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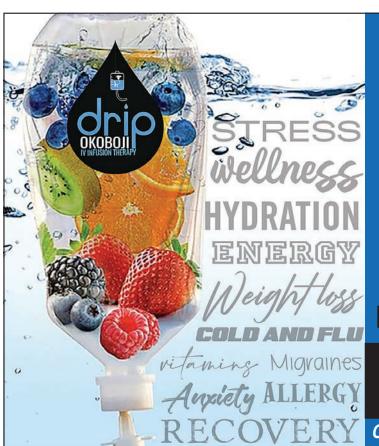


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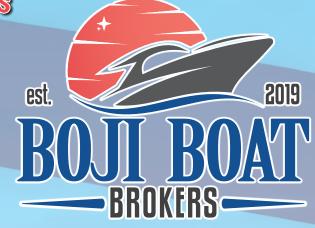








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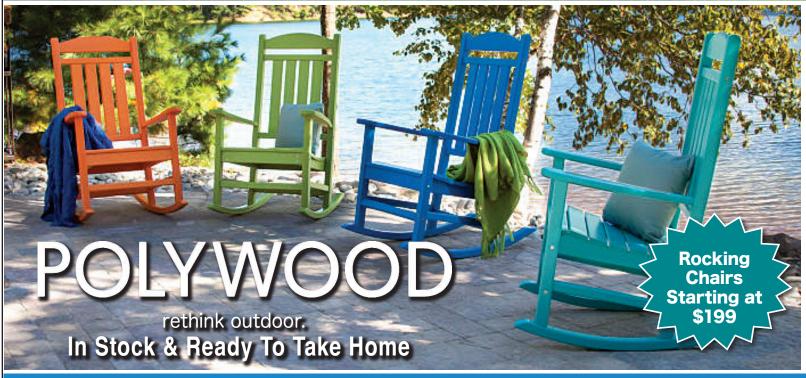
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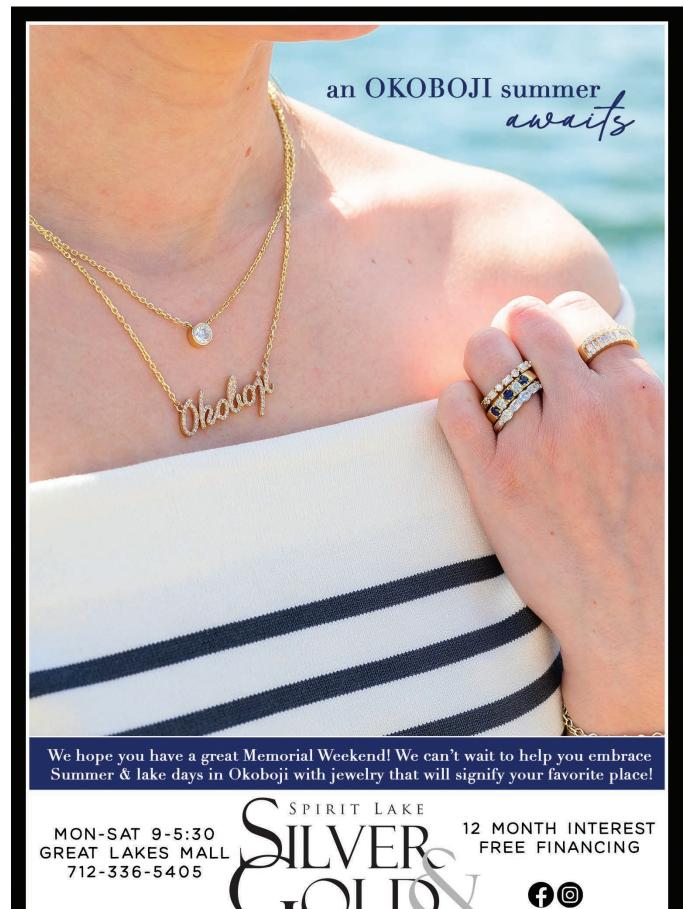
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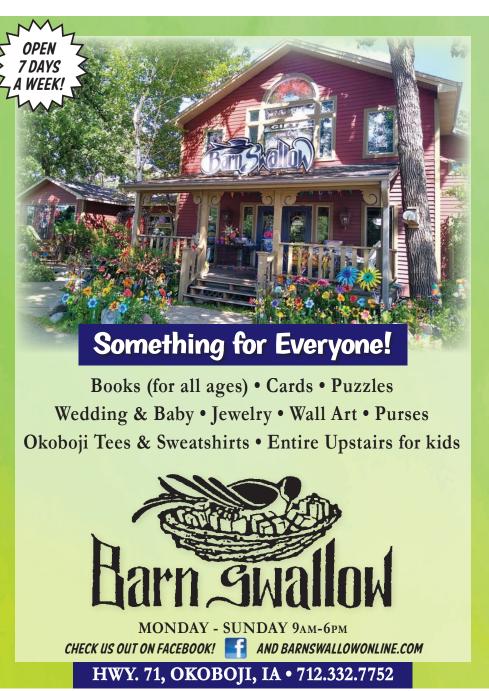
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Kim and Kimberly Tiefenthaler of Carroll, Iowa, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Shaela, to Matthew Eckard, son of Kurt and Theresa Eckard of West Okoboji. Shaela and Matt are both graduates of Palmer College of Chiropractic in Davenport, Iowa. They practice at Eckard Chiropractic in Spencer and Milford.

The couple will be married at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Milford on July 6, 2024, with their reception to follow at the Roof Garden in Arnolds Park.

Grandparents of the bride are the late Logan and Virginia Dunham of Glidden and the late Wayne and JoAnn Tiefenthaler of Carroll. Grandparents of the groom are Dianna Eckard and the late Don Eckard of Milford and the late Pete and Izzy Hart

Shaela and Matt are happy to live and practice chiropractic in the Iowa Great Lakes Area!



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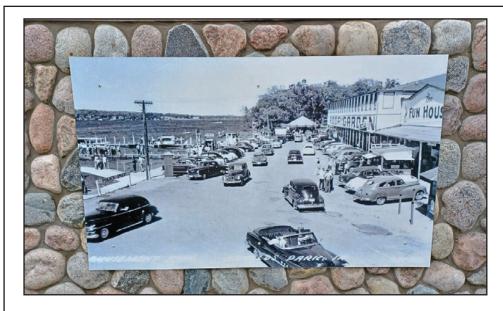
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"Wildcat Wall" Completes Wildcat Stadium Project

This story begins in 2018, when the Okoboji Community School sold the old Arnolds Park High School baseball diamond to the City of Arnolds Park for one dollar. Plans were then developed by

the City, with the cooperation of the Okoboji Youth League, to rebuild the area into a top-notch baseball/ softball diamond for area youngsters to play league games and tournaments at 74 Bascom Street.

"Phase One" of Wildcat Stadium began in 2019 when Okoboji Youth teams played 50 games on the new diamond. To bring the facility up to playing standards, the field was rebuilt with new ground, dirt, red ball diamond aggregate, fencing, dugouts, and sod; plus all the "extras" to ensure a great playing experience.

Over the next several years, Wildcat Stadium grew in size and participation. "Phase 2" plans were then set in motion, culminating in the following stadium projects being done from 2020-2023:

· A "Wildcat Walk" walking trail around the complex.

• Playground equipment and picnic tables.

• An Arnolds Park "Library Walk" including 16 stops along the Wildcat Walk where walkers can view the latest children's book at various stations.

The final part of Wildcat Stadium "Phase 3" was completed early Spring, 2024. Shown above is a scene from Wildcat Wall. Along the old retaining wall anchoring the north border of the park, a new decorative rock wall surface, with six pictures of the history of the City of Arnolds Park, is seen by walkers on the Wildcat Walk. The sign between the concession stand and the beginning of the wall states: Wildcat Wall

Welcome to Wildcat Stadium City Park! We hope you will enjoy your time here. As you follow the decorative stone wall to the east, you will see six views of Arnolds Park throughout the years.

The wall shows a glimpse of the rich history of Arnolds Park. We are very proud of that history, and of the bright future for our City. Thank you for sharing your time with us. The City of Arnolds Park Total cost of the five-year Wildcat Stadium project has been \$263,084. The vast majority of funding

has come from hotel/motel tax revenues. During its first years, Wildcat received the following grants: • Minnesota Twins Community Fund - \$15,000

• Iowa Lakes Electric - \$4,000

• University of Okoboji - \$1,000

Wildcat Stadium project co-chairs, John Adams Sr, representing the Arnolds Park City Council, and Tim Blankers of the Okoboji Youth League, wish to thank everyone who has visited Wildcat, enjoyed their time there, and have supported the complex. A special "thank you" to the City of Arnolds Park maintenance employees who keep the diamond and grounds looking so great!







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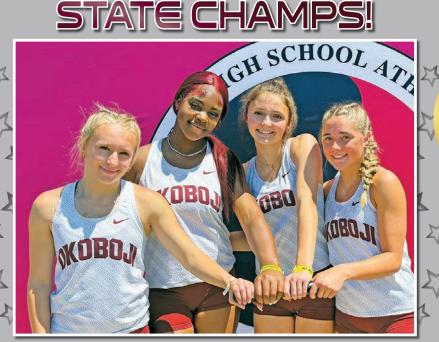
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Spirit Lake Memorial Day Program

The American Legion Timpe Post #23 and John W. Kidd VFW Post # 4514 will host the Spirit Lake Memorial Day

Program on Monday. May 27, 2024, at 9:55am, in the Dickinson County Courthouse lawn. Bring your lawn chair. The guest speaker will be Colonel Matthew Fecter.

All are welcome to honor those veterans who have given

the ultimate sacrifice for their country.

They are also asking for your help to put up the nearly 350 flags on the lawn of the courthouse on Friday, May 24rd, at 3:00pm. They will also need help taking them down on Monday, May 27th, at 4:00pm. American Legion Post 23 Commander Denny Perry and VFW Post 4514 Commander Ron Baack would like to thank you in advance for showing your volunteer spirit.

IBBB at Spirit Lake VFW on Tuesday, May 21

The Itty Bitty Boji Band will be playing for a dance at the Spirit

ite dance tunes from 6:00 to 8:00pm, thatevening. Come early and enjoy a meal prepared by the VFW. It's always a rocking good time when the Itty Bitty Boji Band performs.



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Pirate's Cove Hosting "Putting for Patriots" Event for Veterans

Pirate's Cove Adventure Golf in Arnolds Park, Iowa, will host the 17th Annual "Putting for Patriots" fundraiser f May

25th through May 27th. This national event supports two non-profits, which serve our wounded Veterans, their families, and survivors of the fallen: Homes for Our Troops $and \, TAPS \, (Tragedy \, Assistance \,$ Program for Survivors).

The charity event will occur simultaneously at thirty-one Pirate's Cove, Pirate's Island and Jungle Golf miniature

golf courses throughout the United States. Each business will contribute a percentage of their total sales over Memorial Day Weekend, plus accept donations on behalf of the benefiting charities. "Memorial Day was founded to remember those who died serving our nation," said Brad Graft, a former Marine and Pirate's Cove owner. "The Pirate's Cove/Pirate's Island family is excited to host this annual event for the fifteenth year— a humble effort to serve living Veterans, men and women who have sacrificed so much for our freedom."

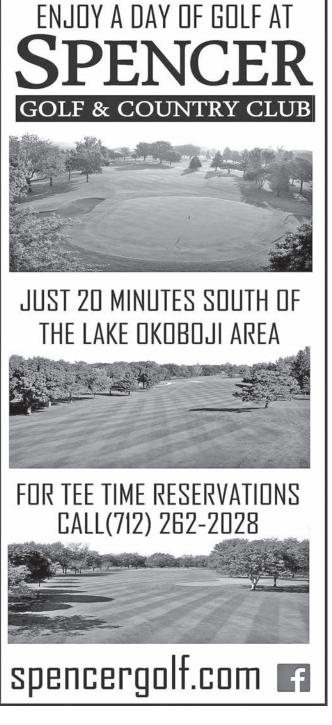
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Tuesday, May 21 12:00 - Dinner Date 12:30 - Dinner Date Speaker Jed Jensen-Northwest Bank

12.30 - Bridge Wednesday, May 22 9:00 - Exercise Class 12:00 - Dinner Date Thursday, May 23 10:00 - Strummers

11:00 - Tai Chi 12:00 - Dinner Date 1:00 - 500 Cards 3:00 - Cribbage 5:00 - Zumba Class

5:30 - Singles Group Friday, May 24 9:00 - Exercise Class 12:00 - Dinner Date 1:00 - Sewing Group

Saturday, May 25 Facility Available For Rent Sunday, May 26 No Dance

Monday, May 27 Closed- Memorial Day

Dinner Date meals are available every weekday. Call by 1:00pm on Friday to reserve a meal for the next week. Tai Chi is on Thursday's at 11:00am, sign up and stay for dinner date! Sewing Group meets Friday's at 1pm. The pool table room is open every weekday. The card room closes from 12-12:30 for cleaning. Our next Breakfast Fundraiser will be Sunday May 19 from 8:30-12:30 - Free Will Offering. No Dance this month because of the Memorial Day holiday. The facility is available to rent most weekends. Call or visit with someone at the office for more details. The Lakes Area Activity Center is located at 2101 Zenith Ave in Spirit Lake.







