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Instrumental Music students Participate in Bandmasters Association Honor Band

On Saturday, January 9, seven Spirit Lake High School Instrumental Music students traveled so Morningside College, in Sioux City, to rehearse and perform in one of the two Northwest Iowa Bandmasters Association Honor Bands for the 2015-16 School Year. The students were Brittany Lende (Alto Sax), Noelle Yost (Flute), Lauren Sandison (Horn), Nate Walsh (Euphonium), Lauren Laven (Alto Sax), Halleigh Hawkins (Clarinet), and Ruby O'Hagan (Clarinet). Congratulations to these fine young musicians for their hard work and wonderful performances.

ILCC Offers Country Western Dance Basics

Country Western Dance Basics begins on Monday, January 25 in Spirit Lake. Richard and Marilyn Wiltgen lead the 6-week class at the Bedell Family YMCA Aerobics Studio. Classes run from 7:00 to 8:30pm and end on February 29. Bring a partner and enjoy learning turns and moves for each dance, such as the Texas 2-Step or shuffle, 4-step swing, 3-step polka, and the country waltz.

Cost is \$55 for Bedell Family YMCA members and \$65 for non-members. CEUs are available. For more information contact Nancy Ramos at 712-362-7965 or nramos@iowalakes.edu or contact the Continuing Education toll free number to register at 800-252-5664.

Say Yes to the Prom Dress!

Saturday, February 13
Spencer Middle School

1400 10th Ave. East
Spencer, IA 51301

9:00am-4:00pm

Girls from high schools in the surrounding area are invited to bring in their old prom dresses to sell and also to shop for a prom dress for their upcoming prom.

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3:30 TO 6:00 P.M.
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Join us for refreshments at the Spirit Lake Library to wish **Ellen Williams** a retirement filled with good books and fond memories.

Plan Now for **PROM 2016**

Now is the time to make your appointments, call for reservations and begin choosing all the elements for a fabulous Prom Night!

Consider these Local Businesses to help make it a Night to Remember.

Prom Pointers
for a **NIGHT to REMEMBER**

*Tips for Gals before the Prom**

1. **Start Shopping Early** up to 2 months before for best selection.
2. **Try on Everything** to find a dress you find that flatters your body type.
3. **Don't Get Stuck on a Color** you may find a color outside your comfort zone.
4. **Bring Heels** even if they're not the ones you plan to wear.
5. **Ask about Undergarments** to go with the style of dress you choose.
6. **Don't bring a huge entourage** but bring one or two people whose opinions you trust.

*Tips for Guys before the Prom***

1. **Start saving money** months before the prom. Tuxedo rentals, transportation, dining, flowers, pictures, etc. all add up.
2. **Get a Date** at least a month in advance, even if it's your steady girlfriend.
3. **Shop Early for your Tux** to coordinate with your date's dress.
4. **Rent a Limo** and consider pooling with other couples to make it more affordable.
5. **Consider Dance Lessons** if you're nervous about dancing at the prom.
6. **Make Dinner Reservations** at least two weeks in advance.
7. **Order Flowers** to coordinate with your date's dress, at least two weeks before the prom.
8. **Get a Haircut** or trim a week before the prom.

Sources: * <http://alyceparis.com/blog/2015/01/6-tips-successful-prom-dress-shopping/>
** http://teens.lovetoknow.com/Prom_Tips_for_Guys

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Anyone who wants to sell or purchase a prom dress is welcome to participate. All you do is set the price you would like to sell your dress for when you check it in. If your dress sells, 30% of the selling price is donated to Say Yes to the Prom Dress to support the participating After Prom Committees and you keep 70%! If your dress does not sell, you do not pay anything.

You can bring your dress to the Spencer Middle School starting at 8:00am Saturday, February 13th. You can pick up your money or your dress at 4:00pm on Saturday after the event. Any dresses not picked up by 6:00pm will be donated to the Dream Center. Co-Hosted by Spencer and Spirit Lake After Prom Committees. If you have any questions or need more information, please email spencerafterprom@gmail.com.

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Spirit Lake High School will be hosting the high school state Jazz Band Festival on Monday, January 25. Volunteers are needed to make the festival a success for the visiting schools. If interested, you may sign up at <http://bit.ly/Kru7xb> or contact Festival Chair, Rich Nicklay, rnicklay@spiritlakesd.org, 712-336-1370, ext. 2190. Volunteer possibilities are available anytime between 2:30 - 10:00pm and one does not need musical knowledge to volunteer.

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Hats Off to Ellen Williams!

A retirement party is being planned for Tuesday, January 26 from 3:30 to 6:00 p.m. in honor of Ellen Williams, Youth Services Librarian at the Spirit Lake Public Library. From the library, Ellen has served young and old in the community since 2002 when she left a Kindergarten teaching career of 23 years to engage area kids in reading as a lifetime passion. From Spinning the Wheel for prizes at Summer Reading programs to nursing home visits and school enrichment activities, "Miss Ellen" has always been the magic in the middle. The public is invited to attend, children welcome. Special presentation at 5:00. Refreshments will be served.

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NATIONAL MENTORING MONTH PROCLAMATIONS – Lakes area towns have issued proclamations for January to be recognized as National Mentoring Month and call upon public officials, business and community leaders, and educators, and encourage all area citizens to observe this month with appropriate ceremonies, activities and programs. Pictured is John Adams Sr., Mayor pro tem of Arnolds Park, with Andrew Fisher, Program Operations Director.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letter to the Editor:

Okoboji Coaches vs. Cancer Suits and Sneakers Day will be held on Friday, January 22, 2016.

The Okoboji coaching staff is asking for your participation in the Okoboji Coaches vs. Cancer Suits and Sneakers Day to be held on January 22, 2016. Participation is as easy as lacing up your sneakers to wear on Friday the 22nd. We are asking for the support of local employers by collecting a \$5.00 donation from participants of the sneaker day. Donations can be dropped off at your local Northwest Bank, Milford and Arnolds Park locations. For more information on how you can participate in Suits & Sneakers Day, please contact Jody Stoll at jstoll@bank-northwest.com.



Come cheer on the Okoboji Pioneers and wear your sneakers to show your support as the Pioneers play Central Lyon at home on Friday, January 22nd. Freshman boys and girls play at 4:15, varsity girls at 6:15 and varsity boys at 7:45. The student section will be decked out in their best retro business attire! The first 100 sneaker wearing fans attending the girls varsity game will receive a free bag of popcorn, courtesy of the Okoboji Pioneer Booster Club.

Coaches vs. Cancer Suits & Sneakers Week is a nationwide event when basketball coaches across the country unite for a common cause – saving lives from cancer! The Coaches vs. Cancer program is a collaboration between the American Cancer Society and the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC). The program seeks to increase cancer awareness and promote healthy living among students, faculty and staff, fans and the community at large. Since its inception in 1993, the American Cancer Society Coaches vs. Cancer initiative has raised more than \$93 million to support the Society's mission.

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OKOBOJI Maroon Out Night

The Okoboji Pioneer Booster Club is promoting a *Maroon Out Night* for the OMS Girls Basketball vs Harris-Lake Park on Thursday, January 21. Anyone wearing maroon will receive a free popcorn from the booster club!



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NATIONAL MENTORING MONTH PROCLAMATIONS – Lakes area towns have issued proclamations for January to be recognized as National Mentoring Month and call upon public officials, business and community leaders, and educators, and encourage all area citizens to observe this month with appropriate ceremonies, activities and programs.
Pictured is Blain Andera, Mayor of Spirit Lake, with Paula Edwards, Kinship Mentoring Coordinator.



OMS Principal, Ryan Cunningham, presenting DCMA Chair, Joseph May, with a cash donation to Community Table

Okoboji Middle Schoolers Benefit Community Table

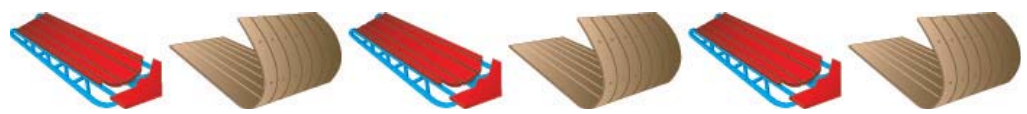
Okoboji Middle School students and staff had a great time right before the holiday break competing against one another in an effort to raise \$400 for the Lakes Area Community Table. The Middle School Volleyball Extravaganza involves seventh and eighth grade homerooms and is held every year on the last day of classes in December. Teams vie against each other, eventually playing the championship game against Middle School staff members. Students pay to participate, generating funds to donate to a needy cause. Community Table was chosen as the 2015 recipient.

The generous donation will be used to purchase food for Community Table, a dinner which is provided three times each month by the Bedell Family YMCA and churches within Dickinson County in cooperation with Okoboji Bible Conference Ministries. One location in which the dinner is served is part of the Middle School neighborhood in Arnolds Park--on the grounds of Okoboji Bible Conference Ministries. CT is open to all and provides a point of connection for anyone in the community who would enjoy a no-cost, nutritious meal. Though coordinated by the Dickinson County Ministerial Association, no religious strings are attached. The purpose is to connect the lonely and feed the hungry, offering a gift of love to all who attend. Way to go Pioneers!

ILCC To Host Jazz Band Contest

On Tuesday and Wednesday, January 19 and 20, Iowa Lakes Community College will be hosting its annual Jazz Band Contest for area high school bands. 19 schools will travel to Estherville to perform and compete for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in 3 classes. Each band will also be given valuable feedback from experienced judges. Classes 1A and 3A will be performing on Tuesday, and class 2A on Wednesday. All performances will take place in the gymnasium.

There is no admission fee for this event and the public is invited to attend. Please contact Linda Kautz, 712-362-8345, or check the Iowa Lakes website for more details.



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Bird Haven Program At Heritage Landing Senior Living Apartments

Heritage Landing Senior Living Apartments will be hosting a free program provided by Bird Haven. Come and learn about the types of bird foods that can attract a variety of birds to your own back yard.

The public is invited to this free event that will be held on Wednesday, January 27, at 3:00pm. Along with food and refreshments, tours of the apartments will be available.

"I hope you can take a break from this chilly weather to stop by, have a warm cup of coffee and explore ways to entice our little feathered friends to your own back yard! Tours will also be available that day. It should be a fun and informative afternoon. Hope to see you there!" stated, Sally Anderson, Housing Manager.

For more information about this event, call Sally Anderson, Housing Manager at Heritage Landing Senior Living Apartments, at 712-338-2909.

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You may be curious as to why the Friends of the Sami Center have only two shows scheduled this year. With so many student activities and the growing community use of the Sami Center, it is getting much more difficult for Friends of the Sami Center to schedule additional shows around the school and rental calendars. Therefore, Friends of the Sami Center has decided this will be the last year it will offer additional programming – our "Curtain Call Season."

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If you would like to donate either monetarily or with a live auction item please contact me.

For more information contact Jason Grinnen 330- 2112

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Attention Snowmobilers

Do you have your Snowmobile User Permit?
With the University of Okoboji Winter Games approaching the Dickinson County Snowhawks want to remind you of the current rules and regulations set by the Iowa DNR.



