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City buys Lopau land for future housing lots

Closing isn't until August 2020 and work wouldn't begin until 2021 or later

By Lori Sorenson

Luverne city leaders continue to seek solutions for the community's housing shortage, and recent land transactions will help address those needs.

At their Nov. 12 meeting, Luverne City Council members approved an amendment to the 2019 budget to allow for the purchase of 10 acres of land from Lynn Lopau on the west edge of Luverne.

The city intends to develop the property for future housing, but work won't begin until 2021 because the purchase agreement allows for an Aug. 2020 closing in order to give Lopau time to find or build a new home in another location.

The property was appraised in two parts — one for the house, garage and two acres they sit on, and the other for the land and outbuildings.

The city paid \$475,000 for the house, garage and two acres and \$186,500 for the rest of the eight acres, including two outbuildings.

The total purchase price for the entire 10 acres is \$661,500; however, the city intends to sell the house, garage and two acres for \$475,000 — or more, because it's a quality home on a hard surface road in city limits.

The outbuildings are valued at \$45,000, but the city doesn't need those nor does it intend to keep them.

So the total value of the land with no buildings that the city intends to develop for housing comes to \$141,500 — or \$17,687 per acre.

It's too early to estimate the number of housing lots that new area could accommodate, but the latest housing study — updated after the Uithoven Addition was developed — continues to call for more single-family homes and twin homes.

At Monday's meeting of the Luverne Economic Development Authority, the board reviewed the latest information from the Maxfield Research firm.

Essentially, the study shows that hundreds of residents are traveling out of town for work and would likely live in Luverne if the right housing were available.

The entire housing report is available on the city's website, cityofluverne.org, under reports and studies.



Uffda!

Fine art of lefse demonstrated at Generations

Photos and text by Lori Sorenson

Diners and visitors at Generations in Luverne Tuesday were treated to a lefse demonstration by mealsite coordinator Lynette Hoiland and her husband, Mike, and her mother, Sylvia Niessink.

The potatoes were previously peeled, cooked, mashed and cooled, but the rest of the process was demonstrated, step by step.

The Hoilands mix 3 1/2 to 4 cups of flour with 15 pounds

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H-BC on national stage for excellence

Open house tonight in honor of school's new designation

By Mavis Fodness

Three representatives from Hills-Beaver Creek Elementary School traveled to National Harbor, Maryland, last week for the 2019 Blue Ribbon Schools recognition ceremony.

H-BC Elementary was honored as an "exemplary high performing" school, based on the third- through fifth-grade students' Minnesota Comprehensive Assessment scores for 2018.

Superintendent Todd Holthaus and teachers Shelly Fischer and Halden Van Wyhe

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Halden Van Wyhe, Shelly Fischer and Todd Holthaus represented Hills-Beaver Creek Elementary School at a Friday, Nov. 15, National Blue Ribbon Schools ceremony in National Harbor, Maryland. The school was honored as "exemplary high performing" by the U.S. Department of Education.

Submitted photo

Community invited to decorate for 'Love the Light'

By Mavis Fodness

Last year students from the Creating Entrepreneurial Opportunities class organized a "Snow and Glow" event at the Luverne City Park as a one-time group fundraiser.

The event built on the city's "Nutcrackers on Patrol" Christmas display of the previous year.

The Christmas lighting show planned for this year is "Love the Light," and the community is invited to decorate the park by the Dec. 5, the day before the event begins.

"It won't be anything as fancy as what the kids did last year," said Jane Lanphere, Luverne Area Chamber director.

Or it could be, if more individuals and businesses choose to add decorations to the 21 already planned for

the event.

The actual decorating is left up to the individual or organization with electricity available near each of the 23 light poles surrounding the park.

The event kicks off Sunday, Dec. 8, and culminates the last day of the Luverne Winterfest weekend activities.

From 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., the Luverne High School student council members will host "Christmas in the Park" in the park shelter.

The event features a festive environment with pictures taken with Mr. and Mrs. Claus and the student council elves along with the serving of hot chocolate, apple cider and cookies. Freewill donations will be

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Meetings

Parkinson's Support Group will meet at 1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 21, in St. John Lutheran Church, Luverne. Call Dianne Karlstad 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 will meet from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursdays, Nov. 7 and 21, in Sanford Luverne Blue Mound Room and then will go back to meeting the second and fourth Thursdays. Call 507-449-1246 with questions.

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

GEP ‘The Beverly Hillbillies’ at Palace

The Green Earth Players will present the second week-end performances of “The Beverly Hillbillies” Thursday through Sunday, Nov. 21-24, at the historic Palace Theatre in Luverne. Performances Thursday, Friday and Saturday are at 7:30 p.m. and the Sunday matinee begins at 2 p.m. Stop in or call the Palace Box Office at 507-283-4339 for tickets.

‘You Are Your Own Best Medicine’ Nov. 21

‘Health Care Safety: You Are Your Own Best Medicine’ will be from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 21, in the Blue Mound Room of Sanford Luverne.

The Minnesota Alliance for Patient Safety will offer information about how to work with health care providers to better communicate about personal health and to prevent medical errors and improve safety. Pay \$5 registration fee at Community Education by Monday, Nov. 18. A light meal will be provided. Call 507-283-4724.

H-BC celebrates Blue Ribbon Nov. 21

Hills-Beaver Creek Elementary will celebrate its selection as a National Blue Ribbon School with an open house Thursday, Nov. 21, at the elementary school in Beaver Creek.

The open house will be from 6:30-7:30 p.m. with a program at 6:30 p.m. The event is open to the public. Cake and refreshments will be served.

Bell ringers wanted for Red Kettle

The Salvation Army 2019 Red Kettle Campaign is Nov. 29 through Tuesday Dec. 24, and bell ringers are needed for the fundraising event. Two-hour shifts are available between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Sign up with Carrie Soto at 507-220-8897, or carriesoto@live.com or at <http://signup.com/go/AVakRKY>.

Food shelf sets holiday schedule

Holiday hours at the Rock County Emergency Food Shelf are from 1 to 3 p.m. and 5 to 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 21, 1 to 3 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 27, from 1 to 3 p.m. Thursdays, Dec. 5 and 12, from 1 to 3 p.m. and 5 to 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, and from 1 to 3 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 26. The Food Shelf is located in the lower level of the United Methodist Church, Luverne.

Free fresh food Nov. 21

New Life Celebration Church will offer free food from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 21, at the Generations building on East Lincoln Street for those who are having trouble putting food on the table. Bring your own bags or boxes. Call 507-283-4366.

Senior nutrition assistance Nov. 21

ACE of Rock County will sponsor a Nutrition Assistance Program for Seniors from 3 to 4 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 21, at Generations. Call , 507-283-5064.

Communications for Alzheimer’s

The Alzheimer’s Association will present “Effective Communication Techniques” from 1 to 2 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 21, in the basement conference room of the Minnesota Veterans Home in Luverne.

Holiday grief support class Nov. 25

A one-session class is being offered on grief support to help anyone grieving the death of a loved one this holiday season. The class will be offered at 5 p.m. Monday, Nov. 25, in the Blue Mound Room at Sanford Luverne Medical Center. No advance registration is needed, and the class is free. Call 283-1805 with questions or email jill.roemen@sanfordhealth.org.



Mavis Fodness photo/1121 Ninth Grade Career Day

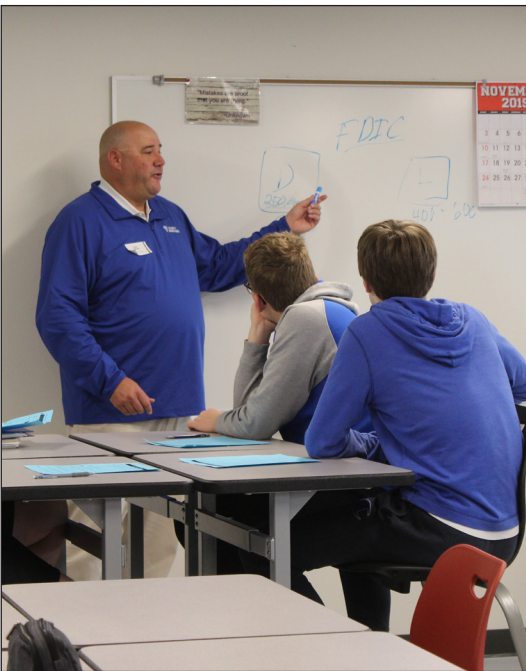
Luverne ninth-graders learn about careers directly from the source

Luverne High School ninth-graders participated in a new Career Day activity Nov. 13 when invited community members shared insights into their jobs and career fields. Six career areas were represented, and students selected two sessions based on where they showed interest from results of their career inventory tests. Presenters were Ryan DeBates, Brett Hood, Mark Ommen, Matt Mostad, Jen Johnson, Lori Sorenson, Tyler LeBrun, Dave Mulert, Jamie Reisdorfer, Brooke Vanden Hoek, Jessica Mead and Holly Sammons.

Above, Jennifer Johnson with CHS (at front, standing) and Matt Mostad (not pictured) introduced a video about the agricultural-based business with Jaycox Implement in Luverne representatives Brett Hood (sitting, left) and Mark Ommen (right) talking to students about precision farming and other potential careers in the agriculture, food and natural resources industry.

Below left, Ryan DeBates (standing) with Security Savings Bank in Luverne talks about the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and its role in the banking business. Ninth-graders attending DeBates’ presentation showed career interests in the business, management and administration fields.

Below right, Dave Mulert (far right), site supervisor with ICS of Blaine, shows a group of ninth-grade students and staff the various utilities hidden above the dropped ceiling in the Luverne Middle-High School hallway. Mulert described the work of various professionals currently completing the interior remodeling project at the school. The students who attended this session showed an interest in careers in engineering and manufacturing technology areas.



Lefse demonstration at Generations/continued from page 1

of cooled mashed potatoes, slowly adding the flour until the texture is right.

“How do you know when it’s right?” an observer asked Lynette, who was mixing potatoes and flour with her hands in a large stainless steel bowl.

“I can just tell,” she said. “It starts to get tacky, kind of like play dough, and you can

form it into a ball.” But she confessed the plastic gloves used for the demonstration affected her ability to sense the texture.

When Mike later had trouble rolling out the lefse, they wondered if they had mixed in enough flour. Or perhaps the mashed potatoes hadn’t cooled enough.

One observer men-

tioned she uses a sock on her rolling pin. Mike pointed out that his roller (his great-grandmother’s) is textured and therefore he prefers to use no sock.

At the far end of the workstation, Sylvia quietly buttered, quartered and rolled a batch of lefse that had been previously made.

“It’s for back-up,” Lynette

winked. “Just in case this one doesn’t turn out.”

While the threesome worked, they discussed with nearby observers the finer points of fresh potatoes versus instant (potatoes from a box are sacrilege) and buttered lefse with or without sugar (sugared lefse isn’t real lefse).

Samples were shared.



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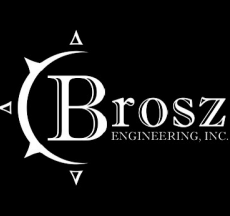
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Communities host Christmas meal and tree lighting Nov. 25

By Glenda McGaffee

The local booster club, Helping Build Communities Stronger, and area businesses in Steen, Beaver Creek and Hills will sponsor their annual community meal and Santa Claus night Monday, Nov. 25.

The event will be from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Hills American Legion Building where a variety of soups — bacon potato, chili, chicken noodle and vegetable — along with ham sandwiches will be served.

Santa Claus will be on hand for photographs from 6 to 7 p.m. for those who bring their own cameras.

Participants are asked to bring nonperishable food items for Project Love, a local organization that delivers food to new people in the community and to those with illness

in their family or with financial needs and other challenges.

“The purpose of this event is to help promote community unity,” said Howie Vis, event organizer.

After the meal and Santa Claus, crowds will gather at the west side of Memorial Gardens for the lighting of the Unity Christmas Tree across the street from the Legion.

Pastor Maggie Berndt-Dreyer of Bethlehem Lutheran Church will deliver a message to the group on the meaning of the Christmas tree and will offer a prayer for communities, leaders, country and military followed by the lighting of the tree.

“We are asking families and businesses to bring ornaments to place on the tree that evening,” Vis said.



Mavis Fodness photo/1121 TOY 2019

In a Monday afternoon ceremony, Dennis Moritz (left) and Lisa Dinger were named the 2019 Teacher of the Year and the Friend of Education, respectively, in a ceremony hosted by the Luverne Education Association at the Luverne Elementary commons.

Moritz, Dinger honored for their dedication to education

Dennis Moritz receives LEA Teacher of the Year honor

By Mavis Fodness

Sometimes celebrities are referenced by only their first or last name out of respect for their talents.

In the case of Luverne Education Association's newest Teacher of the Year, he, too, is often called by a single name.

Dennis Moritz — or “Moritz” to students, parents and staff — was named the 2019 LEA Teacher of the Year in a Monday afternoon ceremony in the elementary school commons.

Deb Ward, the 2018 LEA Teacher of the Year, announced this year's selection by reading comments from nomination letters submitted by colleagues.

“This person displays a patient and accepting demeanor, which helps students achieve to their highest potential,” Ward read.

“This person helps students build confidence in themselves even though they may struggle in their tougher academic classes and feel that school is not ‘their thing.’”

In his 26 years in Luverne Middle-High School, Moritz instructs eighth- through twelfth-grade classes at Luverne and serves as adviser for the Luverne-Adrian FFA chapter.

“You kind of learn as you go with this job,” he said.

Moritz grew up on a farm outside the small community of Humboldt, Nebraska, graduating from Southeast Nebraska Consolidated High School in Stella, Nebraska, in 1974. The school closed in 2009.

For nine years, Moritz worked for several local Humboldt farmers and operated a small firewood business.

In 1983 the financial hardship from the agricultural crisis prompted Moritz to go back to school.

“I knew if I wanted to stay in agriculture I had to go back to school,” he said.

He attended Southeast Community College, a two-year vocational/technical institute, to study general ag.

There he completed a plethora of hands-on classes which ultimately prepared Moritz for ag education, a career area suggested by one of his college instructors.

“I would never have given it (teaching) a thought until something was said,” he admitted.

That teacher, Barry Masin, inspired Moritz to complete a four-year ag education degree from the University of Nebraska in Lincoln.

His first three years in his new career were spent at the high school in Pender, Nebraska, until a blind date set up by friends brought

‘... understands that not all students will be academic rock stars and finds ways to help them discover and develop their talents and skills.’

— a nomination comment for the 2019 Luverne Education Association Teacher of the Year

Moritz closer to southwest Minnesota.

