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Sanford Luverne Hospice Cottage celebrates 20 years with butterfly release

Event honors two decades of care for individuals' final days

By Mavis Fodness

Without community support, The Cottage in Luverne would not be an option for families whose loved ones face a terminal medical condition.

The Cottage opened in 1998 as the first-of-its-kind hospice residence in rural Minnesota.

Tammy Moeller serves as hospice manager.

"There were only three others in Minnesota back in 1998 and they all were in the metro area," she said. "There are more residential hospice houses in Minnesota now."

The Cottage is a licensed congregate residential hospice facility.

Sanford Luverne Hospice operates The Cottage, a four-bedroom facility located on North Oakley Street in Luverne.

Sanford hosted a community appreciation barbecue Monday night to celebrate 20 years and to thank its supporters.

"There are so many individuals, families, businesses, civic organizations, churches and others in the area who have contributed to our success, and we want to take this opportunity to show our appreciation," said Helen Saum, who is the hospice volunteer and marketing coordinator.

In its two decades of existence, The Cottage has offered compassionate and personalized medical care to more than 675 area families.

One of those families, the Griesses of Rock Rapids, Iowa, attended the appreciation event.

For a year LeRoy Griesse battled cancer, and by June he decided entering the hospice facility was best for his family.

"It was his idea to come here," his wife, Judy Griesse, said. "He said, 'I can't put this on you anymore.'"

Griesse and his family spent 16 days together in the hospice cottage.

Judy Griesse reflected on the experience.



Mavis Fodness photo/0920 Hospice 20 year

Twenty-five families whose loved ones stayed at The Cottage in Luverne released butterflies into the hospice facility's memory garden Monday night in a special ceremony in honor of The Cottage's 20-year anniversary. Here, Paula Lammert tries coaxing her Painted Ladies butterfly into flight by blowing air under its wings. The butterflies were released from triangle-shaped envelopes (below, left) printed with the message, "Loved ones may leave this world, but they never leave our hearts."



At far right, pavers with names of former hospice residents line the walkway in the memory garden of The Cottage located on North Oakley Street in Luverne.



(At right) a butterfly flexes its wings on the wrist of Jack Harms.



H-BC family requests pairing agreement with Luverne gymnastics

By Mavis Fodness

A Hills family has asked the Luverne and the Hills-Beaver Creek school districts to form a sports pairing agreement in order for their daughter to compete on the Luverne High School gymnastics team.

Justin and Laressa Birger made the request in a letter dated Monday, Sept. 10.

By email the following day, H-BC Superintendent Todd Holthaus inquired about additional sports pairings with Luverne for H-BC students to also participate in Luverne's wrestling, baseball and softball programs.

Laressa Birger and her daughter, Taryn, met with the Luverne School Board during their Thursday workshop session.

Laressa Birger said her daughter has advanced through several levels of gymnastic lessons in Sioux Falls through the years but the rigors of practicing with the club team would prevent the now seventh-grader from participating in other high school sports.

A cooperative agreement between Luverne and H-BC would

mean any H-BC student interested in participating in gymnastics could do so through Luverne's athletic program while remaining a student at H-BC.

"By approving this proposal, Luverne Public Schools will be represented well with participation of

H-BC pairing request/see page 5A

BeMobile buys Verizon from Sudenga Communication

By Lori Sorenson

The Verizon store in Luverne is under new ownership following a purchase agreement effective Aug. 31.

The store will remain under the Verizon brand; however, it will be owned by BeMobile, headquartered in Grand Forks, North Dakota.

The storefront on South Highway 75 now has a larger Verizon sign, and the store's interior furnishings have been removed to make way for new Verizon corporate standards.

Jeremy Sudenga has owned the local Verizon store under Sudenga Communications for the past 10 years.

He said he's excited to explore new professional opportunities, but he'll miss working with his Verizon customers.

"I've enjoyed working in the com-

munity all these years," Sudenga said. "Most of all, I have valued the relationships that I've gained through the business."

His father, the late John Sudenga, started Sudenga Communications 21 years ago in 1997. Jeremy's brother, Jeff Sudenga, has also worked with the business for many years.

The Verizon store space is leased from building owner Faye Bremer, who also has her salon business in the building.

BeMobile is an authorized Verizon retailer with 56 locations in Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa and Wisconsin.

The local store remains open with the same phone number and BeMobile has temporary employees staffing the office until a permanent store leader is hired.

Opioid crisis hits rural America

Farm groups host forum to prompt discussions about dependency


By Lori Sorenson

Local residents may be surprised to hear that opioid abuse has arrived in Rock County, but as a small group was reminded Monday night, farmers don't typically talk about struggles, particularly if it involves opioid dependency.

That point, among others, was raised during candid discussion at The Bluestem where Minnesota Farm Bureau hosted about 30 community members to share their experiences and to exchange information and resources.

"The opioid crisis knows no enemy," said Ruth Meirick of Minnesota Farm Bureau. "It's the kid that had a wisdom tooth pulled. It's the cheerleader who sprained her ankle. It's just available and quite

Access to Opioids and Opioid Treatment

 **3 in 4** farmers say it would be easy for someone in their community to access a large amount of prescription opioids or painkillers without a prescription, and just under half of rural adults – **46%** – say the same.

easy to get. All you have to do is fake an injury and get a prescription."

Meirick is director of Farm Bureau Young Farmers and Ranchers and serves on the Farm Bureau Promotion and Education Board.

She was in Luverne Monday night as part of a series of educational gatherings around the state designed to start the discussion about opioid dependency in rural

Minnesota.

She shared the latest statistics about opioid use as it relates to the farming community.

While just under half of rural Americans say they have been directly impacted by opioid abuse, 74 percent of farmers and farm workers say they have.

Rural opioid crisis/see page 5A



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Meetings

Parkinson’s Support Group will meet at 1 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 20, at St. John Lutheran Church in Luverne. Call Dianne at 507-530-3307 with questions.

MS Support Group will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 20, at Southwest Health and Human Services in Luverne. All persons with MS, family and friends are invited. Call 283-2069 with questions.

Town and Country Garden Club will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 25, at the Law Enforcement Center in Luverne. Carol Zwaan will host an “End of the Garden” soup cook-off. Favorite soups from you garden produce will be shared. Call 507-597-6378 for details. All are welcome.

Blue Mound Quilters will meet at 6 p.m. Monday, Oct. 1, at the Rock County Library. Members are to bring fabric and supplies for pillow cases. Call Sharon at 507-227-3821 with questions.

Historical Society dinner postponed

The Rock County Historical Society postponed its annual dinner meeting to Oct. 29. The meeting was scheduled for Monday, Sept. 17, at Sterling’s in downtown Luverne. Contact the History Center, 507-283-2122, for tickets or additional information.

Adopt-a-Crag at Blue Mounds Sept. 22

The Friends of Blue Mounds State Park are hosting an Adopt-a-Crag Cleanup event from 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 22. Participants should bring safety or sunglasses, gloves, and hand tools if possible. Register at the climber’s lot from 12:30-1 p.m. Call Renae Pick at 507-227-5520.

Friends of Library Book Sale Sept. 20-22

The Friends of the Library Book Sale will run from 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 20, from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 21, and from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 22. Friends of the Library members may shop from 5-7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 19. Call 605-413-5415.

Free food Sept. 20

New Life Celebration Church will offer free food from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 20, in the Luverne Senior Citizens Building on East Lincoln Street in Luverne for those having trouble putting food on the table. Bring your own boxes and bags. Call 507-283-4366 with questions.

Blood drive in Adrian Sept. 20

Sanford Adrian Clinic will host the Community Blood Bank from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 20, in the Adrian Ambulance Garage. All donations support patients at Sanford Luverne and Sanford Worthington. Call 507-483-2668.

LHS Coronation is Monday, Sept. 24

Luverne High School’s Homecoming Coronation ceremony is at 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 24, in the Luverne Elementary gymnasium. The event is open to the public. Admission is \$1 or a donation of a non-perishable food item. Root beer floats follow in the elementary commons.

Bloodmobile in Luverne Sept. 24

The American Red Cross Bloodmobile will be in Luverne from 1 to 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 24, in Grace Lutheran Church on Kniss Avenue. Save time by using RapidPass® to make an appointment and complete pre-donation reading and health history online before arriving.

Coffeebreak kicks off Sept. 25

The Coffeebreak Bible Study at the Luverne Christian Reformed Church will kick off the new year with a brunch and a speaker from Southwest Crisis Center at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 25. The first Bible study will begin at 9:30 a.m. Oct. 3. All women are welcome; no prior Bible knowledge is necessary. A nursery and story hour for children ages 0-kindergarten is available. Call Kristi at 507-227-5102.

‘See you at the pole’ meets Sept. 26

“See you at the pole” will meet at 7:40 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 26, at the flagpoles of the Luverne elementary and high schools for a time of prayer. This is a student-led event organized by Rock the Edge.

Free meal at UMC Sept. 26

A free meal open to the public begins at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 26, at the Luverne United Methodist Church on West Main Street.



Mavis Fodness photo/0920 History Center Murals

Rock County communities represented in History Center’s new outdoor murals

Two large murals on the exterior of the History Center on East Main Street Luverne have dozens of pictures depicting the history of the main communities of Rock County.

According to History Center volunteer Dave Smith, organizers spent time finding photographs from Hardwick, Kenneth, Kanaranzi, Luverne, Hills, Steen, Beaver Creek, Magnolia and Ash Creek (which is represented by the county’s first country school).

The weather resistant murals are displayed in the cove where the former garage doors were located.

A grant received from the Lyon County, Iowa, Riverboat Foundation paid for the murals.



Farm Bureau members travel to Washington, D.C.

Twenty-two Farm Bureau members from across Minnesota met with their members of Congress in Washington, D.C., during the Minnesota Farm Bureau Federation’s (MFBF) Farmers to Washington, D.C., trip Sept. 11-14.

Participants met with Senators Amy Klobuchar and Tina Smith; members of Congress Collin Peterson, Tom Emmer, Betty McCollum and Jason Lewis; and staff members from the offices of Collin Peterson, Tom Emmer, Betty McCollum, Jason Lewis, Erik Paulsen,

Rick Nolan and Tim Walz.

During the meeting, attendees discussed Farm Bureau policy priorities to include finishing the 2018 Farm Bill on time, defending and expanding trade opportunities, protecting and expanding the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS), finding a solution for the very serious farm labor shortage and cutting the burdens of regulations.

“There is a significant impact when showing up in person and having that personal conversation about your farm and family with

your member of Congress,” said Beaver Creek farmer Peter Bakken, Minnesota Farm Bureau Promotion and Education Committee chair.

“Your personal story is valuable information they can’t get anywhere else.”

In addition, attendees met with U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Undersecretary Ted McKinney and Undersecretary Bill Northey, USDA Chief Economist Robert Johansson, USDA Secretary Perdue’s senior staff and American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF) President Zippy Duvall and AFBF staff.

They attended the U.S. Senate Agriculture Committee Hearing on Perspectives on Agricultural Trade, and while there, members visited with Chairman Pat Roberts (R-KS), both Minnesota Senators Klobuchar and Smith, Senator Ernst (R-IA) and U.S. Trade Ambassador Gregg Doud.

Trip attendees included county Farm Bureau leaders, state board of director members, state Promotion & Education (P&E) and Young Farmers & Ranchers (YF&R) Committee members and YF&R contest finalists.



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Roads closed to public

By Mavis Fodness
Resolutions were passed Sept. 10 by the boards of Mound and Luverne townships to vacate two roads pending receipt of a letter from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources.
A joint public hearing that had opened on June 26 to vacate one mile of 181st Street between 110th and 120th avenues and 3,960 feet of 131st Street remained open until Sept. 10 in order to receive DNR comment.
Mound Township supervisor Dave DeBoer said he talked with DNR officials at the Windom office who indicated that the prepared letter stated the DNR had no issues with the road vacations.
“But I don’t have that in hand today,” DeBoer said Monday. “Technically it is done but we don’t have a signed paper.”
Since June 26 the public hearing remained open because township officials

noticed waterways near the proposed vacated roads. If the DNR deemed the waterways as public waterways, the townships would need to maintain the public roadway to the waterways.
Adjoining property owners to the proposed vacated roadways and an official with the DNR attended the June 26 public hearing. All supported the township boards’ desire to eliminate the roadways from public use.
No members of the public attended the Sept. 10 meeting that formally closed the public hearing.
A joint resolution was signed between Mound and Luverne townships to vacate portions of 131st Street commonly known as Darling’s Bend.
Mound Township members signed a second resolution to close the portion of 181st Street. The vacated roads will revert back to adjacent landowners.

District requests grant for school safety improvements

By Mavis Fodness
The four public schools in the Star Herald coverage area were among the 1,250 education facilities across the state that submitted applications to the state’s School Safety Grant Program.
Last spring, state legislators appropriated \$25 million for public and charter schools to complete facility improvements related to violence prevention and facility security.
Districts could request up to \$500,000 for each school site. Locally more than \$1,224,000 was requested for safety improvements. Facilities and the amounts requested included:
•Adrian Elementary, \$20,902.
•Adrian Middle-High School, \$39,230.
•Ellsworth, \$500,000.
•Hills-Beaver Creek Elementary, \$19,450.
•Hills-Beaver Creek Middle-High School \$9,700.
•Luverne Elementary, \$191,500.
•Luverne Middle-High School, \$444,000.

Grants can be used to pre-design, design, construct, furnish and equip qualifying school properties. Renovating and expanding existing buildings and facilities are included.
“School safety grants to support facilities will only begin to address a small fraction of our districts’ school safety needs statewide,” said Education Commissioner Brenda Cassellius.
Luverne Superintendent Craig Oftedahl wasn’t optimistic about rural district’s chances of securing a grant but went forward with the application to send state education officials a message.
“It is important for schools to apply and let the Minnesota Department of Education see the need in Greater Minnesota for more funding in the area,” he said. At least half of the grants will be awarded to non-metro schools.
Visual alarms, paging systems, main entrance redesigns, cameras, locks and sensors were among the local requests.
Grant recipients are announced Sept. 28.

County adopts tougher energy ordinance

By Mavis Fodness
Rock County’s updated Renewable Energy Ordinance was unanimously adopted by commissioners Tuesday after specific definitions and setback requirements were included in the 18-page document.
The new rules, effective later this month, outline the permit requirements for wind farms producing less than 5 megawatts (about 2 to 5 turbines) of electricity and solar systems under 50 megawatts operated in the county. Larger production farms are permitted at the state level of government.
A public hearing was conducted by commissioners Sept. 4 before the ordinance was formally adopted. No one from the public commented during the half-hour public hearing earlier this month.
Dana Hoffman with the county attorney’s office updated the ordinance Sept. 18 with the changes commissioners suggested at the public hearing.
Definitions of a small-sized and a mid-sized solar energy system were further clarified.
“One of the biggest differences you see between small- and mid-sized is they’re both

less than 100 kilowatts and the small doesn’t include the ground-mounted arrays and only generates electricity on site,” she said.
“Whereas your mid-size would sell electricity back to the utilities as well as be used on site.”
Commissioners also agreed to specific setback requirements from other dwellings, from 50- to 200-feet depending on the size of the solar energy system.
The addition of specific distances makes Rock County’s ordinance more restrictive than neighboring counties, according to Land Management Office Director Eric Hartman.
“The fact we placed a set distance in there, we’re more restrictive,” he said. “The majority of the other counties have no structural setback distances spelled out for solar and the setback for wind follows state standards.”
Commissioner Gary Overgaard preferred to err on the side of caution by designating a distance. “It’s so new that no one has any experience with it yet,” he said.
Currently no wind or solar farms fall under the county permitting parameters. All current and proposed projects require state permits.

