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The first softball tournament in Steen was in 1935. Members were (front left) Harvey Scholten, Harold Wissink, Vyron Paulsen, George Goemen, Kenneth Van Voorst, Preston Heunick, John Van Malsen, (second row) Bob Helgerson, Rich Aykens, Ben Hoogeveen, Dennis Scholten, Curtis Paulsen, (back row) Archie Helgeson, and S.O. Mithun.

## H-BC School Board hires new cooks

By Glenda McGaffee

At their regular board meeting Monday, Aug. 24, the Hills-Beaver Creek School Board approved hiring three employees in the Food Service Department.

Their action stems from the recent resignations of cooks Cindy McGowan, Cheryl Hup and Deb Fransman.

The board approved hiring Heather Harris as head cook and Deb Hartz and Donna Burgers as assistants.

Superintendent Todd Holthaus said, "A number of good applicants applied for the positions."

Two Ellsworth School District cooks, Lori Lens and Anita Kruse, are assisting H-BC until school starts in Ellsworth Sept. 8. Also, H-BC substitute cook Tammie Leuthold is helping.

Board president Harley Fransman said, "I want to express my thanks to cooks from the Ellsworth School District for their help."

In other personnel issues the board approved the hiring of a special needs paraprofessional in the elementary school and the contract for elementary principal Jason Phelps for the 2015-16 and 2016-17 school years.

### In other business:

- The board accepted bids for liquid propane and fuel oil from Cooperative Energy Company in Sibley, Iowa, at 68 cents for propane and \$1.88 for fuel oil.

- The board approved the auction of the district bus garage property located at South 7th Street and Central Avenue in Hills with Duane Mulder Auction Service Tuesday, Sept. 29, at 6 p.m.

- Superintendent Holthaus thanked the Exchange State Bank for sponsoring the back to school breakfast.

- Principal Jason Phelps welcomed new staff member Nora Wysong as special education and Title I teacher and Emily Opheim for Minnesota Reading Corps.

## Labor Day Softball Tourney tradition strong in Steen since 1935

By Glenda McGaffee

The annual Labor Day Softball Tournament this weekend in Steen features six teams — Steen, Hills-Beaver Creek, Ellsworth, Hardwick, Rock Rapids and Lester.

The games start at 8 a.m. Monday, Sept. 7, with the championship game scheduled for 5 p.m.

The annual event marks a long history of softball competition for 80 years among the local communities.

According to a 1975 account of the event, softball or kittenball (as it was referred to then) had its beginning in 1933 when the "Steen street gang played ball behind the old blacksmith shop and were getting pretty good at it."

Expectations were so high that the Steen Kittenball Club was formed, and in 1934 arrangements were made with a Steen resident to rent part of his hay field to make an official softball diamond.

Kittenball grew in popularity



The scoreboard at the Steen softball field was officially named and dedicated as Vyron Paulsen Field at the Steen Centennial Celebration July 2, 1988.

and the club voted to install lights. The holes for the poles were dug by hand by the club members.

Since it was during the dry years, digging was very difficult as the ground was very hard.

"They would dig as far as they could, pour the holes full of water to soak overnight and resume digging the next day," the Crescent reported.

The lights were installed

in time for the first tournament in 1935 with V.A. Paulsen as manager.

An ad in the Hills paper advertised "Annual Kittenball Tournament, Steen, Minn. The best lighted field in the vicinity."

An old chicken house was used as the concession stand. The building was moved onto the grounds from behind the F.F. Kitterman residence and placed behind the backstop in time for the first tournament.

The players not only played ball but also managed and worked in the stand between games. Their wives were drafted to help them out.

The ball club members had to bring their own conveniences with them, as there was nothing in the old chicken house but a dirt floor and the sides, which had been opened down for a counter for the customers. A big water tank filled with ice cooled the pop.

A new building was built in the 1950s on the east side of the diamond. This had a cement floor, built-in counter and a permanent place for a popcorn popper and pop.

An article in the Hills Crescent dated Sept. 5, 1940, said the Tri-State Kittenball Tournament in Steen last Monday "was a success with the largest crowd ever to attend."

Proceeds from the eat stand and gate was \$240. A pep band,

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weather  
REPORT



### AUGUST 23 - AUGUST 29 WEATHER

High temperature for the week:	78	Rain amount for the week:	1.64
Low temperature for the week:	43	Moisture total for July:	5.35
Average temperature for the week:	63		

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# Polo horses train west of Hills

By Glenda McGaffee

Tuesdays and Thursdays Jeff Schneekloth, along with team members, trains polo horses for polo matches west of Hills.

Some of his team members are from Argentina where polo is a popular sport. The season begins in July and extends through mid-September.

It takes two years to train the horses to participate in the matches.

Although they are called ponies, polo horses are full-sized horses (often thoroughbreds) and contribute up to 80 percent of the rider's ability to make plays.

The horses usually start training at age 4 and usually are 6 to 7 years of age when participating in the matches.

Schneekloth learned to play polo while attending college in Texas. His son, Joseph, also plays.