He married his wife, Deb, in 1993, and the couple moved to the Sioux Falls, South Dakota, area, where she resided.

For a year he was a substitute teacher in southeast South Dakota and worked at Menards in Sioux Falls until the next school year began.

In the fall of 1994, Moritz was hired to teach at LHS.

The couple makes their home in Beaver Creek.

At LHS for the past 26 years, Moritz has passed on what he has learned to his own students.

Staff members noticed these attributes in their nomination letters.

“... encourages all students no matter what their strengths and weaknesses are.

“... understands that not all students will be academic rock stars and finds ways to help them discover and develop their talents and skills.

“... goes the extra mile to provide opportunities for students to excel in many areas.”

When not in the classroom, Moritz delves into the restoration and operation of antique tractors and farm equipment. He often participates at area pioneer village and threshing bee demonstrations.

“Antique farm machinery is my gig,” he said.

Lisa Dinger chosen as 2019 Friend of Education

By Mavis Fodness

Lisa Dinger, the 2019 Friend of Education recipient, is quick to say her team members at Luverne Elementary and the local community are the real friends of education.

Each year during American Education Week (Nov. 18-23) the Luverne Education Association recognizes one teacher and one community member for their dedication and positive im-

pact on the students in the school district.

For the past 19 years, Dinger has served in the Luverne Elementary School as a child guide, the connector between students and families to the many developmental assets needed for positive youth development.

“I listen to what the needs are and try to meet them,” she said.

She admits there is a fine line between helping youth and their families and maintaining dignity for students and adults who are helped.

Comments on Dinger's nomination form recognize her compassion for children and tirelessness in connecting families to what is needed to meet their needs.

“Lisa works with so many people to provide student opportunities to be successful,” read one comment.

“Lisa has come to the rescue when a student needs something, whether it is material or emotional. She time and time again has helped connect kids with activities that normally wouldn't be an option for them due to financial hardship.”

For Dinger, coming to work each day often finds a new challenge waiting for a solution.

“I absolutely love what I am doing,” Dinger said. “People who know me know I am a very direct person, but it is because I really care and someone has to say the hard stuff.”

Her passion and drive comes from her own experiences growing up in Wisconsin and spending her high school years in Waconia.

She found exceptional life mentors in her teachers and coaches in the local school system.

“I've known since I was in junior high that I wanted to be involved in education,” Dinger said.

A volleyball scholarship brought Dinger to South Dakota State University in Brookings. She left with a double major in coaching and athletic training.

She spent seven years after her 1986 SDSU graduation teaching in Redfield, South Dakota, where she met her husband, Don.

The couple moved to Luverne in 1994 and until 2001 Dinger was a stay-at-home mom for their four children.

She has been the only full-time

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attended the ceremony from the H-BC School District.

“Being recognized under the national spotlight was pleasing and affirming,” Holthaus said.

“The pleasing piece is knowing that this one year our school was recognized knowing that there are other deserving schools out there. The affirmation comes from the satisfaction of knowing all the hard work by parents, staff and students was noticed.”

H-BC Elementary was one of 10 Minnesota schools chosen as a Blue Ribbon

school for 2019.

They were among 351 public and nonpublic schools receiving a flag and a plaque at the Nov. 14-15 ceremony hosted by the U.S. Department of Education.

H-BC Elementary School will celebrate its National Blue Ribbon School designation with the public today (Thursday) with an evening open house in Beaver Creek.

The hourlong event begins at 6:30 p.m. with a short presentation followed by refreshments.



Lori Sorenson photo/1121 love the lights

Rick Peterson of the Rock County Star Herald and Luverne Announcer works on the paper's entry Monday night for the upcoming “Love the Light” display in Luverne City Park.

Love the Light/from page 1

accepted during the council's fundraising event.

The “Love the Light” display will be lit for the first time Sunday, Dec. 8.

With a \$5 per car admission, viewers may vote for their favorite light display. The paid admission will go toward cash awards for the top three displays that receive the most votes, Lanphere said.

Viewers whose vehicle radios are tuned to 89.9 can enjoy Christmas music as they drive or ride the loop around the city park viewing

the lit displays.

After Dec. 8, admission to drive around the park to view the lights is free.

“It's a gift to the community,” Lanphere said.

The park will be lighted each evening through Jan. 5, 2020.

Individuals, organizations or businesses interested in creating a light display for the “Love the Light” event should contact the Luverne Area Chamber at 507-283-4061 or Lanphere at 507-920-5197.

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Is it real? Or is it fake? How does one know? Ask an LHS ninth-grader

I was an honored guest for Luverne's ninth-grade Career Day on Nov. 13 when invited local professionals shared insights into their jobs.



ON SECOND THOUGHT

By Lori Sorenson, editor

horst wouldn't use a controlled substance.

But my point was that "news" online is often created by malevolent individuals whose goal is to disseminate disinformation in order to influence readers toward a particular action.

I showed students how to check the legitimacy of a news outlet and its creator and the creator's possible motives. In the case of the fake story about Mr. Berghorst, it turns out a disgruntled former student (who had been expelled for smoking pot) was seeking revenge.

And the proper response, then, is to "block" future posts from that source. Don't comment. Don't share.

Sigh.

The students were nodding, wide-eyed. But would they remember?

There was no discussion about current political discord, and there was no mention of one political party or another — or that these things most commonly happen for political reasons.

In the short time I had with these impressionable minds, I used the most direct words I could utter to warn them about how to best learn about the world around them.

There are trained journalists who put their names on their stories and use real people as sources, and there are credible news organizations that pay reporters for factual news and fire those who don't strive for the same credibility.

We can hope our ninth-graders will one day subscribe to the Star Herald and the Washington Post, but at the very least, they'll hopefully remember Mr. Berghorst's fake scandal as an example of what not to believe.

(Thank you, Mr. Berghorst, for being a good sport about the illustration.)

Thank an educator during American Education Week

STAR HERALD EDITORIAL

Each one of us can point to one or more teachers who have made an impact in our lives.

We don't remember test scores because we know it is educators who make a difference in students' lives.

When American Education Week started in 1921, one-fourth of the World War I draftees were illiterate, unable to read or write.

Concerned over the public's lack of enthusiasm for public education, the American Legion and the National Education Association sought ways to generate support for public education.

American Education Week was born, and what has occurred in the 98 years since its inception has been nothing short of amazing.

Illiteracy rates have dropped considerably.

That's good news for everyone, but it has taken a lot of work and community support to place an emphasis on learning and creating the "World's Best Workforce."

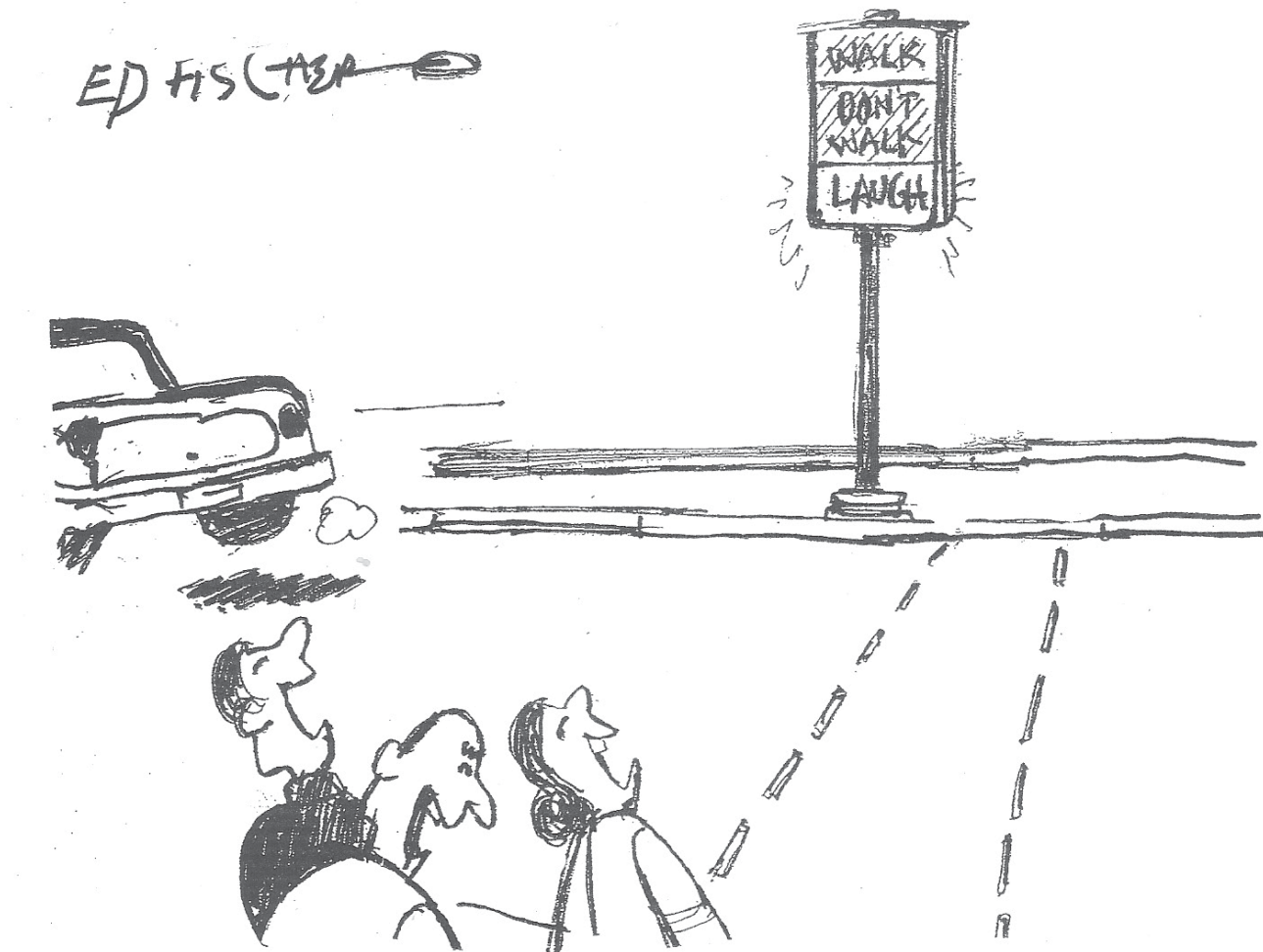
Students are mastering the basics at a younger age, and as they reach high school they are able to take advantage of more challenging classes, some even for college credit.

Each school district recently included on their website reports outlining yearly goals for pre-kindergarten through high school students.

The reports are titled "World's Best Workforce" and outline specific goals and benchmarks, and they also report if our students met those goals and benchmarks over the past year. The reports focus on the reason why we have schools — for learning and for succeeding out in the workforce.

Thanks to our local educators for leading the charge to improve academics into the next millennium. That was the thought in 1921 when American Education Week began, and it's still pertinent today.

Take a moment during American Education Week and appreciate what our educators do in our communities and for our children.



Drop a card to those deployed for the holidays at newspaper's 'Love the Light' display

I am writing my annual Thanksgiving column the week before Thanksgiving, and it's all about Christmas.

Last year the CEO class came up with the idea of "Light the Park" for Christmas. It was a huge success with hundreds of cars passing through the Luverne City Park enjoying the lighted Christmas displays. The CEO class has moved on to other projects this year.

So as not to let the "Light the Park" project go dark for Christmas, local businesses have taken on the project now known as "Love the Light" with the idea of hopefully making the light displays an annual tradition.

Some 19 businesses have signed up to put up displays, and the city of Luverne will graciously supply



FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH

By Rick Peterson, General Manager
Tollefson Publishing

the power.

The Star Herald is one of those businesses that will be participating in this year's "Love the Light" for Christmas. The lights will be on from Dec. 8 through Jan. 5.

The goal of the Star Herald display is to brighten the holiday sea-

son for deployed military men and women serving our country around the world. Our mission is to collect as many greeting cards as possible from the great folks of Rock County and get them in the hands of our soldiers, airmen and women, sailors and marines.

Once the displays are up, you can drive through the park and enjoy all the lights. As you drive by the Star Herald display, you can drop your card off in the collection box. We'll collect the cards each week and send them off to MILITARY MISSIONS, and they will put the cards in care packages. They send out about 8,000 care packages a year so they need about 80,000 cards.

If you have a family member serving in the military that you would like us to send cards to, please send us their name and address and we'll make sure those cards get mailed directly from here. There are just a couple of rules you need to follow. Do not put the card in an envelope. Do not use glitter. If the glitter gets on the uniforms, that can be a problem.

Here are a few card writing tips.

You may use greeting cards, or better yet, make one of your own.

Start your card with Dear Service Member or Dear Friend.

Be positive and upbeat. Be thankful. Feel free to share a little information about yourself like hobbies, pets, and what state you're from.

Avoid political statements, avoid lengthy religious discussions, but by all means let them know you are praying for them. Don't date your card because they will be sent out all year long.

Like I said earlier, this is my Thanksgiving column — about Christmas. However, if you help us out with hundreds of cards to send to our service personnel, I will truly be thankful.

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ON THE RECORD

Dispatch report

Nov. 8
•Complainant on E. 8th Street, Jasper, reported a possible trespasser.
•Complainant on S. Kniss Avenue reported an attempted scam.
•Complainant reported a rolled vehicle on 11th and 10th avenues, Steen.
•Complainant on W. Harrison Street reported a theft.
•Complainant reported an accident on County Road 17 and County Highway 4, Manley.
•Complainant reported Minnehaha County jail arrested individual on Rock County warrant.
•Complainant on State Highway 270, Hills, reported possible accident.
•Deputies assisted another department on County Road 4 and County Road 3, Magnolia.
Nov. 9
•Accident was reported at location on E. Main Street.
•Complainant on S. Oak Drive reported trespassing issue.
•Suspicious activity reported at location on Blue Mound Avenue north of Main Street.
•Complainant on Mag Road reported being stuck in car wash.
•Civil issue reported at location on N. Blue Mound Avenue.
•Accident reported at location on E. Main Street.
•Complainant on S. Kniss Avenue reported a runaway in Luverne.
•Complainant on S. Estey Street reported a vehicle ran into his building.
•Lyon County Sheriff's office arrested subject for warrant.
Nov. 10
•Driving complaint at location eastbound on Interstate 90, mile marker 5, Beaver Creek.
•Report of stop sign damaged at location on 141st Street and County Road 11.
•Accident reported at location on Highway 270 and County Road 6, Hills.
•Assist state with accident on Interstate 90, mile marker 12, Luverne.
•Roadside assistance westbound on Interstate 90, mile marker 13.5.
•Complainant reported possible hit and run on Edge-

hill and S. West Park Street.
Nov. 11
•Complainant on Main Street reported a subject disturbing the peace.
•Complainant on S. Kniss Avenue reported an accident.
•Complainant on W. Lincoln Street reported truancy.
•Complainant on E. Iowa Street, Steen, reported suspicious behavior.
Nov. 12
•Deputy out with abandoned vehicle on Highway 23, mile marker 16, Luverne.
•Complainant on Main Street in Hardwick reported an accident.
•Complainant on 180th and County Road 8 reported an accident.
Nov. 13
•Property lost at location on W. Barck Avenue.
•Complainant on 41st Street, Ellsworth, reported someone in her home.
•Complainant on N. Kniss Avenue and E. Dodge Street found a license plate.
•Complainant on N. Kniss Avenue reported strong smell of smoke.
•Deputies assisted PCSO southbound on Highway 23.
•Complainant on E. Barck Avenue reported open door.
•Deputy assisted other agency on 81st Street, Beaver Creek.
Nov. 14
•Assisted other department on 81st Street, Beaver Creek.
•Complainant on E. Dodge Street reported a phone scam.
Nov. 15
•Complainant at Luverne High School reported an accident at location.
•Complainant on E. Crawford Street reported a fight.

