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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Why I Support the Okoboji Middle School Project

To The Editor:
Hello again Okoboji. My name is Bob Miller, and I was the superintendent of the Okoboji Community Schools from 2004 through 2011. My wife Victoria and I currently reside in the Des Moines area, enjoying retirement, volunteering at our church and serving on the Board of Directors of the Iowa Chapter of the American Parkinson Disease Association. I would like to explain why I would choose to support the Middle School project for my former district.

While I was working in Okoboji, I told people that the most important job I had as a superintendent was to hire great people, primarily on the administrative side. We were able to hire Mike Schmitz, Brian Downing, Ryan Cunningham and Rob Olsen to come work in our district with the promise that we would do everything we could to make our district the strongest, not only in the county, but in the state. We made great strides in doing so, even while keeping the school tax levy the lowest in the state. Part of that was due to the leadership of the various school boards I worked for, tight budgeting by myself along with Katy and Joan in the District Office, and also the ever increasing property values in the area. One resident of Cedar Rapids, who owned a "cabin" on the west side of West Okoboji Lake, called every spring complaining about his property taxes increasing, even though our tax rate was fairly stable. I would simply refer him to the County Assessor's Office to find out why his assessed value continued to rise. Property assessments are going to continue to rise in the lakes area, regardless of whether the Middle School is built or not.

I have heard many reasons why people campaigned for and voted no on this project, and they were varied. They included reasons such as: not liking a particular staff member or administrator; the project is too big or too small; increase in property taxes; and doing what's best for kids is a cop-out for simply getting more stuff. Please do not make this an issue of petty vendettas, pay backs or personnel conflicts. It is way too important for that to arise. The research is clear that the school population is increasing. The district cannot continue to add portable classrooms in Arnolds Park in the parking lot. After "retiring" from Okoboji, I became the superintendent in Pleasantville, a small school southeast of Des Moines. We had been going through a growth spurt as well, and we added two portable buildings with four classrooms. While it meets a need, it certainly is not the end-all-be-all to student population management. The students and teachers are isolated from the rest of the building, plus it is designed to be a temporary solution, not a long term solution. Can you imagine one or two co-workers being moved into your office space with you and being told you needed to share space? It is not conducive to high quality work, and the Okoboji Schools are predicated on producing high quality work. It is not a situation where the district is "preparing them for work beyond school," particularly with 12 or 13 year old kids.

Building on to the high school was something Principals Downing and Cunningham and I addressed in 2010. We could see the handwriting on the wall in that the student population was increasing and plans needed to be made. Superintendent Janssen has done the numbers and while it will create an increase in the tax rate, it will only do so for a fixed number of years before it needs to be voted on again. There is no disputing what the numbers are, so I believe there is no need to continue to throw them in your face. The fact of the matter is that studies have shown time and time again that students, particularly middle school students, need space in order to move, be able to communicate, create and collaborate effectively. That is what this election should be about - the students. Believe me, there is pressure to compete with the other school districts in the county, particularly Spirit Lake. They have done a nice job in adding to their facilities and making their district strong. Okoboji needs to do so as well. For the seven years I was superintendent, there was pressure from the Board and the community to not be the second fiddle in our own county. Here is your chance Okoboji to step up, make it right with the students and show the county and the state that you believe in the district, its mission and where it is headed in the future. Please support the building of the Middle School addition in Milford and vote "YES."

Thank you,
Bob Miller, Former Okoboji School Superintendent
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Anniversary Announcement

Robin and Todd, the children of Galen and Kerry Groth, are hosting a card shower for their parents' 50th wedding anniversary on August 21, 2015. Cards may be sent to 317 Southmoor Drive SW, Spencer, Iowa 51301

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To The Editor:

I am writing to express my concerns regarding the upcoming vote on building a new middle school for the Okoboji School District. I firmly believe that the Okoboji school board and district administration have made several errors in judgment as they have presented their proposal.

First, and perhaps most important, is their choice of using PPEL to fund this project. With PPEL fund all we are doing is giving the Board an additional \$1.47 million in funding for each of the next 10 years with no guarantee as to how it will be spent. I feel, with three incumbent Board members not seeking re-election, that the three new members may or may not be in agreement with this PPEL proposal. Asking the voters to approve an 18% increase in school property taxes is not sound fiscal policy.

A second major concern is the lack of any realistic plan for use of the current building in Arnolds Park. I feel not enough attention has been given to any proposal for expanding the current building. Has an engineer, not an architect, been asked to look at how the Arnolds Park building can accommodate the needs of our students?

Lastly, the Board and district officials are bringing this issue to a second vote with no attempt to modify or scale back their request from the \$19+ million total price tag. All factors considered, the district officials have presented us with a textbook example of how *not* to build a new school building.

Jerry Robinson
Okoboji

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6:30 pm	Football Scrimmage & Introduction of Team - HS Football Field

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Friday & Saturday August 21 & 22

Friday, August 21

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8:00 AM	Softball Tourney - School ball field - call Nick 712-209-2391
9:00 AM	Junk Art Contest Judging - State Street - call Constance 712-260-5840
9:00 AM	Coin Dig - Volleyball Court behind Main Street Bar (for kids up to 12 years old)
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Truman Birthday And Anniversary Announcement

Larry and Dee Truman of Milford will be celebrating their anniversary and Larry's birthday on Friday, August 21, 2015. Family and friends are invited to help them celebrate at the VFW Memorial Hall in Spirit Lake. A meal will be served 5:30 - 6:30pm (bring a salad if you would like) and a dance with Jessie James & The Outlaws to perform at 7:00 - 9:00pm.

Cards and best wishes may be sent to 3004 Sportsman Drive, Milford, Iowa 51351.

Terril City-Wide Garage Sales

Terril will host their city-wide garage sales on Saturday, August 22, during Fun Days. Sales will be going on from 7:00am until Noon. Maps will be available at the library. Be sure to stop at the United Methodist Church and the library to check out their bake sale and the church will be serving coffee along with a bar or roll.

Come and enjoy all the events on Saturday, August 22, during Fun Days in Terril.

Round Lake Community Center Fundraiser Set for Sunday

Round Lake Community Center will hold their fundraiser on Sunday, August 23, at the former Round Lake High School, 445 Harrison Street, Round Lake, Minnesota. They will be serving smoked barbecue ribs, brisket, and pulled pork with sides from 4:00 -7:00pm or until gone. Kids meals available for ages twelve and younger.

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To Whom It May Concern:

I wish to thank the voters of the Okoboji Community School district for electing me to serve on the board for the past four years. I have enjoyed my time on the Okoboji Community School Board. This experience has confirmed for me that we have a very special school that focuses on teaching each student to his or her fullest potential. Okoboji Community Schools has built a culture of academic excellence. This is accomplished in hundreds of small steps for each learner and is built on a foundation of caring. Our staff truly cares about each child. We have great leaders that are implementing new and creative ways to improve the quality of education.

Serving on the board is rewarding and it takes a lot of time and effort. In the coming months and years I will have additional demands on my time from many directions. With this being the case I won't be able to devote the time necessary to serve on the board the way I want to. For this reason alone I have chosen not to seek re-election. As my comments above indicate I agree with the district's direction and leadership. I also support the proposed new middle school building project and welcome any questions from voters about it.

I also would like to thank all of the staff and volunteers of our school district for his or her dedication and hard work on behalf of our students. Thank you.

Joe Conover
Okoboji School Board

Boji Bay Fun House And Pavilion Announces Free Outdoor Concert

Boji Bay Fun House and Pavilion located on Highway 71 in North Milford, announces its next free outdoor concert at the Boji Bay music festival grounds for Friday, August 21.

The concert features The Rumbles, presented by Perkins Family Restaurant of Milford, Piccadilly Circus Pizza, Okoboji Brewing Company, and Okoboji Tourism.

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Okoboji High School Commons

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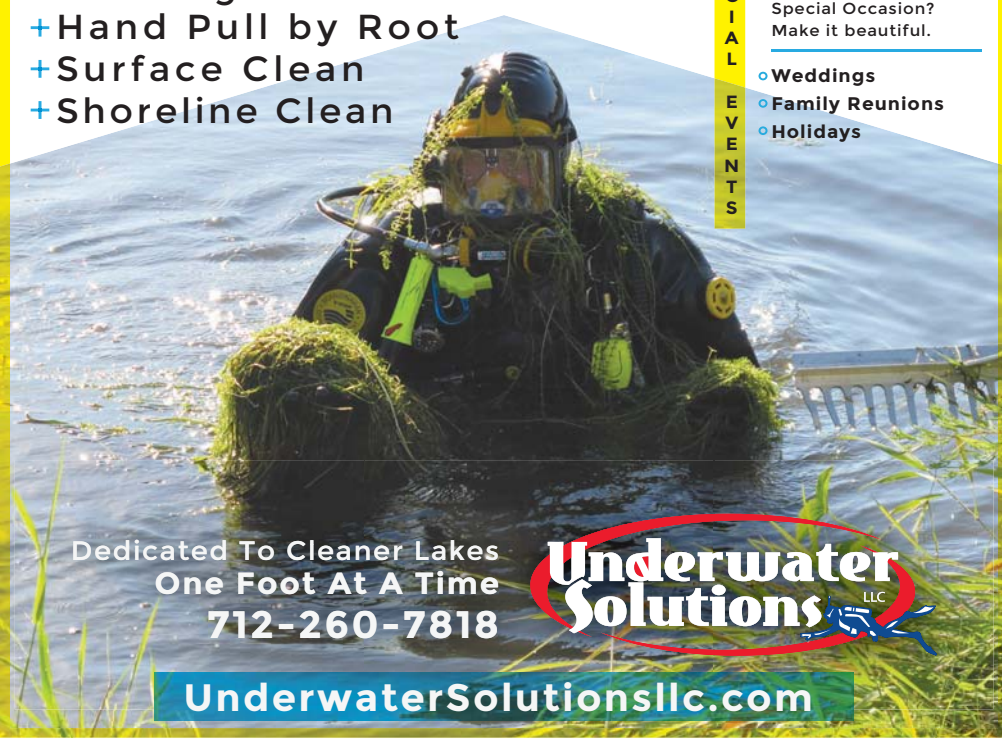
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Dee & Larry Truman
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Meal: 5:30pm-6:30pm
(May bring a salad if you like)
Dance: 7pm-9pm
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A Bridal Shower will be held for **JENNIFER SCHMIDT**
Saturday, August 22 • 1-3pm
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Jennifer is the bride-elect of Anthony Davis.
The couple is registered at Wal-Mart.

Happy 25th Anniversary
Mike & Beth Lamb
August 17
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Gary Janssen Named 2015 Educator of Character

Gary Janssen, Okoboji School District Superintendent, was named 2015 Educator of Character. This honor was given by The Robert D. and Billie Ray Center at Drake University. The Ray Center issues the Educator of Character award annually to a teacher or administrator who teaches and models good character and has made an impact on students through innovative character development and education in their subject areas. The Ray Center was formerly known as Character Counts in Iowa. Gary Janssen, pictured center, has been the superintendent of the Okoboji School District since 2011. He has earned respect from students, parents, and the community by keeping his word and handling discipline problems with wisdom and student focused solutions. Gary's passion for others exceeds his role as superintendent. He even helped a school colleague by building a wheelchair ramp to her front door. He has donated hundreds of hours to the schools by dry walling, painting, cleaning, and building shelves and trophy cases. Ryan Cunningham, Okoboji Middle School Principal said, "the job of superintendent has a way of exposing the true colors of a person. I can say without a doubt that the pressure of the job exposed Gary's immense depth of integrity."

