Rain, snow, sleet, hail, thunder, lightning, flash floods, ice ...
Winter storm closes schools and highways; ice, blowing snow and flash flooding makes travel treacherous


The Rock River reached moderate flood stage east of Hardwick Monday when water levels reached 16.17 feet, nearly 2 feet over flood stage, according to the National Weather Service. In Luverne, the river was measured at 9.89 feet. Flood stage at Luverne is 10 feet. The photograph at right shows a closed West Warren Street that flooded Monday after overnight rains overfilled Poplar Creek.

By Lori Sorenson Minnesotaweatherstole the showthis week with rain, snow, sleet, hail, thunder, lightning, icy roads and flooding. The system moved into the area in the form of heavy rain that prompted widespread flooding that closed road and city streets.
areawere closedMondayandTuesdaydu to treacherous driving conditions caused by blowing snow over a slick layer of ice. Blizzard conditions prompted South Dakota officials to close I-90 from Siou
Falls to Murdo for most of Falls to Murdo for most of Monday after
noon through Tuesday. More flooding may b this week as temperatures are expected to rapidly climb into the 40 s.

## Luverne joins

 H-BC, other schools to discontinue cross-subsidyBy Mavis Fodness
Luverne has joined Hills-Beaver Creek and 170 other independent
school districts in Minnesota in supportofresolutionstofullyfund special education services.
The resolutions were drafted by the Minnesota School Boards Association, in which the local districts are members.
Costs to provide special educa
tion are rising.
"Basically. it is reaching critical mass," said Greg Abbott, an MSBA spokesperson. "It's getting so big that school districts have to rob thei general funds."
Filling the

Filling the gap between special education expenditures and associ-
ated revenue is called cross-subsidy In fiscal year 2016, H -BC sub sidized its special education funds with its general fund by $\$ 180,000$. In Luverne the cross-subsidy amounted to more than $\$ 1$ million
aid H-BC Superintendent Todd Holthaus.

H-BC board members passed the resolution for state and federal officials to more adequately fund special education in early January,
Luverne added its support at its Feb Luverne added its support at is Feb.
"What we are trying to do is re mind them of the funding promised by the IDEA," said Luverne Superin tendent Craig Oftedahl.

IDEA or Individuals with Dis abilities Act was enacted in 1975 pay districts an additional 40 percent to educate children with disabilities For2017,thepercentageamounts to an additional $\$ 815$ per student in each district.
Since IDE

Since IDEA's passage more than
Special ed subsidies/see page 5 A


Green Earth Players will perform "KOLD Radio - Whitefish Bay" starting next week. Cast members include (seated, from left) Casey McKenzie, Holly Anderson, (standing, from left) bartender Cyndi Harms, Josie Ferguson, DJ Luethje and Mallory Von Tersch. They're pictured during rehearsal March 1 in the GEP building.

## Green Earth Players to perform 'KOLD Radio'

By Lori Sorenson
The Green Earth Players community theater The GreenEarthPlayers community theater Bay" March 16-18 and March 22-25 in the His toric Palace Theatre, Luverne.
According to artistic director Scott Wessels, the local cast members are well suited for their northern Minnesota characters.
".. the Minnesota nice, the passive-aggres

sive friends and neighbors, and the characters love-hate relationship with the cold all are familiar to the Tri-State area," Wessels said.
He said he's enjoyed working with the group and looks forward to crowd reactions to the on-stage comedy.
"Everyonehaspitchedin with theircharacter ideas, mannerisms, stage movements, and in
bringing copious amounts of food to rehears


Casey McKenzie portrays the many face of local KOLD Radio host Carl.
als," Wessels said.
"No one evergoes hungry on rehearsal night, or goes home without a smile on their face." The play synopsis is as follows:
KOLD Radio is located in a corner of Car andLena's(David and Anissa Vis) Place for Bee in a small Minnesota town near the Canadian

Green Earth Players ‘KOLD’/see page 5A


Local corn yields top 200 second year in a row Corn price per bushel lower than it was a year ago
By Mavis Fodnes
For the second straight year production in Rock County set a yield record.
Corn reached 206.1 bushels per acre for the 2017 growing season, oppingthe 2016 yield record of 201.2 USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service Minnesota Field results for the 2017 corn and soybean harvest last month.

Rock County joined 28 other reporting countieswhose cornyields topped more than 200 bushels per ${ }^{\text {acre. }}$ In the area, Cottonwood County averaged 207.5 bushels per acre and Jackson County, 205.5.

Murray, Nobles and Pipestone 193.4 and 186 bushels per acre respectively.

The state's top corn yield was

Watonwan County with 218.9 The state corn yield average was 194 bushels per acre RockCounty's soybeanyieldwa ower than last year's record of 61.9 Local soybean yield for 2017 averaged 58 bushels.
The yield placed Rock County in he top five for soybean production. Watonwan led the state in soybean

Record yields/see page 5A

Daylight saving starts Sunday, March II


DON'T FORGET TO SPRING FORTARD

REMEMBER TO SET YOUR
CLOCKS AHEAD 1 HOUR

## Community calendar

## Meetings

American Legion Auxiliary \#123 will meet at 10 a.m. sday, March 8, at the home of Dianne Tomlinson. Meditation and Mindfulness Practice meets at 7 p.m. Street in Luverne. No meditation March 25. Call Kim at 7-353-0041 or email kimberlyelizabeth@live com

Beaver Creek Township Board will meet at 7
onday, March 12 , in the township hall.
Matthew 6 Board of Directors will meet at 7 p.m.
nday, March 12, at Luverne Pizza Ranch.
Rock County VFW \#2757 will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday March 13, in the Herreid Military Museum. Call Buck Un wood at 507-449-0632.
Parkinson's Support Group will meet at 1 p.m. Thurs day, March 15, in St. John Lutheran Church, Luverne. Call

MS Support Group will meet at $7: 30$ p.m. Thursday, arch 15, at Southwest Health and Human Services in uverne. All persons with MS, family and friends are invited 507-283-2069 or 507-283-2964
Narcotics Anonymous meets at a new time: 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Fridays in the basement of St. Catherine
Call 507-220-0137 with questions.
Women's Alcoholics Anonymous n
ndays in the United Methodist Church
Mehodist Church. Alcoholics inonymous meets at 8 p.m. Wednesdays Call 605-321-4324
Alcoholics Anonymous meets from 8 to 9 p.m. every
Spring road restrictions are in effect
spring weight road restictions are in place as of Tues
ay, March 6, on all Rock County roadways.
Ending dates are variable and drivers must check for updates throughout the spring. Call Rock County Highway
Engineer Mark Sehr at 507-283-5010

Redemption Riders pancakes March 11 Christian Motorcyclists Association "Redemption Riders" will serve a pancake breakfast from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Sunday, March 11, atthe UnitedMethodistChurch, Luverne

March Madness benefits Boltjes
The Luverne High School student council will host a "March Madness" night Monday, March 12, in the high
school gymnasium. LHS juniors will play the seniors at p.m. followed by a game between the LHS staff and the basketball teams. During each game's halftime, a light ning tournament between the participants of the various winter activities will take place. Cost for the event is $\$ 2$. All money raised will be donated to Sharon Boltjes, a district
paraprofessional currently undergoing cancer treatments.

Blood Bank hosts drive March 12
The Community Blood Bank will hostablood drive from 11:30 a.m. to $1: 30$ p.m. and from 3-6 p.m. Monday, March
12, atthe Adrian Ambulance Garage (main streetin Adrian) For more information or to schedule an appointment, call Cindy Wolf at Sanford Clinic in Adrian, 507-483-2668, or go to cbblifeblood.org. Walk-ins are welcome.
Free food March 15
New Life Celebration Church will offer free food fresh produce, bread and meat - from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.
Thursday, March 15, at the Luverne Senior Center for those having trouble putting food on the table. Bring your own bags or boxes. Call 283-4366 with questions.
St. Patrick's celebrations March 17
Luverne's St. Patrick's Day Parade will be at $4: 30$ p.m. parkingloton parkinglot on EastMainStreet. Regisration isn'tnecessary;
just meet in the lot between 4 and $4: 30$ p.m. Four $\$ 25$ cash prizes will be awarded in both youth ( 18 and youger) and adult categories. Celebrations are planned at the Eagles Club with Reuben sandwiches from 11:30 a.m. until gone, ablock party at Take 16 Brewing Company from 4 to 10 p.m.m.
and food and drink specials at The Bluestem and Sterling's.

Sign-up by March 19 for summer ball soffball need to register by March 19 at the Community Education Office. Registration forms and details are available on the Luverne School website at www.isd2184.net under Community Education, or call 507-283-2413

## Elevator repair limits access to courthouse

By Mavis Fodness Handicap accessibility in
the Rock County Courthouse willbelimited Monday, March 12, through Thursday, March 29. The elevator serving the courthouse's six floors will be
inoperablewhile workerscomplete an equipment upgrade. In December the Rock County Board accepted a bid of $\$ 61,400$ from MEI Total ElevatorSolutions ofM
complete the work.
complete the work
"Anyone need
Anyone needing assis
tance could call ahead to the appropriate department," said County Administrator Kyle Oldre.
Wh When possible, depart-
ment personnel ment personnel may be able courthouse landing. Other busines driver's license renewal may have to be postponed or completed at a different location. Departments affected by the elevator repairs in-
clude county administration, auditor-treasurer, emergency management, veteran services, districtcourts andlandrecords.


## Local skaters take second in Marshall

The Blue Mound Figure Skaters competed in the Frosty Blades competition at the Schwan Super Rink Feb. 2-4 in Marshall. Local skaters include Augusta Papik, Audrina Tiesler Mara Thier, Liiian Hamner, Katherine Kelm, (middle row) Lexy Hamner, Maranda Thier, Alysa Nairess, Marisa Eisma and Elizabeth Kelm. Not pictured are Kendall Buss, Slyvia Eisma, Madison Ruesch Elizabeth Spiegelhoff, Lauren Ver Steeg and Addison Wieneke.

