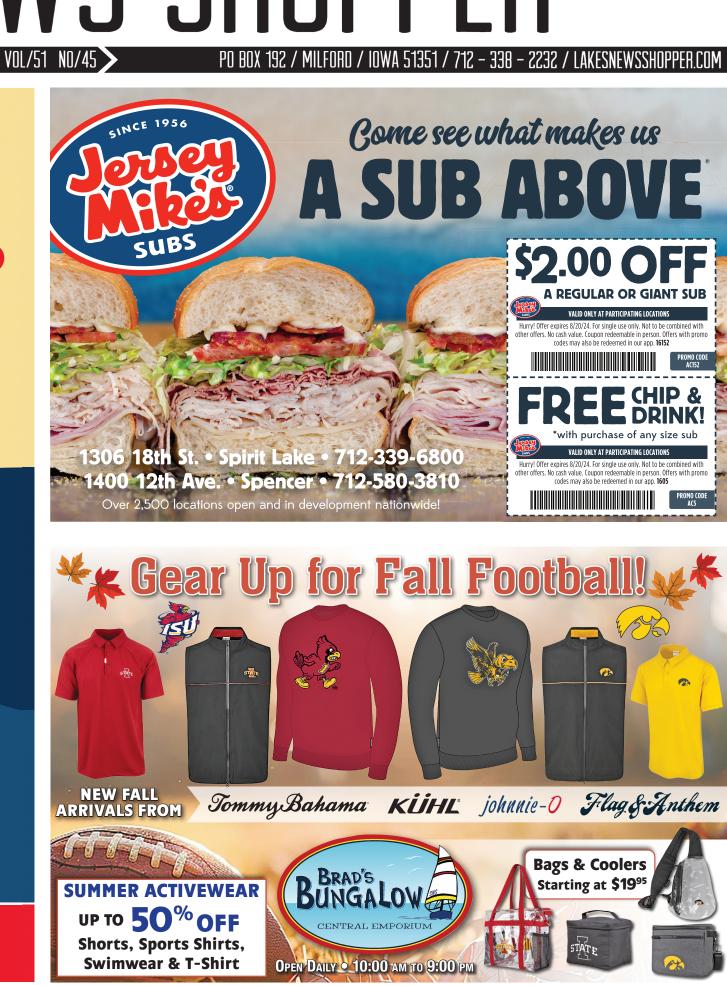
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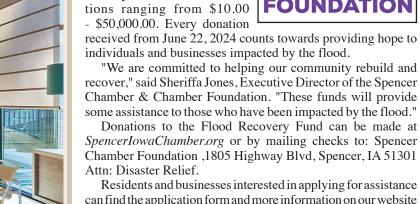
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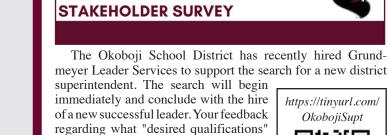


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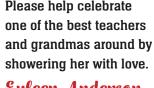
This survey is anonymous unless you provide your name voluntarily. Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey and provide direction for this important leadership position before August 31st.

- Superintendent Tentative Hiring Timeline:
- Application period: October 7 November 29 • Candidates screened: December 11
- Formal Interviews: December 16











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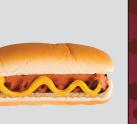


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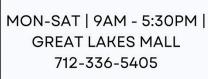




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Southeast Technical College Congratulates the Class of 2024

Southeast Technical College congratulates Jenna Mart of Spencer and Mitchell Mensing of Spirit Lake on completing their AAS, diploma and certificates at the end of the Summer 2024 semester. A commencement ceremony was held on May 3, 2024, for spring and summer graduates.



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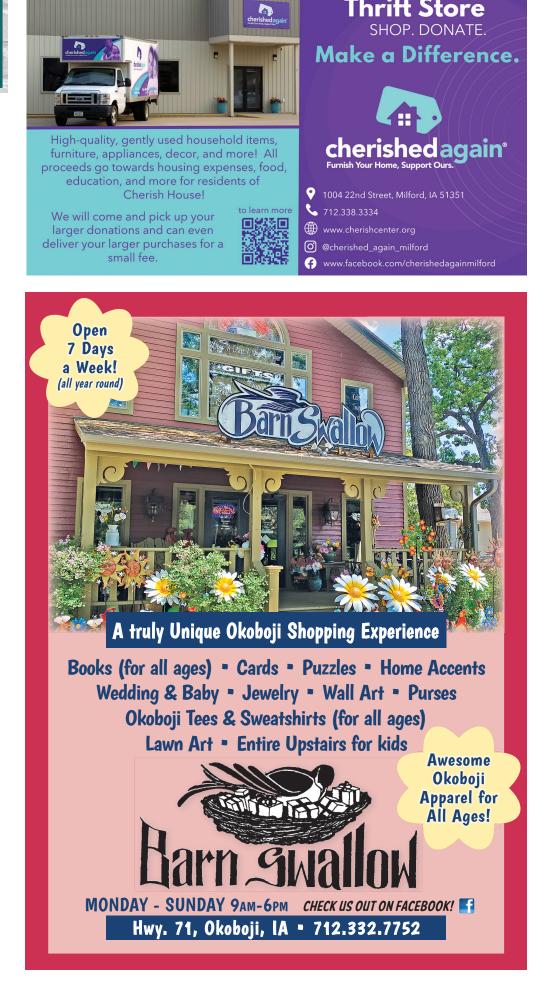
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Page 7 NW Iowa Brewery Produces A Beer For Quasquicentennial - Fat's Finest Lager

Schleswig, Iowa, graduates Matt ('91) and Michaela ('92) Matthiesen are owner operators of West O Beer, a microbrew-

ery in West Okoboji. They were quick to reply and honored to help when asked by Schleswig's quasquicentennial committee to brew and can a sig-



nature beer for their celebration September 13-15. "I remember our former principal saying, 'Never forget who you are or where you came from,' that's always stuck with me," stated Michaela. "We love Schleswig and everything that comes along with its heritage, this is the perfect way for us all to celebrate.'

Included on the West O team is their Sales Manager of nine months, Ian O'Brien. Ian also has strong ties to Schleswig, he lived there for several years of his early childhood. His father, Pat O'Brien, was a former teacher and coach in Schleswig before their family relocated to Clarion, IA. "I can't be more excited about my roll at West O Beer," Ian said. "In just a few short months I've had the pleasure of spreading the word about beers like Coco Stout and Ames Lager. Now I get to help design a beer and its can graphics for this year's celebration in Schleswig."

The beer style was chosen quickly, a German Style Lager with 4.5% ABV. The name took some time, though. After a multitude of ideas, it took an O'Brien family brainstorm to come up with FAT'S FINEST. End of discussion. FAT'S FINEST is in reference to a historical landmark of a bar formerly located in downtown Schleswig. "We just wanted a fun, easy-drinking beer for everyone that weekend. I promise that's what it is, and we can't wait to share it," said Matt.

West O Beer opened in 2013, and is open year-round at 503 Terrace Park Blvd in West Okoboji, IA. They have a full-service taproom with 14 beers on tap, along with wine and house-made seltzer. West O also offers made-from-scratch Italian Brick-Oven Pizza, along with a private event space that welcomes groups of up to 50 people.

For inquiries, please contact Matt Matthiesen via email: matt@westobeer.com



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water for the event. "A big thank you goes out to all our sponsors and the teams





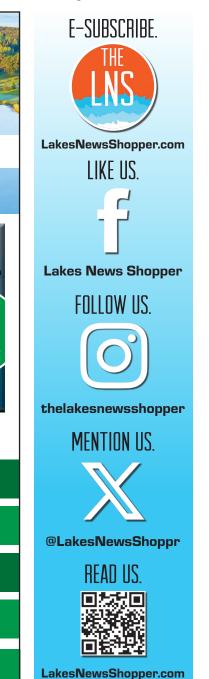
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that participated in our inaugural golf tournament," shared Corridor President & CEO Curt Strouth. "Being able to support the Homegrown Talent Initiative means bringing young minds back to the region to fill the quality jobs and positions that are open here. We look forward to launching and awarding the first round

Skyline Construction; Spencer Hospital; State Bank; Tyson; and Williams & Company, P.C. Fareway in Spencer also donated

The Homegrown Talent Initiative is a new program from the Corridor to encourage recent college graduates that grew up within the region to consider coming back, making the Corridor region their home, and filling the high-quality jobs available at local businesses. Beginning in the Spring of 2025, the Iowa Lakes Corridor will award multiple grants to individuals who graduated from a high school in Buena Vista, Clay, Dickinson, or Emmet Counties and have decided to return to the Corridor's four-county region to live and work in our local communities. Information for applications will be released in the coming months.