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enough questions to bring project estimates \$3 million under budget, with lower priority items completed at a future date.
Oftedahl said he wants to keep the tradition of excellence the public has come to expect from its school district.
“In Luverne we do not do things on the cheap,” he said.

“If we are going to do the project, we’re going to have to do it right.”
No formal decisions were made at the workshop.
Tuesday’s special meeting occurred after the Star Herald went to press. That coverage will be posted online after the meeting and will be included in the Sept. 27 edition.



Mavis Fodness photo/0920 GEP Open House

Green Earth Players opens on West Main Street

After months of sorting, painting and organizing, the Green Earth Players moved into their new location on West Main Street, down the street from the Palace Theatre in Luverne. The community theater group hosted a public open house Saturday to celebrate the new space. The Green Earth Players group was established in 1978 and since then has had various locations for its costumes, props and rehearsals. According to GEP Board member Terri Ebert, the new location may be GEP’s last. “It’s going to be home for years,” she said. The GEP is leasing the former home of Quality Printing, who moved to a new Harrison Street location last year. The three main rooms now consist of GEP’s lobby/gathering space, rehearsal stage and storage area for props. The basement holds thousands of costumes.

Above, a storefront on Main Street allows the Green Earth Players to display upcoming productions including November’s play “Best Christmas Pageant Ever.”
Green Earth Players board members (standing, from left) DJ Luethje, Terri Ebert and Scott Wessels serve sweet rolls Saturday in the lobby/gathering space at their new location at 116 West Main Street in Luverne.



The rehearsal stage in the GEP’s new building is located in the central room. The stage’s dimensions are the same as those at the Palace Theatre, the site of the GEP productions.

The basement as well as the main floor of GEP’s new location allows for storage of costumes and props for future productions. All costumes have been sorted and placed in various categories for easy locating.

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Teenager's insight gets this ol' cowgirl back in the saddle

As a reporter for a small community newspaper, I often hear people say, "You must meet a lot of interesting people."



RUMINATIONS

By Mavis Fodness, Reporter

And I do.

On a weekly basis I talk with all kinds of people for all kinds of stories and I have all kinds of conversations by way of interviews.

I enjoyed a particularly memorable exchange for last week's story about Ethan Braucht, and pieces of that conversation about our shared enthusiasm for horses and horseback riding have fluttered in and out of my mind since we spoke.

I heard of his goal to travel to Canada and ride in a very elite horse show event earlier this year. Through his mom I followed his progress and did a little research about the Canadian National Arabian and half-Arabian Horse Show.

I learned that only the best of the best make the rigor to compete at such an event. Ethan wanted to earn a Top 10 ribbon.

I understand fulfilling a dream like that is only made possible through hard work and making a connection with the right horse.

Those two elements came together for the 13-year-old from rural Beaver Creek and his 10-year-old gelding named Pistol.

The story of their accomplishment appeared in last week's Star Herald.

During his interview Ethan told me about his hyperactivity and how riding horseback helped him channel his energy from his body and how the horse "feels" the sensation and responds by moving forward.

I had a similar goal to earn a Top 10 ribbon this fall.

I wanted to qualify with my horse, Emma, at the Western Saddle Clubs Association Champ Show going on this week in St. Paul.

However, a previous incident at the second qualifying show had me rethinking my goal. I was left shaken and scared — but thankfully with no broken bones.

The incident left me insecure with Emma in the show ring, and my frustration continued at each of the next six weekend shows.

I felt uncomfortable in the saddle and any twitch of Emma's ear had me dismounting out of the saddle in an instant. I lost my usual confidence and wasn't sure how to get the feeling to return to the show ring.

I feared I would have to abandon showing horses altogether.

But Ethan's words about channeling one's positive energy into the horse helped me during the last show of the season. My concentration made me less worried about Emma's behavior and in turn focused her attention on what I was telling her.

As I circled around that arena Sunday afternoon with confidence, I was rewarded by qualifying for the 2019 Championship Show.

I am well on my way to regrouping and moving forward with the hope that next year will be my year to have a large Top 10 rosette pinned to the bridle.

Thanks, Ethan.

Your insight came from the passion you've developed for riding. Thank you for getting me back in the saddle.

Join the 2018 Farm Safety Partner Campaign

America's farmers provide us with an abundant food supply.

For that their jobs expose them to a unique, sometimes hazardous workplace.

Each year since 1944, the third week in September has been recognized as National Farm Safety and Health Week.

This recognition has been an annual promotion initiated by the National Safety Council and has been proclaimed as such by each sitting U.S. president since Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the first document.

This week reminds us that for decades agriculture has continued to rank as one of the most dangerous occupations in North America and across the globe.

Locally we need to be reminded not to take shortcuts and be aware of dangers.

This year's theme is "Cultivating the Seeds of Safety."

More than 100 safety and health videos are available on YouTube for those working in agriculture and those who want to know more about

the danger.

Video topics range from tractor rollovers to heat illness to livestock safety to grain bins.

The Upper Midwest Agricultural Safety and Health center (UMASH) is launching the 2018 Farm Safety Partner Campaign to encourage all of us to share safe work practices in support of National Farm Safety and Health Week.

It's easy to become a Farm Safety Partner.

Tell UMASH how you shared health and safety information by completing the online Farm Safety Week Partner submission form.

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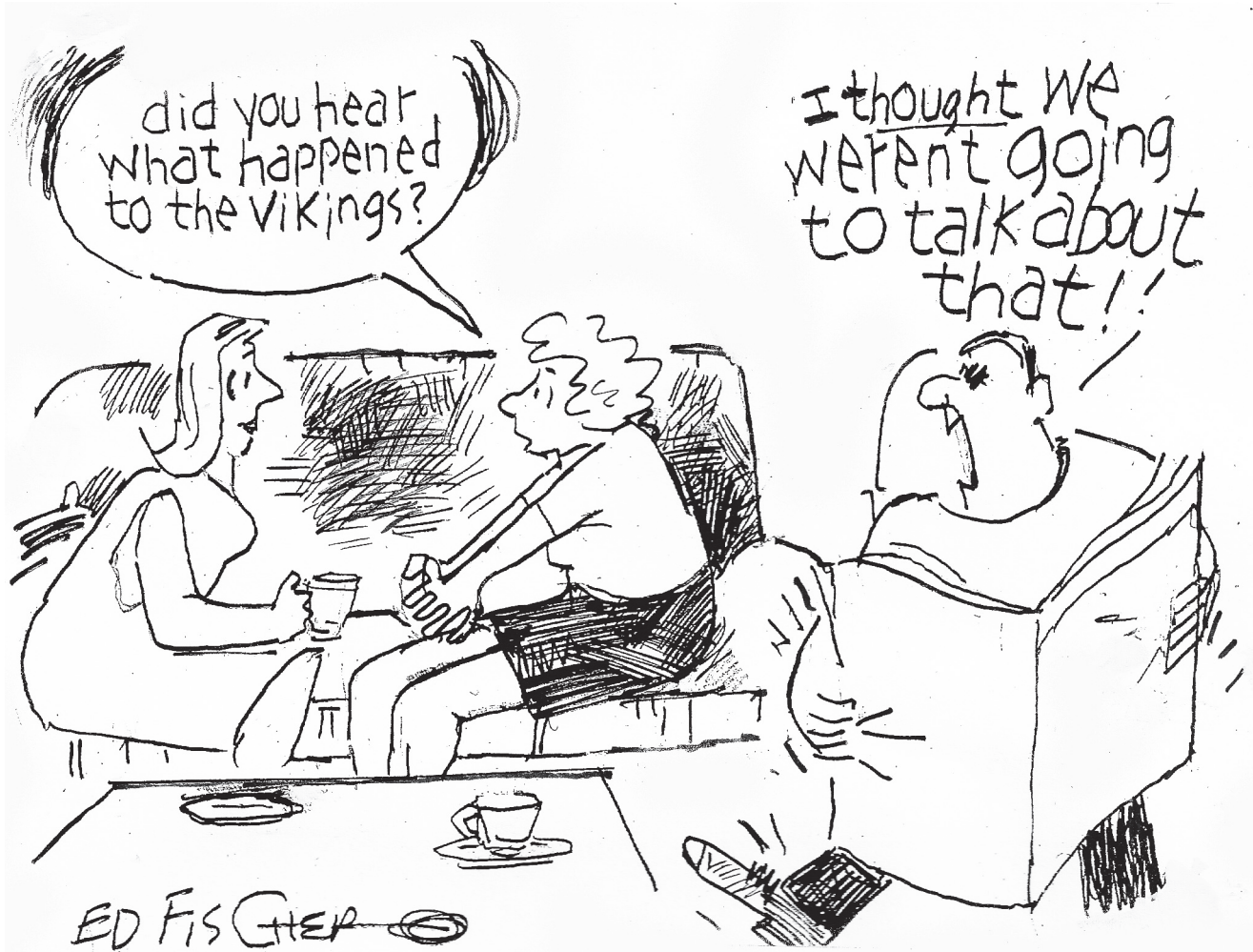
institutions.

Members include the University of Minnesota College of Veterinary Medicine, U of M School of Public Health, Minnesota Department of Health, National Farm Medicine Center and the Migrant Clinicians Network.

"As harvest season approaches, each of us can help keep safety top of mind by reviewing and sharing safety resources to reinforce safe work practices and not taking shortcuts that can lead to injuries," said UMASH director Bruce Alexander.

We whole-heartedly agree.

Safe farm and health practices should be heeded every day but a reminder just before the busy harvest season to be safe is a message well worth repeating.



Report incidents of unsafe driving directly to DVS

Question: What is the process for reporting an unsafe driver if you don't have a particular incident to report? I'm concerned with a bunch of things I've been noticing getting worse over time. Thank you.

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2. Law enforcement officers can request a review from DVS if they identify a driver who they believe should either retest or be evaluated by a physician.

3. DVS may allow the person to



ASK A TROOPER

By Sgt. Troy Christianson,
Minnesota State Patrol

continue driving with limitations such as roadway speed, time of day or a set limit of miles from his or her home. They can also require follow-up doctor's exams.

Request for Examination form: <https://dps.mn.gov/divisions/dvs/forms-documents/Documents/DL-Request-Examination-of-Driver.pdf>

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Sandager registers disappointment in commissioners' vote to grant meteorological tower permit

To the Editor:

Disappointment: a word to describe the action taken by the county commissioners.

On Sept. 4 the board voted to reverse the decision by the zoning committee. This committee actually listened and heard from some of the concerned citizens that will be affected by this tower and many more to come.

Six questions were addressed at the zoning hearing, directly or indirectly. The real answers to the questions were yes, yes, yes! That is why all members on the committee voted no to approving this tower. By the way, thanks to the zoning committee for listening, understanding and doing the right thing.

Finally, to correct the comment that was made about the one family

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contesting this scam. It was several families that happened to have the same last name. We and others represented many of the families who weren't there that will have to live with the ugliness of this whole fiasco.

This will disrupt and divide our communities for a long time to come. Is that what we really want?

**Eugene "Pucky" Sandager
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Rural opioid crisis/continued from page 1A

Three in four farmers say it would be easy for someone in their community to access opioids illegally, and just under half of rural adults – 46 percent – say the same.

Meirick said the poll, sponsored by the American Farm Bureau Federation and National Farmers Union, is a first step in the groups' collaboration on this issue.

"These are two organizations that traditionally don't work together, but they're coming together on this, and that's a big deal," Meirick said. "We usually talk about trade, farm policy and other ag issues, so this really is a change in philosophy for us."

The organizations created a campaign to bring attention to stresses in farm country and to encourage farmer-to-farmer support to overcome the opioid epidemic.

"We are taking this extremely seriously," Meirick said.

Monday's event included updates from leaders in the community on the opioid epidemic, including information from Sen. Bill Weber and Rep. Joe Schomacker.

Also participating in the discussion were representatives from area health and human services, medical services, schools and veterinary doctors.

Two veterinarians from Rock Vet Clinic shared that they have become aware of human opioid abuse, because some people are known to access prescriptions through their pets and livestock.

They said they're hearing about people who have harmed their pets in order to access pain medicine.

The Minnesota Farm Bureau Foundation earlier this year received a donation of \$25,000 from the Addiction Policy Leadership Action Network.

The network is a partnership between the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America, the Addiction Policy Forum and other groups working to combat the opioid epidemic.

The grant money is being used to fund events like the one in Luverne Monday night, which included a Bluestem meal.

Meirick is also using the money to buy Detera drug deactivation kits, which she distributed at the meeting. The charcoal activation kits are used to neutralize and dispose of unused opioids.

Other results from the poll show that half of farmers and farm workers (50 percent) say addiction to opioids is a disease, rather than due to a lack of willpower.

Three in four farmers (77 percent), as well as those who work in agriculture generally (76 percent), say it would be easy for someone in their community to access a large amount of prescription opioids or painkillers without a prescription.

Rural adults overwhelmingly recognize that opioid abuse can begin accidentally with the use of what are deemed safe painkillers, or opioids (75 percent).

One in three rural adults

(34 percent) say it would be easy to access treatment for addiction to prescription drugs or heroin in their local community.

But less than half (38 percent) are confident they could seek care that is either effective, covered by insurance, convenient or affordable.

One in three rural adults say there is a great deal of stigma associated with opioid abuse in their local community (31 percent), and that the stigma of abuse and addiction contributes a great deal to the opioid crisis (32 percent).

Meirick said what makes the opioid crisis more difficult to deal with is that farmers rarely ask for help.

"They're taught to be the strong ones who grow our food and fiber," Meirick said.

"I'm a farm girl from Iowa, and I never dreamt I'd be talking to my farmers about this."

Opioids are substances that act on opioid receptors. The intentional effects are to relieve pain. However, opioids also produce respiratory depression, and have a potential for misuse, dependence, addiction, withdrawal and overdose.

The term opiate is an older term that usually refers to drugs derived from opium, including morphine.

The term narcotic is usually a law enforcement or legal term for cocaine and opioids and is sometimes used to refer to all controlled substances.

More information about the rural opioid crisis will be featured in the Star Herald's Sept. 27 Ag Special Edition.

