





Poet Runs Across Iowa, Visiting Every Town

**By Casey Jarmes | The News-Review**

NORTH ENGLISH – The EV History Center held their first program of the year on March 30, hosted by Tyler Sullivan, the poet and marathon behind the popular Facebook page “Iowa Scenic Views by Foot.” Sullivan explained that, in 2015, his then girlfriend lived in Mason City. While driving there from his hometown of Iowa City, he travelled through counties he had never visited and began to think that there had to be something special in every county. Sullivan decided to choose something new to explore each time he visited, which transformed into his current project, where he is attempting to visit and run at least one mile around every town in Iowa.

“In my mind, still to this day, almost ten years in May, these towns are magical. It’s places where people go to church. It’s where they go to school. It’s where they like to grow,” said Sullivan.

Sullivan also writes poems about the places he visits, which he has self-pub-

lished in two books thus far, “With You Every Step Along the Way” and “Living This Thing Called Life.” During his North English visit, he read excerpts of his poetry and showed images of his travels.

Sullivan stated that he has only three counties left to

visit: Wright, Humboldt and Harrison. He has run around all but 35 cities, including the cities in the counties he is yet to visit, plus West Des Moines, Boone, and Washington, which he plans to visit last. Sullivan also plans to visit 250 different museums across the state this year.



Keota School Board Member Passes Way

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KEOTA – Jim Tinnes, a Keota School Board member, member of the Keota Library Board, leader of the Good Neighbor Fellowship Grief

Share support group, and owner of Jim Tinnes Trucking passed away at Mercy Medical Center on March 25. Tinnes also volunteered for the Keota Fire Department for 13 years and was a Cub

Scout and Boy Scout Master when he was younger. A visitation was held at the high school on March 29, with the funeral being held at the school on March 30. Tinnes was 61-years-old.

Keota Teen Dies in Car Accident

**By Casey Jarmes | The News-Review**

KALONA – 18-year-old Alaina McNurlen of Keota died in a car accident four-miles south of Kalona on

March 27. According to a report from the Iowa State Patrol, McNurlen drove over the center line then swerved back, overcorrecting, and drove off the road into a ditch, where her car rolled. McNur-

len, who was not wearing a seatbelt, was ejected from her vehicle and died from her injuries. The incident remains under investigation by the Iowa State Patrol.

Supervisors Approve Bridge Work

**By Casey Jarmes | The News-Review**

SIGOURNEY – During the March 31 meeting of the Keokuk County Board of Supervisors, the board approved a \$271,540.80 bid from Iowa Bridge and Culvert to repair a bridge on 123rd street, north of South English. County Engineer Andy McGuire stated the bridge would be repaired using steel beams the county already owns, which would help with the cost, and that the bid was under the estimate and under budget. He was unsure about a start date, but noted that Sept. 1 was the late start date.

Also at the Monday morning meeting, Supervisor Daryl Wood stated he had met with the mayor and city council of Martinsburg, who are missing documents related to the city’s sewer system, due to the fire that destroyed city hall last year. Wood stated that the county

was able to provide extra copies of the sewer map, ordinances and 28e agreement, but does not have a list of which residents are hooked onto the city’s sewer, which the city currently lacks.

Wood stated that he had spoken to the Jefferson County Board of Supervisors, who are planning to implement ordinances restricting solar farms. He provided the board with a sample zoning ordinance from Louisa County to look over, which prevents solar farms from being built within a certain distance of the property line. He noted that these ordinances would not restrict residential solar panels, just large solar farms. Supervisor Mike Hadley stated he wasn’t against solar farms, but didn’t want to look at them.

A local man showed the board a warning letter he had been sent by the county recycling center, which

he claimed had been sent because he mouthed off to the center’s employees. He complained about the employees sitting in their cars and being too slow to assist him when he pulls up and stated that he told them they should be fired. He claimed that the women working at the center are “grouchy and hateful” and that that drives people to throw trash in ditches instead of going to the center. Hadley stated that he does not use the recycling center and would close it if he could, but that the county keeps it open to keep trash out of ditches. He stated that other counties don’t operate a recycling center. The man asked how much the center costs to run and Hadley stated that it costs around \$100,000 to keep open. Hadley jokingly suggested that the man apologize and send the center employees flowers.

Auditor’s Report Released for City of Sigourney

**By Casey Jarmes | The News-Review**

SIGOURNEY – The Iowa Auditor’s Office released a FY2024 audit report for the City of Sigourney on March 27, which noted several minor issues, five of which were repeated from the prior year, but no major issues. Issues noted include:

- Lack of Segregation of Duties for both the city and for the Friends of the Sigourney Public Library.
- Utility reconciliations

were completed, but not reviewed by an independent person for 10 months.

- The city’s bank reconciliations were not reviewed by an independent person.
- The city’s hiring of Atwood Electric, which is owned by Councilwoman Stephanie Lentz’s brother, and Exceptional Edge, which is owned by Councilman Randy Schultz’s nephew, could represent a conflict of interest.
- The net operating receipts for the city’s sewer and wa-

ter series notes were 99% of the sewer bond principal and interest, rather than the 110% required.

- The city’s TIF fund balance of \$75,598 is excessive and should be returned to the County Treasurer.
- The city overstated the amount of outstanding TIF debt by \$383,601.
- The city had a deficit of \$4,829 in the CDBG Housing Fund which needed to be transferred to the general fund.

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Community CALENDAR

Keota  
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**Richland Public Library**  
Tuesday/Wednesday/  
Thursday: 2:30-6:00  
Friday: Noon-5:00  
Saturday: 10:00-1:00  
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**Wilson Memorial Library**  
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Tuesdays, Wednesday, and  
Thursdays 10-5pm  
Fridays 10 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Saturdays 8-12.

**Sigourney Public Library**  
Monday/Tuesday/  
Wednesday/Thursday 11  
a.m. to 7 p.m.  
Friday 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Saturday 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Summer Reading Program  
(June):  
Mondays 11:30 a.m. - 12  
p.m. Pre-School  
Tuesdays 1-2 p.m.  
4th/5th/6th Grade  
Wednesdays 1-2 p.m.  
2nd/3rd Grade  
Thursdays 1-2 p.m.  
Kindergarten/1st Grade  
Fridays 12-1:30 p.m. Family  
Movie Matinee

**Hedrick Public Library**  
Monday/Thursday/Friday  
2 - 6 p.m.  
Tuesday 2 - 5 p.m.  
Wednesday 12 - 4 p.m.  
Saturday/Sunday Closed

**What Cheer Public Library**  
Monday 12:00-6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday 8:30 a.m. - 3:30  
p.m.  
Friday 12:00-5:00 p.m.  
Saturday 9:00-11:00 a.m.

**Sigourney Kiwanis**  
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**Keota Food Pantry**  
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of Faith, 10-11 a.m. Anyone  
needing food is invited.

**Richland Community Food Bank**  
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Methodist Church, 106 W  
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9:30-11:30 a.m. and Thursday  
5-7:00 p.m.

**City of Keota Public Meeting**  
Public meetings will be

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7 p.m. at Keota City Hall.  
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posted at City Hall.

**Keota School Board**  
The Keota School Board  
meets the second Thursday  
of each month, typically at 6  
p.m.

**Keota VFW Auxiliary**  
The VFW Auxiliary meets  
the third Tuesday of each  
month, typically at the VFW  
building.

**Keokuk County Historical Society**  
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p.m.  
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or delayed KCHS will be  
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of Supervisors meets weekly  
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AA Meetings at  
Community Outreach  
Center-Sigourney:  
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**Narcotics Anonymous-Sigourney**  
NA Meetings Community  
Outreach Center-Sigourney:  
Thursdays at 6 p.m.  
615 S Jefferson St Sigourney

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**Alzheimer's Support**  
Alzheimer's Support  
Group meetings are held the  
first Monday of each month  
at the Presbyterian Church  
in Washington at 6:30 p.m.

**Take Off Pounds Sensibly**  
Weekly meetings Tuesdays,  
4:30pm - 5:30 pm  
Keokuk County Extension  
Office, 641-777-1653

**Grief Share**  
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Wednesdays at 1 p.m.,  
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Richland Student Makes Blackburn Dean's List

Michayne Weber of Richland was named to the Blackburn College Fall 2024 Dean's List. To be eligible, students must earn a GPA of 3.6 or higher.

Iowa Senate passes legislation to bar local governments from using DEI practices

By Brooklyn Draisey, Iowa Capital Dispatch  
Iowa lawmakers differed Tuesday on definitions and merits of diversity, equity and inclusion while debating legislation to restrict local governments' DEI efforts.

The Iowa Senate passed Senate File 507 with a vote of 34-15 and sent it to the House for consideration.  
If signed into law, the bill would bar county and city governments, offices and boards from opening or keeping DEI offices as defined in the bill unless required by law. Local government bodies would also be prohibited from having an employee or third party perform the duties of a DEI office and from requiring or soliciting anyone to submit a DEI statement.

Included in the bill's definition of diversity, equity and inclusion are hiring practices that aren't "colorblind" and "sex-neutral," or that provide deferential treatment or special benefits to someone based on race and other demographics. The bill also defines as DEI programs or activities promoting deferential treatment or topics disclosed in the legislation like implicit bias, transgender ideology and antiracism, among others.

"Iowa taxpayers deserve for us to use the best hiring practices and to hire the very best people," floor manager Sen. Cherielynn Westrich said. "Why would we not just hire the very best person, regardless of their particular characteristics?"

Similar legislation, amended to include community and private colleges, passed out of the Iowa House on March 18. House File 856 would bar state entities from spending any money, allocated or received through other methods, on DEI offices, positions and programming, with exceptions.

One exception listed in the Senate bill is for programming to teach deescalation techniques and "prevention of bias," which Westrich said was requested by law enforcement to maintain their

current training programs.  
Sen. Herman Quirmbach, D-Ames, said during debate it seems like law enforcement has realized that diversity is important in their job duties of keeping their communities safe. Ensuring police have the understanding of their communities' languages, cultural practices, history and more is necessary enough to put into this bill, he said, but the legislation would prohibit another important aspect of serving communities — recruiting from a diverse applicant pool in order to have the best force possible.

"I want to choose the most qualified police officers, the most qualified candidates," Quirmbach said. "But when you deal with issues like this, diversity is one of the elements of merit. We hear this from the other side of the aisle all the time, 'Oh, well, we're all about merit.' Well, diversity and merit are not antithetical."

This applies to other areas of public work as well, Quirmbach said, from firefighters to 911 operators to housing coordinators. Limiting applicant pools by barring departments from recruiting from diverse areas stops cities and counties from having the most qualified people in the job, he said.

Other Democratic lawmakers agreed with Quirmbach, voicing concerns about how the legislation could affect human rights commissions, cultural and ethnic recognition and celebrations and emphasizing that DEI is necessary in the worlds of business, academics and government.

Westrich pointed out during debate the Senate has a female president and the Republican caucus as an Indian chief of staff and "many diverse people" as members, elected or appointed without the need for DEI training or policies.

Westrich said the words making up DEI in the context of local government have only served to apply unequal

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**Keota**  
Thursday, Mar 27  
Breakfast - Donut, Fresh  
Mixed Fruit, Juice, Milk  
Lunch - Italian Pasta Bake,  
Green Pepper Strips, Fresh Baby  
Carrots, Applesauce, Wheat  
Bread  
Friday, Mar 28  
Breakfast - No School  
Lunch -  
Monday, Mar 31  
Breakfast - Breakfast Bites,  
Applesauce, Juice, Milk  
Lunch - Soft Shell Taco,  
Romaine & Tomato, Corn,  
Apples, Chips & Salsa  
Tuesday, April 1  
NA  
Wednesday, April 2  
NA

**Pekin**  
Thursday, Mar 27  
Breakfast - Sausage Patty, WG  
Toast, Fruit, Juice  
Lunch - Chicken Sandwich,  
California Blend, Garlic Cheese  
Mashed Potatoes, Cinnamon  
Apples, Orange Wedges  
Friday, Mar 28  
Breakfast - WG Donut Holes,  
GoGurt, Fruit, Juice  
Lunch - Toasted Cheese,  
Baked Benas, Baby Carrots,  
Diced Pears, Apple Slices, Chips  
Monday, Mar 31  
Breakfast - Cinni Minis,  
Yogurt Cup, Fruit, Juice  
Lunch - Pizza Pasta, Green  
Beans, Pineapple, Craisins, WG  
Garlic Bread  
Tuesday, April 1  
Breakfast - WG PopTart,  
String Cheese, Fruit, Juice  
Lunch - Hot Ham & Cheese  
On Bun, Baked Beans, Roasted  
Potatoes, Peaches, Blueberries  
Wednesday, April 2  
Breakfast - Egg Omelet, WG  
Toast, Fruit, Juice  
Lunch - Oven Fried Chicken,  
Mashed Potatoes, Broccoli,  
Applesauce, Raisels, WG  
Hawaiian Rolls

**English Valleys**  
Thursday, Mar 27  
Breakfast - Donut, Assorted  
Cereal, Fruit, Juice, Muffin  
Square, Milk  
Lunch - Bacon/Egg/Cheese  
Flatbread, Cheeseburger, Club  
Sandwich, Sub Bar, Garden  
Salad, Oven Fries, Fruit, Milk  
Friday, Mar 28  
Breakfast - Chicken Biscuit,  
Assorted Cereal, Fruit, Juice,  
Cinnamon Toast, Milk  
Lunch - Fish & Chips, Hot  
Dog, Ham & Cheese Sandwich,  
Pizza Bar, Garden Salad, Glazed  
Carrots, Seasoned Fries, Fruit,  
Sugar Cookie, Milk  
Monday, Mar 31  
Breakfast - Waffles, Assorted  
Cereal, Fruit, Juice, Toast w/  
Margarine, Milk  
Lunch - Loaded Baked Potato,  
Spicy Chicken Sandwich, BLTE  
Salad, Pizza Bar, Sub Bar,  
Garden Salad, Fruit, Combread,  
Milk  
Tuesday, April 1  
NA  
Wednesday, April 2  
NA

**Tri-County**  
Thursday, Mar 27  
Breakfast - Breakfast Pizza  
Lunch - Hamburger, Cooked  
Carrots, Pineapple  
Friday, Mar 28  
Breakfast - Biscuits & Gravy  
Lunch - Chicken Sandwich,  
Mixed Vegetables, Peaches,  
Baked Chips  
Monday, Mar 31  
Breakfast - Cereal  
Lunch - French Toast Sticks,  
Cheese Omelet, Sausage Patty,  
Tater Tots, Apple  
Tuesday, April 1  
Breakfast - Biscuits & Gravy  
Lunch - Rodeo Burger,  
Cooked Carrots, Applesauce  
Wednesday, April 2  
Breakfast - Waffles  
Lunch - Famous Chicken  
Bowl, Mashed Potatoes, Corn,  
Cheese, Pineapple

**Goodwin Senior Dining Center (Wellman)**  
Thursday, Mar 27  
Grilled Tenderloin Sandwich,  
French Fries, 3 Bean Salad, Jello  
Cake  
Friday, Mar 28  
Chicken & Noodles, California  
Veggie Blend, Angel Food Cake  
& Strawberries  
Monday, Mar 31  
Spaghetti, Tossed Salad, Garlic  
Bread, Fresh Fruit  
Tuesday, April 1  
NA  
Wednesday, April 2  
NA

**Milestones (Sigourney & Delta)**  
Thursday, Mar 27  
Cook's Choice w/ Dessert,  
Nutritionals not Available  
Friday, Mar 28  
Loose Meat Sandwich, Potato  
Salad, Seasoned Peas, Seasonal  
Fruit  
Monday, Mar 31  
Pot Roast, Roasted Red  
Potatoes, Buttered Carrots,  
Whole Grain Roll, Frosted Cake  
Tuesday, April 1  
Beef Patty w/ Cooked Onions,  
Mashed Potatoes, Baked  
Spinach Casserole, Cinnamon  
Baked Apples, Garlic Wheat  
Roll  
Wednesday, April 2  
Chicken Salad on WW,  
Corn Salad, Sliced Cucumbers,  
Seasonal Fruit



**Sigourney**  
Thursday, Mar 27  
Breakfast - Donut, Assorted  
Cereal, Fruit, Juice, Muffin  
Square, Milk  
Lunch - Bacon/Egg/Cheese  
Flatbread, Cheeseburger, Oven  
Fries, Garden Fresh Salad Bar,  
Italian Bread, Pizza Bar, Sub  
Bar, Fruit, Milk  
Friday, Mar 28  
Breakfast - Chicken Biscuit,  
Assorted Cereal, Fruit, Juice,  
Cinnamon Toast, Milk  
Lunch - Fish & Chips, Hot  
Dog, Seasoned Fries, Garden  
Fresh Salad Bar, Italian Bread,  
Pizza Bar, Sub Bar, Glazed  
Carrots, Fruit, Sugar Cookie,  
Milk  
Monday, Mar 31  
Breakfast - Waffles, Assorted  
Cereal, Fruit, Juice, Toast w/  
Margarine, Milk  
Lunch - Loaded Baked Potato,  
Spicy Chicken Sandwich,  
Seasoned Fries, Garden Fresh  
Salad Bar, Combread, Pizza Bar,  
Sub Bar, Corn, Fruit, Milk  
Tuesday, April 1  
Breakfast - Scrambled Eggs,  
Assorted Cereal, Tater Tots,  
Fruit, Toast w/ Margarine, Milk  
Lunch - Burrito Bowl,  
Cheeseburger, Seasoned Fries,  
Garden Fresh Salad Bar,  
Combread, Pizza Bar, Sub Bar,  
Cowboy Beans, Fruit, Milk  
Wednesday, April 2  
Breakfast - Blueberry Crumb  
Cake, Assorted Cereal, Fruit,  
Juice, Cinnamon Toast, Milk  
Lunch - Chicken Patty, Hot  
Roll, Corn Dog, Seasoned Fries,  
Garden Fresh Salad Bar, Pizza  
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**Barnes City Community Church**  
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Sunday  
Adult Sunday School 9 a.m.  
Worship 10 a.m./Children's Church

**Barnes City United Methodist**  
Pastor Michelle Williamson  
550 Pine St.  
Worship, 4:30 p.m., Sunday

**CEDAR**  
**Cedar Christian Reformed Church**  
Rev. John A. Ritsema  
Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.