In addition, officers responded to 6 deer accidents, 1 follow-up, 2 transports, 7 escorts, 16 ambulance runs, 7 paper services, 13 attempted services, 6 animal complaints, 1 driver's license check, 3 log/alarm sheets, 1 drug court test, 2 purchase and carry permits, 7 traffic stops, 1 stalled vehicle, 10 abandoned 911 calls, 2 tests, 1 order for protection, and 3 welfare checks.



City buys blighted property for future development



By Lori Sorenson

The Luverne City Council purchased three more blighted properties to make way for improved housing or economic development. The council took action at its Nov. 12 meeting to amend the 2019 budget in order to adjust for the purchases, which were negotiated in the past three months. They include properties at:
•319 E. Maple from Adam and Amy Smedsrud for \$15,000 on Aug. 27.
•321 E. Maple from Gene Gehrke (empty lot) for \$6,000 on Sept. 18.
•108 S. Kniss from the

VanderPoel family for \$39,900 on Oct. 15. The total expenditures are \$60,900, plus deed tax and recording of \$530. The council also took action on Nov. 12 to designate the parcels for the public purpose of economic development or housing. The old residential dwellings on the lots will be demolished in the near future to prepare the lots for future development. None of the budget adjustments will cause total appropriations to exceed total estimated revenue and cash fund balances.

The VanderPoel property is above left, Smedsrud is above right and the photo at left is an East Maple property purchased earlier.

Teacher of the Year and Friend of Ed/

child guide at Luverne Elementary since the program started during the 2000-01 school year. "It's been a great fit in our school system and great support for the community," Dinger said. The child guide program began in several schools in southwestern Minnesota through the Southwest Initiative Foundation, and the local program continues to be financially independent from the school district. Luverne and Willmar are the only local schools that still have active child guide programs. "Education is so different," Dinger said, reflecting on her 30 years in education. "In school now, we take care of

the whole child." Teachers take the lead with academics and contact Dinger and her support staff to help with the basic, social and mental needs of potential at-risk children and their families. Success of the local child guide program can be attributed to Dinger's active participation in community organizations. Early in her child guide position, Dinger set out to learn what each existing organization could do to help children and families become integrated members of the community. She serves on 10 local organizational boards including Big Buddies, the Optimists and Rock Ranch.

Dinger works with all 580 students in kindergarten through grade 5 with more emphasis on pre- and at-risk students and families. One third of the students in the elementary school are referred to the child guide program each year with 80 percent being actively involved in activities. "We try to remove all the barriers so all children can experience everything all the other children in the school have access to," she said. Outside of the job, Dinger enjoys jogging, reading books, traveling, spending time with her family (which now includes five grandchildren with another one on the way) and horseback riding.

Buffer/

office to plant buffers at a future date to be in compliance with the state law passed in 2016. Vegetative buffers are designed to intercept storm water runoff and prevent river and stream bank erosion. The buffers also reduce the amount of sediment, nitrogen and phosphorus entering the public waters, improving its quality. "While we strive to gain 100 percent compliance, in some cases, enforcement action may be needed," Gehrke said. Contact the LMO office at 311 W. Gabrielson Road, Luverne, or call 507-283-8862 for more information.

Trail runners organize 'Pound the Mound' at Blue Mounds park

By Lori Sorenson

A group of Sioux Falls runners spent time in the Blue Mounds State Park Sunday morning to get a feel for the rocks and rills and natural terrain the park trails have to offer. Fourteen people completed an eight-mile preview run as part of their planning for next spring's "Pound the Mound" foot race to benefit The Friends of Blue Mounds State Park. Sioux Falls organizer Heather Namminga said the Blue Mounds State Park is popular with trail runners because it offers more than 10 miles of distance without repeating. For ultra trail runners, like her boyfriend Kyle Raverty, the park setting has the right mix of hills and rocks and grass that athletes seek for training. "Kyle competes in 100-mile races, and he'll do 25 miles for a training run," said Nammin-



ga, who is organizing Pound the Mound. "His races take him over all kinds of terrain, so the rocks and cliff trails in the Blue Mounds are really good training for mountain races."

The Blue Mounds State Park is a popular training location for ultra marathons because of its lengthy trail loops — up to 10.5 miles — that don't require as much repeat scenery.

At left trail runner Zoe Pease joins a group from Sioux Falls Sunday to preview the racecourse at the Blue Mounds State Park for next spring's event.

Raverty volunteered for some "Adopt-a-Craig" trail maintenance with Friends of the Blue Mounds State Park and was approached about organizing a race to benefit the local group's efforts.

Pound the Mound will be at 7 a.m. Saturday, May 16, 2020, with options to run one, two or three loops. The course is approximately a 10.4-mile loop. Three loops is a 50k distance. Namminga said course testers on Sunday enjoyed the route — especially the new foot bridge on the northeast end where the dam used to be. She acknowledged that trails in the past few years have remained wet for a good share of the hiking season, especially in the spring. But she said trail runners welcome the challenge. "They want it to be muddy, rocky and rooty," she said. "They love it. It's part of the culture." The event will be co-sponsored by Parks and Trails Council of Minnesota. To register, see the group's Pound the Mound event page on Facebook.



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TERMS: Sealed bids will be accepted until 5:00 p.m., November 29, 2019, at the Eisma Law Office, 130 East Main, Luverne, MN. All bidders will have the opportunity to submit additional bids until property is sold. Highest bidder will be required to sign a Purchase Agreement with ten percent (10%) non-refundable earnest money down payment on the date of the sale and the balance at closing on or by January 31, 2020.

Sale is subject to approval by the heirs of Leah Doorneweerd. For further details and information related to the property contact Douglas Eisma, Eisma & Eisma, Attorney at Law, (507) 283-4828/(507) 227-2829.



Mavis Fodness photo/1121 Nutcracker Library

Vance and Becky Walgrave designed and registered a Little Free Library named “Book ‘em Danno” that stands under the porch area of their business, Those Blasted Things, on South Highway 75. **Above left:** “Danno” is already filled with books for anyone to borrow.

Newest Little Free Library is more uniquely shaped than others in area

By Mavis Fodness

Another Little Free Library joined the list of book lenders when Becky and Vance Walgrave added one at Those Blasted Things, their business on South Highway 75.

But the Walgrave library revealed a more unusual shape than the previous libraries when it debuted last week.

“We talked about it (a Little Free Library) for a long time, and we decided it must be a nutcracker,” Becky said.

The nutcracker-shaped library honors the most common question visitors ask the Walgraves at their information center and gift shop. “Where are the nutcrackers?” they ask about the 4,000-piece collection in the History Center downtown Luverne.

While Bryce Brands of Luverne constructed the almost 7-foot-tall library for the Walgraves, their daughter Katie painted the structure with some input from her mother.

“We wanted a more traditional-colored one (like a soldier),” Becky said.

Katie, however, wanted more “bling,” which she added in a small

way.

The “bling” to the paint job was a gold tooth Katie gave the nutcracker instead of the more common all-white teeth.

The nutcracker’s name, “Book ‘em Danno,” was under the glass-fronted book cabinet. The name plays on the library theme and the popular phrase from the television show “Hawaii 5-0.”

The Walgraves are avid readers and the library is already well stocked with both paperback and hardcover books.

On Saturday a ribbon-cutting, conducted by the Luverne Area Chamber, welcomed the newest Little Free Library in the Luverne area.

Typically Little Free Libraries are mounted on posts dug into the ground. The Walgrave creation is free-standing and is bolted to the wall near their business’s front door.

“We wanted him under some protection because we get a lot of wind out here,” Becky said.

Anyone can borrow and/or leave a book at any of the Little Free Library locations. A map of registered library locations is available at www.littlefreelibrary.org.



Submitted photo

Bryce Brands (left), Katie Walgrave and Becky Walgrave stand by the nutcracker-shaped Little Free Library they created, and the Luverne Area Chamber celebrated with a Saturday ribbon-cutting.

CELEBRATIONS

Open houses

Lena Marbus will celebrate her 90th birthday with an open house from 2-4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 23, at Tuff Memorial Home in Hills. Greetings may be sent to Tuff Memorial Home, Room 16; 505 E. 4th Street; Hills, MN 56138.

Steve and Sandy Bennett will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with an open house from 4-7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 23, at Up the Dam Creek in Beaver Creek.

A come-and-go baby shower for **Brody and Isabelle Vander Steen** will be from 2-4 p.m. Friday, Nov. 29, at the Vander Vliet Shop, 1339 134th St. (Blue Mound Avenue), Luverne.

Card showers

Alice Boyenga will celebrate her 80th birthday on Sunday, Nov. 24. Greetings may be sent to her at 110 S. Walnut Ave. Rm. 102, Luverne, MN 56156.

MENU

Monday, Nov. 25: Beef and tomato goulash, green beans, cinnamon apples, bread, pudding. Program: 9 a.m. Bone Builders. 1 p.m. Pinochle.

Tuesday, Nov. 27: Baked ham with raisin sauce, au gratin potatoes, winter blend vegetables, bread, lime gelatin with pears. Program: 9 a.m. Generations board meeting.

Wednesday, Nov. 27: Roast turkey, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, cranberry sauce garnish, bread, pumpkin dessert. Program: 9 a.m. Bone Builders. Half-Price Day sponsor: Ken and Phyllis Vos.

Thursday, Nov. 28: Happy Thanksgiving!
Friday, Nov. 29: Closed for Thanksgiving weekend.

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.



Raku firing done; up next, Holiday Studio Tour

Jerry and Kathy Deuschle hosted a raku firing event at their studio north of Luverne Saturday when more than a dozen participants learned the fine art of using glaze, heat and flames to affect the outcome of their finished pottery pieces. At the end of the day, 14 new pieces had been fired and visitors took home their finished products.

Student assistants Katlin Petronek and Jenna Rolfs and class participants Cindi Morrison and Callie Sawtelle monitor the raku firing process. **Above,** Duncan and Alison Benjamin show their finished work.

The Deuschles will host fellow Luverne artist Mary Petersen this Saturday, Nov. 23, as part of Luverne’s annual Holiday Studio Tours from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The day features four studios and 10 artists. In addition to **Deuschle Studio**, Cody Henrichs, Sam Gesch and Chris Nowatzki will be at **Coffee Contemporary Arts** at 111 East Main Street, Cindy Reverts, Mitchell Muller and Dan Bartos will be at **Playing in the Mud studio** at 1013 150th Avenue, and Carol Ceynowa will be at **Titania’s Garden** at 1075 161st Street. A free courtesy shuttle will travel between studios. Visit all four studios for a chance to win \$100.

REMEMBER WHEN

10 years ago (2009)

•Yields are good, but test weights are down. That’s the report so far on the 2009 corn harvest, at least from one part of the county. According to Brad Berkhof, western area manager for New Vision Coop, Hills, the local corn harvest was about 35 percent complete as of Monday.

In a normal year Rock County’s harvest season is wrapping up by now.

“The corn didn’t mature in the field,” Berkhof said, explaining low test weights.

He said loads in Hills have been averaging about 52 pounds per bushel, compared with the preferred 55 or 56 pounds per bushel.

“We just didn’t have the heat unit days,” Berkhof said. “It was a cool summer.” ...

The bright spot in the 2009 corn harvest is yield, which is averaging between 180 and 230 bushels per acre in Berkhof’s southwestern Rock County area.

25 years ago (1994)

•Ron Rauk, owner of Rauk’s Store in Beaver Creek, began working in his grandfather’s store when he was 8 years old. He remembers families coming to town on a Saturday night to trade eggs or vegetables for other groceries and goods. ...

Times have changed, however, and Rauk’s store has made changes of its own to accommodate changing needs. “We’ve gone through some changes here since then,” said Rauk, now 47. “Back then, we were more of a general store where people bought work boots, nuts and bolts and clothing and women’s novelty items like buttons and needles and thread.”

Today, fewer people live in and around small towns like Beaver Creek. With more and more shopping centers and large grocery stores staying open late in Sioux Falls and Luverne, the need for Rauk’s services — particularly his meat locker — has declined. ...

To respond to these changing local needs, Rauk is making the ultimate change in his business. On Jan. 1, 1995, he’s closing the doors to Rauk’s Store on Main Street, and he’s reopening them in the form of a Texaco convenience store near the interstate. “It came down to do this or nothing,” he said. “We decided to take our chances (on the convenience store).”

50 years ago (1969)

•Almost every grain elevator in Rock County is filled to capacity with corn and soybeans as farmers continue fall harvest.

Railroad freight cars are the biggest problem for elevator managers in Luverne, Magnolia and Beaver Creek. All three elevators are served by the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad. “We just don’t have the freight cars available for the elevators,” Harlan Johnson, railroad agent, told The Star-Herald.

The Farmers Co-op Elevator in Luverne has received one freight car in the last two weeks. We could use 10 cars right now, Vance Ebert, elevator manager said. The Luverne elevator has piled about 20,000 bushels of corn at the fairgrounds.

The Magnolia Farmers Co-op Elevator is piling corn near the high school football field and could use 20 to 30 railroad cars. The Beaver Creek Co-op Elevator is full but isn’t piling outside. This firm could also use 20 to 30 freight cars.

Trucks serve the remaining elevators in Rock County as rail service is only available to Luverne, Magnolia, Beaver Creek and Hills.

