



Friends of Beeds Lake Seek Donations to Reach Goal for New Playground

BY JENNIFER BURNHAM
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

The Friends of Beeds Lake group is getting close to reaching their goal of \$200,000 for a new playground at the state park.

The group recently received several large donations from community members, including \$5,000 from the Rotary Club; \$15,000 from First Bank Hampton; \$10,000 from the Community Foundation of Franklin County and \$25,000 from the Kiwanis Club of Hampton.

“We’re looking to complete fundraising by the beginning of June and would like to have installation of the playground done over the summer,” said FOBL President Robyn Hill-Kofoot. “We really appreciate everyone’s help with this! This playground will be a great addition to the park — it’ll be one more reason for families to come enjoy Beeds Lake State Park.”

The friend group has also been busy sprucing up the park so far this spring. One of their goals, aside from completing fundraising for the new playground, has been planting more than 100 trees to replace the ash trees, which have been removed due to the emerald ash borer. So far, they’ve planted a total of 17 trees, and they’d like to plant

around a hundred more. While the tree saplings themselves are inexpensive, the costs for the stakes and growing tubes that are used to protect them add up, according to Kofoot. The group has been selling T-shirts and members have provided private donations to help defray the costs. Other upcoming fundraisers include plans for a cook-out this summer.

Kofoot said she and her fellow members of the friends group hope that the park will have a new park manager in place by Memorial Day.

“It’s important that we get someone on board, so we can have consistent care of the area,” she said. “That person will work with the Friends of Beeds Lake group on our projects and help us get even more things going in the right direction for the park. They can help us identify the greatest needs as well and we’re excited to collaborate with whoever is hired.”

Want to help them reach their goal for a new playground? Donations can be mailed to Friends of Beeds Lake PO Box 13 Hampton, IA or sent through their Venmo account: Friends of Beeds Lake. Check out the “Friends of Beeds Lake” on Facebook, where they share park and playground-related announcements.



Photo of the area where the new playground will be installed. Photo by Jennifer Burnham

Franklin County Community Foundation Awards More than \$140K to Local Groups



Franklin CCF Grant Recipients: Organizations receiving grants gathered to celebrate at the Franklin County Community Foundation announced the distribution of \$146,652.51 to 23 projects of organizations serving Franklin County through its 2025 grant cycle.

BY JENNIFER BURNHAM
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The Franklin County Community Foundation distributed a total of \$146,562 to local groups during their annual awards

celebration on Friday morning, April 11. The celebration was held in the basement of First Bank Hampton, with 23 organizations receiving grants. Full list below.

Program Area: Arts & Culture

- Windsor Theatre Development Corporation - Costume Room Update - \$2,500.00
- Franklin County Fair & Convention Center - Grandstand ADA Platform Bleachers - \$10,000.00
- Franklin County Historical Society - Harriman-Nielsen Historic Farm Barn Foundation Repair - \$6,500.00

- Program Area: Community Betterment
- City of Couler - Administration - Gazebo Overhaul - \$4,000.00
- City of Geneva - Geneva Playground Project - \$10,000.00
- City of Hampton - Library - Outdoor Project - \$10,000.00
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- City of Sheffield - Fire Department - Communication and Radio Project - \$8,600.00
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Hampton Resident Battling Brain Tumor Inspires Bulldog Girls Soccer Team

BY EVAN PHARR
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

Since Hapton-Dumont-CAL girls soccer head coach Ben Schlachter took over the program in 2023, he introduced the kid captain program where a kid is brought to be the “team captain” for the Bulldogs. The kid captain for Monday’s game vs Belmont-Klemme was a very inspirational 12 year old by the name of Jaxon Hartkopp. Jaxon was diagnosed with an Ependymomas brain tumor at the age of eight, and has been battling the disease ever since. Jaxon has also developed Hydrocephalus, which is excessive fluids in the brain that requires a shunt to be inserted into the brain to drain the fluid periodically. Despite having to fight a life threatening disease, Jaxon always remains in high spirits. Coach Schlachter talked about the things Jaxon was able to do as the kid captain.

“We get a kid in the community to come hang out with the girls before the game,” said Schlachter. “The referees usually let them flip the coin, but last year when Jaxon was a kid captain he was in a wheelchair and unable to do that. Now that he is out of the wheelchair, this year that is something he will be able to do. He also will get to walk out onto the field with the ladies and get announced.”

Jaxon’s fight with the disease is not over, but he has made tremendous improvement as just three months ago he was able to walk again and doesn’t need a wheelchair and even told me how he was planning to be back out on the soccer field when he is fully recovered. Coach Schlachter mentioned how he personally has known Jaxon for a while and how Jaxon’s story has meant a lot to him.

“For me personally he and his family are personal friends of ours,” said Schlachter. “We go to church together and we do a lot of



From left to right, Chadd Hartkopp, Jaxon Hartkopp and Ben Schlachter before HDCAL girls soccer game on Monday, April 7. Photo by Evan Pharr.

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Deadlines



Front row (l-r): Jennifer Burnham, Sally Crandell, Steve Birdsall, Ruth Tapp, Chloe Trowbridge, Andrea DeGroote, Phil Strand and Mitch Williams. Back row: Bill Holmstrom, Jim Davies, Barry Lamos, Jerre Greffe and Police Captain Mike Halsne

Locals Graduate from Hampton PD Citizens Academy

BY JENNIFER BURNHAM
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

The Hampton Police Department held a brief graduation for the students of their second annual citizens

academy during Thursday night's city council meeting. Each student received a certificate for going through the program.

Police Chief Mark Morrison thanked the students for their partic-

ipation, saying it was a great way for them to learn about what they do as a department. He also thanked the officers and instructors who helped teach the class.

Four Sent to Hospital after Three-Car Accident

BY JENNIFER BURNHAM
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

Four people were injured in a three-car accident in front of Casey's on Highway 65 in Hampton Tuesday afternoon. The crash took place shortly after 3 p.m.

All four people involved were transported to Franklin General Hospital for care. No critical injuries have been reported.

According to police reports, Benjamin Schlachter, 50, was driving northbound, in a 2015 Yukon Denali, on Highway 65 when he stopped due to yielding traffic ahead. Alexandria Martinez, 29, stopped behind him in a 2017 Ford Expedition. A minor driving a 2016 Chevrolet Impala crashed into the Expedition, which then collided with the Yukon Denali.

There is an estimated total of \$16,000 in vehicle damage.

Hampton Man Draws Federal Prison Time

BY MICHAEL HOHENBRINK
MID-AMERICA PUBLISHING

Federal authorities have announced a year and a day in prison as the sentence for a man convicted of check kiting between two banks to maintain an appearance of solvency.

Roger Dean Peters, 71, was sentenced in U.S. District Court by Judge Roseann Ketchmark after he entered a guilty plea for a single count of bank fraud back in May 2024.

The guilty plea was part of a deal with federal prosecutors for the Western District of Missouri in which Peters confessed to kiting checks alternating between First National Bank of Hampton and the Exchange Bank of Missouri.

This allowed the creation of fictitious balances to the tune of over \$2.8 million, not counting unpaid fees.

In addition to prison time, Peters was ordered to serve two years of probation and to make restitution.

Farm Bureau Rep Brings Lessons from the Farm to the Classroom

BY JENNIFER BURNHAM
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

Anna Dunnwald believes it's important for children in the community to know where their food comes from.

Through her job as the Outreach Coordinator for the Franklin County Farm Bureau, she teaches embryology at elementary schools in Franklin County. These lessons are made possible through partnership with North Central Iowa Ag in the Classroom, which brings ag lessons to students in eleven counties.

Just last week, Dunnwald visited South Side Elementary, where she wrapped up the unit with the third grade classes. She starts with a lesson on the basics of embryology, from incubation to candling to hatching. Each classroom has an incubator that holds seven eggs that will hopefully hatch into baby chicks within 21 days.

"This is honestly one of my favorite parts of my job," said Dunnwald. "The kids are always super excited to see me come, and they are always sad when I come back to take the chicks. It's cool to see the eggs hatching, even as an adult."

Dunnwald said she usually leaves the students with journals, where they can document the changes of the eggs and the hatching process. During the



Tate Showalter, son of Josh and Lindsey Showalter, was in the West Fork third grade class that completed the last round of embryology with Anna Dunnwald. Photo provided by Dunnwald

three weeks, the teachers will help the students "candle" by holding a light to the egg for them to see what's happening inside. They have a countdown to hatch that helps them learn what's developing inside the eggs each day as the chicks grow. Then, once the chicks

hatch, on her final visit, she recaps what the students have learned and retrieves the chicks for a local farm.

"After a week, they can start to see a little dark blob moving around in the egg," she said. "They really enjoy that part of it. A lot of the classrooms will make predictions about which eggs they think will hatch."

Dunnwald said that the community is made up of a mixture of children — those who live on a farm and those who don't. And even the ones who live on a farm benefit greatly from the classes, she said.

"Even in a rural community, a lot of these kids don't know where their food comes from," she said. "That's why this is so important."

This week, Dunnwald will be visiting students at AGSWR and CAL Elementary as well. She primarily teaches the class to third graders, but will sometimes get assigned to a kindergarten class, she said. They also teach the class at local libraries and they take chicks to the Franklin County Fair every summer.

H-D-CAL Elian Trevino, who was in Gracie Servantez's third grade class last week, said Dunnwald did a spectacular job with the young students.

"I was in a class with my little buddy that day, and Anna's lesson was so interesting!" Trevino said.

The Manicure Bar Nails It

I'm going to start this review by saying that I'm not a girly girl. I rarely wear a full face of makeup. I get my hair chopped once in a blue moon. And I certainly don't get my nails done. But on Sunday I was invited to the Manicure Bar in Hampton for a free manicure and who could say no to that? So I went — and I'm so glad that I did!

Not only did Madison Huffman do a lovely job with my nails, but we had a great time. We are alike in so many ways. She worked on my nails (we opted for a glittery purple!) while we talked about life. And it was honestly very therapeutic.

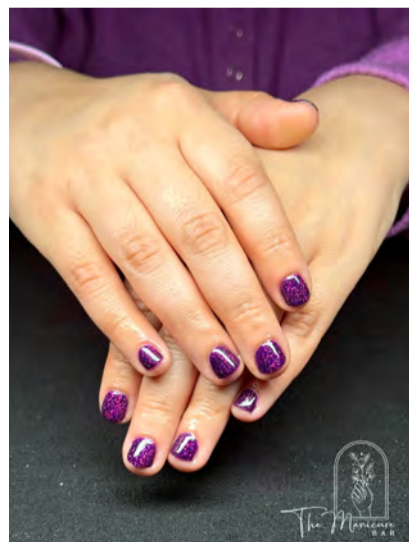
I can see why she's become so popular in the area. She's personable, hard-working and talented. Madison opened her nail salon in Hampton a little over a year ago, and she's been busy, busy, busy ever since opening her doors. She's been so busy, in fact, that she hasn't been able to take walks yet, as she's constantly booked ahead of time. And that's the way she likes it!

Make sure to check out her Facebook page, "The Manicure Bar," to keep up with her latest work and

updates. (Her salon is located in the basement below Everbloom Flower Co.)

Thank you again, Madison! It's so rare that I get to do something like this for myself. This felt like a real treat.

—News Editor Jennifer Burnham



Burnham and Huffman went with a glittery purple for the final look.



Madison Huffman opened her nail salon, the Manicure Bar, in March of 2024

Family Welcomes Baby Boy

Ross and Jessica Ostendorf announce the birth of their son,

Braxton Hayes Ostendorf

Braxton was born on April 9, 2025, at Iowa Specialty Hospital in Clarion.

He weighed 8 pounds and 10.2 ounces.

He joins siblings Ethan 16, Liam 3 and Pypier 2

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HARTKOPP: FROM COVER

things together. I met him coaching my oldest son's t-ball team and Jaxon was on the team and we ended up becoming pretty close then. Jaxon and my oldest son are now best friends and just to watch how he has faced that. He shows no fear."

Jaxon joined the girls in their pregame huddle and Bulldog soccer player Maria Ramirez explained how Jaxon's story motivates the team.

"It just motivates us to work even harder," said Ramirez. "He is working hard just to be here with us."

Ramirez's teammate Mallory Rieken also spoke on the impact Jaxon has had on the team.

"I think it just shows the power that one person can have," said Rieken. "It impacts us because if he can be powerful through that, we can be powerful too."

Jaxon's family is obviously very proud of his fight but also how he is able to keep a cheerful spirit during a hard time in his life. His father Chadd Hartkopp discussed how impressive Jaxon's attitude has been

through the whole process.

"Jaxon is resilient, even with all the doctors visits, the poking, the prodding and the MRIs," said Hartkopp. "He is still a happy kid and he gets along with everybody and anyone. We all could learn from him to have joy over adversity."

Coach Schaltcher talked about why it is important to give kids like Jaxon this opportunity.

"It is a way to get kids that still love the game to get involved if they can't be physically," said Schaltcher. "They can be out here and be a part of it and feel like they were a part of something."

Although Jaxon's fight with the disease is not over, he has not only shown the strength and courage to battle the disease but he has shown the great spirit he has to be able to keep a smile on his face. Anyone who is lucky enough to have the chance to meet Jaxon will instantly feel the cheerful joy and energy he still brings on a daily basis.



Jaxon Hartkopp with the HDCAL girls soccer team and coaches before their game on Monday, April 7. Photo by Evan Pharr.



Jaxon Hartkopp doing the coin flip before the HDCAL girls soccer game on Monday, April 7. Photo by Evan Pharr.



Jaxon Hartkopp leading the HDCAL girls soccer team pre game huddle on Monday, April 7. Photo by Evan Pharr.

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City of Hampton to Recognize Arbor Day on April 25

BY JENNIFER BURNHAM HAMPTON CHRONICLE

Hampton City Councilors met on Thursday, April 10, for a regular meeting, where they recognized April 25 as Arbor Day in Hampton and more.

After the proclamation of Arbor Day, Police Chief Mark Morrison introduced and presented certificates to the graduates of the recent Police Citizen Academy.

During public comment, local resident Jeanne Fay, who recently went for the open Ward 3 city council position, addressed newly-appointed Ward 3 City Councilor Bill Holmstrom. She said that while she appreciated him dropping off a letter, encouraging



Hampton city officials at their Thursday, April 10 meeting.

her to share any ideas she may have for her ward, she found it unprofessional that he dropped it off at her place of employment.

There was a public hearing to the official zoning map by re-zoning parcel 0733476004, also known as 1013 4th St SE and nearby surrounding property, including the street right-of-way. Mayor Birdsall opened the public hearing at 6:12 p.m. City Manager

Dunt reviewed the details. No written or oral objections were made. Mayor Birdsall closed the public hearing at 6:15 pm.

There was no old business.

For new business, City Manager Ron Dunt presented a request from Daniel and April Miller of Norseman Lobster to park their food truck on a

street near Bandshell Park for sales on May 28. Dunt added there were no concerns or objections from the Library Director. The motion was approved unanimously.

Mark Crawford with Crawford Engineering presented an Engineering Services Agreement with Crawford Engineering for the upcoming 25-26 HMA

Street Rehab Program. The motion was approved unanimously.

City council approved the claims as submitted by city staff in the amount of \$163,102.63.

For the consent agenda portion of the meeting, Hampton City Council approved the alcohol licensing renewal for the Franklin County Convention Center at 1008 Central Ave W. in Hampton.

Public Works Director Doug Tarr was not there to give a report at the end of the meeting.

For his report, Hampton Police Chief Mark Morrison said they are narrowing down their selection

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Last Weekend's Race: Kyle Larson won at Bristol

For the second straight day at Bristol Motor Speedway, Kyle Larson dominated a NASCAR race and dedicated the victory to friend and PR representative Jon Edwards, who passed away suddenly during the week leading up to the race weekend at Bristol Motor Speedway. On Sunday, Larson won the Food City 500 NASCAR Cup Series race in overwhelming fashion, leading 411 of 500 laps and sweeping both stages. The victory was Larson's second of the season, his second straight at the 0.533-mile high-banked short track and the 31st of his career, and it came one day after the driver of the No. 5 Hendrick Motorsports Chevrolet ran away with the NASCAR Xfinity Series race at Thunder Valley. "Just a flawless race once again here at Bristol for the 5 team," said Larson. "Really, really good car. That was a lot of fun." Larson, who brushed the outside wall at the apex of Turns 1 and 2 with five laps left, without consequence, finished 2.250 seconds in front of Joe Gibbs Racing driver Denny Hamlin, who fell one spot short of a third straight Cup victory.

Top News Stories

Dale Earnhardt, Jr. named to Motorsports Hall of Fame of America
The Motorsports Hall of Fame of America announced its 2026 Induction Class today at the 50th running of the Acra Grand Prix of Long Beach. The 38th Motorsports Hall of Fame of America (MSHFA) Induction Celebration presented by Toyota Gazoo Racing, which will formally usher the Class of 2026 into the MSHFA, will be held in the Hall's home in Daytona Beach, Florida, March 9 – 10, 2026. The Class of 2026 includes two-time Daytona 500 Champion and winner of 15 straight NASCAR Most Popular Driver Awards Dale Earnhardt Jr. (Stock Cars), beloved NHRA Competition Director Steve Gibbs (Drag Racing), one of America's greatest living motorsports reporters Pete Lyons (Media), one of America's most accomplished road racers John Morton (Sports Cars), 2000 MotoGP World Champion Kenny Roberts Jr. (Motorcycles), one of "The Big Three" of modern winged Sprint Car racing Sammy Swindell (Open Wheel), and the winningest driver in Unlimited Hydroplane history Dave Villwock (Powerboats). The nine Class of 2026 honorees will be formally brought into the Hall during the 38th Annual Induction Celebration presented by Toyota Gazoo Racing, which culminates with a traditional black-tie gala that is the crowning event of the two-day, multi-function MSHFA induction event.

No Cup Series Race This Week - Next Race April 27th

Katherine Legge entering multiple Cup, Xfinity races in 2025
e.l.f. Cosmetics, a brand from e.l.f. Beauty, and professional race car driver Katherine Legge are revving up their partnership to Empower Legendary Females as Legge expands her involvement in stock car racing across the world of NASCAR. Legge is the only woman currently competing in the NASCAR Xfinity Series and the NASCAR Cup Series, and this past March became the first woman since Danica Patrick in 2018 to start a NASCAR Cup Series race. Legge and e.l.f. are teaming up for a number of races, with Legge driving an e.l.f. sponsored car in at least seven races this year, including the NASCAR Xfinity Series races on April 19, in Rockingham (North Carolina Education Lottery 250 presented by Black's Tire) and during the Coca-Cola 600 weekend in Charlotte, for the BetMGM 300 race on May 24. She'll make her triumphant return to the NASCAR Cup Series in her e.l.f. sponsored car at the Autodromo Hermanos Rodriguez in Mexico City on June 15

2025 Standings

Cup Series Top Ten					Xfinity Series Top Ten				
Drivers	Points	Top 10s	Drivers	Points	Top 10s				
1) William Byron	346	6	1) Justin Allgaier	395	7				
2) Denny Hamlin	316	6	2) Sam Mayer	312	6				
3) Christopher Bell	305	6	3) Jesse Love	286	6				
4) Kyle Larson	304	6	4) Austin Hill	280	5				
5) Chase Elliott	278	5	5) Connor Zilisch	260	3				
6) Ryan Blaney	275	4	6) Carson Kvatil	257	4				
7) Tyler Reddick	271	4	7) Brandon Jones	253	5				
8) Bubba Wallace	254	3	8) Sheldon Creed	252	5				
9) Joey Logano	245	1	9) Ryan Sieg	249	4				
10) Alex Bowman	244	5	10) Sammy Smith	241	4				

Racing Trivia

What year in the playoff era did Joe Gibbs Racing win its first championship?
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ANSWERS: (a) The team's first of three titles in the playoff era was won by Tony Stewart in 2005.

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- Tuesday, April 22**
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- Wednesday, April 23**
Chicken Parmesan w/ Noodles - Lettuce Salad - Frozen Fruit
- Thursday, April 24**
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A Week in My Life Representing Iowa in Congress



REP. RANDY FEENSTRA
COLUMNIST

Instead of my usual thoughts on policy debates or various pieces of legislation that I have either introduced or support, I decided that I wanted to share a week in my life representing our families, farmers, workers, and businesses on Capitol Hill. The week spanning from Monday April 7 th to Friday April 11 th encapsulates a good snapshot of what a typical week looks like for me representing Iowa in Congress.

On Monday, I spent most of the day meeting with my fellow Republican colleagues on the House Ways and Means Committee as we work to extend the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act beyond its expiration at the end of this year and deliver tax relief for our families, farmers, workers, and small businesses. I also voted for two pieces of legislation to support our veterans. One will address the prevalence of bile duct cancer in Vietnam veterans, and the other will ensure veterans receive clear communications from the VA on how to claim the benefits they have earned in service to our country.

On Tuesday, the House Agriculture Committee held a hearing on lifting Americans out of poverty and ensuring that the the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program – better known as SNAP – is being used

for families truly in need. During the hearing, I talked about the importance of work and highlighted my bill with Rep. Dusty Johnson from South Dakota to ensure that able-bodied Americans without children either work or pursue work-related training or education for at least 20 hours each week if they receive SNAP benefits. Americans who can work should work if they want to receive taxpayer-funded SNAP benefits. That isn't too much to ask. I have also introduced legislation to cut down on overpayments of SNAP benefits, which costs American taxpayers more than \$10 billion every year. This is just another commonsense approach to cutting waste and restoring integrity to the SNAP program.

