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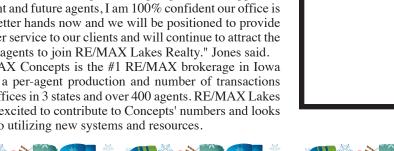
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THURSDAY | JANUARY 26th Locals "Pre-Games" Party with Winter Games Cheerleaders - NO COVER! 6-7pm The Barefoot Bar's 10th Annual Charity Battle of the Bartenders sponsored by Red Bull hosted by Parks Marina and The Barefoot Bar

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Good for Gary on the Cobalt Boats Main Stage 6:30pm 8:30-11:30pm Crown Royal Safe Ride Bus shuttle available - FREE

FRIDAY | JANUARY 27TH

ALL DAY Boats on Ice Boat Show

Snappers Turtle Bay Café Open llam Boat House Bars open | Muff Wader Tap Truck open 2pm

Tristan Marquardt on the Cobalt Boats Main Stage 5pm

Hanging Bar Competition

Johnny Holm Band on the Cobalt Boats Main Stage 7pm-12am Crown Royal Safe Ride Bus shuttle available with wristband

#### **SATURDAY | JANUARY 28TH**

ALL DAY Boats on Ice Boat Show Helicopter Rides

> Barefoot Blowout Clothing Sale - up to 75% off! Winter Games Photo Wall

Hanging Bar Competition

Muff Wadder Tap Truck in The Boat House

The Barefoot Bar & Boat House bars open

Flag Football on the pond sponsored by Parks Marina 10am Red Bull Ice Scramble Hot Laps

Quad/Motorcycle Studded Ice Race Shootout presented by Parks Marina

Food Truck, Trackside Bar & Red Bull Ice Bar open at Barefoot Lonesome Losers on the Cobalt Boats Main Stage

DJ Aventi at The Barefoot Bar with Red Bull DJ Truck

Red Bull Ice Bar and Shot Bell 11am-12am Crown Royal Safe Ride bus shuttle available with wristband

11am-1pm Kid's Fun Zone:

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> Mini Golf Course sponsored by Liberty National Bank Casting Contest by Pure Fishing. All age participation - win prizes!

Bean Bag Toss and Tubing Hill

Red Bull Winter Bar and DJ at The Barefoot Human Dogsled Races sponsored by Parks Marina and Doll Distributing.

2pm The Fishheads on the Volvo Penta Boat Club Stage

Stein Holding Contest sponsored by Exile Brewing Co. in the Boat House 2:30pm 3:30pm Rylan Fowler Band on the Cobalt Boats Main Stage

4pm Arm Wrestling Competition in the Boat House sponsored by Bousquet Construction

Pop Rocks on the Cobalt Boats Main Stage **SUNDAY | JANUARY 29TH** 

#### THURSDAY | JANUARY 26TH

West Boutique is Open 8am-5pm The Fish House is Open!

FRIDAY | JANUARY 27TH

O'Farrell Sisters is open. Serving all day breakfast and lunch @ 11am 7am-2pm The Fish House at Okoboji Boat Works is open in Smith's Bay on West Lake West Boutique is open with New Winter Fashions and up to 75% off select

summer fashions perfect for winter vacays! Josh Quirin in The Fish House

SATURDAY | JANUARY 28TH

O'Farrell Sisters is open. Serving all day breakfast and lunch @ 11am The Fish House Open

C-Store open with food by Buffy (spaghetti tacos & pulled pork) 8am-4pm Broomball Tournament in Smith's Bay

West Boutique is open 9am-5pm

Karaoke & dance tunes with Big Nacho

11–12:30pm "Strut Your Mutt" Dog Show sponsored by the Humane Society & Arnolds Barkery 1-2:30pm Smooshing Races sponsored by Exit Realty - consists of teams of three, all wearing a pair of shoes attached to a set of two 2x4s.

> Sign up proceeds donated to Hope Rolls **SUNDAY | JANUARY 29TH**

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Music with the Rylan Fowler Band 9:30pm

**SATURDAY | JANUARY 28TH** 9am Gardens is open

Deckside Ice Bar sponsored by McCormack Music with The Sheet

Bean Bag Tournament sponsored by The Gardens 4pm Keg Toss - sponsored by Doll Distributing and The Gardens.

Music with The Jeremy DeWall Band **SUNDAY | JANUARY 29TH** 

Gardens is Open! Sunday Funday, all drinks half price, ALL DAY! **Music with Sounds Fishy** 2-6pm

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# University of Okoboji Winter Games - Burning of the Greens

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Among the many traditions of the games include the annual Extravaganza including the Burning of the Greens.