**Cedar United Methodist**  
Pastor Bob Voles  
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Children's Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

**DEEP RIVER**  
**United Church of Deep River**  
319-664-3653  
Every Sunday: Inspiration time, 10 a.m.; Worship, 9 a.m.; 1st Sunday of the month: Communion; 2nd Saturday of the month: Parish Council; Last Thursday of the month is the UCW meeting.

**DELTA**  
**Delta Christian Church**  
108 W 3rd St.  
Worship: Sunday at 9 a.m.

**Delta Methodist Church**  
Vince Homan, Pastor  
Worship: 9 a.m.  
Sunday School for Elementary age children is at 9:30-10:15 a.m.

**FREMONT**  
**Fremont Community Church**  
Sunday Worship 9 a.m.  
Children's Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Adult Sunday School 10:15 a.m.

**First Baptist Church of Fremont**  
Pastors: Robb Bruns  
Sunday School, 9 a.m.  
Sunday Worship, 10 a.m.

**GIBSON**  
**Gibson Presbyterian Church**  
Amy McGriff and Robert Elgin, Pastors  
Worship, 10 a.m.  
Communion on the third Sunday of the month.

**HEDRICK**  
**The Church of Living Water**  
Shane Jarr, Pastor  
13 North Main St., Hedrick  
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Worship - 10:40 a.m.; Evening Services - 7 p.m.  
Bible Study Wednesdays - 6 p.m.

**Hedrick First Christian**  
206 Park St. Hedrick  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.; Gathering for Worship, 10:45 a.m.

**Hedrick Community Church**  
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Michael Elrod, Pastor  
203 N. Spring Street, Hedrick  
641-653-4477  
Sunday: 9 a.m. Worship In Person, or online through our Facebook Page or www.hedrickumc.org

**KEOTA**  
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126 E Broadway  
Sunday: 9 a.m. Sunday

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201 North Ellis Street, PO Box 208  
Keota, IA 52248  
Pastor Cathy Nutting (641) 636-3825  
keotaucf@cloudburst9.net - email  
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Sunday Worship Service 9:00 a.m

**KESWICK**  
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Pastor Brandi Meyer  
319-430-7299  
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Service: 9:00 a.m.  
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641-637-2251  
www.nsfcc.org  
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Sunday School, 9 a.m.  
Worship, 10 a.m.  
Wednesday:  
WOW Kids, 6-7:30 p.m.  
Thursday:  
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**New Sharon Assembly of God**  
www.newsharonag.org  
Pastor Shane Farnum  
Wednesday: 6:30-7:30 p.m.  
Kingdom Kids (PreK-6th)  
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Connection Groups  
Sunday:  
9 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service

**New Sharon Friends Church**  
Sunday  
Worship, 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School, 10:45 a.m.

**New Sharon Harvest Community Church**  
2083 Hwy. 102  
David Pinkerton, Pastor  
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Sunday School, 8:45 a.m.  
Fellowship, 9:30 a.m.  
Worship, 10 a.m.

**New Sharon Lower Grove Church**  
Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.  
Worship, 10:30 a.m.

**New Life Fellowship New Sharon**  
Lead Pastor Rick Baarda  
www.newlifefellowships.org  
Ph. 641-637-2561  
Email: newlifefellowships@gmail.com  
Worship Service:  
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Chair Yoga: Wednesday, 3:00 4:00pm (McVay FC)  
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Worship, 10:35 a.m.

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641-667-2502  
27131 Hwy 78, Ollie  
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319-456-2251  
Sunday Worship: 11 a.m. in person or Facebook page.

**Trinity Friends Church**  
206 Main St,  
Pastor Jerry Hoover  
641-919-8922  
Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.

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1005 Jasmine Ave,  
Pastor Jerry Hoover  
641-919-8922  
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.

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Worship, 11 a.m.

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**Hope Lutheran Church, LCMS**  
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said Izzi Chalupa.

“That’s very true, because I have work on Fridays, in the morning, and then, instead of having practice for golf at four o’clock, when everybody else is, we have it at like one o’clock, so then everybody can have their practices,” said Swanson.

“I feel like it’s boosted our football program immensely, because we have a Friday game night, and having that whole day off to prepare is a lot better than getting yourself mentally tired due to tests and other things,” said Sherman.

The four-day week also gives more time for professional development, something multiple teachers were fond of. “Us teachers having the every-other week half-day professional development also gives us a lot of time to work in our classrooms and work on our own stuff, which is nice,” said Overtuff.

“The PD is what I like about it,” said Brenneman. “The four-day week, great for the kids, great for the teachers, for the most part, but every other Friday, they have a morning of PD. And, you know, when you’re in a small school and have as many preps as they have, it’s hard for me to ever work with a teacher on improving their practice. This way, with the four-day week, we can do it together, collectively as a group, set goals, learn together, move forward, and it gives us that time. And I think our staff has become much more close on those PD Fridays... There’s just a lot of things we can get done with the teachers that they are applying directly to the classroom.”

“I do believe that it has been helpful, because we do get that time to collaborate with other teachers at the same grade level or in the same department,” said Overtuff. “We’ve had more time to talk through some of the things that we have to discuss, like consolidation of sections or work. So we’ve had that time to work on it. This year, we have been focussing a lot on making sure we’re using the time we do have wisely.”

“When we have PD, it’s a nice time for all of us to get together and be able to collaboratively work together and get to bounce ideas off each other,” said Kaplan.

Also noted by several students was the ability to spend time working the four-day week provided. “Oh, it’s amazing,” said Sherman.

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standards and set preferential outcomes for people based on their race, sex, gender identity and other demographics.

“The DEI movement is not about a sincere desire to make local government more diverse, more fair, more inclusive,” Westrich said. “Equal rights based on merit, talent, skill and qualifications is what we should have in our local government.”

When asked by Sen. Zach Wahls, D-Coralville, about examples of local governing bodies breaking current Iowa law and discriminating against people in their hiring practices, Westrich said she has no specific examples

“Boosting my check, more hours.”

“Fridays, I babysit, so that’s the day I make money too,” said Aubrey Galindo.

“So for me, I do half my day at Kirkwood, then my other half, coming here, then going straight to work,” said Ashton Galindo. “So, on Fridays, when I have no school here, I can go straight for my classes at Kirkwood and then go straight to work. So, it makes having work here way easier and getting way more hours in.”

“The other advantage to a four-day is that we’ve started a lot more work-based-learning, so kids are able to have a lot more time to go to those jobs and job shadow, because we now require job shadowing, and the Fridays are a perfect day for them to go job shadow,” said Brenneman.

For many of the students and staff members, the change to a new schedule went without many problems. “I can’t say there were a lot of problems. It was pretty much an easy move,” said Brenneman.

“No, there hasn’t been nothing at all,” said Ashton Galindo. “It’s just more positive to me.”

“It transitioned pretty smooth,” said Bimson.

“I am a really good planner, organizer, so I really didn’t have any difficulties. I was able to plan out all my classes for the year, make sure I was able to get everything covered that I need to, and it’s been working so far,” said Kaplan.

“It was definitely different, but I don’t think anyone really struggled,” said Gutierrez. “It was a positive change.”

“It was like a relief when we got into the days when we didn’t have to go to school on Fridays,” said Izzi Chalupa.

“Most people were here at eight o’clock anyways, so it’s not much different,” said Sherman.

“At first, the days felt a little bit longer, but I got used to it really quick. It’s definitely worth it,” said Aubrey Galindo.

“There is that challenge of trying to get the same year’s worth of material in less days of school,” said Overtuff. “I had to go through my curriculum and determine how much time I need to spend on each of these, are there sections that maybe I could teach differently, to condense it down so that I can get through all the material in a year, because we do have few-

er face to face days. So that has been a challenge. We’ve taken a lot of time at the end of last year and beginning of this year to work on that as well. I think that’s been helpful. But, it’s the first year doing it, so I think there’s still going to be a lot of work to do in the next couple years.”

“We’ve had to reevaluate and structure our classes,” said Jamison. “I haven’t run into any problems with that. I’ve been able to adjust and accommodate. Most of my classes are still running on schedule, if not ahead, so things in that regard are doing fine...It took a little time to adjust, but once things got running smooth, I didn’t really notice a difference.”

Several students pointed out that the new schedule helped with making up snow days, gave time to get their licenses at the courthouse, and allowed them to go to doctor’s appointments without missing school. Brenneman noted benefits the school has seen in terms of attendance and behavior.

“We don’t have a lot of behavioral problems at all anymore,” said Brenneman. “I can’t say it’s because of the four-day week, but I just think kids know that Thursday comes and goes pretty quick. It really does make a difference. They know that they just have to work really hard for four days, they get three days off, it seems to be working well for them...Plus, kids aren’t missing as much school. Our biggest hope was that the absenteeism would improve, and it has. The chronic absenteeism law that was passed helped, but we just see less absences because they have that three day weekend...Some people were

concerned about having kids out and about on Fridays, you know, not in school, and I have not received any complaints or heard anything negative about that...Some of our parents, that were hesitant about it, have actually let me know that it’s one of the best things we’ve done.”

Every single person the News-Review spoke to agreed that this was a possible change. “Most definitely,” said Swanson. All of them stated they hoped Keota would stick with the four-day week.

“I honestly haven’t received anything negative about it. Not nothing,” said Brenneman.

“I like it,” said Jace Chalupa. “I encourage every other school to do it.”

“Everything from it has been a benefit for me,” said Ashton Galindo. “Nothing negative.”

“Usually, you walk in Monday, no one likes a Monday, now you walk in, it feels like a Tuesday,” said Sherman. “So everything’s a little bit better that way.”

“It’s been nice to have more time at home with my son,” said Kaplan.

“I mean, as with any sort of big change, there are some bumps along the way, and as long as we get through those, I think it’ll be good,” said Overtuff. “I think the students do enjoy it. I get a lot of good feedback from them. It’s just all those little behind the scenes things that still need to be worked out a little bit.”

“I can’t say that it would work out for every school, but it definitely works for Keota, a small school,” said Brenneman.

Obituaries

Alaina Hope McNurlen

2006-2025

Alaina “Lainie” Hope McNurlen, affectionately known as “Lainie Lou” and “Lainie Bug,” left this world far too soon at the age of 18 due to injuries sustained in a car accident.

Lainie was born October 12, 2006, in Washington, the daughter of Michael McNurlen and Bonnie Preston. She cherished her two younger siblings, Lillian and Finn. She attended Mid-Prairie schools, where she advocated for younger students to be included on the debate team. As a junior, she transferred to Washington High School and continued her education with the class of 2025.

Lainie was a soul that radiated creativity, compassion, and wonder. Her love for animals knew no bounds—she had a gift for understanding them, offering them kindness, especially to her cat Squid, along with multiple other stray cats she convinced her mom to allow into their lives. Beyond her love for creatures big and small, Lainie’s gentle, loving spirit advocated for the well-being of everyone she encountered. The fire in her heart touched everyone, and her energy could not be ignored. Lainie had a gift for brightening any room and was always there for those in need.

Lainie was an artist in every sense of the word. She expressed her creativity through many avenues. The world was her canvas, and she filled it with color, passion, and beauty. Her love for Disney was a reflection of her belief in magic, adventure, and the power of dreams, finding enchantment in everyday life and spreading joy to those around her. She treasured books, theater, and music. She found pure joy in the outrageous energy of concerts, where the music, the chaos, and the community filled her heart.

Lainie was also deeply connected to nature and the mysteries of the universe. She found meaning in the stars, guidance in the phases of the moon, and comfort in the energy of crystals. She believed in the unseen forces that tie us all together, always seeking wisdom, always radiating light. She had an old soul—one that understood the depth of emotions, the beauty of creation, and the significance of the spiritual world around her.

Survivors include her father: Michael (Julia) McNurlen of Wellman; mother: Bonnie Preston of Keota; brother: Finn McNurlen; sister: Lillian Yoder; grandparents: Dick and Janis McNurlen of Keota, Rev. Bob and Denise Preston of Keota, and Roger and Janet Stutzman of Wellman as well as many aunts, uncles and cousins.

Funeral service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 2, 2025, at Holy Trinity Parish - St. Mary Catholic Church in Keota with Rev. Charles Fladung officiating. Burial will be at Keota Cemetery. Visitation was from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 1, 2025, at Powell Funeral Home in Keota.

A memorial fund has been established for the family. Powell Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Keota is caring for Lainie and her family. Tributes may be made at [www.powellfuneralhomes.com](http://www.powellfuneralhomes.com).

Lainie, our hearts ache with your absence, but we find comfort knowing your soul is free. Rest easy, sweet girl. Your family will carry your love and light always, and your magic will never fade.

Services: Apr. 2, 11 a.m.  
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Obituaries

Barbara Jean Hart

1926-2025

SIGOURNEY—Barbara Jean Hart, age 98, of Sigourney, died Sunday, March 23, 2025, at Manor House Care Center in Sigourney.

Barbara was born October 12, 1926, in rural Zearing, Iowa, the daughter of Patrick and Margaret (Peddicord) Carmody. She graduated from Zearing High School and attended Chillicothe Business College in Chillicothe, Missouri for one year. On February 23, 1947, she married Norval K. Hart in Pullman, Washington. They lived in many different locations until moving to Sigourney in 1961. Norval and Barbara divorced in 1975. On January 18, 1986, she married Arthur Eugene Hart in Sigourney. Barbara worked at Washington State University for one year and the Sigourney News-Review office for 20 years, retiring in 1986. She was a member of the Sigourney Christian Church and enjoyed traveling, needlework and wintering in Scottsdale, Arizona.

Survivors include six children: Steven (Sheila) Hart of Centennial, Colorado, Rebecca (Lee) Lambert of Abilene, Texas, Barbara James of Benton, Arkansas, Jennifer Stokes of Ottumwa, Micaela (Dave) Klein of Sigourney and Patrick (Stephanie) Hart of Ottumwa; 16 grandchildren; 21 great grandchildren and one sister: Ardella Untrauer of Sigourney. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband: Arthur in 2012; four sisters: Verda Holveck, Velma Sedlak, Isabelle Jones and Mary Lou Johnson and two sons-in-law: Morris James and Leif Stokes.

Memorial graveside service will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 26, 2025, at Pennington Cemetery. There will be no visitation.

A general memorial fund has been established. Powell Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Sigourney is caring for Barbara and her family. Tributes may be made at [www.powellfuneralhomes.com](http://www.powellfuneralhomes.com).