ON THE RECORD

Dispatch report

- Sept. 7**
- Complainant reported a stalled vehicle near Beaver Creek.
 - Complainant conducted a follow-up.
 - Complainant reported an order for protection violation.
 - Order for protection violation arrest.
 - Deputy reported a car parked on McKenzie Street for more than 24 hours.
 - Complainant requested background check for housing.
 - Vehicle stalled on I-90.
 - Deputy noted smoke in Beaver Creek Township. Called in for burn.
 - Complainant reported an unwanted guest in his home in Beaver Creek.
 - Complainant reported they are doing a 4-wheeler rider benefit in Rock County.
 - Complainant reported a driving complaint on County Road 13 near Hills.
 - Fire Department reported out at the football field in Hills for standby.
 - Complainant requested assistance for a subject outside of home in Beaver Creek, possibly high.
- Sept. 8**
- Complainant reported subject is back at location near Beaver Creek and is not welcome there.
 - Complainant reported a trespass issue at his home in Hills.
 - Arrest for domestic assault.
 - Door open on Fletcher

- Street.
- Complainant reported a confused individual entered their home on Main Street without permission.
- Sept. 9**
- Complainant reported he is being harassed by text message.
 - Complainant reported a stalled car on I-90.
 - Complainant found a driver's license in Steen.
 - Complainant reported someone stole her new hose on Dodge St.
- Sept. 10**
- Complainant reported an abandoned vehicle in Magnolia.
 - Deputy conducted a follow-up on a previous call.
 - Complainant in Kenneth reported being drugged.
 - Suspicious activity on East Main Street.
 - Accident reported two miles east of Hills.
 - Alarm activation reported on Oak Drive.
 - Deputy conducted a follow-up in Kenneth.
- Sept. 11**
- Complainant reported theft at South Kniss location.
 - Bike found on Donaldson Street.
 - Complainant requested assistance with a home visit near Hardwick.
 - Complainant reported embezzlement.
 - Suspicious activity reported on Cedar Street.
 - Possible impaired driver on South Kniss Avenue.
 - Open doors reported on East Main Street.
- Sept. 12**

- Assist another department.
 - Complainant reported maintenance off fire sprinklers on South Kniss Avenue.
 - Complainant reported fire drill in Beaver Creek.
 - Complainant requested an ERU call-out to Ihlen.
 - Complainant reported cows in road on 141st Street.
 - Complainant reported reckless driving on South Kniss Avenue.
 - Complainant on North Fairview Drive reported a two-year-old running around unattended.
 - Complainant on West Hatting Street requested a property check.
- Sept. 13**
- Complainant on County Road 4 reported someone threw an old tire in his driveway.
 - Complainant on North Spring Street reported a strange lady pulled up in front of her neighbor's house and was taking pictures.
 - Complainant on North Kniss Avenue reported a found bike.
 - Complainant on East Lincoln Street reported people yelling in parking lot.

In addition officers responded to 1 deer accident, 1 transport, 6 escorts, 11 ambulance runs, 6 animal complaints, 2 burn permits, 2 drug court tests, 3 permits to purchase/carry, 11 traffic stops, 3 abandon 911 calls, 2 tests, 4 attempted paper services, and 3 fingerprint requests.

H-BC pairing request/from 1A

Hills-Beaver Creek students, and subsequently the growth and success of the gymnastics program," the Birgers' letter stated.

Luverne had 19 seventh-through 12-grade students on its 2017-18 team roster.

H-BC currently does not offer gymnastics, wrestling, baseball or softball as extra-curricular activities.

According to H-BC business manager Glenda Kuehl, H-BC previously had sports pairings with Luverne in all four areas.

The last agreement ended in 2008 when H-BC opted to end all sports pairing agreements.

Luverne currently has one pairing agreement with another district.

The agreement with Adrian Public Schools allows their students to participate in the Luverne girls' and boys' hockey programs.

The Birgers' letter refers to a phrase in the "Superintendent's Message" on the

Luverne district website as a reason to extend the agreement.

It reads, "The Board of Education and staff at ISD#2184 are striving for excellence each day in the areas of academics, arts and athletics."

The website message goes on to say, "The District takes great pride in our history of excellence and values the many educational opportunities that enrich the lives of our students."

Birgers' letter requesting the pairing agreement with H-BC concluded, "We ask that you stand behind the goals and values of the Luverne Public School District when considering our proposal."

Luverne board members received information at the workshop but made no formal decisions.

Both boards would need to agree to a sports pairing by Oct. 12 in order for the agreement to be recognized for the 2018-19 Minnesota State High School League season.

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Beaver Creek Township Board

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Seven 4-H'ers represented Rock County at the 2018 Minnesota State 4-H Horse Show conducted Thursday through Monday in St. Paul. Local participants included (front row, from left) Kellie VanDerBrink, Kennedy Safar, Gavin Johnson, (back) Ayden Bonnett, Lizzie Chapa, Cash Bonnett and Gretchen Jacobsma.

Rock County 4-H'ers earn runner-up honors for herdsmanship at state show

By Mavis Fodness

Seven members of the 2018 Rock County 4-H Horse Show qualifying team were named herdsmanship runners-up at the recent Minnesota State 4-H Horse Show in St. Paul.

Lizzie Chapa, Gretchen Jacobsma, Kennedy Safar, Kellie VanDerBrink, Ayden Bonnett, Gavin Johnson and Cash Bonnett placed second in the small county division during the Sept. 14-17 event.

Each county was judged twice daily during the herdsmanship event on how well the 4-H'ers tended to their horses, stalls and equipment areas. Rock County earned top herdsmanship honors in 2017 and 2015.

Individually, Chapa earned

three top-ten finishes at this year's event.

She placed seventh in western showmanship, fourth in western pleasure and eighth in western horsemanship at the grade 11 level. She also competed in trail.

Chapa also served as the county's grand entry rider.

Jacobsma competed in the grades nine-plus horse-related project.

Safar participated in grade nine western showmanship, western pleasure, western horsemanship, trail, English pleasure and English equitation.

VanDerBrink finished third in grade eight jump figure eight and competed in key race, pole weaving and barrels.

Ayden Bonnett placed sixth in barrels and key race in the grade eight level. He also competed in jump figure eight and pole weaving.

Gavin Johnson participated in western showmanship, trail and western horsemanship.

Cash Bonnett competed in grade six key race, pole weaving, barrels and jump figure eight.

Four-H'ers also compete at state Western Heritage event

Joni Vander Beek, Kellie VanDerBrink, Ayden Bonnett and Cash Bonnett competed at the 2018 4-H Western Heritage state show Aug. 13 in Little Falls.

Participants explore and preserve Western heritage riding by qualifying to compete in goat tying,

team sort/pen, round pen roping, breakaway arena roping and team roping.

Vander Beek teamed up with Wyatt Kostrzewski from Sherburne County to place second in senior pen-to-pen sorting. She also placed 10th in senior goat tying.

VanDerBrink competed in the intermediate division placing third in round pen roping and fifth in goat tying.

VanDerBrink teamed with fellow Rock County 4-H'er Ayden Bonnett to place first in intermediate pen-to-pen sorting.

Ayden Bonnett also competed in intermediate breakaway roping.

Cash Bonnett participated in intermediate pen-to-pen sorting, round pen roping and goat tying.

ENGAGEMENT

Kim and Maggie Schmidt, Luverne, announce the engagement of their son Aaron to Johna Green. Johna is the daughter of John Green, Minneapolis, and the late Kathy Huffman.

Johna is a receiving/pricing manager for Kowalski's Markets.

Aaron is a driver for Classic Provisions of Plymouth.

A wedding is planned for Saturday, Oct. 13, in Brooklyn Center.



Johna Green and Aaron Schmidt

1952: Land purchased for drive-in development

The following appeared in the Rock County Star Herald on November 20, 1952.

To Build Drive-In Theatre

K.C. Sargent of Clarkfield, Minn. has purchased 16 acres south of Luverne for the purpose of erecting a drive-in theater here.

Sargent said he had bought 16 acres of the Charles DeVries farm located a mile south of town on Highway 75 on the east side of the road. The transaction was handled by Ben Reynolds.

Grading has already started there and work will progress



BITS BY BETTY

By Betty Mann, president
Rock County Historical Society

just as rapidly as weather permits, he said, with the completion date in the spring set for the earliest possible date.

Mr. Sargent has sold his theater in Clarkfield and will move to Luverne. His son, Louis,

will be associated with him in the business.

The theater will be a 300 car unit affair to start. Mr. Sargent is building a garage to store equipment at the site and also plans to erect a modern home

there.

Mr. Sargent said that the drive in will be completely modern and with the very latest type equipment.

"We think that this is the perfect site," he said, "city electricity and water will be available and the layout of the land will lend itself to make an outstanding drive in theater."

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@iuw.net.

REMEMBER WHEN

10 years ago (2008)

•On Monday Luverne Co-op employees began wearing their new Eastern Farmers Co-op shirts.

Previously known as SWMN Farmers Coop and Farmers Union Coop Oil, the two local entities are now under the umbrella of Eastern Farmers Cooperative, headquartered in Brandon.

The agreement has been a few years in the making, according to managers at all three locations.

"They're a very strong company, and we're a strong company," SMWN manager Marlyn Mammen said about Eastern Farmers Coop.

"We'd been talking about this for a number of years. ... We're OK now, but the question was, 'Where do we position the company for the future?' The board felt they found the right partner in Eastern Farmers Coop."

In fact, the 360-some SWMN members approved the agreement by an overwhelming 94 percent.

25 years ago (1993)

•Plans for the Luverne Municipal Airport crossed one more hurdle at Monday night's City Council meeting.

Luverne City Council members heard a summary of the plans for the airport and followed the advice of the Airport Commission in approving them.

The plans will next be sent to the Minnesota Department of

Transportation Office of Aeronautics for approval. The Airport Commission's eventual goal is to become a part of the federal aeronautic system and become eligible for 90-percent federal funding for future improvements.

50 years ago (1968)

•The new 1969 model Dodge cars and trucks go on display Thursday (Sept. 19) at Davis Motor Co. in Luverne.

Dodge this year features five different lines the Coronet, Charger, Dart, Polara and Monaco.

"We'll be serving coffee and doughnuts all day and evening Thursday," Vernie Davis, owner of Davis Motor Co., announced. "We'll also be open until 9 p.m. Thursday and we'll have a registration for door prizes," he stated.

75 years ago (1943)

•For several weeks it has been reported around Luverne as in Nobles County, that the training planes from the Sioux Falls army school which have been flying over here at all hours were trying to locate an enemy short wave radio station which was said to have been in operation on this area. The story even reached greater proportions, when it was rumored that "an old woman had a short wave radio set in the tower of a small country church north of Worthington, and that the training planes and army bombers flying over were checking the radio beams

emanating from the steeple. ...

The Daily Globe states that the story apparently started when a former pastor of the church, who for the past 27 years has lived in northern Nobles county, ran an extension of a REA hookup to his barn and chicken house. Help being almost impossible to get he did the work himself.

The application, REA officials disclose, was duly cleared through the war production board, and materials purchased in Worthington. The completed job was approved by the Nobles Cooperative Electric wire chief.

100 years ago (1918)

•Under an order issued Monday by Judge L.S. Nelson, the opening of the regular September term of district court for Rock county, which was to have convened Tuesday of next week, has been postponed until Tuesday, November 19th.

This order was issued in recognition of the rush of farm work and the scarcity of available help at this time, which would make it a hardship for many of the jurors who are engaged in farming to report for service at the regular time.

By virtue of the postponement such jurors are given practically two months more in which to finish up their fall work, and it is expected that by that time practically all of them will have their work in such shape that they can serve as jurors without a great deal of personal sacrifice.

CELEBRATIONS

Open houses

Margie Anderson will celebrate her 90th birthday with an open house from 3-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 23, at The Oaks in Luverne. Greetings may be sent to her at 201 Oak Drive Apt. 218; Luverne, MN 56156.

A retirement celebration for **Elaine Harms** and **Sharon Boltjes** with cake and treats will be from 4-7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 26, at the Howling Dog in Luverne.

Arlene De Beer will celebrate her 80th birthday with an open house from 2-4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, at the Senior Citizens Center, 319 E. Lincoln St., Luverne. Greetings may be sent to her at 1418 Evergreen Drive, Apt. 1; Luverne, MN 56156.

Auditions for 'Best Christmas Pageant Ever' Sept. 23-24

Green Earth Players community theater group will host auditions for their next production, "Best Christmas Pageant Ever," from 5 to 7 p.m. Sunday and Monday, Sept. 23 and 24, at the new West Main Street location.

Actors of both genders and all ages are encouraged to audition for more than 20 roles in the play.

Actors of all abilities will be needed, in addition to members for a children's choir.

Production dates are the two weekends prior to Thanksgiving, Nov. 9-11 and Nov. 15-18.

More information is at the Green Earth Players Facebook page.

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Optimists host fishing derby Sunday

The Luverne Optimist Club Fishing Derby Sept. 15 at the Minnesota Veterans Home pond attracted more than 40 participants along with their parents and chaperones for a crowd of roughly 80 people. The event featured prizes, raffles and hot dogs and juice. Winners this year included Willow Domagala (above) with a 17-inch carp and Hannah Hess (pictured right with her father, Andy Hess) with a 19-inch walleye. Also pictured is Optimist Club member Susan Skattum (left), who volunteered during the event.



Pay attention to poinsettias now for Christmas season blooms

Last week I mentioned my regret about the days getting shorter. Humans notice that, but so do plants. The word photoperiod indicates the amount of uninterrupted darkness and daylight in a 24-hour period of time. Equinox makes the point where we have 12 hours of light and 12 hours of darkness.



KNOW IT AND GROW IT

By George Bonnema, Luverne Horticulturalist

Plants realize this process as well as humans. That is why poinsettias bloom for the Christmas season ... every year. Their flower initiation period is Sept. 20 to Oct. 20. If any light is introduced to

interrupt the darkness during that week, the plant will not bloom on schedule. Some people think that means putting the plant in a dark closet. — Well, that is fine for the night but don't forget that it needs

sun during the day. So I am giving you this information in the event that you have had the poinsettia you got last Christmas growing since then, you now know how to get it to bloom again this year. The beautiful thing about this photoperiod for gardeners is that our color palate of perennials keeps changing through the growing season. If you understand when a certain flower blooms, you will know where to plant it to get the color you want when you want the color to happen.

Yesterday, when enjoying my gardens, I was amazed at the variety of plants blooming their heart out while other gardens I have looked at are "done." When planning a flower garden or landscape, I try to design for continuous color throughout our growing season. The size of the garden or landscape is a determining factor in the success of this effort but still manageable even in a limited space ... planning is the keyword here. Other factors come into

play as well, such as available sunlight, soil quality, pollinator-friendly plants, preference of the gardener, amount of time available for maintenance ... it can be complex. Whatever degree of effort you can put into your garden, my goal is to help you be successful and not overwhelmed or defeated because it can be a wonderful source of accomplishment. Bonnema is a gardening enthusiast and former greenhouse owner. He can be reached at flowersgb@iwi.net.



Mavis Fodness photo/0920 Homecoming 2018 Luverne
Eight LHS seniors comprise the 2018 Homecoming royalty court. Vying for the title of king or queen are (front, from left) Jady Anderson, Mackenzie Petersen, (second row) Greta Ahrendt, Julia Ferguson, (third) Jed Dooyema, Joel Ortiz, (back) Nathan Overgaard and Derek Lundgren.

Homecoming begins next week for Luverne, H-BC

Adrian, Ellsworth conduct event in October

By Mavis Fodness
Two schools within the Star Herald coverage area will kick off Homecoming activities next week with the other two schools conducting the event in October.
Luverne Homecoming
Luverne High School will celebrate Homecoming beginning Monday, Sept. 24, and ending Friday, Sept. 28. Middle and high school students will be involved in dress-up days throughout Homecoming week starting with Pajama Day followed by College Day, America Day, Twin Day and wrap up Friday with Red and White Day. Coronation will be at 7 p.m. Monday in the Luverne Elementary gym. Homecoming week games include volleyball on Tuesday against St. James and Thursday against Windom and Friday's football game against St. James. A high school Homecoming dance follows Friday's football game.
H-BC Homecoming
The weeklong festivities for Hills-Beaver Creek Middle-High School kick off Monday with the coronation ceremony at 7 p.m. in the high school.