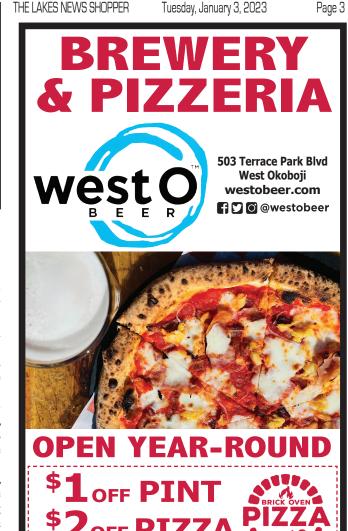
The Burning of the Greens is a culmination of the weekend where a local collection of the year's Christmas trees is set aflame by the nominated cheerleaders for all to celebrate.

The Burning of the Greens and Firework Extravaganza sponsored by Bank Midwest will take place the night of Saturday, January 28, starting at 6:30pm, at the greenspace in Arnolds Park. Special thank you to Diamond Concrete for donating the storage containers!

To contribute, please drop off your natural Christmas trees, wreaths, garland, etc. to one of two donation containers. One container is set up outside the Dickinson County Expo Building in Spirit Lake and another is in the large parking lot across from the Maritime Museum in Arnolds Park.

The countdown is on... one month until we LIGHT THAT

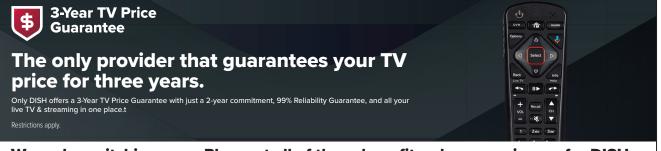
More information about the Burning of the Greens can be found at uofowintergames.com.



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#### Mobile Food Pantry in Lake Park

The Food Bank of Iowa Mobile Food Pantry will be open for distribution on Thursday, January 5, from 4:30 - 6:30pm, 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 before 3:30pm, do not line up at the door, the

building will be open at 3:30pm, and distribution will not start before 4:30pm. Questions? Call James Kessler at 712-330-1738.





Tuesday, January 3, 2023

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SEASON PASS WINNERS - Cheri Batazi and her two granddaughters are EV Smart's winners of two season passes to Arnolds Park Amusement Park. EV Smart of Okoboji sells UTVs that are American made. They offer electric and gas models at affordable prices. For more information, call 712-336-3333.





#### **Great Lakes Mall Giving Tree Results**

Upper Des Moines along with the Great Lakes Mall would like to thank our local businesses and organizations who sponsored trees this year!

- Kleenex -Kinder Music at the Lakes
- Paper Towels -Dickinson Co. Nature Center
- Deodorant -Hope Haven
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- Toothpaste -Home Instead
- Dishwashing Soap Spirit Lake/Milford Subway
- Hand Soap GrapeTree
- Toilet Paper Terril Fun Day Commitee The outcome of our Festival of GivingTrees was outstanding

this year we collect a total of 857 pounds of non perishable items! So many families will benefit from these awesome

We had so many amazing trees this year and we are very excited to announce the winning trees!

The winner of the most donations goes to GrapeTree -Hand Soap with 911 donations! The winner of the most cre-

ative tree goes to the Dickinson Co. Nature Center! Such an adorable tree! Thank you so much for

everyone who participated and helped us fill the Upper Des Moines Food Pantry!













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80th Birthday Announcement Patricia "Patty" (Haupert) McGuire of Sioux City, formerly of Spirit Lake, will celebrate her 80th birthday on Wednesday,

January 11, 2023. Cards may be sent to 2724 Oleander Ct., Sioux City, IA 51106. Patricia Haupert was born on January 11, 1943. She grew up on the family farm near Burt, IA. Patty married Jerry McGuire on June 10, 1967. She retired from the Spirit Lake Public Library in 2012. Following retirement, Patty and Jerry moved to Sioux City to be closer to family.

Patty's children are Tony (Melodie) McGuire, Susan Mc-Guire, and Mary McGuire and bonus daughter Jonette Spurlock, all of Sioux City. Patty has 1 step granddaughter and 2 step great-grandchildren.





## 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.



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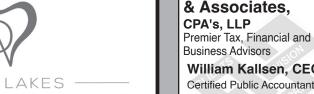
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Iowa Roadside Vegetation Manager, Tanner Bouchard. He is excited to share his knowledge on what to plant near right of ways using native plant substitutes that won't become invasive to Dickinson County. Anyone who enjoys plants, gardening, or landscaping should attend.

the public on how to use prairie plants as alternatives in ways

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 a light beverage bar is served. The topic for Kenue Coffee Hour changes each month. There is no need to pre-register for this program. Questions can be directed

For more information on Dickinson County Nature Center programs, visit www.dickinsoncountynaturecenter.com. You can

#### SWCD Meeting

The organizational meeting of the Dickinson Soil and Water Conservation District will be held Tuesday, January 3, 2023, beginning at 8:30am, in the District Office conference room.

A tentative agenda will include: the oath of office, election of officers, appointment of officers, assistant commissioners and employee committee, review of public funds, district cost-share policies, approving shredding of documents, review of the annual work plan, adoption of organizational financial policies and planning for the next meeting.

