

LUVERNE AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION



IN IT FOR THE LONG HAUL...

I'm not sure I can count on both hands the number of times someone asks me what I do for my job and I tell them I am the Executive Director for the Luverne Area Community Foundation and they reply with "What's that?".....

What is it? By definition a community foundation is this:

Community foundations are grantmaking public charities that are dedicated to improving the lives of people in a defined local geographic area. They bring together the financial resources of individuals, families, and businesses to support effective nonprofits in their communities.

So let's break it down a little further.

Establishing Community Funds – for the long haul....

There are 8 communities in Rock County. What if each community had its own Community Endowment – "security for the long haul." The LACF is offering a match for the communities outside of Luverne, the "Area" in Luverne Area Community Foundation of up to \$5,000 to start an endowment for community need. For example if the residents and/or people connected to the city of Hardwick can raise \$5,000 through donor gifts, the LACF will match with \$5,000 and a \$10,000 endowment will be established.

Endowments represent money or other financial assets that are donated to the community foundation and are invested to grow the principal and provide additional income for future investing and expenditures. This is stable money for "**the long haul**" A \$10,000 endowment would give a community a \$500 grant (5% of the fund balance) on average each year to make a community improvement. The more the endowment grows so does the yearly grant.

Why isn't Luverne part of this?

The LACF has its Community Grant Fund (our area of greatest need) that makes grants to qualified nonprofits in the county. Luverne has the greatest number of qualified organizations so sees much of the grant dollars from the fund. We want the "area" communities to continue to apply to this fund but also contribute to its growth – therefore 1% of each initial donation to a community fund will be gifted to the LACF Community Grant Fund – supporting grant making needs of all nonprofits. So if a \$100 gift is made to the Hardwick Community Fund, \$1 will go to support the LACF Community Grant Fund. The illustration on the page to



the right shows how this community fund incentive will work.

So Rock County – who is in this for "the long haul?"

If you are interested in learning more, want to be a leader in your community for this project or have a question on ways to give, contact me, Emily Crabtree, the Luverne Area Community Foundation Executive Director. All good things start with a conversation.

The Luverne Area Community Foundation makes grants dedicated to improving the lives of people within the borders of Rock County. We bring together the charitable generosity of the people and businesses who seek to support the local nonprofits in the communities in which we live!

Give local, stays local.

Why is this important?

Because community foundations like LACF are in it for the long haul, choosing the Luverne Area Community Foundation as the home for your charitable gifts supports the needs of the community in which you live for generations to come.

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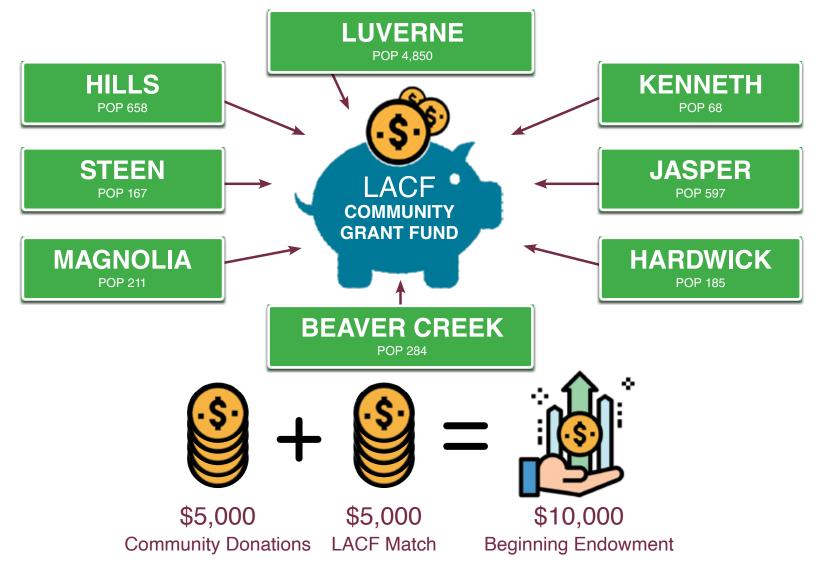






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ROCK COUNTY COMMUNITY FUNDS BRINGING LONG-TERM COMMUNITY DONATIONS TOGETHER



Donations can be added at any time to increase the value of the endowment. 1% of each donation will go to the LACF Community Grant Fund for future grant applications from all communities in the county.