Glenda McGaffee photo/0920 Homecoming 2018 Hills Beaver Creek
Candidates for this year's Hills-Beaver Creek Homecoming royalty are queen candidates (from, left) Madison Spath, Grace Bundesen, Bailey Swan and Sidney Fick and king candidates (back, left) Garrett Raymon, Hunter Bork, Bailey Susie and Luke LaRock.

Dress-up days take place Monday through Friday beginning with Hobo Day followed by Redneck/Hick Day, Class Colors Day, Biker/Bandanas Day and ending with Red, White and Blue Day on Friday. The Homecoming parade is at 2:30 p.m. Friday. The Homecoming activities end with the football game against Heron Lake-Okabena-Fulda at 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 28.
Adrian Homecoming
Adrian Middle-High School celebrates its Homecoming Oct. 1-5.

Coronation is Monday night, Oct. 1, at the high school. The Dragons play against Murray County Central in the 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 5, game.
Ellsworth Homecoming
Homecoming week for Ellsworth Middle-High School is set for Oct. 8-12. No coronation is planned for the fall event. A winter coronation takes place during the basketball season. An evening flag football game and "E" burning is planned for Thursday, Oct. 11, following the home volleyball game.

MENU

Monday, Sept. 24: Hamburger, oven-browned potatoes, creamed corn, bun, rhubarb sauce.
Program: Pinochle.
Tuesday, Sept. 25: Chicken in cream sauce, biscuit, peas, cream puff dessert.
Program: Senior Board Meeting; Half-Price Days sponsored by Exchange State Bank.
Wednesday, Sept. 26: Taco salad (meat, cheese, salsa, shredded lettuce, to-

mato, sour cream), dinner roll, apple.
Thursday, Sept. 27: Pork loin, gravy, mashed potatoes, stewed tomatoes, bread, poke cake.
Friday, Sept. 28: Italian meat sauce, spaghetti, lettuce with dressing, green beans, garlic bread, ice cream.
Program: Half-Price Day. Call Lauree Teunissen at 283-9846 to make dining reservations.

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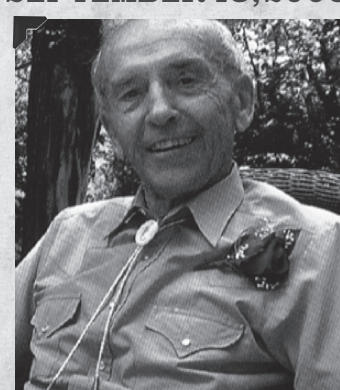


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The Cottage opens doors for community appreciation/continued from page 1A

“It was wonderful,” she said. “We could come and go as we pleased. It was much better than a hospital.”

The Cottage is designed with a family-like atmosphere and allows families access to two family rooms, a main living room, bathrooms and showers, with patients staying in one of four bedrooms.

Marcene Hassebroek has worked in The Cottage since its doors opened.

She said originally The Cottage was designed for seven patients, but the two double rooms were eliminated due to changes in state regulations.

Another change over the past two decades is the length of time a patient stays in The Cottage.

When The Cottage opened, the average patient stay in the

facility could be months. Now the average length of stay is days.

“People stay at home longer now,” she said.

However, Hassebroek said, a misconception continues to prevail around hospice facilities.

“We are here to provide comfort. We don’t do anything to end or prolong life,” she said.

To represent the freedom a patient feels as their hospice stay ends, 25 Painted Ladies butterflies were released in The Cottage’s memory garden.

The butterflies were released from yellow, triangle-shaped envelopes.

On the envelope were written the words, “Loved ones may leave this world but they never leave our hearts.”



Mavis Fodness photo/0920 Hospice 20 year
Tom Nelson (from left), Keith Elbers and Lois Leuthold put together barbecue beef sandwiches during the community appreciation picnic outside the hospice cottage in Luverne. The Cottage celebrates its 20th year anniversary.



Mavis Fodness photo/0920 Hospice 20 year
Hospice workers give tours through the living room and kitchen areas in The Cottage operated by Sanford Luverne Hospice. The Cottage also has four hospice rooms, a spa area and two family rooms for use by those under hospice care.

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Above: Community members were able to tour the four-bedroom hospice cottage Monday night during the Community Appreciation picnic at The Cottage. Right: Judy Griesse (left) of Rock Rapids, Iowa, walks around The Cottage’s memory garden with granddaughter Lexy Rens of Irvine, California.

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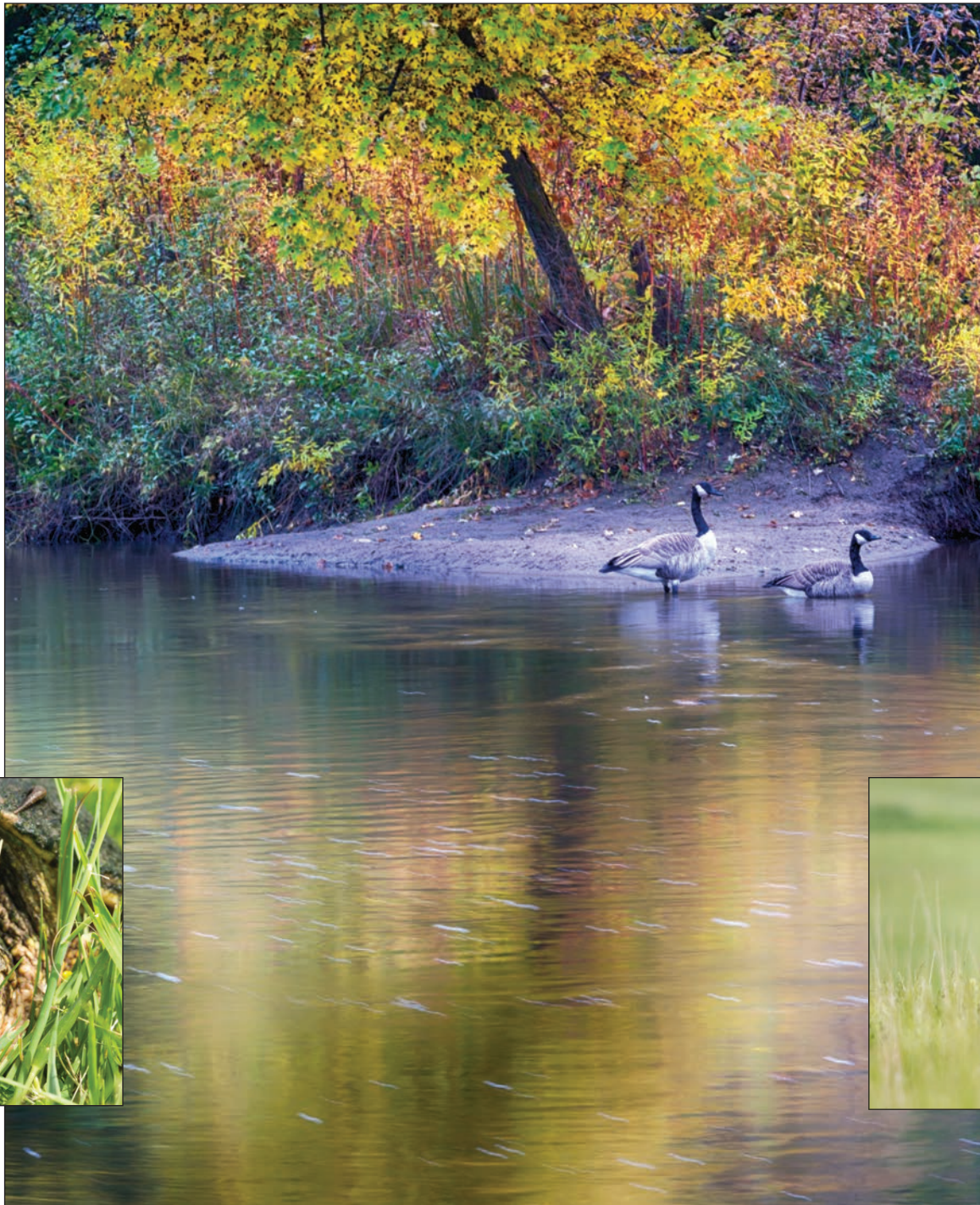
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Amanda Fongemie (Luverne) won with her "Turtle Time" (above) in the wildlife category of the contest.



Kelly Doyle (Edina) shot Quartz Meadowlark; Ray Reiffenberger (Sioux Falls) shot "On Golden Pond."

Award-winning images from the prairie

By Lori Sorenson

The second round of winners have been announced for the 2018 Prairie Photo Contest sponsored by the Luverne Convention and Visitors Bureau.

"We're trying to encourage people to get out and enjoy the prairie," said Luverne Chamber Director Jane Wildung Lanphere, who also serves on the CVB.

Winners are selected among three categories: birds and wildlife, landscape and native prairie plants.

The July and August winners were selected Sept. 5, and Lanphere said they awarded three winners in each category, instead of two.

"I honestly can tell you that they agonized over their decision," Lanphere said.

"But in the end, they felt they selected photos that they would be able to use in their promotion and advertising."

Landscape category:

Kelly Doyle (Edina) – Sioux Quartzite Cliffs

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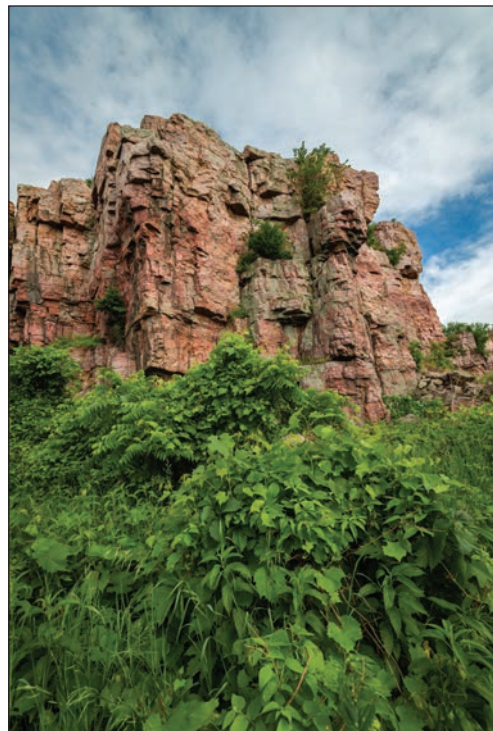
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Winners in the Landscape category are Kelly Doyle (Edina) – Sioux Quartzite Cliffs (at left), Jim Klosterbuer (Luverne) – Waiting for Harvest (above), Peter Bouman (Ruthton) – Windmill on the Prairie (lower right). Wildlife category winners are Ray Reiffenberger (Sioux Falls) – Purple Pasque (center), Amanda Fongemie (Luverne) – Shrooming (bottom right), and Canaan Petersen (Boulder City, Nevada) – Big Blue Sunset (bottom left).

Deadline is Oct. 31 for fall contest period

The deadline is Oct. 31 for the September and October contest period.

Photographers may enter up to five photos per entry period, and \$50 prizes will be awarded per category per entry period.

The winning photographs

will then be used — along with the other monthly winners — to create postcards that will be sold to raise money for programming at the Blue Mounds State Park and Touch the Sky Prairie.

Contest entrants may be amateur or professional, but the CVB will retain the rights to use the winning images for the postcard

promotion.

All photographs not selected as winners in the monthly judging will be retained in the pool of photos to be considered in the following month's judging.

Photographs may be new images or selections from existing portfolios, but they must all be digitally submitted with a resolution of 300 pixels per inch or greater.

Email submissions to luvernechamber@co.rock.mn.us and include the photographer's name, address, phone number and email along with the title of the entry.

Lanphere said the Prairie Photo Contest is a fitting way to celebrate parks and to capture the beauty of the local prairie parks.

"We hope it's something the community can envision being part of," she said.

Lanphere can be reached at 283-4061 with questions.



Patriots win battle of county teams

By John Rittenhouse

The annual showdown between Rock County volleyball teams fell in favor of Hills-Beaver Creek Sept. 11.

H-BC and Luverne played three competitive sets in front of a big crowd in Hills.

The home standing Patriots managed to win all three sets after outscoring LHS 75-65 during the evening.

It was H-BC's third win in the last four seasons against the Cardinals.

LHS got off to a good start in the opening set by reeling off five consecutive points to sport a 6-1 lead when Mallory Thorson delivered a service point.

H-BC countered with a 20-9 run ending with a kill by Grace Bundesen to move in front 21-15.

Luverne rallied to knot the score at 21 with a kill from Mackenzie Petersen, and the score was tied at 22 moments later.

H-BC, however, registered the next three points to ice a 25-22 victory when Bundesen served a set-ending point.

The second set was tied at four when a three-point surge ending with a service point from Greta Ahrendt gave the Cardinals a 7-4 cushion.

H-BC countered with a 9-3 run to gain a 13-10 lead when Madison Spath served a point, but LHS scored the next six points to regain the lead at 16-13 following a service point from Tacey Baustian.

Luverne led 17-16 as the set progressed, but H-BC outscored the Cards 9-6 the rest of the set to secure a 25-22 win following a service point from Spath.

A kill from Bundesen gave the Patriots a 6-3 lead in the third set before LHS rallied with an 11-3 run to open a 14-9 advantage after Petersen registered a service point.

The Patriots kept chipping away at Luverne's lead and



Hills-Beaver Creek senior hitter Grace Bundesen prepares to challenge Luverne blockers Greta Ahrendt (11) and Sydney Biever (6) with a spike at the net during a volleyball match in Hills Sept. 11. H-BC posted a 3-0 win.

gained a 20-19 edge when Bundesen recorded a service point.

LHS knotted the score at 20 before H-BC put together a 5-1 spurt ending with a kill from Sidney Fick to clinch a 25-21 win.

Fick (11 kills and four blocks) and Whitney Elbers (nine kills and five blocks) played well at the net for the winners, while Bundesen and Abby Knobloch added eight kills each to the effort.

Sadie Fuersternberg (13 of

14 with three aces) and Fick (15 of 17 with two aces) emerged as H-BC's serving leaders, while Kailey Rozeboom recorded 34 set assists.

Petersen led the Cards with seven kills and charted three ace serves, while Ahrendt fin-

ished the match with six kills, nine blocks (two were solo blocks) and three ace serves.

Alyssa Nattress paced LHS with 13 digs, and Baustian and Reghan Bork contributed nine and seven set assists respectively to the effort.

H-BC edges Falcons

By John Rittenhouse

Football teams from Hills-Beaver Creek and Red Rock Central locked horns in a defensive battle Friday in Lamberton.

After a scoreless first half, the squad scored a combined nine points in the second half.

RRC opened the scoring with a third-quarter field goal, but the Patriots registered a touchdown in the fourth quarter to secure a 6-3 victory.

"We got out of there with a win," said H-BC coach Rex Metzger.

"They are a good team, but we just made too many mistakes. We lost three fumbles and all of them came when we were putting together some pretty nice drives."

Two of the turnovers kept H-BC from recording the first points of the contest.

H-BC's offense put together a 10-play possession early in the second quarter that started on the Patriots' 43-yard line.

H-BC, however, lost a fumble on the RRC 18 to end the threat.

