

The city sold an old building known as the City Scales building to G.K. Kniss for \$36. The council had met here on occasion and this was the site of the Recorders office before the town hall was finished.

Bell To Be Landmark

At the rear of the town hall another building later was erected to house firefighting carts and a large bell adorned the top front of the building. When a fire call came in the bell clanged the alarm for firemento come-a-running. Later a siren took the place of the bell for town fires, but the bell served to alert firemen for rural fires.

The bronze bell was cast in 1890 and weighs 1,050 pounds.

BITS BY Ветту

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

It was manufactured by the McShane Bell Works of Baltimore, Md. With it comes 650 pounds of cast iron tolling hardware.

Presently it is the council's intent to clean the bell and relocate it, possibly in the area of the new firestation. The council is considering mounting it at ground level as a community landmark and memorial. A memento of the old horse and cart days of firefighting.

Rang Curfew For Years

Years ago the bell also served as curfew for the youngsters of Luverne. When the night policeman tolled the bell, (he tolled it slow and that was a signal for you to shag for home," recalled one man) at 9 p.m. it was a sure sign the day was over. It ceased to be used during World War II. The siren was put up in the late 1920's or early 30's and was sold to the city by Luverne Fire Apparatus Co.

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

Mann welcomes correspondence sent to mannmade@iw.net.

private family burial of cremains will be at a later date at the Leota Community Cemetery.

Betty Veen was born Oct. 17, 1941, to Fred and Norma (Wittrock) Veen in Flandreau, South Dakota. As a young girl, Betty moved with her family to rural Pipestone, later settling north of Pipestone. She graduated from Pipestone High School and later worked as a telephone operator.

Betty married Sabo Steenstra on July 5, 1963, in Edgerton. After their marriage the couple lived in Washington, D.C. They then moved to their current residence two miles west of Leota. Betty worked at Fey Industries in Edgerton for over 20 years before retiring. Sabo died on June 18, 2012.

Betty enjoyed reading,



Schaap, Andrew (Brandi) Schaap, Micaela Steenstra and Dennise Steenstra; two great-grandchildren, Jase and Adalyn Schaap; two brothers, Loren Veen, Holland, and Dale (Carol) Veen, Pipestone; two sisters-in-law, Kay Alsum, Byron Center, Michigan, and Joanne Kortleever, Denver, Colorado; and many nieces and nephews.

Shewaspreceded in death by her parents; her husband, Sabo; a sister-in-law, Ardis Veen; and three brothers-inlaw, Billy Steenstra, Elmer Kortleever and Seymour Alsum.

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

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DEATH NOTICE

Bradley Lorenzen –

Bradley Mark Lorenzen, 55, Brookings, South Dakota, died Friday, Feb. 8, 2018.

Burial will be Aug. 24, 2018, at the Trosky Cemetery in Trosky. There are no other services planned at this time.

Arrangements are provided by Eidsness Funeral Home, Brookings, eidsnessfuneralhome.com.

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Circles/contined from page 6A -

Rio 2016 games.

The dots were bruises caused by suction created by the cups breaking the capillaries under the skin surface. The cup marks can look painful but are not true bruises.

"Extreme use can certainly causes bruises but that is rare and not the goal," she said.

People with certain conditions and medications shouldn't receive cupping or deep tissue therapies.

Nowatzki's technique, however, is less evasive than the suction used on Phelps' sore muscles. The red dots on Staeffler's shoulders only lasted a few minutes. She also uses silicone

cups when there is no electricity or more than two cups are needed for the muscle areas. Using her fingers, Nowatzki pinches the sides of the rubber cup together and its release results in attaching itself to the skin. All cupping techniques

achieve a single goal. "The goal is to get

people pain free," Nowatzki said.

Left: Two cups are used at once. A large plastic cup is attached to Jean Staeffler's shoulder muscle and a smaller glass cup is held by Salon 75 Massage Therapist Martha Nowatzki in a technique called vacuum massage or cupping. The technique relieves muscle pain. **Right**: Cupping can also use several soft silicone cups.



In vacuum massage, the skin drawn up into the cup should be smooth like rising bread dough. Any skin puckering or dimples means tissue is pulling at the muscle, leading to soreness.



Farmland rental rates slow to adjust to lower grain prices

Rents still average above \$250 per acre; producers need to decide whether to 'rent or not to rent'

By Dave Bau

Farmland rental rates have remained high even though grain prices have gone down significantly. As grain prices rose, farmland rental rates were slow to increase. When grain prices started to fall in 2013, farmland rental rates started to decline, but at a much slower pace than management programs declined from a peak of \$243.47 in 2013 to \$226.85 in 2016 or 7 percent. Corn and soybean prices declined by an average of 41 percent, and if this was applied to 2013 average rental rates, the average rate in 2016 would calculate to \$143.65.

Manyrents are still above \$200, \$250 and higher. If I

Over 1,200 farmers in southern Minnesota ... have lost money on cash-rented corn ground since 2014, and it looks like this will hold true for 2017 and 2018.

Why would a farmer rent Once a rental parcel is lost, it

great potential each year to produce an exceptional crop and which parcels are subject to drought with lighter soils and which will be drowned outdue to water holes with poor drainage. These poorer parcels should be the first to go. If this reduces your farmed acrestoo much, examine ways to utilize your equipment differently, through custom work, or sharing equipment with a similar sized farmer. For farmers who decide not to rent, they may determine farming can no longer provide for them a living wage and they will need to find a new occupation, Many landlords have been slow to lower rents due to good yields the past three vears. Many look at their high property taxes and land values and think rents should reflect

this. Rents account for 1/3 of the costs on corn and 2/5 of costs for soybeans, and if a farmer is unable to negotiate a lower rent, that will be a major factor in having to say no.

Over 1,200 farmers in southern Minnesota in the Adult Farm Management programs have lost money on cash-rented corn ground since 2014, and it looks like this will hold true for 2017 and 2018. As farmers have been unable to pay back operating loans with these losses, many will be getting a no from their banker if the profitability numbers don't improve. And that will be a decision not to rent they did not want to make. Bau is an ag business management educator with the University of Minnesota. Contact Bau, <u>507-372-3900</u> ext 3906, or bauxx003@umn.edu.

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grain prices.

The average cash prices for corn and soybeans in 2012 in Worthington were \$6.82 for corn and \$12.64 for soybeans. The average price of corn declined each year since, while soybean prices peaked with an average price of \$13.99 in 2013. From 2012 through 2016, corn prices declined by 54.5 percent and soybean prices by 27 percent, while average rents paid by southern Minnesota in adult farm use \$250 rental rate and total cost of production estimate for 2018 of \$760 per acre for corn and \$530 for soybeans, using expected yields of 200 bushels per acre for corn and 55 bushels per acre for soybeans, the cost per bushel calculates at breakeven of \$3.80 for corn and \$9.64 for soybeans. Current 2018 cash bids are \$3.25 for corn and \$9.30 for soybeans, both below the breakeven prices necessary above. land for \$250 per acre or higher next year? The farmer has to ask the question, "To rent or not to rent?"

What are some reasons to rent with a potential loss forecast? Farmers are optimists and they are always hoping for better prices, and prices could increase to cover their costs. Farmers need to maintain their size to generate sufficient income to cover their living expenses and equate their equipment with the farm size. is hard to ever get back into the operation and if the farm size shrinks, it might fall to a level where the farmer will have to look for ways other than farming to provide for their living expenses. Other job opportunities are limited in rural communities.

With the projected prices producing negative income from renting, why should the farm say no? If the farmer has good records, they know every parcel of land and which has

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Luverne senior Samantha Pierce dismounts from the balance beam during Saturday's Section 3A Gymnastics championships in Luverne. Pierce produced a team-high score of 8.35 during the event to help the Cardinals place sixth as a team.

LHS gymnasts finish sixth

By John Rittenhouse

The 2017-18 gymnastics season came to an end for the Luverne Cardinals Saturday at Luverne High School.

The Cardinals served as hosts for the Section 3A Gymnastics Championships.

Unfortunately for LHS, no athletes qualified for next week's state competition in

for the fourth consecutive season by outscoring Jackson County Central 143.1-141.65.

LHS placed sixth in a nineteam field with 126.075 points. Hendricks (134.925), Martin County Area (133.625) and Redwood Valley (130.8) also topped the Cards in the team standings.

Luverne bettered the out-

title with a score of 9.425, while Taylor Eggers claimed the vault crown with a 9.35.

Jackson County Central's Brooklyn Schuett emerged as the all-around and floor champion with respective 36.15 and 9.5 tallies.

Hendricks' Greta Johnson captured the bars title with an 8.75.

and matched Witte's tally of 8.625 on the vault to lead the squad.

Witte led the Cardinals on the bars (7.8), floor (32.625) and in the all-around (32.625) competition.

Individual scores Vault: Pierce, 8.625; Witte, 8.625; Anna Huisman, 8.425; Meghan Mollberg, 8.2; Melissa Teal, 8.15.

Boys break through in BSC basketball

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne boys' basketball team posted a pair of wins on the road last week.

The Cardinals bested Windom by seven points in Windom Feb. 13 before notching a 20-point victory at Edgerton Public School Thursday.

Luverne, 7-16 overall, ends the regular season with a game in Minneota Friday.

LHS 78, Edgerton 58

The Cardinals picked up their seventh win of the season when they took on the Flying Dutchmen in Edgerton Thursday.

Luverne played well early to gain a 38-25 advantage by halftime.

The Cardinals went on to outscore EHS 40-33 in the second half to complete a 20-point victory.

Cole Claussen (20 points), Eli Haugom (14 points), Riley Siebenahler (12 points and 10 rebounds) and Derek Lundgren (11 points, 10 rebounds and five assists) led the Cards to victory.

Mark Robinson charted nine assists and three steals for the winners, while Brayden Jacobsma added three assists to the cause.

