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Hampton Public Library to Celebrate 120 Years

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The Hampton Public Library has a big birthday coming up. The establishment's doors were first opened on Oct. 6, 1905 — 120 years ago.

To celebrate the milestone, the board at the library has pulled together a fun day of festivities, which are scheduled to take place on Monday, Oct. 6. The celebration will kick off at 4:30 p.m. that afternoon. Hampton Public Library Director Suzy Knipfel encourages community members to stop by around 5 p.m. on Oct. 6 for a recreation of a photo that was taken on the opening day of the library 120 years ago. A free community meal, sponsored by First Bank Hampton, will be held in Band Shell Park immediately after the group photo is taken, with Pete the Cat expected to make an appearance as well.

Read more about the library's history and influence below.

The birth of the library

(Most of the following information was sourced from "The Carnegie Libraries of

Iowa.")

The first attempt to establish a public library in Hampton by use of public funds was made in 1869, shortly after the Civil War, as citizens of Iowa tried to return to a normal life, according to "The Carnegie Libraries of Iowa."

The book states that this early initiative failed, but that it was brought up again twenty years later, in the winter of 1889.

As described in the book, "Under the old school law, school districts could establish a tax to support a community library. A motion was made to place a one-mill tax on the March ballot. The election was held on March 11, 1889 and the tax passed 97 to 76. This tax brought about \$300 for a library. The school board had to vote again on how to allocate the funds and that was decided upon at the meeting on March 10, 1890 after the \$300 had been collected. At that point the public library was now funded and established. There were several issues as to whether the tax levee was properly obtained, but these legal wrangling did not stop the school from buying three

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Library Director Suzy Knipfel in front of the Hampton Public Library on Monday, Sept. 22.

Caden Woods and Jaslene Tevalan Named Homecoming King and Queen

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Caden Woods and Jaslene Tevalan were named this year's homecoming king and queen for H-D-CAL during the school district's pep rally on Friday, Sept. 22.

Woods has been involved with football, basketball and track over the years. He plans on attending Iowa State, where he wants to major in marketing and minor in business management. His parents are Nicole and Jon Hager.

Tevalan has stayed busy with football cheer, wrestling cheer, large group speech, individual speech, student council and TRIO over the years. Her future plans are to go to college and major in radiologic technology, and then earn a degree in diagnostic medical sonography. Her parents are Jessica and Aurelio Aburto.

"Jaslene and Caden represent an incredible group of young people on the Homecoming court," said H-D-

CAL Student Council Advisor Leslie Pralle Osborn. "I am thrilled for two such deserving people to represent the Bulldogs!"

The other candidates for queen were Natalie Birdsell, Emma Dietz and Alycia Martinez. The other candidates for king were Brady Harr, Brody Strother and Ryder Strother.

The high school's student council members organized a week of homecoming festivities leading up to the big games Friday night.

On Friday, Sept. 12, they held a homecoming court assembly, where everyone could meet the candidates. On Monday, Sept. 15, there was hallway decorating in the afternoon followed by a movie night at the Windsor Theatre for the student. On Tuesday, Sept. 16, there was a powder puff game and after shave event. On Thursday, Sept. 18, the community came together for a tailgate at the high school, where children of all ages had their faces painted, jumped in bounce houses,

enjoyed dinner, played indoor games and more. On Friday, Sept. 19, the annual homecoming parade was held, starting at the court house and ending at the high school, where the king and queen were crowned during the community pep rally in the new gymnasium of the high school. And on Saturday evening, Sept. 20, students danced the night away at the homecoming dance.

Proceeds from the tailgate will go towards student activities throughout the year, said Student Council Advisor Leslie Pralle Osborn.

"Homecoming this year was a battle against the weather, but the students once again put together an amazing week of activities showcasing our community pride and Bulldog spirit," said Osborn. "I continue to be proud to work alongside such motivated and dedicated student-leaders. We look forward to building off of what we've built and coming back even bigger and better next year!"



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Geneva Market Team Donates \$30K for New Playground

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The Geneva Betterment group, the non-profit behind the Geneva Market, recently donated \$30,000 for a new playground in town.

The bi-annual market, which has been held for more than a decade, attracts more than four thousand people to the area in the spring and the fall, said market organizer Cindy Sanders.

Sanders said that her daughter, Tonya Sanders, is the market manager, while her other daughter, Amanda Acree, serves as the second member of the Geneva Betterment group.

The newly-installed playground equipment is just one of many projects they have helped with over the years. The betterment group acquired

the former school in Geneva, years ago, pouring thousands of dollars into building and grounds repairs since taking it over. Each year, they also donate thousands of dollars to a church group in Iowa Falls, 42 North Ministries, to help them build new houses in Puerto Rico. Last year, the nonprofit also gave out \$1,000 grants to local organizations, including La Luz Centro Cultural, the Friends of Beeds Lake, Friends of the Ackley Public Library, the Sheffield Betterment Foundation and more.

The new playground can be found on the south east side of the former bus barn.

"All the money that we've raised in the past has gone towards improving the school, along with other special projects," said Cindy. "The town told us they needed a new playground so we made it happen."



Members of the Geneva Market and Betterment team with their \$30,000 donation for the park in early September.

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H-D-CAL Gov Class Takes Field Trip for Constitution Day

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One of H-D-CAL High School's government classes got to leave the classroom on Wednesday morning for an exciting field trip in Clear Lake — a timely trip for Constitution Day.

The group of juniors, accompanied by their teacher, Emileigh E-

lderts, had the chance to hear two cases before the Iowa Appellate Court at the EB Stillman Auditorium in Clear Lake at 9:30 a.m. In attendance for the oral arguments of *Shrimp v. Gibbons* and *State v. Withers* were Chief Judge Mary Tabor and judges Sharon Soorholtz-Greer, Julie Schumacher, Paul B. Ahlers, Gina Badding, Mary E. Chiccelly, Tyler J. Buller, Samuel P. Langholz and John M. Sandy.

Students Irelynd Murray and Addison Aalbers said they felt it was a good opportunity and something they wouldn't usually get to experience, so they were glad they went.

Isabel Grant and Isabella Salinas most enjoyed the Q&A portion at the

end, saying the judges had "great answers to tough questions."

Eilderts said they hadn't been on a field trip like this in years, so she was glad they could make it happen. They were invited by the Principal of Clear Lake High School.



The class listening to the judges on Wednesday, Sept. 17.



H-D-CAL government students ready for the presentation in Clear Lake on Wednesday, Sept. 17.



Dave Dudley working the grill at his restaurant on Thursday, Sept. 11.

Dudley Thanks Community for Support

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Dave Dudley said he is blown away by the influx of customers and support this last week, as they prepare to close down the restaurant portion of Dudley's Corner for good.

They had so much business, in fact, at the very end that they were running low on food, and had to close Sept. 18 Sept. 19. They re-opened for their last day on Saturday, Sept. 20. Even then, they were short on supplies, said Dave.

"We are completely blown away by all of the support we've had," said Dave. "We are cleaning out the freezer at this point, so it's a good deal. Thank you to everyone."

The gas station will remain open until the family comes to a decision on how to move forward with it, said Dave.

Hampton Cub Scouts Bring in Hundreds in Popcorn Sales

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Cub Scouts Carson Treanor and Mason West ready to sell some popcorn at Fareway on Saturday, Sept. 20.

The Hampton Cub Scouts group, which was recently brought back to life, brought in hundreds of dollars in popcorn sales on Saturday, Sept. 20, at the Fareway in Hampton.

The group of four cub scouts sold all types of popcorn, from chocolate to cheddar cheese to double butter. Seventy percent of the sales will go back to the troop, helping them with their annual fees, badges, activities and any other

regular costs.

You can also purchase popcorn by contacting scout leader Evan Treanor at 641-640-2136. Popcorn can be purchased until the end of October. Cub Scout Carson Treanor recommends the cheddar cheese popcorn, while Mason West said his favorite is the peanut butter cup.

The Hampton group, which is small but mighty, was restarted earlier this year, after it dissolved during the height of the pandemic. If interested in joining the group, contact Zach Brunkhorst at 641-430-4210.

Local Veterans Honored with Quilts of Valor

BY JENNIFER BURNHAM
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Three veterans were honored with Quilts of Valor during Franklin County's veterans picnic on Tuesday, Sept. 16 at Harriman Park.

Dennis Horst, LaVern Muller and Dawn Galindo were the three recipients of the quilts.

Dennis Horst joined the Navy in 1962 and was honorably discharged in 1965 as a 3rd Class Petty Officer. Dennis went to basic training in San Diego California. After Basic he was stationed aboard the USS GUNSTON HALL LSD-5. He first went to the Cuban Missile Crisis and then to Vietnam for his first tour of duty. His troop went up the Saigon River to pick up the wounded. After serving in the Vietnam War, he went to Japan, Hawaii, the Philippines, Thailand, Hong Kong, Okinawa, Korea and all of West Pack. He had two tours of duty there. Dennis was a boilerman and radioman for General Quarters. He also helped take the wounded to sick bay when needed.

Dennis received the



Veterans Dennis Horst, Dawn Galindo and Vern Muller with their Quilts of Valor at the picnic on Tuesday, Sept. 16.

National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Honorable Discharge Button and Honorable Reserve Discharge Button. His son, Beau Warren, who's also a veteran and member of the Combat Veteran's group in Kansas, traveled all the way from Leavenworth, Kansas to see his dad's presentation.

Vern Muller was drafted into the Army in 1953 and was honorably discharged in 1955 as a 1st Class Spe-

cialist. Vern went to basic training in Fort Leonard Wood, MO. He was trained as an electrician but worked with the engineering group building bridges, air strips and other infrastructure in France and Germany.

Vern received the Army Good Conduct Medal. He is a member of the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Dawn Galindo joined the Army in 1993 and was honorably discharged in 2002 as an E-4 Specialist.

Dawn went to basic training in Fort Jackson, SC and Advanced Training in Ft. Lee, VA. She was trained as a 77W - Water Treatment Specialist. Her first duty station was Ft. Bragg, NC from 1993 to 1998. She was then deployed to South Korea from 1998 to 1999. Her final duty station was Fort Hood, TX from 1999 to 2002.

Dawn received two National Defense Service Medals, 2 Army Achievement Medals, Army Good Conduct Medal, the Army Service Ribbon, the Overseas Service Ribbon, and Expert Rifle Badge. According to Robin Koob, who started the Country Quilters of North Central Iowa group, Dawn is the first woman in Franklin County to become a lifetime member of the VFW.

Koob said that Lori Sly of Hampton recently presented the Country Quilters of North Central Iowa with a donation of \$750 from the sale of sewing materials and fabric from her sister's estate. "She has been very generous to us with additional donations of material that we can use to continue making quilts of Valor," said Koob.



Hampton City Councilor Jerre Greffe and Mayor Steve Birdsall at last week's conference

Area Officials Attend Iowa League of Cities Conference

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Last week, local city officials made their way to the annual Iowa League of Cities Conference in Des Moines, where they attended workshops and networked with other city officials.

On Wednesday, Sept. 17, City of Hampton Mayor Steve Birdsall attended the Mayor's Lunch, which was followed by a welcome reception and exhibit hall. The following day, he and Hampton City Councilor Jerre Greffe sat in on two classes together, one about animal ordinances and another on building downtown districts. Greffe then attended a class on communicating trust while Birdsall attended one on tax increment financing and economic development.

Greffe said her favorite class was the one on animal ordinances.

"You always come home with at least one aha moment," said Greffe. "Lots of great ideas and little pearls of wisdom."

Latimer city officials — City Councilor Catherine Crooks, City Clerk Melissa Simmons and City Maintenance Director Wayne Pralle — also attended the conference last week.

Crooks, who's attended the conference for the last seven years, said her favorite part of the conference was the 2026 legislative priorities panel discussion hosted by the League of Cities' Government Affairs Team. The focus was on property tax reform, efficiency in local government, public safety collaboration, and a preview of what may come in the next legislative session.

Simmons is a certified clerk mentor, which allows her to provide guidance and support to less experienced city clerks through the League. Her favorite session was "Building Confidence through Public Service Ethics," which was presented by two individuals with more than 10 years of experience teaching at the Iowa Municipal Professionals Institute to help public officials identify ethical situations and better understand how to make ethical decisions. As stated in the workshop materials, "Just because the law says it is legal doesn't necessarily mean that it is ethical."

Wayne's favorite session was about being prepared for the impacts of severe weather. The presentation featured first-hand experiences of community leaders from Spencer who have been intimately involved in their community's response, recovery, and preparedness efforts following a record-setting flood event in 2024. Lessons were shared and experts from the Iowa Flood Center discussed the tools, resources, and technical assistance that are available to other communities to help Iowans become more flood-resilient.

The conference's annual award banquet was held Thursday evening, where the President of the Iowa League of Cities, Brad Cavanagh, who also serves as the Mayor of Dubuque, gave a speech to those in attendance.

New Fence Installed at Skate Park

The River City Fence Company out of Mason City finished up the new fence at the skate park in Hampton on Friday, Sept. 19. The fence was requested by the family who lives next to the skate park earlier in the summer, as a way to buffer noise and other disturbances between their property and the park. A memorial bench will also be installed for the family at the park, on behalf of the late Jonatan Isai Bello-Calles, a veteran from Hampton. Photo by Jennifer Burnham.



Feenstra Secures 12 Military Medals and Accolades for Father and Son-in-Law Duo from Franklin County

HULL – On Monday, Sept. 15, U.S. Rep. Randy Feenstra (R-Hull) announced that his office helped secure 12 medals, pins, and accolades for the late Roy Spangenberg and the late Arvin Stadtlander – a father and son-in-law duo – from Franklin County.

Delores Stadtlander accepted the medals on behalf of Roy, her father, and Arvin, her husband, alongside her daughter, Ginger.

“I’m glad that our office could honor two veterans from Franklin County by presenting to their family a combined 12 medals and accolades that they earned serving our country in uniform. The late Roy Spangenberg, who served

during World War II, and the late Arvin Stadtlander, who served during the Vietnam War, received these honors for their courage, character, and sacrifice,” said Rep. Feenstra. “It is a top priority for me to ensure that the men and women who have served in our armed forces are properly recognized for their contributions and valor. I encourage any veteran or family member to contact our office online at Feenstra.House.Gov or by phone at 202-225-4426 if we can be helpful with navigating the VA or receiving earned medals.”

The medals and accolades secured for Mr. Spangenberg include the WWII

Victory Medal, the WWII Honorable Service Lapel button, the Good Conduct Medal, the Meritorious Unit Commendation, the American Campaign Medal, the European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with two Bronze Star attachments, and the Marksman Badge with Rifle Bar.

The medals and accolades secured for Mr. Stadtlander include the Air Force Good Conduct Medal, the Air and Space Outstanding Unit Award, the National Defense Service Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal, and the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal.



Ginger and Delores of Franklin County with the medals.

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LIBRARY: FROM COVER



Newspaper clipping from July of 1964.

hundred dollars worth of new books.”

The books were then placed in the basement of the Beed Block. After this, then-Mayor J. M. Hemingway proposed that a vote be taken to establish a permanent library in the late winter of 1891. The election was held on March 1, 1891 and passed by 97 to 28. The mayor appointed five trustees. Two of the trustees were school board members who had supported the library from the beginning.

A contract was then made between the library board and the library board of trustees in January of 1892 to establish a new location for the library. The books were soon moved to the southwest corner of the basement of the courthouse, which they paid \$162 in advance to use. The room, which was unfinished, was not ideal for the library, so four years later, the library board requested to rent an adjacent room in the basement. The library board made sure the new room was plastered before the books and other library materials were moved over.

The library board and several interested community members learned that Andrew Carnegie was offering grants to build public libraries. Carnegie was contacted by Senator J. P. Dolliver about securing a grant for Hampton and an offer was made. If certain conditions could be met, Hampton was set to receive \$10,000 for a new library. Before long, a site was procured for \$3,660 and construction began, taking nearly two years to complete. There were several problems challenges in the construction process caused by poor planning and and cost overruns, according to the "The Carnegie Libraries of Iowa."

One other issue: the grant didn't cover essential costs,

such as heating, electric light fixtures, shelving and other furnishings, so these funds had to be raised separately. The new building cost almost \$17,000, which was way over budget.

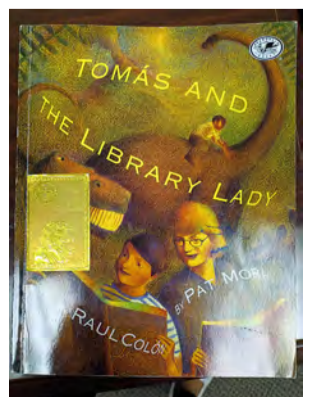
The library was formally opened and dedicated on Oct. 6, 1905. The opening ceremony was held at 8 p.m. at the opera house, featuring the following: invocation by Rev. P.C. Nelson, music by the high school chorus, history of the library by Library Board President L. B. Raymond, duet by Mrs. Haecker and Mrs. Funk, presentation of the library building to the citizens by B. H. Mallory on behalf of the library board, acceptance of same on behalf of the citizens by Judge W. D. Evans, congratulatory address by Miss Alice S. Tyler, music by ladies' quartette, dedicatory address by Senator J. P. Dolliver and more music by the Chorus of the Treble Clef Club.

This was all followed by a reception at the new library.

Today, 120 years later, the Hampton Public Library remains one of 48 public Carnegie library buildings still in use as libraries in Iowa.

When looking towards the future, Hampton Public Library Director Suzy Knipfel told the Chronicle that she has no doubt the library will be here to serve the community in another 120 years. Knipfel added how much she's enjoyed her work at the library over the last 40 years.

"Working at a library is so much more than books," said Knipfel. "I have had the privilege to meet so many people from our community through the years. It's gratifying to know so many people enjoy coming to our library; not only to check out books but to read a newspaper, play cribbage, attend our programs, bring their children here and join our book club which began in 2010 and is still going strong! I also have a wonderful staff to work with that feel as passionate about serving the community as I do."



"Tomas and the Library Lady" was published in 1997.

Young boy draws inspiration from Hampton Public Library

Thousands of people have benefited from the Hampton Public Library over the years, including one special man named Tomas Rivera, who stopped by the library one afternoon during his childhood in the 1940s. Rivera's mother

and father were farm workers. During the winter, they picked fruit and vegetables for Texas farmers and during the summer, they picked produce for Iowa farmers. One summer, while living in Hampton, a young Rivera met a kind librarian at the Hampton Public Library who encouraged him to continue reading and to use his imagination, which would lead him to a successful career as a writer, professor, university administrator, and national education leader. He is best known for his novel, "Y No Se Lo Tragó La Tierra", for which he received the first Premio Quinto Sol literary award in 1971.

Rivera's inspiring story of meeting a librarian in Hampton was eventually turned into the 1997 children's book,

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Newspaper clipping from September of 1951.

titled "Tomas and the Library Lady," written by Pat Mora and illustrated by Raul Colon.

In it, Mora wrote of Rivera's experience while reading books: "Tomas saw dinosaurs bending their long necks to lap shiny water. He heard the cries of a wild snakebird. He felt the warm neck of the dinosaur as he held on tight for a ride. Tomas forgot about the library lady. He forgot about Iowa and Texas."

When Dr. Rivera died in 1984, he was serving as the chancellor of the University of California at Riverside. While there, he was presented with an award from the Chicano News Media Association for outstanding achievements and contributions to the Chicano community, and also received

an award from the Riverside Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People for his leadership as Chancellor at the Riverside Campus.

Rivera not only left an impact on the literary world but he left one on his three children, whom he shared with his wife, Concepción Garza.

One of his daughters, Ileana, told the Chronicle that while growing up, her father liked to share stories of his time in the midwest. They weren't all nice, she said, but he grew through the experiences.

"He had a hard life," she said. "But he would see the beauty in the life and the land through all of that."

PRO RACING THIS WEEK

Racing News, Stats & Trivia

Cup Series Playoffs: Hollywood Casino 400

Race Details

Location: Kansas City, Kansas
 Date: Sunday, Sept. 28, 3:00 p.m.
 Last Year's Pole: Christopher Bell
 Last Year's Winner: Ross Chastain

Kansas Speedway

Shape: D-shaped Oval
 Distance: 1.5 miles
 Turns / Front / Back:
 17-20° / 9-11° / 5°

Race Preview

Kansas Speedway is an asphalt oval with 17-20 degrees of progressive banking in the turns, 9-11 degrees of progressive banking on the frontstretch, and 5 degrees of banking on the backstretch. The speedway is strategically located at the intersection of I-435 and I-70 in Kansas City, Kan., about 15 miles west of downtown Kansas City. The 1.5-mile track began hosting NASCAR races in 2001 with Jeff Gordon winning the inaugural race. USA will broadcast the race with live coverage from MRN Radio and SiriusXM NASCAR Radio.

