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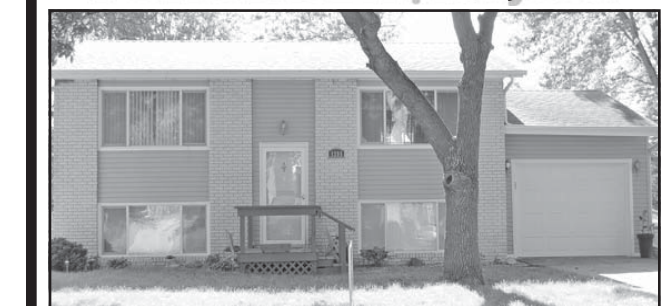
All are welcome in celebrating and learning more about Buena Vista and Dickinson Counties' distinguished Home Base Iowa appointments on Thursday, January 28, 2016. HBI Communities offer additional incentives beyond statewide benefits for veterans and transitioning service members.

The Buena Vista County Designation event will be held at the Storm Lake Armory, 1601 Park Street, Storm Lake, at 10:00am.

The Dickinson County Designation event will be held at the Arnolds Park Pavilion, 37 Lake Street, Arnolds Park, at 4:00pm.

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Local bartenders will duke it out behind the bar!
The winning cocktail will have naming rights and will be featured on our 2016 menu! Taste the libations and vote for your favorite mix! All tips will be donated to the charity chosen by the winning bartender!

THE BAREFOOT BAR'S 4th ANNUAL CHARITY BATTLE OF THE BARTENDERS
THURSDAY, JANUARY 28 IN THE TIKI IN THE TENT AT PARKS MARINA

BAREFOOT SALE!! Up to 75% off select stuff all weekend long!

Don't miss our Boats On Ice boat show at Parks Marina! Deals you can only find when the lake is frozen! Hundreds of boats on display!

Hot food available in the tent at Parks Marina! AND Almost everything is on sale in the Surf Okoboji Showroom at Okoboji Boat Works!

Fishing licenses, trail permits, snowmobile rentals and ice skating with rentals are available at Okoboji Boat Works!

THE BAREFOOT BAR'S 4th ANNUAL CHARITY WINTER GAMES

THURSDAY AT PARKS MARINA
5pm Locals "Pre-Games" Party at the Tiki in the Tent
6-7pm The Barefoot Bar's Charity Battle of the Bartenders at the Tiki in the Tent
6:30pm Damon Dotson - NO COVER!!

FRIDAY
ALL DAY Boats On Ice Show at Parks Marina on East Lake
8am-2pm O'Farrell Sisters is open in Smith's Bay on West Lake
2pm Tiki in the Tent is open at Parks Marina on East Lake
8pm The Fish House at Okoboji Boat Works is open in Smith's Bay on West Lake
Johnny Holm Band in the Tiki In The Tent at Parks Marina on East Lake
Ride the Tiki Tour Bus all weekend long from East to West Lake! Free all weekend with wristband!

SATURDAY
ALL DAY Boats, Bikes and Snowmobiles on Ice Show at Parks Marina on East Lake
Harley Davidson Dyno Truck display!
Helicopter rides at Parks Marina on East Lake
Up to 75% off in the Surf Showroom at Okoboji Boat Works on West Lake
7am-2pm O'Farrell Sisters is open in Smith's Bay on West Lake
8am Tiki in the Tent is open at Parks Marina on East Lake
Flag Football sponsored by Parks Marina on the ice at Parks Marina on East Lake
The Fish House at Okoboji Boat Works is open in Smith's Bay on West Lake
10am Painting with CreativeSpiritsOkoboji.com in the Tiki in the Tent at Parks Marina on East Lake
11am-1pm The Polka Police in the Tiki in the Tent at Parks Marina on East Lake
Kids games on the ice at Parks Marina on East Lake: Bowling, Kite Flying, Bean Bag Toss, and tubes for sledding!
11am-2pm LIVE ice carving by award winning Minneapolis Artists from Metro Ice Sculptures sponsored by Volvo Penta! Also see the ice bar and two ice shot luges!
Sled Dog demo! Kids will get the chance to have a ride from a real sled dog team at Parks Marina on East Lake
1pm Tim Horsman in the Tiki in the Tent at Parks Marina on East Lake
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12-6pm ATV/Motorcycle Studded Ice Oval Races! Sign up at 9am. Warm-ups 12-1pm.
Karaoke and DJ Dance Tunes in the Fish House at Okoboji Boat Works in Smith's Bay on West Lake
3pm Mighty Nish Band in the Tiki in the Tent at Parks Marina on East Lake
7pm Maiden Dixie in the Tiki in the Tent at Parks Marina on East Lake
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SUNDAY
7am-2pm O'Farrell Sisters is open in Smith's Bay on West Lake
10am-3pm Boats, Bikes and Snowmobiles on Ice Show at Parks Marina on East Lake
Barefoot Blowout Clothing Sale - up to 75% off at Parks Marina on East Lake
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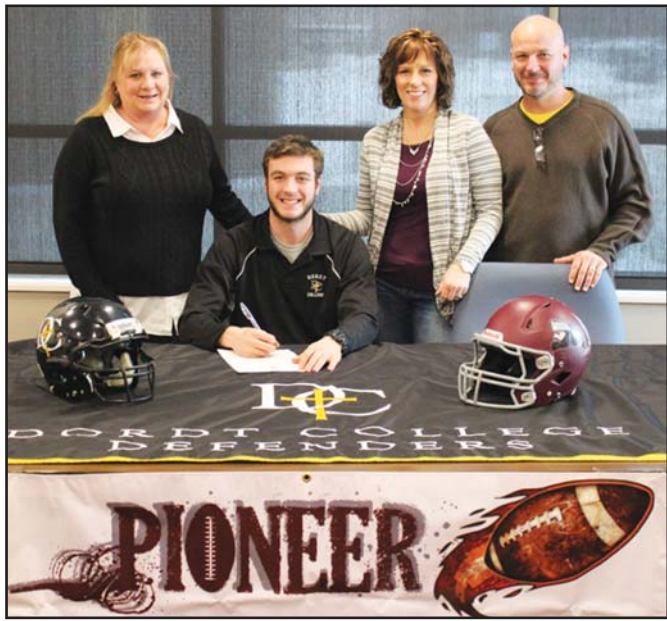
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Okoboji Wireless Welcomed To Milford

Okoboji Wireless is excited to announce the opening of their second store location at 913 Okoboji Avenue, in Milford. They are located in the former Midwest Satellite building downtown and are open Monday through Friday from 9:00am to 5:00pm. Pictured are Milford Commercial Club members Nate Johnson, Rachel Sirola and Corey Langner welcoming Nick Origer and Jeremy Frey, of Okoboji Wireless, to the Milford Community.

Okoboji Wireless is your lakes area premium retailer for wireless, Dish Network, DIRECTV, IGL TeleConnect, Century Link and Vivint security systems. They also do cell phone repair, custom installs and TV mounting among other things. Jeremy Frey, owner, says the new store opened Monday November 16th. Frey says they also brought back a familiar face in Nick Origer as store manager. Their Spirit Lake office has been serving the lakes area the past 6 years, located across from Dyno's right next to Employment Connections. Stop by and see them at the new Milford location for all of your cellular, satellite, security and internet needs or call 712-338-7500.

The Mission of the Milford Commercial Club is to foster partnerships and collaboration of all members in order to promote Milford member businesses. Please remember to shop locally to help support the businesses that support local events.

WARM UP DURING WINTER GAMES!!!
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Pioneers Win Championship

The Okoboji 8th Grade Girls OYBA team won the Spencer Tailtwister Tournament on January 16, in Spencer. The Pioneers defeated North Union, Sioux City East Black Raiders and Pocahontas on their way to the title.

Pictured above (front row) Magan Christopherson, Camry Jones, Annie Klatt and Mackenzie Brunning; (back row) Alexis Neilsen, Ella Skinner, Samantha Grems and Kallyn Stumbo. Okoboji is coached by Brett Stumbo and Chad Jones.

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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 so 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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household size, type of fuel, and type of housing. 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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Award Winning Ice Sculpturer To Carve Live Winter Games Weekend

Winter Games Presenting Sponsor, Parks Marina will play host to an award winning ice carving company at this year's University of Okoboji Winter Games. Metro Ice Sculptures of the Twin Cities area will be demonstrating a live ice carving at 11am, Saturday, January 30, at Parks Marina on East Lake Okoboji.



In 2010, 2011, 2014 and 2015, the Twin Cities based company won the coveted St. Paul, Minnesota, Winter Carnival individual ice carving competition and the 2014 multi-block ice carving competition. They have been featured on local Minnesota broadcasts, such as KARE 11 News and Twin Cities Live as well as national commercials for "Explore Minnesota". Metro Ice Sculptures has also worked with some of the biggest companies in the world, including Red Bull, Coca-Cola, Best Buy, 3M and Target. The live carving will be sculpted using a chainsaw, chisels, die grinders and is estimated to take from 2-3 hours. Volvo Penta will be co-sponsoring the live art event, but it is not the only piece being featured by the acclaimed company over the weekend. You will see an 80" ice bar with shot luges inside the Tiki In the Tent at Parks Marina. Those ice carvings are sponsored by Five Star Roofing of Spirit Lake, Fireball and Dr. McGillicuddy. Winter Games events at Parks Marina on East Lake Okoboji will kick off Thursday, January 28, at 6:00pm with the 4th Annual Battle of the Bartenders Charity competition, co-sponsored by Malibu. Other activities include a boat show, flag football, human dogsled races, motorcycle and 4 wheeler ice oval racing, helicopter rides, kids games, a real dogsled team, motorcycle and snowmobile display, live music and snowmobile radar run, among much more. For a full schedule of Winter Games events at Parks Marina visit www.parksmarina.com.

Jason's Third Annual Winter Games Benefit 7:00pm - Thursday, January 28

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For more information contact Jason Grinnen 330-2112



Pancake Breakfast

The Milford Boy Scouts will serve their annual Winter Games pancake and sausage breakfast Saturday, January 30, 8:00am to 12:00 noon at the Okoboji Middle School, in Arnolds Park.

Pancakes, sausage and a beverage will be available for \$7 for adults and \$5 for kids 5-12 with preschoolers eating free. Proceeds will be split between the Boy Scouts and community organizations.

The Milford Commercial Club is assisting with the breakfast. All are welcome.

By the Water's Edge
We Are All Part Of The Solution
By Steve Weisman

Even at age 67, every once in a while I get one of those "Ah-Ha" moments. You know, when you suddenly get this enlightenment of something you might have already known about, but not really understood. This past week I had one of those. Mike Hawkins, John Wills and I were visiting about water clarity and how much of an impact runoff has on our Iowa Great Lakes. We discussed the immensity of the Iowa Great Lakes Watershed, a total of approximately 90,631 acres! Wow!



That's when it hit me. No matter where we live in the Iowa Great Lakes Watershed, each of us impacts it. So, a farmer in southern Minnesota, an acreage owner a few miles from West Okoboji, a homeowner on one of our lakes or a resident in one of our communities...we all directly impact the bodies of water in the Iowa Great Lakes Watershed.

What does that really mean? If we are miles from a lake or stream, how can we have an impact on that water? What exactly is a watershed, and who cares? Here is a little background. First, there is the United States Geological Survey, a scientific agency for the United States government, that studies just this: the country's landscape, its natural resources and hazards that might threaten it.

Here is their definition of a watershed. A watershed is an area of land that drains all the streams and rainfall to a common outlet such as the outflow of a reservoir, mouth of a bay, or any point along a stream channel. It is further explained in this way. A watershed consists of surface water--lakes, streams, reservoirs, and wetlands--and all the underlying ground water. Larger watersheds contain many smaller watersheds. It all depends on the outflow point; all of the land that drains water to the outflow point is the watershed for that outflow location. Watersheds are important because the stream flow and the water quality of a river are affected by things, human-induced or not, happening in the land area "above" the river-outflow point.

Here in the Iowa Great Lakes watershed, the outflow point is where the water leaves Lower Gar. Everything uphill (mostly north) of that point to almost I-90 in southern Minnesota drains through our chain of lakes and leaves the area headed towards the Little Sioux River from that point.

Everything begins to happen when we have precipitation, whether it is rain or snow that falls on the ground. Some of that soaks into the ground, which helps support plant life. This plant life, depending on type and density, can slow down the runoff of excess water. Some water that infiltrates will remain in the shallow soil layer, where it will gradually move downhill, through the soil, and eventually enters the stream by seepage into the stream bank. Some of the water may infiltrate much deeper, recharging groundwater aquifers. Water may travel long distances or remain in storage for long periods before returning to the surface. At the same time, whatever has been placed on the soil such as fertilizer can affect the quality of the water that runs off.

Thinking specifically about the Iowa Great Lakes Watershed, sooner or later, all of the runoff from the 90,631 acres will impact our lakes! We all are part of what comes into our lakes. That is why it is so imperative that we all do what we can NOW to protect these waters. Once they reach the tipping point and become impaired waters, we may have nowhere left to go!

