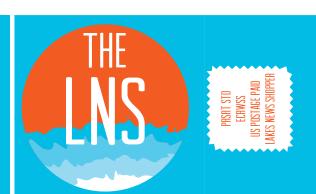
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Learn more about Moms in Prayer by visiting *momsinprayer*.



Birthday Announcement

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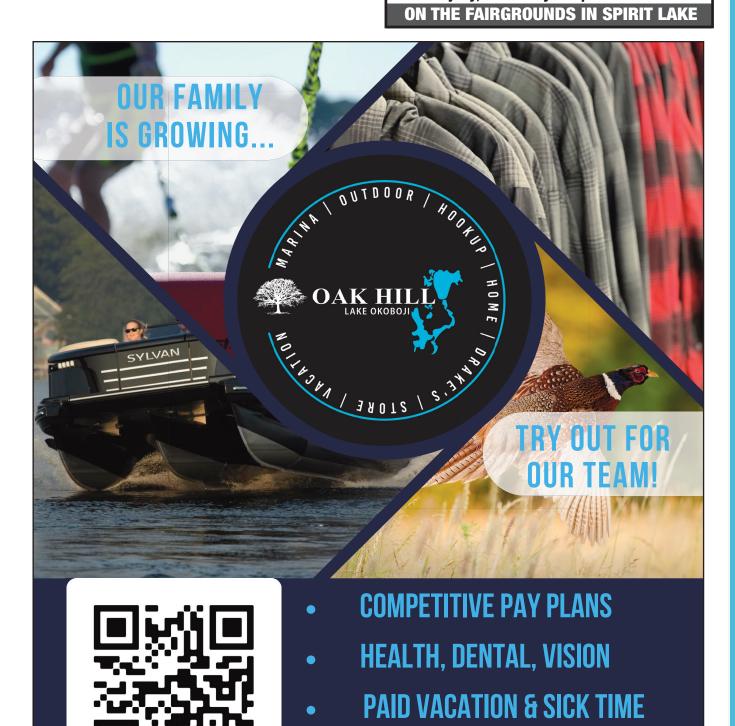
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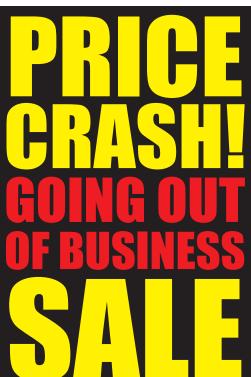
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View From The Bench

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Tough Loss for Cyclones

Iowa State's 31-24 loss to #17 Baylor on Saturday at Jack Trice was not a bad loss for the Cyclones, but it was definitely a tough loss with ISU losing at home to a conference opponent for the first time since 2019. The Cyclones certainly had their chances to win this game, but the defending Big 12 champion Bears, as Dave Aranda's teams always seem to do, played a disciplined game with no turnovers and only three penalties while relying on their stifling defense to put a strong-hold on the Cyclones. This was definitely a game of several stories defined by each half.

The story of the first half was certainly officiating. I am one to never blame the refs for a loss, and that is true with this game as Baylor was the better team on Saturday, but the officials definitely impacted the game against Iowa State in the first half with three very questionable calls. The first call was huge and wasn't even made on the field with ISU safety Beau Freyler, who is one of the Cyclone's best defenders, being ejected for targeting on a running play. 100% agree with the concept of the targeting call, but the NCAA needs to go to something like basketball has with a flagrant one and flagrant two foul where a one is two shots and the ball and flagrant two is two shots plus the ball and the player is ejected because of the severity of the foul. Later in the same drive ISU linebacker Colby Reeder was tagged for unnecessary roughness on a third down play for pushing a player down while the play was still going on. This extended the drive and the Bears would score to take a 7-0 lead. ISU would battle back and tie the game on a Hunter Dekkers TD pass to Jirehl Brock. The call that I thought was the worst of the day came in the second quarter when safety Anthony Johnson was called for an illegal block below the waist of a Baylor offensive lineman on a third down play where ISU again had a stop. Replays showed that Johnson took on the blocker above the waist, but the damage was already done and the Bears took advantage of the 15-yard penalty to score again and take a 17-7 lead. The Cyclones appeared to gain momentum with a 24-yard TD strike from Dekkers to Dimitri Stanley right before halftime and all seemed right for Cyclone Nation with the 'Clones just trailing 17-14 at the half despite the questionable officiating.

The story of the second half was total domination by Baylor, as they showed that they did not need any questionable calls to put the Cyclones away. Instead, the Bears relied on their tough defense to hold ISU to just 19 yards in the third quarter while they pushed their lead to 31-14 with a pair of touchdowns. Iowa State would chip away in the fourth quarter with a touchdown and field goal, but they were unable to recover a late onside kick and the Bears would leave Ames with a huge Big 12 road victory. Before Iowa State's last touchdown drive, the Cyclones were averaging just 1.5 yards per carry, and ended the game with a meager 66 yards on the ground. Dekkers did pass for 284 yards, including 120 yards to sophomore Jaylin Noel, but threw a costly interception on the first drive of the third quarter that seemed to give Baylor the momentum back.

The Big 12 is going to be an absolute meat grinder this year as there doesn't appear to be any bad teams, while it also looks like there are no elite teams after Kansas State (who lost last week to Tulane at home) won at Oklahoma. Who would have thought that after the opening weekend of Big 12 play that Kansas and Texas Tech would be 1-0 and Texas and Oklahoma would be 0-1? The Cyclones will now travel to Kansas for a game that in years past would have been pretty much a lock for a victory, but now ISU takes on a very confident, 4-0 KU team that has one of the best quarterbacks in the conference. Iowa State is good enough to beat anyone on their schedule, but if they don't "win in the margins" with fewer turnovers and penalties, they also could lose to anyone on their schedule. Hang on Cyclone fans, this is going to be one of the craziest Big 12 rides we've ever experienced, giddy up!







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Tuesday, September 27, 2022

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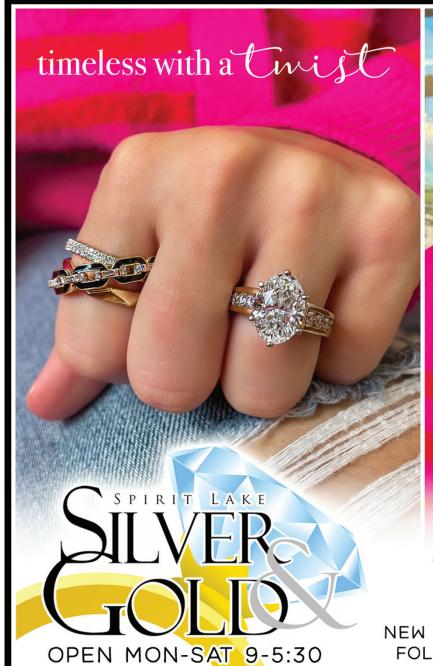




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Bre and Alex both attended UNI, which is where the two met and became a couple. Bre works in Analytics as a Data Wrangler at John Deere, Intelligent Solutions Group, and Alex works as a Senior Tax Associate at RSM. They now live in Waukee with their two dogs, Louie and Samson.



Youth Corner

Thank you to the library families that made it out to Milford Memorial Library's September Building Bookworms. We had a great time reading books, moving around, and completing a letter B teddy bear and pirate ship. The kiddos even got to meet an in-training service dog.

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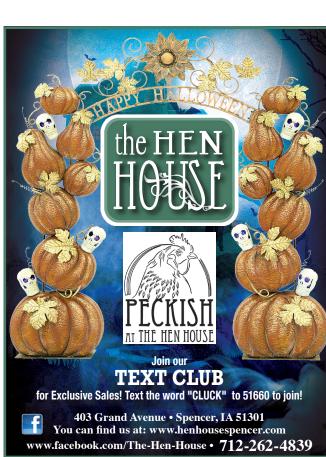






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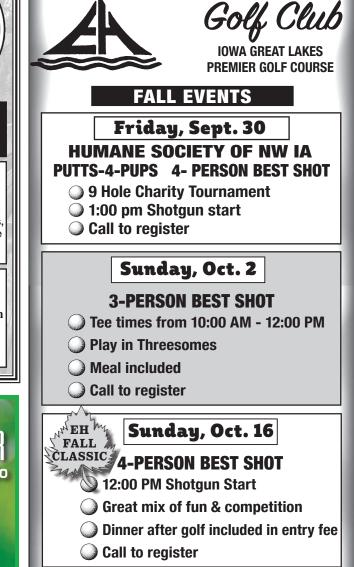
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Local Republican candidates will be speaking. It is an opportunity to connect with local Republicans and hear about topics of importance to our community, state, and country.

The Dickinson County Republican Women was formed to help support the Republican Central Committee and is made up of women and also men throughout Dickinson County Iowa. The DCRW Board of directors meet regularly to plan and host events throughout the year to bring awareness to residents on topics of political importance.