Anniversary Announcement
Dr. Walter and Lois Cocking, of Spirit Lake, Iowa, celebrated 60 years of marriage on June 11, 2015. Walter W. Cocking and Lois M. Voss were married on June 11, 1955. Their children; son Kent (Samantha) Cocking, daughters Karen (Jack) Kouwe, and Tammy (Michael) Rogers gathered at their home on Big Spirit Lake over the July 4 weekend to celebrate this milestone. Walter and Lois also have 3 grandchildren; Jaime (Matt) Jahr, Keith (Kelly) Cocking, and Kelbe (Kyle) Goupil, and one great-granddaughter, Jacey Jahr, with a second great-granddaughter due in December. The celebration weekend was filled with memories, games, laughter, food, pictures, and ended with a time of prayer for family and thanksgiving for the many years of blessings.

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- Wednesdays**
Milford: 7:00pm Iowa Great Lakes Group - Harbor of Joy Church, 1204 L Avenue
Spirit Lake: 12:00 Noon Brown Bag - Discovery House, 1411 Hill Avenue
- Thursdays**
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Spirit Lake: 11:00am Women's Big Book Study - Senior Center, 2100 Zenith Avenue
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Fiorina to Attend Republican Picnic

Carly Fiorina is coming to the Republican Picnic at Parks Marina on Thursday, August 27, 2015, at 6:00pm. She has come up in the polls to be a Republican Presidential candidate in 2016. She is the only woman in the Republican race for the White House. She was the first female CEO of Hewlett-Packard Co. She says if elected, she will simplify tax rates and close loopholes. She will use her vast business experience to negotiate with other countries. Fiorina is not a professional politician which she feels is an asset to the Republican party. She is excited to meet the area voters. Tickets may be purchased from Central Committee Members in Dickinson, Clay, Palo Alto or Emmet County. Call 712-336-1466 for more information about this picnic.



3K's to Appear at The Inn

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Aug. 18th	2- Person Best Shot	Okoboji View GC
Aug. 19th	Schoolman's 4 Man Best Shot	Okoboji View GC
Aug. 21st	Friday Night 4 Ball	Indian Hills GC
Aug. 21st	Friday Night 4 Ball	Woodly Hills GC
Aug. 22nd	Couples Alternate Shot/Best Shot	Spencer G&CC
Aug. 22nd	Savings Bank 3 Person Scramble	Silver Lake CC
Aug. 23rd	Marc Jacobsen Shoot Out	Emerald Hills GC
Aug. 25th	2- Person Best Shot	Okoboji View GC
Aug. 28th	Friday Night 4 Ball	Indian Hills GC
Aug. 28th	Friday Night 4 Ball	Woodlyn Hills GC
Aug. 30th	Abben Cancer Center Classic	Emerald Hills GC
Sept. 1st	2- Person Best Shot	Okoboji View GC
Sept. 4th	Friday Night 4 Ball	Indian Hills GC
Sept. 4th	Friday Night 4 Ball	Woodlyn Hills GC
Sept. 5th	Division Bar 2 Person Best Shot	Silver Lake CC
Sept. 7th	4 Person Best Shot (Sportsman's Pub)	Brooks GC
Sept. 8th	2- Person Best Shot	Okoboji View GC
Sept. 11-13	U of O Couples Tourney Brooks, Emerald Hills, Okoboji View	
Sept. 12th	Iowa/Iowa State 2 Person	Silver Lake CC
Sept. 12,13	Stoltenberg Invite	Indian Hills GC
Sept. 19th	RT Smith 4 Person Best Ball 8" Cup	Meadowbrook G&CC
Sept. 19th	EH 8" Cup 4 Person Best Shot	Emerald Hills GC
Sept. 19th	Lily Putt 4 Person Best Shot	Indian Hills GC
Sept. 20th	3 Man Wacky Best Shot	Okoboji View GC
Sept. 22nd	IGL Chamber GOLF Day	Okoboji View GC
Sept. 27th	3 Person Best Shot	Spencer Golf & CC
Sept. 27th	Captain's Get-a-way	Brooks GC
Sept. 28th	Captin's Getaway 4 Man Best Shot	Emerald Hills GC
Oct. 4th	3-Person Best Shot	Emerald Hills GC
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Oct. 10th	4 Man Best Shot 8" Cup	Okoboji View GC

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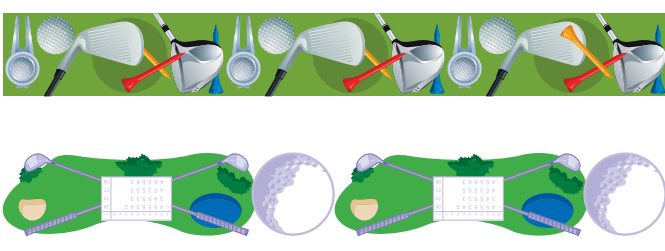
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Engagement Announcement

Carl and Darla Zellmer of Spirit Lake are pleased to announce the engagement of their son Addison Zellmer to Claire Palmer daughter of Joe and Margaret Palmer of West Des Moines.

Addison graduated from Woodbury Central High School in May 2011 and from Iowa State University in May 2014 with a degree in Supply Chain Management. Addison is working for ACH Food Company as an Outbound Logistics Manager in Ankeny.

Claire graduated from Dowling High School in 2010, and from the University of Minnesota in May 2015 with a degree in Human Resource Development. Claire is working at Meredith in Des Moines in the Human Resource Department.

The couple will be married September 5, 2015, at Glen Oaks Country Club in West Des Moines.

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 Okoboji School District:

I want to take this opportunity to thank the people of this district for allowing me to serve on Okoboji's Board of Education. In the past four years I have been fortunate to serve as Director, Vice President and President.

The decision not to run for a second term was difficult as I'm passionate about our school system and its continued success. My wife Jill and kids have been supportive this past term and encouraged me to seek a second. It really comes down to time. My career and a couple businesses I own are taking more of my time. In addition, I was elected to an Engineering/Sales Council in January which is a 3 year commitment. As I told a friend, I had to break my candle in half to find two more ends to burn.

Obviously my timing isn't the best given the upcoming new middle school vote. Some people opposed to the school are spinning my decision not to seek a second term as proof I don't support a new school. I promise you nothing is further from the truth. As a board member and a father of a son who spent the last four years in the existing building, I'm a strong supporter of a new middle school. People get confused between "wants" and "needs". I assure you we NEED this school.

In conclusion, I would like to thank all of the administrators, staff and volunteers of our district. Okoboji has been awarded and recognized for numerous local, state and national achievements. This is a reflection of your hard work, caring and forward thinking. All of you have truly taken ownership in providing our kids the best education possible.

Sincerely,
Brad Droegmiller
President, Okoboji Community Schools



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Birthday Announcement

Children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren would like to wish Virginia "Ginny" Yore a happy 85th birthday on August 22, 2015. Birthday wishes can be sent to 1007 13th Street, Milford, Iowa.



Little Swan Lake Open House

The Iowa Department of Natural Resources, Ducks Unlimited, and members of the Dickinson County Clean Water Alliance invite the public to a short presentation and open house on Tuesday, August 25, from 6:30 - 8:00pm at Little Swan Lake Winery on the south shore of Little Swan Lake regarding the upcoming restoration project of Little Swan Lake.

Water quality and habitat in this lake has degraded over time providing reduced benefit to fish and wildlife. Little Swan Lake is an extremely important water body located on the east side of Dickinson County. When healthy, Little Swan Lake is an important fishery, provides wildlife habitat, and filters water before it reaches the West Fork of the Des Moines River.

This project was prompted by the failure of the existing outlet structure on Little Swan Lake prompting the Iowa DNR and its partners to renovate the lake and install a new outlet structure. Survey and design phases of the project are in the works, with construction scheduled to begin next summer if all goes well. This meeting will provide an opportunity to view general design criteria of projects similar to this one and to learn more about shallow lake and wetland management, its benefits for water quality, plants, fish, animals, and public use. The renovation plan includes a drawdown which will stimulate plant growth, eliminate common carp, and compact the bottom sediments.



Colleen M. Lemkuil, DAR Regent; Mary Thunhorst, DAR Vice Regent and Speaker; Bonnie Higgins, DAR Vice Regent of the Six Flags Over Texas Chapter in Texas, visiting Iowa; Carolyn Blauie, DAR Member with her doll.

Memories Recalled At Higgins Tribute

Reminiscences flowed as the Ladies of the Lake Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution presented the "Woman in History Award" to the late Bessie Carroll Higgins of Spencer. Several members and guests recalled knowing this outstanding community and DAR leader in their childhood.

DAR member Carolyn Blauie, Spencer, displayed a Horsman doll that Mrs. Higgins gave her for Christmas when she was a child. Mrs. Blauie's father farmed the Higgins land near Peterson and kept in close touch with the family.

"As a little girl, I saw her as a great lady, a role model. She was always so gracious and kind to me," commented Mrs. Blauie.

Margaret Tangney Lainson came from Iowa City to recall Mrs. Higgins' later life on the fifth floor in the corner room of the Tangney Hotel. "She had one of the few rooms with a bath, most were communal. She took all her meals in the dining room and had her special table. Sometimes her son Bill (W.R. Higgins) came to eat with her. When my mother had her hair done, she was my sitter. She was an absolutely lovely, outstanding woman. I still have the beautiful tiara that she gave me as a wedding present."

DAR member Lola Campney of Spencer spoke about the Higgins home on Grand Avenue, known as "the Higgins mansion." She described the lovely tours and social gatherings that took place.

The Lydia Allen DAR Chapter was founded in that home. Mrs. Higgins served as Chapter Regent and went on to become State DAR Regent and then Vice President General of The National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

She was a prominent civic leader in Spencer, serving among other activities as president of the Board of Education and on the board of the Congregational Church to which she donated land.

The event took place at the Higgins Museum of Money, 1507 Sanborn Ave., Okoboji, on August 13 with a welcome from Director Larry Adams. He described his friendship with Mrs. Higgins' adopted son Bill (W. R. Higgins), who at one time was mayor of Okoboji. When Mr. Higgins' collection of 7,000 coins sold at auctions, the proceeds made possible the creation of the Money Museum. It is dedicated to the history of national banking and is unique in its collection of National Bank Notes. It also contains an extensive turn of the century post card collection of early Iowa. For information and hours, call 712-332-5859.

A "Dinner Date" luncheon at the Senior Center on Zenith Avenue with a Ladies of the Lake program on volunteerism followed the museum event. Long time community contributor June Parker Goldman said "The gift of your time is so important. In this 'hurry hurry' world, I encourage you to take time to visit those who are elderly and alone."

Local RSVP Director and DAR member Paula Zenor outlined other needs: helping organizations with mailings ("it's a fun social activity with coffee served"); working in community gardens (the produce goes to the needy); serving as drivers for the Department of Human Services ("people are so grateful for transportation to doctor's appointments."); Northwest RSVP Director Mary Steele distributed applications. Mrs. Lemkuil told how RSVP helped with DAR projects and said that interested persons could contact her for information on both RSVP and DAR volunteer opportunities. Stancollen37@gmail.com

Participants adjourned for a tour of the Bird Haven, 1655 255th Place, Spirit Lake. Participants reported that it was an inspiring and informational experience. Call 712-336-2473 for information.



