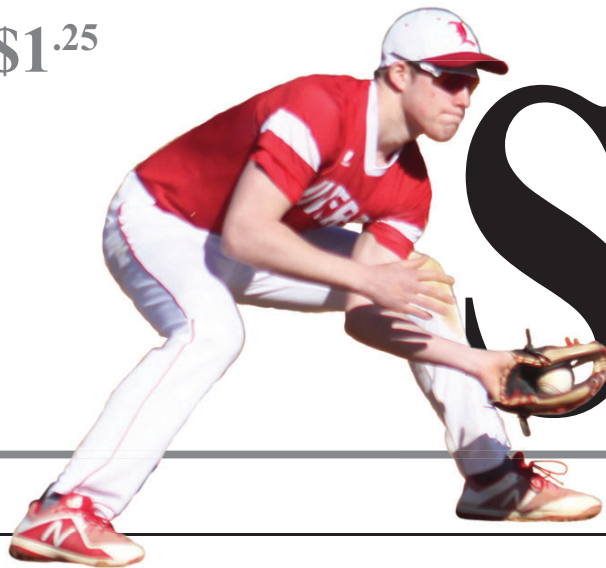




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Easter egg hunters dive in for party at pool

Photographs and text
by Mavis Fodness

The Easter egg hunt at Luverne Area Aquatics and Fitness may become an annual activity, based on the enthusiasm generated by the first egg hunt Friday afternoon.

"We wanted to find something different to do for the kids during the break," said pool manager Sam Honerman.

Schools were not in session on Good Friday, which meant area children were free to attend the 1:30 to 4 p.m. open swim session.

The hunt took place during a five-minute swim break every half hour.

During the break swimmers were split into age groups while a tub of empty, plastic eggs were dropped into the shallow end of the pool.

The floating eggs were spread out in the water by lifeguards, and at the signal, swimmers jumped into the pool to see how many of the brightly colored eggs they could gather in their arms.

Once all the eggs were collected, swimmers exchanged the plastic eggs for candy or small gifts at the end of each hunt.

The gathered eggs were then closed and readied for the next age group.

While dozens of swimmers



Swimmers charge after plastic eggs during the first-ever Easter egg hunt conducted at the Luverne pool.

participated in each age group, attendance stayed under the pool's 227 maximum limit.

Between spectators and swimmers, 217 individuals were at the pool for the event.

"By all calculations, it was a



Harper Renken, 6, swims after a plastic egg floating just out of reach.



Kamdyn Chapa grabs a plastic egg and heads pool side.

huge success," Honerman said. "It far surpassed even our wildest dreams."

For safety reasons, the hunt was also changed from an under-water event to an on-the-water activity.

"Floating is better," Honerman said. "We decided not to have too many people dive in."

Depending on feedback, Honerman said the Easter egg hunt might be conducted again next year.

Ashby family proposes county bike trail in son's memory

By Mavis Fodness

A bike trail in memory of Chris Ashby received support last week from Rock County Commissioners.

Gene and Barb Ashby of rural Luverne outlined their proposal April 16 during the commissioners' regular meeting.

Commissioners voted 4-0 to allow staff to engineer and research possible funding sources for a county bike trail. Commissioner Sherri Thompson was not present.

Barb Ashby said the couple made plans in late 2011 to build a bike trail to honor their 16-year-old son who

died in a 2006 car accident.

"At the beginning we would put up \$1 million toward this and we would like matching funds either by labor, grants or other funds," she read from a statement.

"Originally we would like to build five or six miles of trail. Unfortunately,

that distance keeps declining each year due to the cost."

Currently the couple would like the path finished in late 2020.

The county highway department will assist the Ashbys in finding an

Ashby bike path/see page 14

One-of-a-kind prom dress debuts in LHS Saturday

By Mavis Fodness

Saturday night, when Luverne High School conducts its annual prom, one student's flowing gown will represent the accomplishment of a personal goal and the guarantee of a one-of-a-kind dress.

Lilli Donohue spent the past several months practicing before designing and sewing her own prom dress.

"I have always made stuff but nothing like this," the 17-year-old admitted.

Instead of using a dress pattern, Donohue used a different method.

"I have had to kind of engineer it. I probably try the dress on 20 times a night," she said.

Instead of pinning fabric together on a dress form, the 5-foot, 3-inch Donohue uses herself as a model with the help of her mom, Kelly Kiviranna.

Homemade prom dress/continued on page 14

"That's the fun thing about making things yourself, you can make it any way you want."

— Lilli Donohue, LHS senior



Mavis Fodness photo/0425 Lilli Donohue Prom

Lilli Donohue, a senior at Luverne High School, will attach satin flowers to her dress for Saturday's prom event. The 17-year-old decided she would make, instead of buy, a formal gown to wear to her senior prom.

Rock County organist connects with family of woman who donated cornea

By Lori Sorenson

Doreen Rollag has been a musician her entire life. She's been singing with the Sweet Adelines for 46 years, and she's been the organist for 60 years at Palisade Lutheran Church in western Rock County.

When she began losing vision in her left eye two years ago, she feared her music contributions might be over.

Fluid was accumulating behind her cornea, and when months of treatment didn't improve the condition, she resigned herself to living with blurred vision.

But her doctor recommended a corneal transplant, a suggestion that came as a surprise to Rollag.

"I think some people might wonder about giving a cornea to a 92-year-old woman, but I guess they know I'm musical and I need my sight to play the organ and read

Rollag cornea transplant/see p. 5



Lori Sorenson photos/0425 doreen rollag

Doreen Rollag of rural Beaver Creek received a cornea transplant last year and has been corresponding with the family of the woman who donated her cornea for the surgery.

Generations, Blue Mound Tower spaces may connect

By Lori Sorenson

George Bonnema updated Luverne City Council members at their April 16 meeting about plans for a new building for Generations (formerly Rock County Senior Citizens).

The group originally planned to preserve the newer portion of the senior building (the kitchen and dining room) and replace the south part of the building, known as the Lincoln House built in the 1880s.

But Bonnema reported last week that a new proposal has emerged to build an all-new facility a half block to the north and attach it via a walkway to the east side of the Blue Mound Tower.

This option, he said, would present opportunities for both Generations and for Tower tenants, many of whom already use the meal site resources.

"I know we'll have a lot more people participating if it's connected to the Blue Mound Tower," Bonnema said. "And the tower has resources that Generations members could benefit from."

The plan, which hasn't been formally adopted, would put the Generations building on the Tower's east parking lot, and the lot would move to the former Senior Dining location once the old building is demolished.

The Luverne Housing and Redevelopment Authority owns the Blue Mound Tower property and the city of Luverne is the governing entity.

Luverne Mayor Pat Baustian said the building arrangement between the Tower and Generations has potential for multiple local benefits.

"The pairing of these two facilities would lend to partnerships on many ventures, meals and social interactions," Baustian said. "You have to have space to do these things."

Blue Mound Tower housing manager Tammy Johnson said she hopes the building arrangement will work.

"Being connected to Generations will enrich and enhance the lives of my tenants," she said.

"Even though we are close in proximity, when the weather is cold, rainy, icy, snowing, windy, it's not

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Meetings

Blue Mound Quilters will meet at 6 p.m. Monday, May 6, at the Rock County Community Library. Program will be quilted iron carrier by Denise Dirks.

Lady Luverne Red Hats will meet at 11 a.m. Friday, May 10, to carpool from St. Catherine's east parking lot to Pipestone for lunch at the Stone House and shopping. Call Connie at 283-8470.

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

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

Alanon meets from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. the second and fourth Thursdays in Sanford Luverne Blue Mound Room. 507-449-1246.

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

Circus tickets available

Local members of El Riad Shrine have donated circus tickets to area children up to 12 years old for the April 25-28 Shrine Circus shows in Sioux Falls. Tickets are available at Pizza Ranch and Teal's for families to pick up. Adults accompanying children must purchase their own tickets. Call Everett Brandenburg, 507-920-7055, with questions.

Blue Mounds Arbor Day hike April 26

The Blue Mounds State Park Arbor Day Tree I.D. Hike is from 4 to 5 p.m. Friday, April 26. Learn about the trees of Blue Mounds State Park and make your very own identification book. This hike will require stepping down, walking both up and downhill, and walking along a trail that may be wet or muddy. Meet at the visitors center parking lot. Call the park at 507-283-6051.

Knights of Columbus Tootsie Rolls April 27

The Luverne Knights of Columbus will offer Tootsie Rolls at Teal's Market and at Casey's General Store on Saturday, April 27, to support Rock County Opportunities. Call Randy Walgrave at 507-220-0332 with questions.

Blue Mounds 'Babies Hike' April 28

Calves: Prairie Babies Hike is from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Sunday, April 28. Join our naturalist on a search for the newest members of our bison herd — the 2019 calves. If the bison are located on the other side of the park, we will caravan to that side. Trail may be as short as a half mile or as long as three miles, depending on the herd's location. Dress for muddy and/or wet conditions and be prepared to step up and down and walk up and down inclines and on uneven terrain. Meet at the picnic grounds parking lot. Call 507-283-6051

Women's ecumenical event May 1 at FPC

All area women are invited to the Presbyterian Women's Ecumenical Gathering at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 1, at the First Presbyterian Church in Luverne. The program, "A New Beginning," will feature speakers from Heartland Girls' Ranch in Benson.

'Movie Music' concert on stage May 2

The Luverne Middle and High School choirs will present their spring pops concert titled "Movie Music" at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 2, in the Cardinal gymnasium. Admission is \$6 for adults and \$4 for students. Activity passes are also accepted.

Bank Nite movie 'Missing Link' May 2

The free Bank Nite family movie, "Missing Link," rated PG, will begin at 6 p.m. Thursday, May 2, at the Palace Theatre in Luverne.

Sponsored by First Farmers & Merchants National Bank and Papik Motors, a free, family-friendly movie is shown on the first Thursday of every month as it was done for "Bank Nite" in the 1930s. A cash prize drawing will follow the movie. Must be present to win.

Gun safety class begins May 6

A gun safety youth training class will be offered through the Rock County Sheriff's Office beginning at 7 p.m. Monday, May 6. Call the sheriff's office at 507-283-5000 for more information.



Lori Sorenson photo/0425 silent oak society

Luverne native Bill Keitel addresses a gathering in the lower level of the Brandenburg Gallery Monday night about his Silent Oak Society that encourages planting of slow-growing, long-living trees like bur oak trees, which are native to Rock County..

Keitel introduces Silent Oak Society; Luverne chapter ready to plant oak trees

By Lori Sorenson

Luverne native Bill Keitel introduced his Silent Oak Society at the Chamber After Hours event in the Brandenburg Gallery Monday on Earth Day.

"My grandfather didn't want people to bring flowers to his funeral; instead, he asked them to plant a tree," Keitel said. "And so began my obsession with trees."

After retiring two years ago, Keitel said he started the Silent Oak Society to promote planting trees, especially the slow-growing, long-living varieties like oak trees.

"Our interest is to quietly give a gift that may well live on for generations," is a lead statement in the Silent Oak Society in Worthington where Keitel lives.

"The society is silent because we are not pursuing this for public accolades. ... There won't be a plaque; there won't be acknowledgment. There will be the satisfaction that you were able to provide shelter and shade for the present and

for future generations."

At Monday's event, Chamber Director Jane Wildung Lanphere said the ground-work is already in place for a Luverne Silent Oak Society.

"If someone wants to designate an oak tree, you can pay \$300 and the city will coordinate with you where to plant on public property," Lanphere said.

"The city doesn't have a budget to plant oak trees because they're more expensive, but if it's on city property, the city will plant it and care for it"

The Chamber will coordinate tree-planting efforts with the city. Trees will be 2 to 3 inches around and 10 to 15 feet tall.

"It's a wonderful way to create a memorial," Lanphere said Monday night. "This is a gift you could give that will last hundreds of years."

People can plant a bur oak in memory of someone as a living tribute to that person. Or it can be planted in honor of someone as a gift to celebrate

birthdays, anniversaries, weddings or other special occasions.

Or, an oak tree can be planted for the sole purpose of supporting community forestation.

The gift will be acknowledged with a personalized commemorative card sent to the honoree or family of someone memorialized.

The Luverne Silent Oak Society website through the Chamber's website will officially register gifts, dates, brief memorial tributes, names and a photo and location of oak trees.

Keitel said planting a slow-growing tree like an oak tree requires patience and an understanding that the task will be for future enjoyment, not necessarily for the current generation.

"More than thirty years ago I planted an acorn, and six years ago I built a tree house in it for my grandchildren," Keitel said.

He said the April 2013 ice

storm devastated many trees in the area, but the oak trees were unfazed. "There was zero damage to the oak trees; they're very hardy," Keitel said.

He said bur oaks are the original trees of the prairie and are well-adapted to climate extremes and regular grass fires that swept the plains.

Their deep roots and thick bark contribute to their longevity — some living to be more than 400 years old. "It's one of the longest-lived trees in this area," Keitel said.

Lanphere distributed information about Luverne's Silent Oak Society at Monday's gathering.

"One of the goals of the Silent Oak Society in Luverne is to help our community engage residents and businesses to support the planting of one of the most majestic and original trees of the prairie," the brochure stated.

A planned oak tree planting ceremony Monday night was postponed due to wet conditions.

County to pursue map of aggregate resources

By Mavis Fodness

Rock County is rich in aggregate materials, and county officials want to know where these resources are located and how to best manage the finite resource.

Commissioners adopted a resolution at their April 16 meeting to work with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources to map the sand and gravel potential throughout the county.

The county will devote \$7,000 of in-kind services or contribute financially for the DNR's Division of Lands and Minerals to begin the two-year study in July 2020.

Land Management Director Eric Hartman brought the mapping proposal to the board.

He said less than a quarter of the state's 87 counties have

gone through the mapping process, similar to the soil mapping the state has completed for decades.

"There are a number of areas in the state with a shortage of aggregate resources — even in our own region, and all we have to do is look over to the east end of Jackson and Nobles counties," Hartman said.

