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Details emerge on Luverne School District building project

By Mavis Fodness

In a special school board meeting Feb. 8, the Luverne Board of Education approved a schematic design for the upcoming school campus renovation submitted by JLG Architects after three months of discussions with staff, students and administrators.

The schematic determines areas of new construction along with the specific square-footage costs. The same costs were determined for areas slated for remodeling.

Superintendent Craig Oftedahl described it as "the footprint of the building."

The board voted 5-0 to approve the schematic design. Members Katie Baustian and Colleen Deutsch did not attend. Shelley Sandbulte cast her approval via conference call.

With the board's approval, the project enters the design development stage, focusing on materials and costs for materials inside the building.

After the eight-week design development, the construction documents are scheduled to be completed in an additional 11 weeks. The bid-letting is scheduled for this summer with groundbreaking expected this fall.

Construction is slated for 15 months with completion set for Dec. 31, 2019.

Last November district voters approved two bond referendums totaling \$23 million.

A \$16 million bond adds square footage to the existing school buildings and provides for remodeling the existing middle-high school. A \$7 million bond adds a performing arts center to the campus.

The board also used its bond authority to approve \$8 million in health and safety improvements.

Project combines new construction with remodel

The school project adds 44,000 square feet in four campus additions and remodels another 98,000 square feet.

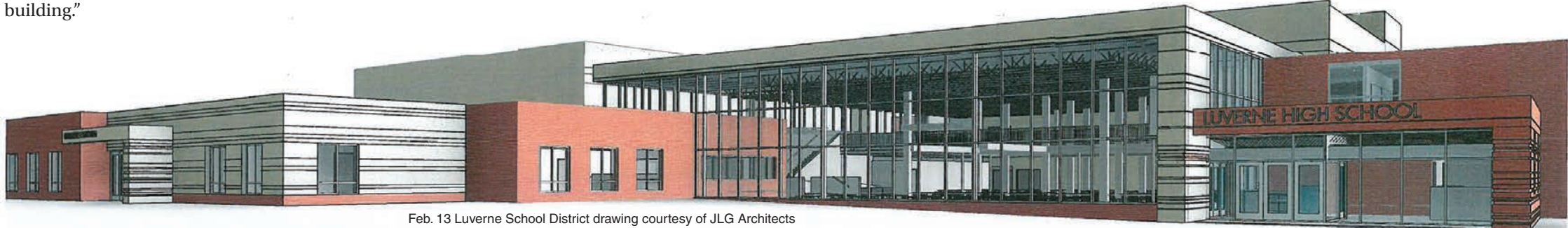
The additions include classrooms, office space, a new middle-high school commons and kitchen, and a performing arts center.

Remodeled areas include classrooms, science labs, a weight room, band/choir suite, wrestling room, media center and district office.

Included with the health and safety projects is a fire protection system in the high school and the removal of the existing steam heat and boiler plant. The plant will be upgraded to a natural gas, hot water boiler system.

Since the approved bond vote, JLG Architects have conducted numerous meetings among staff, students and administrators. They asked users what should be included in their specific work areas.

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Feb. 13 Luverne School District drawing courtesy of JLG Architects

The area now known as "the link" between the elementary and high school buildings will expand to become the primary high school entry and commons on the south side of the district campus.

Roundwind Road, Walnut Avenue work to begin soon

Infrastructure projects to prepare for future housing development

By Lori Sorenson

Luverne City Council will receive bids on March 7 for two major infrastructure projects set to begin this year.

On Roundwind Road more than 632 linear feet of storm sewer lines will be installed along with additional storm sewer outlets in the area and some wide-mouth storm sewer grates.

Along with these, a storm water retention basin will be built to prevent water from pooling in the street during heavy rains.

In addition, the city will bring water and sewer lines to the four twin homes planned for the area east of the pool and fitness center.

The project also calls for some street patching and curb and gutter improvements.

The engineer's estimate is \$160,000 for the Roundwind Drive work, which has a completion date of Sept. 1.

Bids will also be received March 7 for the extension of North Walnut Avenue on the west side of town for residential development.

Initial plans call for 1,400 linear feet of sewer line and 1,200 feet of water main.

Walnut Avenue will be extended north from West Main Street near Rock County Opportunities and will connect with Dodge Street near the school.

The first 400 feet of the street will be constructed this year to create three lots for residential development. It will have water and sewer, curb and gutter.

The water and sewer lines will be run farther to the north toward Dodge Street so that those services will be available for future development.

"So we're getting a toe-hold of utilities into that area and also a stub street into that area so that when it's finished we'll have three nice lots for residential sale," said City Administrator John Call.

The engineer's estimate is \$353,200 for the North Walnut Avenue work that has a completion date of Oct. 6.

"These are projects the city engineer has worked hard on, and the city department heads have worked hard on," Call said.

The work was included in the 2018 capital improvement budget.

LIFT gala annual celebration set for March 16

First-ever fundraiser banquet, 'Rising to the Occasion,' aims to 'lift Luverne higher'

By Lori Sorenson

Community leaders will host the annual meeting of LIFT — Luverne Initiatives For Tomorrow — at 5:30 p.m. Friday, March 16, in Grand Prairie Events.

LIFT was established in 2010 as a collaboration of public and private sectors brainstorming about how to improve the Luverne community.

The annual meetings are a chance

to celebrate accomplishments and review goals yet to be reached.

"There are so many exciting things happening in Luverne," said Chamber Director Jane Wildung Lanphere.

"This meeting is a good opportunity to get good information about what's happening in Luverne. We hope that people can come celebrate with us."

The 2018 meeting will do the same, touching on highlights in the following areas:

- tru Shrimp's Jon Knochenmus will speak on the construction and development of Luverne's harbor and hatchery.

- Luverne's downtown plaza — Ann Dybsetter of the Southwest Regional Sustainable Development Partnership will discuss the partner-

ship of the University of Minnesota Extension and U of M professional schools in the development of a plaza concept for Luverne.

- Rick Peterson, local committee chair, will discuss the 2018 Governor's Pheasant Opener in Luverne.

- Luverne Superintendent Craig Oftedahl will share information about

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Rock County supports regional transportation

By Mavis Fodness

Rock County joined a growing list of counties in southwest Minnesota participating in a Regional Transportation Coordination Council (RTCC).

The regional councils are being formed to help state officials meet their goal of having public transportation available in 95 percent of the state by 2025.

The councils receive financial support over a two-year period. The first year funding is for planning, with implementation the second year.

Cathy Amick with United Community Action Partnership is completing the application to form a regional transportation council in southwest Minnesota.

Amick requested a letter of support at the commissioners' Feb. 20 meeting. Rock County commissioners obliged.

"Their (the state's) goal is to bring together all resources across the state of Minnesota along with the funding pools to help coordinate and build on our transportation resources," Amick said. "We can meet this goal under different plans."

UCAP manages the public transportation systems in eight counties, including Rock County. UCAP signed a management contract for the former Heartland Express (now called Community Transit) in 2016.

Forming a RTCC in the area mirrors the cooperation already taking place locally to meet residents' transportation needs. Amick hopes to include other counties such as Nobles in the regional discussions.

"Breaking down barriers and

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Mavis Fodness photos/0301 PJ Day

Library, educators host 'Pajama Night' for children

The Rock County Library, Early Childhood Family Education and the Early Childhood Initiative hosted "Pajama Night" Thursday night, Feb. 22, in the library basement in Luverne. "We wanted to promote literacy, and February is 'I Love to Read Month,'" said ECFE instructor Lisa Nath. Twenty-seven adults (including three grandparents) and 35 children participated in the activities with the children (and a few adults) donning pajamas. **Pictured above,** Jason Knap (left) holds the flashlight as his mom, Cassandra Smook, reads "Goodnight Hockey" under a table tent. **Pictured at right,** Etta, 2, and Ayla Nelson, 6, wear "Little Mermaid" and "Frozen" themed pajamas as they complete the sock match game. **At right,** Ava Lafrenz plays "Build a Llama" game with dad Jesse.



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Meetings

Luverne Senior Citizens will meet at 12:30 p.m. Monday, March 5, in the Senior Center.

Blue Mound Quilters will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday, March 5, in the Rock County Community Library Basement to discuss the upcoming quilt show. New members are always welcome.

Lady Luverne Red Hats will meet at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, March 8, at the Luverne Pizza Ranch for lunch, cards and games. Call Connie at 507-283-8470 by Tuesday, March 6, for reservations.

Springwater Township Board will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 6, at the home of clerk/treasurer Teresa Kramer.

American Legion Auxiliary #123 will meet at 10 a.m. Thursday, March 8, at the home of Dianne Tomlinson.

Meditation and Mindfulness Practice meets at 7 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month in Hilger Commons at 215 N. Cedar Street in Luverne. For more information call Kim at 507-353-0041 or email kimberlyelizabeth@live.com

Narcotics Anonymous meets at a new time: 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Fridays in the basement of St. Catherine Catholic Rectory, 203 E. Brown St., Luverne. Use east door. Call 507-220-0137 with questions.

Hardwick Goal Seekers meet every Monday in Hardwick City Hall for the purpose of support and encouragement for weight loss journeys. Weigh-in begins at 6 p.m., and the meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. Call Glenda, 449-0568, 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.

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

Free community meal at UMC Feb. 28
The United Methodist Church in Luverne will host a free community meal Wednesday evening, Feb. 28. All are welcome.

March Madness benefits Boltjes
The Luverne High School student council will host a “March Madness” night Monday, March 12, in the high school gymnasium. LHS juniors will play the seniors at 7 p.m. followed by a game between the LHS staff and the basketball teams. During each game’s halftime, a lightning tournament between the participants of the various winter activities will take place.
Cost for the event is \$2. All money raised will be donated to Sharon Boltjes, a district paraprofessional currently undergoing cancer treatments.

Calling all Korean War veterans
The Rock County Star Herald is helping to fulfill a request by Korean War veterans to assemble eligible individuals for a group picture.
Anyone who served in the armed forces or the National Guard during the Korean War (1950-1953) and is from Rock County is being asked to call the newspaper at 507-283-2333.
Leave your name, address, phone number and years of service. Once enough interest and names have been assembled, the group picture will be assembled.
Korean War veterans can also email information to editor@star-herald.com.

Hospice Dinner and Auction tickets
Tickets are now on sale for the Sanford Luverne Hospice Dinner and Auction April 21 at Grand Prairie Events in Luverne. The event includes a plated dinner catered by The Bluestem, raffles, and silent and live auctions.
Tickets may be purchased in person at the Hospice Office in the Luverne City Office building (use City Office entrance on Luverne Street) or call the Hospice office at 507-283-1805 to purchase tickets using a credit card.

Free tax help available at library
Volunteers through AARP are providing free tax services at the Rock County Community Library in Luverne during tax season. Call the library, 449-5040, to make an appointment. Appointments are required. Evening appointments are also available. The service is free for any private individual with a simple tax format. It’s not for commercial, farming or investment taxes.

DNR officer serving Rock and Nobles counties

By Lori Sorenson
DNR Conservation Officer Andrew Dirks has been answering phone calls about ATVs in Luverne since the city repealed its ordinance last month.
But Dirks doesn’t mind; it’s his job to enforce laws and educate the public.
“Obviously I’m not going to write a bunch of tickets now,” he said. “But by this summer everyone should have it figured out.”
ATV laws are just one small part of his duties, which also include enforcement of hunting, fishing, boating and rules and regulations for the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources in both Nobles and Rock counties.
Dirks said he’s enjoyed acclimating to Rock and Nobles counties since filling the position here last fall.
“There aren’t as many lakes here, but I have checked some fishermen out the Creamery Pond (The Lake) a few times,” said Dirks, who grew up in Murray County.
Dirks was a conservation officer in Redwood Falls for two years prior to moving to Luverne with his wife, Lacey, who is a registered nurse for



Lori Sorenson photo/0301 dirks dnr

DNR Conservation Officer Andrew Dirks has been working in Rock and Nobles counties since last fall. He lives in Luverne with his wife, Lacey, works as a registered nurse in Sioux Falls.
Avera McKennan in Sioux Falls.
Dirks also worked as a police officer in Tracy for a year and a half and served in the Marine Corps as a military policeman, deploying to Iraq in 2009.
He has a two-year law enforcement degree from Minnesota West Community and Technical College in Worthington and a natural resources certification from Central Lakes College in Brainerd.
Rock and Nobles counties haven’t had a conservation officer for over four years, and Dirks said he’s been busy getting acclimated to the area and meeting people.
“If they have any questions, they should feel free to call me,” he said.
“People need to be aware that I’m out and about.”
Dirks said he plans to assist local volunteer safety instructors with training programs such as firearms, snowmobile and ATV safety classes in the near future.
Dirks can be reached at 320-522-4283.
To report violations, the Turn In Poachers (TIP) line is 1-800-652-9093.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Library offers Story Hour/Laptime
The Rock County Library will offer **Story Hour** for children ages 4-5 Thursday mornings from 10 to 11 a.m. from now through Thursday, April 5. Story hours include stories, songs, crafts and more.
Laptime for children from birth through age 3 will meet every Friday morning from 10:30 to 11 a.m. from now through April 6. Laptime fun includes stories, songs, crafts and more.

Bank Night movie ‘Ferdinand’ March 1
The free Bank Nite Disney movie, “Ferdinand,” rated PG, will begin at 6 p.m. Thursday, March 1, at the Palace Theatre in Luverne.
Sponsored by First Farmers & Merchants National Bank and Papik Motors, a free, family-friendly movie is shown on the first Thursday of every month as it was done for “Bank Nite” in the 1930s. A cash prize drawing will follow the movie. Must be present to win.

Luverne Middle School band/choir concert
The choir and band students in grades 6-8 will perform a concert at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 1, in the high school gym. The concert is open to the public and there is no charge.

World Day of Prayer events
• The First Presbyterian Church in Luverne will host a World Day of Prayer service at 1:30 p.m. Friday, March 2. All men and women are welcome.
• Area women are invited to the Women’s World Day of Prayer at 1:30 p.m. Friday, March 2, in the Steen Reformed Church. Raneë Hagen will speak about their mission work in Romania.

Register for 2018-19 Little Lambs
Little Lambs Preschool is now accepting registrations for the 2018-2019 school year. Registration materials may be picked up at the preschool or at St. John Lutheran Church office, at 803 N. Cedar Street in Luverne or online at www.stjohnlutheranluverne.org at Little Lambs link. Call 283-2316 with questions, or email littlelambs@iw.net. Little Lambs is an Equal Opportunity preschool.

Free food March 15
New Life Celebration Church will offer free food — fresh produce, bread and meat — **from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.** Thursday, March 15, at the Luverne Senior Center for those having trouble putting food on the table. Bring your own bags or boxes. Call 283-4366 with questions.

Register for 8-hour defensive driving class
Luverne Community Education will offer the full 8-hour defensive driving class in two 4-hour evening sessions from 5:30-9:30 p.m. March 19 and March 26 for anyone 55 years of age or older who wants to qualify for a 10-percent car insurance premium discount. After attending both evenings, you will receive a certificate to present to your insurance company for an insurance discount for the next three years. For more details or to register, call 507-283-4724.

Sign up by March 19 for baseball/softball
All students in grades K-12 who want to play baseball or softball in the summer community recreation program need to register by March 19 at the Community Education Office. Registration forms and details are available on the Luverne School website at www.isd2184.net under Community Education, or call 507-283-2413.

Community Ed
Community Ed contact info: C.Arends@isd2184.net or 507-283-4724.
Register now for **summer baseball and softball** – for students in K-12. Deadline is March 19.
Students in grades 1-5 – a second class of **Get Slimed** has been added on March 1. Changing up ingredients can create a lot of different versions of this favorite. Fee is \$11.
There are a lot of recipes to be shared and made at **Play with Dough** class for students in grades 1-5 on March 8. Fee is \$11.
Learn how to make delicious meals in minutes at **Cooking Under Pressure** on March 10. Fee is \$24 and includes sampling foods that are prepared in class.
Interact with the residents at the Poplar Creek while you build a **Fairy House Night Light** on March 10. Fee is \$16.
Kids in the Kitchen (grades K-6) will cook up treats in time for **St. Patrick’s Day** on March 15. Fee is \$18 or sign up with a friend and pay \$28.
Whitney Lafrenz will share information on wraps at **Baby-wearing 101** to be held on March 12. Sibling care offered—request at time of registration. No fee, but registration required.
Preschool Classes for ages 3-5 is now opening registration for Fall of 2018.
Half day **Preschool** classes are offered during the school year for children who are 3 years old up to kindergarten age. Enrollments are accepted throughout the school year.
Age is determined as of Sept. 1 of school year. Free or reduced rates are available if income guidelines are met. Call 283-4724 for more information. *New addition is 5 days of preschool for children age 4 and older.*



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Local high school seniors receive Triple ‘A’ recognition

By Mavis Fodness

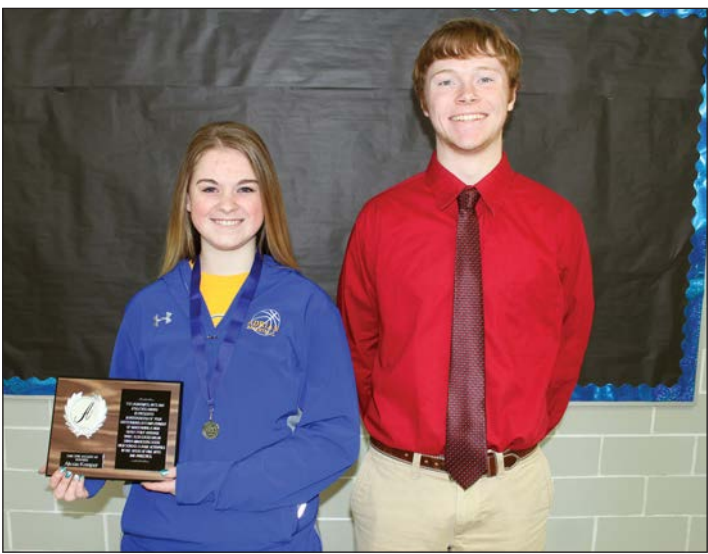
High school seniors from Luverne and Adrian recently received regional recognition for exceling in academics, arts and athletics. Luverne’s Mark Robinson and Adrian’s Alexis Kemper were named Triple ‘A’ finalists for Region 3A Sub-section 10.

Region 3A, however, will be represented by Logan Josephson of Redwood Valley and Sarita Hook from Tracy Area. They are two of the 32 finalists for the state award, which will be presented at the awards banquet in the Twin Cities March 24.

