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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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

**To The Editor:**  
First, I would like to thank The Lakes News Shopper for publishing, free of charge, Letters to The Editor. Second, if you take time to notice, there is a publisher's note with every letter published. Third it is not the job of the newspaper to fact check opinions. In the letter written in the September 21 issue, the writer states "I am not writing to break down each falsehood alleged in the letter". Since you don't want to back up your letter with facts, I guess that makes you no different than the person you are complaining about. You also state that The Lakes News Shopper "does not have to publish every letter that comes across its desk". You are correct about that one, but if they are to start picking and choosing who gets to have their letter published, they might as well stop publishing all letters. The staff at The Lakes News Shopper may or may not agree with letters that are written, but they publish them regardless. The last time I checked, this is The United States of America, each and every one of us has the right to speak out and express our opinion whether or not our neighbor agrees with that opinion. You also complain about "dangerous misinformation". Do you watch the news? Misinformation is given out every day. I say the glass is half full, you say the glass is half empty, which is correct? These days most news is put out based on the narrative of the particular news agency publishing that news. It is up to each of us to try and sort through and figure out what we do or don't choose to believe. I also urge the Lakes News Shopper to continue to use their First Amendment right to let citizens speak out and publish "Letters To The Editor". Thanks to The Lakes News Shopper for all of the great work you do to support our local communities.

Don Origer  
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by Rebecca Peters, Okoboji Tourism Director ~ Sept. 13, 2021

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 played and enjoyed a staycation at Fillenwarth Beach. Sometimes it's nice to get away without spending a day driving or flying to my destination. I was ready to take advantage of one of the resorts and hotels in the area with great amenities that do a wonderful job welcoming visitors to our area.

I started my staycation with a glass of wine on my deck while watching the sunset over the lake. It was good that I started on a relaxing note, because I stayed BUSY during the remainder of my stay! I did arts & crafts, went sailing, took a history tour cruise, million dollar home cruise, and Sunrunner family cruise. I sampled beers during the beer tasting, and enjoyed live music during the wine tasting. I watched the final fireworks of the season from the dock, and fell asleep each night to the sounds of waves hitting the shore. It was a great vacation minutes from my front door.

Another fun aspect of my staycation was the proximity to Arnolds Park. It was easy to walk to the farmers market, area restaurants, and shopping in the Queen's Court and Emporium! Guess who is the proud owner of new earrings, from Dellapina, and a couple of new Okoboji shirts!

The Iowa Great Lakes Area has excellent resorts and hotels that cause visitors to count down the days until their return! Take advantage of them now to treat yourself to a relaxing getaway close to home, and don't forget your kids! They will love spending a weekend in one of our hotels with an indoor pool this winter! Learn about all of your local lodging options at [www.VacationOkoboji.com](http://www.VacationOkoboji.com), and start planning your own staycation today!

**2 TIE BREAKERS:** Total Score Harris-Lake Park at GTRA: \_\_\_\_\_ AND Total Score Browns at Vikings: \_\_\_\_\_  
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One entry per person per week. The Lakes News Shopper U-Pick-Em Pigskin Challenge runs weekly through the December 14, 2021 issue. The winner will be whoever picks the most correct games. For rules go to: [LakesNewsShopper.com](http://LakesNewsShopper.com)

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**Norm is 90 Years Young**

Long-time Spirit Lake resident, Norm Meinking will be celebrating his 90th birthday on Tuesday, September 28, 2021.

His three daughters Mary (Scott) Chambers, Mindy Meinking (Luke Schmidt) and Marty (Matt) Spies; four grandchildren, Brittany (Jason) Salton, Ben (Molly) Chambers, Sammy (Jeff) Burns and Syd Spies; and two great-granddaughters, Elise and Nora Salton, would like to help him celebrate his 90th Birthday with a card shower.



If you remember him from his MHR Insurance days, or biking the trails, or walking the track at the Y, or anywhere in between, please send well wishes for his 90th Birthday to Norm Meinking at 11670 240th Avenue, Spirit Lake, IA 51360.

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**Human Trafficking Awareness**

Human Trafficking in Northwest Iowa will be the topic of a presentation by Iowa State Patrol trooper Kevin Krull. The program will be at the Ocheyedan Methodist Church, Thursday, October 7, beginning at 7:00pm. Officer Krull wants people to know that human trafficking can and does happen in northwest Iowa. He will share information on statistics, indicators, Iowa cases and common myths surrounding human trafficking. "A common myth is that 'this doesn't happen in my hometown.' But trafficking is everywhere", Officer Krull said. The public is invited to attend this informational program. Refreshments will be served following the presentation. A local service organization, Unity Circle, and Steve Swenson of Pioneer Seeds are sponsoring the event.



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## Moms in Prayer Group

Calling all moms and grandmas of children of all ages in and around the Okoboji area. A Moms in Prayer group is coming your way. Beginning Tuesday, October 5, from 6:00-7:00am each week at Downtown Church in Milford, gather with other moms and grandmas to pray for your children, grandchildren, and schools. Following a tried and true model of prayer, watch big things happen as they seek the Lord together. Women from all Christian denominations are welcome. Optional fellowship from 7:00-7:30am will follow the prayer hour. If you have any questions, contact Allison Antoine at 605-212-2731 or Carrie Meyer at 402-990-4309. They look forward to seeing you beginning October 5. To learn more about Moms in Prayer, visit [momsinprayer.org](http://momsinprayer.org).

## Anniversary Announcement

Harold and Carol Nelsen celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Saturday, September 25, 1921. Their kids, Lee Nelsen, LeeAnn Reetz (Donald), and Dawn Goodell (Doug), would like to honor them with a card shower. Warm wishes can reach them at P.O. Box 23, Lake Park, IA 51347.

## Pausley Appointed to Postpartum Support International Board

The Cherish Center Board of Directors is pleased to announce Shantel Pausley LMHC, RPT, Executive Director, has been appointed to the Postpartum Support International Board.



Postpartum Support International (PSI) was founded in 1987 by Jane Honikman in Santa Barbara, California. The purpose of the organization is to increase awareness among public and professional communities about the emotional changes that women experience during pregnancy and postpartum.

Approximately 15% of all women will experience postpartum depression following the birth of a child. Up to 10% will experience depression or anxiety during pregnancy. When the mental health of the mother is compromised, it affects the entire family. (<https://www.postpartum.net/>) Mrs. Pausley will have the opportunity to provide state leadership in promoting awareness, prevention, and treatment of maternal mental health issues, while increasing awareness amongst local public and professional communities.

Mrs. Pausley said of her appointment, "I am delighted to have joined the Board of Directors and look forward to leading in new collaborative initiatives across the State of Iowa."

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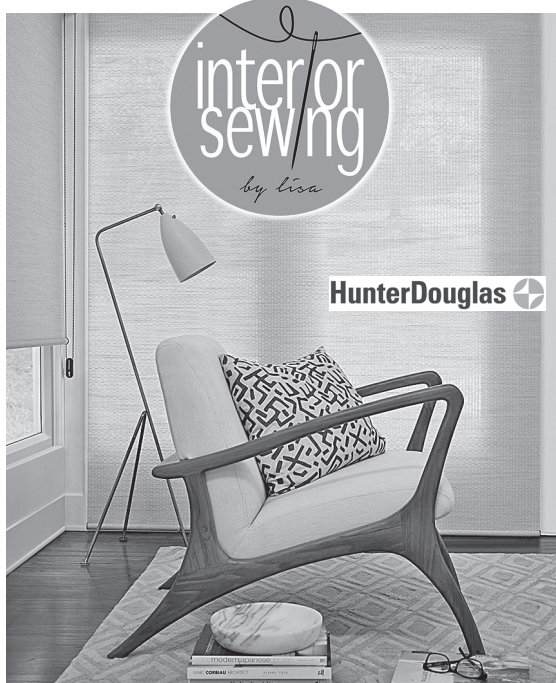
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### Projects

Pickleball Courts have been constructed at Sawmill Park. The four courts are used frequently by both residents and visitors to Arnolds Park. The contractor for this project was Diamond Concrete.

Full-depth removal and replacement of Pillsbury Point Park Road, and a mill and overlay of Prairie Lane and Circle Drive began at the end of September. This project was postponed from last year due to funding and the uncertainty associated with the pandemic. The entire project has a completion date of December 1, 2021; however, dependent upon weather, construction could take as little as four to five weeks. Access to property and residences throughout the entire project may be limited at times. The contractor on this project is Blacktop Service Company; the subcontractor is Beck Excavating.

The Phase 3 portion of the Lakeview Boulevard Pedestrian Walkway will begin as soon as SHPO approval is received from the State of Iowa. This portion of the walkway will continue around Pillsbury Point on both IDNR and City property to Monument Drive. This will connect Lakeview Boulevard with the sidewalk from the Amusement Park. Included in the project will be the cleanup of the West Okoboji shoreline around Pillsbury Point in cooperation with IDNR and Imagine Iowa Great Lakes who is providing the funding. Restoration of the shoreline will be similar in nature to Clare C. Wilson Park, and the Hattie Elston boat ramp. The contractor for the Pedestrian Walkway is MLS Landscape & Design.

### Utility Billing

Utility Bills are sent out at the end of each quarter and are to be paid by the 20th of the month in order to receive a discount. Bills that are not paid by this date are considered past due and are subject to being disconnected.