DONORS, LACF AND A CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST CAN BE BENEFICIAL IN MANY WAYS

When Harold and Mary Tilstra sold their farm equipment last summer, many people at the auction congratulated them on the sale but remarked about tax implications of the proceeds.

What they didn't know was that some of the Tilstra machinery was in charitable trust, and at the end of the day the otherwise taxable income became a tax-deductible donation.

"We were looking at a way to manage cash flow and tax consequences of a farm machinery auction sale," Harold said.

Before they arranged the equipment sale, the Tilstras worked with their accountant and attorney to set up a charitable remainder trust, as it's called. Then they had their farm machinery appraised for an estimated value and transferred ownership of some of the machinery to the trust before the auction sale.

"Part of the value of the machinery in the charitable remainder trust became a charitable donation for that year," Harold said. "The donation offset some of the tax liability."

Mary said it saved them a significant amount in taxes, but also provided an option for stable income in retirement.

"Our machinery was paid for and fully depreciated, so all the auction sale would have been added to taxable income for that year," Mary said.

Mary said she's surprised more farm retirees aren't utilizing the tool, especially since it's a valuable retirement planning option as well.

"The charitable remainder trust is a tool for anyone who wants to support a charity while managing taxable income," she said.

"Otherwise you end up working toward retirement, and then you have this great big auction that represents your earnings over time, but it's taxed all in one year."



Photo and story Courtesy of Lori Sorenson (Editor of Star Herald)

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:

The Tilstras' money from the sale of the machinery in the trust is locked into the irrevocable trust, and each year they'll receive 5 percent of the value of the trust fund.

"That word 'irrevocable' tends to scare people, because all of us have a hard time giving up control," Harold said. "We managed the farm for 41 years, so it was definitely a decision process to walk away from that."

As it turns out, the "irrevocable" part of the arrangement is something they enjoy about the arrangement, he said.

"We don't have to think about it," Harold said.

Depending on how well the trust funds

are invested, the value of the account — and therefore the 5-percent disbursement — fluctuates with markets.

"If it's invested decently, it's safe to assume we can receive distributions for the next 20 years or more into retirement," Harold said about the disbursements, which are taxable like IRA payouts.

In the Tilstras' case, the remainder of the trust is paid out to the charity after their death. They chose the beneficiary of the trust to be the Luverne Area Community Foundation.

LACF director Emily Crabtree worked with the Tilstras on the process.

"Especially in this community, CRTs are the way to plan for retirement income, manage taxes and donate to a cause you care about."

TRANSFERRING WEALTH DOESN'T MEAN LETTING GO

Crabtree said too many people view "transfer of wealth" as giving up their income and their options.

"That's not true at all," Crabtree said.

"You decide what's going into the trust, and while you're still living, you and your financial adviser decide the strategy for your retirement income percentage."

But then, upon both passing, the remainder goes into the fund that's established as the charity."

While CRTs have been available for many years, it's a relatively new option for LACF donors.

"We've worked very hard in the last seven years to bring that vehicle to our donors," said foundation director Emily Crabtree. "It's always been available, but we weren't in a position to be able to offer it."

Now, she said, LACF has connections with local professionals to deliver the product.

"We have a relationship with local advisers with tools and agents and knowledge to uphold what a donor is able to do," Crabtree said. "And it's our responsibility to carry out the wishes as the donor intended."

In the Tilstras' case, they established the "Harold and Mary Tilstra En-

dowment Fund" as their recipient charity to be used for LACF operations.

But Crabtree said a remainder trust could be designated to any nonprofit or organization through the LACF.

"It can be a forever gift to your church or to whomever ... you just write that in the agreement with us," she said. "There are a lot of creative ways to use charity to help with tax benefits, - talk to your adviser about what your needs are."

PLAN FOR RETIREMENT WHILE LEAVING A LEGACY

'Charitable remainder trusts'

manage income, taxes and

charitable giving

Crabtree said as more Baby Boomers retire, she's hoping to help others in the community use the tool to transfer wealth.