Box score

Robinson 0 2 0-0 6, Cowell 1 0 0-0 2, Lundgren 3 1 2-2 11, Bartels 0 0 1-1 1, Claussen 7 2 0-0 20, Terry 1 1 1-2 6, Jacobsma 2 0 1-1 5, Stemper 0 0 0-0 0, Siebenahler 2 2 2-3 12, Golla 0 0 1-3 1, Bierman 0 0 0-0 0, Pradana 0 0 0-0 0, Haugom 6 0 2-2 14

Team statistics

Luverne: 30 of 53 field goals (57 per-cent), 10 of 14 free throws (71 percent), 40 rebounds, 10 turnovers. Edgerton: 21 of 44 field goals (48 percent), four of 10 free throws (40 percent), 17 rebounds, three turnovers.

Luverne 66, Windom 59

The Cardinals took advantage of their final opportunity to nail down their first Big South Conference victory Feb. 13 in Windom.

Luverne, which carried a 0-11 mark in league play into the game, turned things around against the Eagles.

LHS opened an eight-point advantage in the first half and held its own in the second half to secure a seven-point victory.

The Cardinals led 31-23 after 18 minutes of play.

Windom sported a 36-35 scoring edge in the second half, but it wasn't enough to knock off LHS.

Claussen (21 points and six rebounds), Lundgren (16 points and six rebounds) and Haugom (15 points) played key roles in the win.

Box score

Robinson 0 0 2-2 2, Lundgren 2 2 6-8 16, Bartels 0 0 0-0 0, Claussen 5 3 2-2 21, Terry 0 0 3-5 3, Stemper 0 0 0-0 0, Siebenahler 1 1 4-69, Haugom 6 0 3-3 15.

Team statistics

Luverne: 20 field goals made, 20 of 26 free throws (77 percent). Windom: 19 field goals made, 12 of 21 free throws (57 percent).

Adrian boys even record with Thursday win

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian boys' basketball team evened its record at 11-11 after posting a win over Heron Lake-Okabena Thursday in Adrian.

The Dragons, who made 64 percent of their field goals in the game, got off to a fast start by outscoring the Wildcats 35-22 in the first half.

AHS used a 37-32 scoring advantage in the second half to complete a 72-54 victory. Christian Weidert (23 points and three assists) and Ryan Wieneke (20 points, eight rebounds and three steals)

played big games for Adrian. Brady Henning charted three steals and three assists for the Dragons, who host

Box score

Domeyer 0 0 0-0 0, Weidert 8 1 4-4 23, John 101-43, Wilson 000-00, Wieneke 8 1 1-3 20, Ross 1 0 0-0 2, Henning 2 0 4-5 8, Veld 0 0 0-0 0, Reyne 1 0 1-1 3, Stamer 1 1 0-0 5, Frodermann 0 0 0-0 0, Vortherms 0 0 0-0 0, Polzine 4 0 0-0 8, Luettel 0 0 0-0 0.

Mountain Lake Area Friday.

Minneapolis individually or as a team.

LHS ends the campaign with a 10-14 overall record.

Worthington walked away with the team championship

puts from Marshall (125.55), Windom-Mountain Lake Area (122.025) and Pipestone (114.95).

Worthington's Maria Contreras won the individual beam

Senior Samantha Pierce and sophomore Megan Witte turned in the top performances for Luverne.

Pierce registered the team's best score on the beam (8.35)

Rars Witte }• Hu 6.7; Madigan Flom, 6.35; Teal, 6.1. Beam: Pierce, 8.35; Huisman, 7.75; Flom, 7.65; Mollberg 7.35; Witte, 7.25. Floor: Witte, 8.95; Pierce, 8.425; Huisman, 8.175; Mollberg, 7.725; Flom, 7.4.

Team statistics Adrian: 29 of 45 field goals (64 percent) 11 of 17 free throws (65 percent), 25 rebounds, nine turnovers. HL-O: 22 of 58 field goals (38 percent), seven of 14 free throws (50 percent), 22 rebounds, five turnovers



Senior Paige Bullerman tossed in 16 points to lead the Adrian girls to a 65-44 home win over Heron Lake-Okabena Feb. 13.

Dragons finish league play with 9-7 record

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian girls' basketball team completed Red Rock Conference play with a 9-7 record after winning two of three games.

The Dragons posted a 21-point home win over Heron Lake-Okabena Feb. 13 in Adrian before losing by 35 points to Southwest Christian in Edgerton Thursday.

AHS capped a 10-14 regular season by defeating Edgerton Public School by six points Monday in Edgerton.

Adrian drew the sixth seed for the South Section 3A Tournament. The Dragons play No. 3 Red Rock Central at 4 p.m. Saturday during the quarterfinals in Worthington.

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Cardinals push streak to five games Friday

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne girls' basketball team is riding a five-game winning streak after posting a pair of victories last week.

The Cardinals posted a 12-point win in Windom Feb. 13 before completing their homeschedule with a 10-point victory over Martin County West Friday.

Luverne, 15-10 overall, completes the regular season with a game in Sleepy Eye Thursday.

Luverne 53, MCW 43

The Cardinals registered their fifth consecutive victory when they upended the Mavericks by 10 points in Luverne Friday.

MCW entered the game with 19 wins overall, but the Cardinals stole the show by outscoring the Mavericks in both halves of the game without facing a deficit the entire night.

LHS scored the first four points of the game and led 9-2 when Joci Oye drained a threepoint shot at the 9:48 mark of the first half.

The Cardsled by eight (17-9)when Sierra Schmuck converted a field goal with 5:55 remaining in the stanza, but MCW countered with a 10-3 run to make it a one-point game (20-19) with 1:02 left in the half.

Luverne's Rachel Oftedahl capped the scoring in the first half with a field goal in the final 10 seconds to give the Cards a 22-19lead they would take into the second stanza.

Mallory Thorson buried one free throw 1:45 into the second half to give the Cards a 25-19 advantage that was trimmed to two points (25-23) at the



John Rittenhouse photo/0222 lgb 6

Luverne junior Mackenzie Petersen draws a foul from Martin County West's Maia Taylor during Friday's basketball game in Luverne. Petersen sank seven free throws in a 53-43 win.

13:08 mark.

An 8-3 surge ending with a three-point shot from Schmuck made it 33-26 with 8:46 remaining, but MCW

answered the challenge by putting together a 9-2 run to knot the score at 35 at the 7:12 mark. The Cards dominated play over the final seven minutes

starting with a 16-4 run that ended with Oye sinking one free throw with 54 seconds left

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John Rittenhouse photo/0222 lgb 3 cut Senior Rachel Oftedahl grabs one of her team-high four rebounds during Friday's 53-43 home win over MCW.

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to give the Cards a 51-39 lead before settling with a 10-point win at game's end.

Schmuck led the Cards offensively with 15 points. Oftedahl grabbed four restart by rolling to a 31-21 lead in the first half.

The Cards completed their win by outscoring the Eagles 32-30 in the second half. Ove led the Cardinals to

Wrestlers advance, fall in team tourney

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne Cardinal wrestling team advanced through one round before bowing out in the quarter final round of the South Section 3AA Team Tournament Thursday in Fairmont.

The eighth-seeded Cards registered a 36-18 victory over No. 9 Fulda-Murray County Central in the opening round.

Top-seeded Fairmont-Martin County West eliminated the Cardinals from the event in the quarterfinals by saddling LHS with a 76-0 setback.

Luverne ends team competition with a 2-13 record.

The Cards won five of the six matches staged on the mat during their 18-point victory over F-MCC.

Tucker Oeltjenbruns (39 seconds over Logan Clarke), Dalton DeSollar (5:13 over Christian Kuball), Jed Dooyema (1:52 over Rylan Behnke), Jayden Renken (44 seconds over Keigan Behnke) and Tom Brown (19 seconds over Koyer Wendorff) pinned their opponents in the opening match.Braydon Ripka drew a forfeit

from F-MCC. The Cardinals were unable

to register a victory in the match against F-MCW. The Red Bulls won all six

matches that were decided on the mat.

F-MCW recorded two pins, one technical fall, two major decisions and one decision win during the match.

Luverne competes at the Section 3AA Individual Tournament in Dawson Friday and



John Rittenhouse photo/0222 lw jed 2

Luverne junior Jed Dooyema controls the leg of Fairmont-Martin County West's Miles Fitzgerald during Thursday's Section 3AA Team Wrestling Tournament match in Fairmont.

Saturday.

Match wrap-ups Luverne 36, F-MCC 18 106 (F) Blankenship pins Cowell. 113 (L) Ripka by forfeit. 120 (F) Blankenship by forfeit. 126 (L-F) open. 132 (L) Oeltjenbruns pins Clarke.
138 (L) DeSollar pins Kuball.
145 (F) Henning by forfeit. 152 (L) Dooyema pins Behnke. 160 (L) Renken pins Behnke. 170 (L) Brown pins Wendorff. 182 (L-F) open. 195 (L-F) open. 220 (L-F) open. 285 (L-F) open.

F-MCW 76, Luverne 0 106 (F) Jagodzinske by forfeit. 113 (F) Rohman pins Ripka. 120 (F) Simmonds by forfeit. 126 (F) Steuber by forfeit. 132 (F) Wolter 10-0 Oeltjenbruns. 138 (F) Ringnell 13-1 DeSollar. 145 (F) Anderson by forfeit. 152 (F) Fitzgerald t.f. Dooyema. 160 (F) Anderson 5-3 Renken. 170 (F) Lange pins Brown. 182 (F) Steuber by forfeit. 195 (F) Rahn by forfeit. 220 (F) Hernandez by forfeit. 285 (F) Tordsen by forfeit.