"They have trouble finding decent aggregate resources for township roads."

As part of the study, a DNR geologist will observe, complete bore samples, and designate all of Rock County land areas with limited, low, moderate or high aggregate potential.

Commissioner Stan Williamson hesitated in spending county funds to find out where sand and gravel resources are located.

"I see a little bit of the benefit," Williamson said.

"I am having a little trouble with seven grand."

County administrator Kyle Oldre said aggregate mapping could help commissioners and the county's planning and zoning committee make informed land permitting decisions.

"It would be good to know whether or not, at some point, you want to protect that (land) for future mining," Oldre said.

"Or at some point, maybe 100 years from now, we are going to run out of access to aggregate or not,"

Commissioners voted 4-0 to seek funding for the aggregate study through the DNR. Commissioner Sherri Thompson was absent.

Earlier this month, commissioners faced questions

from the public relating to the number of open permits in an area and the effects of mining on the environment.

After lengthy discussions that included the company seeking the permits, the commissioners approved each of the conditional use requests.

Aggregate mapping is another valuation tool, similar to the maps designating the soil types on farmland throughout the county.

"It's (aggregate) another valuable resource we've got in this county," Commissioner Gary Overgaard said.

"It's going to be worth a lot of money down the road."

The DNR estimated more than 80 percent of publicly funded roads and infrastructure use some type of aggregate for construction and/or repairs.



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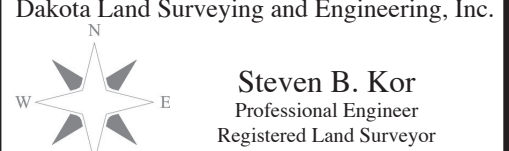
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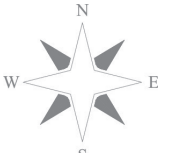


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Oksness is new assistant at Luverne Area Chamber office

By Lori Sorenson
Chamber assistant Katie Oksness has been on the job for only two weeks and already she knows it's a good fit for her interests.

"My kids are growing up here, and I wanted to be part of what's happening in Luverne," she said at Monday night's Chamber After Hours event.

"Everything in the community revolves around the Chamber. ... I had no idea all these things were going on."

For example, Oksness said she's looking forward to the Luverne Loop dedication and Roll On Luverne bike lending promotion on May 16.

"I'm working on a scavenger hunt for the kids where they'll each have their own lanyard to wear on the bike path," Oksness said. "But first we have to get through the Citywide Spring Rummage Sale next weekend."

Luverne Area Chamber Director Jane Wildung Lanphere first introduced Oksness in her April newsletter.

"Katie will be responsible for many of the Chamber, resident and visitor services along with supporting the work of many of the exciting projects that are happening in our community," Lanphere said.

"One of the big projects that the Chamber will be working on is updating the Chamber website to provide greater interactive services for our members, and Katie will be very involved in that process. Katie will also be an integral part of the social media strategy that the Chamber will use to promote members and community events."

Oksness said she's enjoyed her first two weeks on the job and she's grateful for Lanphere's leadership.

"She's super patient with me," Oksness said. "She's been great to work with."

Oksness, daughter of John and Sharon Oksness, Luverne, graduated from Luverne High School in 2001. She has three children, 14-year-old Ava, 12-year-old Marcus and 5-year-old Kyler.



Public hearings on April 30 to accept feedback on 1W1P

Two public hearings are set for Tuesday, April 30, to solicit citizen feedback on the recently completed Missouri River Watershed One Watershed One Plan.

The first hearing is from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at the Edgerton Fire Hall, 230

Mill Street, Edgerton.

The second hearing is from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in the Farmers Room of the Nobles County Courthouse, 315 Tenth St., Worthington.

A copy of the 1W1P is at www.noblesswcd.org/one-watershed-one-plan.

Generations may partner with Blue Mound Tower on space and resources/continued from page 1

fun or safe to cross that alley, especially for those not steady on their feet."

Bonnema presented a proposal at the April board meeting of the Housing and Redevelopment Authority, which manages the building.

"George's enthusiasm is contagious, and the board is also excited about the proposal," Johnson said, adding that they're consulting with legal counsel and will research the idea before acting on the proposal at the May HRA meeting.

A few concerns would be to make sure the Blue Mound Tower remains a secure build-

ing with the keyless entry system and to work with builders and the city to make sure public transit and ambulance services are still able to get close to the building.

In general, though, Johnson described the idea as a "great marriage" of services and opportunities.

"Many of our folks choose not to go out when the weather is bad or most of the winter for that matter. Their meals are delivered to their doors, which is a wonderful service. However they're missing the socialization. It's not fun to eat alone and winters are long and isolating," Johnson said.

"I'm excited about the new programs and recreation possibilities that Generations is proposing. My tenants could go back and forth several times a day without putting on a coat. Now that Generations has made their membership age 18, all the generations that live at the Tower could benefit from the amenities of a new building."

At the April 16 council meeting, Bonnema talked about parking arrangements with the land swap.

Parking spaces to the south would be adjacent to the BMT and Generations building, and the alley that previ-

Jasper historian earns Lifetime Achievement Award

Minnesota Alliance of Local History Museums to recognize Geraldine Pedersen at April 25 conference for 40 years of service

By Lori Sorenson

Minnesota Alliance of Local History Museums has awarded Geraldine Pedersen with the 2019 Lifetime Achievement Award for her 40 years of service to the Jasper Historical Society.

She was honored at an April 25 reception at Treasure Island Resort and Casino near Red Wing where the organization recognized seven local history projects with a Minnesota History Award and nine individuals with a Lifetime Achievement Award at its ninth annual conference.

"I don't know how to react to all this," Pedersen said about the honor. "The museum had a rug on the floor when I started in 1981 and that was all. ... I worked at it a little at a time, and it filled a lot of time for me. It was a satisfying experience, and that was all I needed."

Today the building has two floors packed full of displays, thanks largely to Pedersen who also had some help from the museum board.

Reclaim Community of Jasper relied on Pedersen's historical work and research for their efforts in saving the Jasper school building and getting it listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

The group nominated Pedersen for the history award. "We believe she is an inspiration to all and should receive all our thanks and congratulations," said Elicia Kortus, president of Reclaim Community.

"If not for her quick action to gather community support and state historical support, the Jasper school might have been demolished after it closed in 2002. If not for her research work,



Photo by StudioBlu Photography

Minnesota Alliance of Local History Museums has awarded Geraldine Pedersen with the 2019 Lifetime Achievement Award for her 40 years of service to the Jasper Historical Society.

"Jerry is the most humble, ordinary, and committed person, who has done extraordinary work in compiling extensive historical records for over 40 years. ... At age 94 she is still actively collecting and archiving articles and writing historical record books on her typewriter. She is truly a gem, and we are so proud of her."

— Elicia Kortus, Reclaim Community

we would not have been equipped with the necessary information to complete our National Register nomination for the Jasper School, which was just accepted by the Minnesota State Historical Preservation Office (in March)."

Kortus said Pedersen's commitment to preserving the history of the people and places of Jasper was instrumental in the creation of Reclaim Community and for the listing of six of Jasper's historic buildings on the National Register of Historic

Places.

"This is not a small feat for a town of only 633," Kortus said. She said that in an era of online Internet research, small-town museums can be easily overlooked as treasure troves of valuable historical data.

"Because all our history is physically in the museum, but not really online anywhere, I don't think people have any idea how much work she has done day in and day out, completely donated and even paid for things out of pocket, and

how much information is available," Kortus said about Pedersen.

"She has so many binders full of hand-typed and copied stories, documents and records. She just finished a 200-page quarry history a year ago."

Pedersen said she was encouraged by her uncle who had worked with the quarry to continue documenting its history.

"He told me, 'If you don't do it, it will be lost,'" she said.

"My family always believed that you do the best that you can for as long as you can, and looking back, I can say I did that, and I'm thankful it all turned out good."

When Jasper celebrated the national bicentennial in 1976, Pedersen filled an entire newspaper edition with written history about the community and about nearly every historic building and business in town.

"That's staggering really," Kortus said. "It has been my absolute pleasure to get to know her. Without her my organization, Reclaim Community, wouldn't exist."

Kortus said Pedersen continues to work tirelessly in recording Jasper's history while at the same time wanting no recognition or credit.

"Jerry is the most humble, ordinary, and committed person, who has done extraordinary work in compiling extensive historical records for over 40 years, following her eight years as editor and writer for the Jasper Journal," Kortus said.

"At age 94 she is still actively collecting and archiving articles and writing historical record books on her typewriter. She is truly a gem, and we are so proud of her."

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He didn't seem to mind.

Logan didn't utter a peep as the nurse wheeled his clear plastic bassinette into Courtney's hospital room. Only a little sigh uttered moments later was excuse enough for me to scoop him up and look closely at the newest bundle of joy.

I have to say he's perfect.

His soon-to-be 2-year-old sister thinks he should have stayed at the hospital.

Jayden is no longer the only grandchild, but I think she will be OK with that.

Everyone brought her a gift along with the new baby items.

I also packed my brightly colored cloth "Grandma" bag, filled with toys and snacks. It came in handy when her dad and I and the other grandparents left the mommy and new baby to grab supper at a restaurant.

The grandma bag distracted Jayden as we waited for our food.

I also learned more about the first grandchild.

She likes Ranch dressing, as she used her whole hand to scoop the white salad topping into her mouth.

"All done, Mee-Maw!" she chimed.

Mee-Maw.

A previous column detailed that I wasn't called a name. I was just a smile and silence and that was all we needed to sync our minds and I knew what she wanted.

"Come, Mee-Maw!" is her fa-



RUMINATIONS

By Mavis Fodness, Reporter

vorite saying as she quickly pats her thigh and runs off. The family dog gets the same signal to follow.

The day after meeting Logan, I was able to accompany Jayden to her first Easter egg hunt.

I definitely have to share my wisdom about why no one likes to eat the marshmallow-y, sugary, funny-shaped chick candy but once a year when she is older.

This time spent with Jayden and now with Logan is not just babysitting.

An article shared by social media site Shareably indicated spending time with grandchildren helps you live longer.

The finding comes from the Berlin Aging Study.

Researchers concluded caring grandparents' lives were filled with less stress, more physical activity and more cognitively stimulating that those grandparents who don't babysit their grandchildren.

Unfortunately, too much babysitting can have the reverse effect.

A study out of Australia found stress returns when too much energy is devoted to babysitting and the stress returns along with physical exhaustion.

After the Easter egg hunt, Jayden and I waited for her little brother's arrival home for the first time.

I couldn't wait to extract him from his car seat and snuggle him once more.

For two hours we peacefully sat on the coach together while Jayden played on the floor and her parents emptied the car and put items away.

The down time with Logan was relaxing and reinvigorating, especially when it came to entertaining Jayden again.

Then came naptime, which we both can enjoy together for a few more years.

Thank you, farmers and ranchers On farms and ranches, every day is Earth Day

At USDA, we celebrate Earth Day 2019 by offering a big thank you to farmers and ranchers here in Minnesota for all they do.

Every day we see their efforts to conserve natural resources while producing food, fiber and fuel for people in their communities and around the world.

They are doing what needs to be done to make sure we all enjoy the benefits of clean and plentiful water and healthy soils, ecosystems and wildlife habitat.

This year's Earth Day theme, "Protect Our Species," highlights the responsibility we share in supporting wildlife. Two-thirds of the land in the continental United States is privately owned, and the decisions that farmers and ranchers make for their land can impact wildlife.

We at USDA believe people and wildlife can thrive together. USDA's Farm Service Agency and Natural Resources Conservation Service assist agricultural producers with adopting conservation practices that benefit not only farms, ranches and forest lands but wildlife species.

Producers across the nation have

GUEST EDITORIAL

By Joe Martin and Troy Daniell

We at USDA believe people and wildlife can thrive together.

played and continue to play important roles in helping wildlife species flourish, rebound or recover.

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age you to reach out to your local FSA and NRCS representatives at your nearest USDA service center to see if there is a program right for your operation. Find your nearest office at farmers.gov/service-locator.

If you're not a farmer or rancher, on this Earth Day please thank one for the work he or she does to put food on our tables and to conserve our natural resources and support our nation's wildlife

Joe Martin is the State Executive Director of the Minnesota Farm Service Agency and Troy Daniell is the State Conservationist, Natural Resources Conservation Service.



Activities less strenuous for next holiday

I hope everyone had a nice Easter this past weekend. The weather was spectacular for a change so we were able to enjoy a variety of outdoor activities.

The Petersons actually hosted two Easter family gatherings, one on Saturday and the other on Sunday.

Why two gatherings, you ask? Family work schedules dictated the weekend get-together.

As mentioned earlier, the weather allowed us the opportunity to be outside. Saturday's events included the traditional Easter egg hunt for the grandsons, which probably was held for the last time because of advancing ages of the three boys.

On the more strenuous side of the physical exertion scale of outdoor events were basketball and kickball.

Teams were divided up young against old. Even though the old team outnumbered the



FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH

By Rick Peterson, General Manager
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young team by one, the three grandsons made quick work of their parents and grandparents.

Sunday's celebration was a little less physical because the two granddaughters were both much younger than the grandsons, four years of age being the oldest. To be honest, though, I thought if we played the same two games and the teams were divided by age, the old team might have a chance for redemption.

Sunday's events included another Easter egg hunt fol-

lowed by kite flying, a ranger ride and a short dog walk.

By the end of the weekend this guy sitting at the keyboard came to the realization he isn't in as good a shape as he thought he was.

With Mother's Day less than a month away and the possibility of a basketball and kickball game rematch looming, I'd better step up my daily workout routine and work on my jump shot. On second thought, let's scrap the jump shot idea and go with the old school set shot.

Ask a Trooper: Drive safely with arm in sling

Question: Can someone that had a shoulder replacement and will be in a sling for four more weeks still be legal to drive with one arm?

Answer: There are no restrictions placed on a license for this situation, unless a physician notifies Driver and Vehicle Services (DVS) of such. If the driver's (lack of) control of the vehicle due to this type of injury causes issues that make for a traffic stop or if that person was involved in a crash, a citation could be issued.