The Triple ‘A’ program recognizes high school seniors who excel in the classroom, in fine arts activities and on the athletic field.

One male and one female student are nominated by their high school for the Minnesota High School League honor.

Luverne High School uses a points system to select its nominees. Samantha



Joyce McCarthy photo/0301 AAA Alexis Kemper Dakota John Adrian senior Alexis Kemper (left) is the Region 3 sub-region 10 Triple ‘A’ recipient through the Minnesota State High School League for her involvement in academics, athletics and the arts. AHS junior Dakota John is an ExCEL award recipient, an honor for the top juniors in the state.

Pierce was Luverne’s female Triple ‘A’ nominee.

Points are based on cumulative grade point average, participation in high

school league activities, and compliance with the high school league rules.

Robinson, the son of Wayne and Ann Robinson,



John Rittenhouse photo/0301 AAA Mark Robinson Mark Robinson (left) received a standing ovation from the home crowd Tuesday night, Feb. 20, when Luverne Middle-High School Principal Ryan Johnson recognized him as the Region 3A Subsection 10 Triple ‘A’ representative through the Minnesota State High School League.

Luverne, is active in National Honor Society, Math League, band, student council, choir, basketball and tennis.

“It is really quite an hon-

or to be recognized,” Robinson said. “I filled out the ExCEL honor (as a junior) and didn’t get it. It was pretty cool that they chose me (for

the Triple ‘A’).

ExCEL recognizes high school juniors who are active in school activities, show leadership qualities and work voluntarily in their communities.

Dakota John from Adrian was named a 2018 ExCEL Award recipient.

Adrian High School also uses a committee to select its Triple ‘A’ nominees.

This year Skylar Polzine and Alexis Kemper were selected as Adrian’s representatives in the Triple ‘A’ program.

“We are very proud of what the kids have done,” said Middle/High School Principal Cate Koehne. “The best part is that the kids are participants. It’s such a positive for the kids and the school.”

Kemper is involved in National Honor Society, speech, volleyball, golf, fall play, band, basketball, student council, Spanish Club, choir, Knowledge Bowl and Math League.

County joins regional public transportation system/ continued from page 1A

bringing on more public partnerships is really the goal,” she said.

Transit looks to expand hours, change fares

Since assuming the management of the public transportation system from Rock County officials more than a year ago, UCAP completed 21,524 trips in 2017.

Amick said she budgeted 22,000 trips for last year. “It was generous way back when we first started this administration,” she said.

At 5,860 driving hours, that amount exceeded what was initially budgeted for the year, Amick said.

Future plans are to expand transit hours to be from 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

“It will be a gradual change because we don’t quite have enough resources,” she said.

A new computerized dispatch system began Jan. 1 to record local transportation patterns.

“I am hoping to have a lot more of that information next year to operate the service even better,” Amick said.

Also in the future, UCAP expects to change its fare system to mirror a taxi service.

Current fares are based on the number of miles a user lives from the dispatch center in Luverne.

The change would have fares based on the number of miles they ride on the transit.

“We have a fare collection committee that is looking at our fare collection region wide

so we can get on the same playing field ... (and) forward our ability into the 21st century of collecting fares electronically,” she said.

Volunteer rides again operating in county

Last September UCAP was part of a campaign to have lawmakers reconsider the non-taxable mileage reimbursement amount.

The federal law allowed 14 cents out of the 53 cents UCAP paid its volunteer drivers to be nontaxable.

Due to the tax, the volunteer drivers in Rock County stopped providing out-of-county rides for the public transportation system.

Rock County commissioners signed a letter of support to change the federal law.

“There is a lot of movement on the legislative level,” said UCAP Access Coordinator Shelly Pflaum.

As a solution, any volunteer driver over age 55 and a member of a volunteer organization is exempt from the tax requirement.

Six drivers have since returned to the UCAP volunteer driver program for Rock County.

“Serving an entire county with six people can spread those people thin,” Pflaum said. “More volunteers can always help meet more of the needs.”

For more information about volunteer driving, contact A.C.E. in Rock County at 507-283-5064.



Throwing for agriculture

Members of the Luverne-Adrian FFA Chapter challenged middle and high school students to a bale toss Tuesday in the Luverne High School welding shop. The event, in honor of National FFA Week, awarded the top male and the top female student who could toss a hay or a straw bale the furthest. Instructor and FFA adviser Dennis Mortiz (far right) watches eighth-grader Jase Arp complete a discus-like throw with a



hay bale. **At left,** eighth-grader Jordan Friedrichsen uses an over-the-head toss. **At right,** eighth-grader Olivia Huisman also used a discus-like throw.



Mavis Fodness photo/0301 Bale Toss

LIFT Gala event to feature fundraiser for first time/ continued from page 1A

the school’s upcoming building project approved by voters.

•Roger Brooks’ Community Assessment final report will be reviewed

•Holly Sammons will offer an update on community wayfinding signage.

•A representative from Eastern Ellis will talk about local plans for the railroad.

Previous LIFT annual meetings have been at the Palace Theatre with free admission.

New for the 2018 meeting will be a catered Bluestem meal for \$40 per person as a fundraiser for LIFT.

“Your support is needed so

they can continue their work in ‘lifting’ Luverne higher,” Lanphere said.

“Their work in connecting people with resources has been valuable, and we hope to raise some money to support that work.”

A social gathering and cash bar is at 5:30 p.m. and the program begins at 6 p.m.

Bluestem-catered meal (chicken and pork) and entertainment begins at 7:15 p.m.

Tickets are available at the Chamber office, 507-283-4061 or luvernechamber@co.rock.mn.us.

Reservation deadline is March 12.



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Notice of Annual Township Meetings & Elections

Notice is hereby given that the following townships will hold their annual meeting and elections on Tuesday, March 13, 2018. In case of inclement weather, they will be held one week later on March 20, 2018.

Battle Plain Township
Justin Prins’ farm - 1941 231st St., Edgerton. Meeting at 7 pm

Beaver Creek Township
Beaver Creek Township Hall. Meeting 4-5 pm and Election 5-8 pm to elect one Supervisor 3-year term & one Clerk 2-year term

Clinton Township
Business meeting at the Township Hall. 4-5pm Voting from 5-8 pm to elect one Supervisor 3-year term and one Clerk 2-year term

Denver Township
Hardwick City Hall. Meeting 1:30-2:30 pm

Kanaranzi Township
Kanaranzi Elevator. 4-5 pm and Election 5-8 pm to elect one Supervisor 3-year term and one Clerk/Treasurer 2-year term

Luverne Township
Luverne Pizza Ranch. Business Meeting 4-5 pm and Election 5-8 pm to elect one Supervisor 3-year term and one Clerk 2-year term

Magnolia Township
Arends Farm 1581 121st Luverne. Meeting 4-5 pm and Election 5-8 pm to elect one Supervisor 3-year term and one Clerk 2-year term

Martin Township
New Township Building 598 51st St Hills. Meeting at 8 pm

Mound Township
Rock County Highway Building. Meeting 4-5 pm and Election 5-8 pm to elect one Supervisor 3-year term

Rosedell Township
Township Hall. 4-5 pm Business Meeting

Springwater Township
Beaver Creek City Hall. Business meeting 1:30 pm and Election 5-8 pm to elect one Supervisor 3-year term & one Clerk/Treasurer 2-year term

Vienna township
Kenneth Community Hall. Business Meeting 7 pm

Rock County Township Association
Teresa Kramer, Secretary/Treasurer

Open House BRIDAL SHOWER

Brenna Brown
Bride to be of Dylan Richters

SATURDAY, MARCH 3
9 - 11 a.m.

American Reformed Church, Luverne

Couple is registered at Target, Ace Hardware & Bed, Bath & Beyond

Bridal Shower

Liz Solma
bride-to-be of Chris Mattis

Saturday, March 3
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

First Presbyterian Luverne

the couple is registered at Target, Bed Bath & Beyond, Menards & Home Depot (gift cards)

Packing heat

In Israel guns are part of everyday life

Among the many strange things I saw in Israel last spring was the pre-school teacher packing



heat as she led her little troop of four-year-olds on a field trip. The pistol in her holster appeared when her lace top flipped back and forth in the breeze.

Another unusual sight was the young woman on patrol in her Friday night best — cute shoes, short skirt, matching earrings and her Uzi. (Israel invented the Uzi.)

Walking through a shopping mall, we encountered old ladies with little dogs on leashes, young women with packages, dads pushing strollers, and pairs of young military recruits walking, talking and laughing with their machine guns.

There are guns everywhere in Israel. There were military guns, secret service guns, law enforcement guns and school chaperone guns.

Of course, there were air marshals on the plane we took to Israel and armed guards at the airport.

All young men in Israel are required to serve three years in the military, and all young women are required to serve two, so all the people we saw toting guns were trained in how to use them.

I grew up with guns. There was always a rifle in the porch in case Dad had to shoot a skunk or a dying pig.

Once, in the '70s, a drugged-up, gun-toting young man wandered onto our farm

THE NORTHVIEW

By Brenda Winter, Columnist

early in the morning and began using the yard scale for target practice. Dad grabbed the gun that time, too, but ended up just talking the guy off the yard.

Once I was at an indoor shooting range with my cousins and was recklessly handling a gun. It went off and the bullet ricocheted for a very long time. That was close. And stupid.

The first time I tried target shooting, I hit the bull's-eye with my first shot. "Quit while you are ahead," they told me. So I did.

I didn't give much thought to my personal safety when I was in the Middle East. Seeing all the guns made me realize security must be a big deal there.

(I suppose when your enemies want to wipe you off the face of the earth, you give more thought to security.)

It wasn't until we got home that I fully comprehended the tenuous nature of life in Israel. Shortly after our trip, there was a murder near the hotel where we had stayed. An armed young woman police officer was killed by a lunatic — with a knife.

Her gun didn't keep her safe, and the crazy guy didn't need one to kill her.

I'm not sure guns are really the problem — or the solution.

No one knows the direction the gun conversation will take in our country over the next few years.

I just pray that pre-school teachers here won't need a gun to take the children on a field trip.

We don't have to care about food safety; we have that luxury

Enclosed with this week's Star Herald is the Spring 2018 Agriculture Special Edition. Our readers may or may not open it, depending on their connection to agriculture or their level of interest in it.

This year's spring "Ag Mag," as we call it, has really good information about efforts by local farmers to protect soil and water quality and to improve animal handling methods.

We find it fascinating and encouraging to know that our local producers are on the cutting edge of excellence. Many of our readers, however, will yawn and turn their attention to the hockey scores or obituaries.

Actually, the fact that we don't have to care is the really good news behind the news of our agriculture efforts.

We don't have to care because

we have the luxury of knowing our food is safe to eat.

We don't worry about where the rib-eye steak on our grill came from or if it's free of disease and bacteria.

Our food in this part of the world is the safest and least expensive food on earth.

The USDA has provided this insurance for decades, but now we have the added assurance that the meat on our plates arrived there under stringent industry standards.

In other words, animals are handled humanely and raised in

clean, safe conditions.

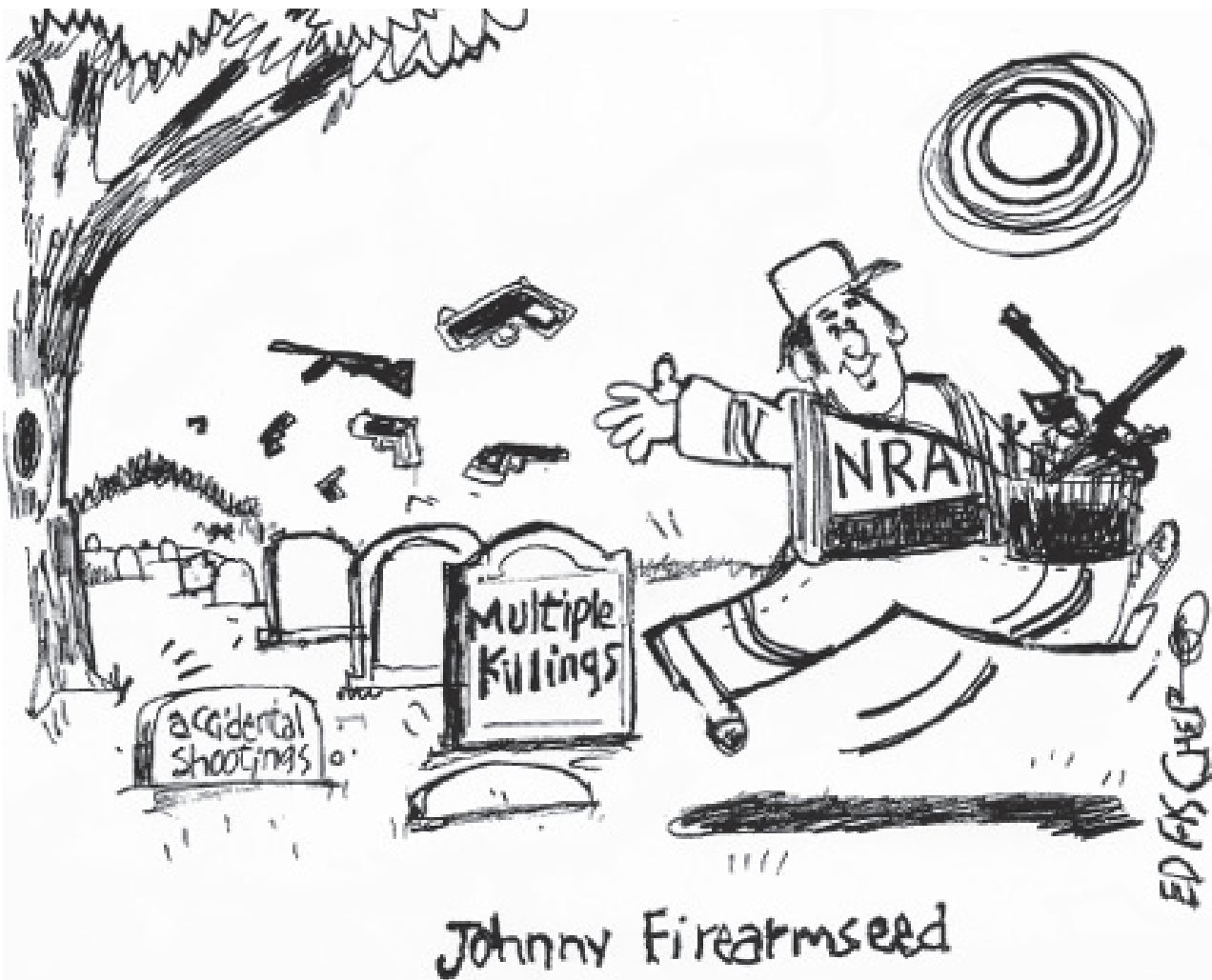
And what's really cool is that these protocols are established by producers for producers (not by a government agency) to improve the final result for consumers.

Isn't that good to know?

We think so.

And we think you'll be interested to read about what your rural friends and neighbors are up to.

Thanks to our expert sources in agriculture and our loyal advertisers for supporting the Spring Ag Mag publication.



VOICES OF OUR READERS

Frakes doesn't want return to 'Good Ol' Days'

To the Editor:

There's a lot of great news out of D.C. these days, but the best news yet is that the Republicans seem to have endorsed Obamacare since they actually haven't repealed it yet.

To understand how important this is, you have to know that I was born in the first half of the last century, so I can recall a lot of the '50s and the first half of the '60s quite well.

As you will recall, these were in the years before Obamacare, Medicare, Medicaid, the SNAP program, affordable housing, extended unem-

ployment, OSHA, free school lunches, etc., and etc.

Back in those days it seemed to me that poor people in town were dying every day but in reality it was probably only three or four a week.

Sometimes someone would call up the sheriff because they hadn't heard from some relatives for some time. The sheriff would then do a welfare check and find the whole family expired.

If it was in the summertime, not only would the poor coroner have to determine

if they died from illness or starvation, he would also have to figure out who was who. You'll remember this was before DNA.

If it was in the winter, it was easier to figure out who was who, but then they had to figure out if they died of illness, starvation, or just froze to death. Oh, the inhumanity!

So again, congrats, Repubs! We sure as heck don't want to return to the "Good Ol' Days." Lucky we survived.

Bill Frakes
Luverne

Hommen commends city's snow removal crew

To the Editor:

We just wanted to commend the Luverne street cleaning and snow removal crew for their quick and efficient snow removal in Luverne.

We needed some help removing snow by our curb and the street drain. They came the same day we called and did an awesome job. The residents of Luverne are very lucky to have

such a great crew.

Thank you for your hard work. It is noticed and appreciated.

Pam Hommen
Luverne

Writing focus fuzzy in face of upcoming finger surgery

I have been staring at my computer screen for a bit trying to come up with a column idea for the week. This isn't all that rare, but sometimes the inspiration of an idea or topic is slow to come to me.

Possible topics that have floated through my head have been the harsher than normal winter weather we experienced in February, but then I figured why relive that.

I am having two surgical procedures on my right hand today, one to fix an issue with carpal tunnel and the other is to address something called Dupuytren disease. Don't worry ... I had never heard of it either. I thought the issue I was having with my fingers curling inward toward the palm of my hand was a result of a dog bite nearly 20 years ago.

I gave some thought to writing about the frenzy we call high school tournament time here in Minnesota. Dealing with weather and time-constraint-related issues has to be a nightmare.

Kicked around the idea of how frustrating it is this time of year when one day you're scooping snow off your driveway and the next day you're washing all the road salt and grime off your car.

Considered discussing the professional sports. Football is over, the NBA is awful, Major League Baseball is just getting started



FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH

By Rick Peterson, General Manager
Tollefson Publishing

and the NHL goes until June, so who cares.

It would be easy to throw in the comment that the salaries of these athletes is out of control if you take into consideration that in 1985 the Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome was built for a cost of \$55 million and now quarterbacks are signing contracts for twice that amount.

So, after pondering all these column topic ideas, I thought I might sound a little negative. Wouldn't you agree?

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ON THE RECORD

Dispatch report

Feb. 16
•Complainant reported suspicious activity in Beaver Creek.

Feb. 17
•Possible warrant on subject at Papa's Place
•Complainant reported vehicle running in parking lot on Fairview Drive.
•Complainant reported vehicle rollover in Hardwick. No injuries.
•Complainant reported someone went through mail-boxes on West Park Street.
•Complainant reported a kid walking on the white line on County Road 5.

