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Lots for sale in Uithoven Addition

By Lori Sorenson

Lots are officially for sale in Luverne's new Uithoven Addition on the west edge of town.

The Luverne Economic Development Authority took action Monday morning to set terms, conditions and sale prices for lots in the subdivision named for Mike and Vi Uithoven who once owned the land.

EDA director Holly Sammons said the residential lots are similar to those in Manfred Heights in that they offer plenty of space in green areas, access to trails and parks and other desirable amenities.

"It will be nice to start receiving revenue from the lot sales," she said. "But also, it will represent new property tax revenue and an increased tax base."

Twin home lots priced at \$29,000, single-family lots up to \$51,000

There are 15 lots along Uithoven Avenue, which intersects with Tallgrass and Meadowlark circles.

The eight lots on the south end will be sold to a developer for twin homes at \$29,000 per lot.

The city is requesting proposals from developers to build what will need to be slab construction twin homes, because of the grade. Contractors have until Dec. 20 to submit their building proposals to the city.

The three "premium" lots on the east side of the street closest to Dodge Street will be more conducive for single-family dwellings at \$45,000 to \$51,000 per lot.

The remaining four across the street in Tallgrass Circle will be sold as either single family or twin home structures at \$35,000 per lot.

The prices will be in effect from Jan. 1 through Dec. 31, 2020.

Protective covenants

At Monday's meeting, the LEDA approved a list of protective covenants that will govern the appearance and integrity of the new neighborhood.

For example, all single-family homes must have at least 1,600 square feet of living space, must be no more than two stories high and should have a roof pitch of at least 6:12.

Twin homes must have at least 2,800 square feet of livable floor area. All homes must have attached garages with at least 480 square feet, garage doors can't be taller than eight feet (unless preapproved).

The covenants also govern things

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Mavis Fodness photo/1212 Winterfest 2019

Luverne celebrates Sights and sounds of Winterfest

Luverne Loop was voted the favorite "Love the Light" display at the city park Sunday night, where 80 carloads drove the circular route looking at the 24 displays set up by businesses and organizations.

Below, Aria Bernard, 17 months, of Luverne poses with Santa (Shawn Kinsinger) at the Library's Winterfest puppet show Friday.



Lori Sorenson photo/1212 winterfest cantata minstrels choir women

Among the members of Saturday night's Carnegie Minstrels Choir are (front, from left) Marlene Wassenaar, Luella Voigt, Denise Dirks, Betty Mann, Sue Skattum, (second row) Katie Overvaag, Christy Loosbrock, Linda Iverson, Janice Nelson, Nancy Huisman, Dolly Talbert, (third row) Jane Wellington, Haylee Overvaag, Gayle Stegemann, Shannon McCary and Karen Jepperson.



See inside for more Winterfest photos

Lori Sorenson photos/1212 Hospice Tree 2019

Sanford Luverne Hospice staff and volunteers hosted their annual "Tree of Lights" ceremony Thursday night, Dec. 5, at the corner of Highway 75 and Main Street in Luverne. The evening included Christmas carols with the Luverne High School choir, a message by Pastor Kristi Franken, the tree lighting and individual candle lighting while more than 250 names were read in honor or remembrance of loved ones at the Luverne event. Tree of Lights ceremonies are sponsored each year by Sanford Luverne Hospice as a community memorial to remember loved ones during the holiday with a light on the tree. Similar ceremonies were in Hills and Adrian Sunday and Wednesday this week.

County joins joint powers watershed agreement

By Mavis Fodness

Two weeks after postponing a decision on whether or not Rock County should enter into a joint agreement for the Missouri River Watershed Partnership, commissioners unanimously signed the agreement Dec. 3.

Commissioners reviewed the agreement earlier this year before receiving the agreement back for formal adoption on Nov. 19.

Commissioners tabled voting Nov. 19, questioning who is financially responsible if the One Watershed One Plan advisory board would overspend its annual budget.

Rock County officials were concerned because counties are the only watershed plan members who have levy authority.

Rock County is the largest member in the watershed and would largely be fiscally responsible for any budget shortfalls.

Per Rock County's direction at the Nov. 19 meeting, several additional clauses were added to the agreement before commissioners signed Dec. 3.

"We built as many out clauses and protections as I think we can into it," said Rock County attorney Jeff Haubrich.

Haubrich and County Administrator Kyle Oldre worked with the other members to strengthen two key areas: Powers and Duties of the Board, and the Right to Withdraw.

"We are not happy with previous joint powers agreements and we let others know that," Oldre said.

Tightened was the vote of the 14-member advisory board and a two-thirds majority is necessary to adopt by-laws. Majority is based on membership and not based on the number of people at the meeting.

Also tightened was notice of withdrawal, which is six months but can be expedited with a majority vote, and funds are distributed accordingly.

"Whatever you put in comes back out," Haubrich said.

\$1.32 million coming to the IWIP agreement

The state Board of Water and Soil Resources encourages local SWCDs to develop a single water management plan by watersheds, replacing water plans developed by individual counties.

For more than two years, local officials have worked with representatives from Pipestone, Lincoln, Murray, Nobles and Jackson counties along with representatives from the six soil and water conservation districts and two watershed districts in developing a single water quality strategic plan.

The Missouri River Watershed

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History Center debuts life-size nutcracker for Dec. 14 kids party

By Lori Sorenson

Just in time for Saturday's Christmas party for kids, the History Center has acquired some interesting new pieces for its large and growing nutcracker collection.

The latest addition is a life-size nutcracker with a motion sensor that plays theme music from "The Nutcracker Ballet" when visitors enter and exit the History Center.

Historical Society President Betty Mann said she hopes it sings all morning long for the History Center's annual children's Christmas party from 10 a.m. to noon.

"Kids love nutcrackers," Mann said. "Last year we gave out over 100

Kids party Dec. 14/see page 5



'Marlene and Darlene present The Nutcracker' Generations event set for Dec. 22 at Palace Theatre

By Mavis Fodness

Laughter is the best medicine, according to Luverne resident Brenda Winter.

She was the invited speaker at the Luverne Rotary Club's weekly meeting Dec. 3 at Generations, formerly the Luverne Senior Citizens Center.

Winter portrays a senior citizen character named Marlene of the local comedy duo Marlene and Darlene, and she offered a sneak peek into the Dec. 22 Palace Theatre show, "Marlene and Darlene present The Nutcracker."

Their performance will be the latest Generations fundraiser to support the construction project for the facility on Lincoln Street. Winter said she and her sidekick actress, DJ Luethje, debuted their Marlene and Darlene stage act the spring of 2018 at the Atlas



DJ Luethje (left) and Brenda Winter play the role of Darlene and Marlene for the Dec. 22 event at the Palace Theatre.

of Rock County banquet.

She worked with event organizer Lynette Hoiland on the banquet entertainment for the organization that offers caring and compassionate support programs in the community.

"The night was pretty serious, so we wanted something funny," Winter recalled. "I started writing the kind of script where one person plays dumb and the other person educates her. It's a fun way to convey important information to the audience without boring them to tears."

Then in April, Marlene and Darlene headlined the Generations' April Fools Day fundraiser, and again the sister

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Meetings

Blue Mound Cemetery Association will have a potluck Christmas party at 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 15, at the Dick and Dolly Remme home.

Battle Plain Township Board will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 17, at the home of Aaron Sandbulte.

A.C.E. Caregivers Support Group will meet at 4 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 17, in the MJB Good Samaritan conference room. The meetings are open to the public. Call Linda Wenzel at 507-283-5064 with questions.

Parkinson's Support Group will meet at 1 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, at St. John Lutheran Church in Luverne. Call Dianne at 507-530-3307 with questions.

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

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

Alanon 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.

Holiday bus schedule

Community Transit buses operate on a different schedule through the holidays. County-wide services run from 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. Within the city of Luverne, service is from 8 a.m. to noon on Sundays. No service is offered Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and New Year's Day. Call 507-537-3861.

Hardwick Santa Day Dec. 14

The Hardwick Community Club will host the annual Santa Claus Day from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 14, in the Hardwick Legion Hall. The Zoo Man Show is first, followed by a cupcake walk, make and take treats and Christmas cookie decorating until 3:30 p.m. Pictures with Santa are from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. All events are free.

H-BC High School concert Dec. 16

Hills-Beaver Creek sixth- through twelfth-grade band and choir students will present a holiday concert at 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 16, in the high school gym.

Community Blood Bank Dec. 16

The Community Blood Bank and Sanford Adrian Clinic will host a blood drive from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. Monday, Dec. 16, at the Adrian ambulance services building. Visit www.cbblifeblood.org or call 507-483-2668.

Red Cross announces area blood drives

The American Red Cross has scheduled two blood drives in December in the area.

- The Luverne blood drive is from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 18, at Luverne High School.
- The Jasper blood drive is from 12:30 to 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 17, at the Evangelical Lutheran Church at 101 Spicer Street in Jasper.

Donors are reminded to bring a blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification. Go to RedCrossBlood.org or call 800-733-2767.

Nutrition Assistance Program Dec. 19

The Nutrition Assistance Program for Seniors 60 and older, sponsored by A.C.E. of SW MN, will be from 3-4 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, at Generations. Call Linda at 283-5064.

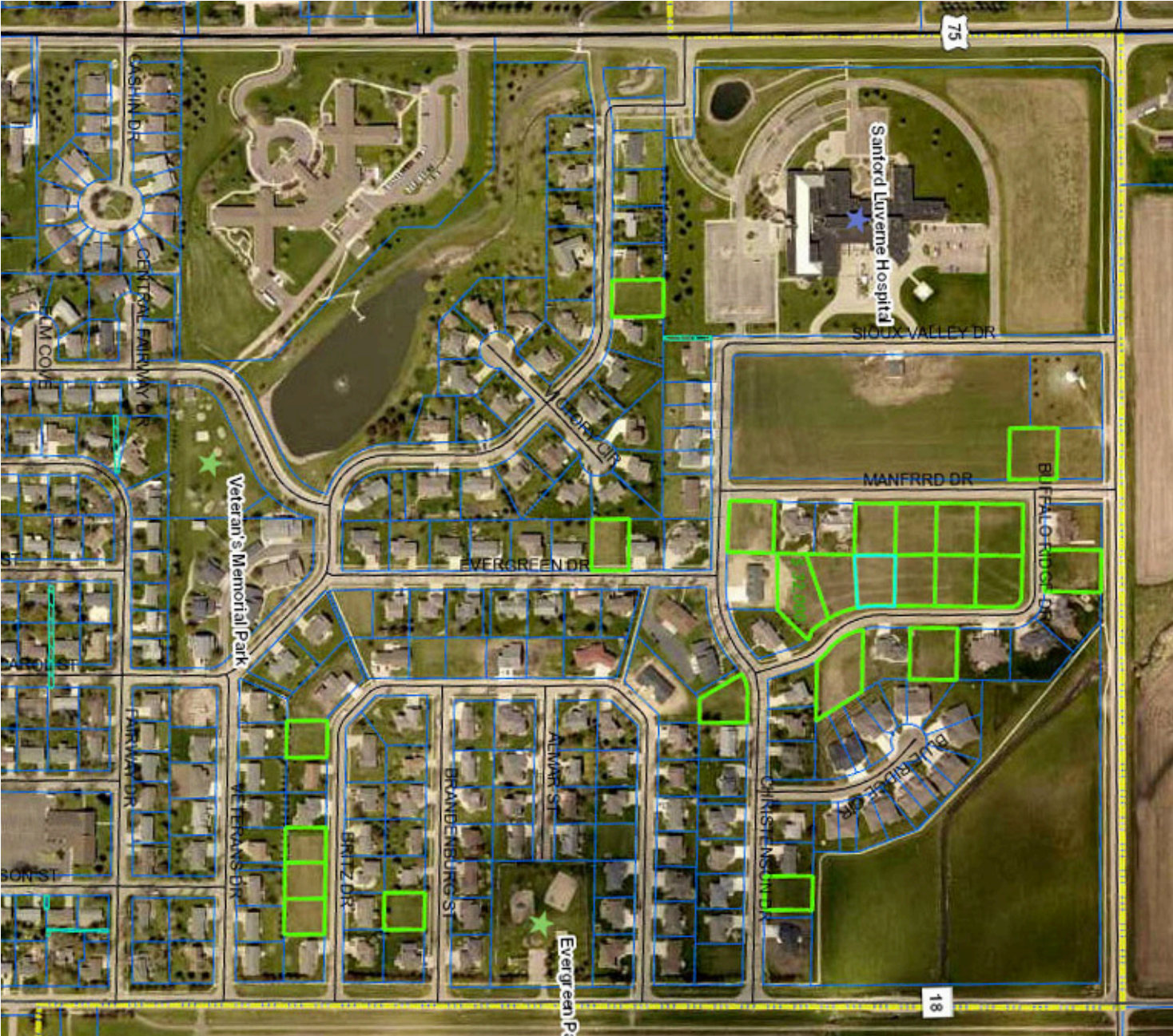
Free food Dec. 19

New Life Celebration Church will offer free food from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, at the Generations building at 319 East Lincoln Street for those who are having trouble putting food on the table. Bring your own bags or boxes. Call 507-283-4366.

