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Please shower Vera Schmitt, formerly of the Lakes Region, with Birthday wishes for her 95th birthday on Saturday, April 30, 2022.

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New Food Pantry

Harbor of Joy Lutheran Church of Milford is opening the first 24/7 food pantry for the Lakes Area located at 1204 L Avenue, Milford, Iowa 51351. This food pantry is called Blessing Box and is located on the south side of the church attached to the building. Those who need a blessing and are struggling to pay for food, can take a blessing and those who have a blessing can leave it at the church.

Pastor Tim Voth, Dennis Koelling and Dave Rief.



“above all be blessed” is what the sign says. There are people who are in need now more than ever because of inflation. You can drive to the south side of the church, pull up and take what you need. If the Blessing box runs out of food that day, it will be replenished the next day and each day, seven days a week.

Thanks to those involved who helped build the Blessing Box and made this possible including Steve Ingvall, Dennis Koelling, Pastor Tim Voth, Dave Rief and Emily Allen who designed and painted the sign.

Also, thanks to those who donated food and pledged future food for the Blessing Box food pantry including Hy-Vee of Spirit Lake, Fareway of Spirit Lake, Walmart of Spirit Lake, Kum & Go of Okoboji, Sunshine Foods of Milford and the Church members of Harbor of Joy.

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Bob Griffiths celebrated his 90th birthday on Monday, April 25, 2022. Send Bob a card to wish him the best. He's one of those guys who's above the rest. He's touched so many in his distinct way. A shower of cards will make his day. Your warm wishes can reach him at 2206 Parkview Avenue, Okoboji, Iowa 51355.



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Looking for Volunteers & Riders

REINS OF HOPE HORSEBACK RIDING program begins Tuesday, May 17

Spring Session runs for 7 weeks on Tuesday evenings at the Clay County Fairgrounds.

- Parents & Guardians of interested riders need to submit an application at reinsofhopespencer.org
- Applications are due May 10.
- Spaces are limited.

Reins of Hope provides free horseback riding to kids age 2-18 with a diagnosed special need. Together we build strength, skills, and have fun!

Students Organize Color Run

The Okoboji Student Council will be hosting a color run on Saturday, April 30, starting at 9:00am. All proceeds from the color run will be donated to the Shayla Bee Fund organization. This organization helps kids and their families in medical crises. The run will take place around the Okoboji school district. Admission for the run is \$5 per person and check-in begins at 8:00am at the Okoboji High School. Live music will also be provided. The Okoboji student council encourages all ages to come out and be a part of this run to help make an impact on many families.



Heller Signs to William Penn University

Okoboji Football Head Coach Nick Plueger congratulates Logan Heller as he signs his letter of intent on Tuesday, April 12, 2022, to attend William Penn University in Oskaloosa, Iowa. Logan was recruited to play football for the Statesmen at the halfback position. Heller ended his football career at Okoboji High School with two school records: the single game rushing record (306 yards) and the single season rushing record (1,294 yards). He also earned 1st team all-district and 1st team academic all-district honors. Logan is the son of John Heller and Jennifer Johnson; brother to Jocelyn Heller, 9th grade, and Jerron Heller, 7th grade.

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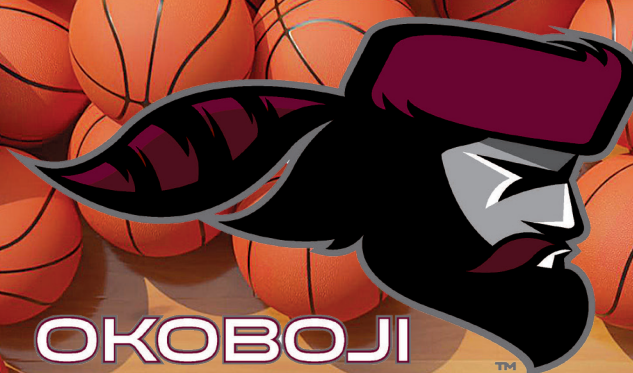
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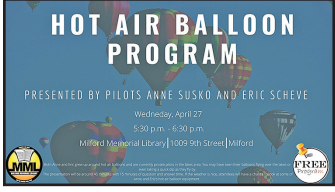
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Join the Milford Memorial Library for a special presentation on hot air balloons on Wednesday, April 27, from 5:30—6:30pm, with special guest hot air balloon pilots Anne Susko and Eric Scheve.



Both Anne and Eric grew up around hot air balloons and are currently private pilots in the lakes area. You may have seen their balloons flying over the lakes or even taking a quick dip as they fly by.

The presentation will be around 45 minutes with 15 minutes of question and answer time. If the weather is nice, attendees will have a chance to look at some of Anne and Eric's hot air balloon equipment. The talk will include information about how each Anne and Eric became pilots, information on how hot air balloons work, and the differences between their balloons.

All ages are encouraged to come to the event! The Milford Memorial Library will also be supplying a grab and go hot air balloon related craft for families to take home after the event.

This presentation along with the craft is free to the public. For more information, you can contact the Milford Memorial Library at 712-338-4643.

Music Boosters Fundraiser

Feeling like a fun family night out with live music? Come to West O next Thursday night, April 28, from 6:00-8:00pm. West O will be donating 10% of sales to the Spirit Lake Music Boosters to kick off their community outreach program of teaming up once a month with local non-profit organizations to help them raise funds. We love community and school working together. Entertainment will be provided by various high school music students. Portside pizza slices will also be available for purchase. Come support our young musicians and enjoy the evening with family and friends.



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"I invite you to come and enjoy one of Northwest Iowa's premier choral ensembles," Tim Schumacher.

Concert dates are: Friday, April 29, 7:30pm, ILCC Janice K. Lund Performing Arts Center in Estherville and Saturday, April 30, 7:30pm, First Presbyterian Church (South Hill Ave) Spirit Lake.



WAGS & WHISKERS IN THE PARK
 HSNWIA Fundraiser

The Humane Society of NW Iowa invites you to their annual fundraiser Wags & Whiskers in the Park on Wednesday, June 22, at the Roof Garden in Arnolds Park. Happy Hour will be from 5:00 - 6:30pm and dinner will be served at 6:30pm.