For more information or how you can become more involved, please contact any of the following board members, Jane Hummel, Cami Wills, Kris Rowley, Peggy Gustafson, Barb Clayton, Mary Ellen Kisting, Beverly Walsmith Paula Zenor, and Lisa Wagner

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SMILE Sosie Bacon Jessie T. Usher FRI: 3:50, 6:50, 9:20 SAT-SUN: 1:10, 3:50, 6:50, 9:20 MON-THURS: 5:30, 8:10

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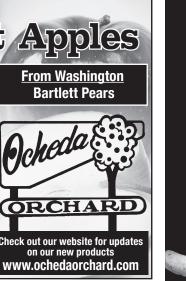
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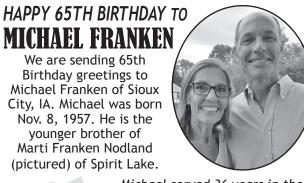
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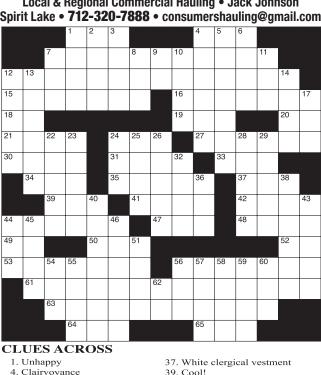
10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Menu Includes: turkey, mashed potatoes with gravy, sage dressing, cranberries, green beans, beverages and pumpkin dessert **Catered by Red's Café of Hartley**

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- One who works under you 12. What happens there stays there 42. Thick piece of something
- Not ingested 16. Got the picture
- 19 Breakfast item
- 21. Tall deciduous trees
- 24. Safe keeping receipt
- 27. Cowardly 30. Pueblo people of New Mexico 31. Herring-like fish
- 33. A very large body of water
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- CLUES DOWN
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- 3. Elected lord in Venice 4. The capacity of a physical system to do work
- 5. People of the wild
- Parent-teacher groups 7. Midway between south and
- 8. Moved quickly on foot
- 9. Handheld Nintendo console 10. "Top of the Stairs" playwright
- 11. Electronic data processing
- 12. "Dog Day Afternoon" director 13. Leaned
- 14. About aviation

23. Heroic tales

- 22. Lake along Zambia and

24. Soviet Socialist Republic 25. "Star Trek" villain

- Congo border
- 17. Mountain is a popular type
- 54. No seats available 55. Financial obligation
 - 56. It can be hot or iced 57. Tough outer skin of a fruit

 - 59 Misfortunes 60. Negative

41. Matchstick games

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52. Dorm official

63. Attentively

65. Criticize

36. Similar

40. Death

46. Mortified

51. Improper word

64. CNN's founder

28. Renters have one

43. What a sheep did

29. Tubular steel column

44. A state that precedes vomiting

49. Anno Domini (in the year of

50. The home of "60 Minutes"

56. One who is learning the job 61. Popular R.L. Stevenson novel

53. Give cards incorrectly

26. Hand gesture popular on social media

32. Database management system

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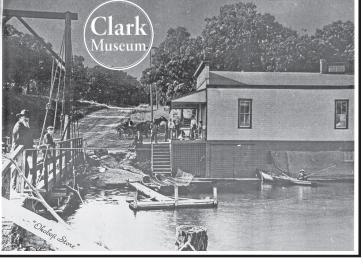
The Clark Museum, located 1 mile west and 1.5 miles south of the Highway 86 and 71 corner (2151 213th Ave, Milford, IA 51351) is a 501 (c) 3 Non-Profit. Call 712-338-2147 for more information or to make an appointment.

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Stepping Back in Time by Jerry and Irene of the Clark Museum of Okoboji area and Iowa history ~ Milford, IA.

The top picture shows Jay and Vera Alexander's gas station where Mau Marine's parking lot is now. Jay and Vera were my uncle and aunt. Vera was a Wilson

The bottom picture shows the Okoboji Store and early bridge. I can tell our Museum visitors my stories about these two pictures.





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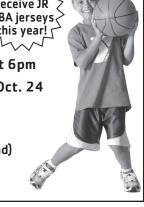
Games played at the **Bedell Family YMCA**

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8:15am-12:45pm (No games Thanksgiving Weekend)

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Saturday, October 1, will be the final market day for most vendors at Lakes Area Farmers Market as that is the last market day for this season. After Saturday a few vendors will be outside on the fairgrounds selling fall produce, honey, and crocheted items. They will be there from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon on Saturdays only for 2 or 3 weeks. If you have Senior or WIC vouchers you want to use, this Saturday is the last chance to use them. There are still lots of potatoes, squash, cucumbers, tomatoes, onions, sweet potatoes, and radishes at the market. There are fewer baking vendors but you can still find good treats to eat. All the crafts are still available and this is a good time to pick up gifts for the Holidays. You will have one more chance to buy sweet treats or crafts at the end of November when Lakes Area Farmers Market hosts A Handcrafted Christmas event. It is November 26, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Community Building on the fairgrounds in Spirit Lake. We hope to see you there.

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The band will be The Interstate Cruisers. Put on your dancing shoes & come join us for a fun evening of dancing! Singles and married couples are welcome. You may bring snacks to share!





Iowa 4-H Foundation and Dickinson County 4-H to Celebrate National 4-H Week

The Iowa 4-H Foundation and Dickinson County 4-H is launching its annual special 24-hour event, Iowa 4-H Giving Day

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youth organization, to ensure these opportunities continue to be available to youth across the state and at the county level.

"On Iowa 4-H Giving Day, we're celebrating all that 4-H'ers have accomplished, how they've grown and how they support their communities," said Emily Saveraid, Iowa 4-H Foundation Executive Director. "It's great opportunity for 4-H supporters and alumni to give back and celebrate the program that is making a difference in every zip code in Iowa."

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The Food Bank of Iowa Mobile Food Pantry will be open for distribution on Thursday, October 6, from 4:30-6:30 pm at the First Presbyterian Church in Lake Park.

We have returned to grocery store style pick-up inside the church. You will need to bring your own bags or boxes to collect your groceries and take them home. Do not arrive or line up at the door before 3:30 pm. The door to the building will be open at 3:30 PM but distribution will not start before 4:30 pm.

For questions, call James Kessler at 712-330-1738.

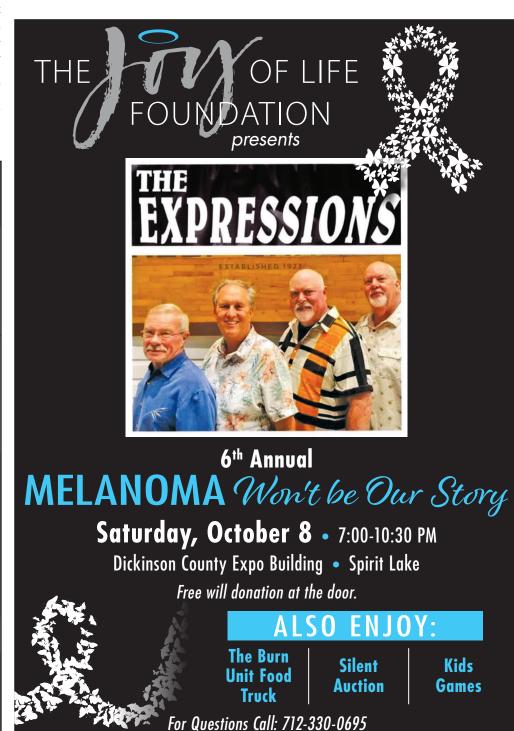
THE LAKES NEWS SHOPPER Tuesday, September 27, 2022

SPIRIT LAKE SCHOOLS

It's homecoming week at Spirit Lake High School! Join them in supporting their students and faculty by coming to the parade. The parade is on Friday, September 30, at 2:30pm. They will be showcasing all fall sports, bands, other fun clubs in the school, as well as many local businesses. If you are interested in being a part of the parade or have any questions or concerns, please contact Teegan Jones at 712-320-1010 or Sam Hawkins at 712-330-8963 by Wednesday, September 28.

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10/27 | IOWA ROOTS ROUND Chad Elliott, Ryne Doughty, & Kathryn Fox 7:30 PM | \$20/\$30

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CULINARY CLASSES

Wine Class With Jennifer Tritle-Oitzman 6:00pm | \$30/\$35 Add a charcuterie cup from Lakeside Charcuterie for \$10

Oct. 6: Red grapes of Spain Nov. 3: Holiday Wines

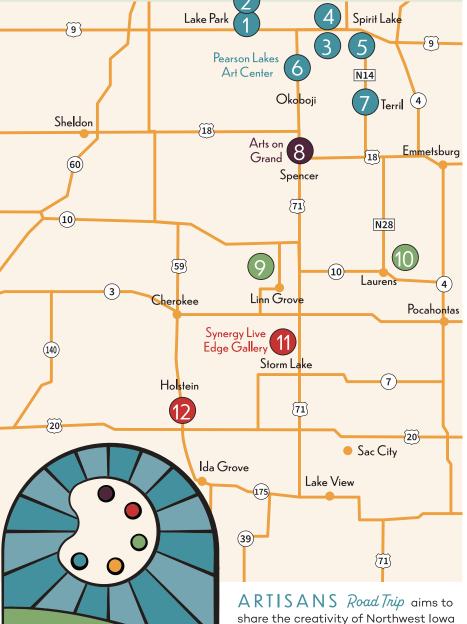
Charcuterie Boards With Amy of Lakeside Charcuterie 6:30pm | Single: \$70/\$75 Partner: \$80/\$85 (2 person per board) Oct. 20: Fall Inspired Board Dec. 15: Holiday Charcuterie-tree





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9. Beth Cathcart

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Beautiful View

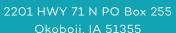
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12. Mary Ortner













2022 CLAY COUNTY FAIR BREAKS RECORDS No vinyl or CDs damaged!

The 2022 edition of *The World's Greatest County Fair* is now one for the history books -- in a very positive sense. (Note that all the vinyl records still reside in their proper places on the shelves. We'll 'discuss' that vinyl in the weeks ahead.)

Even though Professor A. Good Outlook is taking a lot of credit for some of the best Fair weather in history, there's lots more than the weather that went into the record breaking year in several respects. Attendance was up to see all that was new in all the exhibit and carnival areas --in addition to all the great new foods . That, along with the many moves to accommodate new and expanding exhibits brought more than 325,500 fairgoers through the gates.

RAMBO-ling

BOB RAMBO

While the final figures will not be released until the Fair Association's annual meeting, Fair Manager Jeremy Parsons noted that there has been an uptick in the amount of time and money spent by individuals at the Fair.

After spending more time at the Fair this year than in most other years, we found delight in watching the youngsters

have fun -- and not just on the rides. We had to exit one of the free tents during the performance, but found a really cute one-year-old lad dancing to the rock sounds all by himself. And then we came across *The Bubbler*, who spent three days strolling the Fair while he was making huge soap bubbles for the kids to catch. It was such simple fun -- especially compared to the complexities of computers at any age!