Services: Apr. 26, 10 a.m.  
Visitation: no visitation  
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Barbara Jean Hart

Obituaries

Dorothy Morrow

1941-2025

Dorothy Jo-Ann Beall Morrow, 83, died March 25, 2025, at her home in Sigourney. She was born September 23, 1941 to Theodore Roscoe and Marvelle Lee Harnett Beall. She graduated from Sigourney High School in 1959. On December 20, 1959 she married George Albert Morrow Jr. in Sigourney.

Dotti Jo enjoyed traveling with George while he was enlisted in the United States Air Force.

Spending time with her family especially grandchildren and great grandchildren was her favorite pastime. She also enjoyed researching family history, reading and watching softball / baseball and basketball from little league to professionals.

Dotti Jo worked a few various jobs while in high school. She worked in childcare while stationed on base in Las Vegas, Nevada. The rest of her working career was spent in banking. She worked at banks in Las Vegas, Delta, Hayesville and Fremont.

Dotti Jo was preceded in death by her husband; her mother, Marvelle Harnett Beall; father and step-mother, Theodore and Darlene Beall; father-in-law George M. Morrow and mother-in-law Maxine Glandon Lathrop; brother, William Theodore Beall; sisters Jacqueline Short and Mary Riggle; bothers-in-law Ray Kellogg, Jim Short, Franklin Duane Morrow, Richard William Mitchell, Jerry Long and Howard Dittmer; sisters-in-law LaDonna Beall, Wanda Raye Lathrop Dittmer and Marlene Mitchell; and grandson Christopher Adam Stout in infancy.

Dotti Jo is survived by her two children: Angie (Larry) Alderson of Sigourney and Alan (Ella) Morrow of Delta; eight grandchildren: Lara (Cody) Davis, Ginny (Buddy Kelley) Alderson, Andy Morrow, Paige Morrow, Joe (Jodi McLain) Goldman, David (Cass) Coble, Adam (Belle Elwood) Stout, Nicole (Eli Schmidt) Stout. Great grandchildren: Jorja, Alivia, Arie, Jaris, Austin, Landon, Andrew, Mila, Shayne, Karma, Jordyn, Rayne, Courtney, Avery, Faye, Emersyn and Presley; sister Debra Kellogg of Bloomfield; sister-in-law Ernie Long of Moline, IL; and brother-in-law Jim Mitchell of Keswick.

Visitation Friday March 28, 2025 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Holm Funeral Home Funeral Service: Saturday March 29, 2025 at 10:30 a.m. at the Delta Methodist Church.

Arrangements Holm Funeral Home - Sigourney

Services: Mar. 29, 10:30 a.m.  
Visitation: Mar. 28, 4–7 p.m.  
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Dorothy Jo-Ann Beall Morrow

Obituaries

Patricia Muller

†2025

Patricia Muller, 66, passed away at the University of Iowa Hospital in Iowa City, Iowa on March, 24, 2025. A private family service is planned. Arrangements by Holm Funeral Home.

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COUNTRY GIRL'S CORNER

# April Showers May Come Our Way

**By Sheryl L. Carter**

But maybe not, as not much rain is forecast for this coming week. We can only hope we get it sometime as it is dry out there. I have a few tiny spring plants coming up—the surprise lilies are always the first, and clumps of them are scattered here and there; the white hyacinths are up, but very short; and some of the little white spring flowers called squill, are dotted around the yard.

Pale green tender leaves on the ends of the white lilac bushes are still tightly curled, but the warm sunshine should help them to soon blossom out. And oh, the fragrance of white lilacs! I hope my big burgundy lilac bush in the back yard blooms this year. Last year it looked like it was drying up, but when I bent a twig it still had green inside.

I made it to the pool on Wednesday, and saw two other ladies I knew, but they were just leaving, so no one to talk to! I still went back and forth the length of the pool quite a few times either walking, dog paddle, or side stroke. It will take some time to get my strength back, but the water felt good.

First thing when I got into town that day I stopped to see a dear friend who had recently moved into an independent apartment in Pella. She wasn't in her room, but I finally tracked her down in the morning Bible study, where she was seated at a table with a host of other ladies with

their Bibles open. It was good to see. I greeted her quickly, and said I would come back another time so she at least knew I was there. I think this will give her a new lease on life, as she has always led a full and busy one.

I also stopped by to see the good friend who had made a quilt for me out of some of the fabrics I had been saving for years. My, she had done a wonderful job, and I brought it home to spread on my bed. The colors are so pleasing, and she quilted it just beautifully, guiding her big long arm by hand.

Thursday was an entire day out at a friend's home for our monthly Lunch & Prayer. With mugs of fresh coffee in hand, we began mid-morning, giving everyone a good opportunity to communicate each one's particular joys and concerns. We broke for lunch at noon, and then began again early afternoon. It is a special thing to have trusted friends pray for you surrounded by those heart-felt prayers.

Yesterday Scottie came up to help with a few things, and got my lettuce bed south of the shed dug up. I hope to get some seeds in the ground soon, as they like cooler weather. After lunch, we drove out to Many Treasures to see what we could see.

I found a white knitted heavy scarf made from merino wool, so soft and not scratchy, and a sharp pair of scissors to keep in the kitchen drawer. Total was \$3. I

also mooned over a beautiful mink jacket hanging up amongst a whole bunch of large coats and shirts. I didn't try it on, but couldn't resist stroking the brown glossy fur. The real deal.

I know wearing fur is frowned upon these days, but at least I didn't see the little head or paws, and could only hope the thing had been humanely done, but very probably not. I am a huge animal lover, and as I looked this up, yeah, there were some pretty awful methods used to harvest the skins, which is why wearing fur fell into such disrepute.

As I looked it up online, I saw this note: "Fur is still used by indigenous people and industrialized societies, due to its availability and superior insulation properties. The Inuit peoples of the Arctic relied on fur for most of their clothing, and it also forms a part of traditional clothing in Russia, Ukraine, the former Yugoslavia, Scandinavia, and Japan." So there you are.

I figured I could wear this coat on cold winter days to church or town and just enjoy it, as it was always kind of a big deal to have a real mink coat in bygone days. So I woke up this morning thinking about it, and realized on Saturday everything is half price, so went out there late morning, but it was gone.

Well, M. T.'s do these estate sales all the time, and most are probably elderly folks, so maybe another fur coat will

present itself. I realized, too, that it probably would have been way too big for me, but I was willing to give it a try! Would you wear a real fur coat? Maybe I shouldn't have asked!

Today I had intended to get out and walk my mile that I had traced off with Jazzy yesterday, but haven't made it out there yet. I also need to do my taxes, as the appointment with the new tax person is next week.

So that pretty well wraps up my week for this time, and I can only hope you don't all hate me because I longed after that mink jacket!!

Until next time, be well.

Small note in case you are interested: Sully garage sales are Saturday, April 12 from 7 to noon, with some starting on Friday afternoons. The garage sales up here are generally very good, and a real treasure trove for young families looking to outfit their growing kids for cheap(er). I already know at least one out-of-towner who plans to head up this way; my good friend and colleague, Miss Jackie Perkins. I told her to make sure to bring Greg along! We three had so much fun getting to know each other at my sale a couple of years ago where I kept the coffee coming, and we talked and talked! I also told her that comfy old recliner Greg enjoyed that day is long gone, but we will find something else!

Bye for now!



# THE SUN SPOT

MAHASKA COUNTY NEWS

OFF THE VINE

**By Jackie Perkins**

Monday, March 31, 2025...

The last day of another month and the beginning of a new week. The sun is shining and the grass is quickly turning green.

My April calendar is filling up with the many spring-time activities that are always looked forward to. Greg brought the "rain lily" up from the basement, and hopefully it will begin to show life. I so enjoy that plant! I picked up my onion sets for the garden and thought of Don Beck of Hedrick who passed away recently. Don could grow the biggest and nicest onions! The rhubarb has popped through the ground and I see green on the gooseberry bush! Alicia came yesterday bearing gooseberries from someone's freezer in the Blakesburg area.

They came with a request of pies for the upcoming bake sale to be held April 11th and 12th as a part of the Historic Hills Scenic Byway Spring Shop About. This event will showcase local businesses and one-of-a-kind shopping in Southeastern Iowa.

The Blakesburg Historical Preservation Society has recently acquired The Abernathy House which sits next to the museum and the bake sale is a fund raiser to help with restoration and expenses of the house. It will be interesting to learn of the activities and uses of the grand home for the future.

I traveled to Oskaloosa on Friday for an appointment and errands, followed by a visit to Oskaloosa Care Center to visit a couple friends. It just so happened that a performance by the Cardio exercise group was setting up. I'm not pulling the name of the group from my mind, but they are very entertaining while they "work out". Among the group I spotted a few ladies that I knew...Shirley Linder, Susan Dinsmore and two cousins, Roxanne Denner and Cindy Paulsen. They had everyone's attention and were so enjoyed!

I had a great surprise last week when Nancy Weber pulled into the drive. I wish I could have invited her in, but my hobby totes were barring the front door so I met her outside on a most beautiful spring day. She came bear-

ing old embroidery patterns saved by herself and her mother from the 1940s. I so love the old patterns of that time! Last summer while visiting in Kansas City, I was excited to learn that the Colonial Pattern Company was located there...and we were gonna go! When we arrived we unfortunately learned that they no longer accept visitors, and I was bummed! However, they did give us a catalog of the patterns that are still in print, which was wonderful, but these 40's patterns from Modern Handcraft of 3954 Central, Kansas City 2, Mo. (before zip codes) ordered by Mrs. Leroy S Ulin, RR1 Box 97, Sigourney, Iowa are a step back to be enjoyed. Thank you Nancy!

I so enjoyed a phone visit with the Country Girl, Sheryl Carter the other day! I am looking forward to a visit with her in a couple weeks during the Sully city wide garage sales. You would think that I would stay away with all that I have been going through here, but no, I so enjoy the hunt and the people I meet while out and about. Greg was very pleased that Sheryl will be excited to see him as well. We will be working on some plans for the upcoming 150th Celebration of Delta coming up in September.

I am saddened by hearing of Dotti Morrow's passing last week. Dotti's husband, George, was the custodian at the school while I worked there and that is where we became acquainted as Dotti was working at the bank here in Fremont. George came to work early and Dotti was with him until it was time for her work. Later in the day, I would go to the bank and get to see her again. Last fall at the Delta turkey dinner, I ran into her daughter, Angie, and inquired about Dotti. She gave me her phone number and I said I would drop in while in Sigourney someday.

Well, sadly that "someday" did not happen and I so regret that. I need to be better at my "somedays". She was a very sweet lady!

In closing, as Albert Einstein once said, "Three great forces rule the world, stupidity, fear and greed". Have a great week!



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Alijah Brock from Pekin clears the first hurdle letting the Pekin boys get out to an early lead in the shuttle hurdle relay race held March 27 in Bloomfield.



Pekin's Ryann Hammes (back) hands the baton off to teammate Cael Silvers (front) during the final exchange of the 4x200 relay race. The Panthers were joined in the race by teammates Jaxon Mefford and Henry Eubanks as they set a new meet record with a winning time of 1:35.82.

# Pekin boys win battle of the border at DC

**Panthers set two new meet records in victory**  
By Mark Schafer | The News-Review  
BLOOMFIELD – They were fast when it counted the most.

Thursday night the fresh air seemed to do the Pekin boys track team good as they were able to win the battle of the border meet hosted by Davis County.

It was a close points race as Pekin edged Davis County 176-170 in the final standings.

Along the way two Pekin teams set a new meet record with their wins.

In the 110 shuttle hurdle relay the Pekin team of Alijah Brock, Will Adam, Robert Brown and Kasey Davis were able to win with a time of 1:04.94, besting Davis County who was second, by nearly seven seconds.

Later, in the 4x200 relay the Panthers were stuck in lane 1, usually considered one of the slower lanes, but that didn't stop the Panthers from having what would prove to be a record time.

Jaxon Mefford started off with the baton and had a quick half lap. He handed the baton off to Henry Eubanks who continued to run well. Ryann Hammes took the baton and didn't look back, adding to the lead for the Panther. By the time Cael Silvers took the baton he was well ahead of the competition as the Panther boys ran to a new meet record of 1:35.82. They bested Putnam County by just over a second in the win.

Those weren't the only wins secured by the Panthers at the battle of the border.

Kasey Davis won the 110 hurdles with a time of 15.76. Teammate Robert Brown was second with a time of 16.37.

Will Adam helped Pekin sweep the hurdle events as he won the 400 hurdle race with a time of 59.74. Riley Smith was second with a time of 59.8.



Will Adam clears a hurdle during the shuttle hurdle relay race at the March 27 meet held in Davis County. Not only did Adam help the Pekin boys win the shuttle hurdle race he would also win the 400 hurdles event as well.



Pekin high jumper Brody Sobaski tries to clear the bar set at 5-feet-6-inches during the March 27 meet held at Davis County. Sobaski finished third overall.

In the sprint medley relay race the team of Davis, Brown, Riley Smith and Nolan Glick took first with a time of 1:38.22.

The Panthers won the 4x100 with a time of 45.2. Brock, Davis, Glick and Will Adam ran that race finishing with a time of 45.2.

Will Adam won the long jump with a leap of 19-feet-6-inches. Alijah Brock was second with a leap of 19-feet even.

Brody Sobaski was second in the 400 meter dash with a time of 56.28. Cael Silvers was 5th with a time of 59.26.

Cole Millikin was second in the 1,600 meter run with a time of 5:00.66.

In the distance medley relay the team of Henry Adam, Dahlstrom, Landon Crow and Millikin were second with a time of 4:14.59.

Dylan Sobaski was second in the 3,200 meter race with a time of 11:59.9. He finished just ahead of teammate William Daniels who was third with a time of 12:26.7.

The 4x400 team of Smith, Crow, Fariss and Dahlstrom finished second with a time of 3:45.94. Another second

place finish was recorded by the 4x800 team where Fariss, Dahlstrom, Crow and Millikin had a time of 8:59.6.

Caden Bender was second in the shot put with a best throw of 44-feet-10-inches. He was just five inches shy of the winner's throw.

Mason Dahlstrom was third in the 800 meter dash with a time of 2:15.27. Lane Fariss placed sixth.

Brody Sobaski finished third in the high jump after clearing 5-feet-4-inches.

Caden Bender was fourth in the discus throw to lead the Panthers. His best throw was 126-feet-2-inches.

Henry Adam led the Panthers with a 14th place finish in the 100 meter dash with a time of 12.96. Mefford finished 14th in the 200 meter dash with a time of 26.77.

Photos by Mark Schafer

# Pekin girls set three meet records at Davis County

**Panthers finish second to Mustangs**  
By Mark Schafer | The News-Review

BLOOMFIELD - At times it looked like she wasn't even in the same event.

During the first outdoor track meet of the season held March 27 at Davis County, Chloe Glosser shattered her own record in the 3,000 meter run. In addition to shattering the meet record she also seemed to be able to out run the rest of the competition with ease.

Glosser won the 3,000 meter run with a time of 10:14.9, more than 10 seconds better than the meet record, set by Glosser last season. Compared to the second place finisher, Glosser beat Davis County's Gracyn Ware by over two minutes. Ware finished with a time of 12:16.7.

Glosser's early win was just an indication of what kind of meet the Pekin girls would have at the battle of the border.

Although the Panthers came up just short in the overall standings. The Panthers scored 172 points, but were well behind Davis County, who won, with a score of 219.5.

The Panthers showed their ability to not just run distance fast, but they also could leap over objects well too. The girls 4x100 shuttle hurdle team of Reece Brisby, Paislee Coleman, Carlie Gambell and Kayse Miller were able to set a new meet record as they won the event with a time of 1:12.59.

Coleman was able to win the long jump with a new meet record. She finished with a leap of 14-feet-8-inches. Carlie Gambell was fifth with a best jump that totaled



Pekin long jumper Paislee Coleman takes flight during a jump attempt at the March 27 meet held in Davis County. Coleman had a best jump of 14-feet-8-inches to set a new meet record and win the event.

13-feet-7-inches.

Coleman was quick on the hurdles all night long as she won the 100 meter hurdles event with a time of 17.59, which proved to be another meet record set by the Panthers. Teammate Brisby was second with a time of 17.91.

Glosser was able to easily win the 1,500 meter race as well. She had a time of 5:29.44 to finish first. Callie Deutchle was fifth in the same race with a time of 6:26.65.

Anna Hadley won the discus throw with a best throw of 134-feet-10-inches. Grace Phillips was fourth with a throw that traveled 89-feet-10-inches.