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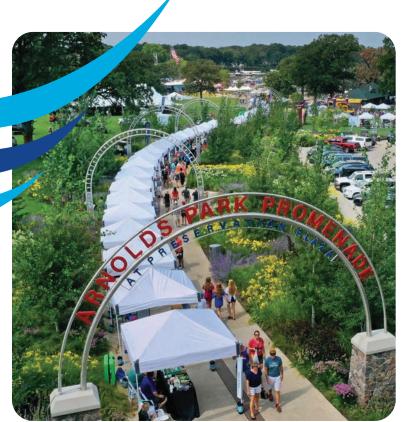
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Cards and well wishes may be sent to Doris at 2201 140th Street Spirit Lake, IA 51360.

Boji Bill Kicks off Summer at The Gardens on Monday, May 27

"Boii" Bill kicks off the summer's entertainment at The Gardens in the Central Emporium in Arnolds Park on Memorial Day,

Monday, May 27. He'll be performing your favorite songs from 5:00-9:00pm on the deck overlooking West Lake Okoboji for the "Funset Sunset" series of concerts. Enjoy the music and make sure you stick around for the best sunsets in the lakes region.







Upcoming weekly events in

Tuesday, May 21 11:45 Dinner Date 1:00 Bingo 1:00 500

10:30 Tai Chi

ong-lost father, ragged alley cat Vic, he and his canine friend Odie are forced from their perfectly campered lives to join Vic on a risky heist. FRI-MON 5/24-27 1:10, 4:10 & 7:10 TUE-THUR 5/28-30 4:10 & 7:10

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May at Occasions, Formerly the Spencer Area Activity Center, located at 104 East 4th street in Spencer.

10:30 Chair Exercise

Wednesday, May 22 11:45 Dinner Date and Dig In & Discover - Older Americans Month with Mayor Proclamation

1:00 Ponytail Canasta

1:00 Pool / Snooker

Thursday, May 23 10:30 Chair Exercise 11:45 Dinner Date 1:00 Bingo 1:00 500/Pinochle

Friday, May 24 9:00 Coffee 'Klatch' 11:45 Dinner Date 12:30 Movie "Curse of the Black Pearl" 1:00 Pool or Snooker

Monday, May 27

Closed for Memorial Day Free baked goods donated by Hy-Vee. Generous donations of baked goods, including breads, cakes, cookies, and bars are available for pickup at 8:00am on Wednesdays. Enjoy lunch at Occasions Monday through Friday. Home cooked meals are catered by McCreary's Hospitality. Simply call 712-262-1782 a day ahead so we can put in the order for your meal. Join us for sausage gravy and biscuit breakfast the third Sunday of every month from 8am-12:30pm.





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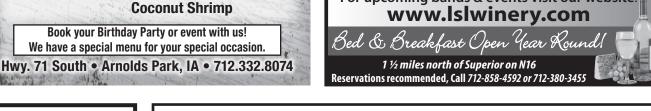
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Braverman Earns DMU Award

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Lakes Area Farmers Market News

Located at Dickinson Co. Fairgrounds 15th Street & Peoria Avenue, Spirit Lake, IA 51360

Lakes Area Farmers Market in Spirit Lake is almost here. Opening day is June 1 and we have many things planned for that day. There is free coffee every week but on June 1 there will also be cookies. We'll draw for 2 door prizes; a hanging basket given by Brandt's Garden and Greenhouse and a wire sculpture created by Stan Anderson. One of the two will include a gift certificate to Goodies Handmade Candies. You'll find them at 2321 30th Street in Spirit Lake.

At 9:30 Barb Pohlman of Pohlman Produce will give line dancing lessons until 10:30. After them, check out her booth at the market. Also this year, check out our reusuable Market bags. They are available for purchase at many vendors for \$10 each. They are machine washable cotton but should be turned inside out and hung to dry. We'll be planning more activities as the season progresses and will have a basket of market products plus gift certificates to give away each week. And don't forget the produce. More produce vendors will be bringing as much seasonal produce as they have available. It's going to be a fun day and we hope to see you there.

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:**

Choose Proven Leadership

Jeff Thee is running for re-election to the Dickinson County Board of Supervisors District 3 seat. The Republican Primary for this elected position is on June 4, 2024. I encourage you to get out and vote for Jeff. He has proven himself as an honest public servant over the many decades he has served our communities in various capacities including City Council and the Board of Supervisors. Jeff is positive, open-minded, puts in the time and effort to carefully research each decision he makes and importantly he is always present in our community and easily accessible to his constituents.

I understand there is a highly controversial issue right now that the county will need to determine the best path forward. Every good public servant will experience times of discord such as now where people want their personal wishes to be the final outcome. Unfortunately, sometimes they will use unsavory tactics to get their way including spreading misinformation to create fear. I have known and served with Jeff in various capacities over the years and I believe Jeff will stick to his value system even when working through the most controversial of topics. He will preserve his high character, put in the work, the research and will make decisions that are in the best interests of us all.

Re-elect Jeff Thee to the Dickinson County Board of Super-

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computers are dead anywhere from three weeks to two months. What can I do to keep them charged longer.

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vehicles. Vehicles with computers will draw more power even if

they are shut down than a vehicle without a computer but they all will gradually go dead. Make sure that any charger you use

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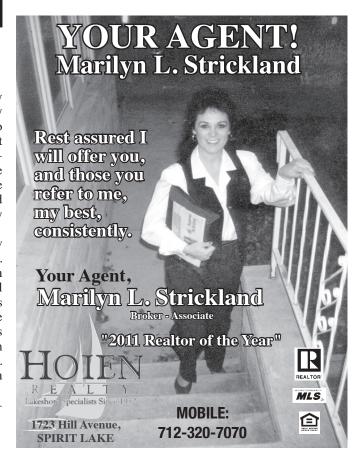
The St. Joseph Arts Council is pleased to announce our upcoming concert with Glenn Henriksen and Father Paul Kelly on Sunday, June 2, 2024, 4:00pm at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 1305 Okoboji Ave, Milford, Iowa. Father Kelly and Glenn will share their musical gifts in an array of musical instruments and favorite selections. Doors will open at 3:30. This is a free concert, a Free Well Donation will be accepted. A "Welcome to Summer Sundae" reception will follow the concert in the Parish Center.

Father Kelly and Glenn Henriksen, both Northwest Iowans, are multi-talented musicians.

Glenn, an Armstrong, Iowa resident, is an accomplished pianist and organist. Henriksen began piano lessons at age 7, at 13 he was his hometown church's organist and attended Luther College receiving further musical instruction. Glenn plays in a wide variety of events, concerts, church services, and other social activities. He is a member of the variety rock band Galaxy. Glenn's lifetime experience in many musical genres has enabled him to develop a unique musical style, resulting in one-of-kind improvised arrangements.

Father Paul Kelly is well known in Northwest Iowa. He recently celebrated 41 years as a priest in the Roman Catholic Church, serving the Diocese of Sioux City. Father Kelly is the pastor of Palo Alto and Emmet counties and previously served at St. Mary's in Spirit Lake. Father Kelly is a native of Marathon, he attended Iowa State and St. Paul Seminary. Bagpipes, tin whistle, guitar, banjo and trombone are Father Kelly's musical areas of expertise. Glenn and Father Kelly perform at church and events around the area.

The St. Joseph Arts Council is grateful to the Patrice and Rita Leary Foundation for their support. Please note that due to A-34 road construction access to St. Joseph's parking lot is via Okoboji Ave, watch for signs.



My questions are about oil changes. I recently had to replace

sludge in them and that I should have changed the engine oil

much more often which may have saved them. I only put five

thousand miles or so on each one of the vehicles, so I change

the timing chains on my 2009 GMC Acadia, and I have a

mechanic is telling me that my engines both have heavy

them both once a year. I don't think that changing the oil

every three months is a smart idea with that low mileage.

Your mechanic is correct. The problem is the low miles and

short trips on the engines, not that you are not changing the oil

sooner. When you drive short trips, the oil does not reach a high

enough temperature for a long enough period to burn off all the

moisture in the oil which will turn to sludge and leave damaging

deposits. Also, using a regular filter instead of an extended

filter breaking down and clogging the engine causing major

damage. If you used a better filter and made sure that the

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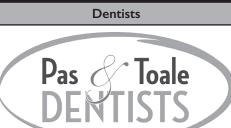
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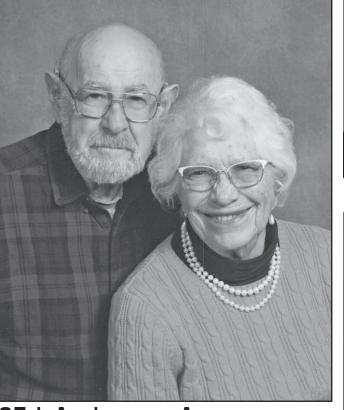
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65th Anniversary Announcement

Paul and Sheila (Blum) Currans are celebrating their 65th wedding anniversary June 6th, 2024. A celebration open house will be held at Oneota Lodge, 420 10th Ave SE, Spencer, IA, on June 8th, 2024, 3-9pm. Paul and Sheila were married on June 6, 1959, in Graettinger, Iowa, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. They live in Spencer and are active members of Sacred Heart parish. They are parents to 5 children: Colleen, Pat, Carol, Brenda and Myra (deceased). They are grandparents to 8 grandsons. They currently have 5 great-grandchildren, with 3 more to arrive soon. Additionally, Paul is celebrating his 90th birthday, which is June 12. Cards of congratulations may be sent to their home at 314 East 11th St., Spencer, IA 51301.

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Natalie Kroll, of Spencer,

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Excitement abounds at graduation for all students! To add to the excitement, the Spirit Lake School Foundation awarded scholarships to 44 graduating seniors choosing to continue their

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Spirit Lake Community School Foundation was founded in 1986 and has since awarded scholarships to over 1000 graduating seniors. To donate or learn more about the Foundation: www. spiritlakeschoolfoundation.org.

National Poppy Day is Friday, May 24, 2024. The Lake Park American Legion Auxiliary will have poppies available at the Post Office lobby on Friday morning and at the Memorial Day

program at 10:00am on Monday at the High School auditorium. Poppy Day is celebrated in countries around the world. The American Legion Family brought National Poppy Day® to the United States by asking Congress to designate the Friday before Memorial Day as National Poppy Day.

On the Friday before Memorial Day, wear a red poppy to honor the fallen and support the living who have worn our nation's uniform. The red poppy is a nationally recognized symbol of sacrifice worn by Americans since World War I to honor those who served and died for our country in all wars. It reminds Americans of the sacrifices made

by our veterans while protecting our freedoms. Led by the American Legion Auxiliary, each year members of The American Legion Family distribute poppies with a request that the person receiving the flower make a donation to support the future of veterans, active-duty military personnel and their families with medical and financial needs.

Spirit Lake **Library News**

Summer Reading Program at the SLPL by Jill Jennings

The Youth Summer Reading Program (SRP) at the Spirit Lake Public Library officially kicks off on Tuesday, May 28, 2024. That is when the first week's reading log will be available. Miss Krista, and her helpers, are in the final stages of preparation for the Tuesday after Memorial Day. The SRP, Read-Renew-Repeat, runs through Friday, July 5th. All youth ages 0 through 8th grade are eligible to participate.

This summer we are also having a Young Adult Reading Program (going into 9th grade – age 22). Pick up your reading log from the SLPL beginning Tuesday, May 28. Turn in the completed sheet by Wednesday, July 31st to receive a free book and be entered to win a \$25 Visa gift card.

Calendars for the SRP are available to pick up at the Spirit Lake Public Library. It's double-sided with the June calendar on one side and the July calendar on the other side. The kick-off event will be held at the Pioneer Theatre in Milford on Thursday, May 30th. There will be two showings of the movie Madagascar 2: 10:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. If you bring two nonperishable food items for the food pantry, you will receive a free bag of popcorn. Yum!

There is also a kick-off event planned for the tween/teen age group (students going into grades 5-12 this fall). There will be a bowling/pizza party at Juniper Lanes in Spirit Lake on Wednesday, May 29th, 6:00 - 8:00pm. Please call 712-336-2667 by Tuesday, May 28th to sign up for this free event.

The next Tuesday, June 4, there will be come & go STEAM stations at Central Park in Arnolds Park from 10:00am - noon and from 1:00 - 3:00pm. It is sponsored by PBS. On the same day and at the same location there will be a Speed Chess competition from 10:00am - noon. You can try to beat the chess mentor and win a DQ gift certificate!

This is only a taste of what will be available for the Summer Reading Program! Stop by the Spirit Lake Public Library to pick up your calendar today!

Upcoming activities at the SLPL:

• Monday, May 27, Closed for Memorial Day

• Tuesday, May 28, First Day of Summer Reading Program

• Tuesday, May 28, 9:00am - 3:00pm, Quilters • Wednesday, May 29, 1:00 - 3:00pm, Quilters

• Thursday, May 30, 1:00 - 3:00pm, Mah-Jong



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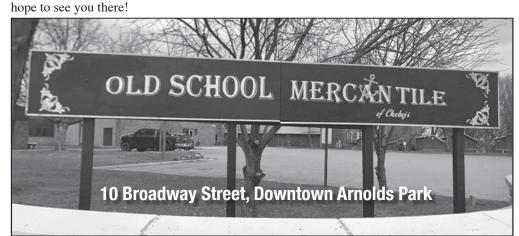
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The children (Dustin, Dani & Drew) of Duane (Dewey) and Dawn (Charly) Godfredsen are hosting an open house for their parents' 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, June 1, from 4:00to 8:00pm, at the Elinor Bedell Shelter House, 1019 260th Avenue in Spirit

No gifts please, but hugs are gladly accepted.