Boji Bill at The Gardens on Thursday

"Boji" Bill Carpenter will be appearing at The Gardens in the Central Emporium in Arnolds Park on Thursday, August

15. He'll be performing your favorite songs on the deck overlooking beautiful West Lake Okoboji from 5:00 to 9:00 that evening. In the event of inclement weather, the fun will move inside. Enjoy a drink. Enjoy a meal. Enjoy the musical stylings of "Boji"



Bill Carpenter. Make sure you stick around for the best sunset in the Lakes area.

Spencer Flood Relief Fundraiser at West O Beer August 14th

West O Beer, in partnership with the Okoboji Foundation, invites the community to join them at the brewery for a special "ON

US" event on Wednesday, August 14th. A portion of West O's sales proceeds from the day, along with matching donations from the Okoboji Foundation and Modern Woodmen of America, will go towards amplifying the impact of the Spencer Chamber of



Commerce's upcoming gift card disbursement program, which directly benefits Spencer residents and local businesses.

The event will also feature special guests providing updates on flood recovery efforts, information on available assistance programs, and guidance for those in need.

"Our own family, friends, and a number of employees live in Spencer and own businesses in Spencer. With our brewery in the Lakes Area, we've fielded questions from patrons about both the recovery progress and ways to possibly help, as well as an outpouring of donations and other support," said Matt Matthiesen, owner of West O Beer. "Through conversations with the Spencer Chamber, this gift card program feels like the perfect place to focus our impact, to make bills that much lighter, and ensure those funds go to local businesses. We hope the impact helps through what will be a long time of need.'

For the past two years, West O Beer, the Okoboji Foundation, and the Lakes News Shopper have collaborated on "ON US" - a monthly series of events designed to highlight and raise funds for one nonprofit each month. This month's event, with additional support from Adam Gress of Modern Woodmen of America, will focus on flood relief efforts in Spencer, shifting the spotlight to this pressing need.

"Neighbors helping neighbors - that's the common thread of what I've been hearing from our Lakes Community and donors," said Mindy Gress, President of the Okoboji Foundation. "The Okoboji Foundation is proud to collaborate on this fundraising opportunity to enhance individual giving efforts, raising funds that will support both residents and Spencer area businesses."

Details on the gift card program will be announced soon. The Spencer Chamber of Commerce continues to serve as a vital resource hub for residents affected by the flooding.

"We can't thank our friends to the north (Okoboji & Lakes area) enough for all they have provided to Spencer and Clay County from the beginning of the flood," said Sheriffa Jones, Executive Director of the Spencer Chamber & Foundation. "The Okoboji School District and community were our lifeline early on during the flood, and we are so thankful for the outpouring of support and generosity."

For more information on donations or inquiries related to the event, please contact taproots@westobeer.com.





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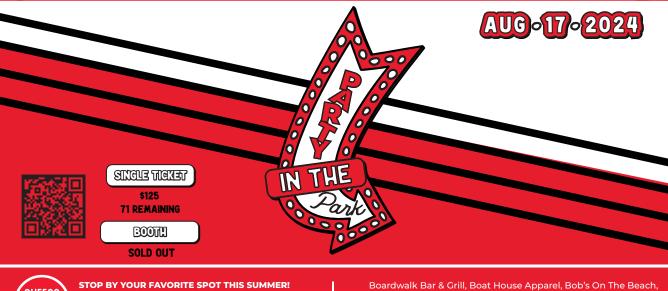
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Dickinson County Democrats August Meeting

Please join fellow Dickinson County Democrats for their monthly meeting on Monday, August 19, at 7:00pm, at the Arnolds Park City Hall, 156 Okoboji Grove Road N, Arnolds Park (in the Arnolds Park City Hall Building). Everyone is welcome! Bring a friend or neighbor! Please join the Dickinson County Democrats if you have any ideas, concerns, questions, suggestions, or would like to volunteer.

57th Annual Butterfield Threshermen's STEAM & GAS ENGINE SHOW Saturday, Aug. 17 & Sunday, Aug. 18 Butterfield, MN • On Hwy. 60 in Southwestern MN Bring your gas or model engines! Visit the construction corner for demos • Free parking • Camping facilities available Shaded lakeside site ADMISSION — Adults, 13 & older: **\$10** Children: FREE FEATURING ... Vintage Powersports and Unrestored and Original Tractors 1970 & Older ANTIQUE TRACTOR PULL EOUIPMENT BLUEGRASS MUSIC PARADE On stage daily in the shade of Voss Park 5:30 p.m. Friday Sat., 2:15 p.m Sun., 3:15 p.m. Antique Tractors • Classic Cars & Trucks • Pioneer Town Crafts & Antiques • Much, Much More



85th Birthday Announcement

Beverly Wiese will be celebrating her 85th birthday on Saturday, August 24, 2024. Family would like to have a card shower to surprise her. Please send cards to 72325 410th Ave., Lakefield, MN 56150. Thank you in advance!

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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. Dear Editor:

I am a legal, law abiding, tax the paying citizen of United States of America. I have lived here most of my life except for two years in New Delhi, India.

I have bridled my tongue for over 8 years. Now I must speak! We do not have a Democracy! We have a bureaucracy; demagogue of politicians that appeal to your emotions and prejudices.

I have heard through the years that the Democratic party will do anything to stay in power. The past eight plus years support what I have heard.

What would the Democrats do if they did not have Donald Trump as their Whipping Boy? If Donald Trump's life is taken or any of his family, the blood will lead to Democratic leaders and their violating incitement.

Thank you Robert Fox. I too see things more clearly, and having been alive longer then the President, I see their motives. Hypocrisy is when the First Lady pleads to her husband to

cease fire to protect the innocent but supports the killing of the defenseless! ABORTION!

Janice Ann Gabel Burns Spirit Lake, Iowa

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*This letter was paid for by the author.







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most inviting counties in the state for wind energy. Wind energy companies like to wait until the fall to notify the public about

their plans. Don't be fooled. Its timing has their reasons in mind.

more important problems than what our skyline will look like

companies currently seeking to add over 200 more turbines in

Dickinson County through 3 different projects is still a clear and

present threat to the skyline from every location in the county

thought-out, forward-looking principle that allows for their

growth in the future. 3 miles from current city property lines is

a worthwhile endeavor as there is a possible new grade school

location that will invite new homes and businesses to that area.

Perhaps a moratorium on wind energy construction would be

With the current Board of Supervisors and Planning & Zon-

ing Committee we have, that is not going to happen. They have

proven their unwillingness to use the brake pedal on this issue.

Our local elections for Board of Supervisors are more important

than ever. Time to vote against any incumbent on the ballot.

The city of Milford's local government has adapted a well-

and in every direction that you would view.

For the rest of us, it is critical to realize that the wind energy

Some residents in our county recently dealt with flood waters and damage that has costs associated that would boggle most of our minds. Those residents are currently dealing with way

Many residents of Dickinson County currently think that wind turbines have been eliminated from our skyline by our local government. Nothing could be farther from the truth. In fact, our Board of Supervisors has actually created one of the

Letter to the Editor:

in the future.

in order.... again.

(Vote for Steve Dullard.)

