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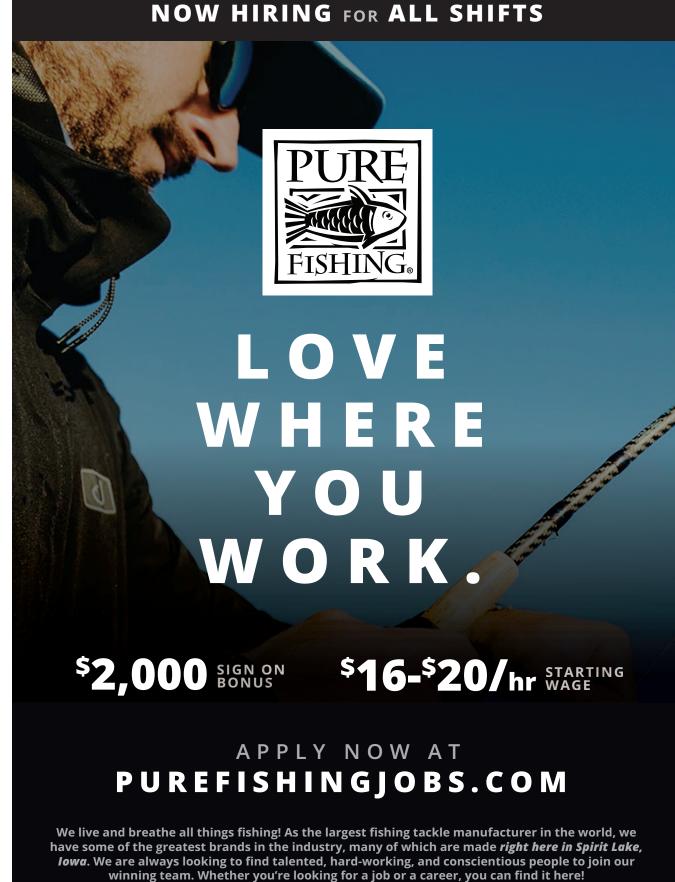
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SATURDAY, MARCH 27TH

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Nearly 6,800 University of Nebraska-Lincoln students have been named to the Deans' List for the fall semester of the 2020-21 academic year.

Qualification for the Deans' List varies among eight undergraduate colleges and the Explore Center ranging from 3.5 - 3.75 grade-point average. All qualifying grade-point averages are based on a four-point scale and a minimum number of graded semester hours. Students can be on the Deans' List for more than one college.

Congratulations to the following area students: Gabriella Nicole Heckard of Estherville, Grace Annelise Birkland of Spirit Lake and Sophie Rae Johnson of Jackson.



ACCURA HEALTHCARE OF MILFORD has announced their 2021 Valentine King-Darial Determan and Valentine Queen-Dee Bryant.

Last Call for Artists for the 2021 Artisans Road Trip!

every fall in October, free for visitors to travel to studios and galleries and meet local artists. Last year, like so many other events, the Artisans Road Trip (A.R.T.) was postponed to 2021 due to safety concerns. What



this means is that all the artists who joined A.R.T. last year will still be a part of A.R.T. this year.

All artists in the region are encouraged to apply because we are accepting new artists to be added to this years Artisans Road Trip! The deadline for artists to apply to a part of the 17th annual Artisans Road Trip is Monday, March 1st, and it's coming up fast! Artists who work in all mediums and disciplines are invited to apply - painting, drawing, sculpture, mixed media, jewelry, fabric, wood, photography, pottery, and more!

For the artisans involved, the Road Trip is a powerful networking and marketing opportunity. A.R.T. is organized and run by artists for artists. Together we work to increase art exposure, introducing new art styles to the community and new customers to local artists. And we want YOU to join us!

For more information, links to the official A.R.T. blog and current artist biographies, as well as a downloadable and printable .PDF of the 2021 Artist Application & Prospectus, go to www.artisansroadtrip.com. If you have any questions, please email ArtisansRoadTrip@gmail.com or call Haley McAndrews at 320-237-7351.



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THE LAKES NEWS SHOPPER Tuesday, February 23, 2021

50th Wedding Anniversary

The family of Gary and Katie Weiskircher celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, February 20, 2021. Please shower them with cards at 1477 220th Street, Milford, IA 51351.

Beth Walz Davis to Speak at UUF

Beth Walz Davis will be the featured speaker at the February 28 Iowa Lakes UU Fellowship Zoom meeting. Beth will discuss

her work as a Life Doula, supporting both those at the end of their lives and those who want to realize their fullest potential and authentic selves. Zoom fellowship begins at 10:30am with the program beginning at 11:00am.

Beth is from a small rural community in South Dakota. For 20 years she was a president of a non-profit that builds the capacity of rural communities. In 2017 she retired and is now focused



and small groups in their emerging journeys. She is a certified End of Life Doula, hospice volunteer, and has hosted Vision Retreats for management team and women.

Visitors are always welcome and can request a Zoom invitation with the Contact Us Link on the Fellowship Website uuokoboji.com.



