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## Bid awarded for second phase of the Loop

### By Lori Sorenson

Thorstad Companies of Dell Rapids, South Dakota, submitted the low bid of \$747,569 for Phase II of the Luverne Loop bike trail work that will begin later this summer.

Thorstad was selected Friday during a bid letting in the Rock County Highway Department, which is overseeing the project.

They were the lowest out of four bids for the federally funded project.

County commissioners approved Thorstad's bid Tuesday contingent on the Minnesota Department of Transportation's Office of Civil Rights approval.

County Engineer Mark Sehr anticipated the approved could take two weeks to four months.

This summer's work was already waiting for the MnDOT officials to approve plans and specs for Phase 2 of the Luverne Loop, which is 1.68

It starts at Dodge Street near the school on the south end of the 1.5-mile long Phase I Loop.

The path continues along Poplar Creek, crosses the waterway and crosses County Road 4 by Kolbert Park. It also passes by Luverne Flowers and by Great Plains Processing.

This section will require a box culvert extension, which may be  $the first step of Phase 2 \, construction. \\$ 

The rest of Phase II follows Walnut Avenue and Hatting St, past the ice arena to Gabrielson Road, and connects with South Highway 75, which will have a marked bike lane.

Luverne Economic Developent Authority Director Holly Sammonsup date dEDA board membersat their Aug. 14 meeting.

She said the three-month window for state approval of the path plans and specifications was more like eight months.

"We're excited to at least know we have a contractor selected for Phase 2 work on the Loop," Sammons said. "Hopefully we'll have some work get done yet this fall."

A\$400,000 MnDOTTransportation Alternatives Program Grant was awarded for Phase 2 of the project.

The 7.1-mile asphalt Luverne Loop trail for non-motorized uses will incorporate the 6-mile Blue

Phase II Loop/see page 8A



Mavis Fodness photos/0824 Eclipse 2017

Skies become twilight-like at 1 p.m. Monday during the time the total solar eclipse was expected to be viewed locally as a thunderstorm moved through the area. In Luverne streetlights reacted to the sudden midday darkness by turning on. Below: Jim Brandenburg talks about the total solar eclipse event late Monday morning as thunderstorms moved over the Touch the Sky Prairie northwest of Luverne, prompting participants to take cover and eventually leave before the 1 p.m. optimal eclipse viewing.

## Thunderstorms roll through area obstructing view of sun

### **By Mavis Fodness**

A joint venture inviting the public to view the total solar eclipse in Rock County went soggy Monday when thunderstorms rolled into the area and obscured any view of the rare occurrence.

Luverne Area Chamber, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Brandenburg Prairie Foundation organized the solar eclipse viewing at Touch the Sky Prairie, located northwest of Luverne.

Hosts were initially optimistic that rain showers would clear the area before the 1 p.m. ideal viewing timeframe.

"I hope we will see or feel the magic in this place," said foundation founder Jim Brandenburg.

He explained that as the moon passes between the earth and the sun, the resulting shadow affects wildlife on the prairie. Most noticeable change occurs in birds whose calls become sunset songs as a result of the sudden darkness.

More than 50 people arrived for the 11 a.m. event. The best viewing of the solar eclipse was shortly after 1 p.m. The event was scheduled to last until 2 p.m.



"The moon, the earth and the sun will all align today," said Jeff Emmel, who spoke prior to participants retreating to vehicles as thunderstorms moved over the prairie.

Emmel, a nature photographer, was on hand to capture the progression of the moon's shadow over the sun.

However, the thunderstorm began in earnest around noon and lasted the rest of the afternoon, preventing any viewing of the solar eclipse. Almost an inch of rain was recorded at the Luverne airport.

Local chamber director Jane Wildung Lanphere said she handed out 90 eclipse glasses to protect the eyes of viewers who were on hand to watch the eclipse from the top of the prairie summit.

"It wasn't a great experience,"

Solar eclipse/see page 8A

## Council amends budget to cover land deals, 150<sup>th</sup> party

Sealcoating, water tower and street construction underway

### **By Lori Sorenson**

Luverne City Council members approved \$282,000 in budget amendments for several unplanned2017 expenses.

The amendments were prompted by the acquisition of land for development and by an increased contribution to the Chamber for additional costs associated with 150th Celebration activities.

The city purchased parcels at 202 W. Maple for \$36,000, 204 N. Freeman for \$25,000, 838 W. Main for \$133,500 (seven acres north of Rock County Opportunities on the west side of Luverne), 107 S. Estey for \$32,500 and CHS Kniss Outlot for \$20,000.

The city's contribution for Luverne's 150th celebration activities increased from \$25,000 to \$35,000.

The amendments approved Aug. 8 are funded from reserves and will not cause total appropriations to exceed total estimated revenue and cash fund balances.

Budget amendments are not uncommon for governmental bodies that often encounter unforeseen

On May 9 the city approved a \$21,000 budget amendment to replace failing light fixtures at the pool with LED light fixtures.

Sealcoating south of school

City crews have been patching streets and crack sealing ahead of this summer's sealcoating projects in neighborhoods of the school.

Streets between Dodge and Main and between Highway 75 and Cottage Grove are being seal coated this year.

Some streets in the Sybesma and Manfred Heights additions will also be seal coated where needed.

City Administrator John Call remarked that the work is costly and inconvenient, but it's worth it in the long run.

"Every\$1 spent on maintenance saves \$8 to \$10 in projects down the road," he said.

Council budget/see page 8A



Lori Sorenson photo/0824 fick cover crop

Tom Fick is hosting the Sept. 5 Cover Crop and Soil Health Field Day at his farm west of Luverne. The event will address the advantages of cover crops as they relate to soil health and clean water. Fick is pictured in an oat field where red clover is emerging among the stubble.

## Local farmers host field day to promote soil health, cleaner water

### By Lori Sorenson

To prevent erosion and boost soil health, many Rock County corn and soybean farmers are planting cover crops between growing seasons.

The added bonus is higher yields and lower input costs, according to Luverne farmer Tom Fick.

"It's something anybody can do," he said. "You just need to figure out what your goals are.... Do you want it for extra livestock feed? Do you want the extra nitrogen? Do you want it for soil erosion?"

Fick is hosting a cover crop infor $mation\,day\,at\,his\,farm\,west\,of\,Luverne$ on Sept. 5, and he said he hopes the message reaches the right people.

"There's so much information

from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 5, at the Tom Fick farm, 1157 110th Ave., Luverne. To reserve a noon meal, call 507-283-8862 by Aug. 31.

Cover Crop and Soil Health Field Day will be

about cover crops in the media, but what works in Rock County may not be the same as everywhere else," he

### Field Day is Sept. 5 at Tom Fick farm The Cover Crop and Soil Field

Day will be from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Fick's home at 1157 110th Ave., Luverne, with morning presentations and afternoon field demonstrations.

Fick and Rock County farmers Terry Aukes and Brent Fluit are a team of local producers documenting their cover crop strategies and measuring inputs and outcomes.

Sept. 5 field day/see page 2A

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

Article 34: Monthly crow hunt competition kicks off in 1926 with mixed results.

This is the 34th in a series that shares the rich history of Luverne as it celebrates 150 years. This week features details a crow hunt hosted by the the Izaak Walton League.

Rock County Historical Society President Betty Mann recently discovered this news story in the Oct. 8, 1926, Star Herald detailing the first-ever event. The story recounts the number of birds shot by each participant and plans to conduct a similar event the following month.

Luverne celebrates 150 years - Crow hunt competition/see page 6A

This week's moment in time is sponsored by:



## **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

### Meetings

United States Bowling Congress (USBC) meeting will be at 6:45 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 24, in Luverne Lanes.

**Rock County DFL Chapter** will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 24, in the Human Services building on Roundwind Road.

The Green Earth Players annual meeting will be at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 5, in the Green Earth Players building at 401 West Edgehill Street in Luverne.

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

Hardwick Goal Seekers meet every Monday in Hardwick City Hall for the purpose of support and encouragement for weight loss journeys. Weigh-in begins at 6 p.m., and the meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. Call Glenda, 449-0568, with questions.

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

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

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

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

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

### Community bus to state fair Aug. 28

There are seats available on a charter bus going to the State Fair on Aug. 28. Fee is \$70. Call Community Education Monday through Thursday 7:30 am to 4 p.m. at 507-283-4724.

### Watch for Fall Community Ed brochure

The Community Education Fall brochure will be published in the Luverne Announcer Labor Day Weekend.

### Register new students to Luverne

New residents to Luverne School District 2184 should come to respective school offices and register students for the 2017-2018 school year. To register for the high school/ middle school, call for an appointment at 507-283-4491 for students in grades six-12 this year.

The elementary school will be open for new students to register starting Monday, Aug. 7. Parents with elementary students may call 507-283-4497. School starts Tuesday, Sept. 5.

### **GEP auditions Aug. 27-28**

Green Earth Players will host auditions for their November production, "Miracle on 34th Street" from 3-5 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 27, and from 6-8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 28, in the GEP building on Edgehill Street in Luverne. Roles include three men, two women and one girl plus several extras.

Performances are set for Nov. 10-12 and Nov. 16-19 at the Palace Theatre.

## Library hosts singer-songwriter Aug. 28

Singer-songwriter Marian Call will play a family concert at the Rock County Library at 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 28. She entertains with songs about science, spaceships, princesses, avocados, love, etc. All ages are welcome at the free event. Tips are appreciated. To see some of Call's videos, visit mariancall.com.

### Donate books for library friends sale

The Friends of the Library are now collecting books until Sept. 16 for the upcoming book sale Sept. 20-23 at the Rock

Accepted items include audio tapes, records, CDs, hardcover and paperback books.

Items **not** accepted are encyclopedias and textbooks.

## Climate Change Book Club meeting Rock County Community Library will host a three-part

event on climate change this fall.

An information meeting will be 5:15 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 29, at the library. The event is free and open to the public.

Participants read three books about three weatherrelated disasters. Library staff and two weather scientists will lead the discussions and preventive measures.

For more information or to sign up for the book club, contact library director Serena Gutnik at 507-449-5040.

## MDA fertilizer rules to affect local farming methods

According to process, rules would be adopted in fall of 2018

### By Lori Sorenson

The Minnesota Department of Agriculture is updating its rules for nitrogen application, and nearly half of Rock County's farmers could be affected.

A draft rule has been released, and the public comment period closes Aug. 25. The rule, designed to reduce nitrates in groundwater, has two parts.

Part 1 is directed at farm ground in "vulnerable groundwater areas," defined as areas where nitrates move easily through the soil into the groundwater.

These soils, which tend to be on near-surface bedrock, comprise a good share of northern Rock County farm ground (see the map).

According to the proposed rules, nitrogen application in these areas will be restricted in the fall and on frozen soil.

An MDA map identifies specific vulnerable soils, and if more than half of a county section is classified as vulnerable, farmers in the entire section would be banned from fall and frozen soil application.

(As the rule-making process continues, these classifications may change to affect smaller areas.)

If less than 50 percent

of a section has vulnerable groundwater, fall and frozen soil application is restricted on fields with near-surface bedrock or poor soil.

Part 2 of the MDA nitrogen fertilizer rule is directed at farmers in areas with high nitrates in groundwa-

Nitrate data from public and private wells is used to prioritize problem areas and to determine if mitigation — such as cover crops is necessary.

A local advisory team of producers and ag professionals will advise the MDA on appropriate methods and support implementation of these activities.

Doug Bos of the Rock County Soil and Water Conservation District was on the original advisory team that wrote the draft plan. He said he felt that all interests are adequately represented with the 25-member team.

'This isn't something the MDA dreamed up in a closet," said Bos, assistant Land Management Director.

"They worked with all Minnesota producer groups, universities and soil and water folks like me. It's a very good group of people who put this together over a two-year process."

The rule-making process was recently extended to include more public input meetings. Change may be adopted in early 2019.

### It's all about the water

Bos said many Rock County farmers are already implementing better practices in vulnerable areas.

Data released earlier this year showed elevated nitrate contamination in more than half the wells tested.

Battle Plain, Clinton, Luverne, Magnolia, Mound, Rose Dell and Vienna townships were targeted for testing private wells based on their "vulnerable" soil types and a high percentage of row crops.