Iowa Residents must have a current registration and an Iowa DNR Snowmobile User permit.

Non Residents must have a current registration from the state in which they reside and are also required to have a valid Iowa DNR Snowmobile User permit.

IDNR Snowmobile User Permits are required for all resident and nonresident snowmobilers operating on public land, public ice, and designated snowmobile trails.

Your user permit decal must be affixed to your machine for it to be legal. The decals shall be affixed to the windshield so they are clearly visible. If there is no windshield, the decals shall be affixed to the area on the hood near the headlamp so that they are clearly visible.

User permits can be purchased through the Iowa DNR Online Hunting/Fishing License System. Permits purchased online will be delivered via USPS mail in 5 - 10 business days. User Permits can also be purchased anywhere hunting/fishing licenses are sold or, if you are an Iowa Resident, at your local County Recorder's office. For additional questions please contact dcsnowhawks@gmail.com or iowadnr.gov.



Birth Announcement

Cassidy and Stacy Howard, of Spirit Lake, are proud to announce the birth of their newest son, Cade Ryker. He joined their family on December 7, 2015, at 7:31am, weighing in at 7 pounds 12 ounces and measuring 21 inches long. Older siblings include big brother Croix and big sister Sydney. Grandparents are Tom and Paula Howard of Ocheyedan, Iowa, and Duane and Sue Vander Veen of Harris, Iowa. Great Grandparents are Anna Mae Howard and Marilyn Hoekstra of Ocheyedan, Margaret Vander Veen and Ken and Myrna Harms of Sibley, Iowa. Shirley Finnem of Lakefield, Minnesota.



Spirit Lake Library News

Who wears pajamas to work? Miss Ellen.
Who wears funny hats to work? Miss Ellen.
Who knows every kid in town? Miss Ellen.
What will we do without Miss Ellen? Who knows!

The Spirit Lake Public Library hired Ellen Williams to work in the library in 2002. In 2003, she took over as children's librarian, where she is fondly known as "Miss Ellen". She loves working with children and meeting new people. She is always ready with a big smile and a hug for her kids.

Miss Ellen continued and expanded the ever-popular "Wheel" program for summer reading to include a level for the youngest library patrons called Mother Goose Club and additional levels for the older readers. She has also promoted our Chess Club and Children's Book Week activities.

Miss Ellen has implemented several programs during her years at the library including : outreach to five local preschools, intergenerational story-times at two local senior centers, Nightly-Night Storytimes for the whole family, and the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program. Miss Ellen has been an avid photographer and scrapbooker and has created several binders full of photos of library activities spanning many years of children's programming. She also shares her photos on a digital album and through the library's Facebook page. Many patrons enjoy looking through these albums at the library (they will all be available at her retirement party).

The biggest change during her 14 years at the library has been the increasing amount of technology that has filtered into every area of the library, including children's services. She has watched a generation go from her pre-school story-time through high school.

Ellen grew up on the family farm east of Milford, the daughter of Leonard & Dolly Smith. She graduated from Terri High School and attended Iowa State University to get her teaching degree. Ellen is married to Ron Williams. They have two children, Brian & Carrie Williams. Ron is a retired park ranger. Ellen taught school at West Monona for twenty years while Ron worked at Lewis & Clark State Park. When Ron was transferred to Gull Point State Park in 2000, they moved to Spirit Lake. Ellen taught at the Christian School in Estherville until she began working at the library in Spirit Lake.

Miss Ellen plans to do some home improvement projects, work on genealogy, and do lots of reading and traveling in her retirement. She will be retiring at the end of February.

The Spirit Lake Public Library Friends group will host an open house retirement party for Miss Ellen on Tuesday, January 26th from 3:30-6:00. There will be a short program at 5:00.

Please join us to wish her well on her retirement!

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The forums will be held on Saturdays and are scheduled for *January 23*, in the Pomerantz Hall of the Pearson Lakes Art Center; *February 5*, in the Character Center of the Bedell Family YMCA; *February 20*, in the Board of Supervisors room at the Dickinson County Courthouse; *March 5*, in the Council Chambers at Spirit Lake City Hall. The forums will run from 11:30am to 12:30pm. Dates could be subject to change.

Invited guests include State Senator David Johnson, Senate District 1 from Ocheyedan, State Representative John Wills, Legislative District 1 from Spirit Lake and State Representative Megan Jones, Legislative District 2 from Spencer.

The public is encouraged to attend.

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It's jazz contest and festival time

Three jazz contests highlight this week's music calendar — after Okoboji's jazz band started its season Friday at Iowa Central Community College in Fort Dodge.

Directed by Toni Hoffman, the OHS Jazz Band earned second place in Class 2A -- behind South Central Calhoun (which also placed first in the 2015 Iowa Jazz Championships), and ahead of third place Alta - Aurelia (which was fifth in the state championships last year).

This is Hoffman's first year leading the OHS aggregation, after it placed second in the championships under Greg Forney's direction, in 2015.

Outstanding soloist awards were made to Emma Myhre and Hannah Roberts (tenor sax), Dalton Adams and Tom Mayer (trombone), Austin Kolegraff (bass), and Brittany Kolbeck (drums).

Both the OHS and OMS jazz bands will perform at the Kiwanis Soup & Pie Dinner at the OHS cafeteria this Sunday noon...

The Iowa Lakes Community College Jazz Festival begins today (Tuesday), in Estherville, with Harris - Lake Park leading off the Class 1A competition at 8:30 a.m. Spencer, Spirit Lake and Estherville - Lincoln Central will compete in Class 3A, at 2:00, 2:30, and 3:00, respectively.

Wednesday's Class 2A competition will see Okoboji start the day with a 9:00 a.m. performance.

A complete schedule can be found at: <http://www.iowalakes.edu/music/>

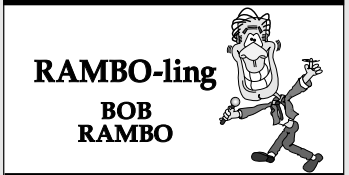
Spirit Lake High School is hosting 10 high school jazz bands in the Iowa High School Music Association State Jazz Band Festival Monday, from 3 - 10:00 p.m. Area band performances include Harris - Lake Park (3:00), Okoboji (7:30), Estherville - Lincoln Central (8:10), Spencer (8:50), and Spirit Lake (9:30).

A full schedule can be found at: tinyurl.com/JazzbandFestSchedule2016

The festival includes an evaluation by three adjudicators and a brief clinic with the adjudicators.

Directors Tyler Pedersen and Rich Nicklay are seeking volunteers to help with the organization — an hour or two — or even the entire afternoon and evening. Contact Nicklay at 712-336-1370, x 2190; or email him at: ricknicklay@spirittlakesd.org

Either way, leave a message including your name, email address, and preferences of duties and time available...



Also at SLHS, Pedersen tells us that his and vocal director Duane Ites' J-Term students have been working here and in Storm Lake on basic music theory, chord progressions, song form and more — notating, rehearsing, and recording with studio players. And they're planning an open house at the high school to show off their efforts from 4:30 - 7:30 on Thursday.

Twenty four show and jazz choirs will be participating in the ILCC Show Choir and Jazz Choir Festival next Tuesday and Wednesday — January 26 and 27 — on the Estherville campus.

Tuesday's show choirs will include Estherville - Lincoln Central (9:40 a.m.) and the Spirit Lake Music Factory at noon. Graettinger - Terril Junior High School's Great Expectations will perform at 8:15 Wednesday morning.

Thursday's jazz choirs will include Spencer's Pieces of Jazz (7:40 a.m.), Okoboji's Boji Voices (9:00 a.m.), Spirit Lake's Vocal Jazz Ensemble (9:40 a.m.), Harris - Lake Park's Vocal Jazz (1:55 p.m.), Graettinger - Terril - Ruthven - Ayrshire (2:35 p.m.), and Spencer's Chromatic Jazz (3:15 p.m.).

Again, a complete schedule can be found at: <http://www.iowalakes.edu/music/>

We noted a week back that the weather for the Cherokee Jazz & Blues Festival would probably include subzero temperatures Saturday night. And that's exactly what happened, although the temperatures did little to chill the spirits of the festival.

The spirits also weren't chilled Friday night when the Itty Bitty Boji Band was to play at Spencer's YMCA. A fire alarm sounded just as the band was about to begin, Spencer Fire Department responded not for a problem with Lawrence Welk's famous bubble machine, but with the Y's popcorn machine. The show did go on — all-be-it delayed a few minutes...

The aforementioned IBBS is to play from 7 - 9 p.m., Wednesday night, at Table 316. Scott Larsen's band is set to perform at the Little Swan Lake Winery, Sunday afternoon, from 4 - 6 p.m. And The Memory Brothers are hoping there'll be no more fire alarms at Spencer's Y when they perform Friday night from 7 - 10:00.

The final SAMI Center Star Season performance of the year is Saturday night, when Billy McGuigan returns with his Rock Legends Show, starting at 7 p.m. The show is to feature the music of the 50s, 60s, 70s, and 80s, from stars like Elvis, Buddy Holly, The Beatles, The Bee Gees, and Jon Bon Jovi.

The Friends of the SAMI Center will honor retiring director Terry Miller at a 5p.m. retirement party in the Black Box Theatre, followed by a brief presentation.

We remind you once again that auditions for roles in the ILCC production of Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat will be Sunday and Tuesday in Estherville. Call Carol Ayres (712-330-3647), or Brett Fuelberth (712-362-7963) for details on the schedule for the many parts for both students and adults. Performances are set for April 7, 8, and 9...

Research director RD has combined three celebrations into one this week. Saturday is National Handwriting Day, to encourage more legible handwriting. It is quite properly observed on John Hancock's natal day. (For those who haven't studied history, Hancock was the first signer of the Declaration of Independence.)

Saturday is also National Pie Day. And Sunday is National Compliment Day, when you are encouraged to compliment at least five people.

What the blonde RD suggests is that if someone compliments your handwriting this weekend, you should treat him or her to a pie — or at least a piece of pie.

It's a sure thing the Old Professor won't have to pay off on that bet. While he didn't go to medical school, his reporter's notebooks certainly make it look like he did...

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Dr. Wilson Presents Women's Health Program

Spencer Hospital is hosting a women's health program on Wednesday, January 20, featuring OB/Gyn Surgeon Dr. Brian Wilson discussing health symptoms which may cause women to consider medical interventions, including hysterectomies and other options.

"Often women are uncertain which symptoms are unusual and if they can be addressed by medical interventions," explained Susan Zulk, public relations vice president for Spencer Hospital. "Dr. Wilson will cover what is typical compared to what issues should be addressed along with options on how to do so."

The January 20 program is scheduled from 5:30 – 6:30pm in Spencer Hospital's lower level conference center. There is no cost to attend; however, preregistration is requested. To register, please call 712-264-6142 or visit SpencerHospital.org and click the program on the Event Calendar. A complimentary light meal will be offered, sponsored by the Spencer Regional Healthcare Foundation.

