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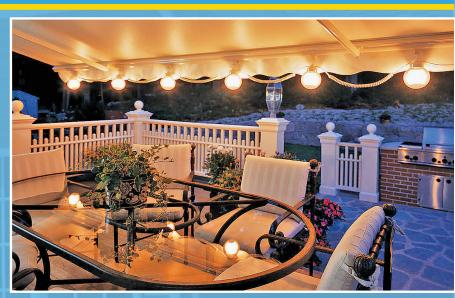
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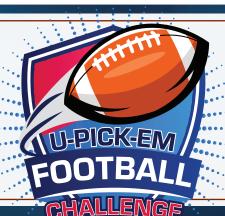
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Engagement Announcement

Brooke Smith and Lucas Lorenzen are pleased to announce their upcoming marriage.

Brooke is the daughter of David and Lori Smith from Spirit Lake. Brooke will be a junior this fall at Dordt University and is studying business entrepreneurship while playing basketball. Lucas is the son of Jason and Tracie Lorenzen from Milford.

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Dee's Bee & Butterfly Festival

Join the Dickinson County Conservation Board for their largest celebration of the year -- Dee's Bee & Butterfly Festival! On

Friday, September 6th. from 4-7 p.m., families can participate in various engaging activities, enjoy free entertainment, and celebrate pollinators.

Crafts and activities start at 4:00, but then head over to the amphitheater at 4:30, where Magician Travis Nye will wow the audience with his baffling tricks. He will conclude the evening with a similar final performance at 6:30 if visitors are not able to make it to the first showing.



Marlene Boernsen, owner of Boernsen Bees, will demonstrate how honey is extracted from her bee hives, at 5:30, by the gazebo outside Maser Monarch Lodge. Guests can also visit her booth with honey products before and after the presentation.

Attendees may participate in citizen science by tagging and releasing a Monarch Butterfly at the nature center.

Visit the lodge for face painting, crafts, and find Sweetie the Bee. Throughout the festival, Siouxland Prairie Farms will have native plants for sale and inform visitors about their benefits. Walk through the Water Rocks exhibit near the lodge and remember to give the cute goats some scratches before heading to the garden area to play some games.

Back Alley BBQ will also have their food for purchase throughout the evening to enjoy while watching the show or enjoying other activities. Don't miss out on an evening packed with fun!

 $For more information, visit {\it www.dickinson county nature center}.$ com. To see the latest updates and programs, like and follow the Dickinson County Nature Center on Facebook and Instagram.





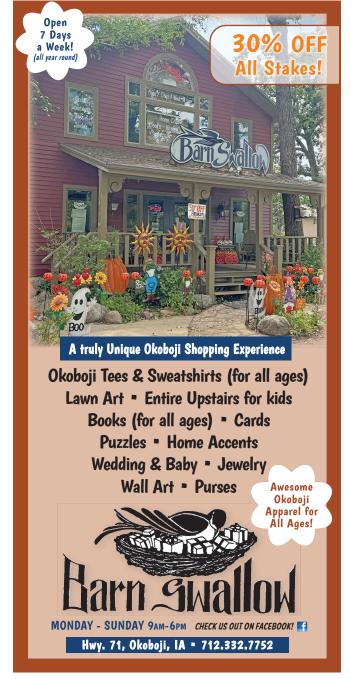


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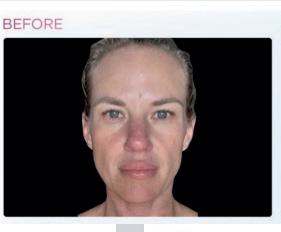
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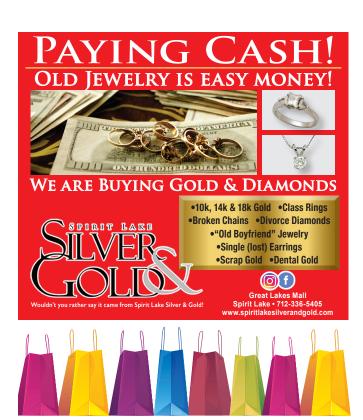
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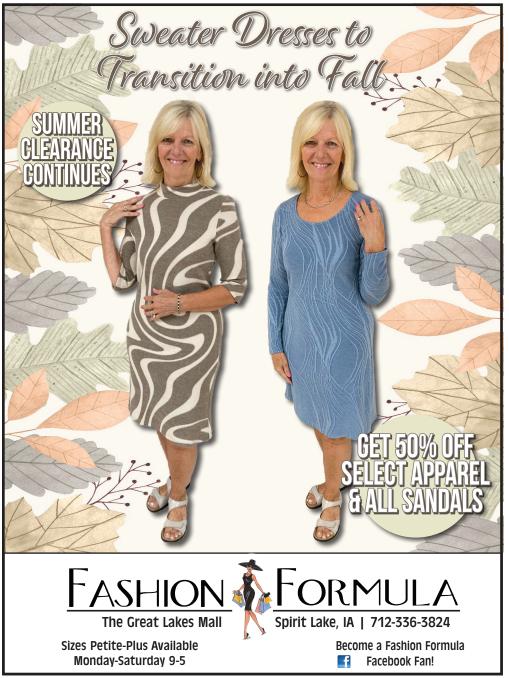
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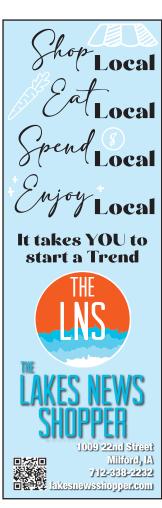
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(CCLI), a program designed to develop community leaders by exploring key aspects of Clay County. This year, the Foundation is offering scholarships to help more people participate in the program.

About the Program: The Leadership Institute (formerly known as Leadership Spencer)

runs from September 2024 to June 2025, with one full-day session each month. Participants will learn about local government, economic development, education, healthcare, and more, using Clay County's communities as their classroom.

Program Highlights:

- Engage with Key Leaders: Participants will have the opportunity to interact with local leaders, policymakers, and industry experts who are shaping the future of Clay County.
- Explore Critical Issues: Each session will focus on a different aspect of the county, from economic development to public safety, giving participants a well-rounded understanding of the challenges and opportunities in
- Build a Network: The program fosters strong connections among participants, creating a network of leaders who are committed to making a difference in Clay County.
- Scholarship Opportunity: To ensure that all communityminded individuals have the opportunity to participate, scholarships are available to help offset the cost of tuition.

Who Can Apply? The program is open to anyone who lives or works in Clay County. Up to 18 applicants will be accepted. Whether you're an experienced leader or just starting, this program is for anyone interested in making a positive impact in the community.

Tuition:

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Tuition includes all session materials, field trips, meals, transportation, and a graduation ceremony.

Scholarships are available to help cover costs.

How to Apply: Apply soon, as space is limited. For more details or to request an application, contact the Spencer Chamber Office at 712-262-5680 or visit our website at SpencerIowaChamber. org/leadership-program/.