Feb. 18
•Complainant reported snowmobile stuck in water.
•Complainant reported a two-vehicle accident in Beaver Creek.

Feb. 19
•Complainant requested to speak to a deputy as she picked up her nephew on Maple Street.
•Complainant reported large amount of water on Walnut Avenue.
•Complainant reported subject has taken an item from another household.
•Complainant reported a scam phone call.
•Complainant reported a scam phone call.
•Complainant requested assistance unlocking vehicle. Gave locksmith phone number.
•Complainant reported her aunt took her kids. Wants to speak to deputy.

Feb. 20
•Complainant reported vehicle in ditch on Highway 23 required assistance. Transferred to State.
•Complainant reported vehicle in the ditch in Magnolia. Transferred to State.
•Complainant requested attempt to locate subject on Luverne Street.
•Deputy to meet subject for vehicle release from impound.
•Complainant reported physical assault.
•Complainant reported

theft from Shopko. Subject is hiding outside the building.
•Reserved for theft arrest.
•Complainant reported issue with Harassment Restraining Order.
•Complainant reported a break-in on 101st Street.
•Complainant requested a welfare check at Luverne High School.

Feb. 21
•Deputy escorted subjects to impound to retrieve property.
•Complainant reported stop arm violation.
•Complainant reported repossession.
•Fire alarm on Kniss Ave. Paged Fire Department. Smoke seen.
•Complainant reported teens trying to purchase tobacco products on Kniss Ave.

Feb. 22
•Complainant reported debris in the roadway.
•Complainant reported assault at City Centre Apartments.
•Complainant requested student be removed from Kniss Ave.
•Complainant called very upset.
•Complainant requested to speak to deputy about a civil issue.
•Complainant requested a deputy for a man with pre-trial conditions.
•Complainant reported receiving explicit photos.
•Complainant requested to speak with deputy about ATV on city streets.
•Complainant reported garbage/recycling bins blocking driveway.
•Probation violation arrest.

In addition officers also responded to 2 vehicles in ditch, 7 escorts, 24 ambulance runs, 2 animal complaints, 5 burn permits, 4 fingerprint requests, 4 background checks, 1 POR registration, 1 drug court test, 4 permits to purchase/carry, 15 traffic stops, 1 DWI, 22 paper services, 1 test, 1 roadside assist, 5 child maltreatment issues and 1 follow-up.



Sunday afternoon silo fire still smoldering

Luverne Fire Chief David Van Batavia shared these images of a silo fire at the Brad Fick farm southeast of Luverne in Magnolia Township. The fire was reported Sunday afternoon, and crews worked at it for four hours. They were called back Monday night when flames reignited in the silage. Van Batavia said the silo was about three-quarters full, and he doesn't know what the cause of the blaze was. He did note, however, that the city's ladder truck was used extensively on the fire, which was still smoldering as of Tuesday afternoon.

FSA reminds producers 'call before you haul'

Fraser Norton
County Executive Director
Since many Pipestone and Rock County producers have a Marketing Assistance Loan, or as it is more commonly called, a Grain Loan with the Commodity Credit Corporation, here are a few important things to remember.
When you use farm-stored grain as collateral for a loan, you are responsible for maintaining the quality of the grain through the term of the loan.
Bins are ideally designed to hold a level volume of grain. When bins are overfilled and grain is heaped up, airflow is hindered and the chance of spoilage increases.
Always call before you haul any grain under loan.
Prior to removing grain

from a bin, you must either pay off the loan or request and receive authority from the FSA office to move the loan collateral.
Authority can be requested in person or over the telephone. We will need to know the name of the buyer, as well as whether you prefer a 15- or 30-day delivery period.
FSA will give approval over the telephone. Form CCC-681-1 Authorization for Delivery of Loan Collateral for Sale will then be mailed to you for your signature. We will notify the buyer immediately of the approval, so that they can submit the funds to the FSA office to repay the loan.
If grain under loan is going to be fed, the loan must be repaid before the grain is

removed from the bin.
Financial penalties will be severe when loan grain is disposed of through selling, feeding, or other means without prior written authorization from the FSA Office.
Your name will also be placed on a loan violation list for a two-year period.
Loans may be repaid at any time during the loan period, at a rate that is the lesser of the loan rate plus interest, or a 30-calendar-day method, or an alternative

method. With prices at their current level, the only option available is the loan rate plus interest.
Grain loans mature on demand, but no later than the last day of the ninth calendar month after the month in which the loan was disbursed. For example, a loan disbursed on Nov. 5, 2017, will mature on Aug. 31, 2018.
Call the Pipestone County FSA Office at 507-825-5478, or the Rock County FSA Office at 507-283-2369.



Mavis Fodness photo/0301 hog barn fire

Fire call on County Road 4

Area firemen were dispatched to Paul Arends' hog barns east of Luverne on County Road 4 Monday afternoon. According to Luverne Fire Chief David Van Batavia, there were no animals in the building, but workers were welding for maintenance. He said gas from welding equipment ignited, causing some damage in the building to electrical wires and curtains.

On behalf of the Luverne Music Boosters, we would like to extend a sincere "Thank You" to the area businesses who helped make the 38th Annual Luverne Music Boosters Winter Carnival a huge success. The support received from the community was amazing! Cash donations and/or merchandise were generously given by nearly 150 area businesses.

Without their support and kindness, the Carnival couldn't happen. Thank you!
Special thanks to Carrie Overgaard and Julie Wynia for co-chairing the Carnival. Thank you to all who helped organize the Winter Carnival this year. There were many sub committee's and leaders who have put in several hours of planning and organizing and for that we are grateful! Special thanks to Family Dental for use of their basement to store our booths and to the Luverne Farm Store for the use of their Bingo game.
Thank you to our booth and cake judges. Special thanks to the Luverne School Custodial Staff for so graciously helping us with our many tasks of set-up and tear-down. Thank you to all the parents who volunteered to work a shift during the Carnival and to the students who decorated and ran the booths. We have the best music students around!
A very gracious thank you to everyone in the community who supported our Winter Carnival by either purchasing raffle tickets, or by attending and participating in this event. It is wonderful to see so many people attend this evening of family entertainment! Finally, we would like to thank Mrs. Graber and Mr. Owen for their invaluable support, for teaching our children a love of music and so much more! We are proud to be a part of a giving community that continues to care about the music programs at our school.

Thanks to All!
Luverne Music Boosters Winter Carnival Committee



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Lori Sorenson photos/0301 slime

Luverne Elementary School Counselor Marie Atkinson-Smeins shows excited third-graders slime samples that they were able to choose from after their Monday session on stress relief.

Fun with slime

Elementary counselor uses gooey mix as stress reliever for third-graders

By Lori Sorenson

Luverne Elementary School Counselor Marie Atkinson-Smeins was planning lessons for her third-grade students about stress when she got help from an unlikely source — her teenage daughter.

Isabel, 15, enjoys making slime, and she volunteered to help her mom for this week's classes on stress relief.

"I just really like playing with it myself," she said. "I don't use it for stress relief, but it does help take your mind off things if you're anxious."

Using three gallons of glue, the teen produced six gallons of slime in four different colors and fragrances — strawberry, lime, orange and peach mango.

Some had special textures like glitter.

In the course of two hours, Smeins had the slime student-ready, packaged neatly in six-ounce plastic jars labeled appropriately with the name of the fragrance of slime in the container.

Her mom said the project turned out great.

"I know kids love slime," Atkinson-Smeins said.

"How can you not make a lesson of that?"

She overheard one student remark after class, "Oh wow. She gave us slime — usually teachers are taking it away from us."

In addition to relieving stress by playing with slime, the third-graders learned to breathe deeply, count to 10, go for a walk and talk to someone about their stress.

The students also received the ingredient list to make slime at home — with their parents' permission, of course.

The basic ingredients are glue, scent, paint, water, baby oil, lotion and borax activator.



Above: Luverne sophomore Isabel Smeins (left) hands out six-ounce slime samples that she helped her mother prepare for the third-graders. Waiting for their slime are (from left) Daemon Olson, Reegan Gabrielson, Wed Kadhim and Cinthya Velasquez.

Left: Keagan Jesson samples his jar of slime. He chose mint fragrance with glitter.

1952: Jimmy Dorsey band spends evening stuck in Luverne

The following article is from the Feb. 21, 1952, edition of the Rock County Star Herald.

Not so enchanting, but —

Jimmy Dorsey's Band Takes Evening Off — In Luverne

A quiet evening in a normally quiet mid-western town made even more quiet by the weather proved to be a rather unusual experience for Jimmy Dorsey and the 20 members of his nationally famous dance band Tuesday.

The scheduled appearance of the Dorsey band at the Hollyhock Ballroom in Hatfield Tuesday night was cancelled due to the blizzard conditions and blocked roads.

Luckily, reservations had been made at the Manitou Hotel, so band members had a place to spend the night. The hotel was booked solid at noon, as also were local motels when the weather halted traffic in every direction.

More than 1,400 reservations had been made for the Hatfield appearance, the band leader said, but it didn't make any difference. He couldn't get there, and neither could the patrons because the Hollyhock management had telephoned Dorsey to say that Hatfield was isolated because of clogged highways.



Bits by Betty

By Betty Mann, president
Rock County Historical Society

Sorry He Couldn't Make It

The nationally famous band leader told the Star-Herald reporters Tuesday night he was "really sorry he couldn't make the Hatfield date," and had looked forward to playing before people who he described as "unspoiled."

Jimmy went on to explain he meant there was no television in this area and people here still appreciated hearing good band music and will willing to trudge through snow and blizzard-like conditions to hear his band.

"That's real loyalty," he said.

Clad in grey unpressed trousers, a navy blue loafer jacket under which he wore a yellow sweater over a blue check sport shirt, Jimmy told a little of the life of a band on tour.

His band has been on the road since the first of the year covering practically every state in the union and some places in Canada.

May Make Film

He is on his way to the west coast where he will be booked at Hollywood's famed Palladium ballroom. Tentative plans call for the Dorsey band to make a picture starring Jane Powell at the MGM motion picture studio, Jimmy said.

Enroute he will play one night stands and will play a date at Las Vegas for a week. His schedule called for a date at Montevideo Wednesday night, but Dorsey couldn't say for sure whether the date could be kept.

Better weather lies ahead, however as the orchestra will head south and will be in Oklahoma City Saturday night.

Members of the band made the most of the night off by sight-seeing on Luverne's Main street, going to the movies, or just loafing around in the lobby of the hotel.

A group of musicians went to the local bowling alleys to

roll a few games.

It was easy to pick them from native Luvernites by the way they were dressed and the way they talked. Most of them wore their hair long with the conventional "ducks back" the trademark of the musician.

Their talk had the flavor of the easterner's twang.

Jimmy had planned to attend a birthday party of a close friend in Sioux Falls that night and went so far as to get his car from the garage, but after weighing the possibilities of going, probably thinking of being stuck on a lonely stretch of road, he decided not to go after all.

Band Travels By Bus

The troupe travels in a chartered bus and two automobiles. Mrs. Dorsey is accompanying Jimmy on the tour.

"This isn't the first time we've been forced to cancel a dance date," Jimmy said. "Just a few weeks ago we were flooded out of an appearance at Marietta, Ohio, where we were to have played at Marietta college," he said.

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@iwi.net.

CELEBRATIONS

Open houses

George and Donna Scholten will celebrate their 80th birthdays with an open house from 1:30-4 p.m. Saturday, March 3, in St. Catherine's gathering space. Greetings may be sent to 202 Oak Drive, Luverne, MN 56156.

An open house bridal shower for **Brenna Brown**, bride-to-be of **Dylan Richers**, will be from 9-11 a.m. Saturday, March 3, at the American Reformed Church in Luverne.

A bridal shower for **Liz Solma**, bride-to-be of **Chris Mattis**, will be from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 3, at First Presbyterian Church in Luverne.

MENU

Monday, March 5: Tator-tot hotdish, green beans, peaches, bread, pudding.

Program: 12:30 p.m. Senior Citizens meeting.

Tuesday, March 6: Barbecue pork chop, sweet potatoes, winter blend vegetables, bread, scalloped apples.

Program: Two-buck Tuesdays sponsored by Touchmark.

Wednesday, March 7: Meatloaf with ketchup, potatoes, creamed corn, bread, mandarin oranges.

Thursday, March 8: Oven-crispy chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, carrots, bread, poke cake.

Program: \$2 Buck Day.

Friday, March 9: Tuna noodle casserole, peas, cole slaw, bread, dessert.

Program: Music by Bruce Dysthe.

Senior Dining offers well-balanced and affordable meals in a community atmosphere.

Gift certificates are available at the meal site or online at www.lssmn.org/nutrition.

Call Lauree Teunissen at 283-9846 to make dining reservations or for home-delivered meals.

We welcome your good news

Share your special happenings by using the forms on our website, www.star-herald.com/webforms.

Births, engagements, weddings and news tips are accepted by filling in the blanks.

SCHOOL NEWS

Minnesota State Mankato releases dean's list

Several area students were named to the Fall 2017 dean's list at Minnesota State University Mankato. To be named, students must earn a 3.5 or higher. Those with a 4.0 are indicated with an asterisk after their name.

From Adrian: Elissa Thier*, senior, finance.

From Luverne: Jake Aukes*, senior, special education; Christina Casazza, sophomore, elementary education; Brianna Jonason, junior, social work; Mitchell Muller, junior, finance; Brooke Nattress, junior, health and physical education; Thomas Vajgrt, junior, health and physical education; Sierra Wieneke, sophomore, psychology.

Concordia Moorhead names honor students

Three Luverne graduates were named to the dean's list for the Fall 2017 semester at Concordia College in Moorhead. To be named, students must earn a minimum of 12 credits with a GPA of 3.7 or higher.

Those named to the list include senior Kira Graber and sophomores Madison Crabtree and Autumn Hamann.

Ziegler named to Gustavus Adolphus list

Kristen Ziegler, Luverne, has been named to the Gustavus Adolphus College dean's list for the Fall 2017 semester. To be eligible, students must earn a 3.7 GPA on a scale of 4.0.

U of M Twin Cities announces dean's list

Three area students were named to the University of Minnesota Twin Cities dean's list for Fall 2017 semester. To be named, students must earn at least 12 graded credits with a 3.66 GPA.

Named to the dean's list were Carly Serie, Luverne, a freshman in the College of Liberal Arts, Dylan Gyberg Adrian, a freshman in the College of Education/Human Development, and Mikayla Jeffers, Adrian, a freshman in the College of Liberal Arts.

OBITUARIES

Herman Evers

Herman Harm Evers, 86, Lakota, Iowa, died Wednesday, Feb. 21, 2018, at the Sanford Hospital in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.



A funeral service was Tuesday, Feb. 27, at the First Presbyterian Church in Lakota. Burial was at the Maple Hill Cemetery in Lakota.

Herman Evers was born in Cottonwood County, Minnesota, on May 9, 1931, to Harm and Bena (Stadtlander) Evers. He grew up on a farm in Selma Township and attended county school. He farmed until he entered the Army in 1952. He served until 1954, stationed in Panama. After his service, he returned to farm near Comfrey until 1981. Then he worked for several area farmers.

He married Carol Winter on June 23, 1963, at the First Presbyterian Church in Lakota.

They joined the First Presbyterian Church in Mountain Lake, where he served as ruling elder and clerk of session. In 1988 they moved to Mountain Lake where he worked for area farmers and Swift Eckrich in St. James. He later worked at the Mountain Lake Public schools as a bus driver and janitor until his retirement on Jan. 1, 2004. He and

Carol then moved to Lakota to live on Carol's family farm.

Herman was a 60-year member of the American Legion and the First Presbyterian Church of Lakota where he served as trustee. He enjoyed farming, tractor rides, his Belgium horses, spending time with family, old-time music, and watching TV.

He is survived by his wife, Carol; son Paul (Emily) Evers of Magnolia; two grandchildren, Kayla and Allyssa Evers; siblings Doris Carway, Clare Schenk, Walter (Marie) Evers, Elmer (Jane) Evers, Irene (Eugene) Zimmerman, Richard (Susan) Evers, David (Sharon) Evers; brothers and sisters-in-law David (Janice) Winter, Eleanor Winter, Barbara (Ronald) Schroeder; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his son Rodney on Sept. 15, 2014; his parents; his parents-in-law Raymond and Edna (Estle) Winter; and brothers-in-law Donald Winter and James Winter.

Arrangements were by Oakcrest Funeral Services, www.oakcrestfuneralservices.com. (0301 F)

Adrianna Wagley

Adrianna Peternella Wagley, 100, Ellsworth, died Friday, Feb. 23, 2018, at Parkview Manor in Ellsworth.

A memorial service was Wednesday, Feb. 28, at Grace Lutheran Church in Luverne.

Adrianna Moret was born to Pete and Tillie Moret on March 29, 1917, in Chandler. She grew up there, attending country school and Chandler High School. She was baptized at Chandler Reformed Church.

On Sept. 18, 1938, Adrian married Gordon Wagley in Lake Wilson. They farmed in the Reading area. In 1963 they moved to Luverne, where she did housekeeping for local families. Adrianna enjoyed scrapbooking, genealogy and fishing. She was active in her church and was a member of the Ladies VFW Auxiliary. In 1985 Adrianna and Gordon took a trip to the Netherlands to visit relatives.

On Oct. 7, 2008, Adrianna entered the Parkview Manor

in Ellsworth. On June 10, 2017, Adrianna celebrated her 100th birthday at Grace Lutheran Church. It was a celebration she truly enjoyed with family and friends.

She is survived by three sons, Peter (Nancy) Wagley of Salinas, California, Gary (Phyllis) Wagley of Rushmore, and Michael Wagley of Luverne; eight grandchildren: Michelle, Leslie, Michelle, Michael, Kurt, Jeffrey, Angela and Stacey; six great-grandchildren; six great-great-grandchildren; one brother-in-law, Roger; one sister-in-law, Vangy; and many nieces and nephews.

Adrianna was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Gordon, on Jan. 10, 2002; one grandson, Brandley; one brother, John; two stepbrothers; four stepsisters; two brothers-in-law; and three sisters-in-law.

Arrangements were provided by Chandler Funeral Association of Chandler, www.chandlerfa.com. (0301 F)



Submitted photo

Luverne FFA receives \$750 through 'Sharing Success'

Cooperative Energy Company recently donated \$750 to the Luverne-Adrian FFA Chapter after the FFA'ers participated in a career opportunity presentation and tour of the company's Sibley, Iowa, office. Pictured at the check presentation are (from left) general manager Darin Henning, chapter adviser Dennis Mortiz, FFA'ers Kaylie Ossefoort, Halle Hough, Michael Kinsinger, Tyler Fick, Cody Saker and cooperative board member Brian Dreesen. Hills-Beaver Creek was also among the 13 schools receiving a \$750 donation.