Dave Rowley To Perform For The Iowa Lakes Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

Local performer Dave Rowley will perform a musical service for the Iowa Lakes Unitarian Universalist Fellowship on Sunday January 24, 2016, at the Arrowwood Convention and Conference Center in Okoboji, Iowa. UU Fellowship coffee is at 10:30 and the service begins at 11:00. An optional lunch (\$10.00) is served after the program. For more information, check the UU Fellowship website uukoboji.com. Visitors are always welcome.

PEBC Public Programs

The Prairie Ecology Bus Center (PEBC www.ecologybus.org) will hold the following Public Programs at Sparks Park, 935 N. Highway 86, Lakefield, Minnesota. Pre-registration is required, call 507-662-5064 or email Marilyn@ecologybus.org.

Snow & Ice Science • Saturday, January 23 from 10:00 – 11:00am for families.

Get ready for some great hands-on winter science experiments. We are determined not to let the cold weather stop us from having fun and learning at the same time. Join PEBC staff as we learn about all sorts of "cool" properties of ice and its flakey counterpart during this "brrr" filled class — don't miss it.

Full Moon – Tromp, Stomp & Snowshoe Romp • Saturday, January 23 from 7:00 – 9:00pm for all ages and families.

Enjoy life in the snow lane. Our annual snowshoe hike is here again only this time under the pale moon light. Snowshoeing is a great way to have fun and rediscover how to enjoy winter like a kid. Join the PEBC for a hike on the trails of Sparks Park and see the winter scenery in a whole new way. We'll top off the evening with a belly-warming mug of hot cocoa. Snowshoes are provided or bring your own. Snowshoes are limited so call early to register.

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If you are not sure where to apply, please write to: LIHEAP, Iowa Department of Human Rights, Capitol Complex, Des Moines, IA 50319. Or, call your local community action agency: Upper Des Moines Opportunity, Inc., 1575 - 18th Street, Spirit Lake, IA 51360, 712-336-1112.

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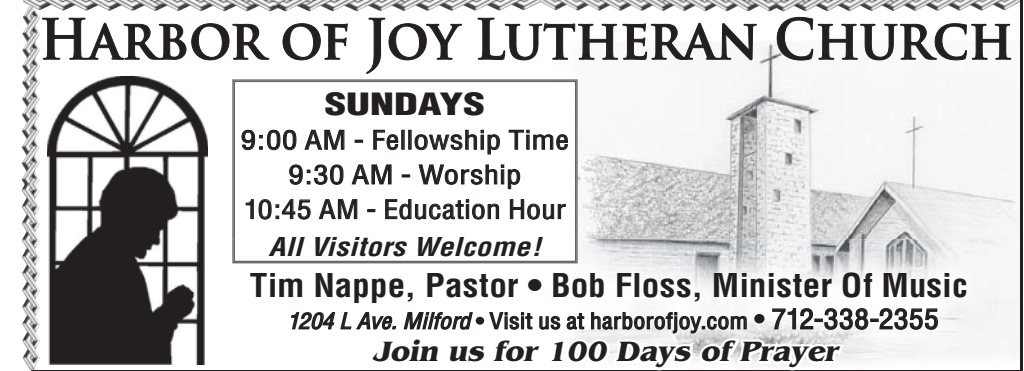
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 Wed., Jan. 20 – 12:00 PM – Preconditioned Sale in Spencer, IA. Spencer Livestock Sales 712-262-4528. www.spencervivestock.com.

THE LAKES NEWS Auctions
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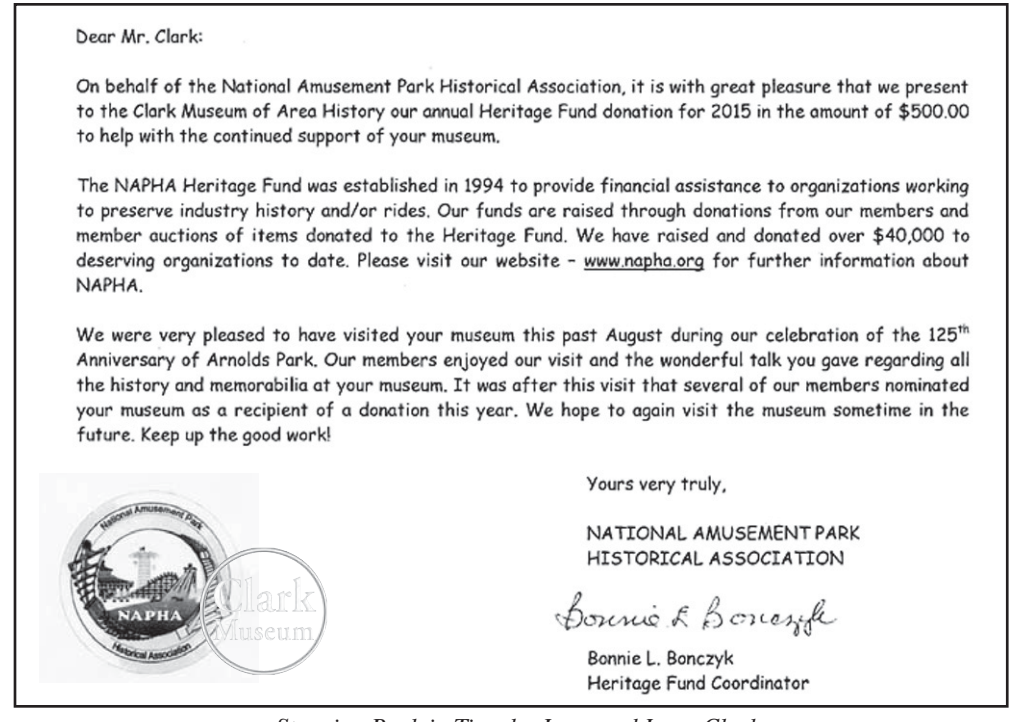
On behalf of the National Amusement Park Historical Association, it is with great pleasure that we present to the Clark Museum of Area History our annual Heritage Fund donation for 2015 in the amount of \$500.00 to help with the continued support of your museum.

The NAPHA Heritage Fund was established in 1994 to provide financial assistance to organizations working to preserve industry history and/or rides. Our funds are raised through donations from our members and member auctions of items donated to the Heritage Fund. We have raised and donated over \$40,000 to deserving organizations to date. Please visit our website - www.napha.org for further information about NAPHA.

We were very pleased to have visited your museum this past August during our celebration of the 125th Anniversary of Arnolds Park. Our members enjoyed our visit and the wonderful talk you gave regarding all the history and memorabilia at your museum. It was after this visit that several of our members nominated your museum as a recipient of a donation this year. We hope to again visit the museum sometime in the future. Keep up the good work!

Yours very truly,
NATIONAL AMUSEMENT PARK HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION
 Bonnie L. Bonczyk
 Heritage Fund Coordinator

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



The letter pictured above was sent to us in December, 2015. We are honored to be the recipient of their single annual \$500 donation for 2015. This donation will be used to continue making improvements to enhance the visitor's experience and organize the many photographs and advertisements we have.

The museum is now closed for the season, but we will feature stories now and then in The Lakes News Shopper until spring.

The museum is located 1 mile west and 1/2 mile north of the Catholic Church in Milford. Call 712-338-2147 or email ijklark1@msn.com for any information.

TIMES FOR FRI-THURS, JANUARY 22 - 28

SOUTHPARK 7 SPENCER - 262-1234
 Shows Before 5:30, 2D Shows \$6.00, 3D Shows \$8.00

THE 5TH WAVE [PG-13]
 Chloë Grace Moretz Nick Robinson
 FRI-SUN & WED: 12:50, 3:50, 7:00, 9:20
 MON-THURS: 3:50, 7:00, 9:20

NORM OF THE NORTH [PG]
 Voices Of: Bill Nighy Rob Schneider
 FRI-SUN & WED: 1:00, 4:00, 6:50, 8:50
 MON-THURS: 4:00, 6:50, 8:50
 *Time Not Shown Thursday, January 28

DIRTY GRANDPA [R]
 Zac Efron Robert DeNiro
 FRI-SUN & WED: 1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 9:20
 MON-THURS: 4:10, 7:10, 9:20

THE REVENANT [R]
 Leonardo DiCaprio Tom Hardy
 FRI-SUN & WED: 12:40, 3:40, 6:40, 9:40
 MON-THURS: 3:40, 6:40, 9:40

THE BOY [PG-13]
 Lauren Cohan Rupert Evans
 FRI-SUN & WED: 1:20, 4:30, 7:20, 9:30
 MON-THURS: 4:30, 7:20, 9:30

STARTS THURSDAY, JAN 28
THE FINEST HOURS [PG-13]
 Chris Pine Casey Affleck
 2D at 7:00 pm Thursday, Jan 28
 3D at 9:25 pm Thursday, Jan 28
 Regular Engagement Begins Friday.

RIDE ALONG 2 [PG-13]
 Kevin Hart Ice Cube
 FRI-SUN & WED: 1:10, 4:10, 7:00, 9:10
 MON-THURS: 4:20, 7:00, 9:10

STARTS FRIDAY, JANUARY 29
KUNG FU PANDA 3 [PG]
 Voices Of: Jack Black Angelina Jolie

GRAND 3 ESTHERVILLE - 362-3778
 Shows Before 5:30, 2D Shows \$4.00, 3D Shows \$6.00

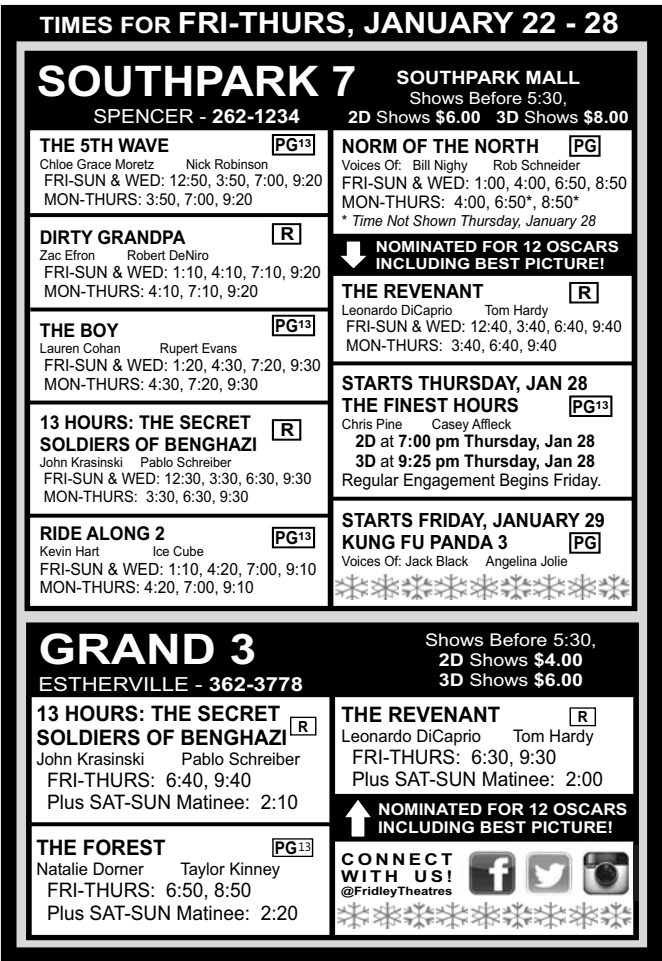
13 HOURS: THE SECRET SOLDIERS OF BENGHAZI [R]
 John Krasinski Pablo Schreiber
 FRI-THURS: 6:40, 9:40
 Plus SAT-SUN Matinee: 2:10

THE REVENANT [R]
 Leonardo DiCaprio Tom Hardy
 FRI-THURS: 6:30, 9:30
 Plus SAT-SUN Matinee: 2:00

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THE FOREST [PG-13]
 Natalie Domer Taylor Kinney
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 Plus SAT-SUN Matinee: 2:20

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letter to the Editor:

On February 2, 2016, Iowa Lakes Community College is having a special bond referendum vote. The proposed sixteen million dollar bond, which sunsets in fifteen years, has projects at all five campuses to meet the needs of current students and to attract new students. The estimated cost to a homeowner with a \$100,000 assessed value home is \$11.70 per year for 15 years. In the extremely competitive environment that colleges exist in, having top-notch facilities is vital to provide the experience and tools necessary to attract students. Passing this bond referendum will ensure that ILCC has the tools to be a leader in education and to be able to see continued success and growth.