Throughout the day on Tuesday, I also met with Polaris to discuss trade issues, sat down with New York Life insurance agents, visited with the North American Equipment Dealers Association, and welcomed the Iowa Bankers Association to our office to talk about my bill – the ACRE Act – which would lower the cost of farm and home loans in our rural communities.

Additionally, I attended a roundtable discussion with U.S. Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent, which centered around the urgent need to extend the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act and make permanent pro-growth tax provisions that support agriculture, domestic manufacturing, and our business community.

On Wednesday, I voted for, and the U.S. House of Representatives passed, legislation that would restore the constitutional balance of powers and limit the ability of district court judges to issue nationwide injunctions. Since the beginning of the Trump administration, district court judges have issued nationwide injunctions preventing President Trump from advancing his America First agenda. There is no reason that activist judges whose authority does not extend nationally should be allowed to completely stop President Trump's agenda. The will of the American people matters, and the American people voted to restore prosperity and greatness unhindered by far-left court decisions.

That same day, the House Ways and Means Committee held a hearing with U.S. Trade Representative Jamie-Greer about striking trade deals that benefit our country. I specifically emphasized the need to open new export markets for Iowa agriculture, and the importance of looking all over the world – from the U.K. to India to Kenya – for new trade opportunities for our farmers and producers. I also met with the Iowa Pork Producers Association to discuss the Farm Bill, foreign animal disease prevention, and California's egregious Proposition 12 mandates on our hog farmers; caught up with the Federation of Exchange Accommodators to talk about protecting 1031 exchanges that allow our small businesses to grow and our farmers to pass their farmland onto the next generation; and sat down with the Adjutant General of the Iowa National Guard Stephen Osborn about the urgent need to replace the runway and construct an aircraft parking ramp at the 185th Air Refueling Wing in Sioux City. Furthermore, I had the chance to meet with the Ambassador of the Republic of Korea to the United States and discuss agricultural trade opportunities – like soybean and pork exports – between our

two countries; met with the Crop Insurance and Reinsurance Bureau and Approved Insurance Providers to talk about my bill to lower the cost of crop insurance for the next generation of Iowa farmers and producers; and chatted with representatives from the Iowa Motor Truck Association to discuss our shared commitment to support our nation's truckers. In between votes, I also met Laura Chen from Ames who won our Congressional App Challenge last year.

On Thursday, I voted for a budget resolution unlocking the ability to extend the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, secure tax relief for Iowans, and deliver President Trump's full America First agenda of border security, energy independence, and fiscal responsibility. I also voted to ban illegal immigrants from voting in our elections and ensure that states like California clean their voter rolls of noncitizens. Additionally, I introduced legislation to reauthorize the Genome to Phenome Initiative, which supports research into plant genetics, like corn, to determine how to increase yields and make crops more resilient.

On Friday, I took some time to meet with my staff to go over legislation that I'm working on to support agriculture, cut taxes for our families, grow our economy, and open new export markets for our farmers and producers. I also had the chance to review mail from constituents and read the ideas, concerns, and suggestions of Iowans.

I will continue to serve our families, farmers, and small businesses to the best of my ability, and work to pass thoughtful policies that benefit our communities, state, and nation.

Are we all paying attention now? Okay, Good. Kennedy later swam to another island, again miles away, and created a makeshift distress message from a coconut shell. Natives found the coconut and delivered it to the Allied forces. This ultimately led to the rescue of Kennedy and his crew.

There is more to this story, but this is the gist of it. I cannot imagine a man on earth going through this amazing tale and not using it to pick up chicks. While Kennedy was a handsome man for his time, there is no doubt in my mind that the great man saddled up to the ladies with that story in his back pocket.

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What JF Kennedy, Marilyn Monroe, and Megan Fox Teach Us About Humanity



reading between the lines
with Amanda Rinke

As stated in my first column, I have a clamorous mind. That was not a typo. I did not mean glamorous, there is nothing glamorous about my life.

My mind is loud and often finds connections between things most people would not follow. So, if you're still reading my columns, know that I appreciate you keeping up with my

sometimes "illogical" train of thought.

I also thank you for giving me an excuse to write about people like John F. Kennedy, Marilyn Monroe, and Megan Fox. Despite the three being from different eras, backgrounds, and fields, Kennedy, Monroe, and Fox have similarities. They are known for their charismatic personalities,

sense of style and good looks, enjoying seafood and poetry, and being under intense public scrutiny.

Eighteen years before John F. Kennedy was under public scrutiny, he was a Lieutenant in the U.S Navy. In August 1943, JFK was the commander of a warship during a pitch-black night in the Solomon Islands. This was when the opposing Japanese warship crashed into the Navy Ship, ultimately causing it to sink. Kennedy and his surviving crew swam for miles to a deserted island. Kennedy himself towed a wounded crewmate to safety by gripping the man's life jacket...with HIS TEETH, while SWIMMING FOR MILES IN THE OPEN OCEAN.

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Iowa Legislature Agrees to School Funding



REP. SHANNON LATHAM
COLUMNIST

The Iowa House of Representatives, the Iowa Senate and Gov. Reynolds during Week 13 reached an agreement on state supplemental aid for schools (SSA). The Governor and the Senate were holding firm on 2% SSA, although the House had offered 2.25% SSA plus additional funding to support rural schools.

The House agreed to 2% SSA and successfully negotiated an additional:

- \$1,554,938 for school Transportation Equity
- \$2,889,174 for Student Cost Per Pupil equity, and
- \$942,087 in Operational Sharing, increasing position from 21 to 25.

House Floor Action

The following eight bills also passed off the Iowa

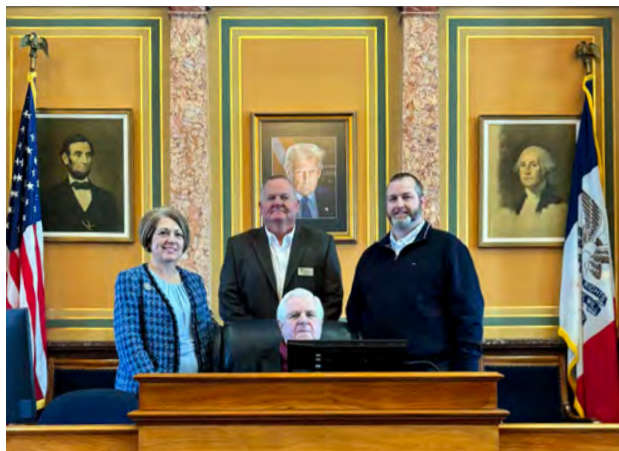
House during Week 13:

• SF 167 – Supplemental State Aid - See Above – In addition to providing 2% SSA, this bill provides \$102 million for phase 2 of the teacher salary increase. Last year the Iowa Legislature voted to increase the beginning teacher salary to \$50,000 and \$62,000 for teachers with 12 years or more experience. Vote 59-36.

• HF 782 – Regulation of Personal Electronic Devices in Schools – Effective July 1, 2025, school districts must adopt new policies for student use of personal electronic devices during instructional hours. Vote 92-4.

• HF 835 – School Seizure Training – This bill relates to school personnel training, emergency care planning, and provides authorizations for assisting, and limits liability concerning students with epilepsy or a seizure disorder. Vote 94-2.

• SF 275 – Purple Heart School Initiative – This bill creates a purple star school initiative, recognizing applicant schools that have demonstrated a commitment to supporting military-connected students and families with the goal of increasing the amount of support that schools give to military-con-



Rep. Shannon Latham with representatives from Franklin County REC to discuss the Governor's Energy bill

nected students and families of such students. Vote 96-0.

• SF 460 – Home Inspections – This bill relates to home inspections, including people authorized to perform home inspections and requirements for independent home inspection reports. It also applies penalties. Vote 96-0.

• SF 491 – Regulation of Remotely Piloted Aircraft Over Farm Properties – This bill prohibits flying remotely piloted aircraft over farm property and applies penalties. Vote 88-7.

• SF 588 – Public Notice Conformity – This Code cleanup conforms to all public notice requirements for local governments. Vote 86-8.

• SF 592 – Accessory Dwelling Units – This bill relates to county and city regulation of accessory dwelling units (ADUs) by allowing one accessory dwelling on the same lot as a single-family residence. Vote 89-7.

By making it easier to create ADUs, this bill will increase the supply of affordable housing options and will allow for more efficient use of existing residential properties. An ADU cannot exceed the larger between 1,000 square feet or 50% of the size of the single-family residence. In addition, an ADU can either be attached or detached from the single-family residence.

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A Funnel to Forget

Brass Tacks from Rural Iowa

BY BARBARA KALBACH

The second legislative funnel at the Iowa statehouse came and went on April 4. That process winnowed down bills that are eligible for consideration so lawmakers can focus on legislation that has traction in both chambers in addition to spending bills.

Of course, property tax reform will likely dominate conversations and headlines in the coming weeks. I'm sure none of us are ever excited to see our property tax bill increase when we open the mail. But we sure

are thankful for our public schools, firefighters and police officers, libraries, maintenance of our roads and other services funded through property taxes.

Given what's come out of our state legislature in recent years, I don't trust our current crop of lawmakers to get property tax reform done in a way so our communities can thrive. Cities across the state are already facing budget cuts and tightening their belts from property tax reform the legislature passed in

2023. What makes us think they'll get it right this time?

Let's just look at a few bills that survived the funnel and are still eligible for consideration to give us guidance. One bill that I was initially excited for would add \$1 million to the Double Up Food Bucks program, allowing SNAP users to double their purchasing power for produce. But then I learned that House File 970 would only allow that to happen if the state is granted a waiver from the federal government to severely restrict what can be purchased by all SNAP users. I bet our rural grocery and convenience stores would have a thing or two to say about that.

What about the CO2 pipeline? South Dakota passed legislation banning the use of eminent domain sought by Bruce Rastetter's pipeline. Here in Iowa, the House passed several bills to address this issue. Many of them failed to pass out of Senator Mike Bousset's Commerce Committee. But Sen. Bousset (who used to work for Bruce Rastetter's company) did take up House File 639 – and amended it heavily. Among other things, it would force the Iowa Utilities Commission to make a final decision within one year of receiving an application. It allows Summit to seek easements outside the notification corridor. Besides that, the amendment

expands the bill to impact all kinds of utilities and projects, not just CO2 pipelines. This last point likely makes it a poison pill that won't pass the full Senate.

On the bright side, Bayer's Cancer Gag Act that CCI Action members and so many others fought against failed to survive the legislative funnel. It narrowly passed the Senate and failed to move in the House before the deadline. And yet I heard at a recent legislative forum that some folks believe they'll try and sneak it into another bill in the House before the session ends.

This session could've just ended the moment they

gaveled in on January 13. We might be the better off for it at this point. My Senator, Amy Sinclair, recently said everything the Senate is doing has the goal of making Iowa a destination state. That doesn't make a lick of sense to me. Maybe she meant a destination where corporations can flourish – by polluting our water, taking our land, and quite possibly giving us cancer.

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I Got Feedback!



THE ALTERNATIVE
FRITZ GROSZKRUGER
THE ALTERNATIVE

I try to remember to include a plea for dialogue at the end of this column each week. Well last night while I was in a tizzy about what to write today, I did receive an email from a thoughtful reader who had attended a "Hands Off" rally. Here is the last paragraph: "Your stories about your younger years are interesting. I hope you are being honest that you enjoy different points of view."

In perusing her letter and my "Hands Off" column, I

have to conclude that a lot of points are simply missed or glossed over as we have better things to do. My Classical Liberal viewpoints are based on the Ten Commandments and the Constitution. Basically these documents are intended to shield us from the aggressive actions of others, leaving us to take care of our families and pursue our interests. When those things can benefit others, that's when free market capitalism becomes a valuable tool for the common good.

I think it is fair to say that except for a few psychopaths and sociopaths, we would like to simply be left alone, then put excess energy into helping others when we see the need. The government is there to protect us from the psychopaths and sociopaths. Being free from constantly defending ourselves from these people allows us to flourish and create usable

surplus. Government fulfills a vital need here. Compare it to a caveman. He makes his own weapons, grows or hunts for his own food, and maintains his body temperature. Being a Jack of all trades and master of none, he is part of a society of mediocrity. Specialization is civilization. A money system allows all of us to fairly distribute scarce resources and skills. But the fact that government restricts aggression is the key because if we don't fully benefit from our activities our efforts become half hearted and society suffers.

I happen to share much of what is addressed in her criticism of my column. Free speech enables fairness. Ignoring veterans is particularly egregious. When was the last time the US fought a necessary war of defense? The horrifically injured soldiers should be fully compensated for the wrongs committed

against them. In addition, the damage done to humans around the world to feather the nests of political donors is plainly evil. I still think this issue overshadows much of what the "Hands Off" rallies.

The writer quotes the motto of Iowa: "Our liberties we prize and our rights we will maintain." I've tried to distinguish what is a "right". How can a right restrict the rights of others? Do we have a right to libraries? I doubt it. The first part of this column tries to explain how socialism hinders prosperity. There's always going to be a constituency who demands an exception to the Golden Rule. Farmers will say there would be no farmers without government handouts. Some will claim that literacy will decline without libraries. There will always be somebody who will exploit fallacies such as these.

I still think that many of

the "freedoms" lost because of DOGE are not freedoms at all. Particularly in the DEI area, such laws take an employer's rights to satisfy the so-called rights of some minority group. The employer answers to the market. The market is determined by individuals' needs. Any intrusion at all violates the common good by impeding the efficiency of greed.

The tragedy of today was spelled out well in a speech by Bernie Sanders in 1988 where he explains "divide and conquer" as a ploy for political gain. There are so many nuances in today's political atmosphere that choosing sides is impossible. How do I hang out with somebody who demands a mandate to hire unqualified people and ignores wiping out a million Russians and Ukrainians and tens of thousands of Palestinians?

When I read that Trump

wants to withhold \$400 million in federal funding to Columbia University because they allowed protests against the genocide in Gaza, I didn't first think of the infringement on free speech, which was obvious, but why the heck is the federal government giving \$400 million to Columbia University? Why are we giving \$9 billion to Harvard? Hey Columbia, hey Harvard, make your case to a bank or philanthropist, like the rest of us.

The psychopaths and sociopaths take the easy way, soaking us through the government. That's something worth protesting.

Please reply to my column through a letter to the editor or directly to me at 4selfgovernment@gmail.com

RINKE: FROM PAGE 4

It is common knowledge that Kennedy was a bit of a pretty boy womanizer, along with being a war hero and president. Marilyn Monroe was said to have taken up a lot of the President's time. If you ask me, he probably told her his war story.

Monroe was known mostly for her beauty. It was not until after she had met her own untimely demise that it became apparent she was intelligent as well as beautiful. Monroe was a bookworm and poet, too. Shocker, right?

Recently another beautiful Hollywood actress,

Megan Fox, published her original works of poetry. The book is titled,

"Pretty Boys Are Poisonous". I am probably late for the party, but I started reading it and I am impressed by the creativity and content. Fox is a creative, intelligent person. As a woman, it should not come as a surprise to me that popular culture would portray Fox as similar to Monroe.

I read recently that Kennedy said to his buddy Prime Minister Harold Macmillan, "How is it with you, Harold? If I don't have a woman, I get terrible

headaches." They wrote to each other often, gossiping, talking about their wives, and other... regular things.

In a recent interview, Fox stated she was not the popular girl in high school and that she was kind of an ugly duckling in middle school. She said she is currently reading the popular "Court of Thorns and Roses" by Sarah J. Maas.

How are these pretty people connected? They're often represented in a single light within the public spotlight. But when we dig deeper, we find interesting circumstances that show more.

Kennedy: War hero, overall 'good' President, and kind of a ladies' man.

Monroe: Beautiful, intelligent, kind of good singer, and a little damaged.

Fox: Intelligent, creative, kind of spiritual, and falls prey to trashy, popular books.

I considered how prominent figures in communities are often stripped of their individuality. They become known for one trait and it is often hard to erase that.

When we talk about figures in our own community, are we considering they are not only local

public figures, politicians, or whatever title they hold but...actual human beings? They have lives outside of their public personas. They're more than their past, title, political party affiliation, or who they surround themselves with.

When we approach others with kindness and openness, and when we broaden our perspectives beyond our worldview or single trait considerations, we gain a deeper understanding of the complexity of individuals.

Just like John F. Kennedy, Marilyn Monroe, and Megan Fox, each person

carries a multitude of layers beyond their public personas. By recognizing the multifaceted nature of humanity, we can appreciate the uniqueness and inherent goodness within each individual. If we can do this, we could be happier.

Amanda Rink is the Editor of The Wright County Monitor and a children's book author. When she isn't caring for her family, writing for the newspaper, or avoiding laundry, she can be found hiding in the woods with a cup of coffee and a romance novel.

Chamber-Main Street News and Knows— Franklin County Tourism

JIM DAVIES
BY INTERIM DIRECTOR

One of the committees under the Greater Franklin County Chamber of Commerce/Hampton Main Street umbrella is the Franklin County Tourism Board.

The Franklin County Tourism Board of Directors actively promotes and markets Franklin County as a tourist destination for day and overnight visitors.

One of the major duties of the Tourism Board is giving out grants. The grant awards are intended to aid and encourage the development, continuation, and promotion of projects and events which attract visitors from outside of Franklin County, especially those who are likely to spend the night in local hotels, motels, or B&B's.

The program is designed to assist an organization in the start-up or growth of the event/project. Preference may be given to one-time projects that encourage overnight stays, that demonstrate an economic impact in the community, and/or that promote community enhancement and an improved quality of life.

Funding for this grant program is generated by Hotel/Motel Guest Tax.

Examples of eligible projects include but are not limited to: Community Celebrations/Events, Arts & Culture, Community Beautification, and Recreation.

Funds could be used for printed



materials, social media marking, or promotional initiatives.

All applications must be completed in full including a proposed budget with detailed expenses and revenues as well as what the grant funds will be used for. Grant application forms are available at www.hamptoniowa.org.

Example of grants awarded include:

- Outdoor Tree Mural to be placed in Peace Plaza
- Franklin County Fair
- Bluegrass Festival
- Hampton Specialty Shops
- Cruisin' and BBQin'
- American Legion Post 183 for Iowa Military Band
- Hampton Car Show
- Friends of Beeds Lake playground project
- Latimer Fun Day
- Friends of Franklin County Vendor Event
- Friends of the Cemetery for the cemetery walk

- Sheffield Community Club
- Geneva Market
- La Luz Hispana Gran Festival

The Franklin County Tourism Board meets once per month. Current members are President Ned Parker, Vice President Doug McWilliams, Treasurer Cindy Mollenbeck, and members Holly Coffee, Mike Ardorfer, Madison Alert, and Donnis Borcharding. Non-voting member is Franklin County Supervisor Richard Lukensmeyer. I was the non-voting City of Hampton representative until I took over as Interim Director of Chamber/Main Street.

As the Tourism Board is a county board, board representation is sought from all communities and rural areas of Franklin County. The Tourism Board needs two more members. If you are interested in serving on the Tourism Board, please let me know. Text or call me at 641-425-4707.



WORDS OF WISDOM



Last week's trivia questions:

What singer's greatest hit songs include "Don't Come Around Here No More", "Runnin' Down a Dream", and "The Waiting (Is the Hardest Part)"?

Answer: Tom Petty.

What singer's greatest hit songs include "R.O.C.K. in the U.S.A.", "Pink Houses", and "Jack and Diane"?

Answer: John Mellencamp.

This week's trivia questions:

What actress has starred in movies including "The Blind Side", "Speed", and "Miss Congeniality"?

What actress has starred in movies including "Legally Blonde", "Sweet Home Alabama", and "Walk the Line"?

April 16 is National Banana Day, National Librarian Day, and National Orchid Day; April 17 is Holy Thursday, and World Circus Day; April 18 is Good Friday, National Newspaper Columnists Day, and National Exercise Day; April 19 is National Poker Day; April 20 is Easter; April 21 is National Kindergarten Day, and National Tea Day; April 22 is Earth Day, and National Jellybean Day.

This week is Holy Week, and National Public Safety Telecommunications Week.

"But you, O Bethlehem, who are too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose coming forth is from of old, from ancient days."

– Micah 5:2

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

– Philippians 4:6-7

"Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened."

– Matthew 7:7-8

Funny sayings on church signs

Don't give up! Even Moses was once a basket case!

"Under the same management for over 2,000 years."

Forecast for tomorrow: God reigns and the Son shines!

Prevent truth decay. Brush up on your Bible!

Funny quotes from the world of sports

"If lessons are learned in defeat, our team is getting a great education."

– Coach Murray Warmath

"These are my new shoes. They won't make you rich like me, they won't make you rebound like me, they definitely won't make you handsome like me. They'll only make you have shoes like me."

– Basketball player Charles Barkley

"Son, looks to me like you're spending too much time on one subject."

– Coach Shelby Metcalf, in response to a player saying he had four F's and one D.

"I'm not allowed to comment on lousy officiating."