Milford, Iowa

Support

Richard VonEhwegen

Calling all culinary enthusiasts! Showcase your award-worthy entries in the Oven Products and Canned Goods & Dried Foods Departments at the 2024 Clay County Fair, presented by SMU, September 7-15.

Oven Products

Whether you're passionate about baking the best chocolate chip cookies or creating the ugliest cake, the 2024 Clay County Fair Oven Products Department will allow open-class exhibitors to showcase their baking talents. Exhibitors can enter their blue-ribbon best in over thirty-five divisions, including the \$1,500 Cinnamon Roll Contest. This contest will be held on Monday, September 9, with judging beginning at 1:00 p.m. The \$1,500 Cinnamon Roll Contest is sponsored by Farmers Saving Bank—Milford, Modern Woodmen, Edward Jones, and Asher Motor Company.

There are also thirteen other food contests that open-class exhibitors can enter during the Fair. Highlights include Mrs. Bonser's Egg Noodles: Stroganoff Contest and King Arthur Floor Contests on September 8. Lakeside Charcuterie will sponsor the Charcuterie Board Contest on September 11. Be Creative with Mrs. Grimes' Beans Contest and Barb Christensen's Chocolate Chip Cookie Contest on September 12. The Breakfast Casserole Contest sponsored by the Clay County Pork Producers, KICD's Pasta Salad Contest, Bruce Piper Traditional Peach Pie Contest, and Bundt Cake Contest sponsored by Maxwell Food Equipment on September 13. Closing out the Fair will be the Northwest Iowa Beekeepers Honey Contest, Betty Pothast Angel Food Cake Dessert Contest, and People's Choice Salsa Contest, sponsored by Okoboji Canning Company, on September 14.

With so many divisions and contests, the Oven Products Department at the Clay County Fair invites everyone to participate and celebrate the joys of baking.

Canned Goods & Dried Foods

In addition to the Oven Product Department, the Canned Goods & Dried Foods Department offers another opportunity to showcase your cooking talents.

This year, the Canned Goods & Dried Foods Department will feature over thirty-five different divisions, including pie fillings, vegetables, pickles, jellies, jams, and so much more!

Don't miss your chance to be a part of the Oven Products or Canned Goods & Dried Foods Departments during the 2024 Clay County Fair. Start preparing your entries now, and let your cooking skills shine!

Open class entries are open to anyone from any county or state. Exhibitors are encouraged to check out the 2024 Exhibitor Handbooks for each Department to find the rules and guidelines for their entries. These handbooks can be found online at *www. claycountyfair.com* or picked up in the Fair Administrative Office. Pre-registration for all Oven Products and Canned Goods & Dried Foods entries is encouraged and can be completed online, by mail, or in person by Monday, August 19.

Exhibitors also have the option to register their entries before judging. Oven Product entries for divisions 626-664 will be accepted on Friday, September 6 (10:00 am-5:00 pm), while entries for divisions 670-674 will be accepted on Thursday, September 12 (8:00 am-9:00 am). Canned Goods & Dried Foods entries will be accepted on Tuesday, September 3 (8:00 am-5:30 pm) at the Creative Living Center.

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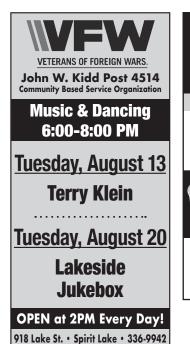
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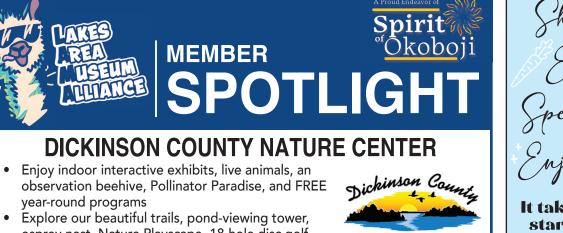
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Music is the universal language. Join Respite Angels Thursday, August 15th, at Calvary United Methodist Church, at 10:00am, for a sing along and guitar performance led by Pastor Chris St Clair. Refreshments will be served and all are welcome.



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Lakes Area Farmers Market News

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

Thanks to all the people who came through Lakes Area Farmers Market last Saturday and picked up their free succulent. Around 30 children had fun finding everything on their scavenger hunt for their prize. As a back to school treat, this Saturday each child will receive a free coloring book. The adults can sign up to win the basket of market products. This week gift cards in the basket are donated by Goodies Candies, Scooters, and Taco Johns.

Now is the time to freeze corn for the winter and to can tomatoes for later use. Potatoes and onions can be stored in a cool dry spot for several months. Many of you have been making pickles but cucumbers and dill will be ending soon. While there has not been a lot of green beans at the market, you can still find ones for eating. Apples should be arriving soon. There are still lots of baked items and crafts. You need to see them to choose some, so come to Lakes Area Farmers Market on Wednesday and Saturday from 7:30 AM to 12:00 noon. It's on the fairgrounds in Spirit Lake. We hope to see you there.

Pancake Breakfast for Flood Relief

Knights of Columbus Council #5043 and St. Mary's Parish in Spirit Lake are hosting a Pancake Breakfast for Flood Relief on Sunday, August18, from 8:00am - 12:00pm, at the St. Mary's Parish Hall (1006 Hill Avenue, Spirit Lake).

They will be serving pancakes, sausage, orange juice and coffee. Your free will offering will benefit area flood victims. For more information, call 712-330-8892.

Bridal Shower Announcement

Family and friends are invited to a 'come & go' Bridal Shower honoring Avery Heikens, daughter of Lance and Shelley Heikens of Webster City (and formerly of

Lake Park), Iowa, on August 17th, from 9:30-11:30 AM, at the Lake

Park Methodist Church. Avery is the bride-to-be of Trent Pedersen of Swea City. The couple will be married on November 9, 2024, in Emmetsburg, Iowa.

Avery and Trent are registered at Amazon and Target. The family would be honored by your attendance at the shower.



Faith Community Church Welcomes Divinity Trio

The Divinity Trio is coming to Milford for a morning of gospel music and praise. The group comes from Indiana and has a great blend of harmony and a genuine Christian love that shines through their music.

Johnny Dodrill sings the baritone part, his son Jonathan Dodrill sings lead and Tony Brown is their tenor singer. Each member of the Divinity Trio has been singing gospel music all their lives and now, along with pianist Jonathon "Stanley" Mullins, happily join together to travel and follow God's calling through testimony and song. "Our goal is to reach the lost, encourage the believer, and honor God in all we do."

Faith Community Church will host The Divinity Trio Sunday, August 18, at their 10:30 a.m. worship service. The church is located at 805 Okoboji Ave., Milford. All are welcome!



Mrs. Anderson to Celebrate 90!

Please help celebrate one of the best teachers and grandmas around by showering her with love. Eyleen Anderson's 90th Birthday is Sunday, August 18, 2024. Please send cards and well wishes to her at 1401 17th Street, Milford, IA 51351.

Empowering Futures: Okoboji Schools Introduces Groundbreaking Work-Based Learning Program for Middle School Learners

The Okoboji Community School District is thrilled to announce the launch of the Pathfinder Academy, a pioneering work-based learning program designed specifically for seventh and

eighth-grade students. Starting this school year, students will have the opportunity to explore their career interests through engaging and hands-on courses tailored to their passions.

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Recognized for excellence in education, Okoboji Middle School recently received a top 10 designation from U.S. News & World Report,

highlighting its commitment to academic achievement in reading and math. However, the district believes that education extends beyond standardized assessments. "While we are proud of our achievements in traditional subjects, we recognize that true learning encompasses a broader spectrum," said Ryan Cunningham, Okoboji Middle School Principal. "The Pathfinder Academy is designed to engage our students, allowing them to discover their strengths and passions as they prepare for their futures."

The Pathfinder Academy will offer over 25 career elective courses for students to choose from, enabling them to tailor their educational experience to their individual interests. By starting each day all year with two semester-based elective classes, students will gain valuable insights into potential career paths, fostering enthusiasm and motivation throughout their educational journey.