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100th Birthday Announcement

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HSNWIA Seeking Donations

HSNWIA's mission is to promote the ethical and well-being of all animals, as well as providing care, housing and rehabilitation for animals in need until they find their forever home.

Over the last several weeks the Humane Society of NWIA has seen a spike in their animal surrenders and special needs furry friends. While they empathize for those having to surrender their animals due to uncertain times, they are in need of a little extra help with housing and caring for their four legged friends. The animals awaiting help are counting on them and it is only because of caring people like you that they are able to save them and make a difference. With all the economic problems the world is facing, it is easy to forget that shelters rely on donations. Like most shelters, their greatest need is money for medications and veterinary care is costly, but necessary to keep our littles healthy. Please consider a monetary (tax deductible) donation today.

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The museum will also display photos from southern Minnesota, eastern South Dakota and eastern Nebraska. Plan for plenty of time to visit the vast collection and to also spend time visiting with Jerry, as he likes to tell stories.

The Clark Museum, located 1 mile west and 1.5 miles south of the Milford Catholic Church (2151 213th Ave, Milford, IA 51351) is a 501 (c) 3 Non-Profit.

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All are welcome for an afternoon of great music, dancing, and refreshments.

Hinn Real Estate Welcomes New Agent

Doug Small grew up in Spencer, and graduated from Spencer High School in 1988. After graduation he attended Southwest Technical College in Jackson, Minnesota, and graduated in 1990 with a degree in Carpentry. He and his wife Michelle have two sons, Alex and Brandt. They have lived on an acreage north of Spencer for the last 25 years. He enjoys helping his sons with projects, hobby carpentry, and he is a sports car enthusiast.

Doug started his own construction Company "Doug Small Construction" in 1999 after working with various builders and contractors in northwest Iowa. He specialized in residential and new

home constructions in the Spencer and lakes area. In his time as general contractor, he has had the opportunity to work with great customers, along with subcontractors, and vendors, who he now consider friends.

Due to injuries he has sustained over the years, he is no longer physically able to be hands on at the job. He has decided to pursue a career where he can utilize his knowledge of construction and continue to be part of the housing industry. He has obtained his real estate license and is now working with Hinn Real Estate in Spirit Lake. They are a very reputable firm that came highly recommended among his former colleagues. Although he is new to the real estate industry selling side, he feels he will be learning from a very experienced sales team, giving him guidance and knowledge.

This company was started over 100 years ago and is one of the oldest still operating real estate offices in Iowa. They will help him to become comfortable with day-to-day listings and selling business. He would very much like the opportunity to meet with you and discuss how he can help you with your housing needs. For more information, please contact Doug at 712-260-4776 (cell) or 712-336-1240 (office).

Donate Blood and Save Lives! Iowa Lakes Hosts Blood Drive

Donate blood, save lives and make the world a better place! The Iowa Lakes Community College Student Senate and Iowa Lakes TRIO-Student Support Services (TRIO-SSS) will be hosting a blood drive on May 9 from noon to 4 in the Christensen Building at 621 South 18th Street in Estherville.

About one in seven people entering a hospital, or 4.5 million Americans, need a blood transfusion each year. One blood donation can save the lives of up to three sick or injured people.

The donations from this event will go to the LifeServe Blood Center to support the needs of local hospitals and neighbors. The LifeServe Blood Center is committed to serving the needs of Iowans by saving lives through voluntary blood donation.

Eligible donors must be at least 16 years of age, generally have good health, and weigh 120 pounds or more to donate. To prepare for a positive donation experience, drink plenty of water, eat a good meal that incorporates a bit more salt and get plenty of rest prior to donation.

For more information about the Iowa Lakes Blood Drive or to schedule an appointment to donate, please visit lifeserve-bloodcenter.org or call 800.287.4903.

Mobile Food Pantry in Estherville

The mobile food pantry from the Food Bank of Iowa is returning to Estherville again. The free distribution will take place from 4:00-6:00pm, Thursday, May 5, in the Good News Estherville Church parking lot. Recipients are asked not to arrive before 4:00pm and to remain in their vehicles - do not line up at the door, because the building will be closed.

If you have questions, call the Food Bank of Iowa at 515-564-0330.

Meyer Inducted Into Iowa Volunteer Hall Of Fame

Dr. Steven Meyer, founder of Siouxland Tanzania Educational and Medical Ministries (STEMM) in Sioux City, Iowa, was inducted as a member of the 2022 Iowa Volunteer Hall of Fame by Lt. Governor Adam Gregg in a ceremony at the Iowa State Capitol building on Thursday, April 21, 2022.

Being selected for the Iowa Volunteer Hall of Fame is the most prestigious state-level honor volunteers can receive as recognition of extraordinary donations of volunteer service to their communities.

Meyer, a board-certified orthopaedic surgeon with CNOS, co-founded STEMM 25 years ago to develop a relational bridge between Siouxland and Tanzania by addressing the priorities of spiritual growth, medical care, and educational opportunities. In building this relationship, the overwhelming AIDS orphan crisis was one that could not be ignored and today is also an integral part of the STEMM ministry.

Meyer said, "It's beyond humbling to be recognized by the leadership of our great state of Iowa for the impact STEMM has made not only in Tanzania but Greater Siouxland as well. This is not my award, but I receive it on behalf of the hundreds of volunteers, donors, prayer warriors and trip participants that have been essential for our collective success. Most of all, I thank Almighty Creator God for the inspiration, passion and opportunity to do his work in changing lives for Christ on both sides of the world."

During the 25 years since STEMM was first organized, yearly outreach trips have sent hundreds of healthcare workers and other volunteers from all denominations from Siouxland to Tanzania, along with immeasurable amounts of donated medical supplies. Through Meyer's vision and dedication, STEMM has developed a 100-acre campus in Mbuguni, complete with a farming operation, educational offices and an orphanage with capacity to care for more than 50 young African children at a time.