H-BC releases second quarter honor rolls

A Honor Roll

Seniors: Amber Mace, Angela Martinyuk, Olivia Richards, Dylon Taubert, Paige Tilstra, Jacob Wingert.

Juniors: Grace Bundesen, Seth Glidewell, Mary-Frances Ladd, Luke LaRock, Garrett Raymon, Josie Scholten, Bailey Swan.

Sophomores: Josie Bartels, Whitney Elbers, Aleigha Glidewell, Larinda Kellenberger, Kailey Rozeboom.

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B Honor Roll

Seniors: Trevor Dolphin, Megan Gehrke, Brandon Gray, Halle Hoekstra,

Grace Holthaus, Dawson Leenderts, Courtney Page, Matthew Swenson, Orvil Swenson, Dustin Teune, Dylan Tieszen, Avery Wysong.

Juniors: Amber Bos, Sidney Fick, Oana Ela Hagen, Tyler Jess, Wyatt Westrum, Preston Wilhelmi.

Sophomores: Joslyn Birger, Eve Burgers, Sadie Fuerstenberg, Easton Harnack, Larissa Kruid, Jo-Hannah Ladd, Jax Wysong.

Freshmen: Tyson Bork, Annie Bos, Chase Bosch, Erika Dysthe, Ethan Gray, Ashlee Kelderman, Kathleen

Kiers, Tony Knobloch, Emilee Kodet, Abbigail Olson, Jacob Sheppard, Brandon Taubert, Gavin Wysong, Zander Wysong.

Eighth Grade: Austin Allen, Oliver Deelstra, Troy Durst, Sean Elbers, Weston Kellenberger, Ethan Kruger, Drew Leenderts, Daniel Martinyuk, Dallas Page, Aliyah Stoltenberg, Conner Vande Voort.

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First semester H-BC honor rolls also released

A Honor Roll

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REMEMBER WHEN

10 years ago (2008)

•The Rock County Sheriff's Department is investigating a rash of vandalism involving paint gun splatters.

According to the complaint log at the Sheriff's Department, there were more than 30 paint ball vandalism reports on Feb. 16, most of them in the town of Hardwick.

Orange paint splatter was found on cars, businesses and residences, according to Sheriff Evan Verbrugge.

"The whole town got plastered with it," Verbrugge said, adding that it's difficult to remove the paint from the items it hits.

25 years ago (1993)

•The old Lincoln Hotel building has existed in Luverne for more than 100 years, and if the Senior Citizens have their way, it will be around for a long time to come.

With a goal of \$30,000, the Senior Citizens have begun fundraising to renovate the Lincoln Hotel building, located at 319 E. Lincoln. The Senior Citizens have used the building since 1979. Today, the county rents office space for the Heartland Express bus service, and Retired Senior Volunteers use another office. The remainder of the space is used for senior activities. An additional building was built beside the Lincoln Hotel in 1984. ...

Renovation plans for the Lincoln Hotel include new shingles for the roof, light gray siding, nine new windows on the first floor

and a new front door. The second and third floors will be closed off with a fire door. Central air will also be installed. The first floor has already been rewired, which cost about \$1,500.

50 years ago (1968)

•Fire which damaged the First Baptist Church here early Tuesday evening will not prevent holding of services or Sunday school as usual this Sunday, the Rev. Stanley Luginbill, pastor, said yesterday.

Firemen indicated that the blaze originated in the wall at the front of the main auditorium of the church, just to the right of the speaker's platform and choir loft. A short circuit in a wall switch box was believed to have been the cause of the fire. Fire insurance adjusters were at the church Wednesday morning but were unable to give an estimate as to the amount of damage.

Assistant Fire Chief Jarvis Boisen, whose auto repair service and service station is located across the street, east from the church, noticed the smoke coming from the building and turned in the alarm to the fire department about 5:55 p.m. Within a couple of minutes, there were three fire trucks at the scene.

75 years ago (1943)

•More farm machinery will be available to Rock county famers than was first allotted when machinery quotas were announced,

according to word received this week by Leonard A. Arp, chairman of the county machinery rationing board.

Best news of all for farmers who need tractors to operate their farms because of shortage of farm help, is that the new tractor quota has been increased to 41 from 29. The number of cultivators that may be sold has also been increased to 41, whereas the previous quota was 33. Cultivators include both mounted and tractor-drawn types. The number of moldboard plows, both tractor and drawn and mounted, has been increased from 19 to 40.

100 years ago (1918)

•The railroad car shortage for the movement of livestock and grain, which had steadily been growing more pronounced for several weeks, reached a really serious stage in regard to accommodating live stock shipments, at least, during the past week.

Ordinarily, Herman Fitzer, Luverne's stock buyer, required an average of about eight cars a week, but he has not been able to obtain even half this number on an average. Live stock cars have steadily grown scarcer, and like conditions are said to exist at all other shipping points in the county, although not quite as pronounced because of the lesser volume of shipments.

Last week Mr. Fitzer secured only three cars and this left him with several hundred hogs at the Omaha stock yards, and numerous farmers anxiously awaiting opportunity to bring in their surplus porkers before moving to new farms.

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Davis graduates from basic military training

Trae Davis of Luverne completed the U.S. Air Force eight-week basic military training



Davis

at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas.

He completed intensive training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness and basic warfare principles and skills.

Davis is now receiving technical training in services at Fort Lee, Virginia, before being stationed at Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho.

Davis is the son of Mike and Traci Davis, Luverne, and is a 2017 graduate of Luverne High School.

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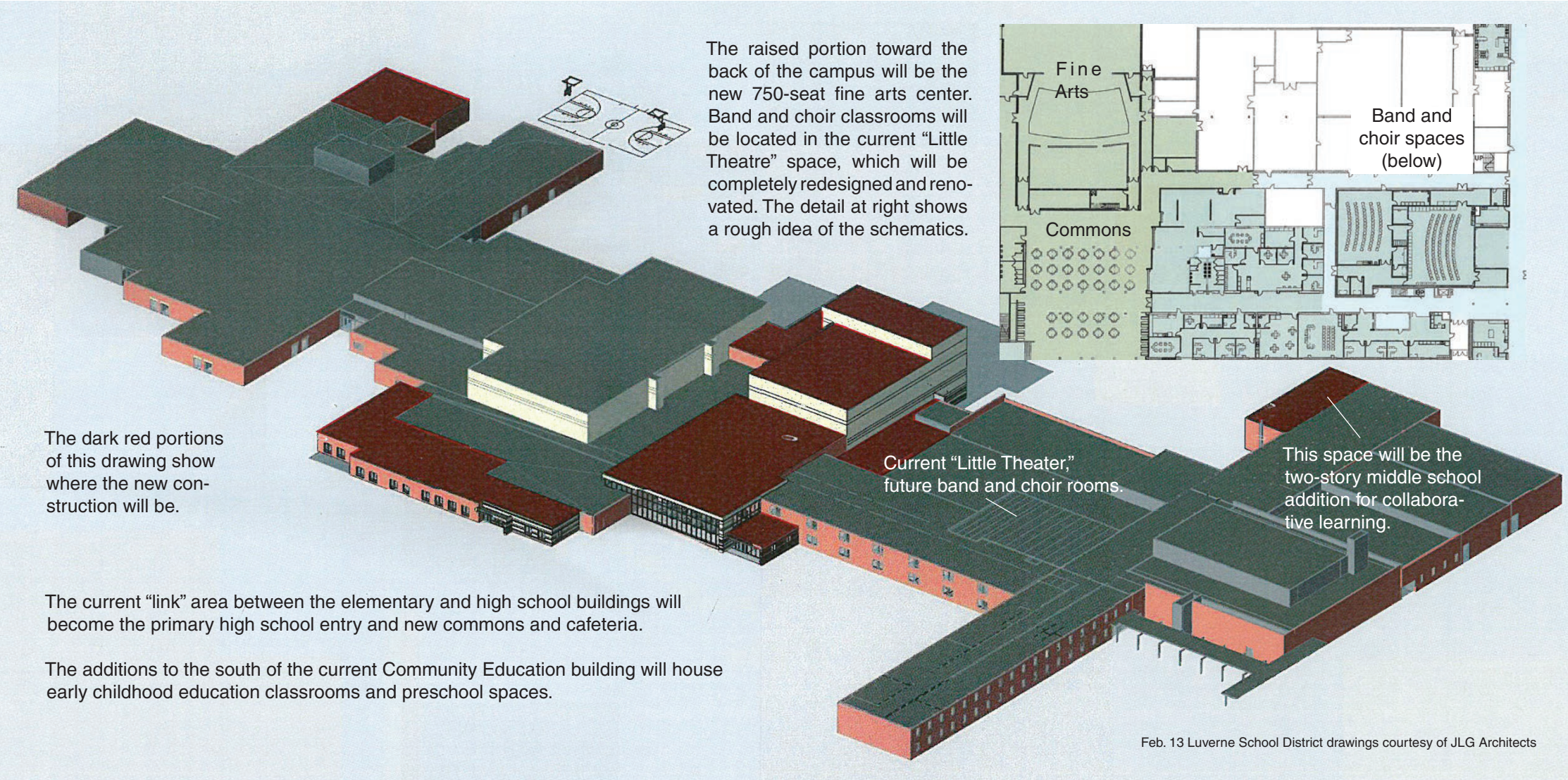
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Details emerge about Luverne School District’s building project/continued from page 1A

After analyzing the needs from the user groups, the oversight committee examined the project’s proposed square footage.

Approval of new center opens auditorium space

JLG’s senior architect Dan Miller said pre-referendum plans placed the new performing arts center in the open area between the elementary and the middle-high school buildings.

In the same area, the early plans also called for the new band-choir suite, middle-high school kitchen and commons area.

During one of the building oversight committee discussions centered on the performing arts center and the commons area, Miller said, “We were testing an idea to have the auditorium open up onto the commons area. This gives you more usability from a public standpoint.”

However, the idea exceeded the new construction square-footage estimates used in pre-referendum cost estimates.

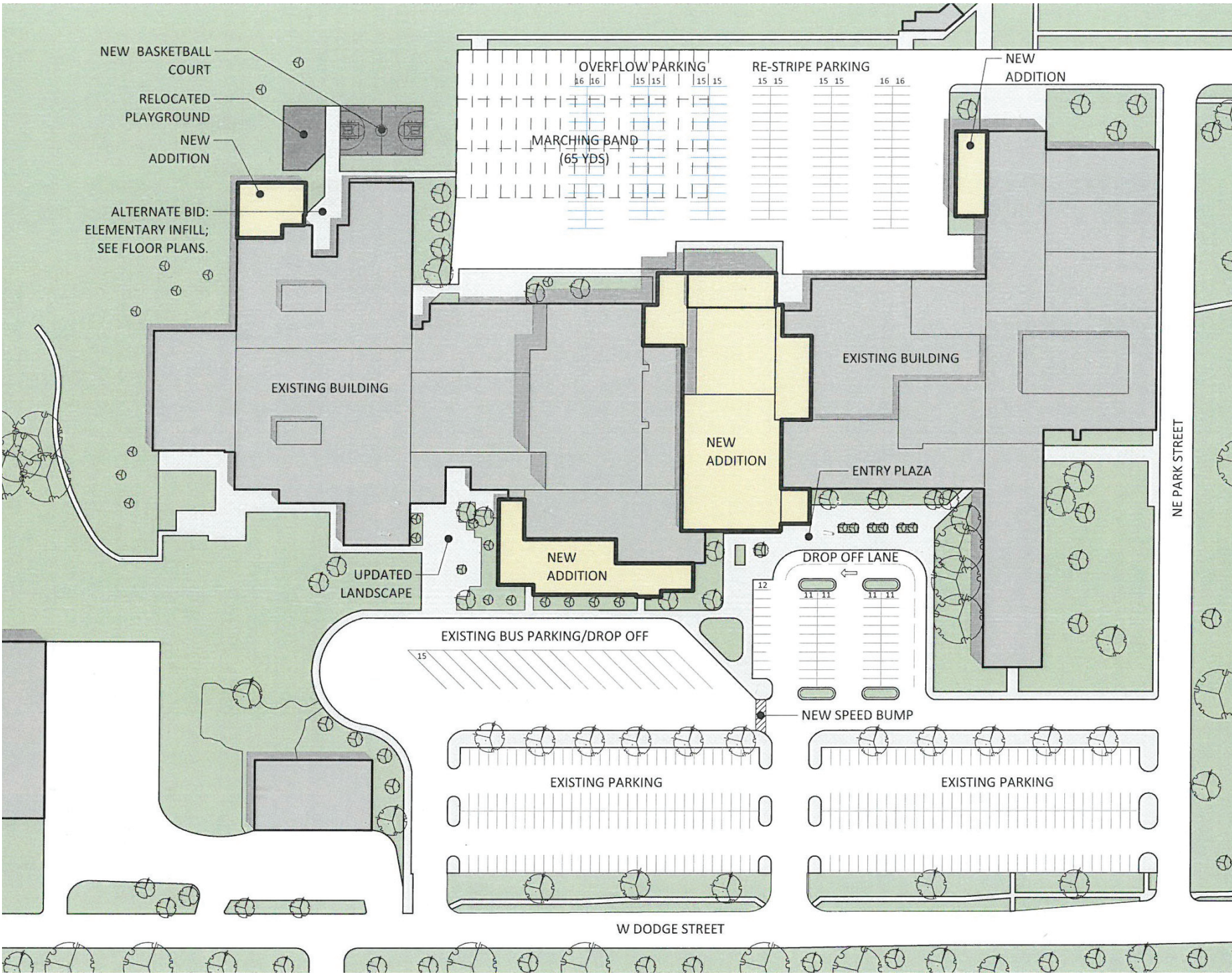
“It was a great idea but we ran out of budget,” he said.

The group revisited the idea when the square footage of the new band-choir suite matched that of the existing middle-high school auditorium area, commonly known as the little theater.

No plans were made for the theater space until voters approved the performing arts center.

“It (the band/choir suite) really fits nicely in the auditorium (theater space),” Miller said. “The structure is already there for us.”

More of the existing building is also being used in the additions to the two-story south wing addition and early childhood family education to keep costs within the referendum budget.



This graphic shows the building footprint and identifies new construction areas. South side parking lots and student drop-off patterns are identified.

School year adjustments coming due to construction work

By Mavis Fodness

To accommodate the upcoming construction work at Luverne Public Schools, the 2018-19 and 2019-20 school calendars will be adjusted.

School board members received a tentative schedule at their regular Feb. 22 meeting.

“We are trying to create a longer summer construction season (in 2019),” Oftedahl said.

By state statute, the district needs at least 165 days of student instruction plus 6.3 days of teacher in-service.

Oftedahl presented two

options that meet the state’s criteria. Both options lengthen the school day by 30 minutes.

Both options begin the 2018-19 school year after Labor Day with teacher in-services completed at the end of August. The school year

would end on May 10.

Both options also start the 2019-20 school year on Sept. 16 with teacher in-services taking place the preceding week. The school year would end May 22.

The calendar adjustments would allow about 17

weeks of construction without school being in session during the summer of 2019.

Board members tabled the decision on which calendar option to adopt pending review by state education officials and the local teacher’s union.



This 3-year-old aerial photo offers perspective on the current south-side view of the Luverne School District parking areas and building footprints to compare to construction plan drawings.

Lori Sorenson file photo/school aerial south side



John Rittenhouse photo/0311 lbh 11

Luverne sophomore forward Tyler Roberts advances the puck into the offensive zone during Thursday's Section 3A Tournament game against Willmar at the Blue Mound Ice Arena. LHS posted a 6-0 win.

Cards reach section finals

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne boys reached the championship game of the Section 3A Hockey Tournament by posting a pair of postseason wins.

The top-seeded Cardinals skated to a six-goal victory over No. 8 Willmar during Thursday's quarterfinals in Luverne before besting No. 4 Hutchinson by six goals during Monday's semifinals at Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter.

Luverne returned to St. Peter Wednesday to take on No. 2 Litchfield-Dassel-Cokato in the section championship game.

LHS 7, Hutchinson 1

Luverne clinched an appearance in the Section 3A title game by dismantling the Tigers by six goals during Monday's semifinals in St. Peter.

The Cardinals scored the first four goals of the game and outshot the Tigers 36-19

to highlight their 20th win of the season.

Kasyn Kruse led the offense by registering a hat trick.

Gaige Nath and Ben Serie added three and two assists respectively to the winning cause.

LHS gained the upper hand in the game by scoring twice in the first period.

Kruse gave the Cards a 1-0 cushion 5:17 into the contest before Declan Beers registered an unassisted tally with 8:45 re-

maining to make it a 2-0 game.

LHS doubled its lead (4-0) in the first 13:15 into the second period.

Nick Harder registered a power-play goal 8:12 into the stanza before Jim Erickson found the net with 3:45 remaining in the stanza.

Luverne's four-goal run came to an end before the second period was complete as Hutchinson's Colin McKimm

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John Rittenhouse photo/0301 lgb 2

Luverne senior Sierra Schmuck releases a jump shot in front of two Pipestone defenders during Monday's South Section 3AA Tournament game in Pipestone. LHS dropped a 48-39 decision.

Arrows oust Luverne girls Monday

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne girls' basketball team bowed out of the Section 3AA Tournament during a quarterfinal-round game in Pipestone Monday.

The fifth-seeded Cardinals took on No. 4 Pipestone in what was the third meeting of the season between the teams. Pipestone won the regular

season clashes and made it three victories in a row over the Cardinals by handing them a 48-39 setback in the tournament game.

Luverne ends the season with a 15-12 record.

LHS played well early and sported a 6-4 edge when Joci Oye drained a three-point shot at the 15:45 mark of the

first half.

The Cards led by three (12-9) when Gabrielle Ferrell canned a three-point shot at 11:44, but the Arrows countered with a 12-6 run to gain a 21-18 lead.

A field goal from Ferrell trimmed the difference to one point (21-20) with 2:37

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Dragon girls upset Red Rock Central

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian girls' basketball team staged an upset in the quarterfinal round of the South Section 3A Tournament Monday in Lambertton.

Adrian, the tournament's sixth seed, took on No. 3 Red Rock Central on the Falcons' home floor.