The Spirit of Harmony is back, singing again after a two-year hiatus (Pronounce that COVID). The fall show will take place at The Pearson Lakes Art Center's Lauridsen Theatre, this Saturday, starting at 1:00.

Tickets are available in advance at Lewis Drug in Spirit Lake, or by calling 712-336-9107. A limited number of seats may be available at the door on Saturday.

The PLAC's presentation of Crazy for Patsy Cline, which was postponed in August, is now re- scheduled for Tuesday, October 11th, at 7:30, in the Lauridsen Theatre.

The PLAC will also be presenting The Manhattan Short Film Festival on Thursday night, September 29th, starting at 6:00.

The Little Swan Lake Winery will be hosting Chris Bertrand on the stage in the barn, from 6-8:00, Thursday; Adam and Jacob are expected to take the same stage on Saturday. and The South 71 Trio will close the musical week on Sunday afternoon, from 4-6:00. Reservations are suggested at 712-858-4592...

And, last but not least this week, The World Famous Glenn Miller Orchestra will be performing at Memorial Hall in Worthington, Saturday afternoon, starting at 2:00- IF their flights from the UK are on time. And once they perform in the lower 48, the band will be returning to Europe -- to Belgium and Germany -- for the beer fests, maybe? Erik Stabhau is the leader of the GMO, and he also doubles as the male vocalist, while Jenny Swoish is the Female Vocalist. The Box Office phone is 507-376-9101...

Back on schedule, herself, after the Fair, research director RD surprised us by noting that New York newspaper columnist and TV personality Ed Sullivan had a middle name! Did you know Ed's middle name was Vincent? Born in New York on September 28, 1901, Sullivan became the host of the longest running variety show in television history -- a show that brought *The Beatles* to U.S. television not once, but twice! Ed's success was partially the result of keeping up with the times -- even though he did his column for the tabloid, New York Daily News. (Yes, that's a poor attempt at a bad pun)...

In addition to *The Beatles*, Sullivan had Iowa's very-own Marilyn Maye on his stage in 1970, where the audience was treated to a performance featuring Cabaret, one of her hit songs, along with My Melancholy Baby, I can't Give You Anything But Love, and Spinning Wheel, backed up by The Buddy Rich Orchestra!

October 1st will mark the night in 1955 that The Honeymooners premiered on the CBS Television Network, starring Jackie Gleason, Art Carney, Audrey Meadows, and Joyce Randolph. The show's theme song, You're My Greatest Love, was written by Bill Templeton and Jackie, himself. The selection was included on Gleason's 1956 Capitol LP, Music to Change Her Mind, an album that also featured two Arthur Schwartz-Howard Dietz selections, Dancing in the Dark, and You and the Night and the Music.

Sunday, October 2nd for whatever reason, has been designated as Name Your Car Day, which brought to the blonde's mind The Ballad of old' Betsy, from The Beach Boys' Little Deuce Coupe LP, which was released in October of 1963. The album, which also includes 409 stayed on the charts for 46 weeks along with Shut Down, and Be True to Your School! For the record, RD's white wheels, which just hit the 100,000 mile mark, was named Penny Lane when it had many fewer miles on it...

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bifuaries

A funeral service for Joni Woodley-Hawks, age 67, of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, was held for her close friends and family.

Joni Sue Hawks, the of Delmer daughter Ronald "Woody" and Mae Joan "Joan" (Henry) Woodley, was born June 8, 1955, in Fort Dodge, lowa. The family lived in Estherville and Spencer before moving to Arnolds Park, Iowa, in 1967. Joni graduated from Arnolds Park High School in 1973.

Joni attended the Sioux Valley School of Nursing and graduated in 1976 as a registered nurse. Later in life, she earned her B.S.



On June 6, 2016, Joni was married to Michael Hawks in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Joni enjoyed flowers, gardening and taking care of the sunroom plants. She had a doll collection and a vast collection of personal momentos that made her happy. Joni's greatest joy was raising her three lovely daughters.

Joni passed away peacefully surrounded by her family on September 19, 2022, at Sanford Heart Hospital in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, at sixty-seven years of age.

She is survived by her husband, Michael Hawks; daughters, Alicia Nicole Armstrong, Alexis Armstrong and Ashli Jones and her husband, Matthew; her adored granddaughter, Livi Dee Jones; brother, Larry Woodley of Fox Island, Washington, and his family; sister, Julie Dirks of Milford, Iowa, and her family.

Joni was preceded in death by her parents, Delmer and Joan Woodley and her older brother, Ronni, who passed away at the age of four.

Turner Jenness Funeral Home in Milford, Iowa, was in charge of arrangements.

bituaries

Teresa Lee Hanson

December 26, 1952 ~ September 22, 2022

Teresa Lee Hanson, daughter of James and Devona (Henely) Schneider, was born December 26, 1952, in Emmetsburg, Iowa. She received her education in Graettinger and Ruthven schools.

Teresa was blessed with three children, Jennifer, Laura and On December 26, 1997, Teresa

was united in marriage to Leon Hanson at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Spirit Lake, Iowa. Teresa was employed at Polaris

Industries in Spirit Lake and she worked at other various jobs in the area. She was a devoted wife, mother and homemaker, helping Leon with their farm operation.

Teresa was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Spirit Lake. She was very devoted to her faith. Teresa enjoyed photography and caring for her flower gardens.

Teresa passed away Thursday, September 22, 2022, at Lakes Regional Health Center in Spirit Lake, Iowa, at the age of 69. She was preceded in death by her father, James Schneider and a brother, Joe Schneider.

She is survived by her husband, Leon of Spirit Lake, Iowa; her children, Jennifer (Ben) Gehrke of Rembrandt, Iowa; Laura (Aaron) Woods of Aurora, Illinois, and Karen Benson of Des Moines, Iowa; her mother, Devona Trimble of Ruthven, Iowa; ten grandchildren, Emily Rentsch, Abigail Rentsch, Maysen Gehrke, Rhianna Woods, Ian Woods, Rian Woods, Emma Woods, Landon Hildreth, Nathan Hildreth, and Kaitlyn Benson; two brothers, Charles (Dory) Schneider of Spencer, Iowa and Daniel Schneider of Ruthven, Iowa; six sisters, Camilla (Steve) Tracy of Gastonia, North Carolina; Connie (Jim) Morley of Maplewood, Minnesota; Susan (Rod) Ferguson of Ruthven, Iowa; Mary (Mitch) Anderson of Ruthven, Iowa; Cathy (Jim) Frerk of Rolfe, Iowa and Heidi Gellerman of Ruthven, Iowa; several nieces and nephews; as well as many other relatives and friends.

Service will be held Wednesday, September 28, 2022, 10:30am, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Spirit Lake, Iowa. Officiant is Rev. Brian Hughes and interment at Calvary Cemetery in Ruthven, Iowa. Arrangements by Martin-Mattice Funeral Home martinmatticefuneralhome.com. Memorials will be given to Abben Cancer Center and St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

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Jacquelyn Joy Banks, age 92, passed away on Friday, September 2, 2022. Jacquelyn was born January 15, 1930.

She was preceded in death by husband, Hugh, and oldest son Ken and is survived by remaining children Mike (Dawn) Banks and daughters Natalie (Jeff) Nicole (Tom) Baber, Greg Banks, daughter-



and sons Brian (Christie) Banks and Adam Banks plus great-grandchildren. Also survived by brother Steve Steinert and family.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, October 1, 2022, at 11:00am, at the Turner Jenness Funeral Home at 1302 Hill Ave. Spirit Lake, Iowa. Inurnment will be at the Calvary Cemetery in Sutherland, Iowa. Memorials may be directed to: Lakes Regional

Healthcare Foundation, 2301 Hwy71 S, Spirit Lake, Iowa. Turner Jenness Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.





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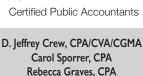
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Swift Action Needed to Thwart Dangerous Invasive Species



We've been warned for years. Now, our fears have been realized. Our treasured lakes have become infested with yet another invasive species: Eurasian watermilfoil.

This nasty plant forms dense mats of intertangled plants that reproduce FAST – so fast, **it can grow six inches per day** – choking out all other native vegetation and changing the natural ecosystem of the lake.

Eurasian watermilfoil has the potential to wreak havoc on our waters, thereby having a **direct negative effect on our local economy.** Fishing, swimming, and boating can become nearly impossible. This is not just a lakeshore problem. This trickles down to every local family invested or employed in our Iowa Great Lakes Region.

What's worse, this villain also reproduces through broken and detached pieces of the stems. Simply driving a boat through it creates more plants. This makes mechanical harvesting

an ineffective option because it would only amplify spreading.

But we don't have to accept defeat. Biologists have had success treating Eurasian watermilfoil when found early and hit hard. Treatment methods include aquatic-approved products that can be applied directly to identified sites. The Iowa Department of Natural Resources has confidence from its own experience that, if attacked promptly and with aggressive methods, we have the potential to effectively treat our lakes.