Distracted or inattentive driving is when a driver engages in any activity that might distract them from the primary task of driving — and increase their risk of crashing. Attentive driving is critical as the traffic environment changes constantly and drivers must be prepared to react.

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Tips to avoid distracted driving:

- Turn off cell phones or place them out of reach to avoid the urge to text, call or answer. If a passenger is present, ask them to handle calls/texts.

- Pre-program radio stations for easy access. Adjust mirrors and heat/AC before traveling or ask a passenger to assist.

- Designate a passenger to serve as a copilot to help with directions. If driving alone, map out destinations in advance and pull over to study a map.

- Avoid food/beverage and be sure food and drinks are secured.

- Teach children the importance of good behavior in a vehicle — do not underestimate how distracting it can be to tend to children while driving.

- Passengers: Speak up to stop drivers from distracted driving behavior.

- When receiving calls, ask if the person is driving. If so, ask them to call back when they arrive at their destination.

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

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ON THE RECORD

Dispatch report

April 12
•Complainant in Hardwick requested notification.
•Deputies conducted a warrant check on North Spring Street.
•Complainant on West Lincoln Street reported a threat.
•Complainant reported a spill near Steen.
•An accident was reported near Hills.
•Complainant reported a van with its door open on North Freeman Avenue.
•Complainant reported train blocking intersection at location of Highway 23 and 241st Street near Jasper.
•Complainant requested a welfare check on South Kniss Avenue.
April 13
•Deputy checked on a person on North Spring Street.
•Complainant on 160th Avenue requested notification.
•Complainant requested deputy for property exchange on North Freeman Street.
•Complainant reported train will be blocking intersection at location of Highway 23 and 241st Street near Jasper.
•Deputy assisted Minnesota Highway Patrol on I-90, mile marker 18.
•Complainant reported a horse out near Beaver Creek.
•Complainant reported vehicle driving erratically on Blue Mound and Christensen.
•Complainant reported suspicious activity on South Estey Street.
April 14
•Complainant reported erratic driver westbound on I-90, mile marker 17, near Magnolia.
•Complainant requested to speak to a deputy.
April 15
•Complainant reported a vehicle stuck in the car wash.
•Complainant reported accident property damage on West Interstate Drive.
•Complainant reported possible wanted person sighting on West Interstate Drive.
•License plate found at location on South Kniss Avenue.
•Complainant reported kids being disruptive in Kolbert Park.
•Luverne Fire Department out for training.
•Complainant on 70th Avenue reported threats.
April 16
•Complainant reported alarm at location on East Main Street.
•Complainant reported area is unsafe for travel near Kanaranzi.

•Complainant requested to speak to a deputy about a scam.
•Complainant reported stolen property near Kenneth.
•Complainant on West Hatting Street reported a disorderly subject.
•Complainant on 190th Avenue near Magnolia reported smoke.
April 17
•ERU conducting training near Estherville.
•Complainant reported debris in the roadway near Hardwick.
•Complainant on East 1st Street, Hardwick, reported suspicious activity.
•Complainant reported road closed at location of County Road 8 and County Road 6 near Beaver Creek undermined significantly.
•Complainant requested welfare check on subject in Luverne.
•Complainant on 110th Avenue near Hardwick reported neighbor abandoned property.
•Complainant reported cattle and horses out on 91st Street near Beaver Creek.
•Complainant on Mag Road near Luverne reported property found.
April 18
•Complainant reported someone sleeping in vehicle.
•Complainant on South Kniss Avenue requested to speak to a deputy about property damage.
•Complainant on West Interstate Drive reported theft.
•Complainant on South Spring Street reported burglary alarm.
•Complainant on East Main Street reported property damage.
•Complainant on East Main Street reported subject with warrant.
•Complainant on Harrison Street reported an accident.
•Complainant reported he hit a deer westbound at Luverne exit on I-90.
•Complainant reported kids shooting off fireworks by city hall.
•Complainant reported a driving complaint westbound on I-90, mile marker 13.
In addition, officers responded to 1 vehicle in the ditch, 3 transports, 7 escorts, 21 ambulance runs, 9 paper services, 5 animal complaints, 5 fingerprint requests, 26 burn permits, 1 driver's license check, 3 drug court tests, 1 permit to purchase/carry, 15 traffic stops, 5 abandoned 911 calls and 1 test.

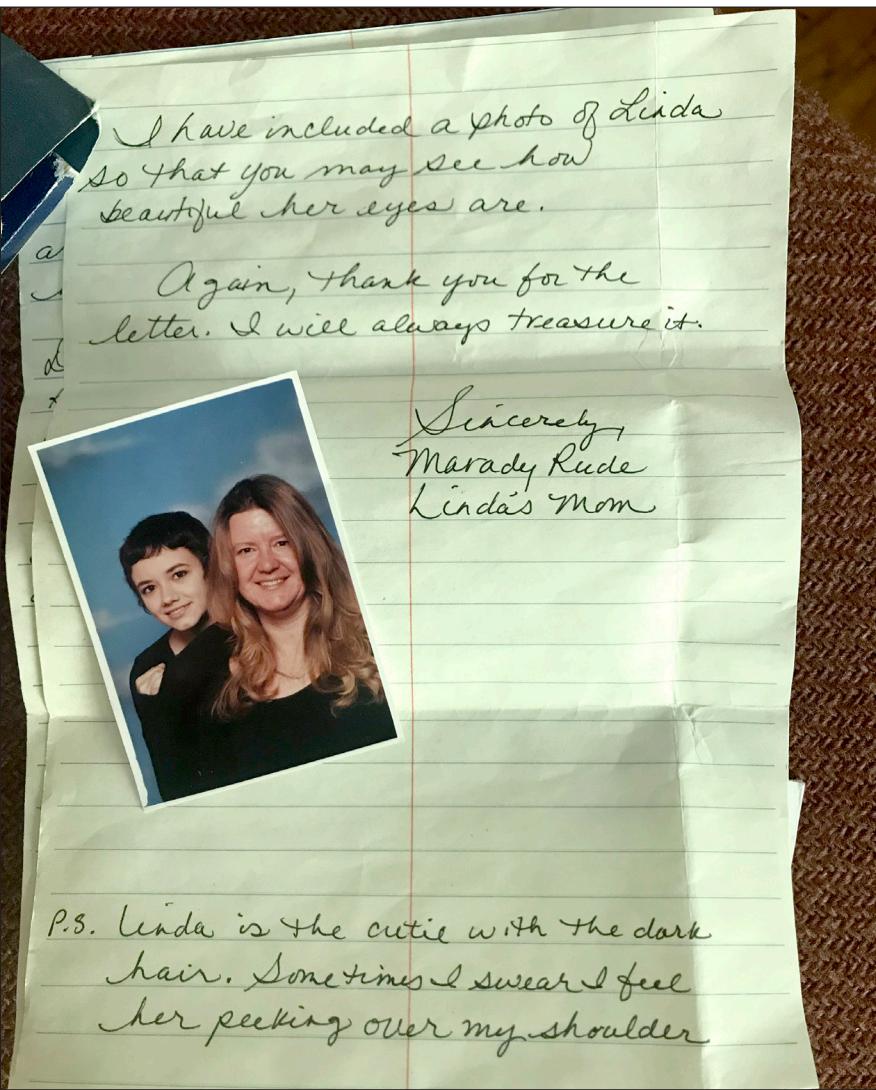
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Rollag corresponds with family of cornea donor/ from page 1

music," she said.
In April of 2018 a cornea became available, and a week later, on April 26, doctors replaced Rollag's faulty cornea with the donated one, restoring her vision to 20-20.
The successful transplant was rewarding enough, but Rollag was most impacted by a series of events that followed through Dakota Lions Sight and Health.
The organization, which serves Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota, connects eye and tissue donors with those who need transplants, and it facilitates communication between the two in order to create awareness of the impact of organ donation.
"Donor families want to know the gift goes on to help someone," said CEO Marcy Dimond. "There's a certain amount of healing in knowing that part of their loved one lives on to help someone."
Several months after her surgery, Rollag received a letter from Dakota Lions Sight and Health encouraging her to write a thank-you note.
"They told me they'd located the family of the donor of my cornea and suggested that I write a letter expressing gratitude," she said.
"I wasn't to use my full name or include my address, but they would deliver my letter to the family."
Rollag wasted no time reaching out. "I thanked them for my cornea and I told them why I needed it — so I could continue with my music," she said. "I was grateful that I could send the letter."
Several weeks later she found an envelope in her mailbox from Dakota Lions. In it was a handwritten letter from a woman named Marady with a message addressed to Doreen.
"Thank you for your kind note and gratitude," the neat cursive handwriting stated. "It gave my shattered heart a little jump start."
The letter explained that her 27-year-old daughter, Linda, died April 19, 2018, and they decided to donate her organs.
"Grieving the loss of a child is very overwhelming. However, knowing that a part of her is still here and that she is helping others gives me great comfort," the letter stated.
"I hope that the gift of sight she gave you gives you many beautiful memories. ... Again, thank you for the letter. I will always treasure it."
Enclosed with the letter was a



Dakota Lions Sight and Health connects donor families and transplants who are interested in corresponding. Doreen Rollag received this letter from the family whose late daughter donated her cornea.

2-by-3-inch photograph of a brown-eyed girl smiling over the shoulder of her mother. "Linda is the cutie with dark hair," Marady wrote in a postscript. "Sometimes I swear I feel her peeking over my shoulder."
Dakota Lions facilitated additional correspondence and in March invited Rollag to attend an April 13 luncheon, "Honoring Our Heroes," for donor families and recipients in Sioux Falls.
"The Hilton ballroom was full of people there to honor their loved ones," said Rollag, who was joined by others like herself who had received transplanted organs.
"I didn't know what to expect, but I asked Karen (her daughter-in-law) to go with me, and we were so glad we did."
In addition to sharing stories about eye, tissue and organ donations, the event honored organ donors and their families and celebrated with transplant recipients.

"There were big screens all around the room, and when they read the names of donors, their pictures appeared on the screens," Rollag said.
"A woman at my table was teary-eyed when her husband's photo was shown."
Donor families received red roses, and transplant recipients — including Rollag — were given white roses.
"It was all so touching," she said. "I was so impressed. I think it's just wonderful that they do this for the families ... and to show what good organ donation can do."
Marady, who lives in Sturgis, wasn't at the Sioux Falls event, but a similar event in Rapid City will be May 11. "I hope she goes," Rollag said. "Her daughter should be honored."
More information about Dakota Lions Sight and Health can be found at www.dakotasight.org.

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Mavis Fodness photo/0425 Parkinsons Awareness 2019

The Luverne Parkinson's disease support group recognized April as Parkinson's Disease Awareness Month during their regular monthly meeting Thursday afternoon, April 18, at St. John Lutheran Church. The group offers support to disease sufferers as well as their caregivers. Thursday's gathering included (front, from left) Hennie DeKam, Elmer DeKam, Dave Paquette, founder Dianne Karlstad, (second row) Marvin Laackmann, Carol Grimaldo, Arlene Gerber, Linda Bakken, Barb Ashby, (back) Bill Mulligan, Mary Lou Mulligan, Martha Morse and Richard Bakken.

Local support group recognizes Parkinson's Disease Awareness Month

Once-a-month discussions open to caregivers as well as patients

By Mavis Fodness

Any given month at least a dozen Parkinson's disease patients and caregivers gather for support, share experiences and bust myths about the disease.

The Luverne Parkinson's disease support group will celebrate its third year in existence this fall.

At their April 18 meeting last week, the group recognized April is Parkinson's Disease Awareness Month.

Dianne Karlstad started the local support group after she was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease in 2015.

The local group's first meeting was August 2016.

"After every meeting they thank me, but I don't do much," Karlstad insisted. "I want to talk as much as the rest of them."

Talk is an integral activity of those who gather every third Thursday, whether among themselves or with a guest speaker. The doors of St. John Lutheran Church on Cedar



Mavis Fodness photo/0425 Parkinsons Awareness 2019

Aspecially decorated cake was served in recognition of Parkinson's Disease Awareness Month. The red tulip is the disease's official symbol.

Street in Luverne open at 1 p.m. to the gathering in the atrium area.

For Karlstad, the group lessened her fears of living with Parkinson's and turned her thoughts to living a more vibrant life, the theme of this year's Parkinson's Disease Awareness Month.

She's also exercised at Power Fitness with several members of the support group.

"The more exercise we can get, the better we can feel," she said.

Discussions have also led Karlstad and other patients to see a movement specialist in Sioux Falls, and new medications improved their day-to-day routines.

However, recent television and radio commercials about a new oral medication to treat hallucinations and delusions associated with Parkinson's have dimmed Karlstad's vibrant attitude.

"Very few Parkinson's disease patients have hallucinations unless

"Very few Parkinson's disease patients have hallucinations unless their medication has changed or been adjusted."

— Dianne Karlsrud, founder of the Luverne Parkinson's support group

their medication has changed or been adjusted," she said.

Parkinson's disease is a chronic and progressive disease of the nervous system marked by tremors, muscle rigidity, and slow, imprecise movement. The symptoms worsen over time and there is no cure.

For more information about the Parkinson's disease support group, contact Karlstad at 507-530-3307.

1958: 'Super highway' to be finished across state in 15 to 20 years

The following appeared in the Rock County Star Herald on April 3, 1958.

Work To Start On Part Of Super Highway Next Year

4.2 Miles To Be Built In Rock County

Contracts for construction of the west part of the proposed Federal Interstate Highway in Rock county will be awarded next year, it was announced this week by the State Highway department.

With the vast highway project to be done in stages throughout the State beginning this year, approximately 4.2 miles of the highway are scheduled for construction in Rock county in 1959.

Estimated cost of the project does not include purchase of the right-of-way, the highway department explained. The proposed route of the superhighway, titled Interstate Route 391, will divide many farms in Rock county. It is still anticipated the highway will



BITS BY BETTY

By Betty Mann, president
Rock County Historical Society

follow the route detailed in a map published in the Star-Herald about a year ago.