The Dragons staged a second-half rally to pull out a 36-34 victory.

The win sent 11-14 Adrian to Worthington Tuesday (Feb. 27), where the Dragons played No. 2 Hills-Beaver Creek in the quarterfinals.

Red Rock Central played well early and outscored the Dragons 22-16 in the game's first half.

AHS returned the favor by outscoring the Falcons 20-12 in the second half to prevail by two.

Adrian received a pair of free throws from Moriah Bullerman with 57 seconds left to give the Dragons a two-point lead they wouldn't relinquish.

Avery Balster turned in a 12-point, six-rebound effort for the winners.

Hannah Bullerman (five rebounds and three assists), Moriah Bullerman (five rebounds), Bailey Lonneman (six rebounds), Lexi Slater (eight rebounds) and Paige Bullerman (10 rebounds) also played well in the win.

Box score
Kemper 0 0 0-0, H. Bullerman 3 0 3-4 9, M. Bullerman 1 1 2-7, Balster 6 0 0-6 12, Lonneman 0 0 0-0 0, Cauwels 0 0 0-0 0, Slater 0 0 0-2 0, P. Bullerman 4 0 0-0 8.

Team statistics
Adrian: 15 of 50 field goals (30 percent), five of 14 free throws (36 percent), 41 rebounds, 21 turnovers.
RRC: 15 of 52 field goals (29 percent), three of 12 free throws (25 percent), 30 rebounds, 17 turnovers.

Patriots top Panthers to reach semifinals

By John Rittenhouse

The Hills-Beaver Creek girls' basketball team passed its first test of the postseason Monday in Hills.

H-BC entertained Ellsworth for a quarterfinal-round game of the South Section 3A Tournament.

The second-seeded Patriots took care of business by outscoring No. 7-seeded Ellsworth in both halves of a 57-33 victory.

The win sent 20-5 H-BC to Worthington Tuesday, where the Patriots met No. 6 Adrian in the semifinals.

Ellsworth ends the season with a 6-19 record.

The Patriots sported a 27-19 advantage when the first half of Monday's game was complete.

H-BC went on to outscore the Panthers 30-14 in the second half to win by 24.

Sidney Fick (18 points) and

Grace Bundesen (12 points, nine rebounds and four assists) led H-BC offensively.

Kourtney Rozeboom and Abby Knobloch pulled down 11 and six rebounds respectively, while Madison Spath charted three assists.

Kallie Chapa led the Panthers with 13 points.

Box score
Ellsworth
Meester 1 0 7-10 9, K. Chapa 5 1 0-0 13, Bixby 0 0 0-0 0, Domeyer 2 0 0-4 4, M. Dreesen 2 0 1-2 5, D. Dreesen 0 0 2-4 2, Popkes 0 0 0-0 0, Mulder 0 0 0-0 0, Custer 0 0 0-0 0, Nussbaum 0 0 0-0 0.
H-BC
K. Fick 0 0 0-0 0, Bos 0 0 0-0 0, Tilstra 0 0 0-0 0, Spath 1 0 1-2 3, Hagen 0 0 0-0 0, Knobloch 2 0 0-1 4, S. Fick 4 1 7-7 18, Bundesen 4 1 1-2 12, Swan 0 0 0-0 0, Ka. Rozeboom 0 0 0-0 0, Rauk 2 0 0-4 4, Gehrke 0 2 0-0 6, Elbers 1 0 0-2 2, Ko. Rozeboom 4 0 0-0 8.

Team statistics
Ellsworth: 11 of 50 field goals (22 percent), 10 of 16 free throws (63 percent), 20 rebounds, nine turnovers.
H-BC: 22 of 51 field goals (43 percent), nine of 12 free throws (75 percent), 47 rebounds, 20 turnovers.

Adrian's Edwards, Taylor qualify for state competition

By John Rittenhouse

Two Adrian High School sophomores qualified for state competition during the Section 3A Individual Wrestling Tournament in Pipestone Friday and Saturday.

Scot Edwards and Logan Taylor, who have never advanced to state in the past, will get their chance to wrestle at the Excel Energy Center in St. Paul, thanks to their performances at the section level.

Edwards went 3-0 to capture the heavyweight championship in Pipestone, while Taylor went 2-1 and placed second at 113 pounds.

Both AHS athletes will open state competition at 9 a.m. Friday, when Class A individual competition begins.

Edwards takes a 24-5 record to the state tournament after recording three wins in Pipestone.

He pinned Minneota's Barry Gronke in 51 seconds, nipped Wabasso-Red Rock Central's Kyle Jacobson 7-5, and pinned Canby's Josh Hansen in 3:05 of the championship match.

Taylor moves into state competition with a 27-6 mark.

Taylor rolled to a 16-3 win over W-RRC's Vander Mathiowetz during his first match in Pipestone before nipping Jackson County Central's Matthew Mohning 4-2 in the semifinals.

Windom-Mountain Lake Area's Brett Willaby beat Taylor by technical fall in the 113-pound title match.

Nine Dragons competed in Pipestone and three others placed.

Chandler Combs (14-20) went 2-2 to finish fourth at 145 pounds.

Jesus Anaya (15-10) finished



Star Herald file photo

Scot Edwards won three consecutive matches to win the heavyweight title at the Section 3A Tournament in Pipestone.



Star Herald file photo

Logan Taylor went 2-1 to place second at 113 pounds during the Section 3A Individual Wrestling Tournament in Pipestone.

sixth at 106 with a 1-3 mark, while Logan Sherer (10-13) placed sixth at 132 with a 1-3 record.

Isaac Bullerman and Domini Canales went 1-2 at 120 and 126 respectively without

placing.

Bullerman ends the year with a 7-11 record, while Anaya finishes at 15-10.

Preston Nelson (12-15) and William White-McEliece (1-8) went 0-2 at 138 and 182.



Star Herald file photo
Senior Jayden Renken turned in Luverne's top effort at the Section 3AA Tournament by placing fourth at 160 in Dawson.

Cardinals complete wrestling season at Section 3AA Individual tourney

By John Rittenhouse

The 2017-18 wrestling season came to an end for the Luverne Cardinals at the Section 3AA Individual Tournament staged in Dawson Friday and Saturday.

With berths into the state tournament on the line for athletes who placed first or second in their weight classes, the Cardinals didn't meet the criteria.

Six Cardinals competed at the event and three of them placed, but not high enough to

advance to state competition.

Senior Jayden Renken turned in Luverne's top effort by placing fourth at 160 pounds with a 2-2 record.

After being pinned in 3:35 of his first match by Redwood-River Valley's Eric Bommersbach, Renken bounced back to pin New London-Spicer's Dalton Barrett (1:08) before securing a 9-2 win over Fulda-Murray County Central's Parker Anderson.

Bommersbach pinned Renken in 3:20 of the match for

third place, ending his 18-19 season.

Senior Tucker Oeltjenbruns and junior Tom Brown placed fifth at 132 and 170 respectively with 2-2 records.

Oeltjenbruns, who ends the year with a 26-18 mark, posted a 6-4 win over R-RV's Omar Arredondo and posted a 17-7 victory over Morris Area's Dalton Rose in the fifth-place match.

He lost matches to Marshall's Noah Jensen (4-2) and NL-S's Sam Stageberg (11-9).

Brown, who ends the campaign with a 12-20 record, pinned MA's Christian Dodds (45 seconds) and won by forfeit in the fifth-place match.

He was pinned by R-RV's Mason Rummel (3:35) and New Ulm's Lane Miller (5:53).

Riley Cowell (26-17) went 2-2 without placing at 106, while Jed Dooyema (21-18) went 1-2 at 152 without placing.

Brayden Ripka (9-29) went 0-2 at 113.

Box score
Robinson 0 1 1-2 4, Lundgren 2 2 3-5 13, Bartels 2 0 0-0 4, Claussen 5 0 3-4 13, Terry 1 1 0-0 5, Jacobsma 2 0 0-0 4, Siebenahler 2 1 3-4 10, Haugom 2 0 1-2 5.

Team statistics
Luverne: 19 field goals made, 11 of 17 free throws (65 percent).

Luverne 66, MCW 63

The Cardinals registered their third consecutive victory when they came out on the winning end of a three-point decision in a hard-fought game against the Mavericks Feb. 20 in Luverne.

Luverne faced deficits in both halves of the contest, but the Cardinals answered

the challenges to register their eighth win of the season.

MCW scored the first three points of the contest and sported an 11-6 advantage at the 11:40 mark of the first half.

Luverne countered with a 10-2 run capped by a layup from Brayden Jacobsma to move in front 16-3 at 9:34, but the Mavericks regained the lead (21-18) with an 8-2 surge.

The Cardinals responded by scoring the next 10 points to open a 28-21 advantage when Lundgren converted a layup at 4:13, which helped the Cardinals sport a 33-29 lead when the first half was complete.

LHS scored the first eight points of the second half, increasing its advantage to 12 points (41-29) when Mark Robinson turned a steal into a layup at the 14:33 mark.

The Cardinals led by nine (55-46) when Claussen buried a three-point shot with 6:19 remaining, but the Mavericks didn't go down without putting up a fight.

MCW knotted the score at 57 with 3:37 remaining before taking a 63-62 edge with 42 seconds left.

Luverne, however, received two free throws each from Isaiah Bartels and Siebenahler in the final 29 seconds to seal a three-point victory.

Claussen (17 points and three steals), Siebenahler (13 points), Eli Haugom (12 points and six rebounds) and Lundgren (12 points) led LHS statistically.

Box score
Robinson 2 0 0-0 4, Lundgren 3 2 0-1 12, Bartels 0 0 5-6 5, Claussen 4 2 3-4 17, Terry 0 0 1-2 1, Jacobsma 1 0 0-1 2, Siebenahler 2 1 6-7 13, Haugom 5 0 2-3 12.

Team statistics
Luverne: 22 of 41 field goals (54 percent), 17 of 24 free throws (71 percent), 23 rebounds.

Adrian boys wrap up 12-13 regular season

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian boys' basketball team capped a 12-13 regular season by 1-2 in the final week of the campaign.

The Dragons lost a 30-point game to Southwest Christian in Edgerton Feb. 20 before taking a 22-point setback from Mountain Lake Area Friday in Adrian.

AHS completed its slate by besting Edgerton by 12 points Monday in Adrian.

The Dragons drew the sixth seed for the South Section 3A Tournament and host No. 11 Edgerton to open the event Thursday.

AHS 69, Edgerton 57

The Dragons finished regular season play by besting the Flying Dutchmen by 12 points in Adrian Monday.

Adrian was consistent with its play as the Dragons outscored Edgerton by six points in each half.

AHS led 33-27 at the in-

termission before using a 36-30 scoring cushion in the second half to ice the win.

Ryan Wieneke (24 points, seven assists, five rebounds and three steals), Skylar Pozline (16 points) and Mitchell Veld (11 points and three assists) sparked the Dragons offensively.

Christian Weidert led AHS with eight rebounds.

Box score
Weidert 1 1 0-2 5, John 1 1 0-0 5, Wieneke 3 6 0-0 24, Henning 0 0 1-2 1, Veld 1 3 0-0 11, Reyne 1 0 0-0 2, Stamer 0 1 0-2 3, Polzine 8 0 0-0 16, Luettel 1 0 0-0 2.

Team statistics
Adrian: 28 of 53 field goals (53 percent), one of six free throws (17 percent), 23 rebounds, 12 turnovers. Edgerton: 18 of 53 field goals (34 percent), 14 of 15 free throws (93 percent), 28 rebounds, 11 turnovers.

MLA 86, Adrian 64

The Dragons dropped their second consecutive game when they took on the Wolverines in Adrian Friday.

MLA canned 66 percent

of its field goals and outscored AHS in both halves of a 22-point win.

The Wolverines led 44-33 after 18 minutes of play before outscoring the Dragons 42-31 in the second half.

Wieneke (22 points and four assists) and Weidert (11 points and three assists) played strong games for Adrian.

Polzine netted 10 points.

Box score
Weidert 3 0 5-5 11, John 0 0 0-0 0, Wieneke 5 3 3-3 22, Ross 0 0 0-0 0, Henning 0 0 0-0 0, Veld 0 2 0-0 6, Reyne 1 0 0-0 3, Stamer 0 0 0-0 0, Frodermann 0 0 0-0 0, Vortherms 0 0 0-0 0, Polzine 5 0 0-0 10, Luettel 3 0 3-5 9, Wilson 0 1 0-0 3.

Team statistics
Adrian: 23 of 50 field goals (46 percent), 11 of 11 free throws (100 percent), 12 rebounds, four turnovers. MLA: 37 of 56 field goals (66 percent), one of two free throws (50 percent), 21 rebounds, five turnovers.

SWC 87, Adrian 57

The Dragons were unable to keep pace with the Eagles when the teams squared off

in Edgerton Feb. 20.

SWC outscored Adrian in both halves of the game to secure a 30-point victory.

The Eagles tossed in 55 points in the first half to open a commanding 23-point (55-32) advantage.

SWC completed the win by outscoring AHS 35-25 in the second half.

Wieneke (16 points and five rebounds) and Weidert (15 points and three assists) turned in strong efforts for the Dragons.

Box score
Domeyer 0 0 0-0 0, Weidert 4 1 4-7 15, John 1 0 0-0 2, Wilson 0 0 0-0 0, Wieneke 3 3 1-2 16, Ross 0 0 0-0 0, Henning 1 0 2-2 4, Veld 1 2 0-0 8, Reyne 1 0 0-0 2, Stamer 0 0 0-0 0, Frodermann 0 0 0-0 0, Vortherms 0 0 0-0 0, Polzine 3 0 0-1 6, Luettel 1 0 2-2 4.

Team statistics
Adrian: 21 of 55 field goals (38 percent), nine of 14 free throws (64 percent), 15 rebounds, four turnovers. SWC: 36 of 59 field goals (61 percent), one of three free throws (33 percent), 34 rebounds, three turnovers.



John Rittenhouse photo/0301 lbb 3
Luverne senior Cole Claussen tosses in two of his team-high 17 points during a 66-63 home win over MCW Feb. 20.

WINTER SPORTS STANDINGS

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John Rittenhouse photo/0301 lhb 13
Luverne junior forward Mark Sterrett prepares to deliver a check on Willmar's Ty Christensen during Thursday's Section 3A Hockey Tournament game at the Blue Mound Ice Arena.

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recorded a power-play tally with 40 seconds remaining in the stanza to make it a 4-1 game.

LHS put the game away by scoring twice in the first 2:54 of the third period.

Kruse registered an unassisted tally 40 seconds into the final period before Ben Serie scored with 14:06 left to up the lead to 6-1.

Kruse capped the scoring when he completed his hat trick with 6:20 left to play.

Daniel Tofteland stopped 18 of the 19 shots he faced in goal for the Cardinals.

Kruse, Beers and Trey Roberts contributed one assist each to the winning cause.

LHS 6, Willmar 0

The Cardinals opened the tournament by skating to a six-goal victory over Willmar at the BMIA Thursday.

Top-seeded LHS scored all six of its goals in the first two periods of play and outshot Willmar 52-11 in a one-sided contest.

Harder and Beers led the offensive charge by netting two goals each, while Coy Gonnerman and Harder registered four and three assists respectively.

On the defensive side of the ice, goalie Tofteland recorded an 11-save shutout.

Harder got things rolling for the Cards by registering a

goal 3:15 into the game before making it 2-0 with a power-play tally that came with 8:54 remaining in the first period.

Erickson upped the lead to 3-0 at the 6:47 mark of the first period before Kruse capped a four-goal opening stanza with 3:31 left.

Beers put the game away by scoring twice in the second period.

The senior forward recorded a power-play goal with 8:06 remaining in the period before netting the game's final tally with 4:32 left in the stanza.

Roberts added two assists to the winning cause, while Jacob Von Tersch and Tyler Reisdorfer chipped in one assist each.



John Rittenhouse photo/0301 lgb 1
Luverne senior Rachel Oftedahl puts up a shot as she draws the attention of four Pipestone defenders during Monday's South Section 3AA Tournament game in Pipestone. The Arrows ended Luverne's 15-12 season by saddling the Cardinals with a 48-39 setback.

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remaining in the stanza before Pipestone put together an 8-2 spurt to open a 29-22 lead at the intermission.

LHS scored the first three points of the second half as a part of a 9-4 run ending with a field goal from Rachel Oftedahl to trim the difference to two points (33-31) with 10:59 left to play.

The Arrows netted the next four points, but Oye canned

a three with 5:24 left to play to make it a 39-36 difference.

Pipestone settled the issue by putting together an 8-0 surge that gave the Arrows an 11-point advantage (47-36) with 19 seconds remaining before settling with a nine-point victory at game's end.

Oye led the Cardinals with 13 points and charted three assists.

Jadyn Anderson and Rachel

Oftedahl pulled down six and five rebounds respectively.

Box score
Schmuck 0 0 0-0 0, Ver Steeg 0 0 0-0 0, Oye 2 3 0-0 13, Anderson 1 0 1-2 5, Thorson 1 0 0-0 2, Oftedahl 1 0 0-0 2, Sweeney 0 0 0-0 0, Petersen 1 1 4-4 9, Ferrell 2 1 1-3 8.

Team statistics
Luverne: 14 field goals made, six of nine free throws (67 percent), 21 rebounds, nine turnovers.

Luverne family can relax after hectic athletic week

All things considered, I wouldn't be surprised if Luverne's Craig and Randi Oftedahl were enjoying a tropical vacation right now.



After surviving what had to be a hectic week filled with must-see sporting events, the Oftedahls deserve a little extra rest and relaxation.

The superintendent of Luverne Schools and his wife, who instructs a variety of subjects to eighth- and ninth-graders at Hills-Beaver Creek High School, were compelled to view three special events in a span of four days.

Two of the events directly involved extended members of the family, and another one involved ties the family patriarch had with a former student.

Personally, I didn't spend much time watching the recent Winter Olympic Games in South Korea on television.

The same can't be said about Randi Oftedahl, who ignored the lateness of the hours to view the games played by the United States Women's Hockey Team, winners of the gold medal.

Oftedahl is the aunt of Team USA forward Gisele Marvin, who is known in the hockey world as Gigi Marvin.

"I'm probably the only one of her aunts who calls her Gisele," Randi said Sunday evening.

"I'm just so glad they won because I know how devastating it was on all of us when they lost that game (Team USA let a two-goal lead slip away late in the third period before falling to Canada in overtime) four years ago in Sochi (Japan). Most people forget about what happens during the Olympics once they are over, but not Gisele. It was hard on all of us, but she thought about that game every day for the last four years."