Engagement Announcement

Robin Gardner, Gary and Terri Halquist of Spirit Lake would like to announce the engagement of their son Derek Halquist, to Jessica Blair, daughter of Susan Blair of Spencer. Derek is a graduate of Spirit Lake High School and Jessica is a graduate of Spencer High School. Derek is currently pursuing a bachelor's degree in biology and is a Lab Technician in Research and Development at Pure Fishing in Spirit Lake. Jessica is a Nurse at Spencer and Lakes Regional Oral Surgery and Haweye Care Center, Sioux Rapids. She is currently finishing her bachelor's degree in Health Services Leadership. The couple's wedding was August 15, 2015.

Celebration And Movie In The Park To Recognize Spirit Lake As A Blue Zones Community®

Blue Zones Project™ and Wellmark Blue Cross and Blue Shield will be hosting a ceremony and free Movie in the Park to recognize Spirit Lake as a certified Blue Zones Community®. The event, to take place on Friday, August 21, will begin at 7:30 pm with free games, face painting, and splash pad fun at Memorial Park. Shortly after 8:00 pm there will be a short recognition ceremony and video highlighting Blue Zones Project achievements in Spirit Lake. Immediately following, the free presentation of Despicable Me 2 will be shown. Complimentary popcorn and water will also be provided. People of all ages are invited to attend this event, and are encouraged to bring blankets and chairs.

Spirit Lake was recently certified as a Blue Zones Community after being selected as a Blue Zones demonstration site in late 2012. Since then, area residents, business leaders, volunteers, and students have worked together to make the healthy choice the easy choice throughout Spirit Lake. Restaurants, organizations, businesses, schools, city officials, and grocery stores have each completed several pledge actions to meet criteria that help to create an environment that encourages Blue Zones Power 9 Principles such as Down Shift, Right Tribe, Natural Movement, and Loved Ones First.

Specifically, the following organizations achieved Blue Zones designation: Bank Midwest; Hey, Good Cookies!; Spirit Lake Elementary School; Central Bank; Hy-Vee; Spirit Lake Middle School; City of Spirit Lake; Lakes Regional Healthcare; Spirit Lake Noon Kiwanis; Dickinson County; Northwest Bank; The State Bank; Fareway; Prairie Chick; YMCA of the Okoboji; GrapeTree Medical Staffing; Pure Fishing; Hamm Chiropractic; Rotary Club of Iowa Great Lakes.

"These organizations did a lot to change their environment to help nudge people subconsciously in the healthier direction. But there were many other people and organizations involved as well. Dickinson County Community Gardens, Dickinson County Trails Association, the Dickinson County Ministerial Association, and many, many more people and groups were integral in achieving Spirit Lake's certification as a Blue Zones Community," said Spirit Lake Blue Zones Co-Chair Jason Harrington. "The community couldn't have done it without them."

Although Spirit Lake is now certified as a Blue Zones Community, those that have been involved in the process are just beginning to realize the original goal they set out to achieve. Harrington said, "When we started this process, we did so within Spirit Lake because the process didn't allow us to do it another way, but we always wanted it to be an entire Iowa Great Lakes region initiative. We will be working now with other organizations and people to do just that, to create a larger impact, to truly make the Iowa Great Lakes a place where the healthy choice is the easy choice."

Those interested in learning more or becoming a part of the Blue Zones effort are encouraged to contact the local Blue Zones Engagement Team at 712-336-8799.

Iowa Lakes Announces Schedule

Iowa Lakes Community College has released its 2015-2016 Convocation schedule.

"Our convocation events were implemented as a means of bringing cultural and diverse events to campus and the community," said Katie Larson, coordinator for the Convocations this coming college year. "The events have proven to be extremely popular among our students."

Convocations are free of charge and the public is welcome to attend any of the events.

Joan Becker will be the Wednesday, September, 16 speaker. She will be speaking at the Emmetsburg campus gymnasium at 10:00am and at the Estherville campus gymnasium at 1:00pm. Joan is the author of Sentenced to Life (The Mark Becker Story) Mental Illness, Tragedy, and Transformation. She is the mother of Mark Becker who was the young man who tragically shot and killed Aplington-Parkersburg Coach Ed Thomas. Joan will deliver a different view to this tragic event that should be empowering to everyone.

Kirk Garrison will be the featured speaker at the Emmetsburg campus on Tuesday, October 27, at 10:00am and at the Estherville campus on Thursday, October 29 at 9:00am Kirk is an active trumpet performer, educator and composer in the Chicago area. A veteran of the Chicago jazz scene, Kirk attended Mankato State University in his home state of Minnesota and then joined the United States Air Force Band. After leaving the Air Force in 1992, he completed his master's degree in Jazz Studies at DePaul University where he served on the jazz faculty from 2001 - 2013. He is currently on the faculty at Concordia University, Chicago and Elmhurst College, in Elmhurst, Ill.

Jackie Bird will be in northwest Iowa on Tuesday, February 16, 2016. She will be performing in Emmetsburg at 10 a.m. and in Estherville at 1:00pm. Jackie is a Native American hoop dancer and speaker. The dance she will be performing is a dance for healing that has been passed down through her family from generation to generation. Jackie will perform the story of creation with her hoops.

"We are very excited about the individuals coming to Iowa Lakes to share their experiences and bring their wealth of knowledge and culture to our campuses and communities," said Larson.

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Superintendent's Corner

By: Gary Janssen, Superintendent

Can a Second Floor be Built Onto The Current Middle School?

A few people have been asking if a second floor could be built onto the current middle school rather than building a new middle school. The answer is provided below by Mathew Erion, CMBA Architect.

"Earlier this year CMBA provided a study to renovate and add to your existing Middle School. The school board did not think this was a viable option because it lacked many of the site needs required for your middle school such as safe access to a playground, adequate parking, traffic circulation, and future growth ability. The school board did not choose to spend any additional resources investigating this option.

CMBA has had a structural engineer review the existing Middle School drawings. The structural engineer's review found that the existing foundations and footings are not sufficient to support a 2nd level.

An addition of a second level would cost significantly more than an on-grade addition purposed in the earlier study and would still not provide the site amenities needed. Very little of the existing floor below the new upper addition could be maintained due to extensive demolition required to provide a new secondary structural system. Adding a second level would most likely require the school to vacate the floor below along with adjacent spaces. This would pose a challenge for the district to locate a new temporary facility for your students.

CMBA does not believe this is a good option for your school district."

In conclusion, the school board decided not to build onto or expand the current middle school for several reasons. The current site is land-locked. It does not have adequate parking space or green space for a safe playground area and has no space for future expansion. If the building was expanded, additional property would have to be purchased to replace current parking space. The building does not meet current program needs in many areas, would have to be brought up to handicap, fire, mechanical and electrical code compliance if remodeled and most of the mechanical and electrical systems would need to be replaced. The school board decided the high cost for adding onto and remodeling the older building on a land-locked site would be a poor use of tax payers dollars compared to building new at a much lower cost per square foot.

Reins Of Hope Program Application

The Reins of Hope program (therapeutic horseback riding) is now accepting applications for students. The program is held at Camp Foster starting September 1, 2015, Tuesday nights, once a week, 6 weeks for a one hour session. This is free to special needs children (this includes physical, emotional and behavioral diagnosis) from ages 6 to 21. Applications can be picked up at Spencer Hospital Therapy Department or online at reinsofhopepencer.org. If you have any questions, please call Steph at 712-229-6558.

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.

Okoboji School District Vote

To The Editor:

The Pending Okoboji School District PPEL vote(s) scheduled in September and February are perplexing for several reasons, but most notably, they ask you to vote to abandon a school complex that has been expanded, updated and very well maintained since the district's inception. In other words, the facility can continue to service the needs of students and staff with modest changes that can be done for a fraction of the cost of the proposed referendum.

As a graduate of Arnolds Park High School and an Okoboji School District tax payer I am proud of the quality of education district students receive throughout the entire Okoboji School System and my expectation is that future school boards will insure that excellence continues.

Finally, I have spent 50 years of my life trying to improve the education of students in this county and state (as a teacher - Arnolds Park 5 years - Spirit Lake 27 years - State Representative for 6 years - State Board of Education for 5 years). As I have looked at the empirical evidence from research I am reminded what you already know: In a well maintained building student achievement will be no better or worse than in a new one. It is what happens inside the walls of those buildings that makes the difference. That's where our focus should be and our money spent.

The present PPEL proposal is not a good plan for using community resources; please vote in September and ask the new board to bring us a better plan.

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Sports Preview Night at OHS - Thursday, August 20

The Okoboji Booster Club and the Okoboji Schools Athletic Department will be holding their annual Sports Preview Night for the 2015-2016 school year on Thursday, August 20, 2015, at Okoboji High School.

The Okoboji High School volleyball team will be introduced and scrimmage from 5:00 to 5:30pm in the New Gym. At 5:45pm, the Okoboji cross country team will begin their intra-squad race - which will finish on the track. The cross country team, football cheerleaders, and football team will all be introduced at 6:30 PM on the track and then the football team will scrimmage. At the conclusion of the football scrimmage, the Ironman/Ironwoman qualifiers from the summer strength and conditioning program will be recognized and Best Team-Mate awards from the past 2014-2015 year will be handed out.

The Okoboji Pioneer Booster Club will also be serving a tail-gate from 5:30 to 7:45pm at the outside concession stand. They will be serving hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, a sweet treat, and water for a freewill donation (suggested donation of \$5).

Please come out and get a look at the Pioneers as we kick off the 2015-2016 year.



Anniversary Announcement

Steve Faust and Nancy Mankiewicz honored their parents, Lynn and Louise Faust's (pictured front left) 60th wedding anniversary with a cruise on the Barefoot Barge on West Okoboji Lake. Their family and extended family joined them for the cruise and a supper in the evening. The event took place July 31, 2015.

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Jackson Art Center may soon be reality

There's been a recent move afoot in Jackson to establish a creative arts center for both the visual and performing arts. After a lot of work it appears things are suddenly falling into place quickly, with a downtown building that could provide a good home for the upstart organization.

That said, fund raising is of the utmost importance. And one FUNd raiser could take place in the next 60 days. You might want to keep Saturday, October 17, open on your social calendar for what is being planned as a fun Dickinson County event for everyone! You read it here first...

While we're looking forward to that party, there's lots going on out and about on the Campus between now and then...

This week will see Glenn Henriksen (and friends) at his place (across the street from the former Presbyterian church in Spirit Lake), tonight, and in a solo performance Wednesday night - both at 7:00...

The especially good news is that *The 3Ks*, Millie Kittleson, Billye Jane Kruse and Bryon Kittleson - the trio that was scratched from an earlier scheduled performance at The Inn - is to perform in The Lakeview Room at The Inn at 7:00 tomorrow (Wednesday) night. In addition to the family act, Millie is adding drummer Mark Kurseth, and bass man Dave Smith...

And, *Jessie James and The Outlaws* will be on stage at Table 316 in Arnolds Park at that same time tomorrow night...