They recently played in a polo match at Windrows Polo Field near Sioux Falls Saturday, Aug. 1.

Schneekloth is the grandson of Mary Schneekloth and nephew of Bob Schneekloth. His parents are Roger and Janet Schneekloth.

Polo is over 2,000 years old and is considered to be one of the oldest team sports known to man.

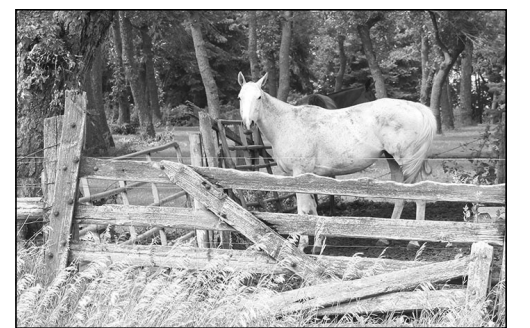
Polo is played on horseback and horses used for polo are traditionally called polo ponies.

A polo match or game consists of 4 to 6 chukkers (periods), each chukker lasting 7 1/2 minutes.



Glenda McGaffee, photo/0903 Schneekloth family

Pictured are (front, from left) Simone Schneekloth, August Schneekloth (back) and Joseph, Jeff and Kathy Schneekloth after the polo horse match Saturday, Aug. 1, at Windrows Polo Field near Sioux Falls.



Pictured at right are polo ponies on the farm of Jeff Schneekloth west of Hills on 30th Avenue pictured here Sunday, August 30.

ing 7 1/2 minutes.

Polo players are free to move anywhere on the field as they pass the ball between team members traveling at speeds of up to 35 mph in an effort to score goals.

**Here are some polo facts:**

- halftime brings the age-old tradition of "divot stomping" in which spectators walk

onto the field to replace the divots and socialize.

- A polo field is nine times the size of a football field — almost 10 acres in size — but spectators still remain close to the action.

- Men and women can play in the same game and are treated as equals.

- Even left-handed players must play right-handed.



Glenda McGaffee photo/0903 new staff H-BC

## H-BC District welcomes new staff for 2015-16 year

New staff members at the H-BC Elementary School are (above, from left) Lisa Durst, custodian; Nora Wysong, Special Education and Title 1; Katie Davidson, school psychologist; and Emily Opheim, Minnesota Reading Corps, on their first day of school Wednesday, Aug. 26.



Pictured at right is Amanda Roozeboom, new paraprofessional at H-BC.

## school menu

**Hills-Beaver Creek Elementary (K-12<sup>th</sup> grade):**

**Monday, Sept. 7:** No school.

**Tuesday, Sept. 8:** Pizza boats, dark green lettuce with dressing, relishes, fruit.

**Wednesday, Sept. 9:** Hot turkey on bun, glazed carrots, relishes, fruit.

**Thursday, Sept. 10:** Scalloped potatoes with ham, peas, bread, relishes, fruit.

**Friday, Sept. 11:** Tater tot hotdish, green beans, bread, relishes, fruit.

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## Hills Fire Department helps with fire in Lester, Iowa

By Glenda McGaffee

A Lester, Iowa, landmark caught fire Saturday night, Aug. 29. Witnesses say the front door was bulging open and smoke was coming out the building.

The business that caught fire was Cob's Custom Farming, owned by Calvin Kellenberger.

Firefighters are investigating the cause of the fire.

When firefighters approached the area, they were concerned the fire would spread to other nearby businesses, The Caboose Grill and R and B Electric.

Patrons in The Caboose were evacuated.

Firefighters were able to contain the flames inside the cement structure. Several departments came out to fight the fire. The team included crews from Hills,



Glenda McGaffee photo/0903 Cob's Custom Farming

Pictured is the structure of Cob's Custom Farming Sunday, Aug. 30, located on Main Street in Lester, Iowa, after a fire Saturday evening, Aug. 29.

Inwood, Larchwood, Alvord and Rock Rapids. The Luverne Fire Department brought down its new platform truck as well.

The building is one of the oldest standing structures in Lester and is the former dance hall and roller skating rink.



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## Jake Slegers, executive director of AmCham in Slovakia, visits Hills

By Glenda McGaffee

Jake Slegers, president of the American Chamber of Commerce in Slovakia, spent time in Hills with his mom, Norma Jean Slegers, who celebrated her 85<sup>th</sup> birthday at the Tuff Memorial Home July 14.

Slegers also attended a family reunion and visited his siblings, Cheryl Brower, Narla Top and Gaylin Slegers.

He shared some of his experiences with the residents of Tuff Saturday afternoon, July 18.

Slegers was born in Tyler and graduated from Tyler High School and spent the next few years involved in the family farming operation.

He attended Normandale Community College in Bloomington from 1989 to 1991, earning a Bachelor's Degree in Communication and International Relations from Augsburg College in Minneapolis in 1992.

He went to Slovakia in August 1994 after previously working for General Mills.

The purpose of his first venture to Slovakia was to teach English at local high schools, originally for what was planned to be one year.