There's no question that Randi has a special relationship with her niece. Otherwise Gisele wouldn't have extended an enticing offer to Oftedahl a week before the Olympics.

The player said if Randi took care of the airfare, she could be Marvin's special guest with all other expenses (food and lodging) being covered for her stay in South Korea.

Oftedahl had to decline the offer because she would have been unable to obtain a passport with that short of notice, but she did view the games on television.

"I've had so much fun

FROM THE SIDELINES

By John Rittenhouse, sports editor



Submitted photo
Phil Drobnick (left), coach of the U.S. Men's Curling Team, and Gisele (Gigi) Marvin (right), a member of U.S. Women's Hockey Team, pose for a picture at the Winter Olympic Games in South Korea.

following her around to watch her play over the years, from her high school days in Warroad through her career at the University of Minnesota. I even went to watch her play at the Olympics in Vancouver (Canada) in 2010."

Randi is the youngest member of a 12-sibling family and is one of two members who no longer call Warroad their home.

Gisele, who is 17 years younger than her aunt, is the daughter of Mike Marvin, who is the second oldest member of the clan.

Randi served as Gisele's babysitter at times, but that's not the main thing she recalls about growing up in Warroad.

"When you have a family as big as we do, everyone helps everyone else. When parents had errands to run, they usually just dropped the kids off at Grandma's place and we all hung out together," Randi recalled.

"As a kid, Gisele was always at the top of her class. She was very athletic and loved the outdoors. She always was quick to smile with a willingness to try anything. She just is an all-around good person who can relate to young kids at hockey camp as well as her 93-year-old grandmother. She is very personable in that way."

Last week was a special one for David Marvin, who is child No. 11 in the 12-sibling clan.

David Marvin is the head coach of the Warroad girls' hockey team, and the Warriors experienced a dream season that included the squad qualifying for and drawing the No. 1 seed for the Minnesota State Class A Hockey Tournament.

Unfortunately, this story

doesn't include a happy ending.

Warroad was in position to deliver coach Marvin's third state championship by reaching the finals, but Breck nipped the Warriors 3-2 in overtime during Saturday's championship game.

"I didn't get to see the first two games, but Craig and I did get to watch the championship game at Todd Oye's house," Randi said.

Warroad's loss in the title tilt is the only pockmark on what was a pretty good week for the Oftedahls.

Not only did Craig get to revel in the accomplishments provided by the Marvins, he also takes pride in having a tie to the gold-medal winning U.S. Men's Curling Team.

Prior to moving to Warroad to start a 10-year teaching tenure that was followed by an administrative run, Oftedahl was a sixth-grade teacher in Eveleth for two school years (1992-93, 1993-94).

One of his students was Phil Drobnick, who was the coach of the winning curling squad.

"Phil was a really good student and a great athlete," Craig recalled.

"Curling is what they do in Eveleth, and Phil was one of Eveleth's best curlers when he was in sixth grade. He just was a great kid and I have run into him at different functions over the years."

Watching top-notch athletes and coaches do their things apparently is something the Oftedahls do on a consistent basis.

It may wear them down a bit, but they couldn't be happier.

BOWLING NEWS

Thursday Bowling National League Feb. 22

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High Scratch Series Women: Marie Opheim 460; Kathy Matson 412.

Team High Scratch Game: Troublemakers 569; Real Guys 565.

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Patriot boys take two of three to even league record

By John Rittenhouse

The Hills-Beaver Creek boys' basketball team finished the regular season with a 10-14 record after winning three of four games last week.

H-BC posted a six-point win at Edgerton Public School Feb. 20 before falling by eight points to Southwest Christian Friday in Hills.

The Patriots bounced back on Monday to register an eight-point win over Heron Lake-Okabena in Okabena.

H-BC drew the seventh seed for the South Section 3A Tournament. The Patriots play No. 10 Ellsworth Thursday in Hills.

H-BC 82, HL-O 74

A consistent performance in both halves of the contest lifted the Patriots to an eight-point victory Monday in Okabena.

H-BC outscored the Wildcats by four points in each half to end the regular season on a winning note.

The Patriots led 46-42 after 18 minutes of play before outscoring HL-O 36-32 in the second half.

Preston Wilhelmi (32 points), Jax Wysong (20 points and six rebounds) and Josh Kueter (11 points, nine rebounds, five assists and three steals) lifted the Patriots to victory.

Easton Harnack recorded four assists for H-BC.

Box score
Harnack 0 0 3-4 3, Leenderts 3 0 2-2 8, Westrum 0 2 0-0 6, Wilhelmi 2 6 10-10 32, Bork 1 0 0-0 2, Kueter 4 0 3-3 11, Wysong 7 1 3-5 20.

Team statistics
H-BC: 26 of 64 field goals (41 percent), 21 of 24 free throws (88 percent), 30 rebounds, 12 turnovers.
HL-O: 24 of 55 field goals (44 percent), 14 of 31 free throws (45 percent), 20 rebounds, 10 turnovers.



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Hills-Beaver Creek junior Preston Wilhelmi releases a shot challenged by a Southwest Christian defender during Friday's basketball game in Hills. Wilhelmi burned the nets for 34 points during an 81-74 loss.

SWC 81, H-BC 73

H-BC's bid to upset the Eagles fell eight points short when the teams squared off in Hills Friday.

H-BC exchanged blows with the Eagles most of the night and sported leads in both halves of the game.

SWC, however, made a run late in the game to pull out an

81-73 victory.

The Eagles extended what was a four-point (46-42) half-time lead into a 55-46 advantage 4:42 into the second half, but the Patriots were unfazed by the situation.

H-BC went on a 16-0 run to open a 62-55 lead when Wilhelmi canned a three-point shot at the 9:39 mark of the

second stanza.

The Patriots sported a 67-65 edge when Dawson Leenderts sank one free throw with 4:10 left to play, but SWC was up to the challenge.

The Eagles outscored H-BC 16-6 in the final four minutes to complete an eight-point victory.

H-BC sported a pair of two-

point leads early in the first half before opening a 16-13 edge when Wysong converted a field goal at 9:57.

SWC battled back with a 20-9 run to gain a 33-25 advantage as the half progressed, but the Patriots countered with a 14-5 surge capped by a three-point shot from Wilhelmi to regain the lead at 39-38 with

3:34 remaining.

The Eagles outscored H-BC 8-3 the rest of the half to lead by four at the intermission.

Wilhelmi (34 points and four assists), Kueter (17 points and 15 rebounds), and Wysong (11 points and 11 rebounds) turned in strong performances for H-BC.

Leenderts grabbed six rebounds.

Box score
Harnack 0 0 1-2 1, Leenderts 2 1 1-2 8, Westrum 0 0 0-0 0, Wilhelmi 3 8 4-5 34, Bork 0 0 0-0 0, Kueter 7 1 0-0 17, Susie 1 0 0-0 2, Wysong 3 0 5-5 11.

Team statistics
H-BC: 26 of 64 field goals (41 percent), 11 of 14 free throws (79 percent), 40 rebounds, 10 turnovers.
SWC: 30 of 55 field goals (55 percent), seven of 13 free throws (54 percent), 21 rebounds.

H-BC 71, Edgerton 65

A strong second half lifted the Patriots to a victory in Edgerton Feb. 20.

The Patriots struggled early in the game and found themselves facing a 28-23 deficit after 18 minutes of play.

H-BC bounced back to outscore the Flying Dutchmen 48-37 in the second half to register a 71-65 win.

Wilhelmi burned the nets for 31 points to lead the Patriots in scoring.

Wysong (12 points, 10 rebounds and four assists) and Kueter (11 points) also turned in key contributions for H-BC.

Box score
Harnack 0 0 2-2 2, Leenderts 0 1 1-2 4, Westrum 0 0 0-0 0, Wilhelmi 3 5 10-11 31, Bork 2 0 1-2 5, Kueter 4 1 0-0 11, LaRock 0 1 1-2 4, Susie 1 0 0-0 2, Wysong 6 0 2-2 12.

Team statistics
H-BC: 24 of 57 field goals (42 percent), 15 of 21 free throws (71 percent), 26 rebounds, seven turnovers.

Panther girls prevail in postseason debut

By John Rittenhouse

The Ellsworth girls' basketball team reached the quarterfinal round of the South Section 3A Tournament by posting an opening round victory at home Thursday night.

The seventh-seeded Panthers took on No. 10 Heron Lake-Okabena to open the event.

The night belonged to Ellsworth, which outscored the Wildcats in both halves of a 62-44 victory.

EHS gained control of the game by rolling to a 35-19 advantage in the first half.

The Panthers used a 27-25 scoring edge in the second half

to make it an 18-point difference at game's end.

Ashlyn Meester (22 points, nine rebounds, four steals and four assists), Devin Dreesen (16 points, eight rebounds, seven assists and four steals) and Lizzie Chapa (10 points and seven rebounds) played big games for EHS.

Morgan Dreesen added four steals to the winning cause.

Box score
Meester 5 1 9-13 22, K.Chapa 0 3 0-0 9, L.Chapa 2 2 0-0 10, M.Dreesen 0 1 0-1 3, D.Dreesen 2 1 9-12 16, Mulder 0 0 2-4 2.

Team statistics
Ellsworth: 17 of 69 field goals (25 percent), 20 of 30 free throws (67 percent), 37 rebounds, 10 turnovers.



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Luverne junior Mackenzie Petersen, pictured during Monday's tournament game in Pipestone, scored three points during a 57-26 loss in Sleepy Eye Friday.

Sleepy Eye snaps Luverne's streak Friday

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne girls' basketball team capped a 15-11 regular season by taking a setback from a talented Sleepy Eye squad Thursday in Sleepy.

The home-standing Indians dominated play in both halves of a 57-26 victory to snap what was a five-game winning streak for LHS.

Sleepy Eye rolled to a 25-9 lead in the game's first half.

When the Indians outscored the Cards 32-17 in the second half, their 29-point victory was complete.

Rachel Oftedahl led the Cards in scoring with five points.

Box score
Baustian 0 0 0-0 0, Schmuck 0 0 2-2 2, Ver Steeg 1 0 1-2 3, Oye 0 1 0-0 3, Anderson 0 0 2-2 2, Thorson 0 0 0-0 0, Oftedahl 1 1 0-1 5, Sweeney 2 0 0-0 4, Staeffler 0 0 0-0 0, Petersen 1 0 1-2 3, Ferrell 1 0 2-2 4, Hadler 0 0 0-0 0.

Team statistics
Luverne: seven field goals made, eight of 11 free throws (73 percent).

Patriots trounce Wildcats

By John Rittenhouse

The Hills-Beaver Creek girls' basketball team completed a 19-5 regular season by clobbering Heron Lake-Okabena Feb. 20 in Hills.

H-BC canned 49 percent of its field goals and sported a commanding 47-21 rebounding advantage to highlight a 70-25 conquest.

The Patriots rolled to a 40-13 lead in the first half and outscored the Wildcats 30-12 in the second half to clinch a 45-point victory.

Sidney Fickled H-BC in scoring with 17 points and grabbed five rebounds.

Amber Bos (five rebounds and three assists), Grace

Bundesen (seven rebounds and four assists), Whitney Elbers (five rebounds), Courtney Rozeboom (eight rebounds) and Madison Spath (three assists) also experienced productive nights.

Box score
K.Fick 2 0 0-0 4, Bos 0 1 2-2 5, Tilstra 0 0 0-0 0, Spath 3 0 1-3 7, Hagen 1 0 0-0 2, Knobloch 0 0 0-0 0, S.Fick 3 3 2-2 17, Bundesen 1 0 2-2 4, Swan 1 0 1-2 3, Ka.Rozeboom 2 0 0-0 4, Rauk 4 0 0-1 8, Gehrke 0 0 0-0 0, Elbers 4 0 0-0 8, Ko.Rozeboom 3 0 2-2 8.

Team statistics
H-BC: 28 of 57 field goals (49 percent), 10 of 14 free throws (71 percent), 47 rebounds, 20 turnovers.
HL-O: 11 of 52 field goals (21 percent), three of five free throws (60 percent), 21 rebounds, 18 turnovers.

Heron Lake-Okabena wins tight battle against Ellsworth

By John Rittenhouse

The Ellsworth boys' basketball team finished a 2-21 regular season by entertaining Heron Lake-Okabena for a game Friday in Ellsworth.

The game was a tight one from beginning to end, but the visiting Wildcats came out

on the winning end of a 55-50 decision.

HL-O led 25-23 at halftime and outscored the Panthers 30-27 in the second half to prevail by five points.

Brandon Kramer (19 points, eight rebounds and four assists), Grant Jansma (17

points) and Zach Buntjer (12 points, eight rebounds and four assists) led EHS offensively.

Noah Kruse paced the Panthers with five assists.

EHS drew the 10th seed for the South Section 3A Tournament. The Panthers play No. 7

Hills-Beaver Creek Thursday in Hills to open the event.

Box score
Kruse 1 0 0-0 2, Jansma 0 5 2-3 17, Boyenga 0 0 0-3 0, B.Kramer 9 0 1-4 19, Buntjer 4 1 1-4 12.

Team statistics
Ellsworth: 20 of 41 field goals (49 percent), four of 14 free throws (29 percent), 27 rebounds, 18 turnovers.

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Thursday, March 1: 8:30 a.m. MIA. Friday, March 2: 6:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Saturday, March 3: 5:30 p.m. Worship with Communion. Sunday, March 4: 8:15 a.m. Radio Broadcast. 9 a.m. Worship with Communion. 10 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Study; Fellowship and coffee/treats. 10:10 a.m. Fifth-grade First Communion class with parents. Monday, March 5: 4:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Tuesday, March 6: 9 a.m. Staff meeting. Wednesday, March 7: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study. 10 a.m. Worship at Tuff Home. No Faithweavers. 3:30 p.m. Fifth-grade breadmaking. 5:30-6:30 p.m. Lenten Meal. 6:45 Lenten Service. 7:45 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal. Thursday, March 8: 8:30 a.m. MIA.

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Thursday, March 1: 1-3 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf. Saturday, March 3: 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Sunday, March 4: 9 a.m. Traditional Service. 10 a.m. Coffee Hour and Adult Sunday School. 11 a.m. Come as You Are Service. 4:30 p.m. Genesis/Revelation Bible Study. 6 p.m. ALIVE Youth Group. Monday, March 5: 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Tuesday, March 6: 8 a.m. Priscilla Circle. Wednesday, March 7: 1-3 p.m. Sewing Day. 6 p.m. F.U.E.L. and Confirmation. 7 p.m. Lenten Service at UMC; lunch following service. 8 p.m. AA Meeting. Thursday, March 8: 9 a.m.-1 p.m. LPEP. 1-3 p.m. Food Shelf. 7 p.m. Coloring Ministry.

Ben Clare United Methodist Church

26762 Ben Clare Ave., Valley Springs, S.D.
igtwlb@WOW.net
Bill Bates, Pastor

Sundays: 9 a.m. Worship; 10 a.m. Fellowship; 10:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages.

First Lutheran Church

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

Intern Pastor Laura Phillips

Sunday, March 4 (schedule change): 9 a.m. Worship with Communion. 10 a.m. Sunday School. Monday, March 5: 7 p.m. Intern Team meeting. Wednesday, March 7: 7 p.m. Lenten Service with Guest Pastor Greg Johnson.

First Presbyterian Church

302 Central Lane, Luverne

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

Thursday, March 1: 9 a.m. Presbyterian Women Executive Meeting. 10 a.m. Worship service on Channel 3. Friday, March 2: 1:30 p.m. World Day of Prayer at First Presbyterian. Sunday, March 4: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 10:15 a.m. Worship. 11:15 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship. Tuesday, March 6: 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3. Wednesday, March 7: 3:15 p.m. Youth Club. 7 p.m. Lenten Service at First Presbyterian. 8 p.m. Committee meetings. Thursday, March 8: 10 a.m. Worship on Channel 3.

St. John Lutheran Church

803 N. Cedar St., Luverne

Ph. 283-2316, Dial-A-Devotion Ph. 283-4005

email: stjoh@iw.net — www.stjohnlutheranluverne.org
Gary Klatt, Pastor

Thursday, March 1: 9 a.m. Little Lambs Devotions. 2 p.m. Women's Society. Saturday, March 3: 5:30 p.m. Worship. Sunday, March 4: 9 a.m. Worship; Junior Choir sings. 10:15 a.m. Christian Education Hour. 11:15 a.m. Junior Choir rehearsal. Monday, March 5: 9 a.m. Circuit Pastors' Conference in Jasper. 7 p.m. Elders meeting. Tuesday, March 6: 1 and 6:30 p.m. Quilting. Wednesday, March 7: 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Little Lambs Devotions. 9:30 a.m. Bible Study. 6 p.m. Lent worship service. 6:30 p.m. Supper. 7 p.m. KFC/Catechism; Summer Missions Meeting; Senior Choir. 8 p.m. Kingdom Builders. Thursday, March 8: 9 a.m. Little Lambs Devotions. 1:30 p.m. Communion at Mary Jane Brown Home. 2:15 p.m. Communion at Poplar Creek. 3:30 p.m. Communion at Veterans Home.

Living Rock Church

500 E. Main St., Luverne

Ph. 449-0057; www.livingrockswmn.org

Billy Skaggs, Pastor

Sundays: 10:30 a.m. Worship; Kids Rock Children's Ministry. 6 p.m. Youth Ministry. Life groups meet throughout the week.

New Life Celebration Church

110 N. Oakley, Luverne

Ph. 449-6522; email: newlifecel@iw.net

Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Worship at 110 N. Oakley. Every third Thursday: 4:30 p.m. Food give-away at Senior Citizens Center. Bible Study groups meet at various times and days.

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

305 E. 2nd St., P.O. Box 36, Hardwick

Ph. 669-2855; email: www.zionlutheranhardwick.com

Thursday, March 1: 3:30 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3. Friday, March 2: 2 p.m. World Day of Prayer at First Presbyterian Church. 3:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Sunday, March 4: 9 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Study. 10 a.m. Mentor Program. 10:30 a.m. Worship Service with Communion. 11:30 a.m. Congregational Call Meeting. Noon Potluck Dinner in Parish Hall. Monday, March 5: 9 a.m. Circuit Pastors' Meeting at Trinity in Jasper. 1 p.m. Quilting. Tuesday, March 6: 6 p.m. Quilting. Wednesday, March 7: 7 p.m. Lenten Worship Service – Rev. Pete Sestak. Bars and coffee in the Parish Hall following the service, Confirmation at St. John's. Thursday, March 8: 3:30 p.m. Worship service on Channel 3.

