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Home is where the art is

With new lease, Carnegie is home to both visual and performing arts

By Lori Sorenson

A cloud of construction dust hangs in the air at the Carnegie Cultural Center as workers prepare the historic building for its new tenants.

Luverne City Council members approved a 10-year agreement with Luverne Street Music to lease the city-owned Carnegie Cultural Center.

The non-profit music agency that connects private music instructors with interested students took over the Carnegie building on North Freeman Avenue March 1.

LSM Vice President Janine Papik said the new lease agreement is a "best of both worlds" arrangement for local fine arts.

"We couldn't see a better way to continue the cultural use of the building," she said.

Papik pointed out that LSM is committed to sharing the Carnegie's main floor for visual art displays, as that space has been used in the past, and she said the group looks forward to scheduling cultural events as well as public and private events as requested.

"We are looking forward to promoting all the arts in the community," she said at the Feb. 23 council meeting.

To reinforce the visual arts, LSM's summer music camp in July will include student paintings that will be displayed in the Carnegie during the public performance at the end of the camp week.

The building has been closed since the first part of February while the previous tenants, the Council for the Arts and Humanities in Rock County, moved out.

CAHRC President Jerry Deuschle expressed disappointment at the end of an era for the local arts' relationship with the Carnegie.

"I would like to thank all of the art supporters that gave their support for all these years," Deuschle said in a Feb. 5 email to the Star Herald.



Lori Sorenson photos/0303 carnegie construction

LaDonna Iveland, Luverne Street Music president (left), and Vice President Janine Papik are pictured in the Carnegie's main floor, which is getting minor improvements along with the \$91,000 worth of basement construction. Pictured below, Luverne Public Works employee Cory Schmuck loads demolition material.

In a Feb. 22 email, he expressed doubts about the future of visual arts in the building.

"Will there be some space to store the display equipment? Will there be just wall space to hang work? Will pedestals be brought in for each show?"

CAHRC terminated its lease of the Carnegie in December based on decreasing artists' needs for the building and decreasing public attendance at displays.

Funding to staff the front desk at the Carnegie was cut earlier this year, adding to the CAHRC board's difficulties in keeping up with and publicizing displays.

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LifeLight's Shine A Light tour coming to Luverne March 9

By Lori Sorenson

LifeLight 2016 will present a Shine A Light concert in Luverne at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 9, at the American Reformed Church.

ARC youth teacher Tami Bergman said she's excited the group decided to start this year's tour early to include the Luverne stop.

"I was just blown away," Bergman said. "What an opportunity for our youth and community."

LifeLight, a Christian music festival that has garnered national

attention, will be Sept. 3-4 this year in Worthing, South Dakota.

The annual event attracts hundreds of thousands of people and big-name Christian musicians like Michael W. Smith and this year Artist of the Year performer hip hop artist Lecrae. Next week's Shine A Light event in Luverne will offer a preview to LifeLight with featured artists such as Ginny Owen, Adam Cappa, Zealand Worship and Josh Brewer.

"Our primary purpose is to provide a 'hope and light' event for a

community to unite around," Brewer told the Star Herald. "[It's a] fun night, a positive night, with relevant, cutting edge, top-quality music."

He said the Shine A Light tours tend to focus on smaller communities.

"I love coming to communities like Luverne, because there's synergy and people throughout the community get excited about it," Brewer said.

"It branches out across denominations and you see unity and hospitality that you don't see in bigger cities."

Bergman said ARC is hosting the free event for the entire congregation and community, and the church's youth are encouraged to invite friends.

She said she contacted Brewer six months ago about helping her present a message to youth and he "jumped on board" immediately.

Time passed and then just a week ago the plan developed, Bergman said.

"Once again I am shown... when I let my plan give way to God's... what a Master plan has come forth."

In like a lion ...

As snowflakes gently fall Tuesday morning, Don Patton of Hardwick cleans the Main Street sidewalks of new snow that fell overnight.

March came in like a lion, blanketing parts of Rock County with almost 5 inches of snow.

According to Farmer's Almanac, the saying "In like a lamb, out like a lion" and vice versa is more of a rhyme than a weather prediction, as it holds true as often as it doesn't. If it's true this year, March will end on a mild note.



Mavis Fodness photo/0303 snow

Antoine, Nelson to retire; hiring replacements to be challenging

By Mavis Fodness

Luverne Public Schools will replace two staff members before the 2016-17 school year starts this fall.

At their Feb. 25 meeting, School Board members approved the retirement of Craig Nelson, middle-high school guidance counselor and track coach. His last day is June 11.

Nelson's retirement comes on the heels of an announcement by Greg Antoine, science teacher and tennis coach, who will retire at the end of this school year. The board accepted his retirement Feb. 11.

"The challenge will be how we find them (the replacements) and retain them," said Superintendent Craig Oftedahl.

He told board members the hiring will be an important priority this spring.

"It's a fact of life," he said. "People are in their retirement days and there are not enough people to replace them."

School districts statewide may find hiring to be a challenge in coming years.

Minnesota has granted significantly fewer teaching licenses to graduates of teaching degree programs, falling 27 percent (1,849 teachers annually) from the early 2000s to today, according to the Minnesota Rural Educators Association.

Hills-Beaver Creek Superintendent Todd Holthaus serves as south area representative with MREA.

He said last fall, with the decline in license issuances, he was worried that when HBC's instrumental in-

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Meetings

Beaver Creek Township will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 3, with the Board of Audit at 8 p.m.

Blue Mound Quilters will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, March 7, at the Luverne Sewing Basket to see some of the new items in the store. Remember your President Quilt Block for Deb. All quilters are welcome.

Rock County VFW 2757 will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 8, in the Herreid Military Museum. Call 449-0632.

Blue Mound Area Theatre annual meeting will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 8, at The Bluestem. The public is welcome.

American Legion Post #123 and Auxiliary will meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 9, in the Post home.

Lady Luverne Red Hats will meet for lunch at 11:30 a.m. Friday, March 11, at the Luverne Pizza Ranch and then volunteer at the Rock County Historical Museum. RSVP by Tuesday, March 8, to Connie at 283-8470.

Al-Anon meets from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the Buffalo Ridge Meeting Room (lower level) at the Sanford Medical Center in Luverne. Call 507-449-1246.

Narcotics Anonymous meets at 7 p.m. Fridays and for basic text study at 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays in the basement of St. Catherine Catholic Rectory, 203 E. Brown St., Luverne. Use east door. Call 507-220-0137.

Alcoholics Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. Wednesdays and Saturdays in the United Methodist Church, Luverne. Note the new location during the library renovation. Call 605-321-4324.

Alcoholics Anonymous and Al-Anon meet from 8 to 9 p.m. every Thursday in Runals Memorial Hall, Edgerton. Call Naomi, 507-215-2956, with questions.

Middle School concert March 3

The Luverne Middle School bands and choirs will perform a concert at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 3, in the high school gym. The concert will feature the sixth-grade choir and band as well as the seventh-eighth grade choir and band. The concert is free and open to the public.

Library reopens March 14

The Rock County Community Library will reopen to patrons Monday, March 14. Ribbon-cutting for the completed remodeling project will be 4 p.m. Thursday, March 17. Staff will still answer phones at 449-5040. Tax appointments will still meet on Mondays as scheduled, and tax appointments can still be made by calling the library. See updates on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/RockCountyLibrary>.

Green Earth Players ‘Frog and Toad’

The historic Palace Theatre in Luverne will host the Green Earth Players’ production of “Frog and Toad” the weekends of March 11-13 and 18-20. Box office for season tickets opened Feb. 29. Tickets are available to the general public as of March 1. For tickets call 507-283-4339.

World Day of Prayer March 4

World Day of Prayer services will be at 1:30 p.m. Friday, March 4, at the American Reformed Church in Luverne and at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Hills. The services are open to the public.

March 7 deadline to donate

Anyone wishing to support the Hospice Charity Dinner and Auction by advertising or donating items for the silent/live auctions must have donations to the hospice office by March 7. Banquet tickets are still available at the hospice office for the Hospice Charity Dinner and Auction Saturday, April 23, at the Blue Mound Banquet Center in Luverne. Call the Hospice office at 283-1805 or email helen.saum@sanfordhealth.org

Sign up for trips by March 10

Community Education still has seats available for two charter bus trips.

Sign up for “Beauty and the Beast” Chanhassen Dinner Theatre by March 10. The actual performance is in April 16. Tickets are on sale for the Minnesota Wild vs. Calgary Flames on March 24. The group will be allowed on the ice for pre-game photos and will have great seats! Call 283-4724 with questions.

Defensive driving 8-hour class March 12

The Defensive Driving 8-Hour Class for those 55 and older who want to lower their car insurance premiums is offered from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday, March 12. Fee is \$25 in advance or \$30 at the door. Call 507-283-4724 to register.



Lori Sorenson photo/0303 carnegie construction

City Public Works employees work on the demolition of the lower level of the Carnegie Cultural Center Monday afternoon. As part of the lease agreement, the city will renovate the downstairs of the Carnegie into five music rooms to be used for lessons. This work, being done by Tom Nergaard, Luverne, is estimated to cost \$91,000.

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Improvements to cost more than \$90,000

As part of the lease agreement, the city will renovate the downstairs of the Carnegie into five music rooms to be used for lessons. This work, being done by Tom Nergaard, Luverne, is estimated to cost \$91,000. Among the improvements are plumbing and electrical updates that would have been necessary regardless of who’s leasing the building.

For the first six months of the lease, rent is \$50 per month while the city renovates the downstairs portion of the building.

During this time, musicians can use the upstairs space for music lessons. According to the agreement finalized Tuesday, there are no plans to remodel or revamp any of the upstairs space — just refresh with some skim coating, dry wall work and painting.

LSM will utilize the existing rooms on the first floor for private lessons, children’s choir and for numerous recitals open to the public.

After the six-month construction period, starting with the September payment, rent will be \$300 per month for the remainder of the 10-year lease.

The council noted that after 10 years, rent will have paid off half the \$91,000 construction costs.

The agreement states that the rent may be renegotiated after five years.

LSM will perform fundraising activities with the goal of averaging \$1,000 per year — and contributing this to the city of Luverne.

The new lease agreement will generate \$3,600 in Carnegie rent to the city. This

In addition to Papik and Iveland, the LSM board includes Gayle Wenzel, secretary; Susan Skattum, treasurer; Heidi Sehr, marketing director; Twila VerSteeg, events coordinator; Dianne Ossenfort, nonmusical maid; Chris Nowatzki, teacher and arts representative; and Gretchen Jepperson, teacher representative.

compares with \$900 per year generated by the previous CAHRC lease.

The city is responsible for maintenance and upkeep of the historic building, and these costs amounted to more than \$30,000 in the past two years.

The city will also provide snow removal and mowing, in addition to utilities, at no added expense to LSM.

LSM will keep the building neat and clean and will carry general liability and personal property insurance.

Background

At the Nov. 16, 2015, City Council meeting Papik and LSM President LaDonna Iveland shared their “vision” for how the former 1902 Carnegie Library would be used for music instruction.

They said the LSM program has grown from 30 students and four teachers in 2013 to 100 students and 16 teachers today.

The curriculum includes summer music camp, a children’s choir, a pre-school string program and a chamber orchestra, with a puppet theater camp on the horizon.

“We’re bringing people into town,” Iveland said about the instructors, “and more importantly, we’re providing an opportunity for students to take lessons



Lori Sorenson photo/0303 carnegie construction

Among the improvements underway at the Carnegie are plumbing and electrical updates that would have been necessary regardless of who’s leasing the building. Pictured here is Bob May, who is working with Tom Nergaard Construction.

locally instead of going out of town.”

Papik said the program is also organizing a community band and choir for Luverne’s 150th anniversary celebration in 2017, as well as community events in 2016. “All area interested musicians are invited to join the fun,” she said.

Luverne Street Music had been using recently renovated rehearsal rooms at

Hilger Commons, the round building west of Trinity Episcopal Church.

With the growth of students and instructors, Papik and Iveland said the program needs a larger, more permanent space. They said music lessons — in voice, piano, string, brass, woodwinds and percussion — are offered seven days a week, with the busiest time of day between 3 and 7 p.m.



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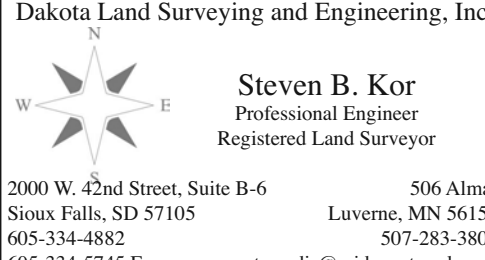
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ER patient charged with two counts of felony drug possession

By Lori Sorenson

An emergency room visit resulted in a felony drug arrest when a Wanda, Minnesota, man showed up at Sanford Luverne demanding pain medicine.

John Charles Baumann, 64, was charged in Rock County District Court with two counts of fifth-degree drug possession after he tested positive for meth and opiates in his blood stream and had marijuana, meth and cocaine in his possession.

According to the court documents, filed Feb. 8, Sanford Luverne emergency room staff called law enforcement around 9:30 p.m. Feb. 5 to report a disorderly patient.

When deputies arrived, they found Baumann pacing around, complaining of leg pain and claiming he needed pain medication.

The doctor told deputies Baumann's comments were sounding nonsensical, and that he had mentioned bodies being in a ditch. He also said he was coming from Rapid City and was on his way to California.

The doctor had refused to give him pain medicine until a urinalysis revealed what he had already taken, but Baumann refused to provide a sample, saying he was in too much pain.

Meanwhile, a deputy located Baumann's vehicle parked on the sidewalk near the hospital parking lot and noted it had a cracked windshield and damage to the front end of the vehicle.

He further noted the grill of the vehicle was in the back seat and there was blood on

the dashboard. Baumann reportedly had blood on his pants, but refused to disclose where it came from.