In 2010, the Dickinson Soil and Water Conservation District developed the Iowa Great Lakes Watershed Management Plan to help protect our waters. It's meant to help individuals, public and private groups and government entities as they work on water quality projects. The bottom line: clean up the water flowing into and out of the lake system.

Although there are huge challenges facing all of us who live in the Iowa Great Lakes Watershed, there are so many opportunities to make water quality better. In visiting with Jim Sholly, who works for the Dickinson Soil and Water Conservation District as the watershed coordinator for the Iowa Great Lakes, there are so many things individuals and groups can do. Sholly says there is a wide range of water quality improvement practices for both rural and urban areas and that improvements can be made in almost any setting. No practice or change in behavior is too small to improve water quality in our lakes. These practices are important no matter if it is around the lake or miles from the lake. We all need to be part of the solution.

For more information about how you can be part of the clean water solution, give Sholly a call at 712-336-3782 ext. 3.

In a future article, we will look at what a local landowner is doing to help protect a portion of the east side of Big Spirit from agricultural runoff and to diminish the amount of sediment and unwanted nutrients entering the lake.

FUN & GAMES

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SATURDAY
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The Okoboji Store | Lakeside Brunch | **8am**

Live Music by Keifer Brandt | **11am**

OFFICIAL EVENT:
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Live Music by 69Cents | **7pm**

SUNDAY
JAN. 31

The Okoboji Store
Lakeside Brunch | **8am**

Live Music by
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Boji Bay FUN HOUSE PAVILION

Boji Bay Announces 2016 Free Friday Concert Series

Tom Golden, CEO at Boji Bay in Milford Iowa announced today Boji Bay's musical line-up for their 2016 free Friday concert series. It will feature 15 artists, performing 13 shows throughout the Summer of 2016, and all the shows will be free.

"We are so excited for this year's Free concert series. There is something here for everyone. It will feature four national artists on Boji Bay's all new state of the art concert grounds." "The entertainment options for our visitors to the Lakes are endless. We are excited to be a part of that offering."

- Friday, June 3 Rich Lee & The Fabulous '50s (Tribute To Buddy Holly)
- Friday, June 10 Robby Vee & The Rock & Roll Caravan (Tribute To Bobby Vee)
- Friday, June 17 The Past Masters
- Friday, June 24 Templeton Rye Whiskey Presents National Country Recording Artist Jake McVey
- Friday, July 1 Rock A La Carte's Tribute To Queen Plus '60s & '70s
- Sunday, July 3 Milford Family Fun Evening "Bands, Burgers & Fireworks" With The Murphy Clark Band-Fairmont, MN & Neon Live Mankato, MN.
- Friday, July 8 National Recording Artists The Castaways "Liar Liar"
- Friday, July 15 The Brits British Invasion Tribute Show (3 Former Members of the Rumbles)
- Friday, July 22 Main Avenue Warehouse (10 Piece Horn Band)
- Friday, July 29 The Rolling Stoners (Rolling Stones Tribute Show)
- Friday, August 5 National Recording Artists-From Los Angeles, The Rip Chords (4 Million Records Sold- "Hey Little Cobra," "Three Window Coupe" & "Summer Means Fun")
- Friday, August 12 Opener: The Expressions National Recording Artists CROW "Evil Woman" (One Million Records Sold) Opener: From Mankato, MN The Murphy Brothers Band

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Arnolds Park, Iowa – Oak Hill Marina is pleased to announce the Oak Hill Marina Winter Games event, "Boats & Brews". The community is invited to participate in a day of free outdoor activities at Arnolds Park's Preservation Plaza, on January 30, from 8:00am to 4:00pm.



Oak Hill Marina is introducing their newest line of watercraft, Robalo Boats. Boaters in-the-know agree that Robalo's legendary HydroLift hull design rates among the driest and smoothest rides on the water today. Wide reverse chines and pronounced hull strakes deliver exceptional stability and performance, directing spray away from the boat like no other, providing maximum fuel efficiency and added maneuverability in shallow water.

A Bloody Mary bar and all-day music will be sponsored by Roswell Marine Audio starting at 8:00am. The first 100 Bloody Marys will be free. Tender Bison will be donating the grilled bison brats and hot dogs starting at 11:00am, free-will donations will be taken for the Lakes Area Fire & Rescue. Heaters will be provided under Oak Hill Marina's warming tent, a chance to participate in many games and craft beers to sample from Summit Brewery, Fulton Brewery, Sierra Nevada, West-O Beer and Okoboji Homebrewer's Guild. Oak Hill Marina will also be selling YETI lowball mugs with hot chocolate or cider. If they sell out, Jake Jostand and Tim Sather, owners of Oak Hill Marina, will be joining in the fun of the Polar Bear Plunge at 3:00pm. Oak Hill Marina is also helping to sponsor the Judd Hoos Concert immediately following the burning of the greens in the Roof Garden. Thanks to all of the sponsors for bringing this event to the community: Clary Lake Service, Home Gallery, Okoboji Homebrewers Guild, Roswell, Snook's, Tender Bison, West O Beer, Robalo Boats and Yeti. "Oak Hill Marina wanted to share the love of Winter Games with our community. Even though it may not all happen on the ice this year, we will have an outstanding event at Preservation Plaza," commented Jake Jostand, an owner of Oak Hill Marina.

Oak Hill Marina is owned and operated by Jake Jostand and Tim Sather. Oak Hill Marina is a family friendly marina in the Iowa Great Lakes, committed to making a difference for families in NW Iowa. "Laugh. Share. Reconnect." Oak Hill Marina.



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Boji Bay Fun House & Event Center Welcomes New Team Members

The Clubhouse at Boji Bay in Milford welcomes two new members to their management team: April Johnson and Jordan Vanden Heuvel. April Johnson is the new Front of House Manager. A native of Spencer, Iowa, she moved to the lakes area after high school and worked various positions in the hospitality/customer service industry. After a short stay in Des Moines, she returned to Northwest Iowa so she could be closer to her large family. April worked for Boji Bay Funhouse two summers prior to the opening of The Clubhouse as a waitress at Blu and then as a banquet server in the Event Center. She is very happy to be back in the area and to be part of the Boji Bay crew again.

Jordan Vanden Heuvel is the new Kitchen Manager in The Clubhouse. Jordan grew up in Rock Rapids, Iowa. His first job was working after school and on Saturdays for his grandfather and father at Rock Rapids Locker & Freezer Provisioning. There he learned the importance of food safety which he practices today. He also worked several years for Hy-Vee, in the seafood department and as a shift manager of the front end of the grocery store. Jordan has worked for some fine restaurants and has gained much experience in the kitchen.

April, Jordan and their staff are dedicated to making your experience at The Clubhouse one you will want to have again. Boji Bay is delighted to have these two as part of their team! Please stop by and meet them when you can.



Okoboji Summer Theatre Association Meeting

Announcement of 2016 Season Productions
 The public is welcome to attend the Okoboji Summer Theatre Association's (OSTA) annual Winter Games meeting, Saturday, January 30, 2:00pm at the Arnolds Park Maritime Museum Hedberg Theatre. The announcement of the 2016 Okoboji Summer Theatre season productions will be made by Okoboji Summer Theatre staff, Ruth Ann Burke, Executive Director, Gail Humphries Mardirosian, Artistic Director, and Michael Burke, Director of production and operations. Earlier in the day will be the OSTA annual omelet brunch, 8:00am-1:00pm at the Arnolds Park Pavilion. Proceeds from the omelet brunch go towards Summer Theatre student scholarships. 2016 Summer Theatre Discount Voucher booklets will be on sale for \$143 at the meeting and the omelet brunch.

The Okoboji Summer Theatre Association (OSTA) is a group of volunteers who support the goals of the program, staff, and students of the Okoboji Summer Theatre. Since 1953, OSTA has supported the Okoboji Summer Theatre by encouraging attendance, providing scholarships to Stephens College students, and sponsoring one show each season. For membership information about OSTA, contact co-presidents Ron and Evy Robinson, 712-338-4342. OSTA is a nonprofit corporation 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization.

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Kiwanis Inducts New Members

The Spirit Lake Noon Kiwanis inducted four new members on January 21, during their regular meeting Thursday noon at Wesley Place in Spirit Lake. Pictured are Angie Vos (new member), Norm Johnson (sponsor), Ryan Schmidt (sponsor), Dr. Steven Baskerville (new member), Ray Miller (new member), Jeff Thee (new member).

"It is always exciting to welcome new members to better help us attain our goals in serving the community. I am really looking forward to working with them and I know they will be a great asset to our club," stated Club President Brent Harris.

Are you looking for an opportunity to volunteer? Looking to get involved in a club that strives to make a difference in the community and have fun at the same time? The Spirit Lake Noon Kiwanis welcomes you to attend a meeting any Thursday noon to see just how easy it is to get involved.

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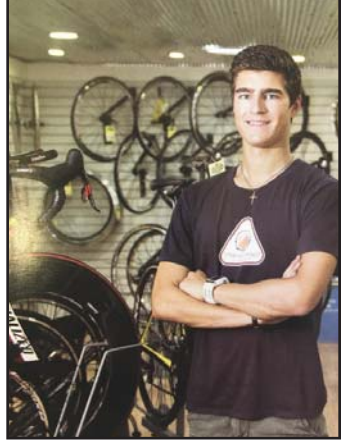
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Geared Up For A Change

A change is what the area needed and Taylor Huseman, the new owner of the Okoboji Expedition Company, has done that. Just over 2 years ago, Huseman began his life here at the lakes with one goal in mind and that was to give the community something it needed: A stronger cycling presence.

"It's not about fixing and selling bikes. Yes, of course we do that, but that is just a small piece to a larger puzzle. There is so much more that can be explored in the cycling world and the area is primed for it," stated Huseman.

He saw the chance to make a change with how the area population viewed cycling, and "road" away with it. Whether you're a first-time rider wondering what size bike you need or a seasoned veteran who knows aero makes all the difference, the Okoboji Expedition Company has the knowledge and equipment you seek. Next time you're out and about, stop in to Okoboji Expedition Company at 1021 Highway 71 South in Okoboji, and test their knowledge. You won't be disappointed you did, because sometimes a change is all you need.



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Huseman, Kooiker, and Wills Host Mid Sioux Opportunity

Recently, Representatives Dan Huseman (R-Aurelia), John Wills (R-Spirit Lake), and John Kooiker (R-Boyden) hosted members of Mid Sioux Opportunity at the Capitol. Mid Sioux Opportunity was visiting the Statehouse for FADSS Day on the Hill.

Pictured are Representative Wills, Representative Kooiker, Kayla Lennen, Katie Vis, Laura Benson, and Representative Huseman.

Valentine's Day Dinner & Show

Valentine's Day Dinner & Show Fundraising Gala Benefiting Rally 4 Veterans will be held Friday, February 12, 2016, featuring Shaun Johnson and The Big Band Experience at the Clay County Regional Events Center. Tickets are \$100/person. Includes a variety of hors d'oeuvres; 1 glass of wine and 1 glass of champagne on the house; chocolate fountain; choice of four dinner options: seared ribeye, amaretto chicken, smoked wild mushroom risotto, alaskan halibut; New York cheesecake or red velvet layer cake, and show ticket. All meals will be served with a variety bread basket and a house salad with a herb vinaigrette dressing. Hors d'oeuvres - 6:00pm; dinner - 7:00; live music - 8:30pm. A cash bar will also be available.

Proceeds of this event will be donated to Rally 4 Veterans in Laurens, Iowa, to help provide a service dog to an Iowan veteran in 2016.

Concert tickets are available online at midwestix.com, by phone 515-244-2771 or at the Event Center Box Office Monday - Friday 9:00am - 4:00pm. Tickets are \$35 each, general admission only, entrance at 8:00pm. Concert ticket does not include entrance to event prior to concert.



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10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Winter Games Art Festival including local artisans with original works for purchase and a hot cocoa bar
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Family Art Project for all ages: Hand print snowmen on mini canvas, \$5 per person, pre-registration preferred but not required

Artists include: Tootie Powers, Lissa Potter, Holly Zinn, Kris Hackbart, Waxela Sonanda, Megan Wasson, Harper Hunter, Brock Bringle, Gene Polson, Ambrosia Slothower, Orville Mengedota, Jared Fenske, Rebekah Scott, Betty Selby-Syso, Karen Kinder, Jackie White "The Knitting Group," & more

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Saturday, January 30 • 10am to 2pm
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Andy Grammer To Perform With Special Guest Rachel Platten

The Clay County Fair is excited to announce that platinum selling recording artist Andy Grammer, with special guest Rachel Platten, will perform in the U.S. Cellular Grandstand on Sunday, September 11 at 7:30pm.

"You can hardly turn on the radio or television right now without hearing Andy Grammer or Rachel Platten," said CCF Manager Jeremy Parsons. "It's a pleasure to bring them both to the Clay County Fair for what is sure to be an unforgettable night."