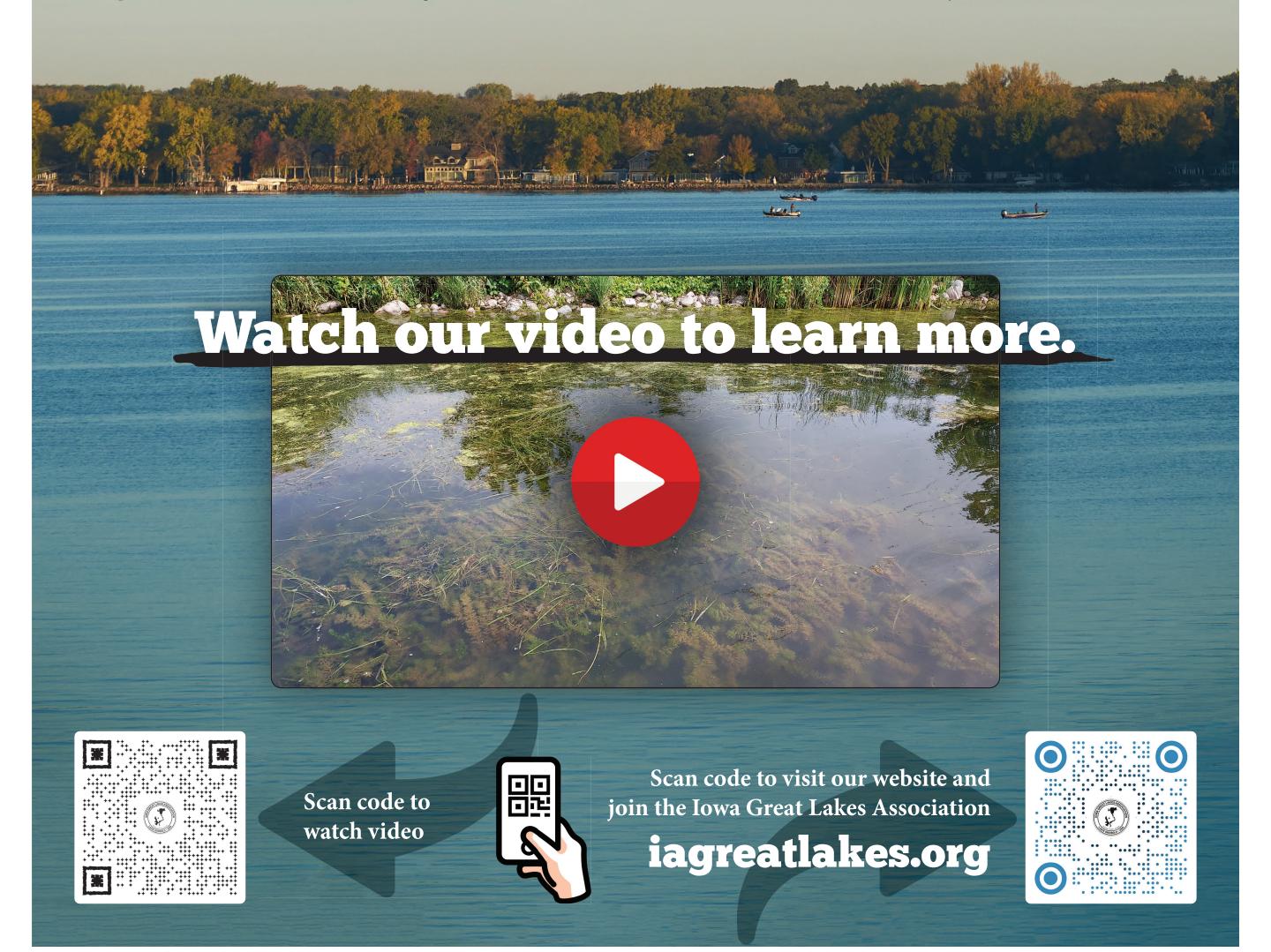
Mike Hawkins, Iowa Great Lakes DNR biologist, has estimated that initial efforts to treat the Eurasian watermilfoil will cost \$350,000. We've already received commitments that cover most of this initial expense. For their efforts, we owe a big thank-you to the Lake Associations, the DNR, and a special thank-you to the Dickinson County Supervisors for committing \$85,000 to the cause.

Now we must remain diligent – this is just the beginning. Eurasian watermilfoil is the single worst invasive threat our lakes have faced. We, as a community, must band together to fight this challenge head-on.

Eradication takes money. We must have the funds available when the time to strike presents itself. Eurasian watermilfoil will not slow down and wait for us to have meetings and make plans. We must have funds in place for the long haul to successfully deal with this intruder.

Let us heed the warnings of Lake Minnetonka, where Eurasian watermilfoil has restricted boating, negatively affected commerce, and decreased property values. There, the community did not act quickly enough, but **time is on our side – so please, let's join together now to ensure our success.**

Visit <u>iagreatlakes.org</u> to learn more and join the effort today.



Spirit of Harmony Presents Fall Show "Let's Sing Again"

Can it be fall already? Autumn is quickly approaching and Spirit of Harmony Chorus of Spirit Lake is preparing for their Fall Show, "Let's Sing Again", an apt title since their last show was in the fall of 2019! The chorus is excited to share their music with their fans after such a long hiatus. This year's performance will also showcase their two registered quartets, The Peppers and second place regional winner, Affinity.

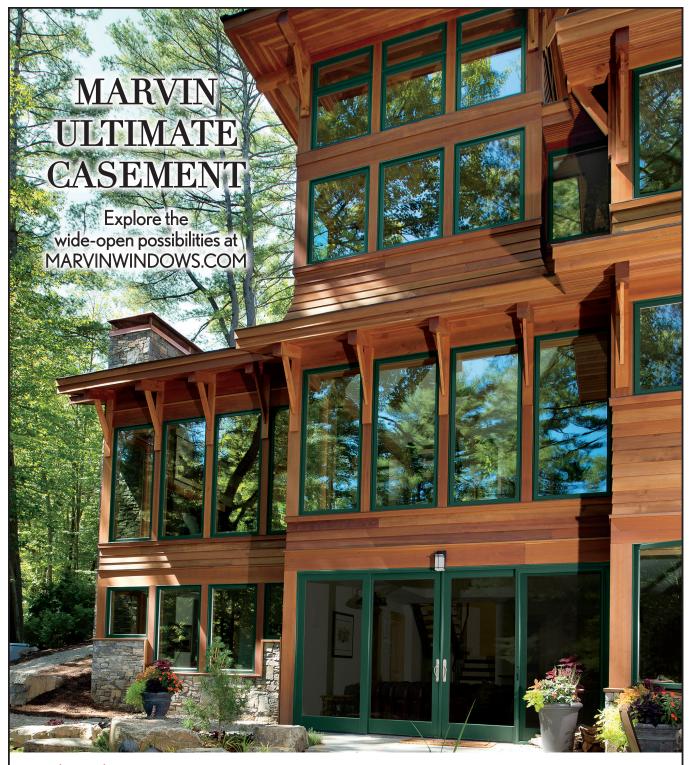
Before the show and during intermission you will have the opportunity to purchase tickets for a 50/50 raffle. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Also, this year is a silent auction where you will be able to bid on great gift baskets filled with fabulous items! Proceeds from both the 50/50 raffle and the silent auction will be used to help the chorus with competition expenses. The chorus is made up of members from the surrounding area of Spirit Lake, Spencer, Milford, Emmetsburg, Estherville, Lake Park, Wallingford and even as far away as Marshall, MN and Battle Creek, IA.

Be sure to save the date, Saturday, October 1, at 1:00 pm, for this singing celebration that will be held in the Lauridsen Performing Arts Theatre at the Pearson Lakes Art Center, located on Hwy. 71 in Okoboji, Iowa. Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. You may call 712-336-9107, contact a chorus member or stop in at Lewis Drug in Spirit Lake for advanced









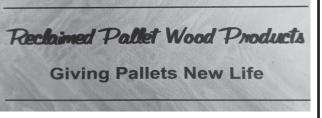




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Arts on Grand offers Weekend of Art

Arts on Grand will be hosting a weekend of cultural opportunity October 1 and 2. Three local artists will be present from 9 am to 5 pm on Saturday; 12 pm to 5 pm on Sunday.

Voices on Grand, at 7 pm on Saturday, features writers and musicians sharing original works.

The Artisans Road Trip artists at Arts on Grand include Diane O'Hern, whose paintings combine a variety

of mediums and a combination of figuration, abstraction

and non-representation. Lee Schoenewe's medium is wood with occasional metal or glass eyes on birds. His walking sticks and canes are created as mobility equipment. Nancy Schoenewe's acrylic-base paintings reflect her love of the outdoors. She also creates jewelery using precious stones, sterling or antique pieces.

The entire trip directory and map brochure are available at Arts on Grand in Spencer or Pearson Lakes Art Center in Okoboji. Information may be downloaded from the websites as well.

Voices on Grand participants will include Randy Cauthron, known for telling stories in Northwest Iowa for the past three decades; and Chad Elliott, known for his storytelling, songwriting and books from Iowa to Montana to California to Tennessee and lots of places in between.

Lynn Swan's original folk songs will also be performed. Denise Reit has coordinated an ensemble of herself on piano and guitar, Olivia Baxter, vocalist and Mike Monnahan, bass guitar.

Writers Ayaan Thomas and Lisa Holthaus Valentine will also be presenting. Thomas is a Somali-born United States citizen adopted by a doctor at the time of her birth. She is currently in the process of writing a memoir about her search for her birth family and her life journey.

Valentine, a former SHS social studies teacher, is a school counselor living in Minnesota. Lisa has been writing poetry for 45 years and began blogging ten years ago with a focus on living gratefully as life's ups and down unfold. She and her sisters have published three books of poetry.

Voices on Grand is free to members. A \$5 donation is requested from non-members.



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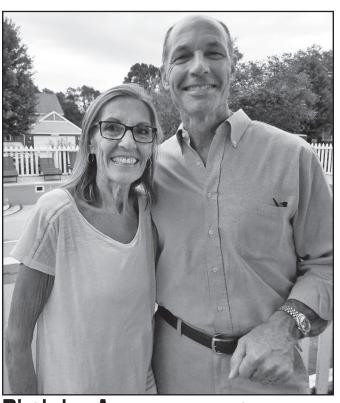
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Birthday Announcement

Happy 65th Birthday to Michael Franken of Sioux City, Iowa. Michael was born November 8, 1957.

He is the vounger brother of Marti Franken Nodland, left, of Spirit Lake, Iowa. They were both born in Lebanon, Iowa, near Hudson, South Dakota, on the Iowa and South Dakota border. They attended Sioux Center High School. Michael attended Morningside College in Sioux City, Iowa. Michael then served 36 years in the Navy and became an Admiral.