ILCC is a huge asset to Northwest Iowa by creating a small and diverse learning environment for people to continue their education and broaden their skills. ILCC provides an opportunity for young people in the area to continue their education without leaving the region or the state. It also provides opportunities for adults who want to change their career paths, continue their education, or obtain additional training or certifications. Providing opportunities like these are vital to keeping people in the area.

Having a successful and vibrant college like ILCC in the area also stimulates our local economy by providing good jobs, by training skilled workforce, and by contributing to the local tax base. Our company, Beck Engineering, has personally seen the benefits of having a local community college in the area. Over half of our employees have received education and training at Iowa Lakes Community College. By providing people the skills necessary to thrive in the workplace, they have significantly increased the employees' lifetime earnings and our business output by providing skilled, efficient workers.

Please help support the college in this effort to meet community and student needs by voting Yes on February 2, by going to your local courthouse or requesting an absentee ballot. Project drawings and specifics can be found at www.iowalakes.edu/bond.

Brad and Teresa Beck
Spirit Lake, IA

Camp Okoboji offers Family Fun during Winter Games

Camp Okoboji will be offering several family friendly activities during the Winter Games on Saturday, January 30.

From 10:00 – 2:00, activities will be available in the Christian Life Center. Activities will include inflatables, a nerf shooting range, recreation room games (foosball, ping-pong, air hockey), and a craft project. Warm up at the campfire with s'mores. Try your skill on their outdoor disc golf course.

A light lunch (free-will offering) will be served from 11:00 – 1:00. The menu will include maidrites, chips, hot chocolate and more. The dining hall provides a wonderful panoramic view of West Lake Okoboji. Other snacks will be available in the camp store.

The 1st Annual Ping Pong Tournament will begin at 12:00. Three different age groups will compete in a best of 3 games format. Prizes will be awarded to the top two players in each category (hope to complete in an hour). \$5 per person entry fee. Registration forms are available at uofwintergames.org, campokoboji.org or by calling the camp office 712-337-3325.

Camp Okoboji is located at 1531 Edgewood Drive, in Wapeton, turn at the Crescent Beach Resort sign on Highway 86. Families of all ages will enjoy this festive setting. It will be worth the stop, even if passing through on your way to other Winter Games events.

Camp Okoboji seeks to provide events and activities that help bring families together in a safe setting.

Serving the Okoboji community since 1940, Camp Okoboji offers Christian summer programs for youth and families, and is available for retreats all year.

There are many ways to contact Camp Okoboji for information on this and other camp programs. Website: www.campokoboji.org. Phone: 712-337-3325. E-mail: camp@campokoboji.org.

Public Invited to the Iowa High School Music Association State Jazz Band Festival

Spirit Lake High School will be hosting ten high school jazz bands in the Iowa High School Music Association State Jazz Band Festival on Monday, January 25, from 3:00pm to 10:00pm at the Sami Bedell Center for the Performing Arts. Public is welcome to hear some great jazz band music.

Local high school jazz bands to perform are the Harris-Lake Park Jazz Band at 3:00pm, directed by Emily Gladfelter; Okoboji Jazz Band, directed by Toni Hoffmann at 7:30pm; and the Spirit Lake Jazz Band, directed by Tyler Pedersen will perform at 9:30pm.

The Harris-Lake Park Jazz Band will perform "Fly Me to the Moon", "Over the Rainbow", and "And I Love Her." The Okoboji Jazz Band will perform "Flight of the Foo Bird", "Cubano Chant", "Skylark", and "Critical Mass." The Spirit Lake Jazz Band will perform "Alright, Okay, You Win", "Larry's Latin Lunch", "Embraceable You", and "The Mooche."

Other participating high school jazz bands will be from Boyden-Hull, Estherville-Lincoln Central, Rock Valley, Sheldon, Sibley-Ocheyedan, Spencer and West Lyon. A performance schedule of all the schools is available at tinyurl.com/JazzBandFestSchedule2016.

The jazz bands will be evaluated by three adjudicators on jazz band ensemble characteristics of tone quality, blend, rhythmic feel, interpretation, precision, musicianship, solo improvisation and balance. Following the judged performance, each band will have a 20 minute clinic with a guest clinician. Each band is rated according to Iowa High School Music Association guidelines receiving a rating of Division One-Superior, Division Two-Excellent, Division Three-Good, Division Four-Fair, Division Five-Poor, or choose to receive comments only.

Auditions for Spring Musical at Iowa Lakes Community College

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor® Dreamcoat (Mega Mix Edition) is coming to Iowa Lakes Community College this spring!

ILCC's production will be directed by Carol Ayres and Brett Fuelberth. A large cast is needed, including 20 men, 20 women, a children's choir, and an ensemble choir.

Auditions will be held as follows:

- January 24
 - 2:00pm – Children (grades 3-8)
 - 3:00pm – Women (high school age and older)
 - 4:00pm – Men (high school age and older)
- January 26
 - 6:00pm – Children (grades 3-8)
 - 7:00pm – Women (high school age and older)
 - 8:00pm – Men (high school age and older)

All auditions will be held in room 74 on the Estherville campus. Auditions are private. Participants should come prepared to sing one minute of any song, accompanied with either the CD, mp3, or sheet music. Song choice could be from any Broadway show, or pop, folk, or country song if preferred. An up-tempo song choice is recommended rather than a ballad.

Based on the Biblical saga of Joseph and his coat of many colors that comes to vibrant life, Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor® Dreamcoat is an Old Testament tale that is both timely and timeless that takes place many centuries ago in the land of Canaan and Egypt.

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Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor® Dreamcoat is presented through special arrangement with R&H Theatricals.

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:

Before you go to your caucus, think, really think. The best candidate may not be at the top of the polls. Caucus night is Monday, February 1, 2016.

I am 91 years old and have been an active Republican since Dwight Eisenhower was President (my parents were Democrats). I have been proud of the Republicans and the Democrats who have lived in the White House. But, not anymore. I'm concerned and afraid. I want someone elected this year who will lead our country again. I want a President who will deal with terrorism and crime to make us safe again. I want a President who will deal with the divide and corruption in Washington D.C.

I want a President who will see that immigration is legal again for people who want to be good citizens of the United States of America. A President who will grow our economy again. I want a President who will secure social security for the senior citizens who saved that money for retirement. I want a President I can be proud of.

I watch and listen to the candidates (both parties) on television and in person when they come to our area, and I read the Des Moines Register and other publications. Some of them just do not qualify. Please, before you go to your caucus, think, really think.

Lastly, I want a President who says "God Bless America", and means it.
Vergene Donovan
Spirit Lake

Softball Clinics to be Held January 23-24

Iowa Lakes Softball team will be holding an advanced clinic on Saturday, January 23, and a youth clinic on Sunday, January 24. The advanced clinic is open to grades 8-12 and is split up into three sessions, the cost is \$40 for each session. Session 1 begins at 1:30pm and will focus on defensive skills, such as throwing techniques/throwing drills as well as fielding technique/drills. Session 2 will begin at 3:00pm and will focus on offensive skills, such as hitting techniques/drills, base running, and agility drills. Session 3 begins at 4:30pm and will focus on pitching/catching drills and techniques. Registration deadline for this clinic is January 20.

The youth clinic is open to grades K-7 and will run from 2:00pm to 3:30pm, with a cost of \$25. This clinic will focus on throwing, hitting, fielding, as well as base running. Deadline for registration for this clinic is January 21.

These clinics are designed to develop kids of all ages with the proper mechanics of the game. The camp will be instructed by Iowa Lakes Softball players and coaches. This will allow the kids the opportunity to be exposed to college level training. One of our goals is to expand the knowledge of softball to the younger generation of athletes.

If you would like more information on either of the clinics, or to pick up a registration form, please contact Head Coach Katie Larson at klarson@iowalakes.edu or 712-362-8367.

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"Dancing with the Local Stars" Scholarship Fundraiser

Dust off your formals and join us on Thursday, March 3, 2016, at the VFW in Algona for the Kossuth County scholarship fundraising event, "Dancing with the Local Stars".

All proceeds from this event provide scholarships for students who reside in Kossuth County and are full-time students at Iowa Lakes Community College. Previously, the Foundation hosted a golf outing in June.

Featured dancers include: Amy Brandt, Anne Kohlhaas, Erica Jensen, Angie Lovstad, Kelly Tigges, Theresa Waechter, Alexa Kent-Langenwalter, Ellie Larsen, Daryl Kohlhaas, Dave Waldschmidt, Harley Kohlhaas, Steve Kollasch, Scott Curtis, Jake Walker, Rodney Davis and Justin Tickle.

Doors will open at 6:00pm, show begins at 7:00pm. Appetizers will be served, cash bar, and great entertainment.

Reserve a table of 8 for \$400 or individual tickets are \$30. Space is limited and all seating is reserved.

The public will have an opportunity to participate in the fundraiser, by supporting their favorite team financially at various businesses.

Students attending Iowa Lakes from Kossuth County are appreciative of the financial support as they pursue their education goals. Over 80% of Iowa Lakes graduates remain in the area and work, contributing to our local economy.

Area businesses or individuals wishing to sponsor or purchase a table or tickets should call the Foundations office at 800-242-5106, ext. 4425 or events@iowalakes.edu.

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RIDES Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Regional Transit Authority dba RIDES Board of Directors will conduct their regular business meeting on Thursday, January 28, 2016. The meeting will be held at the Regional Transit Authority Office, 522 10th Avenue East, Spencer, Iowa. The meeting will start at 10:30am.

The Regional Transit Authority (RTA) RIDES Board of Directors Meeting is open to all individuals regardless of disability. Any person with a disability requiring a reasonable accommodation to participate in a Board of Directors Meeting should contact the RTA Office at (800) 358-5037 at least three business days prior to the Board of Directors Meeting.