Last Weekend's Race: Ryan Blaney won at New Hampshire

On Sunday afternoon Ryan Blaney took a 937-second victory over fellow Ford driver Josh Berry in the Mobil 1 301 at New Hampshire Motor Speedway. It marked a distinct competitive turn in this year's championship with three Fords finishing among the top-five and three Chevrolets among the top-eight at the one-mile New Hampshire track after a Toyota sweep of the Playoffs' opening three-race round. Blaney's No. 12 Team Penske Ford led 116 of the race's 301 laps including the final 39 laps.

2025 Standings

Cup Series Top Ten			Xfinity Series Top Ten		
Drivers	Points	Top 10s	Drivers	Points	Top 10s
1) Ryan Blaney	3084	17	1) Connor Zilisch	2116	18
2) William Byron	3082	14	2) Nick Sanchez	2086	9
3) Kyle Larson	3076	17	3) Justin Allgaier	2084	16
4) Christopher Bell	3064	17	4) Sam Mayer	2066	16
5) Denny Hamlin	3062	15	5) Carson Kvatil	2047	13
6) Joey Logano	3059	10	6) Harrison Burton	2040	10
7) Chase Elliott	3049	15	7) Brandon Jones	2039	10
8) Chase Briscoe	3049	16	8) Sheldon Creed	2038	13
9) Ross Chastain	3030	11	9) Taylor Gray	2034	11
10) Austin Cindric	3028	5	10) Jesse Love	2031	18

Ryan Blaney

Born: Dec 31, 1993
 Crew Chief: Jonathan Hassler
 Car: Ford

Year	Wins	Top 10s	Avg. Finish
2025	3	17	14.2
2024	3	18	15.2

Top News Stories

Joe Gibbs comments on Denny Hamlin, Ty Gibbs contact at New Hampshire

Denny Hamlin called his contact that wrecked teammate Ty Gibbs a "mistake" but raised questions about how Gibbs drove him, noting that he and teammates Christopher Bell and Chase Briscoe "are all trying to win a championship for the Gibbs family." Ty Gibbs is the only Joe Gibbs Racing driver who did not make the Cup playoffs this season. The 22-year-old Gibbs, who is in his third full-time Cup season, would only say he was looking forward to the next race when asked by NBC Sports' Kim Coon about the contact from Hamlin. Car owner Joe Gibbs, no stranger to teammates upset with one another in his Hall of Fame career as a NFL coach and NASCAR team owner said, "Those guys are the ones driving the cars, so... those guys will get together on their own and figure it out." They couldn't figure it out a third of the way through Sunday's playoff race at New Hampshire Motor Speedway won by Ryan Blaney. Hamlin and Gibbs made contact in Turns 1 and 2 on Lap 110 of 301 while racing for 11th place. After the incident, Hamlin said on his team's radio, "Are they afraid to talk to Ty Gibbs? That's what I feel like. They're just scared of him." As for the incident, Hamlin told reporters after the race, "I made a mistake in Turn 1. I would have made a mistake with anybody in that position. I was trying to get by him. That was a task in itself."

Racing Trivia

Who is the only crew chief to win championships in the playoff era with multiple drivers?

a) Chad Knaus c) Jimmy Fenning
 b) Paul Wolfe d) Adam Stevens

ANSWER: (b) Wolfe was the championship crew chief for Brad Keselowski in 2017 and 2022.

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- If a son or daughter receives scholastic honors.
- If someone in your family or business receives a promotion, job change or retires.
- If a former resident passes away.
- If you entertain at a dinner or a party.
- If your club meets.
- If your class holds or plans a reunion.
- If you're celebrating a wedding anniversary.
- If you move out of town.
- If someone moves into your neighborhood.
- If someone enters a hospital.
- If a business is opening or closing.
- If something interesting is happening.

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Supporting our veterans and honoring their service



REP. RANDY FEENSTRA
COLUMNIST

Meeting with Iowa veterans and ensuring that, as a grateful state and nation, we support these heroes through the best healthcare and services that we have to offer is a top priority for me. Earlier this September, I had the pleasure of sitting down with fellow Iowan and new National Commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Carol Whitmore, who is the first Iowan elected to the position. We discussed the challenges our veterans face and effective solutions to barriers like access to healthcare. Similarly, in April of this year, I was in Marshalltown on my 36 County Tour to tour the Iowa Veterans Home (IVH) with the

Commandant of the Iowa Department of Veterans Affairs, Todd Jacobus. IVH is truly the gold standard of long-term care for our veterans. I was thoroughly impressed with the amenities and the care provided – a standard that far surpasses what could ever be expected of the roughly 700 employees who dedicate their time and talents to the nearly 400 residents. My tour of this facility—and conversations with Carol and Todd—highlighted the importance of ensuring our brave men and women receive the high-quality healthcare and benefits that they have earned and deserve. Just the other week, I'm glad that my office could honor two veterans from Franklin County by presenting to their family a combined 12 medals and accolades that they earned serving our country in uniform. The late Roy Spangenberg, who served during World War II, and the late Arvin Stadlander, who served during the Vietnam War, received these honors for their courage, character, and sacrifice. The noble men and women who have served

in our armed forces must always be recognized for their contributions and valor. On September 16th, the U.S. House of Representatives unanimously passed the Protecting Veteran Access to Telemedicine Services Act with my strong support. This legislation permanently allows healthcare professionals with the Department of Veterans Affairs to prescribe needed medications for veterans via telehealth services. Telehealth is a vital lifeline for our veterans, especially those living in rural Iowa, to get the prescriptions and care that they need. Without reliable telehealth services, too many veterans would be forced to travel long distances for medical appointments or forgo seeing the doctor entirely. That's unacceptable, and it's a threat to the health and wellbeing of our fellow Iowans who made incredible sacrifices to serve our country. It's why I supported passage of this legislation to permanently authorize VA healthcare providers to prescribe medications for veterans via telehealth. There is no reason that veterans should

be denied the care that they deserve because of where they live or unnecessary government red tape. I also recently voted—and the House passed—the Fiscal Year 2026 National Defense Authorization Act. This legislation primarily focuses on active-duty military readiness, however, there are many provisions that benefit veterans. These benefits include authorizations for enhanced healthcare funding, mental health and suicide prevention initiatives, and economic opportunities for veteran-owned businesses. Less than 1% of the U.S. population is currently serving in the military, and about 6% of the population are veterans. This incredible sliver of our population has done the overwhelming duty of protecting our American way of life and our cherished freedoms. In years to come, many more will answer the call of duty and fill the boots of the soldiers who served before them. I will always advocate on behalf of our troops and our veterans and will forever be thankful for their service and sacrifice.

What I'm Reading (and Watching) Instead of Folding Laundry



reading between the lines

AMANDA RINK

"After nourishment, shelter and companionship, stories are the thing we need most in the world." - Philip Pullman

We don't always stop to think about how the media we consume reflects in our lives, or why we reach for it in the first place. For me, the answer is simple... escape. When I want to relax, I'm not turning on the evening news. I'm reaching for a book, a rom-com, or even a true-crime doc if the mood is right. This year, I gave myself permission to stop tracking every book and show. No more reviewing everything on Goodreads, no more guilt over unfinished series, which there is a few of this year. I'm just...enjoying the stories. So far, I've read about 35 books (low for me), and while I wish I'd sit down more often, cozy season is right around the corner. This normally means more time indoors, hopefully more books in hand while I'm sitting down instead of in the car to the next event to cover, and probably more

guilt about ignoring the always growing laundry pile. (Side note: I've seen that laundry room closet suggestion, is this the answer to all of my laundry woes?) With that in mind, here are a few recommendations if you're looking for something to pick up or stream this fall.

- To Read**
- The Rebel Blue Ranch Series by Lyla Sage – Cowboy romance for all the feel-goods and smiles. 10/10, I had no complaints about this and I'm looking forward to Sage's newest book coming out this fall.
 - The Last One by Will Dean – Jaw-dropping twists that make you question human nature.
 - The Compound by Aisling Rawle – A sharp look at popular consumerism culture that starts right in the middle of the action.
 - Still Beating by Jennifer Hartmann – A dark (seriously, dark) exploration of how trauma can bring people together. Do not confuse this with a light beach read unless you want to traumatize yourself on vacation.
 - The Housemaid by Freida McFadden – Read it before the movie comes out, so you can smugly whisper in the theater: "That's not what happened in the book."
- To Watch**
- 1. The Wrong Paris (Netflix) – A

romance that makes you wonder: what's worth more, love or money?

- 2. Amy Bradley is Missing (Netflix) – A true-crime doc that will make you rethink ever booking a cruise. Like... ever.
- 3. The Train wreck Series (Netflix) – A docuseries that retells big current events through the eyes of the people who lived them. (Because nothing says "relaxing night in" like reliving disasters, am-i-right?)
- 4. When the Levees Broke (HBO) – A sobering recount of Hurricane Katrina's aftermath in New Orleans.
- 5. Landman (Paramount Plus) – Drama set in oil-rich Texas starring Billy Bob Thornton. He delivers ace acting even in the opening first scene, cuts off at least one finger during the first season, and delivers red humor that even made me laugh out loud. So now I'm curious, what have you read or watched this year that stuck with you? What made you laugh, cry, or say, "Well, there goes my faith in humanity?" Send me your recommendations at news@wrightcountymonitor.com. My brain, kindle and streaming queue are always hungry for something good. 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.

The worst of the worst?

Brass Tacks from Rural Iowa

BY BARBARA KALBACH

Leading up to last year's election, then candidate Donald Trump campaigned heavily on deporting immigrants on a massive scale. It's something he's followed through on, regularly claiming that his Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agency would target "the worst of the worst." It's a refrain Kristi Noem, Trump's head of Homeland Security, has echoed recently. We all want safe communities, vibrant neighborhoods, and not to live in fear. People who commit violent crimes should be held accountable. I think there's very little disagreement with this. But looking at the evidence, Trump's mass deportation claims of "the worst of the worst" aren't adding up. Across the country there are mothers, fathers,

friends, and neighbors being snatched from the street, the workplace, or not returning home from a routine immigration check-in. Stories like these are happening here in Iowa too. A few months back, 200 or so workers at the JBS plant in Ottumwa had their visas revoked. I remember asking myself "now what did they do wrong or who did they pose a threat to?" All they did was wake up, go to work at a plant where the labor is demanding so we can get meat from the grocery store, and return home to their families. I bet they knew others in the community, shopped at local stores, and helped neighbors in need. Are they the worst of the worst? Or the story of 20-year-old Pascual Pedro from West Liberty, who went to a routine immigration check-in only to be de-

tained and deported to Guatemala less than a week later. Pascual, who has no criminal background, was the star of his high school soccer team. He was a laborer and the godson of his parish priest. Was he the worst of the worst? A few weeks ago, the Belmont-Klemme Community School district issued a shelter-in-place order during school hours due to the presence of Homeland Security in the area. Many thought ICE was conducting a raid in the area. Later it was reported that Homeland Security officers were there to conduct "welfare checks." I chatted with an Iowa CCI member who grew up in Belmont and still has family there. She said that so many in the community were confused, scared, and angry at what was happening. And I can't imagine how those students felt that day. More than a third of Belmont-Klemme's students are Latino. Kudos to the Belmont-Klemme school for doing the right thing and protecting their students.

Schools are, and should be, a safe haven for all kids. Public schools are an antidote to the division we face as they bring us together and promote civil discourse and the exploration of different ideas. Just the other day I read about Kristi Noem and Trump's ICE having deported, or on track to deport, at least 18 DACA recipients. These are immigrant children who were brought to America with their parents, grew up here, made a life here. And we promised to protect them from deportation and provide a pathway for citizenship. We need immigration reform, I believe that's clear. But we don't break promises. We don't terrorize children. We don't tear families and our communities and economy apart. We're better than this. Barb is a 4th generation family farmer, retired registered nurse, and member of Iowa Citizens for Community Improvement. She can be reached at [barbkalb@gmail.com](mailto:barbkalb@comcast.net).

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City-School Election Update - Ballots



KATY FLINT
FRANKLIN COUNTY
AUDITOR

We're working feverishly in preparation for the upcoming City-School Election (November 4th). Last week, candidates turned their paperwork in to get their name on the ballot. Monday we determined the order of candidates (see the next paragraph for more information on this), yesterday was the deadline for Objections & Withdrawals and today, we're working on ballot set-up. What does

this mean? It means how the ballots look (the order of the jurisdictions) and the positions that are being elected and the candidates' names.

For the election this year, the order of races will be Mayors, City Council Members, School Board Members, Merged Area Trustees (Community Colleges – if any), City Public Measures (if any), School District Public Measures (if any), and then Merged Area Public Measures (if any). Then, candidates will be listed under each of the appropriate positions. Candidate order is determined by “drawing lots” (that’s how the Iowa Code 49.31(2) (d) reads) which means drawing names out of a hat...or in our case, drawing names out of a lovely coffee mug that sits on my filing cabinet just for these special occasions.

Now that the final list of candidates has been determined and the order

of candidates has been established, I will send all this information off to our printing and programming company. This is the company that we pay to print all our ballots and provide the programming files for the machines that read the ballots on Election Day. They will prepare different ballot styles. If my figures are correct, we will have 21 different ballot styles. There are ballot styles for each city and each school district that lies within Franklin County. And if you're curious, we have 10 cities, 8 school districts, and 3 community colleges that have areas that lie within Franklin County.

Once the printing company has the ballots prepared, they will send me a proof of each ballot style to review. I will make sure that all the information in the header of each ballot is correct, that the correct contests (races) appear on the correct ballots, the cor-

rect “vote for” numbers is present, the correct number of write-in lines for each contest, the correct order of candidates names, the correct spelling of all contests and candidates, the correct wording and spelling for each question, that the instruction to voters is present, and the judges initial box & the county seal is present on each ballot style. It's a very intense process to approve each ballot (remember, there are 21 different ballots), but we want to make sure they are correct, so not only do I go through this process, but at least one other employee in my office does as well.

Up next is marking test ballots, testing machines, and absentee voting with the ballots, but we'll save those things for review next week! If you have questions about the ballots, the upcoming election, or anything else, you know my door is always open! Until next time....

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LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE

SUDOKU ANSWERS

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Hoping for a Turning Point



THE ALTERNATIVE
FRITZ GROSZKRUGER
THE ALTERNATIVE

I don't see how the people of this country could ever get more polarized. It's distracting us from more important things. The polarization is fed by two things. One is the obvious pleasure derived from anger and hate. The other is the algorithms that direct any content online based on previous interests, and that reinforces those interests rather than allowing our minds to explore different ideas. It appears that Kirk was murdered for having civil dialog with people he

didn't agree with.

I was just thinking that instead of saying “God bless” to one who has sneezed, it may become fashionable to say “Charlie bless”. The Charlie Kirk phenomenon slipped under my radar. I had no idea what a big deal he and Turning Point USA were. Seeing videos of large demonstrations in Europe and Asia inspired by Kirk's death was a wake-up call.

I find myself knowing the opinions of friends and acquaintances through third party sources. They do not dare talk about important issues with me, as if I might bite their heads off. What's with that, besides lack of confidence in their positions? It's sad that this one guy who will give anyone a public platform to dispute his ideas draws so much hatred. Looking back, 1930s Germany could have used a guy like

that.

I went back and watched several “debates” between Kirk and college students. I think he could have been more tactful and less combative. Maybe the intelligent students were edited out, but the arguments put forth by the students I saw certainly didn't bode well for the future of our country. Who would employ these people?

So now Charlie is gone (I say like an old friend, which is a sudden fashion). There are some questions. I was glad to hear that his wife will take over leadership of TPUSA.

The polarization I mentioned mostly revolved around wokeness. That's the distraction I was talking about. Doesn't it seem rather trivial compared to mass murder? It's almost like the murderers stirred up the woke pot to distract us. I remember Ben Shapiro

doing an excellent job bashing the woke. I cheered him on even though I'm not a biologist. For some reason, it really gets some of the Christian right going so they can then forget the Gaza genocide.

Shapiro promptly pledged to take Kirk's torch and lead our youth into his Judeo side of his Judeo/Christian zealotry. There's a video of Charlie Kirk telling Ben Shapiro that the outsized support of the U.S. for Israel should be questioned two days before he was assassinated. Shapiro's face reminded me of when I hear there are calves on the road.

Benjamin Netanyahu jumped all over this best friends routine. Realizing the power that Kirk had accumulated, he dove into the media frenzy minutes after the shot was fired. Charlie Kirk had recently turned down a large donation from

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Bibi to TPUSA.

Charlie Kirk and TPU-SA hosted a debate about Israel and Gaza with pro-American, Dave Smith and Zionist, Josh Hammer in July. Dave Smith stuck to the issues. Josh Hammer said he was disgusted to be on the same stage as Dave Smith. They are both Jewish, by the way. This video was the first hint that the Zionists were losing Charlie Kirk.

Given that Charlie Kirk's popularity dwarfed Donald Trump's best days, and the fact that the Exec-

utive Branch now has legislative power, if Kirk was starting to doubt the ethics of The Greater Israel and the Gaza Riviera, he became useless as president.

In George Washington's Farewell Address, he urged the nation to steer clear of permanent alliances or deep seated rivalries with foreign countries. Seems like good advice.

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

The Latest on the YES/FLEX Abroad Programs

BY ISAAC VOSBURG

In a fitting enough circumstance considering the hectic nature of this column, I am presently writing while flying somewhere over northeastern Illinois. You see, this weekend has been my first moment away for about a month now, or at least since I've settled into Grinnell. Given my general disdain for the idea of being cooped up for too long in any one place, it's been fantastic to get out, stretch my airport legs, and reinvest in my sense of adventure. Even if it's only a weekend away, such an experience, short as it may be, satiates the thirst I have for travel and subsides those cravings for at least a little while. I speak of my longing for movement and experience like an addiction, because, frankly, it is. There's even a real term for it: Wanderlust.

As I write, the day is Sunday, and I am on my way back from a YES/FLEX Abroad Alumni Area Representative training that took place in D.C. The American Councils

for International Education (known simply as American Councils) flew the dozen or so of us Area Representatives in on Friday and held the three-day training in its offices. This was an incredible opportunity to network with other alumni, as well as to forge a more personal connection with some of the individuals who help to run the YES Abroad program that sent me to Malaysia—and I can't believe I'm saying this—over two years ago now.

In my new role as an Area Representative, I have access to some limited Alumni funding, through which I am to help organize events for alumni in my area. Funny story on that, but there really aren't any. While other Area Reps were in Seattle or Chicago or San Francisco or Pittsburgh, I'm out here in Grinnell. While other Reps already have email lists that have been compiled over the years, with dozens of alumni, and active ones at that, I was not so fortunate. Out of the entire state of Iowa, over the 16 years

the YES Abroad program has been in place, there have been just five alumni. That was the list I received. Five names. My name was one, so really it was four. One of the names remaining, I recognized another as an Iowan who went on program the year before me, and according to some light Instagram stalking, they're currently living in New Jersey. Down to three. Of those three, one was sent home on early return during their exchange, and another's email bounced back when I reached out. One.

I write this not to be a Debbie Downer, and in fact, my intent is to show the opposite. While Iowans abroad on High School State Department programs may be few in number (especially given the fact that YES Abroad's sister program, FLEX Abroad, has had no Iowan alumni), I see this state of being as A) temporary and B) solvable. I find that it falls under the purview of my role as an Area Representative now to do what I already have been, and promote the pro-



gram to as many individuals as possible. I don't get paid to do this new job, but I also never have. This program means just as much to me as an alumnus as it did when I was a participant.

During one of the afternoon sessions this weekend, some staff from the State Department's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA) came in to discuss with us the im-

portance of building these alumni networks. One of the staff members recognized me by my name and knew of many of the initiatives I'd taken toward promoting both the inbound and outbound YES programs. She asked me why I had done all of the things I had, what was so special about YES Abroad, and what the program meant to me. She asked this not to

extort an answer, but out of genuine curiosity for what I had to say.