"The work of Dr. Meyer and his team came into my purview late last year and has been such an inspiration to my family along with others I've shared the STEMM story with. Knowing that the 25th anniversary is upon us, it seemed like the perfect time to bring his story to the attention of the Governor and staff at Volunteer Iowa in hopes that his selfless efforts in Iowa to impact the world might be recognized. This is the perfect way to honor his commitment to the human race and we're so proud to know that he has chosen to live and work in Iowa while making such a difference in Tanzania," said Kevin C. Brown, Executive Director of STEMM, based in Spencer, Iowa.

The campus also operates a feeding program that provides 5,000 hot lunches each day in area schools. Prior to the inception of the school feeding program, the percentage of local kids attending school was 375. After two years of the providing lunch during the school day, the attendance jumped to 86% and today it is at 100%.

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What a Day!

Tyler is home for a week with a break before Wartburg has their May-term so he and I headed up to Minneapolis on Saturday for a sports-lovers paradise to catch the Twins-White Sox game and then the Timberwolves-Grizzlies NBA Playoff game. The timing worked out great with the Twins playing at 3:05 and the Timberwolves playing the late game of the day at 9:05, and with Target Field and the Target Center just blocks away we had the perfect setup with a hotel room right downtown.



We weren't certain we'd get to see the Twins game as the forecast all week called for thunderstorms for later afternoon, but the day turned out great with temps in the 70s and an overcast sky that never opened up with rain until after the game. The Twins came into the game with two straight victories where they got great pitching but scored a total of three runs. With star Byron Buxton back in the lineup after a knee injury in Boston we had hoped the bats would wake up and we were definitely not disappointed. Buxton went 4-4 with an upper-deck home run against a stiff wind, Luis Arraes also had four hits and Ryan Jeffers added another upper-deck bomb as the Twins rolled to a 9-2 victory behind another strong pitching performance by Dylan Bundy. While we didn't stay for the game on Sunday, the Twins picked up a huge come-from-behind victory over Chicago when Buxton hit a walk-off homer for a 10th inning 6-4 victory. This Twins group is a completely different team with Buxton in the lineup, as he not only provides outstanding play in centerfield and has turned himself into an elite hitter, his positive energy is so contagious and this team feeds off that. After the sweep of the White Sox the Twins now find themselves atop the mediocre AL Central with an 8-8 record and four straight victories.

Tyler and I have been to several NBA games but neither of us had been to a Playoff game and weren't sure what to expect, especially after the T-Wolves had choked away two 20+ point leads in their loss to Memphis on Thursday night. We arrived at 8:00 to take it all in and we were not disappointed. The Target Center was electric all night, with 20,000+ rabid fans waving their Timberwolves towels that were provided by Target for a majority of the night. This felt more like a high-level college game atmosphere, as we were on our feet the entire game and only sat down during timeouts. The game itself also did not disappoint as the teams battled it out for 48 minutes. The T-Wolves controlled most of the game but could never put the Grizzlies away, and you could feel the tension in the building mount as fans feared another late-game collapse may be coming. Fortunately for Minnesota fans, Karl-Anthony Towns was not going to let that happen as the big fella scored a career playoff-best 33 points while also grabbing 14 rebounds to lead the Timberwolves to a thrilling 119-118 victory and pull the series even at 2-2. Anthony Edwards added 24 points and reserve PG Jordan McLaughlin, who didn't even play in Game 3, scored 16 points. This is definitely not the same Timberwolves team that Minnesota fans are used to seeing, as they play very well together and they are loaded with impressive young talent. While I don't think they can pull this series out over the #2 seed Grizzlies, the future is very bright for this group.

Tyler and I could not have asked for a better day of games and results for us die-hard Minnesota fans. As a dad, you definitely cherish these moments, especially with both of our kids now off at college and getting closer to entering the "adult" world. While watching the Twins and Timberwolves both pick up big-time victories, I felt like the biggest winner of the day being able to share these awesome memories with Tyler!



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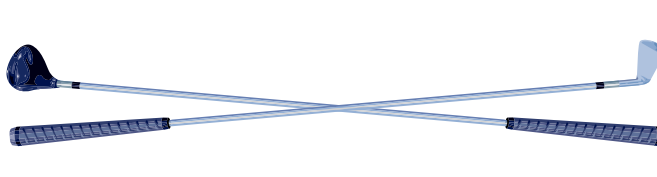
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NWIAS Dance

The Northwest Iowa Area Singles will be having their dance Saturday, May 7, 2022, at the Hap Ketelsen Community Center in Everly, Iowa. The doors are open at 6:30, the dance is from 7:30 - 11:00pm.

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

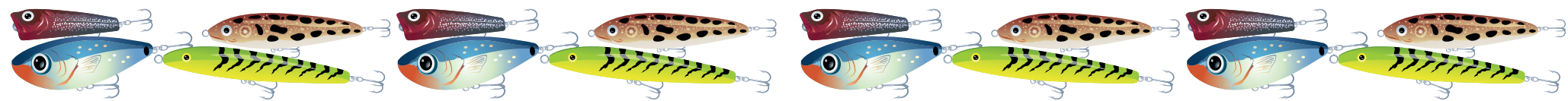


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The 2022 Youth in Philanthropy program of the Okoboji Foundation will conclude its year Wednesday, April 27, at 6:00pm with a grant award ceremony at the Majestic Pavilion in Arnolds Park awarding \$53,000 to three area nonprofit organizations. All 2022 sponsors are invited to join.

"We are proud of the work these students have accomplished. Together, they reached out to over 180 community members to ask for their support," said Ali Schmitz Okoboji Foundation Executive Assistant, and coordinator of the YIP program. "Additionally, they learned about area organizational missions, and how so many beloved places, programs, and recreational opportunities available in the Lakes region are here thanks to our area nonprofit organizations and their donors."

Youth in Philanthropy works to teach area youth the importance of community giving. Application to participate in Youth in Philanthropy is available online each August at www.okobojifoundation.org (under the Youth in Philanthropy tab). Contact the Okoboji Foundation with questions. Phone 712-332-7177 or email info@okobojifoundation.org.