Estherville's final *Music On The Square* of the summer season will take place Thursday night, when *The Cracked Reeds* appear in Library Square, from 5 - 7:00 Thursday night.

And Adam Layman will be performing at The Little Swan Lake Winery, Thursday night, from 6 - 8:00...

Regardless of the weather, *The Rumbles* will be returning from 'retirement' to play outdoors or in, at 7:00 Friday night at Boji Bay Fun House and Pavilion...

Friday night will see *The Rolling Stoners* "Live at the Lake," in Preservation Plaza at Arnolds Park Amusement Park. The second of two Arnolds Park shows this weekend will feature the *Jacob Martin Band*, Saturday night. Both shows will start at 7:30...

And, in what is billed as a "true summer-ending tradition," *Dave Rowley and Friends* will be returning to the Pearson Lakes Art Center, Friday night at 7:30, for a show that is traditionally sold-out...

Another big draw in recent years, Debbie Ankeny and Mike Springer - *Beyond Blue* - will be returning to the Little Swan Lake Winery Sunday afternoon, from 4 - 6:00.

Again, we close our week on Monday, when the *Dick Bauman Big Band* will be performing at the Pearson Lakes Art Center, from 7 - 9:00. The following week will see the band's penultimate performance of the year, which will end on Labor Day...

Since space is not an issue this week, we can include a note from one of our listeners and readers who emailed the link to a YouTube video of *The Bottle Boys* performing a Michael Jackson tune with beer bottles. You might be surprised that the 'concert' is apparently taking place in a church!

The enote said, "If you like beer, you'll like this. If you don't like beer, you'll like this. Click on the link and enjoy!" 'Nuf said.

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Or checkout: TheBottleBoys.Com



The Bottle Boys as seen on YouTube

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Miss Amazing Pageant

Abby Wilson, of Spirit Lake, recently competed at the National Miss Amazing Pageant in Los Angeles, California. Miss Amazing is an organization designed to support young girls and women with disabilities. Abby was crowned as a state queen in March and was thrilled to represent Iowa at the national level. The National Miss Amazing Pageant was held in conjunction with the Special Olympics World Games taking place at the same time. While in Los Angeles, Abby and her family were able to attend the Special Olympics Opening Ceremonies, attend Special Olympics basketball competitions, go on a Hollywood tour, and spend time at the Santa Monica Pier. During the final pageant show, Abby was crowned as the National Runner Up. Abby is the daughter of George and Lori Bower.



Local Dentists and Assistants Volunteered their Services

Local dentists and assistants volunteered their time in making custom made football mouth guards. The Spirit Lake football team, coached by Josh Bolluyt, will receive them as part of their protective gear. Pictured are: (back row) Dr. Brandy Lancaster, Dr. Eric Nielsen, Dr. Steve Christensen, Assistant Kathy Gehring; (front row) Assistant Christine Syharath, Dr. Amy Hartzell, Dr. Darren Dotson, Assistant Melinda Beekman. They wish the Indians a very successful season.



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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

To The Editor:

I am a former school teacher who taught in a portable classroom for many years. I have firsthand knowledge of the disadvantages of placing students and teachers in that situation. Being in a portable classroom causes teachers and students to be left out of the community of the building. It isn't ideal for teacher collaboration and is very difficult for those students who are required to move from one teacher to another for educational needs. Safety issues are another major concern, students and teachers having to go outside to get inside to a safe place in times of tornadoes isn't safe. Also, students traveling unsupervised into the building in case of bathroom or other health emergencies is a critical concern, as teachers can't leave their classrooms unsupervised to get them into the building. There is limited space in portables versus regular classrooms. You not only have the students taking up space, but dealing with coats, backpacks, computers, desks, etc. there's always a "cramped" feeling. Behavior problems are also more difficult to handle with limited space. When does the school district stop adding portables to accommodate the increase in enrollment? How many is too many? In the district I taught in, we started with one, and in a few years we had three! In the end, the district decided to build a new school after all. Let's build the new middle school now and get our students and teachers into the spaces they need to effectively teach and learn!! Waiting to build will only increase the cost and be throwing money away to purchase and maintain portables. Someday a new school will be built! It's up to you to make the "someday" NOW! Get out and vote "YES" for the bond issue on September 8th! Our kids and teachers deserve better!

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Sat., Aug. 15 – 9:00 AM – Commercial Property Auction in Hartley, IA. Auctioneers: Ron Sterk 712-728-1500 www.klaassenrealty.com

Sat., Aug. 15 – 12:00 PM – Classic Car and Household Auction in Rembrandt, IA. Auctioneers: Brown & Cavanaugh. 712-260-4029. www.brownauctioncompany.com.

Sun., Aug. 16 – 12:00 PM – McCall Estate Collectables Auction in Spirit Lake, IA. Auctioneer: Long & Sikora. 712-260-2788. www.sikorauctions.wix.com/sikorauctions.

Tues., Aug. 18 – 9:00 AM – Machinery Consignment Auction in Armstrong, IA. Auctioneers: Howells. 712-362-4844. www.howellrealestateandauction.com.

Day 1 – Tues., Aug. 18 – 3:30 PM – Large 2 Day Auction in Ruthven, IA. Auctioneers: Vander Werff, Hattermann, & O'Bryan. 712-261-0298. www.vw72.com

Day 2 – Wed., Aug. 19 – 10:30 AM – Large 2 Day Auction in Ruthven, IA. Auctioneers: Vander Werff, Hattermann, & O'Bryan. 712-261-0298. www.vw72.com

Thurs., Aug. 20 – 10:30 AM – Farm Machinery Auction. Owner Dana & Linda Galm. Located at 3810 110th Ave. Everly, IA. www.jandhauctions.com Auctioneers: Clinton Jones 712-363-3522, Ben Hollesen 712-253-5779

Thurs., Aug. 20 – 10:30 AM – Land Auction in O'Brien Co., IA. Auctioneers: Vander Werff, Hattermann, & O'Bryan. 712-261-0298. www.vw72.com

Thurs., Aug. 20 – 5:30 PM – Household and Estate Auction in Ruthven, IA. Auctioneer: Long & Sikora. 712-260-2788. www.sikorauctions.wix.com/sikorauctions.

Day 1 – Fri., Aug. 21 – 11:00 AM – Ager Estate Sale in Worthington, MN. Antiques 86. 507-822-0116.

Fri., Aug. 21 – 5:30 PM – Antique Auction in Sherburn, MN. I-90 Expo. 507-764-4025. www.i90expo.com.

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Mon., Aug. 24 – 4:00 PM – Estate Auction in Heron Lake, MN. 507-847-3468 or www.danpikeauction.com. Sale Conducted by Dan Pike Auction Company: Pike, Wedel, Kahler, & Hartung.

Wed., Aug. 26 – Farm Equipment Consignment Auction in Sanborn, IA. Auctioneers: Vander Werff & Hattermann. 712-261-0298. www.vw72.com

Wed., Aug. 26 – 10:00 AM – 153 Acres Land Auction in Spencer, IA. Auctioneers: Midwest Land Management. 712-262-3110. www.midwestlandmanagement.com.

Thurs., Aug. 27 – 6:00 PM – Acreage Auction in Orleans, IA. Auctioneer: Clinton Jones 712-363-3522, Ben Hollesen 712-253-5779. www.jandhauctions.com.

Sat., Aug. 29 – 9:30 AM – Farm Equipment and Household Auction in Estherville. Auctioneers: Howells & Rooney. 712-362-4844. www.howellrealestateandauction.com.

Sat., Aug. 29 – 10:30 AM – Farm Equipment Auction in Ocheydan. Auctioneers: Zomer & Vande Vegte. 712-476-9443. www.zomerauctions.com.

Thurs., Sept. 3 – 10:30 AM – Retirement Farm Machinery Auction in Emmetsburg, IA. Auctioneers: Clinton Jones 712-363-3522, Ben Hollesen 712-253-5779. www.jandhauctions.com

Sat., Sept. 5 – 10:00 AM – Farm Machinery Auction. Auctioneer: Nattress. 712-330-1921. www.nattressauctions.com.

Thurs., Sept. 10 – 10:00 AM – 76 Acres Land Auction in O'Brien Co., IA. Auctioneers: Hjelm & Sikora. 712-262-3529. www.theacreco.com.

Thurs., Sept. 24 – 10:00 AM – 80 Acres Land Auction in Dickinson Co., IA. Auctioneers: Hjelm & Sikora. 712-262-3529. www.theacreco.com.

Sat., Sept. 26 – 11:00 AM – Household and Antique Auction in Spencer, IA. Auctioneers: Clinton Jones 712-363-3522, Ben Hollesen 712-253-5779. www.jandhauctions.com



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Laageide participates in White Coat Ceremony

Leah Laageide participated in the annual White Coat Ceremony for the Class of 2019, held August 14, 2015, at McBride Hall, Carver College of Medicine, University of Iowa, Iowa City. She is one of 152 students selected for

this year's enrollment. Leah is the daughter of Jan B. DeSpain, of Milford, and the niece of Carla Marsh, a summer resident of the area who attended the ceremony.

Sew-A-Thon for Veterans

Fabric and Textile Warehouse will host their 10th Annual Sew-A-Thon for Veterans on Saturday, September 26, at 10:00am - 2:00pm at the American Legion, 2320 Highway Boulevard, Spencer, Iowa.

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More information on our website: www.fabricandtextilewarehouse.com or on our facebook page: www.facebook.com/fabricandtextilewarehouse.

Iowa Lakes Offers EMS Instructor Update

An Emergency Medical Services Instructor Update is being offered in October. The update is from the Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency and Trauma Services.

This course is offered in Room 74 at the Estherville campus of Iowa Lakes Community College on Tuesday, October 20 from 7:00pm to 9:00pm.

Class is taught by Joe Ferrell via go-to-webinar. Cost is \$9 and covers tuition and fees. CEUs are available. Endorsed EMS Instructors are required to attend once every two years.

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GREAT DAY OF FISHING – Joel and Greg Halbur, of Sioux City, Iowa, with fish caught in West Okoboji Lake on July 31, 2015.

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Governor Mike Huckabee To Attend Republican Picnic

Former Arkansas Governor Mike Huckabee is one of the top potential candidates in the Republican party to be elected President in 2016. He will be attending the Republican Summer Picnic at Parks Marina on Thursday, August 27, 2015, beginning at 6:00pm. Co-Host will be Senator Chuck Grassley. Sponsored by Clay, Dickinson, Emmet and Palo Alto Counties. The Governor is looking forward to meeting northwest Iowa voters. Huckabee won the Iowa caucuses in 2008. He went on to host a weekly TV show on FOX news. He will speak briefly about some of his important issues, which are tax reform, national security, and border control. Central Committee members in each county have tickets. For information on this event, please call 712-336-1466.



Boji Bay Recognized

Boji Bay was recently recognized by the National Amusement Park Historical Association (NAPHA) for preserving the sugar bowl, the barrel and the slide from Arnolds Park Amusement Park. The sugar bowl is the only original sugar bowl that still operates in the United States and all three items will be 90 years old next year. Pictured above receiving the plaque from NAPHA is Boji Bay General Manager Brandon Macias.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Vote Smart

To The Editor:

When the first Okoboji/Milford proposed new middle school referendum was held in April 2015, many eligible voters were absent or did not vote. Some discovered they were too late to vote absentee. Others learned, too late, they could not vote at the city halls in Okoboji or Arnolds Park but instead, would have to drive to Milford to vote.