Patriots down Fulda after falling Feb. 13

By John Rittenhouse

The Hills-Beaver Creekboys split a pair of basketball games at different venues last week.

The Patriots fell by 24 points in Pipestone Feb. 13 before defeating Fulda by 16 points Thursday in Hills.

H-BC, 8-13 overall, hosts Southwest Christian Friday.

H-BC 68, Fulda 52

The Patriots avenged an early-season loss to the Raiders when they bested Fulda by 16 points Thursday in Hills.

H-BC, which lost by four points in Fulda back in December, got off to a good start in the rematch by opening a 30-21 lead by the intermission.

The Patriots proceeded to outscore Fulda 38-31 in the second half to complete a 16-point conquest.

Preston Wilhelmi played a strong game that featured him scoring 30 points, collecting seven rebounds and charting three steals and three assists. Jax Wysong grabbed seven rebounds for the 8-13 Patriots.

Box score

Harnack 1 2 2-2 10, Leenderts 0 0 2-2 2, Wilhelmi 7 3 7-7 30, Bork 3 0 1-2 7, Kueter 400-08, LaRock 000-00, Susie 1 0 0-0 2, Wysong 4 0 1-2 9.

Team statistics

H-BC: 25 of 55 field goals (45 percent), 13 of 15 free throws (87 percent), 24 rebounds, 12 turnovers. Fulda: 19 of 54 field goals (35 percent), three of six free throws (50 percent), 15 rebounds, nine turnovers

Pipestone 70, H-BC 46

The Patriots lost their second consecutive contest when they took on the Arrows in Pipestone Feb. 13.

Pipestone controlled play most of the night by outscoring H-BC in both halves of a 24-point victory.

Pipestone rolled to a 42-27 lead in the first half before outscoring the Patriots 28-19 in the second half of a 70-46 victory.

Wilhelmi buried six threepoint shots and led the Patriots in scoring with 25 points, while Wysong turned in a 10-point, five-rebound effort.

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Dragons split matches at Section 3A event

bounds for the winners, while Thorson passed for three assists.

Box score

Schmuck 4 1 4-4 15, Ver Steeg 1 0 0-0 2, Oye 1 1 4-6 9, Anderson 4 0 1-2 9, Oftedahl 1 0 2-2 4, Petersen 1 0 7-8 9, Ferrell 2 0 0-0 4, Thorson 0 0 1-2 1.

Luverne 63, Windom 51

The Cardinals racked up their fourth consecutive victory when they took on the Eagles in Windom Feb. 13.

Luverne outscored the hosts in both halves of a 12-point victory that wrapped upa4-8BigSouthConference season for the Cardinals.

Luverne got off to a good

victory with a 20-point, foursteal effort.

Jadyn Anderson (six rebounds), Oftedahl (five rebounds), Thorson (three steals) and Gabrielle Ferrell (five assists) also made key contributions to the winning effort.

Box score

Schmuck 3 0 1-2 7, Ver Steeg 0 1 1-2 4, Oye 8 1 1-3 20, Anderson 2 0 0-1 4, Thorson 2 1 0-0 7, Oftedahl 2 0 0-0 4, Sweeney 0 0 0-0 0, Petersen 2 1 2-2 9, Ferrell 1 2 0-0 8.

Team statistics Luverne: 26 field goals made, five of 10 free throws (50 percent). Windom: 19 field goals made, nine of 18 free throws (50 percent).

By John Rittenhouse

The team portion of the wrestling season came to an end for the Adrian Dragons during the opening rounds of the South Section 3A Tournament Thursday in Minneota.

The eighth-seeded Dragons upended St. James 39-31 in the opening match, but topseeded Minneota saddled the Dragons with a 55-21 setback in the quarterfinals to end their 5-17 team season.

Adrian never trailed during its win over the Saints.

Logan Taylor (3:29 over Josh Olivares), Chandler Combs (3:27 over Alex Hanson), Max

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Lehmann (33 seconds over Adrian Campus) and Scot Edwards (43 seconds over Noah Sandmeyer) registered pins for AHS in the match, while Brent Hokeness drew a forfeit. Adrian also received deci-

sion wins from Jesus Anava (2-1 over Troy Parulski), Logan Sherer (6-3 over Landon Hoppe) and Beau Bullerman (11-8 over William Rehm) against St. James.

The Dragons posted three pins and recorded one decision win during their seasonending loss to Minneota.

Isaac Bullerman (1:35 over Truman Wambeke), Beau Bullerman (2:40 over Trey Gronke) and Edwards (42 seconds over Jackson Esping) registered pins against the Vikings.

Taylor posted a 9-4 win over Jonah Gruenes.

Adrian competes at the Section 3A Individual Tournament in Pipestone Friday and Saturday.

Match wrap-ups AHS 39, St. James 31 106 (A) Anaya 2-1 Parulski. 113 (A) Taylor pins Olivares. 120 (S) Westcott 10-3 I.Bullerman. 126 (S) Kulseth 12-4 Canales. 132 (A) Hokeness by forfeit. 138 (A) Sherer 6-3 Hoppe. 145 (A) Combs pins Hanson.

152 (S) Johnson pins Castenada. 160 (S) Anderson by forfeit. 170 (A) Lehmann pins Campus. 182 (S) Rodriguez pins White-McEliece. 195 (A) B.Bullerman 11-8 Rehm. 220 (S) Espinoza by forfeit. 285 (A) Edwards pins Sandmeyer.

Minneota 55, AHS 21

106 (M) Carrasco pins Hieronimus. 113 (A) Taylor 9-4 Gruenes. 120 (M) Lozinski pins Wolf. 126 (A) I.Bullerman pins Wambeke. 132 (M) Pesch pins Hokeness. 138 (M) Reis 11-3 Sherer. 145 (M) Kloos 4-2 Combs. 152 (M) VanOverBeek pins Martinez. . 160 (M) Banks by forfeit. 170 (M) Laleman pins Lehmann. 182 (M) Lozinski pins White-McEliece 195 (M) Buysse by forfeit. 220 (A) B.Bullerman pins Gronke. 285 (A) Edwards pins Esping.



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Seniors could lead hockey team to Luverne history

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in a history-making experience.

The Cardinals open the Section 3A Tournament with a quarterfinal-round game at the Blue Mound Ice Arena.

With a 14-0 record against section competition, the Cardinals earned the tournament's No. 1 seed and enter the event as clear favorites to capture the section title in St. Peter Wednesday night.

If that happens, and I'm thinking it will, the 2017-18 LHS squad will become the first team in program history to win consecutive section titles.

That would be an impressive accomplishment, one the entire coaching staff and varsity players can take pride in.

The credit for such an achievement goes to the entire team, but I can't help tipping my hat to the seniors who have played a key role in Luverne's onice success.

They know this is their final rodeo, and the contributions they have made on both ends of the ice are some of the key reasons why LHS has compiled an 18-6 record to date.

Forwards Kasyn Kruse, Declan Beers and Nick Harder have been varsity mainstays for a number of years now and have played like it this winter.

Kruse leads the state in goals scored (41) and is ninth in total points (60) and is the spark plug of an offense that has produced 5.58 goals per game scoring average this year.

Beers and Harder have been very productive players as well.

Beers ranks second on the team with 41 goals and 39 points, and Harder

FROM THE **SIDELINES**

By John Rittenhouse, sports editor

offensive weapon opposing teams have to deal with.

Luverne has allowed opponents to score a measly 1.62 goals per game during the regular season, and some other seniors have played roles in that impressive statistic.

With limited experience at the varsity level entering the season, senior Daniel Tofteland has emerged as a top-notch goalie.

He ranks fifth in the state in save percentage (.934), seventh in goals allowed per game (1.62) and is tied for fifth with 18 wins.

Classmates Tyler Reisdorfer, Jim Erickson and Trey Roberts have helped Tofteland succeed as a goalie by their play as key defensemen.

Not only do they make things tough on opposing offensive players, they are capable of making offensive contributions as well.

Reisdorfer, Erickson and Beers have produced a combined 38 points this winter.

Cade Ver Steeg is another senior who has played well as a defenseman.

There is no doubt in my mind that the seniors are the leaders of this team, and they are playing every game with purpose.

In preseason interviews with second-year head coach Phillip Paquette, some of the seniors made their intentions clear.

Not only do they want to repeat as section champions, they would like to play the final games of their high school careers at the Xcel Energy Center in St. Paul.

How that plays out remains to be seen, but it would take a win in the quarterfinal-round of the state tournament in order for that to happen. If it does work out that way, it would be another history-making achievement for the boys' program.

W-WG, MCC top EHS girls

By John Rittenhouse

The Ellsworth girls' basketball team finished Red Rock Conference play with a 5-11 record after dropping a pair of home games.

Westbrook-Walnut Grove topped the Panthers by three points Feb. 13. The Panthers came up on the short end of an 11-point decision to Murray County Central.

Ellsworth, which ends the regular season with a 5-18 mark, drew the seventh seed for the South Section 3A Tournament.

The Panthers play No. 10 Heron Lake-Okabena Thursday in Ellsworth.

MCC 64, Ellsworth 53

Ellsworth wrapped up its conference schedule by hosting the Rebels for a game Monday.

The Panthers remained in contention for a victory through 21 minutes of play, but MCC pulled away late in the game to prevail by 11 points.

Ellsworth rallied from a deficit to knot the score at 26 with 5:35 left to play in the first half.

MCC, however, outscored the Panthers 13-7 the rest of the stanza to sport a 39-33 advantage at the intermission. EHStrimmed the difference

to four points (42-38) when Devin Dreesen drained a three-point shot 2:14 into the

during Monday's game in Ellsworth. EHS capped a 5-18 regular season by falling to MCC.

Ellsworth's Madyson Domeyer challenges a shot by Murray County Central's Alyssa Groves

second half, but that proved

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AHS 50, Edgerton 44

The Dragons locked up a winning record in Red Rock Conference play after besting the Flying Dutchmen by six points Monday in Edgerton.