Typically, I wait until Sunday after church to write my article for the week. My husband says if it weren't for the last minute, I would never get anything done. I believe that is a quote by Rita Mae Brown, and she understands me in ways that my husband never will. Ha! Today, my procrastinating ways benefited me because I am going to tell you about something that happened this morning, May 19, 2024. Yes, I know that if I had not procrastinated, I could have written this today anyway and you would be reading this one week later, but whose side are you on anyway? I work best under pressure, or at least that is what I tell myself.

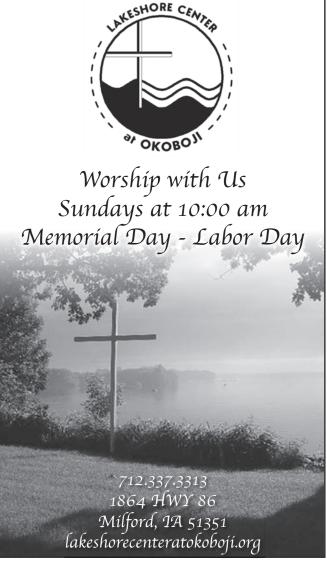
All joking aside, this morning was one of my favorite days since starting to work with people who are addicted to substances. Actually, it is one of my favorite days since I began working with people at all. For a long time, I had to be careful what I said, when I said it, and to whom I said it when it came to faith or religion or God and my relationship with Him. One of the reasons that coming to Discovery House was so appealing to me nearly 3 years ago was because of our faith-based program. I still try to practice a bit of cautious optimism when conversing with someone until I know their relationship with God. I take every opportunity that I find to talk about God. Depending on where the other person is, I decide if I am sharing how God's love and grace and mercy changed my life and telling my "God story", or if I agree that God is good, all the time, knowing they will respond accordingly.

Today, the sermon at church was all about baptism and it was planned that there would be an opportunity for anyone who wished to be baptized to do so. Going into the morning, one or two residents had expressed an interest in being baptized, and while I was excited for them, I tried to maintain a muted level of hope. I wanted to be sure that anyone who made this decision did it for themselves, not because they thought I wanted them to. I sat patiently, listening and praying, and when the time came for the participants to step forward, I waited. One of our residents stepped forward followed by a second and a third. My heart filled with joy and my eyes with tears as I watched each of them, and took pictures of course. When I thought our group was finished, two additional residents approached me and asked if they could be baptized. Praise God!

It is important to give just a little bit of context here. Resident 1 to step to the altar has said numerous times that he would leave if things got more "churchy" here. Resident 2 has repeatedly asked me to explain where God was when facing the hardest times in her life. She believed that He had left her side when she needed Him most. Resident 3 went against everything she had ever known to take this step in her faith. She was terrified and I watched as she began to panic, wondering if she was disappointing her family. Then, I watched as she was physically transformed before my eyes. What started as panic and fear changed to peace and the biggest smile ever as she confidently told me she was "so glad" she did this. Residents 4 and 5 were the ones who had not indicated that they wanted to be baptized today. Both were happy with their decision. I mentioned that there were 6 residents with us today. Resident 6 did not get baptized this morning. As a matter of fact, resident 6 left the sanctuary before anyone else. I wasn't sure, but I suspected he remained conflicted in his relationship with God or lack thereof. To my surprise, he asked me about being able to be baptized in a private ceremony. He hadn't left the sanctuary as a rejection of the baptism, he left because he had spent the last 10 years trying to be invisible. The thought of doing something that is intended, at the very core, to be public was more than he could do today. The good news is that he wanted to! The better news is that he is willing to! And the best news is that he will.

There is never a time when I could claim that this is a boring career. Sometimes it is heartbreaking, and sometimes I have a day that reminds me why I push through the hard ones. Today is the best day. Today I watched 5 residents, 1 family member, and countless others as they publicly professed their faith. God is good, all the time!





Adult Fishing Seminar Set for June 4

Want to learn more about fishing? How about an Adult Fishing Seminar? Well, that's exactly what the Iowa Great Lakes Fishing Club (IGLFC) has lined up for novice anglers, both men and women on Tuesday, June 4, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., at West O Beer (503 Terrace Park Blvd in Milford).

According to Dean Jacobsen, IGLFC Treasurer, "A major priority for the club is reaching out to the youth in northwest Iowa. We want to get them involved in fishing. However, we've received a lot of comments that we should do something for adults, who would like to learn more about fishing.'

This idea first came about last year at the Okoboji Blue Water Festival. Jacobsen says, "A gentleman came up to us at the IGLFC booth with the idea for an Adult Fishing Seminar. He said to me, 'The fishing club has my kids hooked on fishing. Great Job! The only problem is that I don't know how to fish. Will you please educate me?'

This statement really struck home to Jacobsen and other members of the IGLFC board. Discussing further, Jacobsen notes, "We want all people, youth and adult alike, to enjoy fishing opportunities. So, we are going to have our first ever Adult Fishing Seminar. We have no idea of how many will attend, but we are going to limit registration to the first 30 adults who want to attend. Cost will be \$20, which will include seminar, pizza and beverages." To register, those interested can email Dean Jacobsen at djacobsen@nw.bank.

Basic facts:

- Fishing Seminar
- Tuesday, June 4
- 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- For Novice Adult Fishermen and Fisherwomen • Couples welcome and encouraged to attend
- Seminar content will include basics on:
- 1. Rods
- 2. Reels 3. Line
- 4. Lures
- 5. Bobbers and Slip Bobbers
- 6. Knot tying

7. Basic information on fishing from shore and docks

Jacobsen concludes, "We hope we can get a good crowd for this first-ever Adult Fishing Seminar. If there is enough interest, it's something we might do again. We want youth and adults to be confident in their knowledge to enjoy fishing as individuals and as families."





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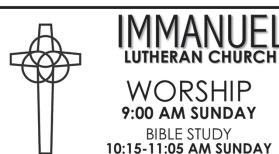
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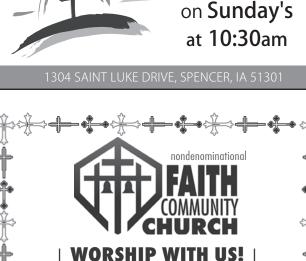
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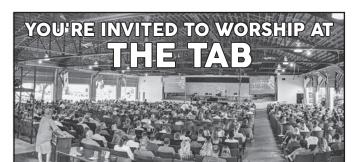
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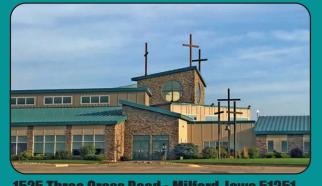
There are many food choices with World's Best Meat's jerky, Kahl's Kettle Korn, Garden Winery Wines, Haley's Home Baked Goods, and B.B. Ques Barbecue Store! B.B.Ques will also be cooking up delicious pulled pork and chicken sandwiches with their famous BBQ sauces. Another food truck will have chicken rice bowls. We will also have cotton candy and shaved ice for a sweet treat!

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The family of Mrs. Helen (Wangen) Lester is excited to announce the celebration of her 100th birthday on Thursday, May 23, 2024.

A card with well wishes would be appreciated and enjoyed. Please mail your card to: Helen Lester c/o Good Samaritan Society, 1646 5th Avenue N, Room 503, Estherville, Iowa 51334.

90th Birthday Announcement

Mitzi Maranell will be celebrating her 90th birthday on Tuesday, May 28, 2024. Her family would like to honor her with a card shower. Your warm wishes can reach her at 1011 M Avenue, Milford, Iowa 51351.

80th Birthday Announcement

Beth Primavera will be celebrating her 80th Birthday on Tuesday, May 21, 2024. Family would like to honor her with a card shower. Warm wishes can reach her at 5805 Lakeshore Drive, Okoboji, Iowa 51355.



Kiwanians Make Donation

Heide Pearson, left, accepts a donation from Milford Kiwanians, Rolf Carlson and Eyleen Anderson. This donation was given to the Milford American Legion Auxiliary to assist in their efforts to fund "Partners for Patriots", a program that matches trained guide / support dogs with

Did you know the local Kiwanis club expects and welcomes visitors? Come join them any Tuesday morning at 7:00am on the west side of the Community Building. You will experience a warm welcome, a filling breakfast, and most important of all, you will be able to discover how you can help this club as they continue to support this wonderful community!





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YMCA of the Okobojis Receives Gift from Good Neighbor Fund

The YMCA of the Okobojis thanks the Good Neighbor Fund for awarding gifts designated to support both the Bedell Family

YMCA and Camp Foster YMCA programs and services The Bedell Family YMCA received funding in the amount of \$11,464.40 to replace important equipment and supplies used in our Aquatics, Sports, and Health & Wellness departments, as

well as our Youth programming Funding also supported important life-saving equipment such as AED replacement pads and AED batteries.

Additionally, Camp Foster YMCA received \$9,244.66 to update current and new program areas such as sporting equipment for the new Airnasium, harness-

Karissa Norine, YMCA Development Coordinator and Luke Donnenwerth, ĜNF Chairman.

Andrew Fisher, YMCA CEO and Luke Donnenwerth, GNF Chairman.

es for the ropes course, carpet ball improvements for day and resident camp, a hammock hangout at the waterfront and to help offset costs for families who may not be able to afford camp.

Without dedicated and engaged donors like the Good Neighbor Fund and community members who are willing to give, the YMCA of the Okobojis couldn't continue to serve the community in our current capacity. We thank you for the continued support and look forward to continued partnership in the future.

About the Good Neighbor Fund: Since the 1950s, Good Neighbor Fund (GNF) has been a dedicated pillar of support for the local community in Dickinson County. We are a charity organization that raises funds year-round with the sole mission of benefiting local nonprofits. Our commitment lies in ensuring that 100% of the money raised goes directly to local charities, making a significant and lasting impact on the lives of those in need.

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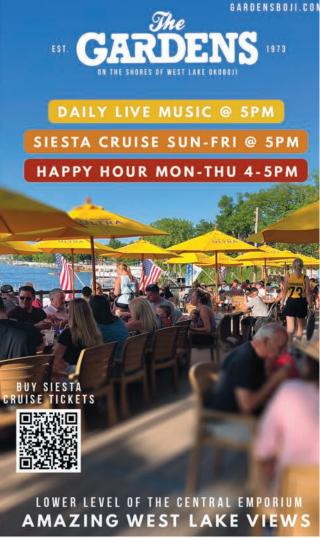
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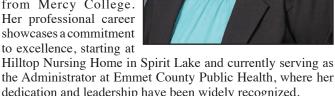
Every Tuesday! (All vehicles welcome)

Iowa Lakes Community College is pleased to announce the appointment of Kari Batman as the newest trustee representing

District 5. With a strong background in healthcare, education, and community service, Kari brings a wealth of experience and a genuine passion for serving her community.

at 7:00 PM

A proud alumnus of Iowa Lakes Community College, Kari began her educational journey with a degree in Nursing, later complemented by a BSN from Mercy College. Her professional career showcases a commitment to excellence, starting at



the Administrator at Emmet County Public Health, where her dedication and leadership have been widely recognized.

"I am thrilled to join the Iowa Lakes Community College Board of Trustees," said Kari Batman. "As an alumni, I have experienced firsthand the transformative power of obtaining an education through Iowa Lakes, and I am eager to contribute to the continued success of the college and its students."

In addition to her professional achievements, Kari is deeply rooted in her community. She resides in Milford with her husband, Jay Batman, and their three sons: Jack, Joseph, and Gabe. Together, they actively contribute to various community initiatives, embodying a commitment to service and engagement.

"I am confident that Kari's expertise and dedication will greatly benefit our Board of Trustees and the entire Iowa Lakes community," said Arden Kinnander, President of Iowa Lakes Community College Board of Trustees. "Her passion for education and community service will undoubtedly guide our institution towards even greater success."

Kari Batman's appointment underscores Iowa Lakes Community College's commitment to excellence and community engagement. Her unique blend of professional experience and community involvement will undoubtedly enrich the college's leadership team as they continue to empower students and strengthen communities.



Friday (5.24)

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Farm Rock 9pm

Saturday (5.25)

Jason Mayer 5pm Farm Rock 9pm

Sunday (5.26)

Charlie Leissler 5pm

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Monday (5.27)

Boji Bill 5pm

Tuesday (5.28)

Jeremy DeWall 5pm

Wednesday (5.29)

Scott Kirkhart 5pm

Thursday (5.30)

Friday (5.24) Fishheads 7pm

Saturday (5.25) Jake Gill 2:30pm Fishheads 7pm

Sunday (5.26) Jake Gill 2:30pm Fishheads 7pm

Thursday (5.30) Big Nacho Karaoke 7pm

Monday (5.27) Jake Gill 2pm

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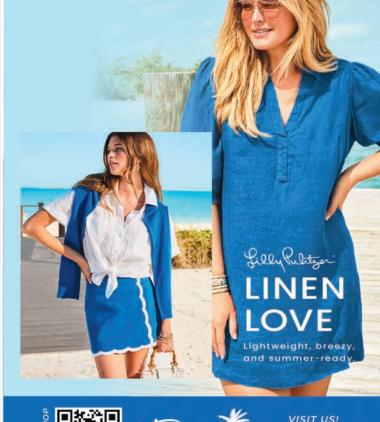
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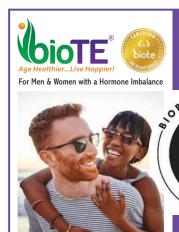












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in Milford. Students ages 7-18 will enjoy music from the

movies in singing, dancing, and acting classes grouped by age, as well as create set pieces, costumes, play games, and more!