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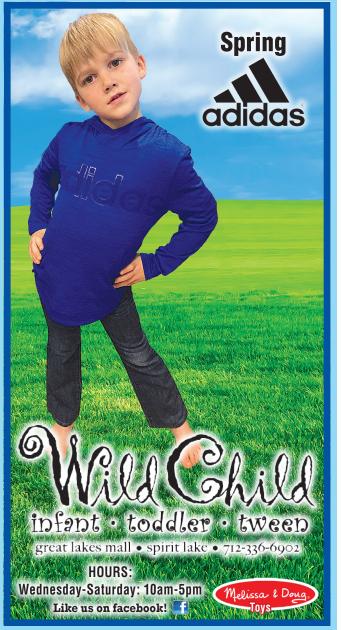


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Iowa Lakes Releases 2021 Jazz Band Contest Results

The Music Department of Iowa Lakes Community College announces the 2021 Jazz Band Contest winners held on February 3 and February 11. Many local high-school bands performed jazz classics throughout the competition which was live-streamed online for viewers.

The first-place winner of the Class 1A division is Newell Fonda, directed by Colleen Hecht. For the Class 2A division, first place goes to West Lyon, directed by Drew Balta, second place to Okoboji, directed by James Kunz, and third place to Central Lyon, directed by Sherwin

The top 3 bands in the Class 3A division are MOC-Floyd Valley, directed by Matthew Honken in first place; Sioux Center Jazz 1, directed by Megan Powell, in second place; and Spirit Lake, directed by Tyler Pedersen, in third place.

Storm Lake Jazz, directed by Corbet Butler, takes first place in the Class 4A division. Many individuals also won the Outstanding Soloist Awards.

Judges scored the jazz bands based on ensemble playing, rhythm section, style comprehension, solos, improvisation, and programming. On-demand viewing of the 2021 Jazz Band Contest is available at iowalakesathletics.com/webcast.



Family Services Resource Guide

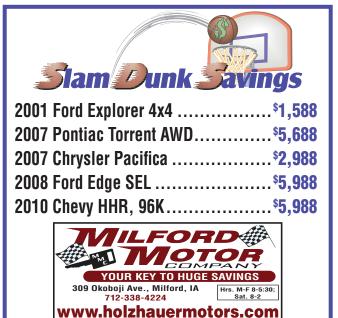
Dickinson County's Family Resource Guide is a comprehensive free resource for local residents to utilize when trying to locate services in and around the county. With a variety of services and help providers listed, the book is a one-stopshop to locate local resources. To access the free guide online, visit https://www.extension. iastate.edu/dickinson/county-resource-guide. If you have services to add to the guide, contact Sue at 712-336-3488 or boettche@iastate.edu.



Janie was extremely helpful throughout the entire purchasing process from beginning to end. We have bought/sold many properties but were not familiar with this market, so she spent all the time we needed to show, discuss, select, communicate, close, etc. I cannot recommend her highly enough and we now consider Janie a friend! -Doug H.

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Pioneers Win Sheldon Tournament

The Okoboji OYBA 6th Grade Team won the Sheldon Tournament on Saturday, February 13, 2021. The Pioneers beat Unity Christian, Western Christian, MOC-Floyd Valley, and then Sioux Center in the championship game.

Front: Miles Wasson, Camden Vonk, Alex Sorenson and Trey Downing.

Back: Asa Jacobsen, Trey Vander Pol, Kade Nissen, Tyson Breacher and Jerron Heller.











80th Birthday Announcement

Sunny Fronk celebrated her 80th birthday on Sunday, February 21, 2021. Her great-grandchildren, Claire, Cora and Owen, would like to honor her with a card shower. Warm wishes can reach er at 1992 140th Street, Spirit Lake, IA 51360.

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First Winner Announced!

We have a BINGO! Congratulations to Matt Arlandson of Jackson, Minnesota. He submitted his BINGO card and is The Lakes News Shopper's first winner by obtaining the letter "X", and is the winner of \$100.00. A special thanks to our Gold Sponsors, The Pizza Ranch in Spirit Lake, and Okoboji Flooring in Milford; as well as to our Silver BINGO sponsors, including Dairy Queen (Spirit Lake and Milford), Interior Sewing (Spirit Lake), The Tobacco Shop (Arnolds Park), Milford/Premiere Communications (Milford), Best in Show Pet Grooming (Spirit Lake), Jiffy and Jiffy Smokes & Booze (Spirit Lake), Janie Eick (RE/ MAX Okoboji), Erichsen, Kallsen & Associates, CPA's, LLP(Spirit Lake) and Phil's Market Place Motors (Arnolds Park).

There are still many more chances to win. The promotion will run until April 6, 2021, or until all prizes are claimed. The fifteen prizes will total over \$1,500. The complete set of rules are published on our website: Lakes News Shopper.com.

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Obituaries

A visitation for Linda Gano, age 72, of Montgomery, was held Saturday, February 20, 2021, at Turner Jenness Funeral Home in Spirit Lake. A private family burial

will be held at a later date. Linda Diane Gano, the daughter of Eldon and Doris (Brown) Molendorp, was born May 8, 1948, in Spirit Lake, Iowa. She attended Harris Lake Park High School lettering in basketball, track, band and chorus. After school, she remained active water skiing, snowmobiling, bowling and golfing.

On May 20, 1995, Linda was married to Dan Gano in Spirit Lake. Linda started as a 911 dispatcher for the Spirit Lake Po-

lice Department and then worked as the 911 dispatcher for the Dickinson County Sheriff's Office for thirty-five years. She was a member of the Iowa Chapter of the Association of Public Safety (APCO) which supports 911 telecommunicators across the state.

Linda collected Elvis memorabilia, hummingbird figurines and decorations. She enjoyed sitting on her deck watching the hummingbirds eating from the feeders.

Linda passed away February 15, 2021, at her home in Spirit Lake. Iowa at seventy-two years of age.