According to the tentative route, the new four-lane highway will be parallel to and about a mile south of U.S. Highway 16 from the east side of Rock county to Beaver Creek, where the new highway will turn north, cross No. 16 and then turn straight west to the state line and a tie-in with South Dakota.

Early Survey Taken

Preliminary surveys have been completed on the 4.2-mile section of the highway from Beaver Creek to the state

line this winter, and it had been predicted that this section would be the first to come under contract for construction.

Rock county's portion of the highway will be part of more than \$164 million of construction in Minnesota's share of the new Interstate highway network planned for initial award to contractors by the end of 1960.

This is the first announcement of a definite timetable for the highway. These projects cover 198 miles of road construction and 206 bridges.

May Take Longer

In releasing the timetable,

the highway department emphasized that the year given for each portion of construction is simply the time the first major contract for that portion is planned to be awarded. Lengthy portions may be divided into separate projects and built over a period of several years.

The timetable, however, does give an indication of the priority assigned to the projects.

Chances are that the 4.2 mile section in Rock county will be completed speedily once it is started. It is to tie in with South Dakota's portion of the superhighway and traffic will flow from and to No. 16 at the point of intersection just west of Beaver Creek. If the stretch between the state line and No. 16 is not completed about the same time it will mean South Dakota's superhighway would deadend near the state line.

The entire 890-mile Interstate highway project in Minnesota is expected to run

15 to 20 years and to cost approximately \$728 million. The timetable calls for 526 miles of construction in the next 14 years at a cost of \$403.5 million.

First In Area

According to the timetable, the proposed construction in Rock county will be the first on the new East-West highway this side of Freeborn county in the southeast part of the state. Fourteen miles will be started East of Albert Lea in 1960.

This, too, indicates that the highway commission is anxious to see that this state can funnel traffic from the portion of the Interstate in South Dakota into Highway 16, via the proposed 4.2 miles of new highway up for a start in 1959.

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@iunet.

CELEBRATIONS

Open houses

A come-and-go bridal shower for **Haley Wire**, bride-to-be of **Tanner Skat-tum**, will be from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 27, in the gathering space at St. Catherine Catholic Church in Luverne.

Loretta Haper will celebrate her 80th birthday on Saturday, May 4, with a birthday party from 1-3 p.m. at St. Catherine Church in Luverne.

An open house bridal shower for **Jessica Willers**, bride-to-be of **Nick Otten**, will be at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 5, in the gathering space at St. Catherine Church in Luverne.

MENU

Monday, April 29: Hamburger, bun, oven-brown potatoes, creamed corn, rhubarb sauce.

Program: 9 a.m. Quilting; Bone Builders. Pinocle.

Tuesday, April 30: Taco salad (taco meat, cheese, salsa, shredded lettuce, chopped tomatoes, sour cream), dinner roll, fresh fruit.

Program: Half-Price Day sponsored by Main Street Financial.

Wednesday, May 1: Chicken in cream sauce, mashed potatoes, peas, bread, cream puff dessert.

Program: 9 a.m. Bone Builders.

Thursday, May 2: Pork loin with gravy, mashed potatoes, carrots, bread, poke cake.

Friday, May 3: Spaghetti with Italian meat sauce, green beans, lettuce with dressing, garlic bread, ice cream.

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

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

4-H NEWS

Rock County 4-H seniors awarded scholarships

Six Rock County 4-H senior members were selected as recipients for the 2019 4-H scholarships.

Recipients, 4-H club, sponsor scholarship, and parents are as follows:

• Michael Kinsinger; Magnolia Juniors; Teal's Market and Reichscholarships; son of Shawn and Teresa Kinsinger, Luverne.

• Hannah Kruse; Livewires; Reichscholarship; daughter of Kory and Michele Kruse, Adrian.

• Kaylie Ossefoort; Magnolia Juniors; Reichscholarship; daughter of Josh and Becky Ossefoort, Luverne.

• Trevor Mente; Magnolia Juniors; Reichscholarship; son of Dave and Stacy Mente, Magnolia.

• Joshua Raak; Denver Go-Getters; Reichscholarship; son of Philip and Theresa Raak, Jasper.

• Josie Scholten; Blue Ribbon; Reichscholarship; daughter of Kraig and Kristi Scholten, Hills.

HONOR ROLL

H-BCHonorRollupdate

The following updated information has been made available:

Senior Madison Spath was added to the A Honor Roll.

Sophomore Hannah Fick was named to the A Honor Roll (change from B Honor Roll).

Community members star in May 2-3 ‘Art Ability Showcase’

By Lori Sorenson

Coffey Contemporary Arts in Luverne is partnering with Habilitative Services Inc. to bring its first-ever “Art Ability Showcase” to the Main Street gallery.

A grand opening and artists’ reception will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 2, for the special one weekend only show.

HSI has more than 200 clients in several southwest Minnesota communities, and they’re all invited to submit artwork for the show.

“Obviously they’re not all interested in art, but we have some that are pretty excited

about it,” said HSI program supervisor Stacy Olson.

“We have several who sketch and paint, and I thought this stuff needs to be seen.”

For gallery owners Cody and Nicole Henrichs, the Art Ability Showcase is another extension of their organization’s mission in Luverne.

“Part of CCA’s mission is to increase arts education and exhibition in our community, encompassing and inviting people from all walks of life and backgrounds, including those in our community with disabilities,” they shared on their May 2 invitation.

“Coffey Contemporary Arts has teamed up with HSI to curate and showcase numerous amazing local artists. Disability does not hold these community talents back from

creating beautiful and creative show stoppers.”

Gallery hours for the Art Ability exhibit are from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday, May 2-3.



Tyler Buckentine will bring his passion for animated characters to the Art Ability Showcase next week. On the left is an acrylic painting on canvas of “Link,” from Nintendo’s video game series The Legend of Zelda. The sketch on the right is “Goku” from the animated television series, Dragon Ball Z.



Teresa Berghorst has been creating art with counted cross-stitching since she started in ninth grade on small decorative jar lids. She’s pictured with a framed baby gift she recently created for a friend and a Christmas stocking she made for her mother, Susan Deutsch, several years ago.



John Baustian will bring several pieces of art to the Coffey Contemporary Arts Gallery next week. Among them are an oil painting that he completed with a Bob Ross class, a collage of cartoon sketches and a T-shirt that he designed for the Jasper community’s 125th celebration in 2013. (Lori Sorenson photos)

Busy weekend leads into rainy Monday planning

Okay, a rain day (Monday) so I don’t feel guilty not working outside. This weekend I did manage to get all five of my gardens tilled and planted a lot of the cool season crops: broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, kohlrabi, Brussels sprouts, kale, romaine lettuce and radishes. I hope to get all of the rest of the cool season crops in later in the week and that will mean beets, Chinese cabbage, carrots, peas, potatoes, onions, leeks, shallots, and scallions. The farmers market starts the first Thursday in June so



KNOW IT AND GROW IT

By George Bonnema, Luverne Horticulturalist

I have to have produce ready and I’m trying.

If you have rose bushes, a product I highly recommend is labeled Systemic Rose Care. It has the best fertilizer I’ve ever found to get amazing growth and the product also has an insecticide that “nails” any chewing or sucking insects before they do major damage. That insecticide is absorbed by the roots and gets into the sap of the plant so

any insect that ingests the foliage is eliminated ... that is the “systemic” part of the labeling.

I’ve observed some winter damage in lawns and if you want to do a little over-seeding to fill in those damaged areas, this is a good time to put down some grass seed. Use a blended grass seed mix, not a straight bluegrass seed. The blended mix will have a form of bluegrass, in addition to fescue and

perennial rye. Bluegrass is wonderful if we have a cool and wet growing season but if it gets hot and dry, often the bluegrass will go dormant and that is where the other two varieties help maintain the lawn. And if you are doing a weed control spray, hit those dandelions before they start blooming or you will have ongoing “job security.”

If you have fruit trees to prune, get that done soon because I see the buds popping out really fast ... a couple more warm days and the flowering will begin ... yea for spring!

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

OBITUARIES

Patricia Smedsrud

Patricia A. “Pat” Smedsrud, 84, Garretson, South Dakota, died Sunday, April 21, 2019.

A funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Friday, April 26, at George Boom Funeral Chapel in Brandon, South Dakota.

Visitation begins at 5 p.m. Thursday, April 25, at the funeral chapel in Brandon, where the family will greet friends from 5-7 p.m.

Survivors include her husband, Gib, Garretson; four children, Dave (Sharon) Koch, Sioux Falls, Mike (Sherry) Schumacher, Valley Springs, South Dakota, Kim Morgan, Valley Springs, Howard

Smedsrud, Sioux Falls; eight grandchildren; and many great-grandchildren.

The family wishes to extend a heartfelt thank you to the staffs at Palisade Manor in Garretson and Select Specialty Hospital in Sioux Falls for the excellent care they provided to Pat.

Memorials are preferred to First Lutheran Church, Valley Springs.

Arrangements are provided by George Boom Funeral Home of Brandon, www.georgeboom.com. (0425 F)



REMEMBER WHEN

10 years ago (2009)

•It’s easy to look past the green sign above the office door on South McKenzie Street in Luverne.

In much the same way, it is easy to look past domestic and sexual violence, according to Raevette Loonan, Rock County advocate of the Southwest Crisis Center.

“Secrecy keeps violence happening,” she said.

So, for 25 years the Southwest Crisis Center (SWCC) has been “helping victims find a voice.”

SWCC started as a volunteer group called New W.A.V. (Women Against Violence). The first office opened in Worthington and served Nobles, Rock and Pipestone counties.

SWCC is now a five-county nonprofit organization. Offices are in Jackson, Nobles, Pipestone, Rock and Cottonwood counties.

25 years ago (1994)

•Sometimes the demands of a baby can be overwhelming for a new parent. Sometimes teenagers or adolescents can be even more demanding for parents.

Parenthood can be tough for anyone, but a single parent with no friends or family members to lean on can find the stresses of parenthood nearly unbearable. To ease the burden of parenthood for those who need help, Rock County is developing a support system to fill a void some struggling parents may have.

50 years ago (1969)

•Road and bridge damage in Rock County from last week’s flood has been estimated at \$132,000 according to reports received from city, township, county, state, and federal officials.

Representative Wendell Erickson called last week asking for a report on the road and bridge damage in Rock County. Erickson said that the state may grant special help in this session. Some federal aid may also be available to Rock County.

Don Barth, Rock County engineer, has estimated the damage on county roads and bridges at \$65,000. Five bridges were damaged but none are beyond repair, Barth said.

75 years ago (1944)

•Glad to be home after two years in the southwest Pacific is Cpl. Marlo Schneekloth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Schneekloth, who arrived Sunday to spend about two weeks with his parents. He has been granted an honorable medical discharge from the service.

Cpl. Schneekloth, who served in a medical corps, saw duty in Australia, New Caledonia and Guadalcanal, and brought with him a number of pictures and souvenirs from that theater of war. For awhile, he served aboard a transport plane, used in evacuating wounded and sick from Guadalcanal to station hospitals located elsewhere in the Pacific.

100 years ago (1919)

•With abnormal cost conditions to contend with in every phase of state and road building, the Rock county board of commissioners has not definitely decided upon the extent of their road building program for 1919.

The only work thus far ordered done consists of graveling six and a half miles of road on state road No. 2, west to Beaver Creek, and two miles of road south of Beaver Creek on state road No. 6. These tasks will be undertaken by County Engineer Davison as soon as conditions permit.

For the last two years the county has followed the plan of doing its own road building, and maintaining an organization for this purpose throughout the summer and fall.

But with workmen scarce, and the cost of maintaining a grading camp in keeping with the excessive cost of materials, the commissioners consider the road building problem a most difficult one to solve.

Ordinarily, feeding the horses necessary with a road building organization is considered an insignificant item expense, but not so this year with hay selling at \$25 to \$35 a ton and had to secure at these prices at the very outset.

At the present time less than half of the ninety miles of state road that has been laid out in Rock county has been graded, and there are sections of the completed roads that need rebuilding.



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Cardinals cap fields at Fairmont Triangular

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne Cardinal track teams capped their respective fields at the Fairmont Triangular April 16.

The Cardinal girls scored 53.5 points to trail Waseca (76.5) and Fairmont (56) in the final standings.

Luverne's boys turned in a 38-point effort. Fairmont and Waseca led the field with 81 and 67 points respectively.

The Cardinal girls won five meet titles and placed second in five events to highlight their appearance at the meet.

Brooklynn Ver Steeg (1:00.25 in the 400), Regan Feit (7-6 in the pole vault) and Tenley Nelson (5:23.2 in the 1,600) claimed individual titles for the Cards.

Luvne also won the 800- and 1,600-meter relays with times of 1:52.76 and 4:14.21.

Ivy Hudson, Mallory Oye, Gracie Zewiske and Sydney Beaver formed the 800-meter squad, while Feit, Autumn Nath, Jadyn Anderson and Ver Steeg ran the 1,600.

Placing second individually for LHS were Mallory Thorson (14-5 ½ in the long jump), Feit (2:30.4 in the 800) and Zewiske (27.6 in the 200).

The girls' 400- and 3,200-meter relays finished second with times of 53.56 and 10:17.9.

Hudson, Oye, Zewiske and Beaver ran the 400, while Nelson, Nath, Gabri-

elle Ferrell and Anderson teamed up in the 3,200.

The LHS boys won three event titles and placed second in four events.

Jed Dooyema (13-0 in the pole vault), Brayden Tofteland (4:50.1 in the 1,600) and Dalton DeSollar (10:36.2 in the 3,200) prevailed in individual events.

Ashton Sandbulte (11.7 in the 100) and Matt Ziegler (128-1 in the discus) placed second individually, while the 800- and 3,200-meter relays finished second with times of 1:37.15 and 9:38.91.

Sandbulte, Dooyema, Jordy Thone and Austin Winter ran the 800, while DeSollar, Jonah Friedrichsen, Sam Emery and D.J. Swenson teamed up in the 3,200.