– New Orleans Saints general manager Jim Fink

Bats save the U.S. agriculture industry an estimated \$3.7 to \$53 billion annually by eating pest insects.

A single strand of spider silk is thinner than a human hair, but also five times stronger than steel of the same width.

Code Counsel: Vicious Dog

BY JIM DAVIES
MEMBER AT LARGE,
HAMPTON CITY COUNCIL

Last Tuesday, a friend of mine was out for a walk with her dog. While on the walk, her dog was viciously attacked by another much larger dog. My friend had stopped in the street talking with the larger dog's owner in front of his residence.

The homeowner's dog was either unleashed in the yard or got out of the house. The larger dog got the smaller dog in its mouth, thrashing it back and forth. The resulting injuries were horrendous.

It is so very unfortunate that this happened. It was terrible that it happened to my friend's dog, but can you imagine it being a small child?

My friend's dog had a large portion of its skin and fur peeled back and suffered deep gashes. It took the veterinarian two hours to apply anti-septic ointment and sew the dog up. Two ports were temporarily installed for drainage. Antibiotics and pain medication were prescribed.

Dog owners need to always have their dogs under control. If not, there are consequences. The City of Hampton Code has an ordinance to deal with this situation.

Chapter 56.01.8 defines "Vicious animal" as any animal that has bitten or clawed a person or persons while running at large and the attack was unprovoked, or any animal that



Torn skin repaired with sutures and temporary drainage ports put in place.

has exhibited vicious propensities in present or past conduct, including such that said animal (a) has bitten or clawed a person or persons on two separate occasions within a twelve-month period; or (b) did bite or claw once causing injuries above the shoulders of a person; or (c) could not be controlled or restrained by the owner at the time of the attack to prevent the occurrence; or (d) has attacked any domestic animal or fowl on two separate occasions within a twelve-month period, or which has been found to possess such propensities by the Council, after hearing.

Seizure, impoundment and disposition of dangerous animals is found in Chapter 56.03.

56.03.2 states upon the written complaint of any individual that a person is keeping, sheltering or harboring a dangerous animal on prem-

ises in the City, the animal control officer shall cause the matter to be investigated and if after investigation, the facts indicate that the person named in the complaint is keeping, sheltering or harboring a dangerous animal in the City, the animal control officer shall order the person named in the complaint to safely remove such animal from the City or destroy the animal, within three (3) days of the receipt of such order.

When are dogs dangerous?

Dogs can be considered dangerous when they exhibit aggressive behavior, such as attacking or threatening people or other animals, causing injury, or displaying behaviors that could lead to an attack. Specifically, a dog might be classified as dangerous if it: unprovokedly attacks or bites a person causing injury,

Why would a dog attack another dog out of nowhere?

Dogs may attack each other due to resource guarding, dominance, fear, or redirected aggression.

Can you trust a dog after it bites?

It's not a simple yes or no answer. While it's possible for a dog that has bitten to be rehabilitated and trusted again, it's crucial to understand the reasons behind the bite, work with professionals, and take necessary precautions. A dog that has bitten is more likely to bite again, but with proper training and management, many dogs can learn to better manage their stress and prevent future bites.

COUNCIL: FROM PAGE 3

for a new police officer and hope to have somebody selected by the next council meeting. He added that they're continuing to work on nuisance properties and that they processed about 15 of them that week and they'll continue to push those leading up to the cleaning days. He also recognized Officer Gilberto Luna for completing an impaired driving enforcement program.

City Manager Ron Dunt reported that he's made progress on the terms for the Beeds Lake sewer service agreements. One agreement is with the DNR and the other is with the Homeowner's Association by the lake. Dunt said he's continuing to monitor House Study Bill 313, property tax reform, which was recently amended through another bill.

"We try to monitor it and provide input as the bills come out," he said.

He said there was nothing new to report on the old pharmacy property.

For his report, Councilor Jim Davies congratulated the Hampton Tree Board on the City USA Award

they recently received for 2024. He said that people have been signing up at the Chamber of Commerce for the city clean-up days.

"Hopefully that will go really well, as it usually has, so the community will look even better," he said.

Davies also said he plans on attending a housing conference on April 24.

Next up, Bill Holmstrom thanked City Manager Ron Dunt and the city clerks and staff for all of their "assistance and patience" with him since he stepped into his new role as City Councilor for Ward 3.

"I've lived here for 25 years and I guess I've taken it for granted all of the benefits the city has provided for myself and my family," he said. "The street lights come on at night. If I'm thirsty, the water flows from the tap. When I flush, everything disappears. The parks are clean and safe. The police and firemen are ready. When and if needed, the planes have some place to land. The snow disappears from the streets. I could go on and on, but for a public servant, being taken for

granted by the citizens is probably the best compliment that a public servant could actually receive. And I mean that sincerely ... So I just want to thank all of the public servants and employees of Hampton for myself and my family for all that you've done over the years."

Holmstrom also thanked the Hampton Coverage for their coverage of local events and opportunities.

For his report, Councilor Barry Lamos thanked Police Chief Morrison and Captain Halsne for coordinating the citizens academy.

"I think it's great that we've got community involvement and it helps community-wide if people get involved," he said. "So thank you."

For her report, Councilor Jerre Grefe said the Promotion Committee met to discuss different fundraisers for the next Chamber Appreciation Night. She said they're also working on window clings for chamber members and the annual summertime flower baskets. The local FFA chamber and others

at the high school have planted the flowers, so now they're looking for lifetime or seasonal sponsors to help cover the costs. They're also looking for volunteers to help water the flowers during the summer. If interested in doing that, contact Center One at 641-456-5668.

"Last but not least, I went to the Hampton Public Library on April 8 and signed up for a lifetime membership," she said. "It was quick. It was painless. It was wonderful. Everybody should do this. It's \$150 to be a lifetime member and I hope I live love enough to enjoy that."

For his report, Mayor Birdsall mentioned a couple thank-you cards that the city had received, including one from the Hampton Senior Citizen Center and another from the chamber of commerce's promotions committee.

Councilors Patrick Palmer and Bill Hodge were not in attendance at the meeting.

The next regular session was scheduled for Thursday, April 24.

What's At The Windsor

**BY JIM DAVIES
WINDSOR THEATRE
MANAGER**

The movie, King of Kings, will show for one week at the Windsor Theatre starting Friday, April 18 through Thursday, April 24.

Showtimes are Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 7 pm with a Sunday afternoon matinee at 1 pm.

Regular ticket prices are \$6 for adults, \$4 for youth aged 16 and under. Seniors aged 60 and over are \$4 each on Sunday. All tickets are \$4 on Thursdays.

The King of Kings is a faith-based animated film in which Charles Dickens (voiced by Ken-

neth Branagh), narrates Jesus Christ's (Oscar Isaac) life story to his young son, Walter (Roman Griffin Davis).

Inspired by Dickens' children's book The Life of Our Lord, the movie follows Jesus' birth, ministry, crucifixion, and resurrection, with Walter's imagination transporting him into the biblical events.

Mild thematic violence includes Jesus' crucifixion (which isn't graphically depicted), the cutting of a Roman soldier's ear (which Jesus heals), and



references to the potential stoning of a woman who's accused of adultery (the term goes unexplained).

Core messages include the importance of unconditional love, sacrifice, redemption, and faith. And the framing story strengthens a father-son relationship while conveying Christian teachings in an accessible format for younger viewers.

King of Kings is distributed by Angel Studios and the run time is 101 minutes. It is rated PG due to depiction of violence and some thematic elements that might be disturbing or scary for younger viewers.

Tickets can be purchased at the door or online at www.windsortheatre.com. Credit cards are accepted.

Upcoming event:

Join the pastors of the Franklin County Ministerial Association for a panel discussion at the Windsor Theatre on Tuesday, April 22 starting at 6:30 pm. Come with questions: Is God Good? Is Christianity Good?

Upcoming movies:

Peter Rabbit, Saturday, April 19 at 1:30 pm after the 1 pm Easter Egg Hunt at Bandshell Park hosted by the Kiwanis Club of Hampton.

The Day the Earth Blew Up: A Looney Toons Story, April 25

The Amateur, May 2

Want to create goodwill with others and help Windsor Theatre attendance? Sponsor a movie! The cost is \$300. The sponsor will receive 100 tickets to give away or can pick a show to cover the cost of admission. Franklin County Family Focus recently sponsored a Friday night showing of A Minecraft Movie that was a sell out! Email windsortheatre@msn.com for more information.

Enjoy the fresh taste of Windsor Theatre popcorn? Purchase a \$100 popcorn card for one free large popcorn and one free refill each day. Cards expire March 1, 2026. Stop by when the theatre is open. You do not have to purchase a ticket to attend a movie to visit the concession stand.



The Windsor Theatre has gift certificates (Windsor bucks) in denominations of \$5 and \$1 to use for admission or concessions. Movie passes can be purchased and given as gifts--\$6 for adults and \$4 for youth (age 16 and under).

For the regular movie-goer, a punch card is available. Each punch card has 25 punches for \$20, a 20% discount. One punch equals one dollar good for admission only. There is no expiration date on punch cards, Windsor bucks, or movie passes.

**IS GOD GOOD?
IS CHRISTIANITY GOOD?**

**APRIL 22, 2025
6:30 PM**

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Rotary and Kiwanis Serve Up Programs

BY LEE NELSON

The Kiwanis Club of Hampton and the Hampton Rotary Club both meet on Tuesdays at noon at 805 Pizza and Chicken. The two clubs first eat and meet separately and then combine for a program featuring various topics of interest. Recently two statewide leaders were in Hampton: Adam Gregg and Amanda Ostrem.

Adam Gregg served as the 47th lieutenant governor of Iowa from 2019 to 2024 and as acting lieutenant governor from 2017 to 2019.

Gregg shared that he left public service to spend more time with his family accepting the position of President and CEO of the Iowa Bankers Association.

Gregg spoke on the role of Lt. Governor, the vision of the Iowa Bankers Association, and the challenges the banking industry faces. Fraud awareness is a major focus of IBA in 2025.

Gregg is a graduate of West Sioux High School and a native of Hawarden, Iowa. He

earned a B.A. from Central College in 2006 with degrees in Political Science and History and graduated in 2009 with high honors from Drake University Law School. He resides in Johnston with his wife, Cari, and their two children.

2025 Iowa Pork Queen Amanda Ostrem is the daughter of Jared and Janie Ostrem of Stanhope in Hamilton County. She is a sophomore at Des Moines Area Community College, where she is obtaining an associate's degree in agribusiness, with a communications certificate. Following graduation, Amanda plans to attend Iowa State University for a double major in agricultural communications and international agriculture, before pursuing a master's degree.

Ostrem feels students today are becoming less aware of where their food comes from, what farmers do, and how much producers care. Legislators and policymakers at both the state and national levels lose sight of the importance of the endless hours that producers of any agricultural product do.



2025 Iowa Pork Queen Amanda Ostrem shared her experiences with the Kiwanis and Rotary Clubs on Tuesday, April 8.



Adam Gregg spoke to the Kiwanis Club of Hampton and the Hampton Rotary Club on Tuesday, April 1.

Library Drama Club Presents Annual Puppet Plays

BY JENNIFER BURNHAM
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

Last Wednesday evening, April 9, the Hampton Public Library Drama Club presented two puppet plays, "The Giant Jumperee" and "Bob."

The children had practiced for weeks, with help from Children's Librarian Brenda Van Wert, in preparation for the big night, which was attended by family and friends.

The cast for "The Giant Jumperee" included Ashlyn McWilliams as the announcer, Emma Toomsen for action, Reed Heilskov as the narrator, Buck Van Wert as the Jumperee, Gracie Behn as the rabbit, Luna Acolt as the cat, Kinzley Kline as the elephant, Hazel Huffman as the squirrel, Ashtyn McWilliams as the owl, Rylan Kulish as the skunk, Jett Morton as the lion, Kamden Arreola as the raccoon, Emma Toomsen as the monkey, Ivy Heilskov as the zebra,



The library's drama club performing "The Giant Jumperee" on Wednesday evening, April 9

Winry Tucksen as the porcupine and Alivia McWilliams as the Mama Frog.

The cast for "Bob" included Kamden Arreola as the announcer, Ivy Heilskov for action, Buck Van Wert as the first narrator,

Alivia McWilliams as the second narrator, Jett Morton as Bob, Ashtyn McWilliams as Henrietta, Gracie Behn as the dog, Kinzley Kline as the frog, Rylan Kulish as the cow, Reed Heilskov as the owl, Kam-

den Arreola as the rooster, Luna Acolt as the fox and Emma Toomsen, Hazel Huffman, Ivy Heilskov and Winry Tucksen as the chickens.

Refreshments were served after the plays.

West Fork FFA to Hold First Annual Mattress Fundraiser

BY JENNIFER BURNHAM
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

The West Fork Future Farmers of America chapter is holding their first ever annual mattress fundraiser on Saturday, May 3.

The fundraiser will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the West Fork High School gymnasium on May 3, featuring more than 30 different mattress styles in all sizes. The mattresses will be priced below retail prices. There will also be premium pillows, luxury sheets, bed frames and mattress protectors. Brands will include Therapedic, Helix and Purple. Delivery and financing options will be available. The mattresses will be available three to five weeks after the fundraiser is held.

West Fork FFA instructor Kaitlyn Porter said they are starting the process of funding a new greenhouse for the school's ag department, and this one-day event will help get that started.

The company behind the fundraiser, Custom Fundraising Solutions, first began holding mattress fundraisers in 2005. They've worked with thousands of schools nationwide, helping fundraise for a variety of causes and programs.

"We're excited to kick off this campaign for a new greenhouse, and we're excited to offer a fundraiser that offers a practical item to purchase," said Porter. "We hope to see as many people as we can on May 3rd!"

Not interested in purchasing a mattress but still want to help with the greenhouse project? You can send donations to West Fork FFA at 504 Park St. Sheffield, IA 50475.



318 people attended A Minecraft Movie this last weekend. Two more showings at 7 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday evening.



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DETAILS:
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DETAILS:
Second Tuesday of every month
6:30 PM

ALEXANDER LIBRARY BOARD:

DETAILS:
Third Wednesday of every month

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DETAILS:
2nd Thursday of the month
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DETAILS:
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4:30 PM,
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DETAILS:
Alexander Library, 409 Harriman St
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Tuesday of every month

HANSELL CITY COUNCIL:

DETAILS:
Second Wednesday every month,
Community Center 7:00 PM

HAMPTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD:

DETAILS:
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ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT:

DETAILS:
5:30 PM
City Council Chambers

FRANKLIN COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD:

DETAILS:
Second Monday of month,
6:30 PM
Maynes Grove Shelter

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DETAILS:
Second Wednesday of the month,
6:30 PM

LATIMER CITY COUNCIL:

DETAILS:
Second Wednesday,
6:30 PM

DUMONT LIBRARY BOARD:

DETAILS:
Dumont Public Library
Second Wednesday of every month

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DETAILS:
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Thursdays of each month at 6:00
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Mondays preceding the 2nd and
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at 6:00 PM, in the City Council
Chambers.

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

DETAILS:
Second Monday every other month
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DOWS CITY COUNCIL:

DETAILS:
First Monday of every month
6:00 PM

SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL:

DETAILS:
Every second Monday
of the month at 7 PM

HAMPTON DUMONT SCHOOL BOARD:

DETAILS:
Fourth Monday of the month
6:00 PM

FRANKLIN COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMISSION:

DETAILS:
First Wednesday of month,
7:00 PM
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Third Monday of the Month,
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West Fork High School Sheffield

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ISU Extension and Outreach Office
6 2nd St NW, Hampton, IA 50441
Regional Coordinators meeting
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Appointed regional coordinators
meet to discuss items of interest to
the ag community locally



North Iowa Bulls players in the back with the billet parents in the front on Tuesday, April 8. Photo by Evan Pharr.



From left to right: Parker Osborn, Kash Crawford, DJ Parouse, Fuji Suzuki, Noah Diemer, Eli Miller, Luke Gustafson, Evan Johnson and Kyle Ozgun, players for the North Iowa Bulls on Tuesday, April 8. Photo by Evan Pharr.

Local Hockey Players Credit Host Families for Success on the Ice

BY EVAN PHARR
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

Mason City is home to the North Iowa Bulls, a junior hockey team that plays in the North American Hockey League (NAHL). The Bulls play at Mason City arena, which is widely regarded as one of the nicest arenas in the NAHL. Not many people in Hampton know about this team or the sacrifice the players make in order to participate in the league. The team is made up of players from all around the world that leave their homes for the eight month season, from September to April, and stay with billet families in Hampton during the season. Players on last season's Bulls team ranged from Atlanta, Georgia to Tokyo, Japan. While the players are considered semi professional players, they play for free with the hopes of earning a scholarship to play hockey in college. Bulls forward Eli Miller, who is from Dundas, Minnesota, explains why he and many others decide to play in the NAHL.

"It's a league to get the opportunity to play college hockey," said Miller. "You mature a lot. You are really away from home for the first time. It's a good experience to get you to the next level."

It is not easy on these young men, as they leave their families for months at a time for the chance to play in the league. The Bulls players have really bonded due to the

fact that they are all going through the same situation. Bulls forward Noah Diemer from West Fargo, North Dakota spoke on what keeps them motivated despite being away from home.

"I just think it is the comradery amongst each other," said Diemer. "Just like this interview, getting to hang out with your friends on the team is something special."

What helps get these players through the season is the relationships that they build with their billet parents and families. While staying in Iowa for the season the players build very strong bonds with their host families, almost like it is their own families. Their host parents are a key part of their growth as people and hockey players, as they give the players the same love and support that their own families would give them. They also are there to give them the tough love when they need it and help them go through the daily challenges of being away from home. Bulls defenseman Evan Johnson, from Wayzata, Minnesota, talked about the strong bond the players create with their billet families.

"Through the past four or five years I have had the privilege to live with four or five different families and I still keep in touch with them weekly," said Johnson. "So it's kind of like a second family. If anything happens and you reach out and they will reach back out to



From left to right: Billet parents Jan Ehlinger, Bill Ehlinger, Brooke Tapp, Ruth Tapp, Denise Williams and JD Williams on Tuesday, April 8.

you in regards to something you might do or an accomplishment."

Denise Williams, who is the billet housing coordinator, is responsible for putting each player into their billet family. She talked about the bond created with the players from the billets point of view.

"For the billets the exciting thing is having your players go onto the next level and to be able to watch them play college," said Williams. "Like when they message you 'hey I'm in the finals' or when you send a care package and they are appreciative of it. For us the fun part is to see them take that next step and provide them a home

away from home."

The billet parents get just as much out of this experience as the players do as they get to be there with the players along their journey. One of the problems that Denise has run into is there are not a lot of billet parents compared to the number of players that need places to stay. Many of the billet parents talked about how the stigma of the hockey players being tough and rude makes people skeptical about becoming billet parents, when they are actually very respectful and hardworking. Billet parent Ruth Tapp talked about her experience with a billet son and the respectful

nature of the players.

"As far as I am concerned I don't know why there would be any reason for them to not have places to stay," said Tapp. "They are respectable, they are very devoted. They try to be part of the family and you have them try to be a part of your family. We support them just as we would support our children."

Williams added to this by explaining how hard working the players are and how not many people locally know about the team.

"Hampton is only 30 minutes away from Mason City and you wouldn't believe how many people in town don't even know that there is a team in Mason City," said Williams. "If people start coming to the game and see how exciting it is and they get to meet the players they will love it and they will keep coming back. They are exceptional humans and I don't think people realize how hard they are working to try and further their education and their hockey career."

Although the Bulls 2024-25 season has come to an end, the 2025-26 season is just around the corner and Williams is already looking for new billet families to help find homes for the players. If you are interested in becoming a billet parent for these hard working young men, contact Denise Williams by her cell phone: 641-425-5533, or by her email: billet@northiowabulls.com.

West Fork Finishes Third, Hampton-Dumont-CAL Finishes Fifth in Lady Bulldog Invite

BY EVAN PHARR
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

Both the West Fork and Hampton-Dumont-CAL girls track and field teams finished in the top five out of 15 teams in the 2025 Lady Bulldog Invite on Thursday April, 10. The Warhawks would finish in third place with a score of 58 while the Bulldogs would finish two spots behind in fifth place with a score of 59.

West Fork would medal in five different events. Keara Wood would finish tied for first in the high jump, with a jump of 4 feet, 10 inches. Preslee Dickman, JoAnna Wallace, Abby Schoning and Evelyn Hitzhusen would run the 4x400-meter relay for the Warhawks and finished second with a time of 4 minutes, 26.53 second. Dickman, Wallace and Hitzhusen along with Maesy Mayland would finish third in the 4x800-meter relay with a time of 11 minutes, 32.10 seconds. Hitzhusen would also take home a third place finish in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 1 minute, 12.90 second. Warhawks head coach Ashley Sears explained that Dickman, Wallace and Hitzhusen are great leaders and set a good example for the rest of the team.

"Preslee and JoAnna have been out all 4 years so they have been great examples for the underclassmen," said Sears. "Evie was injured for most of last season, so we are happy to have her back in full force and can't wait to see what all she can accomplish this year."