The Patriots moved the ball into RRC territory in the third quarter before losing a fumble on the Falcons' 39.

RRC took over from the 39 and put together a seven-play series that ended with Jonah Hansen booting a 31-yard field goal to give the Falcons a 3-0 cushion.

The Patriots came up with a key play late in the third quarter.

RRC's Hansen was attempting a longer field goal late in the stanza, but Garrett Raymon blocked the kick.

Jax Wysong scooped up the loose ball and returned it to the

H-BC/continued on page 4B

Cards squander halftime lead Friday

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne Cardinal football team nearly registered a quality win during its home debut against Redwood Valley.

Taking on an RWV squad that is ranked eighth in the state's Class AA poll, LHS overcame an early deficit to sport an 8-7 lead at the intermission.

The Cardinals, however, were unable to protect their first-half edge.

RWV rallied to produce third- and fourth-quarter touchdowns to pull out a 19-8 victory.

Ultimately, it was key mistakes at crucial times and turnovers that kept the Cardinals winless.

LHS had a potential touchdown negated by a holding penalty and turned the ball over five times (three interceptions and two fumbles) in the contest.

"We won the first half," said Cardinal coach Todd Oye, when he was asked about what he liked about his team's performance.

"The kids displayed a lot of effort. We were able to move the ball offensively much better than we did in the first two games, and our defense played a really good first half. We just had too many turnovers for a Luverne football team and gave up two many big plays in the second half."

The teams exchanged punts to start the game before Luverne's second offensive possession, which breached RWV territory, ended with an interception in the end zone.

RWV took over on its own 20 and covered 80 yards in 12 plays during a drive that ended with quarterback Alex Louwagie tossing a six-yard touchdown pass to Alex Lang.

Stian Vraalstad added the extra point following the touchdown, giving RWV a 7-0 lead at the 1:07 mark of the



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Luverne sophomore Bailey Cowell hauls in a pass during the second half of Friday's home football debut against Redwood Valley. RWV rallied in the second half to pull out a 19-8 win.

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Dragons, Panthers compete in Windom

By John Rittenhouse

Cross country teams from Adrian and Ellsworth joined the fray at the Windom Invitational Monday.

The Adrian girls scored 127 points to place sixth in a seven-

team varsity field led by Lake Crystal-Welcome-Memorial (51 points).

Ellsworth capped an eight-squad field with 178 points.

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Runners mix it up with Class AA competitors

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne Cardinal cross country teams faced stiff tests at the Rochester Mayo Invitational Thursday in Rochester.

The Cardinals were pitted against some of the state's top Class AA squads at the annual event.

LHS didn't secure team championships at the meet, but they did run well against the strong competition.

The Cardinal girls turned in a 209-point effort to place fourth in a 24-team field.

Stillwater walked away with the team trophy by producing 52 points.

Tenley Nelson ran a strong race by placing fourth in 19:06 to lead the Cardinal girls.

Regan Feit finished 18th in 20:28, while Brooklynn Ver Steeg, Elizabeth Wagner and Tiana Lais capped the team scoring.

Ver Steeg finished 62nd in 22:17, Wagner 63rd in 22:19.1 and Lais 65th in 22:19.2.

Makena Nelson and Jenna DeBates placed 76th and 82nd in the varsity race with respective 22:39 and 22:50 efforts.

The Cardinal boys placed 15th in a 27-team field with 388 points. Red Wing captured the team championship with 54 points.

Brayden Tofteland placed the Cardinals placing 48th in 18:15.

Dalton DeSollar, Austin Winter, Shane Berning and Jonah Friedrichsen padded the team total by finishing 82nd, 85th, 88th and 101st with respective 18:46, 18:47, 18:50 and 19:02 times.

D.J. Swenson and Jackson Golla placed 135th and 164th in the varsity race with times of 20:02 and 21:07.

The Cardinals run at the Jackson County Central Invitational Thursday.

Here is a look at the rest of Luverne's results from the Rochester meet.

Junior varsity girls: Gabrielle Ferrell, 14th, 23:27; Grace Ingebretson, 23rd, 23:52; Claire Baustian, 127th, 26:43; Kayla Bloemendaal, 149th, 27:22; Madison Reisdorfer, 155th, 27:30; Mallory Oye, 177th, 27:59; Madigan Flom, 193rd, 28:28. Luverne placed 10th with 315 points in a 17-team field led by Stillwater (26 points).

Junior varsity boys: Brady Bork, 64th, 20:13; Griffin Jarchow, 141st, 21:03; Hunter Hamann, 144th, 21:06; Ethan Curtiss, 188th, 21:45; Abraham Hernandez, 195th, 21:50; Sam Emery, 271st, 22:56; Matt McClure, 294th, 23:22; Ethan Rahm, 339th, 24:05; Burke Johnson, 357th, 24:24; Seno Chanthalangsy, 366th, 24:39; Graham Cunningham, 412th, 26:02; Nick Rogers, 471st, 29:31. Luverne placed 14th with 426 points in a 23-team field led by Stillwater (37 points).

Junior high boys: Ryan Fick, ninth, 10:07; Ashton Eitrem, 15th, 10:20; Camden Janiszski, 19th, 10:35; Carsen Tofteland, 39th, 11:04; Camden Hoven, 51st, 11:07; Uriel Hernandez, 105th, 12:29.



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Luverne freshman Reghan Bork completes a set during a 3-0 loss to Hills-Beaver Creek in Hills Sept. 11.

Girls place second at JCC tourney

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne volleyball team posted a 3-2 record during a pair of events late last week.

The Cardinals lost a three-set home match to Marshall Thursday before going 3-1 and placing second at the Jackson County Central Tournament Saturday.

Luverne, 7-9 overall, returns to Jackson Thursday for a Big South Conference clash.

JCC tourney

The Cardinals found success at a 12-team tournament in Jackson Saturday.

Luverne won its three matches of the day to reach the championship match, where the Cards came up on the short end of a 2-0 score against the host school.

The Cards opened the tournament by sweeping two-set matches against Red Rock Conference squads.

LHS downed Murray County Central 25-15 and 25-19 in the first match before posting 25-18 and 25-20 victories over Heron Lake-Okabena in the second round.

The Cardinals secured a berth in the title match by nailing down a pair of 25-20 wins over Triton in the semifinals.

JCC denied LHS a championship by topping the Cards 26-24 and 25-15 in the finals.

Marshall 3, LHS 0

The Cardinals were unable to pick up their first conference win of the season when they entertained the Tigers Thursday.

The contest was a rematch of last season's South Section 3AA championship match, which ended with Marshall securing a 3-0 victory.

Marshall duplicated that effort by outscoring LHS 75-50 during a three-set victory in Thursday's battle.

The Tigers posted convincing 25-14 and 25-17 wins in the first two sets of the night.

Marshall completed its sweep by taking the third set by a 25-19 tally.

Greta Ahrendt (14 block assists and six kills) and Gracie Ze-wiske (eight block assists and one solo block) played well at the net for LHS, while Mackenzie Petersen added three kills and eight digs to the cause.

Mallory Thorson led the Cards with 10 digs and Tacey Baustian charted five set assists.

Ahrendt went 11 of 12 serving with two aces, while Baustian completed all 12 of her serves.

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first quarter.

LHS came up with one of its biggest plays of the game early in the second quarter.

RWV was attempting to punt at the end of its third offensive possession, but Luverne's Payne Bonnett blocked the kick and Cardinal Jake Haugen recovered the ball on the RWV 20.

LHS quarterback Ben Serie scored on an eight-yard run three plays later and hooked up with Bailey Cowell for a successful conversion pass that gave the hosts an 8-7 edge with 9:38 remaining in the first half.

The Cards had three chances to pad their lead before the second quarter was complete, but some crucial mistakes kept LHS out of the end zone.

Luverne defender Isaiah Bartels gave the Cards excellent field possession when he intercepted a pass on the RWV 30 at the 8:44 mark of second quarter.

The Cards had a potential seven-yard touchdown run negated by a holding penalty during their ensuing possession, which ended with LHS losing the ball on downs.

Luverne got the ball back when Zach Ahrendt recovered a fumble on the RWV 28 three plays later, but the ensuing possession ended with an interception in the end zone with 4:07 remaining in the first half.

Luverne's final offensive possession of the first half reached RWV territory before ending with a lost fumble in the final minute.

After being handcuffed in the second quarter, RWV's offense experienced success with its first possession of the second half.

The visitors advanced the ball 64 yards in 12 plays with Logan Prouty capping the march with a two-yard run that gave RWV a 13-8 lead with 5:27 remaining in the third quarter.

Luverne's ensuing offensive possession remained alive when Serie threw a 12-yard pass completion out of punt formation to Colby Crabtree for a first down.

The Cards, however, tossed an interception four plays later that RWV returned to its own 45.

The RWV offense covered 55



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Luverne senior defensive back Brayden Jacobsma attempts to swat the ball away from Redwood Valley's Alex Lang during the first half of Friday's football game at Cardinal Field.

yards in eight plays during its next possession, which ended with Louwagie delivering a 22-yard touchdown pass to Luke Grannes that upped the lead to 19-8 with 10:39 left to play in the game.

LHS did have three more offensive possessions in the contest, but the Cards lost the ball on downs twice and lost one fumble.

The schedule doesn't get any easier for 0-3 LHS this week as they travel to Pipestone Friday to meet a 3-0 Arrow team ranked third in Class AA.

Team statistics

Luverne: 104 rushing yards, 146 passing yards, 250 total yards, 14 first downs, four penalties for 35 yards, five turnovers.
RWV: 86 rushing yards, 160 passing yards, 246 total yards, 11 first downs, six penalties for 35 yards, two turnovers.

Individual statistics

Rushing: Serie 8-72, Brayden Jacobsma 7-14, Haugen 4-14, Mark Sterrett 3-4.
Passing: Serie 12-25 for 128 yards, Haugen 1-3 for 18 yards.
Receiving: Cowell 6-48, Haugen 4-66, James Chanthalangsy 2-20, Crabtree 1-12.
Defense: Haugen 10 tackles, Crabtree 7.5 tackles, Serie five tackles, Bonnett five tackles and one sack, Chanthalangsy 3.5 tackles, Derek Lundgren three tackles, Bartels one interception, Ahrendt one fumble recovery.

Adrian ups volleyball record to 12-0 Thursday

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian volleyball team extended its winning streak to 12 consecutive matches Thursday in Lamberton.

The Dragons challenged Red Rock Central in a Red Rock Conference road clash.

RRC took the opening set, but Adrian bounced back to record three consecutive victories to collect a 3-1 win.

The Falcons pulled out a 27-25 win in the first set of the match.

Adrian responded by nailing

down 25-16, 25-21 and 26-24 victories over the next three sets to up its RRC mark to 2-0.

Miah Kunkel (17 kills and six ace serves), Bailey Lonneman (nine kills), Marisa Lehnhoff (seven kills) and Shawna Rogers (four blocks) played well in

the front row for AHS.

Kasie Tweet charted 37 set assists for the winners, while Mayssa Tweet led the Dragons with 15 digs.

The 12-0 Dragons play a league match in Ellsworth Thursday.



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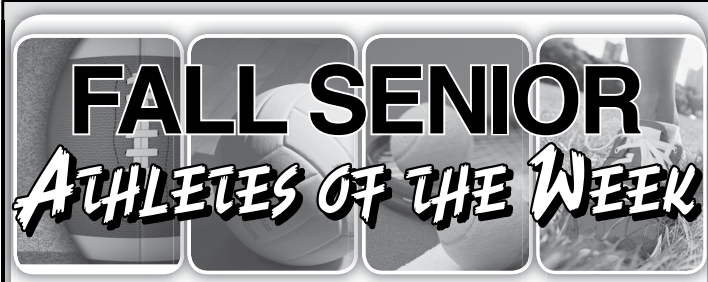
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Dragons score 21 points in road loss Friday

By John Rittenhouse

A season-high point total wasn't enough to put the Adrian football team in the win column Friday in Springfield.

The Dragons scored 21 points during a game in which they remained in contention to pull out their first victory of the year.

Springfield, however, answered every challenge AHS offered.

Tiger quarterback Decker Scheffler threw for three touchdown passes and ran for another six-pointer to lead Springfield to a 35-21 victory. "We were in the ball game, but things just didn't work out for us again," said Dragon coach Randy Schettler.

"We had some guys play really well for us, but we also made a lot of mistakes. We had four turnovers, nine penalties and we let them score two touchdowns on fourth down. Defensively you have to get off the field during fourth-down situations."

The Dragons overcame the miscues to offer the Tigers a pretty good fight.

Springfield took advantage of three AHS penalties during its opening offensive possession of the game to gain a 6-0 lead.

The Tigers covered 80 yards during a drive that was capped by a three-yard touchdown pass from Scheffler to Isaac Fink at the 9:10 mark of the first quarter.

Springfield missed the ensuing extra-point attempt to keep the score at 6-0.

The Tigers padded their lead to 14 points with another touchdown at the 10:13 mark of the second quarter.

Springfield advanced the ball 67 yards in three plays during a possession that ended with Scheffler hooking up with Fink for a four-yard touchdown pass as well as a successful two-point conversion toss.

The teams proceeded to exchange possessions as the second quarter progressed before Adrian broke through late in the stanza.

After fielding a punt on their own 38-yard line, the Dragons moved the ball 62 yards during a series that was capped by a five-yard touchdown pass from Marshall Wagner to Ian Stamer.

When Dominiq Canales added his first of three extra

points following the touch-down to make it a 14-7 game, the scoring in the first half was complete with 1:55 remaining.

Springfield drew first blood in the second half.

The Tigers' opening possession of the third quarter turned into a five-play, 46-yard drive ending with Scheffler scoring on a three-yard run to make it a 21-7 game.

A pair of big plays by AHS made it a 21-14 difference later in the third quarter.

An interception by Canales gave the Dragons the ball on their own 40, but they faced a third-and-16 situation moments later.

The Dragons called for a draw play that worked like a charm when Brandon Schnoor raced 66 yards for a touchdown at the 4:00 mark of the third period.

Adrian was in the game at that point, but the Tigers put the contest away by scoring touchdowns with their next two possessions.

Springfield advanced the ball 92 yards in five plays to make it a 28-14 difference when Scheffler fired a 16-yard touchdown pass to Jordan Kieper with 2:14 remaining in the third stanza.

The Tiger defense stopped Adrian on downs at the Springfield 47 late in the third quarter, setting up a 53-yard drive that ended with 10:30 remaining in the fourth quarter.

The drive ended with Scheffler tossing a five-yard touchdown pass to Kieper to up the lead to 35-14.

AHS capped the scoring in the game at the end of a 53-yard drive of its own.

Stamer delivered a 25-yard touchdown pass to Canales with 4:48 left to play to trim the difference to 14 points.

Team statistics
Adrian: 166 rushing yards, 78 passing yards, 244 total yards, 11 first downs, nine penalties for 73 yards, four turnovers.
Springfield: 123 rushing yards, 180 passing yards, 301 total yards, 16 first downs, 11 penalties for 100 yards, two turnovers.