"It paints the picture we are getting nitrates in our water." Bos said in March when the well tests were released.

He has been working with farmers in vulnerable areas to improve fertilizer application methods, especially for corn.

Research shows that only half of fertilizer applied to cornfields is absorbed and utilized; the rest is susceptible to water runoff and leaching into aquifers, depending on soil type, past crops and other factors.

Further compounding nitrogen loss is the fact that climate change is delivering rain in "extreme weather events," according to Bos, who notes that in the past 20 years, 30 percent of local rain has come in hard downpours.

"We have to find a way to spoon-feed it (to crops) to prevent nitrogen from getting into our water," Bos said in March.

He said farmers are receptive to the changes because fertilizer is expensive and it's in their interest to keep it from leaching into groundwater.

For many affected producers, it could be just a matter of applying the majority of their nitrogen after planting when the corn

is still small. Bos said spring fertilizing could go a long way toward reducing nitrogen contamination, especially if it's combined with cover

"Cover crops can reduce nitrate leaching by 50 percent," Bos said. "Not only does it hold soil and increase water-holding capacity - it holds those nutrients until the next cropping year."

For this reason, cover crops are becoming increasingly popular across the country.

But Rock County's nitrate problems won't have easy solutions.

Restricting fertilizer application to spring will create hardships for some farmers, especially those who rely on commercial applicators who have a hard time keeping up in the spring.

In some of the most vulnerable areas, the answers might be even more difficult, Bos said.

"In these areas, because of their soil porosity, it's difficult to raise a nitrogenneeding crop and keep the nitrogen out of the water," Bos said.

"It might mean raising something else ... And if they can't financially do it ... We can't just say, 'Sorry, you can no longer grow crops here."

## Discussion panel included in field day activities/from page 1A

"We're tracking what kind of stand we get at a recommended rate, or if a lower rate is enough," Fick said. "We're in an era where every input cost counts."

They'll join a panel of other cover crop experts to share what they're doing to improve their soil.

Discussion will include costs and herbicide considerations of cover crops, incorporating cover crops in traditional, strip till and no till operations, what to seed and how to utilize it for livestock.

prove nutrient levels in soil, less fertilizer needs to be applied.

"I am cautiously optimistic, hoping to be able to gradually reduceinput costs as time goes on," Fick said.

He encourages other farmers to try it. "It's something they can do," he said. There's enough resources out there they can see the benefits."

Some producers are investing in new equipment to get the best results from cover crops, but Fick said farmers could still get good results from basic equipment.

"Ideally you want to use a no-till drill, but a regular drill works too," he said, adding that it even works to plant rye from an end-gate seeder.

"Rye will grow if it's sitting on top of the ground," Fick said. "It doesn't take any effort at all to grow cereal rye; it will germinate at 33 degrees."

The idea is to plant vegetation in the fall so that it sprouts and provides cover during the early spring months before planting. Fick said the choice of

cover crops - red clover versus cereal rye, for example — is often driven by results growers are seeking. Regardless of outcomes,

for soil health, Fick said.

"The idea is to keep something green growing on that soil for as long as you can," he said.

### Getting ahead of reduce nitrate requirements

As producers implement cover crops, Fick said they learn which varieties and what rates work for them in their specific fields and soil types.

And they can try a little at a time. "It doesn't have to be a whole farm," he said. "You can try it on a field or even a half a field."

The Sept. 5 event includes a soil health demonstration showing moisture absorption from samples taken from a fence line (that has likely never been tilled), a field that has been cover-cropped and from a row-crop field. Water is held longer in the

fence line sample allowing nutrients to be absorbed. The row crop sample shows how quickly water passes through, taking valuable nutrients along with it. "The goal is to get where

soil absorbs moisture like it does in the fence line," Fick said. "It's about catching erosion and improving the structure and health of your soil." Doug Bos of the Rock

County Land Management Office is helping with the Sept. 5 event. "The cool thing is it's actu-

ally planned by these farmers, with us facilitating," Bos said. "They're on a panel talking about what they're doing." He said the information

would be valuable to anyone currently experimenting with cover crops or thinking about trying them. "I've learned that rye, rad-

ishes, turnips and canola planted the year before I plant beans is fantastic," Bos said. "With cover crops before corn I'm still learning." Fick said he hopes plenty

of people come out to his farm Sept. 5 because soil health is important for everyone. "This all works together –

soil health, wildlife habitat and water quality," he said. "We all have the common goal of protecting our water." The Minnesota Depart-

ment of Agriculture is currently rewriting its rules for nitrogen fertilizer manage $ment in \, order \, to \, reduce \, nitrate$ contamination in groundwater and drinking water. In some areas of particu-

larly vulnerable soil, fertilizers could be strictly monitored or even barred (see the related

Fick said the sooner producers get on board with better practices, the less affected they'll be by regulations later on.

"People are becoming more and more aware that farms are one of the sources of excess nitrates, and we have to figure out a way to keep it in the soil and not running off the field or through the tile," Fick said.

"In some countries in Europe they're requiring cover crops, and we don't want it to come to that. We're trying to get ahead of it."

The Cover Crop and Soil Health Day includes lunch for those who RSVP by Aug. 31. Call 283-8862.





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## 'Sounds of Strings' at Hinkly House

Harold Tilstra demonstrated "Sounds of Strings" at the Hinkly House Thursday night, Aug. 17, playing several different stringed instruments and offering detailed information and history behind each one. Pictured here, Shirley Harrison and Tilstra play a duet, "Amazing Grace," on the dulcimer. "To my knowledge, it's the only true American instrument," Tilstra said about the instrument, which originated in Appalachia. Thursday evening's event was enjoyed by an audience that spilled over from the Hinkly dining room into the library and sitting room. Donations were accepted to support the preservation of the Victorian home, which is also open from 2-4 p.m. Thursdays during the summer.



## Salaries increase for hard-to-find teaching positions

**By Mavis Fodness** 

Hard-to-fill teaching positions at Luverne Public Schools may receive a salary boost under a proposed hiring strategy.

Luverne Superintendent Craig Oftedahl explained that it's difficult to fill some positions in the district due to lack of candidates.

School board members Katie Baustian, Eric Hartman, Colleen Deutsch, Tim Jarchow and Jody Bosch met with Oftedahl in a Thursday evening, Aug. 10, workshop session.

In the past, Luverne administrators credited recent hires for no more than seven years of experience, despite having more experience in their previous position.

According to the district's salary schedule, a teacher with 14 years of experience and a master's degree would receive a salary of \$50,458 based on past practice of crediting only seven years.

However, at the administrator's discretion, he could credit 10 years of experience, raising the salary by more than \$5,400.

"We are going to face hard-to-replace positions and we need to be competitive," Oftedahl said.

## Traffic restrictions eased on I-90 Luverne to Magnolia this week

Interstate 90 from Luverne to Magnolia will be open to four lanes midweek (around Aug. 23) and the westbound ramp at Magnolia will open as the concrete repair and shoulder paving is completed.

Motorists need to continue to be aware of workers in the area as the project also includes upgrading the lighting system with LED lights at Highway 75 in Luverne and

adding a new LED lighting system at Rock County Road 3 at Magnolia.

Duininck Inc. was awarded the project with a bid of \$2,532,842.

Information about I-90 projects in southwestern Minnesota can be found at www.dot.state.mn.us/d7/ projects/I90preserve.

For updated road condition information, call 511 or visit www.511mn.org.

## **ALICE** comes to Luverne Public Schools

## Training empowers staff, students to respond to intruders

**By Mavis Fodness** 

Luverne elementary and middle/high school staff was tested Monday and Tuesday in a series of mock intruder trainings at the American Reformed Church in Luverne.

More than 200 school employees participated in ALICE training, a set of proactive strategies that increase chances of survival during an active shooter event.

Each participant received a passing grade.

"Act or react — there's no right or wrong decision," said Wade Hiller, the district's tech $nology \, coordinator \, and \, ALICE$ trainer. "It's what you decide to do in the heat of the moment."

ALICE stands for Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate.

"ALICE is not sequential," Hiller explained. "Just tools to get as far away from the shooter as possible."

Hiller along with fellow school trainees Angie Sneller, Angie Sandbulte, Craig Oftedahl, Rock County Sheriff Evan Verbrugge and deputy Lee Christians led the trainings.

In late September, teachers will take their newly learned skills back to the classroom for ALICE week, five days of instructions to students on how they can keep themselves safe against intruders.

ALICE empowers individuals to take control.

"We want to get rid of the 'lock-down' mentality," said Sheriff Verbrugge. "If you can get out (of the building), get out."

In the first mock shooting scenario, participants enacted the typical response to a shooter in the building by closing the classroom door and hiding under tables.

The result of the lockdown-only reaction was 25 out of the 27 participants were "shot" with plastic pellets.

Later, using ALICE tools, participants enacted the first scenario again.

The result drastically re-



Mavis Fodness photo/0824 School Safety In an active shooter demonstration, Rock County Law Enforcement deputy Lee Christians pretends to be an active shooter looking for victims while trainers Wade Hiller and Sheriff Evan Verbrugge follow. Hiller sounded an air horn to signal each shot from Christians' pellet gun that hit its target.

duced the number of participants "shot" to just one.

Verbrugge said outside help takes 5 to 10 minutes to reach the location of the intruder.

Using newly learned AL-ICE skills, participants evaded the attacker, counter-reacted to distract the intruder while escaping, or locked themselves out of harm's way in a

matter of seconds. "We want to be empow-



Mavis Fodness photo/0824 School Safety In an exercise on locking down a room against an active shooter, Luverne Public Schools employees use tables, chairs and other items in the room to build an effective barricade. They also learned if lockdown is not a safe option, they need to prepare to evacuate or counter if needed.

ered," Hiller said.

The school's ALICE committee received a \$2,000 grant

from the Lyon County Riverboat Foundation for training materials.









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## New appliance provides unexpected entertainment value

There's a first time for everything. I had one last week when I purchased my

first brand



new major household appliance.

I've purchased brand new TVs, computers and furniture before, but never an appliance.

When I bought my house eight years ago, the refrigerator, range, dishwasher, washing machine and dryer all came with the house.

I really hesitate to type this, but so far only the washing machine has needed to be replaced.

(Everyone, wherever you are reading this, please stop, find some wood, and knock on it for me now. Thanks.)

The original washing machine died only a couple of years after I inherited it.

At that time, I purchased a used washing machine from a friend for a good price. It served me well for about five years.

Recently it started showing its age and stopped spinning.

A washing machine that doesn't spin really doesn't work very well, and repairing an old washing machine isn't very costeffective.

So it was time to search for a new appliance.

I'm not someone who spends his weekends roaming through appliance stores checking out new washing machines.

In fact, I'd never actually looked at, priced or compared washing machines in a store or online before.

Honestly, it was kind of fun to learn about all the bells and whistles available on modern machines.

Who knew washing machines could be so fancy?

Maybe most of you did, but I

sure didn't.

You can buy washing machines that will pretty much do everything but load the clothes for you.

I saw machines with computerized displays, preset timers and

## IN OTHER **WORDS**

By Jason Berghorst, reporter

the ability to set themselves based on how large the load is

and how dirty the clothes are. I'm pretty sure there were washers with 13-inch highdefinition TV screens built into them, but I didn't walk that far into the pricy appliance aisles.

So much variety leads to so many questions.

What size and color? Agitator or no agitator? Front load or top load? See-through top or traditional?

Normally, when I make such big decisions, I keep it simple.

For some reason — I'm guessing it was the unexpectedly good sale price — I got a bit more adventurous this time.

I didn't buy a washing machine with Wi-Fi or a built-in coffee bar, but for me it's pretty

My modern new washer has no agitator, a clear glass top, a digital display, the ability to select its own setting based on the clothes I put in, and it even plays a little tune when it completes

Pretty fancy for me. And fun. So fun, in fact, I've found myself talking to friends about my new washer and asking others about their machines.

I literally went from never even thinking about washing machines to standing in front of mine watching it wash my

Don't worry — I only did that once. Or twice.

They say there's a first time for everything.

I'm just hoping there won't be a second major appliance purchase needed any time soon. I don't need to have that much fun.

