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Rural Water improvement projects near completion

By Lori Sorenson

It's been a busy summer for Rock County Rural Water, which is improving and expanding its system in the western and northwest part of the county and connecting to Lewis and Clark on the south end.

Both projects, which happened to come together at the same time, will make the system stronger and more viable in the future, according to Rural Water officials and engineers.

Northwest expansion

The northwest expansion plan includes adding more than 30 miles of pipeline in the northwest corner of Rock County in addition to improving water pressure and availability for the existing system.

The infrastructure improvements involve 20 miles of pipe in the central and southwest part of the county.

The new pipeline is in Martin Township, eastern Springwater Township and western Mound, Luverne and Clinton townships.

There are currently about 300 miles of Rural Water pipeline and 685 users countywide.

The infrastructure work will improve service for most Rural Water customers west of the Rock River.

The project calls for adding pipe from 3 to 8 inches of the western Rural Water system.

A booster station will be put in at 95th Street and County Road 11, just south of I-90 to support the ground storage reservoir at County Road 6 (Beaver Creek blacktop) and County Road 5 (which enters Luverne by the bus garage).

New users encouraged to sign on by end of September

The project has so far garnered 25 new hookups, including four large water users with livestock operations.

According to Rural Water director Brent Hoffmann, the project will open the door for future growth.

"We're oversizing the lines, and engineers have said, based on our

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On Tuesday morning, Sept. 1, Tonia and Jeff Swan put out this display on their lawn at 315 North 2nd Street West in Hills.

Hills residents encourage Patriot Pride displays

By Glenda McGaffee

On Tuesday morning, Sept. 1, Hills-Beaver Creek students and fans enjoyed a special display on the lawn of Tonia and Jeff Swan at 315 North 2nd Street West in Hills.

Tonia called it a "surprise display of pride" for H-BC students and athletes.

"It was a true joy to work with great friends in the neighborhood to bring my vision to life ... for the girls' volleyball season opener against Adrian," she said. "It certainly slowed traffic down on that street."

She said she was motivated to set up the display to support fans and cheerleaders.

"When I was in school I was greatly annoyed by the cheerleaders ... all the leg kicks and 'You-Rah-Rah!' Shame on me. They were an under-appreciated asset, for which I extend a public apology," Tonia said.

"It took me until recently to realize how much I miss the chants, crowd involvement, and creative posters showing evidence of our school spirit. However, one must not forget the icing on the cake ... the goose bumps a strong pep band would bring to the energy of the event."

"I do not believe it is the district's duty to display school spirit. I do believe it is the responsibility of the parents and community. We have the spirit and the pride ... I see no harm in showing it. Pride can be big, bright, with sparkles, inflated, colorful, creative but most importantly, tasteful."

— Tonia Swan, Patriot fan

She said she remembers the role fans played in her own high school sports experience.

"As a former high school athlete, nothing revved my engine more than running out of the locker room to be greeted by the blast of the band and roar of the fans," Tonia said.

"I can still see the fans all rise when we came running out of the locker room. They would remain standing,

showing their support, throughout warm-ups, announcement of starting lineups and the singing of the National Anthem ... instead of scrolling their cellphone."

She said the school district can't be expected to replicate those experiences, and she said it should be up to the fans to keep up the school spirit.

"I do not believe it is the district's duty to display school spirit. I do believe it is the responsibility of the parents and community," Tonia said.

"We have the spirit and the pride ... I see no harm in showing it. Pride can be big, bright, with sparkles, inflated, colorful, creative but most importantly, tasteful."

She said she challenges Patriot Fans across the district to show their own pride in their yards or businesses. "Show our kids we are behind them all the way ... all season ... all year," Tonia said.

For Homecoming Week Sept. 28 to Oct. 2, she encourages fans to get creative.

"There will be increased traffic in town with coronation, two home volleyball games and the big football game," she said. "What a perfect time to show that Patriot Pride. Go Big Blue."

weather
REPORT



AUGUST 30 - SEPTEMBER 5 WEATHER

High temperature for the week:	88	Rain amount for the week:	.09
Low temperature for the week:	61	Moisture total for August:	.09
Average temperature for the week:	75		

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Tuff News

By Shateen Lichter

A new month brings about new activities here at the Tuff Memorial Home, but first did you know that September is Happy Aging Month?