I told her of my nine siblings from all over the world that YES had brought my family, and the way that influenced the way I was raised. How I found myself, the person I am and want to be, through my time in Malaysia, living with a new family and community. How upon my return, I felt an overwhelming gratitude for the program that had done so much for me, and made a resolve to spend the rest of my life giving back to it. YES is what made me the person I am today, and I genuinely cannot fathom my life without it.

As a final note, the YES programs, both inbound and outbound, have been halted for next year. The White House has decided that these programs do not need to continue, even though Congress has already approved their grant funding.

But that's a story for another week.

Family Welcomes Baby Girl

Grant & Christen Foster-Thomas announce the birth of their daughter,
Lois Lynne Foster-Thomas

Louis was born on September 18, 2025, at Iowa Specialty Hospital in Clarion.
She weighed 8 pounds and 1 ounce.
She joins her sibling Marian Kay (2.5 years old)

Grand Parents are Chad & Heather Foster of Hampton. Gled & Lori Thomas of Blair, NE
Great-Grandparents are Dean Foster of Riceville. Lynda Murphy & Margo Malone of Cresco. Marian Thomas of Blair, NE, Deta Lindahl of Grand Island, NE

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Code Counsel: Asbestos Removal Rules

BY JIM DAVIES
MEMBER AT LARGE,
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The City of Hampton has invested significant taxpayer dollars in required asbestos removal from properties it has taken ownership of. Examples include abandoned nuisance homes used by the Hampton Fire Department for controlled burning training, as well as the rehabilitation of the commercial buildings at 4 and 6 First Street NW.

Asbestos is a group of naturally occurring, toxic, carcinogenic and fibrous silicate minerals. There are six types, all of which are composed of long and thin fibrous crystals, each fiber being composed of many microscopic "fibrils" that can be released into the atmosphere by abrasion and other processes.

Asbestos is dangerous because it can break down into microscopically thin fibers. These fibers are so small they can remain airborne for days after they were initially disturbed. While airborne, individuals can breathe these fibers in.

The asbestos fibers irritate and scar lung tissue, causing the lungs to become stiff. This makes it difficult to breathe. As asbestosis progresses, more and more lung tissue becomes scarred. Eventually, your lung tissue becomes

so stiff that it can't contract and expand normally.

These are the rules you must follow under Iowa law to remove asbestos. Hampton must comply with them, even if the city doesn't have separate ordinances.

Before demolishing or renovating a structure (public, commercial, institutional, multi-unit residential, or facility), you must get a thorough asbestos survey/inspection by an Iowa-licensed asbestos inspector. All suspected materials should be tested or assumed to contain asbestos if not tested.

You must notify the Iowa Department of Inspections, Appeals, & Licensing (DIAL) at least 10 working days before beginning asbestos removal/demolition/renovation activity.

If the amount of regulated asbestos-containing material (RACM) to be removed meets or exceeds certain thresholds, you must follow all emission control, waste disposal rules, etc. Some thresholds are: 160 square feet (surfacing materials), 260 linear feet (pipes / thermal system insulation), and 35 cubic feet (other facility components or debris). If the project is below those thresholds, less strict requirements may apply. But inspection & notification rules may still apply.

Any business that removes or encapsulates asbestos must have an asbestos

permit from DIAL. Individuals doing inspection, removal, and abatement must also be licensed appropriately.

Because asbestos fibers are hazardous when airborne, removal work must follow specific practices: wetting materials, using containment, worker protection, following EPA/NESHAP requirements.

Asbestos waste must be handled, transported, and disposed of at a permitted facility. Waste shipment records, proper labeling, etc. are required to be kept.

There is a non-refundable fee for asbestos permits (~\$500 for businesses). Permits have an expiration date (e.g. 1 year) and renewal processes.

To summarize:

Ensure you use an Iowa-licensed asbestos inspector to do the survey if there is any suspicion of asbestos materials in the building.

If necessary, get the asbestos removal company to hold proper licensing & permit.

Submit the required notification at least 10 working days before doing the work to DIAL / DNR.

Follow all state rules on safe removal, containment, disposal, etc.

Document everything: survey reports, notifications, permits, disposal receipts.

WORDS OF WISDOM



Last week's trivia questions:

What nickname was given to a group of A-list singers and actors, in the late 1950s and early 1960s, including Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, and Sammy

Davis Jr.? Answer: the Rat Pack.

What nickname was given to a group of A-list actors in the 1980s, including Rob Lowe, Demi Moore, Emilio Estevez, and Molly Ringwald?

Answer: the Brat Pack.

This week's trivia questions:

What 1969 movie stars Robert Redford and Paul Newman as a pair of outlaws, on the run after pulling off a string of train robberies?

What 1976 movie stars Robert Redford and Dustin Hoffman as Bob Woodward and Carl Bernstein, two journalists investigating the Watergate scandal that ended the presidency of Richard Nixon?

Sept. 24 is National Women's Health and Fitness Day; Sept. 25 is National Cooking Day, National Daughters Day, and World Pharmacist Day; Sept. 26 is National Pancake Day, and National Key Lime Pie Day; Sept. 27 is National Hunting & Fishing Day, World Tourism Day, and International Rabbit Day; Sept. 28 is National Sons Day, and World Rivers Day; Sept. 29 is National Coffee Day, and World Heart Day; Sept. 30 is Orange Shirt Day, and National Love People Day.

This week is National Farm Safety & Health Week.

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight."

– Proverbs 3:5-6

"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."

– Ephesians 2:10

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

– John 14:6

Funny quotes from the world of sports:

"I resigned as a football coach because of illness and fatigue. The fans were sick and tired of me."

– John Ralston

"Everything in our favor was against us."

– Danny Blanchflower

"They are the second best team in the world, there's no higher praise than that." – Kevin Keegan
"When you've got a mountain to climb, you may as well throw everything into the kitchen sink" – David Pleat

"I think they'll win by at least one point."

– Kenny Sansom

"I don't make predictions, and I never will"

– Paul Gascoigne

"I told my kid, 'Don't worry about your grades. You just have to win the game!'"

– Bill Murray

The Greenland shark is the longest-living vertebrate on Earth, with a lifespan of between 300-500 years. (These sharks are slow-moving and sluggish, and have few predators due to their thick skin and large size.)

The Mayfly, an aquatic insect, has a lifespan of about 24 hours. (In this short amount of time, the female will usually undergo mating to lay eggs.)

Chamber-Main Street News and Knows: Market Snapshot—Who and Where

BY JIM DAVIES
MAIN STREET HAMPTON
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Hampton Main Street is taking a proactive approach to planning for the future prosperity of Hampton's historic downtown district.

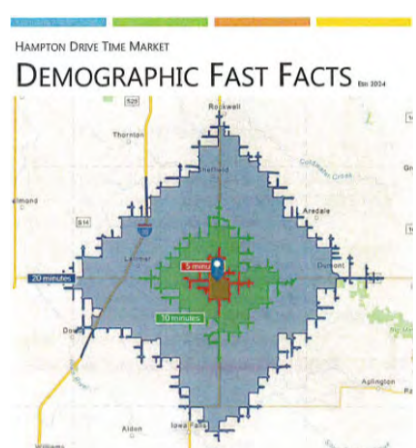
Two weeks ago, I shared market demographics of population, daytime population, households, and median income of Hampton and the surrounding area showing numbers within a 5-minute, 10-minute, and 20-minute drive time from the Main Street Hampton district.

Last week, I shared additional 2024 data from the Market Snapshot prepared by Main Street Iowa, including details on housing units, household tenure and mortgage status, the diversity index, per capita income, median age, employment rate, and employment by occupation.

This week, I am sharing what all this demographic market data means for the Hampton Main Street as identified and interpreted by Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc., doing business as Esri, an American multinational geographic informational system software company headquartered in Redlands, California.

Esri's Community Tapestry is a geodemographic segmentation system that integrates consumer traits with residential characteristics to identify markets and classify U.S. neighborhoods.

Tapestry Segmentation combines "who" of lifestyle demography with the "where" of local geography to create a classification with 67 distinct behavioral market segments (Tapestry Segments). For example, see 6F and 12B below, that are the top drive time area Esri tapestry segments for the down-



Map showing 5-minute, 10-minute, and 20-minute drive times from the downtown Hampton Main Street district.

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Information on Esri Tapestry methodology and applications, along with descriptions for Tapestry's 67 segments, are available from the Esri website, www.esri.com.

Heartland Communities (6F) #1 in 5- & 10-minute drive times.

Residents here are a mix of married-couple families and singles living in older developments of single-family homes. The work force is primarily white collar, with a higher concentration of skilled workers in manufacturing, retail trade, and health care. Family oriented, we value time spent at home. Most have lived, worked, and played in the same area for years.

741 households (42.8%) are within the 5-minute drive time, and 875 households (42.6%) are within the 10-minute drive time. The average household size is 2.47, the median age is 39.0, and the median household income is \$52K.

Nearly three quarters own their

homes, nearly half of households have mortgages.

While most income is derived from wages and salaries, nearly 31% collect Social Security and 20% draw retirement income.

Most have graduated from high school or spent some time at college.

Budget aware shoppers that favor American-made products.

Traditional Living (12B) #2 in 5- & 10-minute drive times.

These households are a mix of married-couple families and singles. Many families encompass two generations who have lived and worked in the community; their children are likely to follow suit. The manufacturing, retail trade, and healthcare sectors are the primary sources of employment. This is a younger market—beginning householders who are juggling the responsibilities of living on their own or a new marriage, while retaining their youthful interests in style and fun.

559 households (32.3%) are within the 5-minute drive time, and 584 households (28.5%) are within the 10-minute drive time. The average household size is 2.51, the median age is 35.5, and the median household income is \$39K.

Married couples are the dominant household type. There are higher proportions of single-parent and single-person households.

The average commuting time to work is very short.

70% have completed high school or some college.

Almost 3/4 of households derive income from wages and salaries, augmented by Supplemental Security Income and public assistance.

Next week I will explore workforce patterns sharing inflow and outflow job counts.

'An Evening Like It Used To Be' Turns 14

BY LEE NELSON

The Franklin County Arts Council (FCAC) will be presenting "An Evening Like It Used To Be" on Saturday, October 4th at 7:00 p.m. at the Windsor Theatre in Hampton.

"An Evening Like it Used To Be" was the brain-child of Leon Kuehner, Jim

Davies, and the Franklin County Arts Council. The show traces its origins back to 2010 when Hampton hosted a state historical preservation awards event that moved around the state and was being held in Hampton that year. This is the 14th year of the show, taking one year off because of COVID.

For this special event, the FCAC will recreate the entertainment that was presented at the Windsor Theatre in the early part of the 20th century. Held annually, the program seeks to captivate the public by offering a chance to turn back the hands of time and enjoy a theater, vaudeville, and music performance that is fun and authentic to the past genres highlighted.

The evening will begin with a performance of the "Windsor Big Band", playing the hit music of the 1930's and 1940's. This will be followed by a silent movie from 1917 entitled "The Flirt" which will be accompanied by a live orchestra. The evening will conclude with a vaudeville show featuring comedy

skits, musical acts and surprises for the audience.

General admission tickets for the show are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. Tickets will be available at the Windsor Theatre on the evening of the performance. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. The event is sponsored by First Bank Hampton.

"An Evening Like It Used To Be" is a part of a long weekend of historic-related events. The Hariman-Nielsen Fall Festival is on Sunday, October 5th and the re-creation of the Hampton Public Library's dedication photo taken 120 years ago followed by a program and birthday party celebration is Monday, October 6th.

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What's At The Windsor

BY JIM DAVIES
WINDSOR THEATRE
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Downton Abbey: The Grand Finale will be shown for one week at the Windsor Theatre on Friday, September 26 through Thursday, October 2.

Showtimes for Downton Abbey: The Grand Finale are Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 7:00 PM, with a Sunday matinee at 1:00 PM.

Downton Abbey: The Grand Finale is a 2025 historical drama film directed by Simon Curtis from a screenplay by Julian Fellowes. It is the sequel to Downton Abbey: A New Era (2022) and the third and final film in the Downton Abbey franchise.

Many of the original franchise's cast members, who also appeared in the previous two films, return. Paul Giamatti and Dominic West reprise their roles as Harold Levinson from the television series and Guy Dexter from the previous film, respectively, while Joely Richardson, Alessandro Nivola, Simon Russell Beale and Arty Froushan join the cast.

In "The Grand Finale," there's the tabloid scandal that swarms the divorce of Lady Mary (Michelle Dockery) as well as the ongoing struggle that is Lord Grantham's unwillingness to pass on management of Downton Abbey to the next generation. (Returning again to the role of the patriarch Robert Crawley, 7th Earl of Grantham is Hugh Bonneville.)

Downton Abbey is a British historical drama television series set in the early 20th century, created and co-written by Julian Fellowes. It first aired in the United Kingdom on ITV on 26 September 2010 and in the United States on PBS.

The show ran for fifty-two episodes across six series, including five Christmas specials. The final episode, the annual Christmas special, was broadcast on 25 December 2015.

A film adaptation, a

continuation of the series, was released in the United States on 20 September 2019. A

of scandals and implied encounters), smoking, and some thematic elements (divorce, class differences, and aging). The running time is 124 minutes.

Regular movie ticket prices are \$6 for adults and \$4 for youth age 16 and under. Seniors (60 and over) receive a discounted price of \$4 on Sundays. All tickets are \$4 for the Thursday evening show.

Tickets are available for purchase at the door or online at www.windsortheatre.com. Credit cards are accepted.

Mark on your calendars:

- The 14th annual *Evening Like It Used to Be* Vaudeville Show will be held Saturday, October 4 at 7:00 PM at the Windsor Theatre.
- Hampton Old Time Country Hoedown, Monday, October 6, from 6:00 to 9:00 PM at the Windsor Theatre

- *The Gray*, a short film, which will premiere at the Windsor Theatre on Thursday, October 30.



Doors open at 6:30 PM with the cast, crew, and guests walking the ceremonial red carpet. The movie will premiere at 7:00 PM, followed by a Q&A session with cast and crew from 7:45 to 8:15 PM.

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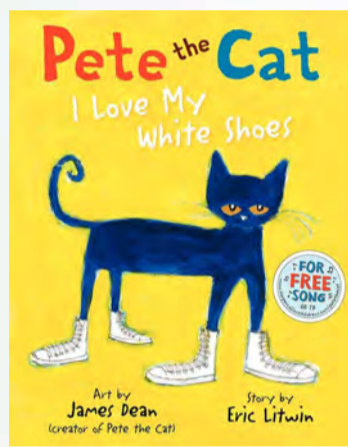
Readers of the Week at the Hampton Public Library



BY BRENDA VAN WERT
CHILDREN'S LIBRARIAN

Reader of the Week at the Hampton Public Library is Jaxon Boelkes, age 6 and in the 1st grade.

Jaxon is the son of Crystal and Zach Boelkes. He enjoys all the Pete the Cat books but his favorite book is *Pete the Cat, I Love My White Shoes* by Eric Litwin.



Latimer Park Society

Latimer Park Society opened the new season with a lunch at Block 10 in Sheffield. New members Carolyn Oleson, Beverly Krumm and Suzanne Eisenhower became new members. President Sharon Elling led a short meeting.

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Latimer News

CAL Over 60's met on Tuesday, September 16th. Pastor Dunnwald of Immanuel U.C.C church gave devotions and table prayer. Donna Halfwassen and Sue Gauger served the tables.

The menu was chicken, baked potatoes, coleslaw, muffins and apple crisp and ice cream.

Mr Lettow CAL principal spoke about the events at CAL School at Latimer.

Lois gave some readings on older people.

The next dinner will be on Tuesday, October 7th. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend.

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48 people attended Freakier Friday at the Windsor Theatre last weekend. Two more showings on Wednesday and Thursday at 7:00 pm.

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NEWS

Hampton Senior Center Holds Cribbage Tournament Fundraiser

BY JENNIFER BURNHAM HAMPTON CHRONICLE

For the last three years, the Hampton Senior Center has held two cribbage tournament fundraisers a year — one in the spring and one in the fall.

The team at the center held their most recent tournament on Saturday, Sept.

20, where dozens of players from near and far showed up to participate.

Registration began at 11 a.m. that morning, and the games kicked off thirty minutes later. Players fueled up on delicious treats and coffee throughout the day, which was whipped up by volunteers.

Each person paid 20 dollars to play. Half of the proceeds from the bi-annu-

al tournament go back to the center, while the other half go back to the players.

The Hampton Senior Center is home to many activities for local elderly residents of Hampton. It's a safe space to mingle with others while enjoying a delicious homemade meal, games, and resources.

The team at the center posted the following note on their Facebook, regarding the cribbage tournament: "Thank you to everyone that came out for our Cribbage Tournament yesterday! It's so nice to see local folks and people from far and wide at the tables.

We'd also like to thank all the people that made this event possible - supplying snacks, volunteering their time, and the businesses that put up the flyers in their windows. Thank You!

We had a fantastic turnout all the way around and we couldn't do it without

YOU! Thank you so much for your continued support of the Hampton Senior Center."

The senior center is located at 23 1st SW. Keep up with their latest activities by following their page, "Hampton Senior Citizen Center," on Facebook.



Playing started at 11:30 a.m. and lasted until later that afternoon.



These two were fueling up before the tournament kicked off.



Plenty of cookies, cupcakes and other treats were available during the tournament.

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<p>CAL SCHOOL BOARD: DETAILS: 2nd Thursday of the month at 5:30 PM</p>	<p>ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT: DETAILS: 5:30 PM City Council Chambers</p>	<p>HAMPTON CITY COUNCIL: DETAILS: Hampton City Council meets in Regular Session on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month at 6:00 PM, in the City Council Chambers. Workshops are held on the Mondays preceding the 2nd and 4th Thursday Regular Sessions at 6:00 PM, in the City Council Chambers.</p>	<p>FRANKLIN COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMISSION: DETAILS: First Wednesday of month, 7:00 PM Franklin County Law Enforcement Center</p>	<p>FRANKLIN COUNTY EXTENSION COUNCIL : DETAILS: Franklin County Extension Council ISU Extension & Outreach 6 2nd St. NW, Hampton 50441 Council members help determine local priorities for agricultural, youth (4-H), health and human science, and community/economic development program areas.</p>

West Fork Cross Country Runs in Home Meet

BY EVAN PHARR
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

SHEFFIELD - West Fork's boys and girls cross country teams ran in their home meet at the Ridge Stone Golf course on Monday, September 15. It was a small meet, with Belmont-Klemme, North Butler and Clear Lake Classical the only other schools running in the meet. The boys team won the meet, finishing in first out of four teams with a total score of 23, while the girls finished in second place out of two qualified teams with a total score of 31.

For the boys, sophomore Kyler Harley earned a medal, as he finished in second place overall and posted a score of two with a time of 19 minutes, 48.4 seconds. Sophomore Kaden Graf earned a medal, as he finished in third place overall and posted a score of three with a time of 19 minutes, 59.4 seconds. Junior Owen Wedmore earned a medal, as he finished in fourth place overall and posted a score of four with a time of 20 minutes, 13.2 seconds. Freshman Brayden Williams earned a medal, as he finished in fifth place overall and posted a score of five with a time of 20 minutes, 15.7 seconds. Senior Eli Muhlenbruch earned a medal, as he finished in ninth place overall and posted a score of nine with a time of 20 minutes, 36 seconds. Head coach of the boys' team Caleb Hovenga explained how pleased he was to win the home meet.

"It was really cool getting to win on our home course," Hovenga said. "That's the first win for myself and all of the boys and a first win for the team in a while. We try to go out and compete in every race, so getting to come out on top was really a nice bonus."

For the girls, junior Evelyn Hitzhusen earned a medal, as she finished in second place overall and posted a score of two with a time of 22 minutes, 55.8

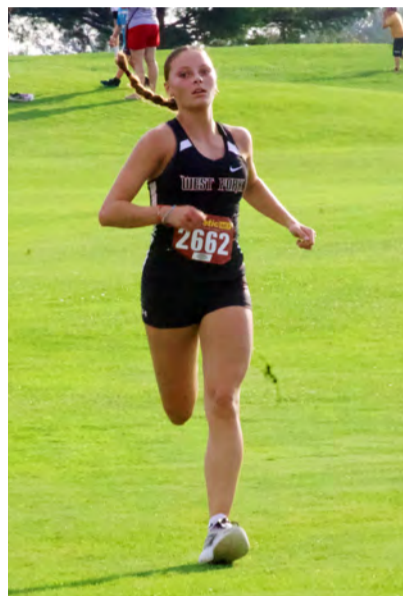


The West Fork boys cross country team runs in meet at Ridge Stone Golf Course on Monday, September 15. Photo by Evan Pharr.

seconds. Freshman Makenna Dick earned a medal, as she finished in third place overall and posted a score of five with a time of 23 minutes, 17.8 seconds. Freshman Adair Wiseman earned a medal, as she finished in ninth place overall and posted a score of seven with a time of 27 minutes, 57.2 seconds. Freshman Whitley Otten finished in 11th place overall and posted a score of nine with a time of 28 minutes, 35.9 seconds. Otten's time set a new personal record. Sophomore Josi Janssen finished in 12th place overall and posted a score of 10 with a time of 30 minutes, 30.3 seconds. With the season nearing the halfway point, head coach of the Warhawks girls team Laura Huber has been pleased with the girls' hard work throughout the season.