"We are excited to provide students with the tools and opportunities to explore various career options," added Ryan Cunningham. "Our mission is to pioneer pathways for every student, and this program is a significant step in that direction."

The Pathfinder Academy is just one of the many initiatives that showcase the Okoboji Community School District's commitment to providing an engaging and well-rounded education.

For more information, including a comprehensive list of courses offered through the Path Finder Academy, please refer to our handbook by scanning the QR code.

Join the Okoboji Community School District as they embark on this exciting journey to empower their students and help them chart their futures!





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A Memorial Service for Valoris "Junior" Johnson, age 90, of Spirit Lake, will be held on Friday, August 16, 2024, at 11:00am,at

Seventh Day Adventist Church in Spencer. Visitation will take place on Thursday, August 15, 2024, from 5:00-7:00pm, at Turner Jenness Funeral Home in Spirit Lake. Valoris "Junior" Johnson

came into this world Jan. 13, 1934, at the family farmhouse that still stands today in rural Spirit Lake, IA. He was the second born child of Valoris and Lucille (Brown) Johnson. He and older sister Elnita "Dolly" had a pleasant childhood filled with good times with cousins, pets and later things with a motor

and two wheels. He was raised in an era when children were to be seen and not heard. It was a virtue he carried his whole life. While being a man of wisdom and talent he was content working solidly behind the scenes, not drawing attention to himself and while supporting others. He attended Arnolds Park school through the tenth grade, finishing at Oak Park Academy in Nevada, IA, graduating in 1951. Lifelong treasured friends were made at each.

Following high school, he began farming, renting some land with his cousin Merlin, custom baling, and raising livestock. During this time, he met a beautiful young lady named Carol Jean Hanson and a friendship ensued. Unfortunately, not long thereafter Uncle Sam came calling. The time was post Korean War and he was sent to be part of peacekeeping forces in small town Germany.

Following his time in the service, he was free to pursue two of his dreams. One of those was the previously mentioned Carol Jean, the other was to farm. Farming had been his dream from little on and he did it well. He got in on the tail end of farming with horses and threshing with a crew, followed by early tractors, onward into self-steering computer-controlled tractors and combines, single row corn pickers, and finally to sixteen row combines, adapting to each. His life was also dramatically altered when he was badly injured and lost the use of his right arm in a farming accident on October 29, 1972. During a multi-month recovery stay at Mayo in Rochester, neighbors generously joined together and harvested his crops. Overwhelmed by their generosity, he never forgot their kindness! After the injury he was left with pain in that arm throughout his life, but still he persevered onward, calling the farm his therapy and learning to do things one handed, that many of us struggle to do with two, never complaining.

As for that beautiful lady Carol Jean, they kept in touch throughout his tour reigniting the romance upon his return. Shortly thereafter they were married on July 5, 1959, in Ŝioux Rapids IA. During Junior's time in Germany, he had shipped two baby blue VW Beetles home - one for himself and one for his parents. One of the highlights of their wedding was discovering his parents VW had mistakenly been decorated with tin cans, balloons, and shaving cream with "just married" written on the windows.

That fall, after the wedding, Carol left for Loma Linda CA for her final year of nursing school. Junior joined her following harvest. The story was told he plowed all night on his last night then drove straight through to join her. Following nursing school, they settled into a home on the family farm next to his parents. Three children were born to the home, Julie, Norvin and Brent. Unfortunately, Brent died a short time after birth. They had a happy marriage, and it was a home filled with love and security.

Valoris had a great love and trust for his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! He lived that out throughout his daily life and in service through his church and community. He was a lifelong member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church serving for many years as an elder. He was also a part of the Dickinson County Mutual board of directors for twenty-six years, being chairman for twenty-one of those years. He enjoyed working with others and making a difference.

Junior wanted to be a friend to all. He considered himself blessed by the many friendships he enjoyed. He was a great encourager and as granddaughter Cassie put it "he was always in your corner". He always wanted to be productive, and work was his therapy. He took the greatest joy from time with, or calls from, those he knew and loved. He was a man of virtue and humility. We are blessed by the legacy he leaves!

He was preceded in death by his parents, Valoris and Lucille (Brown) Johnson; his sister, Elnita "Dolly" Doeschott; his wife of 59 yrs Carol; son Brent and great-grandchild, Kallie Limbaugh.

Junior is survived by daughter, Julie Humphrey (Brad); son, Norvin (Nancy); grandchildren, Cassandra Kavuri (Roy), Cody Johnson, Kayla Limbaugh (Jordan), Krista Nelson (Tom), Britta Stilwell (Scott), Tessa Tucker (Clay), and seven great-grandchildren.

Obituaries

Jeffrey Alan Michelson, 63, of Superior, Iowa, passed away suddenly on July 31, 2024, in Chicago, Illinois.

Jeff was born on January 14, 1961, in Estherville, Iowa. He was a loving and devoted family man. He attended Spirit Lake High School before putting in time at Rohlins Construction. However, it was his career as a truck driver that truly defined him. Most recently, he spent 21 fulfilling years at Ahlers Enterprises, where work wasn't just a task but a part of a family. Jeff shared a special camaraderie with his fellow truckers and the office team, particularly bonding with his boss, Joe, and friend, Kathy,



in the office. He was known by his co-workers to be one of the nicest guys to work with.

In his free time, Jeff cherished moments with his family, particularly enjoying Saturday morning dates with his wife Sue to get donuts, coffee, and groceries. Jeff and Sue were married on April 25, 1987, in Huntington, Iowa. Jeff had immense pride in his children, Ryan and Brooke, knew no bounds, and his love for being a grandpa was unmatched. He loved helping his son Ryan work on his race car and cheering him on at the races, as well as taking road trips to Omaha to spend time with his daughter Brooke and granddaughter Aspen. A special family trip to the Omaha Zoo in 2022 brought laughter and joy to the family, encapsulating the love and closeness they shared. Jeff adored his grandchildren and could frequently be found watching cartoons with his granddaughter Aspen, often finding them funnier than she did

Jeff had a passion for watching racing, especially NASCAR, and enjoyed listening to or watching the Fox News broadcast. He was a tough but loving father, husband, and grandfather, finding immense joy and treasured every moment spent with his beloved dog, Sophie, and his granddogs. While the family joked that he was a proud member of the "Grumpy Old Men's Club," those who knew him understood that beneath his gruff exterior was a heart of gold.

Jeff is survived by his beloved wife, Sue (Bueltel) of Superior, Iowa; his cherished children, Ryan Michelson (Ashley, partner) of Estherville, Iowa, and Brooke Michelson of Omaha, Nebraska; his treasured grandchildren, Aspen and Landon, and honorary grandchildren, Devon, Hayden, Kierra and Madelyn; his brothers, Greg (Nancy) and Jon Michelson of Spirit Lake, Iowa, and sister, Kim (Shawn) McQuillen of Monticello, Iowa; and his dear mother-in-law, Juanita "Nita" Bueltel of Superior, Iowa, as well as many other extended family and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, Eddie and Lois (Higgins) Michelson and his father-in-law, Vernon Bueltel.

A Celebration of Life to honor Jeff's memory was held on Saturday, August 10, 2024, at Superior City Hall. The event was a reflection of his life, filled with stories and memories shared by those who loved him. Jeff will be remembered for his hard work, dedication, and most of all, his unwavering love for his family. Interment is private.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Sue Michelson, P.O. Box 61, Superior, IA 51363.

Obituaries

A funeral service for Arlo Newman, 96, of Milford, Iowa, was held Saturday, August 10, 2024, at First Lutheran Church in West Okoboji. Interment was at West-

port Cemetery. Arlo Wayne Newman was born on March 17, 1928, in Comfrey, Minnesota, to Raymond and Vernetta (Pelley) Newman. He lived on various farms west of Milford. He attended Westport School #5 and graduated from Okoboji Consolidated High School in 1945. During his high school years as a proud Okoboji Oriole, he played basketball and baseball. On December 27, 1949, he

married Betty Hansen of Terril and began farming east of Milford.