Palisade Lutheran Church

211 121st St., Garretson, S.D.

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

Intern Pastor Laura Phillips

Thursday, March 1: 7 p.m. Church Council meeting. Sunday, March 4 (schedule change): 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship with Communion. 11:30 a.m. Potluck/Fellowship Dinner – Fundraiser for Kitchen Project. Monday, March 5: 7 p.m. Intern Team meeting at First Lutheran. Wednesday, March 7: 7 p.m. Lenten Service at First Lutheran with Guest Pastor Greg Johnson.

First Presbyterian Church

201 S. 3rd St., P.O. Box 73, Beaver Creek

Ph. 507-935-5025

Email: lori.firstpres@gmail.com

Worship Leader Michael Blank

Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. 10:30 a.m. Sunday School.

Magnolia United Methodist Church

501 E. Luverne St., Magnolia

Church Ph. 507-483-2492; cell 227-7821; email: adrmagumc@gmail.com
www.facebook.com/adrianmagnoliaumc

Kristi Franken, Pastor

Sunday, Feb. 18: 9 a.m. Magnolia Worship Service. Wednesday, Feb. 21: 6:30 p.m. Confirmation at Adrian UMC.

Steen Reformed Church

112 W. Church Ave., Steen

Ph. 855-2336

Jeremy Wiersema, Pastor

Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Worship; service broadcast on KQAD. 10:45 a.m. Sunday School. 6 p.m. Youth Group. Evening worship at 6 p.m. first and third Sundays. Wednesdays: 7 p.m. Midweek.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Pastor Maggie Berndt-Dreyer

112 N. Main St., Hills

Ph. 962-3270

e-mail: bethlehemiuth@alliancecom.net

Sunday, March 4: 9 a.m. Communion at Tuff Chapel. 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Communion at Bethlehem. 7 p.m. Grades 6-8 Youth Night. Tuesday, March 6: 2:30 p.m. Bible Study at Tuff Home. 3:15 p.m. Bible Study at Village. Wednesday, March 7: 9 a.m. Quilting. 6 p.m. Lent meal — Board of Education. 7 p.m. Lent service. 8:30 p.m. Grades 9-12 Youth Night.

How to talk to God

World Day of Prayer will be observed at First Presbyterian Church on Friday, March 2, starting at 1:30 p.m. The event is ecumenical in nature and all people are invited to attend. A different church hosts each year; this year First Presbyterian is up to bat and I hope to see you there.

So, consider Jesus' parables about prayer in Luke 18. These two parables are sometimes examined separately but are intended to go together. They both deal with questions of "How do we talk to God?"

These parables offer some help by looking at a couple of challenges. One is losing heart ... giving up ... lowering both hopes for and commitments to God.

The other parable speaks of the danger of putting too much trust in ourselves, of becoming arrogant, or of resting on one's laurels when we should be proceeding further in the life of faith. There are two dangers here, very different, but both to be avoided.

The first parable is about a woman who asked a judge to hear her case. But the judge ignored her and figured she would go away. Perhaps you've had this kind of experience where you just couldn't get another person to listen and respond. In the parable, the woman is persistent; she keeps trying. Finally the judge gives in and hears her case.

Jesus makes clear that God is much different than this judge. Jesus says that if a stubborn judge will finally act in mercy, don't you *know* that God, who is overflowing with mercy and is the giver of abundant grace will listen to you. So, have faith in God. And keep praying! Jesus told this parable, Luke says, so that we might pray constantly and not lose heart. The message before us is that God, the good judge, desires our earnest and consistent prayer; our ongoing approach to God.

BUILT ON A ROCK

By Pastor Jason Cunningham, First Presbyterian Church, Luverne

The widow's approach was to be persistent, passionate, and patient. Those are three good words for us about how to talk to God: be persistent, passionate, and patient.

And Jesus also wants to make sure that we don't get too full of ourselves. That's the other, opposite danger addressed in the second parable. It's about making sure our faith is in God rather than self!

Two men go up to the temple to pray. One listed his many virtues. He also gave thanks, but not the kind of thanks we really want to give to God. He didn't give thanks for blessings received; he thanked God that he wasn't like other no-good, rotten people that he knew about. He thought he was so good he could hardly stand it.

The second man came to pray seeking God's help. He offers a one-sentence prayer: "God, be merciful to me, a sinner!" Jesus says that this second man is the one who went home justified, not on his own power, but because of God's powerful grace.

The second man knew how to talk to God: He came seeking God not reciting self-congratulation.

These are two great parables from Jesus' teaching. I hope we will be people who pray always and do not lose heart, and I hope we be people who find ourselves justified by God's great grace.

And I hope to see you at World Day of Prayer on Friday, March 2, at 1:30 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church.

Hills United Reformed Church

410 S. Central Ave., Hills

Office Ph. 962-3254

hillsurc@alliancecom.net

Alan Camarigg, Pastor

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Vonder Lieth probate

FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
DISTRICT COURT
PROBATE DIVISION
COURT FILE NO.67-PR-17-97

STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF ROCK

Estate of Vernon Vonder Lieth, a/k/a Vernon Von Der Lieth,
Decedent

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

It is Ordered and Notice is given that on March 26, 2018, at 3:30 p.m., a hearing will be held in this Court at 204 E. Brown, Luverne, Minnesota, for the adjudication of intestacy and determination of heirship of the Decedent, and for the appointment of Donald R. Klosterbuer, whose address is 120 N. McKenzie, Box 538, Luverne, MN 56156 as Personal Representative of the Estate of the Decedent in an unsupervised administration. Any objections to the petition must be filed with the Court prior to or raised at the hearing. If proper and if no objections are filed or raised, the Personal Representative will be appointed with full power to administer the Estate, including the power to collect all assets, to pay all legal debts, claims, taxes and expenses, to sell real and personal property, and to do all necessary acts for the Estate.

Notice is also given that (subject to Minnesota Statutes section 524.3-801) all creditors having claims against the Estate are required to present the claims to the Personal Representative or to the Court Administrator within four months after the date of this Notice or the claims will be barred.
Dated: February 13, 2018

BY THE COURT
/s/ Terry S. Vajgrt
Judge of District Court

(COURT SEAL)

/s/ Denise Brandel
Court Administrator

Attorney for Petitioner
Donald R. Klosterbuer
Klosterbuer & Haubrich, LLP
120 N. McKenzie PO Box 538
Luverne, MN 56156
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(2-22, 3-1)

Notice in probate
of final report

Case No. 06571 ESPR036696

IN THE MATTER OF

THE ESTATE OF

MARJORIE ELLEN ONGIE-HALL,
Deceased.

NOTICE IN PROBATE OF FINAL REPORT

TO: LORRI K. RIPPERDA regarding the Estate of Marjorie Ellen Ongie-Hall who died on or about December 16, 2012:

YOU are hereby notified that there is now on file the Final Report of the Executor of the above-referenced Estate in the office of the Clerk of Court of Iowa District Court, in and for Linn County.

You are further notified that you may file your objections thereto in writing, if any, on or before April 6, 2018 at 2:30 p.m. with the Clerk of the Iowa District Court in the Courthouse on the Third Avenue Bridge, Cedar Rapids, Linn County, Iowa, and that unless you do so file your objections in writing you will be forever barred from making any objections thereto.

Dated this 14th day of February 2018.

AASGAARD & LAWRENCE, P.L.C.
BY: Janice A. Aasgaard #AT0000393
1510 Oak Ridge LN SE#2
Cedar Rapids, IA 52403
Phone: (319) 329-1264
ATTORNEYS FOR EXECUTOR
Code Section 633.40(4)

(2-22, 3-1, 3-8)

Thompson probate

DISTRICT COURT
FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
PROBATE COURT DIVISION

STATE OF MINNESOTA

COUNTY OF ROCK

ESTATE OF

BERTHA M. THOMPSON, DECEASED

NOTICE OF AND ORDER FOR HEARING ON
PETITION FOR FORMAL PROBATE OF WILL AND
APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE
AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND CREDITORS

It is Ordered and Notice is hereby given that on the 2nd day of April, 2018 at 3:30 p.m., a hearing will be held in the above named Court at the Rock County Courthouse, Luverne, Minnesota, for the formal probate of an instrument purporting to be the decedent's Will dated November 6, 2007 First Codicil dated November 26, 2007 and Second Codicil dated February 9, 2017 and for the appointment of Eric Hoyme of 180 30th Street, Hills, MN 56138, Rodney B. Bonander of 402 Holder Street, Larchwood, IA 51241 and Dave Goettisch of 6208 South Vintage Place, Sioux Falls, SD 57108, as personal representatives of the estate of the above named decedent in unsupervised administration, and that any objections thereto must be filed with the Court. That, if proper, and no objections are filed, said personal representatives will be appointed to administer the estate, to collect all assets, pay all legal debts, claims, taxes and expenses, to sell real and personal property, and to do all necessary acts for the estate.

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

Dated: February 15, 2018

/s/ Katherine A. Morgan
Attorney Katherine A. Morgan (MN#393289)
Bonander Law, PC
PO Box 186
Larchwood, IA 51241
(712) 477-2902

(2-22, 3-1)

Rock County Highway
Department seeks
proposals by March 12

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS
C.P. 067-401-019

Sealed proposals will be received by the Rock County Highway Department at Luverne, Minnesota until 11:00 a.m. on Monday, March 12, 2018.

READ CAREFULLY THE PROVISIONS FOR THE WAGE RATES AS CONTAINED IN THE SPECIAL PROVISIONS, AS THEY WILL AFFECT THIS PROJECT.

Attention is called to the fact that the Contractor must comply with the **Special Equal Employment Opportunity Provisions** as contained in the Proposal.

Proposals will be opened and read publicly in the presence of the Rock County Highway Engineer at the Rock County Highway Building located at 1120 North Blue Mound Avenue in Luverne, Minnesota immediately following the hour set for receiving bids for the following Rock County Highway work. Bids will be awarded on Tuesday,

March 20, 2018 at the Regular Rock County Board of Commissioners Meeting held in the Law Library at the Rock County Courthouse.

The Quantities of Work are: 2,408 gals of 4" ReflectORIZED Edgeline Pavement Marking Paint - White and 1,718 gals of 4" ReflectORIZED Centerline Pavement Marking Paint - Yellow.

Plans, specifications and proposals may be viewed and downloaded at www.questcdn.com and at the Rock County Highway Department website www.co.rock.mn.us/highway.

The non-refundable cost for plans and one proposal will be \$30.00

Bids must be accompanied by a certified check or corporate surety bond drawn in favor of the Rock County Treasurer in the amount of at least five percent (5%) of the proposal.

Sealed bids shall be clearly marked **"PROJECT NO. SAP 067-401-019."**

The Board of Rock County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any defects therein.

Rock County is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

Mark R. Sehr, P.E.
Rock County Highway Engineer
(2-15, 2-22, 3-1)

Quiet Title Summons

STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF ROCK
DISTRICT

IN DISTRICT
FIFTH JUDICIAL

CYNTHIA L. REU, VERYL J. KNIGGE, EARL A.
VANDEN BUSSCHE, JERALD L. VANDEN BUSSCHE,
AND LLOYD T. VANDEN BUSSCHE
Plaintiffs,

AND

SUMMONS

EMMA VANDEN BUSSCHE; WALT VANDEN
BUSSCHE; LORETTA VANDEN BUSSCHE; AND
ALL OTHER PERSONS UNKNOWN AND THEIR
UNKNOWN HEIRS CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE,
ESTATE, INTEREST, OR LIEN IN THE REAL
ESTATE DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT HEREIN,
Defendants.

THIS SUMMONS IS DIRECTED TO EMMA VANDEN BUSSCHE; WALT VANDEN BUSSCHE; LORETTA VANDEN BUSSCHE; AND ALL OTHER PERSONS UNKNOWN AND THEIR UNKNOWN HEIRS:

1. **YOU ARE BEING SUED.** The Plaintiffs have started a lawsuit against you. The Plaintiffs' Complaint against you is attached to this summons. Do not throw these papers away. They are official papers that affect your rights. You must respond to this lawsuit even though it may not yet be filed with the Court and there may be no court file number on this summons.

2. **YOU MUST REPLY WITHIN 20 DAYS TO PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS.** You must give or mail to the person who signed this summons **a written response** called an Answer within 20 days of the date on which you received this Summons. You must send a copy of your Answer to the person who signed this Summons located at: Vander Kooi Law Offices, P. A., 127 E Main, PO Box 746, Luverne, MN 56156.

3. **YOU MUST RESPOND TO EACH CLAIM.** The Answer is your written response to the Plaintiffs' Complaint. In your Answer you must state whether you agree or disagree with each paragraph of the Complaint. If you believe the Plaintiffs should not be given everything asked for in the Complaint, you must say so in your Answer.

4. **YOU WILL LOSE YOUR CASE IF YOU DO NOT SEND A WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE COMPLAINT TO THE PERSON WHO SIGNED THIS SUMMONS.** If you do not Answer within 20 days, you will lose this case. You will not get to tell your side of the story, and the Court may decide against you and award the Plaintiff everything asked for in the Complaint. If you do not want to contest the claims stated in the Complaint, you do not need to respond. A default judgment can then be entered against you for the relief requested in the Complaint.

5. This Plaintiffs' Complaint is an ACTION TO QUIET TITLE in Plaintiffs' names for the real estate which is described as follows:
The East Half of the Northeast Quarter (E1/2 of NE1/4) of Section Fifteen

(15),

Township One Hundred Three (103) North, Range Forty-six (46), West of

the

5th P.M., Rock County, Minnesota.
And
The West Half of the Southeast Quarter (W1/2 of SE1/4) of Section Ten
(10), Township One Hundred Three (103) North of Range Forty-six (46)
West of the 5th P.M, Rock County Minnesota.

6. **LEGAL ASSISTANCE.** You may wish to get legal help from a lawyer. If you do not have a lawyer, the Court Administrator may have information about places where you can get legal assistance. **Even if you cannot get legal help, you must still provide a written Answer to protect your rights or you may lose the case.**

7. **ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION.** The parties may agree to or be ordered to participate in an alternative dispute resolution process under Rule 114 of the Minnesota General Rules of Practice. You must still send your written response to the Complaint even if you expect to use alternative means of resolving this dispute.
Dated: 2/22/2018

s/s BENJAMIN VANDER KOOI, JR.
VANDER KOOI LAW OFFICES, P.A.
Attorney for Plaintiffs

127 East Main, P.O. Box 746
Luverne, Minnesota 56156
(507) 283-9546

Attorney I. D. No. 112124
(3-1, 3-8, 3-15)

Hubbling applies for
livestock feedlot permit

NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS
MINNESOTA RULE 7020.2000, SUBP. 4

Notice is hereby given per Minnesota Statutes 116.07, subd. 7 (a), that Shane Hubbling has made application to the County of Rock, for a permit to modify a feedlot with a capacity of 500 animal units or more.

The proposed feedlot will be located in the SE 1/4 of the section 10 in Denver Township, Rock County, Minnesota.

The existing facility consists of partial confinement buildings and open lots without runoff controls to house 250 head of feeder cattle and 250 head of finishing cattle. The proposed modification will be eliminating the 250 head of feeder cattle and adding 740 head of finishing cattle in partial confinement and on open lots without runoff controls. Manure storage from open lot will be pack on lot. Proposed partial confinement and open lots will house 990 head of finishing cattle with 990 animal units.

This publication shall constitute as notice to each resident and each owner of real property within 5,000 feet of the perimeter or the proposed feedlot as required by Minnesota State Law.

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Rock County Commissioners
meet Jan. 9

Herreid Board Room
Rock County Courthouse

8:45 A.M.
January 9, 2018

The meeting was called order by Administrator Oldre with Commissioners Gary Overgaard (District 1), Stan Williamson (District 2), Greg Burger (District 3), Sherri Thompson (District 4) and Jody Reisch (District 5) present; the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Also in attendance were County Attorney Don Klosterbuer and Deputy Administrator Susan Skattum.

The Administrator requested nominations for the County Board Chair; motion by Overgaard, seconded by Williamson to nominate Commissioner Thompson. The Administrator called three times for nomination for County Board Chair; motion by Williamson, seconded by Burger to have nominations cease and cast a unanimous ballot for Commissioner Thompson, declared carried on a voice vote.
The meeting was turned over to Chair Thompson.

The Chair requested nominations for Vice Chair of the County Board; motion by Reisch, seconded by Williamson to nominate Commissioner Burger. The Chair called three times for nominations for Vice Chair; motion by Reisch, seconded by Overgaard to have nominations cease and cast a unanimous ballot for Commissioner Burger, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Burger, seconded by Reisch, to approve the January 09, 2018 County Board agenda, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Overgaard, seconded by Reisch, to approve the December 27, 2017 County Board minutes, declared carried on a voice vote.

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

1. Resolution No. 02-18, Elected Minimum Salary

Motion by Reisch, seconded by Burger, to recess the County Board meeting at 9:01AM, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Reisch, seconded by Overgaard, to call a Public Hearing to order to allow public comment on a proposed real estate abatement of county tax for Midwest Dry Cast, declared carried on a voice vote.

Aaron Waldner, CEO of Midwest Dry Cast presented details of proposed project of a dry cast/cement operation to be constructed in Luverne Township. New construction of a 100x250 foot building is estimated at \$1.75 million and anticipates employing 12 employees. Waldner is requesting a 10-year abatement of county tax estimated between \$7,500 - \$10,000 annually.

No public comments were heard and on a motion by Reisch, seconded by Overgaard, the Public Hearing was closed at 9:27AM, declared carried on a voice vote.