75 years ago (1944)

•Rock county farmers received \$82,610.26 in dairy feed payments for butterfat and milk produced during the period October 1943, through August, 1944, it was announced this week by Chairman Arp of the local AQAA committee.

On a state wide basis, participation in the dairy payment program has increased, Mr. Arp reported. According to word received from Charles W. Stickney, state AAA chairman, the number of participants in Minnesota totaled 117,674, in October, 1943 when the program started, while 145,485 participated during the July-August, 1944 period.

During the 10 month period, dairy production payments in Minnesota amounted to \$17,692,676.

100 years ago (1919)

•The reorganization of the Hardwick State bank, whereby a controlling interest in the institution passes to Sioux Falls bankers, has been completed.

Under the reorganization Ebdan Wenzloff of H. A. McEwen, resident and cashier, respectively, of the Commercial and Savings bank, of Sioux Falls, have purchased the stock of C. H. Christopherson, of this city, and O. H. Gravatt and E. U. Iverson, of Hardwick, which gives the purchasers a controlling interest.

In connection with the change Mr. Wenzloff, Henry Rolfsa and J. B. Iverson have been elected members of the board of directors, and Mr. Wenzloff becomes president and Mr. J. B. Iverson vice-president. Mr. Gravatt, who has filled the position of cashier for the past twelve years, will remain cashier, and Miss Laura Anderson will continue as assistant cashier.

OBITUARIES

Sharon Boltjes

Sharon LeAnn Boltjes, 63, rural Adrian, died Friday, Nov. 15, 2019, at the Sanford Luverne Hospice Cottage in Luverne.

A funeral service was Tuesday, Nov. 19, at the United Methodist Church in Luverne with burial at the Adrian Cemetery in Adrian.

Sharon Lorenzen was born on Feb. 9, 1956, to Orland and LaVerle (Colbeck) Lorenzen in Pipestone. Her family lived in various places in Pipestone and Rock County until eventually settling in Magnolia. Sharon graduated from Magnolia High School in 1974 and then studied accounting at Pipestone Vo-Tech. She moved to Winona, where she worked at Winona National Savings and Loan Bank as a teller. She also took some classes at Winona State University. After nine years, Sharon headed west to Colorado. She lived in the

Steamboat Springs area for the next seven years.

She then returned home to her roots in 1991 where she met the love of her life, David Boltjes. They were married on June 20, 1992, at the Magnolia United Methodist Church. They made their home on a farm southwest of Adrian. Sharon worked for a year in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and then worked as secretary at Magnolia School. When the school closed, Sharon began a position as assistant to the media specialist at Luverne Public Schools in the library. She also directed school plays. In December of 2017, Sharon had to retire due to her diagnosis of Stage 4 lung cancer in addition to thyroid cancer.

Sharon was a member of Magnolia United Methodist Church where she enjoyed serving her church in various ways, including teaching



Sunday School for many years. She was also a member of the Hardwick American Legion Auxiliary. She loved her dogs, especially her Labrador retrievers. Sharon was an avid reader and enjoyed listening to music and drinking wine. She liked taking part in community theater, dancing, cross country skiing and mountain biking during her time in Colorado.

Sharon is survived by her husband, David; a daughter, Haley Boltjes (Erik Ness) of Rochester; siblings Sheila Hazard of Sioux Falls, Randy (Becky) Lorenzen of Magnolia, Sharlene (Jim) Vrtacnik of Big Fork, Ryan (Rhonda) Lorenzen of Wakefield, Nebraska; and her nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; a brother, Richard "Rick" Lorenzen; and a brother-in-law, Jeff Hazard.

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

(1121 F)

Laurie Wenzel

Laurie Anne Wenzel, 63, Yankton, South Dakota, died Tuesday, Nov. 12, 2019, at Averera McKennan Hospital in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

A memorial was Sunday, Nov. 17, at Wintz and Ray Funeral Home in Yankton.

Laurie Foight was born Feb. 23, 1956, to LeRoy and Marian (Anderson) Foight in Luverne. She grew up in Luverne where she attended school.

In 1974 Laurie married David Smedsrud and had a daughter, Kellie. Laurie worked for K-Products in Rock Rapids, Iowa, for a few years. In 1980 she married David Steuerwald, and they had two daughters, Billie and Bobbi.

They lived in Colton, South Dakota, and Laurie worked for Raven Manufacturing and then Kirby Vacuum Company. In 1996 Laurie married Roger Wenzel, and they lived on an acreage outside of Mitchell, South Dakota. They operated Wenzel Construction for 23 years, selling the business in April 2017. In May 2017, Laurie moved to Yankton.

Laurie loved going to rummage sales, and her favorite store was Goodwill. She loved refinishing and refurbishing all sorts of items and making them into something beautiful. Laurie enjoyed traveling, cooking and caring for others. She loved her



grandchildren and was proud of them.

Laurie is survived by three daughters, Kellie (Kelly) Pickner of Springfield, South Dakota, Billie (Jerred) Hysell of Yankton, South Dakota, and Bobbi Steuerwald (Chris Tyler) of Sioux Falls; five grandchildren, Kody Pickner, Oliver, Brock, and Taylor Hysell, and Aeshan Steuerwald; two sisters, Mary Sites of Lismore and Sarah Foight of Windom; one brother, Kevin Foight of Windom; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a sister, Kay Frances Bierma.

Arrangements were provided by Wintz and Ray Funeral Home of Yankton, wintzrayfuneralhome.com.

(1121 F)

Angeline Oolbekkink

Angeline Marie Oolbekkink, 95, New London, formerly of Luverne, died Thursday, Nov. 14, 2019, at Glen Oaks Care Center in New London.

A funeral service was Tuesday, Nov. 19, at the American Reformed Church in Luverne. Burial was in Luverne Memory Gardens Cemetery.

Angeline DeGraaff was born on June 2, 1924, to Frank and Anna (Van Sloten) DeGraaff in Rock Valley, Iowa. She grew up in Rock Valley where she attended high school, graduating in 1942. She continued her education in LeMars, Iowa, in normal training. She taught country school in Iowa.

Angeline married John Oolbekkink on Feb. 14, 1946.

They were blessed with three children, Edward, Beth and Raymond.

They made their home and farmed near Newkirk before moving to Grand Rapids, Michigan, to allow Ed an opportunity to attend a day activity center for disabled children. In 1959 they bought a farm in Rock County where they lived until moving to New London in 2011 to be near their daughter, Beth. In retirement, Angeline cleaned part time at the Luverne Hospital. Her husband died on Dec. 22, 2012.

Angeline was an active member of the American Reformed Church in Luverne. Her life centered on caring for her family. She enjoyed singing, playing cards and



spending time with family and friends.

Angeline is survived by a daughter, Beth (Jay) Gravley, of Spicer and a son, Raymond of Rock Valley, Iowa, and Alma (Jerry) Van Aalsburg of Modesto, California; and sister-in-law Geneva Kramer of Sheldon, Iowa.

Angeline was preceded in death by her husband, John; a son, Edward; six brothers and three sisters.

Arrangements were provided by the Johnson Funeral Home in New London, www.hafh.org.

(1121 F)

Jean Alderson

Jean Alderson, 74, of Ruthton, died unexpectedly on Monday, Nov. 11, 2019, at the Pipestone County Medical Center in Pipestone.

A memorial service was Saturday, Nov. 16, at St. James Lutheran Church in Holland. Inurnment was in the Holland Cemetery.

Jean Kelly was born on July 24, 1945, to John and Martha (Neiman) Kelly in Hendricks. She was baptized on Sept. 9, 1945. She grew up working on the family farm near Verdi. She attended school in Verdi, graduating from high school there.

Jean married Richard Halsne in 1963. Through the coming years she helped on the farm and raised their four children. In 1983 she began

working at the Good Samaritan Village where she worked for over 23 years.

On Jan. 16, 1985, she married Bill Alderson in Brookings, South Dakota. They enjoyed dancing, camping, and snowmobiling. Jean and Bill enjoyed going south and spending time with their friends in Texas during the winter months.

Jean was a member of the Ladies' Aid and taught Sunday school at St. John's Lutheran Church in Lake Benton. Following her marriage to Bill, Jean became a member of St. James Lutheran Church in Holland.

She loved spending time with friends and family. She enjoyed working in her flower beds, cooking, and baking. She loved attending her



grandchildren's events.

Jean is survived by her husband, Bill, of Ruthton; seven children, Randy (Judy) Halsne of Joliet, Illinois, Dave Halsne of Holland, Lori Halsne of Luverne, Scott Alderson (significant other, Dawn Johnson) of Holland, Brenda Kellen of Pipestone, Todd (Jenny) Alderson of Lake Benton, and Shelly Gylling of Holland; one brother, Pat (Joann Eldridge) Kelly of Minnesota; 22 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and many other friends and relatives.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her brothers Emory Kelly and David Kelly; a son, Dale Halsne; a nephew, Michael Kelly; and a grandson, Justin Halsne.

Arrangements were provided by the Hartquist Funeral Home - Pipestone Chapel, www.hartquistfuneral.com.

(1121 F)

Bernard Maras

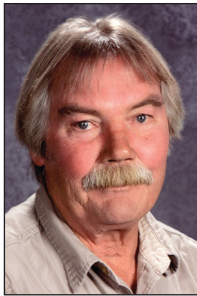
Bernard J. "Ben" Maras, 68, of Flandreau, South Dakota, died Thursday, Nov. 14, 2019, at his home.

A funeral service was Tuesday, Nov. 19, at Skroch Funeral Chapel, Flandreau, with burial in Luverne.

Ben was born March 9, 1951, to Louis and Evelyn (Baloun) Maras in Ash Creek. He received his education in Luverne and then attended SE Vo-Tech.

Ben and Sharon Lovejoy were together for over 40 years in their marriage. He worked for KELO, Hutchinson Technologies and for the Flandreau Public School for the past 11 years until retiring one month ago.

Ben enjoyed hunting, fishing, and mowing lawns, and he was a fan of the Kansas City Chiefs. His favorite was to dote on his grandchildren and attend their school events. Ben's motto was "The bigger the better."



Calvin VandenHoek

Calvin James VandenHoek, 94, Garvin, died Friday, Nov. 15, 2019, at the Good Samaritan Society - Mary Jane Brown Home in Luverne.

A memorial service will be at a later date.

Calvin VandenHoek was born Dec. 26, 1924, to John and Edith (Kuiper) VandenHoek in Vesper, Wisconsin. Cal was baptized on Feb. 1, 1925, at the Christian Reformed Church in Vesper. The family moved to Winnepeg, Canada, when Cal was two years old. Two years later, they relocated to Everett, Washington. Cal attended Christian school through the eighth grade in Everett. He made his confession of faith in 1939 at the Christian Reformed Church in Everett. Cal graduated from Everett Public School in 1943. He spent a short time in Idaho after graduation before being drafted into the United States Army in December 1944. He served in World War II in the 100th Machine Records Unit as a sergeant in military intelligence. He was stationed in Guam, Saipan and Tinian

until his honorable discharge in August of 1946.

On July 18, 1947, Cal married Mildred Valentien at Uncle John Valentien's farmhouse in Cottonwood County near Comfrey. The couple moved around a bit during their first two years of marriage before his job transferred him to Luverne in 1949. Cal worked in telephone maintenance for various companies such as Northwestern Bell, U.S. West, and Qwest. On July 23, 1982, Cal officially retired. In 1994 he and Mildred sold their home in Luverne and moved to a home on Lake Sarah in Garvin. They spent two winters in Texas and 31 in Arizona.

Cal attended Lake Sarah Baptist Church in rural Slayton. During his time in Luverne, he was a member of the Luverne Christian Reformed Church where he served two years as janitor. Cal was a charter board member of the Luverne indoor swimming pool and served two years. He especially enjoyed cars and boats.

Cal is survived by his wife, Mildred of Garvin; children Kathleen (Scott) McClure of



Ben is survived by his wife, Sharon; two daughters, Kimberly (Brian) Headrick, Tea, South Dakota, and Brittney Hall, Elk River; two grandchildren, Kourtney and Joseph; and six siblings, Theresa (Alvin) Radke, Agnes Thompson, Diane (Eldon) Klaahsen, Mary Moorshead, Dominic (Linda) Maras, and Phil Maras.

Ben was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters and four brothers.

Arrangements were provided by Skroch Funeral Home of Flandreau, www.skrochfc.com.

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1931: Luverne cuts city worker wages

The following appeared in The Rock County Star on November 6, 1931.

Luverne Cuts Employees' Salaries \$2000

Ten Per Cent Reduction To Lower Tax Levy One-Fifth; Every Office Is Affected

George DeLate, Superintendent of Light Plant, Takes Biggest Loss — Town Police to Receive \$90 Per Month

The Luverne city council made a 10 per cent wage cut for every employee on the town payroll at the regular November meeting held Tuesday evening of this week. It is estimated that approximately \$2,000 will be saved the tax papers in this manner. The yearly tax levy amounts to \$9,200. With the \$2,000 cut the tax levy should be reduced at least 20 per cent. It requires more than \$9,200 to run the town



BITS BY BETTY

By Betty Mann, president Rock County Historical Society

of Luverne but the balance is made up with profits from the city light and water plant.

How Salaries Are Cut

In addition to the 10 per cent cut on the payroll, day labor was cut from 35 cents

per hour to 30 cents per hour. The following salaries were cut to 10 per cent:

George DeLate, superintendent of light and water, former salary \$200 per month, cut to \$180.

Milton Alwin, chief engineer, \$145 salary cut to \$130.50. Harry Funk and Ory Bell, engineers, \$125 salaries cut to \$112.50.

Ben Lewis, helper, \$85 salary cut to \$76.50.

O. M. Olson, heat inspector, \$115 salary cut to \$103.50.

Henry Arendt, lineman, \$120 salary cut to \$108.00.

Charles Streeter, meter man, \$100 salary cut to \$90.

P. J. Connell and Hans Thompson, police officers, \$100 salaries cut to \$90.

Roy Fitzer, recorder, \$140 salary cut to \$126.00.

Frank Ferguson, municipal judge, \$50 salary cut to \$45.00.

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KAHR Foundation sponsors local teachers to attend technology workshop

Educators from Adrian Elementary, Ellsworth Secondary, Luverne High School, and Luverne Middle School attended BestPrep's four-day Technology Integration Workshop (TIW) this summer at the University of St. Thomas in Minneapolis.

As a result, and thanks to sponsorship from the K.A.H.R. Foundation, the teachers went into this school year with key resources, tools and strategies for their classrooms.