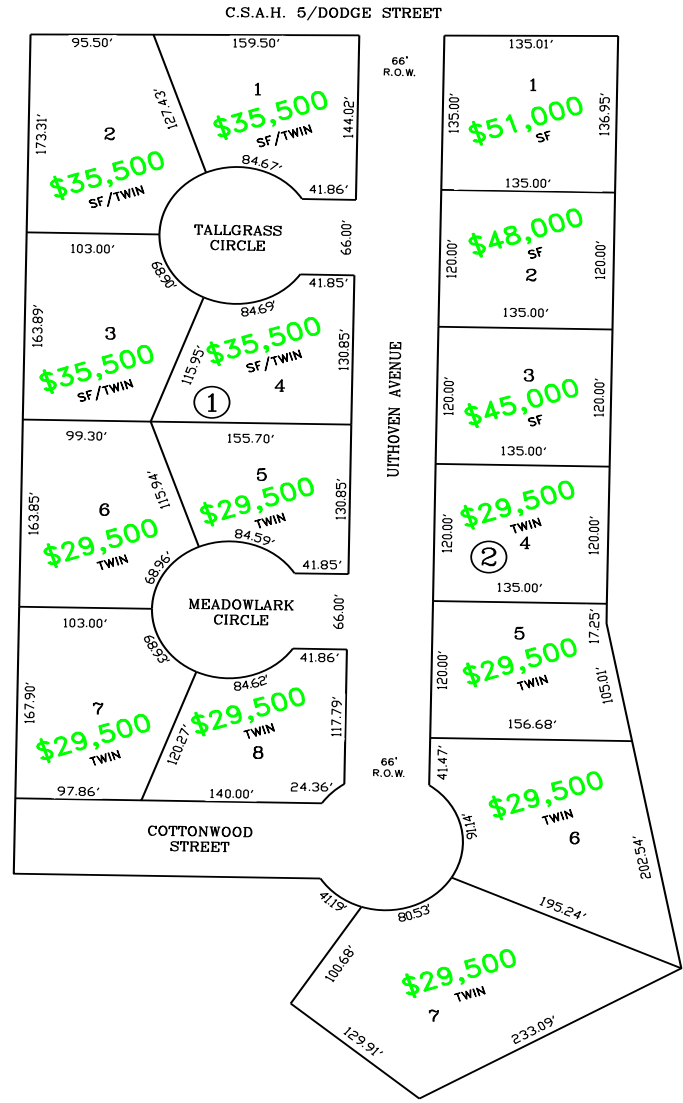
UMN 'Cattle Feeder Days' Dec. 19

The annual "Cattle Feeder Days" program will be offered at Grand Prairie Events in Luverne on Thursday, Dec. 19. Registration begins at 5:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 6 and program presentations following the dinner. Pre-registration cost is \$15 at z.umn.edu/cattlefeederdays. Or cost is \$20 at the door.

The program is directed at cattle feeders and allied industry representatives and is open to the public.



In addition to the 15 lots in Manfred Heights, another eight are available in Evergreen II, four in Evergreen First Addition, one in the Veterans Addition and three in the Sybesma Addition. This map is pictured with north on the right hand side.



Uithoven lots for sale/from page 1

like storing recreational vehicles outside, building sheds, fences, sidewalks, pools, driveways, patios, outdoor lighting and other details.

City leaders initially considered a street connecting the subdivision with West Main Street to the south near RCO, but that plan has been abandoned. Engineers determined that bridges and culverts would be too costly through this wetland area, which is better left untouched.

A retention pond on the southeast corner of the development will hold back storm water before it drains into Poplar Creek.

City offers \$2,500 per person incentive on Manfred Heights lots

By Lori Sorenson

The Luverne Economic Development Authority is offering a \$2,500 credit per person on the price of residential lots in the Manfred Heights Addition.

The city has previously offered this incentive to buyers considering lots in other housing developments, but the LEDA agreed to extend the offer to Manfred Heights lots as well.

The city developed the 33-acre northern housing subdivision in 2008 as 32 lots — eight reserved for twin homes — ranging in price from \$28,000 to \$45,000 per lot.

Today the twin homes around the Blue Ridge Circle cul de sac are completed and sold, as are 14 single-family lots.

Now, more than 10 years later, the city has paid off the debt on the lot improvements so the discounts on the remaining 15 lots are financially justified.

At Monday's meeting the LEDA approved a sales incentive to spur sales and generate more property taxes.

With the \$2,500 per person credit, a family of four would receive a \$10,000 discount on a lot if they built a new house in the Manfred Heights Addition.

According to EDA director Holly Sammons, the offer has been attractive to dozens of buyers who bought lots in

Evergreen and Veterans additions with the credit after it was first offered in 2008 at \$2,000 per person.

The idea then, as it is now, was to attract younger families with children to be involved in the school and contribute to community vibrance.

Qualifying household members are younger than 18 years old and living with the applicant at the time of application.

The grant has a cap of \$12,500, which would cover a family of five.

The Manfred lot discount comes at the same time the lots hit the market in the new Uithoven Addition on the west edge of Luverne. (See the related story).

"Manfred Heights used to be our newest and most expensive development, but now we're having a new baby with the Uithoven Addition, which is getting all the attention," Sammons said.

"We hope to encourage new construction in the Manfred Addition by making those lots more affordable."

In addition to the 15 lots in Manfred Heights, another eight are available in Evergreen II, four in Evergreen First Addition, one in the Veterans Addition and three in the Sybesma Addition.



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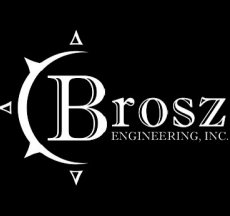
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County Board denies request to forgive penalty for late taxes

By Mavis Fodness

Rock County Commissioners denied a tax penalty abatement request at their Dec. 3 meeting.

The commissioners voted 5-0 and enforced their stance of no penalty abatements unless substantial proof was provided indicating the tax payment arrived by the annual deadline.

Erin Sandstede made the penalty abatement request in a letter dated Dec. 3 on behalf of Stegenga Management LLC and her father, Robert Stegenga.

The letter stated that a \$40,903 check was dropped in the mailbox at the Luverne Post Office on Nov. 14 for the agricultural property tax deadline the following day.

The check was never received at the auditor-treasurer's office at the Rock County Courthouse in Luverne and a \$1,889.68 penalty is now due.

Sandstede requested the monetary penalties that occurred in November also be abated.

The overdue payment notice from the auditor-treasurer's office was forwarded to Stegenga's address in Arizona and not received until Dec. 2.

Sandstede explained in the letter that three property tax payments were dropped at the Luverne Post Office on Nov. 14.

The payments to Nobles and Pipestone counties were deposited on Nov. 18 and 19 respectively. Rock County never received the payment nor has the check cleared the bank.

"I checked with the

"If it shows up and it has the postmark, then we will refund the penalty."

— Kyle Oldre, county administrator

Luverne Post Office to see if there was a way to search for the letter or any paper work I could complete in order to try to locate the missing envelope and was told there was nothing they could do and that the letter was likely stuck in a bag or mailing tub somewhere," Sandstede wrote.

For now, the penalty amount must be paid by Dec. 31. After that date more penalties will be assessed.

"If it (the envelope with the payment) shows up and it has the postmark, then we will refund the penalty," said County Administrator Kyle Oldre.

There is no time limit as to when the postmarked envelope should arrive by, including a year from now.

"We got a check a couple weeks ago and we refunded the penalty," Kurtz said. "That's the first time it has ever happened."

Taxpayers have the option to have payments automatically withdrawn from their bank account on the due date. The county also publishes tax deadline notices in the newspaper and sends out courtesy past due letters.

"These notices are not required (by state statute)," Kurtz said. "It's something the county chooses to do."



The Carnegie Minstrels are made up of community vocal instrumental musicians who perform throughout the year, but their main event is at Christmas when their Winterfest production benefits the Rock County Emergency Food Shelf.

Minstrels 'Sing Christmas' at Winterfest

By Lori Sorenson

About 70 local musicians from 15 to 89 brought their talents to the Winterfest stage Saturday night with their community cantata, "Sing Christmas," in the American Reformed Church sanctuary.

Greg Spath and Terri Ebert narrated between numbers.

"What better way to express joy than through singing familiar carols and songs of the season," they said. "Today we celebrate in song. We sing of love and hope and peace and especially joy."

Jennifer Bakken directed the choir and James Jarvie directed the orchestra for the cantata, accompanied by Janine Papik.

The Carnegie Minstrels are



Carnegie Minstrels percussion members Jordan Winter and Elise Jarchow rehearse ahead of Saturday's performance with violinists Heidi Sehr (left) and Gretchen Jepperson and harpist Jennifer Oakes.



Greg Spath and Terri Ebert narrate between the musical numbers.

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Partnership strategic plan was finished earlier this year and, with a joint powers agreement in place, the partnership is expected to receive \$1.32 million for water quality improvement projects.

Nobles County is fiscal host for the partnership. Funds are expected to be available for projects next year.

Tighter agreement comes on heels of SPCC

Rock County is one of 12 counties involved in a Southern Prairie Community Care (SPCC) joint powers agreement.

The SPCC will dissolve in 2020.

Because Rock County chose not to buy into another managed health care partnership with the other

members, the by-laws stipulated Rock County would not receive a share of \$3 million in SPCC reserves.

SPCC was an integrated health partnership to improve the delivery of health care services for member counties' income eligible residents. SPCC became insolvent earlier this year.

Instead of joining another health care partnership with the other SPCC counties, Rock County chose to work directly with the state Department of Human Services for the 1,700 residents of medical assistance, general assistance medical care and MinnesotaCare.

The state then assumes the liability for any insurance plan shortfalls instead of the health care partnership.



made up of community vocal instrumental musicians who perform throughout the year, but their main event is at Christmas when their Winterfest production benefits the Rock County Emergency Food Shelf.

The event was funded in part by a grant through the Luverne Area Community Foundation with support from the city of Luverne and Luverne Area Chamber and Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Lori Sorenson photos/1212 winterfest cantata minstrels



Lori Sorenson photo/1212 sunshine ribbon cutting

Sunshine celebrates with official ribbon-cutting

Sunshine Foods in Luverne celebrated its official opening Monday morning with a ribbon-cutting that involved members of the Luverne Area Chamber Board of Directors. From left are Holly Sammons, Patti Olson, Becky Walgrave, Betty Mann, LaDonna Van Aartsen, store manager Jason Oye, Todd Van Steenberg, Ryan DeBates, Ryan Wynia, Kevin Thelen and Tyler Bush. Sunshine purchased Teal's Market and its Highway 75 convenience store in August.

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Teresa Kramer, Secretary
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Make holidays memorable through Christmas music, live nativity in Luverne

“The hopes and fears of all the years are met in Thee tonight.”

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If not, no worries, you can keep reading too.

That line is the final stanza of the first verse of “O Little Town of Bethlehem.”

Some people really enjoy Christmas music and others don’t.

I am firmly among the fans of Christmas music.

But why do I enjoy Christmas music so much?

I think one big reason is that, overall, Christmas music is the same songs every year and we only hear them a few weeks each year.

There’s something about hearing the same songs you heard as a child, and teenager, and maybe young parent, or even proud grandparent, played and sung again and again each year that is really meaningful.

When we hear these familiar songs, many of us are taken back years or decades, and often the songs bring back strong memories.

I think my first Christmas music-related memory must be from about 1984.

I remember sitting in a front pew at church at one of my first Christmas programs.

I distinctly remember listening to the organ play “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing” as I looked up at the light fixtures and wood ceiling so far above my head.

I also remember walking out of church that night after the program.

I had my brown paper bag, filled with peanuts, an apple, a candy bar and a paper nativity scene from Lutheran Brotherhood in hand while I looked



IN OTHER WORDS

By Jason Berghorst, reporter

at the tall evergreen tree one block down the hill filled with Christmas lights.

I even remember where our car was parked and that Mom drove us by the tree on Freeman Street on the way home.

My guess is you might have similar memories and that music may be involved.

Now 35 Christmases later, that tree is gone and, because of remodeling, those light fixtures and even that pew is gone.

The treat bags are also no more.

But I still hear the organ play “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing” each year and still think of that night.

Today kids don’t get those impossible-to-assemble nativity scenes, but they might be making memories of the nativity scene with real actors and animals the church stages in the parking lot each year.

That’s this Sunday, by the way.

Many older kids will have memories of singing “O Holy Night” each year during the LHS choir concert.

That’s tonight (Thursday), by the way.

And those songs and those memories will endure every December to come.

No matter how much changes in life from year to year and decade to decade, those Christmas songs will be sung and heard.

For many of us, the hopes and fears of all the years are met in Christmas songs, the messages that they share and the memories that they hold.

Enjoy them in the weeks, years and decades ahead. Merry Christmas!

Have a little extra merry this Christmas to share?

Star Herald collects greeting cards for military personnel

STAR HERALD EDITORIAL

Winterfest weekend was another proud moment for Luverne residents to showcase holiday spirit and a respect for the meaning of Christmas.

In particular, the “Love the Light” Christmas at the city park was a grand finale to the already great Winterfest weekend.