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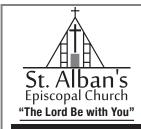
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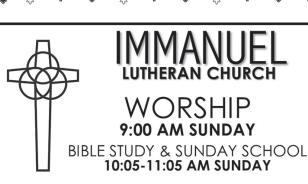
To that end, LRH and Dickinson County Public Health have partnered to develop a joint Community Health Assessment and are encouraging all Dickinson County residents to take an anonymous, quick survey online at www.surveymonkey.com/r/ dickinsoncountyhealth by September 30, 2024 to provide the greatest opportunity for feedback. The survey is also available in Spanish at www.surveymonkey.com/r/dchealthespanol. LRH President and CEO Jason Harrington said, "The survey only takes five to 10 minutes to complete and is very important in helping us determine what our community needs are regarding healthcare services and other needs in our area. This data, in addition to health outcomes data we've collected, will be used to set the direction for the next couple of years regarding improving the health and well-being of the area."

Those that don't have access to the internet or who prefer not to do the survey online can request a paper version of the survey by calling 712-339-6050. Harrington said, "Once you've completed it, you can drop it off at Dickinson County Public Health, located inside the hospital."

According to Harrington, it is important that many people in our service area are involved in this survey to identify our area's health needs. Once the survey is completed, the results will be tabulated and opportunities for improvement, strategies, and necessary resources will be determined. Harrington said, "We plan to have a strategy determined in early 2025 with focus groups involved so we can start addressing our needs as quickly as possible.'

Those who would like more information about this process can call Lakes Regional Healthcare Director of Population and Public Health Katy Carey at 712-339-6050.





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South Okoboji Development Finalizes Land Sale to Green Acres Homes

85 + New Homes to be created in Milford

Milford, Iowa – South Okoboji Development has finalized the sale of approximately 17 acres of land to Green Acres Homes for the purpose of creating a new residential community in Milford.

The South Okoboji Development, located off Highway 86 in Milford next to Grape Tree Medical Staffing, aims to provide essential housing for all levels identified in the recent Milford Housing Study, from workforce housing to single and multifamily homes. This is a part of a broader initiative by South Okoboji Development to make a positive impact in the region through targeted economic development and housing.

Monte Burrell of Green Acres Homes, the developer for the housing project, expressed enthusiasm for the collaboration. "We are excited to work with South Okoboji Development on this community. We look forward to providing high-quality homes and workforce housing in addition to helping strengthen the community by attracting new residents and supporting the local economy."

Drew Hage of South Okoboji Development emphasized the significance of the transaction. "This land sale is a key step in our ongoing efforts to enhance the Okoboji region. Through partnerships, our goal is to provide a range of housing options and promote economic growth. We are looking to invest in the Okoboji area to create a thriving and sustainable year round community. Development will increase the tax base in this area and that will help to support community projects in Milford."

In addition to this project, South Okoboji Development is actively negotiating further opportunities including single-family, multi-family, and commercial.

About South Okoboji Development: South Okoboji Development, located off Highway 86 in Milford, next to GrapeTree Medical Staffing, is dedicated to making a positive impact in the Okoboji region. Spanning over 120 acres, the development focuses on supporting a range of housing options identified in the Milford Housing Study. Through partnerships with developers and stakeholders, South Okoboji Development aims to address local housing needs, increase the tax base, and drive economic growth.

About Green Acres Homes: Since 1970, Green Acres Homes has been dedicated to building quality factory-built homes tailored to customer specifications. Founded by the Burrell family, the company has remained family-owned and operated, now proudly managed by the 3rd and 4th generations. Today, Monte Burrell, along with his wife Cathy and their son Evan, continue the tradition of getting to know customers and helping them create homes that fit their needs.

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Brandon in Dayton Ohio

There was more to what we were talking about that you must have missed. While we said that the fuel injected vehicles manufactured in the past few years could be driven right away due to better parts and efficient injection systems we still recommend some warm up time. We have heard some people even say just start them up and drive them to warm them up faster although we don't agree with that. There has to be a proper medium between running a vehicle too long to warm it up which wastes fuel and taking off so soon that oster won't even keep a windshield clear posing a safety hazard. The owner's manual will provide a good reference for warm ups. For us personally we tend to err on the longer side of warm up times. We like to make sure everything is lubricated and working as it should. It also gives us a chance to do some important things like adjust those mirrors, fasten our seat belts, and most importantly, turn off our cell phones for safety.

Take care, the Motor Medics

Dear Motor Medics,

My question is about accessories plugged into a lighter socket. Recently I have been experiencing dead batteries on my 2009 Cadillac Escalade and they tell me it's caused by the accessories that I leave plugged into the lighter at all times. If the vehicle is not driven every day it will not start and is completely dead. I question how something as small as a cell phone or GPS unit can drain a battery so quickly, is this possible? I have stopped leaving things plugged in and have had no further issues but wonder if it's not just a weak battery. What are your thoughts?

Darla in Elmira New York

Dear Darla, It may sound strange but when anything is left plugged into the accessory outlet it can run the battery dead. Yes the power drain is very small and would take many days to drain a battery but there is something much larger at work here. Newer vehicles have many modules that when awake (turned on) will draw several amps of power and would drain a battery very quickly. To prevent this drain the modules go into a sleep state just like a home computer in sleep mode. They know when to sleep by monitoring the systems for nonuse just like a home computer. If something is being charged by the lighter socket they think the system is still in use and keep the modules powered thus draining the battery quickly. Take care, the Motor Medics

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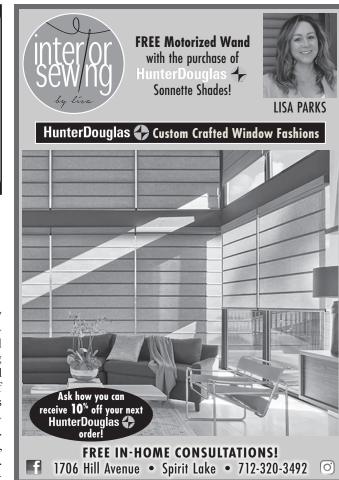
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Max Bower of Spirit Lake is part of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's 300-member Cornhusker Marching Band, which will make its 2024 football season debut Aug. 31 at Memorial Stadium with pregame and halftime performances at Nebraska's home opener against UTEP.

Bower, a senior majoring in music education, plays alto



SPUDNUTZ EATING CONTEST WINNER - Damian Gano, of Sioux Falls, SD, won the Spudnutz eating contest at the 2024 Pioneer Days contest. Gano, who also won the competition last year, ate nine spudnutz in 10 minutes this year for the win over six contestants. Thanks to Spudnutz, in Okoboji, for supporting this event. (Photo by Susan Reiser)





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Bridge Marathon To Begin

Calling all bridge players! St. Joseph Catholic Church, in Milford, will again host their annual bridge marathon beginning in September 2024 thru April 30, 2025. Persons interested in playing bridge on a round-robin schedule are asked to call the parish office at 712-338-2274 by 12 noon Friday, September 6. This deadline will be strictly enforced. Cost is \$10 for the year. A fun night is held in May to announce the winners.