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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 amenities 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's adventure will be a little different. Did I spend time this week enjoying our community's great restaurants, attractions, and events? Yes! Am I going to tell you about them today? No. This week I want to tell you about my recent trip to Des Moines for the Iowa Tourism Conference. It was a great opportunity to network with colleagues from across the State, improve my skills, and positively represent Okoboji!

The Iowa Tourism Office premiered their newest marketing campaign, the Soul of Iowa, during a special event at the tourism conference. The Soul of Iowa consists of a series of videos featuring four communities; Des Moines, Decorah, Indianola, and OKOBOJI! Each video shows Iowa from a different perspective through a series of interviews, inspired visuals, and jaw-dropping drone fly-through. Okoboji's video will be the first of the 4 videos promoted across the Midwest and beyond.

This new perspective, uniquely seen through the lens of a drone camera, makes Iowa the star of the show. Offering never-before-seen footage, including fly-throughs of our amusement park, a skate park, hot air balloon festival and more, the four episodes of Soul of Iowa as well as other visually stunning content from across the state can be found at traveliowa.com/soul.

I was asked to be on a panel of speakers following the premier of the videos. It gave me an opportunity to tell the audience about the making of the video, and even more about what makes our community special. The best part of speaking that evening, and every day in my job, is sharing a secret. It's a secret we all know, but many outside our community have no idea about. Okoboji has so much more to offer than what can fit in a 5 minute video, a weekend trip, or even an entire summer. Okoboji is a thriving and dynamic community that people should be excited to learn more about, and visit often!

If you haven't watched the Okoboji Soul of Iowa video, or really all four, do it now! Visit TravelIowa.com/soul and be prepared to smile. You'll be proud of how our community and our State is represented. Then get out there and enjoy everything we have to experience in our backyard! You can learn more about the fun to be found here at VacationOkoboji.com, and I hope you'll join me in sharing what makes Okoboji so special with everyone you know, and maybe even a few strangers!

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West O Beer Announces New Community Engagement Initiative "West O Taproots"

West O Beer, Okoboji's premier craft brewery, announces the creation of its new community engagement and collaboration initiative — "West O Taproots."

Since opening in 2013, giving back to the Lakes Area, its landscape and local nonprofits has been core to the brewery's mission. West O Beer co-owner Matt Matthiesen sees Taproots as a way to formally and more deeply establish a framework for giving back to the community that has meant so much to the brewery for nearly a decade.

"Taproots strives to purposefully commit and contribute to the growth and preservation of the Lakes Area, all starting with our core passion — quality beer brewed right here," Matthiesen said. "For us, the beer we brew and where we brew it, is the main root from where all of this grows."

When preparing to launch its new initiative, West O Beer first established three core sectors: Water Quality & Nature Preservation, Community-focused Initiatives and Lakes Area Living. Formally, Taproots focuses West O's range of efforts to infuse and support these focus areas, drawing deeply from its passions — tapping into its beers and spaces to give back through the following programs:

ON TAP - Beers brewed at the source with collaboration and community in mind from step one.

ON THE GROUND - Activities throughout the Lakes Area that clean, conserve, preserve and showcase our home.

ON US - Fundraising events at the West O Beer taproom that highlight the incredible work of area nonprofits and initiatives.

WEST O GIVING - General donations and sponsorships benefiting the Lakes Area.

Further press releases announcing efforts and events through each of these programs will follow.

For any and all inquiries, please contact taproots@westobeer.com.

For more information on West O Taproots, please visit <https://westobeer.com/taproots>.

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•Mon., May 2: **Hot Beef & Taco Salad**

•Tues., May 3: **Chicken Philly Meatloaf**

WEEKEND SPECIALS

•Fri., April 29: **10 oz. Sirloin Fish Fry (starts at 4:00pm)**

•Sat., April 30: **Grilled Walleye • Prime Rib**

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Milford Library News

On Wednesday, April 27, from 5:30 to 6:30pm, Milford Memorial Library will be hosting a Hot Air Balloon Presentation featuring private Hot Air Balloon Pilots Anne Susko and Eric Scheve. They will explain what attracted them to hot air ballooning, information about ballooning equipment, and how it works. Attendees may also get a chance to look at their equipment. All ages are welcome to attend this free presentation. If you have any questions please contact the library calling 712-338-4643 or emailing info@milford.lib.ia.us.

Thank you to all the young adults who came out for Y.A.D.O. (Young Adults Day Off). We had such a good time creating Maleficent's staff pens, eating pizza, and watching how and why Cruella became who she is. Join Milford Memorial Library and Arnolds Park Library for the next Y.A.D.O. event on Thursday, May 26. Keep a look out for more information.

On Wednesday, May 4, at 5:30pm, 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 24 hours in advance of the meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend and offer their thoughts in order to make MML a better library.

Fourth through twelfth graders are able to sign up for MML's Young Adult subscription Box: Star Wars. They will be making a beaded Storm Troopers key chain and learning how to draw various Star Wars characters. The Subscription Box is free, but does require registration. Pick-up for the YA Subscription Box: Star Wars begins on Tuesday, May 10. Register by calling 712-338-4346 or online at <http://milfordlibrary.weebly.com/ya-subscription-box-registrato.html>.

With the unpredictable weather, remember, you may pick up your reserved library materials at our drive-up window. Reserve materials by calling 712-338-4643 or going to MML's online catalog at www.milford.lib.ia.us.

MML has a variety of cake pans available for checkout. They can be used for celebrations. "Just Because" moments, or teaching someone how to bake.

Milford Memorial Library can help with your printing, copying, faxing, and scanning needs. For more information, please call 712-338-4643 or email milfordlibrary51351@gmail.com.

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Kenue Coffee Hour

Do you have interest in becoming a "birder"? The 2022 season of bird migration has begun! Red-wing blackbirds, Canada geese, purple martins and other birds are making their way back to our neck of the woods. Learn more about this subject Thursday, May 5, at Kenue Coffee Hour.

Kenue Coffee Hour is a free adult monthly program at the Dickinson County Nature Center. Join us the first Thursday of the month at 10:30am. Each month's talk is dedicated to a topic or area of interest. Naturalist Britney Snell will be expanding our knowledge on the Basics of Birding. Whether a beginner or an expert, you are sure to enjoy this collective group of like-minded individuals!