Tuition assistance is available. Reserve your spot at www.oko-

bojiperformingarts.com today! Email Jessica Schable at jess@ okobojiperformingarts.com with any questions or if you are

interested in volunteering. Okoboji Performing Arts is a 501(c)

Lakes area residents and visitors who enjoy Christian music will want to circle Sunday, August 11, on their calendar

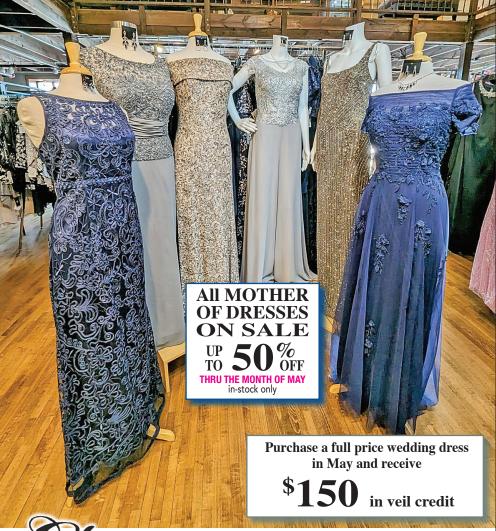
First Lutheran Church of Milford will be celebrating the 75th Anniversary of their summer drive-in worship services on Sunday, August 11, 2024. To honor the special occasion marking the oldest drive-in worship service in the United States; First Lutheran is excited to announce that critically acclaimed Christian music singer/songwriter Jason Gray will be in concert that Sunday morning.

Jason's concert will begin at 10:30am on the drive-in worship center's stage. A freewill offering will be received.

When Jason Gray sets out to craft an album, more often than not, he holds an image in his mind that helps guide the songs. For his latest full-length endeavor, Land of the Living, the critically acclaimed singer/songwriter says he envisioned Ray Charles standing on a stage, arms wide open. "I thought if I wrote with that spirit, of knowing your audience so well that you know how to love them, I could speak their language. I could break into their world and speak to them right where they are," Gray asserts. "It could be more about loving them than about my own self-expression."

Regardless of the portrait he conjures to help him architect a certain project, Gray has always been a welcoming voice. Since his 2007 nationwide label debut, All the Lovely Losers, Gray has established himself as a true songwriter's songwriter. The beloved Centricity Music recording artist has garnered multiple ASCAP Performance Awards for popular songs like "Remind Me Who I Am" and "Sparrows" and summitted the radio charts with hits like his first No. 1 AC standard, "With Every Act of Love," and chart-topping Inspo single "Nothing Is Wasted." Throughout his celebrated tenure, Gray has shared the stage with genre leaders like Michael W. Smith, Steven Curtis Chapman, Third Day, TobyMac, Lauren Daigle and others, in addition to headlining tours of his own. Moreover, he's the host of the popular Acoustic Storytime, a monthly writers-round radio show recorded at The Well Coffeehouse in Brentwood, Tennesee, for SiriusXM The Message that highlights stories and songs from both well-known Christian acts and newcomers alike.



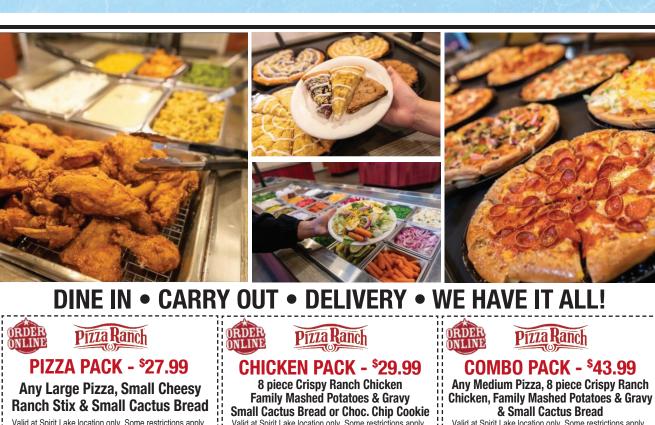


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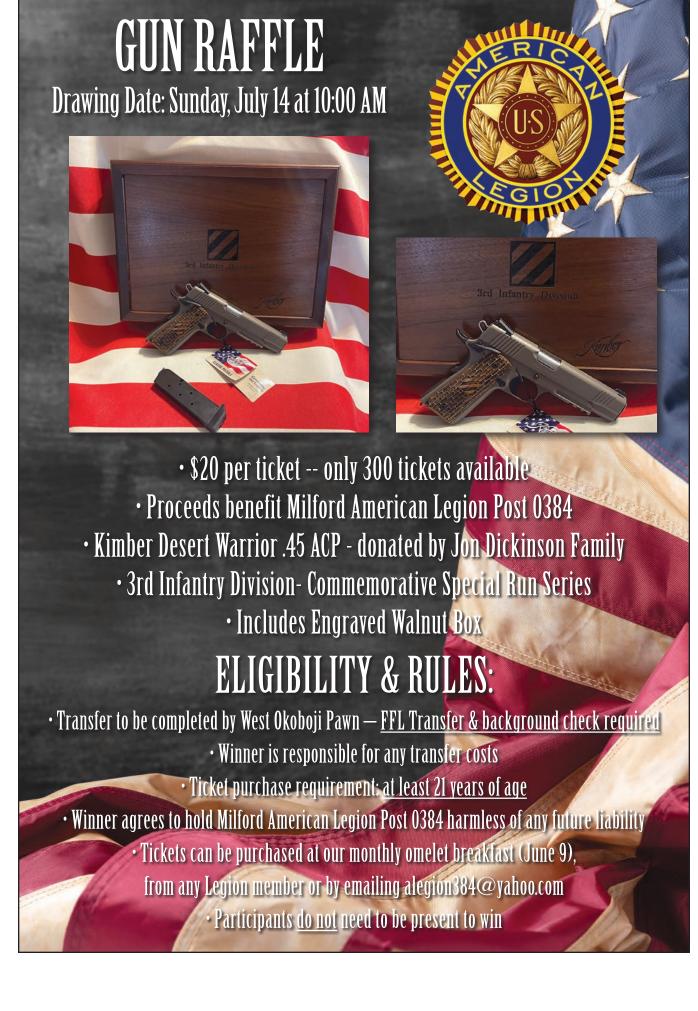
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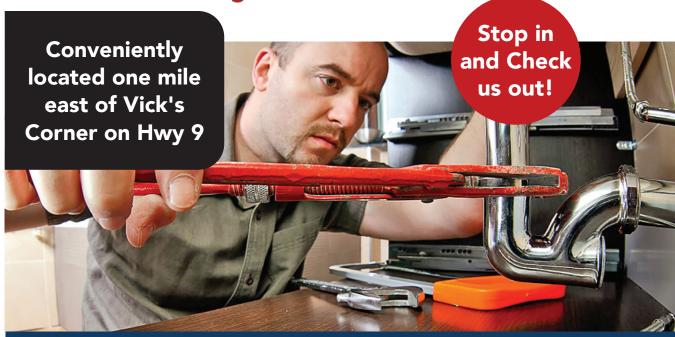




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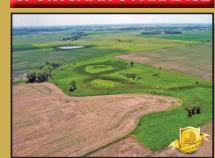
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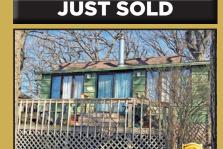


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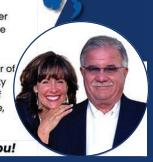
Mike Schrunk, with RE/MAX Lakes Realty, has received the RE/MAX Hall of Fame Award, which recognizes high-achieving real estate professionals for their service to buyers and sellers during his career.

"Mike's tireless dedication to serving his clients, consumers, and our community has allowed him to achieve this high honor," said Broker/Owner Aaron Jones, Broker/Owner of RE/MAX Lakes Realty. "Winning this award is a significant accomplishment and we're extremely proud that Mike is a member of our RE/MAX Lakes Realty team."

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Schrunk has served his community as a real estate agent for a number of years and has extensive experience in listing and selling lake property with his top sale being over 4 million dollars. Among Schrunk's list of achievements, He has earned his broker associate license, Graduate,

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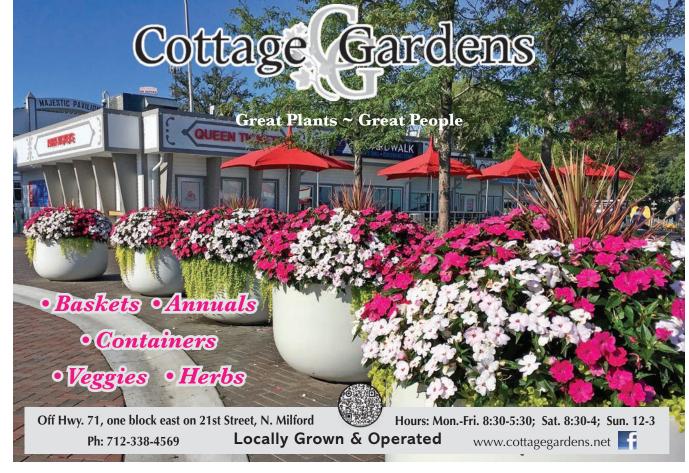
Sieperda Receives DMU Award

Madison Sieperda of Spirit Lake, Iowa, a second-year student in the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine program at Des Moines University Medicine and Health Sciences, on May 14 received the College of Osteopathic Medicine's Excellence in Foundational Sciences Award.















Summer is Here!

It's been a longtime coming with a mild, but long winter and the fall and springtime road construction on Highway 71, but the unofficial start of summer is here with the Memorial Day Holiday this weekend. It does look like Mother Nature will cooperate as the forecast looks pretty good for this weekend! This is always one of my favorite times of the year as things are really starting to pick up in the Iowa Great Lakes and it's great to see the hustle and bustle back in the area. As we prepare to celebrate the upcoming summer, let's take time this weekend to remember the true meaning of the Memorial Day Holiday, to honor those who have died defending our great country and our amazing freedoms. Without these brave men and women, we would not be able to enjoy many of the amazing things that our country and the Iowa Great Lakes has to offer. Please take the time to thank a Veteran and his or her family for their selfless sacrifice.

Minnesota Musings

Those who read my articles regularly know that there is such a thing as the John Jinx and that this jinx is very real. For those who aren't aware of the John Jinx, I'll briefly explain it. I am a longtime Iowa State, Vikings, Twins and Timberwolves fan, which pretty much means that my fandom has been tested by heartbreak quite often. I did get to witness the Twins winning the World Series in 1987 and 1991, and have seen Iowa State win numerous Big 12 Basketball Championships while also advancing to quite a few Sweet 16s, but, for the most part, my teams have struggled to win championships. The John Jinx occurs when I write nice things about one of my teams who may be on a hot streak or just won a big game; more often than not, after writing that article, the opposite happens and my teams start to lose. The John Jinx has perhaps never hit as hard as it did last week after I wrote how the good luck Summer Sausage had saved the Twins season, aiding them on a 12-game winning streak and 17-3 stretch. Well, after writing that article, the Twins promptly lost six games in a row and have gone from being a ½ game out of first place to 5.5 games back in just one week after being swept by the Yankees (what else is new) and the first-place Guardians. Minnesota's starting pitching was good enough to win four of those games but the bullpen faltered several times and the Twins' bats have once again gone silent, scoring just nine runs while being shut out twice during the six-game losing streak. The Jinx unfortunately lives!

Fortunately, the Timberwolves saved the week by rallying from a three-games to two-games deficit to knock off the defending NBA Champions Denver Nuggets. The Wolves rocked the Nuggets in Minneapolis, 115-70 on Thursday night to force a Game 7 in Denver on Sunday. It appeared that the Nuggets would run away with the decisive game, taking a 53-38 halftime lead that quickly grew to 58-38 early in the third quarter. The Wolves, however, would not go down without a fight and closed the quarter on a 28-9 run to pull within one point entering the fourth quarter. All-star Anthony Edwards, who had been struggling in the first half, got things going in the fourth quarter and the Wolves also got huge plays from Naz Reid and Karl-Anthony Towns to put the Nuggets away and pull out the improbable 98-90 victory, completing the largest Game 7 comeback in NBA history. The Wolves, who are rightfully a very confident group, will now open up the Western Conference Finals at home vs Luka Doncic and the Dallas Mavericks on Wednesday night. Since the Wolves are the highest remaining seed, they will have home-court advantage in this best-of-seven series. Not to John Jinx the Timberwolves, but I love the energy and confidence they are playing with, and having home-court advantage is huge for them as the Target Center has proven to be one of the best NBA Playoff atmospheres. This will be a great series that the Wolves win in six games. Hopefully we see a Pacers-Timberwolves NBA Finals that would feature former Cyclone and NBAAll-Star Tyrese Haliburton vs former Cyclone Monte Morris and Hawkeye Luka Garza. Although Morris and Garza don't see much time for the Wolves, both have had good games in the Playoffs and both have shown they will be ready when called upon. Go Wolves and Go Pacers (so if you are a gambler, probably bet on the Mavs and Celtics)!



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loving family, following a long and

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in Iowa City, along with younger

siblings, Kathy and John, in a loving

home. In 1967, she graduated from

City High School in Iowa City. That

fall, Joanie enrolled in the University

of Iowa, where she soon met her fu-

ture husband, a geology major from

JoAnn Irene (Chadima) Bailey was born in Cedar Rapids, Iowa,on

courageous battle with dementia.