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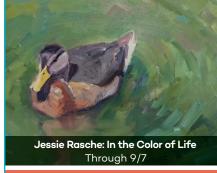
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CULINARY CLASSES

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With Jennifer Tritle-Oitzman

6:00pm | \$45/\$55

Sept. 5: Wines of Italy

Oct. 3: Wines from Unique Grape Varietals

Nov. 7: Mountainous & Volcanic Area Wines

Dec. 12: The World of Sparkling Wine!

With Kris Walker & Kathy McGill 12:00pm | \$45/\$55

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a glass of wine. Must Register 5 days prior to each class

Sept. 17 | 12pm | \$45/\$55: Fall Weather Soups - CLASS IS FULL Oct. 15 | 12pm | \$45/\$55:

End of Summer Salads With Sarah Page from So Good by Sarah

Sept. 12 | 12pm | \$50/\$60

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Hands-on class includes lunch and a glass of wine. Learn, prepare, then enjoy your labors! Salads include Caribbean cobb with salmon, watermelon caprese, blackberry peach salad with chicken and summer steak salad with cilantro lime. Must register by 9/7.

From Plate to Palette Cooking & Art for Kids

Ages 7-12 | 4-6pm | \$30/\$40 With Cathie Critchett

Travel Down Historic Route 66: learn about and prepare the "mom & pop" cuisine, as well as create art unique to each state. Must register 2 days prior to each class.

Sept. 26: Illinois Deep Dish Pizza

Entertaining in a Flash!

Oct. 17: Missouri Gooey Butter Cake



GREAT CATCH! - Tristen Anderson, age 13 of Rock Rapids caught a Fresh Water Drum near the Spillway at Spirit Lake last week.

Kenue Coffee Hour at the Nature Center

Challenge your nature knowledge! There are many misconceptions about wildlife, so join us for Dickinson County Nature

Nature

Myth Busters

DCCB Naturalist

Center's program, Kenue Coffee Hour, on Thursday, Sept. 5th, at 10:30 a.m. Adults are welcome to join us at Maser Monarch Lodge as Naturalist Britney Snell unveils the truth behind nature's myths.

"Myths are intriguing because we do not always know

why one began or what the truth really is. This program will aim to find truth behind some nature myths," said Snell.

During the program, attendees with get an up-close encounter with one of the nature center's animal ambassadors and also have the opportunity to feel a bear pelt.

Enjoy sipping on some fresh warm coffee while you discover facts versus fiction. You will be sure to walk away with some fun facts to share with friends and family.

Kenue Coffee Hour is free to attend and does not require preregistration. For more information, visit www. dickinsoncountynaturecenter.com. To see the latest updates and programs, like and follow the Dickinson County Nature Center on Facebook and Instagram.





Lakes Area Senior Center Activities • Dinner Date • Events

SPEAKERS ON TUESDAYS at 12:30pm

•Sept. 3: Jackie & Cindy - Introductions

9 Monday

Fish

Sandwich

Vegetable

Fruit/Dessert

•Sept. 10: Carol Larson - Raised Garden Beds

We are looking to find Crafters and Vendors for our Fall Craft & Vendor Show

October 12 from 9am-2pm

Thank you for all the donations this past month.



•Sept. 17: Mary Dreier - Dickinson County Museum

DINNER DATE MEALS! Enjoy Socializing & Nutritional Meals

10 Tuesday Salisbury Steak **Dinner Roll Vegetable** Fruit/Dessert 11 Wednesday **Grilled Mrs. Rib** on a Bun Vegetable Fruit/Dessert

12 Thursday Chicken & Rice Casserole **Dinner Roll** Vegetable Fruit/Dessert

13 Friday **Scalloped Potatoes** and Ham **Dinner Roll** Vegetable Fruit/Dessert

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September 19 & 26*: Learn About Scratch Art

October 3, 10, 17: BIG Handbuilt Clay Bowl

November 7, 14, 21: Felt Masks

December 5, 12, 19: Collaged Self-Portraits

Teen Art | 7-12 gr

WEDNESDAYS 4-5PM

September 18 & 25*: Scratchboard Art

October 2, 9, 16: Clay Salsa Bowls on the Wheel

November 6, 13, 20: Telling a Story with Paper Mache and Fabric

December 4, 11, 18: Collaged Paper Self Portraits

GROUP HOLIDAY TREES

November 23 | ALL AGES | \$35/\$40 per group (up to 5) to create a tree

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Art Club | 3-6 gr

TUESDAYS 4-5PM

September 17 & 24*: Scratch Art

October 1, 8, 15: Clay Bowls on the Wheel

November 5, 12, 19: Paper Mache Animal Bust

December 3, 10, 17: Self Portrait Collage using Gelli Print Papers

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OPEN CLAY STUDIO is on Thursdays, from 5-9pm, or all-day Saturday, 10am-4pm! Clay is available for purchase, 25 lbs for \$30 including glazing and firing, or bring your own clay (glazing and firing sold separately) and utilize the pottery wheels, slab roller, and other tools to create pottery, hand-building, and sculptures! Adults must accompany all youth 15 years and younger. Contact education@lakesart.org for more information.

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Lakes Area Senior **Center Activities**

Tuesday, September 3 8:30 - Kiwanis 12:00 - Dinner Date 12:30 - Dinner Date Speaker

12.30 - Bridge Wednesday, September 4 9:00 - Exercise Class 12:00 - Dinner Date Thursday, September 5 10:00 - Strummers

11:00 - Tai Chi 12:00 - Dinner Date

1:00 - 500 Cards 3:00 - Cribbage 5:00 - Zumba Class Friday, September 6 9:00 - Exercise Class

12:00 - Dinner Date

Saturday, September 7 Coin Auction 9am Sunday, September 8 Card Room Reserved Monday, September 9

9:00 - Exercise 12:00 - Dinner Date

1:00 - Pinochle

Dinner Date meals are avail-1:00pm on Friday to reserve a is on Thursdays at 11:00am, sign up and stay for dinner date! 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, September 15 from 8:30-12:30 - Free Will Offering. Dance to live music the last Sunday of the month! The facility is available to rent most weekends. Call or visit with someone at the office for more details. The Lakes Area Senior Center is located at 2101 Zenith Ave in Spirit Lake.

Lily Putt Golf Tourney Benefiting Elias Chambers

The 18th annual Lily Putt Golf Tournament will be held Saturday, September 14th, at Indian Hills Golf Course, in Spirit Lake. Every year, 100% of the funds raised at the tournament are donated; half to the Ronald McDonald House of Rochester; and the other half to a local recipient. This year's recipient is Elias Chambers.