With his debut album in 2011, Andy Grammer spawned the hit singles "Keep Your Head Up" and "Fine By Me." His success has only grown from there. His second album Magazines or Novels has been even more successful with "Back Home" as the first single. The album's next two singles, "Honey, I'm Good" and "Good To Be Alive (Hallelujah)" are currently dominating the airwaves.

Grammer's background singing on Santa Monica's Third Street Promenade helped him hone his performance style, and clued him in on audience expectations. This past fall he showed off another talent as one of the celebrities to dance on the 21st season of "Dancing with the Stars." His success this year would exceed even his expectations. "That I even get to play a sold-out show where people know the words, and I'm singing about things I'm connected to is such a blessing," he says. "It's the equivalent of a nine-year-old saying 'I want to be an astronaut when I grow up' and then getting to go to the moon. This year I've been to the moon, and it's awesome."

Rachel Platten found her first big spark with "Fight Song," which sold more than 2 million downloads in the U.S. alone. Platten's major label debut, Wildfire, was released January 1, and she recently premiered the beautifully uplifting music video for her current single "Stand By You," another emotionally empowering anthem from the songstress. But ask Platten what she wants people to take away from her music and she says, "I'm in love with the idea of connecting people. Bringing people together is to me, the most important thing we can do in this life. I feel like that's my mission with my music. I think that's why I'm getting this chance right now."

Tickets will go on sale Friday, February 5 at 10:00am. Prices are \$38 (general admission stage front standing), \$33 (reserved Grandstand seating), and \$28 (general admission bleacher seating). Tickets will be available at www.claycountyfair.com or by calling 1-515-244-2771.

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Camp Okoboji: Winter Games Family Fun And Ping Pong Tournament

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 uofowintergames.org, campokoboji.org or by calling the camp office 712-337-3325. Camp Okoboji is located at 1531 Edgewood Drive, in Wahpeton, 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.

Please help us wish our **Dad, Loran Anderson, a Happy 70th Birthday** on **January 29, 2016.**
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Choice of 3 Soups in a Bread Bowl, Fresh Veggies, Dessert & Beverages
 Served from 5:00 - 6:45 p.m.
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ILCC JAZZFEST
 Toni Hoffmann (above) directs the Okoboji High School Jazz Band during last week's Iowa Lakes Community College Jazz Festival. At right, Harris - Lake Park High School's jazz band, directed by Emily Gladfelter, placed third in Class 1A.



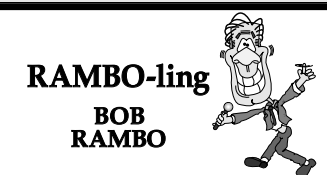
SL Jazz Band Contest Postponed
 The Iowa High School Music Association State Jazz Band Festival that was scheduled for Monday at Spirit Lake High School has been postponed until Wednesday due to inclement weather. The schedule at the SAMI Bedell Center for the Performing Arts begins with the Harris - Lake Park Jazz Band, at 3:00pm, and continues through 9:30pm, when Spirit Lake closes the program. Okoboji's jazz band is to perform at 7:30pm. Schedule information can be found at tinyurl.com/JazzBandFestSchedule2016.

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Okoboji first at ILCC, 11 deemed 'Outstanding'

Okoboji's high school jazz band, directed by Toni Hoffmann, earned the top spot in Class 2A competition last week at Iowa Lakes Community College; and Harris - Lake Park High School's jazz band, directed by Emily Gladfelter, placed third in Class 1A. Six Okoboji musicians — Lindsey Wittrock (alto sax), Riley Anderson and Luke Thompson (trumpet), Hannah Roberts (tenor sax), Thor Heimdal (trombone), and Mathew Grisham (bass) — earned Outstanding Soloist awards. And H-LP's Ashley Erne (tenor sax), and Katherin Ihnen (flugelhorn), also earned Outstanding Soloist awards. South O'Brien and Central Lyon placed first and second in Class 1A. Southeast Valley and Sibley - Ochevedan earned second and third places in Class 2A. Storm Lake, Gilbert and Le Mars earned the top three places in Class 3A, with three Spirit Lake players earning Outstanding Soloist awards. They are, Lucy O'Hagan (bari sax), Brittany Lende (alto Sax), and Lauren Laven (tenor Sax). I hope in the future to have some better news to share but I suppose we need to start somewhere. We congratulate all who participated in one of the earliest high school jazz band contests of the year...



Iowa Lakes will see more high school competition, today (Tuesday) and Wednesday, when 24 show and jazz choirs will be participating in the ILCC Show Choir and Jazz Choir Festival on the Estherville campus. Estherville - Lincoln Central will perform at 9:40 a.m., with the Spirit Lake Music Factory starting at noon. Graettinger - Terril Junior High School's Great Expectations will perform at 8:15 Wednesday morning. Today'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 - Ayshire (2:35 p.m.), and Spencer's Chromatic Jazz (3:15 p.m.). A complete schedule can be found at: <http://www.iowalakes.edu/music/>

Stagerat Stan emailed that he is only certain of just one of the three Okoboji Summer Theatre musicals scheduled for this summer, but said he has heard the other two are both Rodgers and Hammerstein epics (Our bet is one will be Cinderella -- that Stephens College had scheduled for the 2015 season.) The third musical highlight of the season — actually the opening show — is to be *The Spitfire Grill*, the musical adaptation of a 1996 motion picture that won the Audience Award at the Sundance Film Festival — and a \$10 million contract from Castle Rock Entertainment — the largest amount ever paid outright for an independent feature film. The story is that of a woman who goes to work in a small-town cafe after being released from prison. It is a story of redemption. Stan has done his homework on the road. He found that Associated Press critic Victor Gluck considered the stage musical as, "a lovely new musical in the Rodgers and Hammerstein tradition." In fact, the show won The Richard Rodgers Production Award, as presented by the American Academy of Arts and Letters. Although Stan wasn't able to talk to OST Artistic Director Gail Mardirosian, he suggested that the Dean will probably be present Saturday morning for the OST Association's Omelet Brunch at the Majestic Pavilion — and very willing to talk about all three musicals along with the dramas. Stan also said the OSTA will probably have its season coupon books available at the brunch, and the annual meeting in the Hedberg Theatre in the Maritime Museum building starting at 2 p.m...

This being the Winter Games weekend, it will be hard not to find music on just about every corner of the Campus. But just for the record, Jessie James and The Outlaws will be performing at what is dubbed as a "Pre-Winter Games Dance Party," Wednesday, from 7 - 9 p.m., at Table 316. And the Little Swan Lake Winery has invited *Ceolmhor* back to the stage in the barn to close the Winter Games, Sunday afternoon...

Research director RD has found that two great American songwriters come close to sharing a birthday this week. We celebrate the births of Jimmy Van Husen (1913) and Jerome Kern (1885) on Tuesday and Wednesday, respectively.

Friday, says RD, is Curmudgeon Day — to celebrate the crusty, yet insightful wags who apply the need of truth to the balloons of hypocrisy and social norms (a week before the Iowa caucuses!). And Saturday then becomes Fun at Work Day — a time to inject some laughter at the workplace, where most of us probably won't be on a Saturday...

Have a great and safe Winter Games weekend on the Campus of the UofO.
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 Spirit Lake: 11:30am IGL Women's Group — Senior Center, 2100 Zenith Avenue
 • Tuesdays
 Spirit Lake: 7:00pm Discussion Group — Lakes Regional Healthcare, 2301 Highway 71 South
 • Wednesdays
 Milford: 7:00pm Iowa Great Lakes Group — Harbor of Joy Church, 1204 L Avenue
 Spirit Lake: 12:00 Noon Brown Bag — Discovery House, 1411 Hill Avenue
 • Thursdays
 Arnolds Park: 8:00pm Candlelight Meeting — Arnolds Park City Hall, 1107 S. Highway 71
 Spirit Lake: 8:00pm Keep It Simple Group — First Presbyterian Church, 3501 Hill Avenue
 • Saturdays
 Spirit Lake: 11:00am Women's Big Book Study — Senior Center, 2100 Zenith Avenue
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Unmatched Carpenters Tribute Takes The Stage

Singer Lisa Rock and her 6-piece band are bringing the music of The Carpenters back to the stage with their spot-on renditions of Carpenters classics with Close to You: The Music of The Carpenters at Pearson Lakes Art Center on February 11, 2016.

Considered one of the best vocalists of all time, Karen Carpenter captured the attention of a generation with her unabashedly catchy pop music. The Carpenters' beautiful, memorable love songs topped the Billboard charts with more than a dozen number one hits. Now, singer and playwright Lisa Rock has arranged a 6-piece band, complete with back-up singers, and together they are dedicated to creating a Carpenters experience like no other. Rock's amazing four octave range allows her to sing the hits like "We've Only Just Begun" and "Rainy Days and Mondays" in their original key, keeping the songs genuine and more recognizable for the audience. "When she hits the lower range of her marvelous voice," notes Chicago critic Alan Bresloff, "if you close your eyes, you can see Karen Carpenter's face."

But Rock goes beyond the music in her concert. She draws the crowd in with anecdotes about Karen and Richard Carpenter, their lives and how some of the songs originated. Rock engages the audience to the point where they can't help but sing along with her and share the memories of The Carpenters and their music.

Close to You: The Music of The Carpenters comes to Pearson Lakes Art Center on Thursday, February 11 at 7:30pm. Tickets are \$25, \$20 for members, \$15 for students, and can be purchased by calling the Box Office at 712-332-7013 or by visiting LakesArt.org.

Pearson Lakes Art Center is located at 2201 US 71 in Okoboji, Iowa. Pearson Lakes Art Center houses six galleries, a performing arts theatre, an interactive gallery, classrooms, pottery room, library, events hall and gift shop. The Center welcomes its guests to enjoy a live performance, explore world-class art or to take a class and create.

Anniversary Announcement

Nick and Jennie Vos will celebrate 67 years on January 31, 2016. Their children and grandchildren would like to honor them with a card shower. Warm wishes can be sent to them at 707 Sunshine Run, Arnolds Park, Iowa 51331.



Wills Hosts Members Of Iowa Corn Growers

This week, Representative John Wills (R-Spirit Lake) on right, hosted members of the Iowa Corn Growers, Lowell Appleton, left, of Sanborn, and Jay Drenth, middle, of Rock Rapids, to the floor of the Iowa House of Representatives. Appleton and Drenth were visiting the Capitol to talk to local legislators during Iowa Corn Growers Day on the Hill.



WHOPPING CATCH—Jaides Essick, of Spencer, with Bluegill and Perch caught in Emerson Bay on January 17, 2016.

Winter Games Trap Shoot

Saturday, January 30

from 10am-2pm

at Izaak Walton Trap Grounds
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Birth Announcement

Theo James Long was born on January 1, 2016. He weighed 6 pounds and 14 ounces. Proud parents are Cody Long and Emlyn Mann of Yokota AFB, Japan. Grandparents are Tim and Darci Long, of Spirit Lake and Les and Deb Mann, of Wayne, Nebraska. Great-Grandparents are Don and Charlotte Sarvie, of Okoboji; Barb Woods, of Spencer; and Donald Kennedy, of Pendleton, Oregon.

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Spirit Lake Music Boosters Soup Dinner And Auction

The Spirit Lake Music Boosters will host a soup dinner and auction on Saturday, February 6, at The Sami Bedell Center for the Performing Arts. They will be serving chili, chicken noodle soup and potato corn chowder in freshly baked bread bowls, fresh veggies and dessert from 5:00 to 6:45pm for \$8 (adults) and \$4 (kids 5 to 10). Children 4 and under are free. Enjoy student musician performances during dining.

Bid on student and community silent auction items from 5:00 - 7:30. Live auction will begin at 7:30 with a preview of the Spirit Lake High School Vocal Jazz, Jazz Band, and Show Choir. New to the Auction this year: Buy it Now section for gift cards and select silent auction items and staggered close times for the silent auction to facilitate check-out.

Contact Barb Fuelberth, Spirit Lake Music Boosters auction/dinner chair barb@fuelberth.com with questions.

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As the grand finale to both celebrate America and celebrate 125 commemorations, the National Society of the DAR is staging an official Guinness World Records™ attempt for "most letters to military personnel collected in one month."

Deliver letters to the United Methodist Church in Spirit Lake, Iowa or contact Colleen Lemkuil at stancolleen37@gmail.com to pick the letters up. School children, veterans, caring public please write letters to the military. The local DAR chapter will mail them all in June, but they need them by May 4, to take to the Iowa State Daughters of the American Revolution annual meeting in Ames, Iowa. Mary Thunhorst, new regent, will bundle them and deliver them. Each letter must come from a different person. Put on your return address. Put on a stamp. You can help the local DAR send thank you's to soldiers. Use thank you cards, plain paper, notes or any thing to write a message to our soldiers. Thank you to our caring community.

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Knights Of Columbus Awards Spelling Bee Champions

Courageous Spirit Lake, Milford and Okoboji elementary and middle school boys and girls were honored as Council Champions of the 2016 Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee. The Iowa Great Lakes Council 5043 sponsored the competition January 14 in the Spirit Lake Middle School music room.