An ensuing job offer from Radio Slovakia International as a business reporter, journalist and broadcaster gave Jake many opportunities

to become acquainted with the business and political climate in Slovakia. He was there for over three years.

In March 1999, he also became deputy director of the American Chamber of Commerce (AmCham) in the Slovak Republic.

During that time he focused on membership expansion, event planning and other duties.

He also was employed by the Organization for Security and Cooperation in

Europe and the U.S. State Department as an international election observer in various countries, including Bosnia-Herzegovina, Ukraine, Tajikistan and Macedonia.

After serving for a brief period as acting director in November 2000, Slegers became executive director of AmCham Slovakia in December 2000.

In his current position as executive director, Slegers oversees all aspects of the Chamber's operations. He is also currently president of AmCham in Europe, the umbrella organization uniting all American chambers of commerce operating in Europe.

The country of Slovakia is located in central Europe and has a population of over 5 million. It is about one-fourth the size of the state of Minnesota.



Glenda McGaffee photo/0903 Kroon and Wenzel

Bill Kroon's 1929 Model A Ford and Kevin Wenzel's 1930 Model A Ford Rat Rod were among featured cars at the car show Tuesday, Aug. 25, at the Tuff Home.

## Tuff Home hosts car show

By Glenda McGaffee

Residents of the Tuff Memorial Home and their families were treated to a car show Tuesday, Aug. 25, when car enthusiasts brought their shiny vehicles to the Tuff parking lot.

The weather was perfect for the event and brought in a large crowd to look at the entries while enjoying grilled hot dogs and root beer floats.

Tuff staff served 6 1/2 gallons of vanilla ice cream, 20 liters of pop and over 100 hot dogs.

The floats were sold for \$1 and raised \$140, which will go toward purchasing magazine subscriptions for the residents.

"I would like to express my thanks and gratitude for everyone who came out and supported this event," Shateen Lither, Tuff activity director, said.

"It was great to see members of the community and staff of the Tuff Memorial Home work together to create a great event. Without the team, it would not have been possible. A huge thank you to the car owners for taking the time out of their busy day to make the residents' day. We will see you again next year."



Glenda McGaffee photo/0903 Swenson family

Pictured with Vince Swenson's 1956 Chevy Bel Air are (from left) Lindsey and Casey Swenson, Darrell and Marie Brown, Shelly Swenson and granddaughter Rozlie and Vince Swenson.



Glenda McGaffee photo/0903 Sjaarda

Donna and Norm Sjaarda show their blue 1974 Pontiac Ventura at the car show Tuesday, Aug. 25, on the Tuff Home parking lot

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comprised of members of the Hills band, was present in the evening and helped pep up the crowd with several selections.

"Congratulations to the club for the best-conducted tournament in the territory," the article states.

Vyron Paulsen managed the Steen kittenball team for 23 years. In 1956 Curtis Paulsen became manager for one year, followed by Harvey Scholten, Tub Beyenhof, Ed Elbers, Art Hoogeveen and Jack Paulsen.

By the late '60s or early '70s, after Vyron Paulsen had passed away, John Timmer, a former player, suggested the ball diamond be named Vyron Paulsen Field.

The Steen softball diamond was dedicated as the Vyron Paulsen Field at the Steen Centennial, July 2, 1988, in honor of the many years he served as softball manager of the Steen team. An electric score board was donated by the Timmer

brothers, sons of Ed Timmer, in honor of the occasion.

During a Labor Day tournament, Dries "Dutch" Elbers received a plaque of appreciation for his contribution to softball. Elbers said he learned to play the game on this field. Elbers the son of Marinus and Carrie Elbers now lives in Roseville.

He has pitched in 19 World Softball Championships and is in the Hall of Fame in Wisconsin. Elbers' softball career began in 1944, and he retired in 1978.

Steen resident Winnie Scholten and former Steen residents Cornie and Darlene Bosch shared pictures and memories of the tournaments with the Hills Crescent for this week's coverage.

They reminisced about how people would park their cars on the ball diamond Sunday night so they would have a good spot for the game.



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# WEEKLY SPORTS NEWS

## Patriots humble state-ranked Cleveland Friday

By John Rittenhouse

The Hills-Beaver Creek football squad knocked off a state-ranked team Friday in Hills.

Cleveland, the state's No. 5 ranked nine-man team, traveled to Hills after turning in a 70-point performance to open the season Aug. 22.

The Patriots, however, didn't allow the Clippers to continue their success in Week 2.

H-BC exploded for 26 points in the second quarter to open a 32-0 lead at halftime and set the stage for a 46-20 victory.

"Our defense really played well," said H-BC coach Rex Metzger.

"Sizewise, Cleveland is a lot like we are. We gave them a lot of different looks defensively and took away the things they did well in the first game."

Neither team could sustain drives during their first two offensive possessions of the game.

H-BC turned things around as the first half progressed, producing points with five of its next six possessions to open a commanding 32-0 lead.

The Patriots put an end to a scoreless first quarter when tailback Isaiah Vis broke free for a 75-yard touchdown run on the final play of the opening stanza.