The complaint states that Bauman did eventually provide a urine sample that tested positive for amphetamines, methamphetamines and opiates, so the doctor refused to give pain meds.

At that point, Bauman reportedly attempted to walk out, stating he would drive somewhere else to get some, but deputies informed him he would not be allowed to drive while under the influence.

He was then placed under arrest for controlled substance DWI, and a pat-down revealed a metal wallet, a blue makeup container and a large roll of cash totaling nearly \$300.

Baumann reportedly tried to grab the containers and yelled that they couldn't be opened. He stopped complaining of leg pain and was medically cleared to be transported to the Law Enforcement Center.

A powdery substance in the makeup container tested positive for cocaine, and the metal wallet contained a baggie with a white powder that turned out to be .7 grams of meth.

A blood sample was taken and sent to the BCA for processing and Baumann's vehicle was searched. Officers found rolling papers, a grinder and a roach clip, along with 16.6 grams of marijuana in a Mason jar in the back of the vehicle.

The maximum penalty for a felony fifth-degree drug conviction is a \$20,000 fine, five years incarceration or both.



Mavis Fodness photo/0303 Pillow Mira Uithoven

Mira Uithoven (center) assists in Darlene Dreesen's kindergarten class as a peer helper, and the smiling faces of the kindergartners inspired the Luverne High School senior to organize a project called "Every Pillow has a Story." She is currently collecting material donations. Instigating a pillow fight with Uithoven are students (from left) Hailey Click, Grace Kempema, Ashton Altman and Ty Kopp.

Luverne High School senior organizes pillowcase project for children

By Mavis Fodness

Luverne High School senior Mira Uithoven wants to leave smiles on children's faces through a project she is coordinating through two youth organizations.

The One Million Pillowcase Challenge was started by the American Patchwork and Quilting Association and challenged quilters, sewers and crafters to create one million pillowcases.

Uithoven is joining the challenge as a member of LHS' FCCLA chapter with the assistance of her fellow County K-9 4-H Club. Her project is called "Every Pillow has a Story."

"Many people can relate to that feeling, after a long and stressful day of work or school, when you finally lay your head down on your pillow and you're just like 'Ah-hhh, finally the day is over.' I started the project to give children that 'ahhh' moment," she said.

The project relates to the FCCLA's National Project Leadership in Action, which challenges members to stretch their service-learning skills into an activity that helps their communities.

"All my life I've loved to sew, but never seem to find the time," Uithoven said. "This was the spark in the project and what started 'Every Pillow has a Story.'"

Currently Uithoven is collecting fabric (3/4 yard by 1/4 yard, new or used), new standard-sized pillows, and toothbrushes/toothpaste for children ages 5 to 10.

Deadline for materials or monetary donations to purchase materials is March 12. Uithoven plans to sew 50 pillowcases on March 19.

The FCCLA chapter and 4-H members will help complete the project. Uithoven is a seasoned participant in the 4-H sewing project.

"A pillowcase was the first item I've ever sewn. It is an easy thing to make," she said.

The County K-9 club has 50 members with 35 of them in eighth grade or lower. Uithoven intends to show interested members how to sew and have each of them complete a pillowcase or a tag that will be pinned to the case recognizing Uithoven's project.

"Sewing is a great lifelong skill to learn," she said. "And something that will hopefully encourage the members to sew more bigger and better things."

Once the pillowcases are completed, Uithoven will register them with the Dutch Rose Quilt Shop in Sioux Falls, a participating business in the One Million Pillowcase Challenge. Thirty-five of the pillows will stay locally, distributed through Luverne's Backpack Program,



Mavis Fodness photo/0303 Pillow Mira Uithoven

New standard-sized pillows, fabric and toothbrushes/toothpaste are currently being collected by Luverne High School Senior Mira Uithoven for her "Every Pillow has a Story" project.

and 15 will go to Sanford Children's Hospital.

To donate to Uithoven's project, contact her at 507-227-5599 or miraewethoven@gmail.com.

"Every Pillow has a Story" recognizes each child is fighting a battle, and they all have different stories, but it is my job to make one of those pages in their book a great one," she said. "I think one small act of kindness can go a long way, and they deserve this little gift of encouragement to help them with their struggles."

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tion agriculture began at an early age for Evers, who grew up in Windom and frequently visited and worked on her grandparents' farm.

Evers attended South Dakota State University in Brookings and sought a degree that would allow her to work directly with producers in the ag industry.

"Growing up around the farm, I always saw the impact (the ag industry) had on our family," she said. "I wanted to help."

For instance, Evers saw improved yields through plant breeding and genetics and how improved agronomy practices kept the family farm financially viable.

Evers graduated from SDSU in May 2015 with a degree in agronomy and a minor in pest management. Though she was interested in plant genetics, she didn't want to work in a laboratory environment.

"I wanted to have contact with people," she said. "I want to make a difference."

A job with the Cottonwood County Natural Resources Conservation Service introduced Evers to government programming that as-



Mavis Fodness photo

The Minnesota Agricultural Water Quality Certification Program is expanding statewide and Danielle Evers is the certification specialist for the program in 11 southwest Minnesota counties.

sists producers to improve the environment. She began with the state's new water quality program last month.

Evers is housed in the Pipestone County Soil and Water Conservation Office in Pipestone. She can be reached at 507-825-1199.

Registered Dietitian Marg Kuiper receives Dream Catcher Award from Luverne Lions Club

During a surprise celebration Feb. 15 at Sanford Luverne, the Luverne Lions awarded Sanford registered dietitian Marg Kuiper with the Dream Catcher award for her work with them on diabetes education.

Local Lions Clubs may give this award when they have donated \$1,000 to the Minnesota Lions Diabetes Foundation, which funds research to cure diabetes, provides education and sponsors preventive health activities.

As Sanford diabetes educator, Kuiper provides nutrition guidance and information to patients and assists patients with their diabetes management, including healthy life choices.

Pictured here, William Martin from the Luverne Lions



Submitted photo

presents Kuiper with a plaque for the award, which recognizes a person, club or organization that has worked to improve the lives of people with diabetes and others.

School hiring/ continued from page 1A

structor Dale Nelson announced his retirement effective this May, the district won't receive any applications.

He was pleased when the district received five or six qualified applicants and filled the position.

"It was an area of concern," he said.

Teacher recruitment and retention is the top legislative platform for the MREA, Holthaus said. The concern is shared among the state's School Board Association and Association of School Administrators.

In Minnesota, a third of those who enter the teaching profession leave within five years. Nationwide, that figure jumps to 50 percent.

Of all the teaching positions, areas of specialization, such as science, are the hardest find qualified applicants.

Counselors are also among positions hard to fill.

Luverne began postings for its open science and guidance counselor positions this week.

On behalf of the Luverne Music Boosters, we would like to extend a sincere "Thank You" to the area businesses who helped make the 36th 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 Jen Rolfs, Julie Wynia, Sonja Braucht and Kirsten Eisma for co-chairing the Carnival, to Matt & Jill Wagner for overseeing the Raffle Ticket distribution and sales, to Sharla Reisch, our Treasurer, to Cheryl Hartman for organizing the booths and prizes, to Jennifer Bakken for heading the kitchen concessions, to Keith & Seana Graber for running the Bingo area, to Mary Brown for heading the pizza area, and to Dawn Moss for being in charge of the Cotton Candy station. 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 and to Minnesota Vets home for the use of the Cotton Candy machine.

Thanks to Harry Flanagan and the Hernandez family for the Balloon Booth. Thanks to Jill Wagner for running the Volunteer Spot. Thank you to Heather Johnson, Charlotte Johnson and Karen Radisewitz for judging our booths and cakes. 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.

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. Seana Graber and Mr. Richard 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

Nice obituary picture enough incentive for camera-shy subjects

We are all going to die someday.

It is a fact. Simply put.

But we humans continue to deny or simply ignore death as a part of our lifecycles. We are often unprepared when the Grim Reaper comes calling.

Unprepared as having one part of the burial ritual already completed for family members: The obituary.

Yep. The obit.

A written account of someone's life that typically includes their name, age, date of birth, death, etc., often stated in about the same manner as other obituaries.

In newspaper lingo, we call these similar in verbiage obituaries as formatted. I personally like the other option: The verbatim. This is where obituaries take on a little bit of flair.

Think about it as interviewing someone for a story. It doesn't have to be over-the-top unbelievable but something that would make you smile in remembrance instead of invoking the normal tears that the loved one is gone.

Remember, an obituary is documentation that someone lived. It's printed and archived in newspapers for future generations to uncover.

Take Aaron Purmort's obit, for instance.

The 35-year-old from Minneapolis was battling cancer two years ago. Reality was that the disease would eventually take his life. Before it was too late, Purmort wrote a comic book-inspired death announcement, putting a creative spin on his life story.

Here, in part, is what he wrote.

"Purmort, Aaron Joseph, 35, died peacefully at home on November 25 after complications from a radioactive spider bite



RUMINATIONS

By Mavis Fodness, Reporter

that led to years of crime-fighting and a years-long battle with a nefarious criminal named Cancer, who has plagued our society for far too long."

Among the other information (real and fictional) was that he was survived by his wife, Nora, and their son, Ralph, "who will grow up to avenge his father's untimely death."

We don't have to be that elaborate with our obituaries.

I personally like in another obit that listed the sister's name in "why would you ever live there Rhode Island."

The obit doesn't have to be funny; it could just be a beautiful tribute to a loved one — a tribute that oftentimes is ruined by a blurry, dark photo.

Years as a picture taker has led me to understand obits with blurry photos are a result of that person not cooperating with a photographer.

As a journalist I've met a lot of those people.

Whatever the reason, as I place the camera to my eye, my subjects duck or turn their head or, worse, place their hands over their face. This evasive maneuver produces those blurry pictures of loved ones.

My advice: Stop being camera shy.

Swallow whatever pride you have, put on a smiley face for the camera just in case — ahem — you die tomorrow. Not only will your family have several keepsakes from the event, but they will also have a remembrance of what you looked like.

Cooperation will also result in a decent photo to use with your obituary.

Is Luverne ready to be a destination? Yes indeed!

Your article in the Feb. 11 edition of the Star Herald highlighted the work of so many committed citizens in Luverne who have made it possible to ask the question, "Is Luverne ready to be a destination?" From our perspective, the answer is a resounding YES!

In June of last year, a group of twelve of our friends from Minneapolis joined us as we all enjoyed Luverne as a destination for three days. We had spoken glowingly about everything the city and the area have to offer, and they wanted to see firsthand what makes our hometown so exemplary. Perhaps they imagined we were exaggerating.

Our field trip to Luverne began with Betty Mann's knowledgeable historical trolley tour of Luverne that included a behind-the-scenes look at the Palace Theatre.

Jane Wildung Lanphere orchestrated the entire trip, including a guided tour and hike at Touch the Sky Prairie, time at the Brandenburg Gallery and the military museum, a tasting at Take 16, and tours of the Hinkly House Museum and the In-

GUEST EDITORIAL

By Cammy (Martin) and Rich Iverson

terpretive Center. We hiked at Blue Mounds State Park and at the quarry and visited Prairie Heights Bison Ranch, thanks to the Bowrons.

The Grand Stay was our very accommodating home away from home, and everyone raved about our meals at Sterling's and The Blue Stem. A fun lunch at Vinnie's reminded everyone of the diners we frequented as kids. Everywhere we went, we were welcomed with friendly, kind Midwestern hospitality. Even though we can't begin to name every Luverne resident who made our trip so memorable, we thank all of you.

As we prepared to leave town after our busy days, the words we

heard from our friends in describing Luverne were "charming," "hometown spirit," "amazing community," "forward thinking," "beautiful parks," "wonderful people." They all pledged to come back again and to tell their friends what they had experienced in Luverne.

Our friends no longer suspect us of exaggerating our hometown's charms.

Is Luverne ready to be a destination? We enthusiastically say, "Yes, indeed!"

Cammy (Martin) and Rich Iverson graduated from Luverne High School in 1964 and currently live in St. Louis Park.



Family, friends are No. 1 reason people visit a community

On Monday I attended a video presentation at the Palace Theatre by Roger Brooks. The video screening was made possible by Gary Papik and the LIFT Executive Board.

It was kind of a continuing education piece on the ongoing "destination branding" process Luverne is undertaking.

The video was titled "How To Successfully Sell Tourism ... and get the funding that you need."

The message wasn't so much about selling your community as a tourist destination but more about selling your community on the economic impact tourism has on your community.

I know what you're thinking: Luverne isn't what you would think of as tourism mecca. Those were my thoughts as well. Little did I realize we have here right in our city by the river the No. 1 reason people travel — hence making us a tourism destination.

Want to guess what that is? Go ahead — give it a try. Did you think of the Blue Mounds State Park? Maybe the parks, the campground we don't have, the golf course? All good guesses, but wrong.

The No. 1 reason people travel from one place to another is to visit family and



FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH

By Rick Peterson, General Manager
Tollefson Publishing

friends.

BINGO! We have plenty of family and friends in Luverne. So how do we get the Griswolds to take their family vacation in Luverne? As far as I know, the Griswold family tree hasn't branched out this far. Sure, we have our own "Cousin Eddies" here in Luverne. In fact, I even coffee with a couple of them.

We don't have a Wally World or a Disney World, but I did learn Monday we have what Disney has at all their theme parks and considers one of the most important factors to their success — and that is, a downtown.

Mr. Brooks said downtowns are the front doors to our communities, and I believe that. The problem here is our front

door is locked way too often when visitors come a-knocking.

Brooks also pointed out if you can't get the locals to shop your store, how are you going to get the out-of-towners to pass through your doors.

We as locals also have to think "downtown Luverne" before we think "downtown Sioux Falls" and give the local front door a tug first.

We have a lot going for us here in Luverne. We have the No. 1 reason people travel — that is family and friends — and when you really want to get something done, it's a lot easier with the help of family and friends.