You may pay by check or cash at City Hall, or online using a credit card at [www.arnoldsparkcity.com](http://www.arnoldsparkcity.com) (there is a small fee for this service). Another option is to have your payment automatically deducted from a checking or savings account. Please contact City Hall for more information on automatic withdrawal.

### ATV, ORV & Snowmobile Ordinance

All persons operating must have a valid motor vehicle license and provide proof of current registration and proof of insurance as required by the Iowa Code Chapter 321I.

ATV's, ORV's, and snowmobiles may be operated in the City twenty-four (24) hours a day and must be equipped with operating headlights and taillights.

ATVs, ORVs, and snowmobiles will

be allowed to cross Highway 71 at Broadway Street and at 202nd Street, but are **not** allowed to operate on Highway 71; however, they are allowed on all other City streets at a speed no greater than thirty-five (35) miles per hour. It is illegal to operate an ATV, ORV or snowmobile in any City Park, playground, or upon any other City property without permission of the City.

### Library News

New to the library! The Arnolds Park Library, along with Milford and Spirit Lake Libraries, have received a grant through Youth In Philanthropy to purchase 12 wireless hotspots for the public to use. Each library has four devices available to be checked out for up to two weeks at a time. What a great resource for students, vacationers, families, or anyone needing an internet connection. Please stop by the library with any questions or check one out today!

### Programming opportunities at the library:

**Past Times:** Join Mary Dreier, Dickinson County Museum Curator, for conversation and fellowship as we reminisce about days past in our amazing lakes area. There will be plenty of time for story sharing; plus, what a great opportunity to "show and tell" of some of the incredible items and pictures on display in the museum. This program is held on the first Thursday of every month at 10:00 a.m.

**Paint Night at the Library:** The Lakes Libraries will continue to offer monthly paint nights this fall and winter. Attendees of any skill level are invited to recreate a beautiful painting by following step-by-step instructions from the artist who created the original painting. All painting supplies are provided. Early registration cost is \$10.00. Space is limited so be sure to sign up ahead of time!

**Monday Morning Mah Jongg Club:** The players meet at 9:30 a.m. every Monday morning in the library. If you are a Mah Jongg player or would like to learn the game, we invite you to stop by the library on Monday mornings to meet this wonderful group of players.

**Library Book Club:** meets the second Wednesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. The group has a wonderful list of books picked out for the fall. Each month a different book is discussed and coffee and treats are served. If you are interested in learning more about book club, please stop by the library or join us at our next book club on Wednesday, October 13.

**Kids Craft Bags:** Sign-up for our next craft-to-go bags will be available soon. Please watch our website and Facebook page for more information.

The library continues to add new

items daily. Whether you take joy in reading books, listening to audio Playaways, or watching movies, the library has something for everyone! Please stop in and check out all our new items and enjoy a cup of coffee, tea, or cider at our coffee station.

### Police Department

**Pet Owners:** Reminder of the Leash Law in Arnolds Park. Pets must be on a leash with a maximum 10 - Foot leash. Please clean up after your pets. All animals must be in a secure location away from electric, gas, and water meters to insure your meters are read properly.

**Winter Reminders:** All vehicles must be off City streets following a snowfall of 2 inches or more for snow removal. If they are not removed, they will be ticketed and/or towed. Residents of Arnolds Park that would be leaving for winter may come to the Arnolds Park Police Department and fill out a House Watch form. This allows the police department to contact you should there be an incident that involves your residence. If you have questions or concerns, please contact the police department at (712) 332-2227 Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. After hours, you make contact the Dickinson County Communications Center at (712) 336-2525.

### Yard Waste & Open Burning

The City has proper disposal methods for yard waste and we ask that it never be blown onto or placed on the streets, public roads, or neighboring lots.

If you wish to have your yard waste (no dirt or rocks) picked up it must be placed in City bags, tied shut, and placed at the **curbside by 7:00 a.m.** on Tuesdays. The bags must not weigh more than 50 pounds. Cut branches in 4 feet lengths and bundle with a city bag attached. Yard waste is picked up from April through October (dependent upon the weather). City bags are available for purchase at City Hall. If you need to dispose of yard waste outside of this time frame, you will need to drop off your bags at the Dickinson County Regional Collection Center located at 2260 220th Street (A34), Milford, Iowa; charges may apply.

If you choose to burn your yard waste, please be courteous to neighbors and use good judgment based on weather conditions. All fires must be attended by a person 18 years of age or older at all times. Any yard waste you burn on your property, must originate on your property.

**The burning of garbage, rubber, or anything of a toxic matter is strictly prohibited. Yard waste cannot be burned on City property.**

### Snow Removal

Town and Country Disposal will not empty commercial dumpsters if there is snow in front of or blocking the dumpster. Businesses are responsible for snow removal and ensuring the path is clear for the garbage trucks.

Business owners: It is your responsibility to remove snow and ice promptly from the sidewalk in front of your business. If this is not done within a reasonable time, the City may do so and assess the costs against the property owner (City Ordinance and Code of Iowa).

### Winter Utility Shut Down

Do you plan to travel over the winter? If you leave your home unoccupied during the winter months, it is recommended that you have your home winterized. This could avoid a disaster in the event of a power outage or other unforeseen event.

### Garbage & Recycling

Garbage for residential customers from Labor Day to Memorial Day is on Mondays only. Recycling will continue to be picked up on the second and fourth Fridays of each month. Carts must be curbside prior to 7:00 a.m. for pickup. If you do not have your container out in time, it will not be picked up until the next designated collection day. Commercial trash is picked up on Monday and Friday weekly.

Recycling must be placed in the correct container and must be recycling items only, no garbage. Accepted recyclables include: cans (steel, tin, aluminum), plastic containers (bottles, tubs, jugs), flattened cardboard, paper (newspapers, office paper, junk mail, magazines). Shredded paper and plastic bags need to be bagged separately in clear plastic bags. **Do not recycle the following items:** glass (bottles, jars, baking dishes), styrofoam, ceramics, porcelain, toys, clothes, shoes, rubber, waste & food, pizza boxes, hazardous materials (paint, lead, glue, oil), electronics (TV's, keyboards, batteries, bulbs), furnace filters. Please call City Hall with any questions regarding garbage or recycling.

### Voting

There is a temporary Polling Place change for the 2021/2022 School and City elections. All Arnolds Park voters will vote at the Hedberg Theatre, located at the Maritime Museum, 243 Broadway Street W., Arnolds Park.

### Emergency Number

If you have a water or sewer emergency on weekends or holidays, please call the Dickinson County Communications Center at (712) 336-2525.

**U-PICK-EM PICKIN CHALLENGE**

## WINNER



**Week 3 U-Pick-Em Winner is Mills**

Congratulations to Greg Mills of Hartley for winning Week #3 of our U-Pick-Em Football Challenge. Greg picked 14 games correctly and edged out three other contestants who also had 14 correct picks by winning the tiebreaker games. Greg wins \$100 in cash compliments of Boji Boat Brokers and The Lakes News Shopper. Be sure to play this week for another chance at \$100 in gift cards.

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## Okoboji's Homecoming Week

Okoboji's Homecoming week will run October 4 to 8, 2021. This year's Homecoming Activities include:

- Friday, October 1, at 1:30 p.m.: Awarding of Academic Os and announcement of homecoming court and Grand Marshal.
  - Wednesday, October 6, at 7:00 p.m.: Community Pep Rally and Coronation followed by Beefcake Volleyball and Powderpuff Football Finals.
  - Friday, October 8, at 1:30 p.m.: All school assembly and pep rally with parade to follow.
  - Saturday, October 9, at 8:30-11:30 p.m.: Homecoming Dance
- Okoboji's Homecoming Dress-Up Days Themes:**
- Monday: "Get Your Head in the Game" (Jersey/Sportswear)
  - Tuesday: "Thrift Shop" (Mismatch Clothing or Your Favorite Thrift Shop Finds)
  - Wednesday: "Fancy" (Dress Nicely)
  - Thursday: "Party in the USA" (America Wear)
  - Friday: "Our House" (Pioneer Gear)



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Back: Grand Knight Brad Shell, Mick Baack, Bob Moore, Duane Schnetter, Ray Schley, Doug Heller.

## Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge

The Milford Knights of Columbus Council 7284 hosted the Knights of Columbus' Annual Area Youth Soccer Challenge in Milford on Sunday, September 26, 2021. The KC Soccer Challenge is a competition designed for players aged 9 through 14 to demonstrate the most basic of soccer skills, the penalty kick. Each player was allowed 15 shots at the goal from the penalty line (12 yards from the goal).

Medalists were: Cadence Knudtson, 1st place, age 9; Cory Ness, 1st place, age 10; Blake Knudtson, 1st place, age 11; and Asher Knudtson, 1st place, age 13.

The KC Soccer Challenge Regional competition was held in September and the State competition will be in October.

## Iowa Lakes Corridor Seeking Nominations for Business Awards

The Iowa Lakes Corridor Development Corporation (Corridor) is excited to announce the nomination period for the eleventh annual Business Recognition Luncheon to be held Friday, November 5th. This ceremony thanks the businesses and individuals in our region for stimulating the region through job creation, investment and fostering quality of life throughout Corridor communities.



Nominations are open for four awards to be given during the luncheon: Small Business Excellence (fewer than 30 employees), Large Business Excellence (30 or more employees), Entrepreneur of the Year and Young Professional of the Year. Businesses may be nominated for various reasons: contribution to the local economy, recent expansion, new product or service, customer service, management practices and community involvement.