If you haven’t had a chance to take in the lighted displays, they’ll be up through Jan. 5 and are definitely worth a slow drive through the park.

One of the lighted displays is the Star Herald’s, and it represents our mission to get hundreds of greeting cards in the hands of our deployed military personnel around the world.

So far we’re at nearly 100, and we’re hoping to get more names and addresses of our local soldiers to mail them to.

If you haven’t already done it, you can drop off a card at our office or in the drop box of our lighted display at the park and we’ll make sure it gets sent to someone who needs a day-brightener.

Check out the ad in today’s Star

Herald for more details on our greeting card drive.

In addition to mailing cards to our local service men and women, we’ll collect the cards each week and send them off to Military Missions, which 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.

Do not put cards in envelopes. Do not use glitter (it gets on the uniforms).

You may use greeting cards, or better yet, make 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 be sure to let them know they’re in your thoughts at Christmas.

Don’t date your cards, because they will be sent out all year long.

Help us make Christmas merrier for those who can’t be home for the holidays. Call 507-283-2333 with questions.



Winter driving conditions require extra caution; permit to carry question answered

In the past five years, officers reported snowy or icy road conditions in more than 79,569 crashes (2014-2018). These crashes resulted in 214 traffic deaths and 20,761 injuries.

During the winter, it’s important to drive at safe speeds according to road conditions, and give yourself plenty of travel time. State law requires the use of headlights when precipitation is present.

Increase stopping distance between vehicles. Expect bridges and overpasses to be icy during winter conditions, slow down accordingly and never use cruise control on snow/icy/wet roads.

Be aware that roads may be clear of snow and ice, but black ice that is invisible and almost totally transparent can form when the air temperature is warmer than the pavement.

If skidding, remain calm, ease foot off the gas and turn the steering wheel in the direction you want the



ASK A TROOPER

By Sgt. Troy Christianson, Minnesota State Patrol

front of the vehicle to go. If vehicle has an anti-lock braking system (ABS), apply a steady firm pressure to the brake pedal and never pump ABS brakes.

Use extra precautions when driving around snowplows by keeping at least five car-lengths behind plows. Be patient and remember snowplows are working to improve road conditions for your trip.

Your seat belt is your first defense in case of a crash. Always buckle up

and be sure child restraints are secured tightly. It is recommended that bulky clothes and blankets are fitted above the child restraint harness, not beneath, to ensure harness restraints fit properly.

Parents of teen drivers should make sure new motorists experience snow and ice driving in a safe environment, such as an empty parking lot. Give your teen as much practice as possible before letting them head out onto the streets.

No matter what the conditions,

drive at safe speeds and be aware that a winter road can pose a danger. Always remember to pay attention, buckle up, drive the speed limit and always drive sober.

Question: If a person has a permit to carry in Minnesota, can they transport a loaded rifle or shotgun in a vehicle?

Answer: The permit to carry law applies only to handguns, so the answer is no with some exceptions. MS 97B.045- A person *may not* transport a firearm in a motor vehicle unless the firearm is:

(1) unloaded and in a gun case expressly made to contain a firearm, and the case fully encloses the firearm by being zipped, snapped, buckled, tied, or otherwise fastened, and without any portion of the firearm exposed;

(2) unloaded and in the closed trunk of a motor vehicle; or

(3) a handgun carried in compliance with sections 624.714

and 624.715

Subd. 3. Exceptions; hunting and shooting ranges – a person may transport an unloaded, uncased firearm, excluding a pistol, in a motor vehicle while at a shooting range, lawfully hunting on private or public land; or traveling to or from a site the person intends to hunt lawfully that day or has hunted lawfully that day, unless:

(1) within Anoka, Hennepin, or Ramsey County;

(2) within the boundaries of a home rule charter or statutory city with a population of 2,500 or more;

(3) on school grounds

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

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ON THE RECORD

Dispatch report

Nov. 29
•Complainant from Nobles County requested to speak to a deputy.
•Complainant on W. Luverne Street reported a vehicle in his yard.
•Complainant reported an abandoned vehicle on Highway 23 and County Road 20.
•Complainant on 71st Street reported threats.
•Complainant on N. McKenzie Street reported a missing money order.
•Complainant on N. Oakley Street reported a stolen check.
•Deputy is out with vehicle in parking lot on Dodge.
Nov. 30
•Complainant eastbound on Interstate 90, mile marker 8-9, reported a jack-knifed semi.
•Complainant on N. East Park Street reported a break-in.
Dec. 1
•Complainant on Interstate 90, mile marker 15, reported barrels in road.
•Accident was reported at location on County Road 7 and 190th, Kenneth.
Dec. 2
•Complainant on S. Kniss Avenue reported a civil issue.
•Complainant on N. Kniss Avenue requested a deputy to assist with disorderly conduct subject.
•Complainant on E. Main Street reported suspicious/harassing communications.
Dec. 3
•A warrant check was conducted on N. Blue Mound Avenue.
•A warrant check was conducted on N. Spring Street.
•Complainant on N. Kniss Avenue reported a guy selling vape to her child.
•Trooper requested assistance eastbound on Interstate 90, mile marker

7, Beaver Creek.
Nov. 4
•Complainant on 41st Street and 30th Avenue, Hills, reported a vehicle parked along the roadway at location.
•Complainant requested weather test.
•Complainant on N. Oakley Street reported theft of checks.
•Complainant on S. Oakley Street reported phone scam/harassment.
•Complainant on Oak Drive requested contact with subject.
•Complainant on W. 3rd Street in Spencer reported she sold a car and wasn't paid for it.
Dec. 5
•Complainant reported a two-vehicle accident on Main Street and Kniss Avenue.
•Complainant requested to speak to deputy.
•Complainant reported a stolen vehicle.
•Complainant on N. McKenzie Street reported a confrontation between child and adult.
•Complainant reported an assault.
•Complainant on Main Street and Kniss Avenue requested deputy to be present for traffic control.
•Complainant on E. Fletcher Street reported threatening text messages.
•Complainant on Highway 75 and Interstate 90 reported a pedestrian.

In addition, officers responded to 7 vehicles in the ditch, 3 follow-ups, 1 transport, 8 escorts, 19 ambulance runs, 1 parking violation, 2 paper services, 3 animal complaints, 2 fingerprint requests, 2 burn permits, 1 gas drive-off, 3 purchase and carry permits, 4 log/alarm sheets, 7 traffic stops, 6 abandoned 911 calls, 4 welfare checks, 1 report of cattle out, 1 background check, and 1 vehicle impound.



Mavis Fodness photo/1212 Nextera Open House

Organizers for the proposed Walleye Wind Farm in western Rock County host an open house Dec. 5 at Springbrooke Events in Beaver Creek. NextEra Energy Resources recently purchased the proposed wind farm and will develop the 111-megawatt operation in 2021.

Public introduced to NextEra Energy, Walleye Wind Farm project at open house in Beaver Creek

By Mavis Fodness

About 30 landowners met with the new owners of the proposed Walleye Wind Farm in western Rock County on Dec. 5 at Springbrooke Events in Beaver Creek.

About a dozen representatives from NextEra Energy Resources of Juno Beach, Florida, were on hand for the open house-type setting where attendees asked questions.

"We were very pleased to have the chance to introduce ourselves to the Rock County community," said Mike Weich, NextEra director of development.

NextEra purchased the proposed 100-megawatt Walleye Wind Farm earlier this year from Renewable Energy Systems of Broomfield, Colorado, and recently closed the sale on seven existing wind turbines in Beaver Creek Township.

The existing turbines, 11 megawatts of power, will be decommissioned and incorporated into the proposed wind farm.



Mike Weich (right), project manager for the proposed Walleye Wind Farm, greets landowner Blake Crawford of Beaver Creek. Tom Von Brische (background) also works with NextEra Energy Resources

With the purchase, the new proposed Walleye Wind Farm is 111 megawatts in size, consisting of 36 turbines. Footprint of the farm includes the townships of Beaver Creek and Martin, as well as portions of Rose Dell, Springwater, Luverne and Mound.

Application to the state

Public Utility Commission for a permit and certificate of need is planned for April 2020. The permit process may take up to a year to complete.

Construction is planned for 2021.

Final design plans, including turbine locations, will be released this spring.

In the meantime, Nex-

tera is opening an office on Main Street in Luverne and is planning other opportunities to meet people in the community.

"This open house was an opportunity for us to listen to landowners and leaders in the community, answer their questions, and share information about the many benefits of Walleye Wind," Weich said.

Benefits include clean energy, good jobs, landowner payments and additional tax revenue to support local roads, schools and services.

At the open house, question topics ranged from NextEra and their experience with other renewable energy projects (they are currently completing a project in Pipestone County) to whether agreements with the previous developer will be honored (yes), and what the next steps in the project will be.

Currently a website (www.walleyewind.com) has been developed that answers questions about the company, existing wind farms and the Walleye project.

'Marlene and Darlene present The Nutcracker' at the Palace Theatre Dec. 22/ continued from page 1

duo educated attendees about plans for the new facility.

"That fundraiser made more than \$80,000 and I'd like to think Marlene and Darlene are responsible for most of that," she said.

Currently the group has \$600,000 for the \$2.5 million building project.

The Dec. 22 theatrical performance of "Marlene and Darlene present The Nutcracker" will take a similar approach.

"The title sort of pokes a stick at the current sleeping bear of the nutcracker controversy in Luverne," Winter said. "Of course, I asked Betty Mann to be in the show and she jumped at the chance."

In the Dec. 22 script, Marlene and Darlene move from "Leota in their Toyota" to their new home in Luverne where

they join the active senior citizens group and take in the town's attractions.

Betty Mann, president of the Rock County Historical Society and curator of the History Center's nutcracker collection, a tourist attraction of more than 4,000 nutcrackers, portrays herself.

Some critics have objected to the promotion of Luverne as "The Nutcracker City."

"Like everyone else, Marlene and Darlene want to support the building fund and come up with all kinds of fundraising ideas before settling on presenting 'The Nutcracker,' as performed by area seniors," Winter said.

"The gist of the story line is 'Can Marlene pull this off?'"

George Bonnema, Generations president, also portrays himself in the production with

a few other characters rounding out the cast.

"You know they say 'real life mimics art' and 'art mimics real life,'" Winter added.

Two performances take place Dec. 22 at the Palace Theatre on Main Street Luverne. One performance is at 2 p.m. and the other at 7 p.m.

A freewill offering will be accepted at the door.

Proceeds from the two performances will be matched up to \$5,000 through an anonymous donor.

"Along with the money, the purpose of the show is to keep the public's attention on the Generations center," Winter said, adding that it also addresses the topic of aging.

"We can think about aging with fear and dread, or we can make it a diminishing opponent by laughing at it."

Kids party Dec. 14 at History Center/ from page 1

nutcracker Christmas ornaments."

Attendees will again enjoy nutcracker ornaments at the door, in addition to holiday tattoos, a scavenger hunt, make and take projects, story time, photo opportunities and festive snacks.

And they'll all be greeted by the new musical character at the door. Its rich colors on a textured surface give the illusion of painted wood grain, but the holiday nutcracker is

actually hollow plastic that is easily moved from one location (near an outlet) to another.

Mann isn't bothered by the fact that it's a Walmart purchase.

"I saw it advertised for sale and had to have it," she said. Meanwhile, she acquired several other 12-inch Christian Albrecht nutcrackers at a flea market for a price that's a fraction of what they're worth.

"I'm very pleased with these," she said about the re-

cent expansion of the Albrecht section of the display behind glass.

With the new pieces and dozens of other recent donations and acquisitions, Mann said Luverne's nutcracker collection with more than 4,200 pieces, can claim to be second largest in the world.

She said the History Center has seen 2,623 visitors as of Dec. 1, and many come through the doors looking for the nutcracker collection.

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Questions? Call 283-2333



Above: A few people showed their support for the Megan Boyenga family Sunday by wearing T-shirts that read, “No farewell words were spoken. No time to say goodbye. In loving memory of Anthony Boyenga 1988-2019.” **At right:** Megan Boyenga reads a prepared thank you Sunday during halftime of the Vikings-Lions football game, which was shown during the fundraising dinner and online auction for her and her children to stay on the family farm.



Fundraiser allows Boyenga family to stay on the farm

Story and photos by Mavis Fodness

Hundreds of family, friends and acquaintances gathered Sunday to support and to raise money for the Megan Boyenga family of rural Kanaranzi.

The four-hour event raised \$37,570 (as of Monday morning) for the young widow whose husband, Anthony “Tony,” died of a heart attack in June. He was 31.

Megan Boyenga’s employer, Prairie Rehabilitation, organized the dinner and online auction. She’s worked in the business department since graduating from college in 2006.

Four months ago her employers, Lee and Gina Glasoe, began organizing Sunday’s fundraiser.

“We wanted her to make the best decision for herself and her family long term,” Lee Glasoe said. “Our thought is for her to have the wherewithal to stay where she is and not have finances force her to make a decision she may regret.”

The night after Tony’s death, Megan recalled thinking that they would have to move to town.

The couple married in 2012 and Tony was achieving his dream of farming for a living, including the development of a cow-calf operation.