I would like to share a few tips for healthy aging throughout September. The first should come as no surprise.

•Tip No. 1: Get moving. Start a simple exercise routine to keep your body and brain healthy. Some experts suggest starting small and gradually adding to your routine.

•Tip No. 2: Stay social. Meet up with old friends, take a class to learn something new, or my favorite, volunteer. Stay tuned for more tips next week.

Residents said goodbye to August with bowling and bingo on Monday. On Tuesday residents gathered for Bible study with Pastor Fischer and played hangman during afternoon coffee.

Wednesday morning residents tried a new game called Giant Marbles. Whiffle balls were used as "marbles" and placed inside of a circle. Residents had to use a larger ball as their "shooter" to try and knock the "marbles" out of the circle. Residents look forward to trying the game again. Resident Council met and discussed several topics, including magazine titles they would enjoy receiving.

Thursday morning a group of residents met and worked on new pumpkin door decorations. Later that afternoon Alma and Burdell Rowe celebrated their 72nd anniversary with cake for the residents and staff. We would like to thank



Shateen Lichter photos/0910 tuff news Above, Etta DeJongh works on pumpkin door decorations at the Tuff Home.

At right, Betty Ackerman and Pearl Sundem answer questions during Beach Ball Babble.

you both, Alma and Burdell, for sharing your special day with us and wish you another year of happiness.

Beach Ball Babble was how residents started their day Friday. They gathered in a circle and tossed around a not-so-typical beach ball. This beach ball had several questions on it. When they caught the ball, they had to answer the question their right-thumb was on. Questions included, "What was your favorite childhood game?" and "If you could have any superpower you wanted, which would it be?" Each resident was encouraged to share one thing they always wanted to do. Several mentioned wanting to travel, learn to play the piano, and finish high school.

Friday afternoon Betty read another chapter from "The Secret," by Beverly Lewis, to res-



idents. Afterward residents celebrated Donna Gallant's birthday with cake. Thank you, Donna, for sharing your special day with us.

Looking ahead this week:

•Thursday, Sept. 10: 2:30 p.m. Bingo.

•Friday, Sept. 11: 10 a.m. Patriotic music with Troy Mader. 7 p.m. Lester Hymn-sing.

•Saturday, Sept. 12: 9 a.m. Manicures.

•Monday, Sept. 14: 10 a.m. Pumpkin bowling.

•Tuesday, Sept. 15: 2:30 p.m. Bible study.

•Wednesday, Sept. 16: 10 a.m. Act it Out! 2:30 p.m. Minute to Win it!

Resident birthdays this week include Martha Schomacker, Sept. 15. Staff birthdays include Ed Gerhke, Sept. 11, and Sara DeSmet, Sept. 12.

How about you? What is one thing you always wanted to do but haven't gotten around to doing yet? Let today be the day you do it.



10 years ago (2005)

•Steen softball player David Top drew honors when his team competed at the North American Fast-pitch Softball Association's Class A World Series in Mankato Aug. 25-28.

Top was named to the event's All-World Second Team as a third baseman when the tournament was complete.

20 years ago (1995)

•Saturday afternoon provided some of the best golfing weather of the 1995 summer season — and local golfers took full advantage.

Merle Boeve and Jackie Wells captured top honors in the 1995 Viking Open Tournament, held last week at the Rock Rapids Country Club.

50 years ago (1965)

•Beginning this week, The Crescent will carry news from our neighboring town Beaver Creek and community. The fact that the two towns have merged their school systems makes this move essential so that both Hills and Beaver Creek residents will have the opportunity to keep up with the news concerning their most important subjects, their children and friends.

75 years ago (1940)

•A.H. Getty, of Worthington, the new game warden for the Rock and Nobles county district, was a Hills caller last Saturday.

Warden Getty reported that 90 quail will be shipped to Rock County for planting this week.

100 years ago (1915)

•The Luverne Journal states that with the exception of Hennepin county — population considered — that Rock has the greatest number of autos of any county in the state. Guess that shows who's counting the iron dollar!