The business or individual must be located in one of the Corridor counties: Buena Vista, Clay, Dickinson or Emmet. A person can submit a nomination for any for-profit business, entrepreneur or young professional in any of the four categories. Businesses and individuals may nominate themselves. Multiple nominations are accepted.

Nominations will be reviewed and judged by a selection committee consisting of business owners and community leaders throughout the region. All information is confidential, and answers provided will be used solely by the judges for award purposes.

If you would like to nominate a business, entrepreneur or young professional, please visit [lakescorridor.com](http://lakescorridor.com) to download nomination forms and see a list of past winners. Nominations can be submitted via email at [info@lakescorridor.com](mailto:info@lakescorridor.com), fax at 712-580-3472 or mailed to the Corridor office at 520 2nd Avenue East, Suite 2, Spencer, IA 51301. All nominations are due by Monday, October 18th at 4 p.m.

For further information, please contact Alyssa Petersen at 712-264-3474.

**The Arnolds Park Police Department would like to send out a BIG THANK YOU to the following businesses for the generous donations for the Annual Lakes Area Law Enforcement and First Responders Golf Tournament.**

The Tournament was a great success with 28 teams playing, and everyone receiving a prize. A special Thank You to Brooks Golf & Bud's Pub for hosting the event and to the following businesses for your continued support of all First Responders:

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Kleve Construction  
Bridges Bay  
Ritz  
Los Pueblos  
Indian Hills  
West O  
Café Esteam  
Pure Fishing  
Kozy Heat**



**St. Mary's Church**  
1005 Hill Ave., Spirit Lake will host a  
*Holiday Market & Toy Shop*  
Fri. Oct. 8<sup>TH</sup> • 8AM - 6PM  
Sat., Nov. 9<sup>TH</sup> • 8AM - noon

The sale includes a Toy Shop, with a bake sale and coffee on Saturday morning, and many, many holiday decorations!

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# Golf Calendar

## Iowa Great Lakes Area

Oct. 2	Customer Appreciation Day	Brooks GC
Oct. 3	3 Person Best Shot	Emerald Hills GC
Oct. 3	Chili Open 8" Cup	Spencer Municipal GC
Oct. 9	"Goodie" 8" Cup 4-Person Best Shot	Okoboji View GC
Oct. 16	The Chili Bowl	Brooks GC
Oct. 17	Fall Classic 4-Person Best Shot	Emerald Hills GC
Oct. 17	Rocktoberfest	Spencer Municipal GC
Oct. 23	Brooks Gives Back	Brooks GC
Nov. 13	Four Person Best Shot	Spencer Municipal GC

Featured Courses: (Watch for their ads in The Lakes News Shopper!)

Brooks Golf Club 712-332-5011	Emerald Hills Golf Club 712-332-7100	Indian Hills Golf Club 712-336-4768	Okoboji View Golf Course 712-337-3372	Silver Lake Country Club 712-832-3213	Spencer Golf & Country Club 712-262-2028	Spencer Municipal Golf Course 712-580-7280
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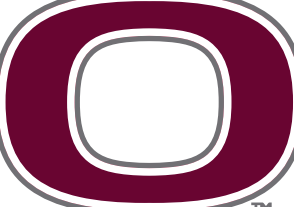
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**2 OCT SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2ND**  
**CUSTOMER APPRECIATION DAY**

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**Homecoming Parade**

The Okoboji Homecoming Parade will be on Friday, October 8, 2021, at 2:30pm. We encourage all local businesses to be part of this great event. Please contact the Okoboji High School at 712-338-2446 or [dgould@okobojischools.org](mailto:dgould@okobojischools.org) for more information.

**CDA Fall Garage Sale**

Spencer Sacred Heart CDA Fall Garage Sale to be held at Sacred Heart School Gym on Friday, October 1, 4:00-8:00pm, and Saturday, October 2, 8:00am to noon. Proceeds go to support our youth and parish needs. Free Will Donations except items marked.



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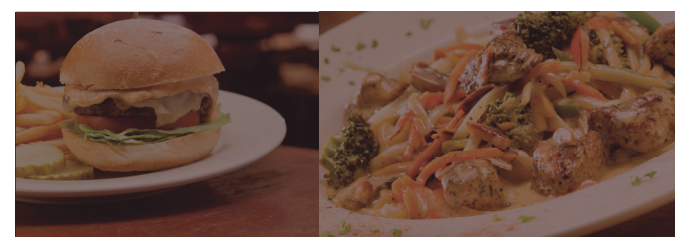
- Wed., Sept. 29: Pan Fried Chicken (all day) Black & Bleu Burger
- Thur., Sept. 30: Hamburger Steak & Turkey Rueben
- Fri., Oct. 1: Country Fried Steak (lunch only)
- Mon., Oct. 4: Hot Beef & Taco Salad
- Tues., Oct. 5: Chicken Pot Pie & Mushroom & Swiss Burger

**WEEKEND SPECIALS**

- Fri., Oct. 1: Fish Fry (starts at 4:00pm)
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<b>THE MANY SAINTS OF NEWARK</b> [R] Michael Gandolfini, Corey Stoll FRI: 4:00, 6:50, 9:30 SAT: 1:00, 4:00, 6:50, 9:30 SUN: 1:30, 4:30, 7:20 MON-THURS: 6:00, 8:30	<b>FREE GUY</b> [PG-13] Ryan Reynolds, Jodie Comer FRI: 3:50, 6:40, 9:15 SAT: 1:10, 3:50, 6:40, 9:15 SUN: 1:40, 4:20, 7:10 MON-WED: 6:00, 8:30
<b>DEAR EVAN HANSEN</b> [PG-13] Ben Platt, Kaitlyn Dever FRI: 3:40, 6:30, 9:25 SAT: 12:50, 3:40, 6:30, 9:25 SUN: 1:20, 4:10, 7:00 MON-THURS: 6:10, 8:55	<b>STARTS THURSDAY, OCT 7 NO TIME TO DIE</b> [PG-13] Daniel Craig, Ana de Armas At 4:00, 6:00, & 8:00 pm Thursday, October 7 Regular engagement begins Fri.

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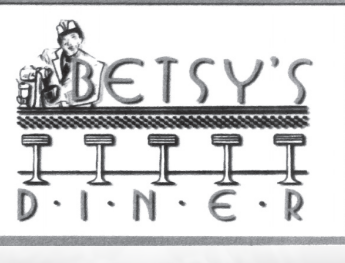
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The session will review the 4 FightBac! messages – separate, clean, cook and chill. Participants will explore topics like potentially hazardous foods, cross contamination, cleaning and temperature, and will be actively engaged in a series of 'escape room' activities. To successfully 'escape' food safety risks, participants will need to appropriately respond to 9 different food safety activities.

Registration fee is \$15 and child care providers are eligible to receive two hours of professional development credit approved by the Department of Human Services.


To register, visit <https://ccmis.dhs.state.ia.us/TrainingRegistry/TrainingRegistry/Public/>. Registration deadline is Sept. 28.

For more information, contact the ISU Extension and Outreach Clay County office at 712-262-2264.

### 90th Birthday Announcement

Deloris Newbrough of Spirit Lake, formerly of Lake Park, will be turning 90 on October 12, 2021. Her family would like to invite you to an Open House celebration in her honor on Saturday, October 9, 2021, at the First Presbyterian Church, 1220 South Market Street in Lake Park, from 2:00-4:00pm.

If you are unable to attend, please shower her with cards to celebrate this occasion. Cards may be sent to Deloris Newbrough at 1901 23rd Street, Apt. 115, Spirit Lake, IA 51360



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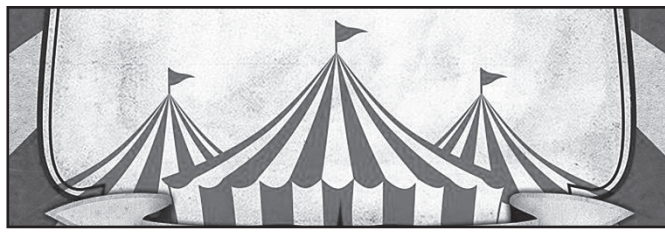
September 30, 2021: Film lovers in Okoboji, Iowa, will join over 100,000 film enthusiasts around the world during September 23 - October 3 when the 24th Annual MANHATTAN SHORT Film Festival screens at the Pearson Lakes Art Center.

The Final Ten MANHATTAN SHORT finalists for 2021 hail from eight countries with films from U.K., Afghanistan, Northern Ireland, Norway, Italy and Canada, alongside two films each from France and USA. These Final Ten Films represent the best short films from among 970 submissions from 70 countries received by MANHATTAN SHORT for 2021, testimony to the enduring vibrancy and creativity of short films worldwide.

MANHATTAN SHORT continues to be a showcase for new voices and perspectives. Death By Handshake director Hudson Flynn, for example, was just 16 years old when he created his wry nod to New York City living during the COVID-19 pandemic. Humor also pervades films like Rough from Northern Ireland, France's Archibald's Syndrome and Monsieur Cashemire of Canada. Out of Time and the animated Aurora are close studies by a pair of women directors of life at different stages of our existence from French and American perspectives. Short films tackling big topics include Norway's The Kicksled Choir, which offers a refreshing look at conflict resolution, while Bad Omen examines how a woman copes with stark circumstances in Afghanistan. Closed To The Light reaches back in time to focus on a riveting moment in World War II Italy while the UK's Ganef examines that war's trickle-down effect on subsequent generations. "Trauma is like a virus, resilient and adaptive, capable of living well beyond the moment it's inflicted," notes Ganef director Mark Rosenblatt, demonstrating once more how short films can give a subject full treatment.