With Tony gone, family has stepped in to complete the fieldwork and the necessary livestock chores.

They supported Megan and her desire to keep the farm for her children, Rayden, 12, Coyer, 6, and triplets Hazyl, Levicy and Bronly, 4, to enjoy and possibly operate when they are older.

“It’s been important to keep it — not to sell,” Megan said.

As the six-month anniversary of Tony’s death comes this month, Megan is speechless at the outpouring of support, her thank you to supporters at Sunday’s event cut short by tears.

“The goal was to do what it took to stay here on the farm,” Boyenga said on Monday. “This is beyond anything I could’ve imagined to help make that happen. This will definitely give the kids and me the opportunity to stay on the farm and not have to make any more changes, as they’ve been through enough changes already.”

An estimated 500 to 600 people attended the pulled pork and barbecue sandwich dinner, and hundreds more participated in the online auction.

The auction was set up using Qtego and allowed people who couldn’t attend the event in Luverne to support the



Left: Tables are filled with 211 online auction items at the Megan Boyenga family benefit Sunday at Grand Prairie Events in Luverne. Bids were completed by mobile phone beginning Nov. 29 and raised just over \$26,000 when the online auction ended at 4 p.m. Sunday.

Below, left: Darla Timmer of Ellsworth reads the names of those who made donations to the Megan Boyenga family fundraiser Sunday.

Below: Pictures of the late Tony Boyenga donned one table at Sunday’s benefit for his family.



young family through real-time bidding platform and payment through a credit card.

Of the amount raised, \$11,000 came from the freewill meal



donations. The rest was from the auction of 210 items.

“I am amazed at how generous people are,” Glasoe said. “They were not only generous in donations but also in the bidding.”

Donations can still be made to the Boyenga Family benefit. Mail checks to Prairie Rehabilitation, 1720 S. Cliff Ave., Sioux Falls, SD, 57105.

1931: Christmas Seal campaign kicks off in Rock County

The following appeared in The Rock County Herald on November 27, 1931.

Sale of Christmas Seals Under Way

R. C. Engan Will Direct County Campaign; Adequate Supply of Attractive Stamps Available

Everything was in readiness for the official opening of the county-wide sale of double-barred cross Christmas seals, which started yesterday, simultaneously with that of the state and nation. R. C. Engan, Esq. is county campaign director, and precinct managers who are assisting are Mrs. A. J. Rauk, of Beaver Creek, and J. M. Johnson, of Hills. Mr. Engan will have charge in Luverne.

Holiday festivity of “the good old days” has been chosen for the design of the Christmas seal commemorating the silver anniversary of the fight against tuberculosis. Pictured on the 1931 seal is an old-time stage coach drawn by four horses prancing in the snow. Aloft on the upper deck a passenger blows his horn to blazon Christmas greetings to the countryside.

Supplies for the Christmas seal sale have been received by Mr. Engan. Included in the package were thousands of Christmas seals, Christmas bonds, brilliant posters and window cards bearing the health coach as it passes merrily along its way to carry Christmas greetings to all.

Posters and window cards will appear in store windows and on billboards along the highways of the state



BITS BY BETTY

By Betty Mann, president
Rock County Historical Society

this week, inviting everyone to enter the fight against tuberculosis through the purchase of Christmas seals.

Seals in the municipalities will be sold by house-to-house canvas, through the mail and its booths. In rural sections, where health habits are being taught in the schools through an educational program financed by the sale of Christmas seals, the seal sales will be conducted by the school children, with the teachers in charge.

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@iu.net.



Zion donates soup supper proceeds to Crisis Center

Linda Wenzel of Zion Lutheran Church, Hardwick, presents a check for \$852 to Jennifer Lindsey of the Rock County Southwest Crisis Center on Sunday, Dec. 8, in Hardwick. Wenzel is treasurer for Hardwick’s Lutheran Women’s Missionary League, which is the auxiliary of the Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod. The church raised the money during its annual soup supper, which supports local missions. “We chose Southwest Crisis Center as our project because we felt it was important and Jennifer is a member of our church,” Wenzel said. “She and I have been visiting about how to use the money and she had some great ideas ... like trafficking awareness.”

MENU

Monday, Dec. 16: Sloppy Joe on bun, potato salad, beets, cookie. Program: 8:30 a.m. Quilting; 9 a.m. Bone Builders.

Tuesday, Dec. 17: Ham and scalloped potatoes, green beans, tropical fruit salad, bread, pie. Program: Half-price day sponsored by Main Street Financial. Christmas sing-along with Dolly and Lynette.

Wednesday, Dec. 18: Roast beef, mashed potatoes, green peas, dinner roll, fruit crisp with whipped topping. Program: 9 a.m. Bone Builders. 12:30 p.m. Site Council meeting.

Thursday, Dec. 19: Hearty chili, broccoli raisin salad, spiced pears, corn muffin, cookie. Pastor of the Month: Billy Skaags from Living Rock Church. NAPS and NLCC Food Give-away.

Friday, Dec. 20: Italian meat sauce over spaghetti, lettuce salad, garlic bread, peaches. 9 a.m. Bone Builders. Birthday Party Kitchen Band. Half-price day sponsored by NLCC.

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And ... remember to include a phone number so we can contact you with any questions/clarifications.

OBITUARIES

Ardell Bowman

Ardell Ray Bowman, 74, Luverne, died Saturday, Dec. 7, 2019, at Ava's Hospice House in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

A funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 12, at Grace Lutheran Church in Luverne. Burial will follow at Maplewood Cemetery in Luverne. Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 11, at Hartquist Funeral Home in Luverne.

Ardell Bowman was born Dec. 17, 1944, to Victor and Marie (Olson) Bowman in Luverne. He was raised and attended school in Luverne, graduating from Luverne High School in 1962. Ardell entered the United States Army National Guard and honorably served from 1965 to 1971.

On May 14, 1966, Ardell married Jayona "Jay" Collins at Grace Lutheran Church in Luverne. Ardell then continued his education at Mankato State University in Mankato and graduated with a bachelor's degree in business in 1969. The couple lived in Mankato, Detroit Lakes and Grand Forks, North Dakota, until returning to Luverne in 1973. Ardell became employed at Tri-State Insurance, which later became Continental Western Group, and worked there for 43 years until his formal retirement in June 2012.

Ardell was baptized into the Lutheran faith as a child and was a member of Grace Lutheran Church in Luverne. He was a former member of the Luverne Rotary Club and the South

Dakota and Minnesota Claims Association.

He enjoyed classic cars, camping and riding bicycle. Ardell cared about animals, in particular, bears, and he and Jay volunteered one summer at the North American Bear Center in Ely.

Ardell was an avid fan of Minnesota Gopher athletics, especially their basketball and football programs. His passion was reserved for his children and grandchildren, and he enjoyed attending their sporting events.

Ardell will be remembered for his genuine caring and compassion, his welcoming hugs and handshakes, and his contagious smile. He was grateful for the relationships that he made and for God's beauty in life.

Ardell is survived by his wife, Jay; two sons, Scott (Molly) Bowman of Luverne, and David (Laura) Bowman of Mankato; four grandchildren, Gracie Bowman, Rafe Bowman, Mollie Bowman, and Sophia Bowman; two siblings, Ronald (Irene) Bowman of Dunedin, Florida, and Carole (Gordon) Hemme of Arlington, Minnesota; and many nieces, nephews, other family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents and an infant sister.

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

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Lori Sorenson photos/1212 Respect Lunch 2019

Luverne Elementary students get fancy for manners during Respect Lunch 2019



The lights were dimmed in the Luverne Elementary School commons over the noon hour Friday when dressed up diners spoke quietly and politely while passing mashed potatoes and ham around their cafeteria tables during the 2019 Respect Lunch. The annual occasion, sponsored by Parent Partners in Education, is designed to offer a formal setting to practice manners and enjoy a special, family-style meal.



The lunch periods at Luverne Elementary featured tables covered in white linen, holiday decorations, paper plates and personal servers to bring sliced ham, mashed potatoes and corn to each table.

Matthew Gangestad (**top, left**) helps himself to mashed potatoes before passing the dish to his mom, Stacy Gangestad, who volunteered at a table. Pictured next to Gangestad are Olivia Ver Steeg (left) and Mariah Knorr.

Bottom left: Emily Jones helps with manners at the table that includes her daughter, Elise Jones (left), Chandler Papik, Eden Janiszeski, Avery Van't Hof, Amya Mathews and Kenzi Petersen.

Leon Siebenahler

Leon Francis Siebenahler, 86, Luverne, died Monday, Dec. 2, 2019, at the Sanford Luverne Medical Center.

A funeral Mass was Friday, Dec. 6, at St. Catherine Catholic Church in Luverne.

Leon Siebenahler was born Nov. 9, 1933, on the family farm southwest of Hardwick. He graduated from Luverne High School in 1951. He served his country in the United States during the Korean War.

Leon married Phyllis Coffey on Dec. 26, 1953, at Little Flower Church in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. After their marriage the couple lived in Virginia where Leon was stationed at Fort Belvoir. Leon served his country from 1953-1955. After his discharge they moved to rural Luverne where he began his farming career.

He was a member of St. Catherine Catholic Church in Luverne, the Luverne Eagles, and was active in 4-H. Leon served 42 years on the Rock County Fair Board, including 12 years as vice president.

Leon had a passion for farming, his large vegetable and flower gardens, fishing and woodworking. He enjoyed sup-

porting his children and grandchildren in their activities. Leon and Phyllis spent over 25 years wintering in Arizona.

Leon is survived by his four children, Deb (Brad) Van Lant, Lake of the Ozarks, Missouri, Dave (Terri) Siebenahler, Luverne, Darcy (Mike) Raddle, Luverne, and Darwin (Kelli) Siebenahler, West Des Moines, Iowa; 10 grandchildren, Jackie (Marc) Fritzsche, Tyler (Bethany) Van Lant, Justin (Callon) Siebenahler, Jeremy (Rachelle Schomacher) Siebenahler, Jordan (Jennifer) Siebenahler, Michelle (Justin) DeKam, Kayla (Jeremy) Brinkhaus, Cody Raddle, Kendra (Noah) Gaspar and Cole Siebenahler; nine great-grandchildren, Sage, Brenn, Terran, Harper, and Braxton Siebenahler, Renae and Jayden Dekam, Alex Van Lant, and Korie Schomacher; and a sister, Theresa Winger.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Phyllis, on Oct. 3, 2015; and four brothers, LuVerne, Lloyd, Robert and Arnold Siebenahler.

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

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REMEMBER WHEN

10 years ago (2009)

• Last week's dusting of snow was only a precursor to the winter storm that came through the region Tuesday.

Snow started falling Tuesday morning and continued through the day, prompting cancellation of high school sporting events and community activities across the area.

School late starts were announced Tuesday night, only to result in closings the following day as subzero temperatures combined with strong winds to create dangerous travel conditions.

Visibility was reduced through Tuesday night and into Wednesday morning, but there were surprisingly few weather-related traffic accidents reported.

Local weather recorder Troy Thone guessed that Luverne received 7 inches of snow from this system.

25 years ago (1994)

• Longtime Luverne Superintendent Norman Miller surprised the School Board members Thursday by submitting his resignation.

As the last item on the agenda for the final meeting of the calendar year, Chairman Gene Cragoe read Miller's letter of resignation to the board.

His resignation will be effective June 30, 1995, ending 16 1/2 years of district leadership. "It was a difficult decision," he said, "but when you're on top — and I think we're on top — it's time to step out of the way."

The board regretfully accepted his resignation.

Miller started serving the Luverne district in 1979 after longtime superintendent Harvey Eitrem resigned.

50 years ago (1969)

• The United Methodist Church of Steen and the United Methodist Church of Luverne will merge into one congregation Sunday, Dec. 21. Both churches voted for the merger at the regular Sunday services Nov. 23.

A delegation from the Luverne congregation will attend worship services in Steen at 9:30 Sunday morning (Dec. 21). After the short service in Steen, the Steen congregation will attend services in Luverne at 10:15.

The present membership in the Steen congregation is 57. The Rev. H. E. Brady of Westmar College at LeMars, Iowa, is the present pastor. The congregation is still undecided what to do with the present structure in Steen.

The Steen church was 75 years old Oct. 18, 1969.

75 years ago (1944)

• Verla Kitchenmaster, two year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eli Kitchenmaster, of Steen, was brought back from Rochester Tuesday where she had undergone medical treatment for an internal disorder, caused from swallowing a poisonous sink and drain pipe cleaning chemical about a month ago. Her condition is now reported as satisfactory.

Her mother had used the substance in her kitchen sink, and the child happened to get a hold of the container. Although the cover was fastened, some of the chemical apparently remained on the rim at the top and the little girl, upon putting it in to her mouth, swallowed some of the substance.

An antidote was administered promptly, and she was taken to a physician for medical treatment. After that, for a period of about three weeks, she appeared to have fully recovered from its effects.

Last week, however, it became evident that complications had set in for she was unable to retain food which she had eaten. A medical examination showed that the chemical had injured the membranous passageway from the mouth to the stomach, and that in healing, a growth had formed preventing food from entering her stomach.

