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County tables Gevo wind turbine permit

*Eight conditions
must be met before
project can proceed*

By Mavis Fodness

Rock County Commissioners tabled a conditional use permit request for construction of two wind turbines west of Luverne in Luverne Township.

In Tuesday's 4-to-1 vote, commissioners will consider the issue again at their Sept. 10 meeting.

Commissioner Gary Overgaard cast the lone "no" vote. He said the permit applicants met the ordinance requirements and should be allowed to proceed with the wind energy project.

The Sept. 10 commissioner meeting begins at 9 a.m.

Representatives from Juhl Energy Development of Chanhassen, Minnesota, and Gevo Inc. of Luverne requested a conditional use permit for a planned Rock County Wind Fuel project.

The project involves lowering Gevo's reliance on coal-generated electricity by erecting two 2.4-megawatt wind turbines 2 1/2 miles west of the existing Gevo production plant.

In their 160-page application, Juhl Energy outlined the project and addressed findings for the commissioners to consider.

Resident John Jarchow addressed commissioners Tuesday stating the wind turbines potentially hinder his enjoyment of the current landscape and lower his property values.

Jarchow was unable to attend the Aug. 26 public hearing with the planning and zoning commission. A similar statement written by Jarchow was read at the hearing.

Commissioners wanted more time to review the permit and to possibly visit Jarchow's acreage.

Eight conditions were added to the conditional use permit by the planning and zoning commission with all eight conditions met before the wind turbine project can begin.

If all the conditions are met, construction will begin before year-end.

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Above, Nolan Cink, a member of the Vikings soccer team, sits in the goal waiting for Gopher team members to move the ball closer to the net. The youth soccer league was revitalized this fall after several years of inactivity. **Pictured at left**, Michelle DeKam lines up members of the Vikings youth soccer team at last week's practice. DeKam organized this fall's intramural youth soccer league after the activity was discontinued several years ago due to the lack of volunteers. (Mavis Fodness photos)

Soccer makes big comeback



Noma Sofia Camarillo takes charge of the soccer ball for the Gophers team.

By Mavis Fodness

Last fall Michelle DeKam drove out of state for her son Jayden, a first-grader, to play soccer with kids his own age.

On the drive from Luverne to Iowa, the young mom began thinking about a local soccer league.

"If Rock Rapids could have 90 kids playing soccer in one grade, why not in Luverne?" she asked.

This spring, with the help of Luverne Community Education and the Luverne Optimist Club, DeKam revitalized the local intramural youth soccer program.

The program kicked off in early August with about a third of the number of players soccer generated decades earlier.

As a youth, DeKam (nee Raddle) participated in the soccer league sponsored by the Luverne Optimist Club. The Optimists continue to be sponsors under DeKam's revitalization efforts.

The original soccer league began in 1987 and at its peak involved 300 kids ages preschool through seventh grade divided into 20 teams.

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New e-learning policy allows H-BC staff, students to combat snow days online

By Mavis Fodness

Hills-Beaver Creek school officials adopted an e-learning plan to combat the effects of missing school days due to inclement weather.

Last year H-BC students missed nine days.

"The e-learning plan is, in part, a result of the greater amount of missed days," said H-BC Superintendent Todd Holthaus.

Snow days prompted schools to add days at the end of the school year or forfeit planned vacations to make up for the lost classroom time, but after the 2018-19 school year, administrators are seeking a better, less disruptive learning plan.

State statute allows districts to count up to five days as instructional days even though students did not meet in a conventional classroom.

Legislators allowed for



Mavis Fodness photo/0829 HBC E-Learning Hills-Beaver Creek Secondary Principal Molly Schilling holds a student Chromebook and elementary binder for the district's e-learning plan, which calls for students to work from home when weather conditions are too severe for students to come to school.

e-learning days for the first time during the 2018-18 school year.

While the state outlined a possible policy for districts to follow, H-BC officials adopted a plan specific to the district.

Under H-BC's new e-learning plan, on days when weather conditions are too hazardous to bus students to the buildings in Beaver Creek and Hills, they will stay home and complete lessons electronically or from an e-learning folder with paper materials.

Little Patriots Preschool students will not complete e-learning sessions.

For elementary students, e-learning packets are stored in the students' backpacks and kept updated to maintain relevant instructional

H-BC e-learning/see page 3

City sells bonds to finance wastewater treatment

By Lori Sorenson

Luverne's 1958 wastewater treatment plant is under construction for a \$14.3 million upgrade, and on Aug. 27, the city sold bonds to pay for it.

The plant project was divided into two major parts, Phase 2 and Phase 3 (Phase 1 has been completed in the past few years).

Phase 2 improvements will accommodate Premium Iowa Pork when it begins its hog slaughter operation next year in the former IBP plant on the west edge of town.

PIP is paying \$6.7 million for this part of the wastewater treatment plant, which will be finished by June of 2020. It is also investing \$30 million into retrofitting the old plant for its business and will bring more than 200 jobs to the community.

Phase 3, to be completed by November 2020, will serve current wastewater needs and provide capacity for future growth of the community.

It is expected that the plant will last for the next 50 years and the debt financing will be over a period of 30 years.

The city hired Northland Securities Inc. for \$32,250 to handle details associated with the bond sales, which were financed in two issues.

One is a taxable bond for the portion PIP will pay — \$6.7 million. PIP will pre-pay \$3.45 million for a net taxable bond of \$3.3 million. Northland Securities directly purchased the bonds from the city at a true interest cost of 2.05 percent.

This will be amortized over five years with PIP making annual payments on or before Dec. 1 of each year.

Financing through the Minnesota Public Utilities State Credit Enhancement Program lifts the city's current AA- bond rating to a AAA, saving an estimated \$5,000

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Meetings

Sanford Luverne Pink Ladies will meet at 1:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 9, in Sanford Luverne Blue Mound Room for the program, "Come and meet the new surgeon."
Generations organizational meeting will be at 12:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 10, at the Generations building on East Lincoln Street.
Beaver Creek Township meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 9, in the township hall.
Blue Mound Quilters September meeting will be at 6 p.m. Monday, Sept. 9, at the Sewing Basket in Luverne. Due to Labor Day, the group will not meet on Sept. 2. Contact Sharon Zinnel, 507-227-3821, for more information.
Matthew 6 Board of Directors will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 9, at the Luverne Pizza Ranch.
American Legion Auxiliary #123 will meet at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10, at the Legion Post.
Parkinson's Support Group will meet at 1 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 19, at St. John Lutheran Church in Luverne. Call Dianne at 507-530-3307 with questions.
Women's Alcoholics Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. Mondays in the United Methodist Church.
Alcoholics Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. Wednesdays and Saturdays in the United Methodist Church, Luverne. Call 605-321-4324.
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.

Beaver Creek changes meeting date

The regular meeting of the Beaver Creek City Council has been moved to Wednesday, Sept. 18. The meeting begins at 7 p.m.

Bank Nite movie 'The Lego Movie 2'

The free Bank Nite family movie, "The Lego Movie 2," rated PG, will begin at 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 5, 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.

Join the Healthier Southwest Community Leadership Team

A Healthier Southwest Community Leadership Team is looking for new members to emphasize healthy living. The next meeting is from noon to 1 p.m. Monday, Sept. 16, at the Southwest Health and Human Services community room. Lunch is provided. To RSVP call Jen Nelson at 507-532-1243 or email Jennifer.nelson@swmhhs.com

Donations accepted for book sale

The Friends of the Library are conducting their annual fundraising Book Sale Sept. 18-21.
Donations of books and other library materials may be dropped off at the Rock County Library on Main Street Luverne.

Upcoming concerts at Palace Theatre

The Palace Theatre will host two concerts, "Coming Home" at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 14, and "Superstar: The Songs, the Stories, the Carpenters" at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 4. Tickets are available at the Palace Theatre box office or by calling 507-283-4339.

Fall Festival at Blue Mound Lutheran Sept. 15

The public is invited to the Annual Fall Festival at 11 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 15, at the Blue Mound Lutheran Church in rural Luverne. Guest pastor is the Rev. Gary Anderson, former pastor of Kenneth and Adrian Zion. A catered dinner follows the worship service.

Discovery Time has openings for fall

Openings in the Discovery Time Preschool are available for 3-4-year-olds in the MWF morning class and the T/Th afternoon class. Children who are 3 by Sept. 1, 2019, are eligible, and scholarships are available if income guidelines can be met. Call Luverne Community Education at 507-283-4724 for more details.

Schacht retires after 36 years in education

By Mavis Fodness

Heidi Schacht spent more than three decades working in education and found there is nothing like working in the classroom.
Now there is nothing like retirement.
Schacht was involved in education for 36 years, the last 14 at Luverne Elementary School.
"We always knew I would retire when Spencer finished college," she said.
Spencer, the youngest of Mike and Heidi's two children, graduated from St. Cloud State University in May.
Daughter Hayley teaches in Redfield, South Dakota, while Spencer is a television reporter in Missoula, Montana.

A Watertown, South Dakota, native, Schacht earned a degree in education from Northern State University in Aberdeen, South Dakota, followed by a master's degree in guidance counseling from South Dakota State University in Brookings.
Schacht attributes her career choice to her mother, who was also a teacher and guidance counselor.
Schacht's teaching career began in Watertown in 1981. She spent seven years working alongside her childhood teachers.
"That was neat," she recalled. "My sixth grade teacher was Mrs. Mitchell and she was still there. She asked me to call her Lois."
Marriage to Mike Schacht in 1987 and his banking career prompted a series of moves. Heidi filled teaching and/



Mavis Fodness photo/0815 Heidi Schacht Retirement

Heidi Schacht retired from a career in education after 36 years, 14 of which were as a kindergarten teacher at Luverne Elementary School.

or counseling positions in Colorado, Nebraska, South Dakota, Iowa and, finally in 2005 in Luverne.
The different positions brought into perspective her preference for the classroom.
"I was an administrative assistant once, and I knew I never wanted to do that again," she said. "That's a big job."
Throughout her career her goal was to impress on students to make good decisions.
In Luverne Schacht spent 14 years in the kindergarten classroom.
"Kindergartners are like sponges and soak everything

up," she said. "There is so much growth."
And reward.
Schacht's patience in guiding students to read, for instance, was rewarded when students began to recognize words.
"The light bulb goes on and they can read," she said. "The floodgates open and I just loved watching their love of learning blossom."
And not blossom just academically but also socially in the skills taught outside of books.
Schacht never viewed education as a chore.
"I never went to work," she said. "Going to school every

day was fun."
Her fun in education continues in retirement with a sense of accomplishment.
"I had an amazing class my first year and an amazing class the last year," she said.
Mike retired last year from First Farmers and Merchants Bank in Luverne.
The couple enjoys camping, traveling and being with friends and family.
Schacht said she might be a little too cliché about retirement.
"Life is too short," she said. "We don't know what the future holds. Why not seize the moment and do what you want to do."



Optimists host fishing derby

The Luverne Optimist Club Fishing Derby Sunday, Aug. 25, at the Minnesota Veterans Home pond attracted more than 40 participants along with their parents and chaperones for prizes, raffles and hot dogs and, of course, fish. Winners this year included Ty Klingenberg (above) for largest fish, a 10 1/2-inch crappie, Aiden Meyeraan for second largest fish, a 9 1/2-inch crappie, and Keyona Klingenberg for third largest fish, a 9-inch crappie. Kirby Berning was noted for catching the most fish (seven), Maddox Evans caught a 7 1/2-inch perch and Harper Vanden Hoek caught the smallest fish, a 3-inch sunfish. More than 100 people attended, including Optimist Club board members Stan Steensma, Travis Pierce, Carol Morgan, Mike Schacht and Keith Aanenson.

Sen. Weber honored by state organization

The League of Minnesota Cities has recognized 34 state lawmakers, including Sen. Bill Weber, Luverne, as 2019 Legislators of Distinction.
Chosen legislators are honored for specific actions that aided efforts of Minnesota cities during the past year's legislative session.
Legislators of Distinction are approved annually in recognition of the collaboration of state and city officials needed to successfully serve shared communities and meet the unique needs of rural, urban and suburban residents across Minnesota.
To be eligible for the award, legislators must achieve one or more of the following criteria:

- Be generally and reasonably accessible to League representatives.
- Seek input on issues of importance to cities.
- Listen to League concerns and be receptive to League-provided information on issues.
- Sponsor and/or support

League initiatives.
• Speak out on behalf of the interest of cities.
• Demonstrate the importance of partnership between the state and cities.
According to LMC board members, Weber regularly seeks League input on legislation impacting local units of government, and he authors strong bills to highlight city challenges in implementing state environmental policies and regulations.
Additionally, he authored legislation to restore Local Government Aid funding to the 2002 level.
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LACF spring grants announced; deadline for fall application Sept. 30

The Luverne Area Community Foundation recently announced its Spring 2019 Grant Awards in the amount of \$62,840.

Grants awarded in the health care category are:

- #Luv1LuvAll \$1,955 for dental health.

- Luverne BackPack Program \$2,500 for K-12 weekend food supplies.

- L.I.F.T. and Farmers Market \$1,000 nutrition education and exposure to fresh foods.

- Rock County Ag Society \$2,582 for eat stand bathroom accessibility at fairgrounds.

- Generations Inc. \$40,000 over five years for new kitchen updates for meals.

- Sanford Luverne \$3,000 for a pediatric crib for younger hospitalized children.

- Luverne Public Schools \$2,407 Flu Shot Clinic.

- Hills Beaver Creek Schools \$816 Flu Shot Clinic.

Grants awarded in the community general fund category are:

- Blue Mound Area Theater \$1,000 for organ restoration project.

- Friends of Blue Mounds State Park \$350 for youth state park activity guide.

- Luverne Community Education \$1,100 for development of pickleball court.

- Luverne Elementary School \$1,770 for mindfulness programing and mental

health.

- Rock County 4-H Federation \$1,315 for handicap picnic tables at fairgrounds.

- Rock County Opportunities \$2,045 for handicap sidewalk.

- United Methodist Church and Service Over Self Community Project \$1,000 for project work supplies.

Twice yearly the Luverne Area Community Foundation invites applications that will enhance the quality of life in the following areas:

- Arts and humanities.
- Community and civic affairs.

- Social and economic growth.

- Environment.

- Support programs for people both young and old.

- Health and wellness.

Not-for-profit organizations (either singly or as a consortium), government agencies, academic and research institutions located within the Luverne Area (Rock County) are among the organizations eligible to request support from the Luverne Area Community Foundation.

Deadline for 2019

fall grant cycle is Sept. 30.

Online applications can be completed at www.luvacf.org under the grants tab through the "apply now" drop-down menu.

Questions can be directed to LACF director Emily Crabtree, 507-220-2424 or at 102 E. Main St., Luverne.



With a smile on his face, Tyson Uithoven kicks the ball chased by Hobey Sandbulte (left) and Caleb St. Clair (right).

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Gradually the program became inactive after not enough volunteer coaches, referees and organizers could be found each year.

DeKam's first task in revitalizing the soccer league was to put out a call for volunteer coaches and referees. She completed the organizing herself.

"I sent a mass email out to everyone asking for two to three coaches for each team," she said. "That way the coaches don't have to be at every game."

DeKam worked with Luverne Community Education for publicity and class registration.

The league provided another soccer opportunity in the community. An existing community education class teaches the soccer fundamentals to kids.