Please thank him for his many years of service and send him a card at P.O. Box 13401 Des Moines, Iowa 50310. He will be celebrating his birthday with his wife Jorden and their family.

All Saint's Day Eucharist & Potluck at St. Alban's Episcopal Church

Everyone is welcome to attend "All Saints Day Eucharist & Potluck" on November 1 at St. Alban's Episcopal Church in Spirit Lake. All Saints Day is a day for remembrance and to give God

thanks for all lives of our dearly departed and to celebrate the honor of all the saints of the church, known and unknown. Holy Eucharist will begin at 6 pm on Tuesday, November 1,

followed by a potluck meal. If you wish you can bring a potluck dish in memory of a loved one(s).

St. Alban's Episcopal Church is located at 2011 23rd Street near Lakes Regional Healthcare in Spirit Lake.

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!

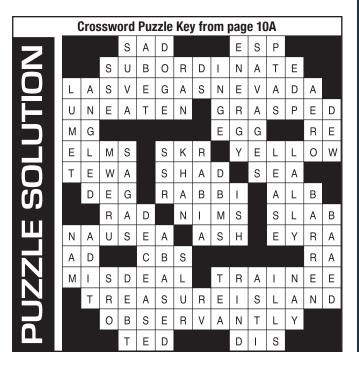
This week I embraced fall! The weather was shifting, but I made time to get outside and enjoyed the beautiful days last week offered. Summer is my favorite time of year but living in Iowa I've decided I should make the most of every

Monday was stunning, so I visited the

golf course after work and played quickly to get in nine holes of golf before the sun set. Tuesday looked to be the final hot day of the season, so I went for a boat ride and enjoyed one of the most spectacular sunsets of the year. Wednesday the temperatures cooled down and I did some projects around the yard. I also sat by the firepit to enjoy a bit of peace and tranquility after my projects! Thursday, I met up with some girlfriends and learned to play bunko. Friday, I enjoyed a craft cocktail at the Common Tasting Room and then met up with some friends at a "Fall Party." It was such fun, I think it will become an annual event!

And then Saturday arrived! What a perfect fall day filled with fun! I got a late start to the day, but eventually found my way to the Farmer's Market in the Park. I ordered a pumpkin spice cold brew at Topog (it is fall) and strolled along the farmer's market vendors to see the colorful produce, delicious baked goods, and unique crafts. Then I found my way to Bob's in the Park for a final tavern overlooking the lake this season. Around that time the band started playing from the Preservation Plaza Stage and Oktoberfest festivities were in full swing! I got myself a West O Oktoberfest Beer and visited with friends. Later I took a walk along the new Pillsbury Point sidewalk. It was a lovely stroll on a breezy day.

After such a busy week, I enjoyed a cup of coffee on deck Sunday morning. The lake was sparkling and I reflected back on what a perfect start to fall the week had been. I'm grateful I made time to get outside and enjoy it. The forecast predicts there are plenty of beautiful fall days ahead for us to enjoy. Whether you go for a walk, ride a bike, or just enjoy a cup of coffee on your patio, I hope you'll make some time to enjoy fall. Our community really sparkles and shines this time of year if you're willing to embrace it! You can find more fall inspiration at www.VacationOkoboji.com.



Infertility & Loss Support Group

One in 8 women/couples will experience infertility, and one in 4 women/couples will experience a miscarriage. This new support group is for women who battle infertility, have suffered a miscarriage, stillborn or any loss related to pre- and post-pregnancy. It aims to empower women to know that they aren't alone, to instill the belief that this is not their fault, and to cultivate hope for the future.

The Infertility & Loss Support Group will run for 6 weeks on Wednesday evenings, October 12 - November 16, 2022, from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m., at Cherish Center, 1004 22nd Street, Milford, IA 51351. The cost is \$50 for the six-session series. Registration deadline is October 10.

This support group is led by Melissa Skrepak, LMHC, PMH-C, IADC; counselor at Cherish Center. She also holds her certification in perinatal mental health. After experiencing infertility, she seeks to instill hope in others who have suffered loss. Melissa advocates that we must tell our stories, no matter how they turn out, and there's always beauty to be found if we are willing to find it.

To learn more, or to register, call Cherish Center at 712-338-3333 or email Melissa at melissa.skrepak@cherishcenter.org.





Moms in Prayer

Moms (and grandmas!) in Prayer is starting back up again in the Lakes area! Join other Christian moms and grandmas for intentional prayer for our children, grandchildren, schools, and beyond. Join us every Thursday from 1:30-2:30 p.m. at the home of Sherri Jones in Wahpeton beginning September 22. To find out more information and to get the address, please contact Allison Antoine at allison.antoine@

Learn more about Moms

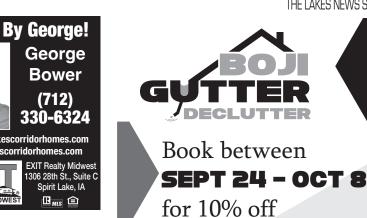


CONGRATULATIONS TO SPIRIT LAKE HIGH SCHOOL'S FORCE MARCHING BAND for their two outstanding performances at Starfest in Sioux City on September 24th. The Force placed 1st in Class 3A in Prelims. Guard Captain Maggie McKim was selected as Outstanding Dancer, and the Spirit Lake Fans were selected as the Outstanding Fan Section. In finals that evening, The Force earned 3rd Place Overall. The Force will perform next during the Homecoming Parade and Halftime Show on Friday.



English Afternoon Tea

P.E.O. Chapter BE Spirit Lake members dressed appropriately with hats, gloves and dresses for an English Afternoon Tea on Tuesday, September 20 at the Spirit Lake Presbyterian Church.

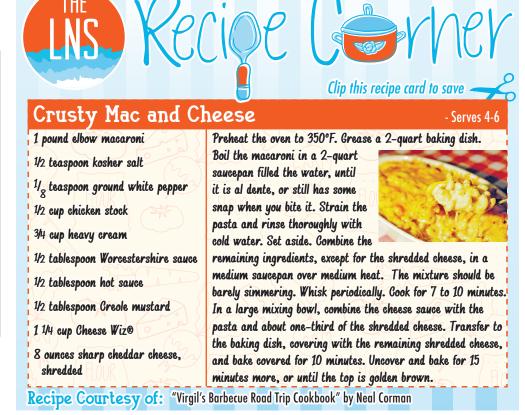


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Iowa Bankers Association Honors Conover Brothers

of 'leave it better than you found it' during illustrious banking careers

The Iowa Bankers Association presented two brothers and community banking leaders, Neal and Dwight Conover, with the 2022 James A. Leach Leadership Award on September 20, 2022, during the IBA Annual Convention at Veterans Memorial Auditorium.

The brothers share between them 100 years of banking experience. Neal Conover and Dwight Conover are co-founders of Northwest Financial Corp. which includes two bank charters, Northwest Bank based in Spencer and First National Bank in Creston.

"Neal and Dwight are part of a quintessential American story, starting from humble beginnings and succeeding through hard work and a desire to support the communities they serve," said John Sorensen, president and CEO of the Iowa Bankers Association. "For more than four decades, they have operated under the motto — leave it better than you found it. In turn, their bank team members, customers and communities have thrived."

The IBA created the award in Congressman Leach's name in 2000, following his term as chairman of the U.S. House Banking Committee. The annual James A. Leach Leadership Award recognizes a distinguished Iowa banker who, like Rep. Leach, has made significant, lifelong contributions to how Iowa banks serve Iowa communities.

"Neal and Dwight are so deserving of the James A. Leach Leadership Award. Their lifelong commitment and legacy that they are leaving on this industry is unprecedented," said Greg Post, CEO of Northwest Financial Corp. "They are genuinely caring men who truly believe that if they have the resources to help the communities they serve, it is important that they support their communities to thrive and grow."

Born in Holstein, the Conovers lived and worked on their family's farm where their father instilled in them the motto — "leave it better than you found it." It's a value the Conovers have lived by throughout their banking careers.

Neal and Dwight followed similar paths — both attended Iowa State University and graduated in 1969 and 1975, respectively. They then began their banking careers as ag bankers with Brenton Banks, and it didn't take long for them

Iowa brothers deliver on family value to advance to leadership positions. By the Foster Parents Program; member/officer late 1970s and early 1980s, they both had become presidents at Iowa banks.

In 1984, Dwight purchased First National Bank of Creston, and Neal later joined him as a partner in 1985. In late 1988, Neal and Dwight acquired Northwest Federal Savings Bank (in Spirit Lake, Lake Park and Estherville) and Home $Federal\,Savings\,Bank\,(in\,Spencer, Algona$

and Humboldt). With these first acquisitions, and the others that would follow, the Conovers stayed committed to their father's ingrained value of "leaving it better than they found it."

The brothers have taken Northwest Financial Corp. from one bank with 32 employees and \$48 million in assets to a company with 23 locations, 412 em-

ployees and \$2.69 Financial Corp. was recognized as a 2022 Top Workplace in the USA, and it

from 2015-2021. Neal and Dwight have been heavily involved in their communities and the banking industry throughout their careers, participating in numerous speaking engagements, initiatives, committees and leadership roles.

received Top Workplace in Iowa honors

Neal served on the Industrial and Economic Development Board in Clay County; Dickinson County Regional Marketing and Economic Development Group; was a registered lobbyist for agricultural and banking issues in the Iowa Legislature/U.S. Congress; served as instructor/student adviser for the National Agricultural Bank Management Conference, other schools, conferences and seminars on agricultural finance, loan workout and bank management; a member of the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Advisory Board; member of the IBA Committee on Debtor/Creditor Relations; chaired IBA Legislative and Agricultural committees; member of ABA Government Relations and Leadership committees; served on chambers of comof Jaycees, Lions, Rotary Club, Masonic Lodge, Kiwanis and County Fair Board; 4-H leader; and Sunday school teacher.