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Tuff Village celebrates Assisted Living Week Sept. 13-19

By Glenda McGaffee

National Assisted Living Week begins on Grandparents Day, Sunday, Sept. 13, and continues until Sept. 19.

According to Tuff Village Director of Nurses Mary Lemke, assisted living tenants are people who have made significant contributions to the community.

"They have been the teachers, business owners, farmers, veterans, civic leaders, public officials, parents and grandparents who have contributed so much to Hills or Rock County," Lemke said.

"This week gives us a chance to honor these citizens' contributions along with care providers, families, friends and volunteers of our community."

The observance was founded by the National Center for Assisted Living (NCAL) in 1995 as a way to promote assisting living facilities to the public.

This year's National Assisted Living Week theme is "Nourishing Life: Mind, Body, Spirit."

This theme celebrates the countless ways assisted living caregivers nurture the whole resident.

According to NCAL, "Communities across the country work each and every day to ensure that the lives of their residents are fully nourished in each and every way. Conversely, residents nourish the lives of team members and volunteers by, with the support of loved ones, sharing their inspiring lives."

"This week gives us a chance to honor these citizens' contributions along with care providers, families, friends and volunteers of our community."

— Mary Lemke, Tuff director of nurses

Events planned at the Tuff Village for Assisted Living Week are:

- Sunday, Sept. 13: Grandparents Day; 1:30 p.m. Entertainment by Kullpepper Kounty with Paul and Vickie from Ellsworth.

- Monday, Sept. 14: Family Potluck at noon; 1:30 p.m. Foto Fun.

- Tuesday, Sept. 15: 9:30 a.m. Hills Christian School Students visit.

- Wednesday, Sept. 16: 5:45 p.m. Banana Splits will be served.

- Thursday, Sept. 17: 9:30 a.m. Manicures; 1:30 p.m. Piano music provided by Glenda McGaffee.

- Friday, Sept. 18: 2 p.m. Bingo.

- Saturday, Sept. 19: 9:30 a.m. Baking with Hendrene Van Wyhe.

Call the Tuff Village at 962-3500 for more information.

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Hole #7	Reg. 275'	Alt. 324'
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Dennis Boese designs Disc golf course at Rez

By Glenda McGaffee

The disc golf course at the Hills Rez has been updated, thanks to Hills resident Dennis Boese.

Prompted by an expansion of the campground area, Boese redesigned the course from its original setup several years ago.

The course is nine holes with two tee areas for each hole, Boese said. "So, in effect it is an 18-hole course," he explained.

Course maps are positioned at the shelter house and at the start of hole No. 1.

"There is a color-coded system to help you find your way around the course," Boese said.

"Yellow tape on trees and markers on the course indicate regular tee areas. Orange tape on trees and markers indicate alternate tees."

For now, Boese said players should look for orange spray-painted lines on the grass near the yellow and orange markers for each hole.

"These orange spray-painted lines are where you tee off from each hole," he said. "There will be



Glenda McGaffee photo/0910 disc golf

Dennis Boese is pictured Sunday, Sept. 6, on the disc golf course at the Rez in Hills.

permanent tee areas installed in the near future."

Boese has designed a course in Pipestone and will be designing a course in Lake Benton at the Hole in the Mountain Park in the coming months.

"I have played the game of disc golf since the mid 1980s and have seen a lot of growth in the sport in that time," Boese said.

"Minnesota is one of the top five states in the country for disc golf, along with Iowa."



Glenda McGaffee photo/0910 scarecrow

Signs of fall

This gentleman, a sure sign of fall, greets visitors at Wally's Nursery and Landscaping at 281 50th Avenue near Hills Friday, Sept. 4. Displays like this one, along with leaves turning color, are a reminder of the upcoming change of season.



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Glenda McGaffee photo/0910 martin township building

Martin Township building nearing completion

Work is progressing on the new Martin Township Maintenance Office Building located at the corner of 51st Street and 60th Avenue. Gawaine Diekevers, chairman of the township board, said that construction is scheduled for completion by the end of September. He said the electrician is finishing up, cement pad needs to be poured and landscaping will be completed around the building. An open house is scheduled for later this fall.

community news

Open houses

An open house bridal shower for **Heather Vandebussche** (bride-to-be of **Kody Doerr**) will be from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Sept. 12, at 120 W. 1st St., Hills, MN (between Orv's and Erwin's).