The upcoming September 8 vote will again present the same proposal to the voters to approve building a new middle school in Milford at a cost not to exceed \$14.7 million.

If the \$14.7 million vote passes, a future second vote will be presented in early 2016 for further middle school expansion at a cost of \$4.4 million. Before voters decide how to vote on the \$14.7 million proposal, they must recognize they actually are deliberating on approving a total project of \$19.1 million.

If approved, the voter assumption is that construction will be carefully overseen to ensure it will be quality built to specification and within budget. The best insurance for achieving these results is to have a construction manager on site every day during the construction to monitor workmanship and materials.

The total \$19.1 million project has no monies budgeted for hiring a construction manager. The architects typically conduct only periodic inspections. The plan is to have overall quality of the day-to-day work entrusted to the contractor.

The consequences are predictable: When on-going construction costs begin to exceed project budgets, project features must be omitted. Further cost reductions are achieved using less expensive materials. Quality suffers, and long term life expectancies are shortened.

All indications are the currently structured \$14.7 million September 8, 2015, proposal combined with the planned \$4.4 million 2016 proposal are under budgeted and will be inadequately implemented.

Absentee voting began August 11. Vote smart.
Paul C. Johnson
Okoboji



FIRST CATCH – Reese Carey, of Cherokee, with a Bluegill, his first catch, caught in Minnewashta Lake on August 2, 2015.

The Rolling Stoners And Jacob Martin Band To Perform

The Rolling Stoners are coming to Preservation Plaza on Friday August 21, sponsored by Marilyn Vos and Hoiem Realty. Then on Saturday August 22, Jacob Martin Band will be performing, sponsored by Okoboji Motor Company. This will be a fun weekend you won't want to miss, both concerts start at 7:30pm.



The Rolling Stoners' throw-back act expresses the raw essence of what made the early-era Stoners live shows extraordinary. Fueled by genuine admiration, it often materializes into a manifestation that you have to see for yourself.

Celebrating the music of the Rolling Stoners is just what they do. Don't expect to see wigs or costumes, because this five piece band is much more than just a tribute band, they are a real-life expression of The Stoners era. Excitement, professionalism, and lasting memories are spontaneously served up to the audience every time.

Jacob Martin Band formed in early 2011 in Nashville, Tennessee, through the underestimated power of Craigslist. Converging from all parts of the country, Jacob Martin (vocals/rhythm guitar), Josh Carlson (drums/background vocals), Jeff Coggins (lead guitar), and Mike Guy (bass/background vocals) came together to form a powerful, melodic band that captivates both country and rock listeners. Since forming, the band hit the road and built a following that would later land them opening slots for Brantley Gilbert, Lee Brice, Justin Moore, and many others.

In early 2013, Jacob Martin Band released their first single Wrap-around Porch to secondary radio and reached #42 on the Music Row Chart. JMB has since returned to the studio with producer Jody Stevens (Cole Swindell, Luke Bryan) to record their new record entitled Look At What You Started. Take It To The Moonlight, their follow up single impacts radio November 2014.

Thank you to Marilyn Vos and Hoiem Realty for bringing The Rolling Stoners to Preservation Plaza on August 21, and thank you to Okoboji Motor Company for bringing Jacob Martin Band on August 22, to continue celebrating 125 years at Arnolds Park Amusement Park.

All the 2015 Live at the Lake concerts are free to the public. Be sure to grab your lawn chair and enjoy this fun-filled weekend.

The next concert, August 29, will be Kat Perkins sponsored by KUOO, RV Central, and Don's Pest Control.

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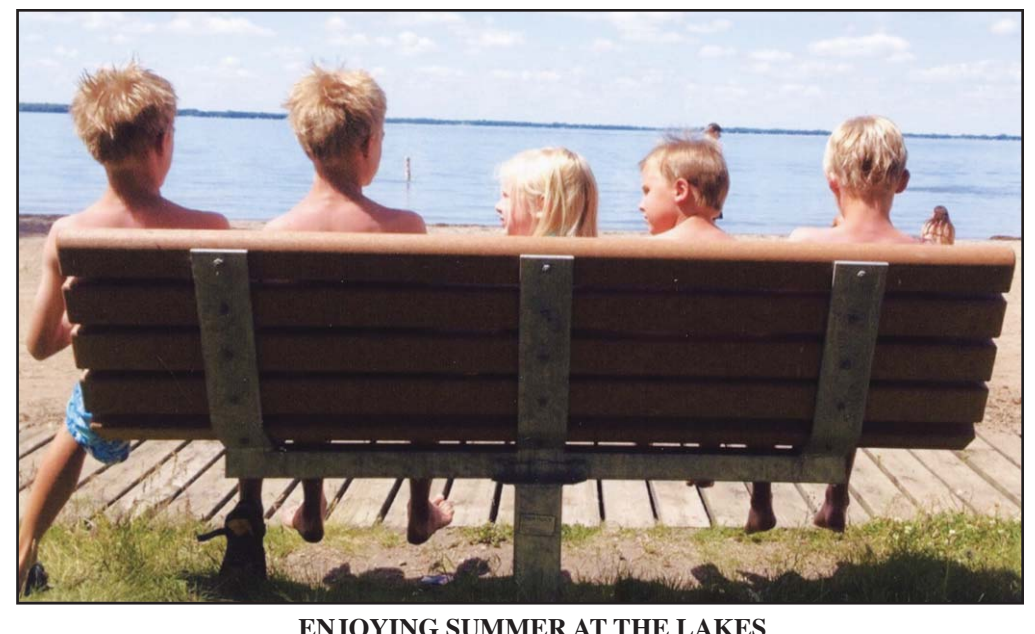
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Earlier this year, Social Security launched a commemorative 80th anniversary website where people can learn more about the agency's legacy and the importance of the Social Security program. The public has used the website, www.socialsecurity.gov/80thanniversary, to submit stories that show how Social Security has benefited them or their families. Social Security employees around the country have also expressed their enthusiasm and support through the agency's "Why I Serve" campaign, which highlights employees telling their own stories illustrating why they enjoy giving back through public service.
Social Security will host a ceremony at the agency's headquarters in Baltimore to commemorate the occasion. U.S. Congressman Elijah E. Cummings (D-MD) will join Acting Commissioner Colvin and Social Security employees at the event. "I am deeply honored to have longtime friend and staunch Social Security supporter Elijah Cummings join us in celebrating our 80th birthday," Acting Commissioner Colvin said.
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OKOBOJI SCHOOL DISTRICT TRIES AGAIN

First PPEL Vote History – On April 7, 2015 the Okoboji Community School District requested an election to authorize a Physical Plant Equipment Levy (PPEL) for Phase 1 to build a new Middle School building in Milford. The results of the April PPEL election was that 1,485 votes were cast by 4,952 registered voters in the Okoboji School District - representing a 30% turnout. There were 703 votes approving the expenditure for a 47 percent voter approval. A PPEL election requires a 50% voter approval, so the measure was defeated. This new Middle School building proposal only effects taxpayers in the Okoboji Community School District. More information can be found in the March 2015 edition of the "Watchdog."

Now the Okoboji School Board has decided to place the same issue before the voters on Tuesday, September 8, 2015. If there is a more than 50% voter approval at this election the school district would have \$14.7M to build a new Middle School next to the High School in Milford. The impact of this approval would be a property tax increase \$1.34 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation for a period of ten years.

Unfortunately, Phase 1 for \$14.7M does not include the athletic portion of the new Middle School building. Current plans are to have a second Physical Plant and Equipment Levy (PPEL), pronounced "pebble," election on February 16, 2016 for an additional \$4.4M for the Phase 2 athletic addition. The Phase 2 property tax impact would be to extend the \$1.34 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation for an additional period of up to five years. The total construction cost according to the architect is \$19.1M – provided the project is brought in within the estimates.

The simplest and least expensive way to gain voter approval would be to have one general obligation bond election - that would require a 60% voter approval. The Okoboji School Board has chosen to split the project into two phases by removing the athletic area (gym) from the original project and use two PPEL elections. The motivation for the PPEL approach appears to be is it only requires a 50% voter approval.

To calculate the amount of residential property tax increase for each \$100,000 of assessed value – multiply the assessed value in thousands times the 56% residential rollback factor times the \$1.34 tax levy rate. So for each \$100K of assessed residential value there would be an increase of \$75.04 of annual property taxes. (Commercial and agricultural properties each have a different rollback factor.)

If the September and February PPEL elections are approved by the voters the construction plans would be finalized next spring with bids to be received by mid-2016. Construction would take place in the fall of 2016 and most of 2017. Occupancy of the new Middle School could occur in December of 2017. A critical question is who will oversee the new building construction to be sure it is completed on time and under budget?

Just to make things interesting three of the five school board members are not standing for reelection on this same election. Not standing for reelection are Brad Droegmiller (current President), Joe Conover, and Brad Hale.

There are six candidates who have filed for the three openings: Shannon Anderson, Scott Dodge, Bob Hansen, Thomas Struthers, Jay Weaver, and Daniel Winkowitsch. The newly elected school board members will take office at the next school board meeting after the election. It is unknown how they will approach the actions taken by the previous school board.

Do we need it?

- Many taxpayers would like to know if the Okoboji School District really needs a new \$19M Middle School?
- Can the additional students be accommodated without saddling the taxpayers with a fifteen year PPEL tax levy?

It would be nice if Okoboji school enrollment would follow a consistent growth curve of increasing or decreasing enrollment. Unfortunately, the class sizes at Okoboji have followed an unpredictable pattern over a period of many years.

Those pressing for a new school cite the increased employment at Polaris in Milford. Others point to the lack of affordable housing in the central part of Dickinson County as a reason parents will choose to live outside the Okoboji School District.

Existing Arnolds Park Middle School

- Will it be sold for the "highest and best use" to command the greatest value? – Condominiums
- Will it be sold to a religious group that will be tax exempt?
- Will it be abandoned to become an eyesore to the community?
- Has the cost of demolishing the old building been included in the new building costs? The Okoboji School District feels they have three years after both successful PPEL elections to decide what happens to the existing Arnolds Park Middle School Building.

Making Your Voice Heard

If you live in the Okoboji School District, and are a registered voter in Dickinson County, you can vote any weekday from now to September 4th by going to the Auditor's office in the Dickinson County Courthouse. The single September 8th polling place for the Okoboji School election will be the Milford Community Center, with the polls open from 7 AM to 8 PM.

Absentee Ballot Request & Submission

You can request the Iowa Absentee Ballot Request Form be mailed to you by calling (712) 336-3356.