Naturalist Britney Snell said, "This program aims to provide the community with a space to create connections with others, to share in conversation, and to encourage lifelong learning."

You can expect this free program to last an hour and there is no need to pre-register for this event. There will be a small beverage bar provided featuring coffee from The Oakwood Inn, tea, hot chocolate, and lemonade.

Environmental Education Coordinator Bry Huffman said, "I have been excited to watch this program evolve month to month. Our attendance numbers keep going up!"

For more information, visit www.dickinsoncountynature-center.com. You can also keep up on the latest happenings on Facebook, and Instagram.

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SAT. & SUN. Apr 30 & May 1 - 1:15, 4:00 & 6:50
MON. - THU. May 2-5 - 6:50

DUMBLEDORE (PG-13)

Professor Albus Dumbledore knows the powerful, dark wizard Gellert Grindelwald is moving to seize control of the wizarding world. Unable to stop him alone, he entrusts magizoologist Newt Scamander to lead an intrepid team of wizards and witches. They soon encounter an array of old and new beasts as they clash with Grindelwald's growing legion of followers.

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Dickinson County Recorder Ann Ditsworth is reminding boat owners that 2022 is a renewal year. The Recorder's office is located at the East end of the first floor in the Courthouse and hours are Monday - Friday, 8:00am - 4:30pm; cash, check or credit card are accepted. Renewals completed prior to April 30, 2022, will avoid a \$5 penalty.

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MON-THURS: 5:50, 8:20

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THE UNBEARABLE WEIGHT OF MASSIVE TALENT [R] Nicolas Cage Demi Moore
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THE LOST CITY [PG-13] Sandra Bullock Channing Tatum
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THE NORTHMAN [R] Alexander Skarsgard Nicole Kidman
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FANTASTIC BEASTS: THE SECRETS OF DUMBLEDORE [PG-13] Mads Mikkelson Jude Law
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THE LAKES NEWS Auction Calendar

- Sat., April 30 - 9:00 AM** - Coin Auction in Windom, MN. Auctioneer: Gravley. 507-822-0403. www.auctionsgo.com.
- Sat., May 7 - 9:00 AM** - Antique Auction in Estherville, IA. Auctioneers: Howells & Helmers. 712-362-4844. www.howellrealestateandauction.com.
- Sat., May 7 - 9:30 AM** - Coin Auction in Spirit Lake, IA. Auctioneer: Toering. 712-395-0165.
- Tues., May 17 (Bidding Start May 9)** - 222 Acres at Auction in Emmet County, IA. Auctioneers: Hjelm, Sikora & Peterson. 712-262-3529. www.theacreco.com.
- Wed., May 18 - 10:00 AM** - 132.5 Acres at Auction in Emmetsburg, IA. Auctioneers: Midwest Land Management. 712-262-3110. www.midwestlandmanagement.com.
- Thurs., May 19 - 10:00 AM** - Farm Equipment Auction in Buffalo Center, IA. Auctioneers: Hallberg Auction. 800-373-2255. www.hallbergauction.com.
- Wed., May 25 - 10:00 AM** - 61.68 Acres at Auction in Lake Park, IA. Auctioneers: Hjelm, Sikora & Peterson. 712-262-3529. www.theacreco.com.
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- Thurs., May 26 - 10:00 AM** - 228 Acres at Auction in Royal, IA. Auctioneers: Midwest Land Management. 712-262-3110. www.midwestlandmanagement.com.

Obituaries

A funeral service for **Ron Ihnen**, age 81, of Superior, was held Saturday, April 23, 2022, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Sioux Valley, Minnesota. Burial was at Sioux Valley Cemetery.

Ronald Dean Ihnen, the son of Ben and Minnie (Fries) Ihnen, was born on June 27, 1940, in Lake Park, Iowa. Growing up, Ron attended school in Sioux Valley, Minnesota and later graduated in 1959.

In 1963, Ron enlisted in the United States Army where he honorably served until 1969. During his time of service, he earned the rank of E4.

On December 9, 1972, Ron was united in marriage to Glenda (Watje) Anderson in Harris, Iowa.

Throughout his life, Ron lived in Sioux Valley, Minnesota, and Superior, Iowa. He was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church in Sioux Valley and the American Legion Post 0614.

Ron was a country man at heart, he enjoyed riding horses as well as attending rodeos, chuck wagon races, and Waverly horse shows. He loved farming and breaking horses. He liked to enjoy his favorite drink (whiskey and 7up), his favorite snack (peanuts and Pepsi, mixed together), listening to country music, watching John Wayne movies and any western TV show or movie.

Ron passed away on April 17, 2022, at his home.

Those left to cherish his memory include his wife, Glenda Ihnen; children: Kenny (Wendy) Anderson, Brian (Jennifer) Anderson, Carrie (Chris) Southard; grandchildren: Lynn Kippley, Kendra Anderson, Hayley Anderson, Karl Anderson; Brady (Lacey) Anderson, Brianna (Lindell) Clem, Brandon Anderson, Bailey Anderson; Nathan Ihnen, Anika Koel, Kaitlyn Koel, Charles Southard, Jocelyn Southard, Brenna Southard; Natalie Smith, Erica Smith, Krysta Smith, Jasmine Geiger; 9 great-grandchildren; sisters, Tootie (Vernon) Walsh and Sharon Voss; many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Ron was preceded in death by his parents, Ben and Minnie (Fries) Ihnen; sister, Carmen (Ihnen) Voehl; and brother, Arnie Ihnen.

Turner Jenness Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



Obituaries

A funeral service for **Pauline Catherine Hodge**, 88, of Milford, will be held Friday, April 29, at 11:30 a.m. at Faith Community Church in Milford, Iowa. Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery in Terril. Visitation for the public will be on Thursday, April 28, from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. at Turner Jenness Funeral Home in Milford. Memorials may be given to Faith Community Church in Milford, Iowa.