Several "spell-offs" made the competition interesting in each age bracket, and all participants followed the rules impeccably, showing strong confidence and great sportsmanship.

Owen Lalumendre won first place in the 4th Grade Division, with Sydney Hunt and Paige Hinrickson filling the second and third places. Blane Fuller took the honors in the 5th Grade Bracket. Carter Toews occupied second place, and Ashley Dean took the third spot. In the 6th Grade competition the winner was Lexi Duffy. Brianna Brands won second place, and Vance Katzfey took the third spot. Duffy is from Milford, Katzfey is from Okoboji and all the rest are from Spirit Lake.

Each participant could study a list of words beforehand. First and second place winners may compete in the regional competition February 21 at the Gehlen Catholic Schools in Le Mars. Winners there can then advance to the state competition at St. Cecilia Church in Ames March 6.

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.



With their winning certificates in the Fourth Grade division of the 2016 Knights of Columbus Iowa Great Lakes Council 5043 Spelling Bee are Sydney Hunt, 2nd Place; Paige Hinrickson, 3rd Place; and Owen Lalumendre, 1st Place.



With their winning certificates in the Fifth Grade division of the 2016 Knights of Columbus Iowa Great Lakes Council 5043 Spelling Bee are Ashley Dean, 3rd Place; Carter Toews, 2nd Place; and Blane Fuller, 1st Place.



With their winning certificates in the Sixth Grade division of the 2016 Knights of Columbus Iowa Great Lakes Council 5043 Spelling Bee are Brianna Brands, 2nd Place; Lexi Duffy, 1st Place; and Vance Katzfey, 3rd Place.

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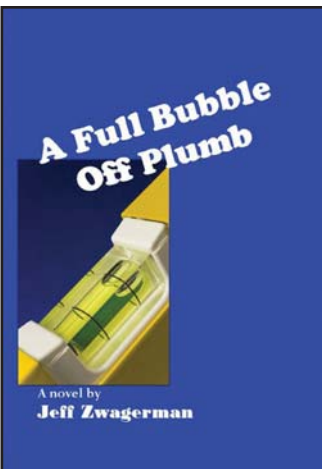
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Local Author Has His Second Book Published

Jeff Zwagerman who lives on East Lake Okoboji has his second mystery/thriller published by Oak Tree Press. These are the first two in the "Zander" series. Jeff Zwagerman is a former educator who taught Speech, Theatre, and English. He was a high school principal and Superintendent of schools with a B.S. in Theatre and Speech, M.A. in Educational Administration, and ED.S. in Education. He lives and plays on Lake Okoboji in Northwest Iowa. His first novel, Always A Kicker was the first in the Zander series. A Full Bubble Off Plumb continues the saga of the broken and damaged character. The third book, South Of Sideways, should be available in September. The books are available from oaktreepress.com, Amazon, Amazon Kindle, and Barnes And Noble's Nook. Locally, they are available from the Maritime Museum and Welcome Center, and Michael's Barber Shop.



The following is a short synopsis of a Full Bubble Off Plumb:
Going home after twenty years is never easy. It compounds itself, when the reason for going back home is to bury parents. Zander could have done the easy thing and let others help him in his time of turmoil and grief. He was powerless to follow that path, however. His father had said it best. He was like "a dog with a sock". Closing his parents' estate and settling their affairs could have been done anywhere. Zander chose to remain, and make sure it was done correctly. He was, after all, "a dog with a sock". Was there actually another reason? In his search for some deeper truth, Zander reconnects with some old acquaintances from his past life. He has hopes that these old friends and neighbors might be able to ground him once again. Then Quentin Stryker forces his way into an already damaged existence. A Full Bubble Off Plumb is a story about walking away from the small insignificant irritations in life, before they take you beyond the point of no return

ISU Students Named To Fall Semester Dean's List

More than 8,370 Iowa State University undergraduates have been recognized for outstanding academic achievement by being named to the 2015 fall semester Dean's List.
Students named to the Dean's List must have earned a grade point average of at least 3.50 on a 4.00 scale while carrying a minimum of 12 credit hours of graded course work.
Local students listed below qualified for the Dean's List:
Armstrong, IA – Emily Adrienne Hagebock, Matthew Thomas Kinlander, Gretchen Elizabeth Larson, Clint Michael McConnell, Paige Jillyayne Taylor
Arnolds Park, IA – Caitlin Ann Rolles, Allison Marie Wittrock, Ashton, IA – Andrew Stanley Nilles, Courtney Ann Scholten
Buffalo Center, IA – Collette Ann Haag
Estherville, IA – Rachel Marie Bates, Cj Arnold Cheever, Hannah Fraser, Alicia Anne Jorgenson, Morgan Marie Matthews, Gabriel Jacob McCoy, Rachael Jane Mueller, John T. Reisner, Winston A. Rosinger, Cassandra M. Sievert, Alec Thomas Wycoff
Everly, IA – Stacey Jo Geerdes
Jackson, MN – Austin K. Lucht
Lakefield, MN – Hailey Marie Ehlers, Alyssa Elaine Taplett
Milford, IA – Alexandra Marcine Adams, Olivia Joann Albright, Madison Kae Bates, Nicholas C. Chihlar, Sara Kathryn Mayer, Thomas Mayer, Tyler Anthony Ohl
Okoboji, IA – Brady James Thein, Kiley Jo Wermersen
Royal, IA – Tasia May Nielsen
Sibley, IA – Amelia L. Knuth, Tyler Keith Newman
Spencer, IA – Bradi Marie Baschke, Ryan Leland Crew, Casey Raymond Cunningham, Cayla Marie Cunningham, Anaya Faith Curry, Cassandra Ann Galm, Alex Jaye Halverson, Caleb Lawrence Heisinger, Jake T. Hinrichsen, Joshua Alan Hinrichsen, Clara K. Kiepe, Kyle Blair Long, Alexis Brianna Phelps, Lauren Elizabeth Schwarck, Brady Dallas Swanson, Sarah K. Van Berkum, William Woodcock, Emma S. Woolery, Hannah Elizabeth Zulk.
Spirit Lake, IA – Kyle J. Anderson, Carter Rose Hassel, Philip George Hutson, Brooke Meghan Janicek, Paige Elizabeth Krause, Alex J. Lende, Michaela A. Moffitt, Elena Dorothea Neuhaus, Jennifer Poncet, Katelynn Emily Rees, William Scott Rockman, Cara R. Vale, Mackenzie Jo Veldman, Nicholas Charles Wetzeler, Ayrton J. Williams
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Gustavus Adolphus College Announces 2015 Fall Semester Dean's List

The Fall Semester Dean's List at Gustavus Adolphus College has been released. The following students have earned a 3.7 grade point average (based on a scale in which 4.0 = A) or higher for the semester ending in December 2015: Emma Leigh Myhre, of Estherville, Iowa; Adriane Rentschler, of Lakefield, Minnesota.

Exit Realty Midwest Welcomes Scott Reynolds As New Agent

Brad Sanderson, Broker/Owner of Exit Realty Midwest, is pleased to announce the addition of Scott Reynolds to their staff of professionals as a Full-Time Realtor. Scott was previously general manager at Okoboji Motor Company and brings a wealth of knowledge, customer service, and understanding to the team having lived in the community for 12 years. Scott and his wife, Amber, have three sons. One son plays football for Northwestern College in Orange City, one is a junior at Spirit Lake High School, and the third son is a sixth grader at Spirit Lake Middle School. Scott enjoys golfing, fishing and sports.



Scott is licensed to sell real estate in the State of Iowa. He is a member of the Iowa Great Lakes Board of REALTORS, the Iowa Association of REALTORS, as well as the National Association of REALTORS. To contact Scott regarding your Real Estate needs, he can be reached at 712-339-1634 or email at scott@spiritlakehomes.com. To view a list of available properties, visit www.ExitRealtyMidwest.com. Exit Realty Midwest is located at 1306 18th Street, Suite C in Spirit Lake.

Tales Of Tails

The national newspapers recently told a tale of political intrigue involving perhaps two "tails," those of the President's dogs. Recently a man from North Dakota journeyed to Washington, D.C. to allegedly kidnap President Obama's Portuguese Water Dogs. Obviously he had "problems," for he claimed President Kennedy and Marilyn Monroe as his parents.



If this North Dakota resident truly wanted a dog so badly, he could have stopped at the Northwest Iowa Humane Society, for many fine dogs are here waiting adoption. One doubts though that this man would have been declared an appropriate "adopter." While the shelter doesn't have a Portuguese Water dog available, there is Rupert, an Australian Shepherd mix waiting for a forever home.

Rupert is only one year old. He loves his walks with the volunteers. In fact Rupert loves everybody. He's an incredibly happy and friendly dog who is housebroken and especially enjoys kids, playing well with those who visit the shelter.

If one is ready to take a dog into one's home, Rupert is a great candidate. Or if you've promised your kids a dog as President Obama did back in 2008 when he was elected, come check out Rupert. He'll love you forever and so will your kids!

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.

Win A Polaris Snowmobile

The Dickinson County Snowhawks are once again selling raffle tickets for a chance to win a 2016 Polaris 120 Indy Youth Snowmobile.

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Milford Library News

What is made up of small irregularly cut pieces that fit together to make a picture? The jigsaw puzzle! Friday, January 29, is National Puzzle Day and Milford Memorial Library has so many different puzzles available to check out. Stop in and ask to look at the list of puzzles. The library has 300, 500, 550, 750, 1000 piece puzzles! Choose a challenge or something easier.

Hey, I just met you, and this is crazy. I have no cover, so read me maybe? There will be no awkward questions, no forced conversation, no judgmental looks, no need to call. Just have a blind date with a book! All of February you can have a blind date with a book. Books from an assortment of genres, departments, fiction and non-fiction will be wrapped in brown paper. Sure, it might turn out to be a dud, or it could be the diamond in the rough you wouldn't have given a chance otherwise.

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 "In The Snow."

An open meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Milford Memorial Library will be held this Wednesday, February 3, at 5:30pm. A free computer class will be led by Jeff Cookinham after the meeting.

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Voting Locations Identified For ILCC

As voting approaches for the February 2 bond referendum for Iowa Lakes, college officials are sharing information on where the polling places will be located.

Absentee voting is currently under way. The vote is on February 2 with polls open from 7:00am to 8:00pm.

Since Iowa Lakes is an educational institution, its borders follow the school district lines. That means that while a person might live in a certain county, they may end up voting in another county because most of the consolidated school district is located in that other county.

An example for absentee voting: An individual who is in the Graettinger-Terril Community School District might live in Emmet County. Yet, when absentee voting, they will vote in Palo Alto County. Then, if they choose to wait until Feb. 2 to vote, they will vote at the Graettinger Public Library located on Robins Street.

A list of schools districts and where to vote has been added to the Iowa Lakes website. Individuals who would like to view the list may click on the rotating banner on the home page at www.iowalakes.edu or go to www.iowalakes.edu/bond and then click on the link which says 'Find Your Polling Location.'



Rotary Car Drop Tickets On Sale

This picture depicts a previous slow fall into the lake of the Annual Car Drop on Smith's Bay. Get your chance to win \$1,000 if you have the right time for this year's car drop. Tickets are \$10 each. Tickets are available for purchase from any Iowa Great Lakes Rotarian, at The Lakes News Shopper office in Milford, or by calling Peggy Gustafson at 712-320-0192. The following businesses will also have car drop tickets available: Employment Connection; Farmers Savings Bank - Milford; Northwest Bank - Arnolds Park, Milford and Spirit Lake; The State Bank; Bank Midwest in Spirit Lake and Okoboji; Buck's Pub - Spirit Lake. Funds support local Rotary outreach projects.

MercyMe With Special Guest Phil Wickham To Perform

The Clay County Fair is excited to announce that platinum selling Christian artists MercyMe with special guest Phil Wickham will perform in the U.S. Cellular Grandstand on Tuesday, September 13 at 7:30pm.

"It's an honor to bring these two exceptional artists to the Fair for the first time," said CCF Manager Jeremy Parsons. "Our Tuesday night contemporary Christian concert is rapidly becoming one of our newer traditions at the Fair."

Since their debut in 2001, MercyMe have sold more than 8.5 million units in CD, garnered 27 #1 multi-format Christian radio singles and four consecutive mainstream radio hits with "I Can Only Imagine," "Here With Me," "Homesick," and "So Long Self." Their radio success has continued with recent singles "Flawless" and "Greater," landing them the Top Christian Airplay Artist spot on Billboard's 2015 Year End charts. MercyMe made history in 2014 as "I Can Only Imagine" surpassed 2 million digital downloads, making it the first song in Christian music to go platinum and double-platinum in the digital domain.

In 2009, Billboard named MercyMe's "Word of God Speak" the #1 song of the decade and the group the #1 artist of the decade in both the Christian Songs and Christian AC Songs categories, recognizing them as one of the industry's most notable talents. They have sold out venues throughout the US and Canada, including Radio City Music Hall, and have appeared on The Today Show, CBS This Morning, The Tonight Show with Jay Leno, Fox New Channel's Fox & Friends, CNN, ABC News, and in the pages of Entertainment Weekly, The New York Times, USA Today and more. Their eighth studio release, Welcome To The New, garnered Billboard Music Award nominations in all three Christian categories and two GRAMMY nods.