Twenty-two rinks were represented at the competition, and the Blue Mound team placed second with 531 points to the Marshall hosts who scored 678 points. Other team stand 407 points, femaining Top 5 are third-place Hutchinson Figure Skating Association with Skating Academy/Parade with 363 points. The local club skated last weekend at Sport quest Skating Academy/Parade in Minneapolis, the results for which are not yet available

Wetland conservation compliance is two-step process; check before converting wetland and planting wetland

By Fraser Norton County Executive Director Conservation compliance is a two-step process,
involving both federal and state compliance. In order to receiv payments from USDA, compliance with the Highly
Erodible Land (HEL) and Erodible Land (HEL) and
Wetland Conservation (WC) provisions is required. It is therefore very important that you contact the FSA office before breaking out additional cropland including the clearing of trees, because an AD-1026 form needs to be completed specifying the area to be brought into productio These areas need to be evaluated by the Natural Service (NRCS) to determin if a conservation plan is required, or if there are any wetlands in the area. Producers are required to have a conservation plan in place on all highly erod-
ible land (HEL) that they operate.
As such, farmers with HEL determined soils should keep in mind the tillage, crop residue and rotational requirements tha
are specified in their conse are specified in their conse Furtherr tial to notify the FSA office prior to conducting any
drainage project, including
the tiling, draining, dredgthe tiling, draining, dredging, filling or leveling of a This includes normal maintenance of existing drainage systems if NRCS has not previously evaluated the system.
As menti
As mentioned already,
is also very important to remember that the state of Minnesota regulates wetlands as well, separate from USDA.
Unde

Under the Wetland Conservation Act Rules Chapter 8420, if you plan to involving the tiling, draining dredging, filling or leveling of a wetland, or the performance of ditch maintenance or cleanout, you will also need to make an applica-
tion at the Pipestone or Rock tion at the Pipestone or Rock servation District (SWCD)/ Land Management Office (LMO).
Altho

Although there may be some differences in what is allowed by USDA and by the
state of Minnesota, overall the programs have the same requirements.
If you have requested a determination, and have not yet received one, we
strongly encourage you to wait for the official determi nation before proceeding. If you do proceed without advance approval
and concurrence from both NRCS and SWCD/LMO, you
are doing so at the risk of los ing program eligibility and all federal payments, as well as being liable for additiona action being taken by the state of Minnesota This is likely to make before deciding to go ahead with a drainage project with out prior approval. No longer should you think that all that you stand to lose are federal benefits. sider the fact that the state has the necessary legal back ing to be able to force you o restore whatever it is that you drained or cleaned out without their concurrence Thus in summary, con verting a wetland as well wetland are considered to be very serious violations a both the state and federal levels. It is therefore our goal to work with all our producers as much as possible in both Pipestone and Rock counties. In the case of wetlands, prevention is certainly better han the cure, because once violation has occurred, it is generally too late to avoic he potentially catastrophic associated with not obtain ing prior approval.

So please contact both
FSA/NRCS and SWCD/LMO before you convert or drain anything.
For more informa-
tion, please contact the Pipestone County FSA Office at $507-825-5478$, or the Rock
County FSA Office at $507-$ County FS
283-2369.

Important dates
March 15: 2018 NAP Pasture and Spring-seeded Annual Crops sales deadline 2018 Crop Insurance Corn, Wheat sales deadline April 2: 2017 Smal Grains Loan and LDP request deadline; 2017 LIP application deadline May 1: 2018 NAP deadline: 2018 NAP As paragus Acreage certification deadline.
May 15: Final RMA Small Grain Planting Date CRP Primary Nesting and Brood Rearing Season be-
gins; 2017 Strawberry Acre gins; 2017 Strawberry Acre
age 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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- City

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## Taking care of business

City Council subdivides properties, buys easements for future residential and industrial development

By Lori Sorenson
Luverne City Council members took action at their eb. 27 meeting to further pre-
 They approudindustrial. utions to subdivide property order to allow for work on the new substation and to provide a right of way for infratructure on the North Walnut Sreet extension.

## New substation

For the substation, the city subdivided a three-acre parcel on Walnut Avenue that hadbeenpurchasedfromRich Dreckman last year.

The majority of the parel, 1.81 acres, will be used for the city's new $\$ 3.7$ million remaining 1.2 acres will be for future related industrial use.

The land is accessible by Walnut Avenue, which isnowa county state aid street and will epaved bythe countyin 2018 .

North Walnut Avenue extension gets right of way The North Walnut Avenue extension project requires a right of way for underground infrastructure, so the city took action Feb. 27 to subdivide roperty for that purpose. eet wide and 396 feet long waspurchased bythe cityfrom ynn Lopau for \$13,068.

The area to the east of the treet will become three new by this stub street
The stub street will carry raffic into a new residential area and allow for the city o extend water, sewer and lectricity into the new resi dential area.

Midwest Dry Cast subdivision approved In other business Feb. esolution allowing the re resolution allowing the re-
cording and subdivision of

## Golf cart, electric

 vehicle clarification The RockCounty office of hemotor vehicleregistration publish a clarification about the differencebetweena "golf cart" and a "neighborhood electric vehicle."A Feb. 22 story about the Luverne City Council
repealing its ATV ordinance repealing its ATV ordinance state-permitted andlicensed side-by-side utility vehicles and licensed golf carts are allowed" in the city.
In fact, by statute the state cannot license a golf
cart, whereas a "neighborhood electric vehicle" can be licensed by the state.

Questions can be directed to the Rock County Motor Vehicle Registration Office at 507-283-5024.
propertyjustsouth ofLuverne city limits. Ron Fick is selling 17.95 acres of land to Midwest Dry Cast Company, which plans to build a new facility on the parcel that will be accessed by
an easement and/or a future parcel of property that the company could purchase as a "right of first refusal."
The property is accessed bySouth Highway 75 and 101st Street(westofRockVeterinary Clinic).
The property is not in city
imits butwill be served by the city's but electrical de department Rock County Rural Water, and a septic system.
The area and parcel are fully developed with access
to utilities, roads, and all aspects of property planning and zoning.

County State Aid highway maintenance agreement. At their Feb. 27 meeting newCountyStateAid Highway Maintenance Agreement that covers almost nine miles of streets in the city limits.
The city maintains the streets in town that are owned by the county.
maintenance agreement cor ers sweeping, snow removal patching, mowing, tree trim ming and more.
The county reimburses the city for an amount not to 2 exceed $\$ 74,108$ in 2018 with 2022.
20.cent escalators throug fixed sum of $\$ 37,500$ for the five-year period, on top of the annual payments, to account or the significant number of ture improvements passed within the city during the term of this contract.
The new agreement also includes a 1.1 -mile section of Koehn Ave that will be built his year to County Road 4

## GRAVE BIDS

 BEAVER GREEK TOWNSHIP Crushed gravel to be spread on Township roads.Sealed bids will be expected on, before or at the monthly meeting
Monday, April 9 • 7 p.m. at the township hall (please label gravel bid if mailed) Bids may be sent to: Beaver Creek Township Kathy King, Cler PO Box 67
Beaver Creek, MN 56116
~Kathy King
Township Clerk

Notice:
Students of Luverne High School Take Notice
The Scholarship Committee of the A.R. Wood Educationa Trust is currently accepting applications for initial or renewal scholarships from seniors and previous graduates of Luverne High School.

To be eligible for consideration candidates must.

1. Be graduates of Luverne High School
2. Rank in the upper fifteenth percent ( $15 \%$ ) of
his/her graduating class; and
3. Have maintained a 3.0 GPA or better grade point average.
Requests for applications should be directed to:
First Bank \& Trust
Wealth Management Services
P.O. Box 1347

Sioux Falls, SD 57101-1347
All requests for applications must be received by First Bank \& Trust no later than May 1, 2018. All completed applications must be postmarked and submitted to First Bank \& Trust by June 1, 2018.

In accordance with the A.R. Wood Educational Trust, decision regarding recipients, amounts and number of awards will be made at the sole discretion of the Scholarship Committee.


March is in (to work) like a lamb at vet clinic


Area residents were greeted with seasonally mild temperatures March 1 when highs reached the mid30 s , a weather pattern that began the previous week.

Employees at Rock Veterinary Clinic south of Luverne already had an inkling of the lamblike, mild temperature due to the bottle lambs in their care.

Pictured above, Dr. Erin deKoning (right) feeds Adam With a belly full of milk, Adam plays in the clinic's ga rage area and takes a walk with Boelman in the clinic hallway (pictured below).

At left Veterinary technician Sue Stueven watches Lucy a Hampshire-Suffolk lamb, from her desk


Blue Mound Area Theatre
Annual Meeting Notice
Thursday, March 13 at 6 p.m. at Bluestem
Public welcome


Wet basement?...


ROCK COUNHY VIPHRENS

Did you serve on Active Military Duty?
Do you have an honorable discharge? Contact your veteran services officer to discuss eligibility for federal and state benefits.