Pauline went to be with her Lord and Savior on April 17, 2022, surrounded by her family. She was born to August C. and Edna M. (Winter) Bendixen on April 11, 1934, in Terril, Iowa. She spent her childhood years in Terril, where she attended Terril Consolidated School until her graduation in 1951. On August 8, 1954, Pauline married Frank Hodge and had five children. They made their home in Milford, Iowa.

Pauline worked various jobs during her life, starting at Ben Franklin store in Jackson, Minnesota. She then worked at the First National Bank in Spirit Lake, Iowa, where she made life-long friends and great card playing partners! Pauline's love of baking led her to apply for a job at Milford Community school where she worked in the food service department for 21 years, 13 of those as Food Service Director. During that same time, she spent 11 summers working as a cook at Lakeside Laboratory. Pauline served many years on the Iowa School Food Service Board. She retired from Milford Community School in 1997 but never lost her zest to cook, bake, and buy in bulk!

Pauline was confirmed in, and a member of Terril Methodist Church and later became a long-time member of Union Memorial church, now known as Faith Community Church in Milford. She was very devoted to her faith, and when she moved to Texas, she continued to watch the services online and remain in contact with Pastor Jennifer and her church family.

Pauline loved her family deeply and enjoyed participating in all of her children's activities. With passions for family, baking, camping, walking, playing games, and time with friends, she lived her life in abundance. She was known around town for her smile, compassion, and love of baking.

She is survived by her children, Susan Hodge (Mike Stocker), Kathy Gaughan, Paula Hodge (Paul Chavez), Gary (Tracy) Hodge, and Terri (James) Sarver; grandchildren, Carrie Stocker, Charlie (Kelsey) Stocker, Michael (Julia) Gaughan, Andrew (Brogan) Gaughan, Paul (Stephanie) Chavez, Jason Chavez, Ashlie James (Caleb Chestnut), Ariel James, Avery James, and Caleb Hodge as well as sister Pat Ellis, sister-in-law Ruby Hodge, eight great-grandchildren, and many nieces, nephews, family members, and friends. Pauline's preceded in death by her husband, Frank, parents, sister Linda Johnson, brother-in-law Duane Ellis, brother-in-law Dwaine Brewington, and son-in-law David Gaughan.

Turner Jenness Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.



Caregivers Support Group

Lakes Area Caregivers Support Group is available for help dealing with the stress of being a caregiver to someone with Alzheimers or other dementia disorders.

This community caregivers group meets at 10:00 every Wednesday morning at First Presbyterian Church in Spirit Lake. This is an opportunity to discuss with other caregivers stories and concerns in a comfortable and confidential manner.

Atypical meeting might include a presentation on topics such as handling of legal issues, stress reduction, care facilities, positive coping language, and sharing personal methods of handling challenges faced every day by other caregivers.

For more information, call 712-336-1649 or Lee Nation at 712-330-1270.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

VFW Auxiliary Annual Smorgasbord

We are expressing a huge thank you to all who participated, donated, volunteered, cleaned and cooked for our annual veterans fundraiser. We are overwhelmed at the response we received with our members, Girl Scouts and friends of our wonderful organization. We had a very successful Dinner. Thanks to all of you. We would also like to thank Tri State Litho, Fareway Foods, Hy Vee and Lakes News Shopper. The crews that came in and worked so hard to make this fundraiser a success. You are all Rock Stars!

Spirit Lake VFW Auxiliary

At the Lake Park Public Library

It has been a busy month at the Lake Park Public Library. We would like to thank the Friends of the Lake Park Public Library who held their semi-annual bake sale this month. Fantastic baked goods were donated and sold. I believe it may have been a record breaker. Not a member of the Friends of the Lake Park Public Library? Stop by the library for information.

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This month the featured service of the Lake Park Public Library is homework help, tutoring and adult learning by Brainfuse HelpNow™.

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- Brainfuse HelpNow is free to use for patrons of the Lake Park Public Library.

Watch for our column monthly. Until then, see you at the library.

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Dickinson County Republican Women to Host Spring Event

Everyone is encouraged to join the Dickinson County Republican Women for their Spring membership event being held on Thursday, May 19, at 5:30pm, at Oak Hill Outdoors in Milford (2188 Hwy 86 in north Milford, across the road from Perkins).

Come and listen to local county and state Republican candidates running in the June primary election. These candidates will share their beliefs and views on issues affecting the residents in Dickinson County and our great state of Iowa!



There will be light appetizers to enjoy plus a cash bar. The cost to join or renew your membership is \$35, however everyone is welcome to attend this event!

The Dickinson County Republican Women is a unit of the Iowa Federation of Republican Women and the National Federation of Republican Women. Membership fee includes all three units. Men may also be an associate member for just \$30.

If you're unable to attend this event, you can mail a check to: Kris Rowley, DCRW Treasurer, 1311 Gary Avenue, Spirit Lake, Iowa 51360. Include your mailing address, phone number, and email address.

For more information, visit their Facebook Page. You can also contact any of the Dickinson County Republican Women board members: Jane Hummel, Cami Wills, Kris Rowley, Peggy Gustafson, Barb Clayton, Paula Zenor, Beverly Walsmith, Mary Ellen Kisting, and Lisa Wagner.



LGLRSP MET APRIL 22, 2022, AT THE SENIOR CENTER IN SPIRIT LAKE - Fifteen attended including Estherville's Assn. The guest speaker was Paul Stride an AMBA - (Association Member Benefit Advisors) representative. He explained all the benefits offered by AMBA. Any member of IRSPA who wishes for more information may contact Paul at 708-347-7081. The next meeting will be Tuesday, May 19, 9:30am, at Spirit Lake Senior Center.

Okoboji Music Masters to Hold Auditions for Summer Season

Okoboji Music Masters is currently looking for local, talented vocalists and instrumentalists for their upcoming summer season. The 10-minute auditions are scheduled for May 12 & 13, with rehearsals starting on May 18.



"We have a two-hour block of time both days to accommodate schedules of those interested in auditioning," says Joren Kinnetz, founder of Okoboji Music Masters. "Our goal is to provide an opportunity for local musicians to entertain audiences in the lakes area throughout the summer season."