Meetings

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.

Farmers Market demonstration and samples Sept. 10

A cooking demo featuring carrots will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 10, at the Farmers Market in Luverne.

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.

'Who's Going to Pay the Bill?' presentation Sept. 16

A presentation titled "Who's Going to Pay the Bill" will be from 1:30-3 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 16, at the Oaks Dining Room, 203 Oak Drive in Luverne. Panel participants include local housing directors and SWMHHS representatives (DD and Diane Holmberg). The event is part of the "Time Out for You" caregivers series. To make respite care arrangements while attending the workshop, call 507-283-5064 (ACE).

Hospice Tour of Tables Oct. 24

Sanford Luverne Hospice will host its annual Tour of Tables luncheon Saturday, Oct. 24. Contact the hospice office at 283-1805 if you are interested in decorating and hosting a table, donating a gift basket, or purchasing an individual ticket. The deadline is Oct. 1.

Disney Live! Three Classic Fairy Tales

Disney Live! Three Classic Fairy Tales will be presented at the Xcel Energy Center in St. Paul Oct. 18. Register by Sept. 29 at Luverne Community Education office, 283-4724, for the chartered bus trip. Fee is \$67 which includes bus ride and admission.



Patriots explode for 30 points in second quarter Thursday

By John Rittenhouse

The Hills-Beaver Creek Patriots ran their football record to 3-0 with a convincing victory Thursday in Heron Lake.

The Patriots exploded for 30 points in the second quarter to help turn what was a close game into a 46-6 rout.

Quarterback Zach Scholten threw two touchdown passes and ran for a pair of scores to highlight the lopsided win.

H-BC ended up prevailing by 40 points, but HL-O didn't make things easy for the Patriots in the early stages of the game.

Taking advantage of a size advantage at the line of scrimmage, the Wildcats kept the Patriots from scoring with their first two offensive possessions of the game.

"Give them credit because they have good size up front, they just don't have a lot of depth," said H-BC coach Rex Metzger.

"We haven't played a team as big as HL-O so far this year. I knew they would throw us some fits at the line of scrimmage."

After making some adjustments, H-BC started moving the ball on the ground late in the first quarter and throughout the second quarter.

"We were able to establish our running game by running counters at them in the second quarter," Metzger said.

H-BC's third possession started on HL-O's 13-yard line when Trenton Bass picked off a pass to

give the Patriots excellent field position.

Scholten scored on a one-yard run four plays later and tossed a successful conversion pass to make it 8-0 late in the first quarter.

H-BC settled the issue with a four-touchdown eruption in the second quarter that gave the visitors a 38-0 lead at the intermission.

The Patriots moved the ball 31 yards in four plays with Scholten delivering a 16-yard touchdown pass to Cooper Vaughn to cap a drive early in the second quarter.

Bass carried in the ensuing two-point conversion to make it 16-0.

Abadsnap in punting formation by HL-O gave the Patriots the ball on the Wildcats' 35 moments later, setting up a two-play possession ending with Stuart Plimpton racing 35 yards for a touchdown to up the lead to 22-0.

H-BC experienced another two-play possession that covered 38 yards as the period progressed.

Isaiah Vis scored on a 38-yard run and carried in the two-point conversion to make it a 30-0 game.

The Wildcats lost the ball on downs at the H-BC 31-yard line with 2:30 remaining in the first half.

The H-BC offense moved the ball 69 yards in 12 plays with Scholten throwing an eight-yard touchdown pass as time expired in the second quarter.

Bass toted in the two-point conversion to complete H-BC's 38-point first half.

H-BC outscored the Wildcats 8-6 in the second half to complete the rout.

The Patriots moved the ball 63 yards in eight plays during their second offensive possession of the third quarter.

Scholten scored on a six-yard run and Preston Maassen carried in the two-point conversion to give the Patriots a 46-point cushion.

H-BC's second team defense yielded a 61-yard touchdown run to HL-O's Brady Haberman late in the third quarter before blanking the Wildcats the rest of the night.