JoAnn (Joanie) Bailey, 75, Wahpeton, passed away Thursday.

May 9, 2024, at her home on Lake Okoboji, surrounded by her

A Mass of Christian Burial for **Sheila Schmitz**, age 58, of Spirit Lake, will be held Friday, May 24, 2024, at 10:30 AM, at St. Mary's

Catholic Church in Spirit Lake. A visitation for Sheila will be on Thursday, May 23rd, from 5:00-7:00 PM,with a Parish Scripture Service at 5:00 PM, at Turner Jenness Funeral Home in Spirit Lake.

Sheila Marie (Funk) Schmitz, was born July 23, 1965, in Richardton, North Dakota,to Nicholas and JoAnn Funk. They later moved their growing family to Red Lake Falls, MN, where Sheila graduated from Lafayette High School. She attended Moorhead State Universi ty in Moorhead, MN, and received



her degree in Elementary Education.

On May 27, 1989, Sheila married her high school sweetheart, Steve Schmitz, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Red Lake Falls, MN. They lived in Roseau, MN, where Sheila began a fourteen year career with Polaris, holding a variety of administrative roles on the Operations and Engineering teams in Roseau, and also in Spirit Lake, IA, where they relocated to in 1994.

Sheila's greatest joy of all was family, and she absolutely adored her four boys Tyler, Matthew, Ryan, and Ben. She treasured being mom, supporting them in their many activities growing up, and was their rock as each one ventured out on their own.

Sheila had an abundant sense of adventure and love for the outdoors. She loved to travel, explore and hike, logging countless miles on trails throughout the US. One of the most challenging being a twelve hour trek to the summit of Mt. St. Helens, just six years ago. She took great joy in planting and nurturing hundreds of colorful flowers that brightened the yard each year, and were a true reflection of her beauty. Sheila had a keen sense for decorating, amazing the boys with beautiful transformations of their home throughout each season, especially during Christmas (no such thing as too many Christmas trees or nutcrackers). When the boys were young, she was active in religious education at St. Mary's, and the Moms & Tots organization. Sheila had a consistent, incredibly positive outlook on life. The warmth of her captivating smile, kindness, patience, and ability to listen with care were gifts she readily shared with

Sheila passed away, at the age of 58, on May 17th, 2024, at her home, with family by her side.

She is survived by her husband, Steve Schmitz; her wonderful boys, Tyler Schmitz, Matthew (fiancée, Clara) Schmitz, Ryan Schmitz and Ben Schmitz; mother and stepfather, JoAnn and Wallace Hoselton; sisters, Christy (Steve) Leiser and Nicole (Chris) Lasota; brothers, Bryan Funk, Terry (Jackie) Funk, Darrin (Kristi) Funk, Kelly (Jamie) Funk, Curtis (Kristin) Funk and John Hoselton; mother-in-law, Joan Schmitz; brothers in-law, Mike (Gadu) Schmitz and Mark (Jolene) Schmitz; many, many nieces, nephews and friends.

Sheila was preceded in death by her father, Nicholas Funk; father-in-law, Arthur Schmitz; brother-in-law, Gregory Schmitz. Turner Jenness Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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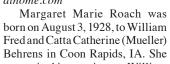
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Margaret Roach, 95, of Spirit Lake, passed away on Saturday,

May 18, 2024, at Accura Healthcare of Spirit Lake. A graveside service will be held, at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, May 22, 2024, in the Lakeview Gardens Cemetery in Spirit Lake. Arrangements are under the direction of the Robinson Funeral Home in Spirit Lake. Online condolences may be left at www.spiritlakefuner-



was united in marriage to William George Hiles, to this union, one son, Kenneth was born. He preceded her in death on November 8, 1977. She was later united in marriage to Mervin Roach on February 23, 1980, in Spirit Lake. She was a beautician for a short time and worked as a phone operator until she started working for Berkley Fishing Company. She retired in 1993.

In her free time, Margaret enjoyed doing embroidery work and

She is survived by her husband Mervin Roach of Spirit Lake; son Kenneth (Vickie) Hiles of Wallingford, IA; step son, Wade (Sandra) Roach of Spirit Lake; grandchildren, Jennifer DeVary, Laura Haburn, and Karen Hemiller; step grandchildren, Crystal Jepson, Shannon Weimer, Kyle Roach and Ethan Roach; nine great-grandchildren and 8 step great-grandchildren; sister, Florence Behrens of Peoria, IL; Doris Schultz of Corpus Christi, TX; and sister-in-law Emily Behrens of Sioux City, IA.

She was preceded in death by her parents; first husband, William; brothers, Harold, Bill, Arnold; sister, Lois; granddaughter, Beth; a sister-in-law, Marion Peterson; and step sons, Gary Roach and Michael Roach.



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A funeral service for Gary Hansen, 74, of Spirit Lake, will be held Wednesday, May 22, 2024, at 10:30am, at the First Presbyterian

Church in Spirit Lake. Burial will be at Milford Cemetery. Visitation for Gary will be on Tuesday, May 21st, from 5:00-7:00 PM at Turner Jenness Funeral Home in Spirit Lake.

Gary Lynn Hansen was born to Verne and Kathryn Hansen on September 17th, 1949, in Spencer, Iowa. He attended Okoboji Country School in his youth and graduated from Milford High School in 1968. After graduating, he moved to Sheldon, where he attended a vocational school and graduated in auto body repair. In his early years, he enjoyed

playing baseball and was in Little League with his brother, with his father as their coach. He also enjoyed riding horses, shooting hoops, and go-karting around the farm. Additionally, he showed livestock in 4-H and won numerous awards with his animals.

He was united in marriage to Shirley Derflinger on October 7th, 1972, at Calvary United Methodist Church in Arnolds Park. They made their home in Spirit Lake, where they raised their only child, Jennifer. He worked many years at Stylecraft, where he held various positions until retiring.

In his spare time, Gary enjoyed camping, motorcycle riding, golfing & bowling league with his brother, single dances, cheering for the Chicago Cubs, attending rodeos, Jackson car races, ticket night at the VFW, and breakfast with friends. His greatest blessing was his four grandchildren, whom he adored.

Gary passed away peacefully on May 12th, 2024, at Accura HealthCare in Spirit Lake, IA. Hewas preceded in death by his wife Shirley, infant son Corey, and his parents, Verne and Kathryn Hansen.

He is survived by his daughter, Jennifer Ryker (Jacob) of Waukee; grandchildren, Oriana, Ariyah, Azuriah, and Asher Ryker; sister, Nancy Zink (Charles) of Brookings, SD; and brother, Ken Hansen (Julie) of Milford. He also leaves behind nieces, Tamara Even (Todd) of Hartford, SD; Pam Crain (Jeff) of Sioux Falls, SD; Melanie Lunn (Cory) of Brookings, SD; Jamie Nalos (Sheldon) of Vancouver, WA; Kristin Dennis (Jonathan) of Highlands Ranch, CO; and nephew Brian Hansen (Becca) of Kansas City, KS. He is also survived by cousins, Jane Hussey (Denny) of Spencer, IA; Donna Walker (John) of Ellensburg, WA, and Jean Moeller (Cliff) of Atlanta, GA; along with many friends.

Turner Jenness Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.



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Clarion, Iowa, in the geology library at Calvin Hall. The two love birds were engaged two and a half years later, sitting at the same table in the geology library where they first met, and then on August 29, 1970, Joanie married George Bryan Bailey in St. Mary's Church in Iowa City. She liked to tell people that married life seemed to agree with her, as she got straight As her senior year at Iowa, graduating with a BA in English education and literature in 1971.

Joanie immediately put her new credentials to work teaching high school English at a summer school session in Midland, Texas, where Bryan had a summer job. In the fall of 1971, teaching jobs were hard to find in the San Francisco Bay Area, when Bryan started his graduate studies at Stanford. As a result, Joanie first became a teller at a bank in Palo Alto, which got robbed her first day on the job! Happily, for most of their stay in California, Joanie found a job nicely aligned with her education, working for Houghton Mifflin Company, publishers of school books. Joanie also found time to type Bryan's 300-page dissertation three times on an electric typewriter!

After relocating to Salt Lake City for Bryan's first fulltime job, Joanie taught high school English before becoming a fulltime homemaker and stay-at-home mom. In 1977, she gave birth to their first son, Chad. Their second son, Jonathan, was born in Sioux Falls in 1979, following a job-related move, and Joanie settled into a fulfilling life raising two active boys and providing her family a loving home in Brandon, South Dakota. Perhaps more than anything, Joanie loved being a mom, and she gave tirelessly of herself in support of her boys' many activities and interests, whether it be scouting, sports, school, or church. She also was very active in supporting her church, helping out in the church office, teaching Sunday School and summer Bible School, and she organized Risen Savior's annual church bazaar. During this time, Joanie also received an unusual and very special recognition. In 1983, Joanie traveled to China as a guest of the Chinese government as a show of their appreciation for the sincere welcome, cordialness, and respect she had shown their scientists in helping Bryan host a Chinese scientific delegation a year earlier.

Following the death of Bryan's parents in the early '90s, the family moved into the Bailey home on Millers Bay. Joanie enjoyed re-decorating the house-on-the-lake and putting in special touches to make it her family's home. She also continued her role of being a supportive mom to her two boys in their many activities until they graduated from high school. Initially, Joanie struggled a bit with the 'empty nest." She liked that she was able to travel more with Bryan in his work, but something was missing. She found that something when she and Bryan purchased the Curves for Women franchise in Spirit Lake in 2002, and within a year Joanie had doubled the membership and really made it into "a happening." Most importantly, through her enthusiasm, compassion, and empathy Joanie helped a lot of women feel a lot better about themselves. Via their annual food drive, Joanie and her Curves members contributed more than 2,000 pounds of food each year to the Upper Des Moines Opportunity (UMDO) food pantry in Spirit Lake. In 2005, Joanie was recognized by UMDO as an Outstanding Community Service Volunteer for her efforts in addressing hunger in Dickinson County.

In 2006, both sons now married, Bailey grandchildren began arriving on the scene, and Joanie decided it was time to move on from Curves, so she could spend more time doting on those little bundles of joy, and that's exactly what she did. She and Bryan travelled countless times to Minnesota and North Carolina to spend as much time as possible hanging out with their grandkids. Joanie especially loved watching their games, meets, plays, concerts, and recitals, and she really enjoyed baking cookies with the girls and playing catch with the boys. But what she loved most was when they came to visit Grandma and Grandpa at the Lake where there was "Bailey Hall....A Dormitory Like No Other," with a stuffed toy doggie for each grandchild: Bella, Buster, Barney, Bonnie, and Bixby. Also, there was Grandma's kitchen, where no mess was too big. Joanie loved being a mom, but perhaps even more, she loved being Grandma Bailey.

During this time, Joanie also really enjoyed travelling with Bryan, both before and after his retirement, and they travelled the globe together. Joanie used to love to say, "I married Bryan, and he showed me the world." She especially loved their trips to Paris, Rome, Prague, and Australia, and she was thrilled by the elephants, lions, and giraffes in South Africa, but her favorite travel destination of all was right here in the USA. On their very first date in fall of 1967, Joanie and Bryan saw the movie Hawaii. Little did they know then what incredible meaning Hawaii would come to hold in both their hearts. Over the years, they spent countless fun and romantic times together during many trips that took them to all the Islands of Hawaii.

Joanie's last trip to Hawaii was with her entire family during New Years, 2016, and what a blessing that was. She had just recently been diagnosed with the dementia that ultimately would take her life, but she had a truly good time on that trip, and she created endearing memories for each one of her family that will last forever. Over the next three years, she would make trips to visit her kids and grandkids, but each one became a little more challenging for her. By the end of 2019, and especially with the onset of COVID, Joanie stayed pretty close to home. She was buoyed by visits from her family, and she battled her devastating disease with incredible determination and courage, but ultimately, she would lose that battle. The greatest blessing of all, perhaps, was that she was able to make her long and difficult journey entirely at home, with Bryan constantly by her side, and with the abiding love and support of all her family.

Joanie cared about others with a sincere sense of compassion, and she loved her family deeply. She truly was a sweetheart, if ever there was one, and she will be missed so very deeply by her family and friends, especially by her adoring husband, Bryan; her son Chad and his partner, Dana; her son Jonathan and her daughter-in-law, Angela; and her grandchildren Ella, Ethan, Makayla, Colin, and Parker. Joanie was preceded in death by her parents, Wayne and Barbara Chadima; her parents-in-law, Ray and Maxine Bailey; her brother and sister, John and Kathy Chadima, and her brother-inlaw, Theron Bailey,

A funeral service for Joanie was held on Monday, May 20, 2024, at the Turner Jenness Funeral Home chapel in Milford, Iowa. The family requests that memorials be given to Upper Des Moines Opportunity of Dickinson County or the Humane Society of Northwest Iowa.

Turner Jenness Funeral Home in Milford is in charge of ar-

Scheduled Presentations and Events at the LAAC

Sign up at the Lakes Area Activity Center (located at 2101 Zenith Avenue in Spirit Lake) for dinner date before the following presentations:

•May 21—Jed Jensen—Northwest Bank

•May 28—Treva Graves—Healthy Food Conversations •Seniors Movin' On is an exercise group that meets every Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning at 9:00am. The

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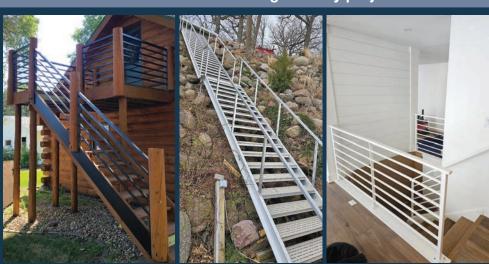
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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

A large percentage of Dickinson County do not want 200 more windmills surrounding our beautiful Iowa Great Lakes yet the Dickinson County Board of Supervisors voted for it. They also did not lower the residential levy rate back to the pre-communication rise in tax rate as they promised. We seriously need to look at voting out supervisors that do not listen to their citizens.