To this union four children were born - Duane, Roger, Donna and Kay. They later divorced.

On November 27, 1974, he married Bonnie Sandersfeld of Hartley and helped to raise her children – Cary, Brian and Denise. They lived at Business Corner, Hartley, and the Crescent Beach area before divorcing. He then lived in Lake Park.

Besides farming, Arlo worked at Shoppers Supply and Eaton Corporation until retirement. He then worked at Village West, Halbur Lawn Service and as a Walmart greeter until his second retirement. His favorite, by far, was being a farmer.

Arlo served on various boards including the C-D Farm Service and Federal Land Bank Boards. He was a 4-H leader and a member of First Lutheran Church of Milford. He played fast-pitch softball and enjoyed watching sports, especially the Minnesota Timberwolves, Minnesota Lynx and college basketball. Fudge Stripe cookies and Cheetos were his favorites.

Arlo passed away on August 7, 2024, at Accura Healthcare of Milford.

Always loving a good joke, family and friends appreciated his uick wit and sense of humor. He had a strong faith and a sincere ppreciation for the nurses and staff at Accura Healthcare of Milford.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Duane Grant Newman; grandson, Michael Newman and grandson-in-law, Russell Ramsey

Left to cherish his memory are sons: Duane (Connie) Newman of Milford, Iowa; Roger (Cheryl) Newman of Mountain Home, Arkansas; daughters: Donna (VerDon) Schmidt of Everly, Iowa and Kay (Todd) Suhr of Grimes, Iowa. Step-children: Cary Sandersfeld of May City, Iowa; Brian Sandersfeld of Montgomery, Iowa and Denise Seivert of Hartley, Iowa.

Nine grandchildren: Crystal (Danny Johnson) Ramsey, Darci Jared) Domerese, Travis Suhr, Nicole (Jess) McCall, Asa Sandersfeld, Ethan Sandersfeld, Justyn (Marissa) Sandersfeld, Brooke (Nathan) Peters, and Blake (Kim) Seivert. Also surviving are six great-grandchildren, one great-great granddaughter and a "special" daughter, Lonna (Brian) Draayer of Milford, Iowa, as well as other relatives and friends.

Turner Jenness Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

'24 Okoboji Blue Water Festival draws huge crowds

by Steve Weisman

Festival (OBWF) held this past Saturday drew one of the largest crowds ever! Starting at 8 a.m., with Chalkstock, Preservation Plaza came alive with both young and old alike, residents and visitors, enjoying the many activities of the largest clean water festival in Iowa set along the shores of West Lake Okoboji.

Festival goers meandered through the winding sidewalk lined with over 30 clean water organizations, stopping to visit with different clean water organizations, gathering clean water information and in some cases joining organizations to help join with their clean water efforts. Julie Peterson, co-chair of the OBWF, reflected on the crowd in attendance. "Families streamed by hundreds through the activities, and a lot of water quality education was provided along with a lot of fun! It's hard to put a number on an event like this without tickets, but the crowds were huge throughout the day and at the night concert." Most certainly youngsters were involved in their many activities, evidenced by their excited voices, laughter and screams of joy. And why not with the chance to experience Chalkstock, the big inflatable, interactive water tables, face and T-shirt painting, lots of giveaways and even a little quiet story time provided by the Milford Library.

The 9th annual Okoboji Blue Water ages: Understanding the Water Body, Advanced Panfish Tactics, Jerk Baits, Finesse Fishing, Top Water Fishing, Crankbaits and Spinner Baits and Baits Designed for Forward Fishing Sonar. Spengler used a small aquarium to demonstrate what each bait/lure looked like in the water!

Although Spengler has been designing hard baits at Pure Fishing for 14 years, he was actually fascinated with making lures from age nine. Using a pocket-knife, he would whittle and shape wood lures from scraps of wood and tree branches. Spengler actually showed a tackle box containing many of his first baits! The process was painstakingly slow early on having to use just the pocket-knife. However, the use of a Dremel tool helped make the process go more smoothly in the process of cutting, grinding and sanding. Spengler took the time to encourage the youth in the crowd to reach for their dreams, because they can be achievable!



(photo by Steve Weisman) the Storm Lake Times and Chris Jones, Lake, meets Friday mornings recently retired research engineer at the

Obituaries

Susanne Marie Bicknese, 74, of Spencer, Iowa, passed away at ome on August 3, 2024, after battling a lengthy illness. Many knew her as Chef "Susanne"

Susanne was born on February 5, 1950, in Cherokee, Iowa, to Robert (Bob) and Monica (Fuller) Jensen. Her family moved from Cherokee to Storm Lake where Susanne attended Storm Lake - St. Mary's School and graduated there in 1968.

Susanne worked many different jobs in her adult life but her passion was always cooking. That passion is what led her to start her own catering

business and thus "Chef Susanne" was born. Chef Susanne was well known for her private party caterings, her wedding caterings and her favorite cooking classes at Pearson Lakes Art Center and in Sheldon, Iowa.

Susanne also loved to travel. She went on many trips to different places but her favorite spots to visit were Door County, WI and Traverse City, MI for their cherry festivals.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Bob and Monica Jensen; her paternal grandparents, Axel & Minnie Jensen; her maternal grandparents, John & Susanna Fuller; her uncles & aunts: Wilbert & Donna Godbersen, Jim & Corrine McCarthy and Gordon & Juanita Jensen; ner cousins: Dan McCarthy and David Godbersen

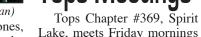
Left to cherish her memory are her sister, Pam Gude of Milford, IA; her nephew, Lowen Gude of Sioux Falls, SD; many cousins and friends. A come and go Celebration of Life for Susanne will be held Saturday, August 17, from 11:00am - 2:00pm, at the Pearson Lakes Art Center (2201 Highway 71, Okoboji).



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Barbara Mendenhall, secretary of the Okoboji Protective Association (OPA), which was one of the exhibitors, said, "A lot of people stopped by the OPA booth asking questions to learn more about the OPA and its mission. We feel it was a great day.

Terry Thomsen, president of the Iowa Great Lakes Fishing Club (IGLFC), agreed. "We were busy the entire time and signed up 30 new members. We want to thank Dan Spengler for his great fishing clinic, helping provide all the product and helping promote our club. The casting contest for kids really went over well."

Highlights of the day included the special presentations under the Big Tent: the Fishing Seminar with Dan Spengler, Shoreline Stabilization Update with Mike Hawkins and the Clean Water Keynote Speakers with Art Cullen and Chris Jones. Peterson noted, "All of the speakers were recorded and will be posted on the Okoboji Blue Water Festival website later next week.'



(photo by Steve Weisman)

The Art and Science of Fishing Dan Spengler's fishing seminar was standing room only with the crowd spilling out beyond the Big Tent. Spengler's topics included something for all anglers of all

Check out the Okoboji Blue Water Festival website later next week for a recording of Spengler's presentation.

Shoreline Stabilization

The June flood had a tremendous impact on people throughout northwest Iowa. Iowa DNR Fisheries Biologist, Mike Hawkins presented information about how the flood affected Dickinson County lakes. "Atotal of 78 bank collapses occurred affecting 2700 feet of shoreline on private property and another 585 feet of public shoreline."

Hawkins gave data that showed that from March to July, the lakes rose a total of 4.3 feet and came within 6 inches of the high-water level of 1993. That much rain in just a couple of days is not normal, but the question is what is normal?

A wide range of issues caused the bank collapses. The majority of multiple collapses occurred on West Okoboji along Browns Bay, Echo Bay and Manhattan Bay. The watershed around the lakes itself caused issues of "plumbing the watershed." This is removal of water from the land, instead of letting it soak in. By the time the water gets near the lake, there are issues with drainage from behind and off the streets, rainfall running from roofs on the lake homes. All this water put pressure on the steep banks and saturated the top, while the rising water and wave action attacked the bottom shoreline.