Brylee Dickman would finish third place in the shot put throw for the Warhawks with a throw of 34 feet, 5 inches. The Warhawks had top five finishes in three other events. Wallace, Keara Wood, Alyssa Wood and Karma McMorris would finish fourth in the 4x200

meter relay with a time of 1 minute, 58.35 seconds. Wallace also finished fifth in the long jump with a jump of 13 feet, 11.25 inches. Keara Wood, Zada Huff, Addyson Moellers and Autumn Schoning finished fifth in the 4x100 meter shuttle hurdle relay with a time of 1 minute, 17.53 seconds. Coach Sears was very happy with how her team fared in the Lady Bulldog Invite.

"We are very proud with our athletes after tonight," said Sears. "The weather in north Iowa is not ideal for breaking personal records, but we saw some great performances and are happy with medaling in a few field events as well as running events while competing against some larger schools."

Hampton-Dumont-CAL also medaled in five different events. Charlee Morton once again finished first place in the shot put throw with a throw of 41 feet, 11 inches and in the discus throw with a throw of 140 feet, 3 inches. Bulldogs head coach Nicole Donnenworth spoke on Morton's consistent dominance in those events.

"She continues to put in the work," said Donnenworth. "She out throws what she has done in the past. She's never satisfied with it so she continues to put in the work and continues to go out each meet and best her best. It is fun to watch her journey."

Lily Hamby finished first place in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 1 minute, 11.11 seconds. Hamby also finished in a tie for third place in the high jump with a jump of 4 feet, 8 inches. MacKenzie Valley finished second place in the 3000-meter run with a time of 11 minutes, 57.56 seconds. The Bulldogs finished in the top five in three other events. Hamby finished 4th in the long jump



Abby Schoning running in the 100-meter hurdle. Photo by Evan Pharr.



Charlee Morton in her throwing motion during the shot put throw. Photo by Evan Pharr.

with a jump of 14 feet, 6 inches. Brooklyn Valley finished fifth place in the 100-meter dash with a time of 13.95 seconds. Valley, Hambly, Adelee Groenworld and Megan Severs finished fifth in the 800-meter medley relay with a time of 2 minutes, 02.74 second. Coach Donnenworth was pleased with her team's performance and discussed why the tend to do better in bigger meets.

"In huge meets like this with 15 teams we tend to do well with our tiny little team because the things we are strong with we are super strong," said Donnenworth. "So we will finish first, second, or third and take a ton of points in those events. So we will finish pretty high in big meets like this."

The Warhawks and the Bulldogs also competed in the Clarion-Goldfield-Dows Cowgirl Relay on Tuesday, April 15. The next meet for both the Warhawks and the Bulldogs will be at GHV Cardinal Relays at Garner-Hayfield-Ventura High School on Tuesday, April 22.

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Hampton-Dumont-CAL Boys Thrilling Game vs Belmont-Klemme Ends in a Tie

BY EVAN PHARR
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

The Hampton-Dumont-CAL boys soccer team tied 1-1 vs Belmont-Klemme on Monday, April 7 in an exciting game that had a thrilling finish. The game was a competitive battle from beginning to end and had many key moments. Early in the first half it looked like the Broncos were about to strike first, after being rewarded a penalty kick after a handball from a Bulldog defender. Jose Aragon-Mendez had other plans as he lunged to his right to make an incredible save and keep the game tied. Aragon-Mendez spoke on what was going through his head during the penalty kick.

"I like to play a little mind game with the shooter," said Aragon-Mendez. "I walk over to where the shooter shoots and then I walk to the side that I hope he shoots on. I don't know if you remember but I walked over towards the left and I was pointing to the right as he was getting ready to shoot. As soon as he shot it I dove to the right and got it."

The game would remain scoreless going into halftime. The majority of the second half would be a stalemate just like the first half with not a ton of shots on goal and a lot of battling for possession. However, with just over eight minutes to go in the game the Bulldogs would finally breakthrough after Hunter Rieken would bury a shot into the back of the net giving his team a 1-0

lead. Rieken discussed how important it was to get that goal on the scoreboard.

"It was really important for the team because we really wanted to win that game," said Rieken. "It was 0-0 so I was trying to do it for my team and our community because we lost to these guys last year in overtime. I didn't want to let that happen again."

Just when it was beginning to look like the Bulldogs were going to start the season 3-0 with just over one minute left to go in the game, the Broncos would get an opportunity and capitalize on it, scoring the equalizing goal to tie the game at one goal a piece. Neither team would be able to add another goal in the final minute of the game and due to a new rule this season allowing soccer games in a tie, the game would end in a 1-1 draw. Despite the heart breaking finish to the

game Bulldogs head coach Danielle Arana was pleased with her team's effort.

"I mean we worked together really well," said Arana. "You know I've had some interviews where I've been saying how we needed to work a little more as a team and we had some of that. It was a little hard because of the way they play defense, we kind of fell into their traps, but at the end of the day every time we play they play better together and we worked the ball more."

The tie pushes the Bulldogs record to 2-0-1, as they still remain unbeaten. However, the Bulldogs would drop their first game of the season after a hard fought 4-2 loss to Webster City. After being tied 1-1 at halftime Webster City would outscore the Bulldogs 3-1. The Bulldogs also played at Humboldt on Monday and their next game is at Garner-Hayfield-Ven-

tura on Thursday, April 17 at 7:30 p.m. in the second half. The Bulldogs also played at Humboldt on

Monday and their next game is at Garner-Hayfield-Ventura Thursday, April 17 at 7:30 p.m.



Silas Buseman keeping a Belmont-Klemme attacker away from the ball. Photo by Evan Pharr.



Jose Aragon-Mendez leaps to his right to save a penalty kick. Photo by Evan Pharr.



HDCAL boys soccer team huddles up before their game vs Belmont-Klemme. Photo by Evan Pharr.

Bulldogs Girls Game vs Belmont-Klemme Ends in Scoreless Tie

BY EVAN PHARR
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

The Hampton-Dumont-CAL Bulldogs girls soccer team battled from beginning to end of their match vs Belmont-Klemme with the game ending in a 0-0 tie on Monday, April 7. The game did not lack action though as the Bulldogs

came very close to breaking through and scoring on many different occasions in the first half, as they dominated possession for most of the first 40 minutes. The Bulldogs best chance would be late in the second half when Brissa Rojas struck a shot that hit the top of the goal post.

The second half would be more competitive from

a possession standpoint as Belmont-Klemme would begin to start pushing the ball deep into the Bulldogs defensive end at a more frequent rate than the first half. Despite the Broncos coming close to getting the ball into the back of the net, the Bulldogs defense would be able to hold strong not letting any goals up. Bulldogs head coach Ben Schlachter gave a lot of praise to Mallory Rieken for her effort on the defensive end.

"We are led by our senior captain Mallory Rieken," said Schlachter. "She's a leader back there with the way she plays and she holds everyone else accountable."

Schlachter was also very impressed with goal keeper Madison Heilskov's performance.

"Like I told you after Thursday's game, Madison had never stepped foot inside the goal before last season and that is one of the best games I have ever seen a goalie have for us," said Schlachter. "She kept her composure and she did the right thing every time. She is such an instinctive athlete and it is starting to come out on the pitch."

When asked about her stellar performance, Heil-

skov was quick to give her teammates credit for helping her keep the Broncos off the scoreboard.

"I just kind of rely on my teammates," said Heilskov. "I know that if I go out and get the ball then they are going to have my back. Just allowing my defense to get back, especially Mallory, she is very good about getting back. So I just trust myself going out and getting it and just hoping for the best."

After how the first two games of the season went for the Bulldogs, an 8-1 loss to Clear Lake and a 10-0 loss to Iowa Falls-Alden, Schlachter was pleased with his team's improvements during the third game of the season.

"They are learning to play together more," said Schlachter. "They are learning that holding each other accountable and playing as a unit leads to more success."

The Bulldogs would drop their next game 6-0 vs Webster City on Thursday night. They also played games vs Humboldt on Monday night and at Webster City on Tuesday night. The Bulldogs next game is a home game vs Clear Lake on Thursday April, 24 at 5:30 p.m.



Brissa Rojas getting ready to take a shot on goal. Photo by Evan Pharr.



Milagros Aguilar saving a ball from going out of bounds. Photo by Evan Pharr.



Mallory Rieken kicking the ball from the defensive end to the offensive end. Photo by Evan Pharr.

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Senior Golf is Back

The boys arrived drooling, eyes targeted, hearts pounding and eagerness protruding throughout their bodies. Yup, it was opening day for the senior golfers at Ridgestone Golf Club. Hibernation was left in the dust, clubs were shined, bags polished and shoes were shined like a mirror, and it was TEE OFF time for the boys in 2025. Old Frankie boy the charge man hollered above all the jibber jabber and said, "Men this year let's TRY be nice to one another, keep the puttdowns to a minimum and limit the cheating. Foot wedges are allowed as long as nobody is watching."

The troops were a tad short in numbers as mama nature kept the temp on the very chilly side. Thirteen boys did report for duty thumbing down at the temp. Bobby (not short) Long, Brad (not nails) Mulford and Frank (X&O-er) Schnoes took top honors with a solid 67. Not fair as Brad played indoors all winter, Bob took his putter along to work and Frank just drove the cart.

The second unit consisted of Doug (dugger) Hahn, Dick (ma bell) Brown, Rick (USAF) Schmitt and newby Wayne

(Beeds Laker) Maiers. They combined for a 69 and guess what...they missed a lot of putts. Just like the last twenty years boils down to putting!!

The third unit saw Dennis (MM) Campbell, DelRay (oinker) McKee and Tommy (tom-tom) Severe fire a 71. Denny and DelRay were always a hole behind Tom as they were telling each other stories! The final group dragging along with an anchor was Donnie (weld-em) Greimann, Nick (St.) Mulford and Jerry (me boy) Nelson. They combined for a score that was on the embarrassing side but still felt proud to finish. They shot a LXXXVI yup that's a lot folks.

Shivering and shaking the boys (oh I use that term loosely) did survive and it made their day to be back on the links. The AWOL boys will be back in action once the sun shineth upon them. Frank told me that melons have a wedding because they can't a lope. DelRay told me to fix a pumpkin use a pumpkin patch. Finally Severe told me you call an alligator with a GPS...a navigator.

Okay folks I be outta here like the monkey that sat on a keg of ice...my tale is told!



CLOSE CALLS 4



BY RICK JANSSEN

I thought I was done with my series on my close calls until I was reminded of my first close call. I loaned my chest waders to a friend this week and that prompted my memory of a close call I had when I was a young man duck hunting with my best friend and hunting mentor.

I think I was 15 and my friend was 16 since he was the driver on this adventure. We both had purchased some chest waders, and we were anxious to do some duck hunting. I grew up in the Coralville area, so the back waters of the Coralville Reservoir were a playground for us. There were plenty of lowland areas that we could drive to and throw out some decoys and wait for ducks to come by.

This was my first time duck hunting, so I really did not have a

clue what to expect. I had to borrow one of my friend's old shotguns since I did not own one of my own at this time. The waders back in the 70's were nothing like the thick neoprene waders of today. There was nothing to insulate you from the cold water except the clothes you wore under them. Since we would be out before sunrise and standing in cold water, I put on a lot of layers to try and keep warm.

This was also before those nice headlamps I wear outside today. We each carried our own flashlights, our guns and a bag of decoys. It was not easy walking in the swamp with all that stuff. The bottom was very soft and muddy which meant we sunk in with each step. We got to an area with some weeds along the shore and spread out. He went about 100 yards away from me so we would not accidentally shoot each other. He threw out his decoys in his area and I threw out mine. Now it was just time to sit and wait.

After about a half hour I was already feeling cold. The sun was peaking over the horizon, and my friend was starting to call. I am not sure what he was calling since I did not see any ducks in the area. The longer I stood in the cold water



the more miserable I became.

Since I had felt like I needed to move a bit to try and warm up I decided to move further away from my friend. I started shuffling along in the mud. The water at this point was just above my waist. Suddenly I stepped into a hole in the bottom and was over my head. I tried to get

my feet under me, but my waders were filling up with water. I had my shotgun in one hand but realized I needed to let it go to try and get my balance. My waders were now filled with water, and they were holding me down. I struggled to get them off. With all the clothes I had on I could not seem to get the

shoulder straps off. As I was struggling, I managed to pop my head out of the water to get some air, but I was getting tired and panicky. I had a hunting knife strapped to my belt under my waders, so I grabbed the knife and quickly cut through my waders and straps. Once I had done that, I managed to get my waders off enough so that I could wiggle out of them. I got my legs under me and stood up in the mud. I was soaking wet and cold. I gave up on the gun and waders and walked back towards shore in just my socks. When I got to where my friend was, he had no clue what had happened. I thought he would be mad about his shotgun, but he was just glad I was alright. He got me to the car where I bundled up in a blanket and he cranked the heat up for our ride home.

For the past several years I have gone wading in Clear Lake to catch spring walleye. I am glad I have new waders now and I wear a belt around the top in case I slip in again. When I walk around in the lake, I move very slowly and feel around the bottom before I take a step. Hopefully this will keep me from repeating that close call of my youth.

ISU Extension and Outreach Summer Program Registration Open

BY LAELA RAGSDALE

Franklin County – Registration for summer Clover Kids, 4-H Workshops, 4-H trips and so much more is officially open! Visit the Iowa State University Extension and Outreach Franklin County website to register, <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/franklin/newsletter>.

4-H Workshops
Register for all 4-H Workshops through 4-HOnline at <https://v2.4honline.com/>.

April 16, 2:30-5:00 p.m. – Is It Cake Workshop - All students 4th-12th are welcome at this workshop! We will learn all about cake decorating and participate in a fun "Is It Cake" challenge! Cost is \$15 for non-4-H members, the Franklin County 4-H Foundation is covering the registration fee for 4-H Members. Location - 4-H Food Stand, Franklin County Fairgrounds.

May 5, 4:30-5:30 p.m. – Rabbit Workshop - Our very own County Youth Councils youth are going to be teaching us all about how to care for rabbits, how to show them and more! All 4th-12th grade 4-H & FFA members welcome! No cost to register, thanks to the financial support from the Franklin County 4-H Foundation. Location: 4-H Food Stand, Franklin County Fairgrounds.

May 14, 2:30-4:00 p.m. – Salsa Tray Workshop - All students 4th-12th are invited to join us to learn all about Salsa Gardens! Youth will get the opportunity to plan their own salsa gardens at this workshop! Register through 4-HOnline, cost is \$20 for non-4-H members, free for 4-H members thanks to the support from the Franklin County 4-H Foundation. Location - 4-H Food Stand, Franklin County Fairgrounds.

May 28, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. – Bucket of Flowers Workshop - All 4-H and Clover Kids members in grades K-12 are invited to join us to learn all about

planting and taking care of a flower planter. Hosted at Becky's Greenhouse in Dougherty. Register through 4-HOnline, this is free for all Clover Kid and 4-H members, thanks to the financial support from the Franklin County 4-H Foundation.

June 10, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Communications Poster Workshop - All 4-H members 4th-12th grade can sign up to learn all about the communications project area. Everyone will leave with a poster project to bring to the Franklin County Fair! Registration cost is covered by the Franklin County 4-H Foundation, so there is no cost to 4-H members. Location: 4-H Food Stand, Franklin County Fairgrounds.

June 12, all day - Explore Iowa! Trip - Save the Date for the Region 4 Explore Iowa Day Trip! This trip is open for any 4-H member in Franklin, Cerro Gordo, Worth, Mitchell and Floyd County who have completed grades 4th-7th. We will be taking a bus to Waterloo, Iowa on Thursday, June 12th.

June 17, 2:00-4:00 p.m. - Style Show Workshop - All 4-H members 4th-12th in Franklin and Cerro Gordo counties are welcome! We will learn all about the 4-H Style Show, how to model our outfits, how to pick out an outfit at a consignment store and more! Hosted at the North Iowa Fair 4-H Building (Mason City).

June 18, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Baking Challenge Workshop - Open for all 4th-12th grade 4-H members interested in the Franklin County Fair Baking Challenge! We will learn how to make Sugar Cookies, along with other fun baking activities! Location: 4-H Food Stand, Franklin County Fairgrounds.

Summer Clover Kids
May 12, 3:30-5:00 p.m. – Clover Kids Fair Project Workshop - Open for all K-3rd youth! We will explore different project areas that youth can bring to the

Franklin County Fair. We will also learn how to talk to a judge and practice talking to a judge! All attendees will leave with a project that they can show off at the fair! Cost \$20, scholarships are available! Location: 4-H Food Stand, Franklin County Fairgrounds.

May 29, 3:30-5:00 p.m. – Clover Kids Fair Project Workshop - Open for all K-3rd youth! We will explore different project areas that youth can bring to the Franklin County Fair. We will also learn how to talk to a judge and practice talking to a judge! All attendees will leave with a project that they can show off at the fair! Cost \$20, scholarships are available! Location: 4-H Food Stand, Franklin County Fairgrounds.

June 11, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Hampton Clover Kids - All K-3rd grade youth are welcome! Cost is \$25, scholarships are available! Location to be determined. Join us for a fun morning of hands-on STEM, leadership and group games.

June 16, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Latimer Clover Kids - All K-3rd grade youth are welcome! Cost is \$25, scholarships are available! Location: Immanuel UCC, Latimer. Join us for a fun morning of hands-on STEM, leadership and group games.

June 19, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Ackley Clover Kids - All K-3rd grade youth are welcome! Cost is \$25, scholarships are available! Location to be determined. Join us for a fun morning of hands-on STEM, leadership and group games.

June 24, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Sheffield Clover Kids - All K-3rd grade youth are welcome! Cost is \$25, scholarships are available! Location to be determined. Join us for a fun morning of hands-on STEM, leadership and group games.

July 31, 6:00 p.m. – Clover Kids Family Night - Families are invited to join us for a meal, Clover Kids graduation, and a special

interactive Dino Show from Curt Strutz Entertainment. This is free for all Clover Kids families! All Clover Kids who are going into 4th grade in Fall 2025 will go through a Clover Kids graduation! Make sure to bring siblings, families, grandparents and other supporters!

Summer Soccer Camp
June 26, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Summer Soccer Camp - Join us for a fun-filled 1-day soccer camp at East Park in Hampton! This camp is perfect for young athletes to learn skills, play games, and have a blast! Snacks and water provided thanks to the support of the Franklin County 4-H Foundation. Cost is \$15.00, scholarships are available. Don't miss out! Come kick it with us! Contact Lili Velasco at 641-456-4811, Ext 5 or at lvelasco@iastate.edu with questions.

Community Garden
Did you know there is a community garden in Hampton, located at St. Patrick's Catholic Church? Contact the Extension Office to reserve a plot!

August 5th-9th, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. – Garden Snack Stars - Little hands, big adventures! Kids dig, plant, and pick fresh goodies straight from the garden, then turn them into yummy, healthy snacks! Along the way, they'll learn about nature, healthy eating, and handy life skills – all while having tons of fun! Location: St. Patrick's Catholic Church. Cost is \$25.00, scholarships are available. Contact Lili Velasco at 641-456-4811, Ext 5, or at lvelasco@iastate.edu with questions.

Registration
Registration for all these activities can be found on the Iowa State University Extension and Outreach Franklin County office website. <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/franklin/newsletter>. You may also stop into the Extension Office (6 2nd Street NW, Hampton) to register! Contact Laela Ragsdale at 641-373-3874 or laela@iastate.edu for more information.

Registration Now Open: Iowa 4-H Youth Conference 2025!

BY LAELA RAGSDALE

We're thrilled to announce that registration is now open for the annual Iowa 4-H Youth Conference, happening June 24th-26th, 2025, at Iowa State University in Ames. This year's theme is "Lasso Your Legacy," and we invite all teenagers who have completed 8th grade through 12th grade to join us for three days of excitement, learning, and fun! **This is open to ALL 8th-12th grade, youth do not need to be involved in 4-H to attend!**

Here are the key details you need to know:

- **Dates:** June 24th-26th, 2026
- **Location:** Iowa State University, Ames, IA
- **Grades:** Completed 8th grade-12th grade
- **Cost:** \$250
- **Financial Assistance:** Available at <https://www.iowa4hfoundation.org/what-we-do/funding-for-4-h-ers/iowa-4-h-financial-assistance>

Every year, our conference brings together around 350 teenagers for a packed schedule of speakers, workshops, mixers, dances, a banquet, and service-learning activities. Whether you're a seasoned 4-H member or new to our organization, you're welcome to attend and make the most of this incredible opportunity.

At the conference, you'll experience campus life, meet new people from across the state, and engage in hands-on learning experiences. From educational workshops to team-building activities and even a talent show, there's something for everyone.

During registration, youth will choose a session track consisting of workshops, tours, and activities supported by Iowa State University Extension and Outreach faculty, staff, and career professionals. Participants will have the opportunity to explore career opportunities in various areas and interact with professors and professionals to inspire and engage them in thinking about their future.

Explore three engaging content tracks, each designed to enrich a wide range of interests and expertise in Animal Science, Space and Moon, and college and career exploration. These carefully curated sessions promise to deliver valuable insights for your career exploration and professional growth. Youth in each track will attend evening and keynote activities as a whole group with all conference delegates. Track details are outline on our webpage at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/iowa4hyouthconference>.

Registration is open now until June 1st, 2025. To secure your spot, visit <https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in>. Remember, financial assistance is available, and the deadline to apply is also June 1st, 2025.