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ON THE RECORD

Dispatch report

Feb. 19
•Dispatch received a 911 call with static on the line. Got hold of owner and he said it was his fax machine number and it wasn't working.
•Minnehaha County requested assistance with trying to serve a warrant in Rock County.
•Complainant reported a family and child issue.
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•Complainant reported there was a city trash can tipped over on the 200 block of East Main Street.
•Dispatch received a 911 call from phone at location. No answer on callback. Contacted resident at location. Had same issue earlier. Fax machine is not working and is apparently dialing 911 at times.

Feb. 20
•Deputy arrested subject for DWI and took him to jail. Called G&S to tow. Passenger was given a ride home.
•Deputies responded to a domestic dispute. Took both parties to jail.
•Complainant reported the railroad stop arm at location is malfunctioning. Contacted BNSF. They will get someone out.

•Complainant reported four wheelers driving around location tearing up road at 140th Avenue and 211th Street.
Feb. 21
•Complainant reported a white vehicle with Iowa plates has been parked in the parking lot for at least three days, maybe longer. Complainant wants to make sure everything is OK. Deputy advised everything is okay. Complainant advised if they want it moved they can call a tow.

•Complainant reported subject made a comment on her sister-in-law's Facebook page in violation of her restraining order.
•Dispatch received multiple 911 calls from 911 phone at location. Sounded like pocket dials. Contacted manager at location and checked status. She reported all is OK and would ask employees to check phone.

•Complainant reported that subject is driving around the Beaver Creek area and is drunk.

•Deputies conducted search warrant.

Feb. 22
•Complainant reported a suspicious vehicle in the area of Beaver Creek.

•Complainant requested to speak with a deputy about her child.

•Complainant requested a deputy be present at a hearing.

•Complainant reported that he had tried to call the Highway Department, but they were not returning his call. He was upset that there was a soft spot on the road near the new bridge, and if people went too fast they would ruin the bottom of their car. Wanted a sign put up. Dispatch spoke with highway engineer and he will look at it and consider the sign.

•Complainant reported that a man always parks on his property to hide from his wife. He requested a deputy come and speak with him. Complainant was told that he could have the vehicle towed. Owner showed up and paid the tow bill and was told that he cannot park there again or will be charged with trespassing.

•Complainant requested a deputy come to their home. They found some things from the previous owner.

•Complainant reported her neighbor is playing loud music. Deputy went and knocked on the door several times, but there was no answer and no music playing that time.

•Complainant reported she is being harassed.

Feb. 23
•Deputy reported he was bringing an item from a vehicle involved in an accident to the courthouse for subject.
•Reserved for warrant entry for state patrol.

•Complainant requested a deputy to come to the senior citizens building. They had a cabinet on the east side of the building that must have been hit by a car. Possibly happened about three days ago by a U-Haul from the Blue Mound Towers.

•Complainant requested a residence check for three weeks.

•Complainant reported that her ex notified her that he was going to be requesting her to come in and get drug tested. He would pay for the bill. She said she was not notified of a time, but is willing to do it if that is what he wants. Dispatch did not have any record of this. She wanted it recorded that she did call in to see when she was supposed to come.

•Deputies arrested subject on a Rock County warrant and took him to jail.

•Complainant reported his feed truck is on fire and it is going to be hard to get to it. Roads are very soft. Paged Luverne Fire Department.

Feb. 24
•Complainant requested we deliver an emergency message to subject. Deputy stopped a few times, but no one was around. Notified complainant.

•Complainant requested a deputy present at location while he picks up his personal items.

•Complainant wanted to speak to a deputy about a possible stalker in a red or maroon four-door pickup.

Feb. 25
•Deputy reported the North 25 MPH sign is not working in the school zone.

•Complainant requested a welfare check on subject who is at the motel. Sent deputies to check. Subject was taken to the emergency room.

In addition, officers responded to 8 motor vehicle accidents, 6 vehicles in ditch, 1 transport, 3 funeral escorts, 17 traffic stops, 14 ambulance runs, 2 paper services, 3 animal complaints, 1 false alarm, 2 driver's license checks, 7 log/alarm sheets, 1 drug court test, 4 money escorts, and issued 12 purchase/carry permits and 17 burn permits.



Lori Sorenson photo/0303 drive tractors to school

Drive Your Tractor To School Day

Feb. 20-27 was National FFA Week, and several students drove their tractors to school Tuesday, Feb. 23. They're pictured here at the Holiday Station on South Highway 75: (from left) Justin Mente, Riley Baker (who drove the tractor on the far left), Tucker Oeltjenbruns, Tyler Reisdorfer (who was test driving the 540 Quad from Jaycox), Dylan Mente (6430 premium with 673 loader), Payton Fick (who drove the 8130 John Deere), Tyler Fick and Eli Bakken (8320 John Deere second from left).

FFA Week in Luverne also included a hay bale toss with \$10 Pizza Ranch certificates awarded to the top bale throwers in each division. In the middle school division in the boys' category Carson Ehde had the longest toss, and for the middle school girls Gracie Sandbulte had the longest toss. In the high school division for boys Jaxon Nelson won, and for the high school girls Morgan Edwards had the longest throw. In the adult division Tom Rops had the longest toss, and Angie Sandbulte threw it the longest for the adult women. There were approximately 57 people who participated in bale throwing competition.

Twenty-six FFA members made Food For America presentations to the four sections of Luverne third-graders on Feb. 23. They used pizza ingredients as an example of where food is grown, and afterward the students ate pizza from Pizza Ranch.

Gas smell detected on West Main Street

The Luverne Fire Department was called to a report of a gas smell at 211 W. Main Street Monday afternoon around 3:30 p.m.

The Rock County Sheriff's Office and Minnesota State Patrol closed off the block while firefighters investigated the source of the odor.

After CenterPoint Energy personnel showed up and deemed it wasn't an emergency, law enforcement and firemen left the scene.

Lori Sorenson photo/0303 gas smell



Notice:

Students of Luverne High School Take Notice

The Scholarship Committee of the A.R. Wood Educational Trust is currently accepting applications for initial or renewal scholarships from seniors and previous graduates of Luverne High School.

To be eligible for consideration candidates must:

1. Be graduates of Luverne High School
2. Rank in the upper fifteenth percent (15%) of his/her graduating class; and
3. Have maintained a 3.0 GPA or better grade point average.

Requests for applications should be directed to:

First Bank & Trust
Wealth Management Services
Attn: A.R. Wood Educational Trust
P.O. Box 1347
Sioux Falls, SD 57101-1347

All requests for applications must be received by First Bank & Trust no later than May 1, 2016. All completed applications must be postmarked and submitted to First Bank & Trust by June 1, 2016.

In accordance with the A.R. Wood Educational Trust, decisions regarding recipients, amounts and number of awards will be made at the sole discretion of the Scholarship Committee.

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Testing one's DANCE skills

Twenty-eight participants complete the "Circle Dance," one of several dances the group enjoyed Friday.

Families attend princesses, super heroes event

Photos and story by Mavis Fodness

For the second year Luverne Community Education brought princesses and super heroes to the elementary commons for dancing, singing, playing, eating and a little picture taking.

"It's just a fun night out for kids and parents," said Community Education Director Karen Willers.

With the help of the Luverne High School peer helpers, who chose the music and games, 28 parents and children enjoyed the 90-minute event Friday night, Feb. 26.

Between songs and games, parents and children enjoyed cupcakes, string cheese and bottled water.



Eating a cupcake is Clara Sandager from Hills, who attended the dance with her dad, Ian, and sister, Bridget.



Right: Dancing together are princesses (from left) Kaidyn Mundt, Mila Hawkins, Elizabeth Facile and Sophia Nolz.

REMEMBER WHEN

10 years ago (2006)

Imagine a time when doctors can retrieve patients' medical histories with a touch of a button.

Also imagine that same button providing patients' history with other doctors, in addition to any medication they've been on or are currently on.

That time has arrived in Luverne, and it's called docZ, an electronic clinical information system.

25 years ago (1991)

Rock County Commissioners took the first step toward owning a new library building Tuesday.

The Board voted 3 to 1 to spend \$140,000 to purchase the former First Minnesota Savings Bank FSB building, 201 West Main. The purchase is contingent upon the city of Luverne approving the purchase price.

50 years ago (1966)

"Not many years ago when industry representatives came to a town they didn't have much to offer in the way of industrial sites, but towns now are beginning to go to industrial land survey." ...

Luverne representatives were told that in the fierce competition among communities across the nation for new job opportunities, prepared industrial sites are playing an ever important role.

Anticipating possible new industry for Luverne, a report submitted at the meeting by the Omaha men identified four sites suitable for eventual development as an industrial district in Luverne.

75 years ago (1941)

A crowd of several hundred persons assembled Sunday afternoon at the Omaha depot to give a warm and rousing goodbye to ten Rock county Selective Service volunteers as they entrained for the Army induction station at Sioux Falls. Unfortunately, three of the group were not accepted because of physical disqualifications, while the others continued on to Fort Snelling for their year's service in the Army. Replacements for the three men compelled to return home are scheduled to leave next Tuesday.

The departure of this contingent, including the three replacements, brings to about 140 the number of men who have been taken from the county for service in the nation's military forces.

100 years ago (1916)

One of the most important steps yet taken in the promotion of good roads in Rock county was that taken Tuesday, when the county commissioners voted to purchase one of the biggest road graders on the market, for use in building state roads. The kind of machine the county will buy has not yet been determined and will not be until spring opens. Arrangements have been made with two concerns selling graders for a demonstration as soon as the ground is in condition to permit it. The grader the commissioners will buy will depend upon the showing then made.

SENIOR MENU

Senior Citizens

Monday, March 7: Tater tot casserole, green beans, peaches, bread, pudding.

Program: 1 p.m. Senior Citizens meeting.

Tuesday, March 8: Pork steak, sweet potatoes, winter blend vegetables, bread, scalloped apples.

Program: Two-buck Tuesday sponsored by Main Street Financial.

Wednesday, March 9:

Meatloaf with catsup, potatoes, creamed corn, bread, mandarin oranges.

Program: 10 a.m. Making Cards with Neva

Thursday, March 10:

Oven crispy chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, carrots, bread, poke cake.

Program: 11:15 a.m. Music with Emily Lodine and Dolly Talbert

Friday, March 11:

Meaty beef stew with carrots and potatoes, cole slaw, biscuit, cheesecake.

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

Bring a friend or make new ones.

Call Janice Fick at 283-9846 to make dining reservations or for home-delivered meals.



Submitted photo

Twelve members of the Blue Mound Figure Skaters captured the first-place team trophy at the Yankton Winter Miracle Feb. 20-21 in Yankton, South Dakota. Pictured (from left) are Elisabeth Kelm, Moriah Flanagan, Maranda Thier, Breanna Richters, Brooke Top, Marisa Thier, Hannah Henning, Katharine Kelm, Anisa Vanden Bosch, Ashley Hohn and Hannah Hofer. Not pictured: Mara Thier.

First-place finish for Blue Mound Figure Skaters at Yankton

The Blue Mound Figure Skaters were represented by 12 skaters at the Yankton, South Dakota, Winter Miracle on Feb. 20-21.

The teams Blue Mound, Yankton, Sioux Falls and Brookings were represented at the competition.

Even after having a couple of skaters become ill and not being able to finish skating, the local figure skaters still came home with the first-place trophy.

The next competition for the team is Skate Parade, at the Parade Ice Garden, Minneapolis, March 4-6.

Blue Mound Figure Skaters are coached by Sarah Nuffer, Courtney DeBoer, Cathy Shearer, Katie Kopp and Sabrina Sowles.



Submitted photo

Accepting the first-place team trophy are (from left) Courtney DeBoer, Katharine Kelm, Sarah Nuffer, Elisabeth Kelm, Breanna Richters, Moriah Flanagan, and Ashley Hohn.

1924: Assessors gather for annual meeting

The following appeared in the Rock County Herald on March 28, 1924:

ROCK COUNTY ASSESSORS TO MEET NEXT FRIDAY

Representative of State Tax Commission to be Present and fully Explain Assessment Requirements

The regular annual meeting of the assessors of Rock county for the purpose of receiving instructions and advice before taking up their duties for the new year, will be held next Friday, April 4th, at the county auditor's office in this city, commencing at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

All assessors of the county who can possibly arrange to do so, are urged to attend this meeting, for a representative of the Minnesota Tax commission will be present and care-



BITS BY BETTY

By Betty Mann, president
Rock County Historical Society

fully outline the proper methods of assessing the various kinds of personal property in accordance with the requirements governing such matters.

This representative of the tax commission will also endeavor to answer all questions submitted by assessors pertaining to their duties, and if there is any phase of the work which is not clear to an assessor, that will be the most opportune time to have the matter cleared up.

Assessors are entitled to pay for the time spent

in attending this meeting, their remuneration being fixed at five cents per mile for each mile necessarily traveled in going to and returning from the meeting and to four dollars additional for each day in attendance of these sessions.

Donations to the Rock County Historical Society can be sent to the Rock County Historical Society, P.O. Box 741, Luverne, MN 56156.

Mann welcomes correspondence sent to mannmade@iw.net.

CELEBRATIONS

Births

A girl, Nora Grace, weighing 5 pounds, 9 ounces, and 19 inches long, was born Wednesday, Feb. 10, 2016, to **Andrew and Sara Murtha**, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, at Sanford Hospital in Sioux Falls. Grandparents are Bonnie Vorderbruggen, the late Gerald Vorderbruggen, and Larry and Bonnie Murtha.

A boy, William Robert, weighing 7 pounds, 7 1/2 ounces, and 21 1/2 inches long, was born Sunday, Feb. 14, 2016, to **Will and Beth Weber**, Eagan. Grandparents are Bill and Barb Weber and Robert and Pat Swanburg.

A girl, Emersen Lou, weighing 8 pounds, 1 ounce, and 20 inches long, was born Monday, Feb. 22, 2016 to **Chris and Christina Snow**, Cottage Grove. Grandparents are Bill and Barb Weber and Richard and Joyce Snow.