"Our defense played fairly well against a big team," Metzger said.

"They only had 128 yards and 61 came on their touchdown run."

The Patriots host Mountain Lake Friday.

Team statistics
H-BC: 209 rushing yards, 108 passing yards, 317 total yards, 12 first downs, three penalties for 30 yards, two turnovers.
HL-O: 94 rushing yards, 34 passing yards, 128 total yards, four first downs, five penalties for 35 yards, five turnovers.

Individual statistics
Rushing: Vis 13-84, Scholten 3-12, Bass 9-10, Plimpton 8-81, Maassen 2-22.
Passing: Scholten 13-22 for 108 yards.
Receiving: Vaughn 6-49, Bass 5-34, Forshey 1-8, Plimpton 1-17.
Defense: Jed Burgers one interception, Dawson Leenderts one interception, Vis two tackles, Forshey five tackles and one fumble recovery, Dylan Forshey four tackles, Plimpton seven tackles and one fumble recovery, Vaughn three tackles, Bass two tackles and one interception, Michael Taubert five tackles, Logan Leuthold seven tackles, Jesse Elbers two tackles, Maassen one sack, Josh Kueter one tackle and two sacks, Jacob Wingert three tackles.

Spikers sweep Adrian in opener

By John Rittenhouse

The Hills-Beaver Creek volleyball team started the season in a promising way Sept. 1 in Hills.

Locking horns with Adrian in a non-conference contest, the home-standing Patriots posted a 3-0 victory.

H-BC outscored the Dragons 75-45, registering consecutive 25-21, 25-9 and 25-15 wins.

Jasmine Lingen recorded 12 kills and Avery Roekel charted seven blocks to lead the Patriots at the net.

Sidney Fick delivered seven service aces for the hosts, who received 17 set assists from Makayla Kolbrek.

The Patriots host Southwest Christian Thursday.

Hills City Residents only!!! Fall Junk Drop-off Site Saturday, September 19

Junk items must be dropped-off at the City Shop located at 700 South Central Avenue from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM on Sat., Sept. 19th. Customers are responsible for unloading their own junk.

City employees will be on site only to assist if necessary.

Separate iron from other materials.

NO LP gas tanks – Tanks must be removed from gas grills.

NO leaves, grass, or branches – these items can be taken to the City's compost pile.

NO recyclable materials.

NO construction materials - such as cement, bricks, sheetrock, plywood, lumber, railroad ties, pallets, etc.

NO weekly household garbage allowed in junk pick up.

No computer monitors, electronic materials (such as TV's, stereos, computer parts, etc.). No toxic or hazardous materials, fluorescent bulbs, oil, oil filters, tires, vehicle batteries – these items must be taken to the Rock County Transfer Station by APPOINTMENT ONLY – Call 283-8862, Ext. 3.

Junk items that absorb water – please keep dry to eliminate adding overall weight, which increases landfill tipping fees.

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Close the Gate

By Nancy Kraayenhof

Disappointment

I am disappointed. I came down with Bell's Palsy back in early April, and I am still suffering with it now, nearly five months later. I'm disappointed that it hasn't gone away. I'm disappointed in the medical field for not knowing how to cure me. I'm disappointed that I look and talk funny. I'm disappointed in the pain most of all; the constant toothache that creeps up to my ear at about four in the afternoon and drives me absolutely crazy until I sleep it almost away. I'm disappointed and, no matter how hard I try to keep my spirits up, I'm crabby and that disappoints me even further.

For me, disappointment is one of life's most uncomfortable feelings. It is so complex. It is framed by other emotions like sadness, hurt, anger and probably many others too subtle to name. Sometimes those other emotions by themselves are easy to deal with, but when disap-

pointment comes knocking, it can leave me at loose ends.

Disappointment hovers in the front of my mind like a drone and drops a veil of gray perspective on all around me and all I do. I find it hard, very hard, in a world where everything is immediate, to just give BP time and it will heal itself. Even in the most difficult times, like a death in the immediate family, most people allow themselves like one or maybe two weeks to grieve and heal and then it's supposed to be right back to normal. I am finding no end to my disappointment. It is cumbersome and I find it affecting my attitude.