Phil Wickham is a humble and sincere artist who writes songs and worships God using the medium of music. Wickham's latest release debuted at #2 on the SoundScan Christian Albums Chart, Top 40 on the Billboard 200, and yielded three Dove Award nominations including Songwriter of the Year. The album's first single, "This Is Amazing Grace," gave Wickham his first career #1, topping Billboard's National Christian Audience Chart. "This Is Amazing Grace" also received top honors at the BMI Christian Awards as their Song of the Year, recognizing it as the most-played song on Christian radio in 2014. Not only has the song achieved great radio success, but it has become a beloved anthem in the modern church, sung by millions of people worldwide.

Tickets will go on sale Friday, February 5 at 10:00am. Prices are \$35 (general admission stage front standing), \$30 (reserved Grandstand seating), and \$25 (general admission bleacher seating). Tickets will be available at www.claycountyfair.com or by calling 1-515-244-2771.

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Okoboji High School Large Group Speech 2016

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The team brought home four II ratings and eleven I ratings. The groups receiving one ratings will compete at state contests to be held on Saturday, February 6 in LeMars. The team is coached by Mrs. Ann Williamsen and Mrs. JeanAnn Myhre.

A public performance of those groups advancing to state will be held on Thursday, February 4 at 7pm in the Okoboji High School Auditorium. The public is welcome and no admission is charged.

On a related note: Okoboji High School will host the District Contest for Individual Speech on Saturday, February 27. More than fifteen schools will be arriving at Okoboji to showcase their speaking talents. To make something like this happen, we need lots of volunteers. If you are able to work as a door keeper, timer, or concession stand worker, we need you! There are half day shifts, and whole day shifts (lunch provided if you work all day) This is a great way to see all the talented speech students perform!

Please contact Ann Williamsen at the high school asap if you can help.

THE LAKES NEWS Auction Calendar

Tues., Jan. 26 - 1:00 PM - Bred Cow, C/C Pair, Feeder Cattle Special in Spencer, IA. Spencer Livestock Sales 712-262-4528. www.spencerlivestock.com.

Sun., Feb. 7 - 1:00 PM - Estate Auction in Estherville, IA. Auctioneer: Clarken. 712-380-2981. www.clarkenrealtors.com.

Wed., Feb. 17 - 10:00 AM - 162 Acres Land Auction in Lake Park, IA. Auctioneers: Hjelm & Sikora. 712-262-3529. www.theacrecro.com.

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<p>OPEN HOUSE SATURDAY 10-11 & 1-2</p>  <p>"NATURE TRAILS - \$206,900 EACH" 3333 Prairie Meadows Dr. A&B, Milford - East off Hwy. 71 on 202nd, right on Kuchel Trail. West onto 34th to Prairie Meadows Dr. 2 New 2 Bedroom, 2 Bath Townhomes Approx. 1260 sq. ft. - MLS#15-1756/1757 <i>Hosted by Angela Bousquet</i></p>	<p>OPEN HOUSE SATURDAY 11-1</p>  <p>"EAST LAKE OKOBOJI - \$310,000" 24094 187th St #12, Spirit Lake - East of Bridges Bay, left on 187th - Okoboji Woods Awesome 2 Bedroom, 2 Bath Condo Approx. 1236 sq. ft. - MLS#15-1044 <i>Hosted by Mike Schruink</i></p>	<p>OPEN HOUSE SATURDAY 12-1:30</p>  <p>"EAST LAKE CONDO - \$499,500" 250 Iowa St. #3, Arnolds Park - Off Hwy. 71 on Linden St., North on Iowa St. to Iowa Cottages on East Awesome 4 Bedroom, 3.5 Bath Cottage Approx. 2150 sq. ft. - MLS#16-33 <i>Hosted by Jessica Johnson</i></p>
<p>OPEN HOUSE SATURDAY 2 - 3</p>  <p>"EAST LAKE OKOBOJI - \$260,000" 1114 Hwy. 71 N. #2-C-1, Okoboji - Hwy. 71 in Okoboji, across from Brooks Golf Course Terrific 1 Bedroom, 1 Bath Condo Approx. 672 sq. ft. - MLS#15-1261 <i>Hosted by Jessica Johnson</i></p>	<p>OPEN HOUSE SATURDAY 2 - 3</p>  <p>"NATURE TRAILS - \$346,000" 504 33rd St., Milford - E. off Hwy. 71 on 202nd, South on Kuchel Trail, right on 33rd New 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath Patio Home Approx. 1757 sq. ft. - MLS#15-1419 <i>Hosted by Mike Schruink</i></p>	<p>OPEN HOUSE SATURDAY 2 - 3</p>  <p>"NATURE TRAILS - \$399,900" 505 33rd St., Milford - E. off Hwy. 71 on 202nd, South on Kuchel Trail, right on 33rd New 5 Bedroom, 3 Bath Home Approx. 3370 sq. ft. - MLS#15-1420 <i>Hosted by Mike Schruink</i></p>
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<p>OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY 1 - 2:30</p>  <p>"CENTER LAKE VILLAGE - \$28,000" 2409 25th St. #60, Spirit Lake - West off Hwy. 71 at the Hospital, right at S. Fellowship Church, then right again Affordable 3 Bedroom, 1 Bath Mobile Home Approx. 1120 sq. ft. - MLS#16-54 <i>Hosted by Jessica Johnson</i></p>	<p>OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY 2 - 3</p>  <p>"EAST LAKE CONDO - \$479,900" 304 Lake Drive #B2, Arnolds Park - East off Hwy. 71 at The Crossings to Gingles Dr. to Lake Dr. Exciting 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath Condo - Approx. 1650 sq. ft. - MLS#15-1069 <i>Hosted by Mary Lynn Ingvall</i></p>	<p>OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY 3 - 4</p>  <p>"EAST LAKE OKOBOJI - \$139,500-169,900" 1114 Hwy. 71 N. #4-A-4 & 5-A-5, Okoboji - Across from Brooks Golf Course - Edgewater Plaza Cute 1 Bedroom, 1 Bath Condos Approx. 423-772 sq. ft. - MLS#16-45/15-847 <i>Hosted by Mary Lynn Ingvall</i></p>

<p>OPEN HOUSE</p>  <p>"EAST LAKE OKOBOJI - \$307,500" 170. Chicago Avenue #301, Spirit Lake - Off Hwy. 9 by the Bridge, next to Kum & Go Majestic 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath Condo Approx. 1400 sq. ft. - MLS#15-1678 <i>Hosted by Mike Schruink</i></p>	<p>NEW LISTING</p>  <p>"ON THE MONEY MAP!" On Hwy. 71 - Shop (572 sq. ft.) & 3 Bedroom Home (960 sq. ft.) on the Highway - Another 2 Bedroom Home (672 sq. ft.) behind them on Iowa Street - Shop has Showroom, Warehouse & Bath - MLS#16-46 ARNOLDS PARK COMMERCIAL - \$475,000</p>	<p>NEW LISTING</p>  <p>"A JOY TO COME HOME TO!" South Shore Estates - Delightful 4 Bedroom, 3.5 Bath Home - Approx. 1784 sq. ft. plus Finished Lower Level - Attached 2 Car Garage - Central Vac - Wood Floors - MLS#16-66 LOWER GAR ACCESS - \$305,000</p>
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- Republican presidential poll
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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.

9/11 Never Forget Mobile Exhibit Will Be At Wild Rose Casino And Resort

9/11 Never Forget Mobile Exhibit will be at Wild Rose Casino and Resort Emmetsburg, April 22-24 from 10:00am - 5:00pm. Stephen Siller, a New York Firefighter, was there on 9/11. He gave his life helping others. In return, his family established the Stephen Siller Tunnel to Towers Foundation - in his honor and in his memory.

In September 2013 the Foundation dedicated the 9/11 Never Forget Mobile Exhibit. Welcomed around the country, the high-tech, 53-foot tractor-trailer, which unfolds into a 1,100 square foot exhibit, serves as a poignant reminder of that infamous day.

Through the presentation of artifacts, including actual steel beams from the towers, documentary video, recordings of first-responder radio transmissions, as well as guided tours by FDNY firefighters, guests will learn what took place and the ultimate sacrifice so many made on that day.

The exhibit provides an enlightening experience that will help communities to "Never Forget".

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REPRESENTATIVE JOHN WILLIS (R-Spirit Lake), left, hosted National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors (NAIFA) member Don Breuker, right, to the floor of the Iowa House of Representatives. Breuker, of Spirit Lake, was visiting the Capitol to talk to local legislators on behalf of NAIFA.



Personal Best Training Center Welcomed To Milford

Pictured are Milford Commercial Club members Nate Johnson, Beth Sorenson, Corey Langner and Rachel Sirola welcoming Shari Bisgaard and Tootie Harris of Personal Best Training Center to the Milford Community. Personal Best Training Center, located in North Milford, is a client based training center specializing in personal training, wellness coaching, nutrition and group training. Although the Milford location just opened in December, they have been operational since 2001 in the lakes area. Training programs are offered but they are also open to local memberships. The center is operated by Tootie Harris/owner and Shari Bisgaard. Both are certified as American Council on Exercise personal trainers with over 25 years experience each. Watch for exciting things happening there starting with a Warrior Dash this summer which 20 people have already signed up for. Also, watch for details of a Fun Boot Camp to take place indoors with the slide incorporated at Boji Bay Pavilion. If you would like further details, contact Tootie at 712-330-6312 or Shari at 712-209-1740

The Mission of the Milford Commercial Club is to foster partnerships and collaboration of all members in order to promote Milford member businesses. Please remember to shop locally to help support the businesses that support local events.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To The Editor:

February 2 is of critical importance to the entire Iowa Lakes Community College district. For the first time ever, Iowa Lakes needs your vote to approve a new \$16 million dollar bond referendum.

This bond will sunset in 15 years with real estate tax implications for individuals with a home valued at \$100,000, only an additional \$11.70 annually.

Vital projects which will enhance student learning and increase safety at all five campuses are the focus of this initiative.

As an Iowa Lakes alumni, I ask you to join me at the poll on February 2, or stop in at the Emmet County Auditor Office and vote yes. Iowa Lakes Community College has been a great educational resource for myself, my family, and our communities. Please join me and support this much needed bond referendum. Please invest in the education of our future students.

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- Wednesday, February 3 - 8:30am - 3:30pm
- Thursday, February 4 - 8:30am - 7:00pm (Open through Parent-Teacher Conferences)
- Friday, February 5 - 8:30am - 3:30pm
- Monday, February 8 - 8:30am - 7:00pm (Open through Parent-Teacher Conferences)
- Tuesday, February 9 - 8:30am - 3:30pm

Place an order online January 30 through February 10 at <http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/elcms>.

The book fair will offer specially priced books, new releases, award-winning titles, and current bestsellers for middle school students from more than 100 publishers.

Students will come to the book fair with their class at some point during the days we are open.

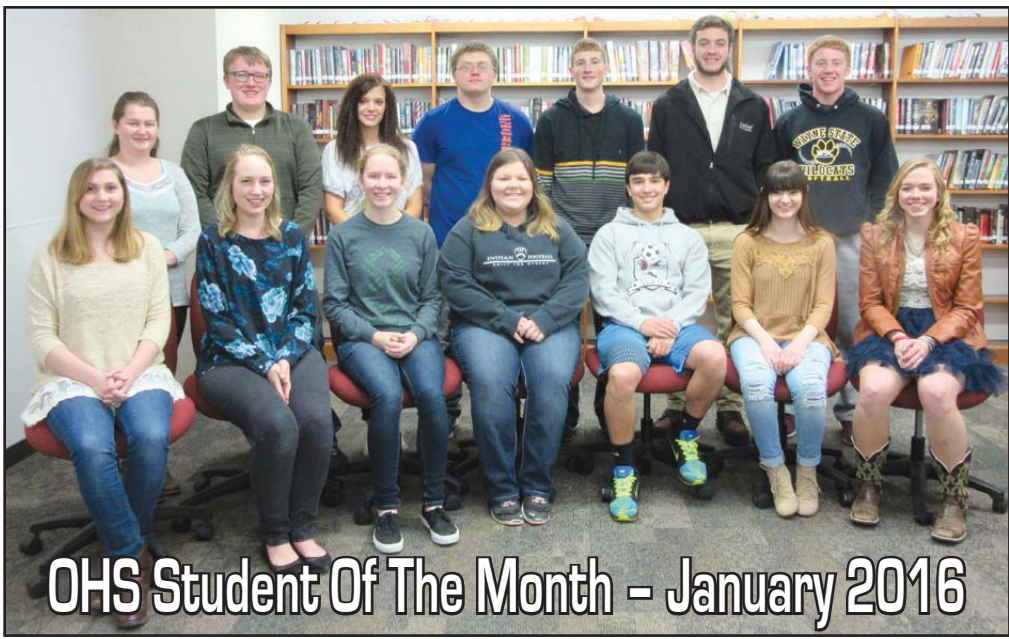
Parents, grandparents, family, and the public are invited to attend the fair as well any time during our operating hours.