She is survived by her husband, Dan Gano; sister, Laurie Pedley; son, Chad Veenhuis; nephew, Jeremy Pedley; niece, Jennifer Potratz and several cousins.

Linda was preceded in death by her parents, Eldon and Doris Molendorp; brother, Dennis Molendorp, her grandparents, aunts

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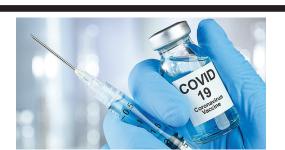
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To The Editor:

VA Survivor's Benefit Programs:

If you are the spouse or dependent child of a Veteran or Service Member, you may qualify for certain benefits. Today's article will talk about one of the available benefits:

Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC): is a monthly tax-free benefit paid to a surviving spouse, including additional payments for dependent children. *Parents' DIC is paid to surviving parents based on financial need. You may be eligible for DIC benefits if you are a surviving spouse, dependent child, or parent of a Service Member who died while on active duty or training OR a Veteran who died as a result of a service-related disability, OR a Veteran who was receiving or entitled to receive VA compensation for a service-connected disability that was rated as totally disabling. DIC provides a basic payment rate plus additional allowances for each dependent child, as well as Aid and Attendance or Housebound benefits. The Aid and Attendance benefit is paid in addition to your monthly compensation amount under any of the following conditions:

- You require help in performing daily functions, which may include bathing, eating, or dressing
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- You are in a nursing home or assisted living
- Your eyesight is limited to a corrected 5/200 visual acuity or less in both eyes

When you receive your DIC award letter, you may also qualify for CHAMPVA health insurance, and may apply for a property tax exemption on your home (Veteran must have a disability rating of 100% from the VA).

Please call the Dickinson County Veteran Affairs office at 712-336-0883 to see if you qualify for this benefit and to set up an appointment.

Future Survivor's Benefits Programs will include: Survivor's Pension (with or without Aid & Attendance); CHAMPVA (Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Department of Veteran Affairs); DEA (Dependents' Educational Assistance); Home Loan Guarantee; Burial Benefits; and more.

Jenny Bengs, Administrator **Dickinson County Veterans Affairs**

Spirit Lake Middle School Book Fair

During parent/teacher conferences, Spirit Lake Middle School will hold their Time Machine Book Fair! All are welcome to stop by the new Spirit Lake Middle School Library during the following dates/times.

- Monday, March 1st 3:30 to 8:00pm.
- Thursday, March 4th- 3:30 to 8:00pm. • Friday, March 5th – 8:30 to 10:00am.
- March 1st, March 2nd, March 3rd, and March 4th 11:00am to 12:15pm. Open daily for students.

Here are some great reasons to shop at the Book Fair! Scholastic delivers hundreds of quality books, suitable for

every interest and reading level!

The school will earn 50% of sales in free books for our middle school media center and classrooms!

Families have the opportunity to donate books to their child's homeroom through the teacher wish list program. Your child will have their name on the inside cover of the donated book. A great teacher gift idea!

We hope the public stops in and checks out the new addition to the Spirit Lake Middle School and takes advantage of our book fair! Face masks are required in the building, thank you!

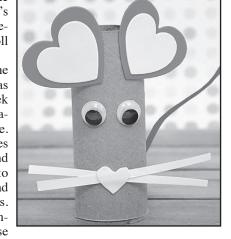
Milford Library News

Youth Corner

families should pick them up at the drive-up window by Fri-

theme is Valentine's Day with the craft being a toilet paper roll heart mouse.

new books MML has coming in each week through the card catalog or the Youth Page. There are picture slides of the new books, and they are perfect to snuggle up and read with family or friends. The link to go searching and reserve these



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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:

Dispossessed

Why has the City of Okoboji intentionally or unintentionally dispossessed working families' enjoyment of millions of dollars of public lakeshore and public beaches? Has the City used the economic game theory of incomplete information to make working families seem unwelcome on their own property-The Okoboji Promenade? Why has the City worked with or allowed six homeowners to install full force sprinkling systems on City property to soak early morning walkers. The City apparently feels the best way to discourage early morning walkers is to run the sprinklers full force back and forth over the sidewalk from about 5 a.m. to 8 a.m.

The City and homeowners never really wanted working families to know where the homeowners property stopped and the City of Okoboji property line started. To know where the true lines are go to the Lakeshore Drive - Lakeshore Road entrance to Okoboji Promenade's public sidewalk. Take with you a metal detector, a survey of the homes on the Promenade, and a copy of the Dickinson County Beacon showing Lakeshore Road and the homeowner's property lines. As you walk, the lake will be on your left and the homes will be on your right. Use a metal detector to find where the city of Okoboji's property line starts and where the homeowners stop. You will find the homeowner's property stops 5 to 10 feet short of the public sidewalk. The green grasses, the beautiful lakeshore and beaches are public property all for you and your family to enjoy. Take your children to the Promenade, let them run up and down the lakeshore and beaches and have wonderful, happy Okoboji days to remember.

William Murphy, Okoboji, Iowa



An EGG-cellent Family Story Walk

Local families with preschool and elementary-aged youth are invited to participate in a family Story Walk on Saturday, March

6, from 9:00 to 11:00am at the South Park Mall in Spencer. The event



is free to participate in and registration is not needed. Families are encouraged to visit the mall any time between 9:00 and 11:00am on the 6th. Once they pick up a goodie bag at the front entrance, they can walk through the mall at their own pace reading

an EGG-cellent story and learning about eggs and agriculture. "A Story Walk is a path with story sections posted along the way to engage families in literacy activities while learning about a subject - in this case, eggs - and while moving throughout the community," said Amy Forrette, Clay County K-12 Educator with ISU Extension and Outreach, who is coordinating the event. "We hope that this Story Walk will give families an opportunity to connect with each other, as well as local resources and businesses in the community."