100 years ago (1919)

• In an effort to extend every possible protection to its patrons against the possibilities of burglary, the Farmers' National Bank, of this city, has had a McClintock burglar alarm system put in. The work of installing it was completed the latter part of last week.

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Reghan Bork is one of three Cardinals to net two goals during Saturday's 9-0 home win over the Waseca Blue Jays.

Cards run streak to four with BSC victories

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne girls' hockey team raised its Big South Conference record to 5-1 with a pair of wins last week.

The Cardinals skated to a two-goal victory in Marshall Dec. 3 before rolling to a nine-goal home win over Waseca Saturday.

The 7-2 Cardinals play Mankato East in Mankato Saturday.

LHS 9, Waseca 0

The Luverne Cardinals reeled off their fourth consecutive victory when they dismantled the Blue Jays at the Blue Mound Ice Arena Saturday.

Cheyenne Schutz recorded a 17-save shutout in goal and Mallory Nelson, Reghan Bork and Billi Connell registered two goals each to highlight

the win.

Luverne scored seven goals in the first two periods of play, including four in the first 10:25 of the first period.

Nelson opened the scoring 2:02 into the contest before Morgan Ahrendt made it a 2-0 game 1:05 later.

Connell and Bork recorded unassisted tallies 2:55 apart as the first period progressed to give the hosts a 4-0 cushion.

LHS upped its lead to 7-0 by scoring three times in the first 6:12 of the second period.

Nelson found the net at the 14:25 mark before Rylee Gee produced an unassisted tally 1:39 later.

Bork capped her two-goal effort with a power-play goal at the 10:48 mark of the second stanza.

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John Rittenhouse photo/1212 gym 7

Luverne's Ella Reisdorfer won the all-around, beam and floor titles during her first varsity gymnastics meet Thursday at LHS. The Cards rolled to a win over BEA in their season debut.

Gymnasts open season with home win over BEA Bucs

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne gymnastics team experienced a successful season debut when the Cardinals entertained Blue Earth Area for a meet Thursday.

With LHS athletes winning all four individual event titles during the clash, the Cardinals cruised to a 127.2-118.925 victory over the Bucs.

Competing at the varsity level for the first time, Luverne seventh-grader Ella Reisdorfer turned in a memorable effort.

Along with placing second on the bars (7.35), Reisdorfer

won the beam (8.725), floor (9.05) and all-around (33.625) titles.

Seniors Meghan Witte and Meghan Mollberg had big nights for LHS as well.

Witte won the bars (7.9) crown along with placing second on the vault (8.8), second on the floor (8.55), second all-around (33.225) and fourth on the beam (7.975).

Mollberg claimed the vault title with an 8.85 tally.

Amira Cowell and Anna Huisman also secured places for the winners.

Cowell tied for third place on the vault (8.7) and finished fourth on the bars (6.8), while Huisman placed second on the beam (8.25).

The Cardinals host Redwood Valley Friday.

Individual results
Vault: Mollberg, 8.85; Witte, 8.8; Cowell, 8.7; Reisdorfer, 8.55; Tiana Lais, 7.95.
Bars: Witte, 7.9; Reisdorfer, 7.35; Cowell, 6.8; Madigan Flom, 5.75; Huisman, 5.6.
Beam: Reisdorfer, 8.725; Huisman, 8.25; Witte, 7.975; Flom, 6.9; Mollberg, 6.35.
Floor: Reisdorfer, 9.05; Witte, 8.55; Mollberg, 7.55; Flom, 7.5; Huisman, 7.025.

Patriot girls up record to 5-0

By John Rittenhouse

The Hills-Beaver Creek girls' basketball team raised its record to 5-0 after winning three games in a five-day span.

The Patriots rolled to a 20-point win in Mountain Lake Dec. 3 before registering home victories over Southwest Christian and West Lyon Friday and Saturday respectively.

H-BC hosts Adrian-Ellsworth for a Red Rock Conference clash Thursday.

H-BC 54, WL 50

The Patriots kept their perfect record intact by upending the Lions by four points Saturday in Hills.

H-BC, which never trailed in the contest, opened a 29-23 advantage in the first half.

West Lyon trimmed the difference to two points at one stage of the second half, but the Patriots withstood the challenge to record their fifth consecutive victory.

Taryn Rauk tossed in a team-high 16 points for H-BC, while Abby Knobloch contributed 15 points and pulled down six rebounds.

Kenadie Fick turned in an 11-point, three-steal effort for the winners, while Whitney Elbers blocked four shots.

Box score
Fick 03 2-3 11, Rauk 51 3-4 16, Birger 11 1-2 6, Bos 0 0 0-0, Knobloch 3 2 3-8 15, LaRock 0 0 0-0, Elbers 3 0 0-0 6.

Team statistics
H-BC: 19 of 44 field goals (43 percent), nine of 15 free throws (60 percent), 23 rebounds, 19 turnovers.
WL: 19 of 41 field goals (46 percent), eight of 11 free throws (73 percent), 23 rebounds, 20 turnovers.

H-BC 79, SWC 68

The Patriots posted their biggest win of the season when they downed the E-Gals by 11 points Friday in Hills.

In what was a rematch of the last two South Section 3A



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Hills-Beaver Creek junior Taryn Rauk tossed in a game-high 22 points to lead the Patriots to a 79-68 home win over Southwest Christian Friday. It was H-BC's fourth consecutive win.

Tournament championship games, both of which fell in SWC's favor, the Patriots gained some revenge.

H-BC sported a three-point lead after 18 minutes of play and put together a strong push in the final five minutes of the second half to win the game

handily.

Both teams had their moments in the second half.

SWC scored the first five points of the stanza to move in front 36-34, but the Patriots countered with an 11-3 run ending with a three-point shot from Rauk to regain the lead

at 45-39 with 14:10 left to play.

The E-Gals bounced back to gain a 50-49 edge at the 11-minute mark and their lead increased to two points (54-52) with 7:19 left.

SWC was sporting a 61-60

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Boys crush Edgerton Dec. 3

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne boys' basketball team opened the 2019-20 season by turning in a commanding performance Dec. 3 in Luverne.

The Cardinals entertained neighboring Edgerton for their debut in the Luverne High School gym.

Luverne scored the first four points of the contest and never played without a lead in what ended as a 96-49 conquest for the hosts.

Gannon Ahrendt, who led the Cards with 24 points, gave the Cardinals their 4-0 cushion during a 12-2 run ending with a three-point shot from Nick Feit at the 15:56 mark of the first half.

The Cardinals proceeded to pad their lead to 25 points (37-12) when Jayson Rops converted a field goal with 9:10 remaining in the opening half.

A 7-0 surge by the Flying Dutchmen trimmed the difference to 18 points (37-19) with 6:53 left in the stanza, but the Cards countered with a 13-0 spurt ending with Matt Sehr sinking a pair of free throws that gave the hosts a 50-19 cushion.

Edgerton scored eight of the next 10 points to make it a 52-27 game at the intermission, and the Flying Dutchmen scored the first two points of the second half to trim the difference to 23 points (52-29).

Luverne dominated play over the next 10 minutes to lock up the victory.

A 36-10 run ending with a layup from Ethan Beyer at the 10:03 mark of the second half made it an 84-39 game.

The advantage swelled to 51 points (92-41) when Ben Jarchow sank a field goal with 6:16 left to play.

Edgerton sported an 8-4 scoring edge in the final four



John Rittenhouse photo/1212 lbb 8

Luverne freshman Gannon Ahrendt pumped in 24 points during a season-opening home win over Edgerton Dec. 3.

minutes to leave LHS with a 47-point win.

Sehr, Bailey Cowell and Isaiah Bartels added 15, 14 and 10 points respectively to the winning effort.

Box score
McLaughlin 0 0 1-2 1, Cowell 2 3 1-2 14, Cunningham 0 0 0-0 0, DeBates 0 0 0-0

0, M. Sehr 5 0 5-7 15, Bartels 1 2 2-10, Ahrendt 6 4 0-0 24, Feit 1 2 0-0 8, Beyer 3 0 0-0 6, Cole-Kraty 0 0 0-0 0, Radtke 0 0 0-0 0, Smith 3 0 0-0 6, Jarchow 1 0 0-0 2, Rogers 0 0 0-0 0, C. Sehr 0 0 0-0 0, Rops 2 0 0-1 4, Dohlmann 3 0 0-0 6.

Team statistics
Luverne: 38 field goals made, nine of 14 free throws (64 percent).
Edgerton: 15 field goals made, 16 of 21 free throws (76 percent).

Bring on the puppy

If you have more than one dog, there is a greater chance for things to go wrong. After a great hunt last Tuesday, my big lovey dog Sarge came up lame. Walking around on three legs looks really funny but it's not a laughing matter.

After some very close inspection it was obvious that he had gotten a sticker or grass stem of some sort poked into the bottom of his foot and up into the flesh.

It was swelled up and he acted as if he had his leg amputated or something else serious. He is the biggest dog I own and is also the biggest baby.

The treatment for this injury is to soak the foot in warm water and Epsom salts three times a day for 15 minutes each time.

The procedure helps the dog's natural healing efforts bring the invader to the surface and out of the dog's foot. Just last month my other dog Tracer had a big red bubble between his toes.

It was the same problem, and I gave it a little squeeze and out popped a super small diameter piece of grass that was more than an inch long.

Unlike Sarge, Tracer paid no mind to his foot issue. He hunted great before I found it and he continued to hunt great after I removed it. The trick with this treatment is to get a 70-pound Labrador to sit still for 15 minutes at



OUTDOORS

By Scott Rall, outdoors columnist

a time and adjust to the very warm water. He does pretty well, but it is surely not his favorite thing to do.

I have heard of stories where multiple veterinary visits and lots of medications are needed to ultimately win over the intruder. The last one I heard of, the dog was in treatment for three months and no improvement had been made. He was told his dog was out for the season. I have never had one go that bad, but I have soaked a dog's foot three times a day for up to two weeks to finally dispel the problem.

Sarge is on the injured reserve list for a few days until we get his foot issue cleared up. This is the exact reason that I normally have four dogs at all times.

I cannot imagine waiting all year for the pheasant season to come around and then having to sit on the bench for weeks at a time because my only dog is injured or otherwise unhuntable. I recently retired a 10-year-old Labrador to the rest home called my mom and dad's house. He is living out his days as a couch potato.

This results in me being one short of the normal four high-power

hunting dogs that call my house their home. So, the only way to get a big dog is to start out with a little dog.

We recently bred my male Tracer to another high-quality female Labrador from Fairmont, Minnesota. You normally want to get the pair together three successful times with a one-day space in between. If all is well, the puppies should be born on or about Feb. 9.

They stay with mom for seven weeks, which calendars out to puppies ready to go home on March 29. I am not excited about the house-training part of this equation but all of the rest of it I just love. Multiple dogs allow me to continue hunting even if one or more are on injured reserve.

If you are in the market for a top quality gun dog puppy let me know. Christmas is around the corner. Just remember, when it comes to a new puppy, forgiveness is a lot easier to get than permission.

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Luverne senior Claire Baustian battles for the puck with Waseca's Jayde Pederson during Saturday's hockey game at the Blue Mound Ice Arena. LHS nailed down a 9-0 win.

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LHS added two third period goals to cap the scoring.

Connell recorded an empty-net tally 1:11 into the stanza before Regan Feit capped the scoring with a goal that came with 9:00 left.

LHS sported a 36-17 advantage in shots on goal in the game.

Gee, Kamryn Van Batavia, Anika Boll, Sophie Holmberg, Ahrendt, Schutz, Shelby Kracht, Rozilyn Oye and Nelson added one assist each to the winning effort.

LHS 3, Marshall 1

The Cardinals notched their fourth conference win of the season when they topped the Tigers by two goals Dec. 3 in Marshall.

Luverne netted two goals in the first period and never lost the lead to the hosts.

Van Batavia, who netted two goals for the Cards, opened the scoring 3:12 into the game.

Bork registered a power-play goal with 7:48 remaining in the first period to make it a 2-0 game.

Marshall's Emelia Barker sliced Luverne's lead in half (2-1) when she produced a power-play goal with 2:44 left in the second period.

Van Batavia's second goal of the game came with 11:39 remaining in the third period and capped the scoring in the game.

Claire Baustian and Feit charted two assists each for LHS, while Bork added one assist to the winning effort.

Mallory Von Tersch made 14 saves for Luverne.

H-BC boys prevail in RRC debut Thursday

By John Rittenhouse

The Hills-Beaver Creek boys' basketball team upped its record to 2-0 by winning its Red Rock Conference opener Thursday in Edgerton.

Taking on Edgerton Public School for the league debut, the Patriots outscored the Flying Dutchmen in both halves of a 63-35 win.

H-BC sported a 24-18 lead

after 18 minutes of play before outscoring EHS 39-17 in the second half to complete a 28-point conquest.

Oliver Deelstra (20 points, seven rebounds and four assists) and Cole Baker (16 points and six assists) carried the offensive load for H-BC.

Kyle Kueter (nine rebounds, three assists and six blocked shots), Zander Wysong (sixre-

bounds) and Easton Harnack (three assists) also made key contributions to the winning effort.

