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Anniversary Announcement

Harold and Joyce Prior celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on December 20, 2019. Warm wishes can be sent to them at Harold and Joyce Prior, 1103 Joy Loy Lane, Milford, IA 51351.

MSU, Mankato Awards Degrees

Minnesota State University, Mankato awarded degrees at the end of the fall semester to the following area students: Michael Larsen of Armstrong; Joshua Schuetz (magna cum laude) of Jackson, Minnesota; Lydia Brandt (cum laude) and Taylor Salzwedel of Lakefield, Minnesota; Matthew Sather (summa cum laude) and Ashley Williamson of Spencer; Kaela Delperdang and Shelby Morreim of Spirit Lake.

Anniversary Announcement

Dale and Marlene Nagel are celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary with a card shower on December 26, 2019. Family and friends can send cards to Dale and Marlene at 1305 Jeppeson Road Apartment 104, Milford, Iowa 51351.

Students Named to Dean's List

More than 550 students were named to the Fall 2019 Dean's List at the University of Sioux Falls. The following local students made the list:

Ashley Heinrichs of Jackson, Minnesota; Caitlin Lillquist of Lakefield, Minnesota; and MacKenzie Vos of Milford;

To qualify, students must earn a GPA of 3.5 or greater on a 4.0 scale.



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MILFORD: Steve Feld, UCB Executive Vice President, presents winner, **Father Tim Johnson** (left), with his \$500 donation to benefit **Discovery House**.



OKOBOJI: Seth Vogel, UCB Assistant Vice President/ Okoboji Office Manager, presents winner, Jamie Hicks, with her \$500 donation to benefit Kaden's Kloset.



OCHEYEDAN: Laura VanderMeulen, UCB Office Manager, presents winner, **Duane VandeHoef**, with his \$500 donation to benefit **Tracy House Museum**.

HARTLEY: Cheryl Bethke, UCB Customer Service Representative (left), and Barb Brigham, UCB Teller (right), present winner, **Darla Meyer**, with her \$500 donation to benefit the **Hartley Emergency Ambulance and Rescue Team**.



LAKE PARK: Tim Gunderson, UCB Vice President (left), presents winner, **James Kessler**, with his \$500 donation to benefit the **Lake Park American Legion**. Member FDIC

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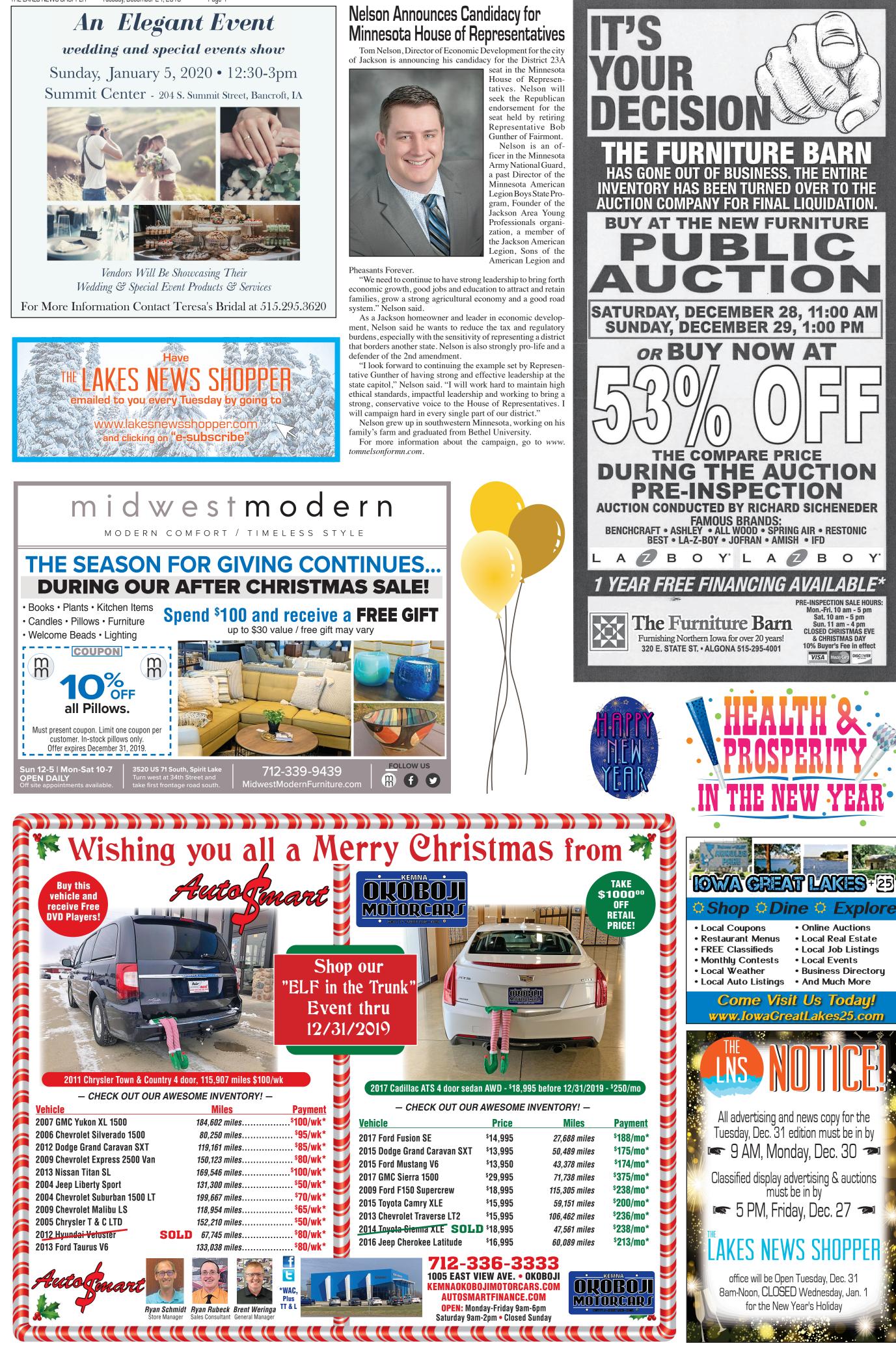
Nelson Announces Candidacy for



seat in the Minnesota House of Representatives. Nelson will seek the Republican endorsement for the seat held by retiring Representative Bob Gunther of Fairmont. Nelson is an officer in the Minnesota Army National Guard. a past Director of the Minnesota American

family's farm and graduated from Bethel University.







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SPIRIT LAKE 7TH GRADE TEAM gets 2nd Place at the December 14, Spirit Lake Girls Basketball Tourney. They had three wins against Worthington, Harris-Lake Park, and North Union with one loss to Estherville. Pictured in the front row- Melika Smith, Addison Richter, Kiana Leistikow, Cassi Hackbarth, Abby Scott, Faith DeWild, Addison Boon, and Travis Marx (Coach). Second Row- Brian Sohn (Coach), Macy Button, Reese Keenan, Emma Watts, and Bella Marx.



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CCCVB Grant Applications

The Clay County Convention and Visitor's Bureau (CCCVB) Committee is currently accepting applications for their Spring 2020 Tourism Grant. With the support of the City of Spencer and Clay County, the CCCVB Tourism Grant will provide funding for those planning an event to be held in Clay County. These funds are accessible to any business, organization, and governmental entity or individual.

Eligible events include festivals, performances, sporting events/tournaments or exhibits that occur within Clay County and are designed to attract participants from both within and outside of Clay County. Ideally, the event will reinforce Clay County as a tourist destination and will serve a large segment of the population or contribute to the quality of life for those who attend. In 2019, 17 organizations were funded for tourism projects such as the Northwest Iowa Livestock Showdown, the NW Iowa Emerging Leaders Summit, and Spencer Community Theatre's 60th Anniversary advertising.

As an incentive to further support Clay County tourism, the CCCVB will also be accepting applications for "special projects" that do not fit within the normal requirements for grant funding but are tourism promoting. An example of this would include a tourism-focused brick and mortar project. If you have questions about a "special project" application, please contact the CCCVB at 712-580-8687.

CCCVB grant applications and "special project" applications are due on February 1, 2020. To access the application and grant guidelines, visit exploreclaycounty.org and click on the "Grants" tab.



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Season's **Readings!**

As we turn the page to another holiday season, we'd like to take a moment to thank you, our loyal readers, for your trust and support. We hope this Christmas delivers all the good news you've been hoping for & more.