They were among 70 other educators in attendance who participated in hands-on breakout sessions and learned how to incorporate the newest technologies into their classrooms from experienced speakers and fellow educators.

Another key component of the technology workshop included a half-day job shadow. Each educator was paired with a Twin Cities corporate volunteer to visit their workplace; the interactive job shadows allowed educators to learn more about things like workplace culture, important skills students will need to be successful in a business environment, and how to better prepare their students for the workforce.

Popular breakout ses-



Submitted photo

Luverne Middle School and High School teachers who participated in the BestPrep training include (front, from left) Amy Cook, Ann Husfeldt, (back) Brian Snyders, Becky Rahm, April Wallace, Diana Erickson, and Carmen Thompson.

sions included Build Your Own Virtual Reality, coding, digital collaboration and presentation tools, digital storytelling and formative assessments.

Educators also updated a

unit plan, integrating strategies and resources they learned during the workshop, giving them a new technology-inspired plan to use in their classes this fall.

"Attending TIW is a unique experience for educators because they're able to both learn and apply new strategies and resources to help them better integrate technology

into their curriculum," said BestPrep's TIW Program Manager Stephanie Musgrove.

"Educators come out of the workshop with increased knowledge to create valuable and relevant classroom learning experiences and help their students develop essential skillsets."

Teachers interested in attending the TIW in 2020 can find more information at www.bestprep.org. Registration will open by December, and sponsorships are available. Contact Stephanie Musgrove at smusgrove@bestprep.org for more details.

The K.A.H.R. Foundation is a family foundation started in 2005 by Jeannine M. Rivet and Luverne native Warren G. Herreid II for philanthropic endeavors.

BestPrep is a Minnesota-based nonprofit organization that prepares students with business, career and financial literacy skills. BestPrep offers seven innovative programs and has served more than 1.7 million students and teachers since its creation in 1976. To learn more about the Technology Integration Workshop and BestPrep, go to bestprep.org.

Black Friday is on the horizon

Many consider the official start of holiday shopping to be Black Friday, Nov. 29.

Considering consumers spent an average of \$313 over the five-day period between Thanksgiving and Cyber Monday last year, we want to give you plenty of time to plan your Black Friday approach.

While Black Friday is a great time to score deals, it's important to be discerning and do research to ensure you're getting as great of a deal as you think. Before buying, read any fine print and compare deal prices to non-holiday prices so you're sure the original price hasn't been inflated to make the sale look more appealing.

Double-check the terms and conditions of the deals, too. Certain deals are only available during specific times and dates, and you'd hate to wait in a two-hour cashier line only to find out your items aren't priced the way you thought.

Though Black Friday shopping might require some work on your part, make sure to have fun. It's the kick-off to the holiday season and a wonderful time of year, after all.

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Carl Omodt, treasurer, \$50 salary cut to \$45.

C. J. Larson, fire chief, \$15 salary cut to \$13.50.

The mayor and town council members took a 10 per cent cut on their salaries. They received \$50 per year each.

Ray Engan, city attorney, received a salary of \$15 per month which was cut to \$13.50.

Health officers of Luverne received a total of \$40 per year. There are three officers, Dr. C. O. Wright, P. J. Connell and C. J. Larson. They will receive a 10 per cent cut.

Donations to the Rock County Historical Society can be sent to the Rock County Historical Society, 312 E. Main Street, Luverne, MN 56156.

Mann welcomes correspondence sent to mannmade@iuv.net.

KAHR Foundation sponsors Luverne students to attend camp

In June several Luverne High School students participated in a weeklong business, career and financial literacy camp called Minnesota Business Venture (MBV).

They are Seno Chanthalangsy, Alexa Chesley, Lilli Donohue, Jacinda Hustoft, Lindsey Roemeling, Solveig Tofteland and Jordan Winter.

The local K.A.H.R. Foundation provided the sponsorship for the students to attend the program developed by BestPrep, a Minnesota nonprofit dedicated to preparing students for college, work and careers.

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More than 350 high school students from 100 schools received scholarships to participate at one of two MBV sessions at the University of St. Thomas or St. John's University in July.

At MBV, small groups of students organized "companies" and spent the week developing an imaginary product or service. The students created a business plan and presented to a panel of professionals with the hopes of gaining a loan approval.

A few product ideas included an automatic reflective shield for cars to block out sun and heat, and an intelligent chip that transforms insulin pumps into a smarter artificial pancreas, and a solar-powered and chargeable phone case. Students in each company were mentored and guided throughout the week by professionals from local companies.

"Minnesota Business Venture taught me that values drive success," one student shared.

"It isn't about your background or experience, it's about having an idea and a dream, and having the confidence to pursue it and make it a reality."

The students engaged in other activities throughout the week, with projects being organized by day in a thematic approach, including Dare to Dream Day, Entrepreneur Day, Career Day, Financial Freedom Day, Youth Empowerment Day and Future Focus Day.

The students listened to inspiring keynote addresses, learned about money management and career opportunities, and participated in mock interviews.

Throughout the program, more than 180 volunteers



Submitted photo

Several Luverne students attended BestPrep summer business camp in June in Minneapolis. They are (from left) Jordan Winter, Lindsey Roemeling, Solveig Tofteland, Seno Chanthalangsy, Alexa Chesley and (not pictured) Lilli Donohue and Jacinda Hustoft.

came to MBV to share their experiences and business insights with the future workforce by volunteering as breakout session presenters, mock interviewers, financial advisers and more.

The speakers covered a wide range of topics such as managing personal finance, experiences in entrepreneurship and building a personal brand.

"MBV is a great opportunity for students to put themselves in the shoes of both a college student and a business professional," said

MBV Program Manager Janae Olinger.

"Participating in a mock interview, working in diverse teams, communicating with adults, and speaking in public are all ways students at camp set themselves up for success in school and in their futures."

Since BestPrep's Minnesota Business Venture started in 1981, it has more than 11,000 program alumni.

MBV is sponsored by many other companies and organizations including The Allstate Foundation, Cargill, General Mills Foundation,

and Wells Fargo Foundation Minnesota.

Summer 2020 sessions will occur on July 12-17 at the University of St. Thomas and July 26-31 at St. John's University. Registration will open in January 2020.

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Luverne senior Tacey Baustian makes BSC volleyball squad

By John Rittenhouse

A Luverne High School senior graces the roster of the 2019 All-Big South Conference Western Division Volleyball Team.

Tacey Baustian, a three-year starter as a setter, cracked the 12-player All-BSC list for LHS.

Marshall, the champion of the Western Division, claimed four spots on the all-league roster.

Seniors Logan Sherman, Mia Schnaible and Paige Andries and junior Jordyn Hilgemann made the team for the Tigers.

Redwood Valley claimed three positions on the all-conference roster.

Juniors Sydney Sommers and Aubree Hicks

and sophomore Kate Ahrens made the team for the Cardinals.

Seniors Katelyn Nichols and Autumn Hauge represent Windom on the All-BSC squad.

Pipestone senior Kayli Borman and Jackson County Central senior Alaina Wolff round out the all-league team.

Conference officials doled out honorable mention awards to six players.

JCC senior Jordan Rogotzke and sophomore Sadie Voss, Marshall senior Rachel Schwarz, Windom senior Halle Jackson, Pipestone senior April Haupt and Worthington senior Payton Sauerbrei are the honorable mention selections.



Star Herald file photo

Luverne senior Tacey Baustian made the 2019 All-Big South Conference Western Division Volleyball Team.



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Seven members of the Luverne High School football team received postseason honors this week. Zach Ahrendt (back, left), LaShad Smith (front, left), Nathan Nekali (back, second left), Bailey Cowell (front, middle) and Nick Feit (front, right) made the All-South Central District Silver Division Football Team. Matthew Sehr (back, second right) and Colby Crabtree (back, right) received honorable mention. Cowell and Nekali also received some special awards from the District's coaches.

Seven Cards draw honors

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne High School football team gained ample representation when the South Central District Silver Division All-District team was announced.

Luverne placed second in the District with a 4-1 record this fall, and seven Cardinals received recognition for the accomplishment.

Five LHS players grace the 23-player All-District roster.

A total of 12 athletes drew honorable mention from the district coaches, and two selections went to Cardinal players.

Making the All-District squad from LHS were seniors Nick Feit and Nathan Nekali.

Juniors Bailey Cowell, LaShad Smith and Zach Ahrendt made the team as well.

LHS seniors Matt Sehr and Colby Crabtree received honorable mention.

Along with making the All-District list, Nekali and Cowell drew extra honors.

Nekali was named the division's Offensive Lineman of the Year, and Cowell is the Co-Offensive Back of the year.

Division champion Fairmont led all teams with six All-District selections.

Seniors Caden Baarts, Cale Steuber, Jacob Rahn, Carson Toomer and Zach Soelter, along with junior Zach Jorgensen, represent FHS on the roster.

Baarts is the division's Player of the Year, Rahn the Defensive Lineman of the year and FHS mentor Mat Mahoney the Coach of the Year.

Belle Plaine landed four All-District selections.

Seniors Colton Kerkow, Cole Brown and Zach Olson, as well as freshman Ryan Retzer, are the Tigers on the list.

Brown is the Co-Offensive Back of the Year along with Cowell.

Sibley East and Tri-City United secured three All-District selections each.

Seniors Lincoln Carpenter and JaBez Bates, as well as junior Caleb Dose, made the squad for SE.

Dose is the Defensive Back

of the Year.

Senior Jose Reyes and juniors Mason O'Malley and Kayden Factor represent T-CU on the list.

Rounding out the All-District squad are Norwood-Young America senior Jett Ruud and junior Jesse Weinand.

Other players drawing honorable mention include N-YA senior Will Hoernemann and junior Bryce Homan, Fairmont sophomores Gavin Rodning and Hudson Artz, seniors Dylan Kahle and Matt Fink, Sibley East senior Lucas Dose and junior Keegan Eferetz and T-CU senior Zach Wendorf and junior Riley O'Malley.

Become law-abiding sportspersons

I visited with the local conservation officer, Andrew Dirks, a few times over the past few weeks about the new rules and regulations and things hunters and fishermen need to be up to date on.



Many COs have retired in the past five years and more retirements are on the horizon.

When one retires, the others have to cover those areas until a new officer can be found to fill the vacancy. For almost all of the years I can remember, Nobles County and Rock County have had to share a CO from a neighboring county.

Andrew took over this station about three years ago, and if you care about the status of the game and fish populations in your area, then having a CO is a great thing.

The state has what is called a CO academy where successful applicants get their specialized training and then ride with current officers to get the experience they need before striking out on their own.

These academies cost tons of money and the legislature has to allocate the funds. They have done a better job as of late, but we still need another academy to fill the vacancies that have occurred since the last.

Conservation officers have more responsibilities now than they did three decades ago. They used to be called game wardens and dealt almost solely with game and fish issues. Today they handle pollution or chemi-

OUTDOORS

By Scott Rall, outdoors columnist

cal spill investigations, back up other law enforcement personnel and more.

I have said it many times that the No. 1 thing that keeps people on the straight and narrow when it comes to staying legal is the chance you could get caught. With a CO covering two counties, they have to cover tons of miles, so they'll often find a high perch and watch activities with binoculars.

I guarantee you have been watched when you had no idea you were being watched. What a good sportsman and an ethical hunter will do is obey the laws. Most outdoor folks do a very good job of this. There are others who think the laws are for someone else.

In addition to obeying the law, you can help COs track down and charge those who choose to act illegally and unethically by reporting those who break the law. The ones who shoot state wildlife management signs are high on my list to get reported.

There is something called the T.I.P. line (Turn in Poachers) and the number is 1-800-652-9093 to report suspected violations to the CO.

Calling this number can be done anonymously or you can leave your name if you choose. If your tip is used and ends up in a successful prosecution, you can actually receive a monetary reward for your tip.

CO Dirks told me almost

nobody asks for or takes the money but that some of the biggest busts he has had in the past three years have come from tips received on this line.

Put the T.I.P. number in your phone and use it when you see violations of our game and fish laws. People dumping trash, furniture, or hazardous material on public lands would be another good reason to call.

People who break game laws are just common poachers. If you shoot too early or too late, you are taking game that would have lived another day. Generally, breaking the law allows poachers to access more fish and game than the law-abiding citizen does.

Double dipping when fishing is another common breach. Catching a limit, taking them home, then returning to catch another limit that same day steals those fish from the law-abiding sportsman.

Be an ethical sportsman or woman. Obey the laws and help COs remove those from the field who think the laws are for someone else.

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



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Luverne freshman forward Kamryn Van Batavia netted two goals and charted one assist during Thursday's 5-2 victory over Worthington at the Blue Mound Ice Arena.

LHS girls split hockey games

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne girls' hockey team split two games during the second week of the 2019-20 season.

The Cardinals posted a three-goal win over Worthington during their home and Big South Conference debut Thursday.

LHS lost a one-goal decision in overtime to Litchfield-Dassel-Cokato Friday in Litchfield.

The 3-1 Cardinals host Minnesota River at the Blue Mound Ice Arena Saturday.

The Cardinals fell one goal short during a hard-fought game in Litchfield Friday.

The teams netted one goal each during the first three periods of a game that went to overtime.

L-D-C settled the issue when Alyssa Olson scored her second goal of the game 1:29 into overtime to give the Dragons a victory.

The Dragons led 1-0 when Emily Johnson found the net at the 10-minute mark of the first period.

Luverne knotted the score at one when Kamryn Van Batavia

recorded her first of two goals during a power-play situation with 4:40 remaining in the opening stanza.

Reghan Bork received an assist for Van Batavia's goal.

Van Batavia gave the Cards a 2-1 edge with an unassisted tally 32 seconds into the second period.

L-D-C's Sophia Hillmann tied the score at two with a power-play goal that came with 2:10 remaining in the period.

Olson gave the Dragons a

Glad to witness Sunday's miracle

For some unknown reason, I didn't let history repeat itself Sunday afternoon.

As a member of a gathering that included friends and family, I did not jump off the ship when the Minnesota Vikings found themselves in trouble during their game against the Denver Broncos.

That wasn't the case as recently as two years ago.

Some may recall the column I put together following the Vikings game against the New Orleans Saints during the NFL playoffs in 2017.

The game is now named the Minneapolis Miracle for good reason, as the Vikings stole a victory out of the jaws of defeat when Stefon Diggs hauled in a 61-yard touchdown pass from Case Keenum during the final play of a 29-24 win.

The problem is, I didn't witness the miracle.

Frustrated after watching the Vikings squander a 17-0 halftime lead to the Saints in the second half, I decided to grab my shoes and head outdoors to cool off instead of watching what has to be the most dramatic play in franchise history as it happened.