Forrette said that the event is being made possible thanks to the generous support and sponsorship of ISU Extension and Outreach Clay County, Clay County Farm Bureau, Rembrandt Foods, the Iowa Egg Council, Bomgaars, Hy-Line and the South Park Mall.

Any questions can be directed to Amy at 712-262-2264 or forrette@iastate.edu.

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Seeking Nominees for Jim Hall Outstanding Iowa Lakes Alumni Award

The Iowa Lakes Community College Alumni & Friends Association is seeking nominations for the 29th annual Jim Hall Outstanding Alumni Award. This award is presented annually at spring commencement to prior graduates of Iowa Lakes, who exemplify outstanding support for the community, business, school, service clubs, and more.

The Iowa Lakes Alumni & Friends Association established the Jim Hall Outstanding Alumni Award in 1992. Hall was a 1968 alumnus of Iowa Lakes who died in 1991. He was a strong supporter of the college and enjoyed being an assistant football coach at Iowa Lakes.

Past recipients of the award include Dan Jorgenson, Kathy Preston, and Diane Nelson of Ringsted; Dr. Judy Reinking of Algona; James Donovan of Baxter, Minn.; Ronald Smith of Dolliver; Marcie Frevert of Emmetsburg; Mike Martens, Doug Burton, Larry Sundall, Bob Grems, John S. Walz Sr., Pat Hall, Alan Blum, Linda Heldt, Rick Olesen, Darin Moeller and John Wittneben of Estherville; Herman Richter, Dean Luchtel, and Greg Stevens of Milford; Marian Brunsvold and Jack Tatman of Spirit Lake; Bruce Hertzke of Forest City; Dana Holland of Ottumwa; Erica Tonsfeldt Volker of Papillion, Neb.; M.C. Gill of Pasadena, Calif.; Dr. L.T. Donovan of St. Paul, Minn.; Bridget Breen of Sioux City; and Robert (Rob) Jacobs of Hartley.

COVID-19 prevented the selection of a recipient for 2020, so submissions from 2020 will be included with 2021 nominations

Those wishing to name a deserving candidate may send a nomination to the Iowa Lakes Alumni & Friends Association, 19 South 7th Street, Estherville, IA 51334; fax to 712-362-0480; e-mail to Alison Mason at amason@iowalakes.edu or submit online by visiting www.iowalakes.edu. All nominations are due by Friday, March 13, 2021.



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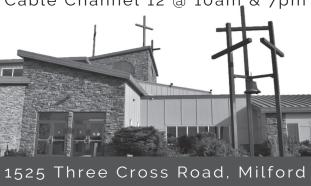
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WHO WILL PLAY TAPS FOR JACK?

Former SHS band director passes

One of the first local characters we learned about when we arrived in Spencer almost 40 years ago was Spencer High School band director Jack Ryan. That happened when we were working on a story about an exceptional young trumpet player, who, under Jack's tutelage, was looking forward to a career in music. Jack's help in this young man's life didn't end with graduation from SHS. It continued only with help from Jack and his wife Karen (who also taught at SHS) with assistance in the form of tuition money -- and probably more we never knew about for several other students as well. Last we knew, that young man was a music teacher...

Jack became a teacher after serving in several Air Force bands. While teaching -- and long after -- Jack also played trumpet in a wide variety of regional bands, including, most recently, the Dick Bauman Big Band. With more than a quarter century in the classroom, it probably surprised many of his friends that he is credited with playing Taps at hundreds of military funerals. Jack passed away last Wednesday, in Des Moines, after battling cancer for many years. He was 82.

Memorial services will be scheduled at a later date.

It is most appropriate here that we share a note about both the Spirit Lake and Spencer High School jazz bands earning Division I ratings in the recent Iowa High School Music Association's virtual

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contest. Congratulations to all! Spirit Lake's jazz band also recently performed in Le Mars -- just for fun, not for ratings - and will be part of a new competition at West Lyon High School, in Inwood, on the 26th...

RAMBO A note on the Arnolds Park website confirmed what we had heard from Florida several weeks ago. The Glenn Miller Orchestra is scheduled to perform in concert in the Roof Garden at Arnolds

Park, on Sunday night, July 18th... The Pearson Lakes Art Center should now be releasing tickets for three fun summer acts, Gary Puckett & The Union Gap, The Association, and The Classics IV,

This week should see *Adam & Jacob* performing on the stage in the barn at the Little Swan Lake Winery, from 4-6:00. Boon and Lambert are to take the same stage, at the same time, on the first Sunday in March, the 7th...

Research director RD took us to task late last week for messing up the lead part of her contribution about last Wednesday being Acts of Kindness Day. The song she selected was Make Someone Happy, from the Broadway show Do, Re, Mi. Now you know...

This week, RD notes that Wednesday is Dog Biscuit Appreciation Day, in honor of Gigi, her favorite Bichon. The only song RD could find to fit the day was from a Purina pet food commercial, by Disney voice actor Sterling Holloway, "Puppy Chow for a full year, 'til he is full grown!" Holloway was also the voice of Woodsy Owl, with the words, "Give a Hoot. Don't Pollute." Now you have to admit Holloway was just full of talent...