This will be the second year for performances by Okoboji Music Masters, a non-profit organization that brings local talent together to perform at various venues throughout the summer in the Iowa Great Lakes. The group will offer live music opportunities for musicians to the public with no admission fees. Their first performance will be at the Okoboji Foundation Dinner at the Roof Garden on June 24.

"Each audition will consist of a brief warmup to test voice range, a prepared piece, and pitch recall," says Jessica Schable, Music Director for Okoboji Music Masters. "There will also be a short interview about the musician's background."

Okoboji Music Masters was formed by a group of local residents with the intent to entertain audiences with the exceptional musical talent we have here locally in the lakes area. The organization is dedicated to delivering quality, fun performances for both residents and visitors to the area.

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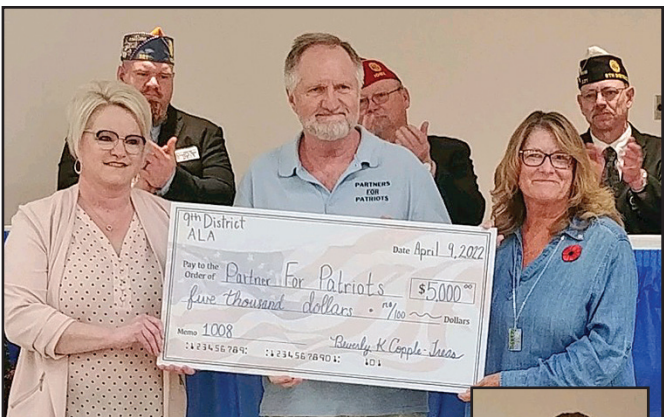
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Shelley Conover, 9th District American Legion Auxiliary Vice President; Gerry Holtrop trainer with Partners for Patriots organization at Anthon, Iowa; Sandi Cox, 9th District American Legion Auxiliary Vice President. Right - Jackie Westover, 9th District American Legion President.

Partners for Patriots Honored

One of the projects chosen by 9th District President, Jackie Westover of Correctionville, was to support the Program known as Partners for Patriots. This organization trains dogs to be of help to Veterans who are struggling with health issues. In early March Jackie organized a special fun day for the American Legion Family. This included games, food and auctions - one of which was «Dance with a Hero». Due to the generosity of members as well as Community Businesses, a \$5,000 check was presented to Partners for Patriots at the Legion and Auxiliary 9th District Meeting in April at Onawa, Iowa. It is estimated that \$8,000 is needed to train one dog. Last year Partners for Patriots provided over 20 dogs to Veterans across the Midwest.

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Tatanka SKA Trailhead Grand Opening

The DCTB is excited to announce the celebration and grand opening of Tatanka Ska Trailhead at the junction of the Spine Trail and Tatanka Ska Trace in Spirit Lake. The event will start at 11:00am on Saturday, May 21, 2022, and will include food and refreshment options at the trailhead. As part of the festivities, there will be a bike ride on the rail trail to Montgomery and back to Spirit Lake with refreshments available in Montgomery as well.

The trailhead is a great addition to the trails system in the heart of Spirit Lake and features designs inspired by Native American beadwork and north-west Iowa's prairie landscape with a few railroad themes to tie in the rail trail. The facilities include restrooms, shaded areas with picnic tables and benches as well as trail friendly amenities. In addition, the DCTB was pleased to partner with the Spirit Lake High School Art of Welding class to design and create sculptures that

are included at the trailhead. As part of their J-term class in 2021, 18 students led by instructors Brad Travis and Tyler Pedersen, fashioned the bike racks, trail logo board and the top half of the trailhead tower. They did an excellent job of creating unique pieces for the trailhead that will be a highlight of the trails system for many years.

Overall, the project beautifies the area and creates a relaxing and natural space for trail users and the community as a whole. The trailhead is funded in partnership with Imagine Iowa Great Lakes, grants from the Okoboji Foundation, Northwest Bank, Bank Midwest, Central Bank and generous donations from several trail supporters. Thank you to all that have supported this wonderful addition to the Iowa Great Lakes Trails. For more information on the trailhead and sponsorship opportunities, please visit www.dickinsoncountytails.com

Upcoming Trail Events —
Tatanka SKA Trailhead Grand Opening & Bike Ride: Saturday, May 21, 2022 - Celebrate the opening of the new trailhead and enjoy a relaxed 10-mile bike cruise along the beautiful rail trail to Montgomery and back to Spirit Lake. Food and refreshments will be available at the trailhead and Montgomery. More

information will be available on the Dickinson County Trails Facebook site as we get closer to the event.

8th Annual U Of O Campus Bike Ride: Saturday, June 25, 2022 - Enjoy a ride around the Iowa Great Lakes of 25, 50 or 100 miles. A pancake breakfast starts at 7:00am with ride to follow at 9:00am. Take in the beauty of scenic trails and lakeside roads on your bicycle with proceeds going to help the community and the trails system. Visit the Campus Ride's Facebook page for ride details.

As the weather warms up, we eagerly anticipate another great season on the Iowa Great Lakes Trails. We hope that you get the opportunity to enjoy new trail routes and revisit your old favorites. Caution is emphasized as you hit the trails early in the year; with snow comes sand, gravel and tree debris that ends up on the trails. The freeze-thaw cycles during this time can also cause cracks to form or widen. The Dickinson County Conservation crew has been out sweeping the trails as the weather continues to improve, but in the meantime, please be mindful of trail conditions and ride safely.

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Scott Stokes Selected as the Next President of ILCC

Following an extensive nationwide search, the Iowa Lakes Community College Board of Trustees are proud to announce that Scott Stokes has been selected as the next College President.

Stokes brings an extensive higher education experience to Iowa Lakes with a comprehensive background in academics, student services, and technology. Stokes currently serves as the Executive Dean of the Estherville Campus at Iowa Lakes Community College.

"Throughout the search process, Scott Stokes has thoroughly impressed the Iowa Lakes Board of Trustees and Search Committee with his passion for the community college system and his shared vision and values of the College. Scott Stokes is a dedicated leader who will be responsive to the needs of the College, our students, staff, and the communities we serve," said Janice K. Lund, Board President.