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Which of these Final Ten short films is the best? That's up to a worldwide audience to decide. Cinema-goers across the United States and around the globe will become instant film critics as they are handed a ballot upon entry that allows them to vote for the Best Film and Actor. MANHATTAN SHORT is the ultimate audience award that salutes the creative talents of both directors behind the camera and actors in front of it. Votes will be sent through to MANHATTAN SHORT HQ with the winner announced at *ManhattanShort.com* on Monday, October 4, at 10:00am EST.

Tickets are \$15. Show starts at 6:00pm on Thursday, September 30. For tickets call 712-332-7029 or go online to [www.lakesart.org](http://www.lakesart.org).



## Its a Carnival!

The Rotary Club of Estherville is hosting a fun filled family event on Sunday, October 10, 2021, from 2:00 - 4:00pm in the ILCC SERT Building, 2421 7th Avenue South, Estherville. There will be carnival games, activities, and treats for all ages. \$10 per family.

All proceeds donated to support ELC Schools Backpack Program. Advanced ticket sales encouraged and available at: Estherville Chamber of Commerce, Iowa Lakes Community College Estherville Campus, Regional Wellness Center or call: 712-362-7710.

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## Spirit Lake Library News

### From the Children's Corner of the Library

Young children and caregivers - you are invited to come play, socialize and make new friends at our Block Party program at the Spirit Lake Public Library Thursday mornings October 7 and October 21, from 10:00 to 11:30am, in the community room. This is a come and go time period as suits your schedule and child(ren).

What is a Block Party? It's an opportunity for children to improve early literacy skills through unstructured play. Research shows child play isn't just for fun, "play is the work of children" and this program offers a place for children to "work" at the library. The Friends of the Library have generously provided toys that promote literacy, STEAM, physical development, and social development. Toys include building blocks, figurines, play vehicles and other props for play.

Block Party is a free and self-guided program. Children must be accompanied by a caregiver. Growups are welcome to enjoy their favorite morning beverage and may choose to observe their child or to get down on the floor and join the play. Hope to see you soon at the library.

## Milford Library News

Join us on Monday, October 4, at 2:00 p.m. for Lincoln on the Gettysburg Address. The audience will enjoy hearing a first-hand account from Abraham Lincoln himself of the genesis and development of his famous speech. He provides background and context to the familiar phrases, from "Four score and seven years ago" to "government of the people, by the people, for the people", and many more in between. He explains how he wrote his speeches, thus debunking a common myth about when and how he wrote this, his most famous, one. In fact, the audience will essentially witness him create his speech over the period of the program before their very eyes. This free program is sponsored by the Friends of the Milford Memorial Library, Friends of the Spirit Lake Library, and Friends of the Arnolds Park Library.

Milford Memorial Library has updated hours!  
Monday -Friday 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.  
Wednesday 9:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.  
Saturday 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Author Keith Luchtel will be at the Milford Memorial Library on Friday, September 30, at 6:30 p.m. to discuss his book, *Milford Male*. Keith's story tells about how his values guided him from small town Iowa to becoming an Air Force Officer, Combat Pilot, Special Operator, Attorney, Lobbyist, Regulator, and Political Consultant.

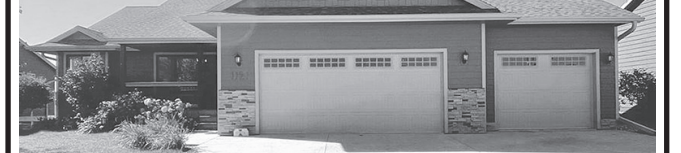
On Wednesday, October 6, an open meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Milford Memorial Library will take place in the Milford Community Center. The agenda will be posted on MML's website and front bulletin board at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend and offer their thoughts in order to make MML a better library.

Join us on Wednesday, October 13th, at 6:00 p.m., for Mysterious Creatures of the Midwest presented by Chad Lewis. In this presentation, researcher Chad Lewis will showcase his on-site investigations ranging from the Bigfoot of the North Woods and the Lake Monster of Lake Pepin to Phantom Chickens and Hellhounds roaming rural Iowa. Filled with witness drawings, eye-witness testimony, weird photos, and bizarre sound clips. This presentation brings the investigation right to you! This program is available via Zoom from anywhere you wish, or watch Chad's presentation on the big screen at the Milford Community Center. This program is brought to you by the Friends of the Estherville Public Library and the Friends of Milford Memorial Library.

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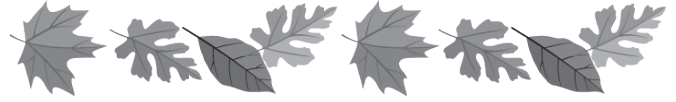
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A tentative agenda will include: approving the minutes of the last meeting, Treasurer's Report and bills, reviewing the correspondence, approving cost-share applications, amendments and vouchers, receiving NRCS and District reports, old and new business and planning for the next meeting.

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**Grilled Philly Cheesesteak Sandwiches** ~ Serves 4

1 pound lean ground beef  
2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce  
2 tablespoons olive oil  
1 yellow onion, thinly sliced  
1/2 green bell pepper, thinly sliced  
4 ounces sliced or shredded provolone or mozzarella  
8 slices whole wheat bread  
2 tablespoon butter, softened

4 cups raw veggies of choice veggie dip of choice, optional

Heat a large skillet over medium heat. Add the ground beef, breaking apart with a spoon, until cooked through. Stir in Worcestershire sauce and cook 1-2 minutes. Remove meat to a bowl. Return skillet to the stove and add olive oil. Stir in onion and pepper and cook until veggies are tender, about 10-15 minutes. Return ground beef to the pan for 1-2 minutes. Heat a large griddle or skillet to medium heat. Spread butter on one side of all of bread. Place half the slices butter-side down on a plate. Top with 1/2 ounce cheese, meat mixture another 1/2 ounce of cheese, then another slice of bread (butter-side up). Repeat with remaining sandwiches. Place sandwiches on the griddle and cook until bread is golden brown and cheese has melted. Serve with veggies and dip.

Recipe Courtesy of: Iowa Dietitian Tonya Huenink at [www.mealsqueeze.com](http://www.mealsqueeze.com)  
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**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

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

To The Editor:

**Senior's Heroes**

The Voluntary Action Center of the Iowa Great Lakes would like to give a big thank you to the Dickinson County Endowment Fund for their recent grant to our Meals on Wheels program. Dickinson County has a high percentage of people over the age of 60 at almost 1/3 of our citizens (the national average is 1 out of 5). VAC will serve almost 8,000 meals in 2021 to our homebound seniors and almost half of those meals will be free of charge to our clients who live below the poverty line. These clients are our former teachers, police officers, farmers, and store clerks. DCEF's grant will help pay for those subsidized meals over the next twelve months.

"Every knock delivers the food, compassion and care that our aging neighbors need."

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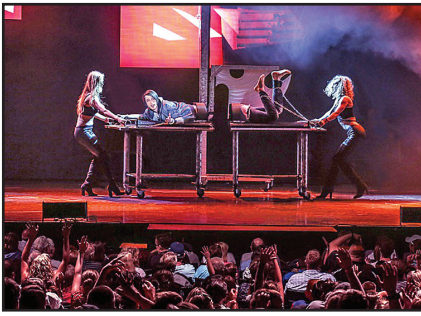
Reza's recent tour and television appearances have astounded over 30 million viewers from across the World on networks such as MTV, A&E, The CW, PBS, Reelz, CX, Fuji, and Telemundo as well as live venues. Reza's new show "Edge of Illusion," is a ground-breaking grand scale production which Reza simultaneously designed to connect with the audience.

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# Obituaries

**Gordon Donald "Gordy" Fischer**, one of three sons born to Art L. and Lucile H. (Clausen) Fischer, entered the world on October 3, 1942, in the family farmhouse south of Lake Park, IA. He grew up as most rural kids do - going to school, helping his Dad around the farm and playing when he could. He received his education at Sioux Valley, MN, graduating from Sioux Valley High School with the class of 1960.



On July 28, 1963, Gordy was united in marriage to the love of his life, Leyla M. Matthiesen, at the Concordia Lutheran Church in Lake Park, IA. The couple enjoyed 58 years together, most of it spent in the Sioux Valley area; four daughters would complete their family: Velinda, Valerie, Dorie, and Dodie.

Gordon's passion in life was agriculture - which included not only row crops, but a dairy herd, beef cattle and farrow-to-finish hog operations and raising a huge garden - he just loved to grow things...and was very good at it! The produce from the garden was always more than his family could use, so he gladly shared it with his neighbors and friends.

Harvest time was the highlight of the year as far as Gordy was concerned. To hear the first kernels of corn fall into the bin was total satisfaction to him. Seeing another season of hard work and risk come to fruition made it all worthwhile - and he never forgot to thank the Maker for being able to do what he loved most - farm.

While most of each day was used up tending crops and animals, Gordy made sure he found some time to saddle up the horses and go riding with the girls. Weekend horse shows may have brought home ribbons and trophies, but the memories made while being together are priceless. Gordy enjoyed being outdoors in the fresh air and sunshine, especially when it meant seeing the sights on his motorcycle. Fishing trips to Canada with his brother, Wayne, were always something he looked forward to as well as participating in local Tractor Rides. Of course, just being with family meant the world to him; it would take a lot for him to miss one of the grandkid's sports events! He loved his hometown, the folks who lived there, and he tried to give back to the community he called "home" in any way he could.