Hawkins went on to discuss next steps, Currently, lake homeowners are cleaning up what they can, but as far as rebuilding the shoreline, there are a lot of discussions going on with FEMA, the NRCS, the DNR and other entities that can offer expertise and also help determine if there is any funding available. Bottom line? It is everybody's responsibility to help implement better practices throughout the watershed.

Check out the Okoboji Blue Water Festival website later next week for a recording of Hawkins' presentation. Keynote Speakers: Clean Water

Discussion

Art Cullen, editor and co-owner of

University of Iowa, shared the spotlight for the Clean Water Discussion. Julie Gammack, an Iowa Native and journalist and founder of the Iowa Writer's Collaborative, moderated the event.

OBWF co-chair, Greg Drees reflected, "Art Cullen and Chris Jones drew a large and receptive crowd talking about water quality issues in Iowa.'

Both Cullen and Jones acknowledged the leadership of the Okoboji Blue Water Festival and that we (meaning the crowd) all want good water quality. At the same time, Cullen noted that this is simply not happening. "We are poisoning our surface water. The state as a whole is worse today than we were in 2015."

Jones, meanwhile, said with a smile, "I'm not outspoken – really just spoken."

Cullen said a solution for Iowa would be to "put 40 percent of our row crops into grass. This land set aside would help us all the way to the Gulf of Mexico. Somehow bid the land out of production. There are ways to do it.'

Jones noted, "We need more diversity of plants on the landscape. Why do we allow planting right to the shores and the banks? Yes, we need laws to do this. We need to talk regulations now for the future.'

Both Cullen and Jones answered questions from the audience throughout their presentation.

Check out the Okoboji Blue Water Festival website later next week for a recording of the Clean Water Discussion. Music

The people kept coming and coming and coming... the crowd was enormous in anticipation of the music. Oh my, yes, for the music! The Nadas kicked things off, and the X Ambassadors definitely hit a home run! What an encore to an awesome clean water day! A lot of conversation throughout the crowd was just how good the X Ambassadors were!

Drees was ecstatic about the entertainment. "The Nadas and X Ambassadors put on a spectacular show far beyond our expectations!'

As a final thought, Drees gave a shoutout to all the people who made the '24 Okoboji Blue Water Festival such a great success. "I want to thank all our sponsors, donors and volunteers for their efforts. Without them, none of this would be possible. Most importantly, this day is about protecting our waters and continuing to make improvements in further improving and protecting these fragile water systems. It is our responsibility!'

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





Turner Jenness Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.



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Exciting Entertainment at the 2024 Clay County Fair

The 2024 Clay County Fair, powered by SMU, is set to bring an array of exciting entertainment, featuring a mix of beloved returning acts and captivating new performances. From thrilling lumberjack competitions and foam parties to stilt artists and educational shows, this year's fair promises unforgettable experiences for visitors of all ages. Here's a sneak peek at some of the fantastic attractions awaiting you at the Fair!

Get ready for great old-fashioned fun and family entertainment at the Paul Bunyan Lumberjack Show, sponsored by Bath Fitter! This action-packed event features world-renowned lumberjack competitors, delivering thrilling competition and plenty of laughs. Don't miss this unforgettable show happening all nine days of the Clay County Fair!

Making their debut performance at the 2024 Clay County Fair, Stilt Circus will glide through the fairgrounds with festive stilt artistry. The Stilt Artist will present a variety of colorful costumed characters each day of the fair, so get your picture taken with your tall friends from Stilt Circus.

Dive into fun at the Tons of Foam party, sponsored by Mattress Hub! This exciting foam-filled party promises endless excitement for all ages. Join us south of the 4-H Building and enjoy this bubbly adventure every day of the 2024 Clay County Fair!

Math & Music Fusion: The Magical Mix will captivate audiences on the Good Health Saunas Discovery Stage from September 9-13. This innovative program offers K-8 students an engaging blend of music and math. It will explore addition, subtraction, fractions, and patterns through modern instruments, sparking creativity and a deeper understanding of both subjects. Join us for a captivating educational experience where music and math collide!

The Awesome Ag Magic Show is returning to the Clay County Fair this year, and it's a must-see! Mike Klee uses his incredible talents in magic, storytelling, and balloon art to showcase how agriculture impacts our daily lives. This entertaining show will delight and amaze audiences, leaving them eager to learn more. Catch the magic from September 7-15 on the Good Health Saunas Discovery Stage!

For official show times, visit www.claycountyfair.com later in August, when the Clay County Fair's Daily Guides will be released.



Looking for your NextHome or Business Space?



3 bed, 1 bath updated home on the north shore of Big Spirit Lake. Home is on leased land and buyer must purchase land separately before April 30, 2025. There is also potential to purchase the land across the street for extra storage or parking. MLS# 240771 \$160,000



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Meetings

Milford New Hope Al-Anon meetings will take place in-person at St. Joseph Church now through October 15, at 7:30pm. Use west classroom door.

Al-Anon

Thursday meetings at Calvary United Methodist Church in Arnolds Park have closed.

For more information, go online to Iowa-Al-Anon.org, meetings tab, find a group (enter: Milford, IS 51351 USA). Or call 712-580-4406.

Family Services Resource Guide

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

View From The Bench by John Adams, Jr.

Haliburton's Attitude is Golden

Wow, what an amazing 19 days of competition and of Olympic glory for the United States of America! The USA won the overall medal count in the Paris Olympics with 126 total medals with China coming in a distant second with 91 total medals; both countries tied for first place in gold medals with 40. I always enjoy the Summer Olympics as I love watching elite athletes from all over the world compete in so many sports, most of which I don't normally watch. Whether it was Simon Biles and the Olympic Golden Girls dominating the gymnastic events, Scottie Scheffler's incredible finishing round to pull out the gold medal, Noah Lyles lean at the finish line to win gold in the 100 Meters, the USA dominance in track and field, golds for both the men's and women's basketball teams (a record eighth-straight for the women), Torri Huske and Regan Smith each winning five medals in swimming, Katie Ledecky winning four more medals to push her all-time American record to 14 overall medals, the USWNT earning a gold medal with a thrilling win over Brazil, and so many other great American moments that are too many to list in this article.

Of course, my favorite sport to watch was the Olympic Basketball, in particular the men's team with former Cyclone Tyrese Haliburton on the team. USA dominated pool play but had to struggle in their semi-final match against Nikol Jokic and Serbia, rallying from a 17-point deficit to pull out a thrilling 95-91 victory where the stars of stars (Steph Curry, LeBron James and Kevin Durant) for Team USA came up big in the clutch. Curry continued his clutch play in the Gold Medal game, securing the title for Team USA with 24 points, including an amazing four three-pointers in the final 2:43 to put away host France 98-87. These weren't normal three-pointers either, as Curry had to shot fake and hit step-backs, often times with two tall French defenders in his face. While I loved watching Team USA win gold, especially enjoying the last two games that were closely contested; what I really enjoyed was watching Haliburton celebrate his teammates while rarely playing. Haliburton was constantly the first one off the bench to encourage his teammates, was the one celebrating the most when they would make a big play, and did all this while playing very limited minutes on a loaded roster. Compare this with Boston Celtic star Jason Tatum, who also had games where he never got on the court, and how he pouted, and you have a great lesson for any athlete on how to act and still impact your team when you are not playing. I don't envy the job head coach Steve Kerr had trying to juggle the egos of the 12 best players in the USA, but felt like he and his staff did a great job of playing guys in different situations

based off matchups with who they were playing. I also loved how Timberwolves star Anthony Edwards acted on the bench when he wasn't playing, as his minutes were also far fewer than what he is used to playing, and he was constantly celebrating his teammate's success. Haliburton even made fun of himself, posting his picture with the gold medal on X (formerly Twitter) saying "when you ain't do nun on the group project and still get an A."

The other thing that I love about the Olympics is for nearly three weeks we have our country united in one cause, cheering for our Olympic athletes to "go for the gold"! It doesn't matter if you are Democrat or Republican, for a few short weeks we all are red, white and blue, and full of American pride! Wouldn't it be great if we could harness that Olympic Spirit for the USA during this upcoming political race and have the spirit of competition where all involved tried as hard as they could while not tearing down their opponent, but at the end of the race, celebrating both sides for "running their best race"?