Individual statistics
Rushing: Schnoor 21-110, Wagner 15-29, Dakota John 12-31, Stamer 3-minus 4.
Passing: Wagner 4-11 for 31 yards, Stamer 2-4 for 47 yards.
Receiving: Stamer 4-31, Wagner 1-22, Canales 1-25.
Defense: Preston Nelson nine tackles and one interception, Logan Taylor nine tackles, Stamer five tackles, Wagner four tackles, Schnoor five tackles, Scot Edwards six tackles, Canales three tackles and one interception.



Ellsworth sophomore Kendra DeBeer registers one of her two kills during Thursday's 3-0 home win over Forest Ridge.

Panthers sweep Forest Ridge Thursday

By John Rittenhouse

The Ellsworth volleyball team secured its fifth victory of the season when the Panthers entertained Forest Ridge (Gruver, Iowa) for a match Thursday in Ellsworth.

The Panthers made short work of their opponents by outscoring them 75-27 during a 3-0 victory.

Morgan Dreesen served the

Panthers to a 16-0 lead in the opening set.

Ellsworth went on to out-score Forest Ridge 9-7 the rest of the set to complete a 25-7 win.

The Panthers scored the first six points of the second set on the way to building a 23-5 advantage after Grace Mulder delivered an ace serve.

Forest Ridge sported a 3-2

scoring edge during the rest of a set that fell in Ellsworth's favor by a 25-8 tally.

The visitors scored the first two points of the third set to gain their first lead of the match.

EHS countered with a 20-4 run ending with a service point from Kallie Chapa to gain a 14-point (20-6) lead.

Forest Ridge outscored the

Panthers 6-5 the rest of the set before falling 25-12.

Chapa and Kendra DeBeer led the winners with three and two kills respectively.

Dreesen and Madyson Bixby served nine aces each, while Mulder and Kassidy Nussbaum chipped in four ace serves to the winning effort.

Ashlyn Meester served three aces for the 6-6 Panthers.

Cardinal tennis team splits conference matches

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne Cardinal tennis team split a pair of Big South Conference matches last week.

The Cardinals rolled to a seven-point win in Worthington Sept. 11 before falling by one point in Pipestone Thursday.

Luverne was scheduled to play River Valley in Sleepy Eye Monday, but the match was postponed due to rain.

The 6-4 Cardinals host Redwood Valley Thursday.

Pipestone 4, LHS 3

The Cardinals took their first Big South Conference loss of the season when they took on the Arrows in Pipestone Thursday.

Luverne claimed three of the four singles matches, but Pipestone swept the doubles contests to pull out a one-point win.

"It was a tough, well-played match from both teams," said Cardinal coach Greg Antoine.

"I thought we played about as well as we could have at every position."

Luverne's singles wins came

from Carissa Cunningham (6-3, 7-5 over Paige Ahrendt at No. 1), Ainslie Robinson (6-2, 6-0 over Olivia Laphorn at No. 3) and Liz Kelm (6-2, 4-6, 6-1 over Tricia Nissen at No. 4).

Pipestone's Lauren Laphorn downed Riley Severtson by 6-4 and 6-2 tallies at second singles.

Luverne's Mela Jarchow and Brynn Thier made Adrianna Johnson and Maciah Lorang play three sets at second doubles before falling 2-6, 6-1, 4-6.

Pipestone's Carmen Skyberg and Courtney Kanthak

saddled Rozilyn Oye and Elise Jarchow with a pair of 6-4 set-backs at first doubles, while Mataya Douty and Lauren Powers topped Lauren Ver Steeg and Solveig Tofteland by 6-3 and 6-2 scores at No. 3.

Luverne 7, WHS 0

The Cardinals notched their second conference victory Sept. 11 in Worthington.

Luverne won all of the matches in straight sets during a lopsided, seven-point

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CLIPBOARD

Rock County Sportsman's Club
September 11

Team Scores:
Slocum Taxidermy 2 - 113
Slocum Taxidermy 1 - 97, 112
Luverne Body Shop - 109
Agri-Energy LLC - 107
Big Orv's Bar - 107
Main St. Financial - 107
Slocum Taxidermy 3 - 105
Nergaard Construction - 103
Pizza Ranch - 99
Mickie's Bar & Grill - 98
Bill's H2O - 97

Freedom Ranch Firearms - 94
Howling Dog Saloon - 90
Loosbrock Electric - 88

Individual scores:
25 x 25
Jack Boomgaarden

24 x 25
Jon Lang - 2
Doug Deutsch
Jim Slocum - 2
Bruce Predmore
Jeff Stearns
Paul Steen

Falcons' 20-yard line.

H-BC picked up one first down during its ensuing seven-play possession.

The 20-yard drive ended with Gavin Wysong scoring on an eight-yard run early in the fourth quarter.

H-BC's pass attempt for a two-point conversion fell incomplete, leaving the score at 6-3.

Neither team could produce points in the final 11 minutes of the game, but

H-BC did make a bid to pad its lead.

The Patriots were on the verge of icing the win when they advanced the ball into RRC territory, but their third fumble of the contest forced the defense to make one more stop before they could celebrate a victory.

"We played well defensively. We showed some toughness and took a lot of things away from them in their running game," Metzger said.

"Whenever we started to get into a nice rhythm offensively, we would lose a fumble. Normally you just don't lose three fumbles at crucial times in a game and come out on top."

The 2-1 Patriots play 2-1 Westbrook-Walnut Grove in a 3 p.m. game Saturday in Westbrook.

Team statistics
H-BC: 161 rushing yards, 13 passing yards, 174 total yards, seven penalties for 33 yards, nine first downs, three turnovers.
RRC: 110 rushing yards, 84 passing

yards, 194 total yards, eight penalties for 45 yards, eight first downs, two turnovers.

Individual statistics
Rushing: G. Wysong 22-89, Tyson Bork 5-24, J. Wysong 11-44, Bailey Susie 1-2, Easton Harnack 1-2.
Passing: Harnack 2-7 for 13 yards.
Receiving: G. Wysong 1-13, T. Bork 1-0.
Defense: G. Wysong 10 tackles, Luke LaRock nine tackles and one sack, Cole Bosch two tackles, J. Wysong four tackles and two sacks, Susie 10 tackles and one fumble recovery, Hunter Bork four tackles and one interception, Casey Kuefer two tackles, Raymon five tackles and one blocked kick, George Merson seven tackles, Zander Wysong two tackles.

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Kicking fiasco drags me back to 1998

As a lifelong Minnesota Vikings fan, I've witnessed a lot of gut-wrenching losses over the years.



FROM THE SIDELINES

By John Rittenhouse, sports editor

None hurt me more than the devastating loss to the Atlanta Falcons in the 1998 NFC championship game.

The Vikings were the No. 1 seed for the NFC playoffs and never lost a home game in the friendly confines of the Metrodome that season entering the title tilt.

Not only were the Vikings unbeaten at home entering the championship game against the Falcons, they also had a kicker in Gary Anderson who never missed a field goal or an extra point the entire season.

That changed with a little more than two minutes remaining in regulation play.

With the Vikings sporting a seven-point lead at the time, Anderson had a chance to give his team a 10-point lead and all but clinch Minnesota's first conference championship in 20 years with a 39-yard field goal.

Anderson, however, missed the field goal and the Vikings eventually lost the game by three points in overtime.

That was a moment in time that haunts true Vikings fans to this day, and it truly was our last best chance to advance to the Super Bowl since 1998.

The Vikings didn't lose to the Green Bay Packers Sunday, but they didn't win either.

A 29-29 tie won't make or break either team's season, but I'm sure the fan bases of both teams were feeling they just got punched in the gut when the contest ended in a deadlock.

It was an entertaining contest the Packers probably should have won, but

they didn't.

After making five consecutive field goals during the contest, Green Bay's Mason Crosby missed a 52-yard attempt that sent the game to overtime.

I'm sure that miss was hard for him to swallow, but I wouldn't say a guy who produced 17 of the team's 29 points was goat of the game.

That honor goes to Daniel Carlson, Minnesota's 23-year-old rookie kicker.

I harbored doubts about the kid after watching him miss a pair of 42-yard attempts during a preseason game inside the climate-controlled U.S. Bank Stadium.

My doubts were confirmed on Sunday, when Carlson missed all three of his field-goal attempts.

It wasn't so much that he missed a 48-yarder late in the first half and a 49-yarder in overtime.

The problem, in my mind, was neither of the kicks was close to being good.

The same can be said about his 35-yard miss as time expired in overtime, which I thought he would nail for sure.

I know most NFL games are settled by a combination of plays, not a single one.

In this case, I have to believe the time has come for Minnesota to start its search for a new kicker.

Carlson has missed three of his first four attempts in the regular season, which is simply unacceptable.

Gary Anderson may be available.

He is 59 now, but I'm fairly confident Anderson would have made one

Patriot girls throttle two RRC foes

By John Rittenhouse

The Hills-Beaver Creek volleyball team posted a pair of wins against Red Rock Conference opponents.

The Patriots nailed down a four-set win over Heron Lake-Okabena in Okabena Thursday before sweeping Edgerton Monday in Hills.

H-BC, 8-3 overall, hosts Mountain Lake Area Tuesday.

H-BC 3, Edgerton 0

The Patriots experienced little trouble in disposing of the Flying Dutchmen in consecutive sets Monday in Hills.

The Patriots outscored EHS 75-46 during a convincing 3-0 victory.

H-BC posted 25-12 and 25-14 victories in the first two sets before completing its sweep with a 25-20 conquest in the finale.

Sidney Fick led the Patriots offensively by recording 12 kills, while Grace Bundesen and Abby Knobloch played well on defense by charting nine and seven digs respectively.

Sadie Fuerstenberg (17 of 19) and Kailey Rozeboom (23 of 25) served nine and four aces for the winners.

H-BC 3, HL-O 1

The Patriots staged a come-from-behind victory when they took on the Wildcats in Okabena Thursday.

HL-O got off to a good start by posting a 25-15 win in the opening set.

H-BC answered the challenge by outscoring the hosts 75-60 the rest of the night to claim a three-set win.

The Patriots recorded 25-19, 25-22 and 25-19 victories in the final three sets.

Fick and Taryn Rauk notched 17 and five kills to pace H-BC at the net.

Bundesen completed 15 of 16 served, Madison Spath recorded nine digs and Rozeboom served five aces for the Patriots.



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Junior setter Kailey Rozeboom served five aces during H-BC's 3-1 victory over Heron Lake-Okabena Thursday in Okabena.

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victory.

"Our experience really showed in this match," said coach Antoine.

"We played confidently and just went about our business. We finished a lot of points well."

Luverne's singles wins came from Cunningham (6-0, 6-1 over Maggie Putman at No. 1), Severtson (6-4, 6-2 over Kessey Aljets at No. 2), Robinson (6-0, 6-1 over Cynthia Salksavath at No. 3) and Kelm (6-3, 7-5 over

Madison Johnson at No. 4).

Elise Jarchow and Oyenailed down a pair of 6-0 wins over Ivy Jensen and Jasmine Riley at first doubles.

Mela Jarchow and Thier posted 6-1 and 6-0 victories

over Marah Darling and Neveah Schreiber at second doubles, while Tofteland and Ver Steeg prevailed by the same tallies against Taya Oberloh and Cindy Hernandez at No. 3.

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Mountain Lake Area-Comfrey claimed the team title with 31 points.

Moriah Bullerman led the Dragons to their seventh-place finish by placing fourth in 20:57.

Gracia Elias (28th in 24:11), Hiltyn Heitkamp (32nd in 24:31), Alysha Wieneke (35th in 24:41) and Halle Heitkamp (41st in 25:37) made contributions to Adrian's team tally.

Linkin Bossert led the Panther boys by placing 30th in 20:54.

Sean Boltjes (36th in 21:24),

Kade Boltjes (37th in 21:25), Sam Kramer (39th in 21:32) and Simon Boyenga (64th in 24:02) capped the team scoring for EHS.

Micah Onken and Cole Boltjes placed 67th and 76th

with times of 24:59 and 27:31 without impacting the scoring.

Adrian's Cole Domeyer place 61st in 24:00 during the varsity race.

Here is a look at the rest of the results during Monday's meet.

Junior high girls
Adrian: Hunter Penning, 15th, 7:51; Kaysie Lenz, 32nd, 9:08.

Junior high boys
Adrian: Bruce Farinella, 22nd, 7:04; Ellsworth: Logan Bossert, 29th, 7:53; Xavier Nussbaum, 37th, 8:47; Zach Onken, 39th, 9:34.

Dragons trot in Worthington

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian girls' cross country team made an appearance at the Worthington Turkey Trot Thursday.

The Dragons compiled a 184-point performance to placed eighth in a nine-squad field.

Fairmont landed the team championship with 46 points.

Moriah Bullerman turned in Adrian's top effort by placing fifth with a time of 21:10.

Gracia Elias and Hiltyn Heitkamp finished 46th and 47th with respective 25:05 and 25:06 times.

Halle Heitkamp and Alysha Wieneke capped the team by placing 60th and 62nd in 26:29 and 26:42.

Here is a look at the rest of Adrian's results at the meet.

Junior high girls: Hunter Penning, 25th, 8:52; Kaysie Lens, 56th, 10:44.

Junior high boys: Bruce Farinella, 45th, 8:14.



Dale Nelson

Submitted photo

Nelson aces hole Friday

By John Rittenhouse

A Luverne man recorded his first hole-in-one during a Friday morning round of golf at the Luverne Country Club.

Dale Nelson was playing with Lauren Carroll when he found perfection at the LCC's par-3 third hole.

Nelson pulled an 8-iron out of his bag to attack the pin on the green, which was playing at an estimated 152 yards.

His club selection proved to

be correct.

"It was an interesting shot," Nelson said.

"I hit a draw into the green, and Lauren said it needed to go left. The ball landed on the front of the green and started rolling toward the hole when Lauren said, 'It looks like you will get a birdie.' Then it disappeared into the hole."

Nelson's ace was the fourth one registered at the LCC during the 2018 season.

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www.luverncrc.com — office@luvernecrc.com
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Sunday, Sept. 23: 9:30 a.m. Worship Service. 6:30 p.m. Worship Service.

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Thursday, Sept. 20: 8:30 a.m. Missions in Action. Friday, Sept. 21: 6:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Saturday, Sept. 22: 5:30 p.m. Worship. Sunday, Sept. 23: Blessing of the Quilts. 8:15 a.m. Radio broadcast. 9 a.m. Worship. 10 a.m. Fellowship coffee/treats. 10:15 a.m. Adult Study and Sunday School. Monday, Sept. 24: 1-7 p.m. Bloodmobile. 4:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Tuesday, Sept. 25: 7 a.m. Dorcas Circle at The Bean. 9 a.m. Staff meeting; Grace Notes Assembly. 1:30 p.m. Worship at Mary Jane Brown Home. 2:30 p.m. Worship at Poplar Creek. 4 p.m. Worship at the Veterans Home. 7 p.m. Mary/Martha Circle at Grace. Wednesday, Sept. 26: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study. Deadline to sign up for Junior High Youth Gathering. 6 p.m. Woven Worship. 7 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal; Grades 6-9 Confirmation. 8 p.m. Grade 10 Confirmation. Thursday, Sept. 27: 9:30 a.m. Naomi Circle at Mary Jane Brown Home; Rachel Circle at Grace. 1:30 p.m. Lydia Circle at Grace. 2 p.m. Sarah Circle at Camelot. 7 p.m. Elizabeth Circle at Grace.