The proceeds of the book fair go to the Middle School Library. Book fair customers may purchase a book for a middle school teacher's library through the Classroom Wish List program. They also may donate their extra change to the All for Books program to help purchase additional books for our school.

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OHS Student Of The Month - January 2016

The student of the month program allows faculty members to recognize students for outstanding performance in one or more of the following: Academic excellence; special effort in the classroom activities; concern for learning, positive citizenship, hard work and/or other personal behavior which enhances the general school and classroom atmosphere. Congratulations to all the following students – keep up the good work: Ag Education & Technology – Sydney Jensen; Art – Rachel Harmon; Business Education – Josiah Sandana; English – Megan Stephenson; Family & Consumer Sciences – Kyle Louscher; Foreign Language – Riley Anderson; Industrial Technology – Jake Dodge and Joseph Schmidt; Math – Juan Rubiano; Music – Samantha Wuebker; Physical Education – Ethan Tanner; Science – Joseph Schmidt; Social Studies – Nicole Welle; Technology – Caitlyn Berger and Ade Anderson. Overall Student of the Month is senior, Joseph Schmidt, son of Ervin and Jean Schmidt of Milford.

Spirit Lake Library News



Nighty Night Storytime At The Library

Kids and parents – join us at the Spirit Lake Public Library for Nighty-Night Storytime on Tuesday, February 2, at 6:30pm. It will be a valentine theme. Call the library at 712-336-2667 to sign up but walk-ins are always welcome too. Be sure to wear your 'jammies' and bring a blanket or favorite stuffed friend to share this time with.

Terry Miller Retiring As Executive Director Of Friends Of The Sami Center

Friends of the Sami Center honored Executive Director Terry Miller on January 23 in the Black Box Theatre before the final Friends concert of the season Rock Legends. The Friends organization praised Miller who is retiring after 9 years as Executive Director for his leadership and vision in helping the organization reach its goals.

Miller came to Spirit Lake from North Iowa schools in Buffalo Center in 1998 to be the activities director and physical education instructor at Spirit Lake High School. In 2007 he became the first Executive Director of the Sami Bedell Center for the Performing Arts, facilitating the opening in 2008, community use, rentals of the center, and programs presented by Friends of the Sami Center. After retiring from the Spirit Lake Schools in 2009, Miller continued as Executive Director under an agreement between the Friends organization and the Spirit Lake Schools. This partnership resulted in extensive school and community use of the facility under Miller's guidance.

The evening recognition program included presentation of a framed photograph of Miller for the Wall of Fame in the Sami Center lobby and many accolades from school and community participants. Miller and his wife Nancy were also honored on the stage of the Sami Center before Billy McGuigan and his Rock Legends show closed the Curtain Call Season for Friends of the Sami Center. The Friends group noted that McGuigan was the biggest box office hit at the Sami Center – next to the Nutcracker with Ballet NE – having performed four times on the Sami Center stage.

The public is invited to send notes of thanks or a fun memory to Miller at Friends of the Sami Center Secretary, PO Box 651, Spirit Lake, Iowa 51360.



Spirit Lake Black Takes Championship

Spirit Lake Black went undefeated in the Spirit Lake tournament Saturday, January 23, to take the championship in the Seventh Grade division for the second year in a row. Pictured are: (front row) Gabe Cardwell, Cael Amos, Brian Scott, Tyler Kriener, Creighton Morisch; (back row) Michael Dulin, Mason Weeks, Landon Miner, Dillon Fine.

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 Sun / Jan 31 / 1-2 PM 2512 Manhattan Boulevard, Wahpeton West Lake Dream! Be amazed by the views, space, location and everything else that this Manhattan Beach home has to offer. \$1,295,000	 Sun / Jan 31 / 2-3 PM 304 Lake Drive #82, Arnolds Park Okoboji Island - Exciting 3 bedroom, 2 bath condo with low approach to the lake. Association swimming pool. \$479,900	 Sun / Jan 31 / 3-4 PM Edgewater Plaza Fun-filled 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo at Edgewater Plaza on East Lake Okoboji. Pool & Rec Room \$139,500-169,900

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CITIZENS COMMUNITY CREDIT UNION PRESENTED A CHECK to the Lakes Area Hockey Association to go towards the needs of the players and the association. Pictured top right are Dawn LaRue (Lakes Area Hockey Association Treasurer) and Kelsie Sturm (Branch Manager Citizens Community Credit Union), along with some of the players.

Due to our building remodel... we are TEMPORARILY RELOCATED AT 1610 HILL AVENUE in Spirit Lake - just 3 doors north of the downtown YMCA Healthy Living Program Center.

OPEN HOUSE
Saturday, Jan. 30, 10-11am

115' Lakefront on East Lake Okoboji! Great versatile 5 BR/4 BA + Private Lakeside Studio or Family Guest Quarters. 2 story year 'round home. Full kitchens & laundry on both levels! Main Level: 3BR/2 BA. Upper: 2BR/1 BA. PLUS Studio w/kitchenette. Good rental potential and still separate living quarters for you & your family! Good location near parks & walking distance to swimming beach. \$439,800.00
409 Hill Ave., Spirit Lake. Call/text Marilyn S 712-320-7070. MLS#15-876

OPEN HOUSE
Saturday, Jan. 30, 10-11:30am

This private end unit had a complete face lift in 2004 including exterior concrete board siding. This fully furnished unit is finished off with top quality material, cabinetry, and appliances including a stack washer/dryer upstairs and full size washer/dryer downstairs. Both decks are in excellent shape, gas fireplace up AND down, and built in wet bar in lower level. One boat hoist space per unit and gracious shared green space and deck lakeside. A tremendous value in today's market. **7114 Lakeshore Drive, Unit #21, Spirit Lake.** Call Eric for your private showing 712-320-2790. MLS#15-1392

OPEN HOUSE
Saturday, Jan. 30, 1 - 2 PM

BIG SPIRIT LAKE SWEET RETREAT OR YOUR YEAR 'ROUND HOME! Nice lakefront location on east side of Big Spirit. Very well maintained home w/new siding, roof, gutters this fall! 3 bedrooms on main level PLUS finished lower level w/family room. Nice updated kitchen design opens to living room w/fireplace. Lakeside 3-season room plus 2nd 3-season room w/ lake view, too! Great boathouse, too! Spacious double garage, sprinkler system & dock. \$385,000. **12575 253rd Avenue, Orleans.** Call Marilyn Strickland for your personal tour 712-320-7070. MLS#15-1621

OPEN HOUSE
Saturday, Jan. 30, 1 - 2 PM

PRIME BIG SPIRIT LAKE LOCATION! Fine, quality construction. Designed for Lake living. Super views! Choice Lakefront location on East side of Big Spirit. Living/Dining/Kitchen opens to Private Deck. Family room with lower level walkout to patio. Lovely master suite plus 2 bedrooms. Excellent duplex design with great quiet and privacy factors. You'll appreciate the thoughtful design inside and out! \$488,700 **12341 253rd Ave, Orleans.** Call/Text Marilyn Strickland 320-7070 MLS#15-1465

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Sunday, Jan. 31, 1 - 2 PM

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<p>ORLEANS \$598,000</p> 16-31 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 82 feet of low bank lakeshore Extremely solid home Easy flow floorplan 	<p>BIG SPIRIT \$295,000</p> 15-1133 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maple Oak Beach Cottage 2 bedroom/1 bath 50' lakefront/large yard
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- Essentially brand new, built 2010
- Over the top construction & finishes

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- Immaculate historical home
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- 3 bedroom/1 bath, attached dbl. garage
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NEW LISTING!

SPACIOUS NEW CONSTRUCTION HOME with 53' of East Lake. Custom upgrades including grand entryway with vaulted ceilings, cabinetry in kitchen, stainless steel appl., electric fireplace in living room with windows. Master bedroom and 3 other bedrooms and bathrooms. There is a bonus room, wine cellar and sand beach! \$1,275,000. #16-51

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Logemann Named To Dean's List

Recognition for outstanding academic achievement has been given to Grand View University student, Janelle Logemann, from Des Moines, for the 2015 fall semester.

She was named to the Dean's List for earning a grade point average of 3.5 or better on a 4.0 scale while carrying at least 12 hours of classes.

Pancakes And Ballroom Dancing

The Lakes Area Senior Center in Spirit Lake (2101 Zenith Avenue, south of Dairy Queen under the water tower) has dances the last Sunday of each month from 2:00 – 5:00pm. Shirley's Big Band will be back to perform at the next dance on January 31, 2016. Each admission is \$5.00 and there will be a door prize each month. A potluck lunch, coffee, pop and popcorn will be available on site. Whether you come to dance or listen to the band, all ages are welcome.

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<p>OPEN HOUSE Sun., Jan. 31 • 12:00-1:30PM</p> <p>15812 Lakeshore Dr., Spirit Lake #15-1206 3 Season Porch, By Pikes Point State Park Call Liz</p>	<p>OPEN HOUSE Sat., Jan. 30 • 3:00-5:00PM</p> <p>1212 Winona St., Wahpeton #15-1406 Cute & Cozy, Wooded Area Call Lynn</p>	<p>NEW PRICE!</p> <p>#15-1083 51' on Big Spirit Lake, 2 Car Garage Call Phil</p>	<p>NEW LISTING!</p> <p>#15-1189 231' of Hwy. 71 Call Matt</p>
<p>NEW LISTING!</p> <p>#15-1287 75' of East Lake Call Phil</p>	<p>NEW LISTING!</p> <p>#15-1643 Affordable 3 BR, Nice Location Call Matt</p>	<p>NEW LISTING!</p> <p>#15-174 Lakefront Condo, Granite Counters Call Aaron</p>	<p>NEW LISTING!</p> <p>#15-1606 Coffee Shop/Cafe, Business For Sale Call Liz</p>

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RIDES Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Regional Transit Authority (RTA) 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.

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.

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Steinle Makes Dean's List

The University of Dubuque congratulates Jordan Steinle, of Spirit Lake, on being appointed to the Fall Semester 2015 Academic Dean's List. To be named to the dean's list, a student must earn a grade point average (GPA) of 3.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale for that semester.



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.

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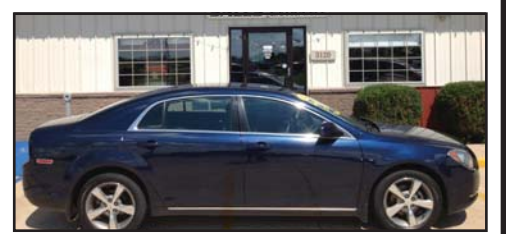
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- 2014 Ford Taurus Limited All Wheel Drive, heated and cooled leather seats, BLIS, 20" polished aluminum wheels, Ford customer service vehicle, 21,000 miles, ruby red, was \$27,500. **NOW \$24,500**
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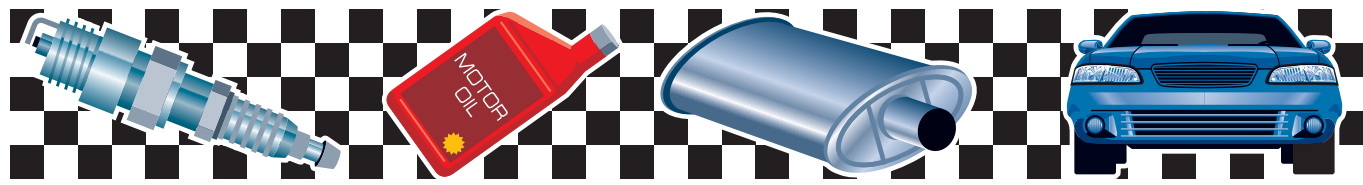
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Sacred Heart School Adds Mrs. Woodall As Lead Teacher

The School Board of Sacred Heart School has adopted the following Administrative Leadership Team for the 2016-2017 school year. Mr. Ron Olberding will remain as Principal and will be in the school two days/week assisting with reports and other administrative duties. Mrs. Amanda Woodall, currently the 3rd Grade teacher at Sacred Heart School, has been appointed the Lead Teacher. Mrs. Woodall has been working towards her Master's degree in Elementary Administration with a Catholic emphasis through the University of Dayton. Effective July 1, 2016, Mrs. Amanda Woodall will take on the day-to-day responsibilities of Sacred Heart School. The search for a new 3rd Grade teacher will begin in February. For additional information, please contact Sheriffa Jones, Director of Stewardship and Development at sjones@spencerschools.org or 712-262-3047 or Fr. William Schreiber, Pastor, at weschreiber@spencerschools.org or 712-262-3047.