Community Days

Community Days have been set for late January at the Emmetsburg and Estherville campuses of Iowa Lakes Community College.

College President Valerie Newhouse will host the events and share key information about the proposed bond referendum for Iowa Lakes.

The Emmetsburg campus event is set for Monday, January 25 from 5:00 – 7:00pm in the college cafeteria. The Community Day at the Estherville campus is planned for Tuesday, January 26 from 5:00 – 7:00pm in the atrium.

The college has a \$16 million bond referendum vote scheduled for Tuesday, February 2. President Newhouse will have drawings on display showing the proposed improvements on each campus. In addition, brochures and flyers will be available to explain the purpose of the upgrades.

College personnel will also share information about the proposed improvements and projects slated for the other college campuses.

All area residents are encouraged to attend to learn more about what the college is proposing. Campus tours will be available.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR
To Whom It May Concern:
Iowa Lakes Community College drives growth and economic vitality in Northwest Iowa. For 50 years, the college has remained responsive to LOCAL needs while fulfilling its mandate to prepare Iowans for career success. Now many facilities are in need of repairs and improvements, both to accommodate strong enrollment and to ensure that programs stay current in this era of lightning fast change. This is an opportunity for all of us to act on our appreciation for this great institution.
The Iowa Lakes Corridor Development Corporation Board of Directors urges residents to vote YES on February 2 to approve a \$16 million bond referendum for the college. This money will finance upgrades on all five campuses. The cost to the owner of a home with a \$100,000 assessed valuation will be just \$11.70 annually. The tax will end after 15 years.
To learn more about proposed facility improvements, please visit www.iowalakes.edu/bond. As you review the projects, remember that Iowa Lakes serves more than 7,000 students annually. Eighty percent of graduates stay and work in our five counties. Every dollar spent by the college translates into at least \$1.47 in the local and state economies. According to one study, skills learned by Iowa Lakes students increase wages and salaries in the region by \$290 million.
Iowa Lakes Community College is an engine of opportunity. Please vote YES now at your local County Auditor's office or mark February 2 on your calendar and head to the polls. Thank you!
Kiley Miller • President & CEO
Iowa Lakes Corridor Development Corporation

Get Ready To Be Birds Of A Feather And Flock Together
Contest Winner Also Announced
Men, women and children of all ages should get out their black and yellow clothing in preparation for becoming part of a giant, 100-foot long American Goldfinch during the 9th annual People's Environmental Art Project (PEAP).
The free event, organized by Iowa Lakeside Lab, will be held during 2016 Okoboji Winter Games in a field next to First Lutheran Church in West Okoboji on Saturday, January 30. Once everyone is assembled, Spencer photographer Judy Hemphill will photograph the image from above inside a plane.
This year, organizers are pleased to announce Sara Lynn Dunkerson as the winner of the 2016 design contest. "What a surprise!" said the 29 year old nurse who said she made the drawing after working a 12 hour shift. "The Peoples Environmental Art Project is a family favorite and is such a great way to tie nature, art, and family together! We hang the photos from each year inside our house and show our kids where they are."
Following the picture taking, participants can warm up indoors at the First Lutheran Church Community Room while waiting for photographer Hemphill to arrive and display the photographs on a large screen. There will be raffle prizes and hot beverages and treats will be served by Okoboji High School After Prom Group. Hemphill and Chad Branham, Art Director, will select a final photo that will be for sale along with past year's photographs.
Event pre-registration is encouraged but not mandatory, as knowing the number of participants helps with planning. "Those who pre-register are eligible for a 20% discount on the 2016 photo," said Jane Shuttleworth, Lakeside Education Coordinator and event coordinator. "Volunteers are also needed to help and will receive a free photo in exchange." To pre-register or volunteer, persons are asked to send a message with the first and last name of each person in their party to friendssoftakesidelab@gmail.com by noon on Friday, January 29. In addition to Iowa Lakeside Lab and the Friends of Lakeside Lab, event organizers thank Beck Engineering for helping lay the design out ahead of time, and to First Lutheran Church and Heritage Landing for use of grounds and facilities.
For more information, contact 712/337-3669, Extension 4, or send an email to friendssoftakesidelab@gmail.com. For a photo gallery of previous year's photos, visit http://www.friendssoftakesidelab.org/peoples_art_project.htm.

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To The Editor:
My name is Jason Grinnen. Many of you know me as a Realtor with Exit Realty Midwest in Spirit Lake or you may know me from Chaplin's Night Club in Arnolds Park where I own and run B-N-J Karaoke.
Last year I did a fundraiser for Echo Plus in Spirit Lake Iowa and there was a great turnout. This year I plan to have another fundraiser but this year I will be doing it for Upper Des Moines Opportunity Inc (UDMO) Food Pantry.
The Upper Des Moines Opportunity Inc (UDMO) Food Pantry services over 1,800 families and over 3,600 individuals. As you can see the need is there for this benefit.
The fundraiser will include me putting on a show by singing hits from the '50s and '60s starting at 6:00 on Thursday night the 28th of January at Chaplins in Arnolds Park.
After the show we plan to open up karaoke for guests to sing songs if they want, or I will then take requests. All funds raised will go to Dickinson County Food Shelf. I am asking for your support in either a monetary donation or something for our live Auction.
My Goal is to raise \$10,000.00 for the Upper Des Moines Opportunity Inc (UDMO) Food Pantry. I know that it may seem out of reach. However, we live in such a strong community and as a community we always pull together for those who are in need.
I would like to thank Chaplins in Arnolds Park for hosting this event. There will also be drink and food specials that night. Please come and join us for a night of music and fun.
What a fun way to kick off Winter Games Weekend!
Jason Grinnen
Spirit Lake

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The registration fee is \$20.00. To pre-register or obtain additional information about the P-CIC program, contact Janet Nepl at the Dickinson County Extension Office Monday - Friday 8:00am - 4:30pm by phoning 712-336-3488.
The continuing instructional course is for private pesticide applicators that chose to renew their certifications by CIC, and has been approved by IDALS.
Additional information for this program can be accessed at www.extension.iastate.edu/PME/.

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Obituaries

Wilma J. Hauck, 90, of Kingsley passed away Sunday, January 10, 2016, at the Hawkeye Nursing Home, Spirit Lake, Iowa. Born June 26, 1925, Wilma was the eldest daughter of Ray and Edna (Coatsworth) Hawkins. She had two siblings, a sister, Dorothy, and brother, Elwin (Al). Wilma grew up in the Kingsley area and graduated valedictorian in 1942, from Kingsley High School. She worked for attorney H. Floyd Phelps and the Kingsley State Bank for two years, then in Des Moines at the Iowa Department of Agriculture for nearly two years. On December 19, 1945, she married James (Jim) Hauck in her parents' home. The couple raised their three children in Kingsley, wintering in Arizona in later years. Wilma worked at the Kingsley Public Library for many years fostering her passion for reading. In addition to reading, Wilma completed daily crossword puzzles, enjoyed playing Bridge, golfed, and loved watching college and pro football and basketball. Most of all she loved spending time with family and friends, often sitting on her front porch having tea or coffee with them. She was an active member of the Kingsley United Methodist Church where she taught Sunday School and was church treasurer for many years. She was a member and past president of P.E.O., Order of Eastern Star, and Church guild. In March of 2011, she moved to Keelson Harbour Assisted Living in Spirit Lake, Iowa. Then in August of 2015, she moved to Hawkeye Nursing Home, Spirit Lake.

Survivors include son, Dr. James M. and Cynthia Hauck of Naples, Florida; daughter, Rebecca and husband Byron Phillips of Fairmont, MN; and son, Timothy and Kim Hauck of Grand Prairie, Texas; Seven grandsons: Mark Phillips and wife, Rae; Andrew Hauck and wife, Elizabeth; David Hauck and wife, Laura; James Phillips and wife, Laura; Matthew Phillips and wife, Lisa; Jeffrey Hauck and wife, Lindsey; and Tristan Hauck. Two granddaughters: Taylor Hauck and Taryn Hauck. Five great granddaughters: Lizzie and Mara Phillips; Maddie, Kate and Josie Hauck. Two great grandsons: Maxwell Phillips and Oliver Hauck. One brother, Elwin (Al) Hawkins of Bellevue, WA and sister-in-law, Jeanne Hawkins of Seattle. Nieces, Julie (Greg) Wilson and Diane (Mike) Grennan and families. And one brother-in-law, John R. (Jack) Swanberg.

Preceding her in death were her husband of 53 years, Jim, on April 13, 1999; parents, Ray and Edna Hawkins; mother and father-in-law, Mahlon and Ellen (Hughes) Hauck; sister, Dorothy Richardson/Swanberg; brother-in-law, William Richardson; an aunt, Fern Coatsworth, and many friends.

Wilma loved her life in Kingsley. Thanks to all for being her friend and giving her wonderful memories to cherish. We are forever thankful for the skilled and compassionate care mom received at Keelson Harbour and more recently at Hawkeye Nursing Home of Spirit Lake. Hospice of Lakes Regional Healthcare, Spirit Lake, sent additional care to mom since the week before Christmas. Thanks and many blessings to all of you from Wilma and family.



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Community Table North Serving January 21

Community Table North serves the third Thursday of each month at the Bedell Family YMCA. For the month of January, that date falls on the 21st. The meal begins at 5:30pm and runs until 7:00pm. The YMCA hosts and provides the meal to community members free of charge, and all are welcome to attend.

Community Table North is a collaborative effort of The Bedell Family YMCA, Upper Des Moines Opportunity and the Dickinson County Ministerial Association.

Other Community Table meals in the area are on the second and fourth Thursdays of every month at the Community Center of the Okoboji Bible Conference at 45 South Highway 71 in Arnolds Park. Dickinson County churches provide and serve the meal, adding belonging and friendship to good food.

Repurposed Reading

Need less stress? A relaxing book could be just around the corner. A Spirit Lake High School J-Term class is taking on a project that will add variety to area bookshelves while bringing neighborhoods together.

The Repurposed Reading J-Term class is in the process of designing "Little Free Libraries." The easy-to-construct structures will be an outlet for a community-wide used book exchange.

Teachers Lisa Duffy and Kathy Kleen are working with a group of 12 high school students to establish the Little Free Libraries throughout the Iowa Great Lakes area.

The project is part of J-Term, an annual three-week learning opportunity in January. Spirit Lake students and staff give up their traditional schedules as part of the project-based learning effort.

"The class is looking for some help," Spirit Lake freshmen Emma Hamm said. "We are seeking donations of books, money, and materials such as wood, nails, shingles, paint, and plexiglass, as well as assistance in assembling these Little Free Libraries."

The Repurposed Reading students are planning up to six Little Free Libraries throughout the area, according to students Amaya Morisch and Isabel Stein.

"We're looking for people to house the libraries near their homes or businesses," Hamm said. "We are also looking for stewards to help maintain the libraries. If you are willing to be a steward, one of the responsibilities would be to maintain the little free library by stocking it with donated books and rotating the selection every once in awhile."

The Little Free Libraries will contain a wide range of books, for readers of all ages. The Spirit Lake Public Library plans to donate books as a way to assist the project.