"When you're transitioning out of a farm, when you're transitioning out of a business, when you've had a large sale of something ... using a charitable remainder trust is a great vehicle to save you a lot of money and has a retirement perk in it as well," Crabtree said.

The Tilstras said it's comforting to have the arrangement in place.

"We feel really, really grateful," Harold said. "Anybody who wants to have a vehicle to manage cash flow and tax implications, this is a way to accomplish a number of retirement investment goals all in one plan."

He said it's not about avoiding taxes; rather, it helps to manage it over a longer period of time.

"Sometimes you're lucky enough to do something that you look back on and feel really good about," Harold said. "This is one of those things."

Mary said, "As we get to understand it, it's a win-win. There are just no negatives,"

Crabtree said her favorite part of the plan is that it's an opportunity to help retirees live out their dream while helping local causes they care about.

"We live here, we built our business here, we grew up here, we made our money here, now let's leave our money here," she said.

"It allows donors to make a long-term impactful gift in the community where they have lived, plus it allows them tax relief."

But it has to be planned ahead.

"Talk to your financial adviser. That's where it has to start," Crabtree said. "It's a very thought-out, planned giving tool."

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The LACF and its partners are about IMPACT...

In 2019 our partners made a BIG impact enhancing the lives of our friends and neighbors. Together they added the following back into our community.



\$131,592 Program Serivce Support

ROCK COUNTY FOODSHELF



The Rock County Food Shelf's mission is to offer 2-3 days of emergency food to eligible Rock County residents one time per month. They are located in the basement of the United Methodist Church in Luverne.

HOSPICE OF SANFORD LUVERNE

Sanford Hospice Luverne provides quality, compassionate end-of-life care for terminally ill persons. Hospice care focuses on quality of life, comfort and dignity for patients and their families.



LUVERNE BACKPACK PROGRAM



Program provides at-risk children with nutritious, easy to prepare foods for the weekends. This program is staffed by volunteers and serves approximately 160 children ages pre-school to twelfth grade.

SANFORD HEALTH LUVERNE

Sanford Health Luverne is a vital partner in the health and well-being of the community. All dollars given to Sanford Health Luverne stay local to improve the quality of care received here. Dedicated to the work of healing.



ROCK COUNTY AG SOCIETY

The mission of the Rock County Agricultural Society is to bring "the farm" and "the town" together to increase exposure to, and participation in 4-H events, industrial exhibits, the arts and in programs that preserve, promote and showcase both Rock County and the region's agricultural, historical and cultural heritage.



SANFORD HEALING GARDENS



The Healing Garden at Sanford Luverne offers a beautiful, therapeutic garden where people can relax in nature.

LUVERNE VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION



Our mission is to provide support for Luverne Volleyball programming, including both the Luverne School District and the Luverne JO programs.

BLUE MOUND AREA THEATRE-THE HISTORIC PALACE THEATRE

BMAT serves as a regional resource providing cultural experiences that enrich, entertain and educate audiences and artists. The Historic Palace Theatre, a city owned building, is operated by the BMAT board and offers live events, movies and performances by the local Green Earth Players.



MAPLEWOOD CEMETERY, LUVERNE



Established to support the ongoing care and maintenance of the Maplewood Cemetery grounds.

New Funds in 2019

Dr. Ervin and Evelyn Boone Legacy Fund Harold and Mary Tilstra Endowment LACF Operating Endowment Luverne Volleyball Association Rock Ranch Rock County Veterans Fund

> LACF and our partners build secure, long-term funds for growth.

LUVERNE CHILD GUIDE

The Luverne Child Guide Program cares for all students but has a central focus of connecting at-risk students and their families with resources in our community and school.



ROCK RANCH, HILLS

Rock Ranch provides opportunities for persons to improve themselves physically, cognitively, socially and psychologically while learning the art and skills of horsemanship in a Christ filled setting.



HINKLY HOUSE MUSEUM



The Hinkly House museum was built in 1892 by Mr. R.B Hinkly, then the Mayor of Luverne, as a home for his family. This historic four-story, twelve-room house is furnished and decorated with period items and is faced with locally mined Sioux Quartzite.

LUVERNE COMMUNITY EDUCATION



Stewarded by the Luverne Education Legacy Fund this fund is intended to help support the needs of the Community Education program.