By June, thanks to DeKam's efforts, 96 children ages 4 through fourth grade signed up to participate in the soccer league.

"A lot never played soccer," she said. "My rules are simple: I want you to have fun."

One of those first-time players was



Ryder Koenig blocks the ball from the net for the Wild team.

DeKam's third-grade daughter, Renae, who enjoys running and now likes the socialization and competitiveness involved in the game.

DeKam divided participants into

eight teams, and each team had two to three volunteer coaches.

She was able to locate and use equipment from the previous league including the Optimists' slip-on jerseys, goal nets and posts. She measured and chalked lines for the two game fields west of the Luverne Public Schools campus.

DeKam chose fun team names based on jersey colors for the four preschool/kindergarten and the four grades 1-4 teams.

Team names include Vikings, Twins, Gophers, Cardinals, MNUFC, Wild, Timberwolves and Packers, (DeKam admitted she ran out of Minnesota team names and chose one from the neighboring state of Wisconsin.)

Each team played 10 scheduled league games on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The last games are tonight (Sept. 5).

DeKam plans on organizing another intramural soccer league next year, possibly expanding the opportunity to include more grades.

Will my corn reach maturity before a killing frost?

By Lizabeth Stahl, Extension Educator - Crops

As of Aug. 28, the Southern Research and Outreach Center in Waseca reports growing degree units (GDUs) since May 1 are 5 percent less than normal.

The Southwest Research and Outreach Center in Lambert reports GDUs are behind as well, running 5.8 percent behind the long-term average as of Aug. 26. Corn has generally been at least one crop stage behind where we would expect it to be, and cooler-than-normal conditions combined with late planting dates continue to make us question if crops will reach maturity before a killing frost.

Grain corn killed by frost before reaching physiological maturity can not only result in lower yields, but grain that is lower in test weight and higher in moisture.

Kernel quality can be reduced and harvest-ability may be a challenge. There is also potential for more ear molds, ear drop, stalk rots and/or stalk lodging.

The Midwest Regional Climate Center website, which hosts the "Useful to Useable" Growing Degree Day Decision tool at <https://mrcc.illinois.edu/U2U/gdd/>, uses long-term weather data to make trend projections in crop development.

I ran the tool on Aug. 29 to predict when we might reach physiological maturity

One message is clear:

We should be prepared to handle wet corn this fall, as we will likely have less natural dry-down of grain in the field than we normally expect.

(black layer or maximum dry matter accumulation) this fall under various scenarios, using a location in Martin County.

You can run the tool for your own location: Results will vary by location depending on the weather data being used for that location.

At the selected location, the tool calculated the average first freeze date to be Oct. 13, although dates ranged from Sept. 23 (in 1983) to Nov. 10 (in 2005). 28° F was used as the killing freeze temperature for corn.

I ran six different combinations of hybrid maturity and planting dates through the tool. The relative maturity, planting date and estimated black layer date (Est BL) as predicted by the tool are listed below:

C1) Planted 103 RM hybrid May 15, Est BL = October 20*

C2) Planted 103 RM hybrid May 25, Est BL = > December 1*

C3) Planted 95 RM hybrid May 25, Est BL = October 3

C4) Planted 95 RM hybrid June 1, Est BL = October 14*

C5) Planted 90 RM

hybrid June 1, Est BL = September 29

C6) Planted 90 RM hybrid June 5, Est BL = October 6

*Corn will likely reach black layer prematurely due to a killing frost.

Will my corn dry down in the field this year?

At physiological maturity or black layer (when it occurs naturally), moisture content of corn grain is expected to be around 28 to 35 percent.

For safe storage up to six months, clean, aerated corn grain should be no more than 15 percent moisture, and no more than 13 percent moisture for storage longer than six months.

Allowing corn to dry in the field after reaching ma-

turity is a common practice to help save on drying costs. Daily moisture loss for corn grain drying in the field in Minnesota can range from 0.75 to 1 percent from Sept. 15 to 25; 0.5 to 0.75 percent from Sept. 26 to Oct. 5; 0.25 to 0.5 percent from Oct. 6 to 15; and 0 to 0.33 percent from Oct. 16 to 31. After Oct. 31 very little dry down is expected to occur.

These scenarios reflect a snapshot in time, and what actually happens this fall remains to be seen since it all depends on the weather for the rest of the growing season.

When you were able to plant corn and what maturity was planted will be key factors in whether or not the crop reaches maturity before a killing frost.

One message is clear: We should be prepared to handle wet corn this fall, as we will likely have less natural dry-down of grain in the field than we normally expect.

Lizabeth Stahl can be reached at UoM Extension, 507-372-3900 or stah0012@umn.edu

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materials for two days of instruction.

For junior and senior high students, lessons will be conducted electronically.

By 10 a.m. on a called "snow day," students will utilize Schoology, Google email and/or other electronic applications to complete electronic lessons set up by teachers for each of the students' class hours.

Directions and tasks will also be given to students who do not have Internet access at home.

"We are still working out the kinks about what this looks like," said H-BC Secondary Principal Molly Schilling.

H-BC school board members passed the Flexible (E-learning) Plan at their July meeting.

All e-learning lessons

must follow strict guidelines in order to count for a day of school. The lessons also are required to have relevance.

"It (the lesson) has to be something that is continuing the classroom instruction — about something they are currently learning," she said.

On an e-learning day, teachers must be available by phone or email from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Paraprofessionals will have the opportunity to make up missed workdays or take personal leave or leave without pay for the snow day.

Instructors take student attendance on e-learning days. Students who do not participate or complete the e-learning activities will be counted as absent for the day.

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MOWING NOTICE: ROCK COUNTY TOWNSHIPS

Landowners are responsible for mowing ditch shoulders. The first mowing should be done by July 1, 2019 and the last one to be done by September 15, 2019. This does not include: Denver, Magnolia, Martin, or Springwater.

Teresa Kramer, Sec.
Rock County Township Association

MOWING NOTICE: BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP

Notice is hereby given to all landowners or tenants to mow at least one swath along township road ditches, by September 15, 2019. If not done, the township may hire it done and have it assessed against the landowners taxes.

Beaver Creek Township Board

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Call 283-8862 to pre-register.

Weeee we-weeeee!

Letting the wind blow through my hair on a borrowed bike

I liken the feeling of riding a bike to that of the Geico Insurance ad featuring a pig named Maxwell.



RUMINATIONS

By Mavis Fodness, Reporter

I didn't necessarily yell "Weeeeee we-weee," but I certainly heard the giddy words in my head.

In the commercial the puppet leans out the car window with a pinwheel in his hand (or in this instance, hoof) yelling "Weeeeee we-weeeee!" as he leans into the wind.

Earlier this spring I felt the same way when I climbed aboard a borrowed bike and rode the Luverne Loop for the first time.

I didn't necessarily yell "Weeeeee we-weee," but I certainly heard the giddy words in my head. When I finished my six-mile jaunt, I felt happily exhausted and I have Den Herder Construction to thank for the opportunity.

The bike I was riding was through "Roll On Luverne" and purchased with a grant through the Statewide Health Improvement Program. Local sponsors pay for the maintenance of the bikes.

Den Herder Construction was listed on the basket of my bike as the maintenance sponsor.

My inaugural ride occurred in May when the Luverne Area Chamber organized a "Bike, Walk, Ride" event on The Loop trail.

The May 16 event was a rare rain-free day (though a few sprinkles did fall) and the evening event was an opportunity for me (and others) to experience The Loop.

The event began at The Lake where I grabbed a bike, dropped the camera bag into the front basket, scooted off and eventually headed north.

I prayed I wouldn't fall flat on my face because it had been years since I'd ridden a bicycle. But the old adage is correct that you never forget how to ride a bike.

Turns out, scientists have studied why we don't forget.

Called procedural memory, our brains just remember how in our youth we could balance and pedal on those two wheels.

One memory from bike riding I can't forget looks me in the mirror each morning.

Tucked between my now wrinkled brows is a small scar, the result of riding my bike into a curb decades ago as a youth.

This spring's "Bike, Walk, Ride" didn't end with blood running between my eyes (thankfully). Instead I happily pedaled on a smooth path and enjoyed every minute of it.

I did worry that the one-speed borrowed bike would be hard to pedal up the inclines. Surprisingly the calibration was spot on, and I didn't struggle to pedal.

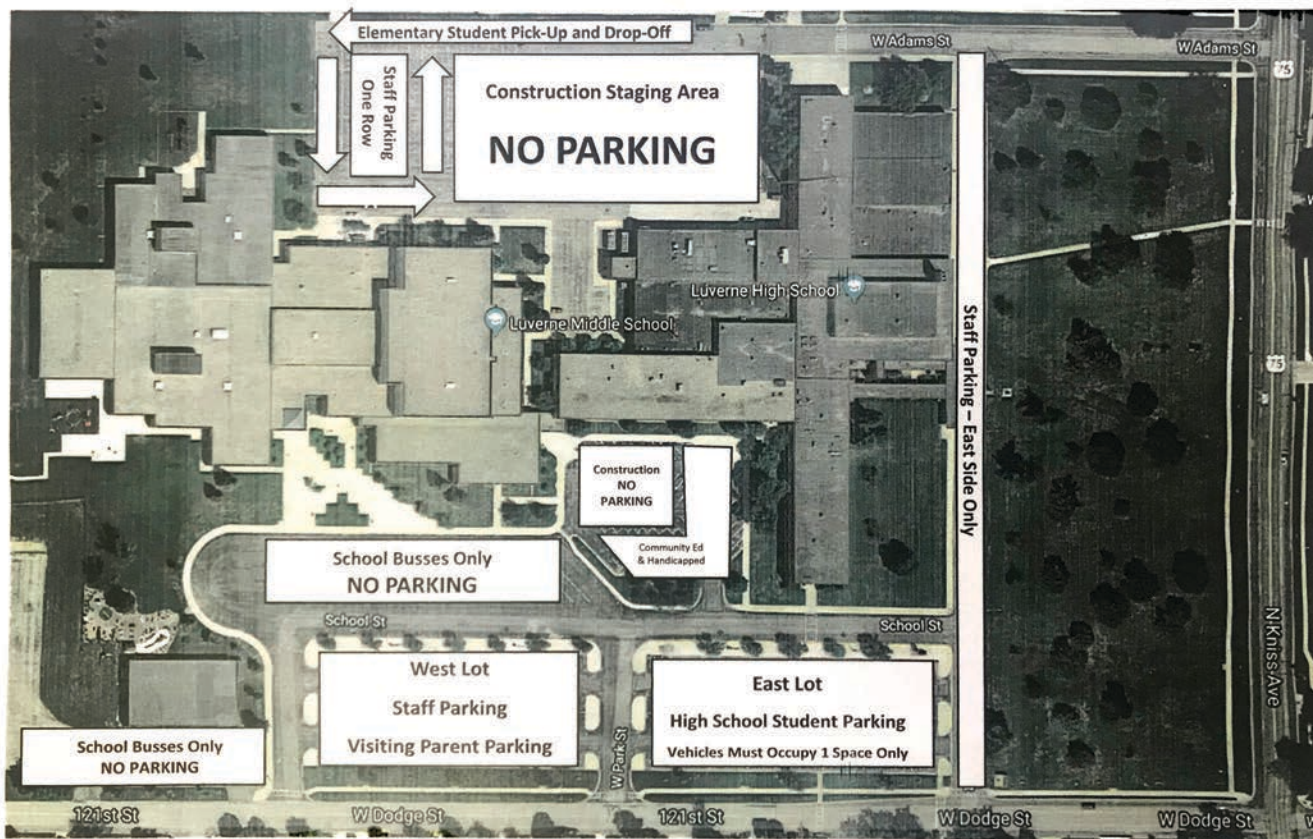
Coming back on the trail heading south is when the real fun began.

The Loop winds around the northwest portion of Luverne. It curves around St. Catherine Church Cemetery and hits James Street, where The Loop is all downhill from there.

I glided past the farm fields, the school's baseball and softball complex, behind the homes located along The Loop, and all the while I couldn't help but utter in my mind, "Weeeeee we-weeeeeee!"

I can't wait until The Loop is completed around the southeast side of Luverne. The terrain looks a little more challenging, but the borrowed Den Herder Construction bike and I can meet that challenge.

School Day Parking Map – Fall 2019



Here's the map for school safety

This is the time of year we hear from school and traffic safety folks about school bus safety and student pedestrian safety.

And yes, motorists, please watch for the big yellow school bus flashing lights and stop arms, and slow down at intersections to watch for little students on foot.

Lives depend on it.

This year in Luverne, however, we have a bigger traffic safety issue on the school campus in light of the construction project.

Take a look at the above map, and maybe even hang a copy on the fridge.

If it's not obvious, we'll point out that most of the open areas that were once designated for parking and school access are no longer available this year.

STAR HERALD EDITORIAL

Nearly all parking in nearly all cases will be on the south side of the building. Football fans can walk through the buildings to get to Cardinal Field.

Study this map. Become familiar with it. Enter school grounds expecting delays, and better yet, if you don't have to be there by automobile, avoid it.

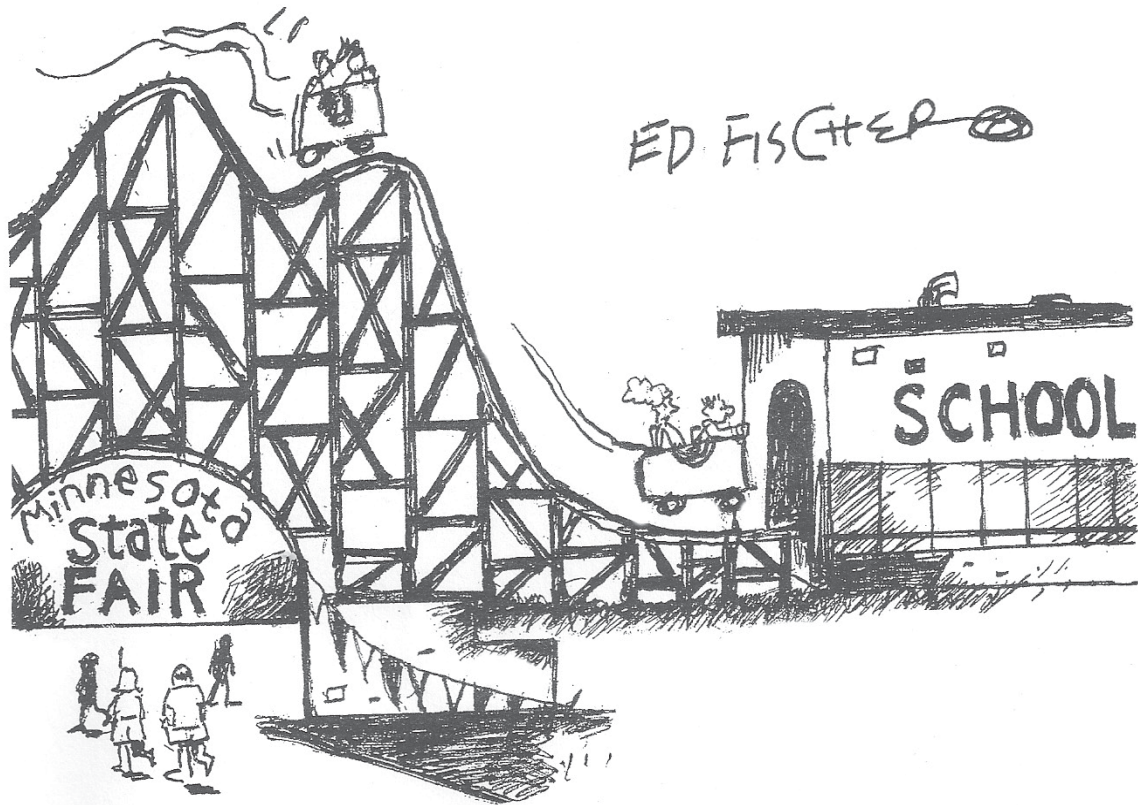
If you have a student driver, it's perhaps most important to talk about this in your home. Perhaps put a copy of the map in the student's car, along

with a sticky note about careful and cautious driving on school grounds.