To be honest, I never did leave the house.

I couldn't understand why my wife, Astrid, was screaming, "We won!" as I was putting on my shoes.

I thought she had lost her mind, but that wasn't the case.

After watching the replay of the unlikely touchdown at least six or seven times, I have to live with the fact that I missed a fantastic finish by leaping off the ship early.

The good thing is, I learned a lesson from giving up hope too early two

FROM THE SIDELINES

By John Rittenhouse, sports editor

years ago.

There was ample opportunity Sunday to take a nosedive off the Vikings' ship after a horrid first half that ended with Minnesota facing a 20-0 deficit.

I continued to believe instead.

In an attempt to be a voice of reason, I tried to convince the group that the game wasn't over.

The Minneapolis Miracle taught me that anything can happen, and that was the message I tried to convey to anyone who wanted to listen to me on Sunday.

Against all odds, something did happen.

After being limited to 47 yards in the game's first half, the Vikings produced touchdowns with four consecutive offensive possessions in the second half to gain a 27-23 lead with 6:01 left to play.

I was feeling pretty good about myself at that point, but that feeling went away during Denver's next possession.

The Broncos converted three fourth-down conversions during an impressive drive that reached the Vikings' four-yard line.

I was bracing for heartbreak when Denver tossed three consecutive passes toward the end zone in the final seconds, but I celebrated with gusto when the third and final pass fell incomplete.

I may have missed the Minneapolis Miracle, but I'm proud to say I didn't miss Sunday's miracle of a come-from-behind victory.

Registration is open for 19th version of De-Light-Ful 5K Run

By John Rittenhouse

The 19th annual De-Light-Ful 5K Run is set for Saturday, Nov. 30.

Registration for the event is now open on www.all-sportscentral.com website.

There also will be race day registration starting at 5 p.m. at the Luverne Armory.

A one-mile walk/run has

been added to the event this year.

Walkers can sign up at the Armory starting at 5 p.m. as well.

The events begin at the Armory at 6 p.m.

A meal, awards ceremony and a post race party will be staged in the Armory when the events are complete.

Five Dragons grace honorary football list

By John Rittenhouse

Five members of the Adrian-Ellsworth football team received postseason honors last week.

Three Dragons were selected to the 2019 All-Southwest District East Sub-District Football Team.

Two more A-E athletes received honorable mention from the district's coaches.

A-E seniors Lance Luettel, Brandon Schnoor and Ian Stamer made the 31-player all-district roster.

A-E senior Logan Taylor and junior Preston Nelson are two of 16 players to receive honorable mention.

Springfield led all teams by securing six all-district selections.

Seniors Ivan Hovland, Nolan Hovland, Dylan Rubey, Mason Rummel, Decker Scheffler and Curtis Tauer are the Tigers on the squad.

Wabasso and Tracy-Milroy-Balaton landed five all-district selections.

Wabasso seniors Cole Freicks, Zach Thooft and Lance Wagner and juniors Will Carlson and Colby Wall are the Rabbits on the roster.

Seniors Trevor Eisfeld, Lucas Gervais, Sawyer Otto, Jake Tauer and Konnor Zick made the team for T-M-B.

Murray County Central athletes secured four all-district selections.

Juniors Rylan Behnke, Dylan Johnson and Blake Schmitz and sophomore Christian Kuball are the Rebels on the list.

New Ulm Cathedral and Minnesota Valley Lutheran matched A-E by securing three all-district selections.

Seniors Tony Geiger, Chris



John Rittenhouse photo/1121 ahs fb

Five members of the Adrian High School football team collected postseason honors last week. Lance Luettel (middle), Ian Stamer (right) and Brandon Schnoor (pictured below) made the All-Southwest District East Sub-District Team. Logan Taylor (right) and Preston Nelson (pictured below) drew honorable mention from the District coaches.

Knowles and Jon Zinnel represent NUC on the team, while seniors Colton Collum, Mason Cox and Jace Marotz grace the list from MVL.

Sleepy Eye seniors Juan Cortez and Jacob Meyer round out the all-district squad.

Other players drawing honorable mention include MVL senior Carlos Ramirez and junior Luke Peterson, SE seniors Juan Cortez and Jacob Meyer, Springfield juniors Kadin Johnson and Jordan Toll, Wabasso juniors Carter Benz and Nick Marotzke, T-M-B senior Cobey Anderson



Schnoor

and junior Nathan Fultz, MCC seniors Kyler Deacon and Tyler



Nelson

Winter and NUC senior Josh Kretsch and junior Jacob Berg.

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3-2 advantage with a power-play goal 3:53 into the third period.

Bork tied the score at three 39 seconds later with an assist going to Rylee Gee.

LHS sported a 32-24 advantage in shots on goal in the game.

Cheyenne Schutz stopped 20 of the 24 shots she faced in goal for Luverne.

Luverne 5, WHS 2

The Cardinals opened Big South Conference play during their home debut Thursday at the Blue Mound Ice Arena.

LHS entertained Worthington in a game that was tied at two 10 minutes into the second period.

Luverne proceeded to score three unanswered goals in the final 22 minutes to earn a victory.

Worthington trailed 2-1 entering the second period before tying the score with a goal from Hannah Berrie 1:31 into the stanza.

The score remained tied until there was 6:07 remaining in the period, when Claire Baustian gave the Cards a 3-2 edge.



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Luverne forward Anika Boll takes a shot during Thursday's home win over Worthington.

Luverne iced the win by scoring twice in the final four minutes of the third period.

Van Batavia capped a two-goal effort when she gave the Cards a 4-2 cushion with 3:03 remaining.

Regan Feit added a goal with a slap shot from the point with 1:32 left in the game.

LHS drew first blood in the

contest when Van Batavia netted an unassisted goal during a short-handed situation at the 10:23 mark of the first period.

Worthington tied the score at one when Kya Nikel registered a goal with two seconds left in a power play, but Luverne regained the lead at 2-1 when Shelby Kracht scored with 5:58 remaining in the stanza.

Mallory Von Tersch turned in a 20-save effort for an LHS team that outshot Worthington 38-22 in the game.

Brynn Thier paced the Cards with two assists, while Billi Connell, Rozilyn Oye, Bork, Baustian and Van Batavia chipped in one assist each to the winning cause.

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Walt Moser, Pastor

Thursday, Nov. 21: 6 a.m. Men's Bible Study. 1 p.m. Roll bandages for Zambia. 8 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3. Sunday, Nov. 24: 9:15 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship Service. 6 p.m. Thanksgiving Banquet with Healing Hope Ministries. Tuesday, Nov. 26: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study. Wednesday, Nov. 27: No Awana — Thanksgiving break. Thursday, Nov. 28: 8 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3.

Grace Lutheran Church
500 N. Kniss Ave., Luverne

Ph. 507-283-4431; www.graceluverne.org — graceluverne@iw.net
Ron Nichols, Pastor / Ann Zastrow, Associate Pastor

Thursday, Nov. 21: 8:30 a.m. Missions in Action. 9:30 a.m. Rachel Circle. 1:30 p.m. Lydia Circle. 2 p.m. Sarah Circle. Friday, Nov. 22: 6:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Saturday, Nov. 23: 5:30 p.m. Worship Service. Sunday, Nov. 24: 8:15 a.m. KQAD Radio Broadcast. 9 a.m. Worship Service. 10 a.m. Fellowship coffee/treats. 10:15 a.m. Adult study; Sunday School. 1:30 p.m. Worship at Mary Jane Brown Home. 2:15 p.m. Worship at Poplar Creek. 7 p.m. Ecumenical Community Service at Grace Lutheran. Monday, Nov. 25: 4:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Tuesday, Nov. 26: 7 a.m. Dorcas Circle at The Bean. 9 a.m. Staff meeting; Grace Notes assembly. 1:30 p.m. Worship at Mary Jane Brown Home. 2:30 p.m. Worship at Poplar Creek. 4 p.m. Worship at Vets Home. 7 p.m. Mary/Martha Circle at Grace Lutheran. Wednesday, Nov. 27: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study. No Faithweavers; No Confirmation classes. 7 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve Service with Holy Communion. Thursday, Nov. 28: Office is closed.

Bethany Lutheran Church
720 N. Kniss Ave., Luverne

Ph. 507-283-4571 or 507-449-0291 or 605-215-9834
pastorapalmquist67@yahoo.com

Sunday, Nov. 24: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 9:15 a.m. Bible class. 10:15 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion. Wednesday, Nov. 27: 3:30 p.m. Catechism class. 7 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve Worship.

American Reformed Church
304 N. Fairview Dr., Luverne

Ph. 283-8600; email: office@arcluverne.org
Mike Altena, Pastor

Thursday, Nov. 21: 5:30 p.m. Tumbling Tikes. Friday, Nov. 22: 6:30 a.m. Community Men's Bible Study. 8 a.m. Justice For All. 4:30 p.m. REFIT Fitness. Sunday, Nov. 24: 9:30 a.m. Worship Service. 10:50 a.m. Family Education. 7 p.m. Prayer meeting. Tuesday, Nov. 26: Noon Staff meeting. 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. Bible Study Fellowship. 6:30 p.m. Praise Team. 7 p.m. Youth room reserved. Wednesday, Nov. 27: 4:30 p.m. REFIT Fitness. 7 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve Worship. Thursday, Nov. 28: 8 a.m. Commons reserved. 11 a.m. Youth Room reserved.

First Assembly of God Church

1075 110th Ave., 2 miles west of Luverne on County Rd. 4

Sundays: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 10 a.m. Morning Worship. 6:30 p.m. School of the Holy Spirit. Wednesdays: 7 p.m. Kids Connection; Men's Bible Study with Pastor Ken; Women's Bible Study with Pastor Gloria.

United Methodist Church
109 N. Freeman Ave., Luverne

Ph. 283-4529; email: luverneumnc@iw.net

Thursday, Nov. 21: 1-3 p.m. and 5-6:30 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf. Saturday, Nov. 23: 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Sunday, Nov. 24: 9 a.m. Coffee Hour and Adult Sunday School. 10 a.m. Worship Service. 4:30 p.m. Genesis/Revelation Bible Study. 6 p.m. ALIVE Youth Group — Work Day. Monday, Nov. 25: 6:30 p.m. Movie night. 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Tuesday, Nov. 26: 9:30 a.m. Folding Team. Wednesday, Nov. 27: No F.U.E.L. or Confirmation. 1-3 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf. 5:30 p.m. Thanksgiving Community Meal. 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Thursday, Nov. 28: Office closed for holiday.

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.

First Presbyterian Church
302 Central Lane, Luverne

Ph. 283-4787; email: Firstpc@iw.net — www.fpcluverne.com

Thursday, Nov. 21: 10 a.m. Worship on Channel 3. Sunday, Nov. 24: 9 a.m. Sunday School; Confirmation class. 10:15 a.m. Worship Service. 11:15 a.m. Coffee and fellowship. 7 p.m. Thanksgiving service at Grace Lutheran. Monday, Nov. 25: Noon Over 60's Thanksgiving dinner. Tuesday, Nov. 26: 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Wednesday, Nov. 27: No youth club. Thursday, Nov. 28: 10 a.m. Worship on Channel 3.

St. John Lutheran Church
803 N. Cedar St., Luverne

Ph. 283-2316; email: stjoh@iw.net
www.stjohnlutheranluverne.org

Nov. 21: 11:30 a.m. DCE Jess Devotions at Mary Jane Brown Home. Saturday, Nov. 23: 5:30 p.m. Worship with Communion. Sunday, Nov. 24: 9 a.m. Worship with Communion — Installation of officers. 10:15 a.m. Christian Education Hour. 10:20 a.m. Adult Bible Study. 11:15 a.m. Junior Choir. 4 p.m. Junior LYF "Thankmas." Tuesday, Nov. 26: 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. 10:30 a.m. Assemble newsletter. Wednesday, Nov. 27: No Bible study; no Wednesday evening activities. 7 p.m. An Evening with Autumn. Thursday, Nov. 28: 9 a.m. Thanksgiving Day Worship with Communion. No Little Lambs; Church office is closed.

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church
305 E. 2nd St., P.O. Box 36, Hardwick

Ph. (507) 669-2855; zionoffice@alliancecom.net

Jesse Baker, Pastor

Thursday, Nov. 21: 3:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Friday, Nov. 22: 3:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Sunday, Nov. 24: 9 a.m. Worship Service. 10:10 a.m. Mentor program. 10:30 a.m. Sunday School; Bible study. Monday, Nov. 25: 1 p.m. Quilting. Tuesday, Nov. 26: 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study. Wednesday, Nov. 27: 7 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve Worship. No Confirmation. Thursday, Nov. 28: Office is closed. 3:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3.

Ben Clare United Methodist Church
26762 Ben Clare Ave., Valley Springs, S.D.

igtwlb@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, Nov. 24: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School at First Lutheran Church. 10:30 a.m. Worship at First Lutheran Church. Wednesday, Nov. 27: 6:30 p.m. First Lutheran Choir.

Palisade Lutheran Church
211 121st St., Garretson, S.D.

Ph. (507) 597-6257 — firstpalisade@alliancecom.net

Laura Phillips, Pastor

Sunday, Nov. 24: 9 a.m. Worship at Palisade Lutheran Church. 10:30 a.m. Sunday School at Palisade Lutheran. 3 p.m. Pie and Praise.

Magnolia United Methodist Church
501 E. Luverne St., Magnolia

Pastor Nancy Manning
Ph. 605-215-3429

email: magnoliamnmc@gmail.com

Sundays: 9 a.m. Magnolia Worship Service. 10:30 a.m. Bible study.

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: bethlehemiuth@alliancecom.net

Saturday, Nov. 23: 10 a.m. Open house baby shower for Alissa (Hoyme) Steve at Bethlehem. Sunday, Nov. 24: 9 a.m. Worship at Tuff Chapel. No Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Communion at Bethlehem with baptism of Greyson Hoyme. Grades 9-12 Youth Night. Tuesday, Nov. 26: 2:30 p.m. Bible Study at Tuff Home. 3:15 p.m. Bible Study at Village. Wednesday, Nov. 27: 9 a.m. Quilting. 7 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve Service. Church decorating for Christmas after service.

Hills United Reformed Church
410 S. Central Ave., Hills

Office Ph. 962-3254
hillsurc@alliancecom.net

Alan Camarigg, Pastor

Sundays: 9:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Worship Services.

Preparing for the end

Many Christians will celebrate the season of Advent beginning in the month of December. The season of Advent focuses our attention mainly upon the second coming of Jesus. Christmas, the following season, focuses on Christ's first coming.