Jim Voigt Okoboji, Iowa

Justin Moore Coming to the 2024 Clay County Fair

The Clay County Fair powered by SMU and Kwik Star announces Justin Moore with a special guest to be announced

later as part of the SRG Concert Series at the 2024 Clay County Fair on Thursday, September 12, at 7:30pm.

Multi-PLATINUM hitmaker Justin Moore has built a loyal following over the past decade with his traditional country sound and captivating



live shows. The Arkansas native just notched his 12th No. 1 with "You, Me, and Whiskey," a smoldering duet with Priscilla Block. Over his 10+ year career, Moore's No. 1 hits have included "Point at You," "Lettin' The Night Roll," "If Heaven Wasn't So Far Away," "Small Town USA," and "Till My Last Day," as well as PLATINUM-certified albums and singles. The Valory Music Co. recording artist has earned multiple ACM, ACA, People's Choice, and ACC Awards nominations, as well as an ACM Award win. In addition to multiple festivals, headline shows, and select direct-support dates, Moore has also been busy hosting his Justin Moore Podcast sponsored by Bobcat with tour manager JR, interviewing guests such as Oscar award-winning actor Matthew McConaughey; Country stars Tracy Lawrence, Jon Pardi, Brantley Gilbert; wrestling champion Diamond Dallas Page and ESPN's Marty Smith. He also recently took on a new role as co-host on 103.7 The Buzz's morning drive-time sports talk show, "Morning Mayhem," where he spends his weekday mornings dishing out his never-ending sports knowledge on-air. For tour dates and more, visit JustinMooreMusic.com.

Justin Moore joins KANSAS, Trace Adkins, The Mavericks, Blues Traveler, and Third Eye Blind as part of the SRG Concert Series for the 2024 Clay County Fair. The fair runs September

Ticket prices are \$59 (Stage Front Standing), \$49 (Reserved Premier Grandstand Seating), \$39 (Reserved Grandstand Seating), and \$29 (General Admission Bleachers). Ticket prices do not include handling & processing fees.

Tickets will go on sale Friday, May 24 at 10:00am. Tickets will be available online at www.midwestix.com, by phone at 515-244-2771, or in person at the Events Center Box Office. All tickets, regardless of purchase location, are also subject to a handling & processing fee which is not included in the advertised price.









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Annette and Aurora Loerch, Emma Hamm, Dickinson County Snowhawks, Jantina Carney, Publicity Director for the Dickinson County Snowhawks and Susan Maahs SL School Foundation

Dickinson County Snowhawks Raise Funds for the Randy Loerch Memorial Scholarship

the Randy Loerch Memorial Scholarship Fund. Randy was a long-time member of the Dickinson County Snowhawks and was tragically killed in a motorcycle accident last July. "Randy was a very active member of our club, he loved to snowmobile and if you knew Randy at all, he never met someone he didn't like!" "Randy always had a smile on his face and was always willing to help when needed", states Jantina Carney, Publicity Director with the Snowhawks. "I just wanted to do something to honor Randy and his service to our club, a snowmobile ride was also planned for that day, but with the lack of snow we pivoted and quickly put together a Vintage Snowmobile Show along with the silent auction which was held at Oak Hill Outdoor in Milford." "I would like to thank all of those that donated and that purchased items on the silent auction! We raised just over \$8,300.00 that was donated to the Spirit Lake Community School Foundation to help fund the Randy Loerch Memorial Scholarship."

The first scholarship was awarded on May 8th at the S.L.H.S. Senior Awards Night Program to Riley Sorenson, a student who will be pursuing an Electrical Technician career at Iowa Lakes Community College in the fall. A student going into a trade business is part of the criteria established by members of Randy's family when setting up the memorial scholarship in his name.

The Spirit Lake Community School Foundation thanks the Dickinson County Snowhawks for their generous gift to the foundation in memory of Randy Loerch.











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Incoming 5th through 12th graders are invited to the Teen and Tween Summer Reading Kick Off where they will be bowling and eating pizza.

Registration is encouraged. To register, please call one of the libraries: Milford Memorial Library at 712-338-4643, Arnolds Park Library at 712-332-2033, or Spirit Lake Library at 712-

Help Milford Memorial Library, Arnolds Park Library, and Spirit Lake Public Library celebrate the 2024 Youth Summer Reading Program Kick Off by joining us on Thursday, May 30, at the Milford Pioneer Theatre for Madagascar Escape 2 Africa. Showings are at 10:30am and 1:00pm. Bring two nonperishable food items and receive one free popcorn. Other concession items will be available at your cost.

Milford Memorial Library's Building Bookworms Storytime will be on Monday, June 3, at 10:30am. We will have a special guest from Iowa Lakeside Lab joining us!

MML's Minds in Motion sensory play will be on Monday, June 3, at 3:00pm.

The Friends of the Milford Library Foundation received a grant from the Dickinson County Endowment Fund for \$2,500 in August of 2023 to start digitizing yearbooks in the Milford Memorial Library collection. We have completed the digitization of 39 of our yearbooks from 1918 – 1977. More are currently going through the digitization process. To see the completed digitized yearbooks, visit the digital archives on our website at milford.lib.ia.us. For more information about this project contact the Milford Memorial Library.



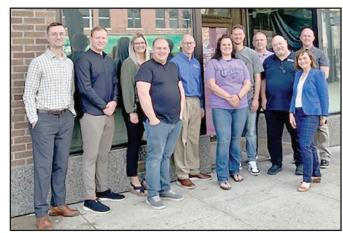
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THE LAKES NEWS SHOPPER Tuesday, May 21, 2024 Houseman Named to Dean's List

Elenora Houseman of Estherville, Iowa, has been named to the Dean's List for the spring 2024 semester at Mercy College of Health Sciences in Des Moines, Iowa. To qualify for this academic recognition, students must attain a grade point average (GPA) between 3.50 and 3.749, in their most recent semester, for a minimum of six credit hours.



Retail Kickstarter Awards Loan to Carroll's Bakery/ALJ & Co., LLC

The Spencer Retail Kickstarter Committee is pleased to be assisting ALJ & Co., LLC with a loan for the acquisition and business retention of Carroll's Bakery.

The Retail Kickstarter partners include: City of Spencer, Community State Bank, Farmers Bank, Spencer Main Street, Northwest Bank, Spencer Municipal Utilities, State Bank, and the Spencer Chamber. The Retail Kickstarter Program started in 2018 to assist with recruitment and retention of businesses in Spencer. To date, the program has assisted 10 businesses in Spencer.

Carroll's Bakery was originally started in 1928. Throughout its history, Carroll's has been known for great taste and customer service.

 $1928-1951: Carroll's \, Bakery-Brothers; John \, and \, Joe \, Carroll$ 1951 – 1991: Carroll's Bakery – Siblings: Joe Jr. and Marge 1991 – 2023: Carroll's Bakery – Paul and Colleen Thompson 2024 - Present: Carroll's Bakery - Megan and Zach Stuckey

"Having been born and raised in Spencer, Iowa, both myself [Zach] and my wife, Megan, grew up with Carroll's and have many memories of the bakery. It just felt right to try to keep the bakery open and running in the community," Megan & Zach Stuckey, new owners of Carroll's Bakery share. "We look forward to serving everyone with a familiar, but different, take on our town's bakery."

If you have any questions or would like more information on the Retail Kickstarter, please contact Sheriffa Jones, Retail Kickstarter Administrator, director@spenceriowachamber.org or 712-262-5680.



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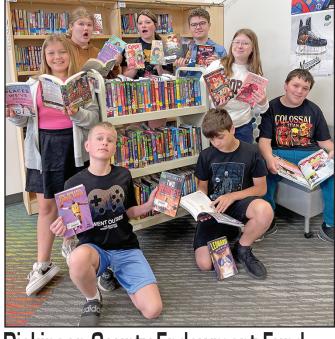
Dad's Belgian Waffles at Okoboji -Memorial Day Weekend, Sunday, May 26

Dad's Belgian Waffles will be served on the Okoboji Summer Theatre lot, Sunday, May 26, 8:30am - 12:30pm. Okoboji Summer Theatre is located at 2001 US-71, Okoboji, Iowa 51355. Tickets for the fundraiser are \$10 for anyone ages 6 and older and FREE for children 5 and under. Carryout is available. All you can eat Belgian waffles and sausages with waffle toppings of fresh strawberries and nine choices of syrup. Proceeds go towards Okoboji Summer Theatre student scholarships. In addition, there will be tours of the lot where you can view student housing (tiny houses), learn about OST history, obtain backstage access, and view the ghost light. Learn about some of the names associated with various buildings on campus: Anne Thorne Weaver (Weaver Commons), Francis Schloss (Green Room), Joan Bing Kirke Rehearsal Hall. The Okoboji Summer Theatre Association has been supporting the Okoboji Summer Theatre in the lakes area since 1953. Season 66 begins June 25. Show details can be found at okobojisummertheatre.org.



Dickinson County Endowment Fund Grants Funds for Reading is Dynamic!

Students need to read both to develop the skill and to develop empathy and knowledge. Reading creates a dynamic process of growth and change. The Okoboji Middle School library applied to DCEF for a grant to purchase new books. This grant as well as a SCRIP grant were used to purchase over 200 books. Students were excited about the new books as they helped select the topics and the books. The students are very appreciative of the funding support for this project that has been provided by the Dickinson County Endowment Fund.



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On Wednesday, June 5th, from 5:00 to 7:00 PM, the Spirit Lake Library will host a visit with Gene Gross, author of

the newly released mystery-thriller novel, The Girl In the Net. Attendees will be able to visit with the author, have books signed, and hear a presentation by the author at 6:00 PM on "How I got this way," and "What is a hook." The book will be available for purchase at this event and is available on Amazon,



Barnes and Noble, at a variety of businesses in the Iowa Lakes area, and on the website, genegross.com.

A native of South Dakota, Gross earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from the University of South Dakota, a Masters of Music Education degree from Drake University, and has done post-graduate work at the University of Iowa. Gross taught in Tripp, South Dakota, for 3 years, was associate director of bands for 20 years in Spencer, Iowa, and director of middle school bands for 15 years in Ames, Iowa. He is a past-president of the Iowa Bandmasters Association and served as the chair of the Iowa Bandmasters Endowment Fund Committee for 21 years. After retirement, Gross continued to perform on horn, maintained a private lesson studio, served as a mentee for young directors, and composed and published chamber music for horn

with Grand Mesa Publishing in Colorado. An avid reader with a preference for the mystery genre, Gross decided at a young age he would one day write mystery novels. Although performing and teaching music formed his career it was during time living in Spencer when he began to consider the Iowa Great Lakes Region as an ideal setting for a series of mystery novels. Subsequently, in The Girl In the Net, Lake Okoboji not only serves as the setting but informs and affects the plot as if it is one of the characters. More information about Gross and his novel may be found on his website.

Mr. Gross and his wife, Vicki, continue to live in Ames, travel, enjoy time with family, and are excited to share their interest in reading and now writing mystery novels.





EOLIC Annual Meeting

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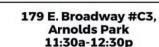
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Milford

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Friday, May 24 8 am to 5 pm Saturday, May 25 8 am to 12 noon

St. Joseph Catholic Church 1305 Okoboji Ave. Milford, IA

Look for signs to enter from the north due to road construction.

3413 Kuchel Trail, Milford. Friday, May 24th, 3-6pm and Saturday, May 25th 7:30am-12pm. "The Great Purge Party" annual garage sale. Bikes, new patio umbrella, comforters, bedding, rugs large and small, chair, dresser, small furniture items, hammock, pillows and more pillows, lots of beautiful decor, seasonal decor and so much more! Clothing too! This is a must stop at sale! 1-33P

1501 N Ave, Milford. Fri & Sat, May 24 & 25, 9am-3pm. Furniture, golf, camping & fishing items, lawn & garden items, household items, adult clothing, Shure speakers, misc items. 1-33P

308 28th St., Milford. Fri. & Sat. 8-5, Sun. 1-5. Lucky Break Ranch. Acreage Garage Sale. Horse stuff, halters, bits, grooming. Toys - some rideable. Primitives, tools, kitchen, garden, much miscellaneous. 6" and 8" glass shelving, 1920s walnut drop-leaf table, 36"x60" maple table, indoor and outdoor chairs, full size door mirror, ornate bi-fold doors. Flagpole, glass block window, wood doors, 240' of 2"x6" vinyl fencing 8' and 16' lengths, vintage bicycles, doghouse. Asparagus, grape jelly, ice cream and

1604 P Ave, Milford. Saturday 7am-4pm, Sunday, 9am-1pm. Women's brand name clothing - medium. 4-6t girls clothing. Books - adult and children's. Piercings/ jewelry. Vintage strawberry short cake dolls and more!