The philosophy of a Little Free Library is "Take a book, return a book." This simply means those who use the Little Free Library continue the cycle by also contributing their own used book. This allows the community to get involved with recycling each time they use a Little Free Library. Directions on how to use these libraries will be posted on the inside of the door, so the users will clearly understand their purpose and how they are used.

Hosting a Free Little Library would be an exciting conversation starter and a good way to meet new people, according to sophomore Nick Resch.

"Every time you buy a book, you read it once and the chances are that after that they sit on your shelf collecting dust," he said. "Students of the J-Term class would like to reuse those books."

The inspiration for Little Free Libraries came from Mrs. Kleen. The Spirit Lake teacher noticed a couple of book exchange locations already in the community. She also read information that sparked her interest in having students take on a literacy-based project for the community.

Area residents can help, by donating money, books, time or space for a Little Free Library. For more information, contact the students through their project email: slittlefreelibraries@gmail.com or by calling 712-336-3707 ext. 1720.



Spencer Hospital Welcomes First Baby Of 2016

Spencer Hospital's first baby of 2016 is a good reminder that sometimes life doesn't quite go as planned, yet the unexpected can yield wonderful results.

Morgan Wall, of Sanborn, came to Spencer on New Year's Day to celebrate the holiday with several friends and family members. Though Morgan was nearing the end of her pregnancy, she had met with her family physician earlier in the week and despite some pre-term labor pains, everyone was still confident in the date scheduled for her C-section delivery of January 11. The baby had other plans.

"I started having labor pains so we came to the emergency room," Morgan explained. A quick call to dad, Stephen Mack, who was home in Sanborn, enabled him enough time to get a babysitter for the couple's other children and arrive in Spencer just in time for their son's birth. In the early morning hours of Saturday, January 2, three physicians from Avera Medical Group Spencer: Dr. Sonia Sather, Dr. David Robinson and Dr. Nathaniel Meyer, delivered the couple's baby boy at 12:35am.

Dakari Lynn Mack weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces and was 19 inches long. Dakari has two big brothers, Stephen Jr. (6) and Demarion (age 1) and two big sisters, Audrina (6) and Ashya (5). Paternal grandparents are Sharron Mack and Paul Quinn, both of Chicago; and maternal grandparents are Ruby Wall and Julio Ruiz of Estherville, with great-grandparents Joyce Wall of Estherville and Dee and Marty Carpenter of Wisconsin.

The family received a gift basket, compliments of Spencer Hospital Gift Shop which included baby boy gifts from the hospital Gift Shop and a gift certificate to return to Spencer for dinner at Gary's on the River.

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University Of Okoboji Winter Games

Mark your calendars for the 36th Annual University of Okoboji Winter Games, presented by Parks Marina/The Barefoot Bar/Okoboji Boat Works. The games will be held January 28-31, kicking off with the "Locals Party" at Tiki in the Tent at Parks Marina, complete with live music and the much-anticipated Battle of the Bartenders on Thursday, January 28.

And the weekend's schedule of events continues to grow, so please visit www.uofowintergames.com for entry forms to your favorite event, photos, links to our sponsors and of course, to order the official University of Okoboji apparel.

New events this year include a Kickball Tournament and Boji Pong, as well as the tried-and-true staples of Broomball, Softball, the Chili Cook Off and Chocolate Classic & Galleria.

For more information on the 36th Annual University of Okoboji Winter Games, please contact Jen Johnson-Ross at the Iowa Great Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce. Ice or no ice, the games will go on!



NATIONAL MENTORING MONTH PROCLAMATIONS - Lakes area towns have issued proclamations for January to be recognized as National Mentoring Month and call upon public officials, business and community leaders, and educators, and encourage all area citizens to observe this month with appropriate ceremonies, activities and programs.

Pictured is William Reinsbach, Mayor of Milford, with Paula Edwards, Kinship Mentoring Coordinator.



Judd Hoos To Perform At Arnolds Park Amusement Park

The JUDD HOOS will perform Saturday, January 30, at Arnolds Park Amusement Park. Purchase tickets on line at ArnoldsPark.com.

Since the release of their sophomore album TWO - Judd Hoos has graduated to a class all their own, with two new members, bigger production, brand new songs and an even higher energy, unforgettable experience. "Billboard," the band's latest single, tips its hat to their sharpened philosophy on writing, recording and producing. "After playing together for as long as we have, our creative process has evolved," says Bob Zwart "the new material is a development of our collective songwriting as opposed to a departure from our first two albums." "Billboard" is currently available for order on iTunes and Google play, is on rotation on 6 radio stations, and the video has had over 100,000 views in a week.

Eager and energized to deliver, the 2016 calendar will have Judd Hoos as busy as they've ever been. JUDD HOOS to perform Saturday January 30th in Arnolds Park Amusement Park The band will be playing for thousands of people across 8 states. "We're proud of this show we've built" Tyler Bills said in an interview, "and we're excited to show it off to all the old fans we've made over the years, as well as impress the many new fans." You can find Judd Hoos' full tour schedule at www.JuddHoos.com/shows.

In the past seven years the band has performed thousands of shows across the United States, released two albums, opened for national acts Three Days Grace, Puddle of Mudd, Breaking Benjamin, Theory of a Deadman, Big Head Todd and the Monsters, and even managed to squeeze in a show at the Bellagio in Las Vegas. You never know who might show up on a Judd Hoos stage with the occasional cameo appearance from '80s rockers Warrant, Antonio Banderas danced his way on stage and even the Governor of South Dakota Dennis Daugaard has been kind enough to be part of a show.

There is a buzz growing behind their latest single "Billboard" that has been attracting attention from radio stations across the Midwest getting airplay in several markets including KDDX (XROCK) and KSKY in Rapid City, SD - 93.5 Rock It FM in Worthington, MN - KKCT Hot 97.5 in Bismarck, ND, as well as being featured on Dakota DamnNATION, a syndicated radio show that reaches across the state of North Dakota. "Billboard" is just the beginning as the band already has plans to release a slew of follow-up songs that are surely set to become part of the band's third studio album.

The 2016 calendar year will take Judd Hoos to at least 8 states, perform 120+ shows, cover a countless number of miles and release the foundation of their highly anticipated third album. 2016 will surely be a year Judd Hoos and their fans won't soon forget.

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Winter Games Bridge Tournament

Calling all bridge players! There is still time to register for the Annual Winter Games Bridge Tournament, held Friday, January 29, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Milford.

Doors will open at 11:00am. A soup and sandwich luncheon will be catered by The Pizza Ranch and served promptly at 11:30am with party bridge to begin by 12 noon or so. Afternoon refreshments will be served. Door prizes will be awarded. Cost will be \$10 per person.

Reservations by Wednesday, January 27, are encouraged to get an accurate count for food and bridge can be obtained. Make reservations by calling Susan at 712-338-2274 or e-mailing her at sreiser@milfordcable.net. Singles or couples are encouraged to participate.



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Birth Announcement

Melissa and Aaron Sedey of Plymouth, Minnesota, were very excited to welcome the Sedey triplets into their family on December 24, 2015. Finley Terese, weighing 4.4 pounds and measuring 17 3/4 inches long; Makena Ann weighing 4.10 pounds and measuring 18 inches long; and baby brother Kipton Aaron weighing 5.05 pounds and measuring 18.5 inches long. All three headed home after a short stay in the hospital and are doing great. Maternal grandparents are Deb and Brian Brodersen and Craig and Jayne Poulsen all of Spencer, Iowa. Paternal grandparents are Robert and Gayle Sedey of Mapple Plain, Minnesota.

No Apologies 2016

Sunday January 24th – Parent and Youth Worker Training
Wednesday January 27th – Teen Night

Healthy decision making and following God's plan for purity is again the focus of Cherish Center's annual event: No Apologies. Keith Deltano will be returning as a speaker for No Apologies. Keith is a former award winning middle school teacher, parent coach, curriculum creator and nationally touring educational comedian. He uses comedy to address serious topics.



In addition to the Parent and Teen nights, Keith will be visiting 6 local schools the week of No Apologies addressing the students on the issue of bullying.

No Apologies Parent and Youth Worker Training Night – Sunday January 24, 6:00 to 8:00pm at the Clay County Regional Events Center Ballroom. Free-will Donation. RSVP name and number of attendees by calling 712-338-3333 or on No Apologies website.

No Apologies for Teens Night – Wednesday January 27, at 6:30 to 8:30pm at the Clay County Regional Events Center Arena (Live Venue). Satellite Video Locations: Tabernacle Baptist Church in George, Iowa. Trinity Reformed Church in Orange City Iowa, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Cherokee Iowa, First Reformed Church, Rock Rapids, Iowa and First Reformed Church, Rock Valley Iowa. Cost is \$5 per person. Register online at www.no-apologies.org. Registration is also available at the door the night of the event in all locations.

This is the Cherish Center's 14th year of hosting the No Apologies event that promotes purity and healthy decision making. The event continues to grow with over 5,000 people being reached through the events and assemblies last year.

The Cherish Center partners with area youth pastors in making this event possible. Cherish Center is known for its work with pregnant teens, young parents and families.

No Apologies has grown to include 5 satellite locations. The Live event happening in Spencer is streamed to 5 locations throughout Northwest Iowa. The expansion of reach is in place to make it possible for more students to hear the message.

Questions about No Apologies can be directed to: Jon Pausley, Executive Director at Cherish Center by calling 712-338-3333 or Jay VanGelder, Youth Pastor at Hope Church in Spencer by calling 712-262-3016.

Generous sponsors of No Apologies include: Rise Ministries (Sheldon, IA), Northwestern College (Orange City), The Clay County Convention and Visitors Bureau and Farmers Savings Bank.

"We live in a world that has taken things God has made and twisted them. God designed sex to be beautiful, intended for marriage, with one partner. Some have twisted it to whenever you want with whomever you want. God's way leads to happiness, fulfillment, and is God honoring. The other way leads to guilt, pain, and regrets. We want youth to know the truth and understand God's design." – Jay VanGelder, Youth Pastor at Hope Church (Spencer)

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OKOBOJI Maroon Out Night

The Okoboji Pioneer Booster Club is promoting a *Maroon Out Night* for the OMS Girls Basketball vs Harris-Lake Park on Thursday, January 21. Anyone wearing maroon will receive a free popcorn from the booster club!

Al-Anon Meetings:

New Hope Al-Anon Meetings will be held on Mondays at 8:00pm at the St. Joseph Catholic Church School (1301 Okoboji Avenue, Milford). For more information, contact Linda T. 712-363-2248.

OKOBOJI Booster Club Meeting

The Okoboji Pioneer Booster Club will hold their monthly meeting on January 20, at 7:00pm in the OHS Commons area.

Winter Games 500/Pinochle Card Tournament

The 2016 University of Okoboji (Iowa) Winter Games 500/Pinochle card tournament, sponsored by Single Spirits of Spirit Lake, Iowa, will be held Saturday, January 30th at the Spirit Lake Senior Center, 2100 Zenith Avenue (under the water tower). Registration from 8:00 – 9:00am, tournament starts at 9:00am. \$5 entry fee includes complimentary coffee and water.