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* Veterans Linkage Line Help for verterans and familjies <br> Rock County Veterans Services 507-283-5061 M-F: 8 a.m. to Noon Rock County Courthouse
}

PIPESTONE COUNTY
TILLABLE FARM LAND FOR RENT
Howard De Weerd Estate
Sealed Bids: Shall be submitted to Brian De Weerd at 605 th Ave. Edgerton, MN 56128. The deadline for mailing or delivery of bid is March 23,2018 by 5 PM and we will respond to the successfu
bidder on March 262018 by 5 PM Winning bid will be respon bidder on March 26, 2018 by 5 PM. Winning bid will be respon-
sible to pay for fall tillage on 100.84 Acres which is $\$ 836.00$. Also, winning bid will be responsible to pay $\$ 9,240.00$ for 385,000 gallons of cattle manure applied at 3500 gallons per acre. Manure was analyzed at $61 / 25 / 34$ per 1000 gallons which comes to $213 \# \mathrm{~N}$, $87 \#$, and $119 \# \mathrm{~K}$ per acre fertilizer value. The manure fertilize
valued at $25 \%$ discount below commercial fertilizer price. Land Location: Section 1 TWP-105 N R-44 W Southeast Quart County Minnesota. This parcel of ground would have a total of 100.84 tillable acres. Also, Section 21 TWP- 105 N R- 44 W North $1,287^{\prime \prime}$ of West Half (W1/2) of Northeast Quarter (NE $1 / 4$ ) \& East
Half (E1/2) of Northeast Quarter (NE $1 / 4$ ) except the south $1,352^{\prime \prime}$ Half ( $\mathrm{E} 1 / 2$ ) of Northeast Quarter ( $\mathrm{NE}^{1 / 4}$ ) except the south $1,352^{2}$
Osborne Township, Pipestone County Minnesota. This parcel Osborne Township, Pipestone County Minnesota. This parcel
of ground would have a total of 61.66 tillable acres. Total tillable acres for rent between the two farms will be 162.50 acres.
Lease Date: This is an 11 month lease that starts the first day of April, 2018 and ends last day of February 2019 with the under-
standing that the future of the land beyond February 2019 is yet standing that the future of the land beyond February 2019 is yet to be determined. The lease shall be payable in one installment
at contract signing. Successful bidder shall enter a written lease at contract signing. Successtul bidder shall enter a written leas
agreement by March 31,2018 . The owners retain the right to reject any or all bids and waive any irregularities. Questions can be directed to Doug Jasper at (605)929-3918, djaspereredrockhold-
ingsinc tom or text pertaining to the land ingsinc.com, or text, pertaining to the land tile, sediment basins
land maps, and Crop Productivity Ratings (CPI) on the tillable land maps, and Crop Pr
acres can be requested.

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## Wanna be in the know?



Tiny and Ifirst met circa 1974.

## Appreciation for horses grew through a heifer named Tiny



Ruminations
those little girls who dreamed of owning a Flicka, Black
Beauty or the Black Stalli
Books about these fictional horses definitely fueled my desire own an elegant four-legged animal and ride every day. For the majority of my adult life, I have been lucky It's a huge commitment to properly feed, house and care for the 1,000 -pound animals. I don't mind because those child-like dreams of owning a pony are still fresh. It was through a childhood desire that I grew to appreciate
another farm animal. another farm animal. orse or pony. It was a Hereford heifer named Tiny. The mid-1970 memories of Tiny have faded a bit, but what the bovine lacked in stature, she more than made up
with her large, kind heart. I suspect Tiny was a bottle calf my dad took under his wing from our stock cow herd. Forty years ago our small family farm outside of Luverne had stock cattle as well as dairy cows. My job was to round up
the dairy cows from the pas ture to the barn for the evening milking.

While the stock cows summered at a different pasture from the farm, the milk cows
grazed in an area a half-mile grazed in an area a hall-mie
from the barn. If the cows wer in the far north corner, the walk could be as long as a mile.

Those walks often brought on those dreams of owning a horse. Saddling up and riding chore less work.

Tiny was placed with the mature dairy cows and she went where they went.

I'm sure it was during one of those walks to get the cows that I got the idea to let Tiny riding.

I was younger than 10 ac-
cording to the snapshots of me

By Mavis Fodness, Reporter

## To this

 day I admire the Herefords shown at the Rock County Fair. I smile when I look into their bright white faces and big brown eyes. I see Tiny in each and every one of them.
## sitting on that red and white

heifer.
I constructed a "saddle" out of carpet odds and ends, old belts and handles from broken grain shovels, and with
an old snaffle bit and several strands of twine, I fashioned a bridle for my mount. Poor cow. I can only imag-
ine what she was thinking ine what she was thinking. On the back of Tiny I reenacted the running of the Kentucky Derby. I tocd her my
deepest, darkest secrets and the dream of one day owning a real pony.
That dream came true when I turned 11.
Peaches, the pony, was a young girl's dream come true,
but Tiny the Hereford heifer forever captured my heart. To this day I admire the Herefords shown at the Rock County Fair. I smile when I loo into their bright white faces
and big brown eyes. I see Tiny and big brown eyes. I see Tiny in each and every one of the
They remind me of my life on the family farm and those long ago dreams of youth.

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## Hang out with the people who are making it happen

The annual meeting of LIFT Luverne Initiatives For Tomorrow - is at 5:30 p.m. Friday, March 16, in Grand Prairie Events.
The event is a fundraiser for LIFT, with tickets going for $\$ 40$ per person to support ongoing projects improve the community,
The costofadmissionisn'tcheap,
butit's abargain, consideringwhat's planned for the night.
In addition to a Bluestem ca-

## Star Herald Editorial

## Annual meeting of LIFT is set for March 16; ticket deadline is Monday, March 12

tered meal, attendees will get firsthand information from movers and hakers in town about all the latest ommunity projects.
-truill speak on the upcoming mus will speak on the upcoming Luverne's harbor and hatchery -AnnDybsetter oftheSouthwest Regional Sustainable Development Partnership will discuss the partnership of the University of
Minnesota Extension and U of M professional schools in the development of a downtown plaza concept for Luverne.
-RickPeterson, local committee chair, will discuss the 2018 Governor's Pheasant Opener in Luverne.
Luverne Superintendent Craig Oftedahl will share information



to celebrate accomplishments and review goals yet to be reached. "There are somany excitingthings happening in Luverne," Chamber
DirectorJaneWildungLanphere told us last week.
"This meeting is a good opportunity to get good information about what's happening in Luverne. We hope that people can come celebrate with us."

A socialgathering and cashbar is at 5:30 p.m. and the program begins at 6 p.m.
Bluestem-catered meal (chicken and pork) and entertainment begins at $7: 15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.
Tickets are available at the Cham ber office, 507-283-4061, or luverne Reservationdeadlineis March 12.

## Frakes questions

 boycotts, violence by college students involving speakersTo the Editor:
I've noticed that there are still a lot of college students boycotting shouting down, or inciting violence speakers on their campuses. I know that they are on a much higher intellectual plane than I am, so I couldn't debate with them on anything, but I do wonder why they are paying tens of thousands of
dollars for an education when they dollars for an education when they
obviously know everything already. Bill Frakes
Luverne

State patrol vehicles feature unique color, 'pursuit mode' by Sgt. Troy Christianson Minnesota State Patrol
Last week I picked up my new Last week I picked up my new
2017 Ford Interceptor AWD squad car. Some of the features are listed below.Mine is a class B, whichmeans there is not a light bar on the roof. The State Patrol currently has approximately 650 marked squads, f which 60 percent have light bars.
•3.7LVVTV6 engine with 305 HP
-3.7LVVTV6 engine with 30
.6 speed transmission .18 inch steel rims with 13 inch rotors $\bullet$ Hands free SYNC Bluetooth quipped

- 0 to 60 mph in 7.43 seconds -Top speed $130+\mathrm{mph}$ $\quad-$ Top speed of 800 MHz Police -Built at Ford assembly plant in -Built at Ford assembly plant in them with Minnesota maroon. We are the only agency in the country with this color.
-Specially equipped and ngineered for law enforcement market with 75 mph rear-impact crash safety rating
-Features a unique "Pursuit Mode" designed to provide quick engine response when needed


The 2017 Food Intercepter AWD squad cars are specially equipped and engineered for law enforcement, including hands free bluetooth equipment

> Intervention Technique maneuver. 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.
oncerning traffic-related laws or ssues in Minnesota, send your Minnesota Sgt. Troy Christianson Minnesota State Patrol at 290048 Street NW, Rochester MN 55901 5848. Or at (Troy.Christianson@state

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## ON THE RECORD

Dispatch report
Feb. 23
-Reserved for as -Complainant reported a car in the ditch on County oad 3. Checked it out, no one around
eceiving explicit photos.
-Complainantrequest o speak with a deputy about ATV on city streets. -Complainant reported ehicle in the ditch on 200th
.Complainant reportd garbage/recycling bins blocking alley on Freeman
Ave. Complainant reported ar tow on Linden Street. speak to a deputy about a gas voucher. -Out for follow-up on a ticket.
-Lyon County requested a plate run.
Complainant reported Luverne Elementary School. -Complainant reported a semi slid off the road in Beaver Creek.
-Complainant reported vehicle in ditch near radio station.
Complainant reported is getting nuisance calls.
-Complainantreported a white SUV had been parked and running for about 20 minutes.
-Complainant reported someone beat up her boy-
friend.Requestedambulance. Feb. 24

Feb. 24
inmate going through detox. Requested deputy to meet at hospital.
$\bullet$ Complainant reported threatening communication. found debit card. Feb. 25
-Complainant reported there is someone sitting in a running car that took an Requested deputy. come in. equested deputy footprints around home in snow. -Complainant reported neighborhood disturbances. -Complainant reported ilage on fire.
peak with on-call children social worker.
-Complainant reported nowmobile riders on his property on Fairview Drive. -Complainant reported vehicle in ditch on County Feb. 26
-Complainantrequested incident report for fugitive from justice prosecution. - Reserved for theft invesgation/charges.

Complainantreporteda Drive. No injuries reported. -Complainant wants to speak to deputy about city ordinance.
-Complainantrequested
to speak to deputy.
-Complainant wants to
eport hit and run that oc-
curred several weeks ago.
-Background check con ducted for housing.
-Deputy stood by for court.
-Complainant wants to eport identity theft.
-Complainantrequested car be removed on Lincoln Street.
-Complainantrequested welfare check on Lincoln Street.