Open Houses

Gloria Aanenson will celebrate her 85th birthday with an open house from 1:30 to 3 p.m. Sunday, March 13, at the Luverne Pizza Ranch.

Greetings may be sent to 200 South Freeman #103, Luverne, MN 56156.

Another first place trophy for Luverne speech

Team hosts tournament at home Saturday; public welcome to attend



Submitted photo

The Cardinal speech team celebrates their first-place team finish at the Adrian Invitational Saturday, Feb. 27. Members are (front, left) Brianna Jonas, Courtney Wendland, Sophie Lanoue, Alexa Chesley, Hannah Ehlers, Destiny Matthiesen, Melanie Rittenhouse, (second) Adriana Gonzalez, Jessica Anderson, Jacinda Hustoft, Lindsey Roemeling, John Miller, Cameron Wessels, (third) Grace Sweeney, Shane Berning, Xavier Carbonneau, Gunnar Oldre, Marisol Hartshorn, Shelby Nath, Megan Rogers, (fourth) Sage Versteeg, Nicole Hoogland, Dylan Thorson, Knute Oldre, Griffin Ahrendt, Anika Gust, (back) Samantha Ykema, Hannah Hoogland, Paul Witte III, Derek Krueger, Kat Siebert, Zoe Brown and Naomie Daniel.

The Luverne High School speech team secured the first-place team sweepstakes at the Adrian Speech Invitational Saturday.

The win is the second one for the team after finishing first at the Redwood Falls tournament Feb. 13.

About 230 students representing 16 teams competed Saturday in Adrian, including 33 from Luverne.

Individual honors went to 16 Luverne members in 10 categories:

Storytelling: Paul Witte III, second; Marisol Hartshorn, fourth; Xavier Carbonneau, sixth.

Prose Reading: Sage Versteeg, blue ribbon.

Original Oratory: Zoe Brown, blue ribbon.

Humorous Interpretation: Gunnar Oldre, first.

Great Speeches:

Speech/See page 8A

OBITUARIES

Bernice Bartels

Bernice Bartels, 95, Hills, died Monday, Feb. 22, 2016, at Tuff Memorial Home in Hills.

A funeral service was Saturday, Feb. 27, at Steen Reformed Church in Steen. Burial followed at East Side Cemetery in Steen.

Bernice (Van Malsen) Bartels was born Feb. 28, 1920, to Otto and Minnie (Teunissen) Van Malsen in Steen. She attended school through the eighth grade in the Steen School. She married Louis Bartels on Dec. 2, 1938, in her parents' home. The couple moved to California after their marriage and worked on dairies. After a couple of years they moved back to the Hills area and started farming. In 1948 they moved to their farm west of Hills. Her husband died May 12, 2003. Bernice moved to an apartment in Hills and then to a Luverne apartment. She moved to the Tuff Home July 3, 2009.

Bernice enjoyed gardening, working with flowers, quilting, writing in her journal, volunteering at the local school, and in her later years she took up oil painting. She painted for many

years, sharing her paintings with her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She also enjoyed walking, even at the Tuff Home. She was a baptized and lifelong member of Steen Reformed Church.

She is survived by her sons, John (Sharon) Bartels of Ashton, Iowa, Dale (Sue) Bartels of Beaver Creek, Dean (Janeane) Bartels of Brookings, South Dakota, and Randy (Suzanne) Bartels of Sloan, Iowa; 17 grandchildren; 42 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren; two sisters, Mona (Ray) Rozeboom of Rogers, and Florence (Pete) Schouwenburg of Buena Park, California; one brother, Otto Jr. (Evelyn) Van Malsen of Yorba Linda, California; and a sister-in-law, Jeanne Van Malsen of Hills; and many nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Bernice was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Lou; sisters Gertrude Feikema, June Beyenhof, and Evon Burdett; and brothers John, Jay, and Roger Van Malsen.

Arrangements were by Jurrens Funeral Home in Hills, www.jurrens-funeralhome.com.

(0303 F)

James Iverson

James D. Iverson, 84, formerly of Sioux Falls, died Sunday, Feb. 21, 2016, at Bethel Lutheran Home in Madison, South Dakota.

A funeral service was Saturday, Feb. 27, at George Boom Funeral Home and Cremation Services in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Burial was at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in Sioux Falls.

James Iverson was born May 14, 1931, to Melvin and Thea (Olson) Iverson in Puposky. When he was seven years old, his parents separated, and his mother took the children to Grand Forks, North Dakota, for a year, where Jim attended school. His mother then accepted a housecleaning position east of Middle River, and Jim attended Middle River High School. Jim graduated from Middle River High School in 1948. He worked in Thief River Falls at the Montgomery Ward Store and also at KTRF Radio.

Jim enlisted in the U.S. Air Force in December 1951 and spent basic training in Lackland Air Force Base in Texas. He then

was stationed to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. He married Maxine Thortsen there on May 10, 1932. Jim was then stationed at Patrick Air Force Base in Florida. Jim received his honorable discharge in September 1955. The family settled in Duluth, where Jim began working at St. Germain's Paint and Glass. The family was very active in Trinity Lutheran Church and Jim was Sunday School superintendent for many years.

After a brain aneurysm in October 1964 Jim and his family moved to San Bernardino, California, where Jim underwent therapy for over a year. He then enrolled in the University of California and graduated with an AA degree in marketing. In 1969 the family moved to Mayville, North Dakota, where Jim attended Mayville State College and graduated with a BA Degree in business administration in 1972.

The family then moved to Hills, where Jim began serving as the administrator of the Tuff Memorial Home on June 1, 1972. They were members of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, and Jim served as Sunday

School superintendent. In 1985 Jim and Maxine moved to Zumbrota, and Jim served as the administrator of Pine Island Care Center. He retired in 1986, and he and Maxine settled in Sioux Falls to be closer to their three sons. Maxine died of cancer on Oct. 8, 1993, at the age of 62.

The family spent many summers camping together.

Jim entered Bethel Suites in Madison for assisted living care in May 2008 and moved to Bethel Lutheran Home in September 2009.

Jim is survived by three sons, James (Cheryl) Iverson, Madison, S.D., and Jeff (Kathy) Iverson and John Iverson, all of Sioux Falls; and two grandsons, David and Dan Iverson, also of Sioux Falls.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Maxine; his parents; two children, Kathryn and Steven; a brother, Maynerd; and a sister, Aloyce.

Memorials are preferred to Bethel Lutheran Home for their Staff Scholarship Fund.

Arrangements were by George Boom Funeral Home of Sioux Falls, www.georgeboom.com.

(0303 F)

Helen Meyer

Helen Bertina Meyer, 99, formerly of Luverne, died Monday, Feb. 22, 2016, at the Mayo Hospital in Mankato.

A funeral service was Saturday, Feb. 27, at the United Methodist Church in Luverne. Burial followed at Maplewood Cemetery in Luverne.

Helen Borgum was born April 9, 1916, to Tom and Inga (Hylle) Borgum in Hurley, Wisconsin. During her childhood, the family moved to Luverne, where Helen graduated from Luverne High School in 1933. She worked for Hansen and Engan law office from 1933 to 1939.

On Nov. 19, 1939, Helen married Loren Meyer at her parents' home in Luverne. The couple made their home on Loren's family farm near Ellsworth.

Helen was active in the Ellsworth school, church, and community affairs. She served as PTA president, Sunday school superintendent, Sunday school teacher, extension club officer and 4-H leader.

She was also active in the Luverne chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star. She was proud to be chosen as Rock County Rural Homemaker of the Year in 1962. She enjoyed collecting used eyeglasses and sending them to "New Eyes for the Needy."

After being a homemaker for 25 years, Helen worked as a secretary for Attorney Walter A. Tofteland for five years. She then became deputy clerk of the Rock County Court for six years, retiring in 1975. Helen and Loren moved into Luverne in 1979.

Helen was a member of the United Methodist Church where she was active in the UMW and circle meetings. She was a member of the Pink Ladies Hospital Auxiliary and a Hospice volunteer. The couple enjoyed wintering in Phoenix, Arizona, for over 20 years, as well as traveling to various countries. Throughout her life she enjoyed getting together with family and friends, dancing, playing cards, crafting, reading and doing crossword puzzles.

After her husband's death in 2003, she moved to Eagle Grove, Iowa, to be closer to her daughter and family. She moved back to Luverne and lived at Poplar Creek Estates in 2007. Most recently, she lived at Central Health Care in LeCenter, to be near her family.

Helen is survived by her daughters, Carol (Tom) Goretzki of Scottsdale, Arizona, and Donna (Joel) Michalson of Waterville; six grandchildren, Lindy (Scott) Pfaltzgraff, Jared (Alison) Michalson, Ross (Tina) Michalson, Jamie (Justin) Rutledge, Mark (Brandy) Goretzki, and Brian (Jennifer) Goretzki; three great-grandchildren, Connor and Logan Pfaltzgraff, and Meyer Michalson.

Helen was preceded in death by her husband, Loren; a son, Dale Meyer; and her great-grandchild, Hayley Pfaltzgraff.

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

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Esther Weber

Esther Emma Ruth Weber, 92, Luverne, died Monday, Feb. 22, 2016, at the Good Samaritan Society - Mary Jane Brown Home in Luverne.

A funeral service was Saturday, Feb. 27, at St. John Lutheran Church in Luverne. Burial followed at Trinity Lutheran Cemetery in rural Steen.

Esther Kitchenmaster was born July 19, 1923, to William and Sophia (Schoon) Kitchenmaster on the family farm west of Steen. She received her baptism on Aug. 12, 1923, at Trinity Lutheran Church near Steen. She grew up first on the farm and then in Steen and Luverne. Esther attended school in Hills and Luverne and received her education through the tenth grade. She was confirmed in her Lutheran faith on July 11, 1937, at St. John Lutheran Church in Luverne.

On November 28, 1948, Esther married William Weber at St. John Lutheran Church in Luverne.

The couple made their home on the Weber farm in Clinton Township, Rock County, until September 1982, when they moved into Luverne. Along with being a homemaker and farmwife, Esther worked at Goeman's Grocery and Goehle restaurant in Steen and at the Luverne Bakery. She also raised and sold dressed poultry for many years. Later in life, she worked for Rock County Human Services doing light housework and stayed with senior citizens in



their own homes when needed. Her husband died Nov. 6, 2003. In January 2013 Esther became a resident at the Good Samaritan Society - Mary Jane Brown Home in Luverne.

Esther was a member of St. John Lutheran Church where she belonged to Circle and taught Sunday School for many years. She enjoyed crocheting, playing cards for fun, and flower and vegetable gardening. She especially enjoyed baking for her grandchildren.

She is survived by a son, William (Barbara) Weber of Luverne; a daughter-in-law, Shirley Weber of Luverne; six grandchildren, Beverly Weber (Gonzalo Serrano), Rebecca Weber (Clint Eichstedt), Lynette (Richard) Preiner, Christina (Christopher) Snow, Brian (Sara) Weber, and Will (Beth) Weber; four great-grandchildren, Isla Snow, Nolan Weber, William "Liam" Weber, and Emersen Snow; a sister-in-law, Mary Kitchenmaster of Luverne; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William; a son, Charles Weber; an infant grandchild; her parents; and five siblings, Clara Hildebrandt, Eli Kitchenmaster, William Kitchenmaster, an infant sister, and Wesley Kitchenmaster.

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

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Burdell Rowe

Burdell W. Rowe, 95, Luverne, died Tuesday, Feb. 23, 2016, at Tuff Memorial Home in Hills.

A funeral service was Saturday, Feb. 27, at St. Catherine Catholic Church in Luverne. Burial of remains was at the St. Catherine Cemetery in Luverne.

Burdell Rowe was born July 30, 1920, to William Rowe Jr. and Rhoda (Larson) Rowe in Little Rock Township in Nobles County. He attended District 14 country school for eight years before attending Adrian Public School, where he graduated in 1939.

He was active in 4-H Club for many years. In 1939 he showed the Grand Champion colt at the Minnesota State Fair and was also the Grand Champion showman. He showed Belgian horses for many years before changing to the light horse breeds. Horses remained a very important part of his life and business, and he went on to show Quarter and Appaloosa horses.

He was the first president of the Luverne Saddle Club, a member of the Southwest Trail Riders Association and initiated the Rock County 4-H Horse Project in 1963.

He married Alma Heitkamp Sept. 7, 1943, at St. Adrian Catholic Church in Adrian.



Farming remained his business until 1948 when he joined the auction and sale barn business with Lloyd Long in Luverne. He managed weekly livestock sales, farm auction, and monthly horse sales for many years. He was an active participant in horse shows for 50 years as competitor, judge and announcer.

He was an active member of St. Catherine Catholic Church in Luverne where he served as a funeral usher for several years following his retirement. He was an active member of the Luverne Senior Citizens and served on the board of directors. He volunteered at senior dining for 25 years. He enjoyed following his grandchildren's activities.

He is survived by his wife, Alma Rowe, Hills; a son, Joe (Carrie) Rowe, Sioux Falls, South Dakota; a daughter, Shirley (Bob) Vanden Hoek, Edina; six grandchildren, Christine (Joe) Wallraf, Paul (Melissa) Vanden Hoek, Kate (Jim) Glogowski, Mary (Bob) Taylor, Megan (Luke) Morrison and Kelly (Chris) Peterson; 13 great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Etoile (Dick) Nelson.

Arrangements were by Dingmann Funeral Home, dingmannandsons.com.

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Left and below: The glassy ice surface of Luverne's Creamery Pond was peppered with more than 150 fishing contestants Saturday afternoon.



More than 150 enjoy 60-degree temps for first fishing derby on Creamery Pond

Story and photos by Lori Sorenson

Saturday's Get Hooked in Luverne Ice Fishing Derby attracted 103 adults and 59 children to the creamery pond for some friendly competition and plenty of prizes. Nearly 60-degree temperatures threatened the ice that day, but its 8 to 10-inch thickness was deemed safe for foot traffic. Participants, many of them families, said they were glad they decided to come out to the ice.