505 34th St, Milford. Thurs., May 23, 3-7pm, Fri., May 24, 7am-5pm, Sat., May 25, 7-noon. Nature Trails. Multi-party sale! Smaller furniture pcs. night stands, rocker, outdoor wicker furniture & landscape lights, luggage rack, lamps, dishes, bikes, puzzles, craft items, books, dbl. stroller, como tomo & Dr. Browns baby bottles, baby girl, women's & other various size clothing, construction supplies, live trap. Lots of items and much more. misc. and something for everyone! 1-33P

309 Okoboji Ave, by Milford **Motors.** May 25 8-2, May 26 10-2. 3 party sale. Lots of tools, car magazines, model A parts car, 72 Super Beetle, old toys, Zeiss Ikon Camera, household

532 33rd St, Milford. Friday, May 24th, 9am-4pm, and Saturday, May 25th, 8am-12pm. Men's, women's & kids clothes, toys, baby swing, indoor & outdoor furniture, 10' aluminum ladder, new screen door, 31 bags, water skis, inflatables for boating, portable firepit, many other items. Cash only please.

1608 K Ave, Milford. Fri 3-6 pm, Sat 7:30-11 am. Adult bikes, Corelle dishware, lumber, tools, paint sprayers, kid bed, baby swing, girls 4T, furniture, chaise lounge, hairdryer, black headboard. 1-33P

1110 M Ave, Milford. Friday, May 24, 3-5pm, and Saturday, May 25, 9am-3pm, and Sunday, May 26, 9am-12pm. Porch Sale / Moving Sale. Futon dressers, single bed frame, household items, wakeboard, etc.

1106 L Ave, Milford. Saturday, 7am-2pm, Sunday, 10am-2pm. Weather dependent. Multifamily. Kids and adults clothes, shoes, antiques, tools, household

Garage/Barn Sale

2339 225th Ave, Milford May 25-27

Saturday: 730am - 5:00pm Sunday: 9:00am-3:00pm Monday 10:00am-2:00pm

ANTIQUES: piano stools, bookshelves, Sessions clock, records, copper boiler, oil lamp, washtub plungers, old utensils, suit rack. HOUSEHOLD ITEMS: 24 place settings stoneware, glassware, stainless kitchen sink, air mattresses, exercise mat, walker, bike helmets, Indian motorcycle helmets, TVs, treadmill. YARD TOOLS: gas trimmer, hedge trimmer, battery chargers, Forney stick welder, fancy fence gate, hand miter saw, high tensile fencing, hand corn Sheller, electric chain saw, Western tack, saddles, bags, spurs, chinks, leather tools, 4" bumper camper bike rack. PLUS: 2010 Keystone Passport Ultralite Camper 288RK with stabilizer hitch, 4" bumper camper bike rack, and lots, lots more!

Francis Sites

25270 165th ST, Unit 11, Spirit Lake. May 23-25th. Thur, 2-7pm, Fri/Sat, 8am-2pm. Located at Toy Shed Storage Condo Complex by Francis Sites . Shed-busting 3-Generation sale! Vintage furniture including cupboards, tables, chests, display cabinets, desks, trunks, sofas, chairs, chandelier, 1940's BRset, kitchen, Scandinavian, large angel collection, several vintage collections, vases, pictures, boys infant-12 mo clothes &toys, adult clothes, exercise bike, lots of misc and still uncovering more treasures! Cash only. 1-33P

16695255th Ave Spirit Lake.

Friday, May241-7pm and Saturday, May

258am-2pm. Huge Sale: Lund 16ft deep

wide fishing boat with motor, canoe,

kayaks, trolling motor, old fishing poles,

compound bows, chainsaw. Quality

antiques, cookie jars, silver service, old

meat grinder, household items, blue

recliner, mirrors, oak end tables, bed-

ding, paintings, Okoboji Clothing, lots

1-33P

Francis Sites

Lake. Saturday, May 25th 8AM - Noon. Next to Lutheran camp. Books, puzzles, golf, home decor, dog items, clothes, shoes, pillows, oak accent cabinet, tons of miscellaneous. **Arthur Heights** 16803 256th Ave, Spirit

Lake. Fri, May 24, 2-6pm, and Sat, May 25, 7am-12pm. Arthur Heights. 2 Family sale. Women's bicycle, small furniture pieces, decorative pieces bedding, clothing 16-18 sizes and 10-14 sizes. Lots 1-33P

17121 255th Avenue, Spirit

Arnolds Park

83 Rohr Street, Arnolds Park. Friday 1-6pm, Saturday 7am-2pm, and Sunday 7am-2pm. Baby clothes, Baby gear, Longaberger baskets, household miscellaneous, coolers, Ice auger. Free VHS, DVDs, CDs, and tapes. 1-33P

1204 Woodduck Rd., Ar**nolds Park.** May 24th & 25th Friday 4-7pm. Sat. 8am - noon. Pelican Ridge.

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710 39th St, Spirit Lake. Fri, May 24, 10am-5pm, & Sat, May 25, 8am-5pm. Men's and women's Schwin bikes, Schwin pull behind carrier, Pac'n Play, Holland grill, new beer tap system parts, bar glasses, housewares, misc kitchen, DVD, CDs.

Center Lake Drive, Spirit Lake. Saturday, May 25, 8:00 AM -Noon. Annual Garage Sale. Come browse & shop up and down the street. Turn at 30th Street and Hwy 71, Spirit Lake. 1-33P

510 22nd St, Spirit Lake. Saturday, May 25, 8am-12pm. Multi family yard sale. Lots and lots of items priced to sell!! Don't miss this one! Rain date Saturday, July 6. 1-33P

2106 28th Street, Spirit **Lake.** Friday, May 24th, 5 pm to 8pm. Saturday, May 25th, 8am to 12pm. Household and kitchen items, quality antiques, comics, dvd's, console games, native american pieces, stoneware, bb and pellet guns, tin signs, beer items, store displays, Stetson cowboy hats with case, gas and oil items, Christmas bubbling lights, WWII patches and jacket, vintage movie posters, 1980's Ataristore displays, Boy Scout items, cookie jars, fishing trolley weights, straight razors, jewelry, 8MM films, 100F and Mason items, way too much to list, something for everyone!! 1-33P

1418 Indian Hills Dr, Spirit Lake. Thursday, 5/23, 3-7pm, Friday, 5/24, 8am-7pm, Saturday 5/25, 7am-1pm. Home decor, pictures, lamps, seasonal decor, all high end priced to 1-33C

GARAGE SALE

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4514 Tallgrass Circle, Spirit **Lake.** Neighborhood Sale Friday May 24th and Saturday May 25th 8:00 am. Home decor, Trail-a-bike, Pack & Play, highchair, toys, and lots more!

Morton building on 15th & Keokuk, Spirit Lake. Sat, May 25, 8am-2pm. Huge multi-family sale. Some of the treasures you will find are household items, home decor, antiques, electronics, jewelry making supplies and beads, desk and other furniture, tools, 2 burner propane camps stove, gas cylinder acetylene oxygen, puzzles, planters, books, bedding, name brand clothing-teen to adult and lots of fishing

2202 Denver Ave, Spirit Lake. Fri & Sat, May 24th & 25th, 10am-4pm. Mickey Mouse collection, doll house, books, puzzles, grill/smoker, lawn ornaments, cookware, tent, camping bed, and much more.

111 24th St, Spirit Lake. Thursday, May 23, 4-8pm; Friday, May 24, 8am--6pm; Saturday, May 25, 8am-3pm. Kitchen items, linens, men's and ladies clothing, holiday items, crafts, books, outdoor items, games, jewelry, pictures, rugs, chair and ottoman, recliner, much misc.

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803 26th Street, Spirit Lake. Friday, May 24th, from 5-8pm and Saturday May 25th 8am-12pm. Multi-family garage sale: Weddings are over, kids moved, spring cleaning. Come check out many items including wedding, Christmas, household items and clothing.

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Spirit Lake

1230 290th Ave, Spirit Lake. something for everyone. Watch for signs!

1-33P and cash only.

1605 Stover Ave, Spirit Lake. Friday, 10am-6pm, Saturday, 8am-2pm. Very large multi family garage sale!

3609 Jolly Court, Spirit Lake. Thursday, May 23, 5pm. Friday, May 24 8am-5pm. Saturday, May 25, 7am-5pm. Monday, May 27, 8am - 12pm. Boys Clothes sizes 3mo - 3t, maternity clothing L/XL, women's clothing L/XL, women's shoes sizes 6-10, small and medium women's clothing, a few kids toys, tools, a small heater, step ladder, dock ladder, some luggage, 100ft garden hose, miscellaneous kitchen and houseware. 1-33C

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211 27th St, Spirit Lake. Sat, May 25th, 8am-2pm. Sun, May 26th, 10am-2pm. Monday, May 27th, 8am - 2pm. Lots of camping items. Tents, sleeping bags, folding chairs, camp stove, too much to mention everything! Fold up hammock, bicycle, lots of plastic totes in various sizes, 3 small dog crates, cat carrier, 2 gently used cat litter pans, small air fryer, rain barrel, men's & women's clothing, and lots of misc. No early sales

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experience or post-secondary training in an appropriate area equivalent to three years or an appropriate Associate Degree is preferred. \$16.90 per hour. Paid sick leave, vacation, and holidays. Health, dental and vision insurance. Retirement package.

Review of applications will begin May 30, 2024. View complete job description and application process at www.iowalakes.edu/employment. Contact Lynn Miller at Immiller@iowalakes.edu or 712-362-0409.

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SMU is seeking applicants for a full-time Electric Line Repairer Apprentice. The ideal candidate would be a self-motivated individual responsible for care & maintenance of the electric system and service to residential and business customers in the city of Spencer, lowa

The **Electric Line Repairer Apprentice** performs advanced and skilled electrical work in the maintenance, repair and construction of mostly underground and some overhead transmission and distribution lines and equipment. Frequently works with energized high voltage lines, sometimes under unfavorable

The following typical tasks and responsibilities are representative of this position. They are descriptive, not limiting

Duties/Responsibilities:

Applicants are to be familiar working with the different types of machinery involved in this line of work such as: Aerial Lift Device (Bucket Truck), Digger Derrick Truck, Mini Excavator, Trencher, Skidsteer, & Hydro Vac. Knowledge of how underground & overhead systems operate and how to safely work on them is key in this line of work. Applicants can expect to work on new construction projects as well as upgrading current work sites. Applicants will be asked to assist in the setting & removal of transformers, electrical cabinets, & meters. Installing & terminating underground cable is also an essential part of the job. Will be required to be on a standby scheduling rotation for trouble calls outside of normal working hours. Must be available to respond immediately following storm events and other emergencies impacting the electric system. Position supports other utility departments as needed.

Qualified candidates must be 18 years of age and have a High School Diploma or GED. Must be a graduate of an accredited power line technical school. This is an entry level position requiring enrollment into the IAMU Electric Line Repairer Apprenticeship Program which is approximately three to four years in length. Required to meet FMSCA driver qualification requirements including the possession of a valid lowa Commercial Driver's License (CDL) Class "A" with Air Brakes and meet SMU's insurability requirements. This position will be subject to SMU and Department of Transportation Drug and Alcohol testing. Residency requirement of 30 minutes response time to Spencer Municipal Utilities

Note: Must successfully complete each step of the outlined apprentice training program in order to advance through each level of the apprenticeship to attain Journeyman Lineworker status. Must satisfy the Department of Labor requirements for on-the-job training (OJT) hours and must meet the required hours for formal classroom training

To apply candidates must complete an SMU application. Applications can be found on our website at www.smunet.net (click on careers in the 'About' tab) or applicants may complete an online application utilizing SMU's computer by appointment located in our lobby during regular business hours at 520 2nd Avenue East, Suite 1, Spencer, IA. Please keep in mind that submission of a resume in lieu of work history on your application or answering the supplemental auestions is not sufficient

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Applications may be obtained at city of **West Okoboji Website and emailed to** wocity@medicacombb.net or dropped off at West Okoboji City Hall, 501 Terrace Park Blvd. Milford, IA 51351. Position open until filled.

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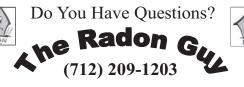
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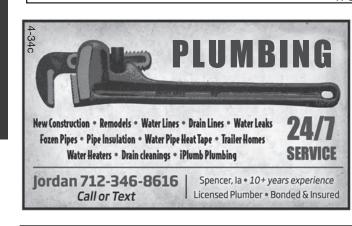
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to collection on a digital screen.

Also new is a re-creation of Abbie Gardner Sharp's cabin museum, highlighting artifacts from her collection and the peace pipe used during negotiations for her release from captivity. This peace pipe was presented to Abbie by Chetanmaza, one of her rescuers, during the dedication ceremony for the Massacre monument in 1895. QR codes linked to videos enable visitors to delve deeper into stories of Abbie Gardner Sharp and the Spirit Lake Massacre.

The Museum is hosting a Cemetery Walk through the Okoboji Cemetery in Arnolds Park Sunday, June 2 from 4-6 pm. Visitors will be able to hear stories from early area residents who made a mark in the history of the area. Tours will begin at the east cemetery entrance at 4:00 and 5:00. There is no admission charge, but a \$10 donation is suggested. Rain date is June 9.

Summer hours begin Tuesday, May 28, at the Museum. The Museum will be open Tuesday - Saturday from noon-4:00 pm except Wednesdays when the Museum is open 10:00-4:00 pm.





Iowa Lakes Community College is pleased to announce that Autumn Larsen has been selected as the new TRIO Director, pending board and grant approval. With an extensive background in education and community involvement, Larsen brings a wealth of

Troy Larson, Dean of Students at Iowa Lakes Community College, expressed his enthusiasm about Larsen's appointment.