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First Lutheran Church Flood Relief Fund Drive

On July 16th, First Lutheran Church of Milford established a fund drive for area residents suffering from recent flooding. The theme of this fund drive is

"75 for 75". \$75,000 to be raised by Labor Day in honor of the 75th anniversary of First's drive-in worship services.

First Lutheran's Director of Development, John Adams Sr., stated "First just completed a 75th Anniversary Celebration fund drive that paid for three major



physical improvements to our drive-in worship area and the August 11th celebration concert by Christian music artist Jason Gray. God blessed us in reaching our goal and we now turn our hearts and attention to loving our neighbors and helping them."

This worthy goal to raise \$75,000 is a cause that will make a difference in our neighbors' lives. We already have a good start - as of August 7th week, we have raised \$34,000. Please prayerfully consider a gift as your donation will be used locally with proceeds given to:

- **The Spencer Chamber Foundation**
- The Spencer Schools' Foundation
- Okoboji Disaster Recovery Fund

If you wish to help this effort, mark your gift "First Lutheran Flood Relief" and mail to First Lutheran Church, 1525 Three Cross Road, Milford, IA 51351.

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BGB Acoustic at The Side Door

The Lakes area's latest supergroup, BGB Acoustic, returns to The Side Door in Arnolds Park on Wedneseday, August 14. They'll be rocking the "happiest place in Arnolds Park" from 5:00-7:00 that evening. Stop out to The Side Door on Allen Avenue and see what everyone is talking about: BGB Acoustic and The Side Door.



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Clay County Fair Announces Flood Recovery Fundraiser

Spencer, Iowa - The Clay County Fair, powered by SMU, is proud to announce a new opportunity for fairgoers to support flood recovery efforts in Clay County. Starting now, fairgoers purchasing tickets online for the Fair can donate to aid the communities affected by the devastating June flooding.

The Clay County Fair is committed to supporting our local community, especially in times of need. During the flood recovery efforts, our fairgrounds played a crucial role:

The Event Center served as a temporary shelter in partnership with the Red Cross.

The Tower Gate Pavilion became a recovery center for FEMA operations.

The north parking lot was designated as a temporary collection center for flood debris.

The campgrounds will serve as an RV Park for temporary housing.

"By offering fairgoers the opportunity to donate when purchasing tickets online, we aim to provide continued support to those in need," said Fair Manager Jerome Hertel.

In addition to online donations, fairgoers will also find donation opportunities throughout the fairgrounds during the 2024 Clay County Fair.

This year, the Clay County Fair is more than just an event; it's a celebration of the resilience and community spirit that define Spencer. The Fair will be a time for us to come together and celebrate the joy of being united.

Join us at the 2024 Clay County Fair, where your visit can make a difference. Together, we can help rebuild and strengthen our community

Flood Recovery Fundraiser Donations are being accepted online at https://tickets.midwestix.com/event/flood-relief-donation-ccf24 or during checkout when purchasing tickets for the 2024 Clay County Fair.



The Iowa Great Lakes Rotary Club is excited to partner with the Dickinson County Behavioral Health Coalition to hold its second annual "Move for Mental Health" walk on Saturday, August 24th. The event will start at Tatanka Ska Trace Trailhead in Spirit Lake and will feature 2.5K, 5K and 10K team walks.

For more information or 110 AN

to register for the walk, visit IowaGreatLakesRotary.org.

Kiwanis Bingo Nights

Milford Kiwanis presents Bingo Nights the second and fourth Thursdays of the month. The next Bingo Night will be Thursday, August 22, 2024. Card sales begin at 5:30 and Bingo

is from 6:00-8:00. A light meal will be provided by the VFW Auxiliary for a free will donation. The Spirit Lake VFW is located at 914 Lake Street. Bingo profits support Milford youth needs,

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Dear Raymond,

You would think that a high-end car would have some highend things. The radio, the heat and air, and generally all the electronics on the car but it's not always the case. We have seen some very poor headlights and cameras on even the highest dollar vehicles. As for your specific situation, we would contact a local car audio/entertainment shop and see what they have to offer. If the problem is in the camera itself and not within the dash unit then it may be able to be fixed. Some car models can have the camera replaced with an aftermarket unit that will look the same and interface directly and work as it should with a clear picture. If they say that it can't be done, then you can check with another shop and if there is no option then you may have to live with the poorquality image and hope the next model has a better unit. Take care, the Motor Medics

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From the Hosts of the Under The Hood[®] Radio Show.

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Perry in Lake Andes South Dakota

Dear Perry,

We have had the same experience in our own trucks with this model of headlight. The beam is what is called a projector beam like an old projector we had back in school days and is supposed to give a non-blinding light beam that illuminates the road better. With this model of light, it didn't work so well. For us and many others, since it is a projector housing, we upgraded to an LED lamp and our light output greatly increased without being blinded to other traffic. Never put that kind of bulb in a regular light housing as that makes it one of those offensive headlights that you meet on the road which blind you. Ask your local shop what they recommend for the situation too. Take care, the Motor Medics



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A presale for Friends of the Library members will be from 5 to 7 pm on Wednesday, September 11. Anyone can become eligible for the presale by joining the Jackson County Friends of the Library, either in advance or at the sale. The cost for membership is \$2 for students, \$10 for individuals, or \$15 per household, with additional sponsorships set at \$100 for a Patron and \$200 for a Benefactor. Checks can either be dropped off at one of the three libraries in Heron Lake, Jackson, or Lakefield or mailed to 311 3rd Street, Jackson, MN, 56143.

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The bids are due by August 22, 2024 at 12:00 p.m. at the Milford City Hall C/O City Administrator, LeAnn Reinsbach, 806 N Ave #3, Milford, IA 51351. Questions about equipment can be directed to Kent Eilers, Public Works Director, 712-330-2884.

The bids will be considered at the August 26, 2024 council meeting at 6:30 p.m. unless tabled/continued to a later date.

The City reserves the right to accept the highest responsive responsible bidder. The City is requiring a minimum bid of \$9,000.00 for the used generator and a minimum bid of \$40,000.00 for the used payloader in order to be considered. The City reserves the right to withdraw these items from sale at any time in the best interest of the City, to reject any and all bids, and to rebid in its sole and complete discretion. Upon being notified that a bid has been accepted, the successful bidder will be required to pay in full by "collected funds" certified check, cashier's check, or bank draft (in the City's sole and complete discretion) payable to the City and to pick up (at bidder's sole expense) and to re-title within thirty (30) days. If this does not occur, the City reserves the right to sell to the next highest bidder, rebid, or take whatever action it deems appropriate. In the event of multiple identical high bids, the earliest received bid may be given preference. The City reserves the right to keep and not sell the Generator and/or Payloader if a suitable price is not offered, or other circumstances arise that dictate the need to retain these items.

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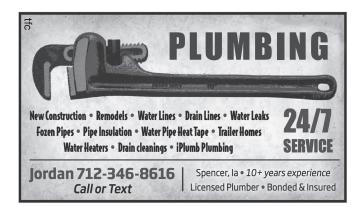
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At the Spirit Lake Public Library, if you search the term "poetry" in the card catalog, there are 850 matches. As you sort through the titles, you can see that there is something for everyone. A good starter book is How to Read a Poem: and Fall in Love with Poetry by Edward Hirsch. After that, you could try I'm Just No Good at Rhyming and Other Nonsense for Mischievous Kids and Immature Grown-Ups by Christine Harris.

If you've read a little poetry in the past and would like to re-read some of the favorites, you could try Casey at the Bat by Ernest Lawrence Thayer, The Night Before Christmas by Clement Clarke Moore, Hiawatha by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow or Where the Sidewalk Ends by Shel Silverstein. If you want to take it up a notch, try The Norton Anthology of Modern Poetry by Richard Ellmann, The Illiad & The Odyssey by Homer, Walt Whitman or Edgar Allen Poe.