The touchdown, which gave the hosts a 6-0 cushion, came on the first play of H-BC's third possession of the game.

H-BC's defense came up big three plays later when Logan Leuthold intercepted a pass on the Cleveland 40.

Trenton Bass raced 40 yards for a touchdown during the next



John Rittenhouse photo/0903 hfb 12

Hills-Beaver Creek senior Cooper Vaughn protects the football after hauling in one of his four pass receptions during Friday's 46-20 home win over Cleveland. The win ups H-BC's season record to 2-0.

play, and a successful 2-point conversion pass from Zach Scholten to Cooper Vaughn made it a 14-0 game 1:03 into the second quarter.

The first play of Cleveland's ensuing possession resulted in a fumble that was recovered by Vis on the Clippers' 35.

H-BC upped its lead to 20-0 six plays later when Scholten tossed

a 13-yard touchdown pass to Vaughn at the 8:39 mark of the second stanza.

The H-BC defense stopped Cleveland on downs at the Clippers' 40-yard line as the second period progressed.

Nine plays later, Vis scored on a two-yard plunge to give the Patriots a 26-0 advantage with 2:41 left in the first half.

The teams exchanged possessions as the half progressed, with H-BC taking over on the Clippers' 43 with 50 seconds remaining.

Following a short run, Scholten fired a 40-yard touchdown strike to Vaughn to cap H-BC's 32-point first half lead.

"We made some plays when we needed to offensively," Metzger offered.

"We had some big third-down conversions that kept some drives

alive and we were able to make some big plays."

Vis, who ran the ball for 183 yards in the contest, returned the opening kickoff of the second half 52 yards to the Cleveland 31.

Vis hauled in a four-yard touchdown pass from Scholten nine plays later to make it a 38-0 game with 6:32 remaining in the third quarter.

Cleveland snapped H-BC's scoring run at the 4:01 mark of the third quarter, when quarterback Carter Kopet tossed a 22-yard touchdown pass to Jaiden Zishka.

H-BC countered by mounting a 13-play, 74-yard drive ending with Vis scoring on a one-yard run with 8:32 remaining in the game.

Scholten tossed a successful conversion pass to Drew Forhsey following the touchdown to give the Patriots a 46-6 advantage.

Cleveland registered a pair of meaningless touchdowns (a 71-yard run by Kopet and a seven-yard Kopet-to-Austin Plonsky pass) in the game's final four minutes to cap the scoring.

The 2-0 Patriots play Heron Lake-Okabena in Heron Lake Thursday.

**Team statistics**

H-BC: 258 rushing yards, 101 passing yards, 359 total yards, nine first downs, three penalties for 30 yards, zero turnovers. Cleveland: 125 rushing yards, 107 passing yards, 232 total yards, six first downs, three penalties for 20 yards, three turnovers.

**Individual statistics**

Rushing: Vis 20-183, Bass 8-76, Scholten 1-minus 1, Stuart Plimpton 1-3, Preston Maassen 4-minus 3. Passing: Scholten 8-12 for 101 yards. Receiving: Vaughn 4-70, Forshey 3-27, Vis 1-4. Defense: Jed Burgers two tackles, Dawson Leenderts two tackles, Vis four tackles, one sack and one fumble recovery, Forshey three tackles, Plimpton five tackles, Vaughn seven tackles, Bass six tackles, Michael Taubert four tackles, Leuthold four tackles and one interception, Dylan Forshey three tackles, Josh Kueter one fumble recovery.

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# Close the Gate

By Nancy Kraayenhof

Ah, September! School has started. Labor Day is around the corner. Soon the temperatures will be getting a little nippy and the leaves will be changing their colors. Time for me to dig into the back of the closets to see if my sweaters survived or whether they have bumps like little angel wings on their shoulders from hanging around all summer.

When summer gives way to fall, the world takes on a sort of earth tone hue, reflecting the colors of the changing leaves, the browns of the grasses and the drying up of vegetation all around. There is just something about the bright oranges, yellows and reds that appeals to the eye. It causes my blood to run a little faster and my heart to beat a little slower — at least until I remember that there will soon be leaves that need raking.

I get the urge to go for walks when the crispness of fall is in the air. I love to observe and enjoy the coming changes in the colors of the scenery. There is nothing quite as satisfying as the rustle of

dry leaves beneath your feet as you walk through piles gathered by the wind. A little kicking and they are scattered again.

Living in the country, the raking of the leaves is not such a necessity as in town. Here on the farm we usually just let the wind pile them up where it will, and the Hubster runs them over with the lawn mower, mulching them into tiny pieces that the wind scatters easily down the road or into the nearby ditches.

At the day care in town, it is a bit of a different story. The huge tree in the back yard is an elm and the leaves are small and blow away easily. The two large trees in the front are pine oak and they keep their leaves pretty much all winter, dropping just a few randomly here and there until the spring comes and they need to bud again. Unlike trees that drop their leaves all at once, it sure makes all the difference in the need to rake.