Elias was born 3 lb. 5 oz. on April 3, 2024, in Rochester, Minnesota. He spent his first 3 weeks in Mayo's NICU unit. Elias was born with William Syndrome and has several issues with his tiny little heart (including a hole between the

bottom two chambers of his heart, Pulmonary Artery Stenosis, a narrowing of his Pulmonary Artery and Aortic Stenosis). He will need several open-heart surgeries to repair these issues, the first surgery before he turns a year old. Elias is son to Ben and Molly Chambers; and grandson to Scott and Mary Chambers and Terry & Mary Heidebrink; and great-grandson to Norm Meinking, all of Spirit Lake.

All 22 golf teams for the Lily Putt Tournament were sold out within two minutes of opening. But the community can still



by bidding on items at Indian Hills Golf Course, at 4:30 PM, on September 14th. Silent Auction items can also be donated or financial donations contributed by dropping them off or mailing them to Indian Hills Golf Course (2159 IA-9, Spirit Lake, IA 51360), by September 12. Or you could call one of the organizers to schedule a pick-up time. You can call Lyndalu Rademacher at 712-320-2613; Nettie Grimes at 712-3207686; or Tobi Goddell at 712-330-0216.

The Lily Putt Tournament began 17 years ago when Lily needed her first open heart surgery, days before she was 3 months old. They placed a mechanical valve and a pace maker in her. Since then, Lily has had another open-

heart surgery and several pace maker replacements. A group of Lily's family friends raised funds at a golf tournament 17 years ago, The Lily Putt Tournament. The tournament was such a huge success that Lily's grandma, Lyndalu Rademacher, and a few of the original organizers decided to keep the tournament going. Here we are at the 18th annual Lily Putt Tournament. Thanks in part to this tournament, today Lily is a healthy, happy high school senior who is active in many school activities.

The Lily Putt Tournament has helped many local children and the Rochester Ronald McDonald House throughout the years. The funds raised help ease the financial burden of families who have a child that needs extended medical stays. Your support is much appreciated.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To The Editor:

RMHC

The Okoboji Women's Club was organized in 1950. We are so proud of our Club, every year we continue to help our comable every weekday. Call by munity with different projects to improve our community. This is our last month of helping the Humane Society. Please think meal for the next week. Tai Chi of ideas to improve an area of Okoboji by supporting a new project for the next 3 months.

We are planning a potluck luncheon for our next meeting on September 6. This will start at noon. Please bring a dish of

Our speaker will be Greg Baloun, from the Dickinson County Sheriff's Department. Our meeting will be at the Homestead Cooperative at 2351, 27th Street, Spirit Lake, Iowa.

If anyone is interested in joining this important community service organization with fun, fellowship and our great speakers, give me a call at 712-574-2160 to make a reservation to attend. Looking forward to seeing our members and anyone interested in attending.

Lyn Marksbury,

President of the Okoboji Women's Club

Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll **Open Charity Golf Tournament**

The Iowa Great Lakes Knights of Columbus Council 5043 will help local children and adults with special needs with its Tootsie Roll Open Charity Golf Tournament

September 14 at Okoboji View Golf Course.

The event includes 18 holes of golf with cart in a 4-person best shot format. There will be range balls, pin prizes, a meal before and Tootsie Roll Mulligans for purchase. It is open to all golfers, with a shotgun start at 1 p.m.

Sponsorships are available at \$200 per hole and include your sign on a

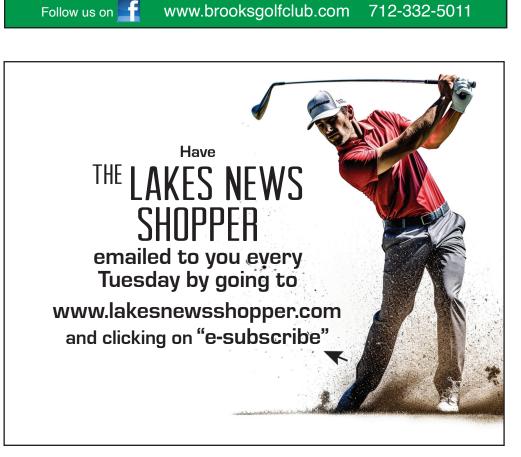
For more information on sponsoring a tee box, or on donating logo merchandise, or to register as a team or individual, please contact Mark Maeyaert at 507-530-8406.

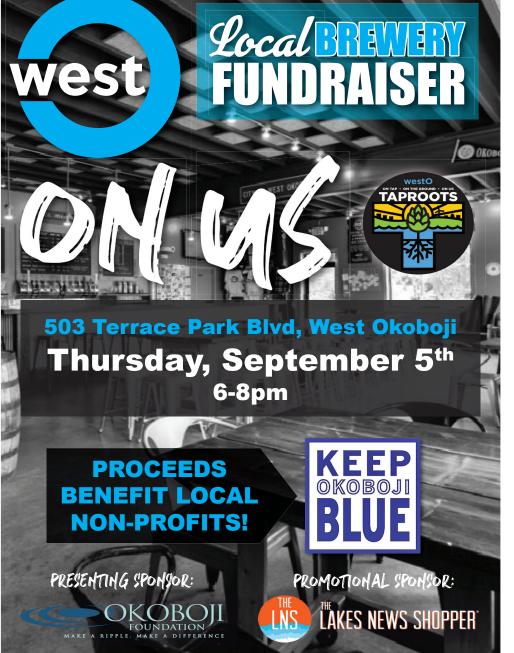
As with much of the work the Knights do in our community, the proceeds from this golf tournament will go to organizations like Special Olympics to help those with special needs.

Iowa Great Lakes Council 5043 is one of the most active in Iowa, in the past two years contributing more than \$20,000 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 Tootsie Roll Open charity golf event 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.





View From The Bench by John Adams, Jr.

Cy-Hawk Preview-2024

It's Cy-Hawk week, one of the best weeks in the State of Iowa for college football fans as we talk smack to each other about who's going to get the football bragging rights for this much-anticipated 2024 season. Last year saw Iowa hang on for a 20-13 win after building a 20-3 lead but having to stop ISU's last drive to preserve the victory. It was the Hawkeyes seventh win in the last eight games in the Cy-Hawk Series and another game that they won despite losing all the statistical categories but the Hawks did all the "little" things better. This game is always hard to predict for me in my column because due to early deadline with the Labor Day Holiday, I will not have seen either team play yet. I'm guessing Iowa will be coming off a pounding of Illinois State while Iowa State should have a similar result with North Dakota.