On Tuesday, September 21, 2021, Gordy passed from this life at the age of 78 years. He was preceded in death by his parents, Art and Lucile Fischer; and his brother, Larry Fischer.

Keeping his memory close in heart are his wife, Leyla of Sioux Valley, MN; children: Velinda (Tom) Schrepel of Excelsior, MN, Valerie (Bob) Gordon of Princeton, MN, Dorie (Scott) Lund of Lynchburg, TN, and Dodie (Jesse) Walsh of Brookings, SD; six grandchildren: Emma (Cole) Fuller, Quinn Schrepel, Jordan Lund, Hanna, Caden, and Cole Walsh; his brother, Wayne (Iris) Fischer of Naperville, IL; many nieces, nephews, extended relatives and countless friends.



# Obituaries

**Bette Jo Miller**, 95, of Spirit Lake, passed away on Wednesday, September 15, 2021, at Accura Healthcare of Spirit Lake.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date at the Schuchert-Lentz Funeral Home in Spirit Lake. Arrangements are under the direction of the Schuchert-Lentz Funeral in Spirit Lake. Online condolences may be sent to [www.spiritlakefuneralhome.com](http://www.spiritlakefuneralhome.com).



Bette Jo Miller was born December 3, 1925, to Carl and Leona Behrendsen at Gilmore City, IA. She graduated from Ruthven High School in 1944. After high school she moved to Los Angeles, CA working at Douglas Aircraft. She returned to Ruthven after World War II. She married Orland Miller on September 30, 1946, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. They were the parents of three children, Mary Jo Daniels, Barbara McBreen and Michael Miller. She was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church for 70 plus years and a member of the Catholic Daughters for 50 plus years. She worked at Spirit Lake Savings and Loan, now Northwest Bank. She retired in 1987. She worked at Tri State and the Cob Web after retiring.

Bette was preceded in death by her husband, Orland, of 49 years; her parents, 3 sisters, 3 brothers and their spouses. Surviving are sisters Jeanne Jones and husband Paul; nephew Michael Miller Keehner; children, Mary Jo Daniels, Barbara (Joe) McBreen, Mike (Debbie) Miller; seven grandchildren, Ryan (Becky) McBreen, Caitlin (Kevin) McTague, Hayley (Jen) Meese-Cherry, Bethany Meese, Calvin Miller, Kelly (Eric) Schemenauer; nine great grandchildren; many nieces and nephews; cousin Paul Estes and many friends.



## Spirit Lake Homecoming Parade

The Spirit Lake Homecoming parade will be on Friday, October 8, 2021. Line-up will begin at 2:00pm and the parade will officially start at 2:30pm. If businesses would like to support our students and be showcased in the parade, please contact Abbie Olson at 712-330-5803 or Sarah Gulick at 712-339-1546.

## Lakes Area Farmers Market News

Located at Dickinson Co. Fairgrounds  
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Saturday, October 2, will be the last day this year for the entire Lakes Area Farmers Market. After that a few of the produce vendors will be outside on the fairgrounds selling squash, pumpkins, gourds, potatoes, onions, and other fall vegetables for a couple of weeks. They will be there from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon on Wednesday and Saturday.

This was a challenging year for vegetable growers; if there was sufficient rain, crops were abundant; with little to no rain, yields were sparse. But growers always hope for a better year next year and are cleaning the gardens now and planning for a new year.

Fall is also the time for many craft shows. You may see a few of the market craft vendors at various shows, but you will find most of them at 'A Handcrafted Christmas' event on December. It will be held at the Community Building in Spirit Lake, open from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.. There will be all kinds of candy, cookies, bars, angel food cakes, as well as handmade gifts, decorations, games and toys, and apparel. There may even be some late produce, salsa, and other food to eat. Plans are still being made and vendors are still being accepted; call 712-320-0576 with questions.

Join us Wednesday or Saturday for our last week this summer. We hope to see you there.

## Milford Library News

### Lincoln on the Gettysburg Address

Kevin Wood will bring Abraham Lincoln to life at the Milford Memorial Library on Monday, October 4, at 2:00pm, with his program titled "Lincoln on the Gettysburg Address." The audience will enjoy hearing a first-hand account from Abraham Lincoln himself of the genesis and development of his famous speech. He provides background and context to the familiar phrases, from "Four score and seven years ago" to "government of the people, by the people, for the people", and many more in between. He explains how he wrote his speeches, thus debunking a common myth about when and how he wrote this, his most famous one. In fact, the audience will essentially witness him create his speech over the period of the program before their very eyes. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Milford Memorial Library, Friends of the Spirit Lake Public Library, and the Friends of the Arnolds Park Public Library.



Kevin Wood, currently of Oak Park, Illinois (Chicago area), started seeing a resemblance to President Lincoln as a young man when his height reached 6'3" and he grew a beard. He realized years later that he could combine his love for history, interest in Lincoln, experience in public speaking, and natural resemblance to "Honest Abe." Wood has been portraying Abraham Lincoln for 12 plus years and his portrayal has taken him all over the country and he has even done programs in Spain. Wood will be on a tour of central and western Iowa October 3-9.

For more information, you can contact the Milford Memorial Library at 712-338-4643 or call Kevin Wood at 708-979-3093.

# Obituaries

**Bob "Boodie" Koenen**, 67, passed away on Saturday, September 18, 2021.

Boodie was born on June 29, 1954, to Walter and Rosemary Walton Koenen of Spencer, Iowa.



He is survived by his wife Deborah Mitzlaff Koenen of Arnolds Park, IA; and three daughters: Wendy and husband Chad Tuttle of Fostoria, IA; Ashley and husband Tim Conner of Sartell, MN; and Delani and husband Drew Von Sprecken of St. Louis Park, MN.

Boodie is also survived by his grandchildren, Olivia Tuttle, Elliott Tuttle, Harper Conner and Ellison Conner; nephew Justin and wife Sarah Baird Koenen of Pine, CO; niece Melissa Koenen of Sioux Falls, SD; great nephews, Carter Carstens of Sioux Falls, SD and Milo Koenen of Pine, CO; and sister Ann Smith and Tim McVina of Spencer, IA; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, brothers- and sisters-in-law and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his brothers Scott and Steve.

A Celebration of Life for Boodie will be held at a later date. Turner Jenness Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.



## Singles Dance

The northwest Iowa area singles will be having their dance Saturday, October 2, at the Hap Ketelsen Community Center in Everly Iowa. The doors are open at 6:30, the dance is from 7:30pm - 11:00pm.

The band will be Prairie Thunder. Come join us for a fun evening of dancing! Singles and married couples are welcome. You may bring snacks to share!



## Moffitt Joins Milford Kiwanis Club

The newest member of the Milford Kiwanis Club is Ellen Moffitt, pictured with Dick Mataloni, President.

Ellen was born on the South coast of England in Weymouth. While working in North Dakota as a nanny, she met her future husband, Craig, who was stationed there in the Air Force. They relocated back to the Midwest in 2003 after his retirement from active service and now live in Spirit Lake. They have two daughters and their blended family consists of four daughters and six grandchildren. Ellen makes delicious candies at the popular Goodie's candy store, and Craig is an Operations Manager for Fed Ex in Spirit Lake. Besides spending time with family, Ellen loves to volunteer. She spent 8 1/2 years at the Cherish Center, mostly as a house parent.

The Milford Kiwanis club is a perfect fit for her, and club members are happy to have her volunteering experience to assist with local projects. Welcome, Ellen!



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### No School Camp

When school is out this fall, camp is in at Iowa Lakeside Labs. Our brand-new No School Camp for K – 4th grade students will be held 9:00am – 3:00pm October 18, a day off for Spirit Lake School District, and October 29, a day off for Okoboji, Harris Lake Park, and Graettinger-Terril School Districts.



If you have older students, don't worry, we have No School Camp for them as well. Our No School Camp for 5th – 8th grade students will be held 9:00am – 3:00pm, November 12, a day off for Spirit Lake School District, and December 6, a day off for Okoboji School District. If your student is not in these districts but still has the day off, they are welcome to attend.

"No School Camp is a great opportunity for students to get outside and enjoy some fun activities at Lakeside on their day off," said Ashley Hansen, education coordinator at Lakeside Lab. "If a child wasn't able to attend summer camp but loves being outside and wants to see what Lakeside has to offer, this is a great way for them to try out a camp during our off-season." Each of the K – 4th grade camps and 5th – 8th grade camps will have the same activities and schedule and include plenty of exploring in nature, science experiments, crafts and more! Students will need to dress appropriately for the weather and bring a sack lunch, two snacks will be provided.

No School Camps will cost \$20 per student and registration will open Friday, October 1st, at [www.iowalakesidelab.org](http://www.iowalakesidelab.org). There will also be a link to the registration page posted on our Facebook. Financial assistance is available and the application can be found on our website. Camp will be limited to 12 students so be sure to get your child signed up early!

For more information about No School Camp contact Ashley Hansen, education coordinator at (712)337-3669 Ext 7 or [Ashley-hansen-2@uiowa.edu](mailto:Ashley-hansen-2@uiowa.edu).