The game was a tight battle the entire night, but Adrian managed to outscore Edgerton in both halves of the game to complete league play with a 9-7 record.

AHS sported a 30-29 edge after 18 minutes of play.

Adrian went on to outscore EHS 20-15 in the second half to nail down the victory.

Hannah Bullerman (15 points, nine rebounds and five assists), Lexi Slater (10 points and 10 rebounds) and Paige Bullerman (10 points and five rebounds) made key contributions to the winning effort.

Bailey Lonneman and Avery Balster grabbed seven and five rebounds respectively, while Moriah Bullerman charted three assists.

Box score Kemper 0 1 0-0 3, H.Bullerman 2 1 8-14





ranks third in goals scored (13) and total points (27). Coy Gonnerman, an-

other senior forward, has come on strong in the second half of the season and has become another

Cards take league loss Friday

By John Rittenhouse

Luverne's chance to finish its 16-game Big South Conference slate in boys' hockey with an unblemished record was erased Friday night in Le Sueur.

Luvene squared off against Minnesota River in what was the regular season and conference finale.

The Cardinals sported a 2-1 lead after two periods of play, but MR netted two goals in the third period to pull out a 3-2 victory.

The loss ended Luverne's 15-1 conference season and 18-6 regular season.

The Cards drew the first seed for the Section 3A Tournament and host either Fairmont or Willmar at 7 p.m. Thursday.

After the teams skated to a scoreless draw in the first period Friday, the Bulldogs took a 1-0 lead when Hunter Wilmes scored four minutes into the second period. Luverne answered quickly

as Colby Crabtree scored at the 10:40 mark of the period after being set up by Mason Steensma to knot the score at one.

Kasyn Kruse added an unassisted goal with 2:31 remaining in the second stanza to give LHS a 2-1 lead it would take into the final period of play.

Wilmes tied the score at two for MR 3:47 into the final period.

Matthew Plieseis settled the issue when he recorded a power-play goal for the Bulldogs with 6:03 remaining.

LHS sported a commanding 46-26 advantage in shots on goal in the game.

Daniel Tofteland made 23 saves in goal for the Cards.

15, M.Bullerman 0 0 0-1 0, Balster 0 2 0-0 6, Lonneman 3 0 0-0 6, Slater 5 0 0-0 10, P.Bullerman 5 0 0-0 10.

Team statistics Adrian: 19 of 42 field goals (45 percent), eight of 15 free throws (53 percent), 38 rebounds, 20 turnovers Edgerton: 16 of 53 field goals (30 percent), five of 11 free throws (45 percent), 19 rebounds, 12 turnovers.

SWC 79, Adrian 44

The home-standing E-Gals dominated play during Thursday's 35-point win over the Dragons in Edgerton.

SWC doubled Adrian's scoring output in the first half to open a 34-17 lead at the break.

When the E-Gals outscored AHS 45-27 in the second half, their 35-point victory was complete.

Balster tossed in 10 points to lead the Dragons in scoring.

Paige Bullerman and Lonneman collected nine and five rebounds respectively.

Box score

Kemper 1 0 0-0 2, Zebe 0 0 0-0 0, H.Bullerman 2 0 4-6 8, M.Bullerman 1 1 0-2 5, Balster 2 2 0-2 10, Grimord 1 0 0-0 2, Lonneman 1 0 0-0 2, Grussing 1 0 2-2 4, Rogers 0 0 0-0 0, Fuerstenberg 0 0 0-0 0, Slater 4 0 0-1 8, P.Bullerman 101-43.

Adrian sophomore Bailey Lonneman came off the bench to score 10 points and collect seven rebounds during a 65-44 home victory over the Heron Lake-Okabena Wildcats Feb. 13.

Team statistics

Adrian: 17 of 40 field goals (43 percent), seven of 17 free throws (41 percent), 29 rebounds, 30 turnovers. SWC: 32 of 82 field goals (39 percent), 11 of 18 free throws (61 percent), 41 rebounds, 15 turnovers.

Adrian 65, HL-O 44

The Dragons notched their eighth conference win of the season when they entertained the Wildcats in Adrian Feb. 13.

Adrian slipped into a hole early in the contest, but the Dragons bounced back to outscore HL-O 65-37 the rest of the night to secure a 21-point victory.

The Wildcats sported a 7-0 lead 2:21 into the game, but the Dragons answered the challenge by putting together a 9-2 run to knot the score at nine when Slater converted a three-point play at the 12:40 mark.

A field goal from Moriah

Bullerman at 8:59 gave the Dragons their first lead (17-16) of the night, and the Dragons led 19-18 moments later.

AHS then gained control of the contest by going on a 13-1 run ending with a field goal from Lonneman that gave the Dragons a 32-19 advantage with three minutes remaining in the first half.

Adrian's lead swelled to 22 points (42-20) when Moriah Bullerman drained a field goal with 10 seconds remaining, but HL-O made a three in the final seconds to make it a 42-23 game at the break.

HL-O trimmed the difference to 15 points at two different occasions in the early stages of the second half, but the Dragons countered with a 7-0 surge to open a 53-21 lead when Hannah Bullerman buried a field goal with 11:29 left to play.

Adrian led by 23 (65-42) when Paige Bullerman scored in the paint with 2:16 remaining before settling with a 21-point victory at game's end.

Paige Bullerman (16 points and nine rebounds), Hannah Bullerman(14 points and four assists), Slater (11 points and 10 rebounds) and Lonneman (10 points and seven rebounds) led AHS to victory.

Moriah Bullerman added five assists to the winning cause.

Box score

Kemper 0 0 0-0 0, Zebe 0 0 0-0 0, H.Bullerman 5 1 1-3 14, M.Bullerman 3 0 0-3 6, Balster 1 1 1-2 6, Grimord 0 0 0-0 0, Nelson 1 0 0-0 2, Lonneman 5 0 0-0 10, Grussing 0 0 0-0 0, Rogers 0 0 0-0 0, Fuerstenberg 0 0 0-0 0, Slater 2 0 7-8 11, P.Bullerman 5 0 6-6 16

Team statistics Adrian: 24 of 58 field goals (41 percent), 15 of 22 free throws (68 percent), 36 rebounds, 14 turnovers. HL-O: 17 of 57 field goals (30 percent), nine of 13 free throws (69 percent), 30 rebounds, 19 turnovers.

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Luke LaRock charted four assists for the Patriots.

Box score

Harnack 1 0 1-3 3, Z.Wysong 0 0 0-0 0, Leenderts 0 0 0-0 0, Wilhelmi 0 6 7-8 25, Bork 0 0 2-2 2, J.Kueter 0 0 0-0 0, Taubert 0 0 0-0 0, LaRock 1 0 0-0 2 Susie 0 0 0-0 0, J.Wysong 3 0 4-6 10 K.Kueter 2 0 0-0 4.

Team statistics H-BC: 13 of 40 field goals (33 percent), 14 of 19 free throws (74 percent), 18 rebounds, 21 turnovers. Pipestone: 24 of 54 field goals (46 percent), 11 of 20 free throws (55 percent), 38 rebounds, 17 turnovers.

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Ellsworth senior Devin Dreesen burned the nets for 18 points during Monday's 64-53 home loss to the MCC Rebels.

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to be as close as the Panthers would come to catching the Rebels.

MCC went on a 22-11 run to open a 64-49 lead with 1:44 left to play before EHS scored the final four points of the contest.

Devin Dreesen (18 points, four assists and three steals), Ashlyn Meester (13 points and six steals) and Morgan Dreesen (12 points and three steals) played well in defeat for EHS.

 $Kallie \, Chap a \, recorded \, three$ assists for the Panthers.

Box score Meester 4 1 2-3 13, K.Chapa 0 1 1-4 4, L.Chapa 1 0 0-0 2, Domeyer 2 0 0-1 4, M.Dreesen 3 2 0-0 12, D.Dreesen 4 1 7-8 18.

Team statistics Ellsworth: 19 of 57 field goals (33 percent), 10 of 15 free throws (67 percent), 14 rebounds, 13 turnovers

W-WG 51, Ellsworth 48 A second-half rally came up short when the Panthers entertained the Chargers in Ellsworth Feb. 13.

Ellsworth struggled early and faced a 28-19 deficit after 18 minutes of play.

The Panthers battled back to trim the difference to one point late in the game, but W-WG canned a pair of charity shots in the final seconds to ice a three-point win.

Devin Dreesen (19 points and four assists) and Meester (10 points, seven rebounds and five assists) played strong games for Ellsworth.

Lizzie Chapa collected 10 caroms for the Panthers, while Kallie Chapa registered three steals.

Box score

Meester 4 0 2-3 10, K.Chapa 1 1 2-2 7, L.Chapa 2 0 0-0 4, M.Dreesen 2 1 1-2 8, D.Dreesen 6 1 4-4 19.

Team statistics

Losing skid reaches eight games for EHS boys as Panthers fall three times

By John Rittenhouse

The Ellsworth boys' basketball team was unable to snap what stands as an eight-game losing streak after the Panthers lost three games in five days.

The Pantherstook a 34-point setback in Westbrook Thursday before falling to Tracy-Milroy-Balaton by 13 points Friday in Ellsworth.

EHS entertained Murray County Central for a game Monday and came up on the short end of a 17-point decision.

The 2-20 Panthers host Heron Lake-Okabena Friday.

MCC 60, Ellsworth 43

The Panthers put up a good fight before falling by 17 points to the Rebels Monday in Ellsworth.

EHS led by one point at the intermission and remained in front by one point in the early stages of the second half.

MCC, however, outscored the Panthers 29-11 the rest of the night to win handily.

The score was tied at six in the first half when MCC went on a 12-4 run to open an 18-10 advantage.