ROCK COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The mission of the Rock County Historical Society is to preserve the history of Rock County to share with generations to come. The Historical Society has recently moved their History Center to Main Street in Luverne.



COMMUNITY PARTNERS



LUVERNE EDUCATION/ LEGACY FUND (LELF)

Formerly Luverne School Foundation, was established to allow individuals and businesses to make tax-deductible donations to the school for any purpose. There are classroom grants available for staff with program needs beyond the general budget. The Foundation also supports specific school/campus projects.

LUVERNE ROTARY CLUB



Our mission is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty.



SOUTHWEST CRISIS CENTER

The mission of the SW Crisis Center is to provide help, hope and safety to victims and survivors of domestic and sexual violence and human trafficking through supportive services.



LUVERNE BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

The Luverne Basketball Association strives to provide support for and opportunities to play, learn and love the game of basketball for youth and teens of Luverne.



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Uniting our community to support dignity and creating opportunities for people to move out of poverty.



BIG BUDDIES OF ROCK COUNTY

The mission of Big Buddies of Rock County is to promote positive family and community values by mentoring children one-to-one in the hopes of enhancing their quality of life, character development and education.



ROCK COUNTY VETERANS FUND

Established to support organizations within our county committed to honoring the legacy of those who have served in the U.S. Armed Forces.

COFFEE CONTEMPORARY ARTS



CCA is a nonprofit arts exhibition and education facility. The CCA facility includes Lord Grizzly Gallery, the large open studio, and the shop workspace.

COFFEY CONTEMPORARY ABTS

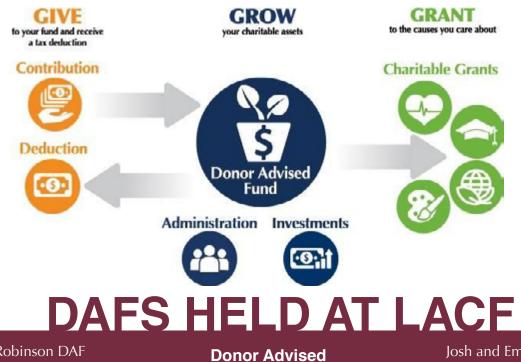


GENERATIONS, INC.

Our mission is to promote quality of life for adult generations through services, education, and programs. Activities and games offered on Tuesday and Thursdays from 1pm-4pm. Daily meals are served at 11:45am by Lutheran Social Services.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT DONOR ADVISED FUNDS (DAFS)

A donor-advised fund, or DAF, is a charitable giving vehicle sponsored by the LACF that allows you to make a contribution to LACF and be eligible for an immediate tax deduction. But because your account is a donor-advised fund, you advise the organization on how to grant the money out to your favorite charities over time. We have options for your DAF to be a cash or growth fund. **Donor Advised Funds (DAFS) offer year round grant gifting, tax relief AND advisement for gifts!**



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Donor Advised Community Impact Gifts in 2019 equal



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Josh and Emily Crabtree DAF Katie Hemme DAF Eric Crabtree Memorial Family Fund DAF LaRock Family Fund DAF Pamela Ehde Lais Memorial DAF William Frakes DAF OAF Schutz DAF

AMBULANCE GARAGE UPDATE

We are so thankful for everyone's support of this project. The convenience of the new location allows our ambulance staff quick access to the ambulances as well as removes this traffic from residential areas, which improves the safety of our community. The last piece of this project will be the concrete work to complete the drive, but we are letting the ground settle first.





Every time LACF asks, Rock County residents deliver. From the ambulance garage, to essential worker signs and community grants – your IMPACT dollars can be seen throughout our community.

ROUND UP FOR CHARITY

Residents of Luverne on local city utilities can opt to "Round Up" their utility bill and have the extra dollars and cents given to the Community Grant Fund.



Luverne Community Foundation Annual Report 2019



COMMUNITY GRANT FUND

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Our Community Grant Fund is our GREATEST NEED AND MAKES THE BIGGEST IMPACT.

These dollars are unrestricted and give the LACF the most flexibility to meet the needs in the communities in which we live. **Be part of this great list of donors.**

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A unique way to honor someone special or remember a loved one who has passed is to make a gift to the foundation's Community Grant Fund in their name.