Here are some important dates to mark on your calendar:

- April 1 - June 1: Iowa 4-H Youth Conference Registration due in 4Honline
- April 1 - June 1: Iowa 4-H Foundation financial assistance form due
- June 1: Requests for Early Arrival by county staff are due
- June 15: Talent Show Applications are due <https://airtable.com/appx8sKr6AD7c7vZ1/shrAHtllwwFUO5OR>
- June 23: Early Arrival (arranged by county staff with chaperones)
- June 24th-26th, 2025: Iowa 4-H Youth Conference, ISU, Ames

And remember our refund/cancellation policy:

- Cancellations received by June 1st will receive a full refund
- Cancellations between June 2nd and June 24th will receive a half refund
- No-shows without cancellation between June 2 - June 24th will be charged the full registration fee

Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity to explore, learn, and grow with Iowa 4-H! We can't wait to see you at the conference.

More information can be found here: <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/iowa4hyouthconference>

On Their Own & Ok at Hampton-Dumont Middle School

BY LAELA RAGSDALE

Franklin County – Registration is open for On Their Own & Ok! This program teaches youth important skills needed to stay home safely

by themselves. Some topics covered during this program included: what to do in an emergency, how to keep yourself entertained without using technology, developing a safety plan and so much more! This is open to

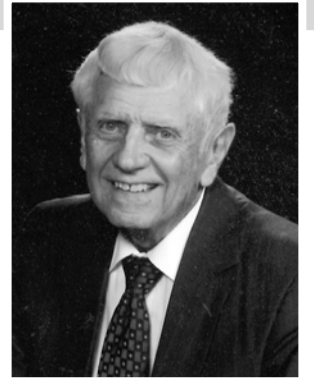
all 3rd-6th grade youth. We will meet from 3:30-5:30 p.m. on April 24, May 1 and May 8. Register by contacting Laela Ragsdale at 641-373-3874 or laela@iastate.edu.

Kiwanians Recognized for Years of Service



(Left) Six members of the Kiwanis Club of Hampton were honored for their years of service on Tuesday, April 8. Receiving Legion of Honor certificates are, left to right, Phil Hauser (40 years), Kent Mollenbeck (40 years), Scott Conlon (25 years), Belen Krabbe (25 years), and Mic Snell (45 years). Missing is Brian Miller (25 years). Kiwanis International is an international service club founded in 1915 with clubs in more than 80 nations. Photo by Jim Davies

In loving memory of Marvin Rodemeyer 1934-2025



Marvin Rodemeyer, 90, of Hampton, passed away Saturday, April 12, 2025, at MercyOne-North Iowa, in Mason City. Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m., Thursday, April 17, at Trinity Lutheran Church, Hampton. Interment will be at the Beeds Lake Cemetery. Visitation will be 1 hour before the service at the church. Woodley Funeral Home and Crematory of Hampton is caring for Marvin and his family.

Marvin Otto Rodemeyer was born November 21, 1934, at Hampton, a son of Otto and Amanda (Pralle) Rodemeyer. He graduated from Hampton High School and attended the University of Iowa for a year before returning to the family farm.

On June 4, 1961, Marvin was united in marriage with Janet Carstens at Trinity Lutheran Church. They made their home in Hampton, and he began working for the United States Post Office, where he worked for over 30 years.

Marvin served his country in the Iowa Air National Guard. He was a private and commercial pilot, flying for Dean Swebke and the Hampton Flying Service. He also belonged to the Beeds Lake Flying Club. He was active in Trinity Lutheran Church as an Usher and was the head of the building fund for many years. Marvin also enjoyed giving tours of the REA Power Plant Museum and being active as a member of the Franklin County Historical Society and helped take care of the Harriman Nielsen Historic Farm. For many years he was active in the Kiwanis. He loved vegetable and flower gardening. Marvin also enjoyed traveling and camping and had traveled to 46 of the lower 48 states and Europe.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife; Janet; son Mark Alan Rodemeyer, Hampton; nieces and nephews. Marvin is preceded in death by his parents, brother Arthur, sister Alice Miller and sister Imogene in childhood. Woodley Funeral Home and Crematory - Hampton

Donkey Makes Annual Appearance at Local Churches for Easter

BY JENNIFER BURNHAM
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

This past weekend, Burrito the donkey made a special appearance at not one but two churches on Palm Sunday.

Burrito, and his owner, Charlane Janssen, stopped by St. Paul Lutheran and Zion Reformed Church on Sunday, April 13, for a children's message. Janssen said they do this every year, and that Burrito loves being around children.

At St. Paul's, Burrito and the children took a walk around the block, waving their palms, before going inside, where the congregation sang.

Burrito is a 27-year-old Sicilian Donkey. According to Janssen, these types of donkeys are smaller than most, and Burrito measures in at only 35 inches tall. They have a lifespan of around 40 years.

Janssen said Burrito has yet to have an accident at a church. "I use prayer of course!" she said.



Burrito the donkey with children at St. Paul Lutheran Church on Palm Sunday, April 13

Northwest Franklin 4-H Club Hosts Second Annual Coulter Easter Egg Hunt

PRESS RELEASE

COULTER — The Northwest Franklin 4-H Club invites families to hop on over to the Coulter Public Library on Saturday, April 19th at 10:00 a.m. for the second annual Coulter Easter Egg Hunt — a festive, fun-filled morning for children and families throughout the community.

Young egg hunters, ages 10 and under, will enjoy a variety of spring-time activities including Easter Story Time, an Easter Egg Hunt with prize eggs in each age group, and refreshments. And new this year — the Easter Bunny will be making a special appearance, ready for smiles, high fives, and photo opportunities with kids of all ages!

This egg-cellent event will take place rain or shine, so families are encouraged to dress for the weather and bring their baskets!

The Northwest Franklin 4-H Club is proud to serve the CAL community through events like this and looks

forward to seeing lots of familiar and new faces at this year's hunt.

"We love being able to bring people together and create special memories for local kids," said Val Plagge, Northwest Franklin 4-H Club Leader. "This is just one of the many ways our 4-H members give back to the community."

A heartfelt thank you goes out to the Coulter Public Library, the City of Coulter, and Coulter Mayor Myron Lawler for their support and encouragement.

Don't miss out on this egg-citing tradition the whole family can enjoy!



The kids made their final preparations for the hunt by stuffing over 1,200 eggs.

May 4th Concert to Celebrate Sheffield Church's 150th Anniversary

The public is invited to join members of Zion St. John Lutheran Church on Sunday, May 4, at 3 p.m. for an afternoon of beautiful music in celebration of this church's 150th anniversary. This free concert will be held inside the church at 422 Sherman St., Sheffield, Iowa. It will be livestreamed at www.zionstjohn.org.

"Our May 4 concert is the second in a series of four events that are being held throughout the year to mark our church's very special 150th anniversary," says Nancy Retz, chair, of the 150th Anniversary Committee.

This day will be made even more special as our newly commissioned hymn entitled, "Christ is the Same," will be performed by Zion St. John's Chancel, Sunday School and Handbell choirs. Each choir also will sing or perform pieces. The Chancel Choir will perform a cantata entitled "Legacy of Faith," written by Joseph Martin. The ZSJ Praise Team will perform, and organist Charles Sukup will play Bach's "Fugue in D Major."

Additional Celebrations

"Lutheran potlucks were made famous by Garrison Keillor in 'News from Lake Wobegon,' so our 150th celebration will include a summer potluck," says Retz. "It's time to dig out the Jell-O molds and jellyroll pans! There just might be a joke or two made about our time-honored potluck tradition during a comedy routine that is also part of our summer celebration."

Outdoor worship in the courtyard will be held August 3 followed by a potluck picnic and ice cream social. In addition, the Looney Lutherans from St. Paul, Minn. will perform. According to the group's website, the Looney Lutherans are "a trio of wacky gals who use music, comedy and some help from the audience to share their age-old wisdom for living a long, happy life the Lutheran way." Their August 3 performance is free to the public.

The final ZSJ anniversary celebration will be Sunday, November 2. Former pastors and Bishop Kevin Jones of the Northeast Iowa Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) will join us in worship. This service will include our commissioned hymn, "Christ is the Same," which is based on Hebrews 13:8. This service also will include music from our Chancel and Bell Choirs, as well as our church organist.

"All members, former members and friends of the congregation are invited to attend all these events! Our doors are open to everyone," says Retz.

At Zion St. John Lutheran Church, we are committed to being the body of Christ until He returns. Led by the Holy Spirit and gathered around God's Word and Sacraments, we join in worship, learning, spirit-full nurture, outreach, and service, as we grow in faith and invite others to experience Christ's presence.

Joe Hermes Prepares to "Cook" at Hampton BBQ Contest

PRESS RELEASE

Hampton – 104.9 KLMJ is proud to present Country/Rock music artist Joe Hermes as part of this summer's "Cruisin' & BBQin" event in Hampton, Iowa, on August 22nd & 23rd. Hermes will bring his signature sound to Band Shell Park on Friday, August 22nd at 7:00 p.m., and is sure to "cook" up an unforgettable performance that perfectly complements the event's BBQ-themed festivities.

KLMJ first brought Hermes in for an acoustic performance in 2023 as part of the annual "Tuesday on the Town" lineup. This time, Joe returns with his full band.

Known for a powerful blend of country, rock, and Americana, Joe

Hermes has spent years perfecting his craft and connecting with fans through heartfelt songs and high-energy performances. With tracks like "Bury Me With My Boots On" and "Baptized by the South," Hermes brings a unique flavor to the stage. His stage presence and strong storytelling are sure to leave fans hungry for more.

The "Cruisin' & BBQin" event will also feature classic cars, delicious BBQ, and an all-around celebration of summer. Fans of all ages are invited to join in the festivities, with the night culminating in an unforgettable performance by Hermes.

For more information about Joe Hermes, visit Joe Hermes's Official Website at JoeHermesMusic.com.



Joe Hermes is set to perform at the Hampton BBQ Contest this summer. Photo courtesy JoeHermesMusic.com

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 Website: faith-hampton.com
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 • Wednesday, April 16, 8:30 a.m. Men's Prayer; 4:30 p.m. Pathfinders K-6; 6:30 p.m. SWAG 7-12
 • Thursday, April 17, 6 p.m. **Maudy Thursday Service**
 • Sunday, April 20, 8 a.m. **Easter Breakfast**; 9:30 a.m. **Worship Service with Resurrection Celebration**; 11 a.m. Sunday School Classes
 • Tuesday, April 22, 9:30 a.m. Women's Prayer
 • Wednesday, April 23, 8:30 a.m. Men's Prayer; 4:30 p.m. Pathfinders K-6; 6:30 p.m. SWAG 7-12

CATHOLIC
St. Mary's Catholic
 611 Sherman Ave., Ackley
Fr. Kevin Earleywine, Priest
 • Sunday, 8 a.m.

St. Patrick's Catholic
 1405 N. Federal St., Hampton
Fr. Kevin Earleywine, Priest
 • Tuesday and Thursday at 8:30 AM
 • Sunday 10:30 AM English
 5:30 PM Spanish

CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)
First Christian Church
 605 Fourth St. NE, Hampton
 • Sunday, April 20, 9:30 a.m. **Easter Breakfast**; 10:30 a.m. **Worship Service**
 • Tuesday, April 22, 6 p.m. **CROP Walk Meeting**

LATTER DAY SAINTS
The Church of Jesus Christ Of Latter Day Saints
 Hampton / Miguel Sosa Garcia, Branch President
 • Sunday, April 6, 10:30 a.m. **Worship Service**; Food Pantry Sunday

LUTHERAN
Our Savior's Lutheran
 121 Prospect, Ackley
 • Sundays, 9 a.m. Sunday School; 10 a.m. Divine Service (Communion 2nd, 4th, 5th); 11 a.m. Fellowship
 • Tuesdays, 4 p.m. Tuesday School

Richland Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELS/WELS)
 300 Elm St., Thornton
 952-607-1293
Pastor Caleb Helmen
 • February - July 8:30 a.m. church and 9:30 a.m. Sunday School.
 • August - January 10:30 a.m. Church and 9:30 a.m. Sunday School.
 • Bible class Tuesday 10:00 a.m. September through May.

St. John's Lutheran
 1207 Indigo Ave., Hampton
 • 11 a.m. Worship - 2nd and 4th Sundays

Zion St. John Lutheran Sheffield
 422 Sherman St, Sheffield, IA 50475
 • Wednesday, April 16, 8:30 a.m. ZSJ Piecemakers; 6:15 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal; 7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
 • Thursday, April 17, 2 p.m. West Fork Food Pantry; 5:45 p.m. **Lenten Supper**; 7 p.m. **Worship Service with Holy Communion**
 • Friday, April 18, 3 p.m. Good Friday Rehearsal; 7:30 p.m. **Good Friday Worship Service led by ZSJ Youth**; **Good Friday**
 • Sunday, April 20, 6:30 a.m. **Easter Sunrise Worship Service with Holy Communion and choirs**; 7:30 a.m. **Breakfast** hosted by ZSJ Youth; 9 a.m.

Easter Festival Worship Service with Holy Communion
 • Tuesday, April 22, **Earth Day**
 • Wednesday, April 23, 8:30 a.m. ZSJ Piecemakers; 5:15 p.m. 7-8 Confirmation Class; 6:15 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal; 7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

St. Paul Lutheran Church
 17 Second St. NE, Hampton
Caitlyn Tauro
 Sunday Worship: 9:00 am.
 Sunday School 10:15 am
 Adult Sunday School 10:15 am

St. Paul's Lutheran
 304 W Main, Latimer
Reverend Joel Peter Wagner
 • Wednesday, April 16, 8:10 a.m. Matins
 • Thursday, April 17, 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. **St. Paul's School Easter Parties**; 6:30 p.m. **Maudy Thursday Services**
 • Friday, April 18 - **No School - Good Friday**; 6:30 p.m. **Good Friday Services**
 • Sunday, April 20, 6:30 a.m. **Sunrise Service**; 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. **Breakfast**; 9 a.m. Divine Service; **Easter Sunday**
 • Monday, April 21, **No School - Easter Monday**
 • Wednesday, April 23, 8:10 a.m. Matins

St. Paul's Church
 400 Larch St., Thornton

St. Peter Lutheran Church
 502 2nd St. S, Rockwell

Trinity Lutheran Church
 16 12th Ave. NE, Hampton
 www.trinityhampton.com
Vicar - Jacob Stefane, Rev. Karl C. Bollhagen, Pastor
 • Thursday, April 17, 7:30 p.m. **Maudy Thursday Service**
 • Friday, April 18, 7:30 p.m. **Good Friday Service**
 • Saturday, April 19, 7 p.m. **Easter Vigil Service**
 • Sunday, April 20, 8:30 a.m. Easter Worship Service with Holy Communion; 9:45 a.m. **Easter Breakfast**
 • Sunday Radio Broadcasts: 7:30 a.m. Lutheran Hour on KLMJ, 104.9 FM; 10:15 a.m. Radio Worship Broadcast on KLMJ, 104.9 FM

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church - Vilmar
Rev. Tamara J. K. Keen, Pastor
 • Sunday, April 20, 8:45 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. Sunday School; 9:15 a.m. Choir Practice; 10 a.m. **Worship Service**; 11 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship

First Lutheran Church - Dows
 206 W Ellsworth St, Dows
 • Thursday, April 17, 6:30 p.m. **Maudy Thursday Worship Service with Communion**
 • Friday, April 18, 6:30 p.m. **Good Friday Worship Service**
 • Sunday, April 20, 8 a.m. **Easter Breakfast**; 9 a.m. **Easter Worship Service with Communion**

METHODIST
Ackley United Methodist
 416 Hardin St., Ackley
Pastor Kalvin Scholte
 • Sundays, 9-9:45 a.m., Sunday School; 10 a.m. **Worship Service**

First United Methodist
 510 Thompson St., Sheffield
Pastor Pastor Wendy Johannessen
 • Sundays, 9 a.m. **Worship Service**

Geneva United Methodist
 603 Front St., Geneva
 • Sundays, 9:30 a.m. Sunday School; 10:30 a.m. **Worship**

Hampton United Methodist
 100 Central Ave. E, Hampton
Pastor Dennis Burns
 • Wednesday, April 16, 2 p.m. **NAOMI Circle**; 5:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal & Wacky Wednesday; 6:30 p.m. **LEAH Circle**
 • Thursday, April 17, 9:30 a.m. BeFrienders; 10:30 a.m. **Chapel**

at Leahy Grove; 5:30 p.m. **Maudy Thursday Service**
 • Saturday, April 19, **No Worship Service**
 • Sunday, April 20, 9:30 a.m. Adults Bible Study; 11 a.m. Easter Worship Service; 11:30 a.m. Radio Broadcast on KLMJ, 104.9 FM; 12:30 p.m. Facebook Broadcast
 • Monday, April 21, 1:30 p.m. God's FLOCK
 • Tuesday, April 22, 1:30 p.m. Faithful Stitchers
 • Wednesday, April 23, 5:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal & Wacky Wednesday

West Fork United Methodist
 2200 Tulip Ave., Sheffield
Pastor Wendy Johannessen

New Hope United Methodist Parish: Aredale, Bristow, Dumont
Pastor Dennis Burns
 • Aredale: Worship, 8:15 a.m.
 • Dumont: Worship, 9:30 a.m.

United Methodist Church
 Morgan/Bradford, 569 100th St., Dows
 Lee Center,
 393 Ironwood Ave., Alden
Rev. Judy Eilderts
 • Sundays, 10 a.m. **Worship service** with fellowship time following (Lee Center, odd months; Morgan/Bradford, even months)

United Methodist
 Dows
 • Lay Speaker Richard Echelberger
 • Discipleship class - Sunday @8:30am
 • Worship Service @ 10:00am

NON-DENOMINATIONAL Church of the Living Word
 420 First Ave. NE, Hampton
 641-456-8175
Pastor Brian Rihner
 www.clwhampton.org
 • Sundays, 10 a.m. **Worship**
 • Sunday: 9AM - Adult Sunday school
 • Wednesday: 5:30PM - PK - Grade 6 WOW! and Adult Bible Study, 6:30PM: MS & HS Youth, 7:00PM - Adult Bible Study.
 • Wee Ones Christian Preschool: Mon., Tues., Thurs.; Mary Mollenbeck, Director, 641-456-8471

Living Well Fellowship
 917 Howard St. (First Presbyterian Church), Aplington
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 • Mondays, 7 p.m., Contemporary Worship
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Sovereign Grace Church
 109 N Eskridge St., Dows
Pastor Doug Holmes
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 • Sundays, 10:15 a.m. Sunday School; 11:15 a.m. **Worship** at First Presbyterian in Dows

Hampton Church of Christ
 811 4th St. NE, Hampton, IA.
 hamptonchurchofchrist.com
Pastor Joe Peter
 • Sundays, 9:30 a.m. Morning Café; 10:15 a.m. **Worship Gathering**

Sixth Street Church of Christ (Acapella)
 909 Sixth St. SW, Hampton
Minister Jim Zacharias
 • Sundays, 9:30 a.m. Sunday School; 10:30 a.m. **Worship**; 4:30 p.m. **Worship**
 • Wednesdays, 4:30 p.m. Bible Study

PRESBYTERIAN
Aplington Evangelical Presbyterian Church
 917 Howard St., Aplington
Rev. Michael McLane
 • Sundays, 9:30 a.m. **Worship Service** with fellowship following services

REFORMED

Dumont Reformed
 912 Third St., Dumont
Pastor Chris Meester
 • Sundays, 9 a.m. Sunday School; 10 a.m. **Worship** (nursery care provided each week)
 • First Monday of the month, 1 p.m. **Reformed Church Women (RCW)**
 • Wednesdays, 7 p.m. **RCYF** (High School youth group from 8-12 grade)
 • All times and schedules are subject to change due to pandemic. You can join us online Youtube and Facebook: **Dumont Reformed Church**, website: dumontreformed.com, and Dumont Cable 1000

First Reformed
 214 Brown St., Alexander
 • Sunday, 9:15 a.m. **Worship Service**; 10:30 a.m. Kids Choir & PreK-HS Sunday School; **Sunday School Children Sing during Worship Service**

Zion Reformed Church
 2029 Jonquil Ave., Sheffield
Rev. Petri van Rooyen, Pastor
 Office Hours: M,W, Th: 8-Noon
 * Bad Weather KLMJ*
 • Wednesday, April 16, 6:30 p.m. **Family Ministry**
 • Thursday, April 17, 7 p.m. **Maudy Thursday Service**; **Prayer-O-Thon begins**
 • Friday, April 18, **Good Friday**; **Prayer-O-Thon**
 • Saturday, April 19, **Prayer-O-Thon**
 • Sunday, April 20, 8 a.m. - 8:45 a.m. **Easter Breakfast** hosted by RCYF - Freewill; 9:15 a.m. **Resurrection Sunday Service**
 • Wednesday, April 23, 7 p.m. **RCYF**

Hampton Seventh Day Adventist Church
 605 4th St. NE, Hampton
Pastor Steven Shafer
 Phone: 641-424-3055
 Email: SDAHamptonIA@gmail.com
 • Sabbath School Saturday 9:30
 • Worship 11:00

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
First Congregational U.C.C.
 22 First Ave. SW, Hampton
 (641) 456-2192
Pastor Karen Koenig and Pastor Peggy Allison
 • Sunday, April 20, 9:15 a.m. Sunday School; 10:30 a.m. **Easter Sunday Worship Service**

Immanuel U.C.C.
 204 E. South St., Latimer
Pastor Joe Dunwald
 • Thursday, April 17, 7 p.m. **Maudy Thursday Service with ZION at ZION Reformed Church in Sheffield**
 • Friday, April 18, 7 p.m. **Good Friday Service with ZION at Immanuel in Latimer**
 • Sunday, April 20, 7 a.m. **Easter Sunrise Service**; 7:30 a.m. **Breakfast**; 8:30 a.m. **Egg Hunt**; 9:30 a.m. **Easter Worship Service with Communion**

St. Peter's United Church Of Christ - Geneva
 496 Raven Ave # B, Geneva, IA 50633
 • Sunday, April 20, 8 a.m. **Easter Sunrise Service** led by the Youth; **Breakfast** will follow the Service

In loving memory of
Drew Heuberger
 1995-2025



Drew Heuberger, 30, of Hampton, passed away peacefully in his father's arms at home on Wednesday, April 9, 2025. A Celebration of Life will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, April 14, 2025, at The Church of the Living Word in Hampton. Interment will follow at Hampton Cemetery. Visitation will be held at the church from 9:30 a.m. until the time of service on Monday.