This year's game features strength on strength with Iowa again having an elite defense and Iowa State returning a ton of firepower from a very good 2023 offense. Last year, Sebastian Castro intercepted a then-freshman Cyclone QB Rocco Becht pass and returned it for a Hawkeye touchdown and an invincible 17-0 lead that was the biggest play of the game. For ISU to have success this year, Becht will have to play like he did in the second half of the Cyclone's 2023 season. The Cyclones will also have to go away from trying to pound the ball at Iowa's strong defense and set up the run by passing downfield more. Becht has the targets to do so with Jayden Higgens, Jaylin Noel and Ben Bramer, but will need the offensive line to give him the time to find his star receivers and tight end down field. Iowa has as good of a linebacking duo in Jay Higgins and Nick Jackson and ISU will have to find a way to neutralize these tackling machines.

The matchup of Iowa's offense vs Iowa State's defense has more uncertainty to it with Iowa having a new offensive coordinator in Tim Lester, who is trying to breathe life into a listless offense from the last two seasons, and ISU talking about switching some from their standard 3-man front defensive line to some more 4-man fronts. It will be interesting to see how good a healthy Cade McNamara can be for Iowa, as we never saw that last year after he battled through a fall camp injury before being lost for the season with an ACL injury in the Michigan State game. ISU should have an advantage up front with their defensive line vs Iowa's offensive line, but there are question marks for the Cyclones at linebacker as they will have two new starters in Kooper Ebel and Will McLaughlin who will have to contain Iowa's strong running game of Leshon Williams and redshirt freshman Kamari Moulton.

Special teams have been an area where Iowa has been able to change this game in years past. Last year blocked an early ISU field goal that would have given the Cyclones a lead, and Torry Taylor was his usual star-self by flipping field position several times. Taylor is now in the NFL punting for the Chicago Bears but it appears the Hawkeyes found another Australian punting sensation with freshman Rhys Dakin. ISU is also strong in the punting game with Tyler Perkins but does have a new place kicker with Kyle Konrady, who will be getting his first taste of the Cy-Hawk rivalry. Iowa will greatly miss standout Cooper DeJean returning kicks for touchdowns and also downing Taylor's kicks inside the 5-yard line, so it will be interesting to see how the special teams units respond to not having him flying around the field.

As you can tell, this game is once again very close on paper, and will come down to which team makes the least number of mistakes. For seven of the last eight years, Iowa has dominated that category and that's a reason ISU coach Matt Campbell is just 1-7 vs the Hawkeyes. I look for ISU to spread things out more this year than they have done in the past, finally figuring out they can't beat Iowa at playing "Iowa Football", the key will be if they can do this without any big turnovers. I think Iowa will struggle a bit containing ISU's weapons on offense, and that ISU's defense will be better than Iowa's offense; look for the Cyclones to be the fourth straight team to win on the road in series and pull out a 24-17 victory. As usual, my confidence level in this pick is not extremely high so I wouldn't be heeding my advice and throwing down a bunch of money one way or the other, and I'm going to leave the comments about last year's gambling scandal alone.







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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Red Cross conducted a successful blood drive in Spirit Lake on August 26, 2024, at the Center. We had a goal of 38 units and we were short one unit. We obtained 8 double red products and 21 whole blood products which made a total of 37 units but we had 10 deferrals for many different reasons. This is an amazing number. If they would have been able to give, we would have surpassed our goal. We had two that were unable to finish their donation for several reasons. The exciting statistic is we had 4 first time donors. We had only 4 that were no shows and my goal is to have 0 no shows.

Our blood drive had to be canceled in June due to the flooding issue so that adds to the shortage of blood.

The blood supply is dangerously and critically low. Many lives hang in the balance that need blood to survive. Summertime the supply usually does dwindle but it has become really urgent this summer.

Blood cannot be manufactured. We can do all kinds of transplants and medical miracles but blood cannot be humanly made. Thanks to all of you that donated and you can be sure you have saved a life.

Thanks to my staff for their volunteer help: Sandy Gilligan, Cheryl Peterson, Marion Morse and Leah Streeter. Without your help, this would not have been a success.

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Karen Dokken,





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This year, we're thrilled to have Optimus Prime from the TRANSFORMERS as our special ambassador, highlighting that there's more than meets the eye at the SLPL. Whether you're looking to enhance your skills, find valuable information, or connect with fellow avid readers, a library card unlocks a world of possibilities.

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Did you know that the Spirit Lake Public Library offers an HD Bluetooth projector, a Kill a Watt amp meter (electricity usage monitor), a Sony CD/DVD player, and a digital radon detector? There's truly something for everyone at the SLPL. Getting a library card is an easy and essential step toward academic success and lifelong learning for students. Everyone should have one!

Don't miss out! Visit the Spirit Lake Public Library this September to sign up for a library card and discover all that your library has to offer.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT THE SLPL:

- Monday, September 9, 1:00-3:00, Mah-Jong
- Monday, September 9, 3:30-4:30, Children's Chess Club Monday, September 9, 4:30-5:30, Chess All-Play (anyone can play!)
- Monday, September 9,5:15-6:15, Library Board Meeting Tuesday, September 10, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Quilters
- Wednesday, September 11, 1:00-3:00 p.m., Quilters
- Thursday, September 12, 1:00-3:00 p.m., Mah-Jong
- Saturday, September 14, 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Puzzle Exchange



Brian and Kristi Peck Family Inducted Into Iowa 4-H Hall of Fame

inducted into the 2024 Iowa 4-H Hall of Fame during a ceremony

at the 4-H Exhibits Building at the Iowa State Fair on Sunday, Aug. 18. Ninety-three Iowa counties participated this year and selected 125 inductees for their outstanding service and dedication to 4-H. Inductees or their surviving family members were presented a



certificate by the Iowa 4-H Foundation President, Jeff Murphy, and State 4-H Program Leader, Mitchell Hoyer, as they were introduced on stage.

"Kristi Peck found her passion for 4-H early, exhibiting cattle, horses, and many static projects. She even met her late husband Brian while exhibiting horses at the Clay County Fair," said Noel Petersen, Dickinson County Youth Coordinator with ISU Extension and Outreach. "As a pair, Kristi and Brian were great supporters of the 4-H program, a legacy that Kristi and her two children continue today.

Kristi is currently a 4-H leader for the Okoboji Hoofbeats dedicating over 22 years as a 4-H volunteer. As a poultry and rabbit committee member, she has contributed ideas for workshops and projects, and her passion for small animals has encouraged vouth to try project areas and given many first-time families the support and confidence to participate. Annually, the Peck Family sponsors the Dickinson County Fair Egg exhibition as a tribute to Brian's love of 4-H and the opportunities it provides youth in the county.

"Known for her attention to detail and rules, staff and families alike have relied on Kristi for help with all things county fair," Petersen said. "This same attention to detail has developed leadership skills in current and former 4-H club members, a key aspect to the 4-H program."

Counties select inductees for their exceptional work in contributing to the lives of 4-H members and the overall 4-H program. Many inductees serve as club leaders, youth mentors, fair superintendents or fair board members, Iowa State University Extension and Outreach county council members, fair judges, financial supporters, chaperones or ISU Extension and Outreach staff members. The inductees have demonstrated dedication, encouragement, commitment and guidance to Iowa's 4-H members through the years.

