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We're excited to welcome a familiar face to our real estate family — Greg Kuiper!

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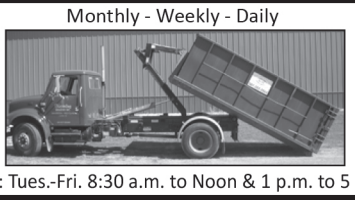
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Kanaranzi Township public hearing Nov. 17

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED VACATION OF AN ALLEY IN THE VILLAGE OF KANARANZI

Notice is hereby given that a hearing will be held before the Kanaranzi Township Board on November 17, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. at the maintenance building located at 296 3rd Street, Kanaranzi, MN 56146 to consider the proposed vacation of an alley in the Village of Kanaranzi, described as:

An alley located in Block 1 between Outlot 1 and Lots 1-6 in the Village of Kanaranzi consisting of a length of 300 feet and a width of 20 feet all within Rock County, State of Minnesota.

Dated this 30th day of October 2026

Anitra Overgaard
Township Clerk

REAL ESTATE TAXES DUE

The second half real estate tax installment on **AGRICULTURAL PROPERTY** is due **November 16, 2026**. Payments can be dropped off at the Auditor-Treasurer's Office in the Courthouse, placed in the drop box outside of the Courthouse entry, paid online, or mailed to the Rock County Auditor-Treasurer postmarked on or before November 16th. Please keep in mind the post office deadlines when mailing in payments and remit the appropriate stubs to assure proper credit. Payments **postmarked after November 16th** will be returned for the tax and penalty due at that time.

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obituaries from the Rock County STAR HERALD



Martha Fick

Martha Louise (Rueter) Fick passed away peacefully on Sunday, Nov. 1, 2026. Hartquist Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



Jerald Davis

Jerald Lee Davis, of Sun City, Ariz., and formerly of Kettering, Ohio, passed away peacefully on Saturday Oct. 3, 2026. Regency Mortuary and Crematory of Sun City, Ariz., was in charge of arrangements.



Katherine Goehle

Katherine Goehle passed peacefully at her home in Sonoma, Calif., on Sept. 21, 2026.

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SALE DATE: THURSDAY DECEMBER 3, 2026 SALE TIME: 10:00 AM

***AUCTIONEERS NOTE*: This auction awards an opportunity to purchase a Choice Surveyed +/-156.26 Acre Farm which has extremely high-quality soils, is extensively drain tiled and is virtually 100% tillable which is located in Rose Dell Twp. in Rock Co., MN, that is situated in one of the "Garden Spots of SW Minnesota". This auction includes a parcel of land that would rate amongst the "Best of the Best" farms we have sold in SW Minnesota in recent years and is located in an excellent agricultural area of SW MN, where land ownership is very tightly held and choice parcels of land seldom become available on the open market, evidenced by the fact that this farm has been in the Hemme Family for many decades with ownership being in the same family for over 50 years, thus this auction presents a once in a lifetime opportunity to purchase this excellent parcel of land. If you are in the market for choice cropland to utilize as an addition to a row crop farming operation or as an investment, you will want to inspect this property and make plans to be in attendance at this auction. Chuck Sutton**

LEGAL DESC.: The SW ¼, exc. a surveyed +/-5.90 acre improved acreage site, in Sec. 23, T. 104N., R. 46W., (Rose Dell Twp.), Rock Co., MN – containing 156.26 Acres M/L according to the survey thereof.

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LEGAL DESCRIPTION
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TOTAL ACRES
147.60 w/ 143.20 Tillable Acres

FSA INFO
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Soybean Base: 70.00 acres w/ PLC Yield of 38

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION
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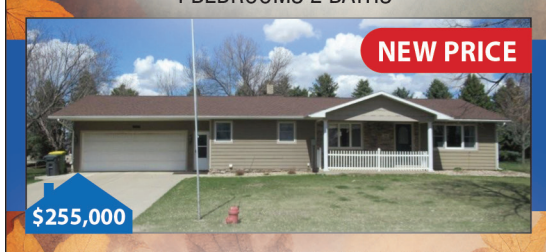
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Community Events

Meetings

Compassionate Friends Group grief support group for the loss of a child or a grandchild will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 16, at the Rock County Community Foundation, 102 E. Main Street in Luverne. All are welcome. Light refreshments will be served. Call Mary 507-290-1642 or Kristi 507-227-7821 with questions.

Battle Plain Township Board will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 17, at the Edgerton Ag conference room.

Join **Town and Country Garden Club** on Wednesday, Dec. 2, for lunch and a tour of garden shops! We will meet at The Bull Pen parking lot in Luverne at 11 a.m. to carpool. New members are always welcome. Invite a friend and get ideas for your holiday decorating! Call 507 669-2905.

Al-Anon group for friends and family of alcoholics will meet each Wednesday at 8 p.m. in the library at United Methodist Church in Luverne. Use the back northwest door for entrance.

Community blood drive Nov. 16

The Community Blood Bank will be in Luverne for a blood drive from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Nov. 16, at Sanford Luverne Medical Center. Register inside the main hospital lobby. A single donation takes about 30 minutes. As a thank-you, every donor will receive a $15 Pizza Ranch gift card. To schedule a donation, www.cbblifeblood.org, or call 605-331-3222. Donors should bring a photo ID, eat a healthy meal, and drink plenty of water beforehand. Donors must be at least 16 years old, weigh 110 lbs. or more and be in good general health.

Operation Christmas Child collection begins Nov. 16

Preprinted boxes and brochures for Operation Christmas Child may be picked up now from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the American Reformed Church, 304 N. Fairview Drive, Luverne, using the south entrance of the church. National collection week is Nov. 16-23. Any questions or for specific times and for more information call Edna Buys at 507-227-7169 or Charla Sandbulte at 507-227-1722. You may also go online to samaritanspurse.org for more information.

S.H.A.R.E. announcement

The Rock County S.H.A.R.E. program will distribute groceries, clothing, hygiene products, socks, underwear, and toys to Rock County residents in need from 12 to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 9, at the American Reformed Church (304 North Fairway Drive).

Those wishing to receive from the program must **apply by Wednesday, Nov. 18**. Applications are available at Sunshine, the Library, Southwest Health and Human Services, the laundromat, Redeemed Remnants, Sassy Seconds and ATLAS. Note: S.H.A.R.E. will not accept donations of used items. **Financial donations can be sent to S.H.A.R.E.** (PO Box 792, Luverne) or the Rock County Community Foundation (PO Box 623 Luverne), which accept funds on behalf of S.H.A.R.E. For more information call Amy at 507-227-6944 or Monica at 507-820-1100.

Third- and fourth-grade music program Nov. 20

The third-grade students of Luverne Elementary will take the stage in the performing arts center at 1:15 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20. The title of their program is "Dinostars!," a talent show featuring the raptors, T-Rexes, Hadrosauruses, Diplodocuses and the Micropachycephalsoauruses! The fourth-grade students will follow with their performance at 2:15 p.m. The title of their program is "Joust!" What if instead of King Arthur pulling a sword from the stone...it's a boomwhacker!

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