Knock on wood.

## Intruder training should expand beyond the school walls

When Minnesota's public schools open their doors for the 2017-18 school year in September, some students will learn more than just reading, writing and arithmetic.

Students at Luverne Public Schools will learn skills that may be life-saving.

Beginning this year, Luverne students and staff will be exposed to lessons about what do to if a violent intruder enters their building.

While this training could be viewed as a waste of time and energy in our sleepy little prairie town, we live in a mobile society.

We think learning defensive measures is well worth the time. Much like learning CPR and other first-aid skills, you never know where and when you might need them.

Last year district administrators introduced the proactive ALICE program to staff. Training inside the classroom begins this year through the use of community instructors who completed the ALICE Training Institute's curriculum.

The ALICE plan more effectively teaches individuals and groups to proactively react to the threat of an aggressive intruder or active shooter event.

## STAR HERALD EDITORIAL

Unfortunately today's society has propelled quiet communities such as Luverne to instruct children on what to do if faced with an act of terror.

These man-made acts could occur anywhere and at any time.

Founder Greg Crane developed the Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter and Evacuate format 15 years ago in response to the lessons learned after the 1999 Columbine, Colorado, school shootings.

ALICE instruction goes against the traditional approach response used at the Columbine High School.

The traditional approach was to become passive by hiding under a table or remain static by building a barricade inside a room and waiting for law enforcement.

ALICE empowers everyone in a building to save themselves and others. ALICE uses noise, movement, distance and distractions to lessen a shooter's accuracy. The program also teaches a swarm technique as a last resort to gain control over the

In the classroom instruction, students will learn age- and abilityappropriate defensive techniques.

Much like fire drills, the ALICE training is practiced with the understanding it may not be used, but kids will know what to do if the situation presents itself.

We as a community could also learn these techniques by contacting our local law enforcement officials.

In other communities, manmade disasters have happened not only in schools but also in movie theaters, work places, churches and homes.

 $ALICE \, could \, empower \, all \, of us to \,$ protect each other and gain control of a situation in the time it takes law enforcement to arrive and take over the situation.

We could all benefit from ALICE.



## Underwood: Kudos to Luverne VFW squad

To the Editor:

As the Third District V.F.W. Commander and Luverne Post 2757 Quartermaster, I would like to thank our V.F.W. baseball team and coaches for a great season.

I was really impressed by your quality of ball playing. Keep up your great work, and I will be at Marshall VOICE OF OUR READERS

in 2018 to cheer you on. Our team is championship quality.

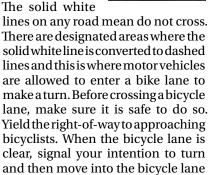
**Buck Underwood** Luverne

## Bike lanes are always off limits to motor vehicle operators

**ASK A TROOPER** 

### Question: Can you drive in a bike lane? For instance, use it for a right turn

lane? Answer: No, motorists are not allowed to drive in the bike lanes.



Bicycles are legal vehicles on Minnesota roads and they share the

before making the turn.



same rights and responsibilities as

Bicycle lanes are designed to separate bicycle traffic from normal vehicle traffic. It is illegal to drive in these lanes except to park, when permitted, to enter or leave the road, or to prepare for a turn.

Each year in Minnesota, approximately 35 pedestrians and 7 bicyclists are killed as a result of collisions with motor vehicles.

•As a group, pedestrians and bicyclists comprise nearly 11 percent of all traffic fatalities each year — 72 percent of these fatal crashes occur

in urban areas. •35 percent of pedestrians and 27 percent of bicyclists killed had

By Sgt. Troy Christianson, Minnesota State Patrol

consumed alcohol. •16 percent of pedestrians killed

were not crossing properly. The above information is using the five-year average from 2011-2015.

Bicyclists and motorists are equally responsible for bicycle safety. The No. 1 factor contributing to bicycle-vehicle collisions is failure to yield the right of way — by bicyclists and drivers alike.

About half of all bicycle-vehicle collisions are due to a variety of bicyclist behaviors, such as disregarding a traffic sign or signal. The other half are caused by vehicle driver behaviors, such as inattention

and distraction.

Rules of the Road and Safety

•Bicyclists may ride on all Minnesota roads, except where restricted.

•Bicyclists should ride on the road, and must ride in the same direction as traffic.

 Motorists must at all times maintain a three-foot clearance when

passing a bicyclist. •Bicyclists must obey all traffic control signs and signals, just as motorists.

•Bicyclists must signal their turns and should ride in a predictable manner.

·Bicyclists must use a headlight and rear reflectors when it's dark. To increase visibility, add a rear flashing •Drivers must drive at safe speeds

and be attentive — look for bicyclists, check blind spots. •Drivers should use caution and

look twice for riders when turning.

•Drivers should use caution when opening door upon parking on side of road.

You can avoid a ticket - and a crash — if you simply buckle up, drive at safe speeds, pay attention and of course, 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, Minnesota 55901-5848, or reach him at Troy. Christianson@state.mn.us

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## City buys lot space; more public parking downtown

By Lori Sorenson

More downtown public parking will soon be available, thanks to an agreement between Rick Reed and the city of Luverne.

On the agenda at Tuesday night's council meeting was a resolution allowing the conveyance and recording of subdivided property in this case, from Reed Motors Inc. to the city of Luverne.

According to council discussion, more adequate public parking is needed in the downtown area, especially when there are community celebrations and special events at the Palace Theatre, Grand Prairie Events and local restaurants.

The council noted that the Luverne Kawasaki parking lot is often used for overflow parking for events throughout the year.

"Rick Reed (Luverne Kawasaki Owner) has been a good host to this parking and has been a good team player with the downtown merchants," City Administrator John Call said.

In an effort to formalize this parking arrangement, the city is purchasing the far west side of Reed's parking lot for \$25,000.

This 140-by-70-foot space will become a municipal parking lot and be maintained as public property. It's located along the backside (the east wall) of Grand Prairie Events between Maple Street and the alley.

"Anyone in the downtown area can park in this lot as they enjoy the benefits of beautiful downtown Luverne," Call said.

The newly created parcel needed a resolution by the city council to comply with the city's subdivision ordinance.

## Traffic changes take place on I-90 bridge project in Rock County

## Travel information moves from Beaver Creek to Adrian rest area

Motorists are advised to pay close attention on Interstate 90 from the South Dakota border through the Beaver Creek area as traffic changes are made to accommodate the progress on the bridge work.

The Travel Information Center at Beaver Creek is now closed for about two months. However, travel information will be provided at the Adrian eastbound rest area during the closure.

Traffic will continue to be reduced to two-way on two lanes until October when crews have completed their work on top of the bridges. Motorists are advised to use caution in the work zone and watch for workers, equipment and traffic control devices.

The westbound Rock County Road 4 ramp is expected to reopen in about two weeks at which time the eastbound County Road 4 ramp will close. Watch for signing.

The project includes repairing four bridges and replacing lighting and hightension median cable.

PCI Roads, LLC has been awarded the project with a bid of \$6,791,565.

Information about I-90 projects in southwestern Minnesota can be found at www.dot.state.mn.us/d7/ projects/I90preserve.

For updated road condition information, call 511 or visit www.511mn.org.

At Southwest Health & Human Services, we need foster parents of all ethnic backgrounds to open their hearts and homes to children with difficulties within their families. This includes children of all ages but particularly older children and sibling groups.

Training sessions start September 13 at the HUMAN SERVICES OFFICE IN PIPESTONE.

> Check out our website at SWMHHS.com/Foster Parent tab for more information and to register

or contact Karyn Groenewold at 507-532-1217 or karyn.groenewold@swmhhs.com for more information.



## ON THE RECORD

### Dispatch report

Aug. 11

•Deputy out with a couple of juveniles.

 Complainant requested extra patrol while they are out

 Complainant reported cash box broken into at loca-

 Complainant reported vehicle for erratic driving.

 Complainantrequesteda welfare check on subject. They have not heard from him in some time, and he battles with alcohol. Usually he drinks and is calling complainant.

•Received report from

 Complainant reported music playing loudly at neighboring unit.

•Emergency room requested deputy assistance.

 Complainant reported suspicious activity at county roads 4 and 11.

•Complainant reported vehicle sitting outside at location had tires slashed.

 Complainant reported someone just stole her purse out of her car. Contacted Erwin's to tow. G&S out on a call.

•Complainant in Steen reported her water has been turned off, and she has a three week old baby. She called the major, and his wife won't wake him up to turn it on.

Deputy arrested suspect

### Aug. 12

 Complainant reported subject walked into his house. He was highly intoxicated and said he hasn't eaten for a week. He left, but complainant wanted to speak with deputy.

•Multiple complainants reported natural gas leak on North Blue Mound Avenue.

 Complainant reported vehicle stopping or stalling multiple times in middle of the road. Erratic driving at location.

 Complainant reported unable to get water heater on after gas outage.

 Complainant reported his brother is going to be at •Deputy conducted a cur-

few check. Located at home.

Complainant reported

a tan Taurus in the area that seemed suspicious.

 Complainant reported two adult bikes found on his property

 Complainant reported accident at location. Second vehicle continued driving.

 Complainant reported family and child information for investigation.

 Complainant reported debris in roadway near location. Transferred to State Patrol.

•Complainant requested welfare check on individual at location.

•Incoming call record reserved per deputy.

 Complainant reported •Received weather bul-

letin from National Weather Service.

### Aug. 14

 Complainant reported man walking north at location. Felt suspicious. Transferred to State Patrol. Notified deputy.

•Complainant reported that the transfer station will be lighting the tree and brush pile. The pile will probably be burning throughout the week. Complainant will call in every morning the pile is still burning to report the status. Magnolia Township section six.

 Complainant reported that subject is supposed to be staying with him at location and has run away back to Rock County to be with his friends.

 Reserved for deputy. •Complainant requested

background check on subject for housing.

 Complainant reported that the AED machine in the lobby at location is sounding an alarm. Complainant was able to shut the alarm off, but is requesting service by subject.

 Complainant reported counterfeit \$20 bill at Mc-Donald's.

 Complainant reported runaway juvenile. See linked incoming call record.

 Complainant reported fraudulent charges on her debit card.

 Complainant reported son is refusing to leave with him. See linked incoming call

Complainant reported

Was \$26,990 Now \$23,990

they will be conducting training with smoke machine at location.

•Complainant reported girlfriend assaulted him at

### Aug. 15

 Complainant conducted door checks at various businesses on Main Street.

 Complainant reported open windows and back door at location. Nobody is currently living there. Dispatch contacted property owner.

 Complainant requested a deputy accompany him on a welfare check at location. Subject who lives alone is not answering the door or the phone. Complainant feels that something may have happened to him.

 Complainant at Expressway reported that their bank notified him the business had received a counterfeit \$20 bill.

 Complainant reported a wrong way driver at location. Transferred complainant to State Patrol.

 Complainant reported her vehicle was stolen. Called back. Vehicle is back.

 Complainant reported the crossing lights are out. Contacted Highway Department. They are waiting for a

•Deputy received fact sheet on predatory offender Aug. 16

•Received report from SWHHS.

 See attached report from SWHHS.

 Complainant reported phone scam identifying as the IRS. Advised not to give out personal information via phone.

•Complainant reported suspicious activity at his neighbor's on S. East Park Street. Gave plate number with no state.

 Complainant reported when she got back from Behavioral Health her daughter had dumped her pills and burned her fentanyl patches. The social worker told her to.

•Patrol not in area. Reported older passenger car westbound in the eastbound

•Deputy cited suspect. Aug. 17

Was \$41,990 Now \$37,990

•Information only on suspiciouis activity. Complainant reported commotion in field driveway at 121st Street near Beaver Creek. This morning found items on road including

a flip flop. Complainant requested assistance with grandson at location on Main Street.

 Complainant reported call from subject. Reported delusions of conspiracies. Requested welfare check be completed.

 Complainant reported phone scam. Was told won prize. Needed info to claim. Advised complainant not to give personal information via phone.

•Complainant reported car parked in no parking zone. Starting to seal and gravel street. Requested info be collected for vehicle to be moved.

 Complainant reported car parked in no parking loca-

tion per Highway Department. Complainant reported badsmell at construction zone.