Stokes has a demonstrated work history with Iowa Lakes, enabling him to develop a diverse and unique skillset. He has a proven track record of positively representing Iowa Lakes and promotes an environment of collaboration and inclusion. During his tenure, he has been instrumental in implementing guided pathways for student success and helping to solidify a 1.6-million-dollar Title III Grant.

Over the years, Stokes has been an active leader within several state community college groups and the Estherville Community, demonstrating his ability to work with diverse groups with persistence and integrity.

Stokes earned an M.S. in Educational Leadership from Southwest Minnesota State University, a B.A. in Mathematics Education from the University of Northern Iowa, and an A.A. Degree from Iowa Lakes Community College. Scott currently lives in Estherville with his wife, Sarah, two daughters, Jordyn and Haylee, and son, Jayke.

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Cheesecake mix
1 cup ricotta cheese
3 tablespoons superfine sugar
1 egg beaten

Preheat the oven to 350°F. Grease an 11 x 7-inch cake pan and line with parchment paper. Melt the butter in a medium saucepan, remove from the heat, and stir in the unsweetened cocoa and the sugar. Beat in the eggs, then add the flour, and stir to mix evenly. Pour into the prepared pan. For the cheesecake mix, beat together the ricotta, sugar and egg, then drop teaspoonfuls of the mixture over the chocolate mixture. Use a metal spatula to swirl the two mixtures tightly together. Bake for 40 to 45 minutes, until just firm to the touch. Cool in the pan, then cut into bars or squares.

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Spirit Lake Alumni Awarded Fulbright to Spain

by Ben Partridge - International Programs

Tessa Reed, 2018 Spirit Lake graduate who received a BA in global studies and Spanish from the University of Iowa in December 2021, is the winner of a Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship Award to Spain for 2022-23.

Could you give me a brief synopsis of what you'll be doing with your Fulbright?

I will teach English in La Rioja, Spain, for the 2022-2023 academic year. Depending on my placement, I will assist teaching staff at early childhood, elementary, secondary, or vocational training schools. In addition, I will establish a program that integrates refugees into the community for my supplementary project. This program will include foreign language instruction, housing assistance, employment assistance, and other resources they may need for successful integration, such as food and medical assistance programs. I intend to explore local culture through flamenco dance classes and share my American dance experience in modern dance. In addition, I will learn how the cultural, historical, and economic factors of wine shape the Spanish community in La Rioja—a premier wine region—and participate in local harvest festivals and traditions, such as the San Mateo Festival in Logroño and foot-crushing of the grapes.

What drew you to this field of study?

Through an independent study I developed in high school, I came to work at Centro Esperanza Infantil in Mexico, an organization that minimizes the barriers to accessible education, becoming interested in the social determinants that influence health, including education, social identity, health care access, and physical environment. I also enjoyed volunteering with IC Compassion in Iowa City, a refugee assistance program, where

I worked with refugees in ESL language instruction, transportation assistance, and US civic test preparation. The complex relationship between the circumstances of individuals and health inequity led me to pursue a degree in global health studies.

As I have grown up in a predominantly monolingual town, foreign language has become a tool to expand my worldview. My fascination with the Spanish language, including the culture and history of the countries that speak it, led me to pursue a degree in Spanish. Additionally, my study abroad opportunity in San Sebastián, Spain, in 2020 reinforced these inspirations through my unforgettable conversations with my host family and friends who I am still in contact with today.

How do you envision this will influence your life/future career?

Through my Fulbright scholarship, I intend to explore the intersections of Spanish tradition set by the people of La Rioja and the modern socio-economic influences evident in schools and refugee communities. In addition, this experience will teach me successful cross-cultural collaboration and project management strategies. I will apply these skills through a career in social entrepreneurship that reduces health disparities by addressing the socio-economic facets.

What advice do you have for future students interested in applying for a Fulbright?

To all first-generation students interested in applying for Fulbright, anxious feelings of unfamiliarity and imposter



syndrome are valid and may arise. However, do not let these feelings discourage you. Instead, use your experience of navigating uncharted territory to your advantage and remain resilient. You are deserving. Do not let anyone or yourself tell you otherwise.

Are there individuals you'd like to thank for their investment in this process?

Thank you, Dr. Karen Wachsmuth, for your immense support and high level of dedication throughout this entire process. Thank you, Dr. Kathleen Newman, Hannah Gulick, Marie Hoppe, Sarah Lowen, and Ari Natarina, for reviewing my essays. Thank you, Brett Cloyd, for providing me with excellent resources for my application. Thank you, Dr. Judith Liskin-Gasparro, for helping me with my language evaluation.

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Thank you to the late Peg Bowden and the late Cliff Hinderman, whose legacies live on through the experiences they shared with me, leading me to this opportunity.

Finally, I would like to thank my parents, Mark and Sheila Reed. Thank you for always supporting me, guiding me, and pushing me to do my best in life. There will never be enough words to express my love and gratitude for you both.

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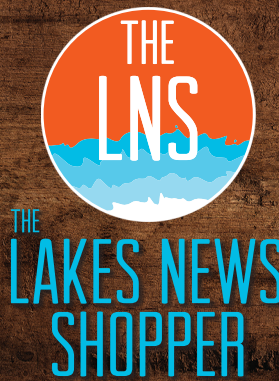
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Milford Library News

Youth Corner

Thank you to all of the kids that were a part of Milford Memorial Library's Spring Coloring Contest. We had 310 bunny entries, and they looked so cool with their designs and colors. Four winners were picked in different age groups, and you can see them on MML's Facebook page (@milfordlibrary).

Miss Becca will finish out the school year with two Building Bookworms and one Afterschool Activity. The Building Bookworms will be at 10:30am on May 9 (Flowers) and May 23 (Airplanes). Afterschool Activity will be at 3:30pm on May 12 (Board games).

Lastly, please check with your local library about the upcoming Youth Summer Reading Program entitled Read Beyond the Beaten Path. Miss Becca is excited to answer your questions. You can also stay up to date with all of MML's happenings through our website (www.milford.lib.ia.us) and Facebook page (@milfordlibrary).

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