Dwight served on the Iowa Department of Rural Economic Development and is a founding member of the Iowa Mediation Board; a director of the IBA board and chairman in 2002-2003; a director of Iowa



Dwight Conover & Neal Conover, Co-Founders of Northwest Financial Corp.

billion in assets. This year, Northwest Extension Board and awarded the Floyd Andres Award for College of Ag in 2021; founding director/treasurer of the South Central Iowa Community Foundation; president of the SWWC Education Foundation, Crestland Betterment Foundation, Creston Chamber of Commerce and Union County Development Company; chairman of the Okoboji Foundation; and a member of the Masons, Elks, Rotary and Leadership Iowa.

"Both brothers have been involved in so many committees, boards and initiatives their impact is truly immeasurable," Post said. "Neal and Dwight have a passion for serving customers, helping their communities prosper and taking care of their employees. There are many things that go on behind the scenes that people do not see, but you cannot have a profitable company and 400 employees and not do something right."

Northwest Financial Corp. is a family-owned organization with over \$2.6 billion in assets and includes two bank charters, Northwest Bank and First National Bank in Creston, and Northwest Wealth Management, LLC. The three entities have 23 offices throughout Iowa and eastern Nebraska.



Braxden Scott (left) and Kylee Keiner (middle) receiving the Military & Veteran Scholarships from the Iowa Lakes Community College Foundation presented by Iowa Lakes' Career/Veteran/Military Services

Iowa Lakes Awards Military and Veteran Scholarship

The Iowa Lakes Community College Foundation has announced the 2022-23 Military and Veterans Scholarship recipients. This year's recipients are Danessa Bruner of Buffalo Center, Iowa; Kylee Keiner from Linn Grove, Iowa; Tyler Lundborg of Humboldt, S.D.; and Braxden Scott from LuVerne, Iowa.

The Military & Veteran Scholarship was started in 2015 to assist students who are either a veteran, a veteran's spouse, or a dependent of a veteran. A portion of this scholarship is made possible by a grant from the American Legion of Iowa Foundation. Award amounts vary, and recipients may use them for tuition, books, or fees.

To learn more about this scholarship or establish a new scholarship, contact the Iowa Lakes Community College Institutional Advancement Office at 712-362-0491 or 800-242-5106 ext. 4491. To apply for scholarships, visit iowalakes.edu/scholarships.



vivors) helped organize a free family carnival to be held on October 1, 2022, 11:00am - 3:00pm, at the Dickinson County Expo Building in Spirit Lake. This year, the CARES Carnival will have all the same great activities as in prior years such as bounce houses and games, carnival snacks and food, clowns, puppet shows, and Officer McGruff (a favorite with the kids). In addition, community groups like The Nature Center, local churches, Key Club, BACA (Bikers Against Child Abuse), and area police departments are involved in the CARES Carnival, as well as CAASA and FCC, to bring awareness and provide information to the general public about services available in our area.

The Carnival will be free of charge and paid for by donations from many generous area businesses and friends. Without them and wonderful volunteers, it would not be possible to hold such an event. All of the net proceeds from the CARES Carnival are divided equally between CAASA and FCC.

Donations accepted gratefully. All donations help survivors. Make checks payable to CAASA. Donations accepted at CAASA, P.O. Box 996, Spencer, IA 51301 and split with FCC.



Singles Dance

The Northwest Iowa Area Singles will be having their dance Saturday, October 1, 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 The Interstate Cruisers. Put on your dancing shoes & come join us for a fun evening of dancing! Singles and married couples are welcome. You may bring snacks to share!

Family Services Resource Guide

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





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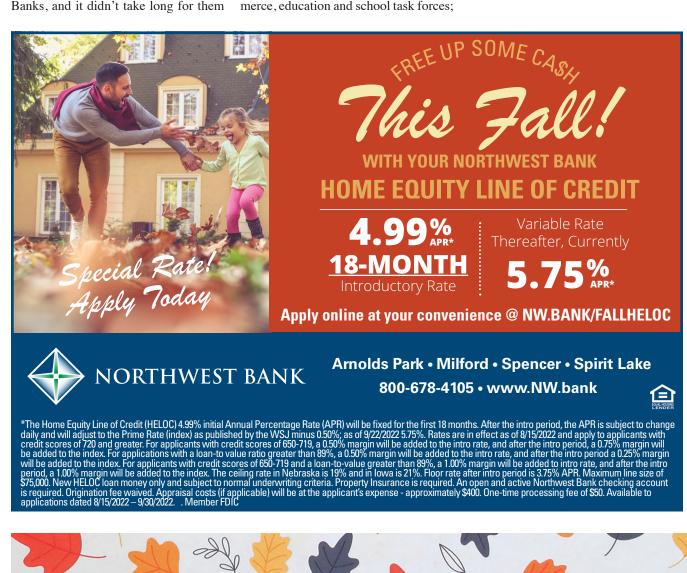
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"Help Cook Our Pig" Clay County UDMO

Upper Des Moines-Clay County and the Spencer Chamber of Commerce announce an opportunity for businesses to donate to the UDMO Food Pantry, with a goal of raising \$20,000. This fundraising effort is led by an anonymous donation valued at \$2,000; and with participation from other local businesses, \$7,000 has been raised to date. The campaign, nicknamed "Help Cook

GOAL: \$20,000

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HELP COOK OUR PIG

Our Pig," is a reference to over 400 pork loins that have been donated to the food pantry. The goal is to get the pig to 140 degrees, the ideal temperature for pork to be cooked, corresponding to the monetary goal of \$20,000.

"We are seeing an increased number of people experiencing food insecurity," says Dawn Dahm, Upper Des Moines Opportunity-Clay County. "With the current rise in food prices, those who

struggle to make ends meet are finding it difficult to keep food on the table."

This campaign will be used to supply resources for the UDMO Food Pantry and allow UDMO to continue serving Clay County families. Specifically, the areas that the company will focus on are:

•Purchasing non-perishable food items

•Relieving food insecurity for fixed income households •Building up food pantry reserves for future community needs

"The Chamber Foundation was established in 2017 to assist with community needs," says Sheriffa Jones, Executive Director for the Spencer Chamber of Commerce. "Assisting UDMO, with stocking their pantry and helping them accomplish their mission, is at the heart of the Chamber Foundation's mission. It goes without saying though, that attaining the goal is due to the community spirit that exists in Spencer – especially amongst the business community.'

According to their website, Upper Des Moines-Clay County "...is dedicated to helping build stronger communities by addressing the effects of poverty on individuals and families."

Businesses or individuals wishing to donate or learn more are encouraged to reach out to the Spencer Chamber via phone (712-262-5680) or email director@spenceriowachamber.org.

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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, This is a letter I have sent to our Dickinson County Super-

visors: I could not attend your September 13th meeting; Tuesday was the first time I heard about the proposal to purchase a countywide radio communications system. As I understand it, the newer generation radios have better connectivity and talk groups to make radio connections between Dickinson

more consistent signals. As I am sure you were, I was shocked to hear about the

\$5.5 million price tag; this is equivalent to half a courthouse. This system will include radios for school buses, city police, fire departments, emergency management, schools, hospitals, and ambulances. Have the entities mentioned been approached about sharing the equipment costs? Are there grants available through school safety programs or public health programs to

help defer the costs? Have you spoken with the few rural Iowa counties currently using this system? Have any of them needed to incur a \$5.5M

expenditure? How did they come up with the funding? In the nearly \$1.7M ARPA spending package approved at your September 6th meeting (I believe the county received approximately \$3.6M in federal COVID relief funding referred to as ARPA), you approved the purchase of \$636,000 in radios for the Sheriff's office and the county Emergency Management department, is the purchase of the ARPA funded radios included in your \$5.5M communications bid or is this program really a

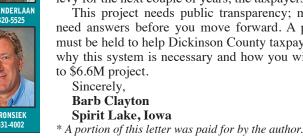
\$6.1+M package expenditure? When discussing your ARPA funds expenditure wish list, why wasn't this project listed with those expenditures? Were you unable to use ARPA funds for this one significant expenditure? Many of the items of ARPA spending docket could have been scheduled into future budgets, put into place over time, so we wouldn't have to max out future levies to pay for this communications package.

As a board, it seems you are being rushed to make a decision before the November deadline, given to you by Motorola, in order to receive an approximate \$360,000 discount at the time the contract is signed. Motorola wants to make this sale, but you have a responsibility to the citizens of Dickinson County to make this decision on Dickinson County's timeline, not Motorola's.

This program was never mentioned or included in the 2022-23 budget. The budget was approved in March 2022; why is this system on a fast track avoiding the budgeting process?

Can you spell out how you are going to pay for this project? Several ways were bounced around the room: bond issue, the remaining approximately \$1.7M in ARPA funds, maxing out our levy for the next couple of years; the taxpayers need to know.

This project needs public transparency; many questions need answers before you move forward. A public meeting must be held to help Dickinson County taxpayers understand why this system is necessary and how you will fund this up to \$6.6M project.







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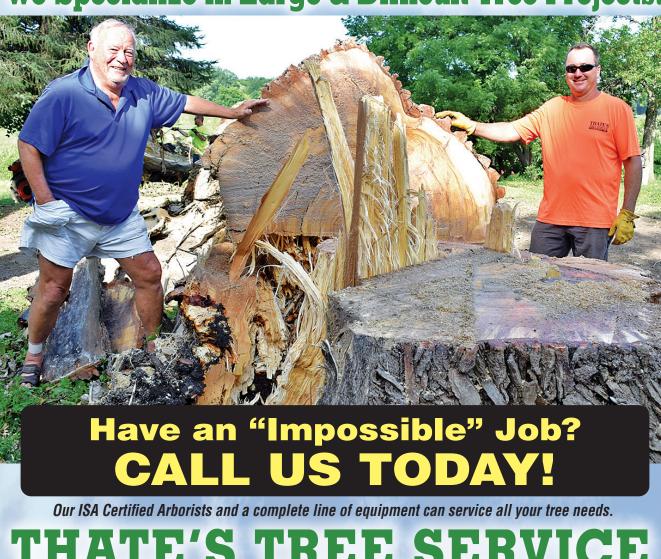
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Milford Library News

Join Curt Strutz for an interactive and unique presentation on

Wednesday, October 12, at 6:30 p.m., in the Milford Community Center. Guests will take tours through the nation's most haunted locations - possibly including abandoned hospitals, schools, asylums, homes, and more. All done with original photography, deep history, and haunted experiences. Visiting the Beyond is a fun mix of history, photos, storytelling, and



humor. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Milford Library, Arnolds Park Library, and Spirit Lake Library.