Did you know it took nearly 20 years for the song Lisbon Antigua to hit the charts? The song was a popular Portuguese song written in 1937. But it was only when famed orchestra leader Nelson Riddle played the piano on a recording of the song that became the title track for the album in 1956 that the song really charted. It held the #1 position for four weeks -- and eventually became a Gold Record...

We should be able to see February's Full Moon on Saturday night. That will be the Snow Moon. RD thinks Henry Mancini's Moon River is appropriate for this night, even noting that most rivers will probably be very frozen...

Saturday is also Floral Design Day, which RD says, calls for a Room Full of Roses -- or at least the song from Dean 'Tex' Martin's 1963 Country Music album. Room Full... was written in 1949, by Tim Spencer, who was one of the Sons of the Pioneers in the day. Martin's album also included the Country sounds of Bobby Darin's Things, and Johnny Cash's I Walk the Line...

ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS WE PRINT

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38. Astronomy unit

Hebrew leader

44. Supreme goddess

49. Engage in a contest

53. -___, denotes past 54. Revival

56. Spanish surname

59. Elsa's sister

60. Workplace

64. Engraved

65. Discount

33. Taxi

51. Pledge

58. Gold

45. Gelatinous substance

50. Famed ballplayer Ruth

63. Large quantity of something

Certificate of insurance

35. For cigars
36. Phil ___, former CIA
37. Local area network

42. Eastern part of NY state

46. Former British gold coin

40. Philippine Island

41. Not great or bad

44. Gov't lawyers

45. Construction:

47. Unkeyed

48. Rechristen

51. Southeast

34. Type of saying

38. Gvm class

43. A portent of good or evil

1. Ancient Persian city

- Stake
- 12. Retrain
- 16. Close by 17. Commercial
- 18. One who publicly annound
- 19. American ballplayer
- 24. Junior's father 25. Go up or climb
- 27. When you hope to get there
- 28. Jacocca and Oswald are two
- 29. Plant of the lily family
- 30. Male college organization 31. National capital
- 34. Symbols of fertility

CLUES DOWN

- 2. Disquiet
- 4. Large nests 5. Soviet "Second Symphony'
- 6. Joins two pipes of different
- 7. Exist
- 8. Overdose 9. Pleat of fabric 10. Predict the future
- 14 Having made a valid will 15. Having no fixed course
- 20. __ route 21. Lethal dose

31. Brew

- 22. Indian musical pattern of note
- 23. Athlete 27. Geological times
- 55. Regretted 29. Atomic #21 30. In support of

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50. Threaten persistently

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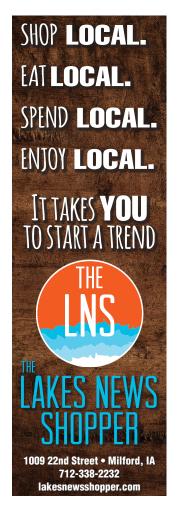
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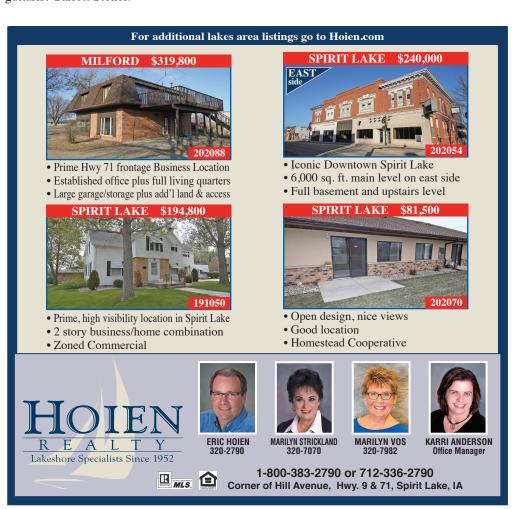
through Compass Records. Propelled by his spirited, looseand-easy piano mastery and emotive vocals, Croce revisits these musical memories covering songs by artists including Allen Toussaint, Billy Preston, Tom Waits, Neil Young, Faces, Randy Newman and Sonny Terry and Brownie McGhee. Croce and his full band will perform a



CD release show on Thursday, March 18, followed by a career retrospective show on Thursday, March 25. The livestream will be presented with City Winery venues across the U.S. and hosted through streaming platform Mandolin.

Individual tickets as well as ticket and merchandise bundles for these shows are available through the Pearson Lakes Art Center in Okoboji.

While Croce's last album, Just Like Medicine, paired him with soul legend Dan Penn and an all-star cast of players, this new album was born of memories — of favorite artists and shows, but mostly, of late-night gatherings with groups of friends, many of them fellow musicians, with Croce at the piano taking requests. By Request is the first album Croce has released since losing his wife of 24 years, Marlo Croce, after a sudden heart ailment. It's also the first album by Croce to feature his full touring band: Gary Mallaber on drums (Van Morrison, Steve Miller band), GRAMMY-winning bassist David Barard (Allen Toussaint, Dr. John), and up-and-coming guitarist Garrett Stoner.





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Lake team won first place in the competition. Team members: Evan Winter, Noah Hughes, Laura Chicoine, Kaitlyn Nelson, Drew Dietering.