Hadley also won the shot put with a best throw of 38-feet-1-inch. Taylor Moore finished seventh with a best

throw of 26-feet-8-inches.

Addison Smith finished second in the 100 meter dash with a time of 13.51.

The distance medley team of Abby Guise, Cambree Earnest, Renae Eubanks and Maddy Petrehn finished second with a time of 5:02.43.

Also finishing second was the 4x800 team of Maddy Petrehn, Chloe Glosser, Renae Eubanks and Callie Deutchle who had a time of 11:27.7.

Callie Deutchle finished third in the 800 meter run with a time of 2:56.86. Breanna Drish was seventh with a time of 3:12.42.

Kayse Miller was third in the high jump clearing 4-feet-10-inches. Teammate Reece Brisby was fifth with a best leap that cleared 4-feet-6-inches.

In the 4x100 event the team of Addison Smith, Coleman, Gambell and Miller finished third overall with a time of 55.37.

The team of Maddy Petrehn, Eubanks, Miller and Smith finished third in the 4x200 relay race.

In the 4x400 relay the team of Eubanks, Guise, Glosser and Petrehn finished third with a time of 4:46.6.

Cambree Earnest led the Pekin girls in the 200 meter dash with a time of 31.37 which placed her 10th.

Earnest was also able to finish fourth in the 400 meter dash with a time of 1:16.7. Harper Guise was sixth overall with a time of 1:20.07.

In the sprint medley event the team of Addison Smith, Taylor Moore, Cambree Earnest and Abby Guise finished fourth with a time of 2:14.25.

Photos by Mark Schafer



Paislee Coleman (far right) clears the final hurdle as teammate Reece Brisby (middle) prepares to jump over the final hurdle during the running of the 100 meter hurdles event at the March 27 meet held in Davis County. Coleman won the event and Brisby placed second.



Charlie Gambell leaps over a hurdle during the running of the shuttle hurdle relay race held March 27 at Davis County. Gambell teamed with Reece Brisby, Paislee Coleman and Kayse Miller in the event, which they won.

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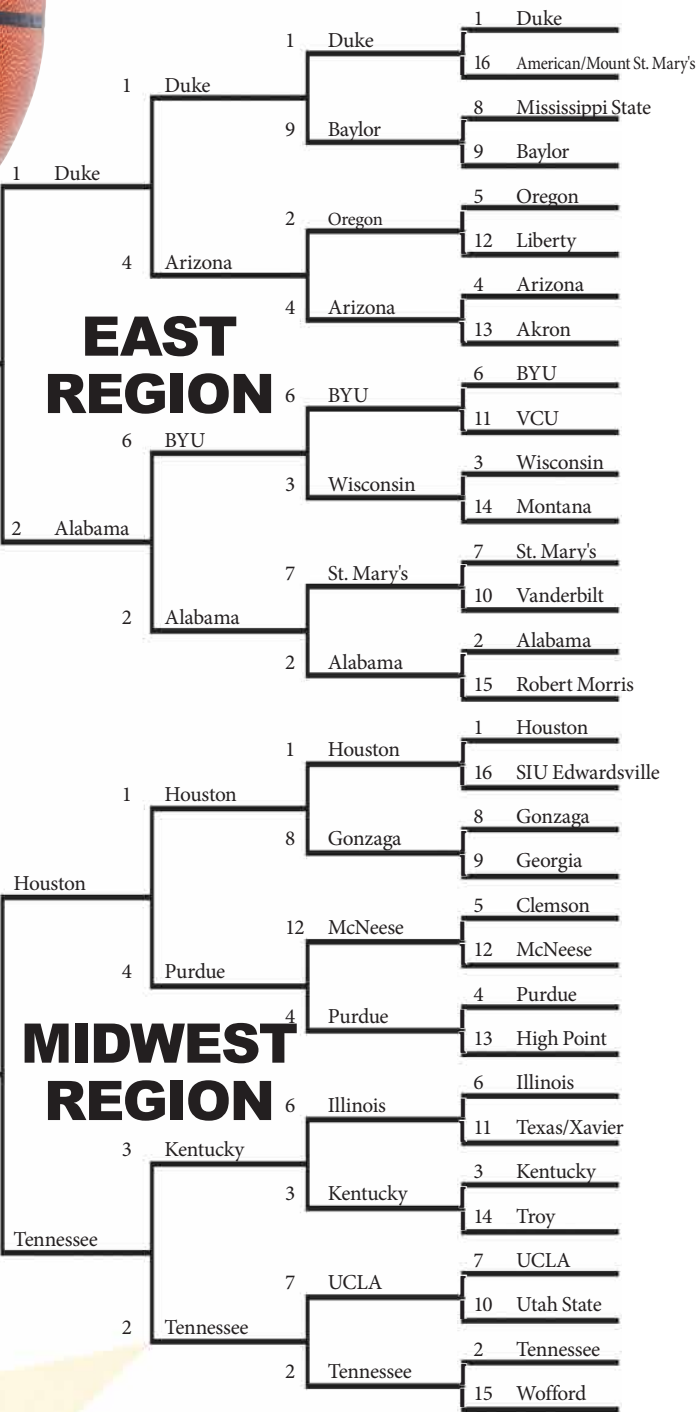
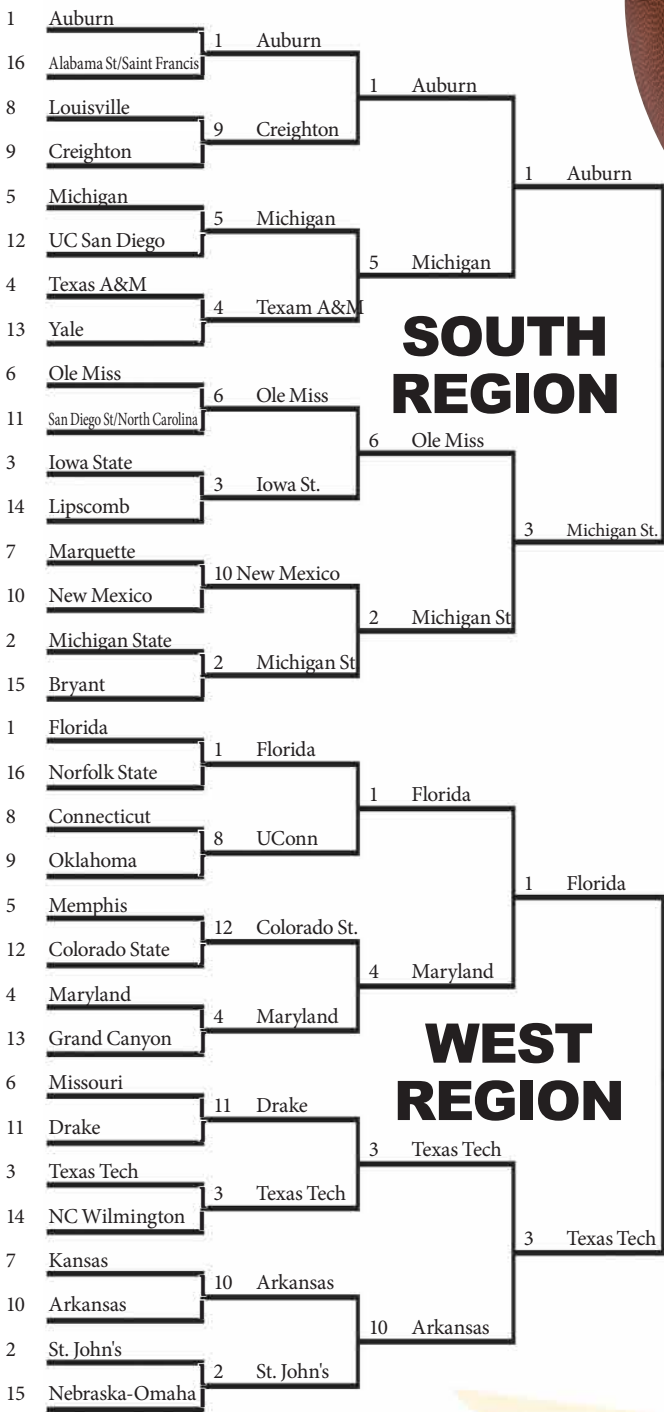
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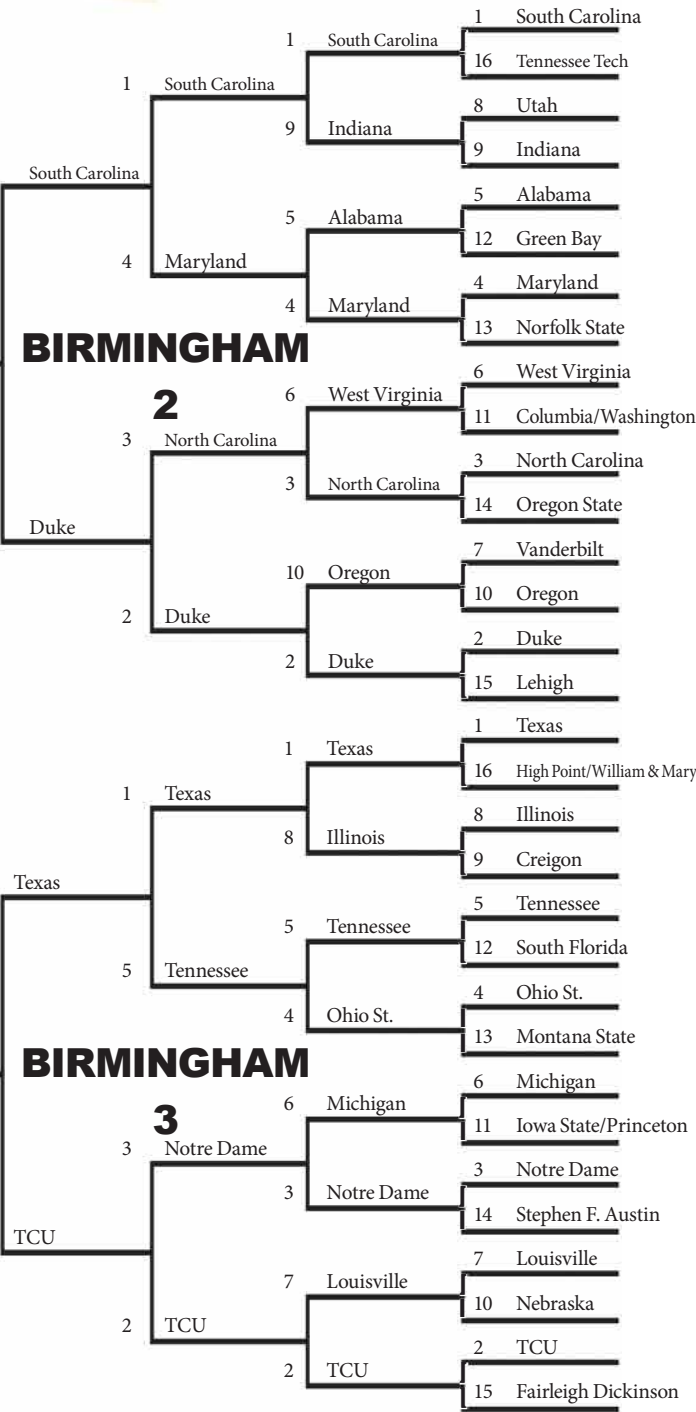
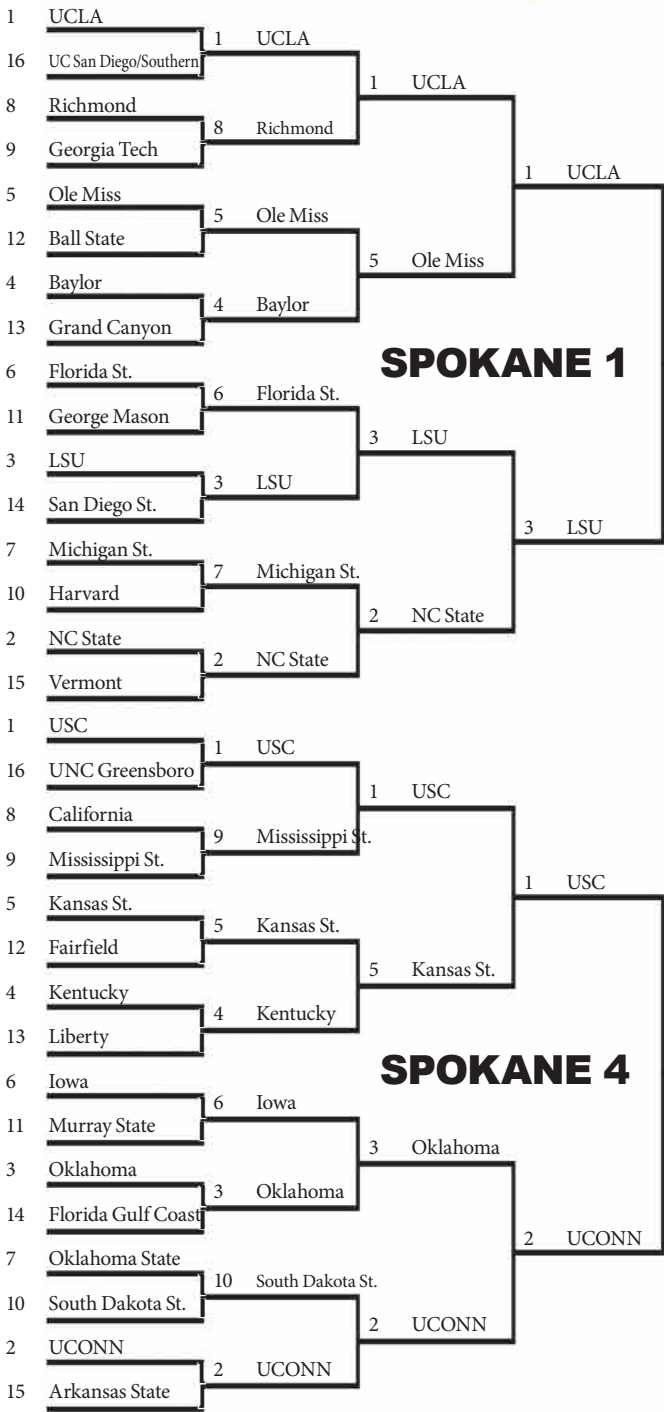
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## COURT RECORDS

### Civil

### NA

### Criminal

### March 20

Defendant Michael Maschmann; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Motion for Continuance  
Defendant Austin Tyler Lanman; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Motion for Continuance, Order Setting Trial

### March 21

Defendant Santana Ellen Davis, Payor Robert Eaton; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Motion for Continuance

Defendant Kara Allyn Barlow; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Order of Disposition

Defendant Brent James Nelson; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Order for Arraignment, Trial Information

Defendant Michael James Stoner; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Order for Arraignment, Trial Information

Defendant Michelle Marlene Wabasha; Payee Keokuk County; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Order of Disposition, Written Plea of Guilty

Defendant Bradley L Mahan Jr; Payee Keokuk County; Payor Michelle Elaine Flynn; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Written Plea of Guilty

Defendant Joshua Allen Moore; Payee Keokuk County; Payor Dylan Jeffrey Miller; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Motion for Continuance

Defendant Michael Maschmann; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Criminal Complaint

### March 24

Defendant Adam Phillip Kopp; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Hearing for Initial Appearance

Defendant Bryan R Norris; Payee Keokuk County; Payor Bruce David Tuley; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Order for Arraignment, Trial Information

Defendant Max John Thomas Dotson; Payee Keokuk County; Payor John T Dotson; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Motion for Continuance

Defendant Wendy Ann Mondon; Oblige Mahaska County Sheriff; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Motion for Continuance

Defendant Jessica Lynn Brubaker; Payor Justin Donald Berg; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Order of Disposition

Defendant Michael Maschmann; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Arrest Warrant

Defendant Jeffery Allan Stroud; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Criminal Complaint, Hearing for Initial Appearance

Defendant Jerry Erwin Sanders Jr; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Criminal Complaint

### March 25

Defendant Bryan R Norris; Payee Keokuk County; Payor Bruce David Tuley; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Order of Arraignment

Defendant Jerry Erwin Sanders Jr; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Hearing for Initial Appearance

### March 26

Defendant Shawn Casey Yates; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Order of Disposition, Written Plea of Guilty

Defendant Bradley L Mahan Jr; Payee Keokuk County; Payor Michelle Elaine Flynn; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Order of Disposition