If you need accommodation, please notify the Dickinson SWCD office by January 3 by calling 712-336-3782, Ext. 3.

## LAKES NEWS Auction Calendar

Fri., Jan. 6 - 10:00 AM -80 Acres at Auction in Royal, IA. Auctioneers: Midwest Land Management.712-262-3110.www. midwestlandmanagement.com.

Wed., Jan. 18 – 10:00 AM – 80 Acres at Auction in Laurens, IA. Auctioneers: Midwest Land Management.712-262-3110.www. midwestlandmanagement.com.

Thurs., Jan. 26 - 10:00 AM -160 Acres & 40 Acres at Auction in Milford, IA. Auctioneers: Hjelm, Peterson & Sikora. 712-262-3529. www.theacreco.com.

Wed., Feb. 1 - 10:00 AM -99 Acres at Auction in Sanborn. IA. Auctioneers: Midwest Land Management.712-262-3110.www. midwestlandmanagement.com.

Bidding Ends Thurs., Feb. 2 -Online Only Auction of Apartment Complex in Spencer, IA. Auctioneers: Midwest Land Management. 712-262-3110.www.midwestlandmanagement.com.

THE LAKES NEWS **Auctions** 



Milford Al-Anon meetings will take place online on Mondays, at 8:00pm, from now until April 15. To join the meeting, go to the website *al-anon.org* or call 712-363-2248.

Meetings will also take place at the Calvary United Methodist Church in Arnolds Park, on Thursdays, at 7:00pm. Call District 2 at 712-580-

4406 for more information.

#### AA Meetings The Jackson Java open

AA meetings will resume on Tuesdays at 7:00pm, at Jackson Center for the Arts (309 2nd Street, Jackson, Minnesota).

For more information, contact Aili at 507-840-0639.

#### 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.

Park in Okoboji Thursday, January 5, at 10:30am.

January's topic is Plant This, Not That, a presentation by

Tanner Bouchard said," I am looking forward to educating most people don't expect!"

to 712-336-6352 or naturecenter@dickinsoncountyiowa.com.

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## Witzberger to Speak at ILUUF

Kirk Witzberger will be the speaker at the January 8 Iowa Lakes Unitarian Universalist Fellowship Hybrid service. He

will present a review and interactive discussion of Article II of the UU Foundational Beliefs. including our Seven Principles and Six Sources, and summarize the proposed revisions to this Article. He will outline future opportunities to participate in the revision process. The draft review will be up for a vote by UUA board in January 2023 and put to a vote at the 2023 General Assembly in June.

For those comfortable meeting in person, the service will be held in the Bay Hill Room at Arrowwood Resort and Conference Center. Coffee begins at 10:30am with the service beginning at 11 a.m. After the service everyone is invited to join the Lunch Bunch for lunch at a local

restaurant. Visitors are always welcome and those who wish to attend via Zoom can request an invitation with the Contact Us link on the Fellowship Website www.uuokoboji.com. Kirk Witzberger is the Social Justice Outreach Coordinator for IUUWAN (Jowa UU Witness Advocacy Network). He is also one of UUA's 10-member Outreach Team, which facilitated feedback sessions for the Article II Study Commission. He has been a high school physics teacher, a therapist, a student services director and student success consultant, and a change leader and process improvement facilitator. He is a 20+ year UU and

is a member of the Unitarian Universalist Society of Iowa City. The Iowa Lakes Unitarian Universalist Fellowship (ILUUF) is a member of the Unitarian/Universalist Association. ILUUF is a welcoming community seeking to provide opportunities for people of all ages to grow in their spiritual and ethical lives, finding the means to engage the world in creative and transformative ways. Learn more at www.uuokoboji.com.





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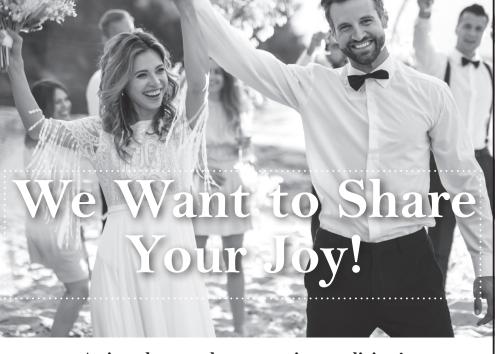