"I've enjoyed spending time with him out here," said Luverne's Aaron Altman about his 6-year-old son, Ashton. "We've seen a few, but haven't caught any yet."

The Beaver Creek Sportsmen's Club sponsored the event that featured a \$500 grand prize for the largest fish. The biggest fish of the day was a 9.1-pound northern caught by Richard Fongemie. He reportedly released it back into the pond, but accepted the \$500 grand prize cash award.

Youth winners are:
First — Ella Ryndle with a 3.785-pounder. She won a kids' ice fishing package with sled, tent and chair.
Second — Micah Wallenberg, 1.980, fishing pole with lure and large single topping Smokey Bear's pizza
Third — Dillon Hoff, 1.96, Fish the Lake hoodie and Godfather's large single topping pizza

Adult winners are:
First — Trey Baustian, 2.66, gas ice auger
Second — Gage Nath, 2.295, Stampede Hockey Package (four club seats with food and drink package)
Third — Andy Haakenson, 1.917, \$50 Papa's Place gift card, Take 16 T-shirt and HGS stained glass mobile
Tom Scholten and Deb VanWyhe, both of Beaver Creek, were running the scale for the Sportsmen's Club.
"About everyone is catching something," Scholten said as a steady stream of fishermen came through their trailer with fish — mostly crappies — to be weighed.
One of the event organizers, Mike Davis, said he appreciated the Sportsmen's Club expertise.
"They stepped up and really have a good system of running



Michael Aning catches a crappie.

Left: Courtney Nath brings in a crappie to be weighed by Beaver Creek Sportsmen's Club volunteers Tom Scholten and Deb Van Wyhe.

Below: Curt Bloemendaal checks the line held by his granddaughter, Kayla.



Aaron Altman waits for a bite with his son, Ashton, 6.

a fishing tournament," he said.
The group has run several fishing tournaments at the Rez in Hills, including five years of the Matt Gehrke Memorial fishing events.
Davis said the Luverne Boy Scouts helped out by drilling holes ahead of the event and committed to staying late to help with cleanup. In exchange, their \$10 per youth (\$15 for adults) registration fee was waived.
Davis said plenty of people helped out, and he was glad to see so many fishing enthusiasts show up to enjoy Saturday's mild weather.
Davis owns the adjacent property to the pond and has been working with the Chamber and city officials to improve the beach and surrounding property for public enjoyment of the water.
In addition to fishing and swimming on the pond, Davis



and other local leaders organized the town's first-ever July 4 "Parade on the Pond" that attracted hundreds of locals to the little beach.
Davis and the Chamber have announced that the 2016 July 4 "Beach Bash" will feature fireworks, music, food, a triathlon, bean bag tournament, log rolling contest, sand castle contest and more.
A July 4 committee of volunteers is working to raise money for the event. To help out, contact the Chamber at 283-4061.



Emersyn Remme peeks at her line in the ice.

Speech team earns sweepstakes trophy/continued from 7A

Derek Krueger, first; Griffin Ahrendt, third.
Extemporaneous Speaking: Dylan Thorson, first; Shane Berning, fifth.
Extemporaneous Reading: Hannah Hoogland and Nicole Hoogland: blue ribbons.
Dramatic Interpretation: Megan Rogers, sixth.
Discussion: Knute Oldre, first; Samantha Ykema, second.
Creative Expression: Jacinda Hustoft, sixth.
Blue ribbons are awarded to speakers who were one place out of the medal round.
The Cardinal speech team will host the invitational beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 5. The event is open to the public.
Speech participants select to compete in either the Interpretative or the Public Address categories.
There are four events in the interpretive group.
Humorous Interpretation:

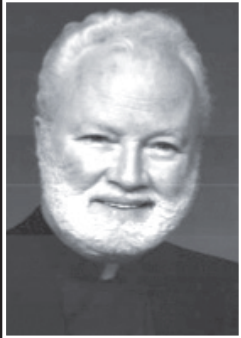
The public is welcome to attend the Luverne Cardinal Invitational Speech Tournament in Luverne on Saturday.
Times are as follows:
8:45 a.m. Registration
10 a.m. Round 1
11:30 a.m. Round 2
1 p.m. Round 3
2:30 p.m. (approximately) Awards
tion: A speaker selects any published selection of prose, poetry or drama that is humorous. The purpose is to give enjoyment and create laughter. The ability to use facial and bodily expression is essential. Often the speaker needs to portray multiple

characters. An introduction is required and the speaker has ten minutes to perform. A script is optional.
Serious Prose and Serious Poetry are very similar regarding what the speaker needs to portray. Speakers are judged on their ability to get and give meaning through vocal and facial expression. Both are taken from either a published story or a poem respectively. An introduction is required and a script is optional.
Dramatic Interpretation is similar to serious Prose and Poetry but the selection is taken from a published play. Often more than one character needs to be interpreted through vocal, facial and bodily expression. An introduction is required and a script is optional. Dramatic Interpretation, Serious Prose and Serious Poetry all have a maximum time limit of 10 minutes.

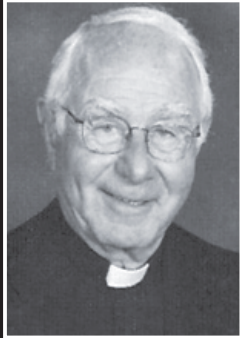
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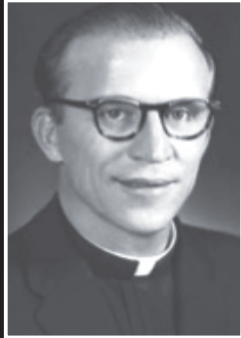
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Fr. William Curtis



Fr. Leland Smith



Fr. Richard Hatch

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Adrian senior Skylar Hieronimus (right) became the third Dragon wrestler to win a second state title by going 4-0 to take top honors at 126 pounds in St. Paul over the weekend.

Hieronimus takes home Class A championship for Adrian

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian High School wrestling program experienced a successful appearance at the Minnesota State Class A Wrestling Championships at the Xcel Energy Center in St. Paul Friday and Saturday. Adrian, which was represented by seven seniors and one junior at the event, returned home with one state champion and two state place-winners.

Dragon coach Gregg Nelson was happy with the way his athletes competed.

"It's like I told the boys after the tournament. If you would have told them back in November that we would have eight individual qualifiers and three state place-winners, most of them would have taken it," he said.

Senior Skylar Hieronimus became the third AHS wrestler in program history to capture a second state title over the weekend.

Hieronimus, who captured the 103-pound championship as a sophomore in 2014, didn't advance to state last winter due to an injury.

As a senior, Hieronimus went 4-0 to take top honors at 126 pounds.

He joins Pat Dorn (a state champion at 138 pounds in 1984 and 1985) and Tyler Bullerman (a state champion at 171 in 2001 and 2002) as two-time winners at the state tournament.

"Skylar capped off a good weekend for us by winning a state championship," Nelson said.

"He was really solid, on top

of his game. He beat everyone of the kids who placed in his weight class at the state tournament or during the season. He was the second seed entering the tournament and No. 1 when it was over."

Hieronimus notched a 4-1 win over West Central Area sophomore Kaden Spindler during Friday's opening round before rolling to a 16-2 victory over Dover-Eyota junior Corbin Powrie in the quarterfinals.

Hieronimus pinned Staples-Motley junior Eric Lisson in Saturday's semifinals before capping his 42-4 season by securing a 6-3 win over Frazee junior Tanner Reetz in the finals.

Seniors Michael Preuss

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Nielsen makes history by placing for second time

By John Rittenhouse

A Luverne High School junior accomplished something no other Cardinal wrestler has in 16 years at the Minnesota State Class AA Wrestling Championships at the Xcel Energy Center in St. Paul over the weekend.

Solomon Nielsen, who placed second at 160 pounds during the Section 3AA Tournament one week earlier, won three consecutive matches before falling in the finals to end the season with a second-place finish at the state classic.

Nielsen is the first wrestler to place second at state since 2000, when Jordan Petersen finished second and Alex Serie captured the program's last state individual title.

Daryl Meyer placed second at state in 1990.

He also becomes first LHS wrestler to place more than once in state competition.

"It was Solomon's goal to get to the state finals and accomplished that," said Cardinal coach Tony Johnson.

"I think he came out and took care of business early in the tournament. I wouldn't say he wrestled his best on Saturday, but he went up against two very good kids."

Nielsen dominated the first two opponents he faced during Friday's opening rounds.

The LHS standout won by technical fall over Minneapolis Edison junior Tyler Dailey before pinning Perham freshman Zach Peterson with five seconds remaining in the quarterfinal-round match.

"He took care of the first kid he faced pretty easily," Johnson said.

"He went up against a good freshman from Perham, who we watched wrestle in the team competition on Thursday, in the second round. Solomon just went out there



John Rittenhouse photo/0303 solomon 1

Luverne junior Solomon Nielsen became the first Cardinal wrestler to place second at the state tournament since 2000 during the Class AA event in St. Paul Friday and Saturday.

and took care of that kid after giving up an early takedown."

Waiting for Nielsen in Saturday's semifinals was Kasson-Mantorville junior Brady Berge, a two-time defending state champion ranked No. 1 at 160 pounds heading into

the state tournament.

Berge lived up to the billing by opening a 9-3 lead over Nielsen early in the third period, but the unthinkable happened moments later.

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Luverne's Makayla Sterrett (left), Mariah Aukes (right) and Madisyn Dingmann (below) made the 2015-16 All-Big South Conference Girls' Hockey Team. Carly Serie (middle) drew honorable mention honors for the Cardinals.

Four Luverne girls grace postseason list

By John Rittenhouse

Four members of the Luverne High School girls' hockey team raked in postseason honors from the Big South Conference last week.

Three LHS players graced the 13-athlete 2015-16 All-BSC Girls' Hockey team and another Cardinal landed one of seven honorable mention selections doled out by league officials.

Seniors Makayla Sterrett and Madisyn Dingmann and junior Mariah Aukes made the all-league team.

Junior Carly Serie drew honorable mention honors.

Fairmont matched LHS by landing three players on the all-league list.

Seniors Brooke Lemon, Jalyassa Wilson and Tierny Arens grace the roster for FHS.

New Ulm, Waseca and St. Peter-Le Sueur-Henderson received two all-conference selections each.

Seniors Brook Schugel and Brittany Denn represent NU, seniors Anna Hoehn and Maddy Knool made the list



Dingmann

for Waseca and senior Maddie Kleschult and sophomore Jordan Keeley cracked the roster for SP-L-H.

Marshall sophomore Mauch rounds out the all-conference squad.

Other players drawing honorable mention honors include Waseca sophomores Riley Brown and Dani Dahms, Fairmont junior Taylor Nuss, Marshall sophomore Rachel VanKuelen, NU senior Vanessa Anderson and Windom sophomore Molly Boyum.

L-D-C scores in overtime to ice LHS boys

By John Rittenhouse

The Section 3A championship trophy was within reach Feb. 24 at Lund Center in St. Peter.

Unfortunately for the Luverne boys, the opposing team grabbed it.

Litchfield-Dassel-Cokato, the tournament's second seed, netted an improbable goal late in regulation play to force overtime and scored early in the extra session to hand the top-seeded Cardinals a stunning, 7-6 setback.

Luverne ends the season with a 22-6 record.

In what was a high scoring, entertaining game, it was the Dragons who registered the most important goals.

Trailing 5-4 entering the third period, Luverne's Jaxon Nelson (3:03 into the stanza) and Chaz Smedsrud (a power-play goal with 7:51 left in regulation play) completed hat tricks to give the Cardinals a 6-5 edge.

It looked like Luverne's lead would remain intact when the game entered the final minute of regulation play, but L-D-C rose to the challenge.

After lifting their goalie in favor of an extra skater, the Dragons knotted the score at six when Jared Pederson netted his second goal of the game with 35 seconds remaining.

L-D-C settled the issue early in overtime, exactly 95 seconds after Luverne was whistled for a penalty 33 seconds into the extra stanza.

Dragon Ben Haugo poked a power-play goal into the net 2:08 into overtime to give L-D-C its first section championship since 2008.

Both teams sported leads in a wild first period that included five goals being scored the first 7:04.

David Raisanen gave the Dragons a 1-0 lead nine seconds into the game before Nelson knotted the score at one 49 seconds into the contest.

Raisanen regained the lead (2-1) for the Dragons after



John Rittenhouse photo/0303 lbh 13

Luverne's Kasyn Kruse moves the puck away from the Luverne net during the Section 3A Boys' Hockey Tournament championship game in St. Peter Feb. 24. Litchfield-Dassel-Cokato nipped the Cardinals 7-6 in overtime to end Luverne's 22-6 campaign.

netting a power-play goal at the 13:16 mark of the period.

Luverne, however, scored twice in a span of 25 seconds to gain a 3-2 advantage.

Smedsrud scored his goal with 10:19 remaining in the stanza to knot the score before Nelson netted his second goal of the period with 9:56 left to give the Cards their first lead.

L-D-C received goals from Luke Brown and Brandt Pedersen 29 seconds apart to move in front 4-3 at the 12:06 mark of the second period.

Smedsrud knotted the score at four with 9:09 remaining in the stanza, but Jared Pedersen's first goal of the contest with 2:28 remaining gave the Dragons a 5-4 edge they would

take into the final period.

LHS goalie Kaden Ericson made 34 saves against a L-D-C team that sported a 41-38 advantage in shots on goal in the game.

Jim Erickson led the Cards with two assists, while Smedsrud, Nick Behrend, Kasyn Kruse, Erik Tofteland and Jesse Reed charted one assist each.



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Luverne sophomore guard Sierra Schmuck shoots over a pair of MCW defenders during Friday's game in Sherburn.

Girls end season Friday

By John Rittenhouse

The Luverne girls bowed out of the South Section 3AA Basketball Tournament during the event's quarterfinal round in Sherburn Friday.