If all motorists — students, parents and visitors — who travel on or near the school campus do that, it could make the world a safer place for our students this year.

"Walk, bike, carpool, ride the bus ... All of those things help us out immensely," Superintendent Craig Oftedahl told the Star Herald Tuesday. "Fewer cars means fewer problems."

... And better odds for a safe and successful school year.



Approach intersections with blinking yellow lights cautiously

Question: When turning left on a blinking yellow light, should one pull into the intersection?

It seems like a blinking yellow should let at least one car through, but often cars will wait behind the line, negating the ability to move traffic through the intersection.

Answer: If you are preparing to turn left at a flashing yellow light, you must enter the intersection with caution, as oncoming traffic has a green light. Drivers are able to turn left after yielding to all oncoming traffic and to any pedestrians in the crosswalk. Drivers must wait for a



safe gap in oncoming traffic before turning.

If a vehicle ahead of you is

ASK A TROOPER

By Sgt. Troy Christianson,
Minnesota State Patrol

signaling for a left turn, slow down and prepare to stop. Do not enter the intersection in case the traffic light

turns red, as you might not be able to clear the intersection. This type of maneuver is against the law per Minnesota statute 169.15 IMPEDING TRAFFIC; INTERSECTION GRIDLOCK.

The intersection gridlock law applies specifically when entering an intersection at a traffic control light when traffic is already blocking the intersection due to a red light, train, etc. Entering the intersection in this case is against the law. When one direction of traffic is unable to proceed on a green light because vehicles on the crossroad are stopped

and blocking the lanes of traffic it creates issues with the flow of traffic.

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

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

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ON THE RECORD

Dispatch report

- Aug. 23**
- Complainant reported road blocked by a stationary train on 41st Street near Hills.
 - Keys were found at location on S. Kniss Avenue.
 - Complainant reported subject in prison with Rock County warrant near Clarinda.
 - Complainant requested to speak with deputy for assistance.
 - Complainant on Blue Mound Avenue reported fraud.
 - Complainant on Davidson Street reported a reckless driver.
 - Complainant on S. West Park Street reported a guy is trying to assault him.
 - Complainant on W. Warren Street reported an accident.
- Aug. 24**
- Complainant on S. Donaldson Street reported suspicious activity.
 - Complainant on Highway 75 and Main Street reported broken glass in the roadway.
 - Roadside assist was requested on Interstate 90 on the Beaver Creek ramp.
 - Complainant on Estey Street reported a dispute with landlord.
 - Complainant on E. Park Street reported theft of a package.
 - Complainant requested to collect items from an impounded vehicle.
 - Complainant on N. Spring Street reported a person causing problems.
- Aug. 25**
- Complainant reported a guest entered the wrong room and will not open the door.
 - Complainant on E. 6th Avenue, Beaver Creek, reported a vehicle parked at location with nobody around.
 - Complainant on W. Lincoln Street reported a lost phone.
 - Complainant on S. Kniss Avenue reported suspicious activity.
 - Complainant on S. West Park Street reported what he believes to be a gunshot in the area.
- Aug. 26**
- Complainant on E. State Street reported harassing text messages.
 - Complainant on E. State Street in Magnolia reported harassing text messages.
 - Complainant on E. State Street in Magnolia reported harassing communications.
 - Complainant on N. Oakley Street reported suspicious activity.
 - Complainant on N. Kniss Avenue reported suspicious activity.
- Aug. 27**
- Deputy assisted motorist on W. Warren Street.
 - Complainant on W. Fairview Drive reported suspicious activity.
 - Report of lost property westbound on Interstate 90 near Luverne.
 - Report of a burglary on W. Hatting Street.
 - Complainant requested deputy for assistance for traffic control due to accident on 31st Street near Hills.
 - Pedestrian signals not working at location on Kniss Avenue.
 - Complainant reported an illegally licensed vehicle.
 - Complainant on S. Kniss Avenue reported finding counterfeit money at location.
- Aug. 28**
- Complainant on E. Crawford Street reported a stolen bicycle.
 - Complainant on 40th Avenue near Beaver Creek reported trespassing and damage to property.
 - Complainant on 101st Street and Highway 23 reported a suspicious vehicle.
 - Report of manhole cover looks broken at location of Highway 75 and Adams Street.
 - Complainant on W. Warren Street reported she and her friend got kicked out of their house.
- Aug. 29**
- Subject picked up on warrant near Sioux City.
 - Complainant westbound on Interstate 90, mile marker 22 near Magnolia, reported a possible DWI.
 - Complainant on 41st Street and 50th Avenue near Hills reported road blocked by railroad.
 - Complainant on S. Kniss Avenue reported vandalism on property.
 - Complainant on N. Kniss Avenue reported a hit and run accident.
 - Complainant on N. Estey Street reported tires were dumped on a rental property lawn.
 - Complainant on E. 3rd Street near Hills reported suspicious activity.
 - Complainant reported cones in the roadway at location of E. Warren Street.
- In addition, officers responded to 2 complaints of cattle out, 1 deer accident, 6 transports, 2 welfare checks, 7 escorts, 24 ambulance runs, 4 paper services, 5 animal complaints, 1 fingerprint request, 7 burn permits, 5 drug court tests, 4 purchase/carry permits, 2 stalled vehicles, 20 traffic stops, 5 abandoned 911 calls, 4 tests, 1 vehicle from impound, 2 curfew checks and 1 follow-up.

Gevo wind turbines conditional use permit/continued from page 1

- Conditions include:
- 1.) Evidence of a power purchase agreement and related documents with Gevo/Agri-Energy, Missouri River Energy Services, the city of Luverne Municipal Utility and Juhl Energy Development.
 - 2.) Evidence of decommissioning security including the description, type of security, entity holding the funds, and the manner in which the funds can be assessed.
 - 3.) Evidence of setback waiver agreements or presentation of setback waiver agreements for each adjacent property owner within the Rock County Renewable Energy Ordinance property setback of three rotor diameters in the east/west configuration and five rotor diameters in the north/south configuration from the location of the turbine.
 - 4.) Evidence of land and wind energy system site control (leases and easements), rights of entry for the turbine locations and the associated construction requirements.
 - 5.) Evidence of underground utility easements.
 - 6.) An operating agreement with Rock County for the terms and conditions and use of the county roads, plus provisions if there should be damage for restoration, repair or payment, and the permit the placement of underground utilities beneath the roads.
 - 7.) Identify a key contact for both wind energy conversion systems.
 - 8.) Evidence of all applicable federal, state and local permits (Federal Aviation Administration, Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, Minnesota Department of Transportation and Rock County.)
- Gevo manufactures bio-based jet fuel, ethanol and isobutanol using corn at the Luverne plant. High-protein animal feed, a byproduct of the fuel-making process, is also sold from the plant.
- Electricity generated from the two turbines is expected to offset the majority of the plant's annual electrical needs. The plant will continue to have access to the electrical grid in times of low turbine production.
- Due to the small capacity size of the planned wind production project, permitting for the turbines falls under the county's jurisdiction. The wind fuel request is the first request under the county's revised Renewable Energy Ordinance adopted last fall.
- Conditions come from last week's permit hearing**
- The Rock County Planning and Zoning Commission recommended the County Board approve Gevo's conditional use permit after a two-hour meeting Aug. 26.
- Planning and zoning leaders debated whether or not wind production would be a permitted use on agricultural land in Luverne Township sections 17 and 19.
- Chairman Cliff Schilling



Map courtesy of Juhl Energy Development

The proposed location of a wind turbine in Luverne Township section 19. Electricity generated by the turbine will go directly to the Gevo Inc. plant located on the southwest edge of Luverne city limits. **Below**, another wind turbine is planned for Luverne Township section 17. Rock County Commissioners tabled a conditional use permit to allow construction to begin later this year.



abstained from voting, citing conflict of interest. At the time of the vote, Vice Chairman Gawaine Diekevers conducted the meeting.

The commission had already granted Rock County Wind Fuel organizers a variance to the county's renewable energy ordinance. They were unable to meet setback distances of 1,142 and 1,903 feet from neighboring property lines.

Input from landowners from the July 1 variance hearing led project organizers to move the turbine in Section 17 farther south than the originally planned.

Juhl Energy completed several assessments before choosing the sites for the two turbines. Six residences near the turbine on property owned by Greg Gabrielson of Luverne were studied for potential shadow flicker and noise levels.

The closest residence at the Section 17 site is 2,250 feet east of the turbine location and is a home and a separate worship building owned by the Assembly of God Church.

Mike Powers with Juhl Energy said there are no west

facing windows and a grove of trees blocks potential shadow flicker estimated to be nine hours per year at the church location.

Tests projected turbine noise at decimal levels of 40 aBA or the noise level of a library or a quiet suburban area at nighttime.

Brad Ver Steeg is the next closest resident at 2,500 feet east of the turbine. Other residences range from 2,600 to 4,600 feet.

Ver Steeg spoke at the conditional use hearing along with Randy and Sarah Van Nieuwenhuizen, who live 3,600 feet northeast of the turbine.

The Van Nieuwenhuizens were concerned about health effects and sleep disturbances while Ver Steeg was concerned about property values and the other disturbances to the neighborhood. He pointed to two of five points the commission considers when considering a conditional use permit.

"Personally my feeling is it visually changes the landscape long term," Ver Steeg said. "It is kind of a shock

factor but you'll probably get used to them after awhile."

John Jarchow also objected to the planned turbine located in Luverne Township section 19 on property owned by Kirk Gabrielson of Winston, Georgia.

Jarchow was able to attend the Aug. 26 hearing and submitted an email that was read by Land Management Office Director Eric Hartman. Jarchow was also concerned about property value.

"I assume the project will affect my property in a negative way," the email stated.

"Kathy and I recently purchased our acreage and, in the process, we looked at different properties that were in areas where towers were. The value of these properties was considerably less money than what we paid for our current property because of the impact of the wind towers."

Jarchow also objected to how the towers look and sound when fully operational.

Commission member Brad Petersen noted the frustration property owners are experiencing about an unknown entity changing the look of the neighborhood. Prairie Rose Wind Farm, consisting of 110 turbines, borders his land in northwest Rock County.

"In my experience, the red lights and the noise, we don't hear it ... for the most part we don't have issues," Petersen said.

"To be honest with you, these guys seem a lot more open ... if there is a problem they seem willing to take care of it."

The wind turbines are estimated to have an operational expectancy of 25 years.

No meteorological tower is planned for the project.

In their presentation, the organizers referenced a study by Lawrence National Laboratory for the Center of Rural Affairs. Out of the 50,000 home sales, no evidence was found that wind turbines negatively affected home sales.



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Piano gift to Luverne Street Music

... is part of keeping Emily's memory alive

By Jason Berghorst

Emily Lodine Overgaard was a Luverne Street Music teacher, friend and supporter.

Now a donation made in her memory will continue to teach and support music students at the local studio.

LSM recently purchased a new Kawai acoustic piano to be used by piano students and to accompany students learning a variety of other instruments.

Overgaard passed away in June, five years after being diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease.

Her husband, Gary, knew that a memorial gift to Luverne Street Music would be a natural way to honor Emily's legacy.

"She really enjoyed her time working there, teaching music and spreading her love of the arts to all ages," Gary said. "She treated everyone as an equal and brought out the best in other people."

Janine Papik, president of LSM, said the studio, which began in 2013, benefited greatly from Overgaard's early involvement with the organization.

"It was wonderful to have a musician of her quality teaching here," Papik said. "She truly shared her talents with everyone."

Overgaard was an internationally known professional opera singer when she met Gary on a flight to London in 1992.

After the couple married, Emily moved to the Overgaard farm in rural Magnolia and continued to both perform and teach music at area universities and at LSM.

"Being an artist was her life," Gary said. "She continued to do what she loved."

LSM now has a quality piano in each of its soundproof rehearsal rooms.

"We have a piano teacher who just can't wait to begin teaching on this beautiful instrument," Papik said.

Papik said the LSM board plans to have a formal recognition and dedication of the gift during its annual meeting celebration in January.

"We look forward to remembering Emily and her musical gifts," she said.

"It's hard to express what this gift means. ... It's like her reaching out and helping us keep her legacy going."



Jason Berghorst photo/0905 LSM Piano Memorial

Luverne Street Music president Janine Papik (seated) and Gary Overgaard pose at the piano dedicated in memory of Overgaard's late wife, Emily Lodine. A formal dedication ceremony will take place in January at the LSM located at 205 N. Freeman Ave. in Luverne.

CELEBRATIONS

Open houses

Marian Schneekloth is retiring after 35 years of providing day care for local families. A retirement open house will be from 4-8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, at her home at 605 N. Freeman Avenue in Luverne.

MENU

Monday, Sept. 9: Swiss steak, mashed potatoes, corn, bread, pineapple. Program: 8:30 a.m. Quilting. 9 a.m. Bone Builders. 12:30 p.m. Generations Organizational Meeting. 1 p.m. Pinochle.

Tuesday, Sept. 10: Roast turkey, mashed potatoes, carrots, cranberry relish, bread, fruit shortcake. Half-price Day sponsored by Hartquist Funeral Home.

Wednesday, Sept. 11: Closed. (A.C.E. Appreciation at American Reformed Church.)

Thursday, Sept. 12: Pork chop with gravy, mashed potatoes, green bean bake, dinner roll, fruit crisp. Program: Half-Price Day in honor of Dale Swenson sponsored by his family.

Friday, Sept. 13: Lasagna, country blend vegetables, lettuce salad with dressing, garlic bread, bar. Program: 9 a.m. Bone Builders.

LSS Dining offers well-balanced and affordable meals in a community atmosphere. Call Lynette Hoiland at 283-9846 to make dining reservations or for home-delivered meals. Gift certificates are available at the meal site or online at www.lssmn.org/nutrition.

LIBRARY NEWS

Contact the library at rocklibrarystaff@gmail.com or call 507-449-5040 to register for events.

Mah Jongg, 1 to 3 p.m. Thursdays.

Take 16 Trivia Night, 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 5, Take 16 Brew Co.

Minnesota Star Watch with Mike Lynch, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6, Touch the Sky Prairie, rural Luverne.

Friends of the Library book sale, 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Sept. 19, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sept. 20, and 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. (\$3 bag sale) Sept. 21.

Antiques Appraisal with Mark Moran, noon, Monday, Sept. 30.

Library hours are Monday-Thursday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

1967: Fire destroys fairgrounds barn

The following appeared in the Rock County Star Herald on August 17, 1967.

Fairgrounds Barn Levelled In Spectacular Blaze

Costly Fire Hits One Week After The Fair

Two boys, ages 9 and 10 admitted to the deputy state fire marshal and local police that they had been smoking in the livestock barn at the fairgrounds before it was destroyed by fire Sunday evening.