Find us online at www.Luvacf.org

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AN ANNUAL GIFT TO THE COMMUNITY GRANT FUND MADE EASY!

The Community Grant Fund supports the following:

- Arts
- Music
- Recreation
- Mentoring
- Events
- Service Organizations
- Organizations and programming youth to the elderly
- Educational learning opportunities
 - Beautification projects such as parks and gardens

Was there any part of your 2020 financial planning that included giving regularly to a local charity?

The Luverne Area Community Foundation wants to be a habit of yours, specifically to our Community Grant Fund. This fund supports the nonprofit organizations that make our communities healthier, more vibrant and ready for future generations.

We are challenging you to commit an annual gift to the Community Grant Fund. We want to make this habit easy and without thought by setting up a recurring gift.

How to set up a recurring gift?



Go to our website at www.LUVACF.org and find the donate tab. Download our easy monthly giving form and choose to make a monthly withdraw directly from your checking account or we will charge a credit card of your choice. Return it to our office and join others who are making a small donation monthly to create a larger impact countywide!

HONORING PHILANTHROPY

2019 Spirit of Philanthropy Award: Warren Herreid and Jeannie Rivet

This award is given to a living person(s) who have shown a commitment to charitable responsibility and a generosity to inspire others to philanthropic action.

- There is a deep family connection and history in Rock County.
- While in their current life there is ability to live comfortably, they grew up from humble beginnings.
- Both had parents who strongly influenced and modeled hard work and integrity. Compassion for those in need, by giving what you could in time and treasure was always a priority.
- This couple states they have been blessed with great careers and were influenced by parents who had faith in their ability to succeed.
- In honor of their parents and the values handed down to them, they created a family foundation in 2005.
- This foundation formalized their giving opportunity and allowed for educating their children and grandchildren in a responsibility to give back.
- They feel that giving back to the community is important and they choose to give because they can and they should.
- Honoring Veterans is an area of importance.



- The contributions to the Rock County Veterans Memorial/Museum were given with the intent to bring peace, recognition and gratitude for the service of our Rock County Veterans and their families.
- The secured location of the new armory in our community for military training, community gathering space and recreational opportunities for residents was guaranteed through a generous gift by these friends.
- The K.A.H.R. family foundation is also working behind the scenes allowing local educators and students to attend training workshops they might not otherwise be able to attend through scholarships.
- · Spirit awardee likes this quote by Winston Churchill: "We make a living by what we get; but we make a life by what we give."
- They hope their example of giving will encourage others to share of their time and treasure as taught to them.

MAKING A LOCAL IMPACT

2019 Nonprofit Spotlight Award: Rock County Red Arrow

This award recognizes an outstanding volunteer group that demonstrates commitment to community through direct involvement, financial support and leadership.

- The organization's originating mission was to be the single entity that requested charitable donations from supporting communities that would then be disbursed to the local nonprofits in need of funds.
- This organization is supported through direct donations from the people of Rock County.
- This nonprofit organization relies on an all-volunteer board. All members of this board live in Rock County and have a common goal to make Rock County a better place to live.
- One member states, "I Love Rock County" and all that it has to offer so being a volunteer allows me to make it an even better place.
- Having an open ear to the needs of qualifying organizations and supporting them financially has allowed this group to be a leader in Rock County for 54 years.



2019 Outstanding Corporation or Business Award: Papik Motors

Outstanding Corporation or Business award: The foundation of this award is based on creating a culture of philanthropy through financial support of nonprofit organizations, leadership and volunteerism.



- Papik Motors was created in 1990. Gary and Janine are lifelong residents of Rock County and have been not only successful business owners but successful visionaries, mentors and examples of what giving back to the community looks like.
- Papik Motors is a proud supporter of many nonprofit organizations in the community; chamber events, Palace Theatre events, area sports teams, local fundraisers, youth sponsored events, FFA scholarships and scholarships for students wishing to enter the automotive field.
- The Papik Motor Company encourages its employees to be involved in the community.
- Employees help raise funds for pink Saturdays which raises money for breast cancer awareness, Chevy youth baseball event, raising funds for youth baseball, sponsoring and volunteering as host for the monthly Bank Night free movie event for families, and has participated in Kids Against Hunger packing meals for those in need.