Human beings, in general, are not very good at allowing the experiencing of emotions in full without trying to speed up the process. In my work with young children, I find they have the ability to run the entire gambit of emotions in their purest sense because they haven't yet been told or taught what is socially accept-

able. Children will throw a tantrum, scream, cry or laugh until it runs out and then they are genuinely ready to move on.

Emotions, no matter how painful, are some of the beauties of life. I have been sitting and stewing in my disappointment without trying to fix or change it because it is said that the sooner you own an emotion, the sooner it will go away. Well, I'd throw a screaming hissy fit if it would do any good, but I fear my disappointment won't disappear until my Bell's Palsy does.

I've been trying to gain some perspective and perhaps face the fact that my face may never return to normal. Every day at day care, Anderson, a loud and matter-of-fact four-year-old, tells me to smile and so I do. "Yep, still crooked," he announces and then goes on about his business. I'm glad he's watching because I find myself avoiding mirrors like the plague. I never really thought of myself as vain but I

must be. Darn! I hate when the facts catch up to me!

Sometimes, when it is a person who has disappointed me, I would be willing to bet he/she doesn't even realize it. Other people are so wrapped up in their own busy lives and living their own agendas they forget about others. It happens. They don't mean to disappoint, they just don't think about it. Usually I just sulk about it for a while and then let it go, but with my BP disappointment compounding everything, I've been a bit edgy and have gone off the deep end more than once. Oops. Disappointment has bankrupted my patience. Sorry.

I know that disappointment is a part of life, part of being human. I accept that I will probably go on struggling to accept this fact at various points throughout the rest of my life and I'm not getting any younger — but it will pass and there's glory in the end.

I was lucky enough to be born with unquenchable hope,

and I have since gained unfaltering faith. It is not unusual for me to cry myself to sleep after a day of disappointments and worries but I wake in the morning singing out loud with the joy of another chance, a new day. I know it's absolutely crazy but I walk around perpetually expecting wonderful things to happen to me. I look for surprises around every corner and I notice all the good things in life. Disappointment is a part of life, and all parts of life can help me grow. I can be present and aware even in the midst of my negative disappointment emotion and therefore, I can live more fully. Someday I will emerge from this dark cloud I'm in and find the sun shining again. I can't wait!

Sure. It's easy enough to close the gate when life flows along like a song;

But it's hard to force my crooked smile when everything is going dead wrong.

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

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Valley Springs Reformed Church

701 Sunnyside Ave.
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Ph. 605-757-6640

Norman Bouwens, Pastor
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First Presbyterian Church

201 S. 3rd St.
Beaver Creek
Ph. 673-2428

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First Lutheran Church

300 Maple St.
Valley Springs, S.D.
Ph. 605-757-6662

firstpalisade@alliancecom.net
Ray Heidenson, Pastor
Sunday, Sept. 13: 9:15 a.m. Rally Day — Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship Service. 11:30 a.m. Fellowship Dinner.
Tuesday, Sept. 15: 7 p.m. Church Council meeting.
Wednesday, Sept. 16: 7 p.m. Confirmation; choir practice.

Palisade Lutheran Church

211 121st St.
Garretson, S.D.
Ph. 507-597-6257

firstpalisade@alliancecom.net

Ray Heidenson, Pastor

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Wednesday, Sept. 16: 7 p.m. Confirmation at First Lutheran.

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Interim Pastor Grant Fisher
112 N. Main St., Hills
Ph. 962-3270

e-mail: bethlehempluth@alliancecom.net

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Tuesday, Sept. 15: 2:30 p.m. Tuff Home Bible Study. 3:15 p.m. Tuff Village Bible Study.
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Hills United Reformed Church

410 E. Central Ave., Hills
Office Ph. 962-3254

e-mail: hillsurc@alliancecom.net

Alan Camarigg, Pastor
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1st Sunday of each month: Fellowship dinner after Sunday School



Glenda McGaffee photo/0910 girls serving beverages

Pancakes for Labor Day

The annual Labor Day Pancake Breakfast at the Hills Christian School Gym Monday, Sept. 7, attracted large crowds.