Deputy Marshal Mel Hardy, Marshall, investigated the blaze, coming here Sunday night, and working all day Monday with Fire Chief Curt Maxwell and the Luverne police department. No charges were filed.

The spectacular blaze, which was reported about 6:10 p.m. Sunday, destroyed the barn which had housed thousands of dollars worth of livestock during the Rock County Fair, just eight days earlier. Except for fair week, the barn, with an adjoining sales pavilion and a small



BITS BY BETTY

By Betty Mann,
president Rock County
Historical Society

office building to the north of it, was rented by Marcel Reisch, owner of the Luverne Livestock Association. Reisch came here in April, after purchasing the business from Gerrit Smith. He conducted livestock auctions there each Saturday.

Around \$40,000

Best estimate as to the

amount of the loss to the Rock County Agriculture Society, which owns the fairgrounds and building, was between \$30,000 and \$40,000. This figure was based on one property appraiser's estimate. However, it was generally agreed that a building like it could not be built today for that figure. The fair board had the barn and sales pavilion insured for \$21,600. The small office building was insured for \$300.

Reisch estimated his loss of property and loss of business at about \$5,000. He said he had some insurance, "but not nearly enough."

He lost a registered Dalmatian dog and a pig in the fire. Several horses and cows which he owned were outside the building at the time of the blaze, so there was no livestock destroyed. However, he did lose 13 tons of hay and a load of straw which had just been hauled into the barn after the fair was over. Also in the barn was a 10 cu. ft. food freezer, filled with food, some saddles, some trunks filled with cloth-

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REMEMBER WHEN

10 years ago (2009)

•Dozens of firefighters from five area departments responded to a barn fire Saturday morning near Hardwick.

According to Hardwick Fire Chief Dan Kindt, a tin pole barn at the Barry Kracht farm was fully engulfed in flames when he and his crew arrived. ...

Kindt said the pole barn was completely destroyed, along with two sick calves being treated and housed in the structure.

Corn stalk bales and livestock feed stored in the building burned up, and two silos attached to the pole barn were damaged.

The Krachts weren't home at the time of the fire, which was reported around 8:15 a.m. by an individual who had showed up to do livestock chores. ...

Also responding to the blaze were Jasper, Edgerton, Kenneth and Luverne.

25 years ago (1994)

•Visitors to the Carnegie Cultural center this month will see a display of paintings unlike most seen at other art showings.

Steven Larson's exhibit of "Paintings from the Blue Mounds" will surprise - and hopefully intrigue - viewers who in the past have looked at art work depicting the Mounds as a place of red cliffs, green and yellow prairie grasses, gnarled oaks and blue skies.

While not a native Rock Countian, Larson has lived in this general area all of his life. He was born and spent his boyhood on his parents' farm a short distance northwest of Sherman, S.D., and attended rural school in what was then known as Lincoln School District 86. ...

Larson will have 36 of his paintings on display at the Cultural Center. ... Most of them are abstract landscapes of the Blue Mounds from different perspectives.

50 years ago (1969)

•The Palace Theatre will reopen on Wednesday, Sept. 17, under new ownership.

James R. Herreid, Northfield, a former Luverne resident, purchased the building and business from Mrs. Herman Jochims, and has employed Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lawrence, Adrian, to manage the theatre. The Lawrences formerly lived in Luverne when they managed the Manitou hotel for a year. ...

Herreid said he ... expects to have the best films to show in Luverne.

"I think we can make Saturday and Sunday matinees go again, if we promote it right," he said, "and who knows, maybe we'll even try banknight."

75 years ago (1944)

•Two badly wanted escaped convicts from Anamosa, Iowa, abandoned a stolen car on West Lincoln street here Sunday evening. Local authorities notified about a half hour later combed the town and searched the highways but were unable to find the men. It is believed that they caught a ride with a passing car or truck.

The car was owned by Carl R. Moir, who had driven Sunday from his home at Akron, Iowa, to Sioux City. The car was stolen there later in the afternoon and driven here.

A Luverne man happened to notice two men drive up on West Lincoln street and get out of the car. The Luverne man was working on his car about fifty feet away. Later he noticed that the car bore a Plymouth county Iowa license and then became suspicious, remembering that the men had started walking to the highway to evidently hitchhike a ride. He called the office of Sheriff Roberts, who was out of town, and Officer Ryan answered the call.

The Luverne man identified pictures of Kenneth Pryor, alias James Davis, and Alpheus Meyers, alias Bill Newton, as the men who had abandoned the car.

100 years ago (1919)

•A new business concern, to be known as the Luverne Sand and Gravel Co., has been organized with W.J. McCracken as president and general manager.

The company will specialize in the sale of sand and gravel for paving and other purposes and will install the most modern equipment for supplying these products in carload lots - washed, screened and graded to any size desired.

The stockholders in the new company are practically the same as in the McCracken Concrete Pipe Co., and the company will install the gravel handling plant at the McCracken Co.'s sand deposits.

The plant to be installed by the Luverne Sand and Gravel Co. will present an expenditure of over \$20,000, and will give the concern a capacity of fifteen carloads of sand and gravel daily.

Rock County musician performs well at state fair

Matthew Stensland-Bos, (at right) Luverne, represented Rock County in the 2019 Minnesota State Fair County Talent Contest last weekend on Baldwin Park Stage in St. Paul on the fairgrounds.

The vocal and baritone ukulele performance of his original ballad, "The Living Verbs," earned him the top place in Sunday's round of competition in the open class category and third place overall.

The song is one of several original works that Stensland-Bos composed in 2017 when he was bedridden from illness. It will be part of an album he plans to release in the coming year.

He's now been performing on local stages, including Luverne, both solo and with fellow musicians. His next appearances will be Sept. 21 in Sterling's and Oct. 5 during the Wine Walk event.



OBITUARIES

Nell Fink

Pieterella “Nell” Fink, 89, Luverne, died Monday, Sept. 2, 2019, at the Sanford Luverne Hospice Cottage in Luverne from pancreatic cancer.

A private family burial is planned.

Pieterella Timmer was born on March 10, 1930, to Dutch immigrants John and Geppiena (Dik) Timmer in Mound Township, Rock County. She attended country school there through the eighth grade and later graduated from Luverne High School. During high school and until her marriage, Nell worked at the Rock County Bank in Luverne.

On Feb. 25, 1950, Nell married Milton (Bud) Fink. They bought a farm in 1957, 5 1/2 miles west of Luverne. It was their hope that they could live there in good health until they were very old. In December 2016, Bud suffered a stroke,



and Nell was his caregiver until June of this year when she was not strong enough to continue.

In addition to country living, Nell enjoyed playing cards, bookkeeping, reading a good mystery novel and eating Pizza Ranch chicken.

Nell is survived by her husband, Bud Fink, of Luverne; two daughters, Pat (Pete) Body of Luverne and Marcia (Ira) Dahlman of McKinney, Texas; three granddaughters, Marilee Dahlman, Sarah Dahlman and Rachael (Nathanael) Auch; one great-granddaughter, Hannah Auch; one sister, Leona Frevik; and two nieces, Peggy Dubisar and Joan Frevik.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Arrangements are provided by Hartquist Funeral Home of Luverne, www.hartquistfuneral.com.

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Phydelis Hamann

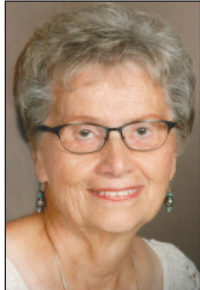
Phydelis Ann “Fiddy” Hamann, 81, Luverne, died Thursday, Aug. 29, 2019, at the Sanford USD Medical Center in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

A funeral service was Tuesday, Sept. 3, at St. John Lutheran Church in Luverne. Burial followed at Maplewood Cemetery in Luverne.

Phydelis Weatherly was born on March 4, 1938, to Robert and Phyllis (Sudenga) Weatherly in Lyon County, Iowa. Phydelis grew up in Rock Rapids, Iowa, and graduated from Rock Rapids High School in 1956. She attended Sioux Valley Hospital School in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and received her Certificate of Medical Technology in 1957.

On June 21, 1958, Phydelis married Melvin Hamann at the First Christian Church in Rock Rapids. They settled on the farm where they remained for the next 40 years. Fiddy worked at the Luverne Community Hospital in Luverne from 1957 to 1959 as a lab and X-ray technician. She then became a full-time housewife and farm wife.

Fiddy was a member of St. John Lutheran Church in Luverne and received her confirmation there in 1958. She was active in Circle and LWML Guild. She was a charter member of the Altar Guild. She was the Meals on Wheels coordinator for 15 years and the LWML Women’s Society historian from 2002 to 2009.



She was also involved as a 4-H leader.

In her spare time, Fiddy enjoyed gardening, traveling, and especially spending time with her grandchildren. Her grandchildren will always treasure the quilts that were gifted to them by their grandmother for their graduations.

Fiddy is survived by her husband, Melvin; four children, Lori of Jacksonville, Florida, David (Lisa) of Luverne, Daniel (Julie) of Luverne and John (Misty) of Hollywood, Florida; 10 grandchildren, Erin (Tim) Schneekloth and their children Kade and Jayse, Andrew, Jordan, Justin, Karissa, Jena, Kynzie, Kaila (Kellen) Kooi and their children, Kaenen and Kamille, Autumn and Hunter; two step-grandchildren, Jamie (David) Tofte and their children Brayden, Jace, Carsen and Ahna, and Brandon (Heather) Buysse and their children Addison and Emma; and a sister, Karyn (Clarence) Boer of Rock Rapids.

She was preceded in death by her parents; an infant sister, Linda; a niece, Linda Loven; a brother and sister-in-law, Robert and Donna Weatherly; and a sister and brother-in-law, Marybelle and Henry Timmermans.

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

(0905 F)

Albert Kracht

Albert “AJ” Kracht, 89, and great-grandchildren and looked forward to celebrating Thanksgiving each year with his family.



AJ is survived by six children, Trudy (Brad) Beyenhof of Rock Rapids, Pete Kracht of Ash Creek, Jolene (Doug) Van Surksom of Hull, Iowa, Kevin (Theresa) Kracht of Fortine, Montana, Marlin (Bobbi) Kracht of Luverne and Larry (Bobbie) Kracht of Magnolia; 18 grandchildren, Nick (Laura) and Nate Beyenhof, Thomas (Maddy Reisch), Katie and Kaden Kracht, Tara (Clark) Kuhns, Colton Van Surksom, Tyller, Marissa and Trenton Kracht, Trevor, Jackson, Kacie, Cade, Allie and Caleb Kracht, Shelby and Spencer Kracht; seven great-grandchildren, Gracyn, Ava, Carson, Anna, Wyatt, Wesley, and Willo; a sister, Alice Cosgrove of O’Fallon, Missouri, and a brother, Bert “Bud” Kracht of Beaver Creek and other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Anna Mae Kracht; his parents; two brothers, Ben and Bert Kracht; and two sisters, Jennie Schouwenburg and Hattie Top.

Arrangements were provided by Jurens Funeral Home of Rock Rapids, jurenfuneralhome.com

(0905 F)

Frank Reurink

Frank Gerrit Reurink, 92, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, died Thursday, Aug. 29, 2019, at the VA Medical Center in Sioux Falls.

A funeral service was Tuesday, Sept. 3, at the American Reformed Church in Luverne. Burial followed at the Maplewood Cemetery in Luverne.

Frank Reurink was born on June 29, 1927, to Gerrit and Jennie (Hein) Reurink in Colton, South Dakota. He was baptized in the Reformed Church in Colton. Frank was drafted into the United States Army in 1945 during World War II. He was honorably discharged in 1946.

On Sept. 2, 1949, Frank married Delores Swier in Colton. They farmed in the Colton area until Frank began working at John Morrell. In 1988 Frank received a heart transplant at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis, becoming only the 161st person to receive a heart transplant there.

Frank and Delores spent winters in Arizona in their later years. Frank and Delores moved to Sioux Falls, South Dakota, permanently in 2017.

Frank was a member of the American Reformed Church in Luverne. During his time in Sioux Falls, he was a charter member and acted as an elder in the Good News Reformed Church in Sioux Falls. Frank also served as a Sunday school teacher and



was a lay pastor and preached at various churches around the Arlington, South Dakota, area. He was a member of the Arlington American Legion Post #42. Frank enjoyed outdoor activities such as hunting, fishing, gardening, camping, golfing, mowing his lawn and playing horseshoes. He also had a great love of the Minnesota Twins.

Frank is survived by his wife, Delores, of Sioux Falls; four children, David (Barb) Reurink of Mesa, Arizona, Beverly (Mike) Berg of Sioux Falls, Lori Otten of Luverne, and Todd (Ann) Reurink of Sioux Falls; seven grandchildren, Clint (Dana) Berg, Jessica (Carey) Tri, Jenni (Lee) Yanke, Nick (Jessica) Otten, Ashley Otten (fiancé Richard Gonzalez), Sara Reurink, Anthony Reurink; nine great-grandchildren, Abby and Matthew Yanke, Ainsley, Audrey, and Arianna Berg, Ryder, Camdyn, and Brady Tri, and Easton Otten; three siblings, Dorothy (Heinie) VanderWeerd of Brandon, South Dakota, Jeanette Farr of Sioux Falls, Carrie (Don) Hanneman of Dell Rapids, South Dakota; and many other friends and relatives.

Frank was preceded in death by his parents; one brother; and three sisters.

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

(0905 F)

Allan Geslin

Allan Lennart Geslin, 77, Ozark, Arkansas, formerly of Luverne, died Tuesday, Aug. 27, 2019, due to injuries sustained from a motor vehicle accident.

A private memorial service will take place at a later date.

Allan Geslin was born on June 24, 1942, to Marjorie and Lennart Geslin in New Ulm. He was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith. He received his education in New Ulm. He served in the United States Navy and was honorably discharged after four years of service and also served in the Army National Guard.

He married Kathleen Mack and moved to Luverne to raise their family. He worked for Northwestern Bell for 27 years, where they met several lifetime friends. Together they enjoyed card clubs and bowling. Although they later divorced, the bond between their families remained strong.

Family vacations were spent fishing and camping in northern Minnesota. Allan traveled throughout the United States visiting national parks. The Redwoods were his favorite, and he was a proud member of the Save the Redwoods League and other conservation organizations.

Following his retirement, his love of hunting and fishing led him to Alabama and



more recently to Arkansas to be closer to family. He spent countless hours fishing and camping at Cove Lake and along the river. He also kept active shooting hoops and following his beloved Minnesota Twinkies.

He liked playing games and was a frequent winner of the Geslin family traveling trophy. He loved to laugh and tease, especially after beating the grandkids at basketball and his daughters at ladder ball.

Allan attended church and Bible study regularly and remained a member of Bethany Lutheran Church in Luverne.

Allen is survived by his mother, Marjorie Spoor; his daughters, Dawn (Brandon) Gunsalus and Dana (Kris) Swanson; his grandchildren Lindsay (Tyson) Weber, Alison (Tony) Willers, Tyler Brands, Katelyn (Mark) Van Aartsen, Codie (Cristina) Swanson, and Jordin Swanson; and four great-grandchildren, Reagan (Willers), Nolan, Reece (Weber) and Jayce (VanAartsen); his siblings Myra Geslin, Janice (Mel) Rubink, Chuck Spoor, Roleen (Wade) Schlie, and Craig (Robin) Spoor.