• When asked how Papik Motors has developed its culture for giving it was shared that it came from a National Auto Dealers convention Gary attended. He was affected by a seminar about the importance of giving back to your community. He states that Luverne has been a great place to raise a family and the quality of life is unbeatable. That's his inspiration for leading by example at Papik Motors. They want to make their community the best it can be.

2019 GRANT AWARDS



2019 LACF **Grant Recipients**

Twenty-eight organizations received grants from LACF this year. Representing them are (front, from left) Caroline Thorson, Elizabeth Schear, Marie Atkinson Smeins, Carrie Soto, Lisa Dinger, Louella Voight, Janine Papik, (second row) Emily Opheim, Sheila Westfield, Emily Austin, Sarah Wrigg, Corrine Bonnema, Amy Nelson, Lorna Bryan, Scott Johnson, Ross Metzger, Lonna Heideman, Emily Crabtree, (third row) Lexi Moore, Lee Sells, George Bonnema, Jon Schomacker, Greg Antoine, Shawn Kinsinger, Joe Schomacker, (back) Kynzie Hamman, Elise Jarchow, Anita Cole-Kraty, Jessica Blocker. Not pictured are Lois Leenderts, Phil Paquette, David VanBatavia, Angela Nolz, Kelsey Maeschen.

Recreation 6%

Arts & Culture 5%

Environment 7%

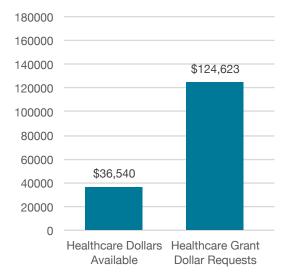
Human Services 9%

Community Development 12%

Education 2%

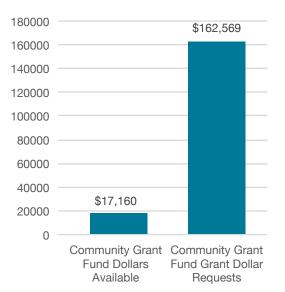
Healthcare 38%

MAKING A LOCAL IMPACT



Community Healthcare Grants

Rock County Ag Society for first aid stations Luverne Backpack Program for weekend nutrition needs for students Good Samaritan Mary Jane Brown Home for Nurse Kelly Simulation Trainer #Luv1LuvAll for mobile dental clinic #Luv1LuvAll for community Brain Health Seminars Hills-Beaver Creek Elementary for indoor play equipment Luverne Public School for Bal-A-Vis-X Curriculum for behavior management Luverne Fire Department for first assist equipment in lead truck Sanford Luverne Medical Center for Chemo Therapy Hood update SW Mental Health Center children's mental health fundraiser



Community Fund Grants

Blue Mound Area Theater for community concert City of Luverne for 2020 Census support City of Hills for updated scoreboard at ball fields Luverne Street Music for music and production of community Christmas cantata 4-H Federation of Rock County for updated horse arena bleachers Atlas of Rock County for updates at Redeemed Remnants Hardwick American Legion Auxiliary for new chairs

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WHO CAN MAKE AN IMPACT? YOU CAN!

Greg and Barb Antoine have been playing pickle ball as a retirement activity since visiting friends down south who play regularly, a most popular sport in retirement communities. Upon returning home they found themselves missing the fun had while playing knowing that others would enjoy such a game if we had the space to play. This was Greg's inspiration for writing a grant to LACF to make this happen. He wrote:

"Pickle ball is a fast growing sport in the United States. The main reason that pickle ball is growing so rapidly is that it is one avenue for older community members to remain active and get a good workout. It is a great physical activity that can also be very competitive. People can play pickle ball into their 70's and 80's, and still be competitive. Many older people are discovering pickle ball as a great way to remain active, get out into the community to meet people, and even satisfying some of the competitive juices that they may have had in the past. Many people just enjoy playing the sport for their own enjoyment but others are playing in the many tournaments and senior olympics held in many cities and states."

Thank you Greg for submitting this community improvement grant from our Healthcare Fund through Luverne Community Education!

This pickle ball court can be found west of the Luverne High School tennis courts. Get your paddle and ball and check it out!