EHS battled back to trim the difference to two points twice and faced a one-point deficit before Grant Jansma converted a field goal with 1:58 remaining that gave EHS a 25-24 edge.

Brandon Kramer sank one free throw to make it a 27-25 game with 1:09 remaining in the first half, but MCC registered the final point of the stanza to make it a 27-26 game at the intermission.

Jansma buried a three-point shot to give the Panthers a 32-31 edge three minutes into the second half before MCC put together a 13-2 run to open a 44-34 lead with 9:42 left to play.

Sam Kramer converted a field goal with 7:59 left to trim the difference to nine points (47-38).

The Rebels responded by outscoring EHS 13-5 the rest of the night to ice a comfortable win.

Brandon Kramer (12 points and 12 rebounds) and Zach



Ellsworth junior forward Carter Boyenga puts up a shot in traffic during Monday's home game against Murray County Central. The Rebels topped the Panthers with a second-half rally.

Buntjer (12 points and six rebounds) played strong games in the paint for EHS.

Jansma added eight rebounds to the cause.

Box score N.Kruse 2 0 0-0 4, S.Boltjes 1 0 0-0 , K.Boltjes 0 0 0-1 0, T.Kruse 0 0 0-0 0, Lenz 0 0 0-0 0, Jansma 2 1 0-0 7, S.Kramer 2 0 2-2 6, Boyenga 0 0 0-0 0, B.Kramer 4 0 4-7 12, Nave 0 0 0-0 0 Buntjer 3 0 6-8 12.

Team statistics Ellsworth: 15 of 40 field goals (38 per-cent), 12 of 18 free throws (67 percent), 32 rebounds, 14 turnovers.

T-M-B 62, Ellsworth 49

The Panthers were in a position to snap a six-game losing streak before succumbing to a second-half surge by T-M-B Friday in Ellsworth.

EHS and T-M-B battled to a draw at 27 during the first 18 minutes of play.

Unfortunately for EHS, the Panthers never did sport alead during a second half in which T-M-B used a 35-22 scoring cushion to clinch a 13-point victory.

Brandon Kramer (16 points and 10 rebounds) and Jansma (12 points and five rebounds) led EHS statistically.

Box score

N.Kruse 2 0 2-2 6, S.Boltjes 0 0 5-6 5, Jansma 2 2 2-4 12, S.Kramer 2 0 0-0 4, B.Kramer 5 1 3-6 16, Buntjer 1 0 4-4 6.

Team statistics

Ellsworth: 14 of 39 field goals (36 percent), 17 of 22 free throws (77 percent), 29 rebounds, eight turnovers.

W-WG 77. Ellsworth 43

The Panthers were unable to knock off Red Rock Conference-leading W-WG when the teams squared off in Westbrook Thursday.

EHS trailed by four points (17-13) at one stage of the first half, but the Chargers ended the stanza with a 23-2 run to sport a 33-15 lead at the intermission.

W-WG went on to outscore the Panthers 44-28 in the second half to prevail by 34 points at game's end.

Brandon Kramer led the Panthers with 18 points and 11 rebounds.

Buntjer collected six caroms for EHS.

Box score N.Kruse 1 0 0-0 2, K.Boltjes 0 0 2-2 2, T.Kruse 2 0 0-0 4, Jansma 0 3 0-0 9, S.Kramer 1 0 0-0 2, Boyenga 1 0 0-0 2, B.Kramer 8 0 2-5 18, Buntjer 2 0 0-1 4

Team statistics

Ellsworth: 18 of 47 field goals (38 percent), four of nine free throws (44 percent), 28 rebounds, 22 turnovers.

Patriot girls return to winning ways with home victories over Edgerton, Fulda

percent), nine of 11 free throws (82 percent), 25 rebounds, five turnovers.

orth: 18 of 71 field goals (25

Notice of Annual Township

Meetings & Elections

Notice is hereby given that the following townships will hold their annual meeting and elections on Tuesday, March 13, 2018. In case of inclement weather, they will be held one week later on March 20, 2018.

Battle Plain Township

Justin Prins' farm - 1941 231st St., Edgerton. Meeting at 7 pm

Beaver Creek Township

Beaver Creek Township Hall. Meeting 4-5 pm and Election 5-8 pm to elect one Supervisor 3-year term & one Clerk 2-year term

Clinton Township

Business meeting at the Township Hall. 4-5pm Voting from 5-8 pm to elect one Supervisor 3-year term and one Clerk 2-year term

Denver Township

Hardwick City Hall. Meeting 1:30-2:30 pm

<u>Kanaranzi Township</u>

Kanaranzi Elevator. 4-5 pm and Election 5-8 pm to elect one Supervisor 3-year term and one Clerk/Treasurer 2-year term

Luverne Township

Luverne Pizza Ranch. Business Meeting 4-5 pm and Election 5-8 pm to elect one Supervisor 3-year term and one Clerk 2-year term

Magnolia Township

Arends Farm 1581 121st Luverne. Meeting 4-5 pm and Election 5-8 pm to elect one Supervisor 3-year term and one Clerk 2-year term

Martin Township

New Township Building 598 51st St Hills. Meeting at 8 pm

Mound Township

Rock County Highway Building. Meeting 4-5 pm and Election 5-8 pm to elect one Supervisor 3-year term

<u>Rosedell Township</u>

Township Hall. 4-5 pm Business Meeting

Springwater Township

Beaver Creek City Hall. Business meeting 1:30 pm and Election 5-8 pm to elect one Supervisor 3-year term & one Clerk/Treasurer 2-year term

Vienna township

Kenneth Community Hall. Business Meeting 7 pm

Rock County Township Association Teresa Kramer, Secretary/Treasurer

By John Rittenhouse

The Hills-Beaver Creek girls' basketball team put an end to a two-game slide by posting a pair of home wins last week.

The Patriots cruised to a 46-point win over Fulda Feb. 13 before routing Edgerton by 31 points Friday.

H-BC, 18-5 overall, drew the second seed of the South Section 3A Tournament. The Patriots play either Ells-

worthor Heron Lake-Okabena at 2:30 p.m. Saturday at the quarterfinals in Worthington.

H-BC 66, Edgerton 35

The Patriots turned in a commanding performance during Friday's home win over Edgerton.

EHS entered the game with one less Red Rock Conference

win than H-BC(11-10), but the Patriots made short work of the Flying Dutchmen.

The Patriots rolled to a 40-17 lead in the first half and outscored Edgerton 26-18 in the second half to complete a 66-35 victory.

Sidney Fick (25 points and seven rebounds) and Grace Bundesen (13 points and eight rebounds) paced the Patriots offensively.

Whitney Elbers (nine rebounds), Abby Knobloch (eight rebounds and three assists), Kourtney Rozeboom (six rebounds) and Madison Spath (five rebounds) also played key roles in the win.

Box score

K.Fick 0 0 0-0 0, Bos 0 0 0-0 0, Tilstra 2 0 0-0 4, Spath 2 0 0-0 4, Hagen 0 1 0-0 3, Knobloch 1 1 0-0 5, S.Fick 2 5 6-8 25,

Bundesen 6 0 1-2 13, Swan 0 0 1-2 1, Ka.Rozeboom 0 0 0-0 0, Rauk 0 0 0-0 0, Gehrke 0 0 0-0 0, Elbers 2 0 2-2 6, Ko.Rozeboom 2 0 1-2 5.

Team statistics H-BC: 24 of 61 field goals (39 percent), 63 11 of 16 free throws (69 percent), 63 rebounds, 25 turnovers Edgerton: 10 of 67 field goals (15 per-cent), 13 of 24 free throws (54 percent), 26 rebounds, 10 turnovers.

H-BC 75, Fulda 29

The Patriots put an end to a two-game slide when they entertained the Raiders in Hills Feb. 13.

H-BC turned in a commanding performance by outscoring Fulda in both halves of a 46-point victory.

The Patriots raced to a 36-15 lead in the game's first half and used a 39-14 scoring advantage in the second stanza to ice a 46-point conquest.

Elbers (14 points and 10 rebounds), Rozeboom 11 points and five rebounds), Fick (10 points, three steals and three assists) and Bundesen (10 points, six rebounds and five assists) turned in big performances for the winners.

Paige Tilstra added three assists to the winning cause.

Box score K.Fick 0 0 0-0 0, Bos 0 0 0-0 0, Tilstra 3 0 0-0 6, Spath 2 0 0-0 4, Hagen 0 0 0-0 0, Knobloch 2 0 2-2 6, S.Fick 5 0 0-0 10, Bundesen 4 0 2-2 10, Swan 3 0 0-0 6. Ka.Rozeboom 0 0 0-0 0, Rauk 2 0 1-2 5, Gehrke 0 1 0-0 3, Elbers 6 0 2-2 14, Ko.Rozeboom 4 0 3-5 11.

Team statistics H-BC: 32 of 67 field goals (48 percent), 10 of 12 free throws (83 percent), 40 rebounds, seven turnovers. Fulda: 11 of 44 field goals (25 percent), five of seven free throws (71 percent), 12 rebounds, 16 turnovers.

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

Sunday, Feb. 25: 9:30 a.m. Worship service. 10:50 a.m. Sunday School and Catechism classes. 6:30 p.m. Worship service. Monday, Feb. 26: 9 a.m. Perk-up Edgerton. 7 p.m. Friendship. Tuesday, Feb. 27: 9:30 a.m. Coffee Break/Story Hour. Wednesday, Feb. 28: 2 p.m. Faith Builders Bible Study. 7 p.m. Youth Group.