Allan was preceded in death by his father, Lennart, and his stepfather, Louis.

(0905 F)

Phyllis Schouwenburg

Phyllis Grace Schouwenburg, 85, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, formerly of Hills and Luverne, died Tuesday, Aug. 27, 2019, at the Avera Prince of Peace Retirement Community in Sioux Falls.

A funeral service was Friday, Aug. 29, at the Hartquist Funeral Home in Luverne. Burial followed at Maplewood Cemetery in Luverne.

Phyllis Wessels was born on June 22, 1934, to Fred and Jennie (Bergman) Wessels on the family farm in Rock County. She was raised on the farm and attended country school through the eighth grade. She graduated from Luverne High School in Luverne in 1952. She began working at Tri-State Mutual as secretary to the president of the company. She was proud to be the first person to type on the company’s first electric typewriter.

In 1952 she met Donald Schouwenburg at a Labor Day softball tournament in Steen. They were married on Sept. 16, 1954, at the Ebenezer State-line Presbyterian Church. The couple first lived in Luverne. In 1956 Don purchased the repair shop in Steen, and the couple moved to Steen, later becoming members of the Steen Reformed Church. In 1960 the family moved to Hills. Along with caring for the family, Phyllis began baking and decorating cakes. Phyllis worked in the Hills-Beaver Creek High School cafeteria for a few years and then served as the secretary to the high school principal for nearly 10 years.

After retirement Phyllis enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren and attend-



ing their activities. She was a reading volunteer at the Luverne Elementary School and enjoyed bird watching and beating Don at Wheel of Fortune. In 2015 Phyllis and Don moved to the Avera Prince of Peace Retirement Community in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Phyllis enjoyed sewing, reading, water and acrylic painting, and sculpting. She created the artwork for the Hills Centennial Cookbook and a life-size chalk drawing of the Nativity, which was displayed in the Steen Reformed Church at Christmas for many years.

Phyllis is survived by her husband, Don; children Constance (Russell) Cambern of Brookings, South Dakota, Lori Inafuku of Minnetonka, and Joni (Curt) Gacke and Julie (Fred III) Rule of Sioux Falls; nine grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; two step-great-grandchildren; seven siblings, Norman (Joyce) Wessels, Enore Boelman, Iva (Edwin) Elbers, and Harold Wessels, all of Luverne, David (Beverly) Wessels and Lowell Wessels of Steen, and Doug (Ginny) Wessels of Hardwick; and sisters-in-law Theresa Wessels and Gert Wessels of Luverne.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers Dale, Darrell and Stanley Wessels; sister Vernice Wessels; sisters-in-law Jolene and Sharon Wessels; brother-in-law Edwin Boelman; niece Tina Wessels Martinez; and several nieces and nephews.

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

(0905 F)

Arlene Remme

Arlene Doris Remme, 92, Luverne, died Saturday, Aug. 31, 2019, at the Sanford Hospice Cottage in Luverne.

A funeral service was Wednesday, Sept. 4, at the First Presbyterian Church in Luverne. Burial was at Blue Mound Cemetery in rural Luverne.

Arlene Schmuck was born on Oct. 7, 1926, to John and Dora (Bruhn) Schmuck in Springwater Township of Rock County. She was baptized at First Presbyterian Church in Luverne. As a child, Arlene lived in the Lismore and Kenneth areas and attended school there.

Arlene married Walter Remme on Oct. 14, 1945, at the Presbyterian Manse in Luverne. They farmed the Remme family farm south of Kenneth, sharing a love of the land and nature. They were members of Blue Mound and Kenneth Lutheran churches. When Kenneth Lutheran Church closed in June of 2015, Arlene transferred to First Presbyterian Church in Luverne. Besides working at Magnolia School Cafeteria for a number of years, Arlene enjoyed reading, crocheting, and had an avid interest in genealogy.

In January of 1992, Arlene and Walter moved to Bishop Street in Luverne where she continued to live until she moved to the Sanford Luverne Hospice Cottage on Aug. 21, 2019.

Arlene is survived by her children, Dianne Zoellner (special friend

Francis Keller) of Brandon, South Dakota, Dennis (Norma) Remme of Magnolia and Carla (Douglas) Ennenga of Kanaranzi; grandchildren Rachel (Joseph) Schaffran, Elizabeth Ennenga, Wendy (Tom) Wills, Shari (Aaron) Moerke, Scott (Lisa) Remme, Susan Bork, Sara (Joe) Hyser, Angela (Brian) Wrightsman, Jason (Teresa) Zoellner and Rebecca (Timothy) Smith; 20 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Walter; three siblings, Eleanor (Orville) Reese, Harvey (Lillian) Schmuck, LeRoy (Beverly) Schmuck; and son-in-law James Zoellner.

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

(0905 F)



DEATH NOTICES

Marvin Brommer

Marvin Lambert Brommer, 90, Luverne, died Sunday, Sept. 1, 2019, at the Rock Rapids Care Center in Rock Rapids, Iowa.

A funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13, at the First Baptist Church in Luverne. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service Friday at the church. Burial will follow the lunch at the Grand Prairie Cemetery in Ellsworth.

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

(0905 DN)

James H. Nelson

James Howard Nelson, 70, Magnolia, died Tuesday, Sept. 3, 2019, at his home.

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

(0905 DN)

Arvilla Veldkamp

Arvilla Jean Veldkamp, 76, Luverne, died Sunday, Sept. 1, 2019, at her home.

A funeral service is at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 4, at the Dingmann Funeral Home in Luverne with visitation one hour prior to the service.

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

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Springwater Township Mowing Notice

Landowners are now responsible for mowing shoulders at least three times per summer, depending on rain and growth. It is recommended that shoulders be mowed by the 15th of June, August and the last mowing by October 1. Failure to do so will result in your taxes being assessed at \$100 per half mile, per time.

Springwater Township Board



Glenda McGaffee photos/0905 tenants

Tuff Village and Viste Manor tenants are (from left) Delores Halverson, Ethel Ossefoort, Shirley Honken, Lorene Heller, Donna Sjaarda, E. Tootie Johns, (middle) Florence Knoblock, Ralph Hansen, (back) Administrator Eli Ripley, Leona Moser, Judy Binford, Jacky Reverts, Lois Nelson, John Bosch, John Kuiken, Allan Boysen, Jerry Thorin and director of nurses Mary Lemke. Not pictured are Dora Steffen and Arlene Franchuk.

Tuff Village celebrates Assisted Living Week Sept. 8-14

Special events planned for ‘A Spark of Creativity’ themed week

By Glenda McGaffee
National Assisted Living Week is Sept. 8-14 with the theme, “A Spark of Creativity” to inspire residents and staff to be creative through the arts or other means.
Tenants and their families, staff, volunteers and local communities recognize the role of assisted living in caring for seniors and individuals with disabilities and will celebrate the week with special events.

For example, Monday features an art fair, Tuesday will be crafts and music, Wednesday a Patriot Day and “Appreciate Art Road Trip,” Thursday a Bake and Taste and crafts and Friday, trolley rides and sundaes.



Tuff Village and Viste Manor staff are (front, from left) Emily Jansma, Eli Ripley, Marsha Jandle, (back) Shannon Jenkins, Jocelyn Jacoby, Jody DeBoer, Mary Lemke, Grace Tofteland and Judy DeNoble. Not pictured are Wanda Camarigg, Loretta Gehrke, Myrna Haak, Grace Holthaus, Darcy Olson, Kayla Vis, Bev Schouwenburg, Jane Wieneke, Jill Ykema and Glenda McGaffee.

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ing, and a few other personal items.

The alarm was believed to have been turned in almost simultaneously by Russell Roos and Mrs. Ted Schneekloth, who lives on south Freeman just west of the fair grounds. Mr. and Mrs. Roos were walking to a neighbor's home when they saw the fire break through the roof of the barn. Mr. Roos ran back home to place the fire call. About the same time, Mrs. Ted Schneekloth saw it from her home and turned in the alarm. Mrs. Roos went to the Tony Van Engelenhoven home, knowing that Mr. Van Engelenhoven was a fireman. She told Mr. Van Engelenhoven, who tried to call the fire number. The line was busy, indicating that it was already being reported.

The blaze started in the south end of the building where the two boys told the officials they had been smoking in the middle alley, a short time earlier. They said they had put their cigarettes out, and there was no fire in the building when they left for home, according to the officials. There were no other boys with them, they said.

The fire spread through the hay and straw to the tinder-dry framework of the building so rapidly that the firemen had no opportunity to bring it under control. A south wind fanned the blaze after it broke through the roof in several places, and billows of black smoke and cinders rose high in the air. Several persons saw the smoke from a distance as far away as 25 miles, it was reported.

Wind Carries Burning Cinders

Cinders sailed northward, one of the burning pieces falling on the apartment building on East main street, known as the Skoland house. Andy Vatland, who lives in the house, saw the fire on the west slope of the roof as he was driving down the street. He found a ladder which was long enough for him to reach a television antenna wire, and he climbed up the side of the building using the wire as a support until he got on the roof. After getting on the roof, someone threw a blanket up to him which he used to beat out the blaze. Meanwhile, a fire truck was called from the fairgrounds to help, but the blaze was out before they could get to it.

About 15 or 20 minutes earlier, one of the trucks raced to the Chicago and Northwestern right of way, about a block north and a short distance east of the fairgrounds. There, some utility poles lying on the ground had been ignited by burning embers.

The firemen pulled away from the fairgrounds a third

time when there was a report of a fire in the east part of town. One truck went as far as the sewage disposal plant, found nothing and returned to the fairground.

Other Buildings Threatened

Houses and out buildings near the fair grounds were momentarily threatened. Garden hoses and buckets of water were used extinguishing smoldering shingles and siding. There was no serious damage to these buildings, however.

Damage was done to the electrical line leading south on Cedar street into the fair grounds. Near the barn, a transformer which was atop a burning utility pole was shorting out, causing a sharp crackling noise and an intense, white light.

Heat Is Intense

As soon as Alex Aanenson heard about the fire, he drove to the fair grounds with the tractor part of his semi truck in the hope that he would be able to pull the trailer away from the burning building. By that time, however, the heat was so intense and the building was burning with such a fury that he couldn't get close enough to the trailer. He then used a chain to hook up to the lunch wagon trailer to try to pull it away, but he couldn't move it from the angle at which he had to pull it, so he gave up.

Reisch was eating supper when he heard of the fire. He managed to get his records out of the office building before the fire reached it.

“I'd like to stay here and stay in business,” he said Monday, “but there isn't anything I can do unless they rebuild for me.”

Replacing the building, according to Carl Husen, fair board secretary, is another matter. It will depend upon the insurance settlement, and also upon action of the fair board as to how extensively they decide to build.

The board is not expected to meet until early next week as several members, including President Leonard Hagen, are out of town on vacation.

The older portion of the barn was 52 years old, having been built in 1915. It had since been enlarged from its original 32 by 96 foot size. Dimensions of the stock barn at the time of the fire was 96 x 136 feet. The sale barn was 48 x 80 feet. The barn had been rewired and re-shingled during the past two years at a cost of about \$5,000.

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 correspondences to mannmade@iu.net.

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over the five-year term.

The other bond for the balance of Phase 2 costs (\$2.5 million), plus the cost of Phase 3 improvements (\$5.1 million), for a total tax-exempt bond of nearly \$7.6 million, to be amortized over 30 years.

Northland Securities sold these general obligation sewer revenue bonds by public offering, and Robert W. Baird Inc. provided the low bid with a true interest cost of 2.36 percent.

Financing through the Minnesota Public Utilities will save an estimated \$130,000 over 30 years.



Lori Sorenson photos/0905 sidewalks



‘Toe trippers’ being repaired

Concrete Creations, Luverne, has been repairing sidewalks on Main Street following work on sunken electrical vaults near light poles. The city repaired 16 of these “toe trippers” — sidewalk depressions — as part of ongoing monitoring of sidewalk safety. According to Public Works supervisor John Stoffel, anything with a lip of three-quarters of an inch or more is typically repaired.

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Cards pummel Trojans Friday

By John Rittenhouse
The Luverne football team bucked a slight trend to open the 2019 season Friday at Cardinal Field.
After experiencing 0-4 starts the last two seasons, the Cardinals posted their first opening night win by trouncing the Worthington Trojans 41-12.
In what was a solid showing all around, the Cardinals coasted to a 21-point lead in the first half and outscored the Trojans 13-7 in the second half to prevail by 29 points.
LHS ran the ball for 212 yards and five touchdowns during a win that also featured key efforts from the defense and special team units.
The Cardinal defense created five turnovers and turned them into four touchdowns.
Luverne's other two touchdowns were set up by long returns produced by special team units.
"We got off to a great start offensively by scoring with our first four possessions," said Cardinal coach Todd Oye.
"Our special teams were pretty good, too. We had some long returns to set up touchdowns and only missed one extra point. Defensively we shut down their running game (WHS had 11 rushing yards). They had some passing yards and one long touchdown pass, but we had some missed tackles during that play. Any time you can limit a team from running the ball gives you a



John Rittenhouse photo/0905 lfb 11
Luverne senior cornerback Jacob Von Tersch wraps up a Worthington player during Friday's 41-12 victory at Cardinal Field. The Cardinals won their opener for the first time since 2016.

better chance to win the game."
Junior Bailey Cowell came up with three big plays to help the Cardinals open a 20-0 lead 14:33 into the game.
Cowell made his presence known right away when he returned the game's opening kickoff 37 yards to the WHS

49-yard line.
Seven plays later, Cowell scored on a 17-yard run to give the Cards a 6-0 cushion 3:27 into the contest.
A starting cornerback on defense, Cowell made another influential play to end Worthington's initial offensive

possession of the game.
The Trojans picked up two first downs before Cowell intercepted a pass and returned the ball to the WHS 33.
Cowell scored on a 12-yard run five plays later and Shaid

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Girls secure team championship in Beresford

By John Rittenhouse
The Luverne cross country teams turned in strong showings at the Beresford (South Dakota) Invitational Friday.
Luverne's girls came home with a team championship and the boys placed third as a squad in varsity competition.
With two top 10 efforts individually, the Cardinal girls turned in a 39-point effort to place first in a 10-team field.
Lennox finished second with 59 points.
Tenley Nelson and Regan Feit led the Cardinals to vic-

tory by placing second and ninth with respective 18:59 and 20:37 efforts.
Elizabeth Wagner and Brooklynn Ver Steeg capped the team scoring by finishing 19th and 20th in 21:16 and 21:21.
Grace Ingebretson and Tiana Lais placed 32nd and 33rd with times of 22:22 and 22:41.
The Cardinal boys placed third in an 11-team field with 81 points.
Sioux Falls Christian claimed the team title with 25 points.
Brayden Tofteland won the

individual title for LHS with a time of 16:49.
Camden Janiszkeski, Jonah Friedrichsen and Brady Bork padded the team title by placing 22nd, 39th and 54th in 18:19, 19:21 and 20:01.
The Cardinals host the Bruce Gluf Invitational Saturday.
Here is a look at the rest of Luverne's results from Friday's meet.

Junior varsity girls: Claire Baustian, 46th, 20:13; Mallory Oye, 47th, 20:16; Madigan Flom, 78th, 22:29.