Complainant reported Road 4.
-Complainant reported semitrailer blocking road on County Road 17. issing child at Casey' -Complainant reporte silo fire.
-Complainant called Law Enforcement Center and requested to speak wi eputy regarding fraud.
Feb. 27

Comp 27
ed traffic stop resulting in a canceled IPS arrest.
-Complainant reported
noise complaint.
-Complainantwantedto
pay a warrant.
Spring Street.
-Complainant reported
an order of protection viola
an order
tion.
$\quad \bullet$ Con
$\stackrel{\bullet}{ }$ Complainantrequested officer make contact with
subjectwhomaybeviolating a harassment order.
-Deputyreleasedvehicle
from impound.
-Complainant reported problems with her daughter nd ex-husband.
Feb. 28
-Complainant reported thatherson ismissing in Hill -Complainant reported possibly rolled vehicle in Hills. Did not see anyone round.
-Complainant reported a loud pickup on Davidson beer cans all over.

March 1
-Dispatch followed up with questions about perm to carry. -Deputy assisted trooper with traffic stop lease vehicle -Complainan family custody issue.
-Complainant reported assing communications. burglar alarm on Kniss Ave.

In addition officers also responded to 2 transports, 7 escorts, 13 ambulanceruns, 2 animal complaints, 21 bur ermits, 3 tests, 4 drug cou ests, 6 permits to purchase family and child incident driver's license check, 3 abandon 911 calls, 6 followups and 5 paper services.

Post offices ask customers to keep walkways clear

The U.S. Postal Servic is asking customers to keep snow and ice cleared from
their sidewalks, stairs and mailboxes to help postal ca riers deliver the mail.
Postal customers who
receive door mail delivery

Green Earth Players ‘KOLD Radio’/continued from page 1A
border
Lars Knudsen (Casey McKenzie) is the host of a radio show called "Crappie Talk," devoted entirely to ice fishing for crappies.

Because it is a somewhat narrow subject, Lars has no listeners, so he loses his only advertiser, Ole's Bait Mart plays Ole).
MarthaBjorklund(Holly Anderson), Lars' unrequited love interest, hosts "Book Beat" She has all the listeners, and all the advertisers. Lars has had issues the 50 -yard dash in sixth grade Lars' jealousy toward Mart les when a fish-out-of-water Brooklyn Italian (Sal Carducci played by Nathan Taubert) comes to Whitefish Bay, buys
fires Lars
Larshas hiswork cut out for him. He needs his job, he needs his dignity, bu Roundingouttheeds Martha. Roundingout the acting cast are Ma lory Von Tersch as Sarah, DJ Luethje as Wendy, Elizabeth Ferguson (pictured a and Joseph Karnoff as Sven
Joseph Stearns is assistant directo Mike Petronek is technical director and Dianne Ossenfort is producer.
Show times are $7: 30$ p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday both week 7:30 p.m. show on Thursday, March 22 for a total of seven performances ove the two weekends.
Tickets are available at the Palace Theatre Box Office, 102 East Main Stre
The phone number is 507-283-4339

## Special education reimbursements/continued from page 1A

four decades ago, MSBA data showslocal schoolshaveneve receivedmore than 15 percent of their actual special educa tion costs

Each year the state's edu cation commissioner is re
quired to report the amount each school district is cross
subsidizing.
In 2016,
In 2016, cross-subsidies reached $\$ 679$ million, an increase of5.6percentfrom2015.
By 2021, the cross-subsidy is expected to grow to $\$ 806$ million.

Abbottsaid MSBA is advocating for ajoint work commit-
teewith officials to develop an adequate special education funding formula and eliminatethecrosssubsidypractice ithin districts by 2025 ducation Innovation Pouse Committee supported forming a special education work
difficult, postal carriers mus consider safety and accessibil ity first.

They are instructed to refrain from delivering to loca ionstheydeem too hazardous The USPS greatly appreciates the support of its custom ers in this effort.


Rock County set a corn yield record (left) of 206.1 bushels per acre in 2017 and placed as one of 28 counties topping 200 Rock County set a corn yield record (left) of 206.1 bushels per acre in 2017 and placed as one of 28 counties topping 200
bushels per acre. Last year was only the second time in 35 years local producers averaged more than 200 bushels per acre of bushels per acre. Last year was only the second time in 35 years local producers averaged more than 200 bushels per acre of an average of 58 bushels per acre. Last year Rock County set its highest soybean yield average at 61.3 . Graphics courtesy USDA

County has record yields, lower prices/continued from page 1A
yield with 60.3 bushels per Pipestone (53.1) and Nobles acre. Cottonwood County yielded 55.9 soybean bushels per acre, followed by Jack-
son (55.4), Murray (53.9), average was 47 bushels per acre. Averageper bushelprice for corn in the state was $\$ 3.06$
according to USDA's monthly price report. The price was 8 cents above December but 15 cents per bushel of $\$ 3$ average price per bushel of $\$ 3.21$.

The state's average soy bean price was $\$ 9.13$ per bushel, up 15 cents from December but down 25 cents per bushel lar's price of $\$ 9.38$ per bushel.


'You look like Dr. Seuss'
Superintendent Craig Oftedahl (above) reads Dr. Seuss'book "Green Eggs and Ham" to Luverne Elementary kindergartners Friday in honor of the late author's birthday and National Education Associa tion's Read Across America Day. The annual reading motivational and awareness day began in 1998. Exclaimed one kindergartner to

Before he began another Seuss book, "Horton Hears a Who" below Oftedahl asked students if they would enjoy eating green eggs and ham. Kindergartener Max Fick (far left) reacts with a thumbs-up while classmate Devin Sengvongxag (left) reacts with a look of disgust.

Above middle: Kindergarten teacher Heidi Schacht dresses in a tall red-and-white-striped hat like the character in "The Cat in the Hat Her T-shirt depicts another Dr. Seuss character who said, "Reading is My Thing.'


Celebrations

## Open houses

An open house bridal shower for Meranda Fick, bride-to-be of John Kramer, will be from 10 a.m. to no the Luverne Presbyterian Church. Guests are requested to bring a recipe to share.

## Menu

Monday,March 12:Swiss steak, mashed potatoes, peas and carrots, bread, pineapple. Program: Jump into Spring Party; pinochle.
Tuesday, March 13: Honey mustard chicken breast, bakedpotato with sour cream, green bean casserole Program
uesday sponsored by First Farmers and Merchants Bank 10 a.m. New Ulm Site Manager Meeting

Wednesday, March 14: Lasagna, California blend vegetables, garlic bread, pears,

Thursday, March 15 Pork loin, potatoes, buttered cabbage, dinner roll, fruit $\stackrel{\text { crisp. }}{\text { Program: Food Give }}$ away.
Friday, March 16: Lem on pepper fish, macaroni and cheese, mixed vegetables bread, pie.
Program: Birthday party with Kitchen Band. Wear green.
Senior Dining offers well-
balanced and affordable meals in a community atmo sphere.
Gift certificates are available at the meal site or online at www.lssmn.org/nutrition.
Call Lauree Teunissen at 283-9846 to make dining reser vations or for home-delivered meals.

## School News

Vajgrt named to St. Olaf dean's list Jonathon Vajgrt, Luverne was named to the St. Olaf College, Northfield, dean's list for the Fall 2017 semester. To be eligible, students must earn a
3.75 or higher on a scale of 4.0 . Vajgrt, a chemistry major, is the son of Terry and Michelle Vajgrt, Luverne

## 1962: Survey of Rock County public fallout shelters follows nationwide effort

The following article is The following article is
from the Feb. 8, 1962, edifrom the Feb. ,8, 1962, edi-
tion of the Rock County Star tion ofd.
nitial Survey Of Fallout Shelters to Begin Next Week

An initial survey of fa ilities for public fallout shelters in Rock county will begin Tuesday.
Magnus Christensen Rock county civil defense di
rector, said a representative faprivate firmwill conduct he survey (Cerney Associates) beginning Tuesday. Shelters which would be suitable to hold a mininum of 50 persons will be for location of emergency food supplies.
Before a shelter is des ignated, the owner of the structure will be asked o give his permission in writing.
Christensen said thatat food supplies for fallout helters will arrive in the next couple weeks. He said e city will receive about 420 feet of the packaged supplies. Much ofit can


## Bits by Bet ty

By Betty Mann, president Rock County Historical Society
the city hall until shelters are designated.
Meeting Held Here Local civil defense directors from Rock and
Pipestone counties attend a meeting here Monday. Roy V. Aune, assistant director of Minnesota civil defense, outlined the fallout shelter program survey.

The survey for and designation of fallout shelters
in Rock county is part of a nation-wide effort. Thefederalgovernment has appropriated $\$ 93$ million to make the survey and $\$ 58.8$ million for stocking shelters during fiscal 1962.
Suppliesincludefood, water, medical and dosimeters. Rock county has considered a fallout shelter for a control center. It would likely be located at the court

The federal govern ment would pay half the cost. Christensen, Com missioner Ray Fick and Bill Mohr, Luverne city engineer,
attended a meeting on this attended a meeting on this at New Brighton Tuesday.
Christensen said no definite plans have been made.
But But he said the control center could be built as a windowless basement lot at the court house. Later, an annex to the court house could be built over the basement.
Donations to the Rock County Historical Society can be sent to the Rock
County Historical Society 312 E. Main Street, Luverne, MN 56156.
Mann welcomes cor respondence sent to mar nmade@iw.net.

## Adrian Knowledge Bowl teams take second

The Adrian Senior High Knowledge Bowl team Competed at the Subneet at Minnesota West Community and Technial College in Jackson riday, March
There were mpeting, with a tohools 32 teams. Adrian had seve teams participate at the meet.
Adrian placed second verall and has two teams Tournament in Marshall on Thursday, March 8. Students moving on re Austin Metz, Maritza Beltran, Blake Madison Thier, Skylar Polzine, Dust John and Alexia Kemper The top three teams a he regional meet will move on to the state competition


The team of Maritza Beltran (left), Austin Metz, Nathan Varley and Blake Madison placed second at Knowledge Bowl subsection competition and will move on to regional competition.
in Br
13.
Brainerd on April 12 and
Adrian had 33 kids out
for Knowledge Bowl this yea in grades $9-12$. The team is coached by Robert Remme.