If you are looking for something with Iowa roots, you could read Out of This World: Poems from the Hawkeye State by Gary Gildner, Poems of Okoboji and Spirit Lake, Wapsipinicon Almanac, and Lyrical Iowa 2012 & 2016-2023.

And finally, if you're in a silly mood, read one of these: Dirt on my Shirt by Jeff Foxworthy, Frankenstein Makes a Sandwich: and Other Stories You're Sure to Like, Because They're All About Monsters, and Some of Them Are Also About Food by Adam Rex, It's Raining Pigs & Noodles: Poems by Jack Prelatsky, Laugh-eteria: Poems and Drawings by Douglas Florian, and last but not least, If I Ran the Circus by Dr. Seuss. Remember to celebrate Bad Poetry Day on August 18th and Poet's Day on August 21st by reading some poetry! Upcoming activities at the SLPL:

bridge to life

The Bible teaches that God loves all men and wants them to know Him.

But man is separated from God and His love.

"God is on one side and all the people on the other side."

(1 TIMOTHY 2:5)

Why is man separated from God and His love?

Because he has sinned against God.

"Your sins have cut you off from God." (ISAIAH 59:2)

"All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

(ROMANS 3:23)

Where does this separation lead?

This separation leads only to death and certain judgment.

"Man is destined to die once, and after that to face judgment."

(HEBREWS 9:27)

"Those who do not know God ... will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord." (2 THESSALONIANS 1:8-9)

But, there is a solution.

Jesus Christ, who died on the cross for our sins, is the way to God.

"God is on one side and all the people on the other side, and Christ Jesus, Himself man, is between them to bring them together, by

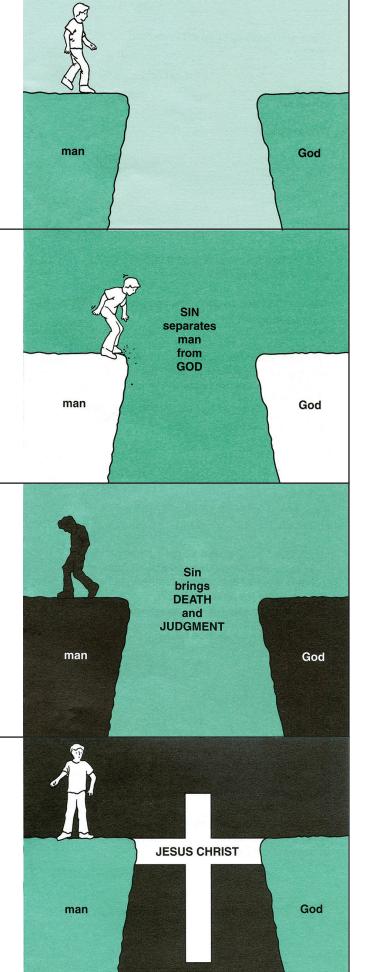
giving His life for all mankind."

(1 TIMOTHY 2:5-6)

"Christ died for sins once for all... to bring you to God."

(1 PETER 3:18)

Does this include everyone?



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Milford Memorial Library would like to thank everyone who participated in our 2024 Summer Reading Program: Read,

Renew, Repeat! Even during this crazy summer, you found the time to read, support local businesses, and enjoy the Milford Memorial Library. Join us in 2025 for Summer Reading: Level Up at Your Library!

Join MML for CrAFTER Hours as we make Felted Wool Dryer Balls on Wednesday, August 21, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The cost for this craft is \$5.00 and registration is required. You can register by contacting Milford Memorial Library or online by going to http://milfordlibrary.weebly.

com/adult-program-registration.html.

The Milford Library Book Club will discuss the classic Animal Farm by George Orwell Tuesday, August 20, at 1:00 p.m. All are welcome to this public book club and it is not necessary to attend all of the book meetings.

Friday, August 23, is the last day for the Reading with Miss Becca. Parents/ Guardians may sign their children up by calling Milford Memorial Library at 712-338-4643. Youth may bring their own book, or pick one out from MML's shelves.

Writing a resume or prepping for an interview, Brainfuse JobNow is a valuable online resource. JobNow provides live job coaching, curated resumes resources, interview preparation and practices, and an Adult Learning Center. In the Adult Learning Center, users can access test prep for the High School Equivalency and the US Citizenship tests, practice for Microsoft Office, and more.

The State Library of Iowa also provides a free online resource for U.S. Veterans called Brainfuse VetNow. This resource offers tailored support for veterans and their families. It includes Live support with a veteran navigator, assistance navigating the VA and benefits veterans are eligible for from local, state, and federal programs. They also provide help with transitioning to civilian employment including skills and college preparations.

Users may access these free online resources by going to Milford Memorial Library's website, www.milford.lib.ia.us or by stopping in to use a computer or Wi-Fi and MML. The State of Iowa Library provides Brainfuse JobNow and VetNow at no cost to Iowa public and academic libraries through a state appropriation from Iowa Workforce Development.

- Monday, August 19, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., author Scott Prill book signing
- Monday, August 19, 1:00-3:00 p.m., Mah-Jong
- Tuesday, August 20, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Quilters
- Wednesday, August 21, 1:00-3:00 p.m., Quilters • Thursday, August 22, 1:00-3:00 p.m., Mah-Jong



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K of C Present Check for Flood Victims

The Iowa Great Lakes Knights of Columbus Council 5043 thanks the entire community for its support of the pancake breakfast it held for flood victims. Proceeds were given to Spencer Council Grand Knight Michael Raner in a presentation Monday evening at St. Mary Parish, Spirit Lake.

The Knights last month served pancakes, sausage, coffee, milk and orange juice, with a free will offering to benefit those most impacted by the floods. Knights of Columbus Council 5043 matched the total donations with an additional \$1,000.

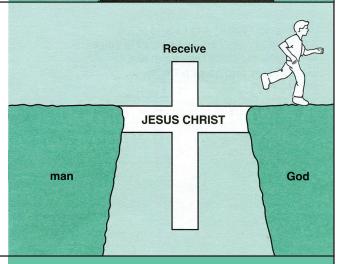
Iowa Great Lakes Council 5043 is one of the most active in Iowa, in the past two years contributing more than \$18,000 to local community needs, including Hope Haven, Iowa Helping Hands Fund, Special Olympics, American Wheelchair Mission, the Grotto of the Redemption, Cherish House, as well as to local family, community and parish needs.

Spirit Lake Knights sponsor annual youth events including the Free Throw Competition and the Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee. They also run the Tootsie Roll Drive for Persons with Intellectual Disabilities Labor Day weekend, and their annual Knights of Columbus Golf Open for Special Olympics and other local organizations.

The Knights of Columbus is an international Catholic family fraternal service organization with 1.9 million members in more than 16,000 local councils, with each Knight called to live a life of charity, unity, and fraternity. Last year, Knights donated more than 49 million volunteer hours and nearly \$200 million to charitable and benevolent causes, sponsoring projects to benefit their church, councils, communities, families, and youth. A few examples of their work include distributing 8,891 wheelchairs, supporting more than 1,200 pregnancy resource centers and maternity homes, and giving nearly 181,000 coats to help warm children in need.

Yes. But only those who personally receive Jesus Christ into their lives, trusting Him to forgive their sins, can cross this bridge.

"To all who received Him, to those who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God." (JOHN 1:12)



Jesus says, "Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will go in and eat with him, **Everyone must decide** and he with Me." individually whether (REVELATION 3:20) to receive Christ. How does a person receive Jesus Christ?

Jesus said, "You may ask Me for anything in my name, and I will do it."

(JOHN 14:14)

Therefore, if you pray sincerely, asking Him this: Lord Jesus, please come into my life and be my Savior and Lord. Please forgive my sins, and give me the gift of eternal life.

He will do it now.

If you have invited Jesus Christ into your life, the Bible says you now have eternal life.

"God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life." (1 JOHN 5:11-12)

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