\*Complainant reported teen/young adult male walking south from County Road 4 and 40<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

•Minnwest Bank reported counterfeit \$20 bill.

 Complainant reported trespassing at location.

 Complainant requested welfare check on subject and children at location. Was in office earlier today and exhibited strange behavior.

 Complainant reported man stumbling on road at County Road 9 and 71st Street.

 Complainant called law enforcement center and requested to speak with deputy regarding a cell phone. Deputy spoke directly to complainant.

 Complainant called law enforcement center and requested to speak with a deputy regarding son. Deputy spoke directly with complainant.

In addition, officers responded to 3 motor vehicle accidents, 1 deer accident, 2 transports, 19 traffic stops, 23 ambulance runs, 5 paper services, 9 animal complaints, 2 false alarms, 3 fingerprint requests, 7 log/alarm sheets, 6 drug court tests, 4 money escorts, and issued 3 burn permits.



# Community Star Herald COMMUNITY

# Hardwick woman leaves childhood home after 86 years

**By Mavis Fodness** 

Hardwick's Jessie Wenzel is not your typical senior citizen.

The soon-to-be 87-yearold lives on her own, sews four-square quilts despite suffering from central vision loss and, until earlier this week, lived on the same Denver Township farm for all but six months of her life.

Born in Luverne, Wenzel never called any other place home, choosing to live and raise her own family on the farm homesteaded by her Grandfather Ellefson in 1888.

As each sibling matured and left the house to make their permanent home elsewhere, Wenzel's stay in a different house as a newlywed was short-lived.

"In June (1948), I moved my clothes two miles east and in December moved my clothes back," she said. "I didn't move a bed or anything."

The young couple joined Wenzel's dad in the farm operation. Wenzel worked at home raising her five children and operating an at-home poultry processing business. She later took off-the-farm jobs at businesses in Pipestone and Luverne.

Each night she would return to the family farm.

"We learned how to be independent watching Mom," said daughter Paulette Richters.

Wenzel's own independence appeared at an early age.

"I was the only one who worked the fields and helped my dad," she said. "I had no brothers — someone had to be the tomboy."

Her willingness to drive a tractor was illustrated in an old newspaper advertisement from the 1970s for the Production Credit Association. "The Farm Wife — so



Mavis Fodness photo/0824 Jessie Wenzel

Jessie Wenzel poses on the front porch of her rural Denver Township home near Hardwick, the only home she has lived in since her birth 86 years ago. Last week Wenzel moved to Luverne. **Below**: A young Jessie (Ellefson) Wenzel poses outside the south side of her Hardwick home in 1942.

of them are sad."

important; so often overlooked ..." was written over a picture of Wenzel sitting on a tractor.

Wenzel admits she didn't limit her time just to housework after marrying Arnold "Bud" Wenzel in 1948. As she did beside her dad as a young girl, Wenzel tended the animals and continued to work the fields on a daily basis next to her husband.

"I wasn't your typical farm wife," she said. "Others were worried about having to make supper. We would have supper when we were done milking the cows"

After Bud died in 2015, Wenzel continued to live on the farm with the assistance of her children.

They also share the same preference of staying near the farm.

Richters, Patti Swenson, Dean and Rick live in or

near Rock County.
With her children so close to home, Wenzel

didn't have a reason not to return home each night.
"I wanted them to move at least 100 miles away so I could stay for a visit," she said.

Friends have asked why Wenzel would want to leave the home where all her memories were made.
In her typical no-nonsense manner she said, "A lot

Among the sad memories, she said, is son Robert's drowning as a toddler and his funeral visitation in the home's living room. Decades later her husband became terminally ill and moved to the hospice cottage, never to return to the farm.

"He loved this place," Wenzel recalled.

Earlier this year, when her family decided it was time for her to leave the farm, she left all the moving details to them.

"She's never packed before," Richters explained.
"I am just going to sit back in the chair," Wenzel

said. "I can't give advice because they all have more experience."

The thoughts of leaving the farm and setting up a new home have been positive

A three-ring binder was developed called "The To-Do List for Mom's New Adventure."

The binder contains lists and notes of what's done and what's left to do to prepare Wenzel's new home on Luverne's Oakland Street. The formal move took place over the weekend.

Living in town means Wenzel is within blocks of family members.

And true to her prediction, her children and many of the seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren were on hand organizing and welcoming Wenzel to her new home

"The excitement is back in Mom," Richters said.

As thoughts of Richters' childhood home came back into focus, she added, "We all had a good life here."



## 1926: Crow hunt competition lasts three days, fails to bag many birds

The following appeared in the Rock County Herald on October 8, 1926:

CROW HUNTERS FAIL TO BAG MANY BIRDS

Total of Only 103 Crows Killed in First Crow Hunt StagedbyLocalIzaakWalton League

LOSING TEAM TO GIVE WINNING TEAM A FEED

Second Hunt will be Staged NextMonth, When it is Hoped More Favorable Weather Will Prevail.

A total of one hundred three crows were killed in the three-day county-wide crow hunt staged Friday, Saturday and Sunday by the Izaak Walton league of this city.

This number was very small in comparison to the number that the members of



## BITS BY BETTY

By Betty Mann, president Rock County Historical Society

the league expected to bag and was probably due to the unfavorable weather that existed throughout the final day of the hunt — the only day on which most of the members of the league could have taken part

in the sport, because of their business obligations, which would not have permitted their absence.

In order to make the hunt as interesting as possible and thereby make it more of a success, the members of the league were divided into two teams of twenty-three members each, with Carl Schmuck and Clyde Stephen as captains. The team bringing in the largest number of crows are to be given a feed at the expense of the losing team. Carl Schmuck's team won, by bagging sixty-eight birds, while Clyde Stephen's team killed thirty-five. The winning team will enjoy their "feed" tonight at the regular meeting of the league in the City hall.

Carl Schmuck succeeded in shooting more than again as many birds as any other member of either team and came very close to getting as many as the entire number killed by the losing team. He was awarded a sportsman's silver watch fob for his efforts. Ed. Baker, who placed second high with fourteen birds, was given a bronze fob of similar design. Sam Foight, with his nine "black wingers," landed third high

third high.

Plans for a similar hunt, to be staged by the league sometime in November, will be discussed at the meeting of the league to be held tonight at the City hall and it is hoped by the officers that the second attempt to diminish the crow population will be more successful than the first one.

Captain Carl Schmuck, 30; Dr. H. A. Hoy, 3; Sam L. Foight, 9; Ralph Fitzer, 0; Harry Edgar, 0; Ben Batavia, 0; Tom Borgum, 4; Otto Bierkamp, 0; Dr. G. V. Butler, 0; W. R. Brooks, 5; Dr. C. O. Wright, 0; A. A. Haines, 0; G. A. Hagedorn, 2; Louis

Hagedorn, 1; M. F. Hammond. 0; Albert Jauert, 3; Ray Koehn, 2; D. N. Kilby, 4; Millard Mosby, 0; Walter Norelius, 0; Orville Orloske, 5; Leonard Wold, 0; Wm. Rathjen.0. Captain Clyde Stephen, 3;

Frank Ferguson, 0; Frank Fritz, 0; Geo. Fried, 0; Harold Conrad, 4; Geo. W. Cottrell, 1; Chas. S. Bristol, 0; Walter Benson, 1; W. Duane Backer, 0; Edward Boomgaarden, 0; Ed. Baker, 14; Glenn H. Adams, 0; Horace Herbert, 1; Fred Holling, 0; Joyce Johnston, 0; F. A. Leicher, 0; Einar Lorange, 0; Matt Moriarty, 3; A. O. Moreaux, 0; J. J. Petraska, 6; W. P. Rober, 0; Dr. A. N. Rice, 0; J. F. Snook, 2.

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

Mann welcomes correspondence sent to mannmade@iu.not

## MENU

Monday, Aug. 28: Meatballs with gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli, bread, cookie Program: Pinochle.

**Tuesday, Aug. 29:** Cubed beef with gravy, mashed potatoes, carrots, dinner roll, pudding dessert

Two-buck Tuesday sponsored by Dick and Rita Smook.

Wednesday, Aug. 30: Chef salad with turkey, ham, cheese, lettuce, salad dressing, tomato and cucumber, muffin, bar.

**Thursday, Aug. 31:** Liver or pepper steak, buttered potatoes, peas, bread, apricots.

**Friday, Sept. 1:** Chicken chow mein, rice, chow mein noodles, oriental vegetables, mandarin oranges, cookie.

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

## REMEMBER WHEN

10 years ago (2007)

•Although Rock County has some structurally deficient bridges and functionally obsolete bridges, a tragic collapse isn't

County Engineer Mark Sehr shared bridge information with the County Board of Commissioners Tuesday. He said he has a lot of questions since the Minneapolis Highway 35W bridge fell into the river during rush hour killing

13 people.

The governor has requested thorough county inspection of bridges, and Rock County is in the process of that.

"We don't have any glaring issues with what I've seen so far," Sehr said.

25 years ago (1992)

•New rental units will be under construction this fall if the Luverne Economic Development Authority plans go according to schedule.

Completion of one three-unit building is planned for January 1993, development consultant Tom Serie said.

One more four-unit building and two additional three-unit buildings are planned for summer 1993, bringing the total to 17

units. Each unit is designed with floor space of 1,100 or 1,400 square feet. Each will provide garage space for tenants, Serie said. Rent will probably cost between \$450 and \$500 per month. ...

The EDA has a purchase agreement with Albert Christensen for a 4- or 5-acre triangular piece of property east of the Veterans Addition and northwest of Carol Street.

50 years ago (1967)

•The elementary school will be operating without a principal for the time being, according to Supt. Harvey Eitreim. The position has been offered several times, but the candidates for the position could not get releases from their contracts. However, the offer has again been extended, Eitreim said this week, and there is a possibility that the position will be filled sometime during the year. Meanwhile, Mrs. Tom Connell will handle the office details, and items relative to the elementary teachers. Cortlan Krogstad, a remedial reading teacher, will supervise the lunch program and testing, and John Rath, junior high principal, will assist with the special education in the elementary school.

75 years ago (1942)

•An army of canvassers – six from each of the 12 townships,

will invade every Rock County farm between now and next Tuesday, in an effort to make available for government use every pound of iron that has ceased to be really useful or needed by the owner.

Elwood Shackelford, Fred Herman and Jake Schoon, members of the general committee, a chairman selected from each township and the Rock County Defense Council met here Tuesday night to lay the groundwork for the campaign.

It was pointed out that the drive will be primarily a patriotic move, and secondarily, an opportunity for all to dispose of their scrap metal at the highest paid price in years.

100 years ago (1917)

•A humane society soon will be organized in Luverne under a 1917 law appropriating \$9,000 to the State Humane society for extension of its efforts toward preventing cruelty to children and animals.

Welcome W. Bradley, secretary and executive officer of the Minnesota Society for the Prevention of Cruelty, this week announced completion of a model plan to enlarge the state service to include this and other important cities. It is along lines most successful in the larger cities, and, the executive officer predicts, will fit needs here and minimize suffering among children and also among animals.

## **O**BITUARIES

### JoAnn Veldkamp

JoAnn Ruth Veldkamp, 64, Jasper, died Saturday, Aug. 12, 2017,

at Sanford Hospital in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

A funeral service was Friday, Aug. 18, at Grand Prairie Events in Luverne. Burial followed in the Jasper City Cem-

JoAnn Morrill was born to Harry and Ruth (Gilmore) Morrillon Jan. 7, 1953, in Madison, South Dakota, where her parents farmed. She attended school in Madison and graduated from Madison High School in 1971. During her senior year of high school, she began working as a bookkeeper and continued in that position after graduation.

JoAnn married Jim Veldkamp on June 10, 1972. Following their marriage they moved to a farm near Jasper. JoAnn worked a short time at the Jasper Journal before taking a secretarial job at the Jasper Elementary School. In 1973 Jim and JoAnn purchased the farm that they would make their home. JoAnn quit working at the elementary school in 1975 to work on their farm full time. Until 2000 she worked with Jim, helping him as they built their farm. She was the farm's bookkeeper and especially enjoyed helping to start the freshly weaned pigs as they came to the farm.