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SHIIP counselors Pat Andersen, Robert Emgarten, Jim Hitchcock, Milo Kindwall, and Betsy Tonsfeldt are available to help anyone newly eligible for Medicare or already on Medicare:

- Check current Part D or Medicare Advantage plans to make sure medications are covered at the lowest cost and with the least amount of restrictions
- Review employer drug coverage and compare to other Medicare options
- Check eligibility for Part D Extra Help
- Understand options if currently not enrolled in a drug plan

This is a great opportunity for people on Medicare to review and choose what coverage they want for 2022. Every year Medicare Part D and Medicare Advantage plans can change their premiums, deductibles, co-payments, benefits, and the drugs they cover. To avoid costly surprises on January 1, a free, confidential counseling appointment with a SHIIP volunteer may be beneficial. Appointments are held at Lakes Regional Healthcare. Those with SHIIP appointments are encouraged to enter the hospital through Door A, which is the main door on the west side of the hospital off of Highway 71.

Although counseling services are available year round, the open enrollment period for Part D drug coverage and Medicare Advantage plans runs from October 15 through December 7. Those interested in scheduling an appointment can call 712-336-6698 Monday through Friday from 8:00 am until 4:30 pm.

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## Kiwanis Legacy of Play Contest

Voting for the Legacy of Play contest is now open & Hope Rolls of Dickinson County needs YOUR vote for a chance to win \$25,000 in playground equipment from Landscape Structures for our adaptive park. The Hope Rolls adaptive park is an all-inclusive space in which people of all ages & abilities can enjoy the great outdoors. With wheelchair swings, ramps & sensory experiences, the park will be a haven for residents and guests to our vacation destination community.

Hope Rolls is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization dedicated to providing area youth with adaptive tricycles. These trikes afford them the opportunity to ride with their friends and family all while enjoying the countless benefits of outdoor exercise and play. As of September 2021, Hope Rolls has given 9 bikes to Dickinson County youth thanks to the generosity of our community.

You can cast your vote DAILY from each of your email accounts to help make this \$25,000 contest a reality for the Hope Rolls Adaptive Park. Cast YOUR vote at [play.kiwanis.org](http://play.kiwanis.org) and if you'd like to contribute directly to Hope Rolls, please visit our Facebook page.

## Be a Tourist in Your Backyard

by Rebecca Peters, Okobojo 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 Grove to pick some pumpkins, and enjoy all of the other activities they offer! This new(er) fall attraction to our community offers families and friends a fun place to play outside, capture fantastic photos, and create memories. The Grove is just west of Milford, making it a quick drive for a full day of fun!



I first visited The Grove last year with my friends. We made it a girl's afternoon filled with laughter and friendly competition on a crisp fall day. I was excited to return this fall to see what was new, and enjoy a few of my favorite attractions from last year. I love the rubber duck race and life-size guess who games. The corn maze is even more challenging this year. The corn "sand-box" is always a fun stop, and they've added new trikes to the trike track! My favorite new attraction this season is the hamster wheel! It's challenging (and hilarious) to race along the track against friends or strangers.

Of course, the highlight of The Grove is their pumpkins. You can choose a pre-picked pumpkin, or walk through their patch to search for the perfect pumpkin and pick your own! Their patch is packed full of pumpkins, so it won't be too hard to find your favorite. They also have a wide variety of pumpkins, which will help create a nice look on your front porch!

The Iowa Great Lakes Area has a wide variety of fall attractions like The Grove to keep us entertained! Take advantage of the many beautiful weekends we have remaining and spend them outside creating memories right here in our backyard. "Kids" of all ages will really enjoy a trip to The Grove! Learn about all of the fall fun Okobojo offers at [www.VacationOkobojo.com](http://www.VacationOkobojo.com), and start planning your next weekend today!

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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

### Dear Editor:

If you believe that we, as a nation, are facing circumstances that are restricting our rights and spending our resources faster than we can afford, are you ready to learn about Article V of our beloved U.S. Constitution?

Article V was designed to allow individual citizens and their local state government representatives the opportunity to counteract misplaced federal control and use a collective, common-sense approach by us, the governed, to determine the "good of the People".

Our country's founders knew if the federal government threatened our liberties, tyranny would result. They created the opportunity to call a Convention of States of at least 34 states to legally and nonviolently address identified areas of concern. Many believe current events support this Constitutional option to rein in our federal government, limit federal spending, and promote term limits as the steps needed to get us back on track.

We, as Americans, know what inalienable rights we have been given and now, it's time to exercise our Constitutional authority to make the chaos stop and restore order, peace, and liberty for all. Contact the Convention of States at [www.conventionofstates.com](http://www.conventionofstates.com) or 540-441-7227 to sign the petition, volunteer to help spread the word about Article V, and support outreach to our legislators, who can put Iowa on that list of 34 states to move this forward. It's time for courage and action so contact Convention of States today to do your part.

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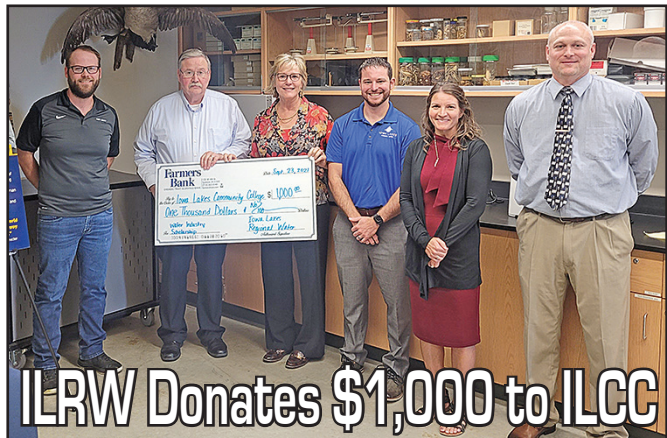
## Fred Gilbert - More than a Park

Fred Gilbert, known by many as the "Wizard of Spirit Lake" for his outstanding competitive trap shooting skills, had deep roots in Dickinson County. His life as an international figure from 1895 to 1927 has been well documented, but little is known about his family and early days growing up east of East Lake Okoboji in what was Tusculum township.

John F. Smeltzer, an Orleans resident with deep interests in Dickinson County history, genealogy, and all things outdoors will share stories, photos, and information about Fred Gilbert, encouraging us to know the man behind the worldwide fame. Smeltzer says, "we need to know where he came from to understand his path through life."

Smeltzer's interest in Fred Gilbert is three-fold. Like Gilbert, Smeltzer is an active competitive trap shooter. Smeltzer calls the Orleans lakeshore where Gilbert's "Indian Shoots" were held home, and Smeltzer's probable relative, John F. Smeltzer, was the sponsor of one of the many trophies Gilbert won during his career.

Smeltzer will be speaking as part of the Dickinson County Historical Society and Museum's "History LIVES!" Series Thursday, September 30 at 7:00 at the museum. All are welcome!



## ILRW Donates \$1,000 to ILCC

This year, Iowa Lake Regional Water's Board of Directors made the momentous decision to donate a \$1,000 scholarship to Iowa Lakes Community College for educational programs focused on creating a growing workforce for the water industry. On September 23rd, representatives from ILRW met with ILCC faculty to present the award: Drew Howing, ILCC Assistant Professor; Tony Condon, ILCC Institutional Advancement Coordinator; Debra Hanson, ILRW Board Chair; Brad Veil, ILRW CEO; Kelly Graplar, Deputy CEO; Scott Stokes, ILCC Executive Dean of the Estherville campus.

ILRW's continued commitment in providing sustainable, quality water to rural residents and businesses is reflected in this decision. Supporting students interested in the water industry is a critical component to sustainability.

"Leading the way for the next generation is not only our responsibility, it's a great privilege. We look forward to the future", Brad Veit, CEO.

Stay tuned for the scholarship recipient announcement.

## Clay County Fair Returns in Big Way

Following a one-year hiatus due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Clay County Fair powered by SMU returned September 11-19 with sunny skies and smiling fairgoers.



"There was much uncertainty heading into this Fair with the pandemic, a labor shortage, supply chain issues, and a 721-day break since the last Fair," said Fair Manager Jeremy Parsons. "However, the enthusiasm of our fairgoers to simply be at the Fair put that uncertainty to rest once the gates opened."

Fairgoers reacted favorably to many programming changes, including a new home for poultry and rabbits in the Farm Nutrients Small Animal Barn; stellar entertainment on the Midway Stage; the Manufacturing Expo presented by ISU Extension Clay County, which involved nine area high schools; the Fair's first-ever Hispanic Festival on Sept. 12; a new shuttle route which traveled the southern edge of the fairgrounds; and 31 new foods.

"When the enthusiasm of the fairgoers mixed with the determination of our vendors, exhibitors, volunteers, staff and Board to put on the best Fair possible under the circumstances we were in, it created a beautiful nine days," he said. "We are grateful and thankful."

Parsons continued that the success of the 2021 Clay County Fair can be measured in several metrics, including:

- Youth Involvement
- 708 4-H and FFA exhibitors from 42 counties in Iowa, Minnesota, and Nebraska participated in livestock and human sciences events at the Fair.
- Approximately 1,300 third and fourth grade students from 16 regional schools visited the Fair as part of the AgCiting and SciCiting field trip programs coordinated by ISU Extension Clay County.

**Fairgoer Spending**  
· Preliminary fairgoer spending on food, beverage, specialty concessions, and carnival rides totaled \$2,537,345.95, breaking an all-time record set in 2017.