"I have been impressed with how hard the girls have been working in practice and how well they have been doing in meets," Huber said. "I am excited to see hopefully some times go down in our next meet in Central Springs on Thursday."

Both teams ran in the Clear Lake Invitational on Thursday, September 18, and those results can be found in the



Evelyn Hitzhusen runs in meet at Ridge Stone Golf Course on Monday, September 15. Photo by Evan Pharr

weekly recap (page..). The next meet for the Warhawks' cross country teams is on Thursday, September 25 in the Central Springs XC Meet at Pioneer Town and Country Club at 5:15 p.m.

Weekly Recap

Hampton-Dumont-CAL:

September 18. Boys cross country finished in 10th place out of 13 teams with a total score of 288 in the Clear Lake Invitational. (See Results in the meet story on page ..)

September 18. Girls cross country finished in 10th place out of 11 teams with a total score of 231 in the Clear Lake Invitational. (See Results in meet story on page ..)

September 19. Football lost their game vs Vinton-Shellburg 21-10. Sophomore Blaek Burmester threw a touchdown pass to senior Aaden Keehn, while junior Joseph Powers and senior Ryder Strother each had a rushing touchdown.

September 20. Volleyball went 1-2 in the Nashua-Plainfield Volleyball Tournament. The Bulldogs beat Clarks-ville 2-0 (21-12, 21-18), lost to Rockford 2-0 (13-21, 15-21) and lost to South Winneshiek 2-0 (15-21, 10-21).

September 20. Girls tennis lost their match versus Dike-New Hartford 5-0 in the Class 1A - Region 7 tournament.

West Fork.

September 15. Boys cross country finished in first place out of four teams with a total score of 23 in the home meet at Ridge Stine Golf Course. (See Results in the meet story on page ..)

September 15. Girls cross country finished in second place out of two teams with a total score of 31 in the home meet at Ridge Stine Golf Course. (See Results in the meet story on page ..)

September 16. Volleyball lost their match versus Saint Ansgar 3-0. The Warhawks lost the first set 25-9, the second set 25-15 and the third set 25-7.

September 18. Boys cross country finished in seventh place out of 13 teams with a total score of 205 in the Clear Lake Invitational. Top five finishers: Sophomore Kaden Graf finished in 34th place and scored 34 points with a time of 19 minutes, 17.5 seconds. Senior Eli Muhlenbruch finished in 38th place and scored 38 points with a time of 19 minutes, 29.5 seconds. Sophomore Kyler Harley finished in 41st place and scored 41 points with a time of 19 minutes, 34.1 seconds. Freshman Brayden Williams finished in 43rd place and scored 42 points with a time of 19 minutes, 39.9 seconds. Junior Owen Wedmore finished in 51st place and scored 50 points with a time of 20 minutes, 20.7 seconds.

September 18. Girls cross country finished in eighth place out of 11 teams with a total score of 195 in the Clear Lake Invitational. Top five finishers: Freshman Makenna Dick finished in ninth place and scored eight points with a time of 21 minutes, 31.3 seconds. Junior Evelyn Hitzhusen finished in 24th place and scored 23 points with a time of 23 minutes, 25.5 seconds. Freshman Adair Wiseman finished in 58th place and scored 50 points with a time of 27 minutes, 3.3 seconds. Sophomore Josi Janssen finished in 64th place and scored 56 points with a time of 28 minutes, 1.2 seconds. Freshman Whitley Otten finished in 66th place and scored 58 points with a time of 28 minutes, 12.6 seconds.

September 18. Volleyball lost their match versus Garner-Hayfield-Ventura 3-0. The Warhawks lost the first set 25-10, the second set 25-11 and the third set 25-13.

September 19. Football won their game versus AGWSR 7-6. Sophomore Connor Swenson scored the lone Warhawk's touchdown.

Upcoming Sports Events

Hampton-Dumont-CAL

- September 25: Boys and Girls Cross Country @ Pioneer Town and Country Club 5:15 p.m.
- September 26: Football @ Oelwein 7 p.m.
- September 29: Volleyball Norsemen Invitational Tournament @ Roland-Story High School 4:30 p.m.
- September 30: Volleyball @ Garner-Hayfield-Ventura 7 p.m.

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- September 25: Boys and Girls Cross Country @ Pioneer Town and Country Club 5:15 p.m.
- September 26: Football @ Newman Catholic 7 p.m.
- September 29: Boys and Girls Cross Country @ Garner Golf and Country Club 5 p.m.
- September 30: Volleyball vs North Butler 7 p.m.

Warhawks Drop Matches to Saints and Cardinals Last Week

BY EVAN PHARR
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

West Fork volleyball lost both of the matches they played last week, first losing 3-0 to the Saint Ansgar Saints on Tuesday, September 16, before losing 3-0 to the Garner-Hayfield-Ventura Cardinals 3-0 on Thursday, September 18.

In their loss to the



Madysyn Johnson passes the ball in match vs Saint Ansgar on Tuesday, September 16. Photo by Evan Pharr.

Saints, the Warhawks lost the first set 25-9, the second set 25-13 and the third set 25-7. Sophomore Zada Huff and senior Abbie Schoning led the Warhawks with three assists each, senior Brylee Dickman led the team with 19 attacks and senior Jennifer Ramirez led the team with three kills. Defensively, Dickman and sophomore Aizley Winfrey led the Warhawks with one block each and Schoning led the team with eight digs.

In their loss to the Cardinals, the Warhawks lost the first set 25-20, the second set 25-11 and the third set 25-13. Abby Schoning and Ava Huff led the Warhawks with eight assists each, Brylee Dickman led the team with 29 attacks and Jennifer Ramirez led the team with six kills. Defensively, Aizley Winfrey led the Warhawks with seven digs.

The losses move the Warhawks' record to 7-5 on the season and 1-2 in conference play. Warhawks head coach Emily Greimann praised her team's willingness to get better to this point of the season.

"I have seen a consistent



The Warhawks celebrate after winning a point in match vs Saint Ansgar on Tuesday, September 16. Photo by Evan Pharr.

will to improve," Greimann said. "They are asking the questions and putting in the work to better themselves. Our serving gas continued to be solid, which I'm very happy about."

With the back stretch of the season coming up, coach Greimann explained how her team is focused on working together.

"Our focus right now is team unity," she said "We

are also working on cleaning up some things our end as well so we can be a force on the court. We want to limit our errors to make our opponents have to earn it."

The Warhawks only match this week was at Osage on Tuesday, September 23 and their next match is versus North Butler on Tuesday, September 30 at 7 p.m.

Warhawk Football off to Best Start in Program History

BY EVAN PHARR
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

SHEFFIELD - West Fork football is off to the first 4-0 start in program history after defeating the AGWSR-Cougars 7-6 in a defensive battle at home on Friday, September 19. Warhawks' head coach Daniel Westhoff discussed what having the first 4-0 start in team history means to him.

"It is gratifying for everyone in the program," Westhoff said. "It is nice to see our kids reach that milestone, especially the seniors. When I first got the job here, those seniors were freshman, so I am really happy for that group. They continued to stick it out and continued to battle after they were losing game after game."

It took a hard fought de-

fensive battle for the Warhawks to pick up their fourth win, as they would only score one touchdown in the game. Sophomore Connor Swenson scored the lone Warhawks' touchdown on a three-yard touchdown run in the first quarter, giving West Fork an early 7-0 lead. The Warhawks' defense shut down the Cougars offense in the first half as West Fork took that 7-0 lead into halftime.

The Cougars broke through in the third quarter, scoring on a 31-yard touchdown pass and catch, but they failed the two-point-conversion attempt, making it a 7-6 game. The Warhawks defense dominated for the rest of the second half to secure the 7-6 victory. Coach Westhoff was proud of how his defense performed.

"It was just a matter of bend but don't break," he said. "I think our defense did a really good job of staying poised and composed in critical moments late in the game. I think that is good experience for them because that is not going to be the last time we are in a tight game."

Junior quarterback Zandr Hansen was 4-of-5 for 33 passing yards. Senior Dax Sutken led the team with 105 rushing yards on 16 carries, and junior Ryker Reimers was the team's leading receiver, bringing in one catch for 16 yards. Junior Keston Lambertson hauled in the only interception of the game for either team.

The Warhawks move to 4-0 on the season and 2-0 in conference play, and their next game is Friday, September 26 at Newman Catholic at 7:00 p.m.

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Bulldog Volleyball Defeats Clarksville in Nashua-Plainfield Tournament

BY EVAN PHARR
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

NASHUA - Hampton-Dumont-CAL (H-D-CAL) volleyball defeated the Clarksville Indians 2-0 in the Nashua-Plainfield Varsity Volleyball Tournament, where they went 1-2 in three matches. The Bulldogs two losses in the tournament were 2-0 to the Rockford Warriors and 2-0 to South Winneshiek Warriors.

In the victory over Clarksville, H-D-CAL won the first set 21-12 and the second set 21-18. Freshman Aliyah Swieter led the Bulldogs with 19 assists, while junior Madison Hielskov led the team with 17 attacks and 8 kills. Defensively, junior Maren

Subert led the Bulldogs with two blocks and junior Addison Aalbers led the team with 11 digs.

In their loss to Rockford, H-D-CAL lost the first set 21-13 and the second set 21-15. Junior Kenley Hansen led the Bulldogs with six assists, Addison Aalbers led the team with 18 attacks and Madison Heilskov led the team with five kills. Defensively, freshman Sylvie Morton led the Bulldogs with two blocks and Aalbers led the team with 10 digs.

In their loss to South Winneshiek, H-D-CAL lost the first set 21-15 and the second set 21-10. Kenley Hansen led the Bulldogs with six assists, Addison Aalbers led the team with nine attacks and

Madison Heilskov led the team with three kills. Defensively, Heilskov led the Bulldogs with seven digs.

The Bulldogs move to 3-6 on the season and 1-1 in conference play. The Bulldogs are about halfway through the season, and head coach Sarah Miller has appreciated her teams' hard work through this point of the season.

"This group has shown a ton of determination and grit," Miller said. "Day in and day out, they've come to practice ready to work, and you can see that effort carrying over onto the court."

Coach Miller discussed how her team is focused on staying consistent for the rest of the season.

"Our focus right now is on consistency," she said.



Elise Kuper dives for a ball in match vs Rockford on Saturday, September 20. Photo by Evan Pharr.



Kenley Hansen passes the ball in match vs Rockford on Saturday, September 20. Photo by Evan Pharr.

"We want to clean up our serve receive and make sure we're strong at the service line ourselves because those two areas can really swing a match."

The Bulldogs' only match this week was ver-

sus Charles City on Tuesday, September 23, and their next matches will be in the Norseman Invitational Vol-

leyball Tournament at Ro-

land-Story High School on Monday, September 29 at 4:30 p.m.



Blaek Burmester drops back to pass vs Vinton-Shellsburg on Friday, September 19. Photo by Evan Pharr.



Hunter Rieken returns a punt vs Vinton-Shellsburg on Friday, September 19. Photo by Evan Pharr.

Bulldogs Drop Game to Vikings on Homecoming

BY EVAN PHARR
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

Hampton-Dumont-CAL football lost to the Vinton-Shellsburg Vikings by a score of 21-20 on Friday, September 26. It was a competitive game throughout, with a blocked extra point being the deciding factor in the game. The Vikings scored on their opening possession of the game, but the Bulldogs immediately responded with a 66-yard touchdown pass and catch from sophomore quarterback Blaek Burmester to senior Aaden Keehn to tie the game at 7-7. The Vikings scored with 15 seconds before halftime to take a 14-7 lead.

In their first drive of the second half, the Bulldogs established the run game

and capped off a long drive with a two-yard touchdown run from junior Josephe Powers to tie the game at 14. The Vikings scored a touchdown in the third quarter to regain the lead and with six minutes left in the fourth quarter, senior Ryder Strother had a two-yard touchdown run to bring the Bulldogs within one. The extra point was blocked, preserving the Vikings' 21-10 lead. The Bulldogs were able to get the ball back with a chance to win the game, but the go-ahead 28-yard field goal attempt was blocked, spoiling homecoming night.

The Bulldogs fall to 1-3 on the season and 0-1 in conference play. The Bulldogs will look to bounce back in Friday, September 26 when they travel to Oelwein to take on the Huskies at 7 p.m.

Bulldogs' Cross Country Teams Run in Clear Lake Invitational

BY EVAN PHARR
HAMPTON CHRONICLE

CLEAR LAKE - The Hampton-Dumont-CAL boys and girls cross country teams ran in the Clear Lake Invitational at the Veterans Memorial Golf Course on Thursday, September 15. The boys' team finished in 10th place out of 13 teams with a total score of 288, while the girls' team finished in 10th place out of 11 teams with a total score of 231.

For the boys, senior Arnold Guevara finished in 47th place and posted a score of 46 with a time of 19 minutes, 57 seconds. Sophomore William Vosburg finished in 49th place and posted a score of 48 with a time of 20 minutes, 11.9 seconds. Junior Conner Miller finished in 64th place and posted a score of 61 with a time of 21 minutes, 16.8 seconds. Sophomore Max Kofoot finished in 65th place and scored 62 points with a time of 21 minutes 25.8 seconds. Kofft's time set a new season's best. Sophomore Ryne Magner finished in 74th place and posted a score of 71 with a time of 22 minutes, 2.2 seconds. Head coach of both the Bulldogs' boys and girls team, Traci Moorehead, discussed how the boys can lower their times in future meets.

"We hope to continue to push at practice and keep working hard," Moorehead said. "This week we have two meets, so it

is a hard week coming up. Looking forward to see what the boys can do."

For the girls, sophomore MacKenzy Valley earned a medal, as she finished in 15th place overall and posted a score of 14 with a time of 22 minutes, 31.8 seconds. Valley's time set a new season's best. Junior Marlee Maas finished in 56th place overall and posted a score of 49 with a time of 26 minutes, 53.3 seconds. Maas' time set a new season's best. Sophomore Adelee Gronewold finished in 60th place overall and posted a score of 52 with a time of 27 minutes, 19.3 seconds. Sophomore Keely Moorhead finished in 62nd place overall and posted a score of 54 with a time of 27 minutes, 55.1 seconds. Moorehead's time set a new personal record. Emma Dietz finished in 70th place overall and posted a score of 62 with a time of 29 minutes, 14.4 seconds. Deitz's time set a new season's best. Coach Moorhead was very pleased with how the girls ran in the meet.

"The girls had many great times at Clear Lake," she said. "Six of the seven girls set season records."

Both teams ran in the Riverhawk Cross Country Invite at Mason City High School on Tuesday, September 23 and their next meet is in the Central Springs XC Meet at Pioneer Town and Country Club on Thursday, September 25 at 5:15 p.m.



MacKenzy Valley runs in the Clear Lake Invitational on Thursday, September 18. Photo by Chans Hall.



Arnold Guevara runs in the Clear Lake Invitational on Thursday, September 18. Photo by Chans Hall.

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Two in a Row



I got to do something this past week that I don't get to do very often. I went fishing two days in a row! On Monday I played pickleball in the morning and on my way home I noticed that the sky was still overcast and that it was holding the heat down. I determined that it might be a good day to go fishing.

After I had lunch, I invited my wife to come along with me, but it was hot out and she said that I should just go on my own. I really enjoy having someone fish with me, but I admit that when I go by myself, I get serious about fishing. As I was putting my boat into the lake by myself, I realized that job is much easier with two people. I felt like part of a three-ring circus with the rope tied to the dock and me pushing the boat in, then running around to grab the rope.

Once I got the boat on the lake, I parked just a little way from the dock, and I pulled out the FOUR poles and lures I wanted to try out. Yes, that's right FOUR different poles with FOUR different lures. I know, I know I could just use one pole and switch lures. In my reasoning if I have four poles ready, I don't have to take the time to switch lures around. I will be much more efficient this

way. When someone is fishing with me, I don't have room to have four poles out. That might be the one advantage to fishing solo.

As I was getting ready to fish, I noticed how "clear" the water was. Now clear is a relative term, especially for Beeds Lake. I would normally see down one foot in the water if I am lucky. On this day I was sitting in five feet of water, and I could see the bottom. Very strange. I think it was happening because it had not rained for over a week. I have seen this before at the lake and fishing is usually good when this happens. The fish can see the lure so much better.

It did not take long, and I had caught my first bass. It was a small fish, but at least I had something going. About ten feet down the bank and I had another bite. I did not get that fish hooked, but I was still feeling good about the day. Five casts later and I caught another fish, and this one was bigger. Wow, three bites in the first few minutes. This is going to be fun.

I continued fishing along the shore, still amazed at how well I could see in the water. I was spotting things I had never seen before. I looked out into the deeper water and noticed an old tree stump that I did not know was there. I took note of that stump, determined to fish in on my way back. Along the shore I had a few more bites but I couldn't get them hooked. This is a sign of small fish. I was using a ten-inch plastic worm, and I know the fish were getting the worm in their month, but not the part where the hooks were located.



Further down the shore I noticed a log sticking up out of the bottom of the lake. I made a perfect cast right next to the log and suddenly my line was swimming away. I set the hook and landed a 17-inch bass. I took a photo and sent it to my wife while also informing her that I was catching fish. She asked if she should come out. I replied that it was pretty hot out on the lake, and I would take her tomorrow morning when it was nicer. We agreed on that plan.

I fished out in the deep water and continued around the lake using all of my lures that I had prepared. While I would still get some bites on the worm I could not land any of them. I think they were just too small. Time to call it a day.

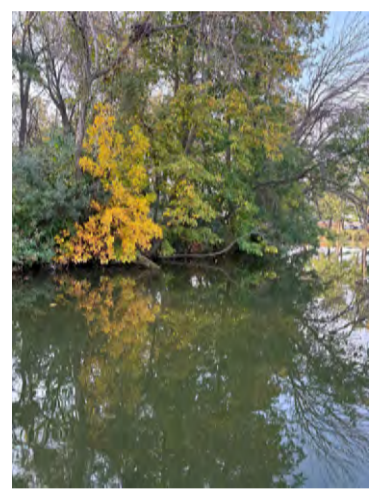
I cruised back to the south shore and remembered that stump I had spotted earlier in the day. Since I could see so well in the water I just looked ahead of the boat until I spotted the stump. Another perfect cast and WHAM, fish on. It was another 17-inch bass. A great way to end my day.

I went home and parked the boat still hooked up to my vehicle, all ready for tomorrow morning.

The next day my wife and I headed out again. She was also amazed at the water clarity. I was hoping the fishing would be just as good as the day before. It was not. I tried all the spots that I had caught fish the day before, but we could not get anything going. What had happened since yesterday?

We moved around the lake, and I finally started getting some bites, but again, I was not able to hook them. It was time for a change. I took off the BIG worm and put on a much smaller one. That was the ticket. I started catching bass again. They were all small, but at least I was catching them. Now if I could just get my wife to catch something it would be a good day.

We worked pretty hard to get her on fish, but it just wasn't happening. Finally, after hours of fishing she caught a small fish. To make matters worse I seemed to be catching fish now. I felt her frustration. It was time to head



home. I cruised to the log where I had caught the big fish yesterday and let her cast. Nothing. I let her try the stump. Again, nothing. She managed one more small fish as we pointed the boat home.

I really did not keep track of how many fish I caught on those two days, but I am certain that I caught at least 6 bass each day. They were not big, but they were something. I don't know when I will get to fish two days in a row again, but I enjoyed it for sure.

Daren Meints Inducted into Iowa 4-H Hall of Fame

PRESS RELEASE

Daren Meints of Franklin County was inducted into the 2025 Iowa 4-H Hall of Fame during a ceremony at the 4-H Exhibits Building at the Iowa State Fair on Sunday, Aug. 17. Ninety-two Iowa counties participated this year and selected 122 inductees for their outstanding service and dedication to 4-H. Inductees or their surviving family members were presented a certificate by the Iowa 4-H Foundation President, Don Timmins, and State 4-H Program Leader, Mitchell Hoyer, as they were introduced on stage.