Jesus is coming again! In the 21st chapter of Luke Jesus says so. In reply to the disciples' questions about the end, Jesus answers with the following three things to do in preparation.

Be careful! Jesus said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!'" Do not go after them." (Luke 21:8)

Many people claim to know the secrets of the end times, but Jesus himself says that no one knows. "But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father." (Matthew 24:36)

Prepare for the end by being careful!

Secondly, Jesus urges us: **Be ready.** We wouldn't last very long if we were always worrying that the end could come at any second. We couldn't stand to be in a constant state of alert like a firefighter sleeps with his boots next to the bed. Nor should we put it out of our mind altogether.

I was thinking maybe it is kind of like that annual flu shot. You make your way to the doctor's office and sit in the waiting room. But, while waiting you make the most of your time: you read a few magazines; you talk to people seated around you. You don't calculate the ex-

BUILT ON A ROCK

By Pastor Ron Nichols, Grace Lutheran Church, Luverne

act moment you will be called. You don't spend your time staring at a blank wall in fear and trepidation. You go about your business the best you can. When the nurse calls your name, you stop what you're doing and you just go.

Prepare for the end by being careful and being ready!

And be one more thing: **Be confident.** Jesus says, "But none of these things can really harm you. By continuing to have faith you will save your lives." (Luke 21:18)

We do not need to know all the secrets of the end time. The future will unfold according to God's master plan. Be confident that all the battles that need to be won have already been fought. Jesus has battled the devil and won! Jesus has fought death and won!

Time will wind its way down to the end, but only according to God's design. There are no surprises for God in the days ahead. God is in complete control.

Concerning the last day, the Great Day of the Lord, and all its uncertainties: **Be careful, be ready, and be confident!**

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: newlifeceleration@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.

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Notice of sale under judgment set for Dec. 12

STATE OF MINNESOTA

IN DISTRICT COURT

COUNTY OF ROCK

FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case Type: Other Civil

Court File No. 67-CV-17-299

Honorable Judge Terry S. Vajgrt

American State Bank of Iowa,

Plaintiff,

vs.

David DeBoer and Lisa DeBoer,

Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER JUDGMENT OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that by virtue of a judgment entered in the above-entitled action on the 1st day of October, 2019, a certified copy of which has been delivered to me directing the sale of the premises hereinafter described to satisfy the amount found and adjudged to be due said plaintiff in the above-entitled action from said Defendants, David DeBoer and Lisa DeBoer, the Sheriff of Rock County will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, on the 12th day of December, 2019, at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the Rock County Sheriff's Office, 1000 N. Blue Mound Avenue, in the City of Luverne, in said County and State, the land described and directed to be sold in said judgment lying and being in the County of Rock, State of Minnesota, to-wit:

Tracts located in the West Half of the Southwest Quarter (W 1/2 SW 1/4), Section Twenty-Five (25), Township One Hundred Three (103) North, Range Forty-Six (46) West of the 5th P.M., described as follows:

The S. 570 feet of the W. 710 feet thereof;

AND that portion described as follows: Commencing at the Southwest Corner of said Section 25, thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East (assumed bearing) along South Line of the SW 1/4 of said Section 25 for a distance of 710.00 feet to the point of beginning, thence continuing North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East along said South Line for a distance of 58.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 05 minutes 21 seconds West for a distance of 570.00 feet; thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West for a distance of 58.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 05 minutes 21 seconds East for a distance of 570.00 feet to the point of beginning.

AND that portion described as follows: Commencing at the Southwest Corner of said Section 25, thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East (assumed bearing) along the South Line of the SW 1/4 Section 25 for a distance of 768.00 feet to the point of beginning, thence continuing North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East along said South Line for a distance 538.61 feet to the Southeast Corner of said W 1/2 SW 1/4; thence North 00 degrees 24 minutes 05 seconds East along the East Line of said W 1/2 SW 1/4 for a distance of 570.02 feet; thence South 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West for a distance of 543.49 feet; thence South 00 degrees 05 minutes 21 seconds East for a distance of 570.00 feet to the point of beginning.

EXCEPT Parcel B Described as:

That part of the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) of Section Twenty-Five (Sec. 25), Township 103 North, Range 46 West of the 5th P.M., Rock County, MN, described as follows:

Beginning at the Southwest Corner of said Section 25; thence North 90°00'00" East (assumed bearing) along the south line of the Southwest quarter (SW 1/4) of said Section Twenty-five (25) for a distance of 327.90 feet; thence North 00°05'21" West for a distance of 570.00 feet; thence South 90°00'00" West for a distance of 327.90 feet to the west line of the Southwest Quarter of said Section 25; thence South 90°05'21" East along said west line for a distance of 570.00 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 4.29 acres of which .81 acres are reserved as public road right-of-way.

AND

That part of the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) of Section Twenty-Five (Sec. 25), Township 103 North, Range 46 West of the 5th P.M., Rock County, MN, described as follows:

Beginning at the Southwest Corner of said Section 25; thence North 90°00'00" East (assumed bearing) along the south line of the Southwest quarter (SW 1/4) of said Section Twenty-five (25) for a distance of 327.90 feet; thence North 00°05'21" West for a distance of 570.00 feet; thence South 90°00'00" West for a distance of 327.90 feet to the west line of the Southwest Quarter of said Section 25; thence South 90°05'21" East along said west line for a distance of 570.00 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 4.29 acres of which .81 acres are reserved as public road right-of-way.

The Real Property or its address is commonly known as 805 141st Street, Luverne, Minnesota, with a parcel identification number of 11-0176-300 and 11-0176-000

or so much thereof as shall be necessary to satisfy said judgment, the interest thereon, and the costs and expenses of such sale; subject to redemption within twelve (12) months from the date of confirmation of said sale. Dated this 21st day of October, 2019.

Evan Verbrugge,
Sheriff
(10-31, 11-07, 11-14, 11-21, 11-27, 12-05)

Mortgage foreclosure sale set for Jan. 9

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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

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

DATE OF MORTGAGE: April 15, 2015

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$139,795.00

MORTGAGOR(S): Travis L Dunn and Rebecca A Dunn, husband and wife

MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

TRANSACTION AGENT: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

MIN#: 100095313120801015

LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON THE MORTGAGE: Megastar Financial Corp.

SERVICER: PennyMac Loan Services, LLC

DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Filed April 16, 2015, Rock County Recorder, as Document Number 185801

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: PennyMac Loan Services, LLC

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: Lot 4 in John Jones Re-subdivision of Block 4 in Kniss and Brown's Addition to the City of Luverne

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 604 N Kniss Ave, Luverne, MN 56156

PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 20-0835-000

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Rock

THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON THE DATE OF THE NOTICE: \$131,806.40

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

PURSUANT, to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: January 9, 2020, 10:00am

PLACE OF SALE: Sheriff's Main Office, West Side Sheriff Dept, Front Step, Luverne, MN 56156

to pay the debt secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any, on said premises and the costs and disbursements, including attorneys fees allowed by law, subject to redemption within 6 months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s) the personal representatives or assigns.

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: If the real estate is an owner-occupied, single-family dwelling, unless otherwise provided by law, the date on or before which the mortgagor(s) must vacate the property, if the mortgage is not reinstated under section 580.30 or the property is not redeemed under section 580.23, is 11:59 p.m. on July 9, 2020, or the next business day if July 9, 2020 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

"THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES SECTION 582.032 DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN 5 UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED FOR AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED."

Dated: November 13, 2019

PennyMac Loan Services, LLC

Assignee of Mortgagee

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THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR

(11-21, 11-27, 12-05, 12-12, 12-19, 12-26)

Rock County Commissioners meet Sept. 24

Herreid Board Room

Rock County Courthouse

9:00 A.M.

September 24, 2019

The meeting was called to 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 Reisch, to approve the September 24, 2019, County Board agenda, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Overgaard, seconded by Thompson, to approve the September 10, 2019, County Board minutes, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Overgaard, seconded by Thompson, to approve the consent agenda, declared carried on a voice vote.

1. Resolution No. 23-19, Lincoln-Pipestone Rural Water Board appointments (2)

2. 2020 SWWC Service Cooperative Health Insurance Renewal

3. Resolution No. 25-19, FTA & FMCSA Drug & Alcohol Policy Adoption

Ashley Kurtz, Auditor/Treasurer, presented the claims and per diems of \$700.00; motion by Reisch, seconded by Burger, to approve, declared carried on a voice vote. A complete listing of the claims is available upon request at the Auditor/Treasurer's office.

SEPTEMBER 24, 2019 CLAIMS OVER \$2,000

ALADTEC INC	\$2,310.00
CLIFTON LARSON ALLEN LLP	4,000.00
CONTECH ENGINEERED SOLUTIONS LLC	7,160.00
GRAHAM TIRE-WORTHINGTON	2,960.00
LUVERNE/CITY OF	9,676.46
ROCKMOUNT RESEARCH & ALLOYS INC	5,154.09
TRANSOURCE TRUCK & EQUIPMENT INC	10,452.41
57 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$2,000	17,392.99
	\$59,105.95

Motion by Overgaard, seconded by Williamson, to approve the Fund Balance report, declared carried on a voice vote.

The Administrator and Auditor/Treasurer led a discussion regarding the 2020 Preliminary Levy; motion by Reisch, seconded by Thompson, to set the 2020 Preliminary levy at \$6,190,169, a 5.41% increase, declared carried on a voice vote.

The Auditor/Treasurer presented a Home Initiative request on behalf of Chad Rauk; the new value on the property of the proposed construction is \$350,000. As per policy, motion by Reisch, seconded by Thompson, to schedule a Public Hearing for October 22, 2019, at 9:05 a.m. to consider the home initiative abatement request for Chad Rauk, declared carried on a voice vote.

The Auditor/Treasurer presented an update of the Exit Audit for 2018 stating that Rock County received a clean opinion and that reserves are also tracking at five to eight months, as per recommendations of the State Auditor's Office; motion by Reisch, seconded by Overgaard, to accept the 2018 audit, declared carried on a voice vote.

Ryan Holtz, Rural Water Systems Manager and Doug Bos, Land Management Office Assistant Director presented an update of a potential property acquisition of 120 acres located in Section 11 of Clinton Township, near the Rural Water well fields. Holtz stated that Rural Water has (10) producing wells; (3) of those wells produce the most water but cannot be utilized due to high nitrates. The proposed property acquisition will allow Rural Water to convert those production acres to CREP and will also utilize grass buffers to filter out the nitrates. The cost of the properties total \$1,332,040.00 with the state covering ninety-five percent of the cost through the Department of Health grants. Holtz stated that the remaining cost of \$118,410.00 would be covered by a 10-year zero percent loan from MPCA. As per a recommendation by the Rural Water Board, motion by Williamson, seconded by Overgaard, to authorize Rural Water to proceed with the property acquisitions and to authorize the financing with MPCA, declared carried on a voice vote.

Mark Sehr, Engineer, presented the bid results for (4) box culvert projects: SAP 067-598-019 (Bridge 67K39); SAP 067-598-021 (Bridge 67K42); SAP 067-599-181 (Bridge 67K47); SAP 067-599-182 (Bridge 67K48)

• Midwest Contracting, LLC - \$593,151.00

• Henning Construction Inc. - \$620,581.00

• R & G Construction Co. - \$626,673.50

Motion by Overgaard, seconded by Burger, to approve the bid from Midwest Contracting, LLC for \$593,151.00, declared carried on a voice vote.

The County Board discussed the composition of the nine member Economic Development Authority, it was determined to table until the October 8th meeting.

Motion by Williamson, seconded by Overgaard, to approve Resolution No.24-19, a disaster declaration of 11 September 2019 flood event, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Williamson, seconded by Overgaard, to appoint Bill Jansma to the Kanaranzi-Little Rock Watershed District, declared carried on a voice vote.

Commissioner Reisch stated that he attended the following meetings and events: Southwest MN Opportunity Council (SMOC) and the Exit Audit meeting.

Commissioner Thompson stated that she attended the following meetings and events: A.C.E., Southwest Regional Development Commission and A.C.E. Volunteer Recognition event.

Commissioner Williamson stated that he attended the following meetings and events: Southwestern Mental Health, Next Era, Soil & Water Conservation District, Rural Water.

Commissioner Overgaard stated that he attended the following meetings and events: Magnolia and Denver township meetings, Next ERA, Regional Landfill, Rural Energy and Geromino Wind.

Commissioner Burger stated that he attended the following meetings and events: Southwestern Mental Health, Southwest Health & Human Services, Community Corrections, Exit Audit.

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

(11-21)

Rock County Commissioners meet Oct. 8

Herreid Board Room

Rock County Courthouse

9:00 A.M.

Oct. 8, 2019

The meeting was called to 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 October 08, 2019, County Board agenda, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Overgaard, seconded by Thompson, to approve the September 24, 2019, County Board minutes, declared carried on a voice vote.

George Bonnema, Generations President, presented a project update stating that the organization has abandoned the renovation plans of the existing senior citizen building due to costs and are proceeding with a property purchase to the west and building a new structure, once the new building structure has been completed, the old structure will be torn down and the vacant lot will serve as parking. Bonnema requested the status of the county's financial pledge for the Generations building project; after discussion, motion by Reisch, seconded Burger, to pledge a total \$150,000 toward the building project over a period of 5-years (\$30,000/year) beginning in 2020; motion was declared carried on a 4-1 vote with Commissioner Williamson voting nay.

Bonnema also stated the rebranding efforts have increase membership along with an increase in meals; new director Lynette Hoiland has also been a good asset.

Ashley Kurtz, Auditor/Treasurer, presented the claims and per diems of \$1,600.00; there was a discussion regarding court appointed attorney service with the County Attorney along with an update regarding the Blandin Foundation grant project. Motion by Reisch, seconded by Thompson, to approve the claims and per diems as presented, declared carried on a voice vote. A complete listing of the claims is available upon request at the Auditor/Treasurer's office.

OCTOBER 8, 2019 CLAIMS OVER \$2,000

A & B BUSINESS INC	\$3,078.68
A.C.E. OF SOUTHWEST MINNESOTA	4,419.75
ALLIANCE COMMUNICATIONS COOP	2,079.40
AMERICAN COMMUNICATIONS INC	3,500.00
BAKER & TAYLOR	2,020.89
CLIFTON LARSON ALLEN LLP	10,000.00
COUNTIES PROVIDING TECHNOLOGY	6,322.00
EMERALD DATA SOLUTIONS INC	3,000.00
EXPRESS AG	7,404.83
GRAHAM TIRE-WORTHINGTON	7,819.26
NOBLES COUNTY AUDITOR-TREASURER	11,915.00
RETRIEVER LLC	2,220.00
SMITH & JOHNSON	2,648.56
STAPLES ENTERPRISES INC	7,271.67
TITAN MACHINERY-SIOUX FALLS	2,798.75
79 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$2,000	33,424.69
	\$109,923.48

The County Board was in receipt of the Fund Balance report, the Auditor/Treasurer stated that they have been receiving the second half of real estate taxes for residential property owners; motion by Williamson, seconded by Overgaard, to approve the Fund Balance report, declared carried on a voice vote.