"We are honored to recognize these special individuals, for their advocacy and dedication to the Iowa 4-H program," shared Iowa 4-H Foundation Executive Director, Emily Saveraid.

"This is a great way to honor the volunteers and staff across the state of Iowa that generously give their time and talents to foster positive partnerships with our 4-H youth," said Tillie Good, Iowa 4-H staff and volunteer development manager.

The Iowa 4-H Hall of Fame was initiated in 2002 to help commemorate the 100th anniversary of 4-H. A summary of previous honorees is available on the Iowa 4-H Foundation website, organized by year and by county. To locate them go to www.iowa4hfoundation.org/ and under the heading "What We Do" select "Recognizing Service" then "Iowa 4-H Hall of Fame."

For more information about 4-H in Dickinson County, contact Youth Coordinator Noel Petersen at 712-336-3488 or noelp@



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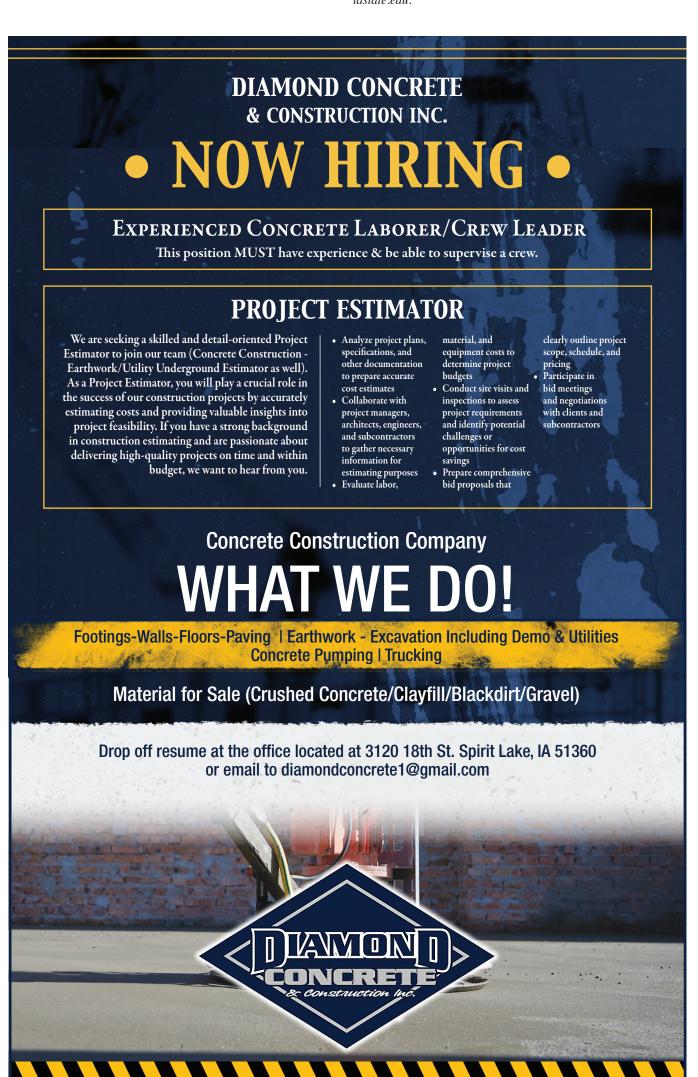
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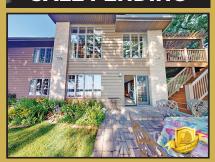
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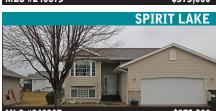




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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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

Dear fellow Iowans and Minnesota residents,

I want you to vote for Kamala Harris for President and Tim Walz for Vice President. He is from Minnesota and we like to help our neighbors to the north. + I am sending postcards to many people. The cards say that Ryan Melton will be a great representative for the US House of Representatives and we need him there so we can communicate with him We need more helpers. Contact Melton at https// www.meltonfor Iowa.com. I ask you to have them send you postcards to send to your neighbors. I am a volunteer for Ryan Melton and he is on Facebook at Melton for Iowa. Harris and Walz need a good congress so they can get things done like get a good immigration law passed.

I am a nurse. I like that Melton says that he will address Iowa public health crises, including high cancer rate and waterway health, I like that he says he will protect my social security, and food assistance benefits. I believe in universal healthcare and to protect abortions and birth control. I believe like Melton we need to raise the minimum wage.

So look for my cards and read them. You can help send cards and tell your friends and neighbors to vote for Kamala Harris, Tim Walz and Ryan Melton.

Sincerely yours,

Colleen M. Lemkuil,

Spirit Lake, Iowa

Nurse and Public Health Nurse who will vote early on October 16, 2024 at 8:00 AM at the County Courthouse in Spirit Lake, Iowa. Early voting opens that day in Iowa. Vote early and get registered if you are 18 or have never voted. We need your vote in 2024.



Milford Memorial Library News

Join Milford Memorial Library for our weekly Building Bookworms Story Time on Mondays at 10:30 a.m. Take a look below for our themes. All materials and services are provided by the library free to participants. All kids and their adults are welcome to stay after story time and mingle. For more information, contact the library or check out our Facebook page.

- September 9, 10:30 a.m. Love of Books
- September 16, 10:30 a.m. Puppies
- September 23, 10:30 a.m. Big and Little

• Building Bookworms on the Go @ Little Sioux Orchard -September 30, 10:30 a.m. – Apples/Farming

On Monday, September 9, MML will be hosting All-Day Play, from 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Discover new and exciting

toys while having fun with friends. This is a come-and-go playtime. All toys are supplied by the library. For any questions, please contact the library by calling 712-338-4643 or by emailing milfordlibrary51351@ gmail.com.



Young Adults, come

hang out at MML on Monday, September 9, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and create a Spirit Poster for school events. Supplies will be provided, but will be limited. This is a first-come, first-serve program. If you have any questions, please contact the library by calling 712-338-4643 or emailing milfordlibrary51351@ gmail.com

MML's After-School Adventures on Thursday, September 12, at 3:30 p.m., will be making Minecraft inspired magnets. A small snack will be provided. After-School Adventures is a free program and all supplies are provided by Milford Memo-

MML's CrAFTER Hours is hosting a Puzzle Swap on September 18, from 5:00p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Bring a puzzle or several to the MML and swap them for new ones. Please only bring puzzles that are in good condition with all the pieces. There is no cost to this event.

Join MML's Book Club on Tuesday, September 17, at 1:00 p.m., to discuss The River We Remember by William Kent Krueger. Copies can be found in our library. It is not necessary to attend all of the meetings, and you are welcome to come and go as you please.

Celebrate National Library Card Sign-up Month at MML. In September, new cards will receive a fun sticker and everyone is welcome to try the library scavenger hunt. For more information about obtaining a Milford Memorial Library Card, contact us by calling 712-338-4643 or by emailing *milfordlibrary51351*@ gmail.com.