Darin Meints has been a dedicated 4 H leader and volunteer for Franklin County 4-H for 20 years. Throughout this time, he has guided and inspired generations of young people as the leader of the West Fork Winners club, nurturing their curiosity and confidence across a wide variety of project ar-



Daren Meints pictured at the 4-H Hall of Fame ceremony at the Iowa State Fair on August 17 with Emily Saveraid, the Executive Director of the Iowa 4-H Foundation, and Tillie Bell Good, 4-H Staff and Volunteer Development Manager.

chievements. His inclusive, hands-on approach ensures that every member, regardless of background or experience level, could learn new skills, set ambitious goals, and share in the thrill of

achievement. At the Franklin County Fair itself, Darin is a familiar and reassuring presence. Whether he's cheering on his club members during judging sessions or manag-

ing operations behind the 4 H food stand, his wealth of experience and warm demeanor ensure everything runs smoothly. From mentoring newcomers to rallying long time volunteers,

Darin Meints embodies the spirit of 4-H: empowering young people, strengthening communities, and fostering lifelong learning.

Many inductees serve as club leaders, youth mentors, fair superintendents or fair board members, Iowa State University Extension and Outreach County council members, county youth council members, fair judges, financial supporters, chaperones or ISU Extension and Outreach staff members. The inductees have demonstrated dedication, encouragement, commitment and guidance to Iowa's 4-H'ers through the years. "We are honored to recognize these special individuals, for their advocacy and dedication to the Iowa 4-H program," shared Iowa 4-H Foundation Executive Director, Emily Saveraid. "This is a great way to honor the volunteers and staff across the state of Iowa that generously give their time and talents to

foster positive partnerships with our 4-H youth," said Tillie Good, Iowa 4-H staff and volunteer development manager. The Iowa 4-H Hall of Fame was initiated in 2002 to help commemorate the 100th anniversary of 4-H. A summary of previous honorees was on display at the 2022 Iowa State Fair in the 4-H Exhibits Building. These summaries are also available at the Iowa 4-H Foundation office in the Extension 4-H Youth Building at Iowa State University. Information about previous inductees to the Iowa 4-H Hall of Fame also is available on the Iowa 4-H Foundation website, organized by year and by county. Go to www.iowa4hfoundation.org/ and under the heading "What We Do" select "Recognizing Service" then "Iowa 4-H Hall of Fame."

Oct. 15 Workshop Focuses on Community Engagement, Bringing Voices to the Table

'Relationships Can Heal: Knowing the Farmer Client' Offered in Bettendorf and Mason City

PRESS RELEASE ISU EXTENSION AND OUTREACH OFFICE

AMES — Healthcare and mental health professionals may register for "Relationships Can Heal: Knowing the Farmer Client." This training from Iowa State University Extension and Outreach will help them learn more about the challenges and barriers that farmers and ranchers face in seeking care.

The in-person training will be offered in Bettendorf and Mason City during October.

"Even in good times, farmers face a unique set of challenges when it comes to rural stress and mental health. Professionals working in the healthcare or mental health fields may not be aware of or understand these unique challenges," said David Brown,



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behavioral health state specialist with ISU Extension and Outreach.

The "Relationships Can Heal: Knowing the Farmer Client" training will explore those challenges as well as the culture, identity, occupation and well-being of farm and ranch producers, Brown said.

The first class will be held at the ISU Extension and Outreach Scott County office at 875 Tanglefoot

Lane in Bettendorf on Thursday, Oct. 16. Those interested can register online for the Bettendorf class. The class will start at 8:30 a.m. and will end at 4 p.m.

The second class will be held at the ISU Extension and Outreach Cerro Gordo County office at 601 S. Illinois Ave. in Mason City on Thursday, Oct. 30. Those interested can register online for the Mason City

class. The class will start at 8:30 a.m. and will end at 4 p.m.

Both classes are offered at no cost due to a USDA NIFA grant funded through the North Central Farm and Ranch Stress Assistance Center at the University of Illinois. This program has been approved for 6.25 continuing education hours through the National Board for Certified Counselors.

The presenters for both classes are David Brown, behavioral health state specialist with ISU Extension and Outreach; Tim Christensen, farm management specialist with ISU Extension and Outreach; and Rich Gassman, director of Iowa's Center for Agricultural Safety and Health at the University of Iowa. For more information, please contact David Brown at 515-298-1505 or dnbrown@iastate.edu.

4-H Meals to Go Fundraiser

Franklin County – Franklin County 4-H invites the community to support us by buying To Go Meals on October 8 from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at the Franklin County 4-H Food Stand. To go meals will consist of a beefburger, salad, chips, pie and a water for \$12. Single slices of pie may be purchased for \$3.00. All proceeds will go to support updates to the Franklin County 4-H Food Stand and to update the display booths used during the Franklin County Fair. Limited seating will be available inside the 4-H Food Stand. We can't wait to see you on October 8 from 5:00 -7:00 p.m. at the 4-H Food Stand on the Franklin County Fairgrounds!



Red Letter Day for Norwegian-Americans in North Iowa

BY RODGER TVEITEN

Friday, Oct. 9th, 2025 is a red letter day for Norwegian-Americans in North Iowa. To the very day, it is the 200th anniversary of the arrival of the first boatload of Norwegians to the United States. It is the bicentennial of the start of one of the greatest mass migrations in history. It is how North Iowa was settled. It is why there are so many Norwegian Lutheran churches and communities stretching from Lake Michigan to the Pacific

Northwest.

On July 4, 1825, the schooner Restauration left Stavanger, Norway with 52 passengers on a one way trip to the Port of New York. The wind-powered vessel reached New York on Oct. 9, 1825. One newborn was added en route. No one died en route. Over the next one hundred years, almost 900,000 of their countrymen followed and thousands and thousands found their way to Iowa.

This bicentennial has already been celebrated with coffee parties in Belmond,

a Kumla feed in Thor, a gala banquet in Lake Mills, parades in Decorah and Spring Grove and scores of events nationwide. Indeed Crown Prince Haakon of Norway will be in Decorah to celebrate the anniversary in October.

A re-enactment of the 1825 voyage is underway. A re-created schooner left Norway on July 4, 2025. It will dock in New York on Oct. 9, 2025. The arrival will be celebrated to say the least.

This bicentennial is an opportunity for par-

ents to share some family history. After all, not all immigrants came on the Mayflower. Share some stories. Dust off that old family photo album. Family heritage is worth sharing and celebrating. So celebrate!

Rodger Tveiten of Kanawha is a member of two Sons of Norway lodges and the Vesterheim Museum. Call me at 641-762-3724 for more information.

Flu Vaccinations Available at Hansen Family Hospital and Clinics

PRESS RELEASE
HANSEN FAMILY
HOSPITAL

IOWA FALLS, IA – Trivalent Influenza vaccinations are now available at Hansen Family Hospital clinics: Ackley Medical Center, Iowa Falls Clinic, and NESCO Family Medical Clinic. The single-dose trivalent vaccine protects against the most highly anticipated strains

of the influenza virus for the upcoming flu season. High dose vaccinations are also available for ages 65 and older. Children 6 months through 8 years of age not previously vaccinated should be vaccinated with two doses at least four weeks apart.

Appointments for flu vaccines at Hansen Family Hospital family practice clinics are encouraged.

Walk-ins will also be accommodated. Consult your insurance provider if you have questions about insurance coverage for vaccines. For those under the age of 18 participating in Iowa's Vaccines for Children Program, contact your provider for availability.

For questions about influenza or the flu vaccine, talk with your provider.

Hansen Family Hospi-

tal is Critical Access Hospital located at 920 S. Oak Street in Iowa Falls. We are home to three convenient family care clinics, 16 different visiting specialties, an on-site home medical shop, surgery clinic, 24/7 emergency care, medical spa, and more. Visit www.hansenfamilyhospital.com for more information on services offered at our organization.

CAL Elementary Rated “High Performing” in Iowa School Performance Profiles

LATIMER – The Iowa Department of Education today released the 2024-25 Iowa School Performance Profiles, which provide transparent information on how schools across the state are serving students. Nearly 56% of Iowa's 1,276 public schools earned ratings in the top three performance categories, and more than 41% of schools moved up one or more rating categories from last year.

CAL Community School District is proud to announce that CAL Ele-

mentary has been designated as “High Performing,” one of the state's top performance ratings. This recognition reflects the hard work of CAL's students, the dedication of teachers and staff, and the ongoing support of families and the community.

“This high rating is truly a credit to our hard-working students and the laser-focus of our staff in meeting each learner's needs,” said Abby Meyer, Principal of CAL Elementary. “Our teachers and

staff use evidence of student learning every day to ensure instruction is targeted, effective, and responsive. We are so proud of our students' accomplishments and grateful for the partnership of our families and community in making this possible.”

The Iowa School Performance Profiles measure multiple indicators of student success, including proficiency and growth in reading, math, and science, as well as student attendance and engagement.

CAL's “High Performing” designation affirms the district's commitment to providing high-quality education for all students and reflects the progress that can be achieved when students, staff, families, and the community work together with a shared vision of excellence.

For more information about the Iowa School Performance Profiles, visit iaschoolperformance.gov.

Mason City Clinic, P.C. and The Hanson Family Foundation & MBT Bank proudly present

An Evening with Celtic Thunder - Their Greatest Songs and along the way a Reunion with Old Friends

PRESS RELEASE

Mason City Clinic, P.C. and The Hanson Family Foundation & MBT Bank proudly present An Evening with Celtic Thunder - Their Greatest Songs and along the way a Reunion with Old Friends at the North Iowa Community Auditorium on the NIACC campus at 7:00 PM on Saturday, October 11, 2025. This presentation is part of the 2025-2026 NIACC Performing Arts & Leadership Series.

Fans of the internationally renowned Irish music phenomenon, Celtic Thunder, are in for a special treat as the group announces their brand-new show, An Intimate Evening with Celtic Thunder. This unique production will bring audiences a heartfelt celebration of the group's most beloved songs while reuniting past and present members for an unforgettable evening of music, mem-

ories, and camaraderie.

An Intimate Evening with Celtic Thunder is more than just a concert—it's a journey through the group's incredible legacy. Featuring a carefully curated setlist of their greatest hits, this show will showcase the powerful harmonies, soaring ballads, and electrifying performances that have made Celtic Thunder a household name. From classic Irish folk songs to contemporary favorites, audiences can expect to hear the anthems that have defined Celtic Thunder's illustrious career.

What makes this show even more special is the reunion of familiar faces. Over the years, Celtic Thunder has been home to some of the finest vocalists in the world, and An Intimate Evening with Celtic Thunder will see Emmet, Damian, Neil and Ronan perform some of Celtic Thunder's greatest

songs and welcome some old friends along the way. Longtime fans will be thrilled to see their favorite voices come together, blending their talents in an atmosphere of warmth and nostalgia.

“We wanted to create something truly special for our fans, something that feels personal and celebratory,” says Damian McGinty, longtime Celtic Thunder Principal. “This show is about reconnecting—with the music, with each other, and with the people who have supported us throughout the years. It's a chance to relive the magic of Celtic Thunder in a more intimate way, and we couldn't be more excited to share this experience with our audience.”

Since its inception, Celtic Thunder has captivated global audiences with its stunning performances and rich musical heritage. Known for their dynamic stage presence and ability

to blend traditional Irish music with contemporary sounds, the group has sold millions of albums and performed on some of the world's most prestigious stages.

Formed in Dublin in 2007, Celtic Thunder is a multi-dimensional musical and theatrical ensemble celebrated worldwide for their emotionally powerful performances and state-of-the-art productions. Billboard Magazine has named them the Top World Album Artist five times, and their albums consistently rank in the World Album Top 10.

To learn more about this performance, visit their website at www.celtictThunder.com.

For tickets to the show, call the NIACC Box Office at 641-422-4188. Tickets may also be purchased online at www.niacc.edu/box-office. Ticket prices: Level 1: \$71.00, Level 2: \$61.00, and Level 3: \$51.00.

In loving memory of Meghan Leann Goodwin 1983-2025



Meghan Leann Goodwin was born on April 12, 1983 in Iowa City to Mike and Debbie Goodwin of Hedrick, Iowa. She was a 2001 graduate of Pekin Community High School in Packwood, Iowa, a 2005 Graduate of Truman State University in Kirksville, Missouri with a Bachelor's degree in Psychology and a certification in Digital Marketing, Digital Communications and Multimedia from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Meghan spent the last 18 years at Newbury Management where she started as a Property Manager and rose to be the Director of Technology.

Meghan was a force to be reckoned with. She was intelligent, hard working, stubborn, loyal, charismatic, kind but brutally honest. She gave the best advice, had the quickest wit and never met a challenge she couldn't tackle. She had a deep love and appreciation for art, specifically for architecture. There wasn't a John Grisham book she didn't enjoy and one of her favorite things to do each morning was to crack a two day chilled, fresh Diet Coke.

She is survived by her parents, Mike and Nadine Goodwin of Hampton, Iowa, her favorite little sister, Meredith Goodwin of Waukee, IA, her Siamese cat Bailey and the Great 8. She is preceded in death by her mom, Debbie Goodwin, her brother Mathew, her surrogate little brother Martin Durlinger (who she lovingly called Worm), her cousin Angela and her beloved Siamese cat Hershey.

Services will be held at the Powell Funeral Home in Wellman, IA at 1pm on Thursday September 25, 2025 with the visitation immediately preceding the service from 11am to 1pm with the family present.

Burial will be following the service at the Wellman Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation in Meghan's name to the ARL of Iowa <https://www.arl-iowa.org/>.

Powell Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Wellman is caring for Meghan and her family. Tributes may be made at www.powellfuneralhomes.com.

Celebration of Life

Kae Myers

Celebration of Life for Kae Myers will be Saturday, Oct. 4 at 2 p.m. at the First Reformed Church in Alexander.

Kae passed away in Sun City West, Arizona. He was formerly of Alexander. He is preceded in death by his wife Margaret. He is survived by sons Neil and Allan Myers

Death Notices

Willard DeBerg

Willard DeBerg, 91, of Ackley, began his new life on Friday, September 19, 2025, at The Village of Ackley. A private family burial will be held at Oakwood Cemetery.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Wednesday, September 24, 2025, at Timbers Edge Wedding & Event Centre, 19493, County Highway S56, Steamboat Rock, Iowa, beginning at 4:00 p.m. A harvest-style meal will be served at 4:30 p.m., followed by a time of remembrance at 5:30 p.m.

In honor of the season and Willard's life rooted in farming, guests are invited to wear harvest-appropriate attire as we gather in fellowship to share a meal and give thanks for a life well-lived. Funeral arrangements are under the guidance of the Sietsema Funeral Home in Ackley.

Philip Harken

Philip Harken, 78 of Phoenix, Arizona, passed away surrounded by his loving family on Sept. 10, 2025. A Celebration of Life will take place on Saturday, October 18, 2025, from 2:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. at the Ackley Rec Club. A private family burial will take place in Oakwood Cemetery in Ackley. Funeral arrangements are under the guidance of the Sietsema Funeral Home in Ackley.

Jack Zimmerman

Jack Zimmerman, 84, of Sheffield, passed away on Friday, September 19, 2025, at the Sheffield Care Center. Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 4, 2025, at the First United Methodist Church in Sheffield with burial in the Hillside Cemetery. Visitation will be from 4-6 p.m. on Friday, October 3, 2025, at the church. Funeral arrangements are under the guidance of the Sietsema-Atkinson Funeral Home in Hampton.

Michael Dean Anderson

Michael Dean Anderson, 73, of Des Moines, Iowa passed away September 13, 2025 at Azria Health Park Place in Des Moines, Iowa. There will be a graveside service for Michael Anderson 11:00 am Wednesday, September 24, 2025 at Union Cemetery in Iowa Falls, Iowa. Linn's Funeral is assisting the family with arrangements. Memorials may be directed to the family of Michael Anderson memorial, Linn's Funeral Home, 1521 Washington Avenue, Iowa Falls, Iowa 50126.

Pamela Hunt

Pamela Hunt, 71, of Dows, passed away on Sunday, September 21, 2025, at MercyOne Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines. Funeral services are pending with the Surls Funeral Home in Iowa Falls.

Hampton-Dumont Schools Recognized in Iowa School Performance Profiles

PRESS RELEASE

HAMPTON – The Iowa Department of Education recently released the 2024-25 Iowa School Performance Profiles, which provide transparent information for families, educators, and communities on how schools are serving students. Nearly 56% of Iowa's 1,276 public schools earned ratings in the top three of six performance categories

this year, and more than 41% of schools moved up one or more categories compared to last year.

The Hampton-Dumont Community School District is proud to announce that Hampton-Dumont High School has been designated as “High Performing.” This recognition comes after three years of intense focus on student-centered learning and the implementation

of high-quality instructional materials across multiple content areas. In addition, the high school has emphasized career-connected learning through work experience, work-based learning, and industry-recognized credentials, giving students valuable real-world opportunities. These efforts contributed to increases in Hampton-Dumont's performance measures on the Iowa School

Performance Profiles.

Hampton-Dumont Elementary School was recognized as “Commendable,” reflecting the consistent hard work of elementary students and staff in focusing on strong foundations in learning. Particular areas of celebration from the ISPP for H-D Elementary

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BAPTIST

Faith Baptist
Lead Pastor: Robert Anderstrom
 Address: 1701 Central Ave E., PO Box 515, Hampton, IA 50441
 Telephone: 641-456-4887
 Website: faith-hampton.com
 Facebook: FBC-Hampton
 • Wednesday, September 24, 8:30 a.m. Men's Prayer; 6:45 p.m. Mentor Groups
 • Saturday, September 27, 9 a.m. **Men's Breakfast of Champions**
 • Sunday, September 28, 9:30 a.m. Worship Service; 11 a.m. Sunday School Class
 • Tuesday, September 30, 9:30 a.m. Women's Prayer
 • Wednesday, October 1, 8:30 a.m. Men's Prayer; 2 p.m. **Ignite at CLW starts K-6th**; 6:45 p.m. Mentor Groups

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
 Tuesdays 8:30 AM
 Thursdays 5:30 PM with Adoration at 6:00 PM
 Sunday 10:30 AM English
 5:30 PM Spanish

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, September 24, 8:30 a.m. ZSJ Quilters; 5:15 p.m. 7-12 Youth Group; 6:15 p.m. ZSJ Handbell Rehearsal; 7 p.m. 9th Confirmation Class; 7:15 p.m. ZSJ Chancel Choir Rehearsal
 • Thursday, September 25, 2 p.m. West Fork Food Pantry
 • Sunday, September 28, 9

a.m. Worship Service led by ZSJ Praise Team; 10:15 a.m. Fellowship & Sunday School

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
 • Sunday, September 28, 9 a.m. Divine Service; 10:15 a.m. Sunday School

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 - Tyler Linneman, Rev. Karl C. Bollhagen, Pastor
 • Sunday, September 28, 8:30 a.m. Worship Service with Holy Communion; 9:45 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Study
 • 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, September 28, 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
 • Sunday, September 28, 9 a.m. Worship Service with Communion

METHODIST

Ackley United Methodist
 416 Hardin St., Ackley
Pastor Calvin 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, September 24, 5:30 p.m. **Choir Rehearsal**, Wacky Wednesday & Confirmation Class
 • Thursday, September 25, 9:30 a.m. BeFrienders
 • Saturday, September 27, 5 p.m. Worship Service
 • Sunday, September 28, 9:30 a.m. Adults Bible Study; 11 a.m. Worship Service; 11:30 a.m. Radio Broadcast on KLMJ, 104.9 FM; 12 p.m. **Meal/Auction Baskets & Beyond**; 12:30 p.m. Facebook Broadcast

• Monday, September 29, 1:30 p.m. God's FLOCK
 • Tuesday, September 30, 1:30 p.m. Faithful Stitchers
 • Wednesday, October 1, 5:30 p.m. Wacky Wednesday & Confirmation Class

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
 • 319-247-5569
 • Mondays, 7 p.m., Contemporary Worship Exploring Redemption and Healing. Come early for hot chocolate or cappuccino.