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For More Information

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Judy's artwork has received regional and national awards and has been exhibited in galleries and museums throughout the Midwest. She has been selected twice as an Artist-in-Residence with the National Park System, (Nebraska and South Dakota), and is an approved teaching artist for the Nebraska Arts Council. Through a grant, awarded by the Iowa Arts Council, her Homestead Series has toured the Midwest to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Homestead Act. Judy is a signature member of the Iowa Watercolor Society and enjoys teaching, drawing, and painting techniques to students of all ages. Learn more about Judy at www.judythompsonwatercolors.com.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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To The Editor:

The election for the school bond issue is rapidly approaching and there is a lot of undocumented information floating around out there from a group called "Citizens for Excellence in Okoboji School". It is not signed by anyone and makes no mention of who the members of this group are. I don't see how anyone can give any credibility to information when you don't know what the qualifications and interests are of the people that prepared it. This could be anybody in or out of our district. Underhanded actions like this gives all the more reason to get out and vote yes so their efforts do not succeed. The architect's estimate does not determine the final cost of the building as that will be determined by the bid of the low bidder at the opening of the bids. Bidders pay little attention to the architect's estimate. Yes, there is an 18% increase on the school portion only of our property taxes and we are still very competitive with other schools in the area. Information has been distributed to everyone and it is all there and if you read it you should be informed. The people with the best knowledge of the needs were involved in the comprehensive planning and just adding people to that process that aren't involved in the day to day operation of the school would probably not accomplish much. As far as adding more architects it would add some new ideas which may or may not change much except for adding to preliminary cost because they don't work for nothing. On the day of the bond election we are also electing three new board members and it makes sense to elect three people that favor the present program because it meets the present and future needs of the present students and those coming in the future. Somebody had the foresight to build the facility that has graduated your kids and mine. Now we need to do that for those yet to come.

I urge you to vote yes on September 8, 2015.
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"Fairs are meant to be showcases of creativity," said CCF Manager Jeremy Parsons. "The Farm Gadget Show gives more people the opportunity to show off their best creation at the Fair."

Each entry will need a laminated written description of the project, its intended use and safety qualities. Entries are due on or before August 15. To see the complete rules and regulations to enter in your gadgets go to www.claycountyfair.com for more information.

"It's hard to know what to expect," said Farm Gadget Show Superintendent Karen Schwaller. "We know there are farmers out there that are very innovated and creative. We don't know how many exhibits there will be. If they need something on the farm they will start welding and making things to make the job easier. There will be some pretty creative, resourceful and useful things in the lineup."

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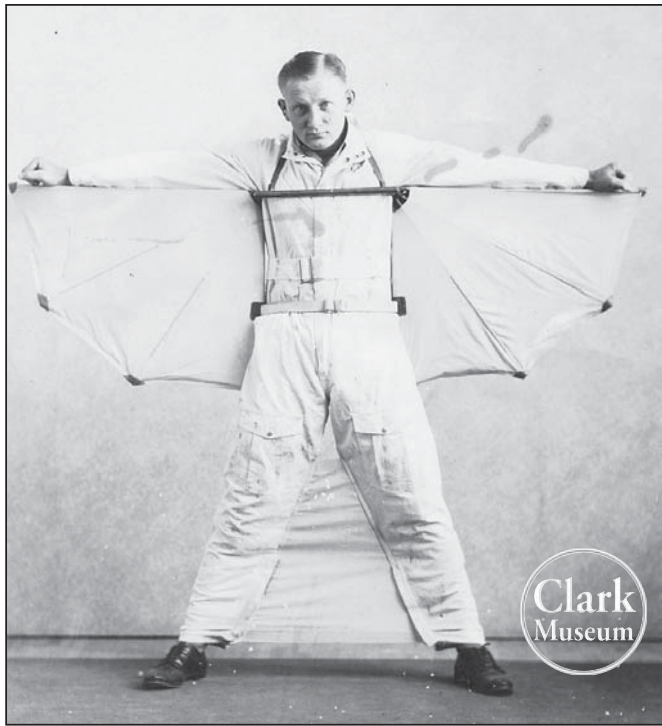
In celebration of 125 years at Arnolds Park Amusement Park, there will be a time capsule dedication on September 5, 2015, at 10:30am. This time capsule will be buried on the State Pier at Arnolds Park Amusement Park to preserve memorabilia from the last 125 years of Arnolds Park Amusement Park and our community. It will be opened in 25 years in 2040.



"We have started collecting items and would like to include items that community members would like to see in 25 years. If you have any items that represent the past or present day Iowa Great Lakes Community and its history, and would like for it to be included in our time capsule, please bring the items to Guest Relations at Arnolds Park Amusement Park by August 22nd," said Di Lorenzen, Marketing and Communication Manager.

What would you like the community to see from this area in 25 years? Ideas of items include Park memorabilia, new or old photos, your business's menu prices, newspapers, magazines, brochures, or school memorabilia.

"Thank you to the Iowa Great Lakes Community for being involved in the 125 years of Arnolds Park Amusement Park and for continuing to preserve the Park for future generations during the next 125 years. We hope you can join this dedication on September 5th at 10:30am," said Lorenzen.

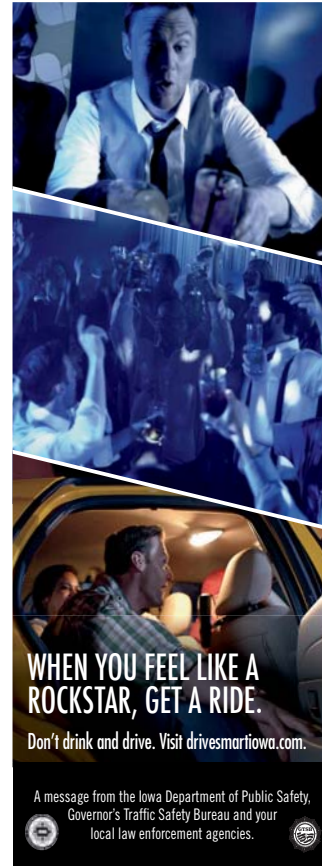


Stepping Back in Time by Jerry and Irene Clark of the Clark Museum of Okoboji and Iowa History

Roland Kumzak (The Hawk), clad only in a home-made "bat suit", made his first leap and flight from a height of 10,000 feet in the air at the 2nd Annual Spencer Air Show. Roland, a local boy from Milford, built himself a "bat suit" similar to that worn by Clem Schn, the noted "batman", and the event will have more than twelve well-known flyers and stunt men including Stanley Fuller of Milford. After his initial flight, he was in great demand to make exhibition flights. In about 1940, he went to California as a master parachute rigger in the U.S. Navy. "Come early and see the whole show, price 25¢ and 15¢" - just one of many interesting pictures and stories to view at the Clark Museum, located 1 mile west and 1/2 mile north of the Catholic Church in Milford. Call 712-338-2147 or email ijclark1@msn.com for any information. The museum is air-conditioned.



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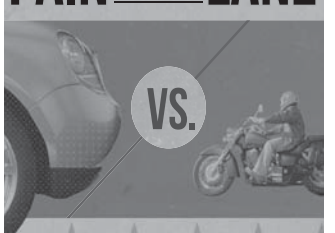
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MILFORD

507 Okoboji Ave, Milford. Saturday, August 22nd, 7:30am - noon. Boy's clothes up to 2T, girls up to 12 months, DVDs, movies, toys, and lots of misc. 1-44 P

TERRIL TERRIL

Terril City-Wide GARAGE SALES

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Saturday, August 22, 7am- 2pm
Rain or Shine

Stay for Terril Fun Days!
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124 Helms Dr, Arnolds Park, Friday, August 21st, 8am-3pm and Saturday, August 22nd, 8am-1pm. Craft merchandise, beads, jewelry making supplies, craft books, frames, home decor, blankets, pictures, wall mirrors, luggage and lots of misc. Cash only. 1-44P

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12369 253rd Ave, Spirit Lake (East Side of Lake)
Friday, August 21 • 8:30am-5:30pm
Saturday, August 22 • 9am-11am

ALL Children's Clothing \$1
Sizes 3-18mo. (girl) 2-3-4T (boy) 6-6x, 7-8, 10-12, 14-16 (girl)

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SPRIT LAKE

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2504 Keokuk Ave, Spirit Lake, Saturday, August 22nd, 9am-1pm. Yard Sale: Sofa/love seat, queen bed frame, Sunfish Sail/rigging/center board + tiller-rudder, lamps, collectible plates, old hand tools and fishing stuff. 1-44P

1914 15th Street, Spirit Lake. Friday, August 21st, 8am-4pm, and Saturday, August 22nd, 9am-11am. West of Expo. 2 small wood cabinets, 2 quilt racks, quilting supplies, (1) 20 gal Western stoneware crock, (1) 20 gal & (1) 15 gal Red Wing crock, (2) wooden spoke brick wheels, (1) wooden wagon wheel, (4) 10 gal milk cans, (2) bird feeders on poles, (4) old bicycles, set of TV trays-Coke, adjustable quilt stand, various yard tools Electrolux floor scrubber, curtain rods, 4 drawer metal file cabinet, (2) fertilizer spreaders. Lots of misc. 1-44P

2004 Jackson Ave, Spirit Lake, Saturday, August 22nd, 8am-2pm. 1 block east of Fareway. One-day blowout! Moving and estate sale. Assortment of household items some furniture, children's thru senior items & misc. items. 1-44P

11921 253rd Ave, Spirit Lake, Friday, August 21st, 5pm to 8pm and Saturday, August 22nd, 9am to noon. Garage on the east side of Big Spirit Lake. Check out the treasures! Electric grill with stand, tools and garden supplies, fabric, and an infra-red sauna. 1-44 P

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Dr. Karen Potaczek of Spencer & Lakes Regional Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery,

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P.O. Box 8 • Lake Park, IA 51347-0008
712-832-3809
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EMPLOYMENT

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For an application and job description, visit www.udmo.com or contact HR Manager, Upper Des Moines Opportunity, Inc., PO Box 519, Grætinger, Iowa 51341 (712) 859-3885. Position open until filled. EOE

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EMPLOYMENT

Harris-Lake Park Community School

is in need of **ELEMENTARY & SECONDARY SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS.** Applicants MUST have transcript & Iowa Teaching Certificate. **Substitute Teacher Associates, Substitute Bus Drivers, & Substitute Cooks** are also needed.

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The following position is available:
Registered Nurse – PRN, as needed.

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Iowa Lakes Community College, Human Resources, 19 S. 7th St., Estherville, IA 51334.

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This position performs operations and maintenance functions. Responsibilities include both indoor and outdoor work, and the individual will be required to operate equipment and tools, work with chemicals, and perform heavy manual labor on a daily basis. Four years experience and/or education relating to the above is highly desirable. High school diploma or equivalent and valid driver's license with good driving record required.

Qualified individuals should contact
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1528 Hwy. 86 • Spirit Lake, IA 51360
712-336-2226

2-45c

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The following positions are available:
Clinic Nurse – PRN, as needed
Patient Registration – Full time & part time

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Nursery Supervisor:

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH is looking for an individual to oversee and supervise the activities of their church nursery on Sunday mornings, from 9:00 a.m.-noon. This individual would be responsible for ensuring the physical well-being of the children in the nursery by recruiting qualified nursery volunteers, organizing the nursery and ensuring its cleanliness, safety and happy atmosphere. This is a part time paid position of 15 hours per month.

Interested applicants should contact the church office at **712-338-4514** or office@3cross.org.