Ashley Kurtz, Auditor/Treasurer, presented claims of December 29, 2017 and January 5, 2018 along with per diems of \$825.00; motion by Reisch, seconded by Overgaard to approve the claims and per diems as presented, declared carried on a voice vote. A complete listing of the claims is available upon request at the Auditor/Treasurer's office.
DECEMBER 29, 2017 CLAIMS OVER \$2,000

ASSN OF MN COUNTIES	\$3,000.00
BEAVER CREEK/CITY OF	10,552.81
CENTERPOINT ENERGY	2,085.66
CONVERGINT TECHNOLOGIES LLC	15,187.95
ERICKSON ENGINEERING	6,409.00
FLEET SERVICES DIVISION-ADMIN FMR	3,784.44
GRAHAM TIRE-WORTHINGTON	2,225.31
HARDWICK/CITY OF	6,200.00
HILLS/CITY OF	4,070.00
KETTERLING SERVICES INC	9,305.02
KUSTOM SIGNALS, INC	4,345.00
LUVERNE/CITY OF	6,058.12
NOBLES COUNTY AUDITOR-TREASURER	8,990.00
REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA	17,607.75
REKER CONSTRUCTION & AGGREGATE LLC	12,549.23
ROCK COUNTY OPPORTUNITIES	3,020.22
RUNCHEY, LOUWAGIE & WELLMAN	2,206.16
SMITH & JOHNSON	2,073.00
TOM NERGAARD CONSTRUCTION	2,649.00
TRI-STATE GARAGE DOOR, INC	2,817.25
WIDSETH SMITH NOLTING & ASSOC, INC	6,125.00
102 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$2,000	37,385.72
TOTAL	\$168,646.64
JANUARY 9, 2018 CLAIMS OVER \$2,000	
ASSN OF MN COUNTIES	\$ 7,900.00
CLIFTON LARSON ALLEN LLP	9,000.00
COMPUTER PROFESSIONALS UNLIMITED INC	7,627.00
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MN COUNTIES INTERGOVERNMENTAL TRUST	195,487.40
POWERPLAN	3,550.40
RACOM	6,873.23
SW MN WORKFORCE COUNCIL, INC	2,315.00
41 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$2,000	13,443.84
TOTAL	\$273,989.13

The County Board was in receipt of the Fund Balance report; motion by Burger, seconded by Reisch, to approve, declared carried on a voice vote.
Informational Item 1: Resolution No. 01-18, Rock County Housekeeping Resolution. The County Board reviewed details of the resolution and increased the County Board meeting per diem rate to \$100/day and SWCD and all other appointed committee members \$75/day; also adjusted the mileage reimbursement rate. Motion by Reisch, seconded Williamson, to approve Resolution No. 01-18, declared carried on a voice vote.
Informational Item 2 – Appointment of Matt Jensen to the Extension Committee; approved by order of the Chair.
Informational Item 3 – Schedule a County Board Retreat; after discussion it was determined the County Board Retreat date would be February 6th following the regular County Board meeting.
Informational Item 4 – 2018 Governor's Pheasant Opener Event; the County Board requested to have event representatives' present event details at a future meeting.
Informational Item 5 – Amend Resolution No. 22-17; motion by Williamson, seconded by Burger to amend the effective date of December 31, 2022 to December 31, 2021, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Williamson, seconded by Overgaard to adopt the amended Resolution, declared carried on a voice vote.
Administrator Oldre and County Attorney Klosterbuer led a discussion regarding the Midwest Dry Cast tax abatement request. After considerable discussion, motion by Reisch, seconded by Burger, to approve Resolution No. 03-18, a tax abatement up to \$10,000 annually for 10-years for Midwest Dry Cast for taxes payable in 2019, motion by declared carried on a 4-1 vote with Commissioner Williamson voting nay.
Informational Item 6 – Minnesota Department of Ag Event Supporting Farmers in Stressful Times; presented as information only.

COMMISSIONER ITEMS:
Reisch stated that he attended the Bi-Annual Township meeting.
Burger stated that he attended the Bi-Annual Township meeting and a Luverne Township meeting.

Overgaard had no report.
Williamson stated that he attended two Rural Water meetings and the Bi-Annual Township meeting.

Thompson stated that she attended the Bi-Annual Township meeting.
With no further business to come before the County Board, meeting was declared adjourned.

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8:45 A.M.
January 23, 2018

The meeting was called order by Chair Thompson with all Commissioners present; also in attendance were County Administrator Oldre, County Attorney Don Klosterbuer and Deputy Administrator Susan Skattum.
Motion by Reisch, seconded by Overgaard, to approve the January 23, 2018 County Board agenda, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Burger, seconded by Overgaard, to approve the January 09, 2018 County minutes, declared carried on a voice vote.

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

1. Authorize Eric Hartman to sign professional services agreement with SEH

Ashley Kurtz, Auditor/Treasurer, presented the claims and per diems of \$525.00; motion by Reisch, seconded by Burger, to approve declared carried on a voice vote. A complete listing of the claims is available upon request at the Auditor/Treasurer's office.

Claims over \$2,000:

A.C.E. of SW Minnesota	4,044.50
American Communications Inc	6,662.82
CHS Eastern Farmers	5,010.58
Convergint Technologies	2,707.17
Erickson Engineering	10,878.50

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HEAT Tactical Team	2,195.00
Johnson Controls	4,265.00
Ketterling Services	8,032.31
Luverne/City of	35,349.70
Lyon County Landfill	15,066.00
M & L Electric	2,852.53
MN Sheriff's Association	4,601.00
Northern Safety Technology Inc	5,951.68
Racom	23,090.44
Rock County Highway Department	2,909.85
Rock County Opportunities	3,444.34
SWHHS	29,731.52
SWMN Regional Public Safety Board	7,626.89
Texas Refinery Corp	4,873.00
Zuercher Technologies LLC	88,408.00
Payment under 2,000	36,491.64
Total	304,192.47

The Auditor/Treasurer reviewed the Fund Balance report with the County Board and stated that the balances reflected debt service payments for Y2018; motion by Williamson, seconded by Overgaard, to approve, declared carried on a voice vote.

Informational Item 1. The County Board was in receipt of the legislative priorities for the 2018 legislative session, a listing developed and voted upon at the AMC Annual Conference; the top priorities pertaining to the southwest part region include broadband, mental health and transportation.

Informational Item 2. The County Board discussed attendance at the AMC Legislative Conference scheduled for February 28 – March 1st.

Informational Item 3. The Administrator informed the County Board that the County Board Retreat has been re-scheduled to March 20, due to the availability of the facilitator Heather Bandean, from AMC. Some goals identified were: Economic Development, the status of roads to include more details, updated CIP, ideas for establishing an Enterprise fund.

Information Item 4. The County Board reviewed Boards & Committee assignments and appointments; no action was taken.

Informational Item 5 & 6. The County Board was in receipt of 2018 funding requests from Southwest Initiative Fund for \$2,910.00 and Southwest MN Arts Council for \$1,000.00; the Administrator stated that the requests are considered appropriations and initially have been approved with the adoption of the 2018 budget.

Informational Item 7. The Administrator presented an update regarding the hiring process of the Library Director; recently a committee interviewed 8 good candidates and has extended an offer of employment and awaiting confirmation.

COMMISSIONER ITEMS:

Commissioner Reisch stated that he attended a Library meeting, Library interviews and City/County Liaison meetings.

Commissioner Burger stated that he attended a SWHHS meeting.

Commissioner Overgaard stated that he attended a Land Use, CRT Strategic Planning and City/County Liaison meetings.

Commissioner Williamson stated that he attended an SWCD meeting.

Commissioner Thompson stated that she attended a SWHHS meeting.

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

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ISD #2184 School Board meets Jan. 25

MINUTES OF THE SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2184, ROCK COUNTY, LUVERNE, MINNESOTA.

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, ISD #2184, was held in the District Office on January 25, 2018, at 7:00 p.m.

The following members were present: Katie Baustian, Jodi Bosch, Colleen Deutsch, Eric Hartman, Tim Jarchow, Shelley Sandbulte, and Reva Sehr. Also present: Craig Oftedahl, Marlene Mann, Emma VerBrugge, Terry Gaalswyk, Greg Crowe, and Mavis Fodness – Rock County Star Herald.

Chairperson Baustian called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance. Motion made by Deutsch, second by Hartman, to approve the agenda as presented.

Minnesota West CEO Terry Gaalswyk presented information on Minnesota West Community and Technical College.

Administrative reports were given.

Motion made by Deutsch, second by Bosch, to approve the December 21, 2017, school board minutes as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

Election of Officers was discussed. Member Deutsch suggested that all officers remain the same. She felt consistency in the officers with all of the projects the school district is working on would make the most sense. Motion made by Deutsch, second by Sehr, to approve Katie Baustian as Chairperson, Jodi Bosch as Vice-Chairperson, Shelley Sandbulte as Clerk, and Eric Hartman as Treasurer. Motion unanimously carried.

Greg Crowe, representing Ehlers and Associates, provided information regarding the sale of the \$23 million in bonds held today. It was noted the low bid was received from Baird located in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The bid was for 3.1615%. It was noted that the bid at this low percentage rate will save the school district taxpayers a substantial amount in future interest payments. Member Sandbulte introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

Business Manager Marlene Mann reviewed the school district bills. Motion made by Deutsch, second by Sehr, to approve payment of the bills as presented in the amount of \$1,325,076.83. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Deutsch, second by Sehr, to receive the Student Activity Report showing the balances as of December 31, 2017. Motion unanimously carried.

Discussion was held regarding the 2018 committee assignments. Motion made by Bosch, second by Hartman, to leave the 2018 committee assignments the same as the 2017 assignments. Motion unanimously carried.

Member Hartman introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption: RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE ADMINISTRATION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR REDUCTIONS IN PROGRAMS AND POSITIONS AND REASONS THEREFORE The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Bosch, and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Hartman, Deutsch, Sehr, Jarchow, Sandbulte, Bosch, and Baustian; and the following voted against the same: none; where upon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Superintendent Oftedahl informed the School Board he did not have a 2018-2019 calendar ready to present. He was waiting for more information from ICS and JLG regarding when they would like to begin work on the MHS remodeling project in the summer of 2019. Motion made by Deutsch, second by Hartman, to table item 8.7 – 2018-2019 School Calendar. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Hartman, second by Jarchow, to move the March 8 work session to Tuesday, March 6. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Deutsch, second by Sehr, to approve the Custodial seniority list as presented. Motion unanimously carried. Motion made by Bosch, second by Sehr, to approve the Paraprofessional/Food Service/Administrative Assistant Seniority List as presented. Motion unanimously carried. Motion made by Hartman, second by Deutsch, to approve the Alternative School Seniority List as presented. Motion unanimously carried. Motion made by Bosch, second by Sandbulte, to approve the ECFE/School Readiness/Discovery Time Seniority List as presented. Motion unanimously carried. Motion made by Deutsch, second by Hartman, to approve the Preliminary Licensed Staff Seniority List as presented. It was noted this seniority list will be posted for 30 days for the staff to review. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Sandbulte, second by Sehr, to approve the hiring of Joan Goebel as long-term Middle/High School paraprofessional for 10-12 weeks beginning January 15, 2018. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Deutsch, second by Hartman, to approve a request from Sharon Boltjes, Middle/High School Media Center paraprofessional, for a medical leave of absence for the remainder of the 2017-18 school year beginning December 14, 2017. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Sehr, second by Bosch, to accept the resignation of Sharon Boltjes as Spring Play Advisor effective January 9, 2018. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Sandbulte, second by Jarchow, to approve the hiring of Shawn Kinsinger as Spring Play Advisor. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Deutsch, second by Sehr, to accept the retirement of Diane Robinson, Special Education teacher, effective May 29, 2018. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Sandbulte, second by Hartman, to accept the retirement of

Wendy Bosshart, Elementary teacher, effective at the end of the 2017-18 school year. Motion unanimously carried.

Committee reports were given. The upcoming meeting dates were reviewed.

Motion made by Bosch, second by Hartman, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried.

Dated: January 25, 2018

Shelley Sandbulte, Clerk
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Rock County Commissioners meet Feb. 6

Herreid Board Room

Rock County Courthouse

9:00 A.M.

February 6, 2018

The meeting was called order by Chair Thompson with all Commissioners present; also in attendance were County Administrator Oldre, County Attorney Don Klosterbuer and Deputy Administrator Susan Skattum.

Motion by Williamson, seconded by Reisch, to approve the February 06, 2018 County Board Agenda, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Overgaard, seconded by Burger, to approve the January 23, 2016 County Board minutes, declared carried on a voice vote.

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

1. SWHHS/Rock County Office Lease 01-01-18 to 12-31-18
2. Safe Assure Contract Renewal - \$6,136.97
3. Resolution No. 04-18 Supporting the Maintenance of Local License Bureau
4. Zuercher Maintenance Contract Renewal \$5,778.52

Evan Verbrugge, Sheriff, presented an update of a recent conference that he had attended to include the following topics: POST Board increased funding for training reimbursement due to additional training hours, developing a MOU for agencies to utilize in the event of pipeline protests. He also stated that he is the First Vice President of the MN Sheriff's Association.

The Sheriff presented an update regarding the nationwide Public Safety Broadband System stating that the bid was awarded to AT & T which presents some concerns in our area; the County Board directed the Sheriff to request a coverage feasibility study from AT & T.

The Sheriff presented an update regarding CAD, and stated that implementation has been going well and confirmed that the system will improve many services in communication and accountability.

Mark Sehr, Engineer, presented an update of the MN Counties Engineering Association conference of which he had attended stating that overall the conference was very good.

The Engineer reviewed the 2018 Annual Distribution listing which reflected an increase of \$300,000 of state funding.

The Engineer requested authorization to attend the National County Engineer's conference at Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin on April 22 – 26; motion by Williamson, seconded by Reisch, to approve, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Overgaard, seconded by Burger, to authorize the Engineer to set a bid letting date of March 5, 2018 at 11:00AM for SAP 067-599-179, a bridge replacement project over Split Rock Creek in Rose Dell Township, declared carried on a voice vote.

The Engineer informed the County Board of needed building repairs; the highway building is in need to brick repair, caulking and tuck pointing. The Engineer presented the following repair quote from Superior Caulking Inc for \$10,750 to tuck point 500 SF of poor mortar joints, replace up to 75 bricks and caulk as needed. Motion by Burger, seconded by Williamson, to approve the repair quote from Superior Caulking Inc. for \$10,750, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Overgaard, seconded by Burger, to approve final payment of \$35,219.70 to Prahm Construction for SAP 067-617-011, a bridge construction project on CSAH 17 over the Beaver Creek just north of Manley, declared carried on a voice vote.

Ashley Kurtz, Auditor/Treasurer, presented the claims and Per Diems of \$600.00; motion by Burger, seconded by Overgaard, to approve declared carried on a voice vote. A complete listing of the claims is available upon request at the Auditor/Treasurer's office.

FEBRUARY 6, 2018 CLAIMS OVER \$2,000

A & B BUSINESS INC	2,792.03
CENTERPOINT ENERGY	2,726.86
CMRS-FP	2,000.00
COMPUTER PROFESSIONALS UNLIMITED INC	6,557.00
COOPERATIVE ENERGY CO	2,062.61
FLEET SERVICES DIVISION-ADMIN FMR	4,698.19
MN COUNTIES COMPUTER COOP	3,365.16
MORRIS ELECTRONICS	31,466.43
NOBLES COUNTY AUDITOR-TREASURER	11,285.00
OFFICE OF THE STATE AUDITOR	10,686.55
PLUM CREEK LIBRARY SYSTEM	14,439.87

SCHOMACKER'S CLEANING	2,357.10
SW MN REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY BOARD	4,000.00
WAYTEK, INC	3,205.20
WIDSETH SMITH NOLTING & ASSOC, INC	2,625.00
64 PAYMENTS LESS THAN \$2,000	21,076.61
TOTAL	\$125,343.61

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

The Auditor/Treasurer informed the County Board that Rock County was approved for a grant award of \$39,157.50 for voting equipment from the Secretary of State; the grant requires a local match of \$35,987.50. Motion by Burger, seconded by Reisch, to approve the grant agreement #0000197313, declared carried on a voice vote.

Motion by Williamson, seconded by Reisch, to re-issue lost warrant #14377 for \$60.00, declared carried on a voice vote.

Informational Item #1 – Daycare Meeting Follow up

The Administrator provided an update from a daycare meeting stating that daycare shortage is a crisis statewide, and that private providers are getting harder to find due to an increase of compliance and regulations from the state. The meeting was very informative with good discussion; however, no solutions were determined. The Administrator stated that AMC is developing a listing of resources to assist counties in determining what they can and cannot do.

Informational Item #2 – Job Announcement Updates

The County Board was informed that Calla Jarvie has accepted an employment offer for the Rock County Community Library Director position; her first day of employment will be February 12th. Job posting for Deputy Auditor/Treasurer-Accountant and RCRW Systems Manager has expired and that applications are being reviewed.

The County Attorney provided an update regarding the Blue Mound State Park water hook project stating that easements are being obtained and that the project is moving forward.

COMMISSIONER ITEMS:

Commissioner Reisch stated that he attended the following meetings/events: Library, Plum Creek Library, Community Corrections, Rock County Collaborative, Daycare and Cattlemen's banquet.

Commissioner Burger stated that he attended the following events: Pork banquet and Cattlemen's banquet.

Commissioner Overgaard stated that he attended the following meetings/events: Pork Producers banquet, SW Solid Waste, Rural Energy, Daycare and Cattlemen's banquet.

Commissioner Williamson stated that he attended the following meetings/events: Rock County Opportunities and Cattlemen's banquet.

Commissioner Thompson stated that she attended the following meetings/events: Pork Producers banquet, Cattlemen's banquet, A.C.E., and Daycare.

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

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ISD #2184 Special meeting Feb. 8

MINUTES OF THE SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2184, ROCK COUNTY, LUVERNE, MINNESOTA.

A special meeting of the Board of Education, ISD #2184, was held in the District Office on February 8, 2018, at 7:00 p.m.

The following members were present: Jodi Bosch, Eric Hartman, Tim Jarchow, Shelley Sandbulte (tele-conference), and Reva Sehr. Absent: Katie Baustian and Colleen Deutsch. Also present: Craig Oftedahl, Marlene Mann, Ryan Johnson, representatives of ICS Consulting and JLG Architects.

Vice-Chairperson Bosch called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance. Motion made by Hartman, second by Sehr, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

Todd Wetzel, ICS Consulting, Inc., presented the overall project summary and reviewed the estimated costs.

JLG Architects presented the schematic design as reviewed by the Committee earlier today.

Motion made by Sehr, second by Hartman, to approve the schematic design with the changes noted tonight and to authorize moving into the plan development phase of the project. Motion unanimously carried.

The upcoming meeting dates were reviewed. It was noted that user group meetings will be held on February 21 and 22; and the next planning committee meeting would be held on March 1 at 11:00 a.m.

Motion made by Hartman, second by Jarchow, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried.

Dated: February 8, 2018

Shelly Sandbulte, Clerk
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