### Domestic Abuse

### NA

### Non-Scheduled Traffic

### March 24

Defendant Dustin Dale Wickenkamp; Payee Keokuk County; Plaintiff State of Iowa: DUS - Driving While License Denied/Suspended/Cancelled

### OWI

### March 20

Defendant Mark C Rausch; Oblige Keokuk County; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Motion

for Continuance

Defendant Kyle D Morrison; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Motion for Continuance

Defendant Kevin Stephen King; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Motion for Continuance

### Scheduled Traffic

### March 20

Defendant Makayla Surese Goodloe; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Speeding 55 or Under Zone (11-15 Over)

Defendant Zachary DeWayne Spears; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Failure to Maintain Control, Leaving Scene of Accident - Property Damage Only; Striking Fixtures Upon a Highway

### March 21

Defendant Rodger Dean Ailer; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Failure to Maintain or Use Safety Belts - Adult

Defendant Danny James Pherigo; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Speeding 55 or Under Zone (1-5 Over)

### March 23

Defendant Alexander Joseph Coleman; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Speeding 55 or Under Zone (16-20 Over), Dark Window or Windshield

Defendant Matthew Allan Phengsiaroun; Plaintiff State

of Iowa: Dark Window or Windshield

Defendant Kolton Henry LeBlanc; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Speeding 55 or Under Zone (16-20 Over)

Defendant Jaime Lea Clark; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Failure to Provide Proof of Financial Liability

Defendant Heidi Ludawn Allsup; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Operation w/o Registration Card or Plate

Defendant Karla Paola Martinez Robles; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Speeding 55 or Under Zone (6-10 Over)

### March 24

Defendant Timothy M Wright; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Speeding 55 or Under Zone (6-10 Over), Failure to Provide Proof of Financial Liability

Defendant Matthew J Greiner; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Speeding 55 or Under Zone (6-10 Over)

Defendant Christopher Lee Hendricks; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Speeding 55 or Under Zone (1-5 Over)

Defendant Quintin Bringham McAdams; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Operation w/o Registration Card or Plate

Defendant Staci Ellen Cros-

by; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Speeding 55 or Under Zone (6-10 Over)

### March 25

Defendant Kathryn Renee Sherman; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Speeding 55 or Under Zone (1-5 Over)

### March 26

Defendant Judith Ann Smeltzer; Plaintiff State of Iowa: Failure to Maintain or Use Safety Belts - Adult

### Small Claims

### March 21

Defendant Michael Jay MacCready; Plaintiff Hauge Associates Inc: Judgment Default

Defendant Dara Lisabeth Fisher; Plaintiff Hauge Associates Inc: Small Claims Original Notice

### March 24

Defendants Parties in Possession, Curtis M Schwartz; Plaintiff Oak Tree Properties, LLC: Small Claims Original Notice

Defendants Chelsea Lynn Long, Daniel Craig Long; Hauge Associates Inc: Small Claims Original Notice

### March 26

Defendant Shannon Marie Hulbert; Plaintiff MC Funding: Small Claims Original Notice

## PROPERTY TRANSFERS

### March 17

Court Officer Deed: Grantors Connie L Messerschmitt Estate, Paula Jo Messer - Executor to grantee William A Messerschmitt: Martinsburg Original Plat Martinsburg Lot: 03 Block: 17; Martinsburg Original Plat Martinsburg Lot: 04 Block: 17; PT NW NW 33-74-12; Plat Book A P180

Court Officer Deed: Grantors Connie L Messerschmitt

Estate, Paula Jo Messer - Executor to grantees Ashley Siereen, Michael Messerschmitt Life Estate: SW SE 17-74-12 Parcel: AUD PAR A; PLAT 2018-0824

Warranty Deed: Grantors Thomas E Tobin, Andrea J Tobin to grantee NRM 3 LLC: PT Hedrick Original Plat Hedrick Block: 26; Plat 2007-1652

### March 18

Real Estate Contracts:

Grantors Robert W Yeager, Cheyenn M Yeager to grantees Scott Castaneda, Stephanie Castaneda: What Cheer Gilletts Addition Lot: 06 Block: 01

### March 19

Affidavit Transfer: Grantor Albert R Andersen - Deceased to grantee Linda M Andersen: PT SW SW 09-77-11

Sheriff's Deed: Grantors Keokuk County Sheriff, James

M Greiner - Estate, Jennifer Short, United States of America, Secretary of Housing & Urban Development, State of Iowa, Department of Revenue, Iowa Department of Revenue, Mortgage Assets Management LLC, Reverse Mortgage Solutions Inc to grantee Revize Properties LLC: PT What Cheer 1st Railroad Addition Lot: 01 Block: 16; PLAT B1 P234; PLAT B1 P284

Warranty Deed: Grantors Bronson B Black, Trisha D Black to grantee Buddy Brown: Clark & Woodins Addition 2nd Survey Lot: 02 SW NE 35-76-12; PT Clark & Woodins Addition 2Nd Survey Lot: 03 SW NE 35-76-12; Plat B2 P217

### March 20

Deed Quit Claim: Grantor Results Homebuyers Inc to grantees Mark T Seaton,

Sherri R Seaton: PT SE SW 06-77-13

Court Officer Deed: Grantors Keith E Fritchen - Estate, Martha E Fritchen - Executor to grantee Martha E Fritchen: NW NE 07-74-11; PT SW NE 07-74-11; PT NW SE 07-74-11; PT NE SE 07-74-11; PT NE SE 07-74-11; NE NE 07-74-11; SE SE 07-74-11; PT NW SW 08-74-11; PT NW SE 06-74-11; PT SW SE 06-74-11

Deed Quit Claim: Grantors Arlen L Wonderlich, Karlene W Wonderlich to grantees Arlen L Wonderlich - Co Trustee, Karlene Wonderlich - Co Trustee, Arlen L Wonderlich Revocable Trust: PT NW NE 10-74-11; PT NE NE 10-74-11; PT NE NE 10-74-11; PT SW NE 10-74-11; PT SW NE 10-74-11; SE NE 14-74-11; SW NE 14-74-11

Special Warranty Deed: Grantor Vernice H Knudsen to grantees Shirley A Holm, Jean M Axmear: Sigourney Original Plat Sigourney Lot: 06 Block: 27

Contract Assignment of Amendment: Grantors Caroline L Ridgeway Estate, Doris Ann Perry - Executor to grantees Doris Ann Perry, Donald Wayne Ridgeway: PT SE NW 12-76-13; NE SE 13-76-13; SE NE 13-76-13; PT NE NE 13-76-13; PT NE NE 13-76-1; PT SE SE 12-76-13

Deed Quit Claim: Grantor Merry H Hammes to grantees Brooke L Goldman, Brook Lynn Hammes, Brooke Lynn Butler, Brooke Lynn Goldman: Lot: 03 NW NE 11-75-13; PT Lot: 04 NW NE 11-75-13; SD02 Lot: 02 NW NE 11-75-13; PLAT B2 P196; PLAT B3 P537

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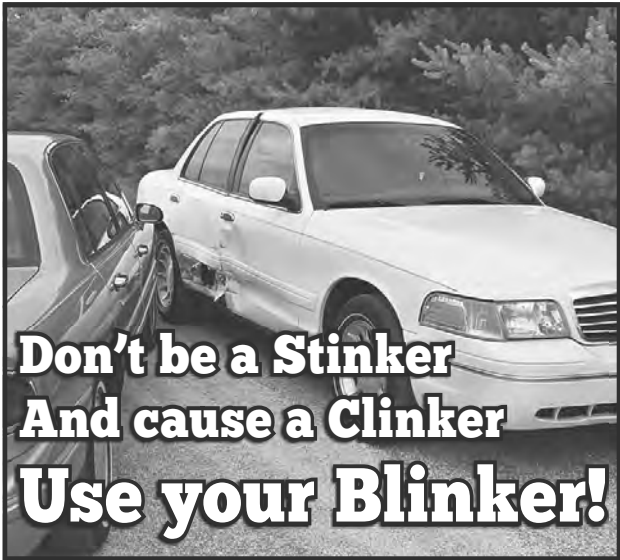




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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**Tri-County CSD • Amendment of Current Budget**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - AMENDMENT OF CURRENT BUDGET  
TRI-COUNTY School District  
Fiscal Year July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025

The TRI-COUNTY School District will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of amending the current budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2025

|                                       |  |                       |
|---------------------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| Meeting Date/Time: 4/16/2025 05:30 PM | Contact: Chad Straight, Superintendent | Phone: (641) 634-2636 |
|---------------------------------------|--|-----------------------|

Meeting Location: Board room-Tri-County Community School District-3003 Hwy 22, Thornburg, IA

There will be no increase in taxes. Any residents or taxpayers will be heard for or against the proposed amendment at the time and place specified above. A detailed statement of additional receipts, cash balances on hand at the close of the preceding fiscal year, and proposed disbursements, both past and anticipated, will be available at the hearing. Budget amendments are subject to protest. If protest petition requirements are met, the State Appeal Board will hold a local hearing. For more information, consult <https://dom.iowa.gov/local-gov-appeals>.

| EXPENDITURES              | Total Budget as Certified or Last Amended | Amendment Increase | Total Budget After Current Amendment | Reason                              |
|---------------------------|---|--------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Instruction               | 3,442,000                                 | 350,000            | 3,792,000                            | To allow for increased expenditures |
| Total Support Services    | 1,361,400                                 | 100,000            | 1,461,400                            | To allow for increased expenditures |
| Noninstructional Programs | 208,500                                   | 150,000            | 358,500                              | To allow for increased expenditures |
| Total Other Expenditures  | 420,309                                   | 150,000            | 570,309                              | To allow for increased expenditures |
| Total                     | 5,432,209                                 | 750,000            | 6,182,209                            |                                     |

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**Keokuk Co • Public Hearing Proposd Budget**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - PROPOSED BUDGET  
Fiscal Year July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026  
County Name: KEOKUK COUNTY County Number: 54

The County Board of Supervisors will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year County budget as follows:  
Meeting Date: 4/14/2025 Meeting Time: 09:00 AM Meeting Location: Boardroom - 1st floor - Keokuk County Courthouse

At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget. This notice represents a summary of the supporting detail of revenues and expenditures on file with the County Auditor. A copy of the supporting detail will be furnished upon request. County budgets are subject to protest. If protest petition requirements are met, the State Appeal Board will hold a local hearing. For more information, consult [dom.iowa.gov/local-budget-appeals](https://dom.iowa.gov/local-budget-appeals)

Average annual percentage changes between "Actual" and "Budget" amounts for "Taxes Levied on Property", "Other County Taxes/ TIF Tax Revenues", and for each of the ten "Expenditure Classes" must be published. Expenditure classes proposing "Budget" amounts, but having no "Actual" amounts, are designated "NEW".

County Website (if available)  
[keokukcounty.iowa.gov](https://keokukcounty.iowa.gov)

County Telephone Number  
(641) 622-2320

|  |           | Budget 2025/2026 | Re-Est 2024/2025                                  | Actual 2023/2024 | AVG Annual % CHG |
|--|-----------|------------------|---|------------------|------------------|
| <b>REVENUES &amp; OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>  |           |                  |   |                  |                  |
| Taxes Levied on Property   | 1         | 6,664,373        | 6,506,702   | 6,430,615        | 1.80             |
| Less: Uncollected Delinquent Taxes - Levy Year   | 2         | 0                | 0   | 255,830          |                  |
| Less: Credits to Taxpayers   | 3         | 0                | 0   | 332,278          |                  |
| Net Current Property Taxes   | 4         | 6,664,373        | 6,506,702   | 5,842,507        |                  |
| Delinquent Property Tax Revenue  | 5         | 1,745            | 1,545   | 2,112            |                  |
| Penalties, Interest & Costs on Taxes   | 6         | 40,000           | 40,000  | 40,679           |                  |
| Other County Taxes/TIF Tax Revenues  | 7         | 723,700          | 728,017   | 737,757          | -0.96            |
| Intergovernmental  | 8         | 4,543,969        | 4,439,612   | 4,756,375        |                  |
| Licenses & Permits   | 9         | 56,000           | 56,000  | 60,684           |                  |
| Charges for Service  | 10        | 532,650          | 556,055   | 465,823          |                  |
| Use of Money & Property  | 11        | 487,312          | 396,670   | 458,507          |                  |
| Miscellaneous  | 12        | 163,370          | 144,657   | 275,195          |                  |
| Subtotal Revenues  | 13        | 13,213,119       | 12,869,258  | 12,639,639       |                  |
| Other Financing Sources:   |           |                  |   |                  |                  |
| General Long-Term Debt Proceeds  | 14        | 0                | 0   | 0                |                  |
| Operating Transfers In   | 15        | 2,271,540        | 2,221,400   | 2,152,950        |                  |
| Proceeds of Fixed Asset Sales  | 16        | 0                | 0   | 0                |                  |
| Total Revenues & Other Sources   | 17        | 15,484,659       | 15,090,658  | 14,792,589       |                  |
| <b>EXPENDITURES &amp; OTHER FINANCING USES</b>   |           |                  |   |                  |                  |
| Operating:   |           |                  |   |                  |                  |
| Public Safety and Legal Services   | 18        | 1,929,727        | 1,817,506   | 1,652,447        | 8.06             |
| Physical Health and Social Services  | 19        | 897,501          | 911,246   | 775,666          | 7.57             |
| County Environment and Education   | 21        | 472,359          | 465,658   | 464,138          | 0.88             |
| Roads & Transportation   | 22        | 6,151,852        | 5,996,000   | 7,569,227        | -9.85            |
| Government Services to Residents   | 23        | 514,485          | 476,481   | 484,970          | 3.00             |
| Administration   | 24        | 2,551,776        | 2,760,413   | 2,957,989        | -7.12            |
| Nonprogram Current   | 25        | 0                | 0   | 0                |                  |
| Debt Service   | 26        | 201,540          | 201,400   | 200,950          | 0.15             |
| Capital Projects   | 27        | 607,000          | 412,000   | 183,878          | 81.69            |
| Subtotal Expenditures  | 28        | 13,326,240       | 13,040,704  | 14,289,265       |                  |
| Other Financing Uses:  |           |                  |   |                  |                  |
| Operating Transfers Out  | 29        | 2,271,540        | 2,221,400   | 2,152,950        |                  |
| Refunded Debt/Payments to Escrow   | 30        | 0                | 0   | 0                |                  |
| Total Expenditures & Other Uses  | 31        | 15,597,780       | 15,262,104  | 16,442,215       |                  |
| <b>Excess of Revenues &amp; Other Sources over (under) Expenditures &amp; Other Uses</b> |           |                  |   |                  |                  |
| Beginning Fund Balance - July 1,   | 32        | -113,121         | -171,446  | -1,649,626       |                  |
| Increase (Decrease) in Reserves (GAAP Budgeting)   | 33        | 5,128,575        | 5,300,021   | 6,949,647        |                  |
| Fund Balance - Nonspendable  | 34        | 0                | 0   | 0                |                  |
| Fund Balance - Restricted  | 35        | 0                | 0   | 0                |                  |
| Fund Balance - Committed   | 36        | 4,029,681        | 4,124,438   | 4,312,021        |                  |
| Fund Balance - Assigned  | 37        | 0                | 0   | 0                |                  |
| Fund Balance - Unassigned  | 38        | 0                | 0   | 0                |                  |
| Total Ending Fund Balance - June 30,   | 39        | 985,773          | 1,004,137   | 988,000          |                  |
| Total Ending Fund Balance - June 30,   | 40        | 5,015,454        | 5,128,575   | 5,300,021        |                  |
| Proposed property taxation by type:  |           |                  |   |                  |                  |
| Countywide Levies*:  |           |                  | Proposed tax rates per \$1,000 taxable valuation: |                  |                  |
| Rural Only Levies*:  | 4,504,694 |                  | Urban Areas:                                      |                  |                  |
| Special District Levies*:  | 2,159,679 |                  | Rural Areas:                                      |                  |                  |
| TIF Tax Revenues:  | 0         |                  | Any special district tax rates not included.      |                  |                  |
| Utility Replacement Excise Tax:  | 0         |                  |   |                  |                  |
|  | 122,410   |                  |   |                  |                  |