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2-45c

HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR JACKSON COUNTY

Jackson County Highway Department has full-time openings for Heavy Equipment Operators. Minimum requirements for this position include:

- Graduation from high school or GED;
- Class A CDL MN Drivers License, or Class B with written test for Class A passed.
- Ability to operate a variety of machines and equipment necessary to perform this position, such as tandem trucks, motor grader, mower tractors, back hoe, dozer, excavator, skid loaders with attachments, pay loaders, shouldering machine, seeding machine, steel roller for patching, distributor, and sprayers
- Ability to safely operate mower, chainsaws, tractors, power tools, hand tools, and light power equipment
- Ability to operate using electronic controls
- Working knowledge of survey techniques and the ability to read ditch maps
- Ability to lift and carry 75 lbs
- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with others
- Ability to communicate effectively and the ability to courteously serve the public

This position is classified in Grade 10 of the County Compensation Plan with a starting wage of \$17.08 per hour or depending upon qualifications. Includes a competitive benefits package. This is a full-time position working 40 hours per week.

An application and a full job description can be obtained on the county website at www.co.jackson.mn.us, from the Jackson County Coordinator's Office, Courthouse, 405 Fourth Street, Jackson, MN 56143; or by calling 507-847-4182.

Resumes will be accepted, and are encouraged, but must be accompanied by a completed application. Faxed or emailed applications will not be accepted. Applications must be delivered or postmarked by 4:30 pm on Thursday, August 27, 2015 to the Jackson County Coordinator's office.

In order to ensure the safety of citizens, employees and property, Jackson County has adopted a drug and alcohol testing policy which applies to all candidates being considered for employment with Jackson County. (Ref. Policy 501). A Drug and Alcohol test must be completed within 24 hours of all contingent verbal offers of employment, unless alternate scheduling arrangements are approved by the County Coordinator.

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FULL-TIME VETERINARY TECHNICIAN or assistant wanted for a small animal veterinary clinic. Looking for a people-oriented technician to compliment our team. Certification preferred but will train the right candidate. This is a great work environment with a busy atmosphere and quality medical, surgical, and diagnostic equipment. Apply in person at AllPets Animal Clinic, 1420 Lake Street, Spirit Lake, Iowa. TFC

MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN

Minnesota Soybean Processors (MnSP), Brewster, MN, has an opening for a Maintenance Technician. This is a Full-time, M-F position. Must be willing to work overtime when needed. Applicants must possess excellent mechanical skills.

Duties to include:

- Remove, install, rebuild, weld, torch, lubricate, and clean all equipment associated with plant processes as assigned
- Perform preventative and proactive maintenance tasks with plant processes in a safe and efficient manner using the skills required for the job, noted below
- Participates in a routine on-call schedule

Qualifications:

- High school diploma or equivalent. Secondary education and/or certifications beneficial
- Must possess the ability to communicate both verbally and written
- Must have the ability to troubleshoot and identify basic maintenance problems within individual pieces of equipment
- Must have experience with fabrication, welding, cutting, lubricating, repair of equipment such as: pumps, gearboxes, airlocks, fans/blowers, valves, conveyors
- Must have the ability to work well with others creating a team atmosphere
- CMMS experience desirable

Apply in person Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., or mail letter of application and resume to
MnSP, 121 Zeh Ave, P.O. Box 100, Brewster, MN 56119

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Special Days Bring Excitement, Education And Deals To The Fair

Not every day at the 2015 Clay County Fair, September 12-20, will be the same thanks to six special days that will feature unique excitement, education and deals.

"The Fair truly is a unique experience each day," said CCF Manager Jeremy Parsons. "Our special days make sure that experience stays unique and also allows us to honor many different groups of people."

Veteran's Appreciation Day will be Monday, September 14. The day honors the men and women who have served our country by offering veterans free admission as well as unique programming such as the parade and the appreciation program. This year, a free concert by Iowa opera singer Simon Estes will also be part of the day.

Tuesday, September 15, is Senior Day and Family Night sponsored by the Spencer Chamber of Commerce. Throughout the day, senior individuals (age 65 and over) receive reduced admission (\$6.00). After 5:00pm, there will be free gate admission for everyone as part of Family Night. Several unique events will occur that evening, including the ISU Insect Zoo and Iowa Cowboy Mounted Shooters.

Iowa Pork Day sponsored by the Iowa Pork Producers and Disability Awareness Day will be Wednesday, September 16. There will be displays and activities in the Central Park area showcasing the Iowa pork industry. A Fair tradition, Disability Awareness Day is a rewarding time as the Fair welcomes disabled persons with events planned especially for them.

Thursday, September 17, is Iowa Corn Day sponsored by the Iowa Corn Growers Association and Farmer Appreciation Day sponsored by the Iowa Farmer Today. Central Park will be the home of special exhibits and presentations showcasing the importance of corn in the state of Iowa and beyond throughout the day. With a coupon from Iowa Farmer Today, fairgoers can buy one get one free admission at the gate.

Iowa Dairy Day sponsored by the Western Iowa Dairy Alliance and Kid's Day sponsored by Medica is Friday, September 18. Central Park will host a variety of activities and displays teaching the importance of the dairy industry in Iowa. As part of Kids Day, all fairgoers age 18 and under receive free gate admission and all-day Midway wristbands can be purchased for \$21. Additional special activities taking place will be the Kids Pedal Pull and Kids Got Talent.

Sunday, September 20, is Last Chance Day with many cheap options to enjoy the final day of the Fair. Adult admission is only \$5.00. There will also be special deals from the various vendors at the Fair.

A complete schedule of times and locations for each event will be available at www.claycountymfair.com on Friday, August 14.

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New Procedure For Glass Bottles At Horizons Unlimited

As of August 17, individuals wishing to donate beer, wine or liquor bottles at the Horizons Unlimited Redemption Center in Emmetsburg during non-business hours are urged to deposit only glass bottles in the large blue hopper next to the donation cage. Bags and boxes must be taken in to the recycling center. The large blue hopper will be for glass beer, wine or liquor bottles only.

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CITIZENS DISTRIBUTE DONATIONS—Citizens Community Credit Union would like to thank our members for their generous donations of school supplies and socks. We collected over 200 pairs of socks to be donated to Upper Des Moines Socks for soles and over 100 school supplies for their Back to School Program. Kelsie Sturm (center), Branch Manager Citizens Community Credit Union is pictured with staff from Upper Des Moines.

Okoboji Christian Women's Connection

Once again, the Alexander boys from Arnolds Park will bring the music for the Okoboji Christian Women's Connection "Ordinary to Extraordinary" on Wednesday, August 19, 2015, at 12:30pm at the Intersect building in Arnolds Park.

Laural Buck of Arnolds Park will be the special feature with "Trash to Treasures", Bay View Gift and Garden of Spirit Lake will have table decorations and Pam Schram of Ponca Nebraska will be the speaker. Pam is a former Mrs. Nebraska, radio personality and small business owner. Pam is a board member and Speaker Trainer of Stonecroft Ministries. Cost is \$10 for the meal and reservations are requested. There will also be a speaker training class by Pam at the Spirit Lake Library on August 20th at 6:00pm for anyone wishing to become a speaker for Stonecroft Ministries.

For reservations, call Mona 712-362-4552, Peggy 332-5183, Kay 264-8911, or Dorothy 507-847-3566. Okoboji Christian Women is non-denominational, sponsored by Stonecroft Ministries and has no membership or dues required.

By the Water's Edge Anderson Receives Award
 By Steve Weisman

Steve Anderson, currently District Superintendent of the Great Lakes Sanitary System, recently received the Ace Cory Conservation Award at the annual Okoboji Protective Association's annual meeting.

"I am extremely honored to receive this award, because I know how passionate Ace Cory was about conservation and about our lakes area. I had the privilege of working with Ace early in my career, and hopefully my efforts in water quality around the lakes carries on what Ace started," said Anderson.

"As a kid growing up, I never thought about water quality. I thought you could go swimming anywhere, and we didn't worry about what was in the water. Today that has changed. I want my kids to be able to enjoy the lakes just as I did. However, we know that there are issues and it is up to us to protect these lakes so future generations can enjoy them. Plus, the economy of the lakes area relies on the water quality of our lakes. Ace always used to say, 'If the lakes aren't clean, cash register won't ring,'" added Anderson.

About the award: Anderson is the 10th recipient of the Ace Cory Conservation Award, which has been bestowed annually since 2006 by the Okoboji Protective Association to an individual whose work in the Iowa Great Lakes area, voluntary or professional, reflects the principles of the late Ace Cory, one of the region's pioneer environmentalists.

Cory was one of the leaders in the late 1990's to seek a steady stream of money to fund clean water projects in Dickinson County. He was instrumental in the formation of the Dickinson County Water Quality Commission, the first and only organization of its kind in Iowa.

Anderson and the award: Anderson, who grew up in Estherville, has always loved and cared about the outdoors. This led to a degree in Environmental Management and minors in Chemistry and Biology from South Dakota State University in 1999.

His passion for the Iowa Great Lakes area brought him back, and he has spent the past 16 years working to improve the environment and protect the natural resources in Dickinson County.

Early in his career, Anderson met Ace Cory, who was one of the leaders in the late 1990s to seek a steady stream of money to fund clean water projects in Dickinson County. Anderson was part of the group that helped establish the Dickinson County Water Quality Commission in 2001.

In that same year, Anderson became the coordinator of the Clean Water Alliance, bringing the organization to prominence by spearheading Low Impact Development (LID) projects throughout the region and raising public awareness of the importance of conservation practices within the Iowa Great Lakes watershed.

Then from 2008-2011, Anderson took the position as Urban Conservationist for northwest Iowa. Greg Drees, who presented Anderson with the award at the OPA's annual meeting noted, "As the urban conservationist for the NW Iowa region, he brought his knowledge of natural resource protection to the city sectors, lending his expertise to projects that reduced sediment, phosphorus and nitrate deposits into water bodies."

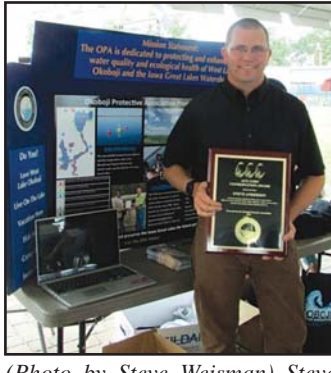
In 2012, Anderson became District Superintendent for the Iowa Great Lakes Sanitary District where, as Drees added during the presentation, "Steve works diligently to keep the half-century old entity relevant into the 21st century and beyond."

Sackett thanks community: With the 2015 Clean Water Concert now in the books, Barry Sackett, President of the OPA, reflected on the day, "The community came out to celebrate the beauty of West Lake Okoboji."

Sackett also thanked the area media for all of their support and also the volunteers that worked so hard to make the event a success. "All of the volunteers from the OPA, Lakeside Lab, Dickinson County Nature Center, Iowa Environmental Council and Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation made it a night to remember."

He continued, "The true stars of the night were Paige Ellenshon, our summer intern, and Jane Shuttleworth, educational director at Lakeside Lab. They really made everything come together."

Sackett also noted the importance of the Big Blue Sky Band. "They entertained the crowd and communicated our message about water quality throughout the evening. Thanks also to the Arnolds Park staff for being such giving hosts on a beautiful night on the lake!"



(Photo by Steve Weisman) Steve Anderson was recently named the 2015 Ace Cory Conservation Award winner by the Okoboji Protective Association.

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Sky Lantern Celebration At Lake Park Care Center

Lake Park Care Center with coordination of the City of Lake Park and Gentiva Hospice will host a Sky Lantern Celebration at Lake Park Care Center on August 19, 2015, at 9:00pm.

It's a beautiful sight and creates a soul lifting experience when releasing that soft glowing light of love to the heavens in remembrance of someone.