The sixth-seeded Cardinals met No. 3 Martin County West to open the tournament on the Mavericks' home court.

Luverne played with MCW most of the night, but the Mavericks pulled away in the second half to secure a 43-31 win.

LHS ends the year with a 7-19 record.

After LHS took a 2-0 lead with a field goal from Morgan Haugen 51 seconds into the game, MCW put together an 18-6 run to open a 10-point lead (18-8) at the 9:48 mark of the first half.

The Cards trimmed the difference to four points (20-16) when Haugen sank another field goal with 4:59 remaining.

MCW, however, scored the final two points of the stanza to lead 22-16 at halftime.

A three-point play from

Haugen 2:20 into the second half made it a five-point game (24-19), but the Mavericks responded to the challenge by going on an 8-2 run to open a 32-21 lead with 9:57 left to play.

Luverne trailed by seven (32-25) when Hailey Remme drilled a field goal at the 8:35 mark.

The Mavericks countered by scoring the next six points to extend the lead to 13 (38-25) before settling with a 12-point victory at game's end.

Haugen turned in a 17-point, five-rebound, three-assist performance for the Cardinals. Nicole Kneip grabbed seven rebounds and Zayna Hustoft recorded three steals for LHS.

Box score
Schmuck 0 0 0-0 0, Peterson 0 0 0-0 0, Remme 2 0 0-0 4, Kneip 3 0 0-1 6, Jacobsma 0 0 2-2 2, Haugen 6 0 5-7 17, Hustoft 1 0 0-0 2.

Team statistics
Luverne: 12 of 33 field goals (36 percent), seven of 10 free throws (70 percent), 23 rebounds, 13 turnovers.
MCW: 16 of 39 field goals (41 percent), seven of 13 free throws (54 percent), 25 rebounds, 10 turnovers.

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"Berge tried pulling Solomon on top of him and his leg got twisted underneath him. All of his weight and Solomon's weight came down on that leg and you could tell something serious had happened when he hit the mat," Johnson said. Berge ended up breaking a bone in his leg.

He tried to wrestle again, but they called off the match 30 or 40 seconds later because he just couldn't do anything on that leg.

The win by injury default sent Nielsen to the finals, where he locked horns with Redwood-River Valley senior Sam Baier for the third time

this season.

Baier, who defeated Nielsen 7-6 in Springfield Jan. 14 and handed him a 3-2 setback during the section title match in Worthington Feb. 20, made it three wins in a row over Nielsen in the finals.

Baier registered two take-downs and one escape during a 5-2 win over Nielsen, who registered two escapes in the championship match.

"Baier is a very good wrestler so Solomon lost to a very worthy opponent," Johnson said. "Give him credit because he found a way to shut down Solomon's offensive moves."

Wildcats upset H-BC in 3A quarterfinals

By John Rittenhouse

The Hills-Beaver Creek girls became a victim in an upset during the quarterfinal round of the South Section 3A Basketball Tournament Saturday in Worthington.

Although the Patriots and Heron Lake-Okabena split games during the regular season, H-BC inherited the favorite role based on its third seed compared with the sixth seed given to the Wildcats. Ultimately, the game belonged to the underdogs.

The Wildcats outscored H-BC in both halves of the game to secure a 58-45 victory.

The Patriots end the season with a 16-8 record.

The game started in a positive way for H-BC as Avery Van Roekel canned a field goal 1:04 into the contest to give the Patriots a 4-0 cushion.

H-BC led by six (10-4) when Van Roekel drained a pair of charity shots at the 12:04 mark, but the Wildcats didn't blink.

HL-O dominated play over the next 11 minutes by putting together a 20-4 run to open a 24-14 advantage.

H-BC did trim the difference to six points (24-18) when Van Roekel converted a field goal with 16 seconds left in the first half, making it any team's game to win in the second stanza.

Van Roekel scored eight seconds into the second half to make it a 24-20 contest, but that proved to be as close as H-BC would come to catching the Wildcats.

HL-O assumed control of the contest with a 16-4 run that gave the Wildcats a 16-point (40-24) cushion at the 10:36 mark of the stanza.

H-BC trimmed the difference to 12 points twice and trailed by nine (52-43) when Van Roekel buried a pair of free throws with 2:40 left to play.

The Wildcats thwarted the challenge by outscoring the Patriots 6-2 the rest of the game to win by 13.

Van Roekel netted 23 points to lead the Patriots in scoring.

Megan Gehrke led the Patriots with eight rebounds, three steals and three assists, while Grace Bundesen snared five rebounds.

Box score
Tilstra 0 0 1-3 1, Spath 0 0 0-0 0, Lingen 0 0 2-2 2, Fick 0 1 0-0 3, Bundesen 1 0 4-5 6, Wyssong 0 0 0-0 0, Wilhelm 0 0 0-1 0, Gehrke 1 0 0-0 2, Van Roekel 7 1 6-6 23, Rozeboom 3 0 2-4 8.

Team statistics
H-BC: 14 of 64 field goals (22 percent), 15 of 21 free throws (71 percent), 24 rebounds, 14 turnovers.
HL-O: 21 of 51 field goals (41 percent), 14 of 25 free throws (56 percent), 40 rebounds, 16 turnovers.



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H-BC freshman forward Grace Bundesen looks for room to put up a shot against Heron Lake-Okabena defender Andrea Hinkeldey during Saturday's game in Worthington.

Edgerton Flying Dutchmen eliminate Adrian

By John Rittenhouse

The Adrian girls' basketball team wrapped up the 2015-16 season during the quarterfinal round of the South Section 3A Tournament Saturday in Worthington.

Adrian, the tournament's fifth seed, met No. 4 Edgerton to open the event.

The teams split games during the regular season, but the Flying Dutchmen won the rubber match by handing AHS a 64-31 setback.

The Dragons end the season with an 11-14 record.

Adrian couldn't put things together on the floor against EHS.

The Flying Dutchmen scored the first seven points of the game on the way to building a 23-7 advantage at the 9:32 mark of the first half.

An 8-2 surge ending with a three-point shot by Adrian's Hannah Bullerman made it a 10-point game (25-15) with



John Rittenhouse photo/0226 ebb 8

Adrian's Paige Bullerman tossed in a team-high 10 points during Saturday's tournament game in Worthington.

5:57 remaining in the stanza. Edgerton, however, ended

the half with an 11-0 run to sport a 36-15 lead at the in-

termission.

Adrian was unable to seriously challenge the Flying Dutchmen in the second half.

Edgerton, which outscored AHS 28-16 in the stanza, never led by less than 21 points and sported a 35-point lead (64-29) at one stage of the stanza before settling with a 33-point win at game's end.

Paige Bullerman led AHS offensively with 10 points.

Hannah Bullerman and Miah Kunkel pulled down nine and five rebounds respectively.

Box score
H.Bullerman 0 2 1-3 7, R.Hokeness 0 0 0-0 0, Kemper 0 0 0-0 0, J.Hokeness 0 0 0-0 0, Tweet 0 0 0-2 0, Bents 1 0 1-2 3, Loonan 0 0 0-0 0, Weidert 0 0 0-0 0, Kunkel 0 0 5-6 5, Grussing 1 0 0-0 2, Sjogren 0 0 2-2 2, Jeffers 0 0 2-2 2, Slater 0 0 0-0 0, Heidebrink 0 0 0-0 0, P.Bullerman 4 0 2-3 10.

Team statistics
Adrian: eight of 43 field goals (19 percent), 13 of 20 free throws (65 percent), 32 rebounds, 28 turnovers.
Edgerton: 25 of 65 field goals (38 percent), 11 of 18 free throws (61 percent), 33 rebounds, 14 turnovers.

Luverne Lanes hosts annual City Tournament

By John Rittenhouse

Results from the 2015-16 Luverne City Bowling Tournaments at Luverne Lanes.

Women's division

Team Event: Luverne Lanes, 2,099; Rock Vet Clinic, 2,071.
Doubles Event: Evie Kephart and J.R. Weis, 1,129; Missy Merrill and Sue Buffington, 1,096; Marie Opheim and Mark Opheim, 1,055; Leanne Maciejack

and Pat Weerheim, 1,010; David Weis and Brenda Stickling, 991.
Singles Event: Leanne Maciejack, 602; Sue Buffington, 589; Evie Kephart, 577; Missy Merrill, 563; Mark Opheim, 560; Brenda Stickling, 545; Pat Weerheim, 535; Marie Opheim, 511; David Weis, 497; J.R. Weis, 452.
All Events Handicap: Leanne Maciejack, 1,727; Evie Kephart, 1,705; Missy Merrill, 1,652; Sue Buffington, 1,612; Marie Opheim, 1,578; Pat Weerheim, 1,575; David Weiss, 1,489.
All Events Scratch: Leanne Maciejack,

1,421; Pat Weerheim, 1,404; Evie Kephart, 1,264; Sue Buffington, 1,144; Marie Opheim, 1,137; Missy Merrill, 1,031; David Weis, 931.

Men's Division

Team Event: Jeff's Team, 1,979; Dean's Team, 1,776.
Doubles Event: Billy DeBates and Anthony Schwebach, 1,276; Jeremy Gehm and Ryan Fey, 1,250; Jeff Runia and Landon Runia, 1,249; Woody Tiesler and Ryder Kruse, 1,200; Mike Hoover

and Zach Runia, 1,121.
Singles event: Mike Hoover, 674; Dean Fey, 619; Arden Fick, 610; Jeremy Gehm, 603; Billy DeBates, 598; Wayne Uilk, 595; Cody Galer, 571; Zach Runia, 569; Landon Runia, 569; Ryder Kruse, 564; Woody Tiesler, 560; Jeff Runia, 529.
All Events Handicap: Billy DeBates, 1,925; Landon Runia, 1,862; Jeff Runia, 1,799; Jeremy Gehm, 1,763.
All Events Scratch: Billy DeBates, 1,709; Jeff Runia, 1,547; Jeremy Gehm, 1,403; Landon Runia, 1,311.

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(152) and Ryan Elias (132) placed fourth and fifth in their respective weight classes.

"Preuss and Elias wanted to place at state and they got it done," Nelson said.

"Three of our other five guys won at least one match, so it was a good tournament for us."

Preuss opened the tournament by rolling to a 14-3 win over Kenyon-Wanamingo junior Peyton Hilke in Friday's opening round before being pinned by Pierz' senior Kolton Eischens in 2:44 of the quarterfinals.

Preuss bounced back in consolation bracket on Saturday to pin Zumbrota-Mazeppa sophomore Hayden Voxland (2:44), posting a 9-4 win over Lake Crystal-Welcome-Memorial senior Damon Schmalzreidt and pinning Belgrade-Brooten-Elrosa senior Colby Schramel (3:49) to earn another shot at Eischens in the third-place match.

Eischens handed Preuss a 15-7 setback in the third-place match to end the Dragons' 39-9 senior's season.

Elias posted a 7-2 win over Frazee senior Ethan Byer (Byer went on to place third) in Friday's opening round and reached the semifinals after posting a 13-10 win over Atwater-Cosmos-Grove City senior Brennan Holien in the semifinals.

New London Spicer senior Tom Stageberg, the eventual 132-pound champion, nipped Elias 7-5 in Saturday's semi-

finals.

St. Charles senior Al Spaeth (who placed fourth overall) bested 5-0 Elias in his first consolation match, but the AHS senior regrouped to top Maple River sophomore Lincoln Arndt 3-1 in the fifth-place match to complete his 33-12 season.

Seniors Logan Rogers, Logan Nelson, Matthew Slater and Gavin Engelkes and junior Dylan Gyberg wrestled without placing for AHS.

Rogers won two matches at 145 to finish the year with a 32-13 record.

Rogers notched a 17-11 win over West Central Area's Keaton Long in Friday's opening round before falling 4-2 to Badger-Greenbush-Middle River senior Nick Kaml (who eventually placed third) in the quarterfinals.

Rogers topped Pierz sophomore Jalen Jansen 8-3 in consolation competition before ending with a 4-0 loss to United South Central Adam Knutson, who went on to place sixth.

Nelson opened the tournament by securing a 9-6 win over WCA junior Tyler Onstad in the opening round at 138.

Nelson's win was followed by losses to Dover-Eyota senior Ryan Keach (8-3 to the eventual 138-pound champion) and to Pelican Rapids senior Dakota Pixley (6-4), ending his 27-15 campaign.

Gyberg earned a 13-6 win over Blackduck-Cass Lake-Bena sophomore Hunter Wilcowski in the opening round at 195 before falling 12-0 in the quarterfinals to Caledonia junior Alex Goergen, who eventually placed second overall.

Gyberg's 35-9 season ended with a 4-3 loss to Barnesville's Kieran Johnson in the consolation bracket.

Slater and Engelkes went 0-2 at 160 and 220 respectively. Slater dropped an 18-7 decision to Atkin senior Noah Landrus (the eventual 160-pound champion) before falling 5-3 to Kimball senior Brady Behr, ending his 16-10 year.

Engelkes lost a 7-3 decision to Pierz senior Teddy Dehler (who eventually placed fourth at 220) before being pinned in 5:00 by Le Sueur-Henderson junior Trenton Rogich (who eventually placed third) to end his 33-8 campaign.



Connor Sandbulte

Sport: Hockey
Position: Defense
Parents: Nedwin and Shelley Sandbulte
Favorite Subject: History
Extra-Curricular Activities: Football, Baseball
Future Plans: Go to college, come back to Luverne, start a family, live life



Morgan Haugen

Sport: Basketball
Position: Wing
Parents: Kurt and Juile Haugen
Favorite Subject: Accounting
Extra Curricular Activities: Basketball, Golf, Student Council, Youth Group, Choir
Future Plans: Join the Air Guard, go to college



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GRAVEL BIDS: BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP

Crushed gravel to be spread on Township roads.