Pictured at right (from left) are Anna Vandyken, Darcy Alons and Kassie Haak serving beverages Monday, Sept. 7, at the annual Labor Day Pancake Breakfast at the Hills Christian School Gym.



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FOR ADJUDICATION OF INTESTACY, DETERMINATION OF HEIRSHIP AND
APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR IN SUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF ROCK
In Re: Estate of
Lois May Olson, a/k/a Lois Olson
Deceased

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND CREDITORS:

It is Ordered and Notice is hereby given that on the 28th day of September, 2015, at 3:30 O'clock p.m. a hearing will be held in the above named court at Rock County Courthouse, Luverne, Minnesota, for the adjudication of intestacy and determination of heirship and for the appointment of Scott Eldon Olson whose address is 207 SW Park Street, Luverne Minnesota 56156, as administrator of the estate of the above named decedent in supervised administration, and that any objections thereto must be filed with the Court. That, if proper, and no objections are filed, said administrator will be appointed to administer the estate, to collect all assets, pay all legal debts, claims, taxes and expenses, and sell real and personal property, and do all necessary acts for the estate. Upon completion of the administration, the administrator shall file a final account for the allowance and shall distribute the estate to the persons thereto entitled as ordered by the Court, and close the estate.

Notice is further given that ALL CREDITORS having claims against the estate are required to present the same 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: September 1, 2015

/s/ Terry S. Vajgrt
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/s/ Denise Brandel
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/s/ Paul A. Vis
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KLQL (FM)/KQAD (AM) public notice

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

On August 11, 2015, Dignity 3E License, LLC filed an application with the Federal Communications Commission in Washington, D.C. for the transfer of control of the licensee of KLQL (FM), 101.1 MHz, and KQAD (AM), 800 kHz, Luverne, Minnesota, to Alpha Media Licensee LLC.

The attributable officers and members of Dignity 3E License, LLC are Leonard Brandon; Susan George; Dean Goodman; Terence Moore; David Thompson, Jr.; Three Eagles Communications, Inc.; Dignity 3E Corporation; Dignity Companies, LLC; Dignity Media, LLC; Dignity, LLC; Garrison WRMF-FM, LLC; Garrison WRMF-FM Inc.; Palm Beach Broadcasting Holdings, LLC; and GoodCo Radio, LLC.

The assignee, Alpha Media Licensee LLC, is a wholly owned subsidiary of Alpha Media LLC which, in turn is owned by Alpha Media Holdings LLC. The following have interests in the assignee: Larry Wilson, Bob Proffitt, Donna Heffner, Scott Mahalick, BJ, Mary Lynn, Julie and John Moffitt, Bob Fuller, Rick Salsburg, John H. Moffitt & Co., Inc., Breakwater Broadcasting Funding LLC, Steve Bertholf, TLS Holdings LLC, Ted Snider, Ben Shapiro, Stephens Radio, LLC, Endeavour Capital Fund V AIV L.P., Endeavour Associates Fund V, L.P., Rio Bravo Enterprise Associates L.P., William McElveen, Michael Everhart, Teresa Recknor, Lance Hawkins, Jane Smith, Jane Lees, Coreena Hazelett, Michael Wild, Kevin Cassulo, Douglas Fouts, Matthew Marchand, Cynthia South, Kathryn Wake, Ricky Mitchell, Jesse Alvarez, Daniel Clemons, Michael Hartel, Bryan Hendry, Gerald Kevin Webb, Amy Leimbach, Cresswell Walton, Torden Wall, Dale Schaefer, George Demaree, Thomas Ulmer, French Damewood, Keith Wright, Richard Bateman, W. Edward Dorsey, Randi P'Pool, Phillip Becker, Larry and Tricia Bastida, Benjamin Shapiro, Noel Strauss, Douglas Martin, Saif Mansour, David Dorman, Eric Beckman, Jeffrey Sweeney, John von Schlegell, Stephen Babson, Aaron Richmond, Leland Jones, Chad Heath, John Dixson, Bradaigh Wagner, Dietz Fry, Richard Miller, Jackson Farrow, Richard Blank, Kathy Bryant, Robert Janes, Kevin Wilcox, Warren Stephens, Curtis Bradbury, Brian and Mark Wilson.