## Business News

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Buffalo Ridge Agency receives outstanding service honor
The Buffalo Ridge Insur ance Agency of Luverne has been named to the President's Club ofthe Midwest FamilyMu ualInsurance Company ofDe Moines, Iowa andMinneapolis
for 11 consecutive years. The award recognizes outstanding continued service to customers and community as Employees of the Luverne
agency are Cory Bloemendaal Marilyn Bloemendaal, Pam Haakenson, Steve Smedsrud Lorie Gruis, Katelyn Thornock and Spencer Riphagen


Twenty-two Luverne High School speech team members earned medals and ribbons during their invitational Saturday. Pictured are (from left) Chance Tunnissen, Grace Sweeney, Melanie Rit tenhouse, Naomi Ring, Nicole Hoogland, Rebecca Austin, Sage Ver Steeg, Josie Golla, Alexa Chesley, Courtney Wendland, Luke Thorson, Julia Ferguson, Jonah Louwagie, Solveig Tofteland, John Miller, Seno Chanthalangsy, Xavier Carbonneau, Parker Carbonneau, Shane Berning, Ross Bergman and Cameron Wessels. Not pictured is Cassie Flanigan.

## Local students compete at home speech tournament

The Luverne High School speech team played
double duty Saturday during their own speech invita
tional. ional. Not only do they welcome their fellow competitors and help them find rooms and answer any questions they have," said speech

They represented our scho and community very well." Fifteen schools and 220 competitors participated in
the Luverne speech tournathe Luverne speech tourn
ment. As hosts, however, LHS competed only for individual honors.
Twenty-two Cardinal
speakers earned medals for
placing first- through sixth
place.
Blue ribbons were given to speakers one place out of the finals and red ribbons fo two places out of the final cluded:
•Creative expression
Cameron Wessels, fifth. -Discussion: Alexa Che
ley, second, and Melanie
Ritter Rittenhouse, fourth.
•Duo interpretation: Solveig Tofteland and Seno Chanthalangsy, second. - Extemp reading: Cour ney Wendland, fourth, and
Nicole Hoogland, sixth. Nicole Hoogland, sixth
-Extemp speaking: Shane Berning, first; Chance Tunnissen, third; Parker

## Obituaries

Edward DeBates
Edward 1 Luverne, formerly of Adrian, died Saturday,
March 3, 2018, at the Minnesota Veterans Home in Luverne. A time of fellowship will be from 11 a.m. to I p.m. SaturDingmann Funeral Dingmann Funera morial service will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home. Burial with full military honors provided by the Adrian merican Legion will be at the Adrian Cemetery
Edward DeBates was born Aug. 21, 1927, to Charles and
Amanda (Donth) DeBates in Jasper. He attended school in Adrian. He served his country from 1952 to 1954 in the United States Army during the Korean Conflict, achiev
staff sergeant.
After Eddie married Esther Woltjer, the couple lived in Adrian. To this union three children were born, Peggy, Steven and Douglas.

Eddie married Dianne Berger on Dec. 16, 1978, in Las Vegas, Nevada.After their marriage the couple lived inSioux Falls, South Dakota. Earlier, Eddie worked as shift manager at Safeway in Adrian for over 18 years. He also owned and operated Eddie's Standard and Eddie's Amoco in Adrian

Sioux Falls VFW. He enjoyed
delivering the Sioux Falls Argus $=\begin{aligned} & \text { Leader in bulk to vari- } \\ & \text { ous cities and working }\end{aligned}$
 at the Holiday Park in Sioux Falls. Eddie is survived by his wife, Dianne DeBates, Luverne; two children, Peggy (Jeff) Carrier, Adrian,
and Steve (Lori) De and Steve (Lori) De
Bates, Marshall; five Bates, Maldren, Tammy
stepchild Ransier, Sioux Falls, Cindy (Doug) Archer, Adrian, Barb (Mike) Mallette, Burlington Iowa, Roxy (Bob) Vandendries Canistota, South Dakota, and Mark (Julie) Berger, Las Vegas DeBates and Shelby (Brandon) Coens; fivegreat-grandchildren Kalsee (Vincent) Kohs, Brady Linkcoln and Tucker Brouwe and Kaylee DeBates; one great great-grandson, Grayson Brou wer; six stepgrandchildren a brother, Robert DeBates, Adrian; a sister, Lorraine Mc Cormick, Minnetonka; many nieces and nephews; and a special niece, Barbra Irrgang.
He was preceded in death He was preceded in death las DeBates in 1964; a grandson, JesseCarrier, in 2001 ; hisex-wife Esther; and two sisters, Elaine Vogt and Therese Manley. Arrangements were pro vided by Dingmann Funeral Home of Adrian, dingman
nandsons.com nandsons.com ( 0308 F )

## Marjorie Prunty

 Prunty, 83, Sioux formerly of Brookings, South Dakota, died unexpectedly
Sunday, Feb. 25, 2018.

A funeral service was Satur-
day, March 3, at day, March 3, at
Eidsness Funeral Homein Brookings,
with burial following the service at Greenwood Cemetery in Brookings. Marjorie Tirrel was born on Dec. 24, 1934, to Steinus
and Martha Tirrel in Whit and Martha Tirrel in White,
South Dakota. She attended school at Argo District \#24 and White High School.

She married Raymond Phares in Hendricks on Nov. 12, 1953. They divorced in
1964.Marjoriemarried Hom 1964. Marjorie married Hom-
er Prunty on July 22,1966 , in er Prunty on July 22, 1966, in
Brookings, South Dakota. She was a member of the Methodist Church, Hospital Auxiliary Volunteer Service Bank, Brookings Activity Center, bridge clubs, and the American Legion Auxtraveling, volunteering, playingbridge and spendingtime with her family and friends.
Marj is survived by one daughter, Karen Phares (Mark) Sandager, Hills; four grandchildren, Alicia San-
dager (Walter Balser) of

## ergman, fifth.

 -Humorous: Luke Thor son, first, and John Miller, red ribbon. -Informative: Rebecca ustin, blue ribbon; Cassie Flanigan, red ribbon -Poetry: Naomi Ring fifth.$\bullet$ Prose: Sage Ver Steeg second,
-Storytelling: Julia Fergu son, fourth; Jonah Louwagie, blue ribbon; Xavier Carbonneau, red ribbon.
is Saturday, March 10 , in Montevideo.

## Death Notice

## Scott Fey

Scott W. Fey, 55, Edgerton, died Tuesday, Feb. 27, 2018, at his home.

A funeral service was Saturday, March 3, at the First Chris tian Reformed Church in Edgerton. Burial followed at Hillside Arrangements were provided by Colonial Funeral Chapel
Aneter ind in Edgerton.
(0308 DN)

## Community Education

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

> Learn how to make delicious meals in minutes at Cooking Under Pressure on March 10. Fee is $\$ 24$ and Interact with the residents at the Poplar Creek while build a Fairy House Night Light on March 10. Fee you build
is $\$ 16$.

> 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 $\$ 28$.
> abywearing 101 to be held on March 12 on wrap at Babywearing 101 to be held on March 12. Sibling
care offered-request at time of registration. No fee, bu registration required.

> The full 8-hour defensive driving class in two 4 -hour evening sessions from 5:30-9:30 p.m. March 19 and March 26 for anyone 55 years of age or older who wants to qualify for a 10 -percent car insurance premium discount. After attending both evenings, you will re for an insurance discount for the next three years. All students in grades K -12 who want to play ba ball or softball in the summer community recreation program need to register by March 19 at the Community Education Office. Registration forms and details are available on the Luverne School website at www 283-2413.

## Remember when

## 10 years ago (2008)

-Acity employeehas been terminated for theft of public funds, cuments filed at Luverne City Hall.
Jesse Frey, a tive-year employee of the water
partment, was terminated Thursday, Feb. 28.
In a letter to Frey, dated Feb. 28, City Admin. rote, "It is believed that your conduct in misap property and/or fund violated city policy and the publicing city By law, the city is required to report such evidence of theft By Auta Auditr's Office. That letter also dated Feb .28 states that Frey used the city gas control card to put gasoline into his personal vehicle.
He was caught in the act and admitted to similar activity on other occasions," the letter said.

## 25 years ago (1993)

-Recent reports of the assault of a seven-year-old boy in Magnolia have raised the issue of children's safety.
Nowhere is it more of a concern than in Magnolia and par ularly with Superintendent Jan Nuffer.
ad the teachers met with their students in three groups. She explained what theyknewand didn'tknow. She talked abouthow harmful rumors can be and told them the Rock County Sheriff's Department is investigating.
 you need to tell someone," Nuffer said.

50 years ago (1968)
-Paulson Dehydrated Products Company, owned by H.A. Paulson for the past 22 years, has been sold and the new company will be known as the Luverne Dehydrated Products Co., Inc. Roger Achterhof, a native of Sioux Center, but who recently moved here from Duluth, will be the new manager of the firm. Lawrence Achterhof of Sioux Center is president, Henry Wynia, Rock Valley, vice president, and Floyd Achterhof, Sioux Center,
H.A. (Adrian) Paulson will still call his old office "home" and will be available to assist the new manager and customers as he did before, Achterhof said.
In the past 22 years Paulson has shipped and processed over 150,000 tons of alfalfa out of the Luverne community and into the feed trade. "It was a lot different 22 years ago when I started than it is now. We used to do almost everything by hand at the plant
and now just about everything is automatic." Paulson stated. The plant, located at the south edge of Luverne, now handles about 1,000 acres of alfalfa a year.

## 75 years ago (1943)

再. Hansen, editor and publisher of the Hills Crescent announced Thursday that the publication of that paper would be Hasped with that issue.
carrier at Hills, has eveen months ago was appointed rural mail and since his appointment, ithasbeen carried on as a community
enterprise with the hope that someone could be obtained to take over operation of the plant.
ake over operation of the plant.
According to Mr. Hansen, this week will be the first week that the Crescenthas not been printed since it was founded Aug 11, 1893, by F. M. Bailey and Orrie Haislet. For three years, it was printed on an old Ramage press, which reputedly had once been used by Benjamin Frankin, and later for printing the "Decorah Posten" at Decorah, Ia.