Drew David Heuberger was born on January 1, 1995, in Mason City, Iowa, to David and Carolyn (Meyer) Heuberger. He graduated from Hampton-Dumont High School in 2013 and from NIACC in 2015.

A Master Electrician, Drew worked in the maintenance departments at Stellar Industries in Garner and most recently at Sukup Manufacturing in Sheffield.

Diagnosed with cancer at age 13, Drew never let his illness define him or diminish his strong faith. He cherished being a father figure to his best friend, Linkin, and was a dedicated corn hole player with the North Iowa Baggers. A passionate Minnesota Vikings fan, he loved attending games with his family. Drew enjoyed expressing his creativity through 3D printing and looked forward to fishing trips to Canada and spending time with loved ones at Happy Time Resort. He also found great joy in playing fantasy football, gaming with friends, watching M.A.S.H. with his dad, and caring for his beloved cat, Sox.

He is survived by his father, David Heuberger of Hampton; brother, Bret (Ashley) Heuberger of Grayslake, IL; sister, Crystal (Daniel) Beach of Ankeny; grandmother, Maxine Heuberger of Sheffield; and aunts and uncles: Lisa (Parrish) Plagge of Sheffield, Janna (Joe) Eyanson of Charles City, Darwin (Lorna) Meyer of Sheffield, and Dean (Deb) Meyer of Cumming, GA. He is also lovingly remembered by his nieces: Kiah, Isabella, and Kathleen, along with many more relatives and friends.

Drew was welcomed into Heaven by his Lord and Savior, his mother Carolyn, and his grandparents Marvin and Anna Mae Meyer and Donald E. Heuberger.

Memorial contributions will go to the following: Holden-AYA, Above and Beyond Cancer, Franklin County Relay for Life, or The Church of the Living Word.

Woodley Funeral Home and Crematory, Hampton, is caring for Drew and his family.

Death Notices

Randall Rolling

Randall Rolling, 72, of Sheffield, passed away on Thursday, April 10, 2025 at MercyOne North Iowa Medical Center in Mason City. Funeral arrangements are pending with the Sietsema-Atkinson Funeral Home in Hampton.

Andrea Chaplin

Andrea Chaplin, 81, of Iowa Falls, passed away on Sunday, April 13, 2025 at Scenic Manor in Iowa Falls. Visitation will be from 5-7 p.m. on Thursday, April 17, 2025, at the Surls Funeral Home in Iowa Falls. A private family burial will take place in Union Cemetery in Iowa Falls. Funeral arrangements are under the guidance of the Surls Funeral Home in Iowa Falls.

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Reflections on the Meaning of Easter

Jesus replied, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly I tell you, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds."
 John 12:23-24 NIV

As Easter approaches I am always drawn to the parallels between Jesus' resurrection and the rebirth that we see in nature during the Spring season. In the same way that trees and other plants enter a state of suspended animation or apparent death in the winter, only to re-animate in the Spring, Jesus died in order to be reborn or resurrected three days after his death. This is a great mystery which cannot be explained scientifically, any more than science can really explain how life keeps coming back every Spring. But just as the buds on the trees and the flowers starting to peak out gives us hope that life goes on, so too does Easter give us hope that our lives go on. Easter reminds us that there is a springtime of the soul. Death is not the end for us, but merely a new beginning where we are transformed into something greater. Jesus lives, and so do we.

-Christopher Simon

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Franklin County

Traffic: Emma Enebak, of Prior Lake, Minnesota, speeding; Keith Allan Taylor, of Kellyville, Oklahoma, failure to comply with order of peace officer and dark window or windshield; William Augustus Edley, of Peoria, Illinois, speeding; Ahmed Saad Imran, of West Des Moines, speeding; Abdelhafid Mrani Alaoui, of Bernville, Pennsylvania, hours of service violation; Travis James Waschbusch, of Trevor, Wisconsin, speeding; Eva Noemi Sandoval Moreno, of Des Moines, speeding; James Melvin Acree, of Geneva, speeding; Mark Melvin Anderson, of Forest City, failure to obey traffic control device and depositing or throwing litter on highway; Joseph Edward Ramstad, of Delano, Minnesota, speeding; Robert Edward Zajc, of Corona, California, speeding; Weston Michael Janke, of Owatonna, Minnesota, speeding; Joseph Vue, of Oologah, Oklahoma, speeding; Victor Manuel Alarcon, of Mason City, speeding; Justin Dale McNichols, of Rose Creek, Minnesota, maximum gross weight violation – 2001 to 3000, and maximum group axle weight violation – 1001 to 2000; Thomas Dan McFerson, of Minneapolis, Minnesota, speeding; Mitchell Eugene Ries, of Rockwell, maximum group axle weight violation – 4001 to 5000, maximum gross weight violation – 11,001 to 12,000, and maximum group axle weight violation – 5001 to 6000; Jessica Reann Malimaneck, of Coulter, employee providing tobacco/vapor product to person under 21; **Civil:** State of Iowa Ex Rel, of Des Moines, versus Michael Justin Ruiz, of Hampton, Naideilyn RR Arellano, petition filed; Agustina Tello versus City of Hampton, Iowa, Elmer Creek LLC, Newline Holdings LLC, Evelyn Dinora Nieto Palma, State of Iowa, Nicolas Jacome Tello, Turkey Creek LLC, petition filed; Discover Bank versus Mandie Renee Pigman, order for judgment, \$8,581.76 fine and \$260 for Court costs; OWI: Natalie Marie Green, of Mason City, order for arraignment; arraignment, April 28, 8:45 a.m.; William Samayoa Revolorio, of Coulter, criminal complaint and hearing for initial appearance; Small Claims: Portfolio Recovery Associates LLC, of Golden Valley, Minnesota, versus Samantha E Edwards, of Latimer, dismissed without prejudice; Midland Credit Management INC, of West Des Moines, versus Carol Wood, of Alden, judgment default, \$981.08 fine; Orange712 Residential Trust, of Mason City, versus Flavio Valderrabano Aguilar, of Ackley, Angela Valderrabano, of Hampton, writ of possession; Nebraska Furniture Mart, of West Des Moines, versus Jessie Marie Allen, of Hampton, original notice; LVNV Funding LLC, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, versus Lucero Ashley Borrero, of Alexander, original notice; Paula Jo Mott, of Hampton, Terry Mott, of Hampton, versus Jeremy Alan Brocka, of Dumont, original notice; **Criminal:** Cody Randall Schroeder, of Cedar Rapids, order of disposition; pled guilty for assault with a dangerous weapon and driving while barred, 90 days jail time, 27 days jail time suspended, \$855 fine, \$855 fine suspended, and 1 year probation time; Taralyne Jo Johnson, of Rowan, motion to dismiss; Irma Areli Divas Donis, of Lincoln, Nebraska, motion to dismiss; Omar Antonio Figueroa Castro, of Hampton, order of disposition; pled guilty for possession of drug paraphernalia, \$105 fine; Oger Emanuel Murillo, of Hampton, motion to dismiss; Draven Eugene Barney Lane, of Iowa Falls, hearing for initial appearance; Irma Areli Divas Donis, of Lincoln, Nebraska, order of disposition; pled guilty for possession of a controlled substance – first offense, serving 2 days

jail time and \$430 fine; Jeshaud Thomas Castorena, of Sheffield, order for arraignment; arraignment, April 28, 8:45 a.m.

Police & Sheriff Reports
4/7 - 4/13
Hampton
Police Reports

Monday, April 7: Officers executed three traffic stops, assisted one motorist, and received five general calls.
11:53 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 100 block of S Federal St., Hampton.
3:29 p.m.: Report of false pretense/swindle in the area of First Security Bank, Hampton.
3:59 p.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the area of Family Dollar, Hampton.
Tuesday, April 8: Officers executed one traffic stop and received five general calls.
5:49 a.m.: Officers responded to an alarm in the area of Dollar Fresh, Hampton.
10:34 a.m.: Report of found articles in the 10 block of Central Ave W, Hampton.
3:07 p.m.: Report of an accident with personal injury in the 700 block of 4th St. NE, Hampton.
9:31 p.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the area of the Oaktree Apartments, Hampton.
10:42 p.m.: Report of a disabled vehicle in the area of Hwy 3 and Hwy 65, Hampton.
Wednesday, April 9: Officers executed two traffic stops, assisted with one medical call, and received one general call.
1:18 p.m.: Report of an animal on roadway in the area of Hwy 65 and Harriman's Park, Hampton.
4:16 p.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 1000 block of N Federal St., Hampton.
4:22 p.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 700 block of 3rd St. NE, Hampton.
Thursday, April 10: Officers assisted with two medical calls, assisted one motorist, and received one general call.
9:06 a.m.: Officers responded to an alarm in the 200 block of 1st Ave NW, Hampton.
11:26 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 700 block of 2nd St. NE, Hampton.
11:27 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 500 block of 3rd St. NE, Hampton.
11:33 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 500 block of 4th St. NE, Hampton.
11:34 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 600 block of 3rd St. NE, Hampton.
11:35 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 600 block of 4th St. NE, Hampton.
11:37 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 1000 block of 4th St. NE, Hampton.
1:21 p.m.: Report of dog calls in the area of the Post Office, Hampton.
1:53 p.m.: Report of theft/larceny in the 900 block of Glendale Park Dr, Hampton.
4:39 p.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the 300 block of 1st Ave NW, Hampton.
6:49 p.m.: Report of found arti-

cles in the area of the Laundromat, Hampton.
Friday, April 11: Officers assisted with one medical call and received two general calls.
1:50 a.m.: Report of a domestic matter in the 700 block of 8th St. SW, Hampton.
2:40 a.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the 700 block of 8th St. SW, Hampton.
5:12 a.m.: Officers responded to an alarm in the area of Dollar Fresh, Hampton.
2:08 p.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the area of the Birchwood Apartments, Hampton.
3:49 p.m.: Report of a hit and run accident in the 1300 block of N Federal St., Hampton.
4:21 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the 00 block of Spring Creek Lane, Hampton.
Saturday, April 12: Officers executed one traffic stop and assisted one motorist.
12:07 a.m.: Report of harassment in the 800 block of 1st Ave NW, Hampton.
3:11 p.m.: Report of civil disputes in the 400 block of 7th St. SW, Hampton.
3:51 p.m.: Report of neighborhood complaints in the 600 block of 7th St. SW, Hampton.
11:00 p.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the 1300 block of N Federal St., Hampton.
Sunday, April 13: Officers executed one traffic stop, assisted one motorist, and received two general calls.
12:38 a.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the 200 block of 3rd Ave NW, Hampton.
7:37 p.m.: Report of neighborhood complaints in the 400 block of 2nd St. NE, Hampton.
8:06 p.m.: Report of civil disputes in the 100 block of 3rd St. SW, Hampton.
11:05 p.m.: Report of disturbance in the 100 block of 3rd St. SW, Hampton.
Franklin County Sheriff Reports
Monday, April 7: Officers executed two traffic stops, assisted one motorist, received a report for two controlled burns, and received three general calls.
12:48 p.m.: Report of a dispatch call in the area of I-35 northbound and mile mark 170, Alexander.
2:03 p.m.: Report of debris on roadway/right of way in the area of I-35 and mile mark 158 northbound, Dows.
2:33 p.m.: Report of an accident with property damage in the area of Hwy 65 and 255th St., Sheffield.
3:13 p.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of Hwy 3, Franklin County.
3:31 p.m.: Officers assisted with delivering a message in the area of 200th St. and Lark Ave, Latimer.
6:02 p.m.: Report of animals (except dogs) in the area of Hwy 65 and the Geneva turn off, Geneva.
Tuesday, April 8: Officers executed four traffic stops, assisted with one medical call, received a report for 22 controlled burns, and received four general calls.
11:11 a.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of Hwy 65 southbound, Rockwell.
2:06 p.m.: Officers executed local warrants in the area of Lark Ave, Mason City.
2:09 p.m.: Officers assisted with prisoner transport in the area of Lark Ave, Mason City.

2:46 p.m.: Report of animals (except dogs) in the area of 135th St. and Raven Ave, Hampton.
3:56 p.m.: Report of harassment in the area of Balsam Ave, Alexander.
4:06 p.m.: Officers assisted with booking information in the 100 block of 5th St. SW, Hampton.
7:27 p.m.: Officers assisted with prisoner transport in the area of the Hardin County Jail, Eldora.
Wednesday, April 9: Officers executed one traffic stop, assisted with one medical call, received a report for 27 controlled burns, and received four general calls.
7:13 a.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the area of Olive Ave, Chapin.
10:39 a.m.: Officers responded to a fire in the 500 block of 110th St., Dows.
5:45 p.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of Timber Ave and 190th St., Hansell.
Thursday, April 10: Officers executed two traffic stops, assisted with one medical call, received a report for two controlled burns, and received one general call.
12:22 a.m.: Report of suspicious activity in an unlisted area, Hampton.
2:25 p.m.: Report of a dispatch call in the area of I-35 southbound and mile mark 170, Alexander.
3:03 p.m.: Report of a vehicle off roadway in the area of Hwy 65 and Hwy 57, Iowa Falls.
5:50 p.m.: Report of vandalism in the area of 240th St., Dougherty.
Friday, April 11: Officers executed four traffic stops, assisted one motorist, received a report for 19 controlled burns, and received two general calls.
1:54 a.m.: Officers assisted the Hampton Police Department with an issue in the area of 8th St. SW, Hampton.
2:48 a.m.: Officers assisted the Hampton Police Department with an issue in an unlisted area, Hampton.
8:54 a.m.: Report of animals (except dogs) in the 2300 block of 200th St., Aredale.
10:17 a.m.: Report of dog calls in the area of Maple St., Sheffield.
12:10 p.m.: Report of debris on roadway/right of way in the area of Hwy 3, Hampton.
6:26 p.m.: Report of a dispatch call in the area of I-35 and mile mark 179 southbound, Sheffield.
7:22 p.m.: Report of animals (except dogs) in the area of 190th St. and Balsam Ave, Alexander.
8:11 p.m.: Report of debris on roadway/right of way in the area of I-35 and mile mark 164 southbound, Latimer.
10:22 p.m.: Report of suspicious activity in the area of 240th St., Dougherty.
Saturday, April 12: Officers executed four traffic stops, assisted one motorist, and received a report for four controlled burns.
3:07 a.m.: Officers executed local warrants in an unknown area, Grundy Center.
7:49 a.m.: Report of an accident with personal injury in the area of Hwy 3 and Mallard Ave, Hampton.
3:09 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in an unknown area, Hampton.
3:16 p.m.: Report of civil disputes in the 500 block of Main St., Coulter.
5:14 p.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of Hwy 3, Dumont.
7:15 p.m.: Report of a suspi-

cious vehicle in the 700 block of Dodd St., Popejoy.
8:04 p.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the 1700 block of Balsam Ave, Alexander.
10:05 p.m.: Report of a deer accident in the area of I-35 and mile mark 164 northbound, Latimer.
Sunday, April 13: Officers executed one traffic stop, received a report for 13 controlled burns, and received one general call.
9:39 a.m.: Report of dog calls in the 400 block of Hwy 65, Iowa Falls.
10:08 a.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the 1900 block of Olive Ave, Sheffield.
3:54 p.m.: Report of an accident with personal injury in the area of I-35 and mile mark 170 northbound, Latimer.
6:07 p.m.: Report of an animal on roadway in the 800 block of Hwy 65, Hampton.
10:09 p.m.: Report of a suspicious vehicle in the area of I-35 and mile marks 170 – 175 southbound, Latimer.
Butler County Sheriff Reports
Monday, April 7: Officers executed five traffic stops, assisted with three medical calls, assisted three motorists, and received six general calls.
7:06 a.m.: Report of a grass/field/ditch fire in the area of Butler Center Rd and Temple Ave.
7:40 a.m.: Report of a structure fire in the area of 290th St and Ivy Ave.
8:05 a.m.: Report of return calls/follow-ups in the 400 block of 6th St.
8:45 a.m.: Report of a grass/field/ditch fire in the area of 300th St and Union Ave.
9:15 a.m.: Report of a road closed in the area of 230 St and Hickory Ave.
1:15 p.m.: Report of maintenance in the 100 block of N Main St.
1:28 p.m.: Report of jail inquiries in the 400 block of 6th St.
5:53 p.m.: Officers conducted a citizen assist in the 400 block of 6th St.
5:40 p.m.: Report of theft in the 1000 block of Parriott St.
6:14 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 14500 block of 150th St.
6:34 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 500 block of Main St.
6:45 p.m.: Report of dog/deer/livestock in the 1200 block of Wemple St.
6:53 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 17500 block of Douglas Ave.
7:42 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 500 block of Nash St.
Tuesday, April 8: Officers executed four traffic stops, assisted with two medical calls, assisted two motorists, received a report for 38 controlled burns and received four general calls.
7:31 a.m.: Report of property damage in the area of Hwy 3 and N Public Rd.
11:52 a.m.: Officers responded to an assault/fight in the 200 block of Locust St.
12:42 p.m.: Report of theft in the 200 block of Harvest Ln.
1:57 p.m.: Report of a suspicious vehicle/person/activity in the 400 block of 6th St.
2:58 p.m.: Report of dog/deer/livestock in the 1200 block of Wemple St.
4:59 p.m.: Report of a grass/field/ditch fire in the 300 block of Old School Rd.
5:11 p.m.: Report of an unknown problem in the 1200 block of Main St.
6:01 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 500 block of Main St.
7:12 p.m.: Report of a weapon permit issue in the 200 block

of S Elizabeth St.
7:51 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 300 block of W Washington St.
Wednesday, April 9: Officers executed eight traffic stops, assisted with five medical calls, assisted three motorists, received a report for 26 controlled burns and received four general calls.
3:25 a.m.: Report of a runaway in the 300 block of 1st St.
9:11 a.m.: Report of funeral traffic in the 400 block of N Main St.
9:17 a.m.: Report of computer system maintenance in the 400 block of 6th St.
9:17 a.m.: Report of probation calls in the 400 block of 6th St.
2:05 p.m.: Report of trespass in the 1100 block of E County Rd.
3:40 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 500 block of W Superior St.
4:42 p.m.: Report of a grass/field/ditch fire in the 300 block of Old Rd.
5:50 p.m.: Report of a 911 call in the area of 180th St and Upland Ave.
6:24 p.m.: Report of lost/located property in the area of 10th St and Hunter St.
7:00 p.m.: Report of a driving complaint in the area of Franklin ave and Hwy 57.
7:33 p.m.: Report of a suspicious vehicle/person/activity in the 1200 block of Florence St.
9:24 p.m.: Report of a grass/field/ditch fire in the area of 110th St and Butler Ave.
9:26 p.m.: Officer conducted a business door check in the 500 block of North Side rd.
10:57 p.m.: Report of return calls/follow-ups in the 1100 block of E County Rd.
11:08 p.m.: Report of a grass/field/ditch fire in the 400 block of N Bluff St.
Thursday, April 10: Officers executed 15 traffic stops, assisted with four medical calls, assisted two motorists, received a report for 11 controlled burns and received two general calls.
12:33 a.m.: Report of road debris in the area of 245th St and Hwy 14.
12:49 a.m.: Report of an unknown problem in the 300 block of Old School Rd.
1:07 a.m.: Officers responded to a fire occupied house in the 300 block of Old School Rd.
4:13 a.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 1300 block oCircle Dr.
8:32 a.m.: Report of a road closed in the area of Hwy 14 and West Brook St.
8:54 a.m.: Report of a domestic/family matter in the 500 block of East St.
9:19 a.m.: Report of office personnel calls in the 500 block of Hwy 57.
10:47 a.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 600 block of N Johnson St.
11:02 a.m.: Report of trespass in the 20500 block of Utica Ave.
11:06 a.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 30700 block of 212th St.
11:33 a.m.: Report of return calls/follow-ups in the 400 block of 6th St.
12:38 p.m.: Report of a sex offender registry issue in the 100 block of S 3rd St.
2:48 p.m.: Report of a property exchange in the 33600 block of Hwy 3.
5:48 p.m.: Report of trespass in the 32300 block of 180th St.
6:29 p.m.: Report of a suspicious vehicle/person/activity in the 21900 block of 110th St.
6:59 p.m.: Report of a phone scam in the 200 block of Locust St.
9:57 p.m.: Report of a suspicious vehicle/person/activity in the 400 block of N Bluff St.
Friday, April 11: Officers executed 27 traffic stops, assisted with five medical calls, assisted two motorists, received a report for 47