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, Feb. 22: 6 a.m. Men's Bible Study. 7 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3. Sunday, Feb. 25: 9:15 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Morning Service. 6 p.m. Evening service. Tuesday, Feb. 27: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study. Wednesday, Feb. 28: 6:30 p.m. Awana/Store. Thursday, March 1: 6 a.m. Men's Bible Study. 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, Feb. 22: Circle meetings. Friday, Feb. 23: 6:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Saturday, Feb. 24: Dietrich/Scarset wedding. 5:30 p.m. Worship. Sunday, Feb. 25: 8:15 a.m. Radio broadcast. 9 a.m. Worship. 10 a.m. Fellowship Coffee; Sunday School; Adult Study. 10:10 a.m. Fifth-grade first Communion class. 6:30 p.m. National Youth Gathering meeting. Monday, Feb. 26: 4:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. 5:45 p.m. Echoes of Harmony rehearsal. Tuesday, Feb. 27: 7 a.m. Dorcas Circle at The Bean. 9 a.m. Staff meeting; Grace Notes assembly. 1:30 p.m. Worship at Mary Jane Brown Home. 2:30 p.m. Worship at Poplar Creek. 4 p.m.Worship at Veterans Home. 7 p.m. Mary/Martha Circle atchurch. Wednesday, Feb. 28: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study. 3:15 p.m. Faithweavers. 5:30-6:30 p.m. Lenten meal. 6:45 p.m. Lenten Service. 7:45 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal.

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, Feb. 25: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 9:15 a.m. Bible Class. 10:15 a.m. Worship with Communion. Wednesday, Feb. 28: 3:30 p.m. Catechism Class. 6 p.m. Soup Supper. 7 p.m. Lenten Vespers.

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

Thursday, Feb. 22: 5:30 p.m. Tumbling Tikes. Friday, Feb. 23: 6:30 a.m. Community Men's Bible Study. 4:30 p.m. REFIT Fitness Class. Sunday, Feb. 25: Praise Sunday. 9:30 a.m. Worship Service. 10:50 a.m. Family Education Hour. 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Senior RCYF pancake breakfast. 7 p.m. Senior RCYF. Tuesday, Feb. 27: 10 a.m. Staff meeting. 6:45 p.m. Bible Study Fellowship. Wednesday, Feb. 28: 4:30 p.m. REFIT Fitness. 5:30 p.m. Midweek meal. 6:30 p.m. Pioneer Clubs; YEL. 6:45 p.m. Rachel Circle. 7 p.m. Magnify Praise Team. 8 p.m. Adult Choir. Thursday, March 1: 5:30 p.m. Tumbling Tikes.

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

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

Thursday, Feb. 22: 1-3 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf. Saturday, Feb. 24: 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Sunday, Feb. 25: 9:30 a.m. Coffee Hour. 10:30 a.m. Celebration Service. Prayer Warriors meet after service. 4:30 p.m. Genesis/Revelation Bible Study. Monday, Feb. 26: 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Tuesday, Feb. 27: 9 a.m. Folding Team. 2 p.m. Pastoral Gathering at Veterans Home. Wednesday, Feb. 28: 6 p.m. F.U.E.L. and Confirmation. 7 p.m. Lenten worship service at Presbyterian Church. 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Thursday, March 1: 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 Thursday, Feb. 22: 10 a.m. Worship service on Channel 3. Sunday, Feb. 25: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 10:15 a.m. Worship. 1:30 p.m. Worship at Mary Jane Brown Home. 2:15 p.m. Worship at Poplar Creek. Monday, Feb. 26: 9 a.m. to noon Quilting. Tuesday, Feb. 27: 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3. Wednesday, Feb. 28: 3:15 p.m. Youth Club. 5:30 p.m. Okoboji Camp information session. 7 p.m. Lenten service at First Presbyterian. 8 p.m. Deacons. Thursday, March 1: 9 a.m. Presbyterian Women Executive Meeting. 10 a.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: stjohn@iw.net — www.stjohnlutheranluverne.org Gary Klatt, Pastor

Thursday, Feb. 22: 9 a.m. Little Lambs Devotions. 9:45 a.m. Rock County Ministerial Association at LHS. Saturday, Feb. 24: 5:30 p.m. Worship with Communion. Sunday, Feb. 25: 9 a.m. Worship with Communion. 10:15 a.m. Christian Education Hour. 11:15 a.m. Junior Choir rehearsal. 2 p.m. Pie and Cards event. 4 p.m. Junior LYF. Tuesday, Feb. 27: 11:15 a.m. Staff Meeting. Wednesday, Feb. 28: 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Little Lambs Devotions. 9:30 a.m. Bible Study. 10:30 a.m. Assemble newsletter. 6 p.m. Lent worship service. 6:30 p.m. Supper. 7 p.m. KFC/Catechism; High School Bible Study; Senior Choir. Thursday, March 1: 9 a.m. Little Lambs Devotions.

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church 305 E. 2nd St., P.O. Box 36, Hardwick

Ph. 669-2855; email: www.zionlutheranhardwick.com Thursday, Feb. 22: 3:30 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3. Friday, Feb. 23: 3:30 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3. Sunday, Feb. 25: 9 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Study. 10 a.m. Mentor Program. 10:30 a.m. Worship; Sunday School sings. Monday, Feb. 26: 1 p.m. Quilting. Tuesday, Feb. 27: 7 p.m. Women's Bible Study at church. Wednesday, Feb. 28: 7 p.m. Lenten worship service with Rev. Richard Luttmann; Fellowship follows. 7 p.m. Confirmation at St. John. 8 p.m. Choir meeting. Thursday, March 1: 3:30 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3.

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

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

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

Thursday, Feb. 22: 6:30 p.m. Call committee meeting with guest Deacon Susan Marone. Sunday, Feb. 25: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship. Wednesday, Feb. 28: 7 p.m. Lenten service at Palisade Lutheran.

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

Thursday, Feb. 22: 6:30 p.m. Call committee meeting with guest Deacon Susan Marone. Sunday, Feb. 25: 9 a.m. Worship. 10 a.m. Sunday School. 5 p.m. Dinner. 6 p.m. Movie Night "The Shack."Tuesday, Feb.27: 11 a.m. Jensen funeral service. Wednesday, Feb. 28: 7 p.m. Lenten service at Palisade Lutheran.

First Presbyterian Church 201 S. 3rd St., P.O Box 73, Beaver Creek Ph. 507-935-5025 Email: lori.firstpres@gmail.com

Worship Leader Michael Blank Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. 10:30 a.m. Sunday School.

Magnolia United Methodist Church 501 E. Luverne St., Magnolia Church Ph. 507-483-2492; cell 227-7821; email: adrmagumc@gmail.com www.facebook.com/adrianmagnoliaumc Kristi Franken, Pastor Sunday, Feb. 18: 9 a.m. Magnolia Worship Service. Wednesday, Feb. 21: 6:30 p.m. Confirmation at Adrian 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

It's good we are here

Jesus had taken His three closest friends to the top of the mountain. There He was transfigured

before them. This simply

men were shown a side of

Jesus that no one else in all

of the world had been able

to see. They saw Him in

all of His glory as the Son

of God sent from heaven.

They were amazed and in

awe. They had never seen

anything this wonderful.

"Lord, it is good that we are

make three tents here, one

for you and one for Moses

and one for Elijah" (Mat-

wanted to stay there and

take in more of this glori-

fast as it came, it left. All

they had when they left

Jesus and the words from

is my beloved Son, with

whom I am well pleased;

all that had changed was

that the glory had again

been hidden. It was still

listen to him." It may have

seemed like a let-down but

there in the person of Jesus.

He was still their friend and

Savior. He was still on His

way to Calvary where He

the sinners of the world,

of which these three men

were still counted. He was

still the Son of God doing

what He had been sent to

Peter, James, and John

still had a lot to learn about

Jesus and His mission. The

good news is that they did

learn what they needed to

before Jesus departed and

went back to heaven. They

God is not about greatness

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ous experience. But just as

Peter, James, and John

thew 17:1-8).

All Peter could say was,

here. If you wish, I will

means that these three

BUILT ON A ROCK

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

They touched lives everywhere they went because they believed in the power of the words of Jesus that they shared. They were gifted to do miracles of healing broken people, curing diseased people, and even raising the dead back to life as they shared all that Jesus had given them. At the end of their lives many of them sacrificed themselves rather than deny Jesus and His words of life and forgiveness.

Today we are all grateful for what Peter, James, and John saw and heard on that mountaintop so long ago. We are most grateful for their coming down from that mountaintop to share with us what they learned from Jesus. These men never did get rich or successful in the terms of this world. Yet they were gifted with saving faith in Jesus that guaranteed them eternal life in heaven where they would enjoy all that God had to give, even the brilliant glory.

We have seen and heard the same transfiguration of Jesus through the witness of these men. We have felt the same excitement of that mountaintop experience as we worship in the presence of the Triune God. We too leave the mountaintop, sometimes disappointed that we must leave this awesome place. I hope that we don't fail to share the good news of Jesus with the people we encounter. For without our witness of joy, love and forgiveness through Jesus, many might not ever know it for themselves. It is good that we have this experience so that we might be used by God to continue the growth of His church in our time. "It is good that we are here" in our world at this time so that we might witness to the wonder of Jesus as the Savior of the world. Rejoice in the gift that God has made you to be to the people of our time. Praise be to God!

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

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

New Life Celebration Church 110 N. Oakley, Luverne Ph. 449-6522; email: newlifecelebration@gmail.com

Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Worship at 110 N. Oakley. Every third Thursday: 4:30 p.m. Food give-away at Senior Citizens Center. Bible Study groups meet at various times and days. 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, Feb. 25: 9 a.m. Worship at Tuff Chapel. 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Communion at Bethlehem Tuesday. Feb. 27: 2:30 p.m. Bible Study at Tuff

a.m. Communion at Bethlehem. Tuesday, Feb. 27: 2:30 p.m. Bible Study at Tuff Home. 3:15 p.m. Bible Study at Village. Wednesday, Feb. 28: 9 a.m. Quilting. 6 p.m. Lent meal. 7 p.m. Lenten service.