Here is a look at the rest of Luverne's point-earning efforts in Fairmont.

The Cardinals compete at the Worthington Invitational Thursday.

LHS girls

Third place: Beaver, 100, 13.68; Nath, high jump, 4-8; Tia Hadler, shot, 31-3 ½; Ferrell, triple jump, 32-2; Elise Jarchow, pole vault, 7-0. Fourth place: Hadler, discus, 83-5; Hudson, 100, 14.0; Ferrell, long jump, 14-5.

LHS boys

Third place: Zach Ahrendt, shot, 41-3; Eli Radtke, pole vault, 10-0; Kameron Keene, discus, 110-0; Thone, 800, 2:11.2; 400 relay (Eduardo Godines, Radtke, Noah Mehlfaff and Nick Rogers), 51.57; 1,600 relay (Thone, Winter, Friedrichsen and Dooyema), 3:36.84. Fourth place: Friedrichsen, high jump, 5-3; Nicholas Kiers, 400, 57.66; Tofteland, 800, 2:16.6.

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne Cardinal baseball team raised its record to 6-0 after posting three wins last week.

The Cardinals swept a doubleheader from Redwood Valley at Redbird Field April 16 before rolling to a 10-run home win over Tracy-Milroy-Balaton Thursday.

Luverne plays a game in Pipestone Thursday.

Luverne 10, T-M-B 0

The Cardinals made short work of a solid Panther squad when the teams met in Luverne Thursday.

T-M-B took a 4-1 record into the game at Redbird Field, but the hosts stole the show by posting a 10-run, five-inning victory.

Isaiah Bartels and Derek Lundgren twirled a combined shutout to highlight the victory.

Bartels limited T-M-B to three hits and fanned three batters during a four-inning outing to earn the win.

Lundgren worked a hitless fifth inning.

LHS scored at least one run in four of the game's five innings offensively.

Ben Serie doubled home two runs and Bartels added a run-scoring double to give the Cards a 3-0 lead in the first inning before the advantage swelled to four runs when Jake Haugen recorded a sacrifice fly in the third frame.

Jaden Knips singled and scored on an error and Gaige Nath singled and scored at the end of a double steal to make it a 6-0 game in the fourth.

Bartels was walked and Haugen reached base when



John Rittenhouse photo/0425 lhs tmb bb 2

Luverne senior shortstop Ben Serie scoops up a bouncing ball during Thursday's home win over Tracy-Milroy-Balaton. Serie drove in two runs at the plate during a 10-0 victory.

he was hit by a pitch in the fifth inning. Both runners scored on an error.

Colby Crabtree and Jacob Von Tersch followed with consecutive RBI singles to end

the game.

Box score	AB	R	H	BI
Sterrett	2	0	1	0
Buss	1	0	0	0
Crabtree	4	0	1	1
Von Tersch	1	1	1	1

Lundgren	3	1	2	0
Serie	2	2	1	2
Bartels	2	1	2	1
Haugen	1	1	0	1
Reisch	2	1	0	0
Knips	3	1	1	0

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Pipestone knocks Luverne out of softball's unbeaten ranks

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne Cardinals fell from softball's unbeaten ranks when they lost both ends of a doubleheader against Pipestone in their home debut April 16.

Luverne came up on the short end of a 7-3 decision in Game 1 of the set.

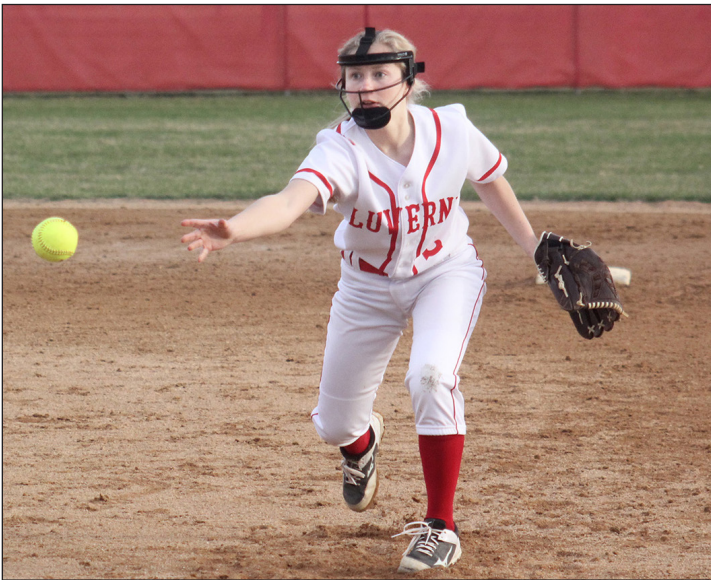
Pipestone registered an 8-5 victory in the finale.

The Cards took a 2-0 lead in Game 1 when Rylee Olson cracked a two-run homer in the bottom half of the first inning.

Pipestone, however, scored four runs in the third inning and three in the top of the seventh to open a 7-1 cushion.

Luverne's Rozilyn Oye doubled and scored the final run of the game in the bottom of the seventh when Ainslie Robinson chased her home with a ground out.

Billi Connell led the Cards with two hits in the game, while Olson, Oye, Shelby



John Rittenhouse photo/0425 softball 1

Luverne second baseman Ainslie Robinson flips a throw to first base during a softball doubleheader against Pipestone in Luverne April 16. LHS lost both games in their home debut.

Kracht and Courtney Nath recorded one hit each.

Olson fanned six batters and allowed 11 hits and five earned runs during a seven-inning

pitching stint.

LHS sported 2-0 and 4-3 leads before falling by three

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Dragons split conference contests

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian Baseball Team split a pair of Red Rock Conference clashes at different venues last week.

The Dragons put together a late rally to nip Red Rock Central-Westbrook-Walnut Grove by one run in Adrian April 16. AHS lost a three-run decision to Murray County Central in Slayton Thursday.

Adrian, 2-4 overall, hosts Heron Lake-Okabena-Fulda Thursday.

MCC 5, Adrian 2

The Dragons slipped to 1-2 in conference play when they came up on the short end of a three-run decision in Slayton Thursday.

Adrian sported a 1-0 lead heading into the home half of the fifth inning, when MCC scored four runs before adding another tally in the bottom of the sixth.

The Dragons capped the scoring by plating one run in the seventh inning.

Brent Hokeness led AHS at the plate by recording three hits and driving in one run.

Ian Stamer and Trace Kremen registered one hit each for the Dragons.

Stamer took the pitching loss after tossing four and one-third innings of four-run (two were earned), four-hit, three-strikeout ball.

Grant Jansma pitched the final inning and one-third for the Dragons, yielding one run and two hits.

AHS 9, RRC-W-WG 8

The Dragons picked up their second win of the season when they nipped the Falcons by one run April 16 in Adrian.

Adrian led 5-0 after two innings of play before the Falcons rallied to scored eight runs in the next four innings

to gain an 8-7 edge after scoring four times in the top of the sixth.

The Dragons, however, countered by scoring twice in the bottom of the sixth and Jansma capped a two-inning relief outing by tossing a scoreless seventh inning to clinch a one-run victory for the hosts.

Lance Luettel, who registered two hits at the plate for Adrian along with Stamer, came up big for the Dragons in the bottom of the sixth.

Luettel delivered a two-out, two-run single that provided Adrian with the runs needed to win the game.

Luettel drove in four runs during the game and pitched one and one-third innings of four-run ball.

Noah Reyne pitched the first three and two-thirds innings for the Dragons, surrendering four runs and four hits.



John Rittenhouse photo/0425-lhs girls golf 4

Junior Anna Huisman is one of two Cardinal golfers to shoot a 48 during a non-conference meet against an incomplete Hills-Beaver Creek team at the Luverne County Club Thursday.

Golfers host Patriots Thursday

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne Cardinal golf teams entertained Hills-Beaver Creek for non-conference competition at the Luverne Country Club Thursday.

The Cardinal boys posted a 181-246 victory over the Patriots. Luverne's girls faced an incomplete H-BC squad.

Carter Stemper fired a four-over-par 40 to lead the LHS boys to a 65-stroke victory.

Colton Schutz and Henry Hartquist added 46- and 47-stroke efforts to the winning team tally, while Jack Golla and Cooper Arends posted 48s for the 2-1 Cardinals.

Carter Loosbrock carded a 56 without influencing the scoring.

Jacob Axness led the 0-3 Patriots with a 60.

Dallas Page (61), Ty Bundesen (62) and Thomas Dysthe (63) made contributions to H-BC's team tally, while Austin Allen and Seth Klarenbeek shot 64- and 70-stroke rounds without impacting the scoring.

The LHS girls recorded a team score of 196 strokes against an



John Rittenhouse photo/0425 lhs boys golf 5

Luverne senior Carter Stemper shot a meet-low 40 during a 181-246 win over Hills-Beaver Creek at the LCC Thursday.

incomplete H-BC squad.

Luverne's Anna Huisman and McCall Stegenga shot 48s to lead all players, while Paige Sandbulte and Morgan Gonnerman carded 50s.

Cheyenne Schutz (54) and

Elise Ferrell (60) also played for LHS.

Tess Van Maanen and Hannah Fick registered respective 49- and 51-stroke tallies for H-BC.

New RRC golf format is set

A new format to decide the Red Rock Conference team title and the all-conference golf teams begins Thursday at different venues.



FROM THE SIDELINES

By John Rittenhouse, sports editor

The era of one-day, 18-hole RRC meets that were traditionally staged at the Worthington Country Club is over.

The new format that will decide team titles and individual honors involves a four-step process that requires players and teams to be somewhat consistent for four days and 72 holes of play.

I think it will be interesting how this change pans out for the Adrian and H-BC golfers, who begin the process Thursday.

Boys' teams representing the RRC schools gather at the Adrian Area Country Club for the first leg of the competition.

The RRC girls' teams meet in Mountain Lake to begin conference play on the same day.

Thursday's gatherings are the first of four meetings set to take place over the next three weeks that will decide the conference championships and individual honorees.

The second and third days of RRC competition are set for May 2 and May 7, but the sites of those events are up in the air at this point due to the rough winter and spring we've experienced in this corner of the state.

If the courses are deemed playable, Sanborn and Slayton are slated to host the girls' and boys' teams for the second round of play May 2.

May 7 has the girls' teams meeting in Westbrook with the boys' teams playing in Fulda.

The final day of confer-

ence competition is set for Worthington May 14, where both the girls' and boys' squads will complete the four-event slate.

For those who want to keep track of the proceedings, basic math is all one needs to follow the team competition.

The teams that produce the lowest tallies at the end of the four-event, 72-hole tour capture the conference championships.

It will require more attention to detail to follow the individual proceedings.

Ten players will make their respective all-conference teams when all the events are staged, but only 54 holes of play will count toward individual standings.

The highest score produced by all individual players during one of the first three days of play will not work against them in their pursuit of making the all-league team.

All of the scores they register in Worthington will be included in their final individual tallies.

As an outsider looking in, I have to admit that I'm intrigued by this new RRC format.

It will make every stroke in team competition an important one, and it gives the individuals a chance to recover from one bad day on the course.

Ultimately, the most consistent teams and individuals will be rewarded when the process is complete.

AA goes hitless in Slayton

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian Area softball team is seeking its first victory of the 2019 season after slipping to 0-3 Thursday.

The Dragons traveled to Slayton to take on Murray County Central in a Red Rock Conference showdown that day.

The teams battled to a scoreless draw through two and one-half innings of play before MCC turned to the long ball in order to register an 11-0 victory.

MCC belted a pair of home runs, including one grand slam, during a seven-run

rally in the bottom of the third inning.

The Rebels added a two-run blast when they scored four times in the fourth inning, which set the stage for a win by the 10-run rule after four and one half innings of play.

MCC's Amanda Muecke pitched no-hit, six-strikeout ball through five innings.

Avery Balster took the loss for AA. She yielded 10 runs and eight hits during a three and two-thirds innings stint as the starting pitcher.

Shawna Rogers yielded one run before registering the final out for AA.



John Rittenhouse photo/0425 softball 2

Luverne shortstop Kendall Buss scoops up the ball as Pipestone's Carmen Skyberg successfully steals second base during a Big South Conference softball doubleheader in Luverne April 16. The Arrows swept the set.

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runs in the finale.

Olson delivered an RBI double and scored in the top of the first to give LHS an early advantage.

Pipestone moved in front 3-2 before the second inning was complete, but the Cards

tied the score when Olson belted a home run to center field before Carly Olson delivered a run-scoring single to give the Cards a 4-3 edge in the top of the third inning.

Pipestone, however, scored the next five runs before LHS

capped the scoring with an RBI single from Carly Olson in the seventh inning.

Carly Olson led the Cards with three hits, while Rylee Olson and Connell registered two hits each.

Rylee Olson took the pitch-

ing loss after tossing five innings of seven-hit, four-earned run ball.

Halle Hough retired the Arrows in order during the bottom of the sixth inning.

The 3-2 Cardinals play a twin bill in Jackson Thursday.

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Nath	2	1	1	0
Nekali	1	1	0	0

Luverne 5, RWV 2

The Cardinals opened their home set against RWV April 16 by securing a three-run win in Game 1.

Luverne plated three runs in the home half of the first inning and never trailed during the contest.

RWV did make things interesting by scoring twice in the top of the third inning, but the Cards plated single runs in the fourth and sixth frames to ice the win.

Luverne's three-run first inning included an RBI single by Nathan Nekali and a run-producing ground out by Bartels.

Serie and Lundgren delivered RBI singles in the fourth and sixth innings respectively.

Haugen pitched four innings of four-strikeout, scoreless relief to secure the win.

Quinn Buss surrendered two runs and four hits during three innings of work as the starting pitcher.

Box score	AB	R	H	BI
Crabtree	4	1	2	0
Lundgren	4	0	1	1
Serie	2	1	1	1



John Rittenhouse photo/0425 lhs tmb bb 5

Luverne senior first baseman Jake Haugen prepares to grab the ball as a T-M-B runner dives to the bag Thursday.