Explanation of any significant items in the budget or additional virtual meeting information:  
Budget requests have basically remained status quo, increases are mainly due to wages, fica & ipers. Roads & Transportation variances are due to projects and equipment. Capital Project funds are used for specific projects and equipment and if unused remain in this fund.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**Indian Hills CC • Public Hearing Budget Estimate**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BUDGET ESTIMATE  
Fiscal Year July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026 INDIAN HILLS CC

The Board of Directors of INDIAN HILLS CC in the counties of APPANOOSE , DAVIS , DECATUR , HENRY , IOWA , JEFFERSON , KEOKUK , LEE , LUCAS , MAHASKA , MARION , MONROE , POWESHIEK , VAN BUREN , WAPELLO , WASHINGTON , WAYNE in Iowa will conduct a PUBLIC HEARING on the proposed budget as follows:

Meeting Date: 4/14/2025 Meeting Time: 04:00 PM Meeting Location: Indian Hills Community College Perkins Conference Room 525 Grandview Ave Ottumwa, IA 52501

At the public hearing, any resident or taxpayer may present their objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget. This notice represents a summary of the supporting detail of budget receipts and expenditures on file with the Board Secretary. Copies of the Supplemental Detail will be furnished to any taxpayer upon their request.

| Resources:                       |    | General Funds FY 2025/2026 Budget | Plant Funds FY 2025/2026 Budget | Bonds & Interest Funds FY 2025/2026 Budget | Total of All Funds FY 2025/2026 Budget | FY 2024/2025 Re-Estimated Budget | FY 2023/2024 Audited Actual |
|----------------------------------|----|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|--|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Taxes Levied on Property         | 1  | 6,291,898                         | 1,503,693                       | 1,823,085                                  | 9,618,676                              | 9,167,193                        | 9,108,986                   |
| Utility Replacement Tax          | 2  | 213,956                           | 51,129                          | 60,502                                     | 325,587                                | 324,234                          | 369,667                     |
| Student Fees                     | 3  | 2,100,000                         | 0                               | 0  | 2,100,000                              | 1,700,000                        | 1,627,435                   |
| Tuition                          | 4  | 15,040,000                        | 0                               | 0  | 15,040,000                             | 13,800,000                       | 13,502,780                  |
| State Aid                        | 5  | 16,909,000                        | 0                               | 0  | 16,909,000                             | 16,715,593                       | 16,463,807                  |
| Other State Aid                  | 6  | 3,092,827                         | 500,000                         | 9,025                                      | 3,601,852                              | 3,558,315                        | 2,789,125                   |
| Federal Aid                      | 7  | 8,000,000                         | 0                               | 0  | 8,000,000                              | 5,200,000                        | 5,208,131                   |
| Sales-Service                    | 8  | 865,000                           | 500,000                         | 0  | 1,365,000                              | 1,000,000                        | 1,010,984                   |
| Other                            | 9  | 12,000,000                        | 4,000,000                       | 0  | 16,000,000                             | 21,500,000                       | 35,573,803                  |
| Proceeds from Certificates       | 10 | 3,000,000                         | 3,000,000                       | 0  | 6,000,000                              | 1,800,000                        | 8,000,000                   |
| Total Resources                  | 11 | 67,503,681                        | 9,554,822                       | 1,892,612                                  | 78,951,115                             | 74,765,335                       | 93,654,718                  |
| <b>Expenditures:</b>             |    |                                   |                                 |  |  |                                  |                             |
| Liberal Arts and Sciences        | 12 | 5,600,000                         | 0                               | 0  | 5,600,000                              | 5,250,000                        | 4,865,600                   |
| Vocational and Technical         | 13 | 13,500,000                        | 0                               | 0  | 13,500,000                             | 12,500,000                       | 11,660,690                  |
| Adult Education                  | 14 | 6,000,000                         | 0                               | 0  | 6,000,000                              | 4,550,000                        | 4,308,615                   |
| Cooperative Programs/Services    | 15 | 3,950,000                         | 0                               | 0  | 3,950,000                              | 3,690,000                        | 3,250,939                   |
| Administration                   | 16 | 7,194,216                         | 0                               | 0  | 7,194,216                              | 6,689,992                        | 6,725,912                   |
| Student Services                 | 17 | 7,900,000                         | 0                               | 0  | 7,900,000                              | 7,600,000                        | 6,089,190                   |
| Learning Resources               | 18 | 500,000                           | 0                               | 0  | 500,000                                | 380,000                          | 308,884                     |
| Physical Plant                   | 19 | 8,325,000                         | 14,200,000                      | 1,863,088                                  | 24,388,088                             | 22,209,041                       | 41,300,267                  |
| General Institution              | 20 | 14,635,000                        | 0                               | 0  | 14,635,000                             | 12,015,000                       | 9,435,967                   |
| Total Expenditures               | 21 | 67,604,216                        | 14,200,000                      | 1,863,088                                  | 83,667,304                             | 74,884,033                       | 87,946,064                  |
| Net Resources minus Expenditures | 22 | -100,535                          | -4,645,178                      | 29,524                                     | -4,716,189                             | -118,698                         | 5,708,654                   |
| Beginning Fund Balance           | 23 | 11,967,669                        | 18,712,393                      | -94,421                                    | 30,585,641                             | 30,704,339                       | 24,995,685                  |
| Ending Fund Balance              | 24 | 11,867,134                        | 14,067,215                      | -64,897                                    | 25,869,452                             | 30,585,641                       | 30,704,339                  |

Estimated Total Tax Rate per \$1000 Valuation | 28949


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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**English Valleys CSD • Special Meeting 3.25.2025**

**THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ENGLISH VALLEYS BOARD OF DIRECTORS HELD ON MARCH 25TH, 2025.**

English Valleys members present: Board President Susan Schaefer, Trent Forrest (via ZOOM), Steve Axmear (via phone), Tom Voss, Katie Taukei, and Wendy Ayers, Board Secretary.

Others present: Superintendent Curtis Rheingans

The meeting was called to order at 12pm.

A motion was made by Taukei, seconded by Voss to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

The board received a bid from IEH, Williamsburg to replace the baseball field fence, excluding the dugout fence and backstop fencing for \$13,920.

Administration discussed that another bid from S&S Fencing was \$53,000. Administration recommended the bid from IEH for \$13,920.

The board discussed that IEH indicated that materials to replace the backstop is not available.

Tom Voss discussed why there was a need to replace the fence and that he felt the current fence was not needing replaced. Board

members discussed that during work sessions held previously, it was agreed upon that the fence would need to be replaced.

The board discussed the line item on the bid that indicates the company will remove and dispose of the fence for \$1,500. The board discussed why we couldn't dismantle and discard of the fence ourselves. Administration discussed that we could do that but no individual can profit from the disposal of that property and any money received for that would go to the school.

A motion was made by Forrest, seconded by Taukei, to approve the bid from IEH, Williamsburg to replace areas of the baseball field fence for \$13,920. Roll call vote. Taukei aye, Voss naye, Axmear aye, Forrest aye, Schaefer aye. 4-1 Motion carried.

The board also discussed scheduling a work session before the April meeting to further discuss summer projects, demolition procedures and possibly touring certain areas.

A motion was made by Taukei, seconded by Voss to adjourn at 12:19 pm.

Motion carried.  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**Sigourney CSD • Special Minutes 3.26.2025**

**SIGOURNEY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26, 2025

The Board of Directors of the Sigourney Community School District met in special session on Wednesday, March 26, 2025 in the Sigourney District Office Conference Room. Board members present included: Steven Seeley, Allan Glandon, Mike Bensmiller, Cody Branstad, Tim Bruns, Adam Clark, and Amy Wilcox. Also present were Kevin Hatfield and Jessica Meier.

Call to Order: President Seeley called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM and acknowledged a quorum of the board.

Approval of Agenda: Director Glandon moved to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Director Wilcox. Motion carried 7-0.

Public Hearing: President Seeley opened the public hearing regarding the Proposed Property Tax Levy. No oral or written comments were received. President Seeley closed the public hearing at 4:32 PM.

Adjournment: Director Bensmiller moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:32 PM. Seconded by Director Bruns. Motion carried 7-0.

Steven Seeley, Board President  
Jessica Meier, Secretary Pro-Tem  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**Tri-County CSD • March 2025 Claims**

|  |              |
|--|--------------|
| Tri-County CSD-CLAIMS General-March 2025             | \$7478.90    |
| All American,service.....                            | \$75.00      |
| Alliant Energy,service.....                          | \$4284.79    |
| Amazon Capital Services,supplies.....                | \$5478.03    |
| Anderson Erickson Dairy Co.,milk,.....               | \$1249.82    |
| Auditor Of State,filing fee,...                      | \$175.00     |
| Casesys Business Mastercard,vehicle gas,.....        | \$652.46     |
| Column Software,publications,.....                   | \$240.26     |
| Combustion Control,service.....                      | \$2310.75    |
| Cox Sanitation,service,.....                         | \$252.00     |
| English Valleys CSD,open enrollment,.....            | \$126951.36  |
| Farmers Lumber,supplies,..                           | \$35.98      |
| Grant Wood AEA,services,.....                        | \$4533.33    |
| Great Prairie Aea,services,.....                     | \$3150.00    |
| H & M,supplies,.....                                 | \$277.47     |
| HLV CSD,fees,.....                                   | \$102.20     |
| IASBO,conference fee,.....                           | \$165.00     |
| Iowa Association of School Boards,convention fee,... | \$1125.00    |
| Iowa Communications Network,-service,.....           | \$132.49     |
| Iowa FBLA,dues,.....                                 | \$450.00     |
| Iowa Testing Programs,testing fee,.....              | \$436.00     |
| Keith Molyneux,services,.....                        | \$2448.50    |
| Key Cooperative,LP gas,.....                         | \$1691.70    |
| Martin Bros,food supplies,.....                      |              |
| Montezuma CSD,open enrollment,.....                  | \$29405.78   |
| Moose Mechanical,services.....                       | \$4686.75    |
| Multi-County Oil,fuel,....                           | \$14460.80   |
| Thomas Nikki,reimb,.....                             | \$93.50      |
| Nolte Cormman & Johnson,audit fee,.....              | \$5200.00    |
| North Central International,supplies,.....           | \$36.53      |
| Pitney Bowes,meter rent,...                          | \$142.98     |
| Poweshiek Water,service,.....                        | \$1313.95    |
| School Bus Sales,bus parts,.....                     | \$161.00     |
| SDE Tire,tires,.....                                 | \$2075.00    |
| Sinclair Napa,parts,.....                            | \$202.78     |
| SU Insurance,breakdown ins,.....                     | \$5815.00    |
| The Blue Zoo,field trip,.....                        | \$551.70     |
| William V. Macgill & Co,supplies,...                 | \$86.72      |
| Windstream,service,.....                             | \$2305.96    |
| General, TOTAL,.....                                 | \$230,234.49 |

**Activity-March 2025**

First National Bank Omaha,senior trip,..... \$1980.52 || Iowa High School Speech Association,fee,..... | \$13.00 |
| Jostens Inc,yearbook,.... | \$3480.00 |
| Knoxville CSD,fee,..... | \$50.00 |
| National FFA Organization,supplies,..... | \$869.58 |
| Activity, TOTAL,..... | \$6,393.10 |
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**PROBATE**  
**LINDA LOU FALL ESPR008329**

**IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LINDA LOU FALL, Deceased. PROBATE NO.: ESPR008329**

**NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL; OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

To all persons interested in the estate of Linda Lou Fall, deceased, who died on or about March 1, 2024:

You are hereby notified that on March 14, 2025, the Last Will and Testament of Linda Lou Fall, deceased, bearing the date of July 29, 2021, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that the undersigned were appointed as Executors of the estate. Any action to set aside the Will must be brought in the District Court of the above county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this Notice or one month from the date of mailing of this Notice to the surviving spouse and all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the Will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the Clerk of the above-named District Court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the second publication of this Notice or one month from the date of mailing of this Notice to the surviving spouse and all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the Will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Dated this day of \_ 2025.

Jacob W. Snider, Executor of the Estate

1740 Orange Ave  
Riverside, IA 52327  
Scott D. Flynn, Attorney for Executors

204 E Broadway Ave/PO Box 47  
Keota, IA 52248

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## PUBLIC NOTICE Tri-County CSD • School Budget Summary

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Proposed TRI-COUNTY School Budget Summary Fiscal Year 2025 - 2026

| Location of Public Hearing: Board room-Tri-County Community School District-3003 Hwy 22, Thornburg, IA  |     |             | Date of Hearing: 04/16/2025 | Time of Hearing: 05:30 PM |             |
|---|-----|-------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|
| The Board of Directors will conduct a public hearing on the proposed 25/26 school budget at the above noted location and time. At the hearing, any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget. This notice represents a summary of the supporting detail of the revenues and expenditures on file with the district secretary. A copy of the details will be furnished upon request. |     |             |                             |                           |             |
|   |     | Budget 2026 | Re-est. 2025                | Actual 2024               | Avg % 24-26 |
| Taxes Levied on Property  | 1   | 1,836,922   | 1,638,874                   | 1,618,552                 | % 6.5       |
| Utility Replacement Excise Tax  | 2   | 38,866      | 37,743                      | 39,762                    | % -1.1      |
| Income Surtaxes   | 3   | 27,668      | 27,204                      | 29,688                    | % -3.5      |
| Tuition/Transportation Received   | 4   | 162,092     | 162,092                     | 162,092                   |             |
| Earnings on Investments   | 5   | 8,842       | 8,842                       | 8,842                     |             |
| Nutrition Program Sales   | 6   | 45,030      | 45,030                      | 45,030                    |             |
| Student Activities and Sales  | 7   | 80,603      | 80,603                      | 80,603                    |             |
| Other Revenues from Local Sources   | 8   | 39,955      | 39,955                      | 39,965                    |             |
| Revenue from Intermediary Sources   | 9   | 0           | 98,254                      | 0                         |             |
| State Foundation Aid  | 10  | 1,845,625   | 2,011,868                   | 1,904,211                 |             |
| Instructional Support State Aid   | 11  | 5,078       | 0                           | 0                         |             |
| Other State Sources   | 12  | 451,048     | 451,048                     | 451,048                   |             |
| Two Tier Assessment Limitation Replacement  | 13  | 18,801      | 18,801                      | 19,321                    |             |
| Title I Grants  | 14  | 98,254      | 98,254                      | 98,254                    |             |
| IDEA and Other Federal Sources  | 15  | 145,191     | 145,191                     | 145,191                   |             |
| Total Revenues  | 16  | 4,803,975   | 4,863,759                   | 4,642,559                 |             |
| General Long-Term Debt Proceeds   | 17  | 0           | 0                           | 0                         |             |
| Transfers In  | 18  | 0           | 0                           | 0                         |             |
| Proceeds of Fixed Asset Dispositions  | 19  | 0           | 0                           | 0                         |             |
| Special Items/Upward Adjustments  | 20  | 142,774     | 137,774                     | 136,631                   |             |
| Total Revenues & Other Sources  | 21  | 4,946,749   | 5,001,533                   | 4,779,190                 |             |
| Beginning Fund Balance  | 22  | 3,762,538   | 3,892,381                   | 4,164,450                 |             |
| <b>Total Resources</b>  | 23  | 8,709,287   | 8,893,914                   | 8,943,640                 |             |
| <b>*Instruction</b>   | 24  | 3,456,000   | 3,424,000                   | 3,378,192                 | % 1.1       |
| Student Support Services  | 25  | 6,300       | 6,000                       | 5,801                     |             |
| Instructional Staff Support Services  | 26  | 49,000      | 44,000                      | 38,640                    |             |
| General Administration  | 27  | 122,000     | 116,700                     | 110,066                   |             |
| School Administration   | 28  | 165,000     | 160,000                     | 151,408                   |             |
| Business & Central Administration   | 29  | 38,000      | 33,000                      | 28,715                    |             |
| Plant Operation and Maintenance   | 30  | 753,500     | 733,400                     | 714,222                   |             |
| Student Transportation  | 31  | 322,000     | 316,000                     | 312,934                   |             |
| <b>*Total Support Services (lines 25-31)</b>  | 31A | 1,455,800   | 1,409,100                   | 1,361,786                 | % 3.4       |
| <b>*Noninstructional Programs</b>   | 32  | 193,800     | 188,500                     | 184,776                   | % 2.4       |
| Facilities Acquisition and Construction   | 33  | 0           | 0                           | 0                         |             |
| Debt Service (Principal, interest, fiscal charges)  | 34  | 0           | 0                           | 0                         |             |
| AEA Support - Direct to AEA   | 35  | 95,497      | 105,676                     | 122,597                   |             |
| <b>*Total Other Expenditures (lines 33-35)</b>  | 35A | 95,497      | 105,676                     | 122,597                   | % -11.7     |
| Total Expenditures  | 36  | 5,201,097   | 5,127,276                   | 5,047,351                 |             |
| Transfers Out   | 37  | 0           | 0                           | 0                         |             |
| Other Uses  | 38  | 4,300       | 4,100                       | 3,908                     |             |
| Total Expenditures, Transfers Out & Other Uses  | 39  | 5,205,397   | 5,131,376                   | 5,051,259                 |             |
| Ending Fund Balance   | 40  | 3,503,890   | 3,762,538                   | 3,892,381                 |             |
| <b>Total Requirements</b>   | 41  | 8,709,287   | 8,893,914                   | 8,943,640                 |             |
| <b>Proposed Property Tax Rate (per \$1,000 taxable valuation)</b>   |     | 12.21451    |                             |                           |             |

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## PUBLIC NOTICE Tri-County CSD • Minutes 3.19.2025

### TRI-COUNTY CSD BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

March 19, 2025 - 5:30 pm  
Board Room  
3003 Hwy 22  
Thornburg, IA 50255  
MEETING MINUTES  
Board President Chad McKain called the regular meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Beckie Appleget, Board Secretary acknowledged a quorum of the board by roll call.  
Board members present: Chad McKain, Derek Hall, Jacob Edmundson, Ben Molyneux, and Heather Schmidt.  
Board members absent: none.  
Also Present: Superintendent, Chad Straight; Principal, Jennifer Berg; Athletic Director, Scott Edmundson; and Board Secretary, Beckie Appleget.  
Reading of the Mission Statement by Derek Hall.  
Approval of Consent Agenda  
Hall moved, seconded by Molyneux to approve the consent agenda items. Motion carried 5/0.