## 100 years ago (1918)

-Miss Nettie Willers on Saturday tendered her resignation as pro-German teachings had been filed against her with County Supt. Edia A. Headley. Miss Willers gave her reason for resigning that she wished to engage in other work, but incorrigibility of the pupils is said to have a bearing on the case.

For several weeks conditions in this district have been the source ofmuch commentbecause of alleged strongpro-German
sentiment amongmembers of the school board and some of the pentiment amongmembers of the school board and some of the ofthe school board have pronounced pro-Germanleanings, and there is much friction among patrons of the school.

As a result of the growing dissension, practically all of the pupils, it is said left school during study hours Friday, and this is believed to have had considerable bearing on the teacher's resignation.


## Luverne Mock Trial makes fourth consecutive state appearance



Mavis Fodness photo/0308 Mock Trial Pep Fes Students in grades 6-12 and the pep band filled the Luverne High School gymnasium Wednesday atternoon, Feb. 28, to show their support for the school's Mock Trial team, whose appearance at the March 1-2 state event is the team's fourth consecutive.


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LHS team places 12th out of 16 teams in Minneapolis

## By Mavis Fodness

The Luverne High Schoo Mock Trial team competed in
the state tournament March the state tournament March house in Minneapolis.
It was the fourth consecutive year the Cardinals qual fied for state competition. Sioux Falls, South Dakota,
native David, Lillehaug prenative David Lillehaug pre-
sided over Luverne's Round sided over Luverne's Round
3 match against Apple Valley Lillehaug is currently a Minnesota Supreme Court justice.
The state competition features three rounds with the two scoringteams facingo
the championship round the championship round. of the 16 teams competing. Nova Classical Academy, St. Paul, won the state tournament and will compete at the national event.

First-year LHS coach Jastate tournament was a positive experience for the team. "The competition is at a whole different level, and we learned a lot by seeing how the metro schools do things,"
"These students met their goal of returning to the state tournament for the fourth year in a row, even with an inexperienced teacher coach. This program has a tradition of strong student leadership and that was very evident this year."

- Jason Berghorst, LHS coach

Berghorst said. "I was espe cially pleased with our perforcially pleased with our
mance versus Breck." Breck School is a pre-school-12 $2^{\text {th }}$ grade private school in Golden Valley. They've won the state mock trial title four times.

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Luverne faced Breck in the second round. Luverne presented the defense side
of the case State of Minne sotaversusCameron "Skeeter" Farris. Farris was driving a sem
pulling a belly dump trailer when he failed to stop at a highway intersection. He struck a car, killing the driver porated the truck in a negligent matter. While the prosecution tries to convict Farris, the de fense tries to create reasonable doubt on Farris' negligence. nessesheld theirown and had some real successes against a very good team," Berghorst , Berghorst Round 1 was against Sartell High School. The presiding judge prosecuted the original case and re-wrote the trial for
the mock competition. The students are looki forward to next year.
"These students met their "These students met their goal of returning to the state
tournament for the fourth tournament for the fourth year in a row, even with an
inexperienced teacher coach Berghorst said.
"This program has a tradi tion of strong student leadership and that was very evident this year." Seniors are Hans Bakken Michael Rahm, Megan Rogers and Emma Verbrugge. State witness honors for the second consecutive year. All-State awards were given to the top ten witnesses out of the 96 witnesses who performed at the state tour nament.

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## Stion <br> SPORTS

## Pierce, Witte grace roster of 2017-18 All-BSC gym squad



Luverne senior defenseman Jim Erickson passes the puck to a teammate as he is being badgered by Litchfield-Dassell-Cokato sophomore forward Jackson Bakeberg during the Section 3A Boys' Hockey Tournament championship game in St. Peter.

## L-D-C goalie handcuffs LHS

By John Rittenhouse
A trip to the Minnesota State Class A boys' hockey Cardinals was denied by freshman goalie Wednesday night in St. Peter
Litchfield-Dassel-Cokato net-minder Darby Halonen could well have been the smallest player on the ice du ing the Sect
When the contest was com plete, it was Halonen who cast the biggest shadow on the playing surface.
The freshman sensation stopped 35 of the 36 shots in
goaltoleadthe second-seeded Dragons to a $4-1$ victory over top-seeded Luverne.
The Cardinals end the season with a $20-7$ record. LHS may not have been particularly sharp as it could but Halonen was dialed in.


Luverne junior guard Brayden Jacobsma puts up a one-handed shot during Saturday's Section

## Eagles rally in second half to eliminate Luverne boys

y John Rittenhouse Arough second halfkept the
Luverneboys' basketball team from advancing to the second ound of the South Section Windom.
fifth seed, led by as many as 12 points in a first half that ended with a seven-point advantage over the Windom Eagles. No. 4 Windom, however . The Eagles outscored the 8 minutes of play to register a 73 -61 victory.
The loss ends Luverne's 9-17
Both
point leads during
The score was knotted at 16 when Luverne went on a 9-0 run ending with a field goal from Derek Lundgren to open of the first half. Windom re consecutive points to make it a four-point (25-21) game 1:17 later, but the Cards responded byputting togethera 12-4push that gave them a 37-25 lead when Mark Robinson buried
a three-point shot at the 4.35 mark. The Eagles battled back to
outscoreLHS9-4therestofthe half that ended with the Cards
boasting a $41-34$ advantage.

LHS simply couldn't ge things rolling
second half.
Windom scored the firs three points of the stanza and trailed by four (49-45) before reeling off seven consecutive 7:12 left to play After Luverne's Eli Haugom converted afield goal to make it a one-point game (52-51), the Eagles netted six consecutive points to open a $58-51$ lea with 5:01 remaining Luverne trimmed the dif
ference to three points ( 60 57) when Lundgren drained a three-point shot with fou

Halonen made 11 saves in
the first and second periods of the first and second periods of
the game and stopped 13 of 14 the game and stopped 13 of 14
shots in a thrilling third period shotsin a thrilling third period
to lead the Dragons to the win. Largely due to his efforts in goal, L-D-C never faced a deficitina game thatincluded the Dragons sporting a 38-36 advantage in shots on goal.
Luverne outshot the Drag. ons 11-8 during the game's first period, but neither team could produce a goal in the first 17 minutes of play. The situation changed with
7:45 remaining in 7:45 remaining in the second period, when Dragon senior
defenseman Corey Benda defenseman Corey Benda
gained control of a rebound created by a shot from junior forward Caleb Keith before lifting the puck into the net to give L-D-C a 1-0 lead. The teams skated to a score-
less draw over the final $7: 45$ of less draw over the final 7:45 of a situation where the game's
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L-D-C registered the meaningul tally when senior defen seman Orrin Grangrothnetted nunassisted goal 44 seconds a 2-0 game.
Luverne's Luverne's fate changed after Matthew Wedin was whistled fatthew Wedin was whistled penalty 1:11 after the Dragons scored their second goal. The infraction gave the Cardinals their third power-play pportunity of the game, and After receiving the puck
Afted After receiving the puck
from senior defenseman im Erickson, senior forward Kaysn Kruse peppered a shot on goal that was blocked by Halonen and caromed to the left side of the goal. Junior Gaige Nath grabbed puck into an open net to trim

## he difference to onegoal (2-1)

 with 13:26 left to play. The score remained the same over the next nine minutes before L-D-C regained control ofthe contestwith 4:24 remaining.
Benda unleashed a shot from the point that was deflect forward Blake Iohnson giving the Dragons 3-1 advantage With the situation calling for desperate measures, LHS pulled senior goalie Daniel Tofteland out of the net in favor of an extra skater in the
final minutes final minutes.
L-D-CjuniorforwardBrand Pedersen took advantage of
the situation by registering an unassisted goal into an empty net with 47 seconds left to ice the win. Tofteland saved 34 of the 37 shots he faced in goal fo the Cards.

SWC spoils H-BC's first

## appearance in title game since 2004


#### Abstract

By John Rittenhouse The Hills-Beaver Creek girls' basketball team was in a position to win its first postseason tournament championship since 1991 Friday in Marshall. Unfortunately for the Patriots, they couldn't complete the task when they squared off against Southwest Christian for the South Section 3A Basketball Tournament at Southwest Minnesota State University University. Second-s Second-seeded H-BCled by as many as eight points in the second half and sported a sev-en-point advantage with 8:41 leftto play, but the top-seeded Eagles rallied to outscore the Patriots 22-7 the rest of the night to secure a 74 - 66 victory. The loss ends a 21-6 season for $\mathrm{H}-\mathrm{BC}$, which wasplayingin its first postseason title game since 2004. H-BC turned a six-point halftime advantage into a 41-33 lead when Kourtney goal 34 seconds into the second stanza. SWC countered with a 16-8 runto knot the score at 48 with run to knot the score at 48 with 12:36 remaining, but the Patriots withstood the challenge. H-BC put together a $10-3$ H-BC put together a 10-3 spurt to open a seven-point spurt to open a seven-point (59-52) lead with 8:41 left after SidneyFick cashedin on a pair of charity shots. TheE-Gals responded to the situation by battling back to knot the score at 63 with 5:13 remaining. SWC's rally continued as a 16-4 run left the E-Gals sporting a 68 -63 lead with $1: 28$ left to play. H-BC, which experienced a 4:48 stretch ofscoreless basketball, did make it a two-point game ( $68-66$ ) when Grace game (68-66) when Grace point play with 59 seconds left. SWC, however, outscored H-BC 6-0 the rest of the night to prevail by eight points.