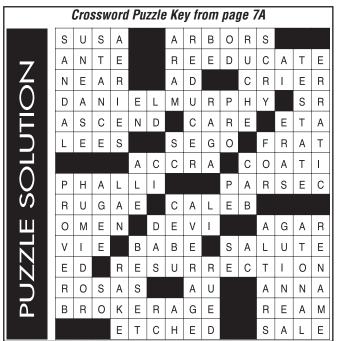
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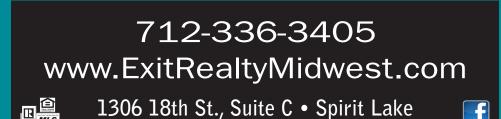


















OHS Jazz Band Earning Top Honors

The OHS Jazz Band has been busy competing and perform-

ing at several jazz festivals in the past two weeks. The Jazz

Band kicked off their season at the Iowa Lakes Jazz Contest

on Thursday, February 11. They placed 2nd in Class 2A. They

competed again four days later on Monday, February 15, at the

District Jazz Festival in Le Mars where they earned a Superior

rating. There were no places at this contest. Four days later they

traveled to Sioux Center for the Sioux Center Jazz Festival on

Friday, February 19. Okoboji Jazz Band again finished 2nd

in Class 2A. The Jazz Band has two more festivals on Friday,

February 26 and Friday, March 5. Congratulations on an out-

standing start to the season under the direction of new jazz band



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Be a Tourist in Your Backyard

by Rebecca Peters, Okoboji Tourism Director

Each year thousands of people visit the Iowa Great Lakes to enjoy the activities and attractions our area has to offer. Join me each week as I become a tourist in our backyard to explore a few

of the spots that make the Iowa Great Lakes special! This week I visited the Kurio Kastle Pottery Painting Palace. It is a great destination if you're looking to creating something uniquely "you," or want to escape your thoughts for an hour or so.

The Kurio Kastle is located on 16th Street just off Hill Avenue in downtown Spirit Lake. They are currently open by appointment only to allow for social distancing, but owner Lissa Potter is available almost every day, including weekends. It's very easy to schedule a visit, or you can request a paint-at-home pack!

Upon my arrival to the Kurio Kastle I looked at the large collection of pottery that they have to choose from. There really is something for everyone! I selected a starfish plate. The next step was selecting the colors of glaze that I wanted to use. You are not limited in colors, but I

and covers your pottery when it's fired. The Kurio Kastle has solid, speckled, and multicolored glazes to choose from. All glazes are nontoxic and washable, but I was very careful and didn't need to wash any out of my shirt! It was so relaxing (and fun) to paint at the Kurio Kastle! It's important to paint 2 coats of

was a little boring and only chose 2 colors. Glaze is ultimately a finely ground glass that melts

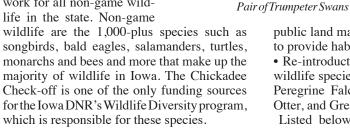
glaze over the entire piece. After you've finished, Lissa adds a clear coat to each piece to add extra shine. Then she fires it in her kiln at 1900 degrees Fahrenheit. If needed, your piece can be available by the next day, but I'll be picking mine up later this week. I can't wait to see the I hope you are inspired to become a tourist in our community, and support the many businesses and attractions that entice tourists to visit our community! We're lucky enough to have

attractions like the Kurio Kastle Pottery Painting Palace right in our backyard. Plan your own Okoboji adventure and schedule a time to create a usable piece of art that you'll be proud to show off! Learn more about the Kurio Kastle and other fun adventures in the Iowa Great Lakes area at www.VacationOkoboji.com.



It's that time of year for those two hated words: tax time! For sure, it's not a fun time. It's simply a duty that needs to be completed.

On a positive note, on the Iowa State Tax form, there is a spot in Section 9: Tax Credits and Check-off Contributions, where we can choose to donate a specific dollar amount to the Chickadee Checkoff. Each dollar goes directly to Iowa's Wildlife Diversity Program which funds vital work for all non-game wild-



It is really a pretty easy and painless way to help ensure that Iowa's non-game wildlife can be both protected and enhanced by improving wildlife habit, restoring native wildlife, providing opportunities for citizens to learn about Iowa's natural resources and much more. Why is this program needed? It's really pretty simple. As humans, we continue to encroach upon and do things that endanger our wildlife. It is through the Chickadee Check-off and the Wildlife Diversity Program that we can help give wildlife a fighting chance.

The Chickadee Check-off story history The Chickadee Checkoff was established by the Iowa Legislature in 1981 to allow Iowans to contribute on the Iowa State Tax form to a fund set up for the conservation of over a 1000 species of wildlife in the state of Iowa. The fund

is known as Iowa's Wildlife Diversity Program. Donations to the check-off are tax deductible on the next year's tax form. The check-off is on line 57 of Iowa Tax Form 1040, and it's either automatically deducted from the refund or added to the amount owed.

Records show that one half of 1% of Iowa's taxpayers donate to the Chickadee Check-off. Last year donations amounted to a little under \$150,000, which was an increase from the previous year. Stephanie Shepherd, wildlife biologist with the Iowa Department of Natural Resources times what is currently received.

According to Shepherd, the Wildlife Diver-

- information about wildlife populations.
 - or declining species, and provide opportunities for wildlife appreciation. • Education- foster ap-
 - preciation for wildlife through public events and publications. Management
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• Re-introductions– restore depleted native wildlife species to Iowa such as the Osprey, Peregrine Falcon, Trumpeter Swan, River Otter, and Greater Prairie-chicken.

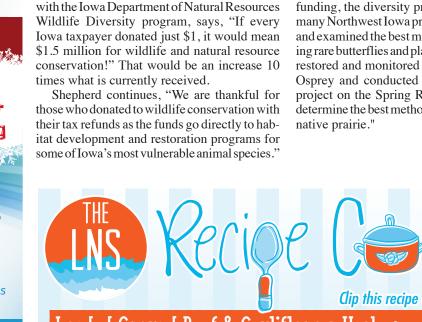
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to provide habitat for wildlife.