A copy of the application and related materials are available for public viewing at KLQL/KQAD Studios at 1140 150th Avenue, Luverne, Minnesota, or http://licensing.fcc.gov/prod/cdbs/pubacc/prod/app_sear.htm.

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Lori Sorenson photo/0910 rural water construction

Workers prepare to bury an 8-inch water line along County Road 11 near the County Road 5 intersection west of Luverne Wednesday, Sept. 2.

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past water data usage, they're trying to accommodate for 50 years in the future," he said.

"There's a lot of big livestock operators up there and we've had conversations with them. There's a balancing act where you try to make it big enough where you have the ability to accommodate expansions in the future, but still turn the water over in the pipe."

Hoffmann said interested customers should sign on now to Rural Water, while ground-work is underway, but by the end of September upfront costs will increase for latecomers to the game.

"There will definitely be more upfront cost in the future than doing it now," he said.

"It will be interesting to see how many people sign on after the pipeline goes by, and how many decide to put in livestock confinement operations later. I'm not a fortuneteller. I can't predict the future."

Hoffmann said work on the project started in June and crews are nearing the halfway mark to completion.

"We're getting to the point where we're going to be ahead of schedule," he said. "Most of the large pipe will be in the ground by the end of next week, weather permitting. It's going along really pretty good."

USDA helps fund \$5 million expansion project

Winter Bros. Underground was awarded the contract for the \$5 million project, which will be paid for in part by USDA grants and loans totaling \$4.7 million.

The USDA loan of \$2,448,000 will be paid back over 40 years at 2.8 percent interest. The USDA grant amounts to \$2,246,000.

Rock County Rural Water's contribution to the project is \$364,000 plus payback on the loan.

To pay for the work, Rural

Water increased the rates of large users to make up the difference in revenue needed to fund annual loan repayments.

Increasing the rate-per-gallon to \$.50 per thousand gallons (up 20 cents from the previous \$.30 per 1,000 gallons) used by the system's 209 "commercial users" is estimated to generate the needed amount.

Residential users generally pay \$2.75 per 1,000 gallons.

The Rural Water board also raised monthly rates on all users by \$10 per hookup beginning Jan. 1, 2014 (from \$17 to \$27 per month for general users).

That move raises about \$85,000 annually, which will also help fund the expansion loan repayment.

The Rock County Auditor's Office holds nearly \$2.8 million in savings for Rural Water.

That money was generated

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by assessments paid by current users to fund repairs and replacement for the current system.

Hoffmann said the northwest expansion project should be complete this fall.

"We should have water in the pipes by November," he said. "We'll do final work next spring, like some seeding and cleanup."

South end connection to Lewis and Clark now in service

A three-mile stretch of 8- and 10-inch waterline south of Hills was completed in December 2014 to hook up Rock County Rural Water to the Lewis and Clark Water System.

The connection at 70th Avenue and 11th Street has initially served 10 to 12 hookups.

When all projects are completed, it has the ability to serve the entire west side of the Rural Water system, but it will primarily serve areas south of I-90 and west of County Road 6, including the city of Hills.

The cost of that project is \$224,000 and was paid for out of existing Rural Water reserves.

The Lewis and Clark Rural Water System brings water from the Missouri River aquifer to more than 20 member communities and water systems in the tri-state area.

Sioux Falls was connected in 2012, Rock Rapids in 2013 and Luverne in 2015 (it will begin receiving water through the system in December). Some members, including Lincoln-Pipestone Rural Water and the city of Worthington, are still waiting for federal funding in order to connect to the system.

Automated meter reading installation continues

In addition to these Rural Water improvements, workers are continuing to update the entire system with automated meter readers.

"This something that will

benefit all users on the system," Hoffmann said.

The new meter system, which costs \$140,000, will allow Rural Water staff to read meters remotely, instead of having customers read their own meters and month and track their own usage.

Hoffman said Rural Water was forced to update to the new system last year when its previous meter company stopped producing the old style meters.

The new meters will be readable from up to 13 miles away, and will be a useful tool in alerting Rural Water staff of usage spikes that could indicate leaks in the system.

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