Hills-Beaver Creek's Grace Bundesen scored 16 points grabbed 17 rebounds and charted seven assists during Fri day's season-ending loss to Southwest Christian in Marshall.
equally as competitive. $\mathrm{H}-\mathrm{BC}$ scored the first three points of the contest and led goal at the 16:05 mark. The Patriots still led by four (15-11) when SWC reeled off even consecutive points to move in front $18-15$ at $7: 58$. The teams proceeded to ex part of the next six minutes part of the next six minutes
before H -BC put together an $8-1$ surge capped by Whitney Elbers hitting a pair of free
a 39-33 halftime lead. Fick (26 points), Bundesen (16 points, 17 rebounds and points and six rebounds) and Rozeboom ( 5 rebounds) led H-BC statistically.
Box score



Team statistics
$\mathrm{H}-\mathrm{BC}: 26$ of 52 f
H-BC: 26 of 52 field goals ( 50 percent),
11 of 17 tree throws $(65$ percent), 37
febo



Luverne junior Derek Lundgren led the Cardinals with 15 points and eight rebounds during Saturday's loss in Windom.
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minutes left to play. Windom, however, regis part of a 13-4 run that gave the Eagles a 12 -point victory at game's end. Lundgren ( 15 points and ight rebounds), Haugom (13 points) and Robinson fensively.

Brayden Jacobsma regis ered three assistsfor the Cards.

Rox score
Robinson $220-10$, Lundgren 3 3 $30-0$
15 Bartels $100-02$, Claussen $200-0$

Team statistics
Luverne: 25 of 43 field goals ( 58 per cent), three of seven free throws ( 43

## Bowling news

| Thursday Bowling National League March 1 <br> Games won: Those Girls 4; Troublemakers 3; Real Guys 3; Stooges 1; Rock-Stars 1; Those Guys 0 <br> High Scratch Game Men: Zach <br> 225; Brian Mazza 225 <br> High Scratch Game Women: Marie <br> High Scratch Series M. <br> High Scratch Series Men: Zach <br> High Scratch Series Women: Marie <br> im 402; Tyra Feekes 291 <br> Team High Scratch Game: Real <br> 538 ; Troublemakers 513 . Team High Scratch Series: Real <br> uys 1510; Troublemakers 1473 . <br> 658; Rock-Stars 643 <br> Team High Handicap Series: Real Guys 1870; Troublemakers 1833. |
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Adrian 78, Edgerton 55 The Dragons passed their first test in postseason play by sposing of the Flying DutchThursday points in Adrian Thursday.

Sixth-seeded AHS gained inga 40 -16 halftime advantage against No. 11 Edgerton. EHS sporteda39-38scoring edge in the second half, makng it a 23 -point difference at game's end.
Wieneke ( 19 points, six ebounds, four blocked shots and three assists), Ian Stamer and Polzine(12 points andfive rebounds) carried the scoring load for the Dragons

Weidert (six rebounds) Mitchell Veld (seven re bounds), Luettel (five re
bounds) and Dakota John (three assists) also made key contributions to the winning cause.
Box score
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 12, Luettel 20 2-8 6 .
 seven of 16 free throws $(44$ percent), 36
reboounds. seven turnover.
Edgerton: Edgerton: 20 of 61 field goals $(33$
peprent) four of eight ree throws
percent), 22 rebounds, eight turnovers.

59 field goals ( 44 pe


Hills-Beaver Creek sophomore forward Jax Wysong scored 14 joints and collected seven rebounds during Saturday's season-ending loss to W-WG in Worthington.


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S-9 Dom Traveling baseball team sign up and parent meeting for anyone grades 5-6 interested in playing traveling bascball



Hills-Beaver Creek senior Josh Kueter tosses in two of his 12 points during Saturday's tournament loss to W-WG
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game with a three-point shot, and the Patriotsled $10-9$ when Luke LaRock buried a three at The Patriots, howevernever played with a lead the rest of he game.
An 11-0 run gave W-WG a 2-10 cushion that swelled o 11 points (33-22) with 5:51 A 9-0 run capped by alayu from H-BC's Easton Harnack rimmed the difference to wo points (33-31) with 4:13 emaining, but W-WG out scored the Patriots 12-5 the emainder of the half to sport H-BC's Jax Wysong scored the first two points of the second half to make it a 45-38 difference before the Chargers went on a $14-5$ run to open a 9-43 lead.
The Patriots did trim the dif erence to 11 points at two oc2:17 marks of the second half but they trailed by 23 points

94-71) with 45 seconds left. The final minute did prove to be a memorable one for who junioeded to scon Wilhere 21 points in the game to reach the 1,000-pointmarkforhis caree Wilhelmi hit one free throw with 23.5 seconds left for his $21^{\text {st }}$ and final point of th contest.
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Wysong (14 points and points) and Harnack (12 points) also emerged as key contributors for $\mathrm{H}-\mathrm{BC}$.
Box score
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 Wysong $308-914$, K.Kueter $0000-00$

Team statistics
H-BC: 2 or
20 of 23 fifld goals ( 44 percent
tree throws ( 87 percent), 22

 22 of 31 free throws $(771$,
rebounds, five turnovers.

Final winter standings


## Patriot girls sideline Adrian during 'Tuesday's quarterfinals

By John Rittenhouse The Hills-Beaver Creek girls' basketball teamaccomplished something no other Patriots
squad has in 14 years Feb. 27. By defeating the Adria Dragons $55-36$ in the semifina 3A Basketball Tournament in Worthington, the 2017-18 Pa triots qualified for the event's championship game for the first time since the 2003-200 season.
Second-seeded H-BC had their way with the sixth outscored AHS in both halves of a 19-point win.
Adrian did sport a 4-3 lead when Avery Balster sank pair of free throws at the 13:49 mark of the firsthalf, butH-BC
moved in front 8-4 when Sid ney Fick canned a three-point shot at 12:43.
AHStrimmed the difference to one point (9-8) when Paige Bullerman converted a field goal at 10:56, and the Dragon trailed Bailey Lonneman with less than 10 minutes remain ing in the opening stanza. H-BC, however, dominated play the rest of the night. A 12-0 run in the final $4: 30$ of the firsthalfendingwith a field goal from Grace Bundese gave the Patriots a
H-BC put the game away by going on a $10-2$ run ending
with a field goal from Abby Knobloch 4:17 into the second that left the Patriots sporting a 23-point (39-16) advantage
Adrian closed the gap to 18 Adrian closed the gap to sionsinthefinaleightminute of the game, but $\mathrm{H}-\mathrm{BC}$ ended up winning the game handil bounds) and Whitney Elbe (10 points, six rebounds and two blocked shots) led $\mathrm{H}-\mathrm{BC}$ offensively.
Grace Bundesen (11 re-
bounds and three assists) and bounds and three assists) and Kourtney Rozeboom (eight
rebounds) also played well for $\mathrm{H}-\mathrm{BC}$.
Adrian, which finishes the season with an 11-15 record, received a 10-point, five re-
bound effort from Bullerman led the Dragons with six rebounds and Balster charted four steals.

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$2-46$, Nelson 000000 , Preuss $000-00$,



 Team statistics


 11 of 17 free throws (65 percent), 38
rebounds, 18 turnovers.

H-BC boys end Ellsworth's season Thursday in Hills

By John Rittenhouse Apair ofteams from the Star Herald coverage area squared
off in an opening round game of the South Section 3A Boys' Basketball Tournament Thursday in Hills. No. 7 Hills-Beaver Creek entertained No. 10 Ellsworth for a chance to advance to
Saturday's quarterfinals in Saturday's qual
Worthington.
The Patriots moved on by knocking off the Panthers 62-58. Ellsworth gained its lone lead(4-2) of the contest when
Grant Jansma drained a threepoint shot 2:20 into the game point shot $2: 20$ into the game
H-BC countered with a 25 10 run ending with a three point play by Bailey Susie to open a $27-14$ lead with 7:19 remaining in the first half. The Panthers ralliedtoclose
the gap to six points (29-23) the gap to six points (29-23)
when Zach Buntjer turned an offensive rebound into a field goal with 3:41 remaining, but the Patriots outscoredEHS5-3 the rest of the half to sport 34-26 lead at the break. Ellsworth went on a 10-5
runendingwith a three-point runending with a three-point
play from Buntjer at 14:42 to make it a three-point (39-36 difference in the second half. EHS trailed by two (47-45) when Jansma canned apair of charity shots with 9:34 left to
play, but that proved to play, but that proved to be as
close as the Panthers would come to catching $\mathrm{H}-\mathrm{BC}$ A 7-0 spurt ending with Preston Wilhelmi sinking a pair of free throws gave the Patriots a 61-51 cushion with 1:14 remaining. EHS closed the gap to three
points ( $61-58$ ) when Noah Kruse converted a field goal

Hills-Beaver Creek junior guard Preston Wilhelmi lifts a one-handed shot over Ellsworth's Noah Kruse during Thursday's tournament game in Hills. H-BC posted a $62-58$ victory.
with 16 seconds left, but the Patriots netted thegame'sfinal point to win by four. Wilhelmi led the Patriots to victory with
steal effort.
Wyatt Westrum (seven rebounds), Susie (seven rebounds and three blocked rebounds) and Jax Wysong (three assists) also played key


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roles in the win.
Buntjer (18 points, 10 rebounds and four assists), Brandon Kramer ( 15 points (14 points) led the Panthers 14 points) led the Panthers
statistically. They end the season with a 2-22 record.
Box score
Ellsworth

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B.Kramer $505-615$, Buntier $704-518$



Team statistics
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25 rebounds, 15 turnovers.
 14 of 21 free throws goals ( 39 percent),
rebounds, 14 turnovers.