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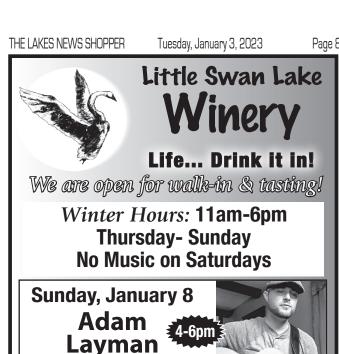
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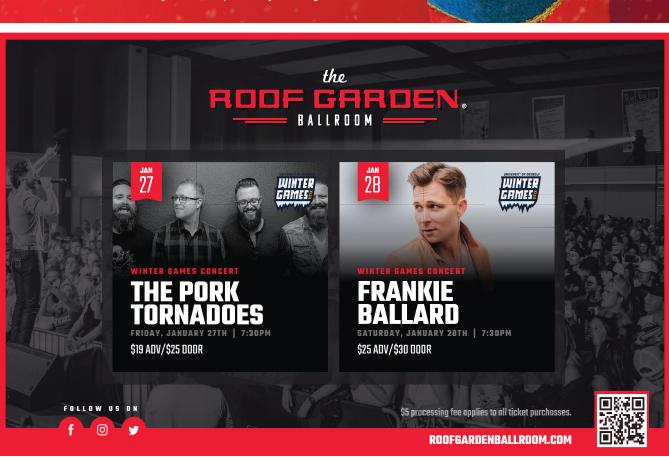










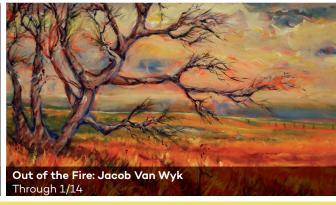






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The library would like to thank their foundation members for their support and time. The library foundation is a non-profit 501(c) organization and the members generously donate their time. The foundation members are Sharlene Eckard, Diane Clary, Ron Swartz, Debra Faulkner, Jackie Carpenter, Lavonne Siemers, and Anna Moore.

The committee members along with the library would also like to thank everyone for their wonderful donations given throughout the year. The generosity of so many allows the foundation to provide our local library with updates and improvements that otherwise wouldn't be possible.

We hope everyone has a wonderful holiday season and that you will keep the library foundation in mind when looking to spread the holiday cheer.





Milford Memorial Library wants to hear from our patrons. We are asking community members to fill out a general infor-

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time and consideration in helping us to make informed decisions on how we can better serve our community.

Young Adults, fourth through twelfth graders, are encouraged to accomplish MML's Young Adult Create a Graphic Novel Challenge Box. They will have the task of creating a new graphic novel. With the author's permission, their completed graphic novel will be displayed for other patrons to read. This is a free activity, but does require registration. To register call 712-338-4643 or online at http://milfordlibrary.weebly.com/ young-adult-registration.html.

Any interested individuals are welcome to join MML's Book Club on Tuesday, January 17, at 1:00pm. The featured book, When Breath Becomes Air by Paul Kalanithi, can be found in our library. It is not necessary to attend all of the meetings, and you are welcome to come and go as you please.

Milford Memorial Library is now able to offer the People's Law Library of Iowa. This is an online resource about Iowa's laws on topics like family law, landlord/tenant law, consumer law, and more. This is easy to use and understand information. However, the information on the People's Law Library of Iowa website is not legal advice. This resource is made possible by the State of Iowa, the University of Iowa Law library, the Iowa Access to Justice Commission, the Iowa Judicial Branch, and the Iowa State Bar Association.

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by Kitt Tovar Jensen, Center for Agriculture Law and Taxation

Transitioning a farm to the next generation is one of the biggest challenges that farm owners and beginning farmers will face. The decisions made can affect families, finances, and rural communities for decades into the future.

That's why Iowa State University's Farm Transitions Conference, slated for Feb. 9-10 in Ames, will bring together experts and experienced landowners from a wide range of backgrounds with the goal of improving the farm transition process.

Bankers, attorneys, tax professionals, mediators and family farmers will all be part of this year's event, to be held at the Gateway Hotel. Attendees will hear from professionals who deal with all parts of farm transitions - those looking to exit farming, those looking to enter or expand, and those who simply want to review their existing succession plans to ensure they are current.

"The conference is a great way for landowners, beginning farmers and anyone who plays a role in farm transitions to improve their knowledge about farm succession," said Kitt Tovar Jensen, Beginning Farmer Center manager with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach. "The goal is to provide attendees with a better understanding of their current situation and the actions they need to take to improve their situation – with the hope that we can improve the farm transition process wherever they live and farm."

The conference is being held at a time when farmland values are at historic highs, followed by high commodity prices and a period of rising interest rates. The average acre of Iowa farmland increased 17 percent this past year, to \$11,411, according to the annual land value survey conducted by Iowa State.

Chad Hart, professor in economics and extension grain markets specialist at Iowa State, will open the conference with his "Ag Market Outlook," followed by a talk on "Major Financial Decisions for Farm Transitions," presented by Alejandro Plastina, associate professor in economics and extension economist at Iowa State. Jim Knuth, vice president of business

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Leslie Miller and Nancy Brannaman, associates with the Farm Financial Planning Program of ISU Extension and Outreach, will present on "Raising Your Financial IQ.'