Listed below are samples of recent and current projects: • Monitoring frogs and toads, Bald Eagles,

- and colonial water birds through the Volunteer Wildlife Monitoring Program (VWMP).
- Developing and designating a statewide system of Bird Conservation Areas (BCAs). Multiple Species Inventory and Monitoring (MSIM) program. MSIM is a standardized. statewide survey that provides a basic inventory of Iowa's wildlife. A baseline for longterm monitoring of IA wildlife populations.
- Leading Monarch Butterfly conservation efforts in Iowa and nationwide. • Enhancing native remnant prairies and Wood Turtle stream habitat on public and
- Partnering with ISU Wildlife Extension to create and publish a Guide to Iowa's
- Mammals. • Creating and implementing Iowa's Wildlife Action Plan, a 30 year plan for wildlife diversity and habitat conservation in Iowa. Creating and implementing a Barn Owl

Recovery Plan. The nice thing about the Wildlife Diversity Program is that funds are used throughout the state of Iowa. Several projects have been completed here in northwest Iowa. According to Shepherd, "With the help of chickadee check-off funding, the diversity program has worked on many Northwest Iowa projects. We've surveyed and examined the best management for protecting rare butterflies and plants at Kirchner Prairie, restored and monitored Trumpeter Swans and Osprey and conducted a multi-year research project on the Spring Run WMA complex to determine the best methods for restoring diverse





Heat a large skillet over medium heat. Add the ground beef

4 slices reduced-sodium bacon and cook, stirring and 1 pound lean ground beef 16 ounces frozen cauliflower florets 1 teaspoon garlie powder 1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper 3/4 cup shredded cheddar cheese

1/4 cup plain Greek yogurt or sour cream 2 stalks of green onions, sliced

breaking apart with a spoon until beef is browned. Meanwhile, place bacon between paper towels and microwave on HIGH until crisp. Crumble into small pieces and set aside. When the beef is browned, drain



cook for 10-12 minutes, until cauliflower is tender, stirring occasionally. Reduce heat to low and sprinkle cheese over top. Cover and cook for 1-2 minutes, until cheese is melted. Top with bacon, Greek yogurt and sliced green onions and serve.







Lake Park Mobile Food Pantry Distribution March 4, 2021

The Lake Park Mobile Food Pantry will be open for distribution on Thursday, March 4, from 4:30 - 6:30 pm, at the First Presbyterian Church in Lake Park. Offering free food in the parking lot only. Please remain in your vehicle, registration will take place at your vehicle,



 $Members\ of\ the\ BVU\ Blue\ Steel\ pep\ band\ include\ front\ (l-r):\ Taylor\ Raibikis,\ Faith\ Beebe,\ Jadyn\ Baumann,$

and Joshua Tigges. Second row: Samantha Hays, Deniece Radford, Ashley Stueven, Amanda Gunderson,

Joshua Bohner, and Dr. Daniel Strohmyer, BVU Assistant Professor of Education. Back row: Dayne Lewis,

Nathanael Reusch, Logan Dotter, Evan Brincks, Michael Schreck, Adam McFee, Justin Sampson and BVU

Baumann Performs in BVU's Blue Steel Pep Band

Folks around Buena Vista University felt as if life was inching its way back to normal in

Along with the game came the familiar sounds of Blue Steel, the only pep band gracing the

Joining Blue Steel is Jadyn Baumann of Milford who plays clarinet. Baumann is a junior

With the bulk of fall and winter sports seasons across the league postponed this academic year due to COVID-19, the pep band's season was also put on hold. As men's and women's basketball,

along with other sports, return to play this spring, keeping the students and the community safe

remains a top priority. Baumann and fellow Blue Steel members don masks and keep physically

distanced as they play. The masks come down only long enough for musicians to pump up the

players and the crowd with sets that range from, "All About That Bass" to "Final Countdown." "We are thrilled to be in Siebens Fieldhouse playing and helping provide the winning atmo-

sphere we've come to expect with the Beavers in athletic competition," says Tiff Wurth, Director

of BVU Athletic Bands. "It's also great for our students and musicians to be able to show their

stuff. With every performance, we feel like we're making strides as a band and as a community

Van Donslear's great grandchildren

enjoy the family's new bench.

recent weeks as Siebens Fieldhouse hosted winter sports activities which began with a women's

Director of Athletic Bands Tiff Wurth. Missing: Joseph Langer Yarosevich and Steve Nelson.

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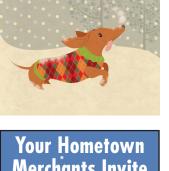














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Congratulations to the three OHS events nominated to All-State Large Group Speech! One Act Play, Choral Reading, and Solo Mime have achieved the highest honor in speech. There

is no festival this year, but each of these event members will receive medals for their hard work and dedication. Over forty OHS students competed in eight events at State, and 28 of these students were involved in these three events. Large Group Speech coaches are Mrs. Ann Williamsen and Ms.

Maggie Doyle. **Solo Mime:** Olivia Tuttle

Choral Reading: Kole Carstens, Haley Hallengren, Laci Hilpipre, Logan Langel, Andi Winkowitsch, Dani Christoffels, Gwen Gehrke, Shay Olthoff, Audrey Farrar, Chayse Packebush, Chloe Prentice, Hunter Hallengren, Aubry Knudtson, Maddison Lambert.