Bids will be expected on, before or at the monthly meeting

Thursday, April 14
7:30 p.m.

at the township hall

Bids may be sent to:

Beaver Creek Township
Kathy King, Clerk
PO Box 67
Beaver Creek, MN 56116

~ Kathy King
Township Clerk



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H-BC senior guard Stuart Plimpton puts up a short jump shot against Murray County Central during a semifinal-round game of the South Section 3A Boys' Basketball Tournament in Worthington Feb. 23.

Top-seeded MCC Rebels oust Patriot boys

By John Rittenhouse

The 2015-16 basketball season came to an end for the Hills-Beaver Creek Patriots during the semifinal round of the South Section 3A Tournament Feb. 23 in Worthington. Fourth-seeded H-BC put up a good fight against No. 1 Murray County Central in the first half, but the second half belonged to the Rebels. MCC outscored the Patriots 36-23 in the final 18 minutes of play to secure a 62-46 victory. H-BC ends the season with a 12-14 record. After falling behind 8-2

early in the game, the Patriots went on a 12-point run ending with a field goal from Cooper Vaughn to open a 14-8 lead at the 8:37 mark of the first half. MCC canned three consecutive three-point shots to regain the lead at 17-14, but a 6-1 spurt capped by Stuart Plimpton gave the Patriots a 20-19 edge with 3:07 left in the stanza. The Rebels outscored H-BC 7-3 the rest of the half to lead 26-23 at the break. Zach Scholten converted a field goal 14 seconds into the second half to trim the differ-

ence to one (26-25), but the Patriots never did regain the lead in the stanza. MCC went on a 15-4 run to open a 41-29 cushion before Preston Wilhelmi canned a three for H-BC to make it a nine-point (41-32) game with less than 11:30 remaining. MCC, however, scored the next 12 points to open a commanding 53-32 lead with 5:46 left to play. H-BC outscored the Rebels 14-9 the rest of the night and trailed by 16 (62-46) when Jed Burgers converted a field goal with 14.3 seconds left, but

MCC was never seriously challenged in the final six minutes. Scholten (14 points and 11 rebounds), Vaughn (10 points, six assists and five steals) and Trenton Bass (10 points) led H-BC statistically. Box score Vaughn 5 0 0-2 10, Burgers 1 0 0-1 2, Vis 0 0 0-0 0, Plimpton 1 0 0-0 2, Bass 4 0 2-2 10, Wilhelmi 0 2 0-0 6, Kueter 1 0 0-0 2, Scholten 7 0 0-0 14, Forshey 0 0 0-4 0, Raymon 0 0 0-0 0. Team statistics H-BC: 21 of 50 field goals (42 percent), two of nine free throws (22 percent), 26 rebounds, 25 turnovers. MCC: 23 of 48 field goals (48 percent), 12 of 17 free throws (71 percent), 30 rebounds, 10 turnovers.

Panthers cap 5-18 season

By John Rittenhouse

The basketball season came to an end for the Ellsworth girls last week. The Panthers posted an overtime win over Hednicks Feb. 23 in Ellsworth to finish a 5-18 regular season. EHS bowed out of the South Section 3A Tournament by dropping an opening round game against Westbrook-Walnut Grove Thursday in Ellsworth, ending a 5-19 campaign.

W-WG 55, Ellsworth 51 The Panthers were unable to advance to Saturday's quarterfinals after dropping a four-point game to the Chargers Thursday in Ellsworth. The seventh-seeded Panthers sported leads early in the game, but No. 8 W-WG moved in front in the final five minutes of the first half and never lost the lead the rest of the night. EHS led 6-0 after Megan Popkes converted a field goal 3:21 into the game, but W-WG countered with a 7-1 spurt to knot the score at seven at the 12:58 mark of the first half. The score was tied at 20 when the Chargers reeled off seven consecutive points to open their biggest lead (27-20) of the first half. A three-point play by Ellsworth's Sierra Smith trimmed the difference to two points (27-25) with 42.8 seconds remaining, but the Chargers nailed a three-point shot before the buzzer sounded to sport a 30-25 advantage at the intermission. W-WG never led by more than six points in a competitive second stanza. Ellsworth trailed by one (32-31) when Smith completed a three-point play 2:41 in the second half and the Panthers still trailed by one (47-46) with less than four minutes remaining. An 8-3 spurt by the Chargers upped the lead to six points (53-47) with 37 seconds left, setting the stage for a four-point victory at game's end. Popkes (19 points and seven rebounds), Smith (19 points) and Hannah Kramer (11



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Ellsworth eighth-grader Ashlyn Meester releases a shot in the paint during Thursday's tournament game against Westbrook-Walnut Grove in Ellsworth.

points and five assists) led the Panthers statistically. Box score Kramer 2 1 4-6 11, L.Chapa 0 0 0-0 0, Mulder 0 0 0-0 0, K.Chapa 1 0 0-0 2, Meester 0 0 0-1 0, Popkes 6 2 1-3 19, Smith 7 0 5-5 19. Team statistics Ellsworth: 19 of 47 field goals (40 percent), 10 of 15 free throws (67 percent), 21 rebounds, 13 turnovers.

EHS 44, Hendricks 43 The Panthers finished the regular season by posting a one-point home win over the Grizzlies in overtime Feb. 23. After trailing 13-12 at half-time, the Panthers opened a six-point lead late in the second half before Hendricks hit a pair of three-point shots to knot the score at 32 and force overtime.

EHS outscored the Grizzlies 12-11 in the extra session to secure its fifth win of the season. Ashlyn Meester (17 points), Smith (13 points, nine rebounds and three assists), Popkes (13 rebounds), Kalle Chapa (six rebounds) and Kramer (three assists) led the

Panthers to victory. Box score Kramer 0 1 0-0 3, K.Chapa 1 0 0-0 2, Meester 1 5 0-1 17, Popkes 2 1 2-3 9, Smith 6 0 1-2 13. Team statistics Ellsworth: 17 of 53 field goals (32 percent), three of six free throws (50 percent), 37 rebounds, 17 turnovers.

Palace Theatre

Blue Mound Area Theatre

Annual Meeting Notice

Tuesday, March 8 at 7 p.m. at Bluestem

Public welcome

Hieronimus, Nielsen will be recalled as great ones

Two of the best high school wrestlers I laid eyes on this winter proved their prowess at the state tournament in St. Paul over the weekend. Adrian senior Skylar Hieronimus and Luverne junior Solomon Nielsen established their standings among the state's elite competitors. They also solidified their standing as being two of the best wrestlers their respective programs have ever produced. Any wrestling fan with a heart had to throw their support behind Hieronimus this winter. The AHS standout became the program's 10th individual state champion as a sophomore in 2014. More success was expected to follow during his junior year at AHS, but fate kept it from happening. Not only did Hieronimus sustain an Achilles' injury that plagued him throughout the season and played a key role in his losing a true second-place match at the Section 3A Tournament in 2015, his heart was in a different place as well. His mother, Jackie, was battling ovarian cancer during Hieronimus' junior year and she eventually lost that fight when the season was complete. Hieronimus overcame his turbulent junior season by turning in a spectacular senior campaign. He won the section 3A title at 126 pounds and posted four consecutive wins inside the Xcel Energy Center over the weekend to claim his second state championship.



FROM THE SIDELINES

By John Rittenhouse, sports editor

By doing so, Hieronimus becomes Adrian's third wrestler to capture two individual state championships along with Pat Dorn (1984-85) and Tyler Bullerman (2001-02). Nielsen made some history of his own over the weekend. After placing fourth at the state tournament as a 152-pound sophomore last winter, Nielsen accomplished something no other LHS wrestler has over the weekend. One week after earning a return trip to state by placing second at 160 pounds during the Section 3AA Tournament, Nielsen became Luverne's first two-time state place-winner by finishing second at the state classic. Nielsen is the third LHS wrestler to place second at the state level. With a promising senior season ahead of him, he not only could become Luverne's first three-time state place-finisher in program history, he should pass Matt Skattum (136 career victories) on the program's all-time wins list. I have to tip my hat to both athletes. Based on character and performance, I'll think of you guys as being two of the best wrestlers I ever had the privilege to watch in nearly 30 years of covering sports locally.

Notice of Annual Township Meetings & Elections

Notice is hereby given that the following townships will hold their annual meeting and elections on Tuesday, March 8, 2016. In case of inclement weather, they will be held one week later on March 15, 2016.

- Battle Plain Township**
Lloyd Prins' farm ½ west, 2 north and ½ mile east of the old township. 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 and 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 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 7 pm
- Mound Township**
Rock County Highway Building. Meeting 4-5 pm and Election 5-8 pm to elect one Supervisor 3-year term and one Clerk 2-year term
- Rosedell Township**
Township Hall. 4-5 pm Business Meeting
- Springwater Township**
Beaver Creek Township Hall. Business meeting 1:30 pm and Election 5-8 pm to elect one Supervisor 3-year term and one Clerk 2-year term
- Vienna township**
Kenneth Community Hall. Business Meeting 4-5 pm

Rock County Township Association
Peter Bakken, Secretary/Treasurer

Star Herald CHURCH

St. Catherine Catholic Church
203 E. Brown St., Luverne
St. Catherine Ph.: 283-8502

St. Mary Catholic Church, Ellsworth

Thursday, March 3: 5:30 p.m. Social Ministry; Girl Scouts. 6 p.m. Cluster meeting in Pipestone. Friday, March 4: 9:30 a.m. Mass at Parkview Manor. Saturday, March 5: 5:30 p.m. Mass at St. Catherine. Sunday, March 6: 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Mary's in Ellsworth. Faith Formation K-5. 10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Catherine. Sunday School and CLW. 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Soup and dessert at St. Mary. Monday, March 7: 7 p.m. LCCW. Tuesday, March 8: 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Bible Study. 6:30 p.m. Serve at The Banquet. 7 p.m. Cub Scouts. Wednesday, March 9: 10 a.m. Mass at Mary Jane Brown Home. 3:30 and 7 p.m. Faith Formation. 5 p.m. Spaghetti supper. 6:15 p.m. Stations. 7 p.m. RCIA. Thursday, March 10: 1 to 4 p.m. Fun Day. 4 p.m. Vets. 5:30 p.m. Girl Scouts.

Luverne Christian Reformed Church
605 N. Estey St., Luverne
Office Ph. 283-8482; Prayer Line Ph. 449-5982
www.luvernrcr.com — luvernecrc@gmail.com

Roger Sparks, Pastor

Sunday, March 6: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 11 a.m. Sunday School and Catechism Classes. 6:30 p.m. Worship. Monday, March 7: 9 a.m. PERK UP at Pizza Ranch. Tuesday, March 8: 9:30 a.m. CoffeeBreak/Story Hour. Wednesday, March 9: 5:30 p.m. Youth Group Supper.

First Baptist Church
1033 N. Jackson St., P.O. Box 975, Luverne
Ph. 283-4091; email: fbcluv@iw.net — www.fbcluverne.org

Dick Lauger, Pastor

Thursday, March 3: Noon Senior Focus potluck. 7 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Friday, March 4: 6 a.m. Men's Bible Study at First Baptist Church. Sunday, March 6: 9:15 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Morning Service with Communion. 6 p.m. Evening Service. Tuesday, March 8: 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study at First Baptist Church. 4 p.m. Women's Bible Study at First Baptist Church. Wednesday, March 9: 6:55 p.m. Awana/Sparky Parents Night. Thursday, March 10: 7 p.m. Worship on Channel 3.

Grace Lutheran Church
500 N. Kniss Ave., Luverne
Ph. 283-4431; www.graceluverne.org — Nichols-glc@live.com

Ron Nichols, Pastor; Cole McCormick, Interim Pastor

Thursday, March 3: 8:30 a.m. MIA. 9:30 a.m. Coffee. 4:30 p.m. Book Study. Friday, March 4: 6:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Saturday, March 5: 5:30 p.m. Worship with Communion. Sunday, March 6: Noisy Sunday. 8:15 Radio broadcast; Worship with Communion. 9:15 a.m. Coffee. 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Study. 9:50 a.m. Fifth-grade First Communion class. 10:45 a.m. Worship with Communion. Noon Fifth grade making bread. Monday, March 7: 4 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Tuesday, March 8: 9 a.m. Staff meeting. 1:30 p.m. GLCW Executive Board. 6:45 p.m. Ministry meetings. 8 p.m. PPC. Wednesday, March 9: 7 a.m. Men's Study. 3:15 p.m. Faithweavers. 5:30 p.m. Lenten Supper. 6:45 p.m. Lenten Service; Chancel Choir rehearsal to follow. Exaltation team rehearsal. Thursday, March 10: 2 p.m. GLCW gather (weather permitting). 4:30 p.m. Book Study.

Bethany Lutheran Church
720 N. Kniss Ave., Luverne

Ph. 283-4571 — pastorapalmquist67@yahoo.com

Thursday, March 3: 5 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Sunday, March 6: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 9:15 a.m. Bible Class. 10:15 a.m. Worship. Tuesday, March 8: 3:30 p.m. Communion at Veterans Home. Wednesday, March 9: 6 p.m. Soup Supper. 7 p.m. Lent Vespers. 7:45 p.m. Catechism. Thursday, March 10: 2 p.m. Ladies Aid. 5 p.m. Worship on Channel 3.

American Reformed Church
304 N. Fairview Dr., Luverne

Ph. 283-8600; email: office@arcluverne.org

Thursday, March 3: 6 p.m. Ladies Night Out. 7 p.m. Worship Team meeting. Friday, March 4: 6:30 a.m. Community Men's Bible Study. 1:30 p.m. World Day of Prayer Service. Saturday, March 5: 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. ARC Winter Retreat. Sunday, March 6: 9:30 a.m. Worship. 10:50 a.m. Family Education. 7 p.m. Senior RCYF. Monday, March 7: 5:30 and 6:30 a.m. Breakfast at The Banquet. 7 p.m. Esther Circle; Financial Peace; Winter Retreat meeting. Tuesday, March 8: 10 a.m. Staff meeting. 7 p.m. Consistory meeting; Brimstone Study. Wednesday, March 9: 5:30 p.m. Midweek Meal. 6:30 p.m. Pioneer Clubs. 6:45 p.m. Rachel Circle. 7 p.m. Shine a Light Tour; Abide Praise Team. 8 p.m. Adult Choir. Thursday, March 10: 9 a.m. Classis Meeting in Blomkest.