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Warranty Deed: Keith A Peters, Joyce M Peters to Rita J Peters Bowman, Rita J Bowman Peters, Ryan K Peters, Rodney S Peters; 4-92-20 W Part
Warranty Deed: Kwashie Eaddy, Rachael Eaddy to Ryan Card, Kelsey Card; 29-92-20 SE Tract
Affidavit of Transfer: Collin M Davison, Dennis J Symens Estate to Mary L Symens; 30-92-19 Parcel E
Warranty Deed: Becky L Marlow, Ronald A Marlow to Ronald A Marlow Trustee, Ronald A Marlow Revocable Trust, Becky L Marlow Trustee, Becky L Marlow Revocable Trust; 18-

93-20 E2 NE Part, 17-93-20 NW
Warranty Deed: Ronna I Johnstone to Jennifer R MacDormott; Hamp Beed1 Blk 12 Lot 7
Change of Title: Brock Casady Executer, Samantha Olmstead Executer, Perry Crabtree Executer, Internal Revenue Service, United States Department of Treasury, United States of America, State of Iowa, County of Franklin, Iowa Department of Health and Human Services, Iowa Department of Revenue, Ackley Holdings LLC, Kevin Crabtree Estate to City of Hampton; Hamp Beed2 Blk 29 Lot 7-8 S ½

CT officer Deed: Rodney E Muller Estate, Sonia S Muller Administrator to Shane E Muller; 34-93-20 NE SE Tract
Warranty Deed: Kyle A Parcher, Whitney L Parcher to Alex M Kirschbaum, Taylor A Kirschbaum; Shef Sheffield Johnston's Addition Part
Warranty Deed: Daniel Lee Nichols to Tristan James Kurth; Hamp Harri Blk 9 Lot 9
Warranty Deed: Alan Christopher Moritz Trustee, Alan Christopher Moritz Trust, Colleen Sue Moritz Trustee, Colleen Sue Moritz Trust to James Chantrill; Hamp Harri Blk 5 Lot 8
Warranty Deed: BBT Acqui-

sitions LLC to Donald W Butson, Robert L Butson; 9-91-19 SW Tract
Affidavit of Transfer: Mark D Johansen, Maxine J Johansen Life Estate to Anne Renae Claypool; 10-92-21 SW SE Undiv ½ Int, 6-91-20 W2 NE Undiv ½ Int, 15-92-21 E2 NE Part Undiv ½ Int
CT Officer Deed: Mark D Johansen Executer, Maxine J Johansen Life Estate, Anne Renae Claypool Executer, Jane Lynette Eilderts Executer to Anne Renae Claypool; 10-92-21 SW SE Undiv ½ Int, 6-91-20 W2 NE Undiv ½ Int, 15-92-21 E2 NE Part Undiv ½ Int
CT Officer Deed: Mark D

Johansen Executer, Maxine J Johansen Life Estate, Anne Renae Claypool Executer, Jane Lynette Eilderts Executer to Jane Lynette Eilderts; 35-92-21 NW Part Undiv ½ Int, 35-92-21 NE Parts Undiv ½ Int
Affidavit of Transfer: Mark D Johansen Executer, Maxine J Johansen Life Estate to Jane Lynette Eilderts; 35-92-21 NW Part Undiv ½ Int, 35-92-21 NE Parts Undiv ½ Int
CT Officer Deed: Mark D Johansen Executer, Maxine J Johansen Life Estate, Anne Renae Claypool Executer, Jane Lynette Eilderts Executer to Mark David Johansen; 23-92-22 SE Part Undiv 1/8 Int
Affidavit of Transfer: Mark D Johansen Executer, Maxine J Johansen Life Estate to Mark David Johansen; 23-92-22 SE Part Undiv 1/8 Int, 34-92-21 NE SE Undiv ½ Int, 34-92-21 NE SE Undiv ½ Int,

34-92-21 N2 NE Part Undiv ½ Int, 34-92-21 S2 NE Part Undiv ½ Int, 35-92-21 NW Parcel A Undiv ½ Int
CT Officer Deed: Mark D Johansen Executer, Maxine J Johansen Life Estate, Anne Renae Claypool Executer, Jane Lynette Eilderts Executer to Mark David Johansen; 23-92-22 SE Part Undiv 1/8 Int
Affidavit of Transfer: Mark D Johansen Executer, Maxine J Johansen Life Estate to Mark David Johansen; 23-92-22 SE Part Undiv 1/8 Int, 34-92-21 NE SE Undiv ½ Int, 34-92-21 NE Parts Undiv ½ Int, 35-92-21 NW Parcel A Undiv ½ Int

FROM THE LOG

controlled burns and received three general calls.
 7:52 a.m.: Scott Christopher Mitchell, 58 of Allison, arrested for an OWI - 1st offense, jailed.
 8:09 a.m.: Officers conducted an arrest warrant in the 400 block of 6th St.
 10:14 a.m.: Report of dog/deer/livestock in the 200 block of West St.
 10:41 a.m.: Report of a driving complaint in the area of Franklin Ave and Hwy 57.
 10:46 a.m.: Report of dog/deer/livestock in the area of 330th St and Hwy 57.
 11:39 a.m.: Report of a grass/field/ditch fire in the 25200 block of 250th St.
 12:15 p.m.: Report of a sex

offender registry issue in the 400 block of 6th St.
 1:00 p.m.: Officers responded to civil department requests in the 400 block of 6th St.
 1:05 p.m.: Report of a sex offender registry issue in the 400 block of 6th St.
 1:13 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 400 block of 6th St.
 8:55 p.m.: Report of return calls/follow-ups in the 400 block of 6th St.
 10:08 p.m.: Report of a suspicious vehicle/person/activity in the area of S Main St and Pfaltzgraff St.
 10:19 p.m.: Report of property damage in the area of Hwy 57 and Sinclair Ave.

10:48 p.m.: Monty Lee Colen, 35 of Green arrested for an OWI - 1st offense, jailed.
 Saturday, April 12
 Officers executed five traffic stops, assisted with two medical calls, assisted one motorists, received a report for 10 controlled burns and received four general calls.
 1:40 a.m.: Officers conducted a business door check in the 200 block of N 5th St.
 2:35 a.m.: Report of a driving complaint in the 100 block of N Main St.
 10:12 a.m.: Report of return calls/follow-ups in the 16500 block of 225th St.
 11:22 a.m.: Officers conducted a vehicle repossession in

the 300 block of N Main St.
 3:51 p.m.: Report of a grass/field/ditch fire in the 29700 block of Superior Rd.
 3:51 p.m.: Report of a dog/deer/livestock in the 29200 block of Butler Center Rd.
 4:00 p.m.: Report of a suspicious vehicle/person/activity in the area of N Cherry St and E Water St.
 5:17 p.m.: Report of a driving complaint in the area of Douglas Ave and Hwy 3.
 6:25 p.m.: Report of maintenance in the 700 block of 8th St, Grundy Center.
 6:28 p.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 500 block of Locust St.
 9:09 p.m.: Report of property damage in the area of Floyd

Line St and Spring Ave.
 9:33 p.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 100 block of 4th NE St.
 10:17 p.m.: Officer conducted a house check in the 400 block of N High St.
 10:22 p.m.: Report of dog/deer/livestock in the 500 block of Packwaukee St.
Sunday, April 13:
 Officers executed four traffic stops, assisted with six medical calls, assisted one motorists, received a report for 21 controlled burns and received one general call.
 12:21 a.m.: Report of fireworks in the 900 block of Grant St.
 9:38 a.m.: Officers responded

to a structure fire in the 15800 block of 105th St.
 11:44 a.m.: Report of vandalism/criminal mischief in the 100 block of N 4th St.
 1:00 p.m.: Report of a suspicious vehicle/person/activity in the 500 block of W Traer St.
 3:25 p.m.: Report of a grass/field/ditch fire in the 31900 block of 220th St.
 5:27 p.m.: Report of railroad issues in the area of 220th St and Vail Ave.
 5:30 p.m.: Report of the Sunday night test page in the 400 block of 6th St.
 11:56 p.m.: Report of a suspicious vehicle/person.activity in the area of 290th St and Terrace Ave.

Franklin Co Claims, 4/14/25

Publication List by Vendor/Description					
ACCO Sup	52.43	1	Franklin Grassland Seeds Inc Seed	8004.60	1
Allen Memorial Hospital Corp Svcs	304.00	2	Franklin REC Util	507.24	1
Alliant Energy Util	42.40	1	GATR Truck Center Rep/Parts	2318.58	1
Amazon Capital Services Sup	1281.08	2	Giddings Signs Signs	100.00	1
Auto Parts Rep/Parts	1369.27	2	Got You Covered Wk Appl	17.50	1
Mary Barnhart Mileage	183.40	1	Government Forms & Supplies Sup	910.48	1
Blazek Electric Svcs	180.00	1	Graham Tire Rep/Tires	1644.44	1
Brenda Boyington Mileage	150.50	1	Greater Franklin Co Chamber Hotel/Motel Tax	46.90	1
Aubrey L Brown Reimb	461.30	1	Newton Grotzinger Svcs	37.00	1
Bruening Rock Rock/Sand	5212.58	1	Grundy Co Memorial Hospital Svcs	742.00	1
Colette Bruns Reimb	98.00	1	Hampton Hardware Sup	336.04	2
Butch Gruelke Auto Rep/Parts	13504.82	1	City of Hampton Water	465.09	9
Butson Snow Removal Svcs	1420.00	1	Hardin Co Sheriff Prisoners	21000.00	1
Calhoun Burns & Assoc Svcs	3467.00	3	Jeremy L Harms Reimb	225.00	1
Campbell Supply Co Rep/Parts	143.97	1	Hawkeye West Pest Cntrl Svcs	70.00	1
Central IA Detention JV Detention	4232.19	2	Iowa Conservation Ed. Coalition Trng	30.00	1
Central Iowa Distributing Sup	1038.00	2	ILEA Trng	125.00	1
CentralLink Svcs	375.67	3	IPI Sup	69.00	1
Cintas First Aid Srv/Sup	159.55	2	ISACA Trng	210.00	1
Ashley Claussen Mileage	263.20	1	ISCTA Dues/Trng	150.00	1
Column Software PBC Svcs	1800.51	1	John Deere Financial Rep/Parts	619.96	1
ConnectWise Svcs	527.32	1	Elaina Johns Mileage	270.90	1
Consolidated Energy Fuel	24215.61	1	Koerner-Whipple Svcs	62.13	1
Cooley Pumping LLC Svcs	150.00	1	Kwik Trip Attn: Credit Dept Fuel	463.56	1
Culligan Dept 8680 Svcs	55.00	1	Language Line Services Srv	133.23	1
Decision Health Sup	172.25	1	City of Latimer Util	45.00	1
Dumont Harken Lumber Sup	8685.30	1	Lawson Products Parts/Sup	494.27	1
Dumont Telephone Svcs	47.00	1	LumenServe, Inc. Svcs	259.00	1
Craig Eckhardt Svcs	245.00	1	Mail Services Renewals	449.56	1
Audrey Emery Reimb	50.00	1	Martin Marietta Road Stone	518.46	1
Fareway Sup	54.47	1	Medicap Pharmacy #8095 Meds	417.45	1
Katy Flint Reimb	354.10	2	Ty Mennenga Wk Appl	225.00	1
Franklin Co Home Care Svcs	5153.49	1	Mid-America Publishing Svcs	168.85	1
Franklin Co Secondary Rds Svcs	141.94	2	Mid American Energy Util	4971.94	10
Franklin Co Sheriff's Office Svcs	44.10	1	Mid Tech Services Inc Svcs	167.11	1
Franklin Co Treasurer Reimb	17210.16	1	Mr. T's Stump Removal Srv	421.00	1
Franklin General Hospital Svcs	168.00	1	NAPA Parts	644.45	1
			N Central Bldg Sup Sup	137.70	1
			ODP Business Solutions LLC Sup	136.36	1
			Old Chapin Cemetery Grave Care	204.00	1
			Petroblend Corp Lubricants	1200.85	1
			Prairie Ridge Healthcare Attn: Svcs	12649.38	1
			Pralls Wash City Veh Clng	75.01	1
			Provider Insights Svcs	300.00	1
			Quill Corp Sup	113.35	1
			Reminder Printing Ads	146.40	1
			River City Comm Monitor Sys	58.00	1
			Ashley Roberts Mileage	186.50	1
			Rockmount Research & Alloys Rep/Parts	748.76	1
			Rockwell Coop Tele Internet	315.00	1
			Router12 Networks Svcs	95.00	1
			Secure Shred Solutions Svcs	100.00	1
			City of Sheffield Svcs	3879.80	1
			Solutions Support	3842.13	1
			Staples Advantage Sup	57.07	1
			State Hygienic Lab Sup	323.50	1
			Stericycle Inc Svcs	24.10	1
			Kit D Thomas Reimb	112.00	1
			Dan Tilkes Reimb	186.64	2
			Truck Center Co Rep/Parts	68.64	1
			UnityPoint Clinic Tests	168.00	1
			US Cellular Svcs	451.98	2
			Chris Vanness Mlg/Comm	50.00	1
			Vestis Svcs	159.28	4
			Visa-Auditor Trng/Sup	2621.20	8
			Visa-County Attorney Trng/Sup	87.87	1
			Visual Edge IT Maint	73.64	1
			Kya K Watson Reimb	46.20	1
			Bradley W Wessels Reimb	135.98	1
			Wex Bank Fuel	3323.45	1
			Troy Wood Svcs	54.00	1
			Ziegler Inc Rep/Parts	66474.78	1
			Grand Total	238980.92	

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Franklin County Family Focus sponsored the "Minecraft" movie on Friday night at the Windsor Theatre, and they were packed! The theatre was full to capacity and everyone in attendance had a great time.

Public Notice: Grant Lee Fire Truck

Public Notice

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN the Grant-Lee Fire Department located in Bradford, Iowa (the Issuer), will allow for public comment through the Trustees at the fire station in Bradford, on Thursday, April 24, 2025 at 7 pm, via email at donswieter@gmail.com or via phone at 515-689-3199, for the purpose of satisfying the public hearing requirements of Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, on a proposal the Issuer enter into an agreement to finance certain equipment. The equipment to be financed consists of a 2026 Freightliner pumper/tanker fire truck and will be maintained at the fire station in Bradford, Iowa.

To finance the costs of such equipment and to pay costs and expenses incidental to the financing, the Issuer proposes to enter into a loan agreement with a maximum aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$504,500.00 The issuer will be required to pay all taxes on the equipment. The lease payments due pursuant to the loan agreement will be secured by a security interest in the equipment.

All persons interested may be heard throughout the public comment range stated above, or may file written comments with the Grant-Lee Fire Department prior to the date of hearing set forth heretofore.
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FGH Jan/Feb/Mar Checks FY25

Table with columns: Vendor, Internal Remarks, Amount. Lists various vendors and their payment amounts for the first three months of fiscal year 2025.

Table with columns: Vendor, Internal Remarks, Amount. Continues the list of vendors and their payment amounts from the previous table.

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Donald Harken Estate

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR Franklin COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Donald D. Harken, Deceased CASE NO. ESPR502018 NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Donald D. Harken, Deceased, who died on or about February 15, 2025:

You are hereby notified that on March 25, 2025, the Last Will and Testament of Donald D. Harken, deceased, bearing date of April 24, 2023, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Laurie Greimann was appointed Executor of the estate.

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 date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

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Laurie Greimann, Executor of Estate 1392 Highway 3 Hampton, IA 50441

G. A. Cady III, ICIS#: AT0001386 Attorney for Executor Cady & Rosenberg Law Firm, P.L.C. 9 First Street SW PO Box 456 Hampton, IA 50441

Probate Code Section 304

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H-D BOE Special Mtg Minutes 4.7.25

HAMPTON-DUMONT BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES 4/7/2025

- 1. The Hampton-Dumont Board of Education met in a Special Meeting on April 7, 2025, in the District Boardroom. President Erran Miller called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Board members Erran Miller, Matt Showalter, Brent Hansen, Stephanie Powers, Mark Morrison and Steve Severs were present in person. Board member Elisa Van Wert was absent. Also present were Superintendent Aaron Becker; Human Resources Manager Anne Lewis and Secretary Amanda Heiden. Visitors included Dan Aalbers and Alexis Vosburg. 2. Motion was made by Powers, seconded by Showalter, to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes. 3. Motion was made by Hansen, seconded by Morrison, to approve the bid from Reliable1 for replacement of Middle School HVAC equipment as presented. All ayes. 4. Motion was made by Morrison, seconded by Severs, to approve Emanuel Iddrisu, Tshipang Mphateng and Hazem Abdelfattah as foreign exchange students through the IRIS for the 2025-2026 school year. All ayes. 5. Motion was made by Morrison, seconded by Hansen, to approve the disposal of six AEDs through the One Stop Shop Recycling Program. All ayes. 6. Superintendent Aaron Becker presented the board of education's initial proposal for negotiations, which proposed an increase to the certified base wage of \$1,210 for all certified staff and a \$1,300 increase to the Generator Base Salary on Schedule D for 2025-2026. The proposed total package was 3.00%. 7. Motion was made by Showalter, seconded by Hansen, to adjourn. All ayes. The meeting was adjourned at 6:46 pm. 8. The board met in Exempt Session for negotiations.

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Resolution 2025-02: Latimer

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LATIMER RESOLUTION TO APPROVE VACATION OF ALLEYWAY RESOLUTION NO. 2025-02

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 9th day of April, 2025 the City Council of Latimer met in regular session.

WHEREAS, the City of Latimer finds that it is in the best interest of the City to vacate the following described real estate to-wit:

That part of Lot Four (4), Block One (1), Latimer, Iowa and the vacated Alleyway between Lots Four (4) and Five (5), Block One (1), Latimer, Iowa, lying South of the Southerly right-of-way line of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad (now abandoned)

WHEREAS, the City intends to vacate the said above-described property and to deed the property to Larry D. Treinen and Dixie L. Treinen for the consideration of \$1.00.

The City Council directs that the proposed Resolution be published as provided for Section 362.3 of the Iowa Code.

That a public Hearing on the proposed Resolution shall take place on the 23rd day of April, 2025.

That after the public Hearing, the council may make a final determination on the proposal by Resolution.

That the City determines that the conveyance of the property by gift is to the property owners for private use.

Dated this 9th day of April, 2025.

Mark Johansen, Mayor of Latimer Melissa Simmons, City Clerk

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Sheffield Library Bills April 2025

Bills to be Paid for March 2025 - Sheffield Public Library

Table with columns: Vendor, Description, Amount. Lists various vendors and their payment amounts for the month of March 2025.

The above claims, which includes those covering the invoices attached hereto, were presented and approved.

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Hampton March 2025 Receipts

Table with columns: CITY OF HAMPTON SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS MARCH 2025, General, Library, Road Use, Employee Benefits, Forfeiture, Band Shell Fund, Local Option Sales Tax, T I F, Police Reserve, Fire Reserve. Lists various receipts and their amounts.

Table with columns: Pool & Parks Reserve, 55% LOST Reserve, Cemetery Trust, Cemetery Perp Care, Water, Meter Deposits, Sewer, Sinking Fund - Sewer, Solid Waste, Total Receipts/Deposits. Lists various receipts and their amounts.

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Franklin Co Budget Amendment #4

Table with columns: REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES, Total Budget as Certified or Last Amended, Current Amendment, Total Budget After Current Amendment. Includes rows for Taxes Levied on Property, Delinquent Property Tax Revenue, etc.

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Franklin Co BOS Minutes, 4/14/25

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS April 14th 2025

A recording of the meeting can be found at www.youtube.com/@Franklin-CountyBoardofSupervisors... The Board of Supervisors met at 8:30AM on Monday, April 14th, 2025, at the Franklin County Courthouse...

RESOLUTION #2025-21 ADOPTING IOWA DOT SECONDARY ROAD BUDGET AND FIVE-YEAR SECONDARY ROADS CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

WHEREAS The Iowa Code requires the Secondary Road Budget and Five-Year Secondary Roads Construction Program to be adopted and submitted to the Iowa Department of Transportation annually by the Board of Supervisors on or before the Thirtieth Day of April...

Roll call vote was as follows, Ayes: Lukensmeyer, McVicker, Vanness; Nays: None. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted. The Supervisors recessed at 9:15AM for a drainage meeting and reconvened at 9:30AM.

RESOLUTION 2025-18 FRANKLIN COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIAL COMPENSATION FOR FY2026

WHEREAS HF2415 did abolish county compensation boards in 2024.

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Hampton Council Regular Session 4.10.25

HAMPTON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION MINUTES THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2025, at 6:00 P.M.