Haugen	3	1	0	0
Bartels	3	0	1	1
Nath	3	0	1	0
Nekali	3	0	1	1
Reisch	2	0	0	0
Sterrett	3	2	2	0

Luverne 18, RWV 2

The Cardinals completed their sweep of Redwood Valley by rolling to a 16-run, five-inning win in Game 2.

Four Luverne players drove in three or more runs in the game to set the stage for a rout.

Serie and Charlie Reisch led the charge with four RBIs, while Bartels, and Nath chipped in three RBIs each.

LHS assumed control of the

game by scoring 13 runs in the first two innings.

Reisch cracked a three-run double, Bartels drove in two runs with a single and Nath recorded a sacrifice fly during a six-run first frame.

Nath doubled home two runs, Knips and Mark Sterrett slapped RBI singles, Crabtree doubled home one run during a seven-run second.

Bartels received an RBI with a sacrifice fly and Reisch was hit by a pitch with the bases loaded to account for Luverne's other two runs in the second inning.

RWV scored twice in the

bottom of the second inning to make it 13-2 before LHS capped the scoring by scoring once in the fourth inning and four times in the fifth.

Serie, who singled home a run in the fourth, delivered a three-run double during the fifth-inning rally.

Bailey Cowell was hit by a pitch with the sacks full before Serie's double.

Crabtree posted the pitching win after tossing two innings of two-hit, scoreless relief.

Serie (two runs and three hits in one and two-thirds innings), Cade Wenninger (he fanned the only batter he faced) and Jade Smith (one hit in one inning) also pitched for LHS.

Box score	AB	R	H	BI
Sterrett	3	2	2	1
Smith	2	1	0	0
Crabtree	2	2	2	1
Nekali	1	0	0	0
Lundgren	3	1	1	0
Cowell	0	1	0	1
Serie	4	2	3	4
Bartels	3	1	1	3
Buss	1	0	0	0
Haugen	2	2	2	0
Baker	1	0	0	0
Reisch	1	2	1	3
Von Tersch	2	1	1	0
Knips	3	1	2	1
Nath	2	1	1	3
Beyer	1	1	1	0



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Sounds of nature

There must be a lot of tailgates in heaven.

I was sitting in heaven on earth during a recent evening at my wildlife property. I finished up a small job and was enjoying about 30 minutes of down time on my tailgate before I headed on home.

There were wood ducks circling overhead looking for a suitable nesting site. In nature they use the openings in old dead trees. They were surveying the abandoned grove next to me.

I checked on one of the 12 man-made duck boxes I erected on this property. Putting my hand over the entry/exit hole, I gently opened the side door. There she sat, either laying or incubating her eggs. I backed up slowly and she was unfazed by my presence.

There are three resident Canada geese nesting on this site, and as I observed them earlier that day, the goose sitting on her nest would flatten out in order to reduce the chance of me or another predator seeing her. I swear a full-grown goose can make herself no higher than five inches tall when she's in sneak mode.

As I sat there, four deer made their way across the property, with no fear or concern for me at the 80 yards that separated us. They were all does, and I am sure some or all of them are carrying a fawn to be born shortly. They are beautiful creatures to watch.

The rooster pheasants were crowing to attract as many hens as they could. The rooster with the best crow and the fiercest fighting ability may mate with 15 to 20 hens.

The reason you see so many roosters on the road this time of year is they are doing everything they can to be seen and heard. You can't sell your services if you don't advertise.

I have 10 bluebird boxes on this spot but never get any bluebirds. They like short grass to forage for insects and all I have is taller grass. The houses get used every year by tree swallows, which look a lot like a barn swallow and also eat many insects.

They were fluttering and swooping around trying to decide which house they wanted.

After the swallows have come and gone, the house wrens will use the houses for another successful reproduction event. Have you ever heard a house wren? No bigger sound can come from such a small creature than a house wren. It is music to my ears.

All during this short rest on the tailgate, the frogs and toads kept up the background music. It seemed like there were a thousand of them. Their singing will be replaced in a month with the chirp of the zillion crickets doing their thing as nature intended.

You can find this same nature immersion opportunity on one of the many public land areas across Rock and Nobles counties, which have more than 50 Wildlife Management Areas to choose from.

Take a moment to rest on the tailgate of a truck or in the seat of your car. Do nothing, say nothing ... just listen and watch as nature parades in front of you.

You won't be getting any work done, but the end result will be that you have soothed your soul. I guarantee it.

Scott Rall, Worthington, is a habitat conservationist, avid hunting and fishing enthusiast and is president of Nobles County Pheasants Forever. He can be reached at scottarall@gmail.com.

GRAVEL BIDS: MAGNOLIA TOWNSHIP

Magnolia Township will be accepting gravel bids for gravel to be applied on township roads. Bids must be received by May 8, 2019.

Send to: Magnolia Township
1581 121st St.
Luverne, MN 56156

Magnolia Township Board

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2019 Board of Appeal & Equalization Schedule

Monday, May 6, 2019

ROSE DELL TOWNSHIP
Township Hall - Jasper - 9:00 A.M. to 9:30 A.M.

SPRINGWATER TOWNSHIP
Spring Water Township Hall - 10:00 A.M. to 10:30 A.M.

BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP
Beaver Creek Township Hall - 11:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M.

Tuesday, May 7, 2019

KANARANZI TOWNSHIP
CHS - SWMN Grain Elevator - Kanaranzi - 9 to 9:30 A.M.

MOUND TOWNSHIP
Rock County Highway Department - 11 to 11:30 A.M.

VIENNA TOWNSHIP
Kenneth Community Center - Kenneth - 1:30 to 2:00 P.M.

Wednesday, May 8, 2019

CLINTON TOWNSHIP
Township Hall - Steen - 9:00 to 9:30 A.M.

LUVERNE TOWNSHIP
Pizza Ranch, 110 E. Main St., Luverne - 11 to 11:30 A.M.

BATTLE PLAIN TOWNSHIP
Rock County Highway Department - 1:30 to 2:00 P.M.

MAGNOLIA TOWNSHIP
SW MN Health & Human Services Bldg - Luverne - 7 to 7:30 P.M.

Monday, May 13, 2019

MARTIN TOWNSHIP
Martin Township Hall - 7:00 P.M. to 7:30 P.M.

Thursday, May 16, 2019

DENVER TOWNSHIP
Hardwick City Hall - 7:00 P.M. to 7:30 P.M.

OUTDOORS

By Scott Rall, outdoors columnist



John Rittenhouse photo/0425 lhs girls golf 3

Luverne senior McCall Stegenga shot a 49 during a 10-stroke home loss to Worthington April 16.

WHS Trojans sweep LHS golfers at LCC April 16

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne Cardinal golf teams came up empty when they took on Worthington in Big South Conference competition at the Luverne Country Club April 26.

The Cardinal boys slipped to 1-1 in league play after coming up on the short end of a 171-194 decision against the Trojans.

The LHS girls stand at 0-2 in BSC action after taking a 192-202 setback from WHS.

Nick Weg led the Trojan boys to their 23-stroke win by firing a stunning two-under-par 34 during the event.

Carter Stemper paced the Cardinals with a 44.

Henry Hartquist posted a 48 for LHS, while Colton Schutz and Jack Golla registered 51s.

Cooper Arends and Carter Loosbrock notched respective 52- and 55-stroke rounds without impacting the scoring.

Bailey Weg paved the way to a 10-shot win for the Trojan girls by posting a 42.

McCall Stegenga and Morgan Gonnerman led the Cardinals with 49s.

Paige Sandbulte added a 51 to Luverne's team tally, while Anna Huisman and Cheyenne Schutz registered 53s.

Josie Golla shot a 54 without influencing the scoring.



John Rittenhouse photo/0425 lhs boys golf 3

Luverne's Cooper Arends strikes a shot from the No. 2 fairway during a home loss to the Worthington Trojans April 16.

Cards surpass .500 mark Monday

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne Cardinal tennis team climbed above the .500 mark for the season by posting a win Monday in Madison, South Dakota.

Luverne won five of the six singles matches and went 3-0 in doubles to secure an 8-1 victory.

The win gives the Cardinals a 3-2 record heading into a home match against Sioux Falls O'Gorman's junior varsity squad Wednesday, April 24.

"Our singles players really played well. They were patient in waiting for their chances to finish the point," said Cardinal coach Greg Antoine.

"Our doubles teams really had good chemistry. I think all of the little double matches we play in practice helps us in meets. We have many different partners and they get used to having to communicate and play different styles."

No LHS singles player lost more than four games during the five victories.

Prevailing for the Cardinals in singles were Matt Jelken (10-2 over Blake Kennington at No. 1), Colin Schoeneman (10-4 over Nick Kessler at No. 3), Pierce Cunningham (10-4 over Seth Fernan at No. 4), Matt Sehr (10-2 over Tyler Wardner at No. 5) and Cole

Stoltenberg (10-1 over Hunter Koenig at No. 6).

Madison's lone win came from Jisson Dejabet, who topped Graham Cunningham 10-7 at second singles.

LHS won 30 games in doubles competition compared with nine for Madison.

Jelken and Graham Cunningham topped Kennington and Dejabet 10-4 at No. 1, while Cole Stoltenberg and Sehr prevailed by the same score over Wardner and Kessler at No. 2.

Schoeneman and Pierce Cunningham rolled to a 10-1 victory over Koenig and Seth Fernan at third doubles.

SPRING STANDINGS	
BSC baseball	
Luverne	4-0
St. James	1-0
Pipestone	2-1
Windom	1-1
JCC	0-3
RWV	0-3
BSC softball	
JCC	4-0
Pipestone	2-0
Luverne	2-2
St. James	0-0
RWV	0-2
Windom	0-4
BSC West boys' golf	
Marshall	1-0
Worthington	1-1
Luverne	1-1
RWV	0-0
JCC	0-0
Pipestone	0-0
Windom	0-1
BSC West girls' golf	
Marshall	1-0
Windom	1-0
Worthington	1-1
Pipestone	0-0
RWV	0-0
JCC	0-0
Luverne	0-2
BSC tennis	
RWV	0-0
Worthington	0-0
Pipestone	0-0
Luverne	0-0
St. James	0-0
RRC baseball	
E-SWC	2-0
MCC	1-0
HL-O-F	2-1
Adrian	1-2
MLA	0-1
RRC-W-WG	0-2
RRC softball	
E-SWC	2-0
MCC	2-0
MLA	1-1
RRC-W-WG	0-0
Adrian Area	0-2
HL-O-F	0-2



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St. Catherine Ph. 283-8502; email: stcatherine@iw.net
Thursday, April 25: 1-4 p.m. Head Start Fun Day. Friday, April 26: 10 a.m. Mass at Poplar Creek. Saturday, April 27: 5 p.m. Mass at St. Catherine. Sunday, April 28: 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Catherine. 10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Leo. 1 p.m. Bilingual Mass at St. Leo.

Luverne Christian Reformed Church
605 N. Estey St., Luverne
Office Ph. 283-8482; Prayer Line Ph. 449-5982
www.luvnecrc.com — office@luvernecrc.com
Roger Sparks, Pastor
Sunday, April 28: 9:30 a.m. Worship Service. 10:50 a.m. Sunday School and Catechism Classes. 6:30 p.m. Worship Service. Monday, April 29: 9 a.m. Perk Up at Pizza Ranch. Tuesday, April 30: 9:30 a.m. Coffee Break/Story Hour.

First Baptist Church
1033 N. Jackson St., P.O. Box 975, Luverne
Ph. 283-4091; email: fbcluv@iw.net — www.fbcluverne.org
Walt Moser, Pastor
Thursday, April 25: 6 a.m. Men's Bible Study. 9 a.m. Rock County Ministerial Meeting at FBC. 8 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3. Sunday, April 28: 9:15 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Morning Service. 11:45 a.m. All-church potluck and Annual business meeting. No Evening Service. Tuesday, April 30: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study. 2 p.m. Ladies Bible Study. 7 p.m. Ladies Bible Study at the Parsonage. Wednesday, May 1: 6:30 p.m. Awana Awards Night. Thursday, May 2: 6 a.m. Men's Bible Study. 8 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3.

Grace Lutheran Church
500 N. Kniss Ave., Luverne
Ph. 507-283-4431; www.graceluverne.org — graceluverne@iw.net
Ron Nichols, Pastor
Thursday, April 25: 11 a.m.—1 p.m. GLCW Salad Luncheon. 1 p.m. Naomi Circle. 1:30 p.m. Lydia Circle at Grace. 2 p.m. Sarah Circle at The Camelot. 7 p.m. Priscilla/Elizabeth Circle at Judy Fenske. Friday, April 26: 6:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Saturday, April 27: 9 a.m. SWMN Synod Spring Gathering in Lakefield. 5:30 p.m. Worship Service. Sunday, April 28: 8:15 a.m. Radio Broadcast. 9 a.m. Worship. 10:15 a.m. Adult Study; Sunday School. Semi-annual meeting and youth dessert/basket auction. Monday, April 29: 4:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Tuesday, April 30: 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. Wednesday, May 1: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study. 10 a.m. Worship at Tuff Home. 7 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal. Thursday, May 2: 8:30 a.m. Missions in Action.

Bethany Lutheran Church
720 N. Kniss Ave., Luverne
Ph. 507-283-4571 or 507-449-0291 or 605-215-9834
pastorapalmquist67@yahoo.com
Sunday, April 28: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 9:15 a.m. Bible Class. 10:15 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion. 1:30 p.m. Worship at Mary Jane Brown Home. 2:15 p.m. Worship at Poplar Creek. Wednesday, May 1: 3:45 p.m. Catechism classes. 4:30-7 p.m. Public Supper.

American Reformed Church
304 N. Fairview Dr., Luverne
Ph. 283-8600; email: office@arcluverne.org
Mike Altena, Pastor
Friday, April 26: 6:30 a.m. Community Men's Bible Study. 4:30 p.m. REFIT Fitness. Sunday, April 28: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:50-11:50 a.m. Family Education. Monday, April 29: 5:30 p.m. Tumbling Tikes. Tuesday, April 30: Noon staff meeting. 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. Bible Study Fellowship. Wednesday, May 1: 4:30 p.m. REFIT Fitness. 6 p.m. Ladies night out. 6:30 p.m. Senior High Youth Group. 7 p.m. Praise Team.