Soon it will be time for the harvest to begin, which always gives my spirit a boost. The

gathering of the crops is always a special time. How anyone could possibly look at a pumpkin patch with its bright orange fruits everywhere and remain sad is beyond me. I reflect back to autumns past when our children carved pumpkins into jack-o'-lanterns to adorn our front steps. Just thinking of the crooked smiling faces makes me grin.

The Farmers Market is already booming every Saturday morning with fresh from the garden fare. It looks as if God has smiled on the gardeners and the farmers as well with the looks of the fine crops in the fields. Soon the buzz of the combine harvesters and the rumble of the grain trucks will be heard all around.

There is always a certain melancholy sadness in seeing the death of millions of leaves and the withering of the flowers, but change is inevitable. The trees will stand stark naked to the bark as the long, cold winter looms ahead. The wind will soon blow icy and bend the barren limbs to its will.

Just thinking of the chilly wind gives me more of an inspiration than ever to cling to the last remains of the summer. I think of the children returning to school, of football games, of the splendor of the falling leaves, the order of the firewood piles and of Labor Day.

The lazy days of summer will soon be behind us and we will find ourselves in the mood for fall. It is a feeling that comes with the passage of time, with loss and with change. With loss there comes the opportunity for renewal. Fall is the motivation for renewing energy and zest. We are forced to see reality through a veil of falling leaves that will soon need to be raked or mulched or ignored or blown over to the neighbor's yard in the dark with a leaf blower or whatever.

I can never quite believe that it could possibly be September already. I see the bales of hay coming in from the fields as the third cutting is put away for the winter. I see the sweet corn stands selling the last of their

crops and soon the pumpkins and squash will come out for sale. Though I thoroughly enjoy the fall season, I'm never quite ready. Each passing season forces change, for better or for worse.

The brightly colored leaves will be here for only a brief period of time before they wither and die. I attempt to learn from them and be willing to accept changes gracefully, to know that change is something beautiful that can create awe and wonder.

Autumn, like life itself, is bittersweet. It smells of the smoke of burning leaves and tastes of the sweetness of apple cider. Fall is glorious to behold and should be enjoyed for what it is. Like life, it is but a season, changing too quickly and gone too fast.

As we close the gate on summer and make way for the fall, May the colors and splendor of autumn each of us enthrall.

*Cleverly disguised as a responsible adult, I'm Nancy Kraayenhof. ©2015*

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Wednesday, Sept. 8: 7 p.m. Confirmation.

**Palisade Lutheran Church**  
211 121<sup>st</sup> St.  
Garretson, S.D.  
Ph. 507-597-6257  
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Ray Heidenson, Pastor

Sunday, Sept. 6: 9 a.m. Worship Service with Holy Communion.  
Wednesday, Sept. 8: 7 p.m. Confirmation at First Lutheran Church.

**Steen Reformed Church**  
112 W. Church Ave. Steen  
Ph. 855-2336  
Thursday, Sept. 3: 1:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study.  
Sunday, Sept. 6: 9:30 a.m. Worship; Pulpit Supply: Leroy Christoffels. No Evening Service or RCYF.  
Thursday, Sept. 10: Volunteer Day at the Thrift Store.

**Bethlehem Lutheran Church**  
Interim Pastor Grant Fisher  
112 N. Main St., Hills  
Ph. 962-3270  
e-mail: bethlehempluth@alliancecom.net  
Thursday, Sept. 3: 5:30 to 7 p.m. Santana Wysong bridal shower in the church basement.  
Sunday, Sept. 6: 9 a.m. Communion at Tuff Chapel. 10 a.m. Communion at Bethlehem.  
Monday, Sept. 7: Labor Day — church office closed.  
Tuesday, Sept. 8: 2:30 p.m. Tuff Home Bible Study. 3:15 p.m. Tuff Village Bible Study.  
Wednesday, Sept. 9: 9 a.m. Quilting. 7 p.m. Tenth-grade Confirmation meeting with parents. 7:30 p.m. Eighth- and ninth-grade Confirmation meeting with students, parents and mentors.

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# Whither-soever

By Glenda McGaffee

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Do you remember the 1990 American romantic comedy film, "Pretty Woman," set in Los Angeles, California, and starring Richard Gere and Julia Roberts?

Gere portrayed a self-involved corporate raider, Edward Lewis, who recently split up with his girlfriend. While seeking directions to a Beverly Hills Hotel, he makes the acquaintance of free-spirited hooker Vivian Ward (Julia Roberts) and decides to put her on a \$3,000 dollar retainer as his "date." He Cinderella-izes her by bankrolling a full wardrobe and cosmetic makeover.

Do you remember the scene when Edward (Gere) and Vivian (Roberts) attend the polo match in Beverly Hills?

I had the experience of attending my first polo horse match Saturday, Aug. 1. Jeff Schneekloth, who raises polo horses near Hills, invited me to the match. I attended along with my friends, Laura, Mary, Bonnie, and my daughter, Katie.

We entered the world of the rich and famous and brushed shoulders with doctors and lawyers.