On the second day, participants will hear from Kiley Fleming, executive director of the Iowa Mediation Service, who will discuss "The Importance of Family meetings on the Farm." Jennifer Harrington and Kristine Tidgren, of the Center for Agricultural Law and Taxation, will present "Legal Tools and Strategies in Farm Succession Planning," and

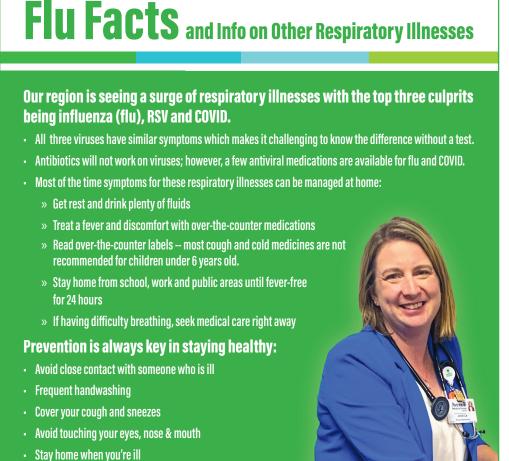
"Business Entities and Transition Taxes." The conference will conclude with a talk on "Preventing Mistakes in Farm Succession Planning," by Tovar Jensen, and "Planning for the Unexpected," by Patrick Hatting, farm management specialist with ISU Extension and Outreach.

In-person attendees will have networking opportunities, including an optional tour of Jack Trice Stadium (limited to 50). Both in-person and online attendees can interact with speakers and ask questions. All attendees will receive a free Farm Transitions workbook.

In-person registration is \$175 per person and webinar-only registration is \$150. Participants can choose and register online at https://www.calt.iastate. edu/seminar/2023-02-09/farm-transitions-entering-expanding-or-exiting-business. Groups of two or more can use code GROUP50 to receive \$50 off each in-person registration. (Does not apply to student registration). University or college students can register in-person or online for \$100. To apply for student scholarships, contact Tovar Jensen at kwtovar@iastate.edu.

The Gateway Hotel & Conference Center is located at 2100 Green Hills Drive, Ames, IA 50014. A room rate of \$114 has been reserved. Reserve your room by calling 515-292-8600.

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## **View From The Bench**

#### Hoiberg's Huskers Humble Hawkeyes

Iowa State legend (player and coach) and current Nebraska head basketball coach Fred Hoiberg is probably coaching for his job this season. For whatever reason, the magic that he brought back to Hilton Coliseum as the head coach of the Cyclones, where he went 115-63 in five seasons with four trips to the NCAA Tournament, just hasn't carried over to Nebraska, where he has just a 32-70 overall record to go along with an abysmal 10-50 B1G record. After being fired from the NBA Chicago Bulls, Hoiberg returned to where he was born in Lincoln, NE to take over a struggling Husker basketball program and was hired the same year as Scott Frost for football. Husker fans were rightfully excited in 2019 with two young coaches who were very successful at their previous college jobs coming into town to bring back Husker pride. We all know how the Scott Frost hire turned out, as he was fired early this season after a 16-31 mark, including a horrendous 10-26 B1G record. Hoiberg, like Frost, was forced last year to shake up his coaching staff, and pretty much told that if he doesn't show progress this year that he would be dealt the same fate as Frost.

The start of the 2022-23 season has been a roller coaster for

Kris Murray did end up leading Iowa with 17 points, but looked rusty at times after missing the last two weeks with a lower leg injury. Hawkeye fans are hoping that this team can find their groove that they had before Murray's injury and during their dismantling of Iowa State, and that these last two games are just hiccups during the season. The Hawks now find themselves with an overall record of 8-5, including an 0-2 mark in B1G Conference play with a huge road game at 10-2 Penn State on New Year's Day. Iowa can ill-afford to start 0-3 with #16 Indiana coming to town after that, and then a tough road game at Rutgers. Nebraska has shown that they can compete with anyone in the nation, not only with this win over Iowa, but also with an impressive 63-53 victory at #7 Creighton earlier this season. However, the Huskers will need to show much more consistency and play with the sense of urgency that they had on Thursday to have success in the rugged B1G Conference. I've known Fred for a long time, and he's a great guy who I hope can save his job by continuing to show athletic director Trev Alberts that he has the Huskers heading in the right direction. As we enter 2023, one thing is for certain with the Huskers and Hawkeyes, and that is that we don't really know what to expect



Hoiberg's Huskers so far, as they entered their game last Thursday vs Iowa with a mediocre 7-5 record, including an 0-2 B1G start. Iowa entered the game coming off the largest point-spread upset in college basketball history where they were favored by 31.5 points to beat Eastern Illinios in Iowa City but were shocked by the Panthers, 92-83. Iowa did play that game without star Kris Murray and sixth-year senior Connor McCaffery, who were both out with injuries, but would both return for this key, early B1G Conference matchup. While both teams were desperate for a win, it was Hoiberg's Huskers who came out with a chip on their shoulder and raced to a 29-8 lead in the first half. Iowa would trim the lead to nine late in the first half, but a three-pointer by Juwan Gary would give Nebraska a 38-26 halftime lead, and the Huskers would never look back, holding a 20-point lead for most of the second half before cruising to the 66-50 victory. Nebraska was definitely the aggressor the entire game, taking the fight to the Hawkeyes by attacking the paint and also dominating the glass, as they outrebounded Iowa 54-40.