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

United Methodist Church
109 N. Freeman Ave., Luverne
Ph. 283-4529; email: luverneumc@iw.net
Thursday, April 25: 1-3 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf. Saturday, April 27: 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Sunday, April 28: 9 a.m. Coffee Hour and Adult Sunday School. 10 a.m. Worship Service. 4:30 p.m. Genesis/Revelation Bible Study. 6 p.m. ALIVE Youth Group — Skate City. Monday, April 29: 6:30 p.m. Movie Night. 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Tuesday, April 30: 9 a.m. Folding Team. Wednesday, May 1: 6 p.m. FUEL. 6:30 p.m. PPR Meeting with confirmands. 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Thursday, May 2: 1-3 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf.

First Presbyterian Church
302 Central Lane, Luverne
Ph. 283-4787; email: Firstpc@iw.net — www.fpcluverne.com
Thursday, April 25: 10 a.m. Worship Service on Channel 3. Sunday, April 28: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 10:15 am. Worship. 11:15 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship. Tuesday, April 30: 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Thursday, May 2: 10 a.m. Worship on Channel 3.

St. John Lutheran Church
803 N. Cedar St., Luverne
Ph. 283-2316; email: stjoh@iw.net
www.stjohnlutheranluverne.org
Gary Klatt, Pastor
Thursday, April 25: 9:30 a.m. Rock County Ministerial Association. 11:30 a.m. DCE Jess Devotions at Mary Jane Brown Home. Saturday, April 27: 5:30 p.m. Worship with Holy Communion. Sunday, April 28: 9 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion. 10:15 a.m. Confirmands Brunch. No Sunday School. Tuesday, April 30: 1 and 6:30 p.m. Quilting. 4:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3. Wednesday, May 1: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study. 7 p.m. NYG Bible Study; Kingdom Builders. Thursday, May 2: Women's Society.

Living Rock Church
500 E. Main St., Luverne
Ph. 449-0057; www.livingrockswmn.org
Billy Skaggs, Pastor
Sundays: 10:30 a.m. Worship; Kids Rock Children's Ministry. 6 p.m. Youth Ministry. Life groups meet throughout the week.

New Life Celebration Church
110 N. Oakley, Luverne
Ph. 449-6522; email: newlifecelebration@gmail.com
Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Worship Service at 110 N. Oakley. Every third Thursday: 4:30 p.m. Food give-away at Senior Citizens Center. Bible Study groups meet at various times and days.

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church
305 E. 2nd St., P.O. Box 36, Hardwick
Thursday, April 25: 3:30 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3. Friday, April 26: 3:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Sunday, April 28: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 9:15 a.m. Bible Study. 10 a.m. Mentor Program. 10:30 a.m. Worship. Monday, April 29: 1 p.m. Quilting. Thursday, May 2: 3:30 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3.

Ben Clare United Methodist Church
26762 Ben Clare Ave., Valley Springs, S.D.
igtwb@WOW.net
Bill Bates, Pastor
Sundays: 9 a.m. Worship; 10 a.m. Fellowship; 10:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages.

First Lutheran Church
300 Maple St., Valley Springs, S.D.
Ph. (605) 757-6662
Laura Phillips, Pastor
Sunday, April 28: 9 a.m. Worship Service. 10:30 a.m. Sunday School.

Palisade Lutheran Church
211 121st St., Garretson, S.D.
Ph. (507) 597-6257 — firstpalisade@alliancecom.net
Laura Phillips, Pastor
Sunday, April 28: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship Service.

First Presbyterian Church
201 S. 3rd St., P.O. Box 73, Beaver Creek
Ph. 507-935-5025
email: lori.firstpres@gmail.com
Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship.

Magnolia United Methodist Church
501 E. Luverne St., Magnolia
Pastor Nancy Manning
Ph. 605-215-3429
email: magnoliannumc@gmail.com
Sundays: 9 a.m. Magnolia Worship Service. Wednesdays: 6:30 p.m. Confirmation.

Steen Reformed Church
112 W. Church Ave., Steen
Ph. 855-2336
Jeremy Wiersema, Pastor
Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Worship; service broadcast on KQAD. 10:45 a.m. Sunday School. 6 p.m. Youth Group. Evening worship at 6 p.m. first and third Sundays. Wednesdays: 7 p.m. Midweek.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church
Pastor Maggie Berndt-Dreyer
112 N. Main St., Hills
Ph. 962-3270
e-mail: bethlehemluth@alliancecom.net
Sunday, April 28: 9 a.m. Worship at Tuff Chapel. 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship with Communion at Bethlehem. Wednesday, May 1: 9 a.m. Quilting.

Hills United Reformed Church
410 S. Central Ave., Hills
Office Ph. 962-3254
hillsurc@alliancecom.net
Alan Camarigg, Pastor
Sundays: 9:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Worship Services.

Easter impossibilities

How did you celebrate Easter? Perhaps you attended a sunrise service or you organized an egg/candy hunt. But did you consider the impossibilities of Easter?

The Apostle Peter mentioned this in the message he preached on the day of Pentecost. Peter had the unpleasant task of telling people that they had made a terrible mistake about Jesus. Peter pointed out what was obvious: Jesus came to this world from God! No one could have worked the miracles Jesus did if God wasn't with Him. But with the help of sinful men like Pontius Pilate and some false witnesses, you put Jesus to death. You murdered the Messiah!

However, the story of Jesus didn't end when His corpse was placed in a tomb. On the third day, Jesus got up from being dead. Said Peter, "It was impossible for death to keep its hold on Him!" (Acts 2:24) That's the impossibility of Easter.

But there were skeptics in the crowd. A sect known as the Sadducees taught that there is no physical resurrection of the dead. They taught that if there's life after death, it's in a spiritual, disembodied state. To them the rising of Jesus was impossible. Across the centuries a lot of people have agreed with the Sadducees. Many people dismiss stories of resurrection as being made-up myths. Based on our experiences with death, we may be inclined to agree with them. After all, we haven't witnessed any resurrections. Every one we've known who died is still dead. Think of the millions of people who have lived and died in generations past. Are any of them with us — physically alive — having risen from the dead?

However, when we study Acts 2 we find that it's not the rising of Jesus that's impossible. It was His staying dead that was impossible. Peter made this point by quoting the Scriptures. He cited a resurrection prophecy in Psalm 16 concerning the Messiah. Since the Scrip-

BUILT ON A ROCK

By Pastor Roger Sparks, Luverne Christian Reformed Church

tures are the Word of God, they can't be broken. Since it's impossible for God to make a promise without keeping it, it was impossible for death to keep its hold on Jesus!

In Psalm 16 David prayed, asking God to keep him safe in a time of trouble. But David knew that even if God got him through that crisis, eventually he would die. David was mortal; eventually he would join his ancestors in the dust of death. But David also wrote as a prophet. "I have set the LORD always before me. Because He is at my right hand I will not be shaken. Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices! My body will also rest secure, because You will not abandon me to the grave; nor will you let your Holy One see decay."

This is the unbreakable Word of the Lord. The Holy One (the Messiah) would die, but not decay. Why not? Because the Holy One would rise from the dead physically, never to die again. This is what God promised through the prophet David. Therefore, since the Scriptures cannot be broken, it was impossible for death to keep its hold on Jesus!

There is another impossibility to consider. God has also promised that a day of resurrection is coming for all who follow Jesus. Jesus rose from the dead as the firstfruits of a harvest that God promised to gather in. So, brothers and sisters in Christ, it is impossible for you to remain dead forever. At the end of this age, when the trumpet sounds, it will also be impossible for death to keep its hold on you. Hallelujah!

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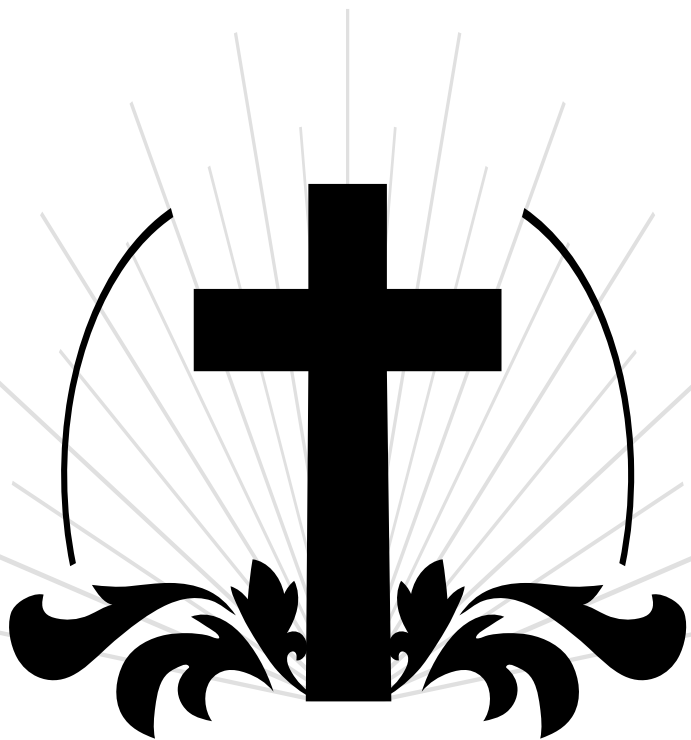
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BIDS CLOSE @ 11:00 A.M. MAY 20, 2019
LIVERNE, MINNESOTA

Sealed "Bid Packets" will be received by the Rock County Highway Department in Luverne, Minnesota until 11:00 A.M. on Monday MAY 20, 2019.

READ CAREFULLY THE PROVISIONS FOR THE WAGE RATES AS CONTAINED IN THE SPECIAL PROVISIONS, AS THEY WILL AFFECT THIS PROJECT.

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

Proposals will be opened and read publicly in the presence of the Rock County Highway Engineer at the Rock County Highway Building located at 1120 North Blue Mound Avenue in Luverne, Minnesota immediately following the hour set for receiving bids for the following Rock County Highway work. Bids will be awarded on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at the regular Board of Commissioners Meeting.

Construction of Bridge 67574, a 52'-106'-29' Pre-stressed Concrete Beam Span. The project is located on County Road 52, 1.1 Miles South of CSAH 4 in Martin Township, over the BNSF Railroad.

The major items of work are: 2 - 12" C-I-P Test Piles 100 Ft. Long; 2 - 16" C.I.P Test Piles 100 Ft. Long; 720 Lin. Ft. 12" - C-I-P Piling; 900 Lin. Ft. 16" - C-I-P Piling; 91 Cu. Yds. Structural Concrete; 748 Lin. Ft. Pre-stressed Concrete Beams (MN45); 54,660 Pounds of Reinforcement Bars (Epoxy Coated); 5,821 Sq. Ft. of Bridge Slab Concrete; 378 Lin. Ft. Type Modified P-1 Barrier Concrete; 348 Lin. Ft. Ornamental Metal Railing (Type Special); 26,230 Cu. Yds. Common Borrow.

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

The non-refundable cost for Plans and one proposal will be \$50.00.

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

Sealed bids shall be clearly marked "PROJECT NO. SAP 067-598-020, Etc."

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

Rock County is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

Mark R. Sehr, P.E.

Rock County Highway Engineer

(04-25, 05-02, 05-09)

Watershed hearings set for April 30

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Jackson, Lincoln, Murray, Nobles, Pipestone and Rock county boards of commissioners, the Jackson, Lincoln, Murray, Nobles Pipestone and Rock soil and water conservation districts and the Kanaranzi-Little Rock and Okabena-Ocheda watershed districts on behalf of the Missouri River One Watershed One Plan Policy Committee will be hosting two Public Hearings on the draft Missouri River Watershed Comprehensive Management Plan. The hearings will be held at two separate locations on April 30, 2019. The first hearing will start at 9:30 am at the Edgerton Firehall building located at 230 Mill Street, Edgerton, MN, and the second will start at 2:00 pm in the Farmers Room of the Nobles County Government Center at 315 10th Street, Worthington, MN. A copy of the draft plan is available at: https://www.noblesswcd.org/one-watershed-one-plan. The purpose of the hearings is to solicit public comments on the proposed comprehensive watershed management plan document. All persons are invited to attend the hearing and submit comments, written or verbal, that will become part of the official public hearing record. These comments will be considered when making final revisions to the plan. To submit written comments or for more information, please contact: Dan Lvdahl, Administrator, Okabena-Ocheda Watershed District, P.O. Box 114, Worthington, MN 56187, phone: (507) 372-8228 email: okabenaacheda@gmail.com. (04-25)

Mortgage foreclosure sale set for May 23

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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

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

DATE OF MORTGAGE: December 21, 2003

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$102,600.00

MORTGAGOR(S): David E. Hewitt and Peggy D. Hewitt as Joint Tenants, Husband and Wife

MORTGAGEE: People's Choice Home Loan, Inc.

DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING:

Recorded: April 26, 2004 Rock County Recorder

Document Number: 158611

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE:

And Assigned By Court Order to: U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, Successor

in Interest to Bank of America National Association, as Trustee, Successor by Merger to LaSalle Bank National Association, as Trustee for Structured Asset Investment Loan Trust Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-4

Dated: January 08, 2018

Recorded: January 22, 2018 Rock County Recorder

Document Number: 192033

Transaction Agent: Not Applicable

Transaction Agent Mortgage Identification Number: Not Applicable

Lender or Broker: People's Choice Home Loan, Inc.