The polo match was at Windrows Polo Field near Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and sponsored by Avera, Luxury Auto Mall of Sioux Falls, and Howalt and McDowell Insurance.

In the southwest corner of the field Luxury Auto Mall had



Mary Lemke (left) and Glenda McGaffee "stomp the divots" during halftime of the polo horse match Saturday, Aug. 1, at Windrows Polo Field near Sioux Falls.



a display of cars that included Porsches. Next to the cars was a tent with champagne, water, lemonade and food.

During half time my friend Mary and I participated in the ritual of stomping the divots.

During polo play small patches of grass and dirt are torn up by the polo ponies' quick starts, stops and turns, creating divots that can be dangerous for the horses.

Fans have the opportunity to "stomp" the divots back in place while helping to keep the ponies and players safe.

Next time we attend a game, we will plan on wearing fancy dresses and hats. The next match at Windrows Polo Field is Saturday, Sept. 16.

### Labor Day activities in the area

This Labor Day holiday weekend several events are occurring in our area.

The Hills Christian School volunteers will host their annual Pancake Breakfast at the Hills Christian School gym from 7 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Monday, Sept. 7, serving pancakes, sausage, coffee, juice and milk

with a freewill donation.

In Steen the 80th annual Steen Softball Tournament will start at 8 a.m. Monday.

With the Labor Day this weekend perhaps you will be attending a picnic or family reunion. This week I have a recipe you might like to try.

### Mississippi Mud Pie

1 stick butter  
1 cup flour  
1/2 cup pecans  
1 8-ounce package cream cheese  
1 cup powdered sugar  
1 cup Cool Whip  
Cream butter, flour and pecans together and press in bottom of 9x13-inch pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 20 minutes. Blend cream cheese, powdered sugar and Cool Whip together and spread over crust. Sprinkle with coconut and nuts. Prepare 2 packages instant chocolate or butterscotch pudding using 3 cups milk. Immediately pour and spread over Cool Whip layer. Spread remainder of Cool Whip and chopped pecans on top and refrigerate overnight.

## community news

### Births

A boy, Kai MiKale, weighing 6 pounds, 8 ounces, 20 inches, was born to **Kale and Hailee Wiertzema**, Hills, on Tuesday, Aug. 18, 2015, at Avera/McKenna Hospital in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Grandparents are Steve and Connie Wiertzema, Hills, Doug and Terri Petersen, Sioux Falls, and Ray and Janine Heitkamp, Adrian.

### Meetings

**VFW Auxiliary 2757** will meet at 11:15 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 8, at the Veterans Home.

**Springwater Township Board** will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 8, at the home of the clerk, Teresa Kramer.

**Pink Ladies** will meet at 1:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 14, at the Blue Mound Room at Sanford Luverne Hospital. There will be election of officers.

**Sound Cascade Sweet Adeline Chorus** rehearses at 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Prairie Creek, 4400 W. Creekside Dr., Sioux Falls. Call 507-597-6288.

**Al-Anon** meets at 6:30 p.m. Thursdays in the Buffalo Ridge Meeting Room (lower level) at the Sanford Medical Center in Luverne. Call Stephanie at 449-1246.

**Narcotics Anonymous** meets at 7 p.m. Fridays in the basement of St. Catherine Catholic Rectory, 203 E. Brown St., Luverne. Use east door. Call Shawn at 507-220-3180.

**Alcoholics Anonymous** meets at 8 p.m. Wednesdays and Saturdays in the Rock County Community Library. Call 605-321-4324.

**Brandon area Al-Anon** meets at 8 p.m. Monday and Thursday evenings and at 11 a.m.

Saturdays at 209 Elm Street (behind VFW) in Brandon, S.D. Call 605-215-9947 with questions.

### Bank Nite movie at Palace Sept. 3

The free Bank Nite movie, "Penguins of Madagascar," will begin at 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 3, 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. Last month's \$50 cash winner was Ashton Altman.

### Luverne Area MOPS meeting set for Sept. 9

Luverne Area MOPS (mothers of preschoolers) kickoff meeting for the 2015-2016 year will be Wednesday, Sept. 9, at Living Rock Church. Registration is required. For more information contact Wanda Jarchow at 507-283-9664.

### Donate books for Friends of the Library book sale

The Friends of the Library are collecting books for their upcoming book sale until Monday, Sept. 14, at the Rock County Library. Donations will be accepted at the library during normal business hours. Encyclopedias, textbooks and Reader's Digest books will not be accepted. Call Dolly Remme at 283-8966 with questions.



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### 10 years ago (2005)

•Members of the Hills-Beaver Creek 1990 State Nine-Man Championship team will be recognized at halftime of the H-BC football game on Sept. 10.

The Patriots finished the 1990 season with a 14-0 record following a 28-21 win over Argyle at the Metrodome.

### 20 years ago (1995)

•Duane Sandbulte has been involved with the annual Labor Day tournament in Steen for 30 years. By tournament standards, he is just a rookie. The Labor Day tournament has been played for 60 years ...

"I think softball will always retain a lot of popularity as a sport people can compete in when they get a little older," he said.