Partners are not required, you will be rotating. Open to the public. Singles/couples are welcome. A lunch of maid-rites, chips and cookie/bar available for \$5 following tournament. Stop in for lunch even if not participating in tournament. For questions on 500 tournament call Shirley 712-832-3266 or pinochle call Chris 712-320-3797. Come play for fun and prizes.

Tales of Tails

This week's reader of The Lakes News Shopper could "pick a Daisy," for the Northwest Iowa Humane Society has two Daisies. Both are healthy mature orange tabbies with "tales and tails" that are very much alike.

Both cats were well-loved companions of senior citizens each of whom lived alone with her pet. Both of their mistresses were eventually no longer able to care for either themselves or their cats and had to go to nursing homes. Neither parting was a "happy" one and the shelter will often receive a call wondering how the surrendered pet is adapting to her new life.

Daisy I has been in the shelter longer (since March, 2015) and seems to have had a traumatic life before her mistress took her in. She is desperately afraid of dark-haired males especially if the male has a broom in his hand. She screeches! Obviously her "back story" was not always a happy one. Daisy I appreciates kindness and is accepting of her new life. Were she to be adopted into the right home, she would become a loyal and affectionate companion once more.

Daisy II has a "grumpy" face but is very friendly and would really love to have a close companion again. She is cuddly and enjoys being picked up and held. She is about three or four years old and has always been a cherished pet until her life changed so radically.

Any reader deciding to "pick a Daisy" would be making 2016 a happy one for an unfortunate but loving cat; the reader would also feel good having made a difference for a "Daisy."

Remember... "In a perfect world every animal would have a home, and every home would have a pet."

Call the Northwest Iowa Humane Society at 712-338-2738 or come see the animals at 607 28th Street, just north of Milford - open Thursday through Sunday, noon to 6:00pm.



Youth in Philanthropy meets on February 3rd with the future in mind. They will learn how to read and score Community Needs Grant Applications, including requests of \$500 to \$24,999, received by the Okoboji Foundation by March 1, 2016. The students look for capital projects that make a vital difference for the future of our Lakes Community.

YIP is half-way to their goal to raise \$30,000 for YIP grants. There is nothing to buy; every dollar given to YIP goes directly back to the community through YIP Awards.

Twenty-five students from area high schools participate from October through May in the Okoboji Foundation's annual Youth in Philanthropy initiative to learn about the importance of community giving.

Each student was asked to comment on "Why is Youth in Philanthropy important to our Lakes Community and to you?"

- **Shaelyn Adams:** "Without YIP many nonprofits would not be able to do the great things they do for our community. Philanthropy is essential to the success of our community."
- **Tessa Reed:** "Youth in Philanthropy is important to the lakes community and to me because it gives back to the community that I live in."
- **Marissa Gjerde:** "Giving back to the community is very important to me. I want the community to benefit and feel it's important for everyone to give back."
- **Blake Lineweaver:** "Youth in Philanthropy is a great organization that promotes the growth of the area and the members involved."
- **Nick Goodenow:** "I want to give back and help improve the community that has given so much to me."
- **Katelyn Brockmeyer:** "Being in YIP gives us a chance to give back to our area for what it gave to us. We're fortunate to grow up here and we should do our part for generations to come."

Visit www.GiveOkoboji.com to make a secure online gift to YIP or mail your tax-deductible donation to Okoboji Foundation, PO Box 593, Okoboji, IA 51355.

The Okoboji Foundation is the community foundation for the Iowa Great Lakes Region. Started in 1988, it serves as the Center Point of Community Giving for Vital Capital Projects. The Okoboji Foundation also accepts Leadership Grant Requests for amounts of \$25,000 or more. These will be reviewed by the adult grant committee and funded from endowment proceeds. For additional information visit www.okobojifoundation.org or call the Okoboji Foundation at 712-332-1777.

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ILCC to Host Show Choir and Jazz Choir Festival

On Tuesday, January 26, and Wednesday, January 27, twenty-four Show Choirs and Jazz Choirs from area high schools and middle schools will be coming to Iowa Lakes for the Annual Iowa Lakes Show/Jazz Choir Festival. The choirs will be performing for two clinicians – Clay Blackman from Omaha is returning again this year to work with the show choirs, and Tim Watson, Choral Activities Director from Morningside College, will be working with the jazz choirs. The clinicians will then give the groups on-stage feedback to help them prepare for all of the performances that high school show and jazz choirs have throughout the spring. Please feel free to come anytime during the day to watch the groups perform. There is no cost to attend. Show choirs will be performing in the gymnasium and Tuesday's jazz choir performances will be held in the auditorium on the Estherville campus. Performance schedules are listed below. For more information please contact Brett Fuelberth, Vocal Music Professor, at 712-330-1145 or bfuelberth@iowalakes.edu, or Linda Kautz at lkautz@iowalakes.edu or 712-362-8345, or visit www.iowalakes.edu/music.

Mary Kay Bates Named President of Bank Midwest

At its annual employee rally on November 10, Bank Midwest Chairman and CEO Steve Goodenow named Mary Kay Bates president of the \$700 million bank effective January 1, 2016. Bates was previously Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, leading the company's administrative and operational functions with an emphasis on strategic and organizational development.



"Mary Kay brings more than 25 years of banking experience to this position as well as an impressive resume of successes at Bank Midwest," states Goodenow. "Her customer-centric focus and demonstrated leadership skills will serve Bank Midwest well as we continue to grow and expand our reach in the financial services industry."

"I am honored to lead such a great company that is well positioned for future growth with a dedicated team of employees that demonstrate an unwavering focus on serving the needs of our customers," said Bates. "I look forward to leading Bank Midwest at a time of great opportunity as we adapt to the changing ways in which our customers choose to do business and delivering new solutions that help our customers grow, solve problems, and achieve their goals."

Bates is active in civic community organizations and is past president of the Bedell Family YMCA and Iowa Great Lakes Chamber of Commerce. She has served on multiple boards including Iowa Lakes Corridor Development Corporation, Pearson Lakes Art Center, Okoboji Tourism and IGL Rotary. Currently, she is a Trustee of Lakes Regional Healthcare and a board director for Lakes Regional Healthcare Foundation.

Bank Midwest is an employee-owned organization and recently named in the Top 100 Workplaces in the state of Iowa. Home of the "Great Experience", Bank Midwest is a diversified financial services company with 11 locations throughout Iowa, Minnesota and South Dakota. The bank has assets of \$700 million, and is a full-service financial institution offering loans and traditional FDIC-insured accounts, as well as insurance, investment and trust services. (Investment and insurance services are not deposits, not FDIC insured, not guaranteed by the bank and may go down in value.)

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Lakes Regional Healthcare Welcomes First Baby Of 2016

Congratulations to Marissa Eades and Nate Oulman of Estherville. They are the proud parents of Braxton Eugene, Dickinson County's New Year's Baby. Braxton was born at Lakes Regional Healthcare (LRH) on January 1 at 12:27am weighing five pounds, 15 ounces and measured 19 inches in length.

"What a wonderful surprise for us to have the New Year's Baby - something we never expected since we were not due until January 8," said Marissa. "We are thankful for our beautiful baby boy and the spectacular gifts we received. We appreciate the extraordinary staff here at Lakes Regional Healthcare for the care and support that was given to us during our stay."

LRH donated gifts for the first baby born in the new year, and Brownmed donated a NuRoo scarf, swaddler, and beanie. LRH Obstetrics Supervisor Katie Furman said, "We enjoy providing care to our new parents and babies, and welcoming in a new year with the New Year's Baby is something fun we especially like to celebrate."

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Milford Library News

Are you in 5th - 12th grade and need something to do on Wednesday, January 20, at 3:30pm? Come to the Milford Memorial Library to make CD art! All supplies are provided by the library at no cost to the students.

"Simon Watson, a librarian, lives alone on Long Island in his family home. His parents are dead. One day, Simon receives a mysterious book and it is inscribed with his grandmother's name. Simon must decode the mysteries of the book before the next tragedy." This is a summary from The Book of Speculation by Erika Swyler. Check out this book and the many others Milford Memorial Library owns as part of BuzzFeed's The 24 Best Fiction Books of 2015. You can see the entire list of 24 books on BuzzFeed's website at <http://www.buzzfeed.com/isaacfitzgerald/books-we-loved-in-2015#.du52ZDje2r>.

Join us for great stories and much more every Friday morning at 10:00! Betty, our children's librarian, looks forward to sharing stories with you! No pre-registration is necessary. The theme this week is "Gingerbread Men."



NATIONAL MENTORING MONTH PROCLAMATIONS - Lakes area towns have issued proclamations for January to be recognized as National Mentoring Month and call upon public officials, business and community leaders, and educators, and encourage all area citizens to observe this month with appropriate ceremonies, activities and programs.

Pictured are Paula Edwards, Kinship Mentoring Coordinator and Mary Woude, Mayor of Okoboji.



9th District Oratorical Winner

The American Legion National High School Oratorical Contest was held on January 10, 2016, at the Sheldon Community School Auditorium.

Pictured above are James Harmon and 9th District Oratorical Chairman, James Kessler.

Harmon, a junior at Harris-Lake Park Community School, placed first in the contest and will be representing the 9th District in the Area III contest on January 24 at Charter Oak, Iowa. He will be competing against two other American Legion District Champions from southwest Iowa and west central Iowa.

Harmon is representing and sponsored by American Legion Post #371 in Lake Park.

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Tom Erichsen, pictured top, of Erichsen, Eckard & Associates, PC has announced that William (Bill) Kallsen, pictured bottom, has joined his accounting and tax practice as a managing partner and part owner of the firm. As a result of Kallsen joining the firm, the company has changed its official name to Erichsen, Kallsen & Associates, CPAs, L.L.P. This change was effective January 1, 2016.

According to Tom Erichsen, "we are very excited to have a professional with Bill's accounting, tax preparation, financial management, corporate auditing, business advising and technical experience join our firm. His expertise will bring additional competencies to our ongoing mission of providing top level tax planning, financial and business consultation to our northwest Iowa clients. Bill's diverse internal auditing experience and leadership abilities will create exciting opportunities for the company and expand professional services to clientele."



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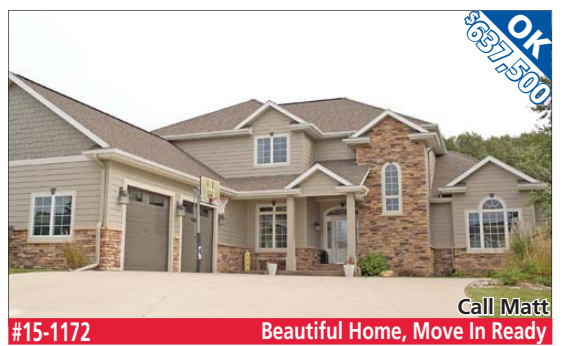
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Daytime Morning schedule table with columns for time slots (6am-11:30am) and channel/program details.

Daytime Afternoon schedule table with columns for time slots (12pm-5:30pm) and channel/program details.