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church
220 N. Cedar St., Luverne

Sundays: 10:30 a.m. Worship Service; Fellowship after service. Wednesdays: 6:30 p.m. Bible Study. Our Mission Statement: Historic Holy Trinity strives to serve God and our community through worship, stewardship and friendship. Contact Emily Lodine Overgaard at (507) 227-6175 for information. Come as you are — our leader wore sandals.

First Assembly of God Church
1075 110th Ave., 2 miles west of Luverne on County Rd. 4
Kenneth and Gloria Kashner, Pastors

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

United Methodist Church

109 N. Freeman Ave., Luverne

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

Thursday, March 3: 1-3 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf. Saturday, March 6: 8 p.m. AA meeting in Upper Room. Sunday, March 6: 9 a.m. Traditional Worship. 10 a.m. Coffee Hour. 10:05 a.m. Bible Study in Upper Room. 11 a.m. Come as You Are Worship. 6 p.m. A.L.I.V.E. Youth Group. Monday, March 7: 6:30 p.m. Worship and Music Committee meeting. Wednesday, March 9: 5:30 p.m. Supper for F.U.E.L and Confirmation students and families. 6 p.m. F.U.E.L. Children's Ministry and Confirmation. 7 p.m. Lenten Service at First Presbyterian. 8 p.m. AA meeting in Upper Room. Thursday, March 10: 1-3 p.m. Rock County Food Shelf. 7 p.m. Coloring/Crafting Stress Free Zone.

First Presbyterian Church
302 Central Lane, Luverne

Ph. 283-4787; email: Firstpc@iw.net — www.fpcluverne.com50

Sunday, March 6: 9 a.m. Sunday School. 10:15 a.m. Worship Service. Monday, March 7: 5 p.m. Weight Watchers. Tuesday, March 8: Home Communion. 5:30 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Wednesday, March 9: 10 a.m. PW Bible Study at Poplar Creek. 6 p.m. Confirmation; Bells. 7 p.m. Lenten Service. 8 p.m. Choir.

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

Thursday, March 3: 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Little Lambs Devotions. 2 p.m. Women's Society. Saturday, March 5: 5:30 p.m. Worship. Sunday, March 6: 9 a.m. Worship. Senior Choir sings. 10:15 a.m. Special Voters' meeting; Christian Education Hour. 11:15 a.m. Junior Choir. 4 p.m. Junior LYF (grades 6-8). Monday, March 7: 8:30 a.m. Little Lambs make-up day. 9 a.m. Circuit Pastors Conference at Trinity Lutheran in Slayton. 5-8 p.m. Youth Pizza Ranch Tip Night. 7:30 p.m. Elders Meeting. Tuesday, March 8: 1:15 Lyon Manor Communion. 2:15 p.m. Tuff Home Communion. 6 p.m. Mom's Night Out. 7 p.m. Guild. Wednesday, March 9: 9 a.m. Little Lambs Devotions. 9:30 a.m. Bible Study. 11:15 a.m. Staff meeting. 6 p.m. Worship. 6:30 p.m. Little Lambs Supper. 7 p.m. KFC/Confirmation; High School Bible Study; Senior Choir. Thursday, March 10: 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Little Lambs Devotions. 1:30 p.m. Mary Jane Brown Home Communion. 2:15 p.m. Poplar Creek Communion. 3 p.m. Veterans Home Communion.

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

211 E. Main St., Luverne

Ph. 449-6522; email: newlifecelabration@gmail.com

Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Worship in the lower level meeting room of the Creeger building. Every third Thursday: 5 p.m. Food give-away. 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: revmumme@gmail.com — www.zionlutheran-hardwick.com

Mark W. Mumme, Pastor

Thursday, March 3: 4 p.m. Zion Worship on Channel 3. Friday, March 4: 4 p.m. Worship on Channel 3. Sunday, March 6: 9 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Study. 10 a.m. Mentor Program. 10:30 a.m. Worship Service. Monday, March 7: 1 p.m. Quilting. Wednesday, March 9: 6 p.m. Confirmation. 7 p.m. Lenten Worship Service. Light lunch to follow service. 7:45 p.m. Choir practice. Thursday, March 3: 4 p.m. Zion Worship on Channel 3.

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

igtwb@WOW.net

Bill Bates, Pastor

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

Bethlehem Lutheran Church
Interim Pastor Grant Fisher

112 N. Main St., Hills

Hills United Reformed Church

Friday, March 4: 1:30 p.m. World Day of Prayer at Bethlehem Lutheran Church. Sunday, March 6: 9 a.m. Communion at Tuff Chapel. 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship at Bethlehem. Tuesday, March 8: 2:30 p.m. Bible Study at Tuff Home. 3:15 p.m. Bible Study at The Village. Wednesday, March 9: 9 a.m. Quilting. 6 p.m. Meal served by Executive Committee. 7 p.m. Lent Service

Palisade Lutheran Church

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

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

Ray Heidenson, Pastor

Thursday, March 2: 7:30 p.m. Church Council meeting. Sunday, March 6: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion. Wednesday, March 9: 7 p.m. Parish Lenten Service at Palisade Lutheran.

How to live in grace

“For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.” Romans 6:14 ESV



It was one of the hottest days of the summer. Ole looked out his living room window and saw Lars painting his house in the hot sun wearing two winter coats.

“Is he crazy, Lena? I am going to talk vit him.”

Opening the front door, Ole shouted across the street, “Lars, you crazy old coot! Vhat are you doing? It is 97 degrees out! Why are you painting your house vearing your vinter Sunday coat and your hunting jacket?”

“I haf to vear dem, Ole. Yah, sure, you betcha, dat is vhat de directions on de can says. Look at dis,” he said, pointing to the label. “Put on two coats.”

A lot of people believe that getting into heaven depends on doing things right and living a good life. They think they have to be good enough so God will like them.

Other people reject faith because they think there are too many rules and regulations.

While the Old Testa-

BUILT ON A ROCK

By Martha Fick, Good Samaritan, Mission Effectiveness

ment does tell of many laws, we, as beloved and forgiven children of God, no longer live under the condemnation of those laws. Jesus fulfilled the penalty of the law. Because of His great love, He sets us free when we confess our sins and come to Him for salvation. Through faith in Christ, we live under God's amazing grace.

John 3:17 tells us that Jesus didn't come into the world to condemn the world, but rather so that we can be saved. He wants to rescue us. As followers of Christ, we don't live under the law. We live under grace. To the believer, saved by grace, the commandments are no longer harsh rules that condemn us, but rather good instructions on how to live a grace-filled life.

Lord, You have given Your life for us. Teach us how to live for You. Release us from the power of sin and the condemnation of the law. Show us how to live grace-filled lives. In Jesus' name, Amen.

First Lutheran Church
300 Maple St., Valley Springs, S.D.

Ph. (605) 757-6662

Ray Heidenson, Pastor

Sunday, March 6: 9 a.m. Worship. With Communion. 10 a.m. Sunday School. Wednesday, March 9: 7 p.m. Parish Lenten Service.

First Presbyterian Church

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

Ph. (507) 673-2428 – lori.1stpc@centurylink.net

Worship Leaders Michael Blank and Andy Anderson

Sundays: 9:30 a.m. Worship; 9:45 a.m. Sunday School. Deborah Circle – Third Thursday of the month.

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

Church Ph. 283-9698; cell 227-7821

adrmagumc@frontiernet.net — www.adrianmagnoliaumc.com

Kristi Franken, Pastor

Sunday, March 6: Worship with Communion. Tuesday, March 8: 10 a.m. Bible Study at Adrian Senior Dining.

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

Office Ph. 962-3254

hillsurc@alliancecom.net

Alan Camarigg, Pastor

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

Steen Reformed Church

112 W. Church Ave., Steen

Ph. 855-2336

Reuben Sinnema, Youth Pastor

Sunday, Feb. 28: 9:30 a.m. Worship. Sunday School follows Worship. 6:30 p.m. RCYF. Wednesday, March 2: 7 p.m. Midweek.

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BIDS CLOSE AT 11:00 A.M. MARCH 18, 2016
LUVERNE, MINNESOTA

Sealed proposals will be received by the Rock County Highway Department in Luverne, Minnesota until 11:00 A.M. on Friday, **March 18, 2016.**

Minimum wage rates are to be paid by the contractors have been predetermined and are subject to the Work Hours Act of 1962, P.L 87-581 and implementing regulations.

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The Minnesota department of Transportation hereby notifies all bidders: in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Act), as amended and Title 49. Code of Federal Regulations, Subtitle A Part 21, Non-discrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation, it will affirmatively assure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded maximum opportunity to participate and/or to submit bids in response to this invitation, and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, disability, age, religion, sex or national origin in consideration for an award.

In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended, and Title 23, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 230 Subpart A-Equal Employment Opportunity on Federal and Federal-Aide Construction Contracts (including supportive services), it will affirmatively assure increased participation of minority groups and disadvantaged persons and women in all phases of the highway construction industry, and that on any project constructed pursuant to this advertisement equal employment opportunity will be provided to all person without regard to their race, color, disability, age, religion, sex or national origin.

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In Accordance with Minnesota Human Rights Act, Minnesota Statute 363A.36 Certificates of Compliance for Public Contracts, and 363A.37 Rules for Certificates of Compliance, it will assure that appropriate parties to and contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement possess valid Certified of Compliance.

If you are not a current holder of a compliance certificate issued by the Minnesota Department of Human Rights and intend to bid on any job in this advertisement, you must contact the Department of Human Rights immediately for assistance in obtaining a certificate.

The following notice from the Minnesota Department of Human Rights applies to all contractors:

"It is hereby agreed between the parties that Minnesota Statute, Section 363A.36 and Minnesota Rules, parts 5000.3400 to 5000.3600 are incorporated into any contract between these parties based on this specification or any modification of it. A copy of Minnesota Statute 363A.36 a Minnesota Rules, parts 5000.3400 to 5000.3600 is available upon request from the contraction agency."

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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, MN immediately following the hour set for receiving bids for the following Rock County Highway work. Bids will be awarded Tuesday, March 22, 2016 at the regular Board of Commissioners Meeting.

Construction of Bridge 67571, a 112' Concrete Slab Span. The project is located 1.5 miles East of Junction CSAH 3 on CSAH 15 over The Kanaranzi Creek.

The major items of work are: 87 Cu. Yd. Structural Concrete; 3,975 Sq. Ft. of Bridge Slab Concrete; 228 Lin. Ft. of Type F Railing Concrete; 149 Sq. Yds. Bridge Approach Panels; 69,730 Pounds of Reinforcement Bars (Epoxy Coated); 790 Cu. Yd. Random Riprap (Class IV); 450 Lin. Ft. 12"-C-I-P Test Piles 90 Ft. Long; 640 Lin Ft. 16"- C-I-P Piling; 2-16" C-I-P Test Piles 90 Ft. Long; and 359 Tons Bituminous Wear and Non-Wear Mix.

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. S.P.067-615-009"**
The Board of Rock County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any defects therein.

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(2-18, 2-25, 3-3)

ISD #2184 School Board
meets Feb. 11

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 February 11, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.

The following members were present: Katie Baustian, Jodi Bosch, Colleen Deutsch, Eric Hartman, Dave Riphagen, Shelley Sandbulte, and Reva Sehr. Also present: Craig Oftedahl, Marlene Mann, Ryan Johnson, Stacy Gillette, Kara Ahrendt, Susan Thompson, Ann Rigney, and Mavis Fodness – Rock County Star Herald.

Chairperson Katie Baustian called the meeting to order. It was noted there is an addendum to the agenda. Motion made by Deutsch, second by Bosch, to approve the agenda with addendum. Motion unanimously carried.

Ann Rigney, Food Service Director, reviewed the guidelines she needs to follow for school meals.

Administrative reports were given.
Motion made by Riphagen, second by Sandbulte, to approve the January 28, 2016, school board minutes as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

Business Manager Marlene Mann reviewed the revised revenue budget. Motion made by Deutsch, second by Hartman, to approve the revised budget as presented in the amount of \$14,830,007. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Hartman, second by Riphagen, to purchase two school buses using the State School Bus Cooperative Purchasing program. The buses will be purchased from Telin Transportation Group for \$91,741.23 per bus. Bus #44 and Bus #54 will be traded-in. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Deutsch, second by Sehr, to approve the 2016-17 school calendar as presented. School will begin on September 6, 2016. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Riphagen, second by Bosch, to change the June 23 school board meeting to June 28. Motion unanimously carried.

Superintendent Oftedahl presented the Annual Report 2014-15: Year 2 – South-west Minnesota Fly Consortium. Motion made by Hartman, second by Deutsch, to approve the report as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Deutsch, second by Bosch, to accept the retirement of Greg Antoine, science teacher and tennis coach, effective at the end of the 2015-16 school year. Motion unanimously carried.

Committee reports were given.

The upcoming meeting dates were reviewed. Motion made by Riphagen, second by Hartman, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried.

Dated: February 11, 2016
Shelley Sandbulte, Clerk
(3-3)

CARDS OF THANKS

The family of Allie Rozebom wants to thank everyone for their help through this trying time. Thanks to Pastor Mike and Jeff Hartquist for comforting and guiding us along the way. Thanks to Mrs. Rofshus and the staff at Luverne Schools, you've done everything possible to help the kids and it's greatly appreciated. Also, thank you to all who came to the visitation and funeral despite the bad weather. Your prayers and support made a big impact. The amount of flowers, cards, food, visits, and calls was staggering. We have been blessed with good friends and family and a caring community. It's going to be hard for us to find a 'new normal' but Allie would want us to keep on going and that's our plan. Thanks and God bless you all.

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(3.3-3.6)

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