Junior varsity boys: Griffin Jarchow,

34th, 16:22; Brody DeBates, 38th, 16:34; Sam Emery, 50th, 16:54; Carsen Tofteland, 63rd, 17:19.56; Graham Cunningham, 64th, 17:19.83; Camden Hoven, 77th, 17:49; Ethan Rahm, 79th, 17:51; Nicholas Rogers, 108th, 19:04. Luverne placed fifth as a team in a 13-team field led by SFC (14 points) with 121 points.

Junior high girls: Jenna DeBates, first, 12:01; Maria Rops, 23rd, 14:04; Andrea Luitjens, 73rd, 19:47.

Junior high boys: Sage Viessman, fifth, 11:30; Owen Janiszkeski, 12th, 11:56; Ryan Fick, 15th, 11:59; Lief Ingebretson, 52nd, 13:18; Levi Gonnerman, 61st, 13:30; Matthew Rogers, 68th, 13:43; Eli McLendon, 80th, 14:02. Luverne placed second in a 15-team field led by SFC (27 points) with 70 points.

Team statistics
Adrian: 423 rushing yards, zero passing yards, 423 total yards, 19 first downs, seven penalties for 75 yards, one turnover.
R-T-R: 52 rushing yards, 137 passing yards, 189 total yards, 10 first downs, four penalties for 26 yards, four turnovers.

Individual statistics
Rushing: Schnoor 23-264, Stamer 5-46, Marshall Wagner 8-28, Bullerman 3-22, Preston Nelson 4-15, Carson Wohlford 1-8, Logan Taylor 2-6, Quentin Wolf 1-5, Rilee Heidebrink 1-3, Reece Carlson 1-3.
Passing: Stamer 0-1 for zero yards.
Defense: Nelson 11 tackles and one interception, Taylor 11 tackles, Bullerman six tackles, Lance Luettel five tackles, Edwards four tackles and one forced fumble, Vortherms four tackles and one interception, Wagner four tackles, Stamer three tackles and one interception, Wolf three tackles.



John Rittenhouse photo/0905 hfb 9
Hills-Beaver Creek junior tailback Tyson Bork draws contact as he executes a second-quarter running play during Thursday's 58-22 win over Heron Lake-Okabena-Fulda in Fulda.

Patriots roll over HL-O-F Thursday

By John Rittenhouse
The Hills-Beaver Creek football team opened the 2019 season by securing a 58-22 win over Heron Lake-Okabena-Fulda Thursday in Fulda.
With juniors Gavin Wysong and Tyson Bork leading the charge, the Patriots registered touchdowns with eight of their 10 offensive possessions during a dominating performance.
"It was a good start to the season for us," said Patriot coach Rex Metzger.
"The momentum went our way from the get-go. We made some big plays both offensively and defensively. We still have some things we need to work on and get better at, but this was a good start."
Wysong and Bork played key roles in the victory.

Wysong ran for 154 yards and three touchdowns and passed for three touchdowns.
Bork racked up 179 rushing yards and scored two touchdowns and hauled in one touchdown reception.
The Patriots received excellent field position to start the game when the defense registered a sack on the fourth play of the game, giving the ball to H-BC offense on the HL-O-F 21-yard line.
Bork scored on a 17-yard run two plays later to make it 6-0 2:29 into the contest.
H-BC cupped the lead to 14-0 with its third offensive possession of the contest.
A four-play, 40-yard series ended with Wysong scoring at the end of a six-yard run at the 1:43 mark of the first quarter. Wysong toted in the ensuing

two-point conversion as well.
The Coyotes climbed back into contention when Matt Madsen returned the ensuing kickoff 89 yards for a touchdown.
The tally was followed by a successful Eli Fest-to-Tyler Madison conversion pass, which trimmed the difference to six points (14-8).
HL-O-F had an opportunity to score again by pulling off a successful outside kick at the H-BC 45, but the Coyotes lost the ball on downs at the 40 four plays later.
The Patriot offense took the field and covered 60 yards in five plays with Gavin Wysong firing a 25-yard touchdown pass to Zander Wysong seven seconds into the second quarter.

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LHS tennis squad splits matches

By John Rittenhouse
The Luverne Cardinal tennis team split a pair of home matches last week.
The Cardinals dropped a three-point decision to Fairmont Aug. 27 before rolling to a five-point win over Sioux Falls Lincoln's junior varsity squad Friday.
Luverne, 9-2 overall, hosts Marshall Thursday.

Luverne 6, SFL 1
The Cardinals notched their ninth win of the season when they bested Sioux Falls Lincoln's junior varsity squad by five points Friday in Luverne.
LHS swept the Patriots in doubles competition and went 3-1 in singles to win handily.
Luverne's Solveig Tofteland and Lauren Ver Steeg prevailed in straight sets (6-1, 6-0) over Ellie Schuller and Charlotte Crawford at second doubles, as did Jacey Smith and Olivia Wieneke (6-3, 6-2) over Riley Johnson and Kathryn Sweeter at No. 3.
Cardinals Brynn Thier and Mela Jarchow claimed a three-set win (5-7, 6-4, 10-7) over Cali Kerber and Laura Fie at first doubles.
All of Luverne's singles wins came in straight sets.
Elise Jarchow (6-3, 7-5 over Evy Osterloo at No. 2), Ainslie Robinson (6-1, 6-1 over Emma Derynck at No. 3) and Mia Wenzel (6-2, 6-1 over Rachel Blackman at No. 4) produced wins for the Cards.
Lincoln's Bergen Quello nipped Rozilyn Oye 7-6, 6-7, 10-8 at first singles.

Fairmont 5, LHS 2
The Cardinals came up on the short end of a three-point decision when they entered



John Rittenhouse photo/0905 tennis 1
Luverne junior Rozilyn Oye chases down the ball before striking a forehand during a home match against Fairmont Aug. 27.

tained Fairmont Aug. 27 in Luverne.
Visiting Fairmont swept the Cardinals in singles competition and took one doubles match to hand LHS its first home loss of the season.
Luverne received a pair of wins in straight sets at No. 2 and No. 3 doubles.
Smith and Wieneke nailed down 7-6 and 6-4 victories over Ellie Hernes and Shannon Greene at second doubles, while Kacie Kracht and Wenzel topped Libby Totzke and Anika Haugen by 7-5 and 7-6

tallies at No. 3.
Fairmont's Bergen Senf and Lauren Davis handed Ver Steeg and Tofteland 7-6 and 6-4 setbacks at first doubles.
All four singles matches fell in favor of Fairmont in straight sets.
Claire Nemmers (6-0, 6-2 over Oye at No. 1), Briana Joseph (6-1, 6-1 over Robinson at No. 2), Lauren Green (7-5, 6-3 over Liz Kelm at No. 3) and Emily Hagen (7-6, 6-3 over Thier at No. 4) produced singles wins for Fairmont.

Season starts well for area football teams

A successful start to the 2019 football season has me excited to find out what the rest of the campaign will bring to area teams.

For the first time since 2016, Luverne, Adrian and Hills-Beaver Creek celebrated victories in their opening games.

All three of the contests were decided by comfortable margins, and it marked the first time all three teams won games in the same week since Oct. 6 of 2017.

It was the first of eight regular season contests, but Luverne's 41-12 home win over Worthington Friday was a big one.

After losing four consecutive games to start the last two seasons, LHS veteran coach Todd Oye desperately wanted his 2019 team to start the campaign in a positive way.

The Cardinals definitely accomplished that.

Luverne produced 27 points with its first four offensive possessions of the contest on the way to posting a 29-point victory.

It was Luverne's first opening night win since 2016, and it should give the Cardinals some confidence after experiencing a 4-5 season in 2018.

Last year was the first time LHS finished a season with a losing record since 2003, but I can't see that happening again after what I witnessed on the field Friday night.

A victory on Thursday night was something Adrian needed badly as well.

After being limited to three victories in the first two years of Randy



FROM THE SIDELINES

By John Rittenhouse, sports editor

Schettler's head coaching tenure at AHS, the Dragons produced the first seven points of the game and led by one (7-6) at the intermission, but the Dragons exploded for 30 points in the third quarter to set the stage for a 42-13 victory.

It was Adrian's first win on opening night since 2016, and it could serve as a springboard to more success for a veteran team hoping to reverse its fortunes this fall.

Winning on opening night has been a common practice for the H-BC Patriots, who have claimed victories in their past five Week 1 games dating back to 2015.

The latest win in the run, Thursday's 58-22 pasting of Heron Lake-Okabena-Fulda in Fulda, left me feeling good about H-BC's prospects for the rest of the season.

I was concerned that a team that lost some key interior linemen from a squad that won nine games in 2018 might work against H-BC this year.

That didn't appear to be the case in Fulda Thursday.

H-BC ran the ball for 364 yards and compiled 461 total yards during a 36-point conquest.

What transpires the rest of the season for LHS, AHS and H-BC remains to be seen.

As everyone knows, a good team can turn into an average squad if it's besieged by injuries.

I'm hoping that won't happen because there's nothing I would rather see than all three teams produce winning records for the first time in the same year since 2016.

Cardinals bow to RWV in league debut

By John Rittenhouse

Redwood Valley spoiled Luverne's 2019 home and Big South Conference volleyball debut Aug. 27.

Luverne, which won its first two matches of the season on the road, came up on the short end of a 3-0 decision against RWV.

The visiting Cardinals outscored LHS 75-48 during the match.

RWV scored the first five points of the night and led 7-1 before Luverne's Mallory Thorson registered a kill to make it a five-point (8-3) difference.

The visitors scored the next four points to open a 12-3 cushion that was trimmed to six points (12-6) after Thorson produced an ace tip.

RWV bounced back to outscore the Cards 13-2 the rest



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Luverne senior Tacey Baustian registers one of her eight set assists during a 3-0 home loss to Redwood Valley Aug. 27. Baustian also added seven digs to the cause.

of the set to record a 25-8 win.

Luverne overcame an 8-4 deficit early in the second set to take a 14-13 edge when

Tacey Baustian registered a service point.

The Cards led by two (16-14) after Elise Ferrell delivered a

service point, but RWV rallied to take a 22-20 lead before scoring three of the next four points to secure a 25-21 victory.

Service points from Ferrell (2-1) and Gracie Zewiske (4-2) gave Luverne early leads in a third set that was eventually tied at 16.

RWV took over at that point by putting together a 9-3 run to post a match-ending 25-19 win.

Thorson (seven kills, 11 blocks and nine digs), Zewiske (six kills, 10 blocks and seven digs) and Baustian (eight set assists and seven digs) turned in strong efforts for Luverne.

Ferrell added seven kills and one ace serve for LHS, Trista Baustian completed all eight of her serves and Reghan Bork notched seven set assists for the Cardinals.

Ellsworth Panthers fall in five sets to open campaign

By John Rittenhouse

The Bobby Kunkel coaching era at Ellsworth High School began with a thrilling home match Aug. 27.

The Panther volleyball team squared off against Edgerton

in Ellsworth.

The teams split the first four sets of the night, but Kunkel will need to wait for his initial victory, as Edgerton notched a 15-8 win in the final set.

Ellsworth came out on the

winning end of 25-17 decisions in the second and fourth sets.

Edgerton pulled out a 25-23 win in the opening set before securing a 25-16 victory in the third set.

Claire Popkes (23 of 23 and

two aces) and Kallie Chapa (18 of 18 with one ace) turned in strong serving efforts for the hosts.

Ashlyn Meester led the Panthers with nine kills.

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Shearer added his first of five extra points after the touchdown to make it a 13-0 game with 3:22 remaining in the opening quarter.

Cowell continued to make a big impact on the field as the first half progressed.

The Cardinal defense forced the Trojans to punt late in the first quarter, and Cowell returned the ball 37 yards to the WHS 32.

LaShad Smith scored on a one-yard plunge seven plays later to up the lead to 20-0 at the 9:27 mark of the second quarter.

Smith picked off a pass five plays into Worthington's next offensive possession, setting up Luverne's most impressive offensive drive in the game.

LHS advanced the ball 62 yards in nine plays during a possession with Cowell scoring on a one-yard run to make it 27-0 with 4:21 remaining in the first half.

What was a perfect start to the game for LHS came to an end moments later.

The first play of Worthington's next possession yielded an 85-yard touchdown pass from Will Brander to Brock Bruns, which capped the



John Rittenhouse photo/0905 lrb 8

Luverne senior Isaiah Bartels looks running room for hauling in a pass reception during Friday's football opener.

scoring in the first half and trimmed Luverne's advantage to 21 points (27-6).

The Cardinals turned two Worthington turnovers into touchdowns to ice the win in the second half.

WHS received the kick to start the third quarter, but LHS senior Colby Crabtree ended the Trojans' possession during the next play

Worthington, however, countered with an 11-play, 67-yard drive ending with Brander tossing a 10-yard touchdown pass to Tommy Lais to make it a 34-12 game 2:11 later.

The score remained the same until late in the fourth quarter, when Luverne's Cade Wenninger recovered a fumble to set up a three-play, 39-yard offensive series.

Trevor Halverson ran the ball three consecutive times and found the end zone at the end of a 10-yard run with 2:19 left in the game.

Team statistics
Luverne: 212 rushing yards, 54 passing yards, 266 total yards, 14 first downs, six penalties for 55 yards, one turnover.
Worthington: 11 rushing yards, 269 passing yards, 280 total yards, 24 first downs, 11 penalties for 100 yards, five turnovers.

Individual statistics
Rushing: Smith 16-77, Cowell 17-63, Halverson 3-39, Von Tersch 6-16, Ashton Sandbulte 3-8, Nathaniel Cole-Kraty 2-5, Wenninger 1-4.
Passing: Cowell 4-8 for 44 yards, Wenninger 1-3 for 10 yards.
Receiving: Crabtree 2-20, Isaiah Bartels 1-20, Smith 1-12, Von Tersch 1-2.
Defense: Von Tersch 4.5 tackles, Crabtree three tackles and one interception, Nick Feit three tackles, Cowell one interception, Smith one interception, Wenninger one interception and one fumble recovery.

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Rule No. 2: Don't issue dog commands repeatedly

Last week I started a series of columns about the four rules of dog ownership.



Rule No. 1 is never give the dog a command unless you are in a position or of a demeanor to enforce that command.

Rule No. 2 is never give commands over and over.

I see this all the time. The owner will tell the dog to sit, but it will not do so or does so for only about 5 seconds and then jumps up and starts running around again.

The next "sit" command will be louder, with the owner giving the dog a stern look. Still no sit. After about the third time the owner will say something like "Sit. I told you to sit, sit, sit, sit." And still no compliance.

After the owner has given the "sit" command about 10 times, he/she will finally go to where the dog is and grab it by the collar and make it sit.

Wow, this seems like a lot of work for one sit command. What did the dog learn from this interaction? Lots. And none of it is what the owner was trying to teach it.

The dog learned that mom/dad really doesn't mean sit until about the 10th time. "I can do whatever I want with no correction until the 10th non-compliance on my part."

Dogs are smart and they will learn very quickly whom they have to listen to and whom they don't.

The correct way to handle this is as follows:

With the dog within reach, tell the dog to sit. I figure every dog gets one chance, maybe they did not hear you. If you say "sit" the second time with no compliance, immediately pull up on the dog's collar while pushing down

OUTDOORS

By Scott Rall,
outdoors columnist

on the dog's rump and repeat the "sit" command.

Up on the head results in down on the butt.

You can use an electronic collar to reinforce this same command, and I will cover its proper use in upcoming columns.

Doing your best to not repeat the same commands over and over will get your dog to understand that compliance is required — and not requested.