One Act Play: Actors: Lexi Duffy, Morgan Riphagen, Liam Knudtson Jacob Gilson,

Robert Adams, Ayla Miller, Kayla Kollasch, Andi Winkowitsch, Haley Harms, Chayse Packebush, Chloe Prentice, Gauge Reyes, Lacey Duffy. Crew: Braden Worrell, Shelby Bentley, Levi Winkowitsch.



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Milford Library News

Milford Memorial Library is now open by appointment. Same-day appointments are to be made by calling the library at 712-338-4643. Patrons are required to wear masks and social distance. Time is limited to one hour. The library is limiting the number of patrons to ten per scheduled appointment time. Appointment times are:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday: 10:00 - 11:00am, 11:15am - 12:15pm, 12:30 - 1:30pm, and 1:45 - 2:45pm. Wednesday: 10:00 - 11:00am, 11:15am - 12:15pm, 12:30 1:30pm, 1:45 - 2:45pm, 4:30 - 5:30pm, and 5:30 - 6:30pm.

On Wednesday, March 3, at 5:30pm, an open meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Milford Memorial Library will take place in the Milford Community Center and via Zoom. The agenda will be posted on MML's website and front bulletin board at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend and offer their thoughts in order to make MML a better library.

Thursday, February 26, is the last day for MML's Young Adult (4th – 12th graders) Subscription Box: Donut Worry, Be Happy. If you would like to receive this box, register by calling 712-338-4643 or emailing milfordlibrary51351@gmail.com.

If Winter Comes, Tell It I'm Not Here by Simona Ciraolo is a new children's picture book. The book's title made us laugh because we are all feeling this way, especially after the bitter temperatures from last week. The little boy is so sad to see all the summer fun starting to end and isn't looking forward to winter. However, as he goes through the season, he remembers all the things he likes and realizes maybe it isn't so bad. If Winter Comes, Tell It I'm Not Here reminds us to appreciate the little enjoyments each season brings and does not last forever. This children's book is available for check out at Milford Memorial

MML offers printing, copying, faxing, and scanning to email. Printing is completed by emailing the library at milfordlibrary51351@gmail.com. Copying, faxes, and scanning can be done by bring your papers to the drive-up window. For pricing please call the Milford Library at 712-338-4643. These services are available during normal drive-up window hours.

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A Trail Bench Story

in moving closer to the other side of the pandemic."

basketball game on January 23.

sidelines of the American Rivers Conference.

honor loved ones and friends. The benches provide rest areas along the trails as well as raising funds for development. If you are interested in replacing or getting a new bench to honor someone in your life, please visit www.dickinsoncountytrails.com/ donate for more

information and the Bench Program form. Every bench has a special story so the DCTB will continue to feature them through Trails Talk to celebrate the sto-

ries of families and friends that are being honored through a bench donation. Honoring Family Legacy: Norm and Ruth Ann Van Donslear have nearly a

placing a bench on the Spine Trail as a of placing this bench and to see a family The trails' bench program continues tribute to Norm and their great grandchil-tradition of enjoying the trails is one that

> part of planning the start of the trails system and one of our most popular community bike rides, "Norm was on committee that began the planning for the present day trail system. He was also a co-found-

er of the University of Okoboji Cycling Classic

and devoted many hours to both projects. He passed away in 2001. His granddaughter Amanda, along with her husband Jeff Laue and children Chloe, Tristen, Marie, and Lucian now live in Milford and enjoy the trail on a regular basis. We are placing a bench in his memory and in honor of his four great grandchildren. The chillifetime's history in the Iowa Great Lakes. dren picked the spot for the placement

to grow and be a popular opportunity to dren. Ruth Ann shared how Norm was will be long lasting. If you have a trail or bench story you would like to share, please contact Erin Reed at dctrails@ dickinsoncountyiowa.gov.

Trails Provide Mental Health Benefits

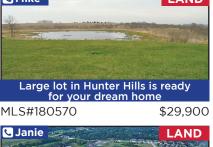
It is common knowledge that trails provide physical health benefits but there are many emotional and mental health benefits of having access to trails and the outdoors as well. Walking reduces levels of anxiety and depression and can, in some cases, be preventative. Now more evidence is showing that being in nature enhances those results. Time spent in a natural setting is calming and reduces our anxiety and stress levels. This leads to physical changes that include reductions in blood pressure and heart rate. Just twenty minutes on the trail or out in nature can positively influence our overall physical and mental health. We do not have to climb mountains or run marathons to enjoy these benefits, a nice walk on our beautiful trails will do the trick!

As always, Happy Trails to You and Yours. Erin Reed, Executive Director

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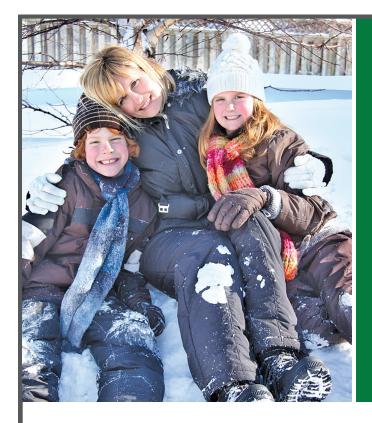
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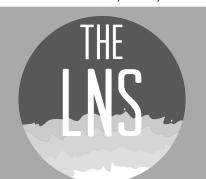
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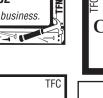
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Bumgarner advised that Spencer Hospital currently engages in successful partnerships with Avera in areas to include family medicine, home medical equipment, cancer care, supply chain and others.

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