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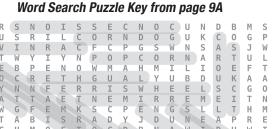
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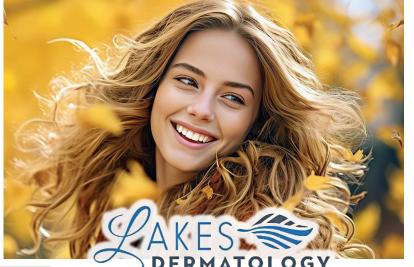
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Robin Ray Kolpin, 68, of Spirit Lake, Iowa, passed away on August 28, 2024. Born on Christmas Day in 1955, from Galva,

Iowa, Robin was a man whose life was marked by love, loyalty, and a deep connection to those he held dear. Robin married the love of his

life, Kandi, and together they built a life filled with joy, adventure, and enduring love. They celebrated 45 years of marriage, a testament to their unwavering bond and commitment to one another. Their love was a shining example to all who knew them. A devoted father, Robin took im-

mense pride in his children: Jorden, who is engaged to Bill Knoer; Kye,

married to Brynn; Quinn, married to Alaina; and their sister, Morgan, who was stillborn but forever held in their hearts. He was a steadfast supporter of his children, always encouraging them to pursue their dreams and be the best versions of themselves. Robin provided many opportunities for his children to grow, guiding them to navigate life's challenges and become strong, independent individuals.

Robin enjoyed a remarkable 50-year career at John Deere, where he became a trusted advisor to farmers and a friend to many. He was passionate about agriculture and a good steward of the land he owned, always striving to support the producers around him. His strong work ethic and dedication were evident in his commitment to his work and the relationships he built with his customers.

A man of many passions, Robin had an incredible memory and a deep love for music. He always had music playing, and he could name the band and title of any song in seconds, a talent that amazed those around him. He was also an avid Green Bay Packers fan, a passion instilled in him by his father, Myron, and he never missed a chance to cheer on his team.

Robin had a competitive spirit, relishing any opportunity to engage in games and challenges. He showed no mercy in the Kolpin Olympics, even when competing with his grandchildren, always pushing them to do their best while having fun. He loved life on the lake, embarking on adventures with friends in his side-by-side. He was never happier than when he was surrounded by those he cared about. He was always tinkering on different projects, particularly enjoying rebuilding motorcycles. This hobby allowed him to hold onto fond memories with his buddies in the "bike club," sharing stories of questionable decisions and funny adventures from his youth.

Wherever Robin lived, he cultivated close-knit friendships that stood the test of time. He valued these relationships deeply and worked hard to keep them alive, no matter the distance or circumstance. His friends, like his family, knew they could always count on him.

Robin's legacy is one of kindness, generosity, and unwavering support for his family and friends. He was a loving husband, a dedicated father, and a cherished friend to many. His role as a grandfather was one of the joys of his life, and he loved spending time with his grandchildren—Ruby, Arlo, Dottie, Gus, Dean, and Lyla—sharing his wisdom, humor, and love. His presence will be deeply missed, but his spirit will live on whenever his grandkids cast a line from his dock.

Robin was preceded in death by his parents, Myron Kolpin and Mary Goettsch, his brother Rick Kolpin and his daughter, Morgan. He is survived by his beloved wife, Kandi; his children Jorden (Bill), Kye (Brynn), Quinn (Alaina); his six grandchildren, Ruby, Arlo, Dottie, Gus, Dean, and Lyla; his brother Ronny Kolpin; and his step mother, Jeri Kolpin.

A funeral service was held Saturday, August 31, 2024, at 10:30 a.m. at Turner Jenness Funeral Home in Spirit Lake.

Turner Jenness Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



Elaine Victoria (Rosendahl) Greer, 69, of Spirit Lake, passed away peacefully August 15th, 2024, at Accura Healthcare of Milford

in the presence of her family. A memorial service for Elaine will be held Saturday, September 7th, at 1:00 PM, at Grace Lutheran Church in Spirit Lake. Visitation will begin at 4:00 PM on Friday, September 6th, with the family present, from 5:00-7:00 PM, at Turner Jenness Funeral Home in Spirit Lake. The family requests you wear Spirit Lake Indian Wear to the visitation. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be



given to the Spirit Lake Community School Foundation (PO Box 46 Spirit Lake, IA 51360) or Grace Lutheran Church (801 Hill Avenue Spirit Lake, IA 51360).

Elaine was born in Fort Dodge on August 22, 1954, to Dale and Mary (Pearson) Rosendahl. She grew up in Manson, attending school and graduating from Manson High School. She continued her education at Iowa Central Community College and graduated with a BA from Buena Vista College in Storm Lake. She received her master's degree in counseling from Drake University.

Scott Greer and Elaine Rosendahl met on a blind date set up by her counseling co-worker and Scott's nursing co-worker. On August 5, 1995, Elaine married Scott at Grace Lutheran Church.

On March 6, 2000, during a blizzard, Scott and Elaine became the proud parents of Jeffrey, who became their son through adoption. Elaine was an educator for more than 35 years. She began her career teaching business in Graettinger and then moved to Leon where she taught at Central Decatur. After moving to Spirit Lake and continuing to teach business, Elaine made the transition to the at-risk counselor in the mid '90s and eventually became the fulltime guidance counselor. As an active member of the Spirit Lake Community School District, she continued supporting students outside of the classroom as the academic decathlon instructor and a Peer Helper Leader, where she guided students in learning to be mentors and leaders. Elaine was affectionately known as "Rose"

by her former students. As an active member in the ISEA (Iowa State Education Association), Elaine had made many connections and lifelong friends. She knew no stranger. Elaine retired from her guidance counselor position in 2013. Her love for the community and supporting students continued by way of taking tickets for Spirit Lake athletic events and working as a substitute teacher throughout the Lakes region.

Elaine loved to bake. Her famous banana bars and pumpkin bars were always a favorite of her colleagues, students, and her family. Her Christmas deliveries of lefse and Swedish nuts were a favorite of hers and her recipients.

Elaine's favorite hobby was collecting Longaberger Baskets and Stamping Up. She made beautiful cards to send to friends and family. Eventually she became a Longaberger Sales Representative (to disguise the number of baskets she was acquiring). She was masterful at decorating her home with them.

There were not many people that Elaine didn't know. She touched countless lives and was always there for anyone who needed her, day or night. There was a time while on vacation in San Francisco that she ran into someone she knew from home!