Happy Holidays!





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It's time for Christmas A span of nearly nine decades separates the

oldest and youngest members of the choir, Sunday, at Immanuel Lutheran Church n Dunnell. Minnesota

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Glenn Henriksen and a host of friends concluded the Christmas concert season, Sunday afternoon, with a fine two hour performance at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Dunnell, Minnesota. The show celebrated Christmas, and honored Sankta Lucia, in a church with significant Swedish heritage.

Saint Lucy's Day, a Christian feast day, is also known as the feast of Saint Lucy. In Scandinavia, where Lucy is Santa Lucia in Norwegian and Danish, and Sankta Lucia in Swedish, recognition usually includes young women in a candle-lit procession. While the holiday is celebrated on December 13th each year, Immanuel's celebration comes on the final Sunday before Christmas — weather permitting. This year saw Anika Jensen as Sankta Lucia, surrounded by a court that included another six young girls, including Brenna Heifner, Charlee Koenecke, Adreyana Schultze, Alexas Schultze, Briggs Helmers-Werner, and

5-year-old Bristol Nelson. Along with performances by Millie Kittleson, there was a span of almost nine decades between the youngest and oldest participants, Sunday, in a church that next May will celebrate the 95th anniversary of its dedication ...

Much has been written over the years about "what has happened to Christmas." The only thing we can guess with any certainty is

that 2,000 years ago there was probably no thought given to Black Friday – the day after Thanksgiving in this country — being the biggest retail day of the year. It was just 31 years ago that Frank Sinatra recorded and had a hit with a

Christmas album featuring a Jimmy Webb song that fairly well explains the



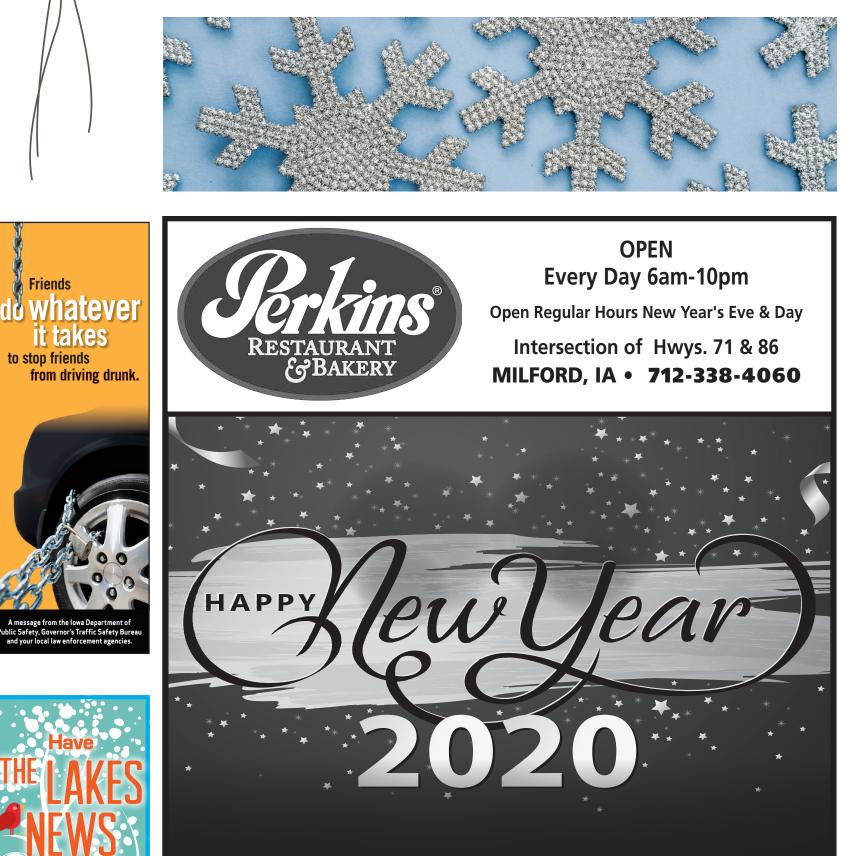
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Balloon Drop at Midnight





situation from the viewpoint of the Oklahoma-born son of a preacher man. While we found no sheet music available on deadline, we hope Jimmy, who put on a terrific show at the Pearson Lakes Art Center a few years back, will appreciate seeing his lyrics as transcribed from the Sinatra LP, in print here:

Whatever happened to Christmas? It's gone and left no traces. Whatever happened to the faces or the glow? Whatever happened to Christmas... To Christmas way of living? Whatever happened to the giving... The magic in the snow? Remember the sights and the smells and the sounds. And remember the cheery call. Remember how love was all around. Whatever happened to it all? Whatever happened to Christmas? Bells in the streets are ringing. Whatever happened to the singing the songs we used to know? Whatever happened to Christmas? And when it disappeared from view? Where was I and whatever happened to you? Whatever happened to Christmas and you?

This week's holiday music schedule will see *The South 71 Trio* performing at the Little Swan Lake Winery, Saturday night, from 6-8:00; with *The Mark Lair Band* performing on Sunday, from 4:00-6:00... *Storm Rising, Adam & Jacob, Boon & Lambert* will be entertaining in the barn on New Year's Eve from 8:00 - midnight... And, *The Pork Tornadoes* will be performing in the Roof Garden Ballroom at

Arnolds Park, starting at 8:30 on New Year's Eve...

Research director RD has her own answers for a modern musical Christmas, starting with Christmas Eve, tonight. It was in 1950 that Irving Taylor, Dudley Brooks and Hal Stanley, along with Stanley's wife, singer Kay Starr, released (Everybody's Waitin' For) The Man With The Bag. More than half a century later, in 2002, The Brian Setzer Orchestra came down the chimney with its version on the holiday album Boogie Woogie Christmas.

Christmas day must recall White Christmas, from Irving Berlin's 1942 motion picture, *Holiday Inn*. Some music lovers may erroneously believe the song debuted in the movie *White Christmas*, though that would be impossible, as *Holiday Inn* predates White Christmas by twelve years. YouTube lists 1,552 renditions of the song. Without mentioning all of them, there is Bing Crosby's classic 1942 crooning, as well as covers by other famous names like Iowa's very own Andy Williams, Tony Bennett, Doc Severinsen, Freddy Cole, and more recently the Pasadena Roof Orchestra on its 2011 release simply titled, The Christmas Album... Christmas wouldn't be Christmas without a pumpkin pie — at least accord-

ing to those who lobbied for Christmas to also be Christmas Pie Day. You'll find it in the song, (*There's No Place Like*) *Home For The Holidays*, composed by Robert Allen, with Al Stillman's lyrics that promise, "some homemade pumpkin pie." Originally performed by Perry Como in 1954, the song was also made even more popular by Karen and Richard Carpenter on their LP, *An Old-Fashioned Christmas*, which was recorded in 1978, but not released until is years later. The U.S. Postal which was recorded in 1978, but not released until six years later. The U.S. Postal Service is using Como's version in its 2019 holiday commercials...

And we couldn't have a modern Christmas without the Saturday Evening Post and Coca-Cola-like images of Santa. Believe it or not, that's where Robert Ripley comes in. Born in 1890, in Santa Rosa, California, Ripley was a cartoonist, entrepre-neur, and collector of odd facts for his book, *Ripley's Believe It or Not*. Now that the gifts are under the tree, do you believe in Santa Claus? There is a song that poses such a question. Zat You, Santa Claus? was written by Jack Fox and first recorded by Louis Armstrong in 1953. The aforementioned *Brian Setzer Orchestra* released its version in 2005, followed by Harry Connick, Jr., on his 2008 *What a night!* CD...

Cabell 'Cab' Calloway was a Christmas baby in 1907. The jazz singer, dancer, and bandleader was born in Rochester, New York. Long before he appeared in the 1980 film, The Blues Brothers, he received many awards and honors including being inducted into the Big Band and Jazz Hall of Fame, as well as the Grammy Hall of Fame. One of the Cab's proudest moments came on March 19, 1967, when he guested on *The Ed Sullivan Show*, and performed his most famous

hit, *Minnie the Moocher*, with his daughter Chris... **It was in 1925 that the musical** *Tip-Toes* **premiered** for a 192 show run in New York. While it was not necessarily a well-known production, the Gershwin song, *That Certain Feeling*, was recorded by Ella Fitzgerald in 1959 for inclusion on her album saluting George and Ira's musical catalog. It has also been covered by *Les Brown and his Band of Renown* (1956) and by Bobby Short (1973)...