### 50 years ago (1965)

•An old friend of Hills community and surrounding area, Mr. Hugo Goehle will begin a new phase of his coaching career when the newly formed Hills-

Beaver Creek High School opens its football season.

Mr. Goehle, who has been well known in Hills as well as in Beaver Creek since 1953, when he first joined the Hills faculty, is originally from Luverne.

### 75 years ago (1940)

•The Tri-State Kittenball Tournament held at Steen last Monday was a decided success in every respect. The largest crowd to ever attend a kittenball tournament in this territory was present to witness the games, all of which were well played. Although the score in some games was lopsided, nevertheless the crowd was kept on edge at all times.

### 100 years ago (1915)

•John Scott, from near Ben Clare, made his annual contribution of apples to the Crescent force yesterday afternoon. "Here's complements of the season, boys," says John as he handed us a bushel of big, juicy Dutches apples.



## Tubb News

By Shateen Lichter

Hello from the Tuff Memorial Home! The final full week of August kept everyone busy.

On Monday a group of residents enjoyed the Jesse James Pontoon Ride in Garretson, South Dakota. While it was a bit chilly in the morning, residents enjoyed listening to Bruce tell stories and jokes, as well as point out the famous cave where Jesse James hid out at one point. Residents took note of cranes, hawks, turtles and even a few cows on the 45-minute tour. Afterward, all enjoyed a picnic lunch on the pontoon. If you have never experienced this, we highly recommend it. We are thankful to JoAnn Paulsen and Lou Kellenberger for volunteering their time to help with this outing.

Tuesday afternoon a Methodist gathering was at the facility and we are thankful to the women who take time to prepare for this event. It is greatly appreciated by the residents and staff.

Tuesday evening brought about the Annual Car Show here at Tuff. Complete with 27 cars, free hot dogs, courtesy of Sam and Glenda McGaffee, and a root beer float fundraiser for the Activity Department, residents enjoyed looking at different cars from the past and present. This event would not have been possible without the volunteers and staff working together, and I am very thankful for the team that helped Tuesday night. I would also like to thank Sam and Glenda for their generous donation of hot dogs. We appreciate the community who came out and supported the fundraiser. Because of you, the money raised will be going to magazine subscriptions for the residents to enjoy.

On Wednesday afternoon, many residents loaded on the bus and toured the crops and countryside. They drove through Steen, Ash Creek, Valley Springs and Beaver Creek. Residents made Loaded Oreo and M&M Bars during a bake and taste session Thursday morning. The bars were later served at bingo, and everyone thought they were a hit! We would like to share the recipe with you.

### Loaded Oreo M&M Bars

1/2 cup unsalted butter (1 stick), melted  
1 large egg



Henrietta Bajema and Tuff Home Administrator Laura Preheim keep warm on a chilly morning on the Jesse James Pontoon Ride.



Mina Sjaarda and Melvin Paulsen enjoy the Jesse James Pontoon Ride during a recent outing with the Tuff Home.

1 cup light brown sugar, packed  
1 tablespoon vanilla extract  
1 cup all-purpose flour  
18 Oreo Cookies, coarsely chopped  
about 1/2 cup M&M's (I used plain; use your favorite flavor or other chopped candy)  
•Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Line an 8-by-8-inch baking pan with aluminum foil. Spray with cooking spray; set aside.

In a large, microwave-safe bowl melt the butter, about 1 minute on high power. Wait momentarily before adding the egg so you don't scramble it. Add the egg, brown sugar, vanilla, and whisk until smooth. Add the flour and stir until just combined. Don't overmix. Stir in the Oreos. Turn batter out into prepared pan, smoothing the top lightly with a spatula. Evenly sprinkle the M&M's over the top, lightly pressing them down with your finger or a spatula.

Bake for about 20 to 22 minutes, or until done based on add-ins used. Top should be set and edges slightly firm. Allow bars to cool in pan for at least 30 minutes before slicing and

serving. Bars will keep airtight at room temperature for up to 1 week, or in the freezer for up to 6 months.

On Friday afternoon, residents and staff celebrated the August birthdays with a frozen yogurt bar, complete with all the toppings. Residents were also challenged to find as many words as they could from the word "thunderstorm." Betty Nath found more than 30 words! How many can you find? This was a nice, relaxing way to end the week.

Looking ahead this week:  
Thursday, Sept. 3: 2:30 p.m. Bingo.

•Friday, Sept. 4: 10 a.m. Beach ball babble. 2:30 p.m. Reading with Betty.

•Saturday, Sept. 5: 9:30 a.m. Sunshine Wagon.

•Sunday, Sept. 6: 9 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion.

•Monday, Sept. 7: No scheduled activities, Labor Day.

•Tuesday, Sept. 8: 2:30 p.m. Bible study.

•Wednesday, Sept. 9: 10 a.m. Music with Cletus Globberisch. 2:30 p.m. Hands and Feet: Full of Smiles Jars.