JoAnn was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis in March 2000 and was no longer able to continue to do the physical labor on the farm. She was still able to help during harvest operating the

grain cart, and she continued to do the bookkeep-

ing. In July 2015 she was diagnosed with advanced stage ovarian cancer.

JoAnn served on several boards and helped Jim with his board responsibilities. JoAnn was an EMT on the Jasper

Community Ambulance for 27 years and served as secretary and treasurer of the ambulance board. She served on the band board, chaperoned competitions and trips, and was responsible for the uniforms. She also worked to promote pork by helping at

various pork events. JoAnn loved flowers and enjoyed entertaining. Jim and JoAnn's farm served as a backdrop for many family and class reunions in addition to gatherings of family and friends. The Pipestone Vet Clinic often used their farm to host international

JoAnn is survived by her husband, Jim Veldkamp, Jasper; her daughter, Jennifer (Dean) Lerwick, Lyman, Nebraska; three grandchildren, Kate, Ella and Will; two sisters, Lois (Ervin) Hanssen, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and Shirley Blasé, Madison, South Dakota; one brother, Wendell (Judy) Morrill, Bozeman, Montana; several nieces and nephews; and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents and brothersin-law Verlyn Veldkamp and Dean Blase.

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

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## **Rock County sends 67 exhibits to State Fair**

## Event opens today and runs through Sept. 4

**By Jason Berghorst** 

The Minnesota State Fair opens today (Aug. 24) and runs until Labor Day in Falcon Heights.

Rock County 4-H will be well-represented at the annual eventwith 38 livestock exhibits, 29 general project exhibits and three state ambassadors.

Livestock exhibitors moved into the State Fair Aug. 23 and will be judged during the first week of the fair.

Encampment Two, which includes general project exhibits, is Aug. 29-31.

**Rock County is** one of only two counties statewide in 2017 to be represented by three members in the Minnesota State 4-H Ambassadors program.

Michael Kinsinger, Josie Scholten and Moriah Flanagan are among 30 statewide leaders to be chosen as Ambassadors.

"I am very proud of Michael,







Kinsinger



Flanagan

Josie and Moriah for taking will make an impact in this role, not only through serving as their leadership skills to the state level," said Chelsey role models for Rock County Asche, Rock County 4-H but also throughout the state program coordinator. of Minnesota."

## New disease attacks roses in the Midwest

T h e Minnesota Northern Gardener magazine was in my mail box today, and there is an

article about a new disease showing up in roses in the Midwest ... Minnesota, North and South Dakota, Wisconsin, Iowa, and Illinois. The disease is rampant in southern states because of milder weather.

Rose rosette disease (RRD) is caused by a virus which is carried by a microscopic mite. The tiny, wingless creature is carried by the wind, 'ballooning" from plant to plant. The mites crawl inside the petals and scales of rose buds. An infected rose bush produces deformed clumps of rose buds (otherwise known as witches' broom) with an excessive number of thorns and thick, reddish stems. Leaves can appear mosaic and mottled.

KNOW IT AND GROW IT

By George Bonnema, Luverne Horticulturalist

The symptoms resemble those that appear if herbicide has drifted from a nearby yard to your roses. But unlike herbicide damage, roses will not grow out of rose rosette disease.

There is no cure for the virus. The infection will kill a small rose bush in two years. If you allow an infected bush to remain in your garden, you risk the virus spreading to other roses, both yours and your neighbors. The best solution for home gardeners is learning what the symptoms are, identifying the disease early, and destroying those plants at first symptom. Cut the bush off at the base, digup the roots and bag it in plastic — get as much as you can.

Trying to save the rose is not smart. Spraying the rose bush weekly with miticides containing bifenthrin (Telstar) or spirotetramat (Kontos) or insecticidal soap may help protect the plants, but that is probably more of an option for commercial growers. And then there is that word "weekly" which means serious commitment.

"I have no doubt these three

RRD was confirmed at the Minnesota Arboretum at Chaska last year, so we know what we can expect at some point in the future.

I was just in Farmington last week and noticed the damage caused by Japanese beetles on Linden trees. The tree leaves are skeletonized as a result of the beetles feeding, so

from a distance, the trees have a brown appearance. I also noticed them in abundance on the flowers of various roses in the trial gardens we were touring. I have occasionally seen one of these beasts in this area, but their population is still relatively small. The beetle has a rounded body and the greenish color of oil on water ... pretty easy to identify.

I feel like I'm dropping a bomb on our gardening enthusiasm, but I'm included in the battle. If I know what to expect, I can be ready to be proactive in the fight.

On a better note, if your onion tops have kinked over and are getting dry, get those onions out of the ground to prevent neck rot. Also, if the potato vines have died, you want to dig the potatoes soon to prevent them from resprouting...thatreallyreduces their keeping quality.

Bonnema is a gardening enthusiast and former greenhouse owner. He can be reached at flowersgb@iw.net.

### **Debra Jo Martius**

Debra Jo Martius, 65, Spearfish, South Dakota, died Wednesday, Aug. 16, 2017, at her home.

A funeral service was Sunday, Aug. 20, at Our Savior's Lutheran Churchin Spearfish.

Debra Koblegard was born Oct. 5, 1951, to Martin and Betty (Pemble) Koblegard in Springfield. She grew up in the Walnut Grove area and graduated from Walnut Grove High School in 1969. She married Dennis Martius on Dec. 27, 1969. They moved to Milwaukee, Wisconsin, briefly, then returned to southern

Minnesota and lived there for

25 years. In 1994 they moved

to Spearfish. Deb enjoyed

quilting, cooking, spending time with family and volunteering for the church and food pantry.

> Deb is survived by her husband, Denny Martius, Spearfish, a son, Michael (Jennifer) Martius, Hill City, South Dakota. two daughters, Jody (Keith), Klamath Falls,

Oregon, and Julie, Spearfish, 16 grandchildren; one greatgranddaughter; and her siblings, Patty, Mark, Vicki, Kathy and Shelley and their families.

She was preceded in death

by her parents.

Arrangements were by Isburg Funeral Chapel of Spearfish, South Dakota, www. fidler-isburgfuneralchapels. com.

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### **CELEBRATIONS**

### **Births**

A boy, Benjamin Louis, weighing 7 pounds, 2 ounces, and 20 inches long, was born Friday, June 30, 2017, in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, to Andrew and Audra (Novotny) **Sternke**, Sioux Falls. He joins two siblings, Emily and William. Grandparents are Ronald and Sheryl Sternke and Mark and Beth Novotny.

**Open Houses** 

John and Jeanne Bowron will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a come-and-go celebration at 1494 U.S. Highway 75, Luverne, from 7-10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 2. Greetings may be sent to them at 1512 Manfred Drive, Luverne, MN 56156.

## **DEATH NOTICE**

### **Tracy Strom**

Tracy Jay Strom, 56, Luverne, formerly of Duluth, died Monday, Aug. 21, 2017, at the Sanford Luverne Medical Center. A memorial service will be at a later date.

Arrangements are by Dingmann Funeral Home of Luverne, dingmannandsons.com.

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## Florence Kitchenmaster

Florence Clara Ida Kitchenmaster, 94, Rock Rapids, Iowa, died Tuesday, Aug. 15, 2017, at Rock Rapids Health Center in Rock Rapids.

A funeral was Friday, Aug. 18, at Peace Lutheran Church in Rock Rapids. Burial followed in the TrinityLutheran Cemetery in rural Steen.

Florence Kitchenmaster was born March 3, 1923, to John and Emma (Lauck) Kitchenmaster at their home near Steen. She was baptized and confirmed at Trinity Lutheran Church near Steen. She was raised on the family farm and attended Allison Township Country School. She helped with the family farm and worked as a helper for relatives and families in the area in her younger years. She lived most of her adult life on the family farm helping her brother Louie with daily chores.

She was a member of Peace Lutheran Church in Rock Rapids, active with Daughters of Peace and the quilters group. She enjoyed baking, needle work and playing card games. She also took many bus trips with her brother Louie. Florence provided care for her mother until her

death. She also provided care for her brother Louie

when his health began to fail. In 1980 she and Louie moved to a home in Rock Rapids, Iowa, where she remained living until her death. She is survived

by two sisters, Nora

Ranschau, Rock Rapids, and Doris Stegenga, Sioux Falls, South

Dakota; nieces and nephews, Carol Weber and Dolores Weber, both of Luverne, Wayne (Chris) Ranschau, Doon, Iowa, Brenda (Gary) Richardson, Alton, Iowa, Beverly Kitchenmaster, Sioux Falls, Marsha Kitchenmaster, Rock Rapids, Douglas (Colleen) Stegenga, Sioux Falls, and Dale Stegenga, Madison, South Dakota; and

many other relatives. She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Emma Kitchenmaster; two sisters, Ella Weber and Edna Kitchenmaster; two brothers, Louis and Norman Kitchenmaster; three brothers-in-law, Harold Weber, Carl Ranschau, and Pete Stegenga; and a sister-in-law, Margaret Kitchenmaster.

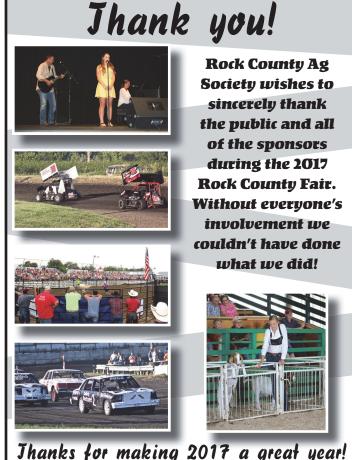
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## Solar Eclipse/from page 1A

she said. "If it was a beautiful day, it would have been terrific."

Tim Masters with the National Weather Service in Sioux Falls said the thunderstorms were widespread through the Tri-State area. Nebraska was the best location for viewers.

According to the weather service's website, a total solar eclipse is a rare phenomenon due to its narrow path and brevity. The last total eclipse across the U.S. occurred in

At the ideal viewing time of 1 p.m., the city of Luverne was met with pouring rain and twilight-like darkness, which triggered streetlights to turn on.

## Phase II Loop/from page 1A

Mounds Trail for 13 miles of continuous path that will make Luverne a biking destination.

The Loop, estimated to cost \$2 million once complete, is being developed in phased segments over a time period as grant funding becomes available.

Phase 1 wrapped up late last year, and Phase 2 is about to start.

The next phases will eventually cross Highway 75, travel north along the highway and then turn east at Hatting and

north on Freeman.

The trail will then head east to the Rock River, then north to the planned trailhead at Redbird Field.

Future crossing improvements at the intersection of Blue Mound Avenue and Main Street will connect the Luverne Loop to the existing Blue Mounds Trails, fully closing the loop.

A master plan for the Loop is available for public viewing at Luverne City Hall and at cityofluverne.org.

## Council budget/from page 1A

In other

administrative reports:

•Call said the Luverne Street construction project is moving above ground with the underground infrastructure now in place.

Crews are now working on grading, sub materials and drainage for curb and gutter.

•The water tower paintwork is now finished and electrical fixtures are in place

to illuminate the Luverne logos on the tank.

"For people driving on South Highway 75, it's really going to stand out at night," Call said.

•The water/waste water department is undergoing a toxicity study because the MPCA found Luverne's wastewater effluent was out of compliance.





Lori Sorenson photos/0824 daycare kids at nature explore

Outdoor adventures

Several home day care groups took advantage of sunny weather Friday to have a picnic in the Nature Explore Outdoor Classroom at Luverne Elementary School.



Above: Making mud pies are (from left) Addisyn Lais, Korie Schomacker, Serenity Kurtz and Kinzie Drost.

Left: Balancing on a log are (from left) Raelynn Remme, Jase Smeins and Jayden Brands.

The Outdoor Classroom, built in 2014 with support from grants and community donations, is designed for preschoolers to learn by discovery and exploration.



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# Star Herald ARIETY



Mavis Fodness photo/0824 150th Powwow

Hoops represent hopes and dreams, said Cammas Johnston before performing her hoop dance for about 50 audience members Saturday night at the Blue Mounds State Park Interpretive Center. The powwow demonstration is part of Luverne's 150th anniversary yearlong celebration.