· Preliminary fairgoer spending set three single-day records for the first Sunday (Sept. 12), Wednesday (Sept. 15), and the second Saturday (Sept. 18).

· GoldStar Amusements set single-day records for carnival ride revenue eight of the nine days of the Fair, including an all-time single-day record on Saturday, Sept. 18.

**Exhibitor Participation**  
· 456 commercial exhibitors, concessionaires, and vendors showcased at the Fair. With at least 150 ag-specific exhibitors, the Fair again hosted the largest farm machinery and ag equipment show at any fair in the United States.

· 1,127 exhibitors participated in various open class livestock and non-livestock competitions.

**Attendance**  
· The Sleep Number Grandstand attracted 18,585 fairgoers to multiple stage performances and dirt events. The top two attended events were Skillet with special guest Ledger (2,763) and Josh Turner with special guest Dillon Carmichael (2,698).

· Overall Fair attendance totaled 277,389. Complete daily attendance numbers can be found at <https://claycountyfair.com/history/bythenumbers/>

"With all of the uncertainty before the Fair, we were unsure what the numbers would be like after the Fair," said Parsons. "While numbers only tell part of the success story of a fair each year, we are extremely pleased with fairgoer attendance and spending at this year's Fair."

More detailed information on the 2021 Clay County Fair powered by SMU will be made available at the Clay County Fair Association's annual meeting on October 26. Lifetime memberships to the Fair Association are available for \$100. Call 712-580-3000 for more information.

*Rooted in Tradition, the Clay County Fair and Events Center is a year-round facility that annually hosts more than 300 events, including its signature event, the Clay County Fair powered by SMU. Known as "The World's Greatest County Fair" since 1917, the Fair attracts more than 300,000 guests each September for nine-days of world-class entertainment, competition, food, fun, and the largest farm machinery show at any fair in the United States. Additional information can be found at claycountyfair.com.*

# THE LAKES NEWS SHOPPER Auctions

## Auctions

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### FARMLAND AUCTION

78 Acres +/- of Bare Farmland in Wisconsin Twp., Jackson Co., MN

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2021 @ 10 AM

Auction to be held at the Jackson American Legion Hall at 411 First Street, Jackson, MN

PROPERTY LOCATION: 78 Deeded Acres located in the W 78 RODS of NW 1/4 Section 15 of Wisconsin Township 102 North, Range 34 W, Jackson County, Minnesota.



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October 29

59 Acres Clay Co.

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October 29

84 Acres Clay Co.

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November 4

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November 10

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November 12

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# TRAILS TALK

Erin Reed, Executive Director, DCTB

Dickinson County  
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**Bike Rides Support Trails**  
There are many great bike rides and trail events every year in the Iowa Great Lakes and a number of them support the

Dickinson County Trails. These events take a lot of effort on the part of the organizations that put them on. We appreciate their hard work and commitment to bringing

bicycle and trail enthusiasts to the area. In 2021, the contributing rides donated over \$11,000 to the DCTB and with the addition of matching grants the rides will

provide \$44,700 in total for trail projects. Thank you to everyone that helps make the Iowa Great Lakes an exciting recreational trail destination!



Jim Carpenter from the Okoboji Cycling Classic Foundation presents Erin Reed, Executive Director and Jason Harrington, President of the DCTB, with a check for \$2,000 as part of the U of O Campus Ride that was held on June 26. The ride, that is also supported by Three Sons and Milford-Okoboji Fire Departments, includes 25, 50 and 100-mile routes along scenic trails and lakeside roads around the Iowa Great Lakes.



Blaine Andera from the Spirit Lake Chamber of Commerce presented the DCTB with a check for \$250 from the Bike Ride Around Spirit Lake (BRASL) that was held on July 10. The ride includes a 15-mile bike cruise around Iowa's largest natural lake with optional 25 and 50-mile routes around the Iowa Great Lakes and Minnesota.



Dave, Dan and Donnie Tryon from Sportsman's present the DCTB with a check for \$4,050 from the annual Tiki Bike Ride that was held on August 7. Riders of all ages enjoy this ride with 16, 24 and 40-mile routes that include many prizes, games and fun surprises along the entire ride. Volunteers, led by Marty Spies, also held a silent auction that brought an additional \$2,370 for a total of \$6,420 raised from the event.



Karli Anthofer, Blain Andera and Kiley Zankowski from the Iowa Great Lakes Chamber present the DCTB with a check for \$2,500 from the 2020 Oktoberfest Ride. This year's Oktoberfest Ride was held last Saturday and it was a beautiful day for the ride along with all of the other events included in the fall festivities. While numbers are still being tallied, it may be another record year for the bike ride. Thank you again to all that make these great events possible.

**Tatanka Ska Trailhead**  
Construction of the Tatanka Ska Trailhead has picked up again. Steel was finally delivered to the site and the contractor began

erecting the structure last week. The project manager expects it to take about two weeks for the canopies and tower to go up. Once that is complete, they will

follow up with site concrete and plantings. The DCTB is excited to see the trailhead take shape and we look forward to its completion in the coming weeks. Thank you

to Imagine Iowa Great Lakes for their partnership in this project. As always, Happy Trails to You and Yours. *Erin Reed, DCTB Executive Director*

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## Need help with a ROLLOVER?

93.92 ACRES OF OMEGA TOWNSHIP, O'BRIEN COUNTY, IOWA

FARMLAND AT LIVE & ONLINE AUCTION

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2021

9:00 A.M. START

Auction held at the Hartley Community Center in Hartley, Iowa

**LOCATION:** The property is located 5 miles southeast of Hartley, Iowa at the intersection of Warbler Avenue and 380<sup>th</sup> Street. Auction sign posted at the property.

**ABB. LEGAL:** The West 100 Acres of the South 210 Acres of the West Half of Section 28, Township 96 North, Range 39 West of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M., O'Brien County, Iowa, EXCEPT two tracts. Detailed legal by survey by auction date.

**FARM INFORMATION:** Selling will be 93.92 acres, more or less, exact acre count determined by survey by auction date. FSA shows 81.36 cropland acres with a corn base of 39.9 acres and a 155 bushel PLC yield. Soybean base is 18.9 acres with 48 bushel PLC yield. There are several small terraces with drain tile installed. CSR2 rating for the farm is 81.5. There are also three small steel grain bins and a wire corn crib included with this property. Farm has had excellent care, super clean and includes some top producing soils in the tilled land. Soils include Primghar, Sac, Spilco, Galva, Marcus and others. Current taxes are \$2,736 per year.

**TERMS:** Ten percent earnest money on day of auction. Buyers will enter written agreements for purchase immediately following the close of bidding. All final bids are subject to acceptance or rejection by ownership. Balance due on or before December 28, 2021, when deed and abstract showing merchantable title will be delivered and possession given subject to remaining tenant rights. The Sellers will pay the installment of Iowa real estate taxes that would become delinquent if not paid by October 1, 2022 and all prior taxes.

**NOTE:** Please contact Klaassen Realty with any questions. Online bidding prior to and through the auction available through [klaassenrealty.hibid.com](http://klaassenrealty.hibid.com) site or find us through the link in the auction section of the website, [klaassenrealty.com](http://klaassenrealty.com).

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## Wacker Family

Nona Hengeveld, Rebecca Naylor, Darren Wacker, Lon Wacker

Klaassen Realty, Broker      Klaassen Realty is an agent for and is representing the Sellers for this auction.

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NEAR SHELDON, IA

Saturday, October 2 • 10:30 – LIVE & ONLINE

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Friday, October 22 • 10:30 AM

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Wednesday, October 6, 2021 • 10:30 AM

105.6 surveyed acres in Section 8-96-37, Riverton Twp, Clay Co.

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Tract 1 - 52 ac. m/l • Webster Twp, Sec. 12 Cropland & CRP • Avg CSR2: 81.7

Tract 2 - 108 ac. m/l • Webster Twp, Sec. 11/12 Cropland, CRP & Timber • Cropland Avg. CSR2: 82.7

Owners: Ann Leaf and Matthew Leaf

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**Midwest Land Management Land Auction**

Friday, November 5 at 10:00 a.m.  
Royal Community Center, Royal, IA

**80 Acres m/l**  
Clay County, IA

Lincoln Twp, Sec. 17  
Avg. CSR2: 94.4

Sellers - Claudia and Daniel Stricker

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Wednesday, September 29 at 10:00 a.m.  
American Legion, Sioux Rapids, IA

**160 Acres m/l**  
Clay County, IA  
Selling in 2 Tracts

**Outstanding Clay County Farms!**

Tract 1 - 80 Acres m/l  
Douglas Twp, Sec. 22 • Avg CSR2: 96.6

Tract 2 - 80 Acres m/l  
Douglas Twp, Sec. 22 • Avg CSR2: 96.1

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**Midwest Land Management Land Auction**

Tuesday, November 9 at 10:00 a.m.  
9th Street Centre, Sibley, IA

**154.15 Acres m/l**  
Osceola County, IA  
West Holman Township, Sec. 32 & 33

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Owner – Norma Seivert Trust

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**Midwest Land Management Land Auction**

Wednesday, November 10 at 10:00 a.m.  
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**302 Acres m/l**  
Emmet County, IA  
Denmark Township, Sec. 18

Selling in 4 Tracts

Tract 1 • 62 Ac. m/l • Avg. CSR2: 80.5

Tract 2 • 80 Ac. m/l • Avg. CSR2: 85.2

Tract 3 • 80 Ac. m/l • Avg. CSR2: 82.4

Tract 4 • 80 Ac. m/l • Avg. CSR2: 80.8

Owner – RSS Johnson LLC

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**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

**Letter to the Editor:**  
Promoting better mental health is something we all do. Whether it's encouraging positive habits through adequate sleep, healthy eating and exercise, maintaining financial well-being, supporting positive relationships within our family, at work, or in the community, we all spend time working on this valuable part of our life experience.