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Individuals must be nominated in order to be considered as a potential cheerleader. Nominees must be a Dickinson County resident or employed in Dickinson County and at least 18 years of age. Nominations will be open the entire month of December, and a public voting will be held January 4th and 5th. The nominee should exhibit: a ready smile, generous heart,

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For more information on this celebration, please visit www. uofowintergames.com or call the Iowa Great Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce at 712-332-2107.



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Vendors are encouraged to decorate their serving areas and use this opportunity to promote their nonprofit, catering, restaurant, or other businesses to the 1,200+ people with a sweet tooth visiting this Winter Games tradition.

Shopping with Galleria vendors is another great part of this afternoon. Vendors pay their \$50 registration fee to have their cash 'n carry items at the event for groups of people looking for a little retail therapy to accompany their sweet treats.

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the pierced whole lemon, thyme and

rosemary. Tie the legs up. Drizzle the bulbs of garlic with EVOO; season with

salt and pepper. Arrange the garlic in

Rub the skin of the chicken with butter

and season with pepper. Pour the wine

into the bottom of the dish. Roast the

chicken for 1 hour or until a thermome-

ter inserted into the thickest part of the dark meat reads 165°F. Let the

Recipe Courtesy of: "Rachael Ray 50: Memories and Meals from a Sweet and Savory Life" by Rachael Ray.

the baking dish around the chicken.

Preheat the oven to 450°F. Pat the chicken dry and fill with

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remaining lemon. Serve the garlic in the skins or squeeze out to

eat with the chicken or to slather on the warm chunks of bread.



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"The SAVE program is a secondary transition program for students on a current individualized education plan (IEP) and provides special education services to fulfill unmet transition needs for students with emphasis on developing personal responsibility and work skills," said Kogel.

with Janice K. Lund re-elected as Board President and Pat Kibbie

re-elected as Vice President. Cindy Oviatt was appointed to serve

as Board Secretary and Jeff Soper as Treasurer. Scot Bauermeister

Executive Dean of the Emmetsburg Campus, began the meeting

with the Iowa Lakes Report by introducing Michelle Kogel,

SAVE Program Coordinator. Kogel has been with Iowa Lakes

since 2005 and holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Iowa

State University and a Master of Science degree from the University of Nebraska at Kearny. Kogel provided the board with

an overview of the Student Alternative Vocational Education

(SAVE) program offered at Iowa Lakes.

After completing all organizational business, Kyle Norris,

was selected as the attorney to represent the Trustees.

Iowa Lakes Trustees Receive

at the Administrative Offices in Estherville late afternoon on

Michelle Kogel (left), SAVE Program Coordinator

and Claudia Torres, an Iowa Lakes SAVE student.

**Update On Save Program** 

December 14 for

their annual orga-

nizational meeting. The 2021-22

board was ad-

journed by the

Board of Trustees

President, Janice

K. Lund, and the 2022-23 board

was then called to order by the Board Secretary, Cindy

The Trustees

elected officers,

Oviatt.

Iowa Lakes offers three academic options through the SAVE program, including Career Readiness, Career Roadmap and a program that combines components of the Career Readiness and Career Roadmap.

"Students have enrollment options at Iowa Lakes that best meet their needs while providing them the opportunity to learn specialized skills for a career and gaining valuable life lessons for their future," said Kogel.

Attending the meeting with Kogel was an Iowa Lakes SAVE student, Claudia Torres, a freshman from Fonda, Iowa, who is seeking an Associate in Arts degree.

Students seeking to enroll in the SAVE program at Iowa Lakes are encouraged to schedule a campus visit. To learn more about the program, visit iowalakes.edu/student-services/ special-needs-services/.

Robert Leifeld, Vice President of Administration, shared a presentation with the board regarding transfer majors offered at Iowa Lakes and received approval to submit the Notice of Intents to the Iowa Department of Education toward offering additional transfer majors with an anticipated start date of 2023.

The Trustees discussed recent meetings attended in other business, and the meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting of the Iowa Lakes Community College Board of Trustees will be held on Tuesday, January 17, 2023, at the Administrative Offices, 19 South 7th Street, Estherville, Iowa, at 4:30pm.





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## Tops Meetings

Tops Chapter #369, Spirit Lake, meets Friday mornings at 10:00am at the Spirit Lake United Methodist Church, 1812 Gary Avenue, Spirit Lake (use east door). If you are one that needs help with motivation and food planning to lose weight, this may be the support group for you. Visitors are welcome to attend their first TOPS meeting free of charge without obligation. For more information, call Betty Sangel at 712-320-4458.