# Luverne's early history involved trading, stone carving, powwows

By Mavis Fodness

When Luverne's founding father Philo Hawes decided to relocate his family home to the banks of the Rock River more than 150 years ago, he was following a well-worn path created by the area's Native Americans.

Francis "Bud" Johnston and his wife, Rona, of Flandreau, South Dakota, brought a little of Luverne's early history to life Saturday when the couple hosted an afternoon rock-carving workshop followed by an evening powwow event.

Luverne Area Chamber coordinated the two events in a yearlong celebration of Luverne's 150<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Bud Johnston said Native Americans have been in the area for 2,000 years, but no tribe made the Luverne area home for very long.

"Almost all of our deciduous people were nomads," he said. "Blood Run was a big trade area."

Dozens of tribes would travel around the area's wetlands to Blood Run located on the Iowa-South Dakota border. Their frequent trips developed an east-west corridor through the Luverne area, Johnston said.

Similarly a north-south corridor through the Luverne area was also created as Native Americans traveled to and from a sacred quarry site near Pipestone.

The soft red rock was collected and carved into peace pipes and other stone items by the Native Americans. The well-hidden location of the pipestone blended into the numerous outcroppings of similar-looking Sioux quartzite, a very hard stone.

The pipestone quarry is now part of the Pipestone National Monument.

Europeans like the Hawes family used the same corridors as they and other pioneers moved through the area. They often traded with the nomadic tribes.

"People bring in plates and peace pipes from family members," Johnston said. "They received them as a 'thank you' for letting them stay (near their homesteads)," he said.

To protect and educate the public about Native Americans and their traditions, Johnston co-founded "Keepers of the Sacred Traditions" in 1996 in Pipestone.

More than 35 different tribes around the world are members and the Johnstons travel the world coordinating various activities including stone carving and powwows.

## Popular Native American activity conducted at state park

Stone-carving is a popular education activity for the Keepers organization, according to Johnston.

The activity is made easy, even for those who don't consider themselves artists.

s. "I was hoping they learn what a positive



Mavis Fodness photo/0824 150<sup>th</sup> Powwow

Heather Johnson of Luverne (far left) and her daughters Luella (center) and Ashlyn concentrate on filing pipestone into various shapes at Saturday's stone-carving event at the state park.



Heather Johnson uses a cordless drill to gently grind a hole in daughter Luella Johnson's pipestone carving of a butterfly.

Mavis Fodness photo/0824 150th Powwow Tayden Fesler (left) and his grandmother Susan Marone, both of Sioux Falls, show the arrowhead and heart-shaped necklaces they crafted out of pipestone Saturday afternoon as a way to spend time together.

feeling the stone gives them," he said.
Susan Marone received a very positive feeling as she took a preformed piece of pipestone and finished it into a butterfly in a hour.

"Every time we see a butterfly, we think of lost loved ones," Marone said.

The Sioux Falls woman brought her grandson, Tyson Fesler, to the Saturday event. The two joined about a dozen others.

Participants used various rasps, rattail and finishing files to fashion an arrowhead, heart or a butterfly out of the pieces of pipestone

"I am surprised at how soft it is," Marone said.

Johnston said the pieces were left over from making peace pipes.

"They (the pieces) were not pipe-worthy,"

Heather Johnson of Luverne and her girls Ashlyn and Luella already knew of the stone's softness, having watched the pipemaking demonstrations during a recent visit to the Pipestone National Monument

"I thought it would be fun to do it ourselves," she said.

## Powwows gathered various tribes in celebration of lost traditions

Almost 50 people witnessed a traditional powwow Saturday night with several audience members joining in on a group dance to end the hour-long presentation.

Rona Johnston said powwows are seen as social gatherings between tribes as they try to piece together various Native American traditions.

She said decades of government intervention to erase and/or combine reservations into smaller land parcels forced many Native Americans to abandon their traditions.

Powwows are slowly allowing adults to piece together different childhood memories by sharing their experiences among each other

"They fill in the gaps for one another," she

Dance styles are among the memory

Cammas Johnston and Pascal Quarrella joined their parents, Bud and Roma, in demonstrating a few of the dance styles.

Among the demonstrations were the grand entry, crazy dance, grass dance and hoop dance.

Each of the styles was accompanied by a story such as the one told before the grass dance

"The 5-foot-tall prairie grass needed to be tapped down before a powwow," Bud said. Symbolism is featured in the hoop dance

with the use of hula hoop-type props.

"We all hold one hoop that's our hopes and dreams," Cammas Johnston said before

and dreams," Cammas Johnston said before she intertwined five hoops in her demonstration.

# Star Herald PORTS

## New season contains interesting storylines

The 2017 fall sports season is shaping up to be an interesting one for area teams.



As I was conducting interviews for the Fall Sports Preview that will be included in the Aug. 31 edition of the Star Herald, I realized this should be a unique campaign.

With a number of different storylines to keep an eye on, I'm guessing it should be an intriguing year for area sports fans as well.

Three situations have captured my attention involving Luverne High School programs.

The Cardinal girls' cross country team is facing reality of life without Madison Schandelmeier.

The LHS squad has been the most successful fall team from the Star Herald coverage area for a couple of years now.

Schandelmeier, arguably the best runner the program has produced, played a major role in the team's success.

I know the team has a lot of talented younger runners back in the mix.

However, as coach Pete Janiszeski warns, the Cardinals are one injury away from being an average team.

The LHS football team is short on senior leaders this fall.

For the first time in my 31-year tenure, LHS has fewer than 12 seniors (seven, including one foreign exchange student) listed on the roster.

I have the utmost confidence in Cardinal coach Todd Oye and his staff, but this could be a challeng-

## From The **SIDELINES**

By John Rittenhouse, sports editor

ing campaign for everyone involved.

Another point of interest for me evolves around the LHS and Hills-Beaver Creek volleyball programs, which will be led by new coaches.

Susan Bork ran the H-BC program the last three seasons and guided the Patriots to their first Red Rock Conference title last season.

Bork is the new head coach at LHS.

Meghan Zylstra, who served as a varsity assistant during Bork's entire tenure at H-BC, is the new head coach of the Patriots.

Both teams lost some talented seniors from last season, but that won't matter on Sept. 12.

That's the day H-BC travels to Luverne to renew the annual Rock County rivalry.

Believe me when I say it's a date both coaches have circled on their calendars and a match they both want to win badly.

Another situation to watch is how the Adrian High School football team fares this fall.

After a 32-year run as the AHS head football coach, Randy Strand stepped down from the post last spring.

Randy Schettler, who has served as one of Strand's varsity assistants the last five years, is Adrian's new coach.

It's never easy to replace a legend, but that's the task facing Schettler and the balance of his coaching staff this season.



Luverne's Rozilyn Oye strikes a forehand during Saturday's season-opening tennis triangular in Luverne. Oye, who was playing at the varsity level for the first time, went 1-1 at first doubles with Emilie Bartels.

## Netters open 2017 slate with home split

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne girls' tennis team opened the 2017 season by hosting a triangular meet Saturday.

The Cardinals posted a 6-1 victory over United South Central in the opener before falling 4-3 to Lac qui Parle Valley in the finale.

"You can tell how close both matches were by the huge number of super tiebreakers that were played," said Cardinal coach Greg Antoine.

"We beat USC 6-1, but two of those matches were super tiebreakers. We lost three super tiebreakers to LQPV. That means we were just a couple of points away from a 6-1 win over them. All the teams played quite well."

Luverne swept USC in doubles play and took three of the four singles matches in the opening contest.

Emilie Bartels and Rozilyn Oye bounced back from a 6-0 loss to Trinity Seedorf and Madison Lowering in the opening set at first doubles to secure 6-4 and 10-8 wins in the second set and the super tiebreaker respectively.

Riley Severtson and Elise Jarchow topped Alyson Swanson and Katie Dyila by 6-1 and 6-3 scores at second doubles, while Mela Jarchow and Kacie Kracht secured 6-2 and 6-0 victories over Olivia Schwartz and Lauren Zebro at No. 3.

Carissa Cunningham secured a 4-6, 6-0, 10-5 win over Delaney Weber at second singles.

Joci Oye downed Daylyn Huper 7-6 (9-7), 6-2 victory at third singles, while Ainslie Robinson upended Kori Elmer by 6-4 and 7-5 scores at No. 4.

USC's win came from Carly Weber, who edged Samantha Pierce 6-0, 3-6, 10-8 at first singles.

Luverne split the singles matches and went 1-2 in doubles during the one-point loss to LQPV in the second match.

Pierce bested Molly Hacker 0-6, 6-4, 10-8 at first singles, while Cunningham saddled Ashlyn Oie with a pair of 6-3 setbacks at No. 2.

Severtson and Elise Jarchow claimed 6-1 and 7-5 victories over Rachel Halverson



John Rittenhouse photo/0824 tennis 1

Luverne senior Emilie Bartels prepares to deliver a backhand during Saturday's match against USC in Luverne.

and Bree Kallhoff at second doubles.

LQPV's singles wins came from Anna Hacker (4-6, 6-3, 10-8 over Joci Ove at third singles) and Addy Oie (4-6, 7-6, 11-9 over Robinson at No. 4).

LQPV's Courtney Hanson and Jessica Sigdahl notched a pair of 6-2 wins against Bartels and Rozilyn Oye at first doubles, while Vada Maharaj and Gionna Parsa posted a 4-6, 6-1, 10-5 victory over Lauren Ver Steeg and Liz Kelm at No. 3.

The 1-1 Cardinals play at a doubles tournament in St. James Wednesday (Aug. 23) before hosting Sioux Falls Lincoln Friday.







## New campaign brings three coaching changes at area schools

### By John Rittenhouse

The 2017 fall sports season brings three coaching changes to teams from the Star Herald coverage area.

The Luverne and Hills-Beaver Creek volleyball programs have new mentors, and Adrian has a new football coach.

Susan Bork brings past experience as a head coach to the Luverne volleyball program.

Bork led a successful H-BC program for the last three seasons before being named to replace Stacie Busse-Remme, who stepped down as Luverne's head coach after compilinga30-45-1 record over the past three campaigns.

For Bork, taking over the LHS program is a homecom-

ing of sorts. A 2002 LHS graduate, Bork was a standout volleyball player for the Cardinals and coached Junior Olympic volleyball in Luverne for 11 years.

"The big factor for me taking this job was Luverne is my hometown," she said.

"I'm excited about coaching here because Luverne is my stomping grounds. I work here

and I have three kids who go to school here and I want to be more of a part of our school."

After graduating from LHS, Bork attended Stewart's Cosmetology School in Sioux Falls from June of 2002 until graduating in March of 2003.

She worked as a stylist at Hair LTD in Luverne from 2003 through 2006 before going to work for her family at Remmedez from 2006 through the present.

With the exception of all the traveling that was involved with being the H-BC head coach, Bork said giving up the position as the Patriots' coach

was a tough decision to make. "It was a super hard decision for me to make," said Bork.

"Hills definitely was good to me. I'm going to miss all of the girls and the families over there, that's for sure."

Bork found success during her three-year tenure at H-BC, compiling a 48-29 record without experiencing a losing

The Patriots put together 13-13 and 14-13 records during Bork's first two years at H-BC

before going 21-3 last year and capturing their first Red Rock Conference title with a 10-0 mark.

Luverne's new coach will emphasize the strategy that led to success at H-BC to her LHS players.

"We'll stress doing the little things well," Bork said.

"Ifyou do the little things well, good things will happen. That philosophyworkedwellforme in Hills and I think it will work for me in Luverne."

Taking over for Bork at H-BC is Meghan (Leuthold) Zylstra, who served as a varsity assistant coach for the Patriots the last four seasons.

Zylstra is a 2013 H-BC graduate who played three years of varsity volleyball during her high school years.

She also played basketball and participated in track at H-BC.

sity of Sioux Falls after leaving H-BC and obtained a degree in Elementary Education in 2016.

Christian in Edgerton the last

She attended the Univer-

Zylstra worked as a kindergarten teacher at Southwest

school year.

She was hired to be a second-grade teacher at H-BC's Elementary School in Beaver Creek, where she currently resides with her husband, Chris.

Zylstra is looking forward to  $becoming a head \, coach \, for \, the$ first time in 2017.