Sovereign Grace Church

109 N Eskridge St., Dows
Pastor Doug Holmes
 www.sgcdows.com
 • 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*
 • Thursday, September 25, 7 p.m. **Faith Circle**
 • Sunday, September 28, 9:15 a.m. Worship Service; Sunday School (PreK-HS) after Service

Hampton Seventh Day Adventist Church

605 4th St. NE, Hampton
Pastor Steven Shafer
 Phone: 641-424-3055
 Email: SDAHamptonIA@gmail.com
 • Sunday, June 1, 9:15 a.m. Sunday School; 10:30 a.m. Worship Service with Communion

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, September 28, 9:15 a.m. Sunday School; 10:30 a.m. Sunday Worship Service
 • Tuesday, September 30, 9:30 a.m. Sewing Circle

Immanuel U.C.C.

204 E. South St., Latimer
Pastor Joe Dunwald
 • Sunday, September 28, 9:30 a.m. Sunday School; 10:30 a.m. Worship Service w/ Noisy Offering

St. Peter's United Church Of Christ - Geneva

496 Raven Ave # B, Geneva, IA 50633
 • Sunday, September 28, 9:30 a.m. Worship Service

In loving memory of
Rolland 'Ron' Engebretson
 1940-2025

Rolland 'Ron' Engebretson, 85, of Sheffield, passed away Sunday, September 14, 2025, at his home. Private family graveside service will be held at Hillside Cemetery, Sheffield. Woodley Funeral Home and Crematory of Hampton is caring for Ron and his family.

Rolland "Ron" Duwayne Engebretson, Jr. was born September 11, 1940, in Hampton, a son of Rolland, Sr. and Shirley (Hage) Engebretson. He graduated from Thornton High School in 1959. Ron worked for several area farmers for several years before taking over his parent's family farm.

Ron was united in marriage with Marilyn Roggemann February 2, 1963, at his grandfather's house who was the Baptist pastor in Sheffield at the time. After he farmed for 20 years he was unable to work due to health reasons.

Ron's favorite times were spent taking each of his grandchildren fishing on their own. He enjoyed fishing and making lures. He enjoyed snowmobiling and playing cards with the neighbors and looked forward to his visits with Ed and Martin. Ron collected a large assortment of Matchbox cars and trinkets.

Cherishing his memory are his wife of 62 years, Marilyn; daughter: Lori (Chuck) Robison, Mason City; son: Dave (Babette) Engebretson, Clear Lake; grandchildren: Jessica Robison; Matt (Michelle) Robison; Amanda (Dustin) Brown; Taylor Redmond; Jayden (Alexia) Engebretson; Erika (Logan) Vietze; Bailey (Chris) Hett; great grandchildren: Abel, Oliver, Ryker, Chandler, Kingston, Mabel, Betty, Marshall and Bodie.

Rolland is preceded in death by his parents.

In loving memory of
Mary Judith 'Judy' Purcell Love
 1939-2025

Judy passed away peacefully on September 15, 2025 at her beloved cabin on Big Mantrap Lake in Park Rapids, MN. Judy loved to spend time there with her children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and her wonderful friends. While there, she shared her love of the lake and her passion for cards and games with all.



Judy is survived by her five children; Lisa Love, Thomas "Kip" Love (Kim), James Dwight Love, Cynthia Helm (Eric) and Zachary Love as well as her eleven grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to: CHI St. Josephs Health Hospice Care 600 Pleasant Avenue Park Rapids, MN 56470

To submit your Church Events, Email us at Info@HamptonChronicle.com

Death Notices

Will F Stober

Will F Stober of Clark, Mo., formerly of Alden, passed away on Oct. 19, 2024. Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 18, 2025, at the Immanuel Memorial United Church of Christ in Alden with burial to follow in the Alden Cemetery. A luncheon will follow the service at church. Will was an avid Iowa Hawkeye fan, and in his honor, the family invites everyone to wear their favorite Hawkeye apparel to the service. Funeral arrangements are under the guidance of the Surls Funeral Home in Iowa Falls.

Keith Wolmarans

Keith Wolmarans, 27, of Iowa Falls, passed away on Monday, September 15, 2025, at the University of Iowa Hospital. A Celebration of Life will be held on Thursday, September 18, 2025 and will begin at 6 p.m. with a time of sharing at the Boat Club in Iowa Falls. Please join the family to share memories and a meal. Funeral arrangements are under the guidance of the Surls Funeral Home in Iowa Falls.

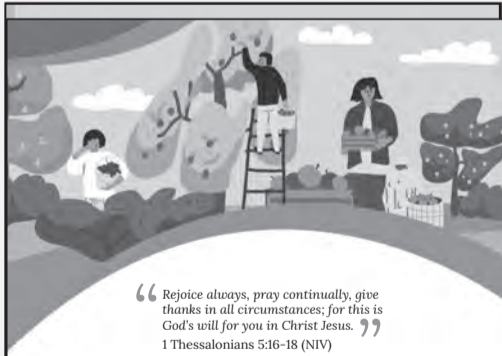
Richard Johnson

Richard Johnson, 90, of Lowell, Arkansas and formerly of Williams, passed away on Tuesday, September 16, 2025, at his home in Lowell, Arkansas. Funeral services are pending with the Surls Funeral Home in Williams.

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“Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.”
 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 (NIV)

We all have gratitude for much in our lives, even in times we may not realize it. Oftentimes, we may find ourselves unsure of how to convey our gratitude to those we'd like to show appreciation for. This is typically to no fault of our own, though the issue can be remedied by the simple and oft suggested method of taking account of all that for which we are grateful. Beyond this, however, are even more ways to reinforce our feelings of gratitude and their display. On a number of occasions, Christ alludes to the importance in sharing with others the grace which He has shared with us (ie. Matthew 18: 21-35, Matthew 5: 3-12, Luke 6:31, and John 13: 34-35). Ways in which we can do this to convey our gratitude, as the fall begins, are numerous. Spending time with family and friends, enjoying the beauty of the autumn nature, can certainly allow us to share our feelings of thankfulness with these people, while upcoming holidays allow us to do the same, potentially with even larger groups. Additionally, charitable acts can often help one truly realize their gratitude and also find contentment in helping others. As school begins for many this month, donation drives for supplies are sure to be found locally, while many organizations work year-round to provide clothes and food to those who need them.

-James Stone

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Franklin County

Traffic: Zackery David Mann, of Ward, Arkansas, speeding; Asila Abdul Rahman Al Maskari, of Ames, speeding; Zachary Penning, of Hampton, failure to provide proof of financial liability; Aaron Ernest Hardwick, of Des Moines, speeding; Xavier Contreras, of Hampton, failure to provide proof of financial liability and no valid driver's license; Tyler Ray Bilyeu, of Des Moines, speeding; Delfina Zavala Jimenez, of Mission, Texas, failure to obey traffic control device; Cesilia Mari Melendez, of Windsor Heights, speeding; Evan Nolan Harrison, of Ackley, violation of special minor's restricted license; Hilda Juralbar Look, of Maple Grove, Minnesota, speeding; Nickolas McKinney, of Hansell, failure to maintain or use safety belts; Gordon Robert Tufte, of Dumont, speeding; Lexi Marie Tindell, of Urbandale, speeding; Zhongsheng Zeng, of Eden Prairie, Minnesota, speeding; Kendal Shane Koenen, of Hampton, failure to maintain or use safety belts; Jonathan Blake Caskey, of Indianola, failure to comply with safety regulations rules; Alex William Chilcote, of Hudson, failure to maintain or use safety belts; Janice Inez Stiller, of Rice, Minnesota, speeding; Civil: Kristina Klein, of Newton, versus Board of Trustees Saint Peters United Church of Christ, of Geneva, Becky Funk, of Altoona, Bob Funk, of Altoona, Jim Klein, order setting hearing; State of Iowa Ex Rel, of Des Moines, versus Sarah L Rummens, of Sheffield, final support order; Jorge Prado Dozal, of Goldfield, versus Alysa Ann Weiss Sanchez, of Hampton, stipulated decree; Iowa Falls State Bank versus Lester Alex High, State of Iowa, dismissed with prejudice; Discover Bank versus Darryl L Lumley, order for judgment, \$8,236.07 fine and \$250 for Court costs; **OWI:** Rafael Partida Jr., of Coulter, probation revocation and order setting hearing; Jayce Nickolas Reighard, of Alexander, order of disposition; pled guilty for operating while intoxicated – first offense, serving 2 days jail time and \$1,250 fine; **Small Claims:** LVNV Funding LLC, of Plymouth, Minnesota, versus Dallas James McDonald, of Hampton, order setting hearing; Portfolio Recovery Associates LLC, of Golden Valley, Minnesota, versus Mark A Eastman, of Hampton, dismissed with prejudice; Cedar River Finance Co INC, of Cedar Rapids, versus Bradley Painter, of Hampton, Whitney Painter, of Hampton, original notice; Jacqueline Lee Ersland, of Alexander, versus Morgan Lee Ersland, of Dows, Gene Alan Hennick Jr., of Dows, original notice; Citibank NA, of Des Moines, versus Richard Eric Grote, of Hampton, original notice; **Criminal:** Fernando Zavala Gonzalez, of Latimer, criminal complaint; Rodney Dean Mrozek Jr., of Fort Dodge, guilty plea; Jeremy Allen Strayer, of Fairfield, order for arraignment; arraignment, October 6, 8:45 a.m.; Nathan Lee Pigman, of Latimer, order for arraignment; arraignment, October 2, 1 p.m.; Jayce Nickolas Reighard, of Alexander, order of disposition; pled guilty for interference with official acts, serving 2 days jail time; Sue Gardner, of Austin, Minnesota, order of disposition; pled guilty for disorderly conduct – fighting/violent behavior, \$105 fine; Gregory Ray Eyanson, of Alexander, order of disposition; pled guilty for harassment – 3rd degree, serving 30 days jail time; Cody Layne Maas, of Sheffield, guilty plea and order setting hearing; Kortney Susan Jaenke, of Bradford, order of disposition; pled guilty for disorderly conduct, serving 6 months self probation time and \$105 fine; Cory Lynn Kotesbrink, of Hampton, order of disposition; pled guilty for false report – 911 call, \$105 fine;

Blake Michael Walrod, of Hutchinson, Minnesota, order of disposition; pled guilty for child endangerment, serving 30 days jail time and \$855 fine; Alahn Demetrius Holland, of Trotwood, Ohio, order of disposition; pled guilty for possession of a controlled substance – first offense, serving one year probation time and \$430 fine; Ansel Gabriel Ramirez, of Hampton, order of arraignment; order setting trial, November 13, 9 a.m.; Jeffrey William Hein, of Rochester, Minnesota, order of arraignment; order setting trial, November 13, 9 a.m.; Zayden Maddox Johnstone, of Hampton, hearing for initial appearance

Police & Sheriff report 9-15 to 9-21

Hampton Police Reports

Monday, September 15: Officers assisted with one medical call and received four general calls. 6:51 a.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the 500 block of 4th St. SE, Hampton. 8:47 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 400 block of 4th St. SE, Hampton. 10:07 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 500 block of 6th St. SW, Hampton. 10:19 a.m.: Report of a parking ordinance violation in the 400 block of 2nd St. SE, Hampton. 10:23 a.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the 500 block of 1st Ave SE, Hampton. 10:25 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 400 block of 2nd St. SE, Hampton. 10:59 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 400 block of 4th St. SE, Hampton. 11:02 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 200 block of 4th Ave SE, Hampton. 11:03 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 400 block of 1st St. SE, Hampton. 11:06 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 100 block of 4th Ave SE, Hampton. 11:08 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 400 block of S Federal St., Hampton. 11:10 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 400 block of 1st St. SE, Hampton. 11:14 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 300 block of 3rd St. SE, Hampton. 11:16 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 100 block of 4th St. SE, Hampton. 11:17 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 200 block of 2nd Ave SE, Hampton. 11:27 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 20 block of 1st Ave SE, Hampton. 11:30 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 400 block of 1st St. SW, Hampton. 11:35 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 300 block of 3rd St. SW, Hampton. 11:39 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 300 block of 3rd Ave SW, Hampton. 11:40 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation

in the 300 block of 4th St. SW, Hampton. 11:58 a.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 500 block of 7th Ave SW, Hampton. 12:01 p.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 600 block of 5th St. SW, Hampton. 12:09 p.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 600 block of 1st Ave SW, Hampton. 12:18 p.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 600 block of 2nd Ave SW, Hampton. 12:22 p.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 300 block of 4th St. SE, Hampton. 12:24 p.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 400 block of 10th St. SE, Hampton. 12:29 p.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 200 block of 4th St. SE, Hampton. 12:40 p.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 10 block of 3rd Ave SW, Hampton. 12:41 p.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 100 block of 1st St. NW, Hampton. 12:43 p.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 400 block of 8th Ave SW, Hampton. 2:12 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the 1100 block of Central Ave E, Hampton. 2:55 p.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 600 block of 1st Ave NW, Hampton. 2:55 p.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 800 block of 2nd Ave NW, Hampton. 3:01 p.m.: Report of a nuisance/junk ordinance violation in the 10 block of 6th St. NW, Hampton. 3:23 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the 1100 block of Central Ave E, Hampton. **Tuesday, September 16:** Officers received six general calls. 12:13 a.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the 1200 block of Central Ave, Hampton. 2:09 a.m.: Report of a parking ordinance violation in the 10 block of 1st St. NW, Hampton. 7:32 a.m.: Report of harassment in the 100 block of 6th St. NW, Hampton. 8:08 a.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the area of the railroad tracks, Hampton. 9:14 a.m.: Report of false pretense/swindle in the 10 block of 2nd St. NW, Hampton. 9:38 a.m.: Report of civil disputes in the 200 block of 3rd Ave NW, Hampton. 9:48 a.m.: Report of a parking ordinance violation in the 100 block of 1st Ave SW, Hampton. 9:48 a.m.: Report of found articles in the 10 block of Central Ave W, Hampton. 9:54 a.m.: Report of a parking ordinance violation in the 100 block of 6th St. SE, Hampton. 11:00 a.m.: Report of suspicious activity in the 00 block of 4th Ave SE, Hampton. 11:08 a.m.: Report of found articles in the area of S Federal St., Hampton. 3:20 p.m.: Report of animals (except dogs) in the 00 block of 3rd Ave NW, Hampton. 5:25 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the 1200 block of Olive Ave, Hampton. 5:37 p.m.: Officers responded to a fire in the 1500 block of 4th St. NE, Hampton. 5:48 p.m.: Report of a weather issue in an unlisted area, Hamp-

ton. 8:05 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the 700 block of 8th Ave SW, Hampton. 9:11 p.m.: Officers conducted a residence/building check in the 600 block of S Federal St., Hampton. 9:27 p.m.: Report of harassment in the 200 block of 5th Ave NE, Hampton. 11:33 p.m.: Report of a suspicious person in the 100 block of Central Ave W, Hampton. **Wednesday, September 17:** 2:49 a.m.: Report of a parking ordinance violation in the 200 block of 1st St. NW, Hampton. 4:32 a.m.: Officers responded to an alarm in the 1600 block of 4th St. NE, Hampton. 12:02 p.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the 200 block of 1st Ave SW, Hampton. 2:04 p.m.: Report of an accident with property damage in the 100 block of 12th Ave NW, Hampton. 2:27 p.m.: Report of a suspicious vehicle in the 400 block of 8th Ave SW, Hampton. 2:50 p.m.: Report of false pretense/swindle in the 500 block of 1st Ave NW, Hampton. 3:01 p.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the 700 block of 1st Ave NW, Hampton. 3:28 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the 1700 block of Central Ave E, Hampton. 4:37 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the 1700 block of Central Ave E, Hampton. 6:06 p.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the 100 block of 6th St. NW, Hampton. **Thursday, September 18:** Officers assisted with two medical calls and received one general call. 2:49 a.m.: Report of a parking ordinance violation in the 10 block of 1st Ave NW, Hampton. 2:53 a.m.: Report of a parking ordinance violation in the 200 block of 6th St. SE, Hampton. 3:20 a.m.: Report of a parking ordinance violation in the 200 block of 2nd St. NW, Hampton. 8:18 a.m.: Report of a parking ordinance violation in the 100 block of 6th St. SE, Hampton. 8:48 a.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the 100 block of 12th Ave NW, Hampton. 11:08 a.m.: Report of dog calls in the 400 block of 10th Ave NE, Hampton. 11:17 a.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the 1700 block of Central Ave, Hampton. 11:37 a.m.: Report of disturbance in the 200 block of 1st St. NW, Hampton. 1:37 p.m.: Report of harassment in the 400 block of 7th St. SW, Hampton. 3:29 p.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of Hwy 65 and 19th Ave NE, Hampton.; 3:55 p.m.: Officers assisted with booking information in the 100 block of 5th St. SW, Hampton. 6:59 p.m.: Report of a disabled vehicle in the 10 block of 1st Ave NW, Hampton. **Friday, September 19:** Officers assisted with one medical call and received 12 general calls. 12:20 a.m.: Report of a suspicious vehicle in the 1300 block of N Federal St., Hampton. 3:07 a.m.: Report of a parking ordinance violation in the 100 block of 2nd Ave NW, Hampton. 8:36 a.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the 100 block of 11th PL NE, Hampton. 11:53 a.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the 00 block of 6th St. SE, Hampton. 1:49 p.m.: Report of lost arti-

cles in the 300 block of 3rd Ave NW, Hampton. 7:58 p.m.: Report of a parking ordinance violation in the 1300 block of N Federal St., Hampton. 11:24 p.m.: Report of a suspicious vehicle in the area of Hariman's Park, Hampton. 11:56 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the 100 block of 1st St. NE, Hampton. **Saturday, September 20:** Officers assisted with three medical calls and received four general calls. 3:56 p.m.: Report of animals (except dogs) in the area of the Hampton Cemetery, Hampton. 5:33 p.m.: Report of an environmental issue in the area of the bike trail and Seabees, Hampton. 6:06 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the 1700 block of Central Ave E, Hampton. 8:02 p.m.: Report of located property in the area of Progress Park, Hampton. 8:32 p.m.: Report of a deer accident in the area of Central Ave W and Olive Ave, Hampton. 8:58 p.m.: Report of a suspicious person in the area of First Bank Hampton, Hampton. 11:54 p.m.: Report of debris on roadway/right of way in the 1100 block of Hwy 65, Hampton. **Sunday, September 21:** Officers executed one traffic stop and received five general calls. 3:04 a.m.: Report of a parking ordinance violation in the 10 block of N Federal St., Hampton. 3:15 a.m.: Report of a parking ordinance violation in the 100 block of 2nd St. NW, Hampton. 6:32 a.m.: Report of a parking ordinance violation in the 500 block of 1st Ave SE, Hampton. 10:45 a.m.: Report of a parking ordinance violation in the 300 block of 3rd Ave SE, Hampton. 11:00 a.m.: Officers assisted the county department with an issue in the 1800 block of Lark Ave, Hampton. 12:16 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the 900 block of 1st St. NE, Hampton. 3:35 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the 1700 block of Central Ave E, Hampton. 5:01 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the 1700 block of Central Ave E, Hampton. 7:43 p.m.: Report of civil disputes in the 400 block of 12th Ave NW, Hampton.