If any of these areas are out of balance, we can be subject to illness physically, mentally, and emotionally. Mental Illness Awareness Week (October 3-10) reminds us all that 1 in 5 adults here in the U.S. have a diagnosable mental illness in their lifetime. That makes it safe to say that many of us have conditions that require attention and treatment to have a better life at home, at work, and in the community.

Since we Americans value productivity, it's inherent at work that individuals tend to hide mental illness because of fear of jeopardizing their employment. Likewise, students who experience mental health conditions also struggle to participate effectively. At the same time, managers/teachers may recognize behaviors that affect performance and are puzzled or sometimes exasperated by the individual's inattention, mood changes, or absenteeism.

It takes a shift in attitude to separate a person's worth from their behavior. There may be a tendency to equate a person's value with what they can do and not who they are.

At work, employers can support qualified workers who struggle with mental illness when they maintain focus on the employee's skills and abilities and their overall contribution to the workplace. Likewise, in school, educators and staff may have challenges working with students who are distracted, over-stimulated, or shut down emotionally. Persistence, compassion, and a longer-term investment are required to support a person with mental illness and their treatment to achieve a better place of functioning.

Work/purposeful activity (volunteering) in any setting is a great therapy for all of us as we identify our interests and use our talents to be a part of something larger than ourselves in the community. It helps provide the structure we all need to reduce idleness and negativity to better develop our potential.

If you have questions about mental health conditions, please contact your local treatment providers. NAMI NW IA is here to offer resources to learn more about mental health conditions and provide support. Please contact us at 712-357-5428 or namiofnwia@gmail.com or check out our Facebook page and website, namiofnwia.org.

During National Mental Illness Awareness Week and all year round, let's be reminded that we are more similar than different in our need for inclusion in a greater community that supplies compassion, caring, and a shared sense of well-being to us all. By addressing stigma, we can all encourage conversation and attitude changes that move us forward to improve our knowledge and acceptance of mental health conditions.

**Kim Wilson**  
NAMI NW IA

**Milford Library News**

Youth Corner

Are you looking for something to do in October? Head on over to Milford Memorial Library and visit Miss Becca on the following dates and times. Please remember that all youth programming is free, and everything is provided by the library.

- Building Bookworms-Leaves: Monday, October 4, at 10:30am
- Afterschool Activity-Halloween BINGO: Thursday, October 14, at 3:30pm
- Building Bookworms-Halloween: Monday, October 18, at 10:30am
- Clover Kids-Pumpkin Exploration: Monday, October 25, at 3:30pm

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**Spirit Lake**  
**2614 Center Lake Drive, Spirit Lake.** Saturday & Sunday, Oct 2 & 3, 8am - ? Huge 2 family moving sale! We have 2 households combining into 1 - lots of everything, come and see! **1-51P**

**Spencer**  
**Spencer Sacred Heart CDA Fall Garage Sale** to be held at Sacred Heart School Gym on Friday, October 1, 4:00-8:00pm and Saturday, October 2, 8:00am to noon. Proceeds go to support our youth and parish needs. Free will donations except items marked **1-51P**

**Spencer**  
**303 E 13th St Spencer.** Oct 1, 5-7pm, and Oct 2, 8am - 12pm. Fishing sale. New and used equipment, boating items, and ice fishing equipment. **1-51P**

**THANK YOU THANK YOU**

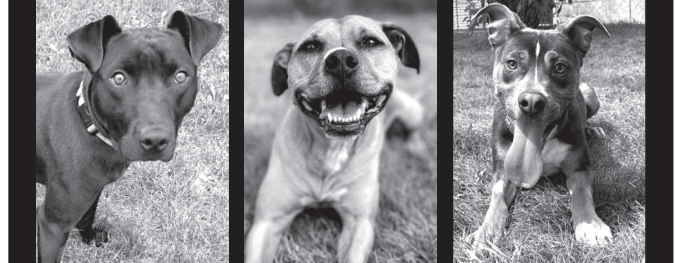
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*The family of Jo Ann Hamm*

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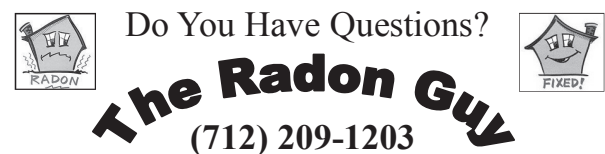
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**Iowa Dairy Industry Survey Results Now Available**

In 2020, the Center for Survey Statistics and Methodology – Survey Research Services at Iowa State University was contracted to conduct an online/mail survey with dairy farmers in Iowa to learn about their current operations, needs and expectations for the future.

The survey consisted of 903 Grade A and B dairy producers in Iowa and was part of a research effort coordinated by Jennifer Bentley, Fred Hall and Larry Tranel, dairy specialists with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach, who served as principal investigators on this project.

Results provide insight on the current state of the dairy industry in Iowa and will be summarized through reports for educators, industry collaborators, elected officials, and the general public.

"This information will help educators and industry collaborators determine educational programming areas in the short and long term," Bentley said. "Additionally, results will help all audiences better understand the demographic of dairy farms, management practices used and the future of the industry."

ISU Extension and Outreach received generous support from industry collaborators who helped make this project a success, including the Iowa Area Development Group, Iowa Corn Growers Association, Iowa Farm Bureau Federation, Iowa Soybean Association, Iowa State Dairy Association, and the Midwest Dairy Association.

Key findings include:

- The typical dairy herd in Iowa has less than 250 predominately Holstein cows with a rolling herd average between 18,000-26,000 pounds.
- A growing number of operations have parlors, predominately parallel, with an increased installation of robotic milking systems.
- Herds are maximizing overall herd health, longevity and profitability by using sexed and beef semen strategically.
- The dairy industry continues to see operations retire or discontinue milking, yet the number of cows will likely be maintained or increase, indicating expansion of existing dairies.
- Farmer mental health has become more of an issue over the past five years, with over half the respondents indicating high personal stress, with instances that prompted them to take action or intervention.

The full publication can be downloaded for free from the Iowa State Extension Store (<https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/16270>).

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**Three Corridor Housing Projects to Receive Tax Credits**

Awards totaling more than \$2.4 million were announced yesterday for three housing development projects in the Iowa Lakes Corridor Development Corporation (Corridor) Region through the Iowa Economic Development Authority's (IEDA) Workforce Housing Tax Credit program.

In total, the state awarded nearly \$30 million in tax breaks for 49 projects across the state.

The three projects in the Corridor region were:

- Berkley Heights, a 15-unit development in Spirit Lake
- Westfield by IGL Phase II, a 24-unit development in Spencer
- Sunrise Pointe, a 94-unit development in Storm Lake

"The Workforce Housing Tax Credits awarded in the region will support the development of additional housing units needed to accommodate workforce housing goals," said Corridor President & CEO Shannon Landauer. "Housing has been identified as a significant challenge in rural communities when recruiting workforce to our communities. The Iowa Lakes Corridor is happy to support projects like these for the growth of the region."

IEDA's Workforce Housing Tax Credit (WHTC) program offers tax benefits to developers to provide housing in Iowa communities that meets one of four criteria: housing development on a brownfield or grayfield, upper story housing or rehabilitation, dilapidated housing stock or new construction in greenfield space. Total project costs in rural communities may not exceed \$215,000 per unit for new construction.

For the fiscal year 2022 application round, \$12 million dollars in credits were available for award under the WHTC program's Small Cities Set Aside component. IEDA received 137 applications requesting \$85.9 million in tax credits. Projects are scored competitively based on readiness, financing, need and local support and participation.

For more information on the WHTC program, contact Daniel Hansen at 515.348.6212 or [whtip@iowaeda.com](mailto:whtip@iowaeda.com) or visit [iowaeda.com/workforce-housing-tax-credit/](http://iowaeda.com/workforce-housing-tax-credit/).

**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

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

**Letter to the Editor:**

I just read a couple of letters in the September 21st issue of The Lakes News Shopper from people who don't want to believe the Covid 19 vaccination is "doctor-assisted suicide". Sorry, but it is. Check the government's own VAERS website for the number of deaths, miscarriages, etc. from the Covid jab and then remember this voluntary reporting system has been shown to only catch around 1% of these adverse reactions. So you can add two zeros to the end of whatever numbers you see. The number of medical doctors and researchers who have written or spoken on the [beforeitsnews.com](http://beforeitsnews.com) website about the dangers of the Covid jab is large. Go there and get educated. As one doctor said, first people will die from blood clots, then auto-immune diseases, and finally from cancer and other diseases introduced into the body by the vaccine. Most within two years. Research for yourself what graphene oxide is and why it is in the vaccines, all of them. One last thing; the CDC just "moved the goalposts" on vaccine deaths, saying that now anyone who dies within 2 weeks of getting the jab is to be counted as an unvaccinated death. So vaccinated becomes unvaccinated. Gotta make those numbers look better.

**Sam Smith,**  
Jackson, Minnesota

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