There are many dogs in the world that have no idea they are dogs. They are so spoiled that they pretty much own their humans. The first thing dogs need to know is their place in the pack. Dogs are at the bottom of the pack and all humans occupy the higher spots.

Dogs thrive on routine, so have everyone in the household use the same commands. Don't use "here" as a command one day and "come" as the command for the second day.

I have a saying that you need to play fair with the dog. This means consistent behavior on the owner's part in order to get consistent behavior on the dog's part.

So, Rule No. 2 is, don't repeat commands. Play fair, give the dog a chance to comply, but if compliance is not achieved promptly, take action to achieve it.

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ter. Gavin Wysong carried in the two-point conversion to up the lead to 22-8.

The Patriots put together another 60-yard drive with their next offensive possession.

Gavin Wysong capped the series with a six-yard run before tossing a successful conversion pass to Jax Wysong, which upped the lead to 22 points (30-8) at the 4:55 mark of the second quarter.

HL-O-F answered the challenge when Fest fired a 51-yard touchdown pass to Madison with 2:27 left in the first half.

The same combination clicked for a successful conversion pass following the touchdown, making it a 30-16.

H-BC responded two plays later when Gavin Wysong delivered a 56-yard touchdown pass to Bork with 1:23 left in the opening half.

Bork carried in the ensuing two-point conversion to give the Patriots a 38-16 cushion they would take into the second half.

H-BC settled the issue by producing touchdowns with its first three possessions of the second half.

Gavin Wysong scored on a 41-yard run before tossing a 10-yard touchdown pass to Jax Wysong in the third quarter.

Chase Bosch added the extra point following the second touchdown, giving H-BC a 51-16 lead.



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HL-O-F's Eli Fest deflects a pass away from H-BC's Tyson Bork during Thursday's game.

Bork recorded H-BC's final touchdown with an 83-yard run, which was followed by another extra point from Bosch.

HL-O-F registered the final touchdown of the game when Fest tossed a three-yard touchdown pass to Matison late in the game.

Team statistics
H-BC: 364 rushing yards, 97 passing yards, 461 total yards, nine first downs, three penalties for 25 yards, zero turnovers.
HL-O-F: eight rushing yards, 182 passing yards, 190 total yards, eight first downs, seven penalties for 33 yards, zero turnovers.

Individual statistics
Rushing: G. Wysong 14-154, Bork 11-179, Easton Harnack 2-8, Ty Bundesen

1-7, Liam Raymon 3-7, Oliver Deelstra 2-9.
Passing: G. Wysong 4-9 for 97 yards.
Receiving: J. Wysong 2-16, Z. Wysong 1-25, Bork 1-56.
Defense: G. Wysong 12 tackles, Harnack three tackles, Bosch seven tackles and one sack. J. Wysong three tackles and 1.5 sacks, Tory Knobloch one-half of one sack, Z. Wysong five tackles and 1.5 sacks, Donovan Leenderts two tackles and one-half of one sack.

Dragons host first volleyball tournament

By John Rittenhouse

Three volleyball teams from the Star Herald coverage area gathered together in Adrian Saturday for the first Adrian Tournament.

The host school, Hills-Beaver Creek and Ellsworth were joined by Edgerton and Martin County West to compete in a five-team round-robin tournament.

The home-standing Dragons walked away with the team title by winning all 10 of their

sets during the event.

Adrian topped H-BC (25-14, 25-17), Edgerton (25-18, 25-14), Ellsworth (25-11, 25-20) and MCW (25-14, 25-17) to claim the championship.

H-BC ended up placing second in the field.

After bowing to the Dragons, the Patriots bounced back to post 25-15 and 25-20 wins over MCW.

H-BC split sets with Ellsworth and Edgerton, but the Patriots were granted victories

based on point differential in those matches.

H-BC downed Ellsworth 25-15 before falling 25-22 in the second set.

The Patriots lost their first match to Edgerton (25-21) before posting a 25-18 win in the finale.

Ellsworth went 1-3 for the day.

The Panthers delivered first-year head coach Bobby Kunkel his first win as the Panthers coach based on point differ-

ential during their first match against Edgerton.

EHS took the first set 25-20 before falling 27-25 in the second set.

The Panthers lost in a tie-breaker (2-0) to MCW in the second round.

MCW won the first set 26-24, but EHS nailed down a 27-25 win in the second set before falling in the tiebreaker.

The Panthers also lost by point differential to H-BC before being swept by AHS.

Bullerman turns in third-place effort at Mountain Lake event

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian cross country runners made their 2019 debut at the Paul Metcalf Invitational in Mountain Lake Aug. 28.

The Dragons were unable to field complete varsity teams for the meet, but four AHS

athletes did compete at the varsity level.

Moriah Bullerman turned in the top effort for the Dragon girls by placing third with a time of 20:17.

Hiltn Heltkamp and Gracia Elias placed 29th and 49th with respective 24:02 and 26:23

efforts.

Dylan Graff represented the Dragon boys in varsity competition.

Graff placed 45th in 21:06.

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

Junior varsity girls: Taya Elias, 16th, 18:20.

Junior varsity boys: Ky Ruppert, 33rd, 21:28.

Junior high girls: Hunter Penning, sixth, 9:08.

Junior high boys: Bruce Farinella, 33rd, 8:49.

Adrian sweeps Hills-Beaver Creek in Hills August 27

By John Rittenhouse

A pair of volleyball teams from the Star Herald coverage area opened the 2019 season in Hills Aug. 27.

The Hills-Beaver Creek Patriots and the Adrian Dragons locked horns in a match between the past two Red Rock Conference champions.

Adrian, which captured the

2018 RRC title, made a move in the right direction in Hills by outscoring the Patriots 75-42 during a 3-0 victory.

The Dragons posted a 25-18 win in the opening set before nailing down a pair of 25-12 victories to complete their sweep.

Kasie Tweet charted 30 set assists and completed 29 of

30 serves with three aces for the winners.

Mayssa Tweet, who led the Dragons with 14 digs, completed all of her serves along with Dragon teammate Morgan Neuenburg.

Brianna Reckamp led AHS with 11 kills, while Bailey Lonneman, Shawna Rogers and Marissa Lehnhoff chipped

in 10, eight and seven kills respectively.

Kailey Rozeboom served four aces and recorded seven set assists for the Patriots, who received seven- and five-dig efforts from Taryn Rauk and Joslyn Birger.

Whitney Elbers, who charted two blocks, and Kenadie Pick led H-BC with three kills.

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Friday, Sept. 6: 6:30 a.m. Community Men's Bible Study. 4:30 p.m. REFIT Fitness. Sunday, Sept. 8: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:50 a.m. Family Education. 7 p.m. Night of Worship; Senior RCYF. Tuesday, Sept 10: Noon staff meeting. 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. Bible Study Fellowship. 7 p.m. Consistory Meeting. Wednesday, Sept. 11: 11 a.m. Fellowship hall reserved. 4:30 p.m. REFIT Fitness. 7 p.m. Praise Team. Thursday, Sept. 12: Classis meeting. 11 a.m.—1 p.m. Salad Luncheon.

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www.stjohnlutheranluverne.org
Gary Klatt, Pastor
Thursday, Sept. 5: Little Lambs classes begin. 2 p.m. Women's Society. Friday, Sept. 6: Little Lambs classes begin. Saturday, Sept. 7: 5:30 p.m. Worship with Communion; Teacher Installation. Sunday, Sept. 8: 9 a.m. Worship with Communion; Teacher Installation. 10:15 a.m. Rally Sunday Festivities. 10:20 a.m. Adult Bible Study. 11:15 a.m. Junior Choir. 2 p.m. Sunday Fun Day. Monday, Sept. 9: 9 a.m. Winkel at Jasper. 1:30 p.m. Communion at Brandon. 7:30 p.m. Men's Club. Tuesday, Sept. 10: 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. 7 p.m. Guild. Wednesday, Sept. 11: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study. 6 p.m. Youth dinner. 6:30 p.m. Catechism. 7 p.m. KFC/HS Youth Group. Senior Choir. Thursday, Sept. 12: 1:30 p.m. Communion at Mary Jane Brown Home; 2:15 p.m. Communion at Poplar Creek. 3:30 p.m. Communion at Minnesota Veterans Home.

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 Generations Building. Bible Study groups meet at various times and days.

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church
305 E. 2nd St., P.O. Box 36, Hardwick
Ph. (507) 669-2855; zionoffice@alliancecom.net
Jesse Baker, Pastor
Thursday, Sept. 5: 3:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Friday, Sept. 6: 3:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Sunday, Sept. 8: Rally Day. 9 a.m. Worship; Sunday Schoolsings. 10:10 a.m. Mentor program. 10:30 a.m. Sunday School; Bible Study. 11:30 a.m. Rally Day Lunch. Monday, Sept. 9: 1 p.m. Quilting. Thursday, Sept. 12: 3:30 p.m. Worship 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, Sept. 8: Rally Sunday — First Day of Sunday School and backpack blessings at First and Palisade. 9 a.m. Worship. 10 a.m. Sunday School. Thursday, Sept. 12: 8 p.m. Palisade Council Meeting.

Palisade Lutheran Church
211 121st St., Garretson, S.D.
Ph. (507) 597-6257 — firstpalisade@alliancecom.net
Laura Phillips, Pastor
Sunday, Sept. 8: Rally Sunday — First Day of Sunday School and backpack blessings at First and Palisade. 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship service. 11:30 a.m. Fellowship lunch.

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: magnoliamnumc@gmail.com
Sundays: 9 a.m. Magnolia Worship Service.

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
Saturday, Sept. 7: 9 a.m. Bethlehem Clean-up Project Day. 10 a.m. Ditch Cleanup. Sunday, Sept. 8: 9 a.m. Worship at Tuff Chapel. 9:30 a.m. Sunday School Rally Sunday. 10:30 a.m. Communion at Bethlehem. 6:30 p.m. Youth Night for grades 9-12. Wednesday, Sept. 11: 9 a.m. Quilting. 6:30 p.m. Confirmation students and mentors potluck. 7 p.m. Council meeting.

Who wants to go for a walk?

I am no dog trainer. I'm not sure I'm even a dog lover. Actually, I'm more of a cat person. But for the past month, I have been caring for my furry grand-dog while my son was out of town. We have worked on his manners and not jumping on people when they come to visit, we have played numerous games of catch, we have developed some patience and restraint at feeding time, we have practiced "sit" and "shake" and "down" on many occasions, and we have enjoyed long walks together in the beautiful countryside.

Well, not exactly. We have done all of those things, but the long walks are not always the most enjoyable. I like the idea of starting my day with a brisk morning walk with the pooch by my side, or to savor the cool evening air together with a stroll down the gravel road, but in reality, the dog is the one going for a walk and I'm getting pulled along behind.

I have tried to be patient and consistent with my commands and expectations. I have combed through Pinterest for tips and tricks. I have employed the assistance of a choke chain, a pronged collar, and a shock collar; all with minimal success. The shock collar actually glitched on our walk last week, which resulted in a yelping and very submissive dog for about ten seconds. Then, the pulling resumed.

Our walks are a continuous cycle of me saying "walk," giving a jerk on the leash, and tapping the button on the shock collar. The dog slows his pace for a few yards until he's at the end of his leash and pulling me down the road again and the cycle repeats. At least the longer we walk the more compliant the hound becomes and by the time we turn around and head for home he is maintaining a mostly steady pace, but each walk begins with the same struggle.

"I would think by now that you would have figured this out." Those are the words I spoke to the dog this morning, and the exact same words that the Holy Spirit echoed in my mind. Immediately it felt like a choke chain around my neck and I wanted to yelp

BUILT ON A ROCK

**By Erin Jacobsma,
Office Manager at
American Reformed
Church, Luverne**

my protest. But in all honesty, I'm a lot like this dog.

I get excited about walking with the Lord and being with my Master, but I'm often not satisfied with his pace. I am sometimes oblivious to everything that God has planned for our walk together. Like the canine in my care, I want to put my nose to the ground and take off running. I want to be productive and get things done. I want to pull away and do things my way. But God says, "Walk."

It's a recurring theme in the Bible. Walking with the Lord seems to coincide with a close relationship with him. We are given examples like Enoch and Noah who "walked faithfully with God" and David who was said to have walked before God in truth and righteousness and uprightness of heart. The Bible doesn't tell us to run around in circles, to strive, or hustle, or pull. God uses words like come, follow, rest, sit, stay. And walk.

Some of us are slower learners than others. The Israelites wandered in circles in the wilderness for 40 years before God considered them ready to walk in a different direction. I can relate. Sometimes I need to get worn down before I start paying attention. Sometimes I need a spiritual shock collar.

The cool thing is that God promises to walk with us — the Master of the Universe, walking with a rebellious walking partner like me. Wow!

May we heed the words of Joshua, "Be very careful to love the Lord your God, to walk in obedience to him, to keep his commands, to hold fast to him and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul." (Joshua 22:5)

Who wants to go for a walk?

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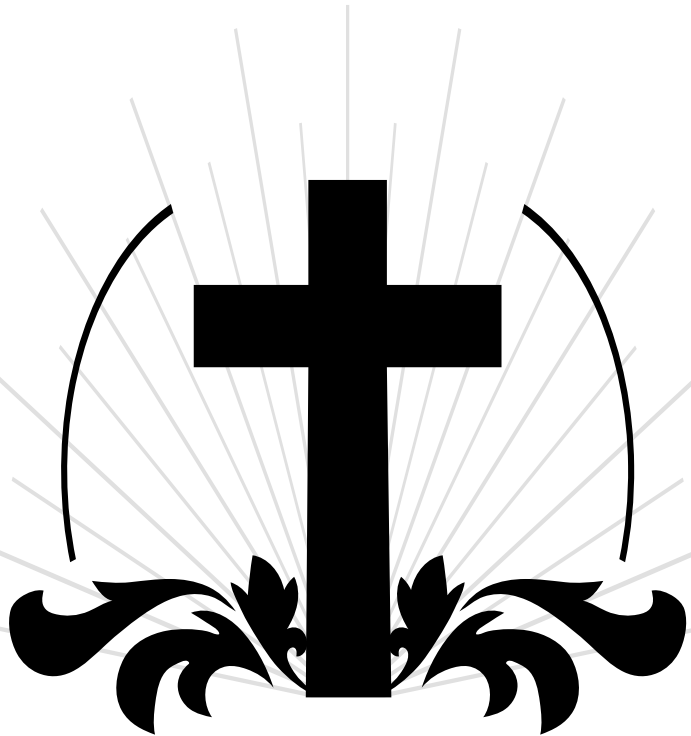
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Rock County Commissioners meet July 16

Herreid Board Room **9:00 A.M.**
Rock County Courthouse **July 16, 2019**
The meeting was called order by Chair Burger with all Commissioners present. Also in attendance were Administrator Kyle Oldre, County Attorney Jeff Haubrich and Deputy Administrator Susan Skattum.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by members and guests.
Motion by Williamson, seconded by Thompson, to approve the July 16, 2019 County Board agenda, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Overgaard, seconded by Reisch, to approve the July 02, 2019 County Board minutes, declared carried on a voice vote.

The County Board was in receipt of the claims and per diems of \$1,500.00; motion by Reisch, seconded by Overgaard, to approve, declared carried on a voice vote. A complete listing of the claims is available upon request at the Auditor/Treasurer's office.