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## View of Psalm 77

## ing that by the time

 ou said "Amen," God would have taken away your problems? Palve growing in faith is coming to terms with the fact that God answers our prayers how and when He knows best and not according to our expectations. In othe pray isn't to control to pray isn't to control God,but to submit ourselves and our needs to God's good providence. But let's be honest. When God doesn't' answe our prayers when and how we want, we may become This is something that the psalmist Asaph talked about in Psalm 77. If you look at this Psalm you'll see that in the opening three verses he cried out to God for help. This tells kind of trouble. Wisely he didn't pray to man-made idols but to the true and living God.
The Hebrew word for God is Elohim. This refers us that He is almighty He is the Creator who upholds and governs the entire universe. Everything God knows and plans and does is Creator-sized. By contrast thing about us, includin our problems, is creature sized. So when we pray, we lay our creature-sized concerns before the One who has Creator-sized wis dom and power and love. which says, "God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in times of trouble!'
It's good that Asaph cried out to Elohim whe we do the same. Instead of blaming God for our problems, let us look to him who is always greater than our troubles and trials. However, when Asaph prayed, his problems
didn't disappear In Psal 77 we read that Asaph prayed late at night. Ap parently he couldn't sleep because anxious thoughts kept him awake. Sound familiar? A lot of us experience this. Atter a dificult

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By Pastor Roger Spark Luverne Christian
rgument, or after receiv ing bad news, many of us cares on God. But sleep has eluded us.

What did Asaph do when he couldn't sleep? First he remembe of thing past times in the days his youth and songs of praise he had sung to give hanks to God. Second, he thought about other people who had to wait o act and care for them, Asaph found himself ques ioning God's integrity. He asked, "Will the Lord rejec how favor again? Has His unfailing love vanished? Has His promise failed doubts, Asaph thought about his ancestors who had been enslaved. For hundreds of years they suffered the indignity
and oppression of slave Along the way they prayed crying out to God to help hem. Eventually, in the days of Moses, God re hem. God put them on he road to the Promised and
Asaph learned that he too might have to wait and wait on God timing. But in the end, God would act. In the meantime, God had a reason fo problems that didn't go away. From our vantage back to the Exodus. We hings that God did in the fullness of time. Right on schedule, God sent Son Jesus to dwell among us, a sacrificial death, and to rise in triumph from the grave. And right on sched ule, Jesus will come again o make all things new That's worth thinking about, especially if we can't sleep at night.

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Defendants.
Sis Summons is directed to emma vanden bussche; walt vanden USSCHE;LORETTA VANDENBUSSCHE;AND ALLOTHER PERSONSUNKNOWN - YOU NKN DEME SUSD

1. YOU ARE BEING SUED. The Plaintifts have started a lawsuit against you. The Plainitifs' Complaint against you is attached to this summons. Do not throw these
papers away. They are official papers that affect your rights. You must respond to this awsuit even though it may not yet be filed with the Court and there may be no court file number on this summons.
2. YOU MUST REPLY WITHIN 20 DAYS TO PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS. You must tive or mail to the person who signed this summons a written response called
an Answer within 20 days of the date on which you received this $S$. an Answer within 20 days of the date on which you received this Summons. You mus send a copy of your Answer to the person who signed this Summons located at:
Vander Kooi Law Offices, P. A., 127 E Main, PO Box 746 , Luverne, MN 56156 .
3. YOUMUSTRESPONDTOEACH CLAIM. The Answeris your written response to the Plainitifs' Complaint. In your Answer you musts state whether you agree or disagree
with each paragraph of the Complaint. If you believe the Plaintiffs should not be given with each paragraph of the Complaint. If you believe he Plaintus nsould not be given 4. YOUWILL LOSE YOURCASE IFYOUDO NOTSEND A WRITTEN RESPONSE O THE COMPLAINT TO THE PERSON WHO SIGNED THIS SUMMONS. If you do story, and the Court may decide against you and award the Plaintiff everything asked for in the Complaint. If you do not want to contest the claims stated in the Complaint, you do not need to respond. A defaut fudgment can then be entered against you for he relief requested in the Complaint.
for the real estate which is described as follows:
The East Half of the Northeast Quarter (E1/2 of NE1/4) of Section Fifteen
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Townshin One Hundred Three (103) North Range Forty-six (46).West of
Sth P.M., Rock County, Minnesota.
And West Half of the Southeast Quarter (W1/2 of SE1/4) of Section Ten
(10), Township One Hundred Three (103) North of Range Forty-six (46)
West of the 5th P.M, Rock County Minnesota.
6. LEGAL ASSISTANCE. You may wish to get legal help from a lawyer. If you do nothave alawyer, the Court Administrator may have information aboutplaces where you not have alawyer,
can get legal assistance. Even if you cannot get legal help, you must till provide a written Answer to protect your rights or you may lose the case.
T. ALTERNATVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION. The parties may agree to or be ordered to participate in an alternative dispute resolution process under Rule 114 of
the Minesota General Rules of Practice You mus still send your witten response to the Minnesota General Rules of Practice. You must still send your written response to the Complant even if you
Dated: \(2 / 2212018\)
s/s Benjamin vander kool, Jr
VANDER KOOI LAW OFFICES, P.A.
\({ }^{2}\) East Main, P.O. Box 746
Luverne, Minnesotat 56156
\((507)\)
283-9546
Attorney I. D. No. 112124
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## United Community Action <br> Partnership public notice

U Regional Transportation Coordinating Council which will work to improve transsportation coordination in Southwest Minnesota. The planning phase of this project entails gathering input trom area stakenohoders trandents or questions can be directed to shelly. pflaum@unitedcapmn.org

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## Mortgage foreclosure sale set for April 26

## NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FOPECLOSURE SAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that default has occurred in the conditions of the
following described mortgage:
DATE OF MORTGAGE: November 22, 2002
ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: $\$ 70,890.00$
MORTGAGEE: Heritage Bank N.A.
DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING
Recorded: November 22, 2002 Rock County Recorder
Document Number: 154394
Transaction Agent: Not Applicable
ansaction Agent Mortgage deentification Number: Not Applicabl
Lender or Broker: Heritage Bank N.A.
Morgage Originator: Not Appricable
COUNTY
COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Rock
Property Address: 503 E Dodge St, Luverne, MN 56156 -1330
Tax Parcel ID Number 20-0066-000 Tax Parcel ID Number: 20-0066-000
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: The E.58 feet of the W. 98 feet of the
S. 133 feet of Outlo 23 in County Auditior's Plat of Luverne Outlots in Section 2 , Town ship 102 North, of Range 45 West, of the 5th P.M., Rock County, Minnesota 102 North, of Range 45 West, of the 5th P.M.. Rock County, Minesota
AMOUNTDUEANDCLAIMEDTOBE DUEASOFDATEOF NOTICE: $\$ 47,561$. THAT all pre-foreclosure requirements have been complied with; that no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof;
PURSUANTt the powerof
property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:
DATE AND TMM OF SALE: April 26,2018 at $10: 00$ AM
PLACE OF SALE: Law Enforcement Center, Lobby, 1000 N. Blue Mound Ave., Luverne, Minnesota
to pay the debt secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any, on said premises and the costs and disbursements, including attorney fees allowed by law, subject to redemption
within six (6) months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s), their personal within six (6) months from
representatives or assigns.

It the Mortgage is not reinstated under Minn. Stat. $\$ 580.30$ or the property is not redeemed under Minn. Stat. $\$ 580.23$, the Mortgagor must vacate the property on or before $11: 59$ p.m. on October 26,2018 , or the next business day if October 26,2018 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

Morgagor(s) released from financial obligation: NONE
THIS COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
THERIGHTTOVERIFICATION OF THEDEBTANDIDENTITYOF THEORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.
THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE RE
DUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 582..032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELL ING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL
PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED. DATED. March 012018 .
DATED: March 01, 2018
MORTGAGEE: Heritage Bank N.A.
Wilford, Geske \& Cook P.A.
Attorneys for Mortgagee
7616 Currell Blvd Ste 200
Woodbury, MN 55125-2296
(651) 209-3300
File Number: 0393
$(3-8,3-15,3-22,3-29,4-5,4-12)$

## FOR SALE

For Sale: brand new lift chair. Never been used. Brown in color, less than new price. Call

Acreage for sale by owner in Trosky, MN. 15.5 acres available with the out buildings. 1650 ft ranch house with threebedrooms, two-bathroom, sunment with Kozy heat fireplace ment with Kozy heat fireplace. 801-7712. (3.8-3.25)
$20 \times 50$ grainery shed for sale or hire to tear down. For more in formation call 507-920-6831.

## CARDS OF THANKS

special thank you to Rock County DFL for packaging the Luverne Backpack Program.

## MISCELLANEOUS

HAVE A UNIQUE SERVICE OR BUSINESS? Get the word out to over 1.4 million households. Call WIDE AREA 359-7326.

EMPLOYMENT
Dietary Aide: Parkview Manor tary Aide for our afternoon etary Aide for our afternoon
shift. This is a great job for students! If interested, contact Sam or Arlys at (507) 967 2482.

## Luverne Public Schools is seeking applications for a <br> FULL-TIME CUSTODIAN

Shift differential paid after 6 p.m. Benefits include hosp. insurance, holidays vacation and sick leave. Day hours during summer/evening hours during school year
Submit letter of application to Luverne Public Schools, 709 N Kniss Luverne, MN 56156

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## University of Minnesota

 EXTENSIONUniversity of Unesota Extensio 4-H Program Coordinator
multiple 4-H Program Coordinator positions to be filled by June 1, 2018. Most positions are full-time. Murray, Nicollet, Olmsted, Polk, Rock, and Wilkin Bachelor's degree and four years of related experience quired. Must have direct experience in a youth developmen some combination). Access to reliable transportation $\quad$ jo related travel. Ability to work evenings and weekend To apply online and access the complete job descriptions, go to

Job ID 322433 - County 4-H Program Coordinato multiple locations
Preference given to applications submitted by March 18 Positions will remain open until filled.

## Congratulations

 during last week's state mock trial competition. Pictured in front are Seno Chanthalangsy, Lauren VerSteeg, Megan Rogers, Sophia Lanoue, Elise Jarchow, Kaitlyn Anderson, Solveig Tofteland, (middle) Alexa Chesley, Jessica Anderson, Grace Sweeney, Jadyn Anderson, Emma Verbrugge, (back) coach Jason Berghorst, Gunnar Oldre, Hans Bakken Micheal Rahm, Jordan Winter and attorney coach Jeff Haubrich


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