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720 N. Kniss Ave., Luverne
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pastorapalmquist67@yahoo.com
Andrew Palmquist, Pastor
Thursday, Sept. 20: 12:30 p.m. Rock the Edge youth meeting at Bethany. Sunday, Sept. 23: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 9:15 a.m. Bible Class. 10:15 a.m. Worship. Wednesday, Sept. 26: 3:30 p.m. Catechism class.

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Friday, Sept. 21: 6:30 a.m. Community Men's Bible Study. 4:30 p.m. REFIT Fitness. Sunday, Sept. 23: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 1:30 and 2:15 p.m. Mary Jane Brown Home and Poplar Creek Worship Services. Tuesday, Sept. 25: 10 a.m. Staff Meeting. 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. Bible Study Fellowship. Wednesday, Sept. 26: 4:30 p.m. REFIT Fitness. 5:30 p.m. Midweek Meal. 6:30 p.m. Pioneer Clubs, Junior and Senior Youth Group. 7 p.m. Praise Team Practice.

First Assembly of God Church
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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.

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United Methodist Church
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Dorie Hall, Pastor
Thursday, Sept. 20: Noon Rock the Edge meeting at Bethany. 1-3 p.m. and 5-6:30 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf. Saturday, Sept. 22: 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Sunday, Sept. 23: 9 a.m. Coffee Hour and Adult Sunday School. 10 a.m. New United Church Service. 4:30 p.m. Genesis/Revelation Bible Study. 6 p.m. ALIVE Youth Group. Monday, Sept. 24: 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Tuesday, Sept. 25: 9:30 a.m. Folding Team. Wednesday, Sept. 26: 5:30 p.m. Community Meal. 5:45 p.m. PPR Meeting with Confirmation. 6 p.m. F.U.E.L. 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Thursday, Sept. 27: 1-3 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf.

First Presbyterian Church
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Gary Klatt, Pastor

Thursday, Sept. 20: Noon Rock the Edge meeting at Bethany. Saturday, Sept. 22: 5:30 p.m. Worship with Holy Communion. Sunday, Sept. 23: 9 a.m. Worship with Communion. 10:15 a.m. Christian Education Hour. 11:15 a.m. Junior Choir. Wednesday, Sept. 26: 7:40 a.m. See You at the Pole at Luverne Schools. 9:30 a.m. Bible Study. 6 p.m. Youth Dinner. 6:30 p.m. Catechism. 7 p.m. KFC/HS Youth Group; Senior Choir. Thursday, Sept. 27: 9:45 a.m. Rock County Ministerial Association at Grace Lutheran. 11:30 a.m. DCE Jess Devotions at Mary Jane Brown Home. 6:30 p.m. Chancel Guild.

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110 N. Oakley, Luverne
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Sundays: 9 a.m. Magnolia Worship Service. Wednesdays: 6:30 p.m. Confirmation.

Who is the best?

Competition is human nature, isn't it? We get used to structures and systems in which we have designated leaders: titles like president, vice president, manager, assistant manager, committee chair, co-chair, etc. These are just a few of the labels assigned within organized bodies to establish hierarchy and a sense of who is in charge and where the decision-making takes place.

Being "the best" is often rewarded, isn't it? For many it is the impetus, the driving force to try to beat out the competition, to stay on top- or to get to the top. The disciples in Mark's Gospel proved to be no exception as they argued about who was the greatest as they traveled from Galilee to Capernaum in Mark 9: 30-37.

Then Jesus confronts the disciples asking them what they were arguing about on the way. Upon hearing their staggering response, Jesus said these powerful words, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me." (Mark 9:36,37).

Jesus reorients the entire established system — a pattern that we see continually in His min-

BUILT ON A ROCK

By Pastor Stephen Hilding, Grace Lutheran Church, Luverne

istry. Jesus consistently capsizes the entirety of human value systems, our constructed power structures, our sense of who counts. Jesus uses a precious child — the most vulnerable symbol of the time, one who would not have had great importance — to show where true value is found. Jesus says when you welcome them in my name, when you care for, when you see the "littles" of life — that is when you welcome me. It is as if to say, it is in the things that the world dismisses as expendable — that is when my Spirit draws near.

What humbling words as we enter into this fall season as we think about how we are called to care for each other and respond to how God is calling us to make our community and world a better place. May we learn to push back on the value systems that seek to honor self over others — and in doing so, may God's Spirit dwell within us.

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Name: **Laura Leenderts**

Address: **238 30th Avenue Hills, MN 56138**

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

Signature : /s/ **Laura Leenderts** DATE: 6-18-2018

EMAIL FOR OFFICIAL NOTICES: **lleenderts@alliancecom.net**

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

Laura Leenderts 507-220-4134.

(9-13, 9-20)

New Creation Ministries assumes name

MINNESOTA SECRETARY OF STATE
CERTIFICATE OF ASSUMED NAME
MINNESOTA STATUTES, CHAPTER 333

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

ASSUMED NAME: **New Creation Ministries**

PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS:

575 County Highway 4 Beaver Creek, MN 56116 United States

NAMEHOLDER(S):

Name: **New Creation Ministries, Inc.**

Address: **575 County Highway 4 Beaver Creek, MN 56116 United States**

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Signature : /s/ **Kate Anderson**

MAILING ADDRESS: **none provided**

EMAIL FOR OFFICIAL NOTICES: **kateearn@gmail.com**

(9-20, 9-27)

City proposed assessment hearing Oct. 9

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PROPOSED ASSESSMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council will meet at 5:00 p.m. on October 9, 2018, in the Council Chambers of the City Offices Building, 305 E. Luverne Street, Luverne, Minnesota, to consider, and possibly adopt, the proposed assessment for unpaid utility and miscellaneous charges. Adoption by the City Council of the proposed assessment may occur at this meeting.

Such assessment is proposed to be payable in one (1) installment payable on or before the first Monday in January, 2020, and will bear interest at the rate of four (4) percent per annum from the date of the adoption of the assessment resolution. To the installment shall be added interest on the entire assessment from the date of the assessment resolution until December 31, 2019.

You may at any time prior to certification of the assessment to the Rock County Auditor-Treasurer, pay the entire assessment on such property, with interest accrued to the date of payment, to the City of Luverne. No interest shall be charged if the entire assessment is paid within 30 days from the adoption of this assessment. You may at any time thereafter pay to the Rock County Auditor-Treasurer the entire amount of the assessment remaining unpaid, with interest accrued to December 31 of the year in which such payment is made. Such payment must be made before November 15 or interest will be charged through December 31 of the succeeding year. If you decide not to prepay the assessment before the date given above, the rate of interest that will apply is four (4) percent per year.

The proposed assessment roll is on file for public inspection at the City Clerk's office. The total amount of the proposed assessment is \$3,865.49. Written or oral objections will be considered at the meeting. No appeal may be taken as to the amount of an assessment unless a written objection signed by the affected property owner is filed with the City Clerk prior to the assessment hearing or presented to the presiding officer at the hearing. The City Council may upon such notice consider any objection to the amount of a proposed individual assessment at an adjourned meeting upon such further notice to the affected property owners as it deems advisable.

If an assessment is contested or there is an adjourned hearing, the following procedure will be followed.

1. The City will present its case first by calling witnesses who may testify by narrative or by examination, and by the introduction of exhibits. After each witness has testified, the contesting party will be allowed to ask questions. This procedure will be repeated with each witness until neither side has further questions.
2. After the City has presented all its evidence, the objector may call witnesses or present such testimony as the objector desires. The same procedure for questioning of the City's witnesses will be followed with the objector's witnesses.
3. The objector may be represented by counsel.
4. Minnesota rules of evidence will not be strictly applied; however, they may be considered and argued to the City Council as to the weight of items of evidence or testimony presented to the City Council.
5. The entire proceedings will be taped-recorded.
6. At the close of presentation of evidence, the objector may make a final presentation to the City Council based on the evidence and the law. No new evidence may be presented at this point.
7. The City Council may adopt the proposed assessment at this meeting.

An owner may appeal an assessment to District Court pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 429.081 by serving notice of the appeal upon the Mayor or City Clerk of the City of Luverne within thirty (30) days after the adoption of the assessment and filing such notice with the District Court within ten (10) days after service upon the Mayor or City Clerk.

Jessica Mead
City Clerk

References:
MS 429.101
MS 443.015
MS 444.075
AG Op 59-A-36 (January 26, 1961)
AG Op 387-G-7 (April 28, 1965)
AG Op 450-F-1 (September 8, 1969)

(9-20)

City of Luverne adopts Ordinance No. 367

AN ORDINANCE IMPLEMENTING A GAS ENERGY FRANCHISE FEE ON CENTERPOINT ENERGY MINNESOTA GAS ("CENTERPOINT ENERGY") FOR PROVIDING GAS ENERGY SERVICE WITHIN THE CITY OF LUVERNE

THE CITY OF LUVERNE, MINNESOTA, DOES ORDAIN:

Gas Franchise Fee

(a) **Definitions.** For the purposes of this Ordinance, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

- (1) City. The City of Luverne, County of Rock, State of Minnesota.
- (2) Company. CenterPoint Energy Minnesota Gas ("CenterPoint Energy"), its successors and assigns.
- (3) Franchise Agreement. The franchise agreement between the City and the Company pursuant to City Ordinance 236.
- (4) Notice. "Notice" means a writing served by any party or parties on any other party or parties. Notice to Company shall be mailed to CenterPoint Energy, Minnesota Division Vice President, 800 LaSalle Avenue, Minneapolis, MN 55402. Notice to City shall be mailed to the City Administrator at City of Luverne, 305 East Luverne Street, Luverne, Minnesota 56156-1611.
- (b) **Purpose.** The Luverne City Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the City to impose a franchise fee on the public utility company that provides natural gas services within the City. Pursuant to the Franchise Agreement the City has the right to impose a franchise fee on the Company.
- (c) **Franchise Fee Statement and Schedule.** A franchise fee is hereby imposed on the Company commencing with the January, 2019 billing month, and in accordance with the following fee schedule:

Customer Classification	Amount per Account per Month (\$)
Residential	\$3.50 per month
Com A	\$3.50 per month
Com/Ind B	\$16.00 per month
Com/Ind C	\$35.00 per month
Small Volume, Dual Fuel A	\$50.00 per month
Small Volume, Dual Fuel B	\$50.00 per month
Large Volume, Dual Fuel	\$50.00 per month

- (d) **Fee.** This fee is a flat meter fee per customer within the City. In the event that an entity covered by this ordinance has more than one meter, but only one account for a specific parcel or address, only one fee shall be assessed to that account. In the event any entities covered by this ordinance have more than one account, each account for each parcel or unique address shall be subject to the appropriate fee. In the event a question arises as to the proper fee amount for any account, the highest possible fee amount shall apply.
- (e) **Payment.** Franchise fees are to be collected by the Company, consistent with the Minnesota Public Utility Commission's March 23, 2011 Order establishing franchise fee filing requirements in Docket No. E.G999/CI-09-970, and submitted to the City as follows:
January – March collections due by April 30.
April – June collections due by July 31.
July – September collections due by October 31.
October – December collections due by January 31.

- (f) **Record Support for Payment.** The Company shall make each payment when due and, if requested by the City, shall provide a statement summarizing how the franchise fee payment was determined, including information showing any adjustments to the total made to account for any non-collectible accounts, refunds or error corrections. The Company shall permit the City, and its representatives, access to the Company's records for the purpose of verifying such statements.
- (g) **Payment Adjustments.** Payment to the City will be adjusted where the Company is unable to collect the franchise fee. This includes non-collectible accounts.
- (h) **Surcharge.** The City recognizes that the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission may allow the Company to add a surcharge to customer rates of city residents to reimburse the Company for the cost of the fee, consistent with the Minnesota Public Utility Commission's March 23, 2011 Order establishing franchise fee filing requirements in Docket No. E.G999/CI-09-970.

- (i) **Dispute Resolution.** If either party asserts that the other party is in default in the performance of any obligation hereunder, the complaining party shall notify the other party of the default and the desired remedy. The notification shall be written. Representatives of the parties must promptly meet and attempt in good faith to negotiate a resolution of the dispute. If the dispute is not resolved within 30 days of the written notice, the parties may jointly select a mediator to facilitate further discussion. The parties will equally share the fees and expenses of this mediator. If a mediator is not used or if the parties are unable to resolve the dispute within 30 days after first meeting with the selected mediator, either party may commence an action in District Court to interpret and enforce this ordinance or for such other relief permitted by law.
- (j) **Effective Date of Franchise Fee.** The effective date of this Ordinance shall be after its publication and sixty (60) days or more after sending written notice enclosing a copy of this adopted Ordinance to Company by certified mail. Collection of the fee shall commence as provided above.
- (k) **Relation to Franchise Agreement.** This ordinance is enacted in compliance with the Franchise Agreement and shall be interpreted as such.
- (l) **Periodic Review.** The City Council shall review this ordinance every two years in whatever manner the City Administrator then determines to be appropriate, including, but not limited to, review by the City Council in either a work session or a regular session. Failure to review this ordinance shall not in any way invalidate or limit it.

Section 2: Effective Date. This ordinance takes effect as provided herein.

/s/ Patrick T. Baustian, Mayor

/s/ John M. Call, City Administrator

(9-20)r

Mortgage foreclosure sale set for Nov. 1

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

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

Mortgagor:Charlene Ann Ver Meer a single person

Mortgagee: M&I Bank FSB

Dated: 03/22/2002

Recorded: 03/27/2002

Rock County Recorder Document No. 152525

Transaction Agent: N/A

Lender or Broker: M&I Bank FSB

Residential Mortgage Servicer: BMO Harris Bank, N.A.

Mortgage Originator: M&I Bank FSB

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: Lot Seven (7) in Block Nine (9), in the Original Plat of Hills, Minnesota, County of Rock.

This is Abstract Property.

TAX PARCEL NO.: 15-0084-000

ADDRESS OF PROPERTY:

313 Church Ave S

Hills, MN 56138

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Rock

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$39,000.00

AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE: \$33,141.85

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: November 1, 2018, 10:00 AM

PLACE OF SALE: Lobby of Rock County Law Enforcement Center, 1000 N Blue Mound Ave, 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 6 Months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns.

DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: The date on or before which the mortgagor must vacate the property if the mortgage is not reinstated under Minnesota Statutes section 580.30 or the property redeemed under Minnesota Statutes section 580.23 is May 1, 2019 at 11:59 p.m. If the foregoing date is a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, then the date to vacate is the next business day at 11:59 p.m.

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

THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES SECTION 582.032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT 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: September 12, 2018

BMO Harris Bank N.A., as successor to M & I Bank FSB, Mortgagee

By: PFB LAW, PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION

Attorneys for:

BMO Harris Bank N.A., as successor to M & I Bank FSB, Mortgagee

55 East Fifth Street, Suite 800

St. Paul, MN 55101-1718

651-209-7599

651-228-1753 (fax)

THIS COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

(9-20, 9-27, 10-4, 10-11, 10-25, 10-30)

Buss probate

PROBATE COURT
DISTRICT COURT
PROBATE DIVISION
Court File No. 67-PR-18-269

STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF ROCK

In Re: Estate of
Daryel A. Buss, a/k/a Daryel Buss,
Deceased

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

It is Ordered and Notice is hereby given that on the 8th day of October, 2018, at 3:30 O'clock P.M., a hearing will be held in the above named Court at Rock County Courthouse, Luverne, Minnesota, for the formal probate of an instrument purporting to be the will of the above named deceased, dated March 18, 2015, and for the appointment of Traci Schmid whose address is 47681 272nd Street, Harrisburg, South Dakota 57032, as personal representative of the estate of the above named decedent in supervised administration, and that any objections thereto must be filed with the Court. That, if proper, and no objections are filed, said personal representatives will be appointed to administer the estate, to collect all assets, pay all legal debts, claims, taxes and expenses, and sell real and personal property, and do all necessary acts for the estate. Upon completion of the administration, the representative shall file a final account for the allowance and shall distribute the estate to the persons thereto entitled as ordered by the Court, and close the estate.