Diabetic Support Group Meeting




The Spirit Lake area Diabetic Support Group will meet Monday, February 1 at 7:00pm. The program will be by Nicole Ingvall, Manager Radiology Department. Members of the Radiology department will present information on the effects of diabetes on the vascular system. The department will also present other imaging information helpful in diabetes education. Diabetes is a controllable disease with education being an important tool in management of diabetes. Knowledge is power that motivates steps taken to a healthier attitude and care of the body. With the power of knowledge, diabetes care can be focused on inspiring, encouraging, and making life better while "taking over the management of the pancreas". The local diabetic support group meeting led by local patient facilitator, Marcia Young, is open to anyone dealing with diabetes, spouse, family members, or friend. The presentation will be held Monday, February 1, 2016, at 7:00pm in the Big Spirit Room at Lakes Regional Healthcare's Education Center, on the hospital's lower level. Admission is free.



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ILCC Jazz Band Contest Results

Local results for the 2016 Jazz Band Contest

- Class 1A (competed on Tuesday, Jan. 19)
 - 3rd - Harris Lake Park High School
 - Director: Emily Gladfelter
- Class 2A (competed on Wednesday, Jan. 20)
 - 1st - Okoboji
 - Director: Toni Hoffmann
- 3rd - Sibley-Ocheyedan
- Director: Peter Carlson
- Class 3A (competed on Tuesday, Jan. 19)
 - 1st - Storm Lake High School
 - Director: Colleen Hecht

Congratulations to all the musicians and band directors who participated and made this year's Jazz Band Contest a huge success.



GREAT DAY OF FISHING - Dicus with his catch from West Okoboji Lake on January 2, 2016.

Midwest Winds Woodwind Quintet

The U.S. Air Force Midwest Winds Woodwind Quintet Community Concert is coming to the JCC Performing Arts Center in Jackson on Tuesday, February 16 at 7:00pm. Free tickets are now available for distribution at the three Jackson County libraries in Jackson, Lakefield and Heron Lake during their business hours. There is no reserved seating for this concert.

The Midwest Winds Woodwind Quintet is tailored to deliver a world class, professional musical product to small group settings and concert halls. This dynamic performing ensemble's library includes works from renaissance to contemporary styles, popular marches, and patriotic crowd pleasers.

The Midwest Winds Woodwind Quintet is called on to provide music for small military retirements, changes of command, holiday caroling for military and civilian employees, and other official military functions. The group also reaches out to America's young music students, offering concerts, clinics and masterclasses in wood chamber repertoire and instrumental technique. These performances allow students a unique opportunity to see a professional music group up close and talk to members about music and the United States Air Force.

The Air Force Band of Mid-America's Midwest Winds Woodwind Quintet delivers a versatile, unique musical product in any performing environment. This talented ensemble reflects the values and excellence found every day throughout the United States Air Force.



Community Blood Drive Results

by Kim Wendzillo

Results from the January 5th Blood Drive in Spirit Lake...

- Registered Donors: 27
- Procedures: 20
- Units Collected: 29
- Lives Impacted: 87

Please join us in congratulating these donors who reached milestones in donations:

- 1 gallon: Jeremy Holdorf
- 2 gallons: Vicki Brevik
- 3 gallons: Adam Cook
- 6 gallons: Marcus Neppel
- 7 gallons: Scott Werner

These are the donors who stepped up to save lives: Daniel Antoine, Vicki Brevik, Ladean Cheever, Adam Cook, Roxie Cothner, Mary DeBoer, Daniel Dreeszen, Shannon Dunham, Jessica Garberding, Jean Gillespie, Serena Hayes, Jeremy Holdorf, Paul Katzfey, William May, Margie May, Kari Mazur, Charlotte McClure, Kyle Miller, Deanna Nattress, Brianna Nattress, William Neiderheiser, David Nelson, Marcus Neppel, Shane Newgard, Ruth Nolting, Dianne Roberts, Tanya Webber, Scott Werner and Ronnie Ziegmann

The next Spirit Lake Community Blood Drive is scheduled for March 1, from 1:00p-6:00pm at the Dickinson County Building.

Iowa State University Grads List

At Iowa State University's winter commencement ceremonies, the following local students received degrees:

Estherville, IA: Gabriel McCoy, Bachelor of Science, Mechanical Engineering, Summa Cum Laude and Bachelor of Science, Mechanical Engineering, Summa Cum Laude

Everly, IA: Christopher Hildreth, Bachelor of Science, Mechanical Engineering, Cum Laude

Harris, IA: Christofer Luinstra, Bachelor of Science, Management

Linn Grove, IA: Susan Kruppen, Bachelor of Science, Agricultural and Life Sciences Education

Milford, IA: Catherine Johnson, Bachelor of Science, Agricultural and Life Sciences Education; Keith Oskvig, Bachelor of Science, Management, Marketing, Summa Cum Laude; Mikkinzie Peschong, Bachelor of Science, Biology

Sibley, IA: Marshall Eddy, Bachelor of Science, Agricultural Systems Technology

Spencer, IA: Samantha Sullivan, Bachelor of Arts, Communication Studies

Spirit Lake, IA: Brandon Griffin, Bachelor of Science, Construction Engineering; Patricia Renken, Bachelor of Arts, Communication Studies, International Studies; Cara Vale, Bachelor of Science, Finance, Magna Cum Laude

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MUG Discussion

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Johnson Named To Dean's List

Recognition for outstanding academic achievement has been given to Drake University student, Megan Johnson, from Spirit Lake, for the 2015 fall semester.

She was named to the Dean's List for earning a grade point average of 3.5 or better on a 4.0 scale while carrying at least 12 hours of classes. Megan is majoring in journalism and mass communication and is currently spending the spring semester abroad in Chaing Mai, Thailand.

PEBC Public Program

The Prairie Ecology Bus Center (PEBC) will host the following Public Program at Sparks Park, 935 North Highway 86, Lakefield, Minnesota: Feather Painting and Dream Catcher Making, Monday, February 15, 6:30 - 8:30pm.

Learn the legend of the Dream Catcher and the roles feathers play in the Native American ceremonies and day-to-day life. Bluebird feathers symbolize happiness. An eagle feather symbolizes courage and strength while a wren feather symbolizes protection. In this program, we will learn the meaning of different feathers and how to paint on them. Once the feathers are painted, we will add them to the dream catcher that you will also be creating. Open to adults and youth grades 6+.

Pre-Registration deadline of February 1. Pre-registration is required. Please call 507-662-5064 or email marilyn@ecologybus.org.

Pre-Register For People Project

Plan to be 'part of the art' at the 9th annual peoples environmental art project. Pre-register by noon Friday, January 29, to get a 20% photo discount.

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 at 1525 Three Cross Road on Saturday, January 30, at 11:30am. 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.

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.

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 friends@lakesidelab@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 friends@lakesidelab@gmail.com.

Farm Market News By Mike Miller

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Winter Games

This is a week for frivolity and high spirits. The winter games are upon us and credit must be given to the University of Okoboji and, more specifically, to one of the Richter men. Emil must be given credit as one of the finest coaches ever, because the "Fighting Phantoms" are still undefeated. Herman, on the other hand, is still on suspension after the Rhubarb in the Swiss chard rumble of 1967. Literally thousands of people participate in the winter games and it is not the winning, it is the playing; as most of us do not win anything except for a great night's sleep. But enough of the horseplay, the Richters are great corporate citizens and are deserving of all accolades that are heaped upon them this time of year. Keep up the Good Work Men and thanks! The usual suspects of the farmers market will be at the Chocolate Classic. I get to compete against Mr. Fudge and I am a heavy underdog, because Mr. Fudge has 18 state championships. I must admit, I do enjoy going against the legend. Harold is 80 years old and still makes the fudge. Count me in and sign me up as an exhibitor at 80 years old. Come on out on Saturday to the Expo Center and vote for me as my fudge will be better than his... well maybe. The ice is good and the fish are biting. Get your crampons on and head out to Smith's Bay as broom ball and corn-hole on the ice are great to watch as well as play. Maybe take a polar plunge as winter games are upon us. Until next week, eat well.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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To The Editor:

We are proud to say that we are supporting Donald J. Trump for President of the United States. Why? Because Trump is the *only* candidate (in either party) who is a *businessman* and not a professional or career politician. Donald Trump knows how to get things done. Donald Trump knows how to talk to average Americans in terms they understand not "political correct" baloney.

As a wealthy successful businessman Donald Trump has the financial resources necessary to win the Presidency without resorting to making promises to fat cat donors or PACs. He will owe his election solely to those voters who will have elected him.

As our President we believe Trump will run the USA like a *business* bringing together the best, brightest and most capable people into his administration. He will work hard to solve our domestic problems and fight our foreign enemies and *make America great again!*

On February 1, we urge everyone who wants *America to be great again* to go to the Republican caucus and vote for Donald J. Trump for the next President of the United States!

Thank you,
Dan and Fawn Rogers
Spirit Lake



Commercial Ag Weed, Insect, Plant Disease Course Set for February 9

ISU Extension and Outreach - Dickinson County will offer the Commercial Ag Weed, Insect and Plant Disease Management Continuing Instruction Course (CIC) for commercial pesticide applicators Tuesday, February 9, 2016. The program will be shown at locations across Iowa through the Iowa State University Extension and Outreach Pesticide Safety Education Program (PSEP).

The local attendance site is 1600 15th Street. Registration begins at 8:30am, and the course runs from 9 to 11:30am. The registration fee is \$35 on or before February 2 and \$45 after February 2. To register or to obtain additional information about the CIC, contact Janet Neppel at the ISU Extension and Outreach office in Dickinson County by phoning 712-336-3488.

The course will provide continuing instruction credit for commercial pesticide applicators certified in categories 1A, 1B, 1C, and 10. Some of the topics to be covered include: pesticide applications and impacts to sensitive areas; pesticide labels; pest management and pesticides; and restricted entry intervals and preharvest intervals.

Certified Crop Adviser (CCA) Continuing Education Units (CEUs) in Pest Management and Soil and Water Management will be offered at this program. Any interested participant should bring his or her CCA number.

Additional information and registration forms for this and other courses offered by the PSEP program can be accessed at www.extension.iastate.edu/PSEP/ComAp.html.

PEBC Public Program

The Prairie Ecology Bus Center (PEBC) will host the following Public Programs at Sparks Park, 935 North Highway 86, Lakefield, Minnesota:

- Animal Feeding Day – Tues., Feb. 2 from 5:00 – 6:00pm
Watch the animals from the Prairie Ecology Bus Center have lunch! Watch the box turtles munch on some salad. See the garter snake slurp down a worm. Observe the salamander whip a worm or two. Each critter has their own personality and feeding style. Join a PEBC naturalist and learn what it takes to take care of our education animals. Open to youth and families.
- Nature String 'N Sip – Fri., Feb. 5 from 7:00 – 9:00pm.
String art is a fast growing hobby in the craft world. From filling in a design with string or using straight lines to form designs, this is a fun and quick way to create decorations or to give as gifts. You will choose from two floral designs and make 'n' take a completed nature string art piece to get your creative string art groove started! To add to the fun and festivities, feel free to bring your own beverage of choice! (To see a photo of completed project, contact PEBC) Pre-Registration deadline of January 22. Open to adults.

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Visit www.uofowintergames.com for more information. Commemorative clothing available Winter Games weekend at the Chamber office in Arnolds Park and Boonedocks in Arnolds Park. Events confirmed as of January 22, 2016