Wednesday Evening schedule table for January 20, 2016, with columns for time slots (6pm-11:30pm) and program details.

Thursday Evening schedule table for January 21, 2016, with columns for time slots (6pm-11:30pm) and program details.

Friday Evening schedule table for January 22, 2016, with columns for time slots (6pm-11:30pm) and program details.

Saturday Morning schedule table for January 23, 2016, with columns for time slots (6am-11:30am) and program details.

Saturday Afternoon January 23, 2016. Table with columns for time slots (12 pm to 5:30) and various TV programs like WFTC, KTVI, KPHM, KMEG, etc.

New Horizons Psychiatric Care advertisement featuring Roxann Hackbarth. Text includes 'Specializing in Diagnosis & Evaluation of: •Psychiatric Evaluation', '•Medication Management', and '•Mood Disorders'. Contact info: 712-338-6911, 1004 21st Street, Box 207 • Milford, IA 51351.

LINK magazine advertisement. '5 CELEBRITY SPOTLIGHTS' including POPPY MONTGOMERY, BROOKE SHIELDS, ELIZABETH BLAU, LILY JAMES, and GEOFFREY ZAKARIAN. 'WHAT'S FOR DINNER' featuring 'Junk Food Flip'. 'EXCLUSIVE! PROFILED ATHLETE KENNEDY WEEKS'. 'CHECK IT OUT! YourTVLink magazine is in the digital edition of LAKES NEWS SHOPPER'. 'This entertainment digital magazine is all about your favorite shows and upcoming specials. Click on "YourTVLink" on the orange banner.'

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Green Waste Attendant**

The City of Spirit Lake, Iowa seeks to fill a part-time position of Green Waste Attendant. Responsible for directing public to proper areas for drop-off of green waste, supervising access to Green Waste Site of Spirit Lake and Orleans residents and enforcing rules of the site. The position will involve part time work on Saturdays and Sundays, spring, summer and fall and also part time work during the week. Hourly wage will be dependent upon experience/qualifications.

Applications are available at City Hall.
Submit to: Gregg L. Owens, City Administrator,
1803 Hill Avenue, Spirit Lake, IA 51360 by
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EMPLOYMENT

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FOOD SAFETY/QUALITY ASSURANCE COORDINATOR

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Interested candidates should visit the Employment Opportunities page on the Okoboji Schools website for details on how to apply for this position. No paper copies please.

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Hike The Wild

Snowshoes, snow boots, hiking boots, sneakers, sandals. Break out whatever kind of hiking footwear the season calls for and join the Dickinson County Conservation Board's monthly Hike the Wild program.

The 2016 calendar kicks off Tuesday, January 26, with a trip to the Horseshoe Bend Wildlife Area to hike the beautiful Little Sioux River flood plain to search for signs of wildlife in the snow. Weather permitting, naturalist Charles Vignal will give a lesson on using snowshoes in deep snow and will give an opportunity to practice with the apparatus during the hike.

"We will be looking for tracks, scat and areas where animals have been active and hopefully seeing some wildlife up close," Vignal said. "We will be hiking down into the flood plain, making this program a more intermediate-level hike. Plus, make sure to always dress for the weather."

For each Hike the Wild, meet at the Dickinson County Nature Center at 9:30am and caravan to the site. All ages are invited to attend the hikes to explore new and familiar terrain and to learn about a variety of topics, from glacial history to fall foliage.

"Hike the Wild programs are a great way to get out of the house, discover new wild areas and learn about some of the things you might see out in nature from a naturalist," Vignal said. Conservation board staff enjoy taking the public to beautiful areas throughout the county that they may have never explored before.

"We hope once they experience these area gems that they will then return in their free time to explore and relish the outdoors even more," said Kiley Roth, community relations coordinator. Hikes are scheduled for the fourth Tuesday of each month and will take participants to the following locations:

- Jan. 26: Horseshoe Bend Wildlife Area
- Feb. 23: Ainsworth-Orleans Beach
- March 22: Freda Haffner Kettlehole
- April 26: Kettlestone Hoggsback
- May 24: Little Sioux Savanna
- June 28: Barney Peterson Memorial Trail
- July 26: Westport Park
- Aug. 23: Pillsbury Point and Abbie Gardner Cabin
- Sept. 27: Fort Defiance State Park
- Oct. 25: Diamond Lake Complex
- 3:00pm Nov. 23: Kenue Park Turkey Trot
- 3:00pm Dec. 22: Kenue Park Winter Solstice Hike

For more information, visit www.dickinsoncountynaturecenter.com or call 712-336-6352. You can also keep up with what's going on at the nature center by following us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

Blood Donations Urgently Needed By The American Red Cross

The American Red Cross urgently needs blood donors to make an appointment to give this winter. Eligible blood donors of all types are needed, especially those with O, AB, B negative and A negative.

Blood is needed to respond to emergencies large and small, across the country every day. For Heather Von Glahn, it was a personal emergency - her 8-year-old daughter's leukemia diagnosis - that inspired her to make the commitment to give blood regularly. "I've seen blood save her life at least 10 times," said Von Glahn. "When friends and family ask what they can do for my daughter, I tell them to donate blood. It matters so much!"

Blood donations are urgently needed now and throughout the winter to maintain a sufficient blood supply for patients in need. Make an appointment to donate blood by downloading the free Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting redcrossblood.org or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

Upcoming blood donation opportunities:

- Milford - 2/3/2016: 1pm - 6pm, Community Center, 9th & Okoboji Spirit Lake - 2/11/2016: 1pm - 6pm, Grace Lutheran Church
- Armstrong - 2/4/2016: 1pm - 6pm, North Union High School
- Estherville - 2/2/2016: 12:30pm - 5:30pm, St. Patrick DuHigg Church
- Ocheyedan - 2/15/2016: 1pm - 7pm, Christian Reformed Church

How to donate blood: Simply download the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) to make an appointment or for more information. All blood types are needed to ensure a reliable supply for patients. A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age (16 with parental consent in some states), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements.

Blood donors can now save time at their next donation by using RapidPass to complete their pre-donation reading and health history questionnaire online, on the day of their donation, prior to arriving at the blood drive. To get started and learn more, visit redcrossblood.org/RapidPass and follow the instructions on the site.

About the American Red Cross: The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides emotional support to victims of disasters; supplies about 40 percent of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; provides international humanitarian aid; and supports military members and their families. The Red Cross is a not-for-profit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to perform its mission. For more information, please visit redcross.org or visit us on Twitter at @RedCross.

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Knights of Columbus Treats Altar Servers to Bowling and Pizza

Lakes area boys and girls from St. Mary's Catholic Church were treated to a bowling and pizza recognition event over the Christmas holiday break this year.

Nearly 20 middle school and high school kids bowled a few lines at the newly renovated Corner Lanes in Spirit Lake. After that, they enjoyed pizza and beverages at nearby Pizza Ranch.

Mike Hawn, Warden of Iowa Great Lakes Council 5043, hatched the idea last fall. Up to four of the children make arrangements to serve at each of the three weekend masses every week - not to mention funerals, weddings, etc.

"They don't get the recognition they deserve" Hawn said, "so I thought the Knights of Columbus - as an order of Catholic men dedicated to promoting charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism - should do something special for them."

The Knights of Columbus officers chaperoning the event were Jim Miller, Grand Knight, John Steinkamp, Trustee, Mike Hawn, Warden, and Paul Katzfey, Recorder.

Iowa Great Lakes Council 5043 is one of the most active in Iowa, in the past year contributing more than \$18,000 to local community needs, including ECHO Plus, Iowa Helping Hands Fund, American Wheelchair Mission, the Grotto of the Redemption, Cherish House, Lauren Schell's India Mission, Women of the Well Project, Honor Flight for Veterans, as well as to local family, community and parish needs. Local Knights sponsor annual youth events including the Free Throw Competition and the Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee. They also run the Tootsie Roll Drive for Persons with Intellectual Disabilities Labor Day weekend, benefiting local organizations.

The Knights of Columbus is an international Catholic family fraternal service organization with 1.8 million members in more than 14,000 local councils. Last year, Knights donated more than 71 million volunteer hours and \$173 million to charitable and benevolent causes, sponsoring projects to benefit their church, councils, communities, families and youth.



Bird Haven Reflections
by Carole Lochmiller

Observing Nature From Inside

We're making ice here in northwest Iowa! I know many ice fishermen, and they have been anxiously awaiting good ice. We were teased a bit, but during that time we were able to watch bald eagles fishing on Center Lake and that was thrilling to me.

Then the real winter arrived, and the lakes froze up which is supposed to happen in northwest Iowa. From my kitchen window I can see the snowmobilers at Memorial Park, something I also enjoy. I love winter and this is my 15th in this corner of Iowa. This person does not like being cold, however, so I'll let the others do the cold activities and I'll observe.

Without this kind of winter, we would be subjected to more bugs and plant diseases come next spring. I am reminded of the year I planted over 100 daffodil bulbs atop my retaining wall only to have the weather be mild all winter, and all those bulbs rotted. So give me winter because without it we would not have as beautiful a spring or appreciate it as much.

Great Backyard Bird Count

February brings the 18th Annual Great Backyard Bird Count (GBBC). This is a worldwide event sponsored by the Cornell Lab of Ornithology, the National Audubon Society and Bird Studies Canada. This year the 4-day event is February 13 - 16.

There are an increasing number of participants each year and since the count is now global, there is more interest than ever with 135 countries participating last year. Participants count for any length of time they wish and report the sightings online at www.birdcount.org or just type in GBBC and follow the directions.

It is easy; I did it. Bird watching is an ever-growing hobby, so if you feed birds plan to participate. Without our information, declines in populations or increase in populations are overlooked. This study also tracks migratory patterns, which are very important. Less than my 15 years ago, the first eagle nest in the area was a very hush, hush affair. Now we can observe them many places.

Without the GBBC they would not know the species and number of northern birds that call our area their southern home for the winter. So our counts are very important to those studies.

Pine Siskins, Red-breasted Nuthatches, Crossbills and Redpolls are among the birds that over winter here. Plus the Snowy Owl, whose sightings always cause A FLURRY OF EXCITEMENT. And yes there are reports this year.

We will be able to help anyone report their counts February 13-16. You can do your count right at home on your computer or call Wendell and me at Bird Haven (712-336-2473) or come into the store with your count numbers.

Remember to enjoy winter even if it is from your cozy home. Spring will be more welcoming and enjoyable after a long, cold northwest Iowa winter.



(photo by Wendell Hansen): A Mourning Dove enjoying the platform feeder at Bird Haven.

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PROGRAM MENTOR: Family Services Network Collaborative and Des Moines Valley Health and Human Services are seeking a part time mentor in Jackson County for their Project Intercept and Community Support Programs. This individual will work with and mentor youth and adults in individual and group activities. Flexible hours- can average 10-15 hpw and could include some evenings. Education or experience working with children and/or adults preferred. Interested applicants need to send a letter of application and resume by February 1, 2016 to: Bonnie Traetow, Director, Family Service Network, 402 White Street, Jackson, MN. 56143. 1-14c EOE

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