Box score
Harnack 1 0 7-8 9, Rauk 0 0 0-0 0, Bennett 0 0 1-2 1, Gehrke 1 0 0-0 2, Taubert 0 0 0-0 0, Deelstra 8 0 4-6 20, Baker 3 2 4-6 16, Wysong 3 1 0-0 9, Erickson 0 0 0-0 0, Kueter 3 0 0-3 6.

Team statistics
H-BC: 22 of 59 field goals (37 percent), 16 of 25 free throws (64 percent), 33 rebounds, 10 turnovers.

Luverne wrestlers compete twice

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne wrestling team opened the 2019-20 season by participating at a pair of events late last week.

The Cardinals lost a pair of matches at the Windom-

Mountain Lake Area Triangular Thursday before placing seventh as a team at the Flandreau Booster Club Invitational Saturday in Flandreau, South Dakota.

Luverne wrestles at a

triangular in Wabasso Friday.

Flandreau tourney

The Cardinals turned in a seventh-place finish as a team

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edge with 4:39 remaining in the contest, but the Patriots took over after that.

An 11-0 run consisting of seven points from Knobloch and four more from Elbers gave the Patriots a 71-61 advantage with 2:02 left in regulation play.

H-BC went on to outscore SWC 8-7 the rest of the night to win by 11 points.

The game's first half was equally competitive.

SWC sported a pair of six-point (9-3 and 17-11) leads in the first eight minutes of the game only to fall behind by one point (18-17) when Rauk converted a field goal at the 5:48 mark.

H-BC led by four (25-21) when Fick drained a three-point shot with 3:04 remaining in the stanza, but SWC battled back to knot the score at 31 in the final 30 seconds.

Fick canned another three with eight seconds left in the stanza to give the Patriots a 34-31 lead at the intermission.

Rauk (22 points), Knobloch (21 points and 12 rebounds), Fick (18 points) and Elbers (14 points, nine rebounds and six blocked shots) played big games for H-BC.

Joslyn Birger added five rebounds to the winning effort.

Box score
Fick 1 5 1-3 18, Rauk 5 2 6-7 22, Birger 1 0 2-4 4, Bos 0 0 0-2 0, Knobloch 8 1 2-5 21, LaRock 0 0 0-0 0, Elbers 4 0 6-7 14.

Team statistics
H-BC: 27 of 55 field goals (49 percent), 17 of 28 free throws (61 percent), 33 rebounds, 15 turnovers.
SWC: 23 of 66 field goals (35 percent), 15 of 16 free throws (94 percent), 21 rebounds, 12 turnovers.

H-BC 54, MLA 34

The Patriots registered their third consecutive victory when they opened Red Rock Conference play Dec. 3 in Mountain Lake.

The Wolverines played with H-BC in the first 18 minutes, but the Patriots outscored the hosts 29-14 in the second half to seal a 20-point conquest.

H-BC led by five points (25-20) at the intermission before using its 15-point advantage in the second stanza to win handily.

Fick (15 points, five rebounds, four assists and three steals)



John Rittenhouse photo/1212 lgh 6

H-BC's Kenadie Fick drained five three-point shots and scored 18 points during a home win over SWC Friday.

played a solid game for the winners.

Rauk contributed 14 points, four assists and three steals to the winning cause.

Box score
Fick 2 3 2-4 15, Rauk 3 0 8-12 14, Birger 2 0 2-2 6, Bos 1 0 0-0 2, Knobloch 2 1 0-0 7, Durst 0 0 0-0 0, Tatge 0 0 0-0 0, Moser 1 0 0-0 2, LaRock 1 0 0-0 2, Elbers 3 0 0-0 6.

Team statistics
H-BC: 19 of 40 field goals (48 percent), 12 of 18 free throws (67 percent), 23 rebounds, 18 turnovers.
MLA: 13 of 44 field goals (30 percent), six of nine free throws (67 percent), 19 rebounds, 19 turnovers.

Remember as we celebrate this Christmas...

Having a joyous, happy Christmas isn't always possible. With the death of a loved one, holidays are particularly stressful. The social role of the loved one will need to be filled by someone else or altered significantly because that person will no longer be sharing in the holiday experiences with family and friends. For families dealing with such a loss, there will be difficult days coping with their feelings about the holiday season. Such families may fear the pain of the actual holiday, they may wish to avoid the whole season, they may feel pressure wondering what their friends expect of them and what traditions they should now follow or change.

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Luverne boys go 2-1 in first week of regular season

By John Rittenhouse
The Luverne boys' hockey team opened the 2019-20 season by playing three Big South Conference games at the Blue Mound Ice Arena.
Marshall saddled the Cardinals with a three-goal setback Dec. 3, but LHS bounced back to post three-goal wins over Redwood Valley and Waseca Thursday and Saturday respectively.
Luverne hosts Dodge County Friday.

LHS 4, Waseca 1
Luverne capped a three-game stretch to open the season by topping the Blue Jays Saturday at the Blue Mound Ice Arena.
Four different players netted goals for an LHS team that outshot Waseca 28-20 in a three-goal contest.
The score was tied at one late in the first period, when Luverne's Cade Wenninger ignited what turned into a three-goal run with 30 seconds left in the opening stanza.

LHS went on to produce single goals in the second and third periods to complete the victory.
Mason Steensma recorded an unassisted goal 2:09 into the second period, and Colby Crabtree capped the scoring with a short-handed, unassisted tally into an empty net with 1:16 remaining in the



Luverne senior Nathan Nekali deflects the puck in front of Waseca's net during Saturday's game at the Blue Mound Ice Arena.

game.
Nathan Nekali gave the Cards a 1-0 lead at the 7:51 mark of the first period, but Waseca's Ben Priebe knotted the score at one with a power-play goal that came with 3:55 remaining in the stanza.
Shaïd Shearer saved 19 of the 20 shots he faced in goal for LHS.

Jacob Von Tersch and Crabtree recorded one assist each for the winners.

Luverne 5, RWV 2
The Cardinals picked up their first win of the season when they topped Redwood Valley by three goals at the Blue Mound Ice Arena Thursday.
Luverne scored the first two

goals of the game and never lost the lead to conference foe RWV.

LHS produced short-handed tallies to gain a 2-0 cushion.
Brock Behrend registered the first goal of the year for the Cardinals with 2:19 remaining in the first period, and Crabtree netted his first of two goals 3:43 into the second period.

RWV's Carter Iwan cut Luverne's lead in half (2-1) at the 8:50 mark of the second period, but the Cards outscored the visitors 3-1 in the third period to ice the victory.
Wenninger gave the Cards a 3-1 cushion 2:22 into the final period before Jordan Gibbs countered for RWV with 5:43 remaining to make it a 3-2

game.
Easton Braun gave the Cards a two-goal cushion (4-2) with 4:03 left before Crabtree capped the scoring with 45 seconds remaining.
Colton Schutz made 21 saves in goal for an LHS squad that sported a 36-23 advantage in shots on goal.
Carlton Oftedahl, Crabtree, Cooper Arends, Braun and Wenninger registered one assist each.

Marshall 3, LHS 0
The Cardinals made their 2019-20 debut when they entertained the Tigers at the Blue Mound Ice Arena Dec. 3.
Marshall scored three goals in the first 23 minutes of the game, and that proved to be enough offense to give the Tigers a 3-0 victory.
Joe Archbold opened the scoring with a power-play tally at the 4:32 mark of the opening period.
Marco Bayer scored the game's second goal 1:15 later to give the Tigers a 2-0 lead they would take into the second period.
Archbold capped the scoring in the game when he netted his second goal with 5:43 remaining in the second period.
Marshall sported a 35-24 advantage in shots on goal during the contest.
Shearer made 32 saves in goal for the Cardinals.

A-E's Anaya, Taylor secure mat titles

By John Rittenhouse
The Adrian-Ellsworth wrestling team made its 2019-20 debut at the Top of the Rock Tournament Saturday in Dell Rapids, South Dakota.
Competing in a nine-team field, the Dragons compiled 97 points to place sixth.
Canton claimed the team championship with 229.5 counters.
Three Dragons placed fourth or better at the tournament

including Brayan Anaya and Logan Taylor, who walked away with individual titles.
Anaya took top honors at 113 after posting a 5-3 win over McCook Central-Montrose's Weston Remmers and a 9-5 victory over Dell Rapids' Andrew Weiland.
Taylor went 4-0 to take top honors at 145.
Taylor registered consecutive pins over Parker's Zanto Centro (1:12), Dell Rapids'

Hunter Nelson (1:28) and Beresford-Alcester-Hudson's Payton Borah (5:17) before notching a 5-0 victory over Canton's Seth Petersen in the finals.
A-E's Preston Nelson placed fourth at 182 with a 2-2 record.
Breyer Hieronimus (3-2), Rilee Heidebrink (2-2), Logan Sherer (1-2), Axel Martinez (1-2), David Anaya (0-2) and Quentin Wolf (0-2) competed without placing.

Girls best Pipestone, Fairmont

By John Rittenhouse
The Luverne girls' basketball team strung together a pair of wins during the second week of the regular season.
The Cardinals knocked off Pipestone by eight points in Luverne Thursday before posting a four-point win over Fairmont Saturday in Jackson.
The 2-1 Cardinals play Heron Lake-Okabena-Fulda Friday in Okabena.

LHS 49, Fairmont 45
The Cardinals staged a come-from-behind victory at the Big South Conference Showcase in Jackson Saturday.
Fairmont got off to a strong start by opening a 30-23 half-time lead over Luverne.
The game's second half belonged to the Cardinals, who rallied to outscore FHS 26-15 to secure a 49-45 victory.
Brooklyn Ver Steeg, who led the Cards with 17 points, spurred the second-half rally by netting 10 points in the stanza.
Mallory Thorson tossed in 15 points for the winners.

Box score
C. Wagner 2 0 2-4 6, Ver Steeg 7 0 3-6 17, Sehr 2 0 0-0 4, E. Wagner 2 0 0-0 4, Thorson 6 0 3-4 15, Hart 1 0 0-0 2, Nath 0 0 1-2 1, Ferrell 0 0 0-3 0.
Team statistics
Luverne: 21 of 44 field goals (48 percent), nine of 20 free throws (45 percent).
Fairmont: 16 field goals made, five of eight free throws (63 percent).



Averill Sehr scored 10 points, which included sinking eight consecutive free throws, during a home win over Pipestone.

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and three LHS entries placed individually to highlight Saturday's showing at the Flandreau Booster Club Tournament.
Luverne compiled 56.5 points to place seventh in a 10-team field led by Madison, which claimed the team championship with 205 points.
Riley Cowell turned in an impressive showing for LHS by pinning his way to the title in the 120-pound weight class.
Cowell covered Sioux Valley's Tyson Moe (18 seconds), Garretson's Jayce Miller (3:34) and Howard's Karsten Hamilton (2:53) to claim his championship.
Braydon Ripka and Jaden Reisch placed at the tournament as well for LHS.
Ripka went 3-1 to place third at 132 pounds, while Reisch finished fourth at 145 with a 2-2 mark.
Luverne's Camden Janiszski and Noah Mehlhaff both

went 1-2 without placing, while Tavian Lange went 0-2.
W-MLA triangular
The Cardinals came up empty in two attempts to win a match when they opened the season at the Windom Mountain Lake Area Triangular Thursday in Windom.
LHS squared off against Big South Conference foes W-MLA and Worthington.
Worthington handed LHS a 63-12 setback, while the hosts saddled the Cards with a 48-15 setback.
Cowell had a big night that included winning both of his matches.
Cowell topped Worthington's Zaydan Abdurrahman 9-2 and handed W-MLA's Caden Swoboda a 4-1 setback.
Mehlhaff and Reisch drew forfeits during the match against W-MLA.
Braydon Ripka pinned

Worthington's Jose Martinez in 2:49 during the opening match, while Zach Bradley topped Juan Guizar by a 12-5 margin.
Match wrap-ups
W-MLA 48, LHS 15
106 (W) Renquist pins Lange.
113 (W) Xayachak by forfeit.
120 (W-L) open.
126 (L) Cowell 4-1 Swoboda.
132 (L) Mehlhaff by forfeit.
138 (W) Sammons pins Ripka.
145 (W) Santibanez pins Janiszski.
152 (L) Reisch by forfeit.
160 (W) Sandoval pins Bradley.
170 (L-W) open.
182 (L-W) open.
195 (W) Swenson by forfeit.
220 (W) Altmann by forfeit.
285 (W) Mutz by forfeit.
WHS 63, Luverne 12
106 (W) Meyer pins Lange.
113 (W) Galvez by forfeit.
120 (L) Cowell 9-2 Abdurrahman.
126 (W) Perez 6-5 Mehlhaff.
132 (L) Ripka pins Martinez.
138 (W) Schutz pins Janiszski.
145 (W) Schutz pins Reisch.
152 (W) Hennings by forfeit.
160 (L) Bradley 12-5 Guizar.
170 (W) Lais by forfeit.
182 (W) Lais by forfeit.
195 (W) Hennings by forfeit.
220 (W) Hennings by forfeit.
285 (W) Mullaney by forfeit.