On Wednesday, October 5, 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.

Let MML help you have a relaxing fall night in or a lazy fall day. Prepare a slow cooker meal from one of our cookbooks. If you like baking, we have cake pans available. Than wind down by curling up with a good book, movie, or puzzle from MML.

Young Adults' Day Off (Y.A.D.O.) will not be held in October. MML and Arnold Park Library invite you to mark your calendars for Monday, November 7, from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Keep an eye out for more information.

Milford Memorial Library will be closed on Monday, October 10, in observance of Christopher Columbus Day. We look forward to seeing everyone on Tuesday, October 11.

On the Milford Memorial Library website, *milford.lib.ia.us*, researchers are able to access digitized Dickinson County Newspapers from 1870 to present day. Users are able to filter by keyword(s), decades, and certain newspapers. When searching for keyword(s), researchers also have the option of picking date ranges of before, after, or between. Once an article is found, users may download, crop, and print.

Milford Memorial Library can help with your printing, copying, faxing, and scanning needs. Printing and copying costs are .25¢ per page for black and white and .50¢ per page for color. Faxing is \$3.00 for the first two pages and .50¢ for each page after. Scanning to an email is free of charge. For more information, please call 712-338-4643 or email milfordlibrary51351@





Above: Joe Tiefenthaler, Joe Newlin and Matt Matthiesen from West O Beer, present the DCTB with a check from "On *Us" night at the brewery.*

West O "On Us" Night

As part of their Taproots initiative to support local nonprofits, West O Beer has hosted several "On Us" nights to highlight and raise funds for various local organizations throughout the summer. The Dickinson County Trails were featured in June and customers had the opportunity to mingle with trail board members and hear about what is happening on the trails this year and beyond. West O Beer donated a portion of the day's sales to the Dickinson County Trails and Boondocks was the matching sponsor. Several donations were also received from customers during the event that brought in over \$1,300. The

DCTB thanks West O Beer for their efforts and generosity in raising funds and awareness of our local nonprofits. 2022 Development **Projects Update**

2022 has been another big year for trail development in the Iowa Great Lakes with two significant projects that

are adding nearly 5 miles of new trail to the network. The first project connects the West Okoboji Trail with Tatanka Ska Trace. This trail extension starts at the north harbor tunnel at 155th Street and travels north 1.2 miles along the east side of Highway 86. The connection between these two trails provides for nearly 40



miles of contiguous trail around the Iowa Great Lakes. The project was completed in late August and is now open for trail users.

The second project, another extension of Tatanka Ska Trace, is well into construction with nearly two miles paved. This trail segment starts at Market Street in Lake Park and travels east 3.7 miles. Completing this project will give residents in Lake Park the opportunity to enjoy the rail trail while we work towards finalizing the connection to Spirit Lake. The DCTB plans to build the final 2.5 miles that will join Lake Park and the Iowa Great Lakes by trail in 2023.

31st Annual U Of O Oktoberfest Bike

The weather was great on Saturday for this beautiful ride around West Lake Okoboji and the event continues to be a popular attraction for bicycling enthusiasts. Proceeds from the ride benefit Dickinson County Trails and the DCTB thanks the Iowa Great Lakes Chamber for all the work they put into the entire weekend's festivities.

Left: Blain Andera with the Iowa Great Lakes Chamber presents the DCTB with a check for \$2,500 from the 2021 Oktoberfest Ride.

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





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Clay County Fair Sets Records

Increased youth involvement, record fairgoer spending, added exhibitor participation, large crowds, and great weather propelled the 2022 Clay County Fair powered by SMU to new heights, September 10-18.

"When you mix great weather, strong programming, and increased participation together,

records will be broken and attendance will increase like it did this year," said Fair CEO/Manager Jeremy Parsons. "I am grateful and thankful that our 325,585 fairgoers were able to enjoy nine beautiful and safe days."

Parsons continued that since the return of the Fair after the COVID-19 hiatus in 2020, there has been a noticeable change in fairgoer length of stay.

"Record setting spending by fairgoers in 2021 and 2022 tells us that fairgoers are staying longer at the Fair," he said. "It was very obvious this year by the crowds after 5:00pm. We have library for more information. some exciting new opportunities in front of us."

Parsons continued that the success of the 2022 Clay County Fair can be measured by several metrics, including:

Youth Involvement

- 750 4-H and FFA exhibitors from 46 counties in Iowa, Minnesota, and Nebraska participated in livestock and human sciences events at the Fair. Last year, 708 exhibitors from 42 counties participated.
- Approximately 1,300 third and fourth grade students from 15 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 is already an all-time record of \$2,833,943.98, breaking the previous record set in 2021.
- 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. 17.

Exhibitor Participation

- 466 unique commercial exhibitors, concessionaires, and vendors (up from 456 in 2021) 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.
- •1,225 exhibitors participated in various open class livestock and non-livestock competitions at the Fair – up 8% compared to 2021.

Attendance

- The Grandstand attracted 16,642 fairgoers to multiple stage performances and dirt events. The top two attended events were Dwight Yoakam with special guest Runaway June (3,035) and
- the Outlaw Truck & Tractor Pull season championships (2,202). • Overall Fair attendance totaled 325,585 – a 17.4% increase over 2021. Complete daily attendance numbers can be found at https://claycountyfair.com/about/who-we-are/.

"Perhaps the only disappointment this year was sluggish Grandstand ticket sales," said Parsons. "There will be several discussions ahead of the 2023 Fair on ways to improve our Grandstand lineup and bring in more top artists for fairgoers to enjoy."

More detailed information on the 2022 Clay County Fair powered by SMU will be made available at the Clay County Fair Association's annual meeting on October 25. Lifetime memberships to the Fair Association are available for \$100. Call (712) 580-3000 for more information.

About the Clay County Fair & Events Center: 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,



Beekeeper Toni Hazen Will Visit **The Jackson County Libraries**

Join us at the Jackson County Library System on Wednesday, October 5, to hear Beekeeper Toni Hazen speak about her honey bee hobby. Toni has a hive just outside of Estherville, lowa, and will share the process of keeping bees, harvesting honey and the making of her products.

This monthly adult program is free and will be held on Wednesday, October 5, at the Jackson Library at 12:00pm, Lakefield Library at 2:00pm, and the Heron Lake Library at 5:30pm.

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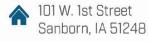
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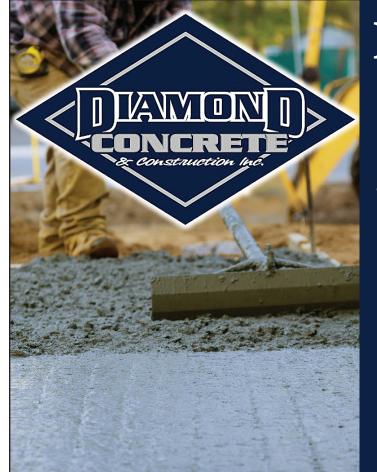






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Kenue Coffee Hour at Dickinson County Nature Center

From your kitchen to the backyard to the campgrounds, Dutch-oven cooking is the way to go! Join us for Kenue Coffee Hour: Dutch-oven Cooking at the Dickinson County Nature Center Maser Monarch

Lodge on October 6, at 10:30 a.m., to introduce you to this topic. Learn which type of oven to use, the different types of fire you can use, and find some recipes to try out for your first attempt at home.

Kenue Coffee Hour is a free adult program held on the first Thursday of the month. The program starts at 10:30 am and typically runs for an hour and



The topic for Kenue Coffee Hour changes each month. There is no need to pre-register for this program. Questions can be directed to 712-336-6352 or naturecenter@dickinsoncountyiowa.com.

For more information on Dickinson County Nature Center programs, visit www.dickinsoncountynaturecenter.com. You can also keep up on the latest happenings on Facebook, and Instagram.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Did you know that 1 in 5 adults experience mental illness annually? One in 25 U.S. adults experiences serious or persistent mental illness each year. One in 6 U.S. youth aged 6-17 experience a mental health disorder and suicide is the 2nd leading cause of death among people aged 10 to 34.

During October Mental Illness Awareness Week October 2-8, we reflect on the physical, social and financial impact of mental illness. Can we attribute all this to a particular cause or circumstance? Much lay blame in a variety of camps: substance use, challenged families, and/or life stressors of varying degrees.

Whatever the circumstances are, it is becoming clearer that all of us need to be educated to identify mental illness symptoms as well as at-risk behaviors to promote better health and safety in our communities. You can privately check out the nami.org website to learn more about signs, symptoms, types of mental illness, and treatment and recovery options. Education can go a long way to help access the support, the care, and the treatment individuals who struggle need when they need it.

If you see difficulties in coping with life, whether within yourself or others around you, share challenges with a trusted family member, friend, or neighbor, your clergy, and/or your family physician instead of keeping them bottled up. Getting support is the first step in the path to recovery, which may eventually include treatment from behavioral healthcare providers if it is warranted. Prevention and early intervention can pay dividends to keep the mental illness from becoming more debilitating.

If you or a loved one are struggling, you are not alone. Reach out for help through the national hotline, 988, or through NAMI NW IA at 712-357-5428 or namiofnwia@gmail.com. Take that step to gain hope!

Sincerely, Kim Wilson Spencer, Iowa

U of I Class of 2026 by the Numbers

The University of Iowa continues to attract high-achieving students. This fall's incoming first-year class has topped previous records with an average high school grade-point average (GPA) of 3.82. The average high school GPA for the classes of 2025 and 2024 were 3.81 and 3.78, respectively.