"I'm super-excited about this opportunity," she said.

"We did lose some key players from last year, but we also have a good group of girls coming back. I know these girls very well and they know me, so I think we will work well together."

Zylstra realizes it might be tough to match what happened during H-BC's magical 21-3 campaign from one year ago this fall, but she believes the Patriots have the potential to be a strong team in 2017.

"It would be hard to do what we did in Suzie's last year, so I think our goal will be to place among the top three teams in our conference and that's what we'll be looking to do," she said.

"I've been telling the girls that this will be my first year (as head coach), but I'm all in with

them and with what they want to accomplish. I hope they will be all in with me."

Randy Schettler has been coaching in the Adrian football program for a long time, but he has the unenviable task of replacing a legend.

Randy Strand served as the AHS head coach for 32 years from 1985 to 2006, compiling a 236-104 career record.

I'm looking forward to this challenge," Schettler said.

"With both Strand and Nowotny (Kevin, Strand's longtime assistant coach, who stepped down as well) both gone, we definitely do have some big shoes to fill. We'll just have to do our best and see what happens."

Schettler, a 1997 graduate of Fulda High School, played football against Adrian during his high school days.

Heplayedtwoyearsofjunior college football at Minnesota West in Worthington before completing his education at Minnesota State University in Mankato in 2002.

He worked as a long-term substitute teacher in Fulda before accepting a job as a middle school math instructor at Adrian in 2003, a position he still holds to this day.

Strand coaxed Schettler to workwith Adrian's junior high football players for 10 years starting in 2003, and he served as the junior varsity coach and varsity assistant the past five years.

Schettler also serves as an assistant wrestling coach and junior high baseball coach

The AHS football program has been represented in the last 10 Section 3A championship games.

Havingwatchedandlearned from Strand and Nowotny during that run, Schettler has no reason to change a lot of things during his first year as head coach.

"I don't see us changing a lot of things right now," he said.

"With a new coaching staff, we might have a little different philosophy. For the most part, we're not going to change too much."

# C Star Herald HURCH

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

Saturday, Aug.26: 5:30 p.m. St. Catherine's Mass. Sunday, Aug. 27: 8:30 a.m. St. Mary's Mass. 10:30 a.m. Saint Catherine's Mass. Fair Trade. Tuesday, Aug. 29: 4 p.m. Poplar Creek Mass. Thursday, Aug. 31: 4 p.m. Vets Mass.

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

Sunday, Aug. 27: 9:30 a.m. Worship Service. 6:30 p.m. Worship Service. Monday Aug. 28: 9 a.m. Perk Up in Edgerton. 7 p.m. Emily Klarenbeek bridal shower.

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

Walt Moser, Pastor

Thursday, Aug. 24: 6 a.m. Men's Bible Study at FBC. 7 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3. Sunday, Aug. 27: 9:15 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Morning Service. 6 p.m. Evening Service. Tuesday, Aug. 29: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study. Thursday, Aug. 31: 6 a.m. Men's Bible Study at FBC. 7 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3.

**Grace Lutheran Church** 500 N. Kniss Ave., Luverne Ph. 507-283-4431; www.graceluverne.org — graceluverne@iw.net

Ron Nichols, Pastor; Stephen Hilding, Associate Pastor Thursday, Aug. 24: 7:30 a.m. Moms Bible Study at The Bean. 9:30 a.m. Naomi Circle at The Oaks. 9:30 a.m. Rachel Circle at church. 1:30 p.m. Lydia Circle at church. 2 p.m. Sarah Circle at Mary Jane Brown. 4:30 p.m. Book Study. 7 p.m. Priscilla/ Elizabeth Circle at church. Friday, Aug. 25: 6:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Saturday, Aug. 26: 5:30 p.m. Worship Service. Sunday, Aug. 27: 8:15 a.m. Radio broadcast. 9 a.m. Worship. 10 a.m. Coffee. Monday, Aug. 28: 4:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Tuesday, Aug. 29: 9 a.m. Staff meeting; Grace Notes assembly. 1:30 p.m. Worship at Mary Jane Brown. 2:30 p.m. Worship at Poplar Creek. 4 p.m. Worship at Veterans Home. Wednesday, Aug. 30: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study. Thursday, Aug. 31: 7:30 a.m. Mom's Bible Study at the Bean. 8:30 a.m. Missions in Action. 4:30 p.m. Book Study.

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

Sunday, Aug. 27: 10:15 a.m. Worship. No Bible Class. 1:30 p.m. Worship at Mary Jane Brown. 2:15 p.m. Worship at Poplar Creek.

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

Thursday, Aug. 24: 6:30 p.m. Motorcycle Ride. Friday, Aug. 25: 6:30 a.m. Community Men's Bible Study. Saturday, Aug. 26: 10 a.m. Kerkhoff/Boeve Bridal Shower. Sunday, Aug. 27: 9:30 a.m. Worship Service. Monday, Aug. 28: 3-8 p.m. Pizza Ranch Tip Night for Cornerstone Prison Church. Tuesday, Aug. 29: 10 a.m. Staff meeting. Wednesday, Aug. 30: 7 p.m. Praise Team.

**First Assembly of God Church** 

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

> **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.

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

Thursday, Aug. 24: 1-3 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf. Saturday, Aug. 26: 8 p.m. AA meeting. Sunday, Aug. 27: 9 a.m. Traditional Service. 10 a.m. Coffee Hour and Adult Sunday School. 11 a.m. Come as You Are Service. 4:30 p.m. Genesis/Revelation Bible Study. Monday, Aug. 28: 8 p.m. AA meeting. Tuesday, Aug. 29: 9 a.m. Messenger folding team. Wednesday, Aug. 30: 8 p.m. AA meeting. Thursday, Aug. 31: 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, Aug. 24:10 a.m. Worship Service on Channel 3. Sunday, Aug. 27: 9:30 a.m. Outdoor Worship Service. 10:30 a.m. Potluck. Monday, Aug. 28: 9 a.m.-noon Quilting. Tuesday, Aug. 29: 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3. Thursday, Aug. 31: 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** 

Saturday, Aug. 26: 5:30 p.m. Worship with Communion. Sunday, Aug. 27: 9 a.m. Worship with Communion. Monday, Aug. 28: 7 p.m. Senior LYF. Tuesday, Aug. 29: 1 and 6:30 p.m. Quilting. Wednesday, Aug. 30: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study. 10:30 a.m. Assemble newsletter. 7 p.m. Youth Board meeting. Thursday, Aug. 31: 6:30 p.m. Chancel Guild.

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

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

> **New Life Celebration Church** 110 N. Oakley, Luverne

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

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

Thursday, Aug. 24: 3:30 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3. Friday, Aug. 25: 3:30 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3. Sunday Aug. 27: 9 a.m. Worship Service. Monday, Aug. 28: 1 p.m. Quilting. Thursday, Aug. 31: 3:30 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3.

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

Sunday, Aug. 27: 10 a.m. Joint Parish Worship at Palisade Lutheran.

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

Thursday, Aug. 24: 1:30 p.m. Regular WELCA meeting. Sunday, Aug. 27: 10 a.m. Joint Parish Worship.

Magnolia United Methodist Church 501 E. Luverne St., Magnolia Church Ph. 283-9698; cell 227-7821 adrmagumc@frontiernet.net — www.adrianmagnoliaumc.

> com Kristi Franken, Pastor

Sundays: 9 a.m. Magnolia Worship Service with Sunday School following service. 10:30 a.m. Adrian Worship Service with Sunday School Wednesday night at 6:30 in the fall.

## Pant for God

"As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, O God. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When can I go and meet with God?" Psalm 42:1-2

As a man crossing the hot desert longs for cool refreshing water, so our soul is to thirst for God.

As the starving child craves food, so our heart is to crave for God.

As the deployed soldier longs for the arms of their spouse, so our heart should long for God.

Why do we long for water, food, or our spouse? We long for them because of the need and/ or joy they bring and have brought into our life. Our longing for God is based on our awareness of who he is. As our love for God grows, so does our longing to meet and be with him.

While in the U.S. Army I spent a year separated from my wife and two young boys. My heart longed to be with them. More than once tears stained my checks because my heart missed them so much. My missing them was based on my relationship with them. I knew other people stateside, but my heart didn't long for them because our

## BUILT ON A ROCK

By Pastor Walt Moser, First Baptist Church, Luverne

relationship was not the same.

My longing for God grows the more I know him. As I read in the Bible about who he is, my heart longs to see him face to face. When Adam and Eve sinned, he didn't destroy them instantaneously. he promised to send a Savior so we could have forgiveness of sin. He sent his very son, Jesus Christ, who lived a sinless life dying on a cruel cross for our sin so that all who believe may have forgiveness of sin and live with him forever.

God guides me each day and has promised to never leave me or forget about me. He is the good shepherd who closely watches over his sheep. These are things found in the Bible that cause me to long for God as the deer pants for water.

I pray you pant for God.

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.

> **Steen Reformed Church** 112 W. Church Ave., Steen Ph. 855-2336 Jeremy Wiersema, Pastor

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

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

e-mail: bethlehemluth@alliancecom.net

Sunday, Aug. 27: 9 a.m. Worship at Tuff Chapel. 10 a.m. Communion at Bethlehem. Tuesday, Aug. 29: 2:30 p.m. Bible Study at Tuff Home. 3:15 p.m. Bible Study at the Village. Wednesday, Aug. 30: 9 a.m. Quilting.

> **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.

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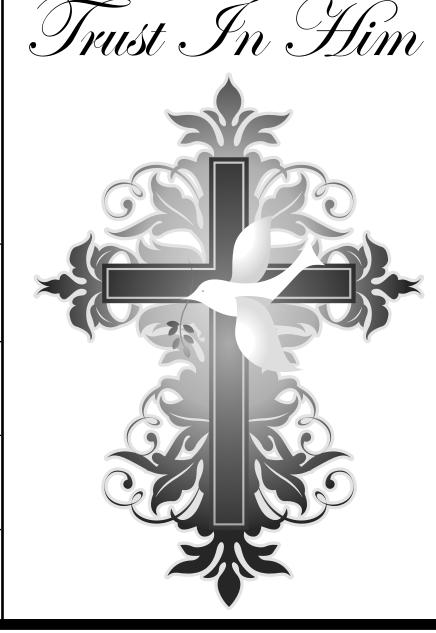
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Kruse probate

STATE OF MINNESOTA **COUNTY OF ROCK** 

FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT **DISTRICT COURT** 

**COURT FILE NO. 67-PR-17-226** 

IN RE: ESTATE OF In Re: Estate of Burdell Kruse, Decedent.

NOTICE OF INFORMAL PROBATE OF WILL AND INFORMAL APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND

AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is given that an Application for Informal Probate of Will and Informal Appointment of Personal Representative was filed with the Registrar, along with a Will dated January 7, 2014. The Registrar accepted the application and appointed Julia Ann Kruse, whose address is 609 N. Cottage Grove Ave., Luverne, Minnesota 56156, to serve as the personal representative of the decedent's estate.

Any heir, devisee or other interested person may be entitled to appointment as personal representative or may object to the appointment of the personal representative. Any objection to the appointment of the personal representative must be filed with the Court, and any properly filed objection will be heard by the Court after notice is provided to interested persons of the date of hearing on the objection.

Unless objections are filed, and unless the Court orders otherwise, the personal representative has the full power to administer the estate, including, after thirty (30) days from the issuance of letters testamentary, the power to sell, encumber, lease, or distribute any interest in real estate owned by the decedent.

Notice is further given that, subject to Minn. Stat. § 524.3-801, all creditors having claims against the decedent's estate are required to present the claims to the personal representative or to the Court within four (4) months after the date of this notice or the claims will be barred.