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With 5-0 start, H-BC girls are ahead of schedule



For a team that was expected to experience some growing pains early in the season, the Hills-Beaver Creek girls are playing basketball at a high level.

The Patriots posted three wins in a five-day span last week to up their record to 5-0.

Two of the five wins were Red Rock Conference conquests, and one of the victories came against rival Southwest Christian Friday in Hills.

Having covered two of the first five H-BC games, I have to admit that I'm pleasantly surprised with the way the Patriots have played during the first two weeks of the campaign.

I'm guessing Patriot coach Kale Wiertzema feels the same way.

After losing three starters, including a pair of 1,000-plus point scorers from a 2018-19 team that compiled a 25-1 record last winter, Wiertzema wasn't forecasting instant success for this year's team.

He knew his squad had the potential to develop into a competitive team, but prior to the start of the season Wiertzema was thinking it might take some time for the Patriots to find their footing.

As an outsider looking in, it appears to me that Wiertzema's rebuilding project is ahead of schedule.

During the two games I've witnessed, the Patriots have given me the impression that they are a team that grows stronger late in contests.

That definitely was the case during H-BC's season debut in Luverne Nov. 22.

The Patriots sported a slim 17-13 edge after 18 minutes of play, but H-BC went on to outscore the Cardinals 44-19 in the second half to secure a 61-32 victory.

FROM THE SIDELINES

By John Rittenhouse, sports editor

The Patriots played their best basketball of the night during Friday's win over SWC.

H-BC, which sported a 34-31 lead at the intermission, faced a one-point deficit with less than five minutes remaining in the second half.

The Patriots answered the challenge by reeling off 11 consecutive points in a span of 2:16 to gain a 71-61 advantage before recording an 11-point (79-68) victory at game's end.

Playing well at crunch time is a positive quality, and I believe that's a strength that could help a team with three first-year starters make a run at another 20-win season.

Whitney Elbers, a shot-blocking machine as a 6-4 post, and the hard-nosed Abby Knobloch (5-10 forward) are returning starters from 2018-19.

They give H-BC a great inside game, and Knobloch can hurt teams with her ability to shoot from the perimeter as well.

First-year starters Taryn Rauk and Kenadie Fick have emerged as standout players as well.

Rauk, a 5-8 junior guard, is H-BC's leading scorer through five games.

Fick, a 5-7 guard, hit five three-point shots to highlight an 18-point effort against SWC.

Joslyn Birger is another first-year starter who I think will improve throughout the season, as will reserves Annie Bos and Allie LaRock, who are members of H-BC's player rotation.

There is a lot of this season left, and I'm sure H-BC will take some lumps during the course of the year.

Regardless of that, a 5-0 start should give Patriot fans something to feel good about going forward.

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LHS 50, Pipestone 42

The Cardinals collected their first overall and Big South Conference win of the season when they bested the Arrows by eight points Thursday in Luverne.

LHS clawed its way out of an early hole to defeat Pipestone.

The Arrows led by as many as 10 points early in the first half before LHS rallied to gain a 25-19 lead at the intermission.

LHS still led by six (27-21) three minutes into the second half before Averill Sehr converted a field goal before sinking a pair of free throws at the 11:07 mark to give the hosts a 33-23 cushion.

Pipestone countered with a 15-6 run ending with a three-point shot at the 2:59 mark to make it a one-point difference (39-38), but the Cardinals were able to answer the challenge.

A 9-2 surge ending with Thorson draining one charity shot gave the Cards a 48-40 advantage with 28 seconds remaining.

Both teams scored two points in the final seconds of the contest.

Thorson led the Cardinals with 24 points and 11 rebounds in the game.

Sehr, who canned eight



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Luverne senior Mallory Thorson tossed in a game-high 24 points and pulled down 11 rebounds during a 50-42 home victory over the Pipestone Arrows Thursday.

consecutive free throws for an LHS team that made 83 percent of its charity shots in the game, added 10 points and five rebounds to the winning effort.

Box score
C.Wagner 2 0 0-0 4, Ver Steeg, 1 0 1-2 3, Sehr 1 0 8-8 10, E.Wagner 0 0 0-0 0, Thorson 5 3 5-6 24, Nath 0 0 0-0 0, Ferrell 0 2 1-2 7, Hart 1 0 0-0 2.

Team statistics

Luverne: 15 of 47 field goals (32 percent), 15 of 18 free throws (83 percent), 28 rebounds.
Pipestone: 13 of 30 field goals (43 percent), 11 of 18 free throws (61 percent), 27 rebounds.

Cardinal boys post victory in Adrian

By John Rittenhouse

A pair of boys' basketball teams from the Star Herald coverage area locked horns in Adrian Saturday.

The Adrian-Ellsworth Dragons opened the season by taking on Luverne for a non-conference game.

The visiting Cardinals walked away with their second win of the year by handing the Dragons a 78-61 setback.

Luverne got off to a strong start by opening a 35-28 lead in the first half.

When the Cardinals outscored the Dragons 43-33 in the second half, their 17-point win was complete.

Isaiah Bartels (22 points and 14 rebounds), Gannon Ahrendt (17 points and five steals) and Nick Feit (14 points



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Luverne senior Isaiah Bartels scored a game-high 22 points during Saturday's 78-61 win over Adrian-Ellsworth.

and six rebounds) led the Cards to victory.

Bailey Cowell added 16

points to the winning cause. Peyton Lewis (19 points and seven rebounds), Noah Reyne

(12 points and nine rebounds) and Ian Stamer (12 points) played strong games for the Dragons.

Lance Luettel collected six caroms for A-E, while Grant Jansma and Anthony Lenz nabbed five rebounds each.

Box score
Luverne
Cowell 5 1 3-7 16, DeBates 0 0 0-0 0, Sehr 3 0 0-0 6, Bartels 7 1 5-8 22, Ahrendt 3 1 8-8 17, Feit 3 2 2-5 14, DeSollar 0 0 0-0 0, Beyer 0 0 0-0 0, Smith 0 0 0-0 0, Jarchow 0 0 0-0 0, Rops 1 0 1-2 3.
Adrian
Rahe 1 0 0-0 2, Reyne 2 1 5-7 12, Vorthems 0 0 1-2 1, Stamer 5 0 2-4 12, Lewis 4 1 8-10 19, Jansma 2 1 0-7, Heidebrink 0 0 0-0 0, Lenz 1 0 1-2 3, Schnoor 1 0 0-2 2, Luettel 1 0 1-2 3, Nave 0 0 0-0 0.

Team statistics
Luverne: 27 of 64 field goals (42 percent), 19 of 30 free throws (63 percent), 32 rebounds, 13 turnovers.
A-E: 20 of 59 field goals (34 percent), 18 of 29 free throws (62 percent), 41 rebounds, 19 turnovers.

SWC, RRC keep Dragon girls winless

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian-Ellsworth girls couldn't produce their first basketball win of the season during two outings last week.

Southwest Christian topped the Dragons by 18 points in Ellsworth Dec. 3. A-E lost a four-point game to Red Rock Central Friday in Lamberton.

The 0-4 Dragons play in Hills Thursday.

RRC 49, A-E 45

The Dragons slipped to 0-2 in Red Rock Conference play after dropping a four-point decision to the Falcons Friday in Lamberton.

The game was a tight contest the entire night, but A-E

couldn't protect a late lead.

Facing a 20-17 deficit at the intermission, the Dragons battled back to gain a one-point edge (45-44) when Kallie Chapa drained a three-point shot in the final minute.

RRC, however, scored the final five points of the night to pull out a win.

Chapa (13 points and five rebounds), Bailey Lonneman (10 points and 10 rebounds), Moriah Bullerman (10 points) and Jayden Zebe (five rebounds and three assists) led A-E statistically.

Box score
Zebe 0 2 2-2 8, Meester 1 0 2-4 4, Lonneman 5 0 0-0 10, Chapa 1 2 5-5 13, M.Bullerman 2 2 0-1 10.

Team statistics
A-E: 15 of 62 field goals (24 percent), nine of 12 free throws (75 percent), 31 rebounds, 20 turnovers.
RRC: 20 of 45 field goals (44 percent), nine of 15 free throws (56 percent), 25 rebounds, 16 turnovers.

SWC 69, A-E 51

The Dragon girls were unable to knock off the E-Gals when the teams squared off in Ellsworth Dec. 3.

Southwest Christian, a team expected to contend for the Red Rock Conference and South Section 3A titles this winter, outscored A-E by nine points in both halves of an 18-point victory.

The E-Gals led 39-30 at the intermission before using a 30-21 scoring cushion in the

second half to win handily.

Ashlyn Meester tossed in 18 points to lead the Dragons in scoring.

Chapa netted 11 points and pulled down six rebounds for A-E, which received a 10-point, nine-rebound effort from Lonneman.

Box score
Zebe 1 0 2-2 4, Dreesen 0 0 0-0 0, Chapa 3 1 2-4 11, Meester 4 2 4-6 18, Rogers 1 0 1-1 1, M.Bullerman 0 0 2-4 2, J.Bullerman 0 0 0-0 0, Preuss 0 0 1-2 1, Lonneman 4 0 2-2 10, Cauwels 1 0 0-2 2, Lehnhoff 0 0 0-0 0.

Team statistics
A-E: 17 of 54 field goals (31 percent), 14 of 21 free throws (67 percent), 32 rebounds, 16 turnovers.
SWC: 27 of 58 field goals (47 percent), 12 of 20 free throws (60 percent), 17 rebounds, six turnovers.

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BSC girls' hockey

New Ulm	4-0
Luverne	5-1
Minnesota River	3-2
Fairmont	2-1
Worthington	2-2
Windom	1-4
Marshall	0-2
Waseca	0-5

BSC boys' hockey

New Ulm	2-0
Luverne	2-1
Marshall	1-1
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Sunday, Dec. 15: 9:30 a.m. Worship service. 6:30 p.m. Christmas program. Monday, Dec. 16: 9 a.m. Perk-Up at Oasis 6:30 p.m. Friendship Christmas party. Congregational meeting. Tuesday, Dec. 17: 9:30 a.m. Coffee Break/Story Hour. Wednesday, Dec. 18: 7 p.m. GEMS/Cadets. Youth Group Christmas party.

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Thursday, Dec. 12: 6 a.m. Men's Bible Study. 1 p.m. Roll bandages for hospital in Zambia. 8 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3. Sunday, Dec. 15: 9:15 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship Service. 1:30 p.m. Mary Jane Brown service. 2:15 p.m. Poplar Creek Estates service. 6 p.m. Sunday School Christmas program. Tuesday, Dec. 17: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study. Wednesday, Dec. 18: 6:30 p.m. Awana/Store/Socks for Union Gospel Mission night. Thursday, Dec. 19: 6 a.m. Men's Bible Study. 1 p.m. Roll bandages for hospital in Zambia. 8 p.m. Worship Service on Channel 3.

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Sunday, Dec. 15: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 9:15 a.m. Bible class. 10:15 a.m. Worship Service. Wednesday, Dec. 18: 3:30 p.m. Catechism class. 6 p.m. Soup supper. 7 p.m. Advent Vespers.

American Reformed Church 304 N. Fairview Dr., Luverne

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Mike Altena, Pastor

Thursday, Dec. 12: 5:30 p.m. Tumbling Tikes. Friday, Dec. 13: 6:30 a.m. Community Men's Bible Study. 8 a.m. Justice For All. 4:30 p.m. REFIT Fitness. Saturday, Dec. 14: 3 p.m. Commons reserved. 7 p.m. Union Gospel Mission Service. Sunday, Dec. 15: 9:30 a.m. Worship Service with Communion. 10:50 a.m. Family Education. 6 p.m. Christmas program. Tuesday, Dec. 17: Noon Staff meeting. 6:30 p.m. Praise Team. 7 p.m. Youth room reserved. Wednesday, Dec. 18: 4:30 p.m. Multi-purpose room reserved; REFIT Fitness. 5:30 p.m. Midweek Meal. 6:30 p.m. Pioneer Clubs; Youth groups. 7 p.m. Rachel Circle. Thursday, Dec. 19: 5:30 p.m. Tumbling Tikes.

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Thursday, Dec. 12: 1-3 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf. Saturday, Dec. 4: 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Sunday, Dec. 15: 9 a.m. Coffee Hour and Adult Sunday School. 10 a.m. Worship Service. Christmas program practice; party following service. 4:30 p.m. Genesis/Revelation Bible study. 6 p.m. ALIVE Youth Group — Christmas in the Catacombs. Monday, Dec. 16: 5:30-8 p.m. 4-H in Fellowship Hall. 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Tuesday, Dec. 17: 7:30 p.m. Church Council meeting. Wednesday, Dec. 18: 6 p.m. FUEL kids and parents meet before Christmas program/confirmation. 7 p.m. Christmas program. 8 p.m. AA meeting. Thursday, Dec. 19: 1-3 p.m. and 5-6:30 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf.