Lake Park Utilities Board has embraced and supports the Lake Park Care Center Sky Lantern Celebration, recognizing this community ceremony as a true representation of small town spirit and who better than our local nursing home that does so much for our community to host this awesome event.

Gentiva Hospice is located in Spirit Lake and serves all of Northwest Iowa. At Gentiva Hospice, we believe that every moment matters. Gentiva Hospice is centered around the entire family to make the most of each day. We provide a team that focuses on individual care while offering families all of the support that's needed. They are proud to be sponsoring this event with Lake Park Care Center.

All are welcome to participate and free will donation will be available for those that would like to help contribute towards next year's lanterns.

Kiwanis Welcomes New Member

The Milford Kiwanis recently welcomed Mary Davis as a new member. Mary is shown here with President Dave Stoeveer. Mary is the Financial Director at the Spirit Lake YMCA. Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time. The Milford Kiwanis Club meets every Tuesday morning at 7:00am with a breakfast preceding the meeting held in the west room of the Milford Community Center. Visitors and prospective members are always welcome.



Farm Market News by Mike Miller
 Located at Dickinson Co. Fairgrounds
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Good Inventories All Over

Every vendor is humming with tables full of ripe vegetables and fruits. Now is when bulk purchasing is going on. The canning season is upon us and many tables have pickle cucumbers and fresh dill. With onions in abundance, how about some pickled pike or perch? Corn prices are dropping and relishes are in order, because this will last one or two more weeks tops. A sharp eye noticed pumpkins this week and it will not be long until the fall crops are here. One reason Dickinson County Farmer's Market is so busy is that it is indoors most of the time. I bring this up because as we transition from summer to fall being inside all the time has its advantages.

Plums and Apples

A few sellers had plums this week and now is the time to eat them. Plums do not store well and they reach ripeness quickly. But nothing from a basket on the patio is a passage of summer. The apple crop is already in the market with Paula Reds, an early cultivator. I expect Goldie's and Honeycrisp before September, as the season is early on so many fronts. This is a short week as I am getting ready for the salsa contest on Saturday. Mr. Fudge went to the state fair seeking his one millionth blue ribbon; I will report on his success next week. Please welcome Swan Lake Winery as a vendor. They offer samples and can sell bottles at the market. What better way to finish your menu than with a bottle of vino. So until next time, *Eat and Drink Well!*

TRAILS TALK
 Jean Martin, Executive Director, DCTB

Dickinson County Recreational Trails
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August 7th was the grand opening of the final trail segment, completing the west side of West Lake Okoboji trail system! In celebration I thought it would be fun to have Steve Litts, former Executive Director of the DCTB, provide insight into the history of the west-side trails development. We all appreciate you, Steve!

The key to the success of the West Lake Trail was people! The trails you see today started with a volunteer group, who had the vision and passion to create our beautiful recreational trail system. An official county board was formed in 2006, supported by the communities of Milford, Arnolds Park, West Okoboji, Okoboji, Spirit Lake, Wahpeton, Orleans and the County Board of Supervisors. Lake Park joined soon after.

To compete successfully for state and federal grants it was clear that local funds would be needed in order to meet "local match" requirements. Early on, Ann Johnson, a DCTB board member, hosted a Lunch and Learn for a small group of Lakes Area enthusiasts who had a record of successful fundraising. From that session DCTB gained valuable information that led to a multi-faceted fundraising effort, with goal of \$4MM.

A ten-year fundraising campaign began, spearheaded by Kathy Stuart and her Tuesday Morning Bike Ride Ladies. Many more people including Mau Marine played key roles over the years, and privately raised well over \$1M towards matching funds for grants. Remember the Pulse Auctions and other fun events these ladies organized? The following year Molly and Tom Bedell graciously hosted Amy Grant and Vince Gill at Peace Harbor, to benefit the West Lake Trail. Over \$600K was raised from that event.

In May of 2006, an exploratory advisory team, made up of residents, engineers, board members, and city & county representatives, met at Brown Medical to view maps of the area. They recommended and subsequently DCTB approved a plan for completing the trail in four segments. The first segment, the Wahpeton Trail, runs from the site of the old Back Porch Restaurant, now the Wahpeton Trailhead, North to 180th Street. Completion was in 2008, through grant funds from the Okoboji Foundation and the remaining dollars from the City of Wahpeton and DCTB local donations.

In 2007 DCTB began the planning stage for the Bay Harbor Trail. The original design planned travel on the east side of Hwy. 86. However, with engineering issues, difficult terrain, and feedback from the public, the decision was made to build a tunnel to access the more trail-friendly west side of the highway. The trail now comes back to the east side of the highway via a second tunnel, just past Okoboji View golf course. The revised project was funded with a grant from the Okoboji Foundation and the remaining costs from DCTB individual donations including the Amy Grant/Vince Gill Trail Benefit Concert.

In 2008 the DCTB began working with the City of West Okoboji to construct a trail from Three Cross Road, north to Emerson Bay. Dubbed the Garlock Slough Trail, this very scenic segment wanders through state lands with plenty of parking at the Emerson Bay Recreational Area Trailhead. A Federal Recreational Trails Grant was awarded in 2009, with the local match shared equally between the City of West Okoboji and DCTB local donations.

Local Wahpeton residents and city council members approached DCTB in 2009, about constructing a connecting trail from Edgewood Drive north through the natural habitat that was once a golf course and a Boy Scout Camp, to the Wahpeton Trailhead. Local support from individuals and conservation groups made this particular segment a unique trail experience, while enhancing the water quality of West Lake through improved water filtering ponds. This win-win project, as well as the segment from 170th to 180th Street, was completed in 2013.

Now we celebrate this month's Grand Opening of the final segment, joining the north and south projects, to form a continuous safe trail along Highway 86. This trail, as well as the Wahpeton Trail, were supported by the lake community's generous donors, the City of Wahpeton, as well as grant donations from the Okoboji Foundation, the Okoboji Protective Association and the Okoboji Yacht Club. Three not-to-be forgotten fundraiser parties were held in July 2012-13-14, topping off the needed funding. A group of talented and tireless volunteers planned and executed the fundraiser parties, with awesome food, entertainment, and decorations. Perhaps "the parties of the summer."

DCTB thanks all of you who have made this progress possible through your contributions and membership in the Friends of Dickinson County Trails and to organizations including The Three Sons, Lakes Area Chamber, Spirit Lake Chamber, Polaris, Brown Medical, the Dickinson County Conservation Board, and the Okoboji Foundation.

Happy Trails, and look for the next "Trails Talk" in 2 weeks, and every other week throughout the summer months. As always, you can also contact me via e-mail, shown at the top of this column.

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Volunteers Needed For Reins Of Hope Program Application

Volunteers are needed for the Reins of Hope program (therapeutic horseback riding) starting September 1, at Camp Foster. The program will run Tuesday nights through October 6, 2015. Volunteers will be side-walking with the students and assisting riders to carry out various activities. Please contact Reins of Hope at reinsofhopespencer.org or if you have any questions, please call Steph at 712-229-6558. by August 28, 2015.

Bower Competes In Junior Olympics

Max Bower, of Spirit Lake, recently competed in Sport Stacking at the 2015 Junior Olympics in Virginia Beach, Virginia. In the individual all around Max finished third in his age division, bringing home the bronze medal. He also won a silver medal in his age division in a new event called the stack out, where stackers competed head to head in a musical chairs type format, where the slowest stacker was eliminated after each round until only one stacker remained and was declared the winner. In the relay events Max and his teammates won a gold and a silver. They set a new national record and missed the world record by .002 seconds. Overall it was an incredible tournament. It was also the first tournament for Max as a member of the prestigious Sport Stacking Team USA. Max is the son of George and Lori Bower.



Terril Fun Days Events Scheduled

Terril Fun Days is scheduled for Friday, August 21 and Saturday, August 22. On Saturday, August 22, your Fun Days Headquarters will be found on State Street at Marisa Sides' Art Studio. There will be plenty of chances to fill up on good food throughout the day. Stop at the Methodist Church, they will be serving coffee and rolls/bars along with having bake sale items for you to purchase. You will probably see someone you know there. The Terril Library will also have a bake sale with items for you to purchase. From 11:00am to 1:00pm, the Sons of the American Legion will be grilling burgers and brats along with all the trimmings. Please support our American Legion members. Also during lunch time, the Terril Fire Department will be grilling hotdogs, another much needed department to support. From 1:00pm to 3:30pm, stop at the Terril Lutheran Church for their Pie and Ice Cream Social. Homemade pie, yum and yum. While enjoying your favorite piece of pie, you will be sure to find great conversation. Dinner will be starting at 6:00pm at the Legion building, which will be prepared and served by Outer Limits. Come over to Terril for lunch, take in the Cruise-In at Luby's gas station, sponsored by Luby's and Fas Break Auto Glass and other events. Heck, come in the morning and stay all day. Lots to do and great fun in small town Iowa.



DCCB Bee & Butterfly Festival

Just like the monarch butterflies that will be fluttering outside during the Bee & Butterfly Festival at the Dickinson County Nature Center, Maury Muhm's fingers will be fluttering on the guitar strings. Muhm's band, the South 71 Trio, will perform 6:15-8:00pm Friday, September 4, headlining during the 10th annual Bee & Butterfly Festival at the Okoboji nature center. "It's fun to play in a nice outdoor atmosphere like that," Muhm said. The South 71 Trio consists of Spirit Lake resident Muhm on guitar, Mel Kimblad of Sioux Rapids on harmonica, kajan drum and other percussion instruments, and Barb Johnson of Storm Lake on guitar and flute. They will perform classic rock hits, folk, blues and even a little bit of country stemming from the 1960s-1980s.



"It's fun when you look out there and see people singing along," Muhm said. "It's not in-your-face music. It's pleasing to listen to. Those two gals, their harmony singing, it'll give you goosebumps." Amidst the smattering of the Beatles, Van Morrison and even some jazzier tunes featuring Johnson on the flute, the South 71 Trio will throw in a few of their own original tunes. Plus, they will make the relaxed atmosphere even more fun by telling jokes and communicating with the audience. In addition to the South 71 Trio playing in the outdoor amphitheater, the Bee & Butterfly Festival will be chock full of fun for the entire family. From 4-6 p.m. take part in kids crafts like creating butterfly wings to wear, painting a stepping stone to go into the Pollinator Paradise garden or make a seed ball to take home. Head down to Pollinator Paradise in Kenue Park to explore the indoor exhibits and to play giant Jenga or bee and butterfly bean bag toss. Inside the nature center, get up-close and personal with a monarch butterfly by tagging it and releasing it. You will even get to keep your butterfly's tag number to keep track of it through Monarch Watch's tagging program. At 4:00pm, 4:45pm and 5:30pm, local experts will have presentations on issues relating to bees and butterflies; plus a story time that will be held in the nature center teepee at 4:30pm, 5:00pm and 5:30pm. Grab a sweet treat and get your picture taken with Sweetie the bee, talk with local bee keepers, stop at the Nature Store and visit plenty of other vendors inside the outdoor tent. The 10th annual Bee & Butterfly Festival is sure to be buzzing with fun and excitement, capped off with the South 71 Trio. For more information on the Bee & Butterfly Festival, visit www.dickinsoncountynaturecenter.com or call 712-336-6352.

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