Amend/Approve Agenda: Move new business G & H up be discussed after new business A. Minutes: The minutes from February 19, 2025 regular meeting. Financial Reports: SBO Stacey Kolars provided financial reports to the board for review. Summary List of Bills: General/PPEL/SAVE/Nutrition Funds bills totaling: \$230,234.49, and Activity Fund bills totaling \$6,393.10. Resignations: The following resignations were approved for the 2025-2026 school year. Scott Edmundson, Athletic Director, HS Boys Wrestling coach, and HS Girls Wrestling coach; Penny Krumm, HS Science teacher; Mrs. Garcia, HS Spanish teacher; Mr. Martinez, Associate; and Raegan Rozenboom, Cheer coach.  
Communications and Reports  
Student Reports/Programs/Celebrations: Ms. Berg recognized the students of the month recipients. Elementary: 3 year old Preschool: Justine Brackelsberg. 4 year old Preschool: Harrison Leer. Kindergarten: Casen Morrow. 1st Grade:

Wendy Luevano. 2nd Grade: Ellenor Winkleman. 3rd Grade: Willow Roorda. 4th Grade: Teresa Luevano. 5th Grade: Emmett Wear. 6th Grade: Brayden McCulloch. Secondary: Lily McDonald, Marley VanPatten, and Natalie Triplett. Staff of the Month: Jody Prell, HS Art teacher. Community/Public Request: None. Board Report: The board discussed valedictorian and salutatorian recognition at graduation. Superintendent Report: None. Principals Report: Ms. Berg reported that the SIAC Free Family Movie Day Sunday, March 16th was a success. Prom will be held on Saturday, April 5th. Bob Kittell will be our inspirational guest speaker on March 21st for the secondary students, thank you to Dan Schuster with Osby Dental for bringing him to Tri-County again. State FFA contest is April 13th-15th. Activity Director Report: Coaching Positions; resignations, HS Boy's and Girl's Wrestling coach, Athletic Director, and Cheer coach; recommendations, Kylie McDonald for

JH Softball coach. Mr. Edmundson attended the SICL AD meeting virtually due to snow day. They voted on Bound as being the official designated program for contracts, officials, and schedules replacing Rschool. The conference discussed online ticketing. Congrats to these student athletes who made All Conference honors: 1st team Ayla Hall and Peyton Roth, Second Team Emery Hall, Honorable Mention Lillianne Randall, Ema Roberts, Levi Molyneux, and Tucker Donaldson. Layla Shilling placed 3rd at SICL Wrestling. For the Individual Speech Contest TC had 1 state qualifier, Nathan McDonald.  
Old Business  
Action/Discussion on PPEL and SAVE Projects: Mr. Straight shared the concrete bids with the board. The board reviewed and discussed the bids received. Molyneux moved, seconded by Schmidt to approve the bid from Shipley Masonry for the HS and elementary concrete. Motion carried 5/0.  
New Business

Employment of Personnel: Hall moved seconded by Schmidt to approve Kylie McDonald for JH Softball coach. Motion carried 5/0. Action/Discussion on Students for Graduation: Schmidt moved, seconded by Edmundson to approve the 2025 graduates as presented, pending they meet all the graduation requirements. Motion carried 5/0. Action/Discussion on Mowing Bids: Hall moved, seconded by Molyneux to approve the mowing bid from Keith Molyneux as presented. Motion carried 5/0. Action/Discussion TLC Positions for Next Year: Molyneux moved, seconded by Edmundson to offer the same TLC positions for next year, requiring teachers to re-apply for the positions. Motion carried 5/0. Action/Discussion on Summer School: Edmundson moved, seconded by Schmidt to offer summer school to all TC students. Motion carried 5/0. Discussion of Legislative Updates: Mr. Straight reviewed the recent legislative changes with the board. Tri-County Education Association

Initial Proposal to Tri-County Board of Education: Mr. Hraskey presented the TCEA initial proposal to the board. Tri-County Board of Education Initial Proposal to Tri-County Education Association: Mr. Straight shared the board's initial proposal. Board Talking Points: None. Item/Topics for Next Board Meeting: Mr. Straight reported that there will be a special board meeting Thursday, March 27, 2025 at 5:30 pm to hold a public hearing on the proposed property tax levy for the Tri-County CSD FY26 levy and to then approve the proposed property tax levy rate for the district and to set a hearing date for the FY26 budget. Adjournment: Edmundson moved, seconded by Molyneux to adjourn the meeting at 6:27 p.m. Motion carried 5/0.  
President, Chad McKain  
Board Secretary, Beckie Appleget  
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## PUBLIC NOTICE Keokuk Co BOS • Minutes and Claims 3.17.2025

### KEOKUK COUNTY BOARD PROCEEDINGS MARCH 17, 2025

The Keokuk County Board of Supervisors met in regular session, Monday, March 17, 2025, in the Board Room of the Courthouse. Present were: Michael C. Hadley, Daryl Wood, Kevin Weber and Christy Bates, County Auditor.  
Wood moved, Weber seconded to approve the agenda. All ayes and motion carried. Casey Jarmes, News Review, was present.  
Weber moved, Wood seconded to approve the minutes of March 10, 2025, as submitted. All ayes and motion carried.  
Met with County Engineer Assistant Clarahan regarding Keokuk County Highway Department.  
Wood moved, Weber second to table action to set the date, time and location for the public hearing to vacate a portion of County Road V45 (200th Avenue) located in Section 15, Township 76N, Range 12W until next week. All ayes and motion carried. Clarahan shared research of history of said area and informed of new landowners plan to use the old berm driveway.  
Weber moved, Wood seconded approval of March 17, 2025 claims listing as submitted. All ayes and motion carried.  
Manual Checks: March 10, 2025  
MAILING SERVICES.....5,000.00  
VISA (ASSESSOR).....163.27  
VISA (JAIL).....16.40  
VISA (KEOKUK CO EM MGMT).....485.54

VISA (PH).....2,018.00  
WEX BANK.....110.40  
TOTAL.....\$7,793.61  
CLAIM DATE: March 17, 2025  
ABEL, LINDA.....50.00  
ABEL, RICK.....50.00  
ACE ELECTRIC.....839.67  
ACTERRA GROUP.....132.93  
AHLERS & COONEY.....800.00  
ALL AM PEST CONTROL.....170.00  
ALLIANT ENERGY.....3,692.77  
ALTORFER MACHINERY.....4,521.04  
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY.....1,947.00  
AT&T MOBILITY.....50.01  
BAILEY OFFICE.....459.55  
BAIN ELECTRIC.....449.45  
BENTON TWP.....576.00  
BRAIN, DONALD.....154.50  
BROTHERS CHURCH.....280.00  
BROTHERS MARKET.....1,303.56  
CAPPS, JOHN.....22.00  
CCL SUPPLY.....510.47  
CLUBB, BONNIE.....405.08  
CLUBB, MARCIA.....172.64  
COAST TO COAST COMP.....2,893.00  
COX SANITATION & RECY.....7,012.00  
CUNNINGHAM.....2,209.55  
DESIGN HOUSE PLUS.....292.00  
DOBBINS, ALLEN.....50.00  
DOUDS STONE.....44,451.93  
DUMONT, CARLA.....50.00  
DUMONT, JOHN.....50.00  
EAST LANCASTER TWP.....96.00  
ELLIOTT OIL CO.....88.57  
ENGLISH RIVER TWP CLERK.....616.00  
FARMERS COOP ASSOC.....456.33  
FORTNEY, RICHARD.....89.44

GAMMACK, J CHRIS.....8.00  
GIBSON, FORREST.....600.00  
GREATAMERICA FIN SERV.....212.75  
H & M FARM & HOME.....840.86  
HADLEY, MICHAEL C.....408.00  
HELMUTH, ALLIE.....69.68  
HELMUTH, CLINTON.....343.95  
HENRY COUNTY EM MGMT.....50.00  
HICKENBOTTOM.....713.07  
HOLY TRINITY CEM.....908.00  
INTOXIMETERS INC.....125.00  
IA CO SHERIFF.....197.30  
IA DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION.....120.00  
IA SEC OF STATE.....30.00  
ISACA/SEAT.....380.00  
JACK'S CORNER DRUG.....33.98  
JACKSON TWP CLERK.....724.00  
JONES, DAVID L.....152.50  
KASEYA US.....4,047.38  
KEOKUK CO HLTH CTR.....585.00  
KEOKUK CO HWY DEPT.....225.21  
KEOKUK CO EXPO.....5,000.00  
KEOTA, CITY OF.....1,208.00  
KLEIN, DAVID.....50.00  
LEE, BRYAN.....8.00  
LIGHTEDGE SOLUTIONS.....4,919.00  
LISCO/LTDS.....526.37  
LONG, ANDREW.....101.00  
LONG, STEPHANIE.....89.99  
MAHASKA CO AUDITOR.....2,219.83  
MAHASKA CO SHERIFF.....41.40  
MAIL SERVICES.....462.47  
MCFARLAN CEM.....296.00  
MCKESSON MED SURG.....190.15  
MENARDS.....671.23  
MESSERSCHMITT, LAVADA.....66.04

MID-AMERICA PUBLISHING.....9,948.63  
US CELLULAR.....297.97  
VAN BUREN TWP CLERK.....40.00  
VERIZON WIRELESS.....695.19  
VISA (SEC RD).....59.54  
VISA (CONSERV).....35.88  
VISA (CRTHSE).....100.31  
VISA (IT).....3,061.48  
WAPELLO RURAL WATER.....144.98  
WARNER PLASTICS/LINERS.....165.00  
WARREN TWP CLERK.....160.00  
WASHINGTON CO TREAS.....4,500.00  
WASHINGTON TWP.....1,088.00  
WASTE MANAGEMENT.....1,199.41  
WELLINGTON TOOL SALES.....176.55  
WEST LANCASTER TWP CLERK.....580.00  
WINDSTREAM.....86.85  
WOOD, DARYL K.....141.00  
TOTAL.....\$151,610.39  
Wood moved, Weber seconded approval of Iowa Governmental Health Care Plan (IGHCP) 3% partial self-funding (PSF) insurance option. All ayes and motion carried. If these dollars are unused, they remain in the health fund.  
Discussion regarding Mental Health Advocate transition was held. As per the Iowa Department of Health & Human Services (HHS) Division of Behavioral Health & Disability Services guidance, mental health advocates continue to be appointed by the county board of supervisors. Bates is requesting approval to reach out to the current advocate to inquire of interest

in continuing service on behalf of Keokuk County. Board consensus was to proceed with the inquiry and process thereof.  
Various Board and Committee reports were held. Wood attended a RUSS meeting. Weber participated in a Decat meeting. Hadley had no meeting last week.  
Discussion of old/new business and public comment was held. Conservation Director Reighard was present to inform a sizeable dock project will be starting soon at Belva Deer. Lucas Meier reviewed Conference Board meeting discussion. Proposed property tax notices were inadvertently sent out by the mailer for 2024-2025 followed by correct notices for 2025-2026 prior to the mandated legislative deadline of March 15, 2025.  
On vote and motion Hadley adjourned the meeting at 9:30 a.m.  
The above and foregoing information is a summary of the minutes taken at the above indicated meeting. The full and complete set of minutes is available at the Keokuk County Auditor's Office and [www.keokukcounty.iowa.gov](http://www.keokukcounty.iowa.gov).  
Approved \_\_\_\_\_  
Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_  
Michael C. Hadley, Daryl Wood, Kevin Weber  
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# English Valleys Bearometer

April 2, 2025

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## EV FFA Awards and Recognitions

On March 18th, the English Valleys FFA Chapter hosted their annual banquet to award members for their achievements from the 2024-2025 year. They also introduced their new chapter officers for 2025-2026.

### The 2025-2026 new officers are:

**Parliamentarian:** Aubrey and Addison Achenbach

**Sentinel:** Kailor Lown

**Reporters:** Kane Axmear and Ava Gehrking

**Treasurer:** Kaylee Frazier

**Secretary:** Mallory Koehn

**Vice President:** Ben Flander

**President:** Cael Grove

### Greenhand Degree Award Recipients:

McKenna Rugg, Ambryn Hoylman, Evan Koehn, Issac Frazier, Aadin Clingan, Owen Mather, Brodey Flander, Miyah Mallard, Addison Booher, Emily Sieren, Ady Overy, Chyar McGaffee, Phoenix Sorden, Colton Mikesell, Tyler Lortz, Ean Gorsh, Chance McGaffee, Ximena Hernandez, and Christian Tripses

### Chapter Degree Award Recipients:

Ben Sieren, Vinny Westphal, Ben Axmear, Addison Achenbach, Aubrey Achenbach, Kailor Lown, Ava Gerhking, Mallory Koehn, Kane Axmear, and Teagen Mast

### Iowa Degree Award Recipients:

Stacia Linder and Taylor Mikesell

### Proficiency Award Recipients:

Keyden Lown, Ben Flander, Ava Gehrking, Kailor Lown, Taylie Brecht, Brodey Flander, Hunter Offerman, Mallory Koehn, Cael Grove, Brandon Koehn, Kane Axmear, Stacia Linder, Emma Neumiller, and Teagan Mast

### Senior Academic Award Recipients:

Stacia Linder, Taylor Mikesell, Cyrus Morrison, and Christy Knapp

### Star Award Recipients:

Star Greenhand: McKenna Rugg and Ambryn Hoylman

Star Senior: Stacia Linder

Dekalb Award: Drake Axmear

Star Entrepreneurship

Award: Brodey Flander

Star Placement

Award: Cael Grove



## Students Represent EV with Pride at SICL Honor Band

The Southeast Iowa Central League (SICL) Honor Band, a prestigious musical event that brings together the best and brightest junior high and high school band students from across the region, was hosted by Colfax-Mingo. The event celebrated the talents of 158 students from 10 different school districts, offering them a unique opportunity to perform as part of an all-star band.

The SICL Honor Band is known for showcasing exceptional musical talent, with students selected based on their skills and abilities.

Among the 158 participants, 14 junior high and 17 high school students from the English Valleys School District stood out for their outstanding performances and representation. Their contributions were an integral part of the band's success and highlighted the quality of musical talent within the district. The SICL Honor Band provides a valuable opportunity for young musicians to collaborate with peers from different schools, refine their skills, and share the joy of music. Congratulations to all the students involved for their hard work and remarkable performances.