Resident birthdays this week include Bob Olson, Sept. 1; Donna Gallant, Sept. 4; and Roger Schneekloth, Sept. 7. Staff birthdays this week include Norma Van Wyhe, Sept. 8; Amanda Walker and Glenda McGaffee, Sept. 9.

We would like to welcome Rosa Sandstede back from the hospital and our thoughts and prayers are extended to the family of Veda Mae Klaassen, who died Monday, Aug. 31.

How many words did you find in the word "thunderstorm?" And be sure to let us know what you think of the Loaded Oreo and M&M Bars! Have a fun and safe Labor Day!



Betty Nath shows Karin Moser how to mix the ingredients for Loaded Oreo and M&M Bars.

## legals

### H-BC School Board meets Aug. 10

HILLS-BEAVER CREEK DIST. 671  
MINUTES  
AUG. 10, 2015

The Hills-Beaver Creek School Board met for its semimonthly meeting at 7:00 pm in Elementary School in Beaver Creek, recessed to travel to Hills to continue the annual walk through of the buildings and reconvened the meeting at 8:18 pm.

Board members present were Fick, Fransman, Gehrke, Kueter, LaRock, Leuthold and Moser. Superintendent Holthaus, Principal Phelps and Business Manager Kuehl were also in attendance.

Chairman Fransman called the meeting to order at 8:18 pm in the Conference Room. Visitor to the meeting was Glenda McGaffee (Hills Crescent).

Motion by LaRock, second by Moser, and carried to approve the agenda.

Minutes of the July 27 meeting were approved as sent out.

Motion by Gehrke, second by Fick, and carried to approve the bills.

Motion by Leuthold, second by Kueter, and carried to approve the district's 10-year plan application for Long Term Facilities Maintenance.

Motion by Fick, second by LaRock, and carried to approve the resignation of Helen Kraayenhof as van/bus driver effective August 28, 2015.

Motion by LaRock, second by Leuthold, and carried to accept the resignation of Cindy McGowan as Head Cook Effective August 3, 2015.

Motion by Gehrke, second by Kueter, and carried to approve classifying the head cook position as Job Class 4 beginning with the 2015-16 school year.

Motion by Fick, second by Leuthold, and carried to approve the 2015-16 Fall Coaching Assignments:

**Football:** Rex Metzger, Head Coach, Jason Rauk Assistant Coach, Scott Harnack, Jr. High Coach, shared assistant coaches – Dan Ellingson, Chris Harnack, Eric Harnack

**Volleyball:** Susan Bork, Head Coach, Darin DeBoer, Assistant Coach, Meghan Leuthold, C team.

Mr. Holthaus presented Superintendent/Secondary Principal report.

Board Teamwork self-assessment results and discussion.

Agenda items for next regularly scheduled meeting:

Heating and fuel oil quotes

Dates To Remember:

August 19 and 20

August 20

August 24

Staff Workshop days

Secondary Open House

Regular Board Meeting

Motion by LaRock, second by Fick, and carried to close the meeting per MN Statute 13d to discuss the sale of district property located at 7th Street South and Central Ave. in Hills, MN.

Meeting reconvened at 10:21 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 10:21 p.m.

Lois Leuthold,  
Clerk  
(9-3)

## KLQL (FM)/KQAD (AM) public notice

### KLQL (FM) AND KQAD (AM) PUBLIC NOTICE ANNOUNCEMENT

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**H-BC School Board meets Aug. 6**

HILLS-BEAVER CREEK DIST. 671  
MINUTES  
AUG. 6, 2015

The Hills-Beaver Creek School Board met for a special meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Conference Room.

Board members present were Fick, Fransman, Kueter, Leuthold and Moser. Gehrke and LaRock were absent. Superintendent Holthaus was also in attendance.

Chairman Fransman called the meeting to order.

Visitor to the meeting was Glenda McGaffee (Hills Crescent).

Motion by Fick, second by Kueter, and carried to approve the agenda.

Motion by Moser, second by Fick, and carried to accept the resignation of Cheryl Hup as cook assistants effective July 31, 2015.

Motion by Leuthold, second by Kueter, and carried to accept the resignation of Deb Fransman as cook assistant effective July 31, 2015. Fransman abstained from voting.

Food service information was presented by Superintendent Holthaus.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Lois Leuthold, Clerk  
(9-3)



Glenda McGaffee photo/0903 Gaugler family

Pictured are Madison (front, left) and Leeanna along with Jesse (back, left) and Karin Gaugler and Karen's parents, Peter and Inge, who are visiting from Germany, in front of the Gauglers' new home Sunday, August 30.

**Gaugler family returns to Hills**

By Glenda McGaffee

Jesse, Karen, Leeanna and Madison Gaugler recently purchased the home of Nathan and Carrie Bakker who moved to Indiana.

The Gauglers left Hills in 2007 and moved to Wisconsin where they lived

for five years and Michigan for three years before returning to Hills because of Jesse being transferred with his job to Sioux Falls.

Leeanna, a sixth-grader, and Madison, a fourth-grader, are attending the Hills-Beaver Creek schools. Karen said, "They like living in a small town."

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