Dated: August 11, 2017

/s/ Sharon L. Tellinghuisen Probate Registrar Denise Brandel Court Adminstrator

Evan Anema (MN# 391732) Estate Planning Solutions Law Firm, Prof. LLC 4300 S. Louise Ave. Suite 107 Sioux Falls South Dakota 57106 Telephone: (605) 906-8118 Facsimile: (605) 906-8118 ATTORNEY FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

(08-17, 08-24)

## **Public Hearing for Zoning** Amendment Aug. 28

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR ZONING AMENDMENT

Pursuant to the Rock County Zoning Ordinance, notice is hereby given by the Rock County Planning and Zoning Commission that a public hearing will be held at the Rock County Law Enforcement Center located at 1000 North Blue Mound Avenue, Luverne, Minnesota at 8:00 p.m., Monday, August 28, 2017. The purpose of this hearing is to take public comment and act on a Zoning Amendment to change the applicable zoning to I-1, General Industry, for the property described as follows:

The Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) and all that part of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) lying South of the Right-of-Way of Interstate 90 as now established across the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4), ALL in Section Fifteen (15), Township One Hundred Two (102) North, Range 45 West of the 5th P.M., EXCEPT THAT TRACT described as:

Beginning at the East Quarter Corner of Section 15 (15), Township One Hundred Two (102) North, Range Forty-Five (45) West of the 5th P.M., thence south 00 Degrees 00 Minutes 01 Sections West 868.40 feet; thence South 89 Degrees 44 Minutes 33 Seconds West 1294.42 feet; thence North 00 Degrees 44 Minutes 30 Seconds West 1064.7 feet to the South Rigth of Way of Interstate 90 to the East line of Section 15; thence South 00 Degrees 07 Minutes 59 Seconds East 1.00 foot to the point of beginning. The bearing of the South Half (S 1/2) of the East Line of said Section 15 (15) is assumed South 00 Degrees 00 Minutes 01 Seconds West. AND ALSO EXCEPT the following tract:

The East 750.00 feet lying South of a line described as beginning on the East line of said Section Fifteen (15) South 00 Degrees 00 Minutes 00 Seconds West 868.40 feet from the East Quarter Corner of said Section Fifteen (15); thence South 89 Degrees 44 Minutes 33 Seconds West. Bearings are assumed.

AND ALSO EXCEPT the North 500 feet therof, already zoned as General Industry. All interested parties are invited to attend. If you are unable to attend, any comments or questions may be submitted in writing by 4:00 p.m., August 28, 2017, to the Rock County Land Management Office, 311 West Gabrielson Road, Luverne, MN 56156

By order of the Rock County Planning and Zoning Commission Eric Hartman, Zoning Administrator 311 W. Gabrielson Road Luverne, MN 56156 507-283-8862

## Mortgage foreclosure sale set for Sept. 28

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that default has occurred in conditions of the following described mortgage:

DATE OF MORTGAGE: March 26, 2008

MORTGAGOR: Jamil A. Davis, a single person.

MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING: Recorded March 26, 2008 Rock County

Recorder, Document No. 168657. ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: Chase Home Finance, LLC.

Dated October 20, 2009 Recorded November 9, 2009, as Document No. 172510. And also assigned to: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association. Dated March 12, 2013 Recorded March 25, 2013, as Document No. 181529.

TRANSACTION AGENT: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. TRANSACTION AGENT'S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ON MORT-GAGE: 100052217005069633

LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON MORT-GAGE: First Premier Bank

RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE SERVICER: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association

MORTGAGED PROPERTY ADDRESS: 124 Water Avenue South, Hills, MN 56138

TAX PARCEL I.D. #: 15-0059-000

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:

The N. 60 feet of Lots 18, 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23, All in Block 3, Original Plat of the City of Hills, Rock County, Minnesota

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Rock

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$71,354.00 AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE, INCLUD-ING TAXES, IF ANY, PAID BY MORTGAGEE:

That prior to the commencement of this mortgage foreclosure proceeding Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee complied with all notice requirements as required by statute; That no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof;

PURSUANT to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: September 28, 2017 at 10:00 AM

PLACE OF SALE: Sheriff's Office, Main Entrance, Law Enforcement Center, 1000

North Blue Mound Avenue, Luverne, MN to pay the debt then secured by said Mortgage, and taxes, if any, on said premises, and the costs and disbursements, including attorneys' fees allowed by law subject to redemption within six (6) months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns unless reduced to Five (5) weeks under MN Stat. §580.07.

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: If the real estate is an owner-occupied, single-family dwelling, unless otherwise provided by law, the date on or before which the mortgagor(s) must vacate the property if the mortgage is not reinstated under section 580.30 or the property is not redeemed under section 580.23 is 11:59 p.m. on March 28, 2018, unless that date falls on a weekend or legal holiday, in which case it is the next weekday, and unless the redemption period is reduced to 5 weeks under MN Stat. Secs. 580.07 or 582.032.

MORTGAGOR(S) RELEASED FROM FINANCIAL OBLIGATION ON MORTGAGE:None

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

Dated: July 25, 2017

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee

USSET, WEINGARDEN AND LIEBO, P.L.L.P. Attorneys for Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee 4500 Park Glen Road #300 Minneapolis, MN 55416 (952) 925-6888 30 - 17-004731 FC

THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.

(08-03, 08-10, 08-17, 08-24, 08-31, 09-07)

## **Rock County seeks sealed** proposals by Sept. 18

**NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS** BRIDGE REPLACEMENT & APPROACH GRADING / S.A.P. 067 - 598 - 016

BIDS CLOSE @ 11:00 A.M. SEPTEMBER 18, 2017 LUVERNE, MINNESOTA

Sealed proposals will be received by the Rock County Highway Department at Luverne, Minnesota until 11:00 A.M. on Friday, September 18, 2017 READ CAREFULLY THE 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\*\* as contained in this Proposal.

Proposals will be opened and read publicly in the presence of the Rock County Highway Engineer at the Rock County Highway Building located at II20 North Blue Mound Avenue in Luverne, MN immediately following the hour set for receiving bids for the following Rock County Highway work. Bids will be awarded on Tuesday, September 19TH, 2017 at the regular Board of Commissioners Meeting.

Construction of Bridge 67569, an 82 foot Concrete Slab Span. The project is located in Magnolia Township on County Road 55, 2-1/2 Miles South of the Intersection of CSAH 4 and County Road 55 over The Elk Creek.

The major items of work are: 86 Cu. Yds. Structural Concrete; 2,957 Sq. Ft. of Bridge Slab Concrete; 168 Lin. Ft. of Type F (TL-4) Railing Concrete; 38,090 Pounds of Reinforcement Bars (Epoxy Coated); 500 Cu. Yds. Random Riprap (Class IV); 420 Lin. Ft. 12" – C-I-P Piling; 2 – 12" C-I-P Test Piles 80 Ft. Long; 560 Lin. Ft. 16" – C-I-P Piling; and 2 – 16" C-I-P Test Piles 80 Ft. Long.

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-

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

Sealed bids shall be clearly marked \*\*PROJECT NO. S.A.P. 067-598-016\*\* The Board of Rock County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any defects therein.

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Rock County Highway Engineer (08-24, 08, 31, 09-07)

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(8.10 - 8.27)

### **EMPLOYMENT**

CNA: Parkview Manor is looking for CNAs! Benefits include health insurance, PERA retirement plan, vacation and sick time, holiday pay, and a \$2,000 scholarship available for students! We will provide training or pay for experience. Wages are based on experience level. If interested, contact Darnell Krull at (507) 967-2388 or Sam Quam at (507) 967-2482. (tc)

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Berkley Classics, a W. R. Berkley Company is looking for a full-time Underwriting Assistant in it's Luverne office. This position would identify, prepare and scan underwriting documents into their imaging workflow system. Create workflow items in the workflow system. Evaluate information, complete underwriting functions and process Berkley Classics new business, renewals, quotes and endorsements to support the underwriting staff. Assures the business meets established eligibility guidelines; complies with company and regulatory standards; and is processed within time and quality standards. Knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel and Outlook, company processing systems. Education requirement: Associates degree from college or technical school, or one to two years related experience and/or training; or equivalent combination of education and experience. Property/Casualty agent's license may be required but can be obtained after an initial training period in this position.

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or via mail to Berkley Classics, PO Box 500, Luverne, MN 56156



### **EMPLOYMENT**

WANTED: Assistant Teacher for Rock Rapids Head Start Center. Monday- Thursday, 26 hours a week, September through May. Eligible for benefits, including IPERS. For more information or to apply online, please visit www.midsioux.org. 1-800-859-2025. An Equal Opportunity Employer. (8.13-8.31)

SUBSTITUTES NEEDED for the 2017-18 school year at Blue Mound Learning Center in Pipestone, MN. Substitute Teachers must have MN Special Education licensure and will be paid \$125 per day. Substitute Paraprofessionals with EBD experience preferred. Paraprofessional pay starts at \$12.20 per hour. Complete online application at www.swsc. org/application and include cover letter, application form, copy of license (if applicable), resume, and two letters of reference. For questions about the position contact Steve Rops at 507-825-5858, ext. 2716 or steve.rops@swsc.org. EOE.

(8.13-9.3)

Adrian Public School is seeking applications for a classroom/special education paraprofessionals at the Elementary and Middle/High School. Candidates will work with teachers providing academic and behavioral support to students. Candidates should hold an associates degree, or have certification via the Para Pro assessment. If interested, please submit a letter of application, resume, current letters of reference, and a completed district application found at www.isd511.net. Send application materials to: Adrian Public School, PO Box 40, Adrian, MN 56110. For additional information on the Para Pro assessment, please contact Cate Koehne at c.koehne@ isd511.net or Russ Lofthus at r.lofthus@isd11.net Positions open until filled. (8.6-8.24)

New Prairie Insulation of Beaver Creek has a full-time Insulation Installer position available. Monday through Friday, health insurance, vacation, holiday, bonus opportunities. Will train. Call Dean at 605-376-3006 or 507-673-2548.

### **EMPLOYMENT**

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Cook: Parkview Manor is looking for a part-time cook! Benefits include vacation, PERA retirement plan, and holiday pay. Training is available on-site. Wages are based on experience level. If interested, contact Sam or Arlys at 507-967-2482, or come visit us to pick up an application! (tc)

RN/LPN: Parkview Manor is looking for a part-time RN/ LPN to fill in as needed! Benefits include vacation, PERA retirement plan, and holiday pay. Wages are based on experience. If interested, contact Darnell Krull at 507-967-2388.

Nobles County Library -**Adrian Branch** 

**Library Page Part-Time** 

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(8.24 - 8.27)

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Garage sale in Magnolia. Thursday, August 24 and Friday, August 25 8am to ?. 410 E. Luverne, Magnolia, MN. Blankets, towels, pot and frying pans, canners, small appliances, dressers, 2 microwaves, computer desk, small drop leaf table and lots of misc.

(8.20 - 8.24)



Friday, August 25 Saturday, August 26 Over 50 sales

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(8.20 - 8.24)

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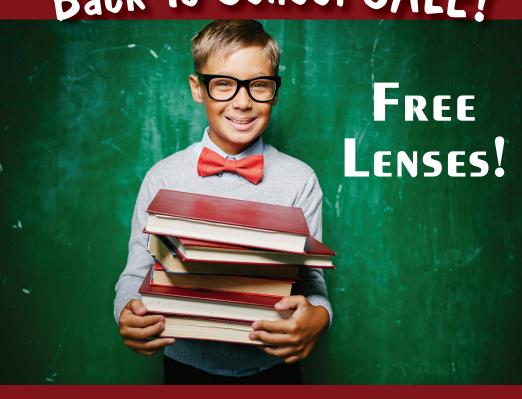
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## Ads must be paid for before they will run.

All of the garage sale ads will be published in the Rock County Star Herald and Luverne Announcer with a Garage Sale header & September 14, 15 & 16 date on top of the page - you don't need to

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Your ad will look like this: 000 Any Street Sat., 00 am - 00 pm Group rummage sale! Children's and adult

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Please list your address first and time of the sale second! These words will be counted as part of the ad. Also, specify if sale will be Thursday, Friday & Saturday, or Saturday only.

**DEADLINE:** 

Tues., Sept. 5 AT NOON SHARP!

## \*\*\*\* CLIP & USE THIS COUPON \*\*\*\* All ads will run two times -SEPT. 10 ANNOUNCER & SEPT. 14 STAR HERALD

20 words **\$15.00** 25 words **\$17.50** 30 words **\$20.00** Please mail your check with this coupon! **PAYMENT REQUIRED WHEN COUPON IS TURNED IN!** 

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