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

Dated: September 14, 2018

Eisma and Eisma

Douglas E. Eisma

Attorney for Petitioner

130 East Main

Luverne, MN 56156

(507)283-4828

I.D. #15834

/s/Terry S. Vajgrt

District Court Judge

/s/ Denise Brandel

Court Administrator

(COURT SEAL)

(9-20-9-27)

City of Luverne enacts code of ordinances

SUMMARY PUBLICATION OF CITY OF LUVERNE, MINNESOTA
ORDINANCE NO. 1, FOURTH SERIES

AN ORDINANCE ENACTING A CODE OF ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF LUVERNE, MINNESOTA, AMENDING, RESTATING, REVISING, UPDATING, CODIFYING AND COMPILING CERTAIN ORDINANCES OF THE CITY DEALING WITH THE SUBJECTS EMBRACED IN THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES.

SUMMARY: Ordinance No. 1, Fourth Series, amends, restates, revises, updates, codifies and compiles the ordinances of the City of Luverne. The purpose of this summary is to inform the public of the intent and effect of the ordinance and to publish only a summary of the ordinance with the full ordinance being on file in the office of the City Clerk during regular office hours.

The City of Luverne Code of Ordinances as adopted shall consist of the following titles:

TITLE I: GENERAL PROVISIONS
TITLE III: ADMINISTRATION
TITLE V: PUBLIC WORKS
TITLE VII: TRAFFIC CODE
TITLE IX: GENERAL REGULATIONS
TITLE XI: BUSINESS REGULATIONS
TITLE XII: GENERAL OFFENSES
TITLE XV: LAND USAGE
TABLE OF SPECIAL ORDINANCES
PARALLEL REFERENCES

The following significant changes have been made to the City of Luverne Code of Ordinances:

1. The Parks and Trails Advisory Board under former Section 2.62 is repealed.
2. Former Section 3.24 is amended to adjust the classifications of certain residential and industrial uses used to calculate storm water drainage charges.
3. Former Section 3.25 is amended to include the current franchise fee payments by the City of Luverne owned electric utility.
4. Former Section 4.10 "Luverne Heritage Preservation Commission" is repealed.
5. Former Section 6.21 "Dances" is repealed.
6. Former Section 6.40 regulating solicitors is repealed and replaced with a new Peddlers, Solicitors and Transient Merchants ordinance with the following sections:

Sec. 113.01 Definitions.

Definitions applicable to this section.

Sec. 113.02 Exceptions to Definitions.

States the exceptions to which the definitions do not apply.

Sec. 113.03 Licensing; Exemptions.

States the required licenses for conducting business as a peddler, solicitor, or transient merchant within City limits. Also sets for the application process and fees, as well as the procedure for review of the application. Sets forth the duration of licenses as well as the exemptions to licenses.

Sec. 113.04 License Ineligibility.

States the grounds for denying a license under this section.

Sec. 113.05 License Suspension and Revocation.

States the grounds for suspending or revoking of a license under this section. Also states the procedure to follow when a license has been suspended or revoked.

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- Sec. 113.06 License Transferability.**
States the rule that license may not be transferred.
- Sec. 113.07 Registration.**
States the registration requirements under this section.
- Sec. 113.08 Prohibited Activities.**
Sets forth the prohibited activities for peddlers, solicitors, and transient merchants.
- Sec. 113.09 Exclusion by Placard.**
States requirements and procedures for exclusion by placard.
- Sec. 113.99 Penalty.**
States penalty for violating this section.
12. Former Section 6.60 "Taxicabs" is amended to update the insurance limits and requirements for taxi cab licenses.
8. Former Section 6.73 "Tattoos, Body Art and Body Piercings" is repealed.
9. Former Section 6.81 "Lodging Tax" is amended to increase lodging tax payments to the Convention and Visitors Bureau.
10. Former Section 7.26 "Limiting Time of Railway-Street Crossing" is repealed.
11. Former Section 10.13 "Curfew and Loitering" is repealed and replaced with a new Curfew ordinance with the following sections:
- Sec. 131.01 CURFEW FOR MINORS**
- (A) Purpose.**
States the reason and the need for the city to more effectively manage the control minors during curfew hours.
- (B) Definitions.**
Definitions applicable to this section.
- (C) Hours.**
Sets the hours of curfew for the applicable age groups.
- (D) Effect on Control by Adult Responsible for Minor.**
States that this section does not have an effect on an adults control over a minor they are responsible for.
- (E) Exceptions.**
States the exceptions for which this section does not apply.
- (F) Duties of Person Legally Responsible for Minor.**
States the duties of a person legal responsible for a minor in regards to this section.
- (G) Duties of Other Persons.**
States the duties of other persons in regards to this section.
- (H) Penalties.**
States the penalties for violating this section.
- (I) Defense.**
States the applicable defense under this section.
12. Former Section 10.18 is amended to indicate that a complete copy of the official city code may be obtained on the City's website.
13. Former Section 10.22 "Disorderly Conduct" is amended to remove prohibition on offensive, obscene or abusive language.
14. Former Section 10.40 dealing with shade tree disease is repealed and replaced with a new Shade Tree Pest Control ordinance with the following sections:
- 91.40 Shade Tree Pest Control**
- (A) Declaration of policy.**
States the reason and the need for the city to more effectively manage the control and prevention of the spread of shade tree pests.
- (B) Jurisdiction.**
Indicates which trees the city shall have jurisdiction over.
- (C) Declaration of a shade tree pest.**
States the ability of the Council to determine what is considered a shade tree pest and thus subject to this section.
- (D) Public nuisances defined.**
Definition of public nuisance as applicable to this section.
- (E) Shade tree pest nuisances are unlawful.**
Makes the permitting of any public nuisance under this section unlawful.
- (F) Tree inspector.**
Gives authority to Council to appoint a tree inspector to carry out the objectives of this section.
- (G) Abatement of shade tree pest nuisances.**
Sets guidelines for general abatement of nuisances.
- (H) Reporting discovery of shade tree pest.**
Sets reporting procedures for discovery of shade tree pests.
- (I) Registration of tree care firms.**
Sets registration requirements for tree care firms.
- (J) Inspection and application of control measures.**
States the authority of the tree inspector in inspecting and applying control measures for shade tree pests.
- (K) Standard abatement procedures.**
Sets the general abatement procedures to be followed by the tree inspector when a public nuisance is found to exist on premises in the city.
- (L) High-cost abatement.**
Sets the procedure when the tree inspector determines the cost of abatement will exceed \$5,000.
- (M) Appeal procedure.**
Sets the procedure for when an appeal is made as to whether a public nuisance exists.
- (N) Abatement procedure in event of imminent danger.**
Sets the procedure to follow when the tree inspector determines there is imminent danger of infestation to other shade trees.
- (O) Recovery of cost of abatement; liability and assessment.**
Sets the procedure for recovering the costs of abatement.
- 91.41 Declared Shade Tree Pests, Control Measures, and Control Areas**
- (A) Oak Wilt.**
Defines oak wilt disease and states the control measures and the control areas for oak wilt disease.
- (B) Emerald Ash Borer.**
Defines emerald ash borer and states the control measures and the control areas for emerald ash borer.
- (C) Dutch Elm Disease.**
Defines Dutch elm disease and states the control measures and the control areas for Dutch elm disease.
- 91.99 Penalty.**
Establishes penalties for violating this chapter.
15. Individual penalty and enforcement sections in each chapter of the former code are repealed and replaced with one penalty section of general applicability in a new Section 10.99.
16. Various sections formerly included in Chapter 11 "Land Use" are amended as follows:
- 153.024 ANNEXATIONS**
Future-annexed land to be placed in Residential-Reserve District.
- 153.055 RESIDENTIAL USES**
Includes new housing developments intended for low density single-family units in Residential/Agricultural (R/A) District, amends certain requirements for development in R/A and Single Family Residential (R-1) districts and amends certain minimum requirements for residential units.
- 153.056 COMMERCIAL USES**
Makes certain requirements for development in Highway Commercial (H-C) and Community Commercial (C-C) Districts more permissive.
- 153.062 INDUSTRIAL RESERVE**
New section establishing requirements for land zoned for future industrial development.
- 153.063 PUBLIC DISTRICT**
Includes institutional facilities and buildings in Public District.
- 153.116 PARKING SPACE REQUIREMENTS**
Establishes exception to minimum parking space requirements.
- 153.146 DEFINITIONS**
Added definition of "Sandwich Board Signs."
- 153.152 TEMPORARY SIGNS**
Added temporary sign restrictions for sandwich board signs.
- 153.174 ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS, EXCEPTIONS AND MODIFICATIONS**
Amended certain requirements to apply to all residential zones.
17. Former Section 15.00 dealing with the Registration and Right-of-Way Occupancy Information is repealed and replaced with a new Right of Way Ordinance with the following sections:
- Chapter 93: Right-of-Way Management**
- 93.01 Findings, Purpose, and Intent.**

States the reason and the need for the city to more effectively manage the control of its streets and the appropriate use of the rights-of-way.

93.02 Election to Manage the Public Rights-of-Way.
States the City's election to manage rights-of-way within its jurisdiction.

93.03 Definitions.
Definitions applicable to this section.

93.04 Administration.
Names the director of the department of public works of the City as the principle city official responsible for the administration of rights-of-way, associated permitting, and related ordinances.

93.05 Utility Coordination Committee.
States the ability of the City to create an advisory utility coordination committee.

93.06 Registration and Right-of-Way Occupancy.
Sets the requirement and exceptions for registering before using or occupying a right-of-way.

93.07 Registration Information.
States the required information to be given when registering to use or occupy a right-of-way.

93.08 Reporting Obligations.
States the requirement of each registrant to file with the City a construction and major maintenance plan, as well as the procedures for registrants to follow when submitting the plan.

93.09 Permit Requirement.
States the requirement to obtain a permit before obstructing or excavating any right-of-way, or before installing or placing facilities in the right-of-way.

93.10 Permit Applications.
Sets the procedures for applying for a right-of-way permit.

93.11 Issuance of Permit; Conditions.
States the requirement of the City to issue a permit, as well as the ability of the City to impose reasonable conditions to permits.

93.12 Action on Small Wireless Facility Permit Applications.
Sets the procedures for submittal and approval or denial of a Small Wireless Facility permit.

93.13 Permit Fees.
Sets the guidelines for fee structures for permits the City may issue.

93.14 Right-of-Way Patching and Restoration.
States the requirement to finish work within the dates specified in a permit, as well as the requirements and standards to patch and restore all work completed.

93.15 Joint Applications.
States procedures for joint applications.

93.16 Supplementary Applications.
States the requirement and procedures for obtaining a supplementary application.

93.17 Other Obligations.
Specifies other obligations a permittee must follow in addition to its right-of-way permit. Other obligations include other necessary permits, licenses, and local, state, and federal laws.

93.18 Denial or Revocation of Permit.
States the reasons the City may deny a permit, and the procedures the City must follow in denying or revoking a permit.

93.19 Installation Requirements.
States the requirements a permittee must follow in excavating, backfilling, patching, and restoration work.

93.20 Inspection.
States the requirement and procedures to follow for an inspection of the completed work.

93.21 Work Done Without a Permit.
States the procedures for when work may be done without a permit in an emergency situation. Also states the procedures for someone who obtains a permit after they have already obstructed or excavated a right-of-way.

93.22 Supplementary Notification.
States the requirement to notify the City of obstruction or excavation of the right-of-way that begins later or ends sooner than the dates on the permit.

93.23 Revocation of Permits.
States the reasons the City may revoke a permit, as well as the procedure to follow when revoking a permit.

93.24 Mapping Data.
States the requirement to provide mapping data to the City.

93.25 Location and Relocation of Facilities.
States the requirements which must be followed for the placement, location, and relocation of facilities in the right-of-way.

93.26 Pre-excavation Facilities Location.
States the requirement to mark the placement and location of facilities prior to any right-of-way excavation.

93.27 Damage to Other Facilities.
States the procedures for maintaining, supporting, or moving another parties' facilities to protect it during right-of-way work.

93.28 Right-of-Way Vacation.
States the procedure for when City vacates a right-of-way.

93.29 Indemnification and Liability.
Permittee agrees to defend and indemnify the City.

93.30 Abandoned and Unusable Facilities.
States the procedures to follow for abandoned or unusable facilities in the right-of-way.

93.31 Appeal.
States the procedures to follow to appeal denial of registration, denial of a permit, revocation of a permit, discrepancies in fees, or to dispute a determination of the director.

93.32 Reservation of Regulatory and Police Powers.
States that permittee's rights are subject to regulatory and police powers.

The complete text of Ordinance No. 1, Fourth Series, including the complete Code of Ordinances appended thereto, may be obtained at no charge from the City Clerk at City Hall, 305 E. Luverne St., Luverne, MN 56156, or from the City of Luverne website www.cityofluverne.org.

/s/ Patrick T. Baustian, Mayor
/s/ John M. Call, City Administrator
(9-20)

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CARDS OF THANKS

The family of Francis (Tony) Haper is so grateful for everyone's support during this difficult time. We truly appreciate your visits, words of comfort, flowers, food, gifts and cards. Tony will miss you all. Thank you also to Jeff Hartquist and his staff for the wonderful service and Father Tom for his spiritual support.

Loretta and family.
(9.20-9.23)

The family of Jim Reisch would like to thank everyone for their support during this time of Jim's death. We greatly appreciate the food, flowers, memorials and visits. A very special thank you to everyone at the Vets Home for your wonderful care. We would like to thank Pastor Tom, Jeff Hartquist and staff for all their help during this time. Thank you to Dr. Cenoywa and staff for all your wonderful care over the years.

Sandy Reisch and family.
(9.06-9.20)

The Southwest Minnesota Private Industry Council IS SEEKING A FULL-TIME YOUTH CAREER PATHWAY NAVIGATOR based out of Worthington, MN.

The Youth Career Pathway Navigator will serve as an advocate for participants in Career Pathway Programs and provide case management and participant follow-up as well as serve as the business liaison. The navigator is responsible for career exploration and career advising activities; building employability skills; assisting with the coordination of experiential learning opportunities or Work Based Learning; facilitating participant intake, eligibility determination, file maintenance, and participant career plan identification/development; providing tailored support services; and helping participants navigate the various resources available to help overcome barriers to success.

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Eriann Faris
Southwest Minnesota Private Industry Council,
607 West Main Street,
Marshall MN 56258
or via e-mail to efaris@swmnpic.org

Application Deadline: September 23, 2018

CARDS OF THANKS

Thank you to all who remembered us on our 50th Wedding Anniversary. Our day was made very special by your kind wishes. Thank you!

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