"Autumn Larsen's passion for student success and extensive experience in education and community engagement make her the ideal candidate to lead our TRIO programs. We are confident that our TRIO initiatives will continue to thrive under her leadership and positively impact students' lives.

Larsen brings a diverse skill set to her new role, including exceptional organizational abilities, strong communication skills, and a proven track record of effective decision-making. Her commitment to student advocacy and community involvement aligns seamlessly with Iowa Lakes Community College's mission.

Prior to her appointment as TRIO Director, Larsen served as the College & Career Transition Coach at Iowa Lakes Community College, assisting students in developing academic, college, and career goals. She also was Intermediary Connections Coordinator/ $RPP Coordinator, facilitating\ work-based\ learning\ activities\ for\ K-12\ schools\ and\ maintaining\ positive\ relationships\ with\ stakeholders.$

Larsen holds a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Northwestern College and a Master of Education in Adult & Higher Education Administration from the University of Sioux Falls. She is a certified FAFSA coach through the Iowa College Access Network. She has participated in various professional development programs, including the Iowa State University Leadership Institute

In addition to her professional accomplishments, Larsen is actively involved in the community, serving on the Armstrong Library Board, Emmet County Foundation Board of Directors, Armstrong Planning and Zoning Commission, and as a 4-H Leader. Larsen replaces Trudy Ahrens, recently promoted to the Executive Director of Human Resources.

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I Can See Clearly Now **Dear Editor:**

Recently, I read a Letter to the Editor from a certain Dem serial writer. He went on to espouse how all things Dem are saintly and good and anything MAGA equals Armageddon. I do give the gentleman credit for his passion, but has the gentleman been blessed by some higher power with some sort of scholarly knowledge the rest of us haven't heard about? Are Dems good people-of course they are, we all know that. But sadly, they find themselves "confused", and who can blame them.

There's a new Covid going around and it's called Covid-24. Apparently, it only seeks out Dems and the Woke. Left untreated it may cause permanent damage. The first sign is a dysfunctional sense of situational awareness, followed by espousing beliefs which demonstrate questionable judgments. In its final stages, it becomes pathogenic, in which the victims actually deny observable reality. Sound familiar? Can you say Open Border?

Meanwhile, Hillary, known for her sinister cunning cries out, "Set My People Free". Her prospectus: Reprogramming. Others call it Behavioral Modification. Then comes the re-learning, the rehabilitation and recovery. Her people are set free. Sensing their new freedom, and their thought patterns changed, her people now stampede to the MAGA Nation. With smiling faces and their hearts and spirits soaring, they face the MAGA banners and sing, "I can see clearly now".

Meanwhile, in another classic demonstration of the political myopia that affects today's Dems, they offer up on their shoulders "Ice Cream Joey" and place him upon their altar as some sort of High Priest. Can you say apocalypse? How about philosophical abstraction? One can clearly sense the degree of desperation in the Dems ranks. Just like the famous old Civil War movie, Joe's "intellectual prowess" is "gone with the wind". Can you say diminished faculties? Not exactly someone who can leap tall buildings in a single bound, mentally or physically. Please Dems, enough with your preposterous illusions.

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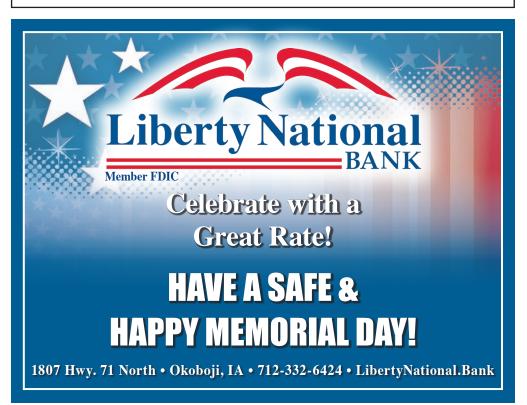
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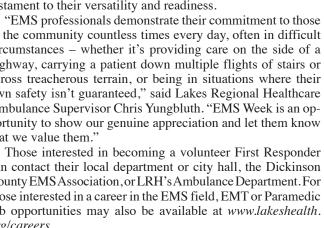
comprising over 90 volunteer First Responders, 35 Law Enforcement Officers, six dispatchers, nearly 20 DNR Conservation Lake Patrols, six fire departments, an underwater rescue team, LRH's ambulance service, and an emergency department. The county also has several important pieces of equipment such as specialized water rescue equipment, vehicle extrication equipment including the Jaws of Life, search and rescue drones, and equipment to help reach patients found in some of the remote areas of the county such as thermal scopes and aerial and underwater drones, and a Polaris Ranger outfitted for emergency purposes that was funded through generous donations to the LRH Foundation.

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Retail Kickstarter Committee Supports JCL Solutions/Spencer Office Supply Expansion

The Spencer Retail Kickstarter Committee is delighted to announce its partnership with JCL Solutions/Spencer Office Supply, by assisting with a Retail Kickstarter loan to support their business expansion.

JCL Solutions, originally founded in downtown Spencer in the late 1970s as a cleaning company, has grown significantly over the years. Larry Wigen, who joined the company in 1981, became the sole owner in 2016, following the passing of his business partner, Kris VanBerkum.

After outgrowing their original location, JCL Solutions expanded its facilities multiple times between the late 1980s and early 2000s. After purchasing Spencer Office Supplies in 2018 and adding office supplies to the business, the total sq ft increased to 28,000 sq ft, operating in three buildings. Operating across three separate buildings posed challenges.

When the opportunity arose to purchase the Tool Depot building, Wigen seized it. After negotiations with Ryan Brooks, owner of Servpro, an agreement was made: Servpro purchased the existing 18,000 sq ft JCL Solutions/Spencer Office Supplies building, while JCL Solutions/ Spencer Office Supplies acquired both the Tool Depot and Servpro halves of that building, consolidating them into one 30,000 sq ft building.

This consolidation allows JCL Solutions to streamline operations under one roof and enhance retail visibility and sales. Wigen expresses excitement for the future, emphasizing plans to "improve both the interior and exterior of the building to better serve customers in Spencer and the surrounding area." JCL also has a warehouse and other operations in Sioux Falls, SD.

The Retail Kickstarter partners include: City of Spencer, Community State Bank, Farmers Bank, Spencer Main Street, Northwest Bank, Spencer Municipal Utilities, State Bank, and the Spencer Chamber. The Retail Kickstarter Program started in 2018 to assist with recruitment and retention of businesses in Spencer. To date, the program has assisted 10 businesses in Spencer.

The Retail Kickstarter program in Spencer aims to support new and growing retail businesses, contributing to economic growth and job creation. It seeks to attract investment, diversify the economy, and increase sales tax revenue. By promoting responsible development and compliance with regulations, the program seeks to generate additional sales tax revenue and long-term community benefits while fostering overall community wealth and economic diversity.

If you have any questions or would like more information on the Retail Kickstarter, please contact Sheriffa Jones, Retail Kickstarter Administrator, director@spenceriowachamber.org or 712-262-5680.



Iowa Lakes Appoints Darci Curry as **Director of Records and Registration**

Iowa Lakes Community College announces the appointment of Darci Curry as the new Director of Records and Registra-

tion, pending board approval. With an extensive background in education and a proven track record of excellence, she brings over two decades of experience to her new role.

Troy Larson, Dean of Students, expressed his enthusiasm for Darci's appointment, stating, "We are delighted to welcome Darci Curry into her new role as the Director of Records and Registration. Her wealth of experience and dedication to student success make her the

ideal candidate for this position." In her previous role as Records Coordinator at Iowa Lakes Community College, Curry demonstrated exceptional leadership and organizational skills. She spearheaded the successful implementation of a new electronic transcript management system, provided comprehensive training for office staff, and resolved

any issues during the transition. Additionally, Curry was pivotal in setting up, testing, and implementing Self-Service, the current web application for students and faculty. Her vast knowledge of student records, registration, and graduation policies and procedures will be instrumental in her new position.

"I am honored to take on the Director of Records and Registration role at Iowa Lakes Community College," said Darci Curry. "I am eager to leverage my skills and experience to contribute to the continued success of the Records office and support our students' academic journey."

Curry holds a Bachelor of Arts in Management from Buena Vista University and an associate in arts from Iowa Lakes

Curry replaces long-time Iowa Lakes employee Barb Grandstaff, who served the institution for 36 years in various roles, most recently as the Registrar.







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142 pounds red new potatoes (about 18), sliced 1/4" thick 1/4 cup plus 3 tablespoons olive oil

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42 cup fresh flat-leaf parsley leaves

1/4 cup shelled roasted pistachios 1 small garlic clove

2 strip or sirloin steaks

(1" thick; about 142 pounds total) 1 bunch broccoli rabe (about 1 pound)

Heat oven to 425°F. On a large rimmed baking sheet, toss the potatoes with 2 tablespoons of the oil and 1/4 teaspoon each salt and pepper. Roast until golden, 25 to 30 minutes. Meanwhile, in a food processor, process the parsley, pistachios, garlic, 1/4 cup of the remaining oil, and 1/4 teaspoon each salt and pepper until finely chopped. Heat the remaining tablespoon of oil in a large skillet over medium-high heat. Season the

steaks with 1/2 teaspoon each salt and pepper and cook to the desired doneness, 4 to 6 minutes per side for medium rare. Transfer to a cutting board and let rest for at least 5 minutes before slicing. Wipe out the skillet. Add the broccoli rabe and 1/2 cup water and simmer, covered, until tender, 2 to 3 minutes. Serve with the steak, potatoes and pesto.

Recipe Courtesy of: "Real Simple Dinner Tonight: Done" by the editors of Real Simple.

Support the Sparkle: Join the 2024 Spencer Fireworks Show with Your Donation

The Spencer Fireworks Committee is thrilled to announce an opportunity to support the upcoming 2024 Fireworks show,

set to illuminate the skies on July 4th at 10:00 PM at the Clay County Fairgrounds. This spectacular event, made possible through generous community support, invites businesses and individuals to contribute and be recognized during the event. All sponsors who donate above \$100



will receive special recognition during the fireworks show via radio broadcast, ensuring community-wide acknowledgment and appreciation.

To kick off the fundraising efforts, the Spencer Fireworks Committee is partnering with Fareway for the second year with a "Round Up for Fireworks." During the week of Monday, May 20 through Saturday, May 25, customers will have the opportunity to round up to the nearest dollar at the register. Proceeds will go towards funding the annual Fireworks Show on July 4. How to Donate:

Donations can be made via cash or check. Please make checks payable to Spencer Fireworks and send them to 1805 Highway Blvd, Spencer, IA 51301. Donors are encouraged to fill out the form with their business or personal name, address, and contact details, and specify their contribution amount. For those who prefer privacy, an option to keep donations anonymous is also available.

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For further information or to make a donation, please contact Mike Carlson at *mike.carlson@smunet.net*.

The Spencer Fireworks Committee thanks all potential and past contributors for their continued support and looks forward to another successful event celebrating Independence Day in grand style.

Peterson to Present at ILUUF

Pastor Emma Peterson will preside over the May 26 Iowa Lakes Unitarian Universalist Fellowship Hybrid service. Her

message is titled "Loving the Hell Out of This World: Why UUs Should Embrace the Concept of Sin."



Pastor Emma has dedicated her ministry to honoring the "inherent worth and dignity" of every person she encounters. She received her M.Div. from Yale, and began a career in hospital chaplaincy, specifically in

areas of neonatal care, hospice, and trauma. Working on the precipice of life and death allowed her to consider life's biggest questions, seek the sacred in the midst of chaos, and connect with others in their most vulnerable moments. She is the Settled Minister for the Cedar Valley UU Congregation in Cedar Falls.

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.

Weekly Events at Occasions

Upcoming weekly events in May at Occasions, Formerly the Spencer Area Activity Center, located at 104 East 4th street in Spencer.

Tuesday, May 21 10:30 Chair Exercise 11:45 Dinner Date 1:00 Bingo

1:00 500 Wednesday, May 22

10:30 Tai Chi 11:45 Dinner Date and Dig In & Discover - Older Americans Month with **Mayor Proclamation** 1:00 Ponytail Canasta 1:00 Pool / Snooker

Thursday, May 23 10:30 Chair Exercise 11:45 Dinner Date 1:00 Bingo 1:00 500/Pinochle

Friday, May 24 9:00 Coffee 'Klatch' 11:45 Dinner Date 12:30 Movie "Curse of the Black Pearl' 1:00 Pool or Snooker

Monday, May 27

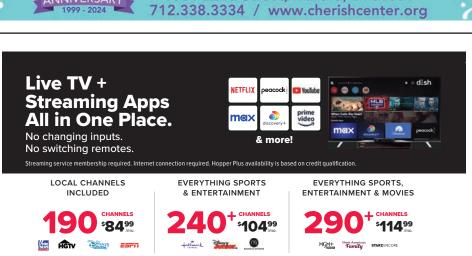
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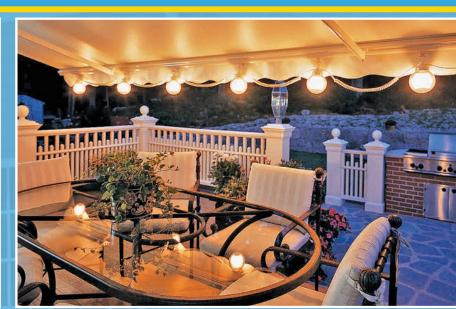
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