All the news that fits we print.

Please send your music-related announcements and comments to RAMBOling@Mindspring.Com or POBox 676, Okoboji, Iowa 51355-0676

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at Miller's Bay



50th Anniversary Announcement

Bill and Linda (Weik) Moore were married on December 27, 1969, in Fort Dodge, Iowa. Family and friends would like to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a card shower. Warm wishes can be sent to Bill and Linda at 26041 105th Street,













Milford K of C Holding Youth Free Throw Championship

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Boys and girls ages 9 to 14 are invited to participate in the local level competition for the 2020 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship. The local contest will be held at 1:00pm on Sunday, January 19, 2020, at the Okoboji Middle School gymnasium in Arnolds Park, Registration and practice begins at 12:30pm.

Registration forms for this free competition are available at the Okoboji Middle School and High School, or email dough2169@ gmail.com. Forms are also available the day of the championship. Children of all faiths are welcome to enjoy a positive and healthy competition with other youth in the community.

Each contestant is allowed 3 warm up shots followed by 15 free throw attempts for the Council Level Championship. Participants will compete in their respective age divisions. Last year, more than 130,000 sharpshooters participated in more than 3,000 local competitions.

Since 1972, councils have sponsored the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship for boys and girls between the ages of 9 and 14 to provide an athletic outlet and encourage the values of sportsmanship and healthy competition. Kids compete within their own gender and age and progress from local level to district, regional and state/province competitions.

Milford Council 7284 is active in the community. Every year the Milford Council bakes 1500 apple pies as a fund raiser to help fund various organizations and community projects. Milford Council 7284 sponsors four \$500 scholarships for graduating high school seniors every year. In addition to the scholarships they contribute to Coats for Kids, Echo Plus, Haiti Relief Fund, UDMO, Grotto of the Redemption, Discovery House, Cherish House, and CASA. They also host bingo for the residents at the Hawkeye Care Center. The Milford Council also contributes and distributes Christmas food baskets for area families. In addition they engage youth with their creative talents in sponsoring a Christmas poster contest, free throw competition, hosting a local spelling bee as well as local family, community and parish needs. In the past year they contributed more than \$12,000 to local community needs. They also run the Tootsie Roll Drive for persons with intellectual disabilities Labor Day weekend, benefiting local organizations.

The spelling bee will be Tuesday February 4,2020, at Okoboji Middle School right after school at 3:25pm. Registration for grades 4, 5, 6 and 7 can be obtained from the Okoboji Schools offices and is open to area public, private, parochial and home schooled students.

The Knights of Columbus is an international Catholic family fraternal service organization with 1.9 million members in more than 15,900 local councils. Our charitable activities encompass an almost infinite variety of local, national and international projects. Our own unique charities include the Christian Refugee Relief Fund, Disaster Relief, Ultrasound Initiative, and Coats for Kids. We also partner with international charities including Special Olympics, the Global Wheelchair Mission and Habitat for Humanity. 2017 was a record-setting year for Knights of Columbus charitable work with an unprecedented \$185.6 million in donations and 75.6 million hours of service provided worldwide. The monetary value of K of C's service hours is valued at \$1.9 billion based on an estimate by Independent Sector, a network for nonprofit foundations that values a 2017 volunteer hour at \$24.69.The K of C's 2017 survey of charitable giving also showed that monetary donations increased \$8 million from 2016 (+4.5 percent) and service hours grew by 527,550 (+0.7 percent). Year-over-year annual growth in both categories has been consistent over the past two decades.



Spirit Lake Library News

The Spirit Lake Public Library will close at 2:00 on Christmas Eve and will be closed Christmas Day. Merry Christmas!



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AA Meetings

The Jackson Java open AA meetings will be held on Tuesdays at 7:30pm, at 309 2nd Street, Jackson, Minnesota (just one block south of the coffee shop). For more information, con-

tact Jodi at 712-209-2049, or Karie at 507-841-4012.

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Tops Meetings

Tops Chapter #369, Spirit Lake, meets Friday mornings at 10:00am at the Spirit Lake United Methodist Church, 1812 Gary Avenue, Spirit Lake (use south door). If you are one that needs help with motivation and food planning to lose weight, this may be the support group for you. Visitors are welcome to attend their first TOPS meeting free of charge without obligation.Formore information, call Betty Sangel at 712-320-4458.

Al-Anon Meetings:

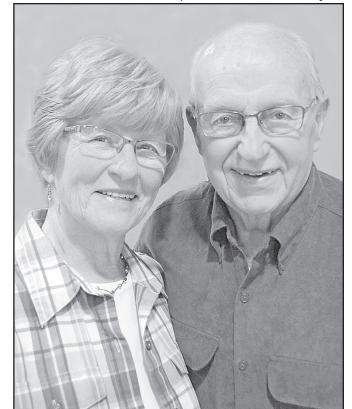
New Hope Al-Anon Meetings will be held on Mondays at 8:00pm at the St. Joseph Catholic Church School, 1301 Okoboji Avenue, Milford.

For more information, contact Linda T. 712-363-2248. Iowa Great Lakes Al-Anon

Meetings will be held on Thursdays at 6:30pm at Lakes Regional Healthcare on Highway 71, Spirit Lake in the East Okoboji Conference Room on the lower level. For more information, contact Anne S. at 312-280-8732.



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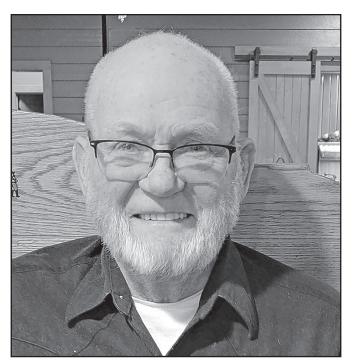
Zinns to Celebrate 60 Years

The family of Karen and Ken Zinn are hosting a 60th wedding anniversary celebration on December 28, 2019. Karen and Ken were joined in marriage on December 11, 1959. The anniversary celebration will take place at the Lake Park Community Center in Lake Park, from 2:00pm-4:00pm. Let your presence be their gift. Cards can be sent to Karen and Ken Zinn, 70398 420th Avenue, Lakefield, Minnesota 56150.



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Birthday Announcement

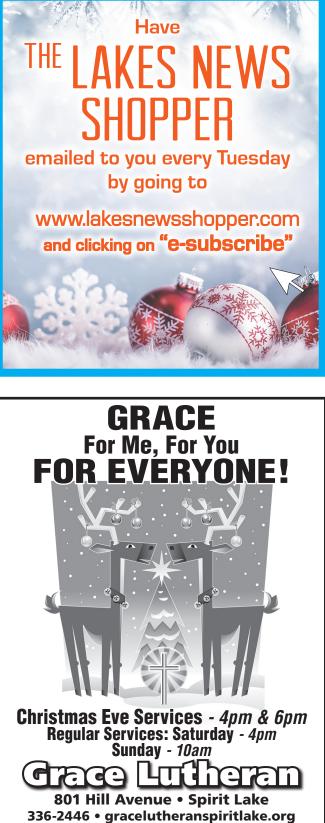
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Please help the family of Bob Ingwersen celebrate his 90th birthday on Sunday, January 5, 2020, from 12:30-2:30pm, at the Lake Park Community Building. Lunch will be served. Let your presence be your gift. Hope to see you there.







Want To Add Volunteering To Your 2020 Resolutions?

Are you interested in adding volunteering to your 2020 New Year's resolutions? The upcoming new year is a great time to get more involved in the community and Northwest Iowa Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) is a great place to learn more about volunteering.

"Many people resolve to focus on improved health or become more active each year. Becoming an RSVP can fill both of those resolutions as you become more involved in your local community while making a meaningful difference in the lives of others! The cheerful face of a student, the grateful smile of someone receiving food or transportation or, the pleasure of helping out at a nature center, museum or a locally-sponsored community event can brighten many days throughout the year!" remarks Dawn Bernhard, Northwest Iowa RSVP director.

Northwest Iowa RSVP volunteers get involved in the community in many ways including serving as Pen Pals, Reading Buddies, and tutors in private and public schools; driving residents to medical and other essential appointments; helping the Food Pantry and delivering Meals on Wheels; sharing talents like singing, comedy and crafts at nursing homes, and helping with other special projects ranging from helping with blood drives or assisting thrift stores to supporting charities or assisting at the local library or museum events.