- Thursday, January 28**
- 10am-6pm \$15 Pottery Painting at Kurio Kastle/Art on 16th in Spirit Lake
 - 5pm Tiki in the Tent Locals Party, Parks Marina, Okoboji
 - 6-7pm Battle of the Bartenders, Tiki in the Tent, Parks Marina, East Lake Okoboji
 - 6:30pm Damon Dotson, Tiki in the Tent, Parks Marina, East Lake Okoboji
 - 7pm Winter Games Benefit for UDMO, 50's & 60's Music, Chaplin's, Arnolds Park
 - 9pm DJ Mattick, The Garden's, Arnolds Park
- Friday, January 29**
- ALL DAY Boats, Bikes & Snowmobiles on Ice Show at Parks Marina, East Lake Okoboji
 - 6-10am KUOO Schwalby N Ed Radio Show 2 Go Kick-Off Breakfast, The Ritz, AP
 - 8am-12am KAPCO Indoor Golf Tournament, Spirit Lake
 - 8am-2pm O'Farrell Sisters Open on Smith's Bay, Okoboji
 - 2pm Tiki in the Tent at Parks Marina Opens
 - 2pm The Fish House at Okoboji Boat Works Opens
 - 10am-6pm \$15 Pottery Painting at Kurio Kastle/Art on 16th in Spirit Lake
 - 11am Bridge Tournament, St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Milford
 - 5-7pm REMAX Lakes Realty Chili Cook Off, Dickinson County Expo, Spirit Lake
 - 5pm Fish Fry, Softail Saloon, Superior
 - 7:30pm Live Music by David Zollo, The Okoboji Store, Okoboji
 - 8pm Johnny Holm Band, Tiki in the Tent, Parks Marina, Okoboji
 - 9pm Swim Suits & Snowboots Competition, The Okoboji Store, Okoboji
 - 9pm Tripwire Live at The Ritz, Arnolds Park
 - 9pm Country 2 Piece, Beer Can Alley, Arnolds Park
 - 9:30pm Good for Gary, The Gardens, Arnolds Park
- Saturday, January 30**
- 8am-12am KAPCO Indoor Golf Tournament, Spirit Lake
 - ALL DAY Boats, Bikes & Snowmobiles on Ice Show & Helicopter Rides at Parks Marina, East Lake Okoboji
 - ALL DAY DeJay Wheeler at The Ritz, Arnolds Park
 - ALL DAY Hot Air Balloon Rides (weather permitting), Arnolds Park Amusement Park
 - 7am-2pm O'Farrell Sisters Open on Smith's Bay, Okoboji
 - 8am Tiki in the Tent Open at Parks Marina, East Lake Okoboji
 - 8am The Fish House Open on Smith's Bay
 - 8am Lakeside Brunch, The Okoboji Store, Okoboji
 - 8am Double Elimination Kickball Tournament, The Garden's, Arnolds Park
 - 8am-4pm "Boats, Brews & Brats" with Oak Hill Marina, Arnolds Park Amusement Park
 - 8am FREE Bloody Marys for first 100 at "Boats, Brews & Brats" Tent, Arnolds Park
 - 8-11am Boy Scout/Milford Comm. Club Pancake Breakfast, Middle School, Arnolds Park
 - 8-11am Sled Head Breakfast & Turkey Bowling, Lake Okoboji UM Camp, Spirit Lake
 - 8am-5pm Broomball sponsored by Shaw's of Okoboji, Arnolds Park Amusement Park
 - 8-Noon CrossFit Okoboji Throwdown, Bedell Family YMCA, Spirit Lake
 - 8-5pm Flag Football sponsored by Parks Marina, Okoboji
 - 8am-1pm Omelet Brunch, Pavilion, Okoboji Summer Theatre Association, Arnolds Park Amusement Park
 - 8am-5pm Snowball Softball Tournament sponsored by and at The Ritz, Arnolds Park
 - 8:30-1pm Cribbage Tournament, Pebble Beach Room, Arrowwood Resort, Okoboji
 - 8:45am Chess Tournament, City Hall/Library, Arnolds Park www.centraliowachess.com
 - 9am 500 & Pinochle Tournaments - reg. begins at 8 am, Senior Center, Spirit Lake
 - 9am Co-Ed Volleyball Tournament, HS & MS Gyms, Spirit Lake
 - 9am Registration at Parks Marina for the ATV/Motorcycle Studded Races Registration - Warm-ups 12-1 pm
 - 9am Josh Quirin Duo, The Gardens, Arnolds Park
 - 10am-6pm \$15 Pottery Painting at Kurio Kastle/Art on 16th in Spirit Lake
 - 10am-2pm Mega Snow Pong, The Okoboji Store, Okoboji
 - 10am-2pm Lakes Area Youth Trap Club Shoot, Isaac Walton Trap Range, Arnolds Park
 - 10am-2pm Winter Games Art Festival, Pearson Lakes Art Center, Okoboji
 - 10-11:30am Dickinson County Snowhawks Snowmobile Fun Run Registration, Polaris Plant, Spirit Lake
 - 10am Snowball Drop, Lake & Hill Ave. Corner, Spirit Lake
 - 10-Noon Creative Spirits Painting, Parks Marina, Okoboji
 - 10am Freeze Your Fanny Bike Ride, Okoboji Expedition Company, Okoboji
 - 11am FREE Bison Brats & Hot Dogs, "Boats, Brews & Brats" with Oak Hill in Arnolds Park Amusement Park
 - 11am Chili Luncheon, Kozy Heat Gallery, Arnolds Park
 - 11 am-1pm Polaris Youth Demo Rides, Polaris Plant, Spirit Lake.
 - 11am-1pm Children's Carnival, Boji Bay Fun House & Pavilion, Milford
 - 11am-2pm Soup & Sandwich Buffet, Boji Bay Fun House & Pavilion, Milford
 - 11am Keifer Brandt Live, The Okoboji Store, Okoboji
 - 11am Business Today Bowling Tournament, Corner Lanes, Spirit Lake
 - 11am 9th Annual People's Environmental Art Project, Lakeside Lab, Milford
 - 11am-1pm Parks Marina Kids Ice Games, Okoboji
 - 11am-2pm Sled Dog Demo, Parks Marina, Okoboji
 - 11am-2pm Metro Ice Sculptures, Parks Marina, Okoboji
 - 12-6pm Karaoke & DJ Dance Music, The Fish House, Okoboji Boat Works
 - 12pm Ping Pong Tournament, Camp Okoboji, Wahpeton (next to Crescent Beach)
 - 1pm 2-Person Bean Bag Toss Tournament sponsored by KICD, Arnolds Park Amusement Park
 - 1pm Tim Horsman, Tiki in the Tent, Parks Marina
 - 1:30pm 5K/10K Road Race sponsored by Lakes Regional Healthcare, Sp. Lake Middle School
 - 1:30pm Chocolate Classic & Galleria sponsored by Mary Lynn Ingvall, Expo Bldg, Spirit Lake
 - 1:30pm Lakes Regional Healthcare's 5K/10K Road Race, Middle School, Spirit Lake
 - 2-4pm Bingo to Benefit The Humane Society of NW Iowa, Dickinson County Expo
 - 2-4pm Glacial Golf & Family Fun, Okoboji Lutheran Bible Camp
 - 2pm Human Dog Sled Races, Parks Marina, Okoboji
 - 2pm Okoboji Summer Theatre Season Announcements, Hedberg Theatre, Arnolds Park
 - 2-4pm Business Today Adult Bowling Tournament, Corner Lanes, Spirit Lake
 - 3-7pm Frozen Fanny Fat Bike Challenge, Dickinson County Nature Center, Okoboji
 - 3pm Polar Plunge sponsored by Okoboji Harley Davidson, Okoboji
 - 3pm Mighty Nish Band, Tiki in the Tent, Parks Marina, Okoboji
 - 4pm Chad Elliot & Jordan Messerole at Okoboji Brewing Company, Spirit Lake
 - 4pm Fishheads, The Gardens, Arnolds Park
 - 4pm Fireworks Extravaganza & Burning of the Greens sponsored by Danbom Lakeside Engineering, Arnolds Park's Preservation Plaza
 - 6:30pm Judd Hoos Concert, Roof Garden, Arnolds Park Amusement Park
 - 7pm Maiden Dixie, Tiki in the Tent, Parks Marina, Okoboji
 - 7pm Live music by 69Cents, The Okoboji Store, Okoboji
 - 7pm Country 2 Piece, Beer Can Alley, Arnolds Park
 - 7-10 Jimmy Groh, The Clubhouse, Milford
 - 9pm Tripwire Live at The Ritz, Arnolds Park
 - 9:30 Good for Gary, The Gardens, Arnolds Park
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Sunday Morning January 31, 2016. Table with columns for time slots (6 am to 11:30) and channels (WFTC, KTVI, KPTH, KMEG, IPBN, KCAU, KELO, KEYC, WGN-A, WOI, WEA, ESPN, ESPN2, FX, LIFE, FAM, USA, SYFY, TBS, TNT, AMC, A&E, DISC, TLC, DISN, TVL, COM, SPIKE, HALL, CNN, FNC, FXM).

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Monday Evening February 1, 2016. Table with columns for time slots (6pm to 11:30) and channels (WFTC, KTVI, KPTH, KMEG, IPBN, KCAU, KELO, KEYC, WGN-A, WOI, WEA, ESPN, ESPN2, FX, LIFE, FAM, USA, SYFY, TBS, TNT, AMC, A&E, DISC, TLC, DISN, TVL, COM, SPIKE, HALL, CNN, FNC, FXM).

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Applications may be obtained at the **City Clerk's Office, Milford Community Building, 806 N Avenue, PO Box 536, Milford, IA 51351** or www.milfordia.us.
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Jackson County Highway Department has full-time openings for Heavy Equipment Operators. Minimum requirements for this position include:

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

Faxed or emailed applications will not be accepted.

Applications must be delivered or postmarked by 4:30pm on Friday, February 5, 2016, to the Jackson County Coordinator's Office.

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

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January is National Radon Action Month, and the Dickinson County Conservation Board encourages you to protect yourself and your family from danger by testing your house for this terror. A short-term radon test kit and detailed information is available for \$7 from the Nature Store in the Dickinson County Nature Center in Okoboji.

Radon is an invisible and odorless gas that enters homes through cracks in a lower level. According to the American Lung Association, radon forms when uranium breaks down to radium and then to form radon. As radon decays, it releases radioactive byproducts that can cause cancer with prolonged exposure.

Radon is the No. 1 cause of lung cancer among non-smokers, according to the Environmental Protection Agency and is the second leading cause of lung cancer overall. Overexposure to the gas mixed with smoking causes a much higher risk of lung cancer, but radon also kills about 2,900 people each year who have never smoked.

Only one in five homes has a problem with radon, but the only way to know if it affects your home is to test for it. Radon could affect you and none of your neighbors or all of your neighbors and not you --- you have to test!

A short-term test is set out to absorb and track radon in a building. It is then sealed and sent to a lab for analysis. If you have unsafe levels of radon, an EPA- or state-certified contractor can help mitigate the problem.

Test kits are available during Dickinson County Nature Center open hours 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information, please visit www.dickinsoncountynaturecenter.com or call 712-336-6352.



Spirit Lake K of C Crowns Youth Free Throw Champions

Lakes area girls and boys ages 9 to 14 participated in the 2016 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship last weekend, and six earned the right to compete at the District level. Iowa Great Lakes Council 5043 in Spirit Lake sponsored the local competition at Spirit Lake High School, which drew kids from Spirit Lake, Okoboji and Milford.

The 9-year-old winner in the boys' division was Merck McCaffery and the 10-year-old winner was Keenan Higgins. Nicholas Lammers was the 11-year-old boys' champion and Vance Katzfey won for the boys in the 12-year-old group. Shayla Baschke championed the 12-year-old girls' bracket and Ella Skinner took honors in the 14-year-old girls' division.

Each contestant was allowed 15 free throw attempts for the Council level championship. The 11-year-old boys' bracket featured a tie breaker, with five extra free throws to keep things exciting and competitive.

Every participant received a recognition certificate. Each winner received a Free Throw Championship plaque and certificate, and is eligible to compete in the District competition February 6 at Sacred Heart, Spencer, with an eye toward moving to the Regionals at St. Mary's High School in Remsen, then State and then International. Spirit Lake's Kaisha Brown won the international level competition several years ago.

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.

Unmatched Carpenters Tribute Takes The Stage



Singer Lisa Rock and her 6-piece band are bringing the music of The Carpenters back to the stage with their spot-on renditions of Carpenters classics with Close to You: The Music of The Carpenters at Pearson Lakes Art Center on February 11, 2016.

Considered one of the best vocalists of all time, Karen Carpenter captured the attention of a generation with her unabashedly catchy pop music. The Carpenters' beautiful, memorable love songs topped the Billboard charts with more than a dozen number one hits. Now, singer and playwright Lisa Rock has arranged a 6-piece band, complete with back-up singers, and together they are dedicated to creating a Carpenters experience like no other. Rock's amazing four octave range allows her to sing the hits like "We've Only Just Begun" and "Rainy Days and Mondays" in their original key, keeping the songs genuine and more recognizable for the audience. "When she hits the lower range of her marvelous voice," notes Chicago critic Alan Bresloff, "if you close your eyes, you can see Karen Carpenter's face."

But Rock goes beyond the music in her concert. She draws the crowd in with anecdotes about Karen and Richard Carpenter, their lives and how some of the songs originated. Rock engages the audience to the point where they can't help but sing along with her and share the memories of The Carpenters and their music.

Close to You: The Music of The Carpenters comes to Pearson Lakes Art Center on Thursday, February 11 at 7:30pm. Tickets are \$25, \$20 for members, \$15 for students, and can be purchased by calling the Box Office at 712-332-7013 or by visiting LakesArt.org.

Pearson Lakes Art Center is located at 2201 US 71 in Okoboji, Iowa. Pearson Lakes Art Center houses six galleries, a performing arts theatre, an interactive gallery, classrooms, pottery room, library, events hall and gift shop. The Center welcomes its guests to enjoy a live performance, explore world-class art or to take a class and create.

K of C Omelet Breakfast Supports Youth Rally Trip

Iowa Great Lakes Council 5043 of the Knights of Columbus dedicated the funds received at its January omelet breakfast to the Lakes Area youngsters traveling to the March for Life Youth Rally in Washington, D.C. Parish youth helped the Knights serve more than 125 hungry people for a free will offering Sunday, January 17 at St. Mary's Parish Hall on Hill Avenue in Spirit Lake.



The funds raised helped pay for the transportation, food and lodging for twelve students to attend from January 20-24. Two parish adults, including St. Mary's Parish Director of Youth Ministry Mary Brandt, joined them in their efforts to protect life from conception to natural death. Iowa is sending several buses to the 43rd Annual March for Life this year. Helen Gurley Brown is the featured speaker at the March for Life Conference - marchforlife.org.

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