Franklin County Sheriff Reports

Monday, September 15: Officers executed five traffic stops, assisted with one medical call, received a report for two controlled burns, and received five general calls. 1:19 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the area of 100th St., Dows. 5:12 p.m.: Report of dog calls in the area of 180th St., Alexander. 6:20 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the area of Hardin Rd, Iowa Falls. 7:41 p.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the area of S Reynolds St., Latimer. 9:51 p.m.: Officers assisted other agencies with an issue in the area of Bliss Blvd, Iowa Falls. 10:25 p.m.: Officers assisted other agencies with an issue in the area of 225th St., Sheffield. 10:41 p.m.: Officers assisted

other agencies with an issue in the area of Park St., Ackley. **Tuesday, September 16:** Officers received a report for two controlled burns and received three general calls. 1:48 a.m.: Officers executed local warrants in the area of Lark Ave, Mason City. 2:21 p.m.: Report of false pretense/swindle in an unknown area, Franklin County. 4:20 p.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the area of Quail Ave, Hampton. 5:32 p.m.: Report of a weather issue in an unlisted area, Franklin County. 7:12 p.m.: Report of a domestic matter in the area of Gilman St., Sheffield. 7:32 p.m.: Report of a vehicle off roadway in an unlisted area, Alden. 8:32 p.m.: Report of juveniles in an unlisted area, Sheffield. 10:31 p.m.: Report of a domestic matter in the area of State St., Alexander. **Wednesday, September 17:** Officers received five general calls. 7:13 a.m.: Report of theft from building in the area of 170th St., Hampton. 11:01 a.m.: Report of a garbage complaint in the area of 190th St. and Heather Ave, Latimer. 12:11 p.m.: Report of theft/larceny in the area of Van Kirk St., Latimer. 2:11 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the area of 90th St. and Lark Ave, Hampton. 3:53 p.m.: Report of a disabled vehicle in the area of Jonquil Ave, Latimer. 7:48 p.m.: Report of a disabled vehicle in the 1500 block of Hwy 65, Hampton. 11:29 p.m.: Report of a dispatch call in the area of the Hampton-Dumont High School, Hampton. **Thursday, September 18:** Officers received a report for two controlled burns and received six general calls. 5:09 a.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of I-35 and mile mark 157 northbound, Dows. 5:50 a.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the area of 210th St., Chapin. 8:03 a.m.: Report of civil disputes in the area of Monroe St., Geneva. 9:24 a.m.: Report of a vehicle off roadway in the area of Timber Ave and 125th St., Hampton. 11:55 a.m.: Officers assisted with prisoner transport in the area of Central Ave E, Hampton. 4:29 p.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of I-35 and mile mark 168 northbound, Latimer. 4:55 p.m.: Report of a school bus violation in the area of 190th St., Alexander. 6:28 p.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the area of Apricot Ave, Dows. 10:20 p.m.: Report of a suspicious vehicle in the area of the Hampton Vet Center, Hampton. 11:41 p.m.: Officers assisted with booking information in the 100 block of 5th St. SW, Hampton. **Friday, September 19:** Officers executed three traffic stops and received three general calls. 1:53 p.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of Hwy 3 and Balsam Ave, Latimer. 4:18 p.m.: Report of suspicious noise/fireworks in the 100 block of 190th St., Alexander. 7:02 p.m.: Officers executed an arrest warrant in the 100

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block of 5th St. SW, Hampton.
 -7:23 p.m.: Report of a dispatch call in the area of I-35 and mile mark 153 northbound, Dows.

-9:39 p.m.: Report of a suspicious vehicle in the area of Nettle Ave, Hampton.

-10:35 p.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of Prairie Bridges, Ackley.

Saturday, September 20:
 -Officers assisted with one medical call, received a report for three controlled burns, and received four general calls.

-8:58 a.m.: Officers executed local warrants in an unlisted area, Des Moines.

-9:56 a.m.: Report of an animal on roadway in the area of Quail Ave and 140th St. , Hampton.

-11:46 a.m.: Report of a vehicle off roadway in the area of Mallard Ave, Bradford.

-1:59 p.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of I-35 and mile mark 158 northbound, Dows.

-2:10 p.m.: Report of an accident with personal injury in the area of I-35 and mile mark 164, Coulter.

-2:55 p.m.: Report of traffic complaints in the area of I-35 and mile mark 173 northbound, Latimer.

-6:15 p.m.: Report of a stolen property offense in the area of 200th St. , Chapin.

-10:49 p.m.: Report of a hit and run accident in the area of I-35 southbound and mile mark 162, Dows.

-11:04 p.m.: Report of a suspicious vehicle in the area of Hwy 3 and I-35, Latimer.

Sunday, September 21:
 -Officers executed three traffic stops, assisted with three medical calls, received a report for five controlled burns, and received three general calls.

-2:40 a.m.: Report of a drug/narcotic violation in an unlisted area, Hampton.

-6:21 a.m.: Report of located property in the area of Cerro Gordo St. , Sheffield.

-8:25 a.m.: Report of false 911 calls in the area of Popejoy Ave, Popejoy.

-10:55 a.m.: Report of a domestic matter in the area of Lark Ave, Hampton.

-4:46 p.m.: Report of a stolen property offense in the area of Lark Ave, Hampton.

-5:11 p.m.: Report of false 911

calls in the area of 110th St. , Dows.

Butler County Sheriff Reports

Monday, Sept. 15:

Officers executed four traffic stops, assisted with three medical calls, assisted two motorists, received a report for one controlled burn, and received four general calls.

2:55 a.m.: Report of a parking complaint in the area of 3rd and Coates St.

5:49 a.m.: Report of property damage in the area of 212th St and Union Ave.

6:29 a.m.: Report of a driving complaint in the 100 block of Cherry St.

7:26 a.m.: Officers responded to an alarm in the 200 block of W South St.

8:51 a.m.: Report of a weapon permit issue in the 400 block of 6th St.

11:14 a.m.: Report of a phone scam in the 22900 block of Douglas Ave.

11:27 a.m.: Logan Alexander Occhi, 22 of Cedar Falls, arrested on a court ordered hold, jailed.

1:15 p.m.: Officers conducted an arrest warrant in the 400 block of 6th St.

3:01 p.m.: Report of a phone scam in the 700 block of Elm St.

3:23 p.m.: Report of a weapon permit issue in the 400 block of 6th St.

4:15 p.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 11100 block of Grand Ave,

4:19 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 400 block of 6th St.

4:41 p.m.: Officers conducted an arrest warrant in the 400 block of 6th St.

6:26 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 1200 block of Florence St.

6:36 p.m.: Report of property damage in the area of 110th St and Willow Ave.

6:55 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 700 block of Quinn St.

7:39 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 300 block of S Main St.

8:24 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 400 block of S Fremont St.

Tuesday, Sept. 16:

Officers executed two traffic stops, assisted with five medical calls, received a report for two controlled burns, and received two general calls.

2:01 a.m.: Report of maintenance in the 400 block of 6th St.

7:13 a.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 900 block of 7th St.

10:31 a.m.: Report of fraud/identity theft in the 15600 block of Jay Ave.

11:39 a.m.: Report of property damage in the area of 300th St and Union Ave.

11:50 a.m.: Report of theft in the 1100 block of Gray St.

12:43 p.m.: Officers conducted fingerprints for the public in the 400 block of 6th St.

2:04 p.m.: Report of theft in the 1100 block of Gray St.

2:39 p.m.: Officers conducted a vehicle inspection in the 300 block of 3rd St.

2:48 p.m.: Report of DNR calls in the 200 block of N Johnson st.

2:52 p.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the 200 block of N Johnson St.

3:05 p.m.: Report of a weapon permit issue in the 400 block of 6th St.

3:16 p.m.: Jason Dean Uhlenhopp, 57 of Aplington, arrested for domestic assault - impede air/blood flow, jailed.

3:38 p.m.: Officers conducted an arrest warrant in the 400 block of 6th St.

3:57 p.m.: Report of a weapon permit issue in the 400 block of 6th St.

4:50 p.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 400 block of 6th St.

5:47 p.m.: Kelly John Bohlen, 55 of Shell Rock, arrested for OWI-1st offense, jailed

5:53 p.m.: Report of jail inquiries in the 400 block of 6th St.

6:23 p.m.: Report of return calls/follow-ups in the 400 block of 6th St.

8:38 p.m.: Report of vandalism/criminal mischief in the 300 block of E Ely St.

9:48 p.m.: Report of property damage in the area of Conn St and Florence St.

Wednesday, Sept. 17:
 Officers assisted with three medical calls, assisted one motorist, received a report for three controlled burns, and received one general call.

5:19 a.m.: Report of office personnel calls in the 400 block of 6th St.

7:32 a.m.: Report of juvenile problems in the 400 block of S 2nd St.

7:40 a.m.: Report of dog/deer/livestock in the area of 195th St and Hwy 188.

7:50 a.m.: Report of the veterans van in the 400 block of 6th St.

8:00 a.m.: Report of office personnel calls in the 600 block of Oak St.

8:29 a.m.: Report of scams in the 100 block of 4th NE St.

8:47 a.m.: Report of jail inquiries

the 300 block of 3rd St.

9:06 a.m.: Report of dog/deer/livestock in the 19200 block of Vail Ave.

9:12 a.m.: Report of an unknown problem in the 20800 block of 160th St.

10:59 a.m.: Report of probation calls in the 400 block of 6th St.

11:09 a.m.: Report of DNR calls in the 300 block of 3rd St.

12:42 p.m.: Report of dog/deer/livestock in the 500 block of Howard St.

1:19 p.m.: Report of fraud/identity theft in the 13900 block of Pearl LN.

1:21 p.m.: Report of fraud/identity theft in the 700 block of Elm St.

6:00 p.m.: Report of jail inquiries in the 400 block of 6th St.

8:20 p.m.: Officers conducted an arrest warrant in the 200 block of E 6th St.

8:38 p.m.: Report of theft in the 800 block of West St.

9:20 p.m.: Report of a domestic/family matter in the 600 block of Main St.

Thursday, Sept. 18:
 Officers executed three traffic stops, assisted with one medical calls, assisted seven motorists, and received two general calls.

1:28 a.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 700 block of 8th St, Grundy Center.

2:32 a.m.: Report of a parking complaint in the area of 3rd St and Coates St.

4:59 a.m.: Report of an unknown problems in the 900 block of 7th St.

6:42 a.m.: Report of property damage in the area of 32600 block of Ridge Ave.

7:03 a.m.: Report of a test in the 400 block of 6th St.

7:04 a.m.: Report of property damage in the area of 210th St and Grand Ave.

8:30 a.m.: Report of transport in the area of Hwy 3 and S Main St.

8:44 a.m.: Report of a road closed in the area of Forest Ave and Hwy 57.

10:46 a.m.: Report of theft in the 100 block of Colfax St.

11:43 a.m.: Report of a driving complaint in the 21400 block of Hwy 3.

1:17 p.m.: Report of a parking complaint in the 600 block of 1st St.

1:47 p.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 22100 block of Hwy 3.

2:22 p.m.: Report of dog/deer/livestock in the 227600 block of Temple Ave.

3:00 p.m.: Officers conducted an arrest warrant in the 1100 block of 14th Ave, Eldora.

4:38 p.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 21800 block of Logis-

tics Park Dr.

5:10 p.m.: Report of property damage in the area of Butler Ave and Hwy 3.

5:26 p.m.: Report of jail inquiries in the 400 block of 6th St.

5:35 p.m.: Report of trespass in the 200 block of N Main St.

6:53 p.m.: Officers conducted a search warrant in the 19100 block of 300th St.

7:55 p.m.: Joshua Daniel Sellers, 42 of Manly, arrested for driving under suspension, ongoing criminal conduct-enterprise, and two counts of conspire to commit non-force felon, jailed.

9:28 p.m.: Report of dog/deer/livestock in the 1100 block of S Main St.

9:43 p.m.: Nathanael Aaron Hutchison, of Aplington, arrested for OWI - 1st offense, speed in 55-zone(20+ over), reckless driving, and failure to maintain control, jailed

Friday, Sept. 19:

Officers executed five traffic stops, assisted with two medical calls, assisted one motorist, received a report for two controlled burns, and received two general calls.

1:40 a.m.: Chris Hilton Wooten, 46 of Parkersburg, arrested for a sex offender verification and violation of parole, jailed.

6:37 a.m.: Report of property damage in the area of Hwy 57 and Ridge Ave.

10:09 a.m.: Report of a suspicious vehicle/person/activity in the 400 block of 4th St.

10:43 a.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 400 block of 6th St.

10:46 a.m.: Officers conducted fingerprints for the public in the 400 block of 6th St.

10:54 a.m.: Report of trainings in the 400 block of 6th St.

11:02 a.m.: Report of property damage in the 100 block of 4th NE st.

12:11 p.m.: Report of a phone scam in the 900 block of Cherry St.

1:06 p.m.: Report of a violation of no contact order in the 23500 block of 250th St.

2:39 p.m.: Report of a sex offender registry issue in the 400 block of 6th St.

2:49 p.m.: Report of a property exchange in the 26600 block of 1st St.

4:05 p.m.: Report of a driving complaint in the 23900 block of 220th St.

4:07 p.m.: Report of a driving complaint in the area of Hwy 14 and Hwy 57.

4:13 p.m.: Report of a sex offender registry issue in the 800 block of Elm St.

4:45 p.m.: Report of dog/deer/livestock in the area of 4th St and Colfax St.

5:00 p.m.: Report of jail inquiries in the 400 block of 6th St.

6:54 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 300 block of Mian St.

7:20 p.m.: Report of civil department requests in the 26600 block of 1st St.

7:53 p.m.: Report of property damage in the area of N Center St and Hwy 3.

8:56 p.m.: Officers conducted an arrest warrant in the 400 block of 6th St.

Saturday, Sept. 20:

Officers executed ten traffic stops, assisted with two medical calls, assisted two motorists, received a report for two controlled burns, and received four general calls.

1:40 a.m.: Report of a domestic/family matter in the 21500 block of Newell Ave.

7:58 a.m.: Report of a driving complaint in the area of Hwy 57 and Orchid Ln.

9:10 a.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the 100 block of E Main St.

10:23 a.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check in the 15800 block of Hwy 188.

11:55 a.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 900 block of S Mather St.

12:021 p.m.: Report of a 911 call in the 23500 block of Hwy 57.

1:29 p.m.: Officers responded to an alarm in the 100 block of Wemple St.

2:47 p.m.: Report of dog/deer/livestock in the 22300 block of Hwy 3.

6:16 p.m.: Report of theft in the 100 block of 5th St SW, Hampton.

6:48 p.m.: Report of harassment in the 700 block of Hwy 57.

7:31 p.m.: Report of fireworks in the 29400 block of 310th St.

Sunday, Sept. 21:

Officers executed seven traffic stops, assisted with three medical calls, assisted one motorists, and received a report for two controlled burns.

6:55 a.m.: Officers responded to an alarm in the 500 block of W Prospect St.

10:13 a.m.: Officers responded to an assault/fight in the 400 block of 8th St.

12:11 p.m.: Officers responded to an alarm in the 27600 block of Temple Ave.

12:14 p.m.: Report of road debris in the 12400 block of Hickory Ave.

5:22 p.m.: Report of return calls/follow-ups in the 500 block of 4th St.

5:30 p.m.: Report of the Sunday night test page in the 400 block of 6th St.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Quit Claim Deed: Timothy J Mason, Cora L Mason to Cora L Mason, Timothy J Mason; Hamp Victp Blk 4 Lot 17
Warranty Deed: Mark A Nalan to Lance W Groh, April L Groh; Shef Sheffield Perrin's Lot 3 Parcel 2025 18
Change of Title: Jessica J Freerks, Jessica Fox to Randy

E Freerks; 35-93-19 Tract
Quit Claim Deed: Cassandra D Stoneburner to Jordan T Brass; 34-92-20 SE NW Tract, Hamp Jvhm2 Blk 1 Lot 11
Change of Title: Heather J Johnstone Estate to Ronald A Johnstone Jr.; Hamp Orig Blk 3 Lot 3-4 Part
Warranty Deed: Ronald A

Johnstone Jr., Billie Jo Johnstone to Billie Jo Johnstone, Ronald A Johnstone Jr.; Hamp Orig Blk 3 Lot 3-4 Part
Warranty Deed: Mark A Nalan to Lance W Groh, April L Groh; Shef Sheffield Perrin's Lot 3 Parcel 2025 18
Warranty Deed: Mark A Nalan to Kenneth J Berding, Carla

J Berding; Shef Sheffield Perrin's Lot 3 Parcel 2025 19
Quit Claim Deed: Randall R Grilz, Sharon Grilz to Randall R Grilz Trustee, Randall R Grilz Revocable Trust; 18-93-19 NE NW Parcel 2020 44
Warranty Deed: Ruth Ann Kelch to Franklin County Agricultural Extension District;

Hamp Orig Blk 14 Lot 4
Warranty Deed: Mary Jane Bell, Mary Elizabeth Schulz, Nicholas Alan Schulz, Constance C Horsman, Gregg Allen to Shawn Alldredge, Jessica A Alldredge; 28-92-20 NW Part
CT Officer Deed: Ida J Fahrman Estate, Paul Fahrman

Executor to Paul Fahrman; 19-92-21 NE SW Tract Part, 13-92-22 NE, 19-92-21 N2 NW SE Tract, Lati Latimer Clock's 1st Blk 10 Lot 1, Lati Latimer Clock's 1st Blk 9 Lot 1-2

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Steven Tassinari, 64, Dows, to Zhan Yi, 46, Dows.
 Jose Cortes Marquez, 33, Hampton, to Juanita Flores, 30, Hampton.

Mariana Yanez, 25, Alexander, to Silvano Castillo Calles, 29, Alexander.



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West Fork CSD Bills September 2025

Vendor Name	Board Report - Newspaper	Amount	Vendor Description	Amount
West Fork Community School District	PAID IN AUGUST - APPROVED SEPTEMBER		AMAZON BUSINESS	1,026.43
GENERAL FUND			BRITAIN, CHUCK	178.50
AMAZON BUSINESS			BSN SPORTS	282.20
CARD SERVICES			CARD SERVICES	2,674.89
CENTRAL LOCK & KEY INC.			CENTRAL RIVERS AEA	3.11
CITY OF ROCKWELL			IOWA BASKETBALL HOLDINGS LLC	900.00
CITY OF SHEFFIELD			IOWA SPORTS SUPPLY	281.00
COUNSEL			MATBOSS, LLC	259.00
D & L SANITATION, INC.			MENARDS - MASON CITY	15.96
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES			PEPSI-COLA	1,636.88
DIAMOND-VOGEL PAINTS			SHELLEY SHEPPARD	286.59
ELECTRONIC SPECIALTIES, INC.			VARSITY SPIRIT FASHION	618.93
EMHOFF, ABBIE			TOTAL	11,148.59
EXHAUST PROS OF MASON CITY			West Fork Community School District	
FASTENAL			Board Report - Newspaper	
FESSLER, TONYA			Vendor Name	
FIVE STAR CO-OP			GENERAL FUND	
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS			210TH STREET BAKERY	171.50
IMAGINE LEARNING LLC			ACT EDUCATION CORP	485.00
IOWA COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK			AHLERS & COONEY P.C.	683.50
IOWA DIVISION OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION			ALL STAR PEST CONTROL	75.00
J.W. PEPPER & SON, INC.			AMAZON BUSINESS	5,748.80
JOHNSON CONTROLS FIRE PROTECTION LP			BATTERIES & BULBS	268.71
MCGRAW-HILL SCHOOL EDUCATION HOLDING			BLAZEK ELECTRIC	2,117.64
MENARDS - MASON CITY			BORCHARDT, TYLER	167.04
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY			CAROLINA BIOLOGICAL SUPPLY COMPANY	314.85
MORT'S WATER COMPANY			CASEY'S BUSINESS MASTERCARD	110.76
NASSCO			CENTRAL IOWA DISTRIBUTING, INC.	6,254.00
NIACC			CENTRAL LOCK & KEY INC.	20.00
NORTH IOWA BUS COMPANY			CERRO GORDO COUNTY TREASURER	370.00
Pommrehn, Talia			COMMITTEE FOR CHILDREN	3,741.00
RANDY BOHMAN			COUNSEL	29.99
ROCKWELL COOPERATIVE TELEPHONE			COUNTRY DESIGNS	160.00
SANDE CHIROPRACTIC			CULLIGAN	176.50
SCHOLASTIC			DRIVE WISE	217.50
SCHOOL BUS SALES CO.			IOWA CONSERVATION EDUCATION COALITION	50.00
SCHOOL MATE			LANDFILL OF NORTH IOWA	43.03
SCHUMACHER ELEVATOR COMPANY			NASSCO	1,165.76
SHERWIN WILLIAMS CO. THE			NIACC	840.00
FLEET FARM			NONVIOLENT CRISIS INTERVENTION	1,809.15
TEACHING STRATEGIES, LLC			QUILL CORPORATION	336.49
WEST FORK CSD - ACTIVITY ACCOUNT			SANCO EQUIPMENT	427.00
WEST FORK MUSIC BOOSTERS			STAPLES ADVANTAGE	726.98
WILLABY'S BRICKYARD BISTRO			WEST FORK CSD - ACTIVITY ACCOUNT	32.25
WOOD, AUTUMN			TOTAL	26,542.45
TOTAL			MANAGEMENT FUND	
PHYSICAL PLANT AND EQUIPMENT			SU INSURANCE COMPANY	2,257.25
AMAZON BUSINESS			CAPITAL PROJECTS	2,257.25
BATTERIES & BULBS			AMAZON BUSINESS	949.90
DEMCO			TOTAL	949.90
DOORS INC.			PHYSICAL PLANT AND EQUIPMENT	
MASON CITY GLASS SERVICE			ACCESS SYSTEMS	1,578.00
MENARDS - MASON CITY			AMAZON BUSINESS	4,856.50
MICK GAGE PLUMBING & HEATING, INC.			ARCHITECTURAL SEAMLESS	10,733.66
MODERN			FM CONTROLS, INC.	846.50
N. WILSON CONCRETE & CONST.			Fund Number	18,014.66
RIVERSIDE TECHNOLOGIES, INC.			HOT LUNCH	
TOTAL			RUMMENS, SARAH	
HOT LUNCH			TOTAL	11.40
HEGTVEDT, KYLE/LAURA			ACTIVITY FUND	
TOTAL			AMAZON BUSINESS	1,677.66
WELLNESS CENTER			ARBITER SPORTS LLC	1,611.75
CARD SERVICES			BELMOND-KLEMMER COMMUNITY SCHOOL	220.00
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY			BSN SPORTS	1,885.17
TOTAL			COCA-COLA REFRESHMENTS	703.86
ACTIVITY FUND			SPLASH MULTISPORT & CUSTOM LLC	1,384.31
AGWSR CSD			TAYLOR, BRITTLYN	1,000.00
			TOTAL	8,482.75

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Latimer Council Minutes/Claims 9.10.25

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Mark Johansen, Mayor
Melissa Simmons, City Cler

The Latimer City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, September 10, 2025 at Latimer City Hall. Mayor Mark Johansen called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Council members Randy DeBour, Catherine Crooks, Deon Juhl and Elizabeth Symens all answering roll call. Eric Bruns was absent. Mayor Johansen led all in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a motion made by Crooks to approve the agenda and was seconded by Juhl. Motion passed unanimously.