Hills United Reformed Church 410 S. Central Ave., Hills Office Ph. 962-3254 hillsurc@alliancecom.net Alan Camarigg, Pastor Sundays: 9:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Worship Services. vice to those around you, even your enemies. Faith is knowing that God is faithful to His Word and He will carry out every promise that He makes. These men came to understand this through the Holy Spirit working through the words and actions of Jesus.

These men and the church that developed from their diligent teaching of God's Word became a real influence in the world.

Amen!





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City seeks Roundwind Road improvement bids

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals will be received by the City Council of Luverne, Rock County, Minnesota at the Luverne City Offices. 305 East Luverne Street. P.O. Box 659. Luverne. Minnesota 56156 on Wednesday, the 7th of March, 2018 at 11:10 A.M. for the Roundwind Road Improvements, Luverne, Minnesota, at which time the proposals shall be publicly opened and read aloud by the City Administrator and Engineer.

The approximate quantities of work on which proposals will be received are as follows:

- 191 L.F. PCC Curb and Gutter 100 Tons Bituminous Patching 340 L.F. Sanitary Sewer Service Line 320 L.F. Water Service Line
- 632 L.F. Storm Sewer

3,070 C.Y. Excavation & Embankment and other related items of construction.

All bids shall be made on proposal forms furnished by the Engineer and shall be accompanied by bid security in the form of a certified check or bid bond, made payable to the City of Luverne, Minnesota, in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the bid, which security becomes the property of the City in the event the successful bidder fails to enter into contract and post satisfactory bond. Work shall commence on or after April 2, 2018 and completed on or before September 1, 2018.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive technicalities and irregularities. The City also reserves the right to increase, decrease or delete items of work to comply with budget limitations.

The City is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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

Complete digital project bidding documents are available at www.questcdn.com. You may download the digital plan documents for \$15.00 by inputting Quest project #5572563 on the website's Project Search page. Please contact QuestCDN.com at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in free membership registration, downloading, and working with this digital project information. An optional paper set of the proposal forms and specifications for individual use may be obtained from the office of the Engineer, DGR Engineering, 1302 South Union, P.O. Box 511, Rock Rapids, lowa 51246, telephone 712-472-2531, Fax 712-472-2710, e-mail: dgr@dgr.com, upon payment of \$50.00, none of which is refundable.

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CITY OF LUVERNE, MINNESOTA By /s/ Patrick T. Baustian Mayor

(2-22)

Van Wyhe Farms assumes name

MINNESOTA SECRETARY OF STATE CERTIFICATE OF ASSUMED NAME AMENDMENT TO ASSUMED NAME

MINNESOTA STATUTES, CHAPTER 333

The filing of an assumed name does not provide a user with exclusive rights to that name. The filing is required for consumer protection in order to enable consumers to be able to identify the true ownership of a build

be able to identify the true ownership of	a business.
ASSUMED NAME: Van Wyhe Farm	IS
PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS:	
505 S. Elizabeth Ave, Hills, MN 56	138
NAMEHOLDER(S):	
Name: Leroy Van Wyhe	
Address: 505 S. Elizabeth Ave	Hills, MN 56138
Name: Howard Van Wyhe	
Address: 726 21st Street	Hills, MN 56138
Name: Greg Van Wyhe	
Address: 1058 Goldfinch Ave	Rock Rapids, IA 51246
This certificate is an amendment of Certificate of Assumed Name File Number:	

2266594-2 Originally filed on: 3-15-2007. I, the undersigned, certify that I am signing this document as the person whose signature is required, or as agent of the persons(s) whose signature would be required who has authorized me to sign this document on his/her behalf, or in both capacities. I further certify that I have completed all required fields, and that the information in this document is true and correct and in compliance with the applicable chapter of Minnesota Statutes. I understand that by signing this document I am subject to the penalties of perjury as set forth in Section 609.48 as if I had signed this certificate under oath.

Slieter probate PROBATE COURT

COURT FILE NO. 67-PR-19 STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF ROCK

Estate of Barbara Joan Slieter, a/k/a Barbara J. Slieter, Deceased

> ORDER AND NOTICE OF HEARING FOR FORMAL PROBATE OF WILL AND APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE IN SUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND CREDITORS:

It is Ordered and Notice is hereby given that on the 12th day of March 2018, at 3:30 O'clock p.m., a hearing will be held in the above named Court at Rock County Courthouse Luverne, Minnesota, for the formal probate of an instrument purporting to be the will of the above named deceased, dated August 29, 2012, and for the appointment of Randall J. Slieter, whose address is PO Box 122, Olivia, Minnesota 56277, as personal representative of the estate of the above named decedent in supervised administration, and that any objections thereto must be filed with the Court. That, if proper, and no objections are filed, said personal representative will be appointed to administer the estate, to collect all assets, pay all legal debts, claims, taxes and expenses, and sell real and personal property, and do all necessary acts for the estate. Upon completion of the administration, the representative shall file a final account for the allowance and shall distribute the estate to the persons thereto entitled as ordered by the Court, and close the estate.

Notice is further given that ALL CREDITORS having claims against said estate are required to present the same to said personal representatives or to the Court Administrator within four months after the date of this notice or said claims will be barred. Dated: January 16, 2018

/s/ Damon T. Eisma Attorney for Petitioner Eisma and Eisma 130 East Main, Box 625 Luverne, MN 56156 (507)283-4828 I.D. #249269

/s/ Terry S. Vajgrt Judge of District Court /s/ Denise Brandel Court Administrator

DISTRICT COURT PROBATE DIVISION

(2-15, 2-22)

Vonder Lieth probate

FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT DISTRICT COURT PROBATE DIVISION COURT FILE NO.67-PR-17-97

STATE OF MINNESOTA

COUNTY OF ROCK Estate of Vernon Vonder Lieth, a/k/a Vernon Von Der Lieth, Decedent

> NOTICE AND ORDER OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION OF INTESTACY, DETERMINATION OF HEIRSHIP, APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

It is Ordered and Notice is given that on March 26, 2018, at 3:30 p.m., a hearing will be held in this Court at 204 E. Brown, Luverne, Minnesota, for the adjudication of intestacy and determination of heirship of the Decedent, and for the appointment of Donald R. Klosterbuer, whose address is 120 N. McKenzie, Box 538, Luverne, MN 56156 as Personal Representative of the Estate of the Decedent in an unsupervised administration. Any objections to the petition must be filed with the Court prior to or raised at the hearing. If proper and if no objections are filed or raised, the Personal Representative will be appointed with full power to administer the Estate, including the power to collect all assets, to pay all legal debts, claims, taxes and expenses, to sell real and personal property, and to do all necessary acts for the Estate.

Notice is also given that (subject to Minnesota Statutes section 524.3-801) all creditors having claims against the Estate are required to present the claims to the Personal Representative or to the Court Administrator within four months after the date of this Notice or the claims will be barred. Dated: February 13, 2018

City seeks Walnut Avenue

Extension bids

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Minnesota at the Luverne City Offices, 305 East Luverne Street, P.O. Box 659, Luverne,

Minnesota 56156 on Wednesday, the 7th of March, 2018 at 11:00 A.M. for the North

Walnut Avenue Extension, Luverne, Minnesota, at which time the proposals shall be

publicly opened and read aloud by the City Administrator and Engineer.

970 L.F. PCC Curb and Gutter

1,400 L.F. Sanitary Sewer Main

6,165 C.Y. Common Borrow

430 Tons HMA Paving

1,220 L.F. Water Main

and completed on or before October 6, 2018.

The City is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

of work to comply with budget limitations.

Instructions to Bidders for more details.

payment of \$50.00, none of which is refundable.

and other related items of construction.

Sealed proposals will be received by the City Council of Luverne, Rock County,

The approximate quantities of work on which proposals will be received are as

All bids shall be made on proposal forms furnished by the Engineer and shall be

The City reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive technicalities

The Contractor and all subcontractors shall submit to the Owner a signed state-

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accompanied by bid security in the form of a certified check or bid bond, made payable

to the City of Luverne, Minnesota, in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the bid, which

security becomes the property of the City in the event the successful bidder fails to enter

into contract and post satisfactory bond. Work shall commence on or after April 2, 2018

and irregularities. The City also reserves the right to increase, decrease or delete items

ment verifying compliance with each of the criteria described in the State of Minnesota

"Responsible Contractor" law as codified in Minnesota Statute section 16C.285. See the

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#5572661 on the website's Project Search page. Please contact QuestCDN.com at

952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in free membership registration,

downloading, and working with this digital project information. An optional paper set of

the proposal forms and specifications for individual use may be obtained from the of-

fice of the Engineer, DGR Engineering, 1302 South Union, P.O. Box 511, Rock Rapids,

lowa 51246, telephone 712-472-2531, Fax 712-472-2710, e-mail: dgr@dgr.com, upon

CITY OF LUVERNE, MINNESOTA By /s/ Patrick T. Baustian

Mayor

(2-22)

Published upon order of the City Council of Luverne, Minnesota.

Weber public hearing for variance request

Notice of Public Hearing for Variance Request for Shirley Weber

Close Proximity Owners and Local Officials of the Rock County Board of Adjustment.

Notice is hereby given that the Rock County Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing on Monday, February 26, 2018, at the Rock County Law Enforcement Center located at 1000 North Blue Mound Avenue, Luverne, Minnesota, at 8:00 p.m. to act on the following application:

A request for a variance to allow the placement of a new confinement swine finishing barn less than one-half (1/2) mile from an existing dwelling. The proposed location for the placement of this barn is to be in the S 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of Section 6 of Clinton Township, T101N, R45W, Rock County, Minnesota.