#### Mobile Food Pantry in Estherville

The mobile food pantry from the Food Bank of Iowa is returning again. The free distribution will take place from 4:00-

6:00pm, Thursday, January 5, at the Good News Estherville Church. The food will be distributed inside the church starting in January. Recipients are asked to bring bags, laundry baskets or boxes to carry the food. At the November Food Bank, 496 individuals (203

families) received 6,391 pounds of food. If you have questions, call the Good News Estherville Church





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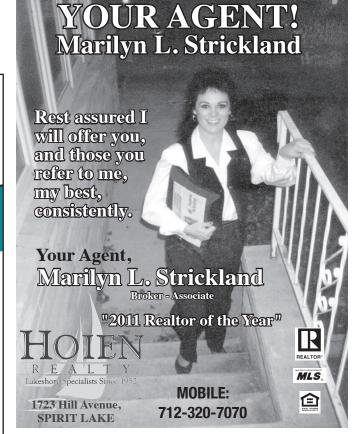
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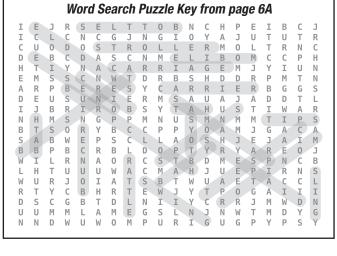
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#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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

#### Free America

In just 12 months: We now have "keepers" who decide what and where we can express our free speech.

We have someone to look after our health! As U S citizens, we are mandated to be vaccinated for a virus that science does not fully understand and yet our government cares about us so much that it has allowed 200 thousand ILLEGALS to file across our borders who are not tested for any disease, make any sense to you?? (It might be a revelation to check who the large investors are of the companies who are manufacturing the vaccines) Follow the money! Speaking of money – 400 MILLION dollars has been allocated to set up a data bases to trace us and keep an eye on our virus status. Money is no issue. It just seems to

We now Excuse and or Accept crime. Defund and debunk the police.

Been to the grocery store or the Fuel pumps lately?

Our children in their own wisdom can now decide whether they would prefer being male or female. Who needs God anyway? Just abort that baby who is inconvenient, a women should have the right to her own body. Parents have no right as to what our schools can instruct their children BUT keep paying those taxes. Oh, one could go on and on of all the virtues of this great New US.

It is time to wake up people!! Is this the great country that our forebears had the wisdom to create by discernment and the guidance of God to protect us as individuals; The government would be an instrument used only to protect our freedoms. It has grown to become a monster.

It doesn't matter which side of politics you are on, what does matter is, do you want the government ruling every phase of your life? Socialism is on the march. Wake up before it is too late.

Respectfully, Judy Valen, Spirit Lake, Iowa

## Writers and Writing

by Michael Tidemann

The Farmer's Wife a moving plains tribute If you live anywhere in the Upper Midwest, particularly

FARMER'S WIFE

with our recent blizzard, you can understand the value of a handmade quilt. Quilting is the subject of a wonderful book, The Farmer's Wife: Homestead Medallion

Quilt, by Laurie Aaron Hird of Shullsburg, Wis. The book, one of a series, was inspired by Ada Melville Shaw, whose own story is both intriguing and inspiring. Shaw was virtually found

on a doorstep Nov. 24, 1862,

on Montreal, Canada. At age 18 she moved to Winona, Minn., where she taught school. She next journeyed to Chicago to find work as a journalist. She married in 1894 but her husband died eight years later, leaving no children.

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A widow the rest of her days, Ada later moved to Montana where she lived with her friend Margaret Sudduth in Yellowstone County before homesteading on her own near Nesterville, Mt., an unincorporated town in western Fremont County that fell in decline as homesteaders left the area around 1920.

It was there that Ada compiled the journal that forms the narrative of The Farmer's Wife. Through her own grit, gristle and the help of kindly neighbors, Ada was able to prove up her homestead over five years before permanently leaving in 1915 for a permanent position with The Farmer's Wife magazine in St. Paul, Minn.

Ada's narrative tells of life on the High Plains, an unforgiving place where she experienced drought, blizzards and hail that destroyed her oat crop. Still, she hung on, despite the odds against a middle-aged widow in a raw, alien environment.

Ada's description of her homestead set amid the sprawling Montana landscape is absolutely breathtaking:

"Or, feeling chilled to the bone, hours before dawn, to brew coffee and fry bacon and then with the dog, out of doors to watch the morning star lift the sun over the horizon while the mountain shoulders, draped in dusky velvet, ermine trimmed, glimmered against the purple night sky of the west."

Sadly, the same rugged landscape Ada found so inspiring led to her leaving:

" . . . that storm – which was but the fifth of the seven that terrified us that summer - brought me to the final decision to close the Plains chapter."

Hird includes an array of quilt patterns and instructions, all inspired by Ada's narrative which alone is worth the price of the book.

Michael Tidemann writes from Estherville, Iowa. His Facebook page is Author Michael Tidemann.)







### **Milford Library News**

**Youth Corner** 

Happy New Year! The Milford Memorial Library has some great youth programs planned in January 2023. We would love to have everyone be a part of them (so...psst, write down these dates and times).