Residential Mortgage Servicer: Owen Loan Servicing, LLC

Mortgage Originator: Not Applicable

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Rock

Property Address: 612 S Donaldson St, Luverne, MN 56156-2205

Tax Parcel ID Number: 20-0005-003

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Rock and State of Minnesota, described as follows, to-wit:

Lot Six (6) in Block Two (2) in Industrial Park First Addition to the City of Luverne, Minnesota AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE: \$85,429.53

THAT all pre-foreclosure requirements have been complied with; that no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof;

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: May 23, 2019 at 10:00 AM

PLACE OF SALE: Law Enforcement Center, Lobby, 1000 N. Blue Mound Ave., Luverne, Minnesota to pay the debt secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any, on said premises and the costs and disbursements, including attorney fees allowed by law, subject to redemption within six (6) months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns.

If the Mortgage is not reinstated under Minn. Stat. §580.30 or the property is not redeemed under Minn. Stat. §580.23, the Mortgagor must vacate the property on or before 11:59 p.m. on November 25, 2019, or the next business day if November 25, 2019 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

Mortgagor(s) released from financial obligation: NONE

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

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DATED: March 28, 2019

ASSIGNEE OF MORTGAGEE: U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, Successor in Interest to Bank of America National Association, as Trustee, Successor by Merger to LaSalle Bank National Association, as Trustee for Structured Asset Investment Loan Trust Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-4

Wilford, Geske & Cook P.A.

Attorneys for Assignee of Mortgage

7616 Currell Blvd; Ste 200

Woodbury, MN 55125-2296

(651) 209-3300

File Number: 038333F03

(04-04, 04-11, 04-18, 04-25, 05-02, 05-09)

Real Estate Retrievers Team 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: **Real Estate Retrievers Team**

PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS:

905 S. Kniss Avenue Luverne, MN 56156

NAMEHOLDER(S):

Name: **Allstate Realty Team, LLC**

Address: **905 S. Kniss Avenue Luverne, MN 56156**

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

Signature : /s/ **Debra F. Aanenson** DATE: 4-9-2019

Debra F. Aanenson, President

EMAIL FOR OFFICIAL NOTICES: **amanda@eismalaw.com**

(04-18, 04-25)

SRDC sets public hearing for May 9

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Southwest Regional Development Commission (SRDC) will hold a public hearing on its budget for Fiscal Year 2020 (July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020) on Thursday, May 9, 2019 at the Cottonwood Community Center, 142 W. Main St., Cottonwood, MN. The Hearing will begin at 3:30 p.m. and continue until all persons wishing to offer a testimony have been heard. Copies of the proposed budget may be obtained at the Southwest Regional Development Commission Office, 2401 Broadway Avenue, Slayton, MN. Copies of the proposed budget are also on file with each county auditor, county coordinator, city clerk, and township association chair in Region 8.

(04-25)

City of Luverne seeks WWTP bids by May 23

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received, publicly opened, and read aloud by representatives of the City of Luverne, Minnesota, at the City Offices, 305 East Luverne Street, Luverne, Minnesota 56156, in said City at 11:00 AM, on Thursday, May 23, 2019, for furnishing all work and materials for the Luverne WWTP Phase 2 & 3 Improvements, consisting of the following major work items:

Phase 2 Improvements

- New wastewater treatment train, including 30-foot diameter primary clarifier approximately 150-foot by 46-foot oxidation ditch, and 50-foot diameter secondary clarifier
- Structural modifications to existing oxidation ditch and installation of new mechanical equipment (aerators, mixers and gates) to incorporate Bio-P
- New pre-engineered metal buildings, including Chemical Storage Building and Electrical Building
- Ferric chloride solution storage and feed system
- Chlorine storage and feed system for use of 150 lb chlorine gas cylinders
- Expansion of existing chlorine contact tank
- Electrical and controls improvements associated with above facilities
- Grading and miscellaneous site improvements

Phase 3 Improvements

- Demolition of existing trickling filter train, including 30-foot diameter primary clarifier, 60-foot diameter trickling filter, and 35-foot diameter secondary clarifier
- New 40-foot diameter anaerobic digester, including floating gasholder steel cover and external draft tube mixer
- New digester gas pipe, safety equipment, and appurtenances
- New waste digester gas burner
- Demolition of existing waste gas burner
- New 840,000 BTU/hr duel fuel boiler, and 600,000 BTU/hr tube-in-tube heat exchanger
- New 70-foot diameter sludge storage tank
- Electrical and controls improvements associated with above facilities
- Grading and miscellaneous site improvements

The provisions of Minn. Stat. 16C.285 Responsible Contractor are imposed as a requirement of this contract. The Contractor and all subcontractors shall submit to the Owner a signed statement verifying compliance with the provisions of the statute. See the Instructions to Bidders for more details.

Bid forms, contract documents, drawings and specifications as provided by TKDA, are on file for inspection in the office of the City Clerk and in the office of the Engineers, whose address is 444 Cedar Street, Suite 1500, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55101-2140.

Complete digital Proposal Forms, Plans, and Specifications for use by Contractors submitting a bid are available on www.questodn.com. You may download the digital plan documents for a non-refundable price of \$25.00 by inputting Quest Project No. 6298526 on the website's Project search page. Please contact Quest Construction Data Network, LLC at (952) 233-1632 or info@questodn.com for assistance in free membership registration, downloading, and working with this digital project information.

No bid will be considered unless it is securely sealed in an envelope and filed with the City Clerk prior to the time noted above for the closing of bids.

All bids must be submitted upon the Bid Forms furnished with these Plans and Specifications, enclosed in an envelope bearing the name of the bidder, addressed to the City Clerk, City of Luverne, and endorsed thereon: Bid for Luverne WWTP Phase 2 & 3 Improvements.

Each bid must be accompanied by a bid bond or cashier's check payable to the City of Luverne in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the total Base Bid as a guarantee that the bidder, if successful, will enter into a contract with the Owner for the work described in the proposal. This deposit will be subject to forfeiture as provided by law. The deposits for the three lowest bidders will be retained by the Owner until the contract has been awarded and executed but not longer than sixty (60) days. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of 60 days following the bid opening.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive informalities or to award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder, in the best interest of the Owner.

The City Council will consider award of the contract at the next regular City Council meeting which is to be held on Tuesday, May 28, 2019. A mandatory Pre-bid Meeting and plant tour have been scheduled for Tuesday, May 7, 2019, at 10:00 AM at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. For additional plant site access before or after the Pre-Bid Meeting, a special appointment is required based on availability of plant operation personnel.

John Call

City Administrator

Dated: April 18, 2019

(04-25)

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HELP WANTED

A.C.E. of SW Minnesota is looking for an **Aging & Volunteer Services Coordinator** for its Rock County office. This position is responsible for the continued development and enhancement of A.C.E.'s volunteer-based programs, including serving as liaison between the programs that enroll as stations, expanding RSVP volunteer service opportunities and increasing community awareness of RSVP volunteer projects. This position is also responsible for implementing the Caregiver Respite & Counseling program, and Evidence-based Health Promotion programs that A.C.E. currently oversees. This position will gradually become responsible for dementia education and services as well. Minimum qualifications include possession of a HS diploma or equivalent with at least 3 years experience in transferable job skills, valid MN Driver's License, and a vehicle for travel within the Rock County service area. This is a 25 hour per week position, with a matching retirement benefit option. Starting wage is \$13.00/hr., negotiable DOQ.

Downloadable Employment Application and Job Description are available at www.aceswmn.org. **Send completed Employment Application, cover letter and resume by 05/15/19 to A.C.E. of SW Minnesota, Attn: Executive Director, 2989 Maple Rd., Slayton MN 56172.**

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EMPLOYMENT

Public Health Nurse Nobles County Community Services

If you have a passion for public health and serving the Community this could be the career for you! Check out the full job description on our website [co.nobles.mn.us/Jobs & Careers](http://co.nobles.mn.us/Jobs&Careers). The Public Health Nurse performs professional public health nursing duties to ensure proper administration and coordination of established public health programs of Nobles County Community Services. The Public Health Nurse provides direct care needs assessment, planning, and oversight as outlined in the Minnesota Board of Nursing Nurse Practice Act and the Minnesota Public Health Nurse Practice Counsel Guidelines.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Bachelor's degree in Nursing with current licensure as a Registered Nurse in Minnesota and eligibility to obtain or renew certification as a Public Health Nurse in the State of Minnesota. Driver's license required. For complete job description visit: [co.nobles.mn.us/Jobs & Careers](http://co.nobles.mn.us/Jobs&Careers).

APPLY TO: Merit application required, visit: <http://agency.governmentjobs.com/mnmeritsystem/default.cfm>.

Closing Date for Merit Applications: April 30, 2019, 4:30 p.m. (4.21-4.25)

EMPLOYMENT

Correctional Officer

Full-Time Positions Starting Wage: \$19.99/hour This position maintains order and safety within the Nobles County Jail. 24/7 operation with rotating shifts.

QUALIFICATIONS: High School diploma or GED with eligibility to obtain certification in CPR, Basic First Aid, Use of Force and Medical Distribution and achieve stated certifications after hire. The job requires a valid driver's license; able to read, write, and communicate in English; and have computer experience. Under represented classes are encouraged to apply. Complete background check will be conducted.

APPLY TO: Nobles County Administration Office, 3rd Floor, 315 10th Street, P.O. Box 757, Worthington, MN 56187. (507) 295-5201 (8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) Visit our website at www.co.nobles.mn.us.

REQUIRED: County application forms are required. Resumes WILL NOT be accepted as substitutes, but may accompany the required application. **Closing Date for Applications: May 3, 2019.** EEO/AA Employer (4.25-4.28)

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Help wanted: full time persons to plant, spray and combine corn; also semi truck driver. No CDL required. Benefits; local farm. Call 507-370-1590. (3.31-5.9)

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- PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT OR NURSE PRACTITIONER – FT

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EEO/AA

GARAGE SALES

Garage Sale: April 26 8 to 8, April 27 8 to 2. 301 N. Broadway, Magnolia. A bullet food processor & juicer, clothes, luggage, books, little of everything. Most items half price on Saturday. (4.21-4.25)

WORK WANTED

Wanted: Lawn mowing jobs call 507-920-0574. (4.7-4.25)

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ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

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- Confirm G/L coding for invoice through accountant
- Print checks and obtain proper signatures
- Mail checks to vendors
- Provide accurate details to ensure data integrity

SKILLS

- Ability to multi-task and prioritize with solid organizational skills
- Experience working in Microsoft Excel, Power Point and Outlook
- Self-starter and problem solver
- Possess strong verbal and written communication skills
- Ability to work with a fast paced progressive management team and meet deadlines

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Kindergartners take center stage in ‘Music and Me!’

Luverne Elementary kindergarten students (above) presented six songs for the “Music and Me” program Thursday afternoon in the school gymnasium. Director Shirlee Gilmore told audience members that the program gives “a little peek into what we have learned this year.” The 86 students demonstrated group singing, movement and poise skills they learned for the 20-minute program. Students opened the program with the song, “Music and Me.”

Upper left: Kali Johnson (left) and Brecken Van Belle perform “Hand Jive.”

Center, left: Students (front) Rhys Nath, Jaeva Evans (back, left) and Riley Hacker intently watch director Shirlee Gilmore as they perform “The Best That I Can Be.”

Left: Students (from left) Rocco Reisch, Kamdyn Chapa, Emma Petersen, Hazel Mollberg and Paige Underwood dance to “Music and Me.” (Mavis Fodness photos)

Ashby bike path/

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appropriate location for a bike path. The Ashbys proposed locating the path east of Luverne, away from County Road 4, toward the Luverne Country Club. They would like the path to connect with the existing city hiking and biking path on Blue Mound Avenue.

Gene Ashby pointed to an old railroad bed, above the flood plain, for the east route out of Luverne. The path would wind south of County Road 4 within an existing tree line.

“When you’re biking, especially in the summer, it’s nice to have some shade,” Barb said.

Holly Sammons with the Luverne Economic Development Office joined the meeting.

She explained the city of Luverne applied for Phase 3 funding of the Loop in March.

Grant recipients will be notified in July with possible bid letting in the spring of 2020 and construction in the summer of 2020.

“It might be something strategic in bidding both projects around the same time so the same contractor can bid on both of them,” Sammons said.

In the meantime, board chairman Greg Burger said county personnel will do some planning.

“We just have to do some homework,” he said. “We appreciate you bringing it forth and your effort in trying to get this done. I get a feeling we are on board to do what we can to help this project going forward.”

Homemade prom dress/

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Kiviranna pins the fabric pieces together, slips it off Donohue’s slight frame, and Donohue sews them together.

Donohue completed two practice attempts earlier this year before tackling the final product.

Her first attempt didn’t go as planned.

Donohue chose a wedding dress pattern and, within two days, made a dress out of a pair of curtains.

The resulting dress shape wasn’t what she imagined wearing to her senior prom. While she decided to discard the pattern, she didn’t discard the desire to sew her own dress.

“That’s the fun thing about making things yourself, you can make it any way you want,” she said.

Donohue credits her art skills to her mom, as well as the sewing techniques she learned in classes to make

pajama pants and pillowcases.

For a second practice project, Donohue made an unusual item, a bathrobe.

“I know how to make pockets now,” she admitted.

A pocket is included in her final prom dress design to hold a cell phone and lipstick.

Donohue put the finishing touches on her red satin dress this week.

Her design features a V-neck with crisscrossing back straps for comfort, a satin ribbon belt and a slit skirt for easier walking. Included in the skirt are numerous handmade satin flowers under the first of 11 tulle layers.

“The hardest part was the zipper,” she said, along with the fatigue.

“I’ve never worked at a sewing machine this long.”

Donohue admitted sewing her own prom dress has been a learning experience, and she isn’t planning a career in the fashion industry.

She does, however, intend



Crisscross backing (above) is one of many features Lilli Donohue designed and later sewed into the prom dress that also features handmade flowers (below).



Submitted photos
Lilli Donohue didn’t use a pattern when designing her prom dress for Saturday’s event in Luverne. Her handmade dress features a V-neckline, 11 layers of tulle and handmade flowers.

to keep the elements of design in her future plans.

She recently decided to attend the Savannah College of Art and Design in Georgia,

her mom’s alma mater, to possibly major in industrial design.

But before going on to

college, Donohue will finish the accessories for Saturday’s prom — if time allows, she will make her own necklace.

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