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Thursday, Dec. 12: 10:30 a.m. DCE meeting in Sioux Falls. 1:30 p.m. Worship at Mary Jane Brown Home. 2:15 p.m. Worship at Poplar Creek. 3:30 p.m. Worship at Veterans Home. Saturday, Dec. 14: 5:30 p.m. Worship. Sunday, Dec. 15: 9 a.m. Worship Service. 10:15 a.m. Sunday School Christmas Rehearsal. 10:20 a.m. Adult Bible Study. Monday, Dec. 16: Newsletter deadline. 1 p.m. Quilting. 7 p.m. Parish Planning Council; Judy Fick piano recital. Tuesday, Dec. 17: 2 p.m. Circle. 6:30 p.m. Quilting. 7 p.m. Little Lambs Christmas service. Wednesday, Dec. 18: 9:30 a.m. Bible study. 6 p.m. Advent III Worship. 6:40 p.m. Supper (Youth). 7 p.m. KFC/Catechism; Senior choir. 7:30 p.m. Youth Christmas party. Thursday, Dec. 19: 1 p.m. Parkinson's Support Group.

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Thursday, Dec. 12: 3:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Friday, Dec. 13: 3:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Saturday, Dec. 14: 2-3 p.m. Hardwick Santa Claus Days. Sunday, Dec. 15: 9 a.m. Worship Service with Communion. Zion youth group bake sale after worship. 10:10 a.m. Mentor program. No Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Adult Bible study. Monday, Dec. 16: 1 p.m. Quilting. Wednesday, Dec. 18: 6 p.m. Confirmation. 7 p.m. Advent worship. 7:45 p.m. Choir practice. Newsletter deadline. Thursday, Dec. 19: 3:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3.

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Longing for a Savior

More liturgical flavors of Christianity follow a church calendar that moves through seasons.

The church year begins with Advent, which we are in the midst of now.

Advent is a complex season. It is a season of increasing light in the midst of darkness.

Advent looks toward the end of all time while glancing back at the historical coming of God to live among us in Jesus Christ. It sits with uncertainty and mystery and makes room for reflection and longing.

Advent isn't someplace you'd want to set up camp forever, but it has a lot of value to offer.

Advent is where we come to terms with our need for a Savior. It's easy to think we can do it all ourselves. We're often told that asking for help means we've somehow failed.

Sometimes we think that once we know Jesus, our lives should be free from trouble from then on. Every year at Advent, we remember that neither of those is true. The world is not as it should be. There is so much violence. People are lonelier than they've ever been. Strangers call each other terrible names on the internet. The world is hurting, and we can't fix it ourselves.

I like that the church year calendar has us revisit this longing for a Savior, for something outside of ourselves to come and make things right, every year.

During Advent we hear the promises of God

BUILT ON A ROCK

By Maggie Berndt-Dreyer, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Hills

spoken through the prophets that He will deliver His people. We hear promises of peace and justice. Christians understand Christ Jesus, whose birth is celebrated at Christmastime as the fulfillment of that promise.

Having Christ come to save us and set things right does not mean that we are off the hook, and we can continue to yell at strangers on the internet or not worry about how our actions affect neighbors.

God calls us into the work that He is doing in the world of spreading joy, hope, peace and love. When we know we need a Savior and recognize Christ as that Savior, God moves in us to live lives of love and service to this hurting world around us.

We might not be able to fix everything and make it all better, but we can participate in the saving work that God is doing all around us.

Peace, joy, hope and love be yours as you reflect on your longing this season of Advent.

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Bethlehem Lutheran Church Pastor Maggie Berndt-Dreyer

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Thursday, Dec. 12: Tuff Memorial Home staff Christmas party at Bethlehem Church basement. Sunday, Dec. 15: 9 a.m. Worship at Tuff Chapel; Sunday School Christmas practice. 10:30 a.m. Sunday School Christmas Program/Worship. Lunch served following program. 6:30-8 p.m. Grades 9-12 Youth Night. Tuesday, Dec. 17: 2:30 p.m. Bible Study at Tuff Home. 3:15 p.m. Bible Study at Village. Wednesday, Nov. 18: 9 a.m. Quilting. 6:30-8 p.m. Confirmation. 7 p.m. Circle of Hope (Marilyn Nelson's home).

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Hamann probate

STATE OF MINNESOTA PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF ROCK DISTRICT COURT
PROBATE DIVISION

In Re: Estate of Court File No. 67-PR-19-382
Phydalis Ann Hamann, a/k/a Phydalis A. Hamann,
Deceased

ORDER AND NOTICE OF HEARING
FOR FORMAL PROBATE OF WILL AND
APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE
IN SUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND CREDITORS:
It is Ordered and Notice is hereby given that on the 6th day of January, 2020, at 8:30 O'clock A.M., a hearing will be held in the above named Court at Rock County Courthouse, Luverne, Minnesota, for the formal probate of an instrument purporting to be the will of the above named deceased, dated December 12, 2012, and for the appointment of Melvin C. Hamann whose address is 1410 101st Street, Luverne, Minnesota 56156, as personal representative of the estate of the above named decedent in supervised administration, and that any objections thereto must be filed with the Court. That, if proper, and no objections are filed, said personal representative will be appointed to administer the estate, to collect all assets, pay all legal debts, claims, taxes and expenses, and sell real and personal property, and do all necessary acts for the estate. Upon completion of the administration, the representative shall file a final account for the allowance and shall distribute the estate to the persons thereto entitled as ordered by the Court, and close the estate.

Notice is further given that ALL CREDITORS having claims against said estate are required to present the same to said personal representative or to the Court Administrator within four months after the date of this notice or said claims will be barred. Dated: December 3, 2019

/s/ Damon T. Eisma
Attorney for Petitioner
Eisma and Eisma
130 East Main
Luverne, MN 56156
(507) 283-4828
I.D. #249269

/s/ Terry S. Vajrt
District Court Judge
/s/ Denise Brandel
Court Administrator

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Sam McGaffee
(12.8-12.12)

LOST/FOUND

Lost: Navy blue Eddie Bauer coin purse with money inside. Lost Saturday, Dec. 7 between Redeemed Remnants and Sunshine Foods. Please call Loretta 507-935-8330. (12.12-12.15)

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'Love the Light' among the fog and the cold



Mavis Fodness photos/1212 Love Light 2019

Playground equipment was incorporated into many of the light displays at the Luverne City Park.

Luverne Area Chamber opened "Love the Light" at the city park Sunday night, where 80 carloads drove the circular route looking at the 24 displays set up by businesses and organizations. The 20-degree temperatures encouraged participants to stop at the shelter house to meet Mr. and Mrs. Claus and have some cookies and hot cocoa before they finished viewing the light displays. The "Love the Light" contest closed out the Luverne Winterfest weekend activities that began Friday. The park continues to be open daily through Jan. 5 for continued viewing of the holiday lights. On Sunday participants in each car voted for their favorite display. The Luverne LOOP entrant received the most votes. Second place was a tie between Buffalo Ridge Insurance (pictured above, center) and Jaycox Implement, and third place was split between the Rock County Star Herald, St. Catherine's Church and Luverne



High School student council (above, left.) Above: Nick DeWispelaere drops a letter in the mailbox addressed to a veteran at the Star Herald display. Left: Kaidyn Mundt (left) visits with Mrs. Claus (Sharon Miller) in the shelter house during Sunday night's Love the Light event.

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

Friday, December 13 **Saturday, December 14**
Downtown & Highway 75 **Highway 75**
10:00am - 4:00pm **9:00am - 12:00pm**
Beaver Creek
9:00am - 12:00pm



Standing: Kathy Hamann, Vicki Hubbling, Sara Lingen, Dana Klay, Joyce Thode, Jessica Fey, Matt Overgaard, Isaac DeBoer, Sara Van'tHof, Loretta Nichols, Lisa Kiers, Grace Buys, Marlys Brandt.
Sitting: Robin Hudson, Becca Renken, Natalie Boll, Nancy Scheidt, Patti Weineke, Beth Lange, Carol Chapa, Melissa Fick, Carla Ennenga. Not Pictured: Melissa Eitrem



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- Don't date your card/letter because they will be sent out all year long as part of MILITARY MISSIONS care packages.

Cards will be collected at the park or drop them off at The Star Herald office.

Do you have a loved one serving in the military?

If you'd like cards sent specifically to your service member, please contact The Star Herald office with their address and we will make sure some of the cards get sent to them!

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Mavis Fodness photos/1212 Library Winterfest 2019

Oh, the wonder of a good Christmas story

Ninety children and 40 adults kicked off the Winterfest weekend celebration in Luverne Friday morning by watching the puppet show at the Rock County library. Library staff performed “Reindeer Trouble,” a show written by Glenda Bremer and Barb Verhey about who is going to replace an ill Rudolph in leading Santa’s sleigh on Christmas Eve. **Above:** Tenzin Hood gives Santa (Shawn Kinsinger) a look of wonder as he waits for a candy cane.

Right: Aubren Hoven enjoys the puppet show.

Below: “It’s Santa,” Ford Knap whispered to his mom, Cassandra Smook.



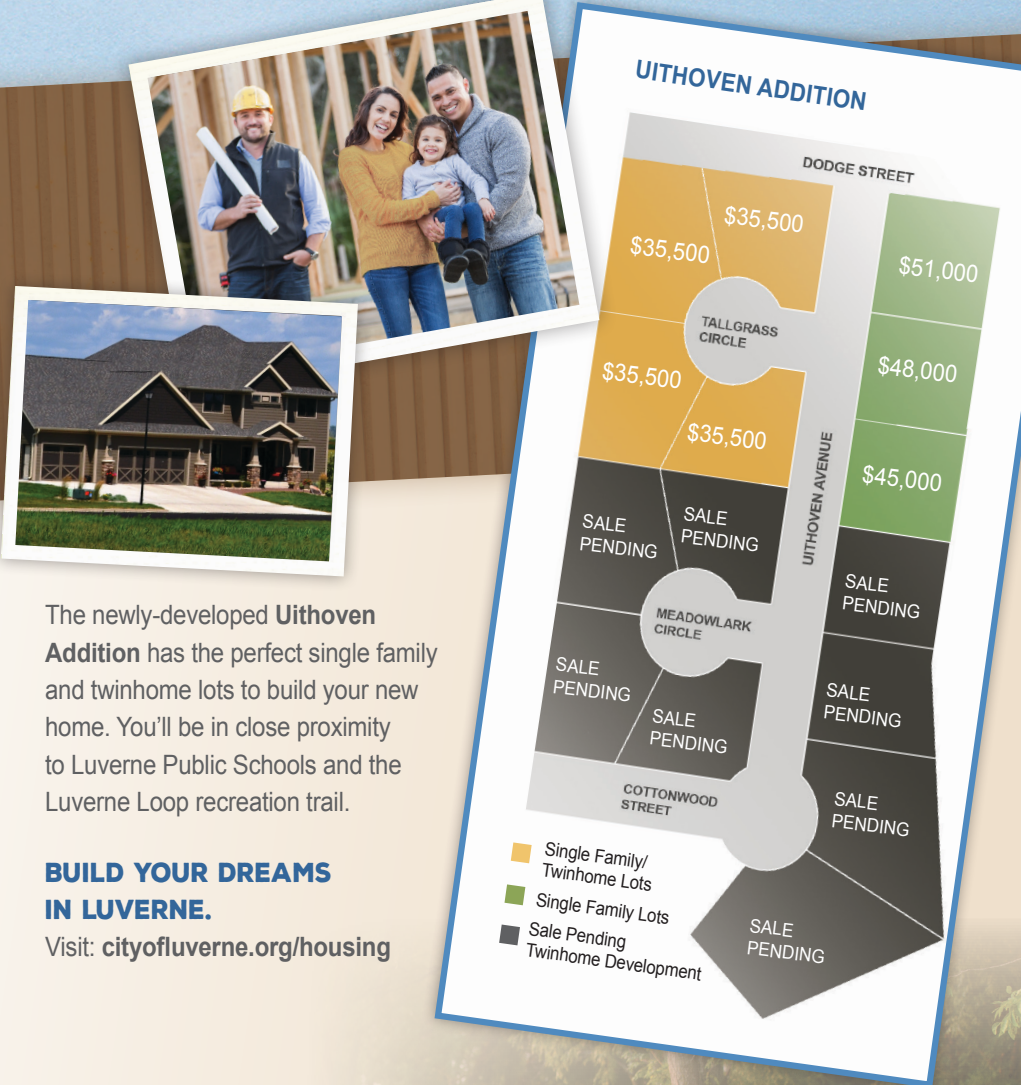
“Deer-ek” the Reindeer says yes to filling in for a sick Rudolph.



Oliver Connell (left), Ethan Lindsey and Jonah Hailey laugh at the Three Little Pigs’ attempts to convince Santa they could pull his sleigh.

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EVENTS

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

Mah Jongg is from 1 to 3 p.m. Thursdays.

DIY Book Page Wreaths is at 6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 12.

PaleLunafilmscreening/Q&A, 6 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 17.

Closing at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 24. Closed Wednesday, Dec. 25. Closing at 5 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31.

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

Community Ed
Register by e-mailing C.Arends@isd2184.net or calling 507-283-4724.

Hand Building Clay for grades 5 through adult will be Dec. 12 and 13. Fee is \$25, plus \$5 material fee.

#Luv1LuvAll mental health focus group will meet Monday, Jan. 6, at 7 p.m. in the CE Room 802.

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Holiday Open House
Monday, December 16th
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