JULY 16, 2019 CLAIMS OVER \$2,000	
BROCK WHITE	\$3,366.99
CHS	7,675.35
CLIFTON LARSON ALLEN LLP	2,000.00
COMMUNITY EDUCATION	4,000.00
COUNTIES PROVIDING TECHNOLOGY	16,402.00
DAKOTA FLUID POWER INC	2,989.66
FLEET SERVICES DIVISION-ADMIN FMR	5,691.06
KETTERLING SERVICES INC	11,745.66
LIBERTY TIRE RECYCLING LLC	2,420.20
LYON COUNTY LANDFILL	15,195.80
NOBLES COUNTY AUDITOR-TREASURER	10,913.75
NORTHLAND TRUST SERVICES INC	414,302.50
ROCK COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	2,684.00
ROCK COUNTY OPPORTUNITIES	2,441.68
ROCKMOUNT RESEARCH & ALLOYS INC	2,953.90
SOUTHWEST HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	31,023.75
STAPLES ENTERPRISES INC	3,073.74
WEX BANK	2,337.20
75 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$2,000	28,631.17
	\$569,848.41

The County Board was in receipt of the Fund Balance report; motion by Williamson, seconded by Burger, to approve, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Overgaard, seconded by Burger, to approve the final contract payment on SAP 067-599-178 (Luverne Township bridge project) to Prahm Construction for \$32,457.75, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Williamson, seconded by Reisch, to approve the final contract payment on SAP 067-599-179 (Rosedell Township bridge project) to Prahm Construction for \$1,694.65, declared carried on a voice vote.

The Administrator requested authorization to advertise for the vacant manager position to the Kanaranzi Little Rock Water Shed; motion by Thompson, seconded by Williamson, to approve, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Reisch, seconded by Overgaard, to approve a Professional Services Proposal from Falls Architecture Studio, LLC for \$10,500.00 the preliminary review of architectural and engineering services to repair the sidewalk on the north entrance of the courthouse, declared carried on a voice vote.

The County Board was in receipt of correspondence from Sheriff Evan Verbrugge resigning from the Rock-Nobles Community Corrections Executive Board; motion by Thompson, seconded by Reisch, to accept and appoint Jeff Haubrich to the RNCC Executive Board, declared carried on a voice vote.

The County Board was in receipt of the mid-year Revenue and Expenditure report; no action was taken.

The Administrator led a discussion for the 2020 budget year and requested parameters for the Budget Committee; after considerable discussion it was determined that additional information was needed and that additional discussion would follow that at a later date.

Motion by Overgaard, seconded by Williamson, to approve a Minnesota State Lease contract for DNR License Agents, declared carried on a voice vote.

Commissioner Reisch stated that he attended the following meetings and events: Community Corrections, Luverne Township, Library and City/County Liaison.

Commissioner Thompson stated that she attended the following meetings and events: no meetings

Commissioner Williamson stated that he attended the following meetings and events: SWCD, SW Mental Health, One Water One Plan.

Commissioner Overgaard stated that he attended the following meetings and events: Magnolia City Council, Fair Board, Magnolia Fire Department benefit and City/County Liaison.

Commissioner Burger stated that he attended the following meetings and events: SW Mental Health and Community Corrections.

With no further business to come before the County Board the meeting was declared adjourned.

(09-05)

City of Hardwick sets public hearing for Sept. 18

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE

TO ESTABLISH RURAL AND URBAN SERVICE DISTRICTS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Hardwick City Council will conduct a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 18, 2019 at the Hardwick City Hall, 102 East Main, Hardwick, Minnesota 56134 to consider the adoption of an Ordinance to Establish Rural and Urban Service Districts within the City of Hardwick, Minnesota. In accordance with Minn. Stat. Sec. 272.67, Subd. 3 a copy of the proposed ordinance is part of this Notice. All persons desiring to be heard should appear at the hearing or present written comments to be presented at the hearing by delivering the same to the Hardwick City Clerk, PO Box 31, Hardwick, MN, 56134.

Dated this 21st day of August, 2019.

City of Hardwick

By /s/ Tammy J. Johnson, Its Clerk

An Ordinance Establishing Rural and Urban Service Districts within the City of Hardwick, Minnesota

The City Council of the City of Hardwick, does ordain as follows:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 272.67 authorizes the City to divide, by Ordinance, areas of the City into a Rural Service District and an Urban Service District, each constituting separate taxing districts for the purpose of all municipal taxes, except those levied for the payment of bonds and judgments and interest thereon.

Section 2. The Rural Service District shall include only such unplatted lands which need not be contiguous to one another, are rural in character, and are not developed for commercial, industrial or urban residential purposes and for these reasons are not benefitted to the same degree as other lands by municipal services financed by general taxation in the judgment of the city council.

Section 3. Land in the Rural Service Taxing District must be open, rural in character, and maintained in farm crops or seeded.

Section 4. No tracts of land under ten acres in area shall be included in the Rural Service Taxing District.

Section 5. No city service beyond that normally provided by the townships of the County of Rock or the Town of Hardwick will be provided by the City of Hardwick to the Rural Service Taxing District.

Section 6. The Urban Service District shall include all lands within the boundaries of the city, which are not included in the Rural Service District.

Section 7. The rural service taxing district shall include the following real estate parcels, indentified by tax identification number in the City of Hardwick, County of Rock, and State of Minnesota:

14-0001-100	14-0003-100
14-0008-100	14-0009-100
14-0009-000	14-0006-100
14-0005-000	14-0011-000
14-0012-000	14-0015-000

Section 8. The benefit ratio between tax-supported municipal services to parcels of land of like, full and true value situated in the Rural Service Taxing District and in the Urban Service Taxing District, respectively, for taxes payable in 2020, shall be 50:100.

Section 9. The benefit ratio between tax-supported municipal services to parcels of land of like, full and true value situated in the Rural Service Taxing District and in the Urban Service Taxing District, respectively, for taxes payable in 2021 and thereafter,

shall be 25:100 except, that the ratio for Parcel 14-0005-000 shall remain at 50:100.

Section 10. Whenever any unplatted parcel or lot or portion of an unplatted parcel of land included in the Rural Service District is hereafter developed for commercial, industrial or residential purposes, or basic urban Services such as water, sewer, or street improvements are extended to such lots, portion of an unplatted parcel, or whenever application is made for a permit for construction of a commercial, industrial or residential building or improvement; or whenever such improvement or building is commenced without a permit; or the lot, portion of an unplatted parcel otherwise fails to meet the criteria for inclusion in the Rural Service District, the City Council shall make and enter an order by resolution transferring the entire unplatted parcel or the entirety of the lots affected from the Rural Service District to the Urban Service District and not just a portion of the unplatted parcel unless a deed which physically divides such unplatted parcel has been filed for record in the office of the Rock County Recorder or an unplatted parcel is platted. The City Council shall review annually the tax ratio applicable to all parcels classified within the Rural Service District and ascertain whether or not such parcels still qualify for inclusion within the Rural Service District.

District 11. By amendment of this ordinance, the benefit ratio may be changed, and lands may be added to or removed from the Rural Service District, but no amendment shall be required to remove lands by the procedure provided for in Section 10 of this ordinance.

This ordinance shall become effective after adoption and subsequent publication and after a certified copy has been filed with the Rock County Auditor pursuant to Minn. Stat. Sect. 272.67. PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL, this 21 day of August, 2019.

ATTEST:

/s/ Tammy J. Johnson
Clerk

/s/ Willy Baker
Mayor
(09-05)

Esposito probate

STATE OF MINNESOTA

DISTRICT COURT

COUNTY OF ROCK

PROBATE DIVISION

FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Estate of

Court File No. 67-PR-19-279

Mario Joseph Esposito, Jr.,
Decedent

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

It is Ordered and Notice is given that on September 16, 2019, at 8:30 a.m., a hearing will be held in this Court at Rock County Courthouse, 204 E. Brown, Luverne, Minnesota, for the adjudication of intestacy and determination of heirship of the Decedent, and for the appointment of Gina Marie deCesare, whose address is 721 Britz Dr., Luverne, MN 56156 as personal representative of the Estate of the Decedent in an UNSUPERVISED administration. Any objections to the petition must be filed with the Court prior to or raised at the hearing. If proper and if no objections are filed or raised, the Personal Representative will be appointed with full power to administer the Estate, including power to collect all assets, to pay all legal debts, claims, taxes and expenses, to sell real and personal property, and to do all necessary acts for the Estate.

Notice is also given that (subject to Minnesota Statutes section 524.3-801) all creditors having claims against the Estate are required to present the claims to the personal representative or to the Court Administrator within four months after the date of this Notice or the claims will be barred.
Dated: 8/23/2019

/s/ Terry S. Vajrt
Judge of District Court

Attorney for Applicant: Per-Se
Name: Gina Marie deCesare

Filed in District Court
State of Minnesota

Firm: n/a
Street: 721 Britz Drive

Dated: 8-23-19

City, State, ZIP: Luverne, MN, 56156

Attorney License No: n/a
Telephone: (612) 275-2349

FAX: n/a

(09-05, 09-12)

Rock County Highway Department seeks bridge bids by Sept. 23

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

BRIDGE REPLACEMENT & APPROACH GRADING / S.A.P. 067 – 598 – 019 ETC.
BIDS CLOSE @ 11:00 A.M. SEPTEMBER 23, 2019

LUVERNE, MINNESOTA

Sealed "Bid Packets" will be received by the Rock County Highway Department in Luverne, Minnesota until 11:00 A.M. on Monday September 23, 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 September 24, 2019 at the regular Board of Commissioners Meeting.

Construction of Bridges 67K39; 67K42; 67K47 & 67K48 / PCST. Box Culverts.

The Major Quantities of Work are: 48 Ft. of 12'x6' PCST. Box Culvert + 2 End Sections; 48 Ft. of 12'x7' PCST. Box Culvert + 2 End Sections; 38 Ft. of 14'x4' PCST. Box Culvert + 2 End Sections; 130 Ft. of 12'x5' PCST. Box Culvert + 6 End Sections; 1,950 Cu. Yds. Aggregate Backfill & Bedding; 423 Tons Rock Bedding; & 271 Tons Random Riprap Class 2.

Plans, specifications and proposals may be viewed and downloaded on Quest at www.questcdn.com and at the Rock County Highway Department website, www.co.rock.mn.us/highway . Questions may be directed to the office of the Rock County Highway Engineer, 1120 North Blue Mound Avenue, P.O. Box 808, Luverne, MN 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 067-598-019, Etc.". The Board of Rock County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any defects therein.

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Mark R. Sehr, P.E.
Rock County Engineer

(08-29, 09-05)

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(8.25-9.12)

FOR SALE

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(8.18-9-8)

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(8.29-9.26)

For Sale: Landscaping rock 1.5 and 3/4-inch rock. Also do stump grinding. Call Wayne Biever Construction at 507-227-4521 or 507-283-4614. Also have yard dirt.

(8.25-9.12)

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(tc)

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(8.22-9.8)

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(8.25-9.12)

For Rent: Two-bedroom apartment with central air. Located in a quiet area in Luverne. Water and heat included. No smoking and no pets. Call 507-920-0406.

(8.29-9.15)

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(9.1-9.19)

MOVING SALE

Moving Sale! Saturday, Sept. 7, 7 a.m.-4 p.m. ONLY. After 50 years, household items, miscellaneous, some furniture, no clothing. Don't miss it! 1021 N. Jackson St.

(9.1-9.5)

CARDS OF THANKS

We want to thank you for your many expressions of sympathy given to us when we lost our father and grandpa. Your thoughtfulness meant a lot. A special thanks to Beaver Creek Fire Dept., Rock County paramedics and Dan Dingmann Funeral Home. We were deeply touched by the tribute from the honor guard. He will be deeply missed.

The Family of
Robert (Bob) Lange

(8.29-9.5)

Ardelle Brunk's family would like to extend our heartfelt thanks for so many wonderful acts of kindness shown to us throughout her "journey." The Adrian Country Living Cottages for their many years of wonderful care, Sanford Luverne Hospice for their part in her care the last 10 months, Bob Ossefort for his visits to her and then his beautiful message at her funeral, all the food brought to the house and visitation, the gifts and awesome flowers, the Adrian Funeral Home for their professional care of Mom, and all of the family and Keith's and the Zion church ladies for the lunch. A huge thank you for all the cards and money received which will be used for memorials; no thank you's will be sent. We have been so blessed to have had all your support and prayers at this time.

Marcia and Tony Kunkel
and families

Bruce and Mary Brunk
and families

(9.1-9.5)

On behalf of Generations, I want to express our appreciation to the community for your support at our Pork 'n Beans Fundraiser. Special thanks to the Rock County Pork Producers, the Rock County Dairy Association, Thrivent, and other donors who helped make this event a success.

George Bonnema,
Generations President

(9.5-9.8)

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Marching band readies for season under new director, unusual circumstances

By Mavis Fodness

Luverne High School band director James Jarvie traveled between three classrooms Friday as he prepared 59 students for the upcoming marching band season.

Jarvie began his duties this summer, as the district remodels its auditorium into new band and choir suites and the existing rooms were demolished for a new physical education classroom and a weight room.

“I don’t know the usual,” he said. “The usual is all new.”

Jarvie spent the last nine years as the kindergarten through 12th grade instrumental and vocal director at Ellsworth Public Schools.

At Luverne his job focuses on the sixth- through 12th-grade band program.

While construction workers finish the new band room, equipment is stored in various classrooms and practice takes place in the elementary music classrooms.

Marching band practice, however, mainly takes place outside.

Jarvie admits he is relying on seasoned drum majors — junior Josie Golla and seniors Amelia Jarchow and Alexa Chesley — and longtime



James Jarvie (far right) is the new band instructor at Luverne High School. On Friday he counts as students maneuver through this year’s field competition selection called “iBand” on the school’s football field.

color guard adviser Gavin Folkestad to assist him in settling into this year’s marching band season.

Also joining Jarvie and Folkestad is assistant band director Morgan Smith, who joined the district as a new

elementary music instructor.

In July and August band members completed a week-long freshman camp and a two-week band camp in preparation for the upcoming marching band season.

Drum major Amelia Jar-



Kynzie Hamann is one of two soloists.



Junior Sophie Holmberg joins in the laughter as band members sing music notes rather than play their instruments.

Mavis Fodness photos/0905 Marching Band 2019



Luverne High School students practice field maneuvers on the football field Friday morning.

chow already sees one of Jarvie’s focuses of forming the group into a family with about 20 fewer students than last year’s band.

“It’s been better because

everyone wants to learn,” she said.

Along with thinking as a group, Jarvie said he also wants students to develop an appreciation for music and

how performing helps people relate to each other.

One key component stands out.

“You have to listen to one another,” he said.

The band debuted its field competition program Friday during halftime of the home football game. The band will perform its program again this Friday (Sept. 6) in another halftime performance.

This year’s performance theme is “iBand” and focuses on how technology has influenced music.

While the songs for “iBand” were selected before Jarvie’s arrival, Folkestad said the field maneuvers and body movements were left for Jarvie to add.

“We wanted a show where the director could add elements that would make it his own,” he said.

Upcoming band competitions include:

- Sept. 14: King Turkey Day Parade, Worthington.
- Sept. 21: Waseca Marching Classic.
- Sept. 28: Tri-State Band Festival, Luverne; Big Sioux Review, Brandon, South Dakota.
- Oct. 5: Festival of Bands, Sioux Falls.
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