Her caring and affectionate spirit resonated with all. Left to cherish her beloved memory are her husband of 29 years, Scott Greer of Spirit Lake, IA; her son, Jeffrey and his wife Noreen (Morrow) of Ankeny, IA and one grandchild, Sullivan "Sully"; sister, Carolyn (Rosendahl) Morse and her husband Mike of Des Moines. IA; and nephew, Martin, of Amsterdam, The Netherlands; brother, Nels, and his daughters Carrie and Joella; father and mother in-law, Edwin and Anna Greer of Gonzales, TX; sister-in-law, Tracy Greer of Big Lake, MN; sister-in-law, Joy Greer of Garber, OK; brotherin-law, Joel Greer (Maxine) of Harker Heights, TX; sister-in-law, Lynnette Junkins (Mark) of Crowley TX, as well as nieces, nephews, relatives, and beloved friends.

Elaine was preceded in death by her parents, Dale and Mary Rosendahl and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

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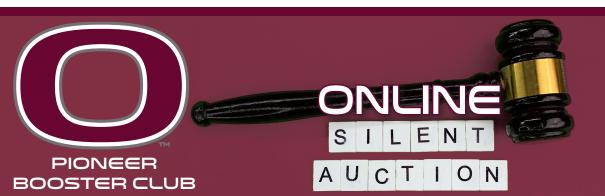
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Tops Meetings

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ILUUF Sunday Service - Addiction & Recovery

Allan Saugstad will preside over the Sunday, September 8th service for the Iowa Lakes Unitarian Universalist Fellowship service held at the Lakes Area Activity Center (Senior Center), 2101 Zenith Ave, Spirit Lake. The service begins at 10 a.m. with fellowship to follow.

Visitors are always welcome and those who wish to attend via Zoom can request an invitation with the "Contact Us" link on the Fellowship Website - www.uuokoboji.com.

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at room temperature 42 teaspoon freshly grated nutmeg 2 teaspoons salt 3 cups vegetable oil, plus more

1 cup seedless raspberry jam

In a small bowl, combine yeast, warm water, and 1 teaspoon sugar. Set aside until foamy, about 10 minutes. Place flour in a large bowl. Make a well in the center; add eggs, yeast mixture, 14 cup sugar, butter, nutmeg, and salt.
Using a wooden spoon, stir until a sticky dough
forms. On a well-floured work surface, knead

until dough is smooth, soft, and bounces back when poked with a finger, about 8 minutes (add more flour, if necessary). Place in an oiled bowl; cover with plastic wrap. Set in a warm place to rise until doubled, 1 to 1 42 hours. On a lightly floured work surface, roll dough to 14-inch thickness. Using a 2 12-inch-round cutter or

drinking glass, cut 20 rounds. Gover with plastic wrap; let rise 15 minutes. In a medium saucepan over medium heat, heat oil until a deep-frying thermometer registers 370 F. Using a slotted spoon, carefully slip 4 rounds into oil. Fry until golden, about 40 seconds. Turn doughnuts over; fry until golden on other side, another 40 seconds. Using a slotted spoon, transfer to a paper-towel-lined baking sheet. Roll in sugar while warm. Fill a pastry bag fitted with a #4 tip with jam. Using a wooden skewer or toothpick, make a hole in the side of each doughnut. Fit the pastry tip into a hole, pipe about 2 teaspoons jam into doughnut.

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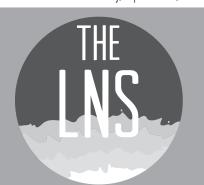
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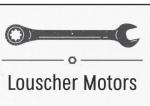
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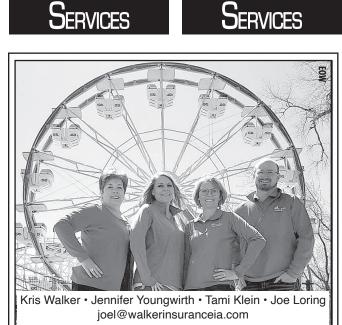
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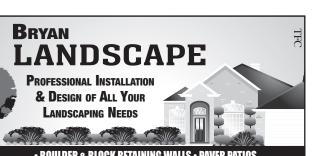
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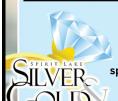
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Each of the following scholarship recipients was awarded \$500 to support their educational pursuits:

- Alijah Skrepak (Estherville, Iowa) – Skrepak is pursuing an Associate of Arts degree and plans to continue his education at Buena Vista University in Storm Lake.
- Hayden Threatt (Fremont, Michigan) – Threatt is working toward a Construction Technology degree and a Welding certification. After graduation, he intends to join the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers Union.

Madison Burhans [Linn Executive Director of Foundation and Governmental Affairs Administra-Grove, Iowa] - Burhans is tion at Iowa Lakes Community College Dr. Dan Lutat, American Legion enrolled in the Veterinary Representative Al Tigges, Iowa Lakes Student Nolan Merryman, Iowa Technician program and will Lakes Student Hayden Threatt, Iowa Lakes Student Madison Burhans, be taking a job at the Hartley, and American Legion Representative Jim Bruggeman. Not pictured: Iowa Animal Medical Center Iowa Lakes Student Alijah Skrepak.

• Nolan Merryman (Estherville, Iowa) – Merryman is majoring in Power Sports and Power Equipment Technology and plans to work for a local power sports dealer or shop, after graduation.

Al Tigges and Jim Bruggeman, representing the American Legion of Iowa Foundation, presented Iowa Lakes Community College with a \$2,000 check to support the scholarships. These scholarships are awarded based on need, references, and a short essay describing the student's accomplishments, community service, and future goals.

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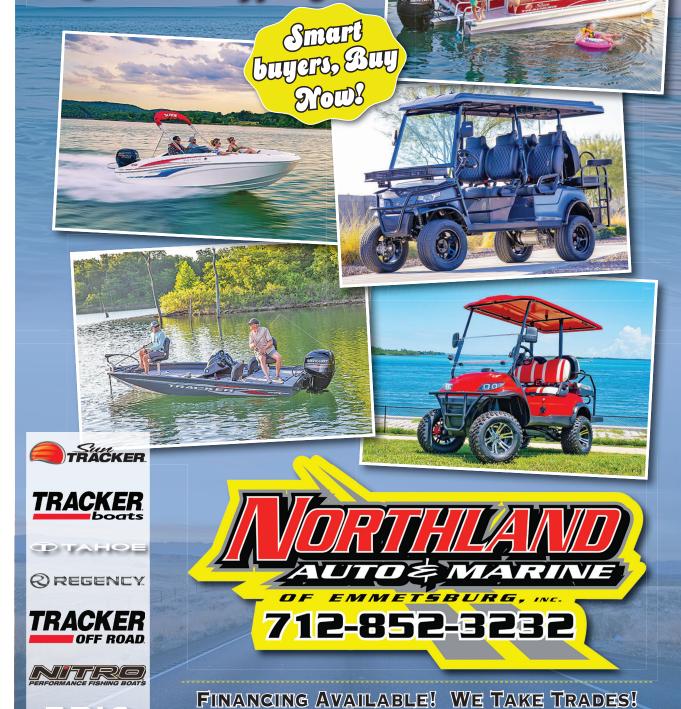
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