The Hampton City Council Regular Session Meeting was called to order at the Hampton City Council Chambers by Mayor Steve Birdsall at 6:00 p.m. Council members in attendance were James Davies, Bill Holmstrom, Jerre Grefe, and Barry Lamos.

Public Comment: Jeanne Fay made comment regarding an input letter she received from Council member Holmstrom. Public Hearing: Public hearing on Ordinance 405: AMENDMENT TO OFFICIAL ZONING MAP by re-zoning parcel 0733476004, also known as 1013 4th St SE and nearby surrounding property included street right-of-way.

Old Business: None. New Business: City Manager Dunt presented a request from Daniel and April Miller of Norseman Lobster to park food truck in street near Bandshell Park for sales on Wednesday, May 28, 2025.

Approval of claims. Motion by Lamos, second by Grefe to approve the claims as submitted by Staff in the amount of \$163,021.15. Motion approved unanimously. Consideration of Approval and Adoption of the Ordinances/Resolutions: City Manager Dunt presented the second reading of Ordinance 405: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF HAMPTON, IOWA, CHAPTER 165, ARTICLE 4, SECTION 2 TO CHANGE THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP TO REZONE CERTAIN PROPERTY.

Consent Agenda: Mayor Birdsall presented the consent agenda. Motion by Grefe, second by Lamos to approve previous minutes as drafted from the Thursday, March 27, 2025 Special Session; approve previous minutes as drafted from the Thursday, March 27, 2025 Regular Session; schedule the next Regular Session for Thursday, April 24, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the Hampton City Council Chambers; and approve Alcohol Licensing renewal for Franklin County Convention Center, 1008 Central Ave W, Hampton.

Council Reports given by Davies, Holmstrom, Lamos, and Grefe. Mayor's Report given by Mayor Birdsall.

Motion to adjourn by Lamos, seconded by Davies at 6:37pm. Motion approved unanimously. Attest: Ron Dunt, City Manager Mayor Steve Birdsall

CITY OF HAMPTON FINANCIAL REPORT CLAIMS FOR APPROVAL

Table with columns: VENDOR/DESCRIPTION/AMOUNT, ARBOR MONKEES, LLC TREE REMOVAL, AUTO PARTS INC SUPPLY, etc. Total CLAIMS TOTAL: \$163,021.15

Table with columns: CLAIMS BY FUND: GENERAL FUND, LIBRARY FUND, ROAD USE TAX FUND, etc. Total CLAIMS TOTAL: \$163,021.15

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NEWS

City of Hampton Receives 2024 Tree City USA Growth Award

DES MOINES – The City of Hampton was recently honored with the 2024 Tree City USA Growth Award at the 34th Annual Community Forestry Awards Luncheon in Ankeny. The award was presented by the Arbor Day Foundation and the Iowa Department of Natural Resources April 3rd at the FFA Enrichment Center in Ankeny.

example for other Iowa communities by enhancing our forest resources and demonstrating the great value of trees in providing multiple benefits for future generations. Hampton was one of 25 Iowa communities to qualify for Tree City USA Growth Award status. To receive the award, a city must, at a minimum, have either a city forester or an active city tree board; have a tree ordinance; spend at least \$2 per capita annually for its community forestry program; and have a tree planting and maintenance plan.



From left to right, in the back row, Iowa Department of Natural Resources Director Kayla Lyon, Dr. Craig Semler, Jim Garrett, Mel Brown, Rick Rieken, Dick Lukensmeyer and State Forester Jeff Goerndt. In the front, Patti Walker and Randy Sanders. Photo courtesy the Iowa DNR.

Franklin General Hospital Nursing Facility Receives 5-Star Rating

PRESS RELEASE
FRANKLIN GENERAL HOSPITAL

Hampton — Franklin General Hospital is pleased to announce that its Nursing Facility has received an overall rating of 5-stars from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) in its Nursing Home Care Compare program. This achievement demonstrates the facility's commitment to providing high-quality care and service excellence to our residents and their families.

The CMS Five-Star Quality Rating System is a tool that helps families and caregivers compare nursing homes and make informed decisions about care. This rating system is a comprehensive evaluation of the nursing homes performance across three key areas: health inspections (survey results), staffing levels, and quality measures (clinical data). A

5-star rating demonstrates the facility's excellence in all three areas and its dedication to high standards of care. The Franklin General Hospital Nursing Facility rating is compared to other facilities within the state, with the top 10% of facilities receiving 5 stars.

"We are incredibly proud to be in the top 10% of the state to receive this 5-star rating, which reflects the hard work and dedication of our entire team. We are proud of our high staffing levels, which allow us to provide individualized care to our residents. This recognition validates our commitment to providing the highest standards of care to our residents, staff and the community we serve" says Megan Abbas, LNHA, Manager Franklin Country View.

Franklin Country View Nursing Facility is a 52-bed, intermediate care facility attached to Franklin General

Hospital. Residents have the choice to never have to go out in the inclement weather for clinic, outpatient, or hospital services.

In addition to 24-hour professional care, the facility is dedicated to providing a welcoming and supportive environment for its residents. The facility offers a range of services, including the dietary department preparing nutritious meals and snacks, with specialized and therapeutic diets as appropriate and environmental services providing a clean and safe environment. In addition, the facility features wireless internet, Dish Network television, a beauty and barber shop, a library, a whirlpool bath and courtyard areas to enjoy.

"I am proud to be an employee with Franklin Country View, our team's dedication to our residents, teamwork with each other and willingness to help whoever, whenever is what brought us to be

a 5-star facility" says Linzee Webster, CNA Franklin Country View.

Franklin Country View residents call this home - where our staff provide kind, compassionate, and professional care, and residents become like family.

"The staff spoil me and bring me things I really like. I love having the opportunity to use the whirlpool room. The staff are always making me, and my roommate feel special and taking good care of me" Janet, resident Franklin Country View.

Detailed information about a facility's 5-star rating is available on the Medicare.gov website and includes a breakdown of each category contributing to the overall ranking.

For information about Franklin Country View Nursing Facility or to request a tour, contact Social Worker Theresa Dye at 641.456.5036.

Landus Names EVP of Sales, Sam Caton, Interim CEO

PRESS RELEASE

DES MOINES — Landus announces Sam Caton as its interim CEO effective today. Caton will maintain his responsibilities as executive vice president of sales while stepping in to lead the cooperative as interim CEO.

"We have full confidence in Sam's abilities to guide Landus forward as the interim CEO. His sincere appreciation for the farmer-owners we serve has quickly built trust within the organization and helped him develop a deep understanding of our operations and vision," says Chairman of the Board Matt Chambers. "We have full faith in his leadership as we start the next chapter at Landus and implement the search to identify our next CEO."

Caton brings more than two decades of agricultural industry experience to the interim CEO role. Previously, as the business unit director of the Northern Region at Simplot, Caton demonstrated exceptional leadership in managing complex business integrations. He is an established forward-thinking leader in agricultural business and technology adoption but doesn't shy away from his roots. Before moving into sales, Caton owned and operated an 8,000-acre family farm and cattle ranch, an experience that equipped him with an authentic understanding of agricultural operations from the ground up.

Caton's first order of business will be leading the search for Landus' next CEO, which will start with listening to the farmer-owners within the cooperative.

"I'm honored, and frankly humbled, to be trusted with the exciting task of leading Landus forward, and I know the best way to do so is with the guidance of our farmers," Caton says. "I'll be establishing an open line of communication with our farmer-owners to hear directly from them on what they want to see from the next CEO of the cooperative, and I look forward to working with our board to identify the next leader of Landus."

During this transition, Landus remains steadfast in its commitment to its farmer-owners, employees, business partners and the future of agriculture. To learn more about the ways that Landus serves these communities and the innovations we're pursuing, visit landus.ag.

About Landus

Landus is a forward-thinking agriculture solutions company that keeps the farmer at the center of every decision we make. We connect thousands of farmer-owners with the world through grain, agronomy, and distribution, deploying traditional and nontraditional methods fueled by innovation and sustainability. Our \$3 billion business touches 34 states and 16 countries. To learn more about Landus, and the company's commitment to solving critical issues for the farmer of tomorrow, please visit: landus.ag.

SPORTS

Weekly Recap:

Hampton - DuMont-CAL:

April 7. Girls soccer tied vs Belmont-Klemme 0-0. New rules in Iowa high school soccer this year allows games to end in a tie.

Boys soccer tied 1-1 vs Belmont-Klemme. Hunter Rieken scored for the Bulldogs with eight minutes left in the game before the Broncos would tie the game with just over a minute left.

April 8. Girls tennis lost their match vs Iowa Falls-Allden 7-2. Ashley Chipahua won her match eight sets to two. Yesenia Valenzuela won her match nine sets to seven.

Girls track and field finished seventh out of eight teams in the Clear Lake Invitational. Some of the Bulldogs top performers: Charlee Morton who finished first in the shot put throw with a throw of 42 feet, 5 inches. Morton also finished first in the discus throw with a throw of 138 feet, 11 inches. Lily Hambly, who finished second in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 1 minute, 10.23 seconds.

Boys track and field finished sixth out of eight teams in the Gilbert Invitational. Some of the Bulldogs top performers: Colin Bird, who finished first in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 56.64 seconds. Brady Harr who finished fourth in the discus throw, with a throw of 120 feet, 5 inches.

April 10. Boys tennis lost their match vs Clear Lake 8-1. Jerry Flores would win the only match for the Bull-

dogs winning his match to sets to eight.

Boys track and field finished seventh place out of 11 teams in the Cowboy Relays at Clarion-Goldfield-Dows. Some of the Bulldog top performers: Colin Bird, who finished first in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 58.89 seconds. Bird also finished third in the 400-meter dash with a time of 53.69 seconds. Aaden Keehn, who finished second in the 110-meter hurdles with a time of 15.82 seconds. Beau Morton, who finished third in the shot put throw, with a throw of 43 feet, 4 inches.

Girls track and field finished fifth out of 16 teams in the Lady Bulldog Invite. Some of the Bulldogs top performers: Charlee Morton, who finished first in the shot put throw with a throw of 40 feet, 11 inches, and finished first in the discus throw with a throw of 140 feet, 3 inches. Lily Hambly, who finished first in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 1 minute, 11.11 seconds, and she also finished with a tie for third place in the high jump with a jump of 4 feet, 8 inches. MacKenzie Valley, who finished second place in the 3000-meter run with a time of 11 minutes, 57.56 seconds.

Girls soccer lost their game vs Webster City 6-0.

Boys soccer lost their game vs Webster City 4-2. The game was tied 1-1 at halftime before the Lynx out-

scored the Bulldogs 3-1 in the second half. Fernando Mota and Hunter Rieken scored the

goals for the Bulldogs.

West Fork:

April 8. Boys golf finished first out of three teams, shooting a total of 179 strokes. Nolan Shreckengost shot the lowest score for the Warhawks, shooting a 42, which was the second lowest score overall. Braylon Shreckengost finished with the third lowest score, shooting a 45. Aiden Rembe and Wyatt Bonnema would finish in a tie for fourth overall, each shooting a 46.

Girls golf finished first out of three teams, shooting a total of 218.

Boys track and field finished fourth out of eight teams with a score of 87. Some of the Warhawks top performers: Trevor Despenas, who finished first in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 1 minute, 00.25 seconds. Xavier Haller, who finished first in the high jump with a jump of 6 feet, 1 inch, and he also finished second in the long jump with a jump of 19 feet, 8.25 inches. Jarren Hitzhusen, who finished third in the shot put throw with a throw of 41 feet, 8 inches.

Girls track and field finished second out of nine teams with a score of 120. Some of the Warhawks top performers: Preslee Dickman, who finished first in the 100-meter run with a time of 13.92 seconds. Dickman also finished second in the 200-meter dash with a time of 28.90 seconds. Evelyn Hitzhusen, who finished first

in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 1 minute, 11.35 seconds. Hitzhusen also finished second in the 400-meter dash with a time of 1 minute, 2.15 seconds. Keara Wood, who finished second in the high jump with a jump of 5 feet. Brylee Dickman, who finished second in shot put with a throw of 35 feet, 1.75 inches.

April 10. Girls golf finished first out of three teams, shooting a total of 22 strokes.

Boys track and field finished fourth out of 11 teams in the Cowboy relays at Clarion-Goldfield-Dows High School. Some of the Warhawks top performers: Trevor Despenas, who finished first in the 400-meter dash with a time of 52.97 second. Despenas also finished third in the 200-meter dash with a time of 23.48 seconds. Xavier Haller who finished third in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 1 minute, 1.15 seconds. Haller also finished tied for third in the high jump with a jump of 5 feet, 10 inches.

Girls track and field finished third out of 16 teams in the Lady Bulldog Invite. Some of the Warhawks top performers: Keara Wood, who finished tied for first in the high jump with a jump of 4 feet, 10 inches. Brylee Dickman, who finished third in the shot put throw with a throw of 34 feet, 5 inches. Evelyn Hitzhusen, who finished third in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 1 minute, 12.90 seconds.

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NEW G20 KODAK PHOTO ORDER STATION

Kodak



Our new G20 Kodak Photo order station is up and running with 4 x 6 prints, 5x7 and 8 x 10, with collages and arrangements also available. The console is app supported and has an adapter for several different types.

Prom 2025

H-D-CAL's prom was held at the Hampton Country Club on Saturday evening, April 12. The theme for the night was "midnight masquerade." Check out photos from the dance that were taken by the Chronicle and submitted on our Facebook.



Geovany Marquez and Marlen Alvarez. Photo by Jennifer Burnham.



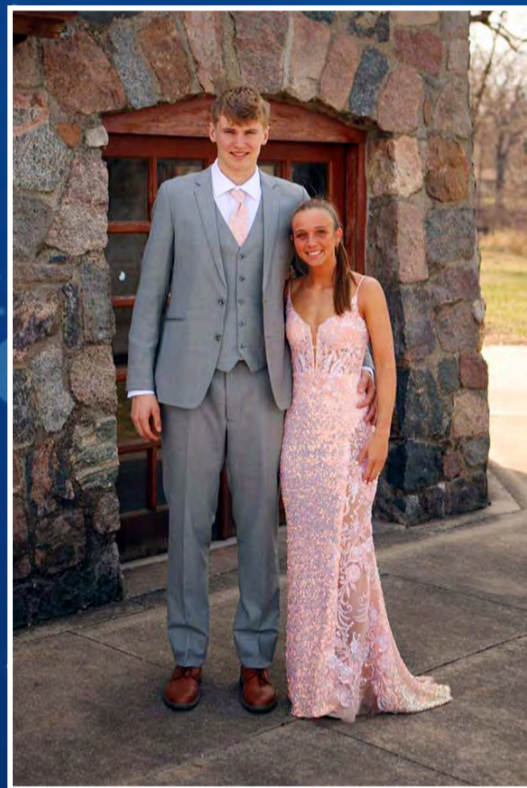
Alexander Sosa and Mary Jane Jensen. Photo by Jennifer Burnham.



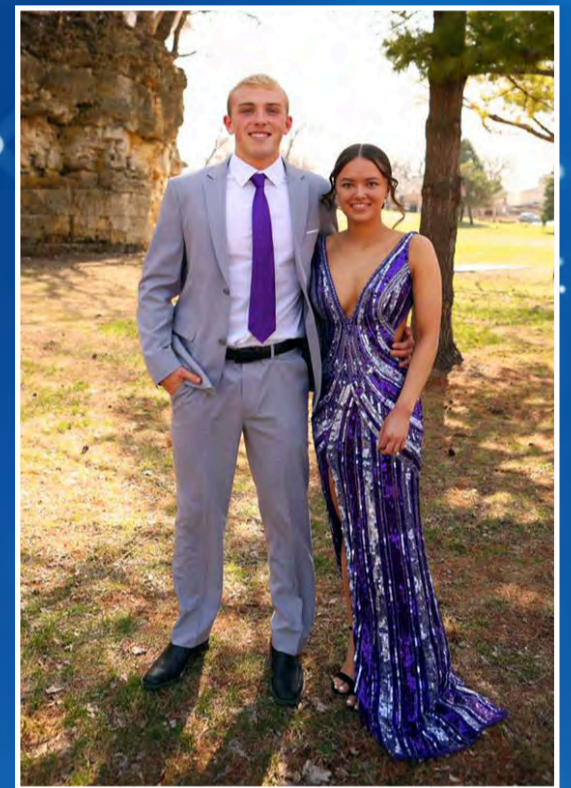
Aubree Gronewold and Miles Rust. Photo submitted on Facebook.



Austin Hanson and Alisenne Storr. Photo by Jennifer Burnham.



Brady Harr and Teaghan Bird. Photo by Molly Bird.



Colin Bird and Abby Drier. Photo by Molly Bird.



Addyson Kramer and Yareli Castro. Photo by Jennifer Burnham.



H-D-CAL staffers Liz Soderberg and Sarah Baird at the Hampton Country Club on Saturday evening, April 12. Photo by Jennifer Burnham.



Jake Minardi, Natalie Dolhman, Isabel Grant, Ava Abernathy, Charles Dillon and Madison Dolhman. Photo by Jennifer Burnham.

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talk

Talk with your partner **before** having sex.

Talk about **when** you were last tested and suggest getting tested together.

Talk to your healthcare provider about your sex life. Ask them **what STI tests** you should be getting and **how often**.

test

Get tested! It's the only way to **know for sure** if you have an STI or HIV.

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If you don't feel like you can ask your regular provider for an STI or HIV test, find a clinic that provides free or low-cost confidential testing.

treat

All STIs, including HIV, are **treatable**. If you test positive for an STI, work with your healthcare provider to get the right treatment.

Ask about the best way to get your partner tested and treated. Avoid having sex until you and your sex partner both finish treatment.

If you test positive for HIV, your provider or testing location will help connect you to **treatment and resources!**

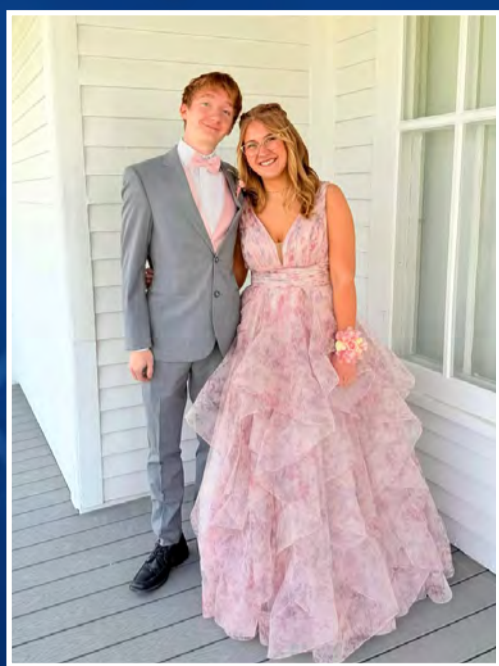
STI Awareness Week is April 13–19—but you can take care of your sexual health all year!
Learn more & find free testing near you at stophiviowa.org.



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Prom 2025

H-D-CAL's prom was held at the Hampton Country Club on Saturday evening, April 12. The theme for the night was "midnight masquerade." Check out photos from the dance that were taken by the Chronicle and submitted on our Facebook.



James Chambers and Chloe Craighton. Photo submitted on Facebook.



Jasmine Tevalan, Kenley Hansen, Josh Wohlford, Emma Dietz, Kinley Chaplin and Teaghan Bird. Photo by Molly Bird.



Jax Stafford and Lily Hamby. Photo by Molly Bird.



Jerry Flores, Isaac Sauke, Andyn White, Dominic Nicholson and Aniss Farhaq. Photo by Jennifer Burnham.



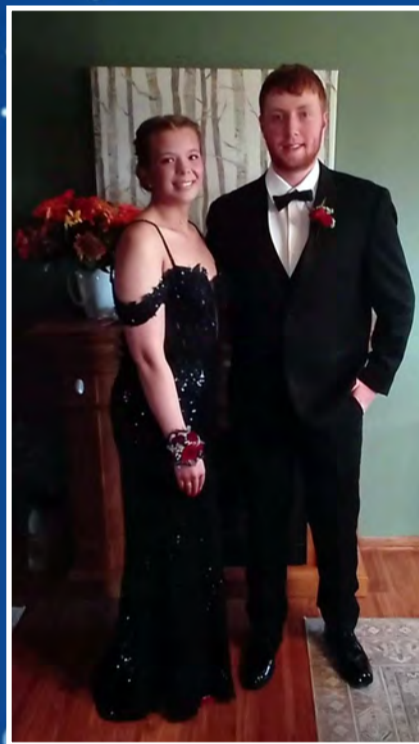
Jersey Reynolds, Emilie Kottenbrink and Dillon Nate. Photo by Jennifer Burnham.



Kenzie Moorehead and Tristan Mork. Photo submitted on Facebook.



The 2025 H-D-CAL Prom was held at the Hampton Country Club on Saturday evening, April 12. Photo by Jennifer Burnham.



Peyton Kofoot and Claire Tauro. Photo submitted on Facebook.

FRAUD AWARENESS

3 tips to detect and prevent fraud.

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1

Resist pressure to act immediately.

Stop and talk to someone you trust before acting.



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2

Don't share access or give information in response to a request you didn't expect.



The theme for this year's prom was midnight masquerade. Photo by Jennifer Burnham.

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