EV Junior High Honor Band



EV High School Honor Band

## Upcoming Activities

### April 3:

Boys Track @ Belle Plaine 4:15 pm

### April 5:

Promenade - 8:00 pm

Prom - 9:00 - 11:00 pm

After Prom - 11:30 pm

### April 7:

B/G Golf vs. IV 4:15 pm

### April 8:

B/G Track @ WACO 4:30 pm



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# THE EAGLE'S WING

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## Senior Spotlight

### BILLIE KINDRED

This week's senior spotlight is Billie Kindred. Billie is the son of Bill and Shannon Kindred, who both graduated from Keota. His mom Shannon works as a hairstylist, and Bill works at a hospital. Billie also has two siblings, having one older sister Taylor who is 21 and one older brother Cole who is 19. These two also graduated from Keota. Billie has been attending Keota High School since pre-school. When he was younger, he wanted to be an NBA player. He wanted to play for his favorite team, the Los Angeles Lakers. Along with basketball, as Billie grew up he was involved in many other things, such as football, where he won the district all 4 years in a row; golf, where he went to state his junior year; baseball; student council; NHS (National Honors Society); and of course basketball, where he broke 3 school records and won the conference his junior year. Billie says that his most memorable moment in high school was going to state in golf during the 2024 season. He says that once he graduates high school, the thing he is going to miss the most is playing sports with his friends. His favorite tradition to participate in was Anything Goes during homecoming. Three words Billie would use to describe himself are athletic, respectful, and funny. As Billie's high school and athletic career comes to an end, he hopes that people will remember him as a good athlete and an even better role model. Billie says that his biggest pet peeve in high school is sitting next to people that chew with their mouth open. His favorite class throughout high school was P.E. with Mr. Stout, and his favorite teacher is Mr. Jamison, who is the ag teacher. After high school, Billie plans to attend Kirkwood. He hopes to go there and get a business degree. He then hopes to get a nice job that he enjoys doing. Billie's advice to younger students is to be involved in everything and have fun because the time goes by fast.



By: Chase Haifley

## SWING INTO SPRING

The 2025 golf season is coming to a start with Coach Hill ready for a great year. The golf team has lost four seniors but has two varsity starters from last year returning, Billie Kindred and Brennan McGuire. There are spots to fill this year for a varsity spot. With the new year, many girls have gone out for golf, and there are now enough for a girls' varsity team. This is a big upgrade from the two girls from last year. This year's team has some shoes to fill with last year's team making it to state golf. Coach Hill hopes to make every player this year better. He specifically is good at putting and chipping. He wants to build a solid team with depth in case of an ill player. Coach Hill also says there is no set varsity players, and it could change weekly.

By: Mison Milam



The FFA Tractor Parade was rescheduled from FFA Week to Thursday, 3/20, for weather



## STAFF OF THE WEEK

This week's staff spotlight is Ms. Hobbs. She went to Mid-Prairie High School and then attended Iowa State University. As a kid, she wanted to be a farmer or a Harlem Globetrotter. Ms. Hobbs became a teacher to make a difference. Ms. Hobbs' favorite class to teach is physical science. Her favorite part of teaching is seeing the students get excited about a certain topic in their class. While at Keota, her favorite memory is when Jarod Keller and Jaime Schultte were selected to go to the International Science Fair. We asked Ms. Hobbs what her nickname is and why. She replied with "Hobbs, because there were four Jenny's on her team at Iowa State so we all went by our last name." Ms. Hobbs has been teaching for 21 years. She taught at Sigourney for 7 years and Keota for 14 years. We thank Ms. Hobbs for all of her hard work while teaching and being a coach!

By: Dakota Dodd



## JUNK OR JEWEL

Jack Greiner's white Pontiac Grand Prix was selected for Junk or Jewel. Jack's Pontiac Grand Prix is a 2004 model. This vehicle has acquired 132 thousand miles. Jack utilizes this car for many things; it is a good car for getting him short distances. He also uses this car as a chore vehicle for his pig operation. It has two hundred horsepower. Jack has only minimal dents in his Grand Prix. Rust has also been minimal as he keeps his car clean. He most enjoys the low riding of the vehicle. He has lots of visibility with his Grand Prix. Jack says that he gets around 20 miles per gallon on gas give or take a few miles. He has no modifications to his vehicle, stock as can be. Jack enjoys driving his Grand Prix around the town of Keota. Do you think that Jack's Grand Prix is Junk or a Jewel?



By: Garrett Griener

## EVENTS

- 2 FFA Meeting - Audit. - 7:30 AM
- 2 Play Matinee - Audit. - 2:00 PM
- 4 No School - PD Day
- 4 & 5 Spring Play - 7:30 PM
- 5 ACT Testing
- 8 PAC Meeting
- 9 School Board Mtg - Elem. Library - 6:00 PM
- 10 Q4 Mid-Terms
- 10 JH/HS Parent-Teacher Conferences

### EAGLE'S WING STAFF 2024-2025

DAKOTA DODD  
GARRETT GREINER  
OLIVIA LYLE  
KENNEDY JACKSON  
MISON MILAM  
JAKE MORRIS  
LUKE MOELLER  
CHASE HAIFLEY

ADVISER: Dr. CULLETT  
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### QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Who do you think is going to win March Madness?

MRS. BRENNEMAN  
STAFF



"Tennessee"

ISSAC STRIEGAL  
12TH



"Duke"

JAKE MORRIS  
11TH



"Drake"

JACK GREINER  
10TH



"Florida"

AIDEN GREINER  
9TH



"Kentucky"

WILL GREINER  
8TH



"Gonzaga"

XANDER MYERS  
7TH



"Duke"



## Last Chance Private Pesticide Continuing Instruction Course

AMES, Iowa – The Iowa State University Extension and Outreach Pesticide Safety Education Program will be offering a “Last Chance” Private Pesticide Applicator Continuing Instruction Course (CIC) for private pesticide applicators during from April 7 until April 15, 2025, at participating county extension offices throughout the state. The course will fulfill 2024-2025 continuing instruction requirements for private pesticide applicators. Keokuk County will be hosting the course on April 8th, 2025, starting at 9:00 am, at the Keokuk County Extension Office, 400 220th Ave Suite A. Sigourney, IA 52591. To register please contact Emily at 641-622-2680 or by email at ebelvel@iastate.edu

A list of the county offices offering this course can be found on the Pesticide Safety Education Program website

(www.extension.iastate.edu/PSEP/). The course will run for approximately two and a half hours. The registration fee is \$30. To register or to obtain additional information about the course, including the time(s) the course will be offered, contact the Extension office where you would like to attend.

Topics to be covered include:

- Pesticide use and the environment
- Pesticide labels and comprehension
- Pests, pest management and pesticides

Contact:

Locate a participating county office at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/county-services/>

Kathleen Wilson, ISU Extension and Outreach Pesticide Safety Education Program, 515-294-1122, kmwilson@iastate.edu



Each year, Iowa Corn offers Future of Ag Scholarships to young aspiring corn growers and supporters from across the state. Eighteen \$1,000 scholarships were awarded in 2025 with two scholarships going to each of the nine corn districts. The scholarships are split evenly, with nine going to high school seniors entering their first year of college, and nine going to upperclassmen or who are enrolled in a graduate program. (Photo by Waldemar on Unsplash)

## Youth Across Iowa Receive Future of Ag Scholarship

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“The continued success of Iowa agriculture starts with our students, and as a parent, I know firsthand how daunting and expensive college can be,” shared Ralph Lents, Iowa Corn Promotion Board President and farmer from Menlo, Iowa. “We must continue to invest in our youth and equip them with the skills they need to be successful. We are proud to support students who are pursuing higher education knowing this is an investment in our future.”

The 2025 Iowa Corn Future of Ag Scholarship recipients include: District 1 – College: Kadence Boender, Lyon; High School: Jacob Hurd, Cherokee. District 2 – College: De-

lia Swanson, Wright; High School: Gage Konz, Hancock. District 3 – College: Katrina Hageman, Winneshiek; High School: Kayden Zeien, Buchanan. District 4 – College: Keira Simmons, Guthrie; High School: Colton Beckner, Harrison. District 5 – College: Amanda Ostrem, Hamilton; High School: Paige Witt, Story. District 6 – College: Sam Fehl, Benton; High School: Leah Koehler, Jones. District 7 – College: Tucker Rohrig, Adair; High School: Kennedy DeVries, Montgomery. District 8 – College: Trell Amoss, Monroe; College: Jacob Fuller, Clarke. District 9 – College: Emma Humphreys, Louisa; High School: Isaac Striegel, Keokuk.

Students who applied for the Future of Ag Scholarship were automatically applied for scholarship opportunities through the National Corn Growers Association, as well. To be eligible for the scholarship, students must be an Iowa Corn Grower Association member or have a parent who is a member.

For more information on Iowa Corn’s Future in Ag Scholarship, visit <https://www.iowacorn.org/membership/student-opportunities/future-of-agriculture-scholarships/>.



Crop Scout School session in the field



Crop Scout School session in the classroom

## Registration Is Open for 2025 Crop Scout School

**March 25, 2025, 11:07 am | Rebecca Vittetoe**

Crop Scout School session in the field.CRAWFORDSVILLE, Iowa – People new to crop scouting as well as those wanting to refresh their knowledge and skills are invited to the Crop Scout School on May 22 at the Southeast Research and Demonstration Farm, 3115 Louisa-Washington Road, Crawfordsville. Iowa State University Extension and Outreach is offering this educational program.

The Crop Scout School serves as a foundational course for beginners or a refresher course for experienced crop scouts, providing essential information for effective and efficient crop scouting, according to Rebecca Vittetoe, field agronomist with ISU Extension and Outreach.

“The educational sessions, hands-on practice out in the field, and field guide publications make this an exceptional value for those wanting to increase their knowledge and toolbox of resources to

be better growers or crop scouts,” said Vittetoe.

Check-in begins at 8:30 a.m., with the program running from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Visit the website for more information and to register. Advance registration is required. The cost of \$150 includes printed and digital publications, lunch, and refreshments. Registration for the course closes May 16 and the course is limited to 60 students.

Topics to be covered are:

- Crop scouting tips and tricks – Virgil Schmitt, extension field agronomist
- Corn and soybean staging – Logan McCrea and Rebecca Vittetoe, extension field agronomists
- Crop disease identification – Alison Robertson, extension plant pathologist
- Weed identification – Wesley Everman, extension weed scientist
- Insect pest identification – Erin Hodgson, extension entomologist
- Other crop issues and challenges (nutrient deficiencies, herbicide injury, etc.) – Logan McCrea and Rebecca

Vittetoe, extension field agronomists

Hands-on practice field session covering stand assessments in corn and soybeans, herbicide injury plots, and other in-field diagnostics – Logan McCrea, Virgil Schmitt, and Rebecca Vittetoe, extension field agronomists, and Wesley Everman, extension weed scientist

Crop Scout School work in the classroom. The following publications and resources are included with registration to Crop Scout School.

Soybean Diseases and Corn Diseases booklets are a combined 88-page compendium of soybean and corn diseases in Iowa and the greater north central region, in full color. Each guide is complete with disease life cycles and diagrams, as well as foliar disease estimation charts.

Field Crop Insects contains descriptions and color images of more than 55 pest and beneficial insects, as well as information on insect life cycle, damage, scouting, and management options. There is also information on basic

entomology and integrated pest management tactics.

Corn and Soybean Field Guide includes updated text and images, illustrations, diagrams, and tables to assist with identifying corn and soybean diseases, insects, and disorders found throughout the Midwest. This 236-page guide focuses on development stages, pesticide decisions, and production-related topics to help you when scouting fields this summer.

A digital Weed Identification Field Guide, 2nd Edition, contains 35 illustrations and more than 250 high-quality photographs of weeds found in Iowa. Palmer amaranth information has been added to this 108-page field guide, and information on herbicide resistance and management has been updated from the first edition.

For more information, contact Rebecca Vittetoe (rka8@iastate.edu or 319-653-4811), Logan McCrea (ldmccrea@iastate.edu or 641-226-7102), or Virgil Schmitt (vschmitt@iastate.edu or 563-263-5701).

## New IBC Publication Describes Proper Use of Esophageal Feeder

**March 20, 2025, 9:51 am | Denise Schwab**

AMES – Using an esophageal feeder is an integral part of raising cattle, yet many producers are not completely comfortable using them. A new publication from Iowa Beef Center, “Proper Use of an Esophageal Feeder,” provides step-by-step instructions on properly preparing, inserting and removing the feeder tube.

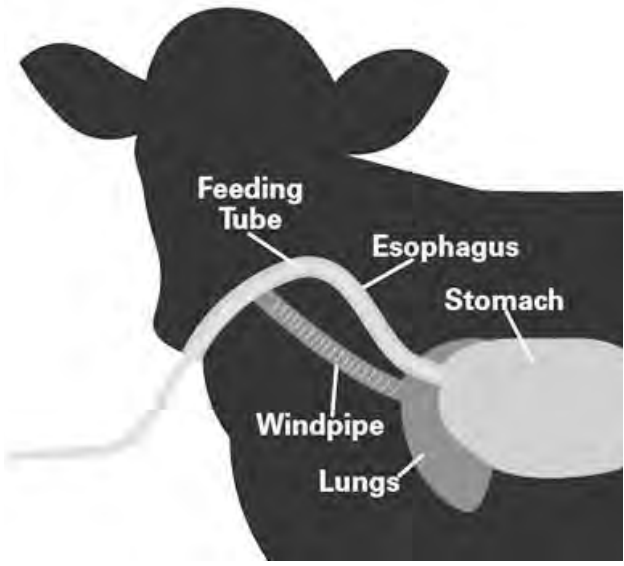
Iowa State University Extension and Outreach beef specialist Denise Schwab said correctly feeding a calf that isn’t getting adequate colostrum on its own can pay big dividends in keeping more

newborn calves in the herd.

“In addition to descriptive text, the publication has links to videos on using the esophageal feeder and cleaning milk feeders,” she said. “There’s also a simple drawing to show where the tube should go as you insert it into the calf.”

Schwab, who authored this resource, suggested reading through the steps before actually needing to insert a feeder. This can help the producer gain confidence in the procedure, which can lead to better results overall.

The one-page publication IBC 150 is available at no charge from the ISU Extension store.



Schematic view of a cattle feeding tube.

## Washington County 4-H Hosts Engaging Youth Pork Pioneer Day

March 21 the Washington County 4-H program hosted an educational event, Pork Pioneers: Discovering the Swine Industry, bringing together 35 4-H members for a hands-on learning experience about pigs and pork production.

The event was made possible by a team of five Washington County 4-H alumni and swine professionals, whose expertise and passion for agriculture made the day possible. Special recognition goes to Dr. McKenna Brinning Henningsen, Lexi Marek Beeler, Jennie Greene, Matt Romoser, and Ellie Anderson for their dedication to planning and leading the breakout sessions. Their contributions not only provided valuable industry knowledge but also exemplified the importance of giving back to the 4-H community.

“I am incredibly grateful for our alumni who return to share their expertise and inspire the next generation

of young people,” said Amy Green, Washington County 4-H & Youth Coordinator. “Their involvement underscores the strong sense of community and lifelong impact of 4-H.”

The day was filled with a variety of presenters from the swine industry sharing insights into their careers and giving youth the opportunity to explore more through breakout session activities.

Youth participated in hands-on learning in breakout sessions about Health, Identification, Nutrition, Biosecurity, Meat Cuts and Food Safety. They practiced giving shots, reading ear notches, weighing feed, showering in/out, identifying pork cuts

and being safe when handling pork in the kitchen.

The day ended with a field trip to Brenneman Pork north of Washington where 4-Hers toured the office, shop, feed mill, gestation barn and sow barn. Each place highlighting the variety of careers involved and technology used in day-to-day operations.

“We’ve already heard great feedback about the valuable information youth took home and shared with their families,” said Green. “I hope the learning continues beyond the event as we always encourage the youth to keep exploring those topics that really spark their interest.”

Washington County Pork Producers sponsored the day’s activities, lunch, and transportation.

For more information about the Pork Pioneer Day or the swine project area as a member or someone who wants to support the department as a volunteer or sponsors, contact the Washington County Extension Office at 319-653-4811 or [Washington4H@iastate.edu](mailto:Washington4H@iastate.edu). See “Washington County 4-H – Iowa” on Facebook for more pictures of the event and current 4-H and youth events hosted by Washington County Extension and Outreach.



Dr. McKenna Henningsen, Keota Vet Clinic, was influential in coordinating the Pork Pioneer Day. She led a breakout station on Animal Health and how to identify sick pigs. She taught the difference between vaccines and antibiotics. Participants were able to practice reading medicine labels and giving shots.



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