Property Owner and Applicant: Shirley Weber Legal Description: S 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of Section 6 of Clinton Township, T101N, R45W, Rock County, Minnesota

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

Dated: February 15, 2018 By Order of the Rock County Board of Adjustment Eric Hartman, Zoning Administrator 311 W. Gabrielson Road Luverne, MN 56156 507-283-8862, Extension 4

(02-15, 02-22)

Rock County Highway Department seeks proposals by March 12

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS C.P. 067-401-019

Sealed proposals will be received by the Rock County Highway Department at Luverne, Minnesota until 11:00 a.m. on Monday, March 12, 2018.

READ CAREFULLY THE PROVISIONS FOR THE WAGE RATES AS CON-TAINED IN THE SPECIAL PROVISIONS, AS THEY WILL AFFECT THIS PROJECT. Attention is called to the fact that the Contractor must comply with the Special

Equal Employment Opportunity Provisions as contained in the Proposal. Proposals will be opened and read publicly in the presence of the Rock County Highway Engineer at the Rock County Highway Building located at 1120 North Blue Mound Avenue in Luverne, Minnesota immediately following the hour set for receiving bids for the following Rock County Highway work. Bids will be awarded on Tuesday, March 20, 2018 at the Regular Rock County Board of Commissioners Meeting held in the Law Library at the Rock County Courthouse.

The Quantities of Work are: 2,408 gals of 4" Reflectorized Edgeline Pavement Marking Paint - White and 1,718 gals of 4" Reflectorized Centerline Pavement Marking Paint - Yellow

Plans, specifications and proposals may be viewed and downloaded at www. questcdn.com and at the Rock County Highway Department website www.co.rock. mn.us/highway.

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

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

Sealed bids shall be clearly marked "PROJECT NO. SAP 067-401-019."

The Board of Rock County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any defects therein.

Rock County is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

Mark R. Sehr, P.E. Rock County Highway Engineer (2-15, 2-22, 3-1)

Rock County seeks bridge replacement and grading bids by March 5

PUBLIC NOTICES

Signature : /s/ Leroy Van Wyhe DATE: 1-9-2018

EMAIL FOR OFFICIAL NOTICES: Isvanwyhe@alliancecom.net

List a name and daytime phone number of a person who can be contacted about this form:

Leroy Van Wyhe 507-962-3372.

Entities that own, lease, or have any financial interest in agricultural land or land capable of being farmed must register with the MN Dept. of Agriculture's Corporate Farm Program. Does the entity own, lease, or have any financial interest in agricultural land or land capable of being farmed?

_x_Yes __No

(2-15, 2-22)

Thompson probate DISTRICT COURT

FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT PROBATE COURT DIVISION

STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF ROCK ESTATE OF **BERTHA M. THOMPSON, DECEASED**

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

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND CREDITORS

It is Ordered and Notice is hereby given that on the 2nd day of April, 2018 at 3:30 p.m., a hearing will be held in the above named Court at the Rock County Courthouse, Luverne, Minnesota, for the formal probate of an instrument purporting to be the decedent's Will dated November 6, 2007 First Codicil dated November 26, 2007 and Second Codicil dated February 9, 2017 and for the appointment of Eric Hoyme of 180 30th Street, Hills, MN 56138, Rodney B. Bonander of 402 Holder Street, Larchwood, IA 51241 and Dave Goettsch of 6208 South Vintage Place, Sioux Falls, SD 57108, as personal representatives of the estate of the above named decedent in unsupervised administration, and that any objections thereto must be filed with the Court. That, if proper, and no objections are filed, said personal representatives will be appointed to administer the estate, to collect all assets, pay all legal debts, claims, taxes and expenses, to sell real and personal property, and to do all necessary acts for the estate.

Notice is further given that ALL CREDITORS having claims against said estate are required to present same to said personal representatives or to the Court Administrator within four months after the date of this notice or the claims will be barred. Dated: February 15, 2018 /s/ Katherine A. Morgan Attorney Katherine A. Morgan (MN#393289) Bonander Law, PC PO Box 186 Larchwood, IA 51241 (712) 477-2902

(2-22, 3-1)

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

(COURT SEAL)

follows:

Attorney for Petitioner Donald R. Klosterbuer Klosterbuer & Haubrich, LLP 120 N. McKenzie PO Box 538 Luverne, MN 56156 Attorney License No: 0056674 Telephone: (507) 283-9111 FAX: (507) 283-9113 Email: drklosterbuer@khlawmn.com

BY THE COURT /s/ Terry S. Vajgrt Judge of District Court

/s/ Denise Brandel Court Administrator

(2-22, 3-1)

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS BRIDGE REPLACEMENT AND APPROACH GRADING / S.A.P. 067-599-179 BIDS CLOSE AT 11 A.M. MARCH 5, 2018

LUVERNE, MINNESOTA

Sealed *Bid Packets* will be received by the Rock County Highway Department at Luverne, Minnesota until 11:00 a.m. on Friday, March 05, 2018.

READCAREFULLYTHE PROVISIONS FOR THE WAGE RATES AS CONTAINED IN THE PROVISIONS, AS THEY WILL AFFECT THIS PROJECT.

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

Proposals will be opened and read publicly in the presence of the Rock County Highway Engineer at the Rock County Highway Building located at 1120 North Blue Mound Avenue in Luverne, MN immediately following the hour set for receiving bids for the following Rock County Highway work. Bids will be awarded on Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at the regular Board of Commissioners Meeting.

Construction of Bridge 67572, a 92' Concrete Slab Span. The project is located in Rose Dell Township, 1.7 Miles West of T.H. 23 on 221st Street, over The Split Rock Creek.

The major items of work are: 77 Cu. Yd. Structural Concrete; 2,842 Sq. Ft. of Bridge Slab Concrete; 184 Lin. Ft. of Type S (TL-4) Railing Concrete; 48,050 Pounds of Reinforcement Bars (Epoxy Coated); 510 Cu. Yds. Random Riprap (Class III); 300 Lin. Ft. 12" -- C-I-P Piling; 2 -- 12" C-I-P Test Piles 60 Ft. Long; 400 Lin. Ft. 16" -- C-I-P Piling; 2 -- 16" C-I-P Test Piles 60 Ft. Long; and Approach Work.

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

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

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

Sealed bids shall be clearly marked "PROJECT NO. S.A.P. 067-599-179" The Board of Rock County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all

bids and to waive any defects therein.

Rock County is an Equal Opportunity / Affirmative Action employer.

Mark R. Sehr, P.E. Rock County Highway Engineer (2-8, 2-15, 2-22)

City of Luverne repeals Ordinance No. 363

ORDINANCE NO. 363, THIRD SERIES

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING IN ITS ENTIRETY CITY CODE SECTION 8.62 RELATING TO FOUR-WHEEL ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES AND MOTORIZED GOLF CARTS AND ADOPTING BY REFERENCE CITY CODE CHAPTER 8 AND SEC-TION 8.99 WHICH, AMONG OTHER THINGS, CONTAIN PENALTY PROVISIONS

THE CITY OF LUVERNE DOES HEREBY ORDAIN:

SECTION. 1. That City Code Sec. 8.62, "Four-Wheel All-Terrain Vehicles and Motorized Golf Carts" be hereby repealed in its entirety.

SECTION. 2. City Code Section 8.99, Violating a Misdemeanor or Petty Misdemeanor shall be hereby adopted by reference.

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Notice in probate of final report

Case No. 06571 ESPR036696

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARJORIE ELLEN ONGIE-HALL, Deceased.

NOTICE IN PROBATE OF FINAL REPORT

TO: LORRI K. RIPPERDA regarding the Estate of Marjorie Ellen Ongie-Hall who died on or about December 16, 2012:

YOU are hereby notified that there is now on file the Final Report of the Executor of the above-referenced Estate in the office of the Clerk of Court of Iowa District Court, in and for Linn County.

You are further notified that you may file your objections thereto in writing, if any, on or before April 6, 2018 at 2:30 p.m. with the Clerk of the Iowa District Court in the Courthouse on the Third Avenue Bridge, Cedar Rapids, Linn County, Iowa, and that unless you do so file your objections in writing you will be forever barred from making any objections thereto.

Dated this 14th day of February 2018. AASGAARD & LAWRENCE, P.L.C. BY: Janice A. Aasgaard #AT0000393 1510 Oak Ridge LN SE#2 Cedar Rapids, IA 52403 Phone: (319) 329-1264 ATTORNEYS FOR EXECUTOR Code Section 633.40(4)

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Our hearts are so full of gratitude when we say many thanks to family, friends, neighbors and coworkers for all acts of kindness and sympathy: cards, food, all donations, flowers, gifts, visits and kind words to our family regarding the recent passing of a wonderful husband, dad, grandpa and many more important titles. We want to express special appreciation to Sanford Clinic and Hospital, Mayo Clinic and Hospital. Thank you to Father Colletti for his many words of comfort, to the Adrian Funeral Home for their professional arrangements and caring service. Thank you to the Adrian Fire Department who participated in the procession for his last ride and page.

The family of Larry (Rums) Roemeling Lezlee Roemeling Morgan (Michael) Eggert and children **Macey Roemeling Karnof** and children No thank yous will be sent out.

(2.22 - 2.25)

The family of Louise Stegemann would like to thank everyone for their kind words of love, prayers, cards, flowers, food and memorials. We extend our sincere appreciation to the Tuff Home, Dr. Crabtree and the Sanford USD Medical Center for the tender loving care she received. We thank all the first responders and Rock County Ambulance for their quick response. We also thank the First Presbyterian Church of Beaver Creek for their help at the funeral and serving the meal. Thank you to Tony's Catering for the super delicious meal and to Hartquist Funeral Home for taking care of all the details for us. A special thank you to Pastor Michael Blank for his support and the beautiful service in memory of our precious mother, grandmother and great grandmother.

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