Director of Maintenance reported he is back in full force and Joel will be working on the garbage truck in the coming days.

City clerk reported she has finished the 3 State reports due December 1st. Symens made a motion to approve the minutes from August 13, 2025 and was seconded by DeBour. Motion passed unanimously.

DeBour made a motion to approve the bills to be paid and was seconded by Juhl. Motion passed unanimously.

The Council reviewed the Budget Report, Revenue Report and Fund Balance Report.

Resolution 2025-08 approving the Street Finance Report for fiscal year 2025 was approved with a motion made by Crooks and seconded by Symens. Resolution passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

Resolution 2025-09 approving the Annual Finance Report for fiscal year 2025 was approved with a motion made by Juhl and seconded by Symens. Resolution passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

Resolution 2025-10 approving the Annual Urban Renewal Report for fiscal year 2025 was approved with a motion made by Symens and seconded by Juhl. Resolution passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

Resolution 2025-11 setting the annual wages for the Director of Maintenance effective 9/1/2025 at \$53,760.90 including a 3% (\$1,565.85) increase was approved with a motion made by DeBour and seconded by Juhl. Resolution passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

At 7:25 pm, Juhl made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by DeBour. Motion passed unanimously.

Mark Johansen, Mayor
ATTEST:
Melissa Simmons, City Clerk

General

Alliant Energy, city sign electricity	\$29.03
Aramark, office mats	\$158.56
Card Services, credit card payment	\$365.77
Column - Hampton, publishing	\$179.21
Dudley's, FD gas	\$27.27
E&E Repair, chain saw supplies	\$28.99
EFTPS, payroll taxes	\$422.01
Frontier Communications, phone service	\$171.03
IPERS, payroll withholding	\$308.97
Landus, chemicals	\$222.08
Melissa Simmons, phone reimbursement	\$40.00
Menards, supplies	\$172.60

MidAmerican Energy, electricity	\$323.53
Mort's Water, parts	\$39.50
Nelson Septic Services, monthly port a pots	\$125.00
NIACOG, annual membership	\$486.54
Treasurer, State of Iowa, state tax payment	\$125.92
Wayne Pralle, phone reimbursement and out of pocket expense	\$75.00
TOTAL	\$3,301.01
Road Use	
Jordan Sosa, skid loader tires	\$1,722.14
EFTPS, payroll taxes	\$608.81
IPERS, payroll withholding	\$437.21
MidAmerican Energy, electricity	\$538.12
Franklin REC, water tower electricity	\$97.35
Treasurer, State of Iowa, WET tax payment	\$351.46
Treasurer, State of Iowa, state tax payment	\$98.90
USA Blue Book, chemicals	\$584.21
TOTAL	\$3,073.25
Water	
AgSource Cooperative Services, water testing	\$489.00
EFTPS, payroll taxes	\$421.13
Frontier Communications, phone service	\$124.69
IPERS, payroll withholding	\$336.40
MidAmerican Energy, electricity	\$360.68
Franklin REC, water tower electricity	\$306.78
Treasurer, State of Iowa, WET tax payment	\$351.46
Treasurer, State of Iowa, state tax payment	\$98.90
USA Blue Book, chemicals	\$584.21
TOTAL	\$3,073.25
Sewer	
EFTPS, payroll taxes	\$308.46
Frontier Communications, phone service	\$124.17
IPERS, payroll withholding	\$220.57
MidAmerican Energy, electricity	\$84.65
Treasurer, State of Iowa, sales tax payment	\$25.87
Treasurer, State of Iowa, state tax payment	\$98.93
TOTAL	\$862.65
Garbage	
EFTPS, payroll taxes	\$422.15
IPERS, payroll withholding	\$240.05
Landfill of North Iowa, scale tickets and annual dues	\$978.12
Metro Waste Authority, recycling	\$298.56
MidAmerican, shed electricity	\$36.04
Treasurer, State of Iowa, sales tax payment	\$60.20
Treasurer, State of Iowa, state tax payment	\$48.17
TOTAL	\$2,083.29
Stormwater	
Treasurer, State of Iowa, sales tax payment	\$26.88
TOTAL	\$26.88
Total payroll	\$7,708.16
August Receipts	
General	\$1,547.46
Road Use	\$6,006.52
Employee Benefits	\$9.44
LOST	\$4,252.54
Debt Service	\$69.92
Water	\$7,976.15
Sewer	\$7,030.00
Garbage	\$6,743.45
Storm Water	\$3,179.45

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Franklin Co BOS Minutes, 9/22/2025

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS September 22nd 2025

A recording of the meeting can be found at www.youtube.com/@FranklinCountyBoardofSupervisors streams The Board of Supervisors met at 8:30AM on Monday, September 22nd, 2025, at the Franklin County Courthouse for a regular session with Board members Lukensmeyer, McVicker, and Vanness present.

Motion by Lukensmeyer, seconded by McVicker to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by McVicker, seconded by Lukensmeyer to approve the regular minutes from 9/15/2025. All ayes. Motion carried.

Public Comment & Board Committee Updates: John Muller from Ackley was present to share some additional concerns surrounding the CO2 pipeline. Ryan Peterson, Facilities Director, and Katy Flint, Auditor updated the Supervisors on the contract for the courthouse roof. All three Supervisors attended a Board of Adjustment meeting. Lukensmeyer attended Conservation Board and Family Focus. McVicker attended Northeast Iowa Workforce Development & NIACOG Housing Trust Fund. Vanness attended Franklin County Development & North Iowa Community Action Organization.

Jay Waddingham, Secondary Roads Engineer, met with the Supervisors to provide them an update on his department.

Motion by Lukensmeyer, seconded by McVicker to approve the closure of Nettle Ave. between 125th Street and 135th Street as of 9/15/2025 at 8:45AM for roadwork. All ayes. Motion carried.

The Supervisors recessed at 9:15AM for a drainage meeting. They reconvened at 9:20AM. Drainage minutes can be obtained from the Auditor's office or on the County website.

Motion by McVicker, seconded by Lukensmeyer to approve a resolution approving a Subdivision Waiver. The resolution reads in full:

RESOLUTION 2025-56

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY APPROVING A SUBDIVISION WAIVER WHEREAS, The Franklin County Subdivision Ordinance 6.2 allows waivers to the requirements set therein, and WHEREAS Jamie Carroll has asked for a subdivision waiver for the following parcels:

Parcel 2025-34 "Located in the East One-Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 23, Township 91 North, Range 20 West, of the 5th P.M. Franklin County, Iowa. Being a part of Lot 2, County Auditor's Irregular Survey Book, Page 102 as shown in Plat of Survey recorded on 8/13/2025 as Document Number 20251412 in the Office of the Franklin County Recorder."

to subdivide the land for financial and lending purposes related to refinancing.

BE IT RESOLVED That The Franklin County Board of Supervisors approve the Subdivision Waiver.

Roll call vote was as follows, Ayes: Lukensmeyer, McVicker, Vanness; Nays: None. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted.

Motion by Lukensmeyer, seconded by McVicker to approve the 2025 Healthiest State Annual Walk Day Proclamation. All ayes. Motion carried.

2025 Healthiest State Annual Walk Day Proclamation

WHEREAS, the health and well-being of our community members are of utmost importance, and regular physical activity is essential for maintaining a healthy lifestyle; and

WHEREAS the Healthiest State Annual Walk is a statewide initiative that encourages all Iowans to engage in physical activity by participating in a 30-minute walk on October 1st, 2025; and

WHEREAS the Healthiest State Annual Walk aims to promote the benefits of walking, including improved cardiovascular health, enhanced mental well-being, and strengthened community bonds; and

WHEREAS community coalitions, local businesses, schools, and organizations across Iowa are coming together to support and participate in this event, demonstrating a collective commitment to fostering a healthier, more active state; and

WHEREAS the Healthiest State Annual Walk provides an opportunity for individuals of all ages and abilities to join together in a shared effort to improve their health and the health of their communities; and

WHEREAS the participation of local government, community leaders, and citizens is crucial to the success of this initiative and to the promotion of a culture of health and wellness throughout Iowa.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Franklin County Board of Supervisors do hereby proclaim October 1st, 2025, as Healthiest State Annual Walk Day in Franklin County, Iowa, and encourage all residents to take part in this important event to promote physical activity and community well-being. We also order the clocktower to be set to Green in recognition of Iowa Healthiest State from September 29th October 10th, 2025.

The Supervisors reviewed FY2026 Budget Amendment requests from various department heads.

Motion by McVicker, seconded by Lukensmeyer to set October 6th at 10:00AM at the Courthouse for a public hearing pertaining to a FY2026 Budget Amendment. All ayes. Motion carried.

The Supervisors reviewed a request for proposals for audit services presented by the Auditor. After discussion, motion by McVicker, seconded by Lukensmeyer to approve the request for proposals for audit services for FY2026-FY2028. All ayes. Motion carried.

The Auditor proposed consolidating the regular meeting for the week of November 10th with the special session required on November 12th (for the canvas of election). After discussion, motion by McVicker, seconded by Lukensmeyer to approve setting November 12th as the date for the regular session the week of November 10th, 2025. All ayes. Motion carried.

The Supervisors acknowledged the Sheriff's Monthly Report for August 2025.

The Supervisors acknowledge the appointment of Butch Gruelke (appointed by the County Attorney per Iowa Code §341A.2(1)(b)).

Chairman Vanness adjourned the meeting at 9:33AM until Monday, September 29th, 2025, at 8:30AM at the Franklin County Courthouse.

ATTEST:
Chris Vanness, Chairman
Katy A. Flint, Auditor & Clerk to the Board

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Hampton v. Montes

IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY CITY OF HAMPTON, IOWA, a municipal corporation,
Petitioner,
vs.
REYES MONTES, JR.; HAYLEY J. MONTES; DEBRA S. ALLEN N/K/A DEBRA S. SCHRIBER; NORMAN R. ALLEN, JR.; PARTIES IN POSSESSION; FRANKLIN COUNTY, IA, AS TAX SALE CERTIFICATE HOLDER; RBC TRAILERS, LLC
Respondents.
No.: EQCV502255
ORIGINAL NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDENTS:

You are notified that a petition has been filed in the office of the clerk of this court naming you as the defendant in this action, which petition prays that the court award title to the real estate legally described as: LOT 4, EXCEPT THE WEST 59 FEET THEREOF, IN BLOCK 44, ORIGINAL TOWN OF HAMPTON, FRANKLIN COUNTY, IOWA (locally known as 321 South Federal Street, Hampton, Iowa) to the Plaintiff free and clear of all other parties right, title, interest, and claims in said real property. The name and address of the attorney for the Plaintiff is Taylor Nederhoff, 412 Washington Avenue, Iowa Falls, Iowa 50126. The attorney's phone number is 641-648-5083; facsimile number is 641-648-5085.

You must file your Appearance and Answer on the Iowa Judicial Branch eFile System, unless the attached Petition and Original Notice contains a hearing date for your appearance, or unless the court has excused you from filing electronically (see Iowa Court Rule 16.302).

Register for the eFile System at www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/Efile to file and view documents in your case and to receive notices from the court.

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Clerk of Court
Franklin County Courthouse
Hampton, Iowa 50441

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DRCV502259

IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY
Nelsi Sarahi Vasquez Oliva, Petitioner
vs. Gerson Adoni Zambrano Sanchez, Respondent
DRCV502259 Original Notice by Publication

Information for Respondent, Gerson Adoni Zambrano Sanchez : You are notified that Nelsi Sarahi Vasquez Oliva, the Petitioner, has filed a custody and visitation lawsuit concerning your child E.E.Z.V., naming you as Respondent. The contact information of the attorney for the Petitioner in this case is: Nathan Dallon, Hatch & Dallon, LLC, 1910 S 72 nd Street Suite 305, Omaha, NE 68124. That attorney's e-mail is: Ndallon@hatchdallon.com. His telephone number is: (402) 922-6010 and fax number is: (402) 922-6010.

Instructions to Gerson Adoni Zambrano Sanchez : You must file an Answer or a Motion with the Clerk of Court for Franklin County, 12 1st Avenue NW Ste. 203 Hampton, IA 50441, within 20 days after the final publication of this legal notice. If you do not respond, the court may enter a judgment against you giving Petitioner what she asked for in the Petition. You must register to eFile through the Iowa Judicial Branch website at <https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/Efile/> and obtain a log in and password to file and view documents in your case and to receive service and notices from the court. For general rules and information on electronic filing, refer to the Iowa Court Rules Chapter 16, Iowa Rules of Electronic Procedure, available on the Iowa Judicial Branch website. For court rules on the Personal Privacy Protection in court filings, refer to Division VI of the Iowa Court Rules, Chapter 16.

Important Notice to Gerson Adoni Zambrano Sanchez : You should talk to an attorney at once to protect your interests. If you choose not to have an attorney represent you in this matter, go to the Iowa Judicial Branch website for self-represented litigant information and family law forms. If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, call the disability coordinator Bill Watson 515-576-6336 (information at <http://www.iowacourts.gov>). Persons who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay Iowa TTY (1-800-735-2942). Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice.

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West Fork CSD Minutes September 9,15,25

West Fork Community School District Board Minutes Official Proceedings – Regular Meeting – September 15, 2025 – unapproved

The West Fork Board of Education met for its regular meeting in the Supt. Office in Rockwell. The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM by Board President, Holly Henricks. Board members present: Grant Petersen, Travis Butler, Amber Marzen and Erin Suntken. Also present were Superintendent Mike Kruger, MS/HS Principal Daren Huisenga, Elementary Principal Ashley Flatebo, and West Fork Board Secretary Lacey Pueggel.

Visitors: Petersen made a motion to approve the Agenda, Minutes from August 18, 2025, September 2025 Bills, August 2025 Bills, and Accrued Bills for FY25; seconded by Marzen. Motion carried 5-0.

Principals Report: 1. This week is Homecoming Week 2. FAST testing is taking place 3. All the New Staff are doing a great job 4. Senior Students will be having lunch with the Sheffield Care Center Residents this week 5. So far it has been a great start to the new school year

Superintendent Report: 1. Met with Steve Sukup and Amy Flemming about a possible partnership for the Track Update project 2. Wednesday will attend the Conference Supt. Meeting 3. Thursday will be attending the Mentor/Mentee Supt. Meeting

Buildings and Grounds Report: 1. Working on a snow removal plan for both campuses OPPAI Food Service Report: 1. OPAA is currently working on hiring a new Food Service Director Technology Report: 1. Check in and Check out procedure is in place at the Secondary

Old Business: Update on the Roofing and Safe Secure Entrance projects. SiteLogIQ is working on the bid documents, hoping to get started soon.

New Business: A discussion was held on the Teacher Accelerated Learning Grant. Suntken moved to approve a 28E Agreement for Media Specialist with CAL and Wendy Lamos for 1 day a week sharing time; seconded by Petersen. Motion carried 5-0. Petersen moved to approve the 3 year Lease Agreement with Synergy for leasing the space in the Wellness Center and the renewal of the Sports Medicine Event Coverage for the 25-26 school year; seconded by Suntken.

Motion carried 5-0. Butler moved to enter into Public Hearing for the Renewal of the Instructional Support Levy; seconded by Marzen. Ayes: Petersen, Suntken, Butler, Marzen, Henricks. Nays: N/A. Motion passed.

Public Hearing was held on the renewal of the Instructional Support Levy (ISL) as authorized by Iowa code section 257.18. The ISL is renewable for 5 years and can be used for any general fund purpose.

Petersen moved to exit the Public Hearing; seconded by Butler. Ayes: Petersen, Suntken, Butler, Marzen, Henricks. Motion carried 5-0.

The Board of Directors of the West Fork Community School District in the County/ies of Cerro Gordo, Franklin, Wright, and Hancock, State of Iowa, met in Regular session, in the Rockwell Superintendent's Office in Rockwell, Iowa at five o'clock P.M. on September 15th, 2025. There were present President Holly Henricks, in the chair, and the following Board Members: Grant Petersen, Erin Suntken, Travis Butler, Amber Marzen. Absent: N/A.

Butler introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption. Petersen seconded the motion to adopt. The roll was called and the vote was: AYES: Petersen, Suntken, Butler, Marzen, Henricks; NAYS: N/A. The President declared the resolution adopted as follows: RESOLUTION TO CONTINUE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has approved a five (5) year finance plan, which anticipates the level of funding that will be possible to continue the current level of services and to fund the ongoing programs of the School District; and WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has given consideration to continue participation in the Instructional Support Program as provided in Iowa Code sections 257.18 through 257.21; and

WHEREAS, the Board has published notice of the time and place of a public hearing on the resolution; and WHEREAS, a hearing has been held upon the proposal to continue to participate in the Instructional Support Program and any objections are overruled:

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED: 1. The Board of Directors determines that it is consistent with the five (5) finance plan to fund the ongoing programs and services of the School District and it is in the best interest of the School District to participate in an Instructional Support Program as provided in Iowa Code sections 257.18 through 257.21, and to provide additional funding therefor for a period of five (5) years commencing the fiscal year ending June 30, 2031

2. The additional funding for the Instructional Support Program for a budget year will be determined annually, and will not exceed ten percent (10%) of the total regular program district cost for the budget year and moneys received under Iowa Code section 257.14 as a budget adjustment for the budget year.

3. Moneys received by the District for the Instructional Support Program may be used: for any general fund purpose. 4. The Instructional Support Program shall be funded by instructional support state aid and a combination instructional support property tax levied annually upon the taxable property within the School District commencing with the levy of property taxes for collection in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2031.

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5. Unless, within twenty-eight days following the adoption of this resolution, the Secretary of the Board receives a petition containing the signatures of eligible electors equal in number to not less than one hundred or thirty percent of the number of voters at the last preceding regular school election, whichever is greater, asking that an election be called to approve or disapprove this action of the Board adopting the Instructional Support Program, this action of the Board is final and the Secretary is authorized and directed to certify a copy of this resolution to the Department of Management.

In the event a petition containing the required number of signatures is filed with the Secretary of the Board within twenty-eight days of the adoption of this resolution, the President shall call a meeting of the Board to consider rescission of this resolution, or to direct the county commissioner of elections to submit the following question to the qualified electors of the School District at a special election.

Passed and approved this 15th day of September, 2025.

Following discussion, Butler moved to approve the Resolution: The West Fork CSD requests Allowable Growth to cover the costs of the Special Education Deficit from the 2024-2025 school year in the amount of \$787,038.67; seconded by Marzen. Motion carried 5-0.

Marzen moved to approve Holly Henricks to serve as the District Delegate at the IASB Delegate Assembly for the IASB Convention; seconded by Petersen. Motion carried 5-0.

Marzen moved to approve the Cooperative Agreement for placing Student Teachers with Iowa State University as presented; seconded by Petersen. Motion carried 5-0. Suntken moved to approve the Open Enrolled Out