It is also the third-largest incoming first-year class on record at 5,178 students, after 5,643 in the fall of 2016 and 5,241 in the fall of 2015.

"We are so excited to welcome these newest Hawkeyes, a large and accomplished class full of energy and new perspectives," says UI President Barbara J. Wilson. "We'll make sure they have the extraordinary opportunities they deserve as we continue to make progress on our university priorities: student, faculty, and staff success; transformational research and discovery; diversity, equity, and inclusion; holistic well-being for our campus stakeholders; and public engagement and impact. I can't wait to make this year another great one for the University of Iowa."

At 5,178, the Class of 2026 has 657 more students than last year's incoming first-year class. About 21% of the class (1,063) are first-generation students, and about 20% (1,061) identify as African American, American Indian, Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander, Asian, Latinx/a/o, or two or more ethnicities.

Sarah Hansen, vice president for student life, says the Hawkeye spirit is as vibrant as ever in the newest student cohort.

"I can already tell that the Class of 2026 is going to be an exceptionally engaged class and that they will quickly make their mark on campus," she says. "They participated in On Iowa! programming in record numbers and are demonstrating their commitment to being a part of the Hawkeye community already. We are so happy they chose us-the UI sense of community is second to none, and we are all here to help them succeed within and beyond the classroom."

About 54% of the incoming first-year class (2,777) are Iowa residents, and about 1% (55) are international students. The class represents 92 of Iowa's 99 counties, 45 U.S. states and territories (as well as Washington, D.C., and bases for the U.S. Armed Forces), and 40 countries.

"We know when prospective students see our campus in person, meet our faculty and staff, and experience our downtown, Iowa jumps to the top of their list of schools," says Brent Gage, associate vice president for enrollment management. "This incoming class is a testament to our university's collective effort to safely host campus visit programs despite the pandemic."

This year, 21,973 undergraduates are enrolled at Iowa. About 45% of Iowa's students identify as male, about 55% as female. Graduate students total 6,156, and professional students total 1,886. Total undergraduate, graduate, and professional enrollment is 30,015 students. Additionally, Iowa has 1,302 postgraduate scholars (medical residents and postdoctoral students.

Following are Lakes area students (and their Major study) Arnolds Park: Tara Pas (Chemical Engineering)

Estherville: Landon Moran (Undeclared Engineering); Abbigail Sander(Business Direct Admission); and James Williams (Business Direct Admission)

Lake Park: Tyler Jurva (Open Major)

Milford: Jaxson Colling (Pre-Business); Liam Knudtson (Cinema); Allison Peters (Health and Human Physiology); Michael Stein(Health and Human Physiology)

Ocheyedan: Emily Otto (Nursing Interest)

Spirit Lake: Molly Van Dyke(Elementary Education); Joshua Jackson (Civil Engineering); Ethan Backhaus (Pre-Business); Brianna Brands (Spanish); Stella Donkersloot (Open Major); Benjamin Fisher(Neuroscience); Bianca Hunt(Human Physiology); Carver Jungjohan (Pre-Business); Josie Tvedte (Nursing Interest); Olivia Whiting(Computer Science)

Spencer: Carly Borth (Open Major); Hanna Gee(Microbiology); Kaylee Iedema (Pre-Business); Evan Johnson (Pre-Medicine); Grace Katzer (Journalism and Mass Communication); Owen King (History); Jaxon Richter(Sport Studies); Sawyer Sand(Nursing Interest); Evan Schmidt(Open Major); Grace Klatt (Business Direct Admission)

About the University of Iowa: As a top global university, Iowa is the ideal destination for learning, discovery, and innovation. We bring art and science together to create a truly unique interdisciplinary education. With over 200 areas of study to choose from, students are encouraged to mix and match majors minors, and certificates to earn a degree that reflects their unique interests.

From inside our world-class medical center to the most prestigious creative writing program in the U.S., students have access to quality academic support and are equipped with the tools they need to stand out in a competitive workforce. Our 15:1 student-to-faculty ratio allows students to work directly with experts in their field while earning valuable, practical skills.

Our campus seamlessly blends into the heart of downtown Iowa City, making it easy to access academic resources and belong to a larger, welcoming commu nity. With over 500 student organizations, clubs, and communities on campus and countless in-town events scheduled throughout the year, Iowa makes it easy to build a network of friendships and connections that last a lifetime.



Don became an Independent Agent in 2005 and has been an Investment Adviser Representative (IAR) with Royal Fund Management since June of 2015. Don reflected on the initial discussions he had with Mark Sorensen before moving to RFM. Mark said, "we do not want all of your Client's money". Breuker states, "That comment set me back. Every Security Broker/Dealer, a previous Advisory firm, insurance companies and banks always wanted all of a Client's money to come to

for the financial services industry.' Don has two separate and distinct businesses. The investments are with Royal Fund Management for the Managed Risk money. Don's other business is Breuker Financial Strategies which in part is associated with life insurance of various types and with various types of annuities. This business provides for the 'safe money' being managed for a Client.

them. RFM's philosophy is that every Client has a need for part

of their money in a 'safe place' and part of their money at risk,

but 'Managed Risk'. That is a unique philosophy and attitude

being a fee-based investment management portfolio supervised

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Don believes in Financial Planning, which includes Consulting and a Financial Analysis being done specifically for the individual Client. Don says: "Look at what you have now. Determine what you actually need. Then determine if what you have is good, keep it. Or, if what you have just needs a little fine tuning and tweaking, do that. Or, if major changes need to be made, assist in accomplishing the implementation for the need." Don also helps with estate planning and putting together a full Asset Protection Plan with a company that specializes only in this area. Don has attended multiple 2-day IRA training seminars by nationally known and recognized, Ed Slott. Slott is a CPA that is a specialist in the latest retirement tax law changes and planning.

As an independent agent, Don has no ties to any one company. Every company has some good funds, but no one company has all the best funds. So the best funds are selected from multiple companies. Life insurance and annuities are the same way. Each company has good life insurance products and good annuities. The selection of a life insurance policy or an annuity should be based on the client's specific needs and NOT just from a particular company.

It is not the total dollars or the number of clients on the client list, but to know and to take care of each and every person that is on that 'client list'. Don knows the face that goes with every name on his 'Client List'.

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Cleaning. Restoration. Construction. The 100th Anniversary of Fire Prevention Week Spotlights the Importance of Fire Escape Planning

During the week of October 9, 2022, the National Fire Prevention Association (NFPA) observes the 100th anniversary of Fire Prevention WeekTM, the longest-running public health observance in the United States. The timing of the annual event commemorates the date of the Great Chicago Fire, which began on October 8, 1871, and killed more than 250 people, left 100,000 homeless, destroyed more than 17,400 structures, and burned more than 2,000 acres of land.

In support of this year's theme for Fire Prevention Week - "Fire won't wait. Plan your escape™ " - fire and water cleanup and restoration specialist Ryan Brooks of SERVPRO® of Spencer & Iowa Great Lakes, reminds local home and business owners that the single most important thing to do when fire breaks out is to get out of the building. "This is especially true in a home fire," says Brooks. "The NFPA warns that today's homes burn faster than ever, leaving residents two minutes or less to safely escape a home fire after the smoke alarm sounds."

According to the NFPA, your ability to escape from a fire depends on two things: early warning from smoke alarms and advance planning. Their Fire Prevention Week website (https:// www.nfpa.org/fpw) offers information and resources in English and Spanish to help property owners choose and maintain a smoke alarm, plan an escape route, and ensure that every person, including children and the elderly, knows what to do in case of a fire.

If your home is affected by fire, says Brooks, the next challenge you face is cleanup and restoration. "This is where a disaster remediation specialist like SERVPRO can help," says Brooks. "Our website offers answers to FAQs that can help you understand what you should do first after a fire, how the fire repair and restoration process works, and more. Even small fires or neighboring fires can cause extensive damage to walls, ceilings and contents in a home, so it's best to check with a professional to see if remediation is the way to go."

Additional fire-related frequently asked questions covered include:

- What items can survive a house fire?
- Can smoke damage be removed?
- How much does it cost to fix a fire damaged house? How to clean after fire damage?
- What should I do with all the water that was used to put
- How to recognize and deal with smoke damage even if your home hasn't been directly impacted by fire?

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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.

A typical 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.



Discovery House is truly a Place that can be Considered a Home

"When I came to Discovery House, my life was at an all-time low. It helped me begin to figure out who I am after losing myself to drugs. Jessica and John have done a lot to get me help in the community and Discovery House is a great place for any addict or alcoholic. They will love you until you can love yourself!" Chance, current resident

"Discovery House is a life saver, literally. If I didn't have the structure and support I have here I wouldn't be clean and sober today." Danny K, current resident

"Discovery House took me in at a very dark time in my life. And with the structure and support of the people involved, I went from a homeless person to a man with a job, and apartment, and a direction to go. I couldn't have done it without everyone involved, but especially our leading lady, Jessica and her husband, John." TDD, former resident

"The Discovery House is truly a place that can be considered a home and the people can be truly called a family. It is one of the best experiences of my life. I am so grateful for Jessica and John for this opportunity and thank God for them!" By the one and only James David Bergstrom, current resident

"Jess told me that all she did was open the door for me, but she did so much more. I was on the street, carrying my backpack and a duffle bag, in the winter. I had called and asked about Discovery House and Jess told me I could come in after I went and medically detoxed. She saw me pacing the sidewalk trying to decide if I could really do this. Then she opened the door and called my name. Every time I try to thank her or tell her that she saved my life, because she did, she tells me: 'all I did was open the door; you walked in". She still tells me that I saved myself, but I know if Jess had not opened that door, I would have kept walking and I would have found another bottle. She saved my life and I am forever grateful to her and the people responsible for putting Jess in the position to be able to help people like me." M, former resident



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