"Volunteers choose how they wish to share their experiences, skills and interests in the wide range of opportunities and flexible schedules offered through the RSVP program," explains Bernhard.

Volunteer opportunities exist for nearly any time frame, long term or short term, and allow people to pursue their passions while helping others. Whatever your age, interests, experience or, whatever form of volunteering you choose, serving others is the perfect way to help our community along with achieving goals you have set for yourself for the coming year.

Northwest Iowa RSVP serves Clay, Dickinson, Emmet, Kossuth, and Palo Alto counties. Iowa Lakes Community College has sponsored Northwest Iowa RSVP since 1977. Each of the five Iowa Lakes' campuses in Estherville, Emmetsburg, Spencer, Spirit Lake and Algona house an RSVP office. The mission of Northwest Iowa RSVP is to engage volunteers 55+ in meaningful community service.

If you would like more ideas on how to volunteer or want to join RSVP, please contact Dawn at dbernhard@iowalakes. edu or 515-295-8522. RSVP will happily help you find your volunteer niche.

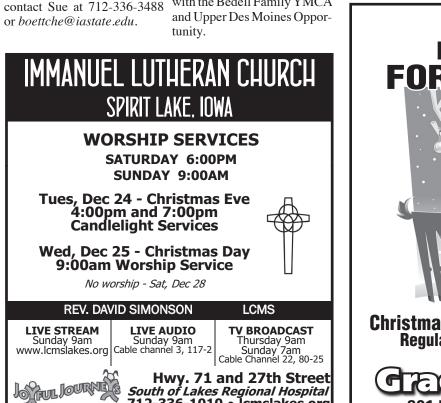
spellers and an alternate in each grade will then be eligible to compete in the Regional Spelling Bee. The first and second place contestants in the regional competition may advance to the state spelling bee in Ames.

Students can prepare for the competition by accessing the spelling lists at http://iowakofc.org/page/spelling-bee (lists shown as 2019 will be used in 2020). Students from the other area school districts are invited to participate.

Any questions may be directed to Paul Katzfey, Youth Director Council 5043, text or call 712-330-6371, or by email to mlkpmk1200@gmail.com.

Iowa Great Lakes Council 5043 is one of the most active in Iowa, in the past year contributing more than \$18,000 to local community needs, including Hope Haven, Iowa Helping Hands Fund, American Wheelchair Mission, the Grotto of the Redemption, Cherish House, Guatemala Mission, Women of the Well Project, as well as to local family, community and parish needs. Local Knights sponsor annual youth events including the Free Throw Competition and the Knights of Columbus Children's Coat Drive. They also run the Tootsie Roll Drive for Persons with Intellectual Disabilities Labor Day weekend, benefiting Special Olympics and local organizations, and the Food Drive for Upper Des Moines Opportunity.

The Knights of Columbus is an international Catholic family fraternal service organization with 1.9 million members in more than 16,000 local councils. Last year, Knights donated more than 76.7 million volunteer hours and \$185 million to charitable and benevolent causes, sponsoring projects to benefit their church, councils, communities, families and youth.



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Parks Marina Customers Bring Christmas Joy to 11th Annual "Boat Loads of Toys"

Parks Marina in Okoboji, Iowa and Upper Des Moines Opportunity in Spirit Lake are proud to announce that the 11th annual Boat Loads of Toys; produced another astonishing \$5,000 worth

of toys and children's clothing. The annual campaign provides Christmas toys and clothing to youth in need throughout Dickinson County and surrounding areas. Customers were encouraged to bring unwrapped gifts to Parks Marina and Okoboji Boat Works in Okoboji. In the course of 11 years Parks Marina customers have donated over \$36,000 worth of toys and clothing.

"The generosity of our Parks Marina customers is overwhelming and greatly appreciated." says Debbie Parks, Marketing Manager at Parks Marina. "We take great pride in our partnership with Upper Des Moines Opportunity and the important work they do for our community."

Upper Des Moines Opportunity, Inc. (UDMO) is one of 18 Community Action Agencies in the State of Iowa and has been

serving our communities since 1965. It is a nonprofit organization that was established under the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964 to fight America's War on Poverty at the local level.

"Dickinson County Outreach would like to thank Parks Marina and Okoboji Boat Works for their customers' awesome donations of toys and clothes plus coats and snow pants.", said Jolene Egertson Outreach Specalist for Upper Des Moines Opportunity," Families come in to pick out toys for their children's Christmas. They are so thankful and joyful to be able to pick out a gift almost like shopping."

Parks Marina continues to not only be dedicated to the service and care of its customers and employees, but also to the Iowa Great Lakes Region and its surrounding communities. For more information log on to *parksmarina.com*.





FINE ARTS FOCUS K-12 Fine Arts of Okoboji Schools Debate: Several members of the debate team competed at the Des Moines North Railsplitter Speech and Debate Tournament

December 21. The tournament used the same PF topic that will be used at the state tournament January 10-11. *Art Sale and OHS Holiday Concert:* There was wonderful art for sale at the holiday concert on Monday, plus delicious soups! There were also great gingerbread house and woodworking class

There were also great gingerbread house and woodworking class displays. Then the music students performed a terrific concert with Concert Band, Concert Choir, Percussion Ensemble and Boji Voices Jazz Choir. Congrats to Mr. Ryan Middleton and Mrs. Erin Chappas on a beautiful concert!

SCRIP Gift Cards, Scrunchies & Decals: SCRIP gift cards, scrunchies, and decals will be sold at many of the Friday home basketball games. All of these raise money for the activities or fine arts at Okoboji Schools. Get your grocery and gas by using a SCRIP card! We carry Cenex, Casey's, Kwik Star, Sunshine, Fareway, HyVee, and Walmart cards.

Large Group Speech: The public is invited to all contests. Be aware that there is a small fee to attend, come early, and don't wear clothing that identifies your child's school.

- Saturday, January 25: District Large Group Contest in Spencer

- Thursday, February 6: Free Public Performance at Okoboji High School Auditorium

- Saturday, February 8: State Large Group Contest in LeMars Mock Trial Season Awards: OMS Mock Trial held their end of season awards party on Sunday. Team Hamilton trophied at State in 11th place. Team Burr placed 25th. This is the highest any of our teams have finished before. Maddison Lambert became the first student from OMS to be named one of 12 Outstanding Witnesses at State.

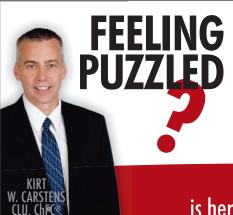
Students named as Regional Honorable Mention Outstanding Awards: Mallory Loerts (Witness), Michael Gonnerman (Lawyer), Addison Cunningham (Lawyer), Emily Quanbeck (Lawyer), Hunter Hallengren (Witness).

Students named as Regional Outstanding Witness (chosen by both judges): Adison Frerichs (Lawyer), Drew Sandven (Lawyer), Drew Sandven (Witness), Sawyer Miller (Lawyer), Sawyer Miller (Witness), Grace Pausley (Lawyer), Maddison Lambert (Witness).

Students named as State Honorable Mention Outstanding Awards: Trigg Heimdal (Witness), Adison Frerichs (Lawyer), Drew Sandven (Witness), Cole Becker (Lawyer), Rayden Snodgrass (Witness), Grace Pausley (Lawyer), Addison Cunningham (Lawyer), Emily Quanbeck (Lawyer), Sawyer Miller (Lawyer), Sawyer Miller (Witness).







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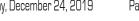
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OKOBOJI WINS MANSON TOURNAMENT - The Okoboji 5th Grade Gray team took home the championship of the Manson-NW Webster Tournament on Saturday. The Pioneers defeated Manson-NW Webster and Galva-Holstein in pool play and then beat Hinton in championship game. Winners: Trey Vander Pol, Camden Vonk, Asa Jacobsen, Simon Walleck, Miles Wasson, Kade Nissen and Alex Sorenson.

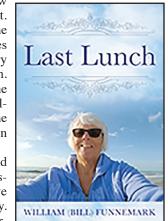
Book Signing with Algona Author

Algona resident and former Corwith-Wesley-LuVerne science teacher, Bill Funnemark will discuss his new book "Last

Lunch" during a public interview and upcoming book signing event.

The event will be held on the Algona Campus of Iowa Lakes Community College on January 29, 2020, beginning at 6:30pm. Funnemark will share about the journey of his wife's sudden illness and passing, along with the reflections that led him to pen 'Last Lunch.'

The public is invited to attend and hear Funnemark's compassionate story of incredible love and loss, and the path to recovery. Books will be available for purchase and signing.



There is no cost to attend, but registration is requested. To register, visit www.iowalakes.edu/ce or call 800-252-5664. If you are unable to attend, a copy of the book may be purchased at the Algona Chamber office or on Amazon.







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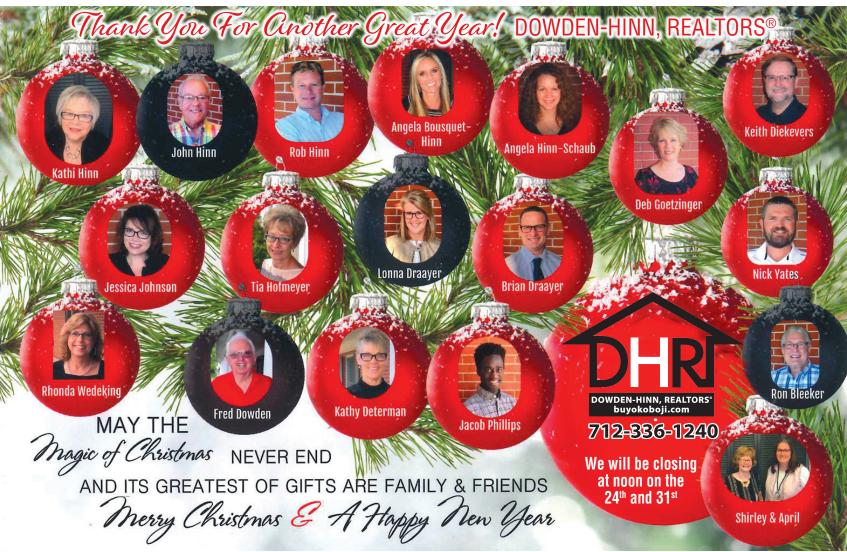
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Christmas Lights Display

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tune your radio into 97.5 and listen to the music as you watch the lights dance to the tune. They will light the display Thanksgiving night at 5:30pm and they will run nightly from 5:30pm to 10:30pm through New

Year's Eve. They have added lights and new display pieces this year and hope everyone can make it out to enjoy the lights. There is a donation box and all donations will go toward veterans and homeless veterans? needs. The address is 1078 110th Street, Lake Park, Iowa.

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Bedell Family YMCA Celebrates 15 Years of Service to the Lakes Community in January 2020

January 1, 2020 marks the 15th anniversary the site for the free Community Table North of the Bedell Family YMCA's presence in meals that happen every third Thursday for the

the Iowa Great Lakes, notwithstanding Camp Foster, which made it's home on the southeast shoreline of East Lake Okoboji in 1912.

In the late 1990s, a community needs assessment was conducted with financial studies and other analytics of the lakes

area to see if harboring a YMCA facility was possible. The studies found that a facility was needed, but financial resources were not available. Then, the Bedell family stepped in with a \$2 million donation for naming rights to the facility with the Hoien family donating the 25-acre site where the main facility sits today. Construction began in November of 2003, with the grand opening of the 42,000 square foot facility being held on January 1,2005 (although the building was opened to the public through a 'soft opening' from December 27-31 of 2004). The original structure housed gymnasiums, wellness and aerobics centers, pool, track teen center and community room.

Fast-forward 15 years, and the Bedell Family YMCA has grown along with the needs of the community. In 2007, the skate park opened and in 2008 the Y added an upstairs area specifically for free weights. The Y opened two satellite locations, one in Spirit Lake in 2010 (which has since changed to a different location in Spirit Lake), and one in Milford in 2013. Additionally, the Y took on the role of Director for the North Area Special Olympics in 2013 and hosts multiple events each year. In early 2014, the Y broke ground for what is currently the Character Center, with the grand opening taking place in September of 2015. The Character Center includes two racquetball courts, a climbing tower, sport court, kitchen, resource center, game area, multi-purpose room and more. It's also the hub for all YMCA youth and teen programming and



" W e thankful for the community support that helped make the Y a reality in the Iowa Great Lakes, and I'd like to personally thank all the volunteers, board members. members and donors that have helped make our

mission possible

month.

over these past 15 years." said YMCA CEO Andrew Fisher. "Our areas of focus are Youth Development, Healthy Living and Social Responsibility - and I can proudly say that within the last three years alone we've provided over \$375,000 in financial assistance to subsidize memberships, camperships and program fees. We're proud of our past and look forward to serving the community and growing as the needs of lakes area residents evolve."

In honor of reaching the 15-year mark the YMCA wishes to honor our 15 most active members of all-time. These members will receive a commemorative 15th anniversary t-shirt. The most active members are: Aaron Jones, Anthony Poncelet, Beverly Petrick, Cathy Kuker, Chris Spaeth, David Peelen, David Petrick, Diane Kroese, Harland Berguson, James Simmons, Jan Plunkett, Joy Pritchard, Melode O'Neill, Ray Miller, and Scott Orpen.

Those wishing to join the Bedell Family YMCA can take advantage of the best pricing of the year by joining during New Member Week, January 10-17, 2020. During this time, we'll be waiving the joiners fee for all new members. Additionally, at the conclusion of New Member Week, one new member and one current member will win a free, year-long individual membership. Financial assistance is available to qualified applicants at all times.

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Youth Corner

January 2020 will be upon us, and Miss Becca would love for your family and friends to come to Milford Memorial Library. Please put these dates on your

- calendar so you can be a part of the fun. Public Playdate: 10:30am on Saturday, January 4
- Building Bookworms-Snow Excited: 10:30am
- on Monday, January 6
 - Afterschool Activity-Salt Painted Snowflakes: 3:30pm on Thursday, January 9
 - Public Playdate: 5:30pm on Wednesday, January 15
 - 4-H Clover Kids-Marvelous Marshmallows: 3:30pm on Thursday, January 16
 - Building Bookworms-Beary Tired: 10:30am on Monday, January 27

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The publisher does not necessarily share the views/opinions stated in the "Letters to the Editor" published in The Lakes News Shopper. To The Editor:

Teaching me the importance of setting a good example, aka 'practicing what I preach" was a big deal to my mother. "What you do speaks so loudly that the world can't hear what you say," seemed to be Mom's answer to every excuse and rationalization I ever gave her for my poor behavior.

Right is always right. Wrong is always wrong, regardless of how we attempt to justify it. Practice what you preach. That certainly was taught when our three children attended Okoboji schools. I had supposed that to be true now as well, which is why I am so incredibly disappointed in the decision of our past Board of Education to invoke their power of Eminent Domain and by force of law cause some older, longtime Milford residents to be forced to move from the homes they have lived in for years. Yes, several times over the years these residents have been approached about selling their homes. Yes, the homes are 'in the way" of plans the District has for the property. Yes, were it mine, I would have sold it a long time ago.

But that fact remains: the homeowners do not wish to sell They have repeated this refusal several times. And yet our own local school Board of Education unanimously approved the administration's recommendation to invoke Eminent Domain, forcing these longtime residents from their homes. Would the same action have been supported if a Board Member's family, or Superintendent's family lived there? What happened to character counts in Okoboji? What kind of person does this?

Why is it that this action has never been taken before? The only explanation I can come up with is that never before has an Okoboji Administration and Board of Education displayed this degree of ego, arrogance and lack of compassion. "Because

we can" appears to be their justification. Folks, all you need is patience, not this type of bullying. Eventually it would have been yours, and you could build whatever monument to success you desire. Even parking spaces.

We now have a newly elected majority on the Board of Education. What the Board has mistakenly done, can also be undone. Someone would have to say "I was hasty", or "I was wrong". Tough words for big shots to use. But it could be done, if the community makes it clear that is our collective desire. Yes, shame on the previous Board, and on the Administration. Shame on the new Board if they do not review this decision. But, shame on all of us if we continue to allow this outrageous behavior on their part.

Proud To Be One? Surely you jest. But someday I hope to be again.

Charles Peter, Milford, Iowa



In addition to detailing MaxYield's positive local and total returns in 2019, CEO Keith Heim reviewed the cooperative's commitment to further investments, including this grain storage expansion project in Britt, Iowa, at their annual meeting held December 12.

Annual Meeting Held for MaxYield Cooperative

Max Yield Cooperative® held its 105th annual meeting Monday, December 12, at the Kossuth County Ag & Motorsports Museum in Algona, Iowa.

Board chairman Howard Haas called the meeting to order at 10:00am. During the meeting, MaxYield CFO Susan Post discussed the financial results of the cooperative. The audited financial report for the fiscal year ending July 31, 2019, reported local earnings of \$1,790,071 with total pre-tax earnings totaling \$7.4 million. Both earnings levels were greater than the prior fiscal year.

In his remarks to the membership, MaxYield CEO Keith Heim stated he was pleased with the cooperative's fiscal results. "I'm also pleased to report that each department at MaxYield contributed positively to these earnings," he said.

Heim noted that the cooperative continues to have a very strong balance sheet. "Term debt has decreased by over \$4.8 million, member's equity increased by more than \$3.6 million and we added over \$2.5 million to working capital in 2019. MaxYield also increased retained savings, which now totals nearly \$59 million. In 1997, retained savings were (\$122,242), so you can see we continue to make significant progress in strengthening the financial position of MaxYield."

Both Heim and board chairman Haas emphasized that MaxYield continues to invest in the company. "In January 2019 we purchased property near Britt that included three warehouse buildings totaling 17,000 square feet of space, real estate and seed treating and bulk seed storage tanks. Among other capital expenditures, we've also committed to building additional grain storage space in Britt and Belmond in 2020," Heim noted.

Heim went on to say that MaxYield expanded its footprint in 2019. "On August 1st MaxYield and Standard Nutrition Services entered into a joint venture where we will be handling the grain purchasing, grain accounting and risk management at their newly acquired feed mill east of Waverly, IA. Since 1995, Max Yield has provided grain procurement and risk management services to feed mills and end-users, including Kerber Milling in Emmetsburg which is now owned by Standard Nutrition."

Nominating committee member Rich Harves of Dickens announced the results of the director election. Eric Marchand of Britt was reelected and Greg Guenther from Algona and Don Salton of Dickens were elected to serve three year terms on the board of directors.

Following the annual meeting, Howard Haas was nominated by the board to continue serving as chairman. David Garrelts and Eric Marchand will continue to serve as vice chairman and secretary/treasurer, respectively.



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Lakes Regional Healthcare's Board of Trustees approved a collaborative business relationship with Northwest Iowa Bone, Joint & Sports Surgeons during its December board meeting. Known as "provider-based status," the regional orthopedic practice essentially becomes a department of the hospital.

Lakes Regional Healthcare President and CEO Jason Harrington shared that the hospital has appreciated a collegial relationship with the professionals of Northwest Iowa Bone, Joint & Sports Surgeons for years. The establishment of a formal relationship will enhance long-term planning, service integration, business efficiency and physician recruitment.

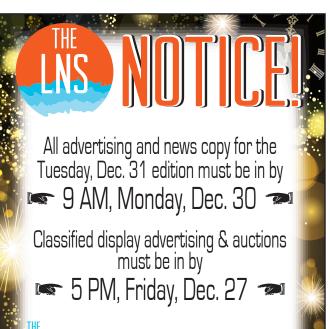
"Healthcare has changed significantly and will continue to do so," Harrington said. "This collaborative initiative allows our mutually successful organizations to more effectively integrate care delivery and manage future business and care system opportunities and challenges."

Northwest Iowa Bone, Joint & Sports Surgeons will continue to manage the day-to-day clinic operations at all three locations, and also coordinate outreach clinic and services provided at other hospitals in the region. In addition to the main three office locations, the group provides satellite clinics in Cherokee, Primghar, Pocahontas, Emmetsburg, Estherville, Sibley, Algona and Worthington, Minn. The clinic name will also be revised to reflect the new relationship, becoming, Northwest Iowa Bone, Joint & Sports Surgeons a department of Lakes Regional Healthcare.

Northwest Iowa Bone, Joint & Sports Surgeon's orthopedic specialists have been members of Lakes Regional Healthcare's medical staff for many years. As an independent practice group, it has developed one of the most successful rural orthopedic practices in the State of Iowa. In addition to Lakes Regional Healthcare, the group is also establishing provider-based arrangements with Buena Vista Regional Medical Center and Spencer Hospital.

"Our physicians and healthcare team are excited to further advance our relationship with each of these medical centers," said Northwest Iowa Bone, Joint & Sports Surgeon orthopedic surgeon Dr. Chris Rierson. "We are fully invested in providing exceptional orthopedic services, including proven state-of-theart care to the patients we serve throughout northwest Iowa."

Northwest Iowa Bone, Joint & Sports Surgeons consists of six orthopedic surgeons and two doctors of podiatry, plus orthopedic advanced practice professionals, imaging specialists, physical therapists, medical office professionals and other support staff. The arrangement is effective January 1, 2020.



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Drain the oysters, reserving the juice.

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a paper towel-lined plate.



Clip this recipe card to save

This traditional soup is perfect for the Holidays!

Oyster Stew

24 fresh oysters, shucked, juices reserved 4 bacon slices, minced 1 onion, minced (about 1 1/4 cup) 1/4 cup all-purpose flour 1 42 quarts milk 1 bay leaf 1 cup heavy cream, heated 1/2 teaspoon salt, or to taste 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black

pepper

Oyster crackers

Add the onion to the fat and cook until translucent, not browned. Reduce heat to low, add the flour, and cook, 3-4 minutes, stirring constantly. Add the milk and reserved oyster juice in batches, using a whisk to work out any

lumps. Add the bay leaf and simmer, 20 minutes. Add the whole oysters and simmer until the oysters are cooked, about 5 minutes. Remove from heat. Add the hot cream, salt and pepper. Serve garnished with the reserved bacon and oyster crackers.

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Storytime With A Naturalist

A new monthly program, Storytime with a Naturalist, premieres at 10:30am on Saturday, January 4, at the Dickinson

County Nature Center in Okoboji, part of the 2020 program lineup. "Since we're

open on Saturdays now, I thought it would be fun for families with children in school to come to the

nature center to engage in some programs they might miss on weekdays," said Bryanna Kuhlman, environmental education coordinator.

The free Storytime with a Naturalist program will be held the first Saturday of each month and will feature Kuhlman, naturalist Ashley Hansen or another nature center staff member or volunteer reading nature-themed stories.

Story themes will be seasonal or holiday-related, and some months may also feature another small program offering such as a craft or snack.

Children at the program should be old enough to sit through two stories, and Kuhlman said topics will be geared toward those up to fourth grade.

"Each program will last about a half hour, and then families will be free to explore the interactive exhibits and see the live animals at the nature center," said Kiley Roth, community relations coordinator. "This is the first winter that we have been open Saturdays, and we're excited to not only offer open hours but to also have special programs once a month on the weekend. I think Storytime with a Naturalist will be well attended."

Pre-registration is not necessary for Storytime with a Naturalist. For more information on Dickinson County Nature Center programs, visit www.dickinsoncountynaturecenter.com or call 712-336-6352. You can also keep up on the latest happenings on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

The Dickinson County Nature Center is located at 22785 Nature Center Road, Okoboji, and is open 10:00am-4:00pm Tuesday-Saturday, year-round.



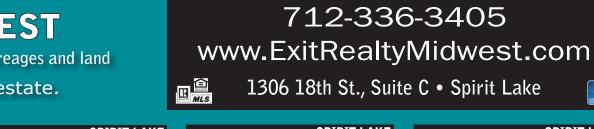


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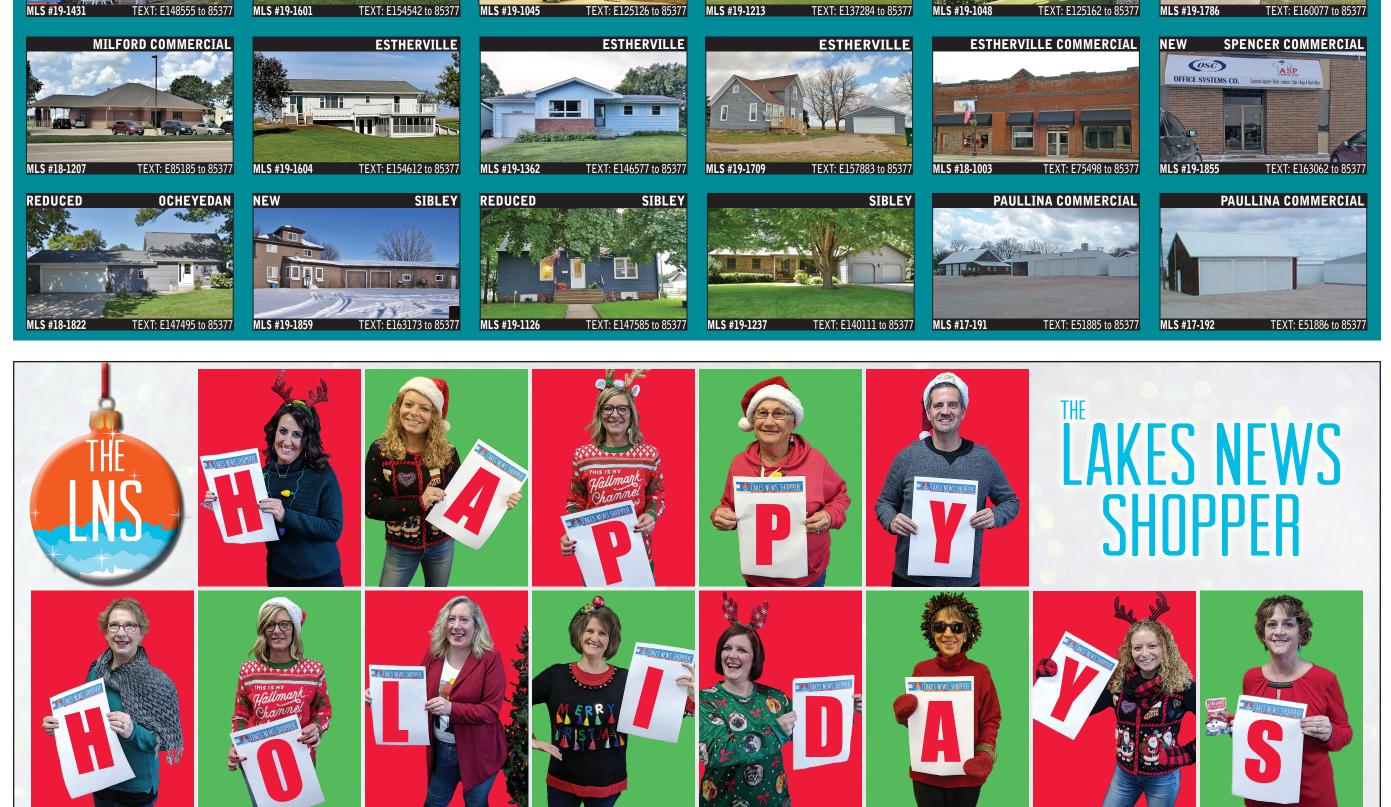




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Putting Lipstick on a Pig

I see there have been a couple of letters bashing the Republican Party the last two weeks. I always love the "This isn't the Republican Party I knew" types. You mean the Republican Party that didn't win the House for 40 years? The Republican Party whose Presidents were subjected to every vile false accusation by Democrats and their allies in the mainstream liberal media yet wouldn't fight back because it wasn't "dignified"? The Republicans who did nothing about the decades of illegal immigration across our southern border because they had sold their souls to the cheap labor folks at the US Chamber of Commerce? Yeah, that Republican Party has left the building, and I hope it never finds its way back in.

I love how Nancy Pelosi wore black to the impeachment vote because it was such a "somber" occasion yet she had to silence the Democrat cheers when it was announced the first article had passed. And a photo showing Democrats partying in an office appeared later, not exactly fitting for a "somber" moment. Now she's delayed sending the articles of impeachment over to the Senate to finish the process. More political games to complete the star chamber witch hunt this whole mess is. Spin it all you want to, Democrats, you're just putting lipstick on a pig and the American people know that. Sam Smith,

2020 Shrine Bowl Announced

The Iowa High School Football Coaches Association has selected the Coaches for the 2020 Iowa Shrine All-Star Football Classic. The game will be played Saturday, July 18, 2020 at the UNI Dome in Cedar Falls starting at 4:00pm.

The South Head Coach is Rob Luther Baxter. Assisted by: Ryan Pezzetti, Ankeny Centennial; James Harris, Washington; Matt Kovacevich, Centerville; Nate Mechaelsen, Underwood; and Derek Wharton, Martensdale-St. Marys.

The North Head Coach is Paul James, Linn Mar, Marion. Assisted by Brad Remmert, Cedar Falls; Justin Putz, Independence; Mike Swieter, Southeast Valley, Gowrie; Larry Allen OABCIG; and John Olson, Gladbrook-Reinbeck.

The Coaches have selected 46 players for each Squad. The selections are made from nominations from coaches around the state.

The cheerleading coaches for 2020 are Sandy Norby, Osage; Kait Parsons, Des Moines; and Choreographer Emma Fletcher, Cedar Falls.

The 2020 game will be the 48th. Annual All-Star game which has raised over \$2,760,000 for the Shrine Hospitals for Children. There are 17 orthopedic hospitals in the United States, Canada, Mexico, and Hawaii, 3 burn centers in the US and 1 unit in the U.S. that treats all types of cases. We have been privileged to have some of the finest football players participate in this prestigious game- many who have gone on to excel at the college and professional level. Regardless of the score-everyone is a winner in the All-Star game, especially our hospitals.

Dr. Baskerville Enlightens Kiwanians About Spenser's Underground Ministries

Dr. Steve Baskerville gave an enlightening program to the Milford Kiwanis Club about "Spenser's Underground Minister-

ies." This organization is very close to the hearts of Dr. and Mrs. Baskerville, as it was formed as a memorial to their son, Spenser. It has become an essential destination for many area teens, as the association provides a safe place for teens from middle school and older. Spenser's Underground Ministries is a Christian based, nondenominational entity that provides caring access from committed adults and mentors to walk alongside teens

as they navigate life. Located in the former Carnegie Library on Hill Avenue in Spirit Lake, the building has recently gone through renovations to preserve the historical importance of the structure. The interior of the building is really beautiful, and individuals and groups can reserve space for meetings and events. For more information about this stellar organization, including their calendar of events, be sure to visit their website at spensersundergroundministries@gmail.com.

THE LAKES NEWS SHOPPER Tuesday, December 24, 2019 Page 3B lowa Lakes "Best of the Best" Veteran Friendly College

The U.S. Veterans Magazine has released the prestigious 'Best of the Best" colleges for military veterans and Iowa Lakes Community College was selected as the only community college in Iowa to receive this award and one of three colleges in the entire state alongside the University of Iowa and the University of Dubuque.

The magazine, published by DiversityComm, Inc., chose Iowa Lakes due to its dedication to providing outreach, accessibility, and support to military veterans, including students and staff.

"It's great to know our efforts to deliver exceptional service to our veterans have not gone unnoticed. We hope to keep improving on this quality of service as we go forward," said Kent Schmidt, Veterans Liaison and Career Center Coordinator.

Iowa Lakes Community College strives to meet the unique needs of military veterans, including two Veterans centers for relaxation and study, American Legion scholarships, free use of the Wellness Centers for military veteran families, and more. As a result, our student veteran population has increased by over 60 percent in the last year and a half.

"Students tell me they have chosen to enroll at Iowa Lakes because of the welcome extended to them by having a Veteran Liaison, the top-notch Veteran Centers, and because they have seen all the awards we have earned over the past few years," explains Schmidt.

Other awards Iowa Lakes has received this year include the Military Friendly "Silver" award from Victory Media, Support of Guard and Reserve "Freedom Award" nomination, and a Secretary of Defense level recognition given to just 135 employers nationwide.

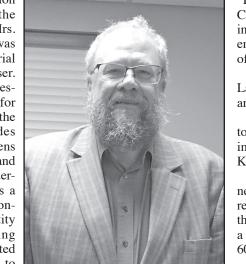
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Page 4B THE LAKES NEWS SHOPPER Auctions

198.35 ACRES OF GOEWEY TOWNSHIP, OSCEOLA

COUNTY, IOWA FARMLAND AT WEBCAST AUCTION

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2020 | 9:00 A.M. START

Auction held at the Ashton Legion and Community Building located on Main Street in Ashton, IA

Tract #1: 76.50 Acres in Section 17, Goewey Township ABB. LEGAL: The North Half of the Southwest Quarter EXCEPT a surveyed building site, all in Section 17, Township 98 North, Range 41 West of the 5th P.M., Osceola County, Iowa.

Tract #2: 81.67 Acres in Section 9, Goewey Township ABB. LEGAL: The NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ except a building site, AND the North 5 acres of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$, AND the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$, all in Section 9, Township 98 North, Range 41 West of the 5th P.M., Osceola County, Iowa.

Tract #3: 40.58 Acres in Section 4, Goewey Township ABB. LEGAL: The W ½ of the W ½ of the SW ¼ of Section 4, Township 98 North, Range 41 West of the 5th P.M., Osceola County, Iowa.

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76.61 +/- ACRES OF WILSON TOWNSHIP, OSCEOLA COUNTY, IOWA FARMLAND AT WEBCAST AUCTION THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 2020 | 10:00 A.M. START

Auction held at the Legion Building located at 821 Third Avenue in Sibley, Iowa.

LOCATION: The property is conveniently located about 1 mile east of the Highway 60 exit to Highway 9 on the north side of Highway 9. This location is 4 miles northeast of Sibley, Iowa or 5 miles south of Bigelow, Minnesota. Auction sign posted at the property. ABB. LEGAL: The East Half of the Southwest Quarter EXCEPT a surveyed building site tract of 3.39 acres, all in Section 33, Township 100 North, Range 41 West of the 5th P.M., Osceola County, Iowa.

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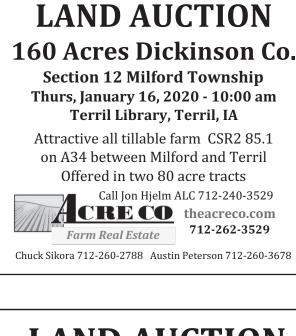
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3 Teams Advance to State in FIRST® LEGO® League Competition

Area youths received awards at the seventh annual FIRST® LEGO® League Regional Qualifying Competition hosted by Iowa Lakes Community College at the Estherville Campus last Saturday. Three teams will advance to the Championship event at Iowa State University in January 2020.

Every year, FIRST LEGO League releases a challenge based on a real-world scientific topic. The topic this year is City Shaper with young people focusing on helping cities, towns, and places you call home reach new heights. The teams develop solutions for specific problems with a building or public space in the community and build a LEGO robot and complete missions.

The Regional qualifying teams who earned advancement to the championship event at Iowa State are Lego Clashers and Spencer Inventors-Pi. The PROBOTS are going on to State to compete in the Global Innovation competition.

Each of the five teams obtained one or more awards in the Regional competition including, Spencer Inventors-Pi: Robot Performance Award and Innovation Project Award, Lego Clashers: Champions Award, City Stompers: Core Values Award, Spencer Inventors-Sigma: Robot Design Award, and the PRO-BOTS: Global Innovation Nominee Award.

The FIRST LEGO League is an international program designed to get students excited about science, technology, engineering and math (STEM). Participants ages 5-14 can form teams from any group: school, scouts, religious organizations, home school groups or even groups of friends.

After the challenge is released, teams have about three months to design, program and build their robots, and prepare in-depth research presentations related to the challenge theme. Team members can use any LEGO® parts to build their team's robot - including pieces they already own.

Iowa Lakes coordinates and runs the event providing over 50 volunteer employees and students on the Iowa Lakes campus in conjunction with Iowa State University.

For more information on Iowa Lake Community College and the tournament, visit www. Iowalakes.edu/LEGO.



Spencer Inventors-Pi win Innovation Project and Robot Performance Award Winner and Advance to State Competition



Lego Clashers earn Champion's Award Winner and Advance to State



City Stompers obtain Core Values Award



Spencer Inventors-Sigma earn Robot Design Award



PROBOTS gain Global Innovation Nominee and Advance to Compete in Global Innovation Competition

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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I received a copy of the Letter to the Editor rules, of around 400 words and only one letter in 5 weeks, with a request to resubmit my two letters of 12-11-19. I find it hard to resubmit my 600 plus word letter responding to John Adams Sr. that I started with 'That's a lying bunch of Schiff'. In my letter now, I have to leave out almost All Of Our President's accomplishments; and, many of the Democrat Social Beliefs.

It is Important to form your own facts, by listening to all media. I ask that everyone include at least a half hour, three times a week; Fox&Friends - Fox News, Estherville 1070AM (and Mark Levin at 5:00pm), along with local and eg.CNN. One of our friends disagreed that Democrat candidates back free health care for all illegals. I told her I watch the debates, (she does not) and they all raised their hands, when ask the question.

I'm in total amazement, that John Adams Sr., who at one time, I believe, was a Republican, Capitalist, is now a Democrat, believing in socialism. All the candidates, -(that all the Democrats from here to Des Moines, and throughout Iowa have), - believe in the 'AOC Squads' Green New Deal. Free everything for illegals, no walls/open borders, no cows-cars-guns-ICE- electoral college(our vote won't count), etc...

I read all of John Adams Sr.'s letters, one saying the Democrats can walk, chew gum, bringing lots of good bills to the floor; after a year of wasted time/dollars, they passed one, our Presidents' USMCA.

I do pledge allegiance to our president who by proclamation, without Democrat help, has (to only name a couple), Accomplished -- a great economy(money in our pocket/ pensions, low unemployment(able people working/off welfare), on and on and on.

About impeachment- quid pro quo, bribery, abuse of power -listen to Biden's own words, threatening Ukraine's \$1,000,000,000, if they do not fire the prosecutor investigating Hunter receiving millions of dollars from their gas company, Burisma. Check for yourself, Hunter flying Air Force 2 with China giving billions to his U.S. board, Obama/Joe giving blankets. To date Joe Biden, is not-'the', Democrat candidate. And, you can read the transcript yourself.

I also agree with Bill Murphy. In the disruption of subsidized windmills everywhere, and not one decrease in utility bills.

Unlike the Democrats' "Merry Impeachment"; I, along with all the stores and everyone I meet, say our Presidents', "Merry Christmas" and because of his economy, "wish all a blessed, happy and prosperous New Year-2020.

Elaine Frommie, Spencer, Iowa



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Author Visit - Nathan Jorgenson

On January 11,2020, Author Nathan Jorgenson will be visiting the Jackson Library. At 9:30am Nathan will have an Author Talk and from 10:00-11:00am a Meet the Author and Book Signing for his new book, Contrapasso, that was released on December 3. Everyone is welcome to come and spend the morning with us as we welcome Nathan back to Jackson. Nathan Jorgenson grew up in Jackson, Minnesota, on the family farm where he cultivated a passion for athletics and the outdoors. He earned a DDS degree from the University of Minnesota and has practiced dentistry since 1978 in Fairmont, Minnesota, until 2013. While running a business and raising a young family he found time to write, having articles published in several outdoors magazines.

Jorgenson's first novel, Waiting for White Horses (2004), started as a story that he told his ailing father and was eventually completed after his death. After winning the 2004 Benjamin Franklin Award for the Best New Voice in Fiction, Jorgenson continued writing novels, producing two more books, The Mulligan (2007) and A Crooked Number (2011), while working full-time as a dentist. Now semi-retired, Jorgenson lives in the north woods of Minnesota with his wife and they enjoy visits from their children and grandchildren. For more information, visit his website: *www.nathanjorgenson.com*.



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If you were in Walmart on the evening of December 16, you may have seen police officers pushing shopping carts around the store. Officers from the Spirit Lake Police Department were participating with children from Dickinson County for "Shop With A Cop".

Eight Spirit Lake Officers accompanied eleven children and their families from Dickinson County while they picked outfits for themselves and their families.

Thank you to Walmart and Rembrandt Foods for sponsoring this event, as well to those community members who provided the program with donations and helped with wrapping the gifts.



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JANUARY GALLERIES ON DISPLAY





Bruce A. Morrison Weaver Lobby & McIlrath Landing Galleries Through January 4 ZAPOI by Adam Nielsen Goodenow Gallery Through January 11 PLAC Biennial Exhibition Monte Pearson Gallery Through February 29

UPCOMING EVENTS

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9TH

GALLERY OPENING | Angie Huffman: You Were Probably There 5 - 7 pm | Weaver Lobby Gallery and McIlrath Landing Gallery

MUSIC AFTER HOURS | WES WELLER 7:30 pm | Self-taught singer, song writer, and musician

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23TH

GALLERY OPENING | Dan Wahl: Don't Doubt Your Horses 5 - 7 pm | Interactive Exhibit in the Goodenow Gallery

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24TH

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