The Auditor/Treasurer presented a Rock County Home Initiative abatement request from Greg and Marilyn Uiithoven for new construction on a 35.22 acre tract in Section 10 of Magnolia Township; estimated annual abatement is \$721.00. Motion by Williamson, seconded by Overgaard, to set a public hearing date for October 22, 2019 at 9:10AM in the Herreid Board meeting room at the Rock County Courthouse, declared carried on a voice vote.

The Auditor/Treasurer presented an updated regarding the acceptance of credit card payments stating that there is a 2%-3% processing charge that would be passed on to the customer and that card payments for motor vehicle transactions would be considerable different. After a brief discussion it was determined that the Auditor/Treasurer would make inquiries with some vendors.

Mark Sehr, Engineer, presented resolutions requesting grant funds for (2) bridge projects:

•Motion by Williamson, seconded by Overgaard, to approve Resolution No.

26-19, a grant agreement to State Transportation Fund MnDOT contract #1035161 for SAP 067-598-019, declared carried on a voice vote.

•Motion by Overgaard, seconded by Burger, to approve Resolution No. 27-19,

a grant agreement to State Transportation Fund MnDOT contract #1035162 for SAP 067-598-021, declared carried on a voice vote.

The Administrator led a discussion regarding appointments to the Economic Development Authority, a 9-member committee to serve staggered terms; members will consist of (1) members from each commissioner district, (2) members at large and (2) County Commissioners. By order of the Chair, Commissioners Overgaard and Reisch will serve as the Commissioner Representatives; County Board action on the other appointments will be tabled until the October 22nd meeting.

The County Administrator gave a project update regarding the north sidewalk entrance to the Courthouse stating that the specifications are ready and two contractors are ready to bid; the heating expense will be a separate bid from the concrete bid.

Motion by Williamson, seconded by Thompson, to appoint JoEllen Benson, Beaver Creek Township Clerk, to the Regional Development Commission, declared carried on a voice vote.

Commissioner Reisch stated that he attended the following meetings and events: Luverne City Economic Development and City/County Liaison.

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

Commissioner Williamson stated that he attended the following meetings and events: (2) Rock County Opportunity meetings.

Commissioner Overgaard stated that he attended the following meetings and events: City/County Liaison and Regional Extension/Interviews for Regional Director.

Commissioner Burger stated that he attended the following meetings and events: Community Corrections Annual Conference, Southern Prairie Community Care where they discussed a draft resolution to dissolve and needs a unanimous vote, three million in funds will remain with fiscal direction (Lyon County Auditor/Treasurer) until 2021 for post organizational expenses; also attended an Induction to Court of Honor ceremony for Warren Herreid II at Camp Ripley.

The Administrator reviewed the process of going into closed session for the purpose to discuss union negotiations; motion by Reisch, seconded by Thompson, to go into closed session at 10:35 a.m. for the purpose to discussion union negotiation strategies, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Williamson, seconded by Overgaard, to rise from closed session at 11:04 a.m., declared carried on a voice vote.

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

(11-21)

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Date Filed: 10/15/2019

(11-14, 11-21)

Rock County Commissioners meet Oct. 22

Herreid Board Room 9:00 A.M.
Rock County Courthouse Oct. 22, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Chair Burger with all Commissioners present; also in attendance were Administrator Kyle Oldre, County Attorney Jeff Haubrich, and Deputy Administrator Susan Skattum.

Motion by Reisch, seconded by Thompson, to approve the October 22, 2019, County Board agenda, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Williamson, seconded by Overgaard, to approve the October 08, 2019 County Board minutes, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Overgaard, seconded by Thompson, to call a public hearing for the review of (2) Home Initiative abatements to order at 9:04 a.m., declared carried on a voice vote.

Ashley Kurtz, Auditor/Treasurer discussed details of the following home initiative abatements:

•Chad Rauk – new construction totaling \$366,400 located on Lots 5 and 6 in Block 1 in the City of Beaver Creek; estimated annual abatement is \$640 for a term of (5) years.

•Greg and Marilyn Uithoven – new construction totaling \$340,800 located on a 35.22 acre tract in Section 10 of Magnolia Township; estimated annual abatement is \$721.00 for a term of (5) years.

No public comments were offered. Motion by Overgaard, seconded by Thompson, to close the public hearing at 9:06AM, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Reisch, second by Overgaard, to approve a Rock County Home Initiative abatement for Chad Rauk, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Overgaard, seconded by Burger, to approve a Rock County Home Initiative abatement for Greg and Marilyn Uithoven, declared carried on a voice vote.

The Auditor/Treasurer presented the claims and per diems of \$1,800.00; 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.

OCTOBER 22, 2019 CLAIMS OVER \$2,000	
BUTLER MACHINERY CO	\$7,316.41
CHS	20,624.11
CONTECH ENGINEERED SOLUTIONS LLC	5,052.48
DUNINCK BROTHERS INC	4,254.14
ERICKSON ENGINEERING	2,808.00
FARM JOURNAL INC	5,318.56
FIDLAR TECHNOLOGIES INC	3,740.50
LIVERNE/CITY OF	7,833.33
LYON COUNTY LANDFILL	15,889.78
READING BUS LINE INC	2,025.00
REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA	18,444.99
ROCK COUNTY OPPORTUNITIES	2,470.37
SOUTHWEST HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	30,990.25
WAYTEK, INC	11,015.87
71 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$2,000	28,138.78
	\$165,922.57

The County Board was in receipt of the Fund Balance report which reflected the second half collection of residential and commercial property tax collections; Kurtz stated their office mailed out a large volume of late notices which will result with additional collection of penalties. Motion by Overgaard, seconded by Williamson,

to approve the Fund Balance report, declared carried on a voice vote.

The Auditor/Treasurer requested to re-issue lost warrant #93569 for the amount of \$1,000 payable to Tactical Solutions; motion by Williamson, seconded by Burger to approve, declared carried on a voice vote.

The Auditor/Treasurer presented an updated Credit Card policy stating that the new policy has more limitations, such as it is not allowed for meal purchases and that its intent is to be utilized for out of town lodging and registration scenarios where a direct billing option is not available and that Department Heads are the only authorized users. After discussion, motion by Overgaard, seconded by Thompson, to approve the new Credit Card policy of October 8, 2019, replacing the 04/07/2009 policy, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Overgaard, seconded by Reisch, to move the December 10, 2019 County Board meeting to December 3, 2019, and set the Truth and Taxation meeting for December 3rd at 6:00 p.m., declared carried on a voice vote. The County Board meeting will begin afternoon pending the amount of agenda items.

Mark Sehr, Engineer, requested authorization for final payment of \$116,043.29 for SAP 067-615-007, a full depth reclamation of the existing pavement and base with bituminous pavement on CSAH 15 and CSAH 9 to Nobles County line; motion by Williamson, seconded by Overgaard, to approve, declared carried on a voice vote.

The County Board was in receipt of a follow up letter from the MnDOT District 7 office addressing the questions discussed at the July 2nd County Board meeting; no action was taken.

Eric Hartman, Land Management Office Director, presented a conference update of the MN Association of Counties Planning & Zoning Association stating the conference materials were very informative and included the following: Multi-Generational Workplaces, State Fire Marshall and permitting process for wedding venues, solar guards development, DNR/AG ground water, legal issues in 2019, 5G conversion and antenna permitting process and survey deeds and legal issues.

The County Board discussed committee appointments to the EDA Committee, action was tabled until the next meeting.

The County Board was in receipt of the AMC District 8 meeting agenda scheduled for October 31, 2019, in Lyon County.

Commissioner Reisch stated that he attended the following meetings and events: Community Corrections, Plum Creek Library and Southwestern MN Opportunity Council.

Commissioner Thompson stated that she attended the following meetings and events: BRRRA/Elis & Eastern Open House at the new Org facility in Nobles County.

Commissioner Williamson stated that he attended the following meetings and events: BRRRA/Elis & Eastern Open House at the new Org facility in Nobles County, Rural Water, Southwest Mental Health

Commissioner Overgaard stated that he attended the following meetings and events: no report.

Commissioner Burger stated that he attended the following meetings and events: Southwest Mental Health, Community Corrections, Kanaranzi Township regarding hog barn permit, Southwest Health & Human Services where public health gave an alarming presentation regarding vaping, Burger was going to request they give their presentation to other civic organizations as well.

There was a discussion regarding the increased traffic on the railroad throughout town as a large of the intersections have been blocked by rail cars; the increase in rail activity is due to movement of the stored railcars on the west end of the line.

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

(11-21)

H-BC School Board meets Oct. 30

Hills-Beaver Creek Dist. 671
Minutes
Oct. 30, 2019

The Hills-Beaver Creek School Board met for its semi-monthly meeting at 7:03 p.m. in the High School Conference room.

Board members present were Knobloch, LaRock, Rauk, Rozeboom and Wysong. Superintendent Holthaus and Business Manager A. Rozeboom were also in attendance. Principal Schilling and Board members Bosch and Gehrke were absent.

Motion by Rauk, second by Knobloch, and carried to approve the agenda. Visitors to the meeting were Glenda Kuehl and Masondra Metzger.

PATRIOT PRIDE:

- Augie Band Festival and Participants
- FFA CDE-Career Development Events
- Glenda Kuehl - A True Patriot

Motion by Rozeboom, second by Knobloch, and carried to approve minutes of last meeting, 10/14/2019.

Motion by Rozeboom, second by Rauk, and carried to approve bills and Imprest. Motion by Wysong, second by Rozeboom, and carried to approve Student Accounts.

Motion by Knobloch, second by Wysong, and carried to approve City of Hills use of Hugo Goehle Gym Sundays beginning Sunday, November 10, 2019 until the last Sunday of March 29, 2020. The City of Hills has designated supervisors as Jon Voss and Brian Sandbulte. Open gym begins at 1 p.m. and concludes at 3 p.m.

Motion by Rauk, second by Wysong, and carried to approve Second Reading of Grades 6/7/8 Chromebook Use Agreement.

PERSONNEL:

Motion by Wysong, second by Rozeboom, and carried to approve Resignation of Heather Harris as Head Cook and Community Education Coordinator effective the end of Business Day on 11/01/2019.

Motion by Knobloch, second by LaRock, and carried to approve assigning Donna Burgers as Interim Head Cook for the remainder of the 2019-2020 School Year.

Motion by Wysong, second by Rozeboom, and carried to approve Winter Coaching Assignments: Steve Wiertzema, Head Boys Basketball Coach, Chad Rauk, Assistant Boys Basketball Coach, Kale Wiertzema, Head Girls Basketball Coach, Tyler Bush, Assistant Girls Basketball Coach, Rex Metzger, Jr. High Boys Basketball Coach, Stephanie Bass, Jr. High Girls Basketball Coach, Megan Klumper, Mock Trial Advisor.

DISTRICT NON-ACTION ITEMS:

- Secondary Principal Report
- Superintendent/Elementary Principal Report
- Committee Reports: Community Education 10/21/2019

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Veterans Day Program, Monday, November 11, 2019
- Regular Board Meeting, Tuesday, November 12, 2019
- Regular Board Meeting, Monday, November 25, 2019

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Tamara Rauk, Clerk
(11-21)

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SpringBrooke Events celebrates grand opening with ribbon-cutting and open house at Beaver Creek golf course

By Lori Sorenson

SpringBrooke Events owners Rick and Sonja Gourley hosted a ribbon-cutting celebration Friday night with champagne, live music and tours of the spacious facility on the 89-acre golf course in Beaver Creek.

“Thank you to the community for all your support, and thanks to our staff for all their hard work,” Rick Gourley told the group of local leaders, citizens and business people.

The facility has seating space for over 400, but it accommodates groups of all sizes. It’s set up especially for wedding receptions with a spacious bridal suite off the main entrance.

Gourley’s plan since buying the property last year is unfolding in phases.

The first phase reopens the events center, which underwent extensive remodeling in recent months.

Several parties are already booked in the facility this summer, and Gourley said it’s drawing traffic from Sioux Falls to Beaver Creek.

“I think it’s an absolute home run,” he said Friday night when asked about SpringBrooke’s future.

His optimism for his project is bolstered by the Highway 100 bypass under construction west of Brandon that will allow for a 20-minute trip from Sioux Falls to Beaver Creek.

The entire main floor is dedicated to hosting events and the SpringBrooke Golf & Grill will be a ground floor walkout in the lower level of the events center.

Some dirt work has started on the golf course, but with weather setbacks and other challenges during the 2019 construction season, the course won’t be suitable for use until late in



Lori Sorenson photo/1121 springbrook ribbon cut

SpringBrooke Events owners and staff hosted a ribbon-cutting event and open house Friday night to celebrate the reopening of the facility on the Beaver Creek golf course. Not everyone who gathered around the ribbon is visible to the camera, but identified are (front, from left) Tyler Bush, Faye Bremer, Tony Schomacker, Annie Opitz, Jessica Vande Hoef, Ginny Stadum, Al Harnack, Hazel Gourley, Paul Gourley, SpringBrooke owners Sonja and Rick Gourley, manager Chris Yungeberg, staff members Arnie Miller, Tique Jones, Joe Martin, Nancy Scheidt, Jane Blank, behind her Michael Blank, (second row) Craig and Randi Oftedahl, Rock County Commissioners Gary Overgaard and Stan Williamson, Larry Lanphere, Jim Groth, Bruce Dysthe, Pete Hoff, Jamie and Laurie Dysthe, Tanya and Josh Teune and Gary and Maureen Helgeson.

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The venue originally opened in 2001 as the Beaver Creek Golf Course and Beaver Lodge Event Center.

After closing in 2007 it remained empty until 2018, when it was purchased by Gourley Properties of Sioux Falls and named after the

small brook that winds its way through the golf course. SpringBrooke can be reached at 855-386-1275 or online and on social media.



SpringBrooke Events owners Sonja and Rick Gourley (left) and Luverne Area Chamber Director Jane Lanphere address crowds gathered Friday night for the open house and ribbon-cutting.

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