- •Building Bookworms: Snow Monday, January 9, 10:30am. • Afterschool Activity: Stone Snowman – Thursday, January
- •Building Bookworms: Pets Monday, January 16, 10:30am. When you have time, take a look at MML's Facebook page (@ milfordlibrary) and website (milford.lib.ia.us). These resources

are a perfect way for your family to know what is going on with our library and see fun program pictures. Also, please take a minute to fill out a quick and simple survey about MML. It is found on our website (scroll screen on front page and Youth page), as well as the following



link: https://forms.gle/FH2snr9KgV1ev6No7.

#### Seasons Center Receives \$5,000 **Specialized Funding from CCNIA**

Seasons Center for Behavioral Health received \$5,000 in specialized funding from Care Connections of Northern Iowa to expand Seasons' internal food bank and the assortment of items offered.

In recent years, Seasons has experienced an increase in the frequency with which individuals need to access food bank services. In addition, Seasons has seen a need to increase the types and quantities of food items available for clients. The funding provided by CCNIA allowed Seasons Center to purchase 2,302 food items for clients in need in Clay, Osceola, and Palo Alto counties. From October through December 2022, food was distributed to 46 households, benefiting 87 individuals.

"We are thankful for the opportunity this specialized funding presented for our agency and the clients we serve," said Sarah Heinrichs-Wurm, Grant Project Administrator for Seasons Center. "It allowed us the opportunity to assist with daily living needs so individuals and families could focus on their overall physical and mental health."

#### **Seasons Center Receives Grant**

As part of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's National Child Traumatic Stress Initiative, Seasons Center for Behavioral Health will receive \$400,000 a year for the next five years to enhance partnerships in rural northwest Iowa and increase access to specialized, trauma-informed, and evidence-based mental health services for foster, adoptive, and kinship children and their families.

Seasons Family Support Center will focus on children and families from a variety of placement settings, including return to biological family, relative placement, fictive kin placement, foster care, and adoptive children. Programs will include outpatient therapy, family peer support, care coordination, respite care, and training/education. Through employment of staff with lived experience as foster, adoptive, or kinship parents, a strong focus of this program is to walk alongside other families in navigating systems, working through change, and providing necessary training and support.

"Thanks to the SAMHSA grant, Seasons will offer increased access to specialized services for foster, adoptive, and kinship youth and their families," said Dan Ries, President & CEO of Seasons. "With the support of this grant, we can ensure foster, adoptive, and kinship children and their families have access to appropriate supports and treatment and agencies & professionals have the resources and supports needed to provide high quality foster/adoptive services."

"Our goal for the Family Support Center is to ensure families are able to easily access behavioral health services, resources, and supports," said Christina Eggink-Postma, VP of Program Coordination & Compliance at Seasons. "The SAMHSA grant will allow us to improve mental and behavioral health and well-being, increase access to prevention and early intervention services, and enhance access to community services and supports for foster, adoptive, and kinship families."

As a grantee for this project, Seasons joins The National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSI) whose mission statement is to raise the standard of care and improve access to services for traumatized children, their families and communities throughout the United States.



# Dairy Days to Feature Profitable Dairy Practices

Extension Specialists to host meetings that cover dairy herd manage-

Iowa dairy producers have the opportunity to learn about emerging dairy industry issues during the 2023 Dairy Days events hosted by Iowa State University Extension and Outreach. The program will be held at four eastern Iowa locations and one northwest Iowa location in January.

In Northwest Iowa, Dairy Days will be offered Tuesday, Jan. 31 at Dordt University's Ag Stewardship Center near Sioux Center. Topics and presenters are as follows. Note that the named presenters are dairy specialists with ISU Extension and Outreach.

- Raising Your Best Dairy Heifer, Larry Tranel.
- Weaning: The Other Transition, Jennifer Bentley. Using Records to Meet Your Heifer Goals, Gail Carpenter.
- Dairy Heifer Market Outlook, Fred Hall. Research Spotlight, Iowa State Graduate Students

The day-long event has been developed to help dairy producers learn about current practices and hear the latest research. All topics are designed to help producers make sound herd management decisions.

"With nearly 25 percent of a dairy's production costs associated with raising heifer replacements, optimizing growth and health is important to every dairy operation," said Fred Hall, dairy specialist with ISU Extension and Outreach in northwest Iowa. "We anticipate great discussion and learning during this year's Dairy Days.'

Check-in for all events starts at 9:45 a.m. and the program will conclude by 2:30pm. There is no cost to attend the program. However, registration is encouraged to plan for noon meal and proceedings. Local sponsors will be recognized at each event.

Registration is requested by the Friday before each event to reserve a meal. For the Jan. 31 program, register by Friday, Jan.

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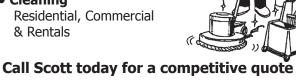
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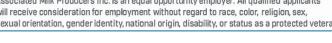
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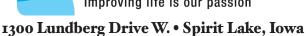
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