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LRH, Hospice Looking For More Volunteers

Volunteering has been a part of Lakes Regional Healthcare's (LRH) history since before the first patient received care, and is still an integral part of the organization. For over 60 years, LRH Volunteers have assisted patients and staff in various ways, such as escorting and transporting patients throughout the facility, providing companionship to patients, delivering patient meal trays to cancer patients as they receive chemotherapy, and assisting Gift Shop customers.

LRH Vice President of Marketing and Retail Services Jennifer Gustafson said, "We have a great group of men and women that volunteer their time and talents based on their availability and desires. Depending on the area, volunteer shifts are three or four hours long, and we have some volunteers that work every week and others that work once a month. We really appreciate the help each volunteer provides. They all do a great job - they are so important to our organization!"

LRH is in need of more volunteers. In particular, they need more Hospice Volunteers and Coffee Shop Volunteers. Hospice Volunteers see and feel the positive impact they make as they provide companionship to terminally ill patients. "This is a highly rewarding activity for our volunteers and we're looking forward to offering the opportunity to more volunteers," said LRH Hospice Social Worker

Jed Winkel. "There is some training that is needed to be a hospice volunteer, and we have training scheduled for the mornings of January 20 and 21."

Coffee Shop Volunteers get to know many hospital staff and visitors. They volunteer for three hours on weekday mornings selling specialty flavored coffees and baked goods from local favorites such as Lisa's Bake Shop and Spudnutz within the hospital's coffee shop, located by the cafeteria. Proceeds from the sales are given to the Volunteers as a fundraiser for their scholarships.

Several other volunteer opportunities are available as well:

Gift Shop Volunteers are the frontline staff that greet and assist customers, ring up their purchases, and straighten up and restock shelves. Shifts are weekdays between 9:00am and 1:00pm and 1:00pm and 5:00pm.

Outpatient Center Volunteers welcome patients to LRH's Outpatient Center and direct them to specific areas within the center, pick up and deliver hospital paperwork, food trays, lab work, and medications to and from appropriate hospital departments as requested, and transport patients via wheelchair and/or accompany patients and visitors to departments within the hospital. Shifts are weekdays from 8:00am until 11:30am.

Patient Reception Volunteers escort

and direct patients to various locations within the organization such as the Laboratory or Imaging, and transport patients via wheelchair. Shifts are weekdays from 8:00am until 12:00pm and 12:00pm until 4:00pm.

Visitor Reception Volunteers are the smiling faces patients, visitors, and staff first see when they walk into LRH's east atrium. They assist patients and inpatient visitors in getting where they need to be on the campus by telling them patient room numbers, communicating with registration and patient care staff. Shifts are weekdays from 8:00am until 12:00pm and 12:00pm until 4:00pm.

Volunteers can also donate their time and talents from their home by sewing teddy bears for pediatric patients in LRH's ER, knitting baby caps for newborns in LRH's Birth Center, and calling area residents that live alone and benefit from hearing a friendly voice every morning.

Gustafson said, "Volunteering is fun - you meet new people and establish new friendships, plus it's a wonderful way to make a positive, meaningful impact on our community. If you've ever considered volunteering at LRH, this is a super opportunity. It's a great way to make a positive difference in your own life, and in the lives of others."

Those with questions can call Jennifer Gustafson at 712-336-8799 anytime.

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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.

Dickinson SWCD Foundation Scholarship

Applications for the Dickinson SWCD Foundation scholarship will be accepted until Friday, February 14, 2020. The scholarship, for a graduating Dickinson County High School Senior, is to be used for the first year of education at the college or vocational school level. The District Scholarship, in the amount of \$500, is offered for any field of conservation or agricultural studies and in addition, the winning application will be forwarded to compete in the Conservation Districts of Iowa's (CDI) Auxiliary Annual Scholarships.

Applications can be obtained from the High School Counselors at Harris-Lake Park, Okoboji, Spirit Lake or Graettinger/Terrill High Schools, or by contacting the Dickinson Soil & Water Conservation District by calling 712-336-3782, ext. 3 or by e-mail to maxine.butler@ia.nacdnet.net.

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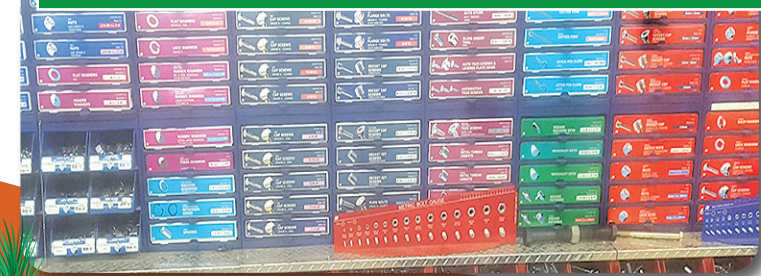
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Annie's Project is designed to guide women in making decisions for their farm or agribusiness and empowers farm and ranch women who want to be more knowledgeable about their agricultural enterprises.

"One of the foundations of Annie's Project is that women learn best with and from other women experts," said Amy Forrette, Clay County Ag Program Coordinator, who is co-hosting the event. "Clay County and Dickinson County are excited to team up and bring this program to our local farm and agribusiness women. Register soon, we'd love to have you join us."

Course participants can expect to learn and discuss effective strategies for making good decisions in five key management areas, including financial, human resources, legal, marketing and production topics. Other topics may also be discussed dependent on the needs that arise in class.

"Whether women are the sole operator of their agricultural enterprise or they are working in partnership with a spouse or other business partners, Annie's Project provides knowledge and resources that are needed in production agriculture and ag business management," said Gary Wright, farm business management specialist with ISU Extension and Outreach.

Each Annie's Project session will begin with a meal starting at 5:30pm followed by the program from 6:00pm to approximately 9:00pm. Session dates include January 23, January 30, February 6, February 13, February 20 and February 27 at St. Joseph Catholic Church, which is located at 1305 Okoboji Avenue in Milford. Tentative snow dates are also planned if weather causes a need for rescheduling certain nights.

Preregistration by January 16 is required to adequately plan for meals and materials. Registration is \$75 per person and includes all meals and course materials for all six sessions. Registration can be completed online at <http://www.aep.iastate.edu/womeninag/2020/milford.html> or by contacting Gary at 712-223-1574 or Amy at 712-262-2264.

Electronic Technology Discussion IGL Rotary Donates to Libraries

The Morning Users Group (MUG) meets Fridays at 9:30am in the Black Box Theater of the Sami Center at the Spirit Lake High School (28th street entrance). This small group of enthusiasts discusses the latest hot topics in computers and smartphones, but often ranges to streaming videos, social media, organizing digital photos, escaping ransomware, flying drones, and genealogy.

Check-out these stimulating discussions to understand the new technology that you would like to know more about - but didn't know who to ask. There are no dumb questions. Your experiences can add to our knowledge. Discussion lasts about one hour. The group does not meet if Spirit Lake Schools are delayed or cancelled that day due to weather.

Driven by a desire to help children and promote literacy, The Iowa Great Lakes Rotary Club recently donated funds to both the Okoboji and Spirit Lake libraries to purchase books for students. The librarians also graciously extended invitations for Rotarians to come and read to the students.



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Happy 80th Birthday to Janet Baschke of Milford. She will turn 80 years young on January 10, 2020. Birthday greetings can be sent to her at Accura healthcare, Room 204, 1600 13th Street, Milford, Iowa 51351.

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Angie Huffman: You Were Probably There

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All are invited to meet and visit with the artist at the show's Opening Reception on Thursday, January 9, from 5:00 - 7:00pm, and enjoy complimentary wine and hors d'oeuvres while viewing the artwork.

Angie Huffman, a photorealist painter from Marion, Iowa, received her BFA in Drawing and Painting from University of North Texas in 2010. Since then, her work has been in numerous group and juried exhibitions, including the Pearson Lakes Art Center's own juried exhibition, for which she was an award winner in both 2017 and 2019.

In her artist statement, Huffman relates that her selected scenes come from "generally unremarkable life events that bring me joy when I first see them. Though mundane, they reach out with a harmonious balance of composition and color. Quiet and wordless, they imply visual narratives and ask for further consideration."

"The work's core theme has been individuals living their lives without immediate concern, or arguably with dismissal, of society and its arbitrary pressures and expectations. This focus has been shifting towards women and children specifically, with the hope that the work will draw attention to the innate strength they possess that may be overlooked, ignored, and even suppressed."

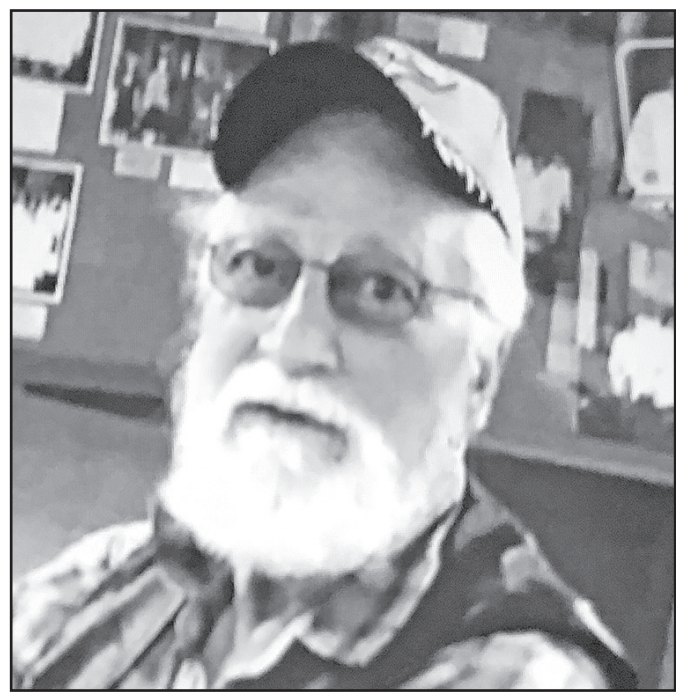
Learn more about the artist at www.angiehuffman.com.



65th Anniversary Announcement

Carl and Sally (Seidel) Ingwersen were united in marriage on January 9, 1955, in Lake Park, Iowa.

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Tues., Jan. 14 - 198.35 Acres Land Auction in Osceola Co., IA. Auctioneer: Klaassen. 712-754-3500. www.klaassenrealty.com.

Thurs., Jan. 16 - 10:00 AM - 160 Acres Land Auction in Dickinson Co., IA. Auctioneer: Hjelm. 712-240-3529. www.theacreco.com.

Thurs., Jan. 16 - 76.61 Acres Land Auction in Osceola Co., IA. Auctioneer: Klaassen. 712-754-3500. www.klaassenrealty.com.

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Olson Celebrates 100th Birthday

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Community Table

All are welcome for a Community Table meal from 5:30 - 6:45pm. Meals take place the 2nd and 3rd Thursday of each month. The 2nd Thursday of the month it will be held at the Bible Conference Community Center 45 S Highway 71, Arnolds Park. The 3rd Thursday of the month it will be held at the YMCA 1900 41st Street, Spirit Lake. There is no longer a meal on the 4th Thursday of each month. This event is sponsored by the Dickinson County Ministerial Association in partnership with the Bedell Family YMCA and Upper Des Moines Opportunity.

Birthday Announcement

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.

Spaghetti Dinner at St. Joseph

St. Joseph Catholic Church, in Milford, will host their 19th annual spaghetti dinner on Sunday, January 19, from 11:00am to 1:00pm, in the St. Joseph Parish Center. Spaghetti with homemade "secret recipe" sauce, salad, garlic bread, dessert and beverage will be served. A free will offering will be taken with a suggested contribution of \$8 for adults and \$5 for children 5-12. In-town Milford delivery will be available that day. To place a delivery order, persons should call 712-338-2274 that day. Proceeds will support the works of St. Joseph.

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Milford K of C Holding Youth Free Throw Championship

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 \$27,550 (+0.7 percent). Year-over-year annual growth in both categories has been consistent over the past two decades.

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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. For more 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.

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

Winter Games Bridge Tournament
 Calling all bridge players! There is still time to register for the Annual Winter Games Bridge Tournament to be held Friday, January 24, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Milford. Doors will open at 11:00am. A soup and sandwich luncheon will be served promptly at 11:30am with party bridge to begin by 12 noon or so. Afternoon refreshments will be served. Door prizes will be awarded. Cost will be \$13 per person. Reservations by Wednesday, January 22, are encouraged so an accurate count for food and bridge can be obtained. Make reservations by calling Susan at 712-338-2274 or e-mailing her at sreiser@milfordcable.net. Singles or couples are encouraged to participate.

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Okoboiji Foundation 2020 Grant Application Available Online

The Okoboiji Foundation's annual Grant Application for Vital Capital Projects in the Lakes Community is available online at www.okoboijifoundation.org. Click on Grants Tab. Application deadline is March 1.

- Okoboiji Foundation Grant Divisions:
- Community Needs Grants: requests of \$500 to \$24,999 - Reviewed by Youth in Philanthropy and adult Grant Committee.
- Leadership Grants: requests of \$25,000 or more - Reviewed by adult Grant Committee and presented by Ballot to Okoboiji Foundation investors. Grant Committee may request a short presentation by non-profits requesting larger Leadership Grants.

The Okoboiji Foundation is the community foundation for the Iowa Great Lakes Region. Started in 1988, the Okoboiji Foundation serves as the Center Point of Community Giving for Vital Capital Projects with approximately \$3.8 million in grants from our endowments.

Grant applications should focus on structures, physical property or equipment to make a lasting positive impact in our Lakes Community. Visit our website and click on the Grants tab to see complete grant history and additional application information.

Phone 712-332-7177 or email info@okoboijifoundation.org with questions.

Ladegaard to Speak at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

On November 17, 1973, four Sioux Falls teen age boys were shot to death at Gitchie Manitou State Park in Lyon County, Iowa. Twelve days later three brothers from South Dakota were arrested and charged with murder. The brothers were unable to afford an attorney. Spirit Lake attorney Jim Ladegaard was appointed by the District Court to represent David Fryer, age 25, the middle of the three brothers. The other brothers were represented by attorneys from Rock Rapids and Orange City. All were ultimately convicted largely through the testimony of the 13-year-old girl who was with the four victims but spared by the Fryers. They are serving life sentences in Iowa prisons. On January 12, Mr. Ladegaard, now retired, will discuss the cases at the Iowa Lakes UU Fellowship.

The Iowa Lakes UU Fellowship meets at the Arrowwood Resort and Conference center in Okoboiji. Coffee is served at 10:30 and the service begins at 11:00. An optional buffet lunch (\$10) is offered after the program. For more information check the Fellowship website uuokoboiji.com. Visitors are always welcome.

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Milford Library News

On Tuesday, January 14, at 3:30pm, MML is hosting a Glow Game Event for 4th through 12th graders. Come compete in Glow-In-The-Dark Bowling, Tic-Tac-Toe, and more. This is a free event with no preregistration required. All materials will be provided by the library.

Milford Memorial Library is accepting donations for their annual Book Sale. Please remember, we do not accept the following: textbooks, encyclopedias, dictionaries, thesauruses, magazines, Reader's Digest Condensed Books, and materials that are falling apart. If you have any questions about donating, please call 712-338-4643.

PLAC sets 2020 engagements



WES WELLER

In addition to news of Wes Weller's Thursday night *Music After Hours* show at the Pearson Lakes Art Center, performing arts director Rachelle Fratke has released a six-page, 2,000 word list of mostly musical entertainment the PLAC already has planned for the new year.

Weller tops the list with his concert at 7:30, Thursday night, in Pomerantz Hall. A self-taught singer, songwriter, and musician, Weller started playing the guitar as a teenager, and in addition to his frequent appearances locally, is using these chilly winter months to write more songs.

He performs not only his own music, but that of a wide variety of artists, of whom John Lennon and *The Beatles* are among his favorites...

Later this month you'll be able to take a trip back to the Fantastic '50s with *The Holy Rocka Rollaz*. If it's the classic early rock 'n' roll and Rockabilly of Elvis Presley, Buddy Holly, Chuck Berry, and Johnny Cash that you like — played just the way those legends played it — you've found your dream band! Minnesota's own *Holy Rocka Rollaz* bring back the sound, the look, the memories, and the nostalgia of one of America's most treasured eras. There's nothing but pure early American Rock 'n' Roll about them. *The HRR* will take the stage in the Pearson Lakes Art Center at 7:30, Friday night, January 24th.

As noted, there is a lot more to come — five or six pages — to be a bit more precise. We'll keep you up to date each week of the new year...

If country music, the two-step, jitterbug, polkas or waltzes, are more to your liking, you perhaps already know that Wednesday night will mark the final (and sadly, the farewell) performance of the well-known and most appreciated *Jessie James and the Outlaws* band... We expect that might mean a very full house at Spirit Lake's VFW Hall. Get there early for a good seat — and a good place on the dance floor — while you wish Jessie and Jim all the best in their retirement — and Maury, Steve and Bryon a good future with other aggregations. The music is set to begin at 6:00...

This week will also see *Just 'Cause on the stage* in the barn at the Little Swan Lake Winery, Sunday afternoon, from 4 - 6:00...

Research director RD thrives in seeking out the unusual. And you have to admit that if an author like Charles Addams, was writing about his family, his work would qualify. Addams was born in West New Jersey, on this day in 1912, and must have had a most unusual family. In addition to being a cartoonist for *The New Yorker* magazine, Addams is the creator of *The Addams Family* as seen in print and on the tube. The series aired on the ABC network from 1964, until 1966, starring John Astin, Carolyn Jones, and Jackie Coogan. Each show opened with a finger-snapping theme song composed by Vic Mizzy, who would have turned 104 on January 9th. Mizzy's other musical contributions included *Uncle Fester's Blues*, *Hide and Go Shriek*, and *One Little, Two Little, Three Little Tombstones*. Maybe Mizzy was part of the Addams clan?

Dean Martin's best-selling hit came on this day in 1956. *Memories Are Made of This* held the top position on the charts for more than a month, and was the biggest hit single of his career. The song was written by Terry Gilkyson, Richard Dehr, and Frank Miller. Fifty years later, Martin's daughter, Deana used it as the title track of the 2006 CD saluting her father's music...

Dame Shirley Veronica Bassey turns 82 on Wednesday. Born in Tiger Bay, Cardiff, Wales. Bassey's sixth studio album, *Let's Face the Music*, is often considered her "magnum opus" of her career, as it brought her together with arranger/conductor Nelson Riddle. Besides the title track, which was written by Irving Berlin, the highly acclaimed LP also includes standards such as *Sammy Cahn - Jimmy Van Heusen's, The Second Time Around*, and *Rodgers and Hart's Spring is Here...*

The television series, *Rawhide*, premiered on CBS-TV on January 9th, 1959, and continued until 1965. The popular western starred Eric Fleming as Gil Favor, and Clint Eastwood as Rowdy Yates. The show's theme song was written by Dimitri Tiomkin and Ned Washington, and performed by Frankie Laine. Years later it was used on the big screen in the *The Blues Brothers* film (1980), *Shrek 2* (2004), and on the small screen in 2013 in a commercial for Google Chrome.

Editor's note: Back some 30 or more years ago, during a Minnesota fishing opener, Minneapolis pipe-maker extraordinaire Richard Lewis and a group of his beer-drinking, fishing buddies rewrote the 'Rawhide' lyrics into what has become the ever-popular 'Walleye Song.' The late Joey Elbert played the parodied 'Hula Poppers' version each spring for many years on Campus Radio. In addition to Lewis, 'The Hula Poppers' included: Larry Hayes, Jan Stroup, Tom Bremer, James Klein, Danny Knowles, and Brian Hayes...

And it was on January 10, 1947 that *Finian's Rainbow* opened for 725 performances on the Big White Way. *Old Devil Moon*, one of the most popular songs from the show, was written by Yip Harburg and Burton Lane. Popular recordings include those by Tony Bennett, Bobby Troup, and Ella Fitzgerald — all in 1955 — as well as later efforts by Tierney Sutton (2001), Jamie Cullum (2003); and Laura Fygi, on her 2011 release, *The Best is Yet to Come...*

On that note we leave you with the reminder that there are only 73 more days until March 19th — the first day of Spring...

All the news that fits we print.

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Like many small business owners, they have a very high deductible insurance plan and will have many out of pocket expenses to cover during this process. To complicate matters, they recently had their daughter in the hospital for a week for an expensive undetermined virus. Connie is one of those kind and caring individuals who has taken the lead to help with others fund-raising for medical reasons and we are pleased to help return the favor. We love her positive attitude during this difficult time.

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Obituaries

A funeral service for **Betty Lou Willison** of Milford was held Tuesday, January 7, 2020, at Faith Community Church in Milford. Burial was at Milford Cemetery.



Betty Lou Wallace was born July 17, 1929, on the farm near Milford to Cecil and Mary (Moritz) Wallace. She was the youngest of five children. Betty attended several country schools through 8th grade, and in 1946 she graduated from Milford High School. After graduation she worked at the H.E. Jacobs store, waitressed at the Floete Mansion where her parents were caretakers, and then at the Fostoria Bank after she and Chuck got married.

Betty married Chuck Willison in August, 1947. They made their home in Fostoria until they moved to a farm west of Milford. In 1951, they moved to a farm east of Milford where they continued farming and raised their family.

Betty and Chuck's younger years were spent farming and raising their three children, Deb, Doug, and Dana. She worked side by side with Chuck, whether it was driving tractors, doing chores, or helping with whatever needed to be done. She also raised a huge garden, of which most was canned for eating during the winter, and being a terrific cook, there wasn't a family get-together that her raisin cream pie or potato salad wasn't fought over.

In her spare time, Betty was a talented seamstress. In addition to sewing all of Dana and Deb's clothing, she sewed her own, her mother's, and her grandmother's. So that nothing went to waste, the scraps were always sewn into quilts. In later years each of the grandbabies and great-grand babies, received a quilt from Grandma Betty. On top of that, she repurposed her hand crocheted pillow cases into decorative dolls and crocheted many quilts, table clothes, and beautiful doilies.

Chuck and Betty also enjoyed square dancing, league bowling in Terri, and playing cards with the Terri group. In the mid 1970s they started traveling south for the winter, and ended up in Florida for over thirty-five years.

After raising her three children, Betty's greatest love in her life was being with her grandchildren. The answer was always "yes" if one (or all) of them wanted to stay overnight and bake cookies (of which there was usually more than one kind of cookie baked at a time). No matter what, the grandkids always knew that Grandma Betty loved them more than anything.

Having been retired for a few years, they moved into Milford in 2007, where they comfortably lived until Chuck's death in 2015, and health issues required Betty to become a resident at Accura Health Care Center in 2017.

Betty passed away peacefully on January 3, 2020, at the age of ninety. She was preceded in death by her husband, Chuck; her parents; three brothers, Dale, Glen, and Herb; one sister, Alta; and one son-in-law, Terry Olson.

She is survived by her three children, Deb (Terry) Olson of Terri, Doug Willison of Milford, and Dana (John) Metcalf of Dickens; five grandchildren, Robin Olson Brown, Shannon Olson Smith, Kelly Olson Pedersen, Heather Metcalf Johnson, and Adam Metcalf; ten great grandchildren, and many other nieces, nephews, and friends. Turner Jenness Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Obituaries

Nick Timmins Nordstrom died Wednesday, January 1, 2020, at his home in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. He was 39.



Grateful for having shared his life are his parents, Penny Timmins Nordstrom of Spirit Lake, Iowa, and Donald (Cindy) Nordstrom of Travelers Rest, South Carolina; sisters, Marin (John) Weiss and Leah (Mike) Roozenboom both of Sioux Falls; brother, Tom Nordstrom of Denver, Colorado; and his nephew and niece, Cameron and Brynn Weiss.

Nick was preceded in death by his grandparents, Joe and Lois Timmins and Bob and Florence Nordstrom; and his uncles, Ron, Bob, Dave and James Nordstrom.

Visitation with family present will be from 1:00 - 3:00pm on Thursday, January 9, 2020, at Miller Funeral Home, 507 South Main Avenue, Sioux Falls.

For complete obituary and online registry please visit www.MillerFH.com.

Obituaries

Robert Raymond Esser - After a long and happy life filled with friends and family, Bob died peacefully on December 14, 2019. He was born to Henry and Eunice Esser in Whittemore, Iowa, on October 5, 1928, and raised on a farm in Milford, Iowa. He was raised in the Catholic Church and was educated in Catholic school. He married Rose Norton in 1950. They spent their first years of marriage in the U. S. Army in Virginia. After his service, they returned to Milford and Bob's goal was to work for the Post Office. He began as a mail carrier, later became a clerk and finished his 30 year career as Postmaster.

Bob loved the Chicago Cubs and went to Wrigley Field many times. His other love was fishing for walleye at Many Point Lake in northern Minnesota, where he and his family enjoyed many vacations. Later in life Bob moved to Spokane, WA to be closer to family, and we are grateful to have had him here.

Bob was predeceased by his wife, Rose, in 2008. He is survived by his daughter Robin (Gary) Joralemon, daughter Mary Cohen and son William (Kandace) Esser, eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren, his sister Colleen (Ray) Anderson and his brother Ron (Dorothy) Esser.

Funeral arrangements are being provided by Holy Cross Funeral & Cemetery Services. A funeral mass was celebrated at Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church, 3624 W. Indian Trail Road, Spokane, Washington, on December 27, 2019, at 11:00am.

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Winter Games weekend will be here soon. On Saturday, January 25, a card tournament featuring 500 and Pinochle will be held. This event is being sponsored by Next Home Realty.

On Sunday, January 26, Dad's Belgian Waffles is on the agenda. Delicious Belgian waffles with the choice of syrups, sausages, and drinks for \$10 per adult - \$5 per child ages 5-9, and under 5 years eat free.

Monday, January 27, Red Cross will hold a blood drive here from 12:00 - 6:00pm. Come donate and help save a life.

Zumba continues Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 5:30pm. Low-impact exercises happen on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 10:45am. The pool room is open Monday through Friday. We have greeting cards available for a small fee. Plenty of puzzles or books are available to borrow or trade. Dinner date meals are held Monday through Friday at 12:00pm. Please call 712-336-5247 by 1:00pm the day before eating to reserve a meal.

If you are in need of a facility to hold your next event, stop in or call 712-336-5247 to see what we have available. Office hours are Monday through Friday 9:00am - 3:00pm. Check us out on Facebook.

Arnolds Park Library News

Past Times Conversations

Do you know of a lakes area home which has stories to share? Maybe your grandma's cottage, a neighborhood home, your own home, or a home we all recognize? Join the Past Times conversation at the Arnolds Park Library Friday, January 10, at 10:00, to share stories of homes close to your heart and enjoy the stories of others. Bring photos, memories, and stories of older area homes and your willingness to listen and laugh as we explore the homes of our hearts.



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Couple Welcomes Spencer Hospital's First Baby of 2020

As the new parents gaze affectionately at their new baby boy, they both quickly agree that their little guy – the first baby born at Spencer Hospital in 2020 – was well worth the wait. Elizabeth Essick and Justin Hofmeyer of Greenville saw their baby's December 24 due date come and go. A week later on December 31, Elizabeth arrived at the Birth Center when she was experiencing contractions. Her physician, Dr. David Keith confirmed that she was in labor. Dr. Keith stayed with the couple and obstetrics nursing team overnight as Elizabeth's labor progressed. Finally, at 1:07pm on New Year's Day their healthy baby boy was born.

Even with a little extra time, the new mom and dad still weren't quite ready for one of the first big steps of parenthood – baby's name. So they lovingly called their son "Baby Boy" for a couple days until agreeing the perfect name for the handsome young man is Owen Kenneth Hofmeyer.

"We started out with a really long list of names," explained mom Elizabeth. They then carefully considered their two final name options plus their middle name options, knowing that they'd make the choice prior to mom and baby being discharged from the hospital.

The sweet baby boy weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces at birth and measured 20.5 inches long. Grandparents are Ray and Kathy Essick, and Norma Miller, all of Spencer, and Dennis and Jolene Hofmeyer of Edgerton, Minnesota.

The new family received a gift basket filled with baby boy items, compliments of Spencer Hospital Gift Shop.

2 Exhibits Opening in Spencer

Clay County Heritage is pleased to announce two new exhibits opening at the Heritage Center starting in January 2020!

A new interactive exhibit about the Spencer Fire of 1931 is available in the Dvergsten Gallery at the Heritage Center. This interactive exhibit utilizes a touchscreen to navigate the user through a map of downtown Spencer in 1931, chronicling the story of the fateful fire on June 27, 1931. The exhibit was designed by Edwards Creative in Milan, IL and is funded by the Spencer Renaissance Grant Initiative, Iowa Lakes Electric Cooperative, and the Walden Charitable Foundation.

In addition to this, the Heritage Center opens the second half of their exhibit, Conflict, Tension, and Prosperity: The Cold War Experience, starting January 14, 2020, and ending May 30, 2020. This exhibition focuses on the decades of the Cold War from the mid-1960s until the early 1990s with an emphasis on the Vietnam conflict, Space Race, Cuba, and Germany divided. Moreover, the Heritage Center has partnered with the Spencer High School No Boundaries program which has designed and constructed a portion of the exhibit.

The Clay County Heritage Center is located at 7 Grand Avenue in Spencer and is open Tuesday – Friday from 10:00am – 4:00pm; Saturday from 10:00am – 3:00pm; and closed Sunday and Monday. Admission is free, thanks to the sponsorship of Spencer Hy-Vee.

If you have further questions regarding this exhibit, please contact Stephanie Horsley, Director for Clay County Heritage Center, at 712-262-3304 or director@parkermuseum.org.

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Handmade crafts! The crafters at Lakes Area Farmers Market enjoy creating the crafts they make and make them with love and care. They have been creating things for several years and are always trying out new ideas so they have just what you want.

Convenience! Lakes Area Farmers Market is indoors so it is open twice a week, no matter what the weather is. It doesn't close for heat, cold, wind, or rain. The floors are concrete so walking around is easy. There is ample parking close by and even a couple of carts to haul your purchases.

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Eco-Healthy Child Care Classes

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach is offering an online series for early childhood professionals interested in becoming endorsed as an Eco-Healthy Child Care® program. The three-session series begins Jan. 8, says Lori Hayungs, a human sciences specialist with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach.

Eco-Healthy Child Care® is a national program that seeks to improve the environmental health of children by partnering with child care professionals to eliminate or reduce environmental health hazards found in child care facilities.

"As Hester Paul, the program's national director, says, we must protect young children from exposure to common environmental health hazards found within child care facilities. Their bodies are growing and developing at a rapid rate, so they are especially vulnerable to the effects of toxicants," Hayungs said. "The EHCC program creates healthier environments in and around child care facilities, and in doing so, creates healthier kids."

Created by the Children's Environmental Health Network, the research-based course offers practical and feasible ways for family and center child care providers to provide a healthy and safe early childhood environment.

More than 2,800 child care facilities throughout the U.S. as well as a few in Australia, Canada, India and the United Kingdom have been EHCC endorsed, reaching more than 147,000 children.

The endorsement checklist consists of 30 items describing environmentally safe practices for center-based and family child care facilities. Topics include lead, mercury, pesticide use, treated playground equipment, art supplies, plastics, radon and more.

The online series offered by ISU Extension and Outreach is approved for DHS-credit. Register on the DHS Training Registry website: <https://ccmis.dhs.state.ia.us/TrainingRegistry/Home.aspx>.

Questions can be directed to Lori Hayungs at lhayungs@iastate.edu or 712-737-4230.

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LRH Foundation's "Grape Escape" Planned for February 7

Each year Lakes Regional Healthcare Foundation holds an annual fundraiser called the Grape Escape to celebrate the advancements in healthcare in the Iowa Great Lakes and to raise funds toward future projects – proceeds from this year's event will support the Scholarship Endowment Fund. The event will be held on Friday, February 7, at the Waterfront Event Center. The evening will begin with hors d'oeuvres and wine and bourbon tasting upon arrival followed by two courses and a dessert prepared by Chef Rick Thompson, paired with select wines. There will be a silent auction during the social hour and a live auction during the entrees portion of the evening. Tickets are \$100 each, \$20 of which is tax deductible, and can be purchased by visiting www.grapeescape.ticket.qtego.net or by calling 712-336-8791. Those unable to attend the Grape Escape but interested in supporting Lakes Regional Healthcare Foundation can contact Foundation Executive Director Sonja Hamm at 712-336-8791 or sonja.hamm@lakeshealth.org.

This year's Grape Escape will address the shortage of professionals in the healthcare industry by providing scholarships for people in northwest Iowa. According to Hamm, the United States is experiencing a shortage of healthcare professionals – physicians, nurses, and technologists – because a greater percentage of them are nearing retirement and fewer people are entering the health industry as a career. "We are working to increase the supply of healthcare professionals in northwest Iowa by focusing on people who have grown up here, in anticipation that they will come back in time and provide care to patients at Lakes Regional Healthcare and directly benefit people in our service area," said Hamm. "We want to help those interested in pursuing careers in healthcare by removing as many obstacles as possible. Our Scholarship Endowment Fund provides three types of annual scholarships – one per school for Dickinson County high school seniors, one for Dickinson County residents in an undergraduate program, and one for LRH employees. We currently give scholarships to up to eight people, and the dollar value of the scholarships totals up to \$7,000 annually. Our desire is to grow the fund to be able to increase both the number of scholarships we can award and the dollar amounts of those scholarships."

Hamm added that the Grape Escape wouldn't be possible without the support of sponsors. Sponsorship opportunities are still available. Those interested in sponsoring can contact Sonja Hamm.

I-PLEDGE Program

The Spirit Lake Police Department will again be partnering this winter with the Iowa ABD Division's I-PLEDGE program to check for retail tobacco and vape product sales compliance. All retail stores in Spirit Lake that sell tobacco, alternative nicotine and vapor products will undergo a check. Under officer supervision, a minor under the age of 18 will be sent into the retail location to attempt the purchase of a product that they can legally not possess. If the minor is able to make that purchase without being confronted about their age, it is considered a failed check. If the minor is denied the purchase, it is considered a successful check. SLPD has conducted these checks on a yearly basis and Spirit Lake retailers do very well as a whole.

Retailer education is a big part of the I-PLEDGE program. Clerks who successfully complete an online training course and then pass an exam will become I-PLEDGE certified. This allows a retail establishment to use an affirmative defense against a civil penalty if the certified clerk makes an illegal sale, and helps ensure retailers maintain a compliant and responsible establishment.

This process is not intended in any way to trick or deceive the cashier. The minor who is sent in looks age appropriate, they use their real driver's license with their actual date of birth, and if asked their age by the cashier, they will give their actual age. The intent of this process is to ensure tobacco and vape retailers are taking the appropriate steps to help keep tobacco and vape products out of the hands of minors.

Since the program's inception in 2000, the statewide tobacco compliance rate has grown to 91%. Criminal penalties for selling tobacco, alternative nicotine and vapor products to a minor include a \$100 fine for a first offense, a \$250 fine for a second offense and a \$500 fine for third and subsequent offenses.

To learn more about the I-PLEDGE program or to take the I-PLEDGE training go to <https://abd.iowa.gov/>.

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Winter Games Cheerleaders: The Votes Are In!

After collecting nominations for all of December and holding a community-wide voting event here at the Lakes and you're sure to see Paul Plumb! He is an energetic supporter of all things "OKOBOJI"! He is generous with his time, serving on Boards, such as the Chamber. He has an ever-ready smile and cheerful attitude, welcoming all to the Park! If you've had the opportunity to work with him on an event, you know how committed he is to make sure your "OKOBOJI" experience is a true memory maker!! It's people like Paul that really enhance the quality of life in the Iowa Great Lakes! He's been cheering and supporting the area for years.



Andrew Fisher - Andrew has worked for the Bedell Family YMCA and Camp Foster for over 12 years. During his time there he has created new outreach programs that serve a population that might not otherwise have use of the facility. He is a Board Member of the Iowa Great Lakes Rotary, a member of the Priority One Community Coalition, Healthy Hometown Coalition, Co-Chair of the North Area Iowa Special Olympics, former Kinship Mentor, former volunteer youth sports coach and is a volunteer for countless sporting events for area high schools. Andrew works on a daily basis to advocate for the area and its citizens. He is currently leading a YMCA Visionary Committee to ensure the YMCA is around for current and future generations.

Deb Heidebrink - Deb spends an enormous amount of time beyond her "paid" job at Grace Lutheran Church. She delivers Meals on Wheels, provides encouragement to the Forrest Ridge students, encourages our youth in volunteerism. One sees Deb at a variety of Spirit Lake High School events. She volunteers during the basketball season doing the books as well as volleyball season. She cheers on the other sports teams by attending. Deb also is at the elementary during lunch time weekly making connections with kids. Deb is a well-known citizen of the Spirit Lake area giving her time, resources, and love to promote the Okoboji area.

Jodi Lange - Jodi is one of a kind. She is always willing to help anyone with anything. She is involved not only with the Spirit Lake Chamber of Commerce, serving as Secretary of the Board of Directors and is also a Past-Chair of the board. She is also very active in her church. In addition to these she raises money and walks for March of Dimes, which is very near and dear to her heart.

Andy Lux - Andy is already a strong cheerleader/supporter of the Lakes region. Andy is currently serving as Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Iowa Great Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce and is active in chamber events. He was a long-time board member of the YMCA and served as Board President. Andy has served on the Board of Trustees of his church and is the first to volunteer for anything.

Paul Plumb - Take a look around at any event here at the Lakes and you're sure to see Paul Plumb! He is an energetic supporter of all things "OKOBOJI"! He is generous with his time, serving on Boards, such as the Chamber. He has an ever-ready smile and cheerful attitude, welcoming all to the Park! If you've had the opportunity to work with him on an event, you know how committed he is to make sure your "OKOBOJI" experience is a true memory maker!! It's people like Paul that really enhance the quality of life in the Iowa Great Lakes! He's been cheering and supporting the area for years.

John M. Sandy - John M. Sandy believes in our community and loves to support this community. He is a Spirit Lake High School graduate and he certainly loves to support the Spirit Lake Schools. John has a phenomenally loud voice and he can inspire anyone to succeed. He inspires his family and friends with his passion for this town and for life. He allows both Spirit Lake and Okoboji High School students to job shadow him to allow the students to determine if becoming a lawyer is something that they are truly interested in. John M. is a dedicated father and family man. He is the right cheerleader for the Winter Games as his personality is contagious and so is his laughter.

Jeff and Megan Vierkant - Megan is the most enthusiastic everyday cheerleader for Okoboji. She supports the concerts, events, and all the area has to offer. As a Special Olympics athlete, she represents the Lakes area through Hope Haven in bowling, basketball, track and field, and cycling. Megan has competed in the Miss Amazing pageant for 6 years and represented the State of Iowa as Miss Amazing Teen in 2017 and at Nationals in Chicago August 2017. Megan's enthusiasm and smile are contagious – a genuine cheerleader.

Jeff is Megan's number one fan, her transportation, and her dad. Jeff is the CEO of Historic Arnolds Park, INC. – what's more "Okoboji" than Arnolds Park Amusement Park? Jeff has served on the YMCA board and continues to be a cheerleader for his three daughters in all their endeavors. His love for the area is evident in his work to improve the Park and his drive to bring people and business into the area.

We hope to see you at the 40th Annual University of Okoboji Winter Games presented by GrapeTree Medical Staffing January 23-26th. For more information on getting involved in the Winter Games fun, please visit www.uofwintergames.com or [Facebook.com/UofWinterGames](https://www.facebook.com/UofWinterGames) for updates.

THE LNS Recipe Corner

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Texas Chili

4 tablespoons chili powder, split
1/4 cup canola oil
2 pounds skirt steak
2 teaspoons kosher salt
1/2 pound sliced bacon, diced
4 cups finely diced yellow onions
2 cups finely diced green peppers
1/2 cup chopped garlic
28-ounce can crushed tomatoes
2 tablespoons dark brown sugar
2 tablespoons dried oregano
3 tomatillos, rinsed and diced
3 tablespoons corn masa flour
2 tablespoons chipotle in adobo sauce
5 cups beef broth
2 -16-ounce cans black beans
1/2 bunch cilantro, chopped, divided
13-ounce bag tortilla chips, crushed
Sour Cream

Mix 2 tablespoons chili powder and oil to make a paste. Dust the skirt steak with salt, then baste with the paste. Marinate for 1 hour and then grill over high heat to medium rare. Set aside to rest. In a large, heavy-bottom pot, cook bacon until crispy. Add the onions, green peppers and garlic, and sauté until slightly brown. Add the tomatoes, remaining chili powder, brown sugar, oregano, tomatillos, flour, and chipotle. Heat for 3 minutes, or until begins to thicken. Add the beef broth, and reduce to a simmer. Simmer uncovered for 1 hour. Cut the steak against the grain into small cubes. Add the steak and beans to the chili, and simmer for an additional 20 minutes. Add most of the cilantro. Serve over crushed tortilla chips, a sprinkling of cilantro and sour cream on top.

Recipe Courtesy of:
Neal Corman's "Virgil's Barbecue Road Trip Cookbook" (St. Martin's Press)

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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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198.35 ACRES OF GOEWY 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, Goewy 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, Goewy Township
ABB. LEGAL: The NW ¼ of the NW ¼ except a building site, AND the North 5 acres of the SW ¼ of the NW ¼, AND the SE ¼ of the NW ¼, 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, Goewy Township
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Reusable Bag Program Supports Local Non-Profits

The YMCA of the Okobojis has been selected as a beneficiary for the month of January 2020 in the Hy-Vee Reusable Bag Program that supports local non-profits.

The Hy-Vee Reusable Bag Program, which launched in November 2019, is a program that facilitates community support with the goal to make a difference in the communities where customers live and work.

The YMCA was selected as the January beneficiary of the program by store leadership at the Hy-Vee located at 1500 18th Street in Spirit Lake. The YMCA will receive a \$1 donation every time a \$2.50 red My Heart Reusable Bag is purchased at this location during January 2020, unless otherwise directed by the customer through the Giving Tag attached to the bag.

"We're excited to be chosen as the recipient for funds from the Reusable Bag Program by our local Hy-Vee store for the month of January," said YMCA of the Okobojis Development Director Cindy Rosa. "We'll use the money raised towards financial assistance to subsidize memberships, camperships and program costs for local kids and families."

Learn more about the YMCA of the Okobojis by visiting www.okobojitymca.com. For more information on the Hy-Vee Reusable Bag Program, visit hy-vee.bags4mycause.com.



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LRH Vice President of Marketing and Retail Services Jennifer Gustafson said, "We have a great group of men and women that volunteer their time and talents based on their availability and desires. Depending on the area, volunteer shifts are three or four hours long, and we have some volunteers that work every week and others that work once a month. We really appreciate the help each volunteer provides. They all do a great job - they are so important to our organization!"

LRH is in need of more volunteers. In particular, they need more Hospice Volunteers and Coffee Shop Volunteers. Hospice Volunteers see and feel the positive impact they make as they provide companionship to terminally ill patients. "This is a highly rewarding activity for our volunteers and we're looking forward to offering the opportunity to more volunteers," said LRH Hospice Social Worker Jed Winkel. "There is some training that is needed to be a hospice volunteer, and we have training scheduled for the mornings of January 20 and 21."

Coffee Shop Volunteers get to know many hospital staff and visitors. They volunteer for three hours on weekday mornings selling specialty flavored coffees and baked goods from local favorites such as Lisa's Bake Shop and Spudnutz within the hospital's coffee shop, located by the cafeteria. Proceeds from the sales are given to the Volunteers as a fundraiser for their scholarships.

Several other volunteer opportunities are available as well:

Gift Shop Volunteers are the frontline staff that greet and assist customers, ring up their purchases, and straighten up and restock shelves. Shifts are weekdays between 9:00am and 1:00pm and 5:00pm.

Outpatient Center Volunteers welcome patients to LRH's Outpatient Center and direct them to specific areas within the center, pick up and deliver hospital paperwork, food trays, lab work, and medications to and from appropriate hospital departments as requested, and transport patients via wheelchair and/or accompany patients and visitors to departments within the hospital. Shifts are weekdays from 8:00am until 11:30am.

Patient Reception Volunteers escort and direct patients to various locations within the organization such as the Laboratory or Imaging, and transport patients via wheelchair. Shifts are weekdays from 8:00am until 12:00pm and 12:00pm until 4:00pm.

Visitor Reception Volunteers are the smiling faces patients, visitors, and staff first see when they walk into LRH's east atrium. They assist patients and inpatient visitors in getting where they need to be on the campus by telling them patient room numbers, communicating with registration and patient care staff. Shifts are weekdays from 8:00am until 12:00pm and 12:00pm until 4:00pm.

Volunteers can also donate their time and talents from their home by sewing teddy bears for pediatric patients in LRH's ER, knitting baby caps for newborns in LRH's Birth Center, and calling area residents that live alone and benefit from hearing a friendly voice every morning.

Gustafson said, "Volunteering is fun - you meet new people and establish new friendships, plus it's a wonderful way to make a positive, meaningful impact on our community. If you've ever considered volunteering at LRH, this is a super opportunity. It's a great way to make a positive difference in your own life, and in the lives of others."

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The Okoboji Foundation is the community foundation for the Iowa Great Lakes Region. Started in 1988, the Okoboji Foundation serves as the Center Point of Community Giving for Vital Capital Projects with approximately \$3.8 million in grants from our endowments.

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Travis is battling cancer for the 3rd time - this benefit will help the family with many costs associated with his illness, such as hospital/Dr. co-pays, travel back and forth to treatments and missed work.

Please join us on January 18 for a fun afternoon of ice skating while helping a family going through some tough times. All ages welcome.

\$10 to skate, includes skate rental. Concessions and baked goods will be available as well. Donations can also be made at Central Bank in Spirit Lake to the "Sweisberger Donations/Medical Expenses" account.

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The Crop Advantage meetings are an opportunity for farmers and crop advisors to hear current research and crop production information from Iowa State University. Extension specialists will provide updated management options, as well as recommendations on current and future crop production issues.

The following Crop Advantage Series meetings are scheduled and now accepting registrations in Northwest Iowa:

- Jan. 6 - Northwest Iowa Community College, Sheldon
- Jan. 7 - Buena Vista University - Siebens Forum, Storm Lake
- Jan. 14 - Arrowwood Resort and Conference Center, Okoboji
- Jan. 29 - Convention Center, Le Mars

In 2019, over 2,000 individuals attended one of the meetings across the state, representing all 99 Iowa counties and surrounding states. Some 84 percent of attendees said information from the Crop Advantage Series would likely save them between \$5 and \$20 per acre. 2020 Meetings will also again offer continuing education credits for Certified Crop Advisers (CCA) and pesticide applicator recertification.

"Our goal is to prepare producers to manage potential issues when they arise, or even before they arise, by sharing the most up-to-date scientific knowledge from Iowa State University," said Joel DeJong, Iowa Field Agronomist with ISU Extension and Outreach. "Content at the meetings is driven by county needs and local production issues."

Field Agronomist Paul Kassel echoes the sentiment that topics are driven by local need. According to Kassel, possible issues on this year's agenda include: market outlook for 2020, weather and climate trends, grain drying and storage, emerging insect pests such as soybean gall midge, nitrogen management, tar spot and other corn and soybean disease issues, fertilizer application technology, and more. Visit www.cropadvantage.org for a full listing of topics at each site.

For locations, times, registration and program details visit www.cropadvantage.org. Early registration for each location is \$50; late registration made less than seven days prior to the meeting or on-site, is \$60. Registration includes lunch, printed proceedings booklet, private pesticide applicator recertification and CCA credits.

Questions can be directed to local ISU Extension and Outreach Field Agronomists Joel DeJong at 712-546-7835 or Paul Kassel at 712-262-2264.




Milford Library News

Youth Corner

Milford Memorial Library has plenty of programming for all ages and abilities throughout the year 2020. Check out these free and fun youth programs:

Afterschool Activity: Salt Painted Snowflakes (simple craft) at 3:30pm on Thursday, January 9, Public Playdate (free play) at 5:30pm on Wednesday, January 15, and Building Bookworms: Beary Tired (stories, music/movement, simple craft) at 10:30am on Monday, January 27.



VanDenBroeke Named Dickinson County RSVP Coordinator

The northwest Iowa Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) has hired DeNeitt VanDenBroeke as the new Dickinson County Coordinator. VanDenBroeke will begin her position on January 6, 2020, on the Spirit Lake campus of Iowa Lakes Community College.



"I'm very excited about my new role as the Dickinson County RSVP Coordinator and look forward to meeting and working with current and new volunteers who so generously share the gift of their time and talents with others in the community," said VanDenBroeke. A resident of Dickinson county, VanDenBroeke is a graduate of Iowa Lakes Community College and has worked many years as a paralegal in the Spencer and Spirit Lake areas. VanDenBroeke will be responsible for coordinating current RSVP volunteers, recruiting new volunteers, working with partner volunteer host sites and giving presentations to organizations looking for program speakers.

"We are pleased to welcome DeNeitt to the RSVP team. She is a perfect fit for the role of Dickinson County RSVP Coordinator. She has enthusiasm, knowledge of the Lakes area and compassion for others combined with experience in organization, scheduling and providing professional customer service," says Dawn Bernhard, director of Northwest Iowa RSVP. "DeNeitt is especially looking forward to engaging volunteers in the K-12 Education programs conducted by RSVP, which include Pen Pals, Reading Buddies and Literacy Partners."

RSVP is a national, Senior Corps program that matches volunteers with service opportunities to meet community needs. Although RSVP volunteers must be 55 or older, they can serve people of all ages. RSVP has been sponsored in Northwest Iowa by Iowa Lakes Community College since 1977.

If you would like to learn more about volunteer opportunities, you may contact DeNeitt VanDenBroeke at 712-336-6577 or dvandenbroeke@iowalakes.edu or in person in Room 135 on the Spirit Lake Campus of Iowa Lakes Community College.

2020 Republican Caucus Training

There will be a Republican Caucus Training presentation at the Iowa Lakes Community College Spirit Lake Campus in Room #124. It is scheduled for Thursday January 16, from 6:30, to 7:30pm. This training is for Dickinson County Republican Central Committee members and all Republicans interested in learning what the Republican Caucus is about. It is also offered as a great educational opportunity for all interested ILCC students, students of voting age and the general public to get familiar with the Republican caucus process in Iowa. This training will focus on how a caucus is held, why it is held and the legal function of the Iowa Republican Caucus.

For more information please contact: Dave Rowley, Chair, Dickinson County Republican Party 712-330-5596 or Barb Clayton, Co-Chair, Dickinson County Republican Party 712-330-1288.



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The 2019-2020 Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) has been established to help qualifying low-income Iowa homeowners and renters pay for a portion of their primary heating costs for the winter heating season. Applications will be taken October 1, 2019, to April 30, 2020, for elderly (60 & over) and/or disabled households. All other households can apply November 1, 2019, to April 30, 2020.

This program is not designed to pay a household's total energy costs. The program will provide supplemental assistance based on several factors. Those factors include total household income, household size, dwelling type, and type of heating fuel, among others. If you have already applied and have been approved this winter season, you cannot re-apply.

For guidelines and an appointment in Dickinson County, call Upper Des Moines Outreach office at 712-336-1112, located at 1575 18th Street, Spirit Lake.

Music After Hours at PLAC

Performing in Pomerantz Hall at the Pearson Lakes Art Center on Thursday, January 9, at 7:30pm, is singer/songwriter Wes Weller. Wes is a self taught singer, songwriter, musician. At an early age, he knew he had a passion for singing and playing guitar. He started playing guitar at the age of 14, made up songs, so he could learn to play guitar and sing along with it. He soon realized he had a talent and passion for writing songs, as well. He was influenced by many artists, but John Lennon and the Beatles were the biggest influences. He loves to write songs, sing, and perform a variety of artists. It gives him great pleasure to see people enjoying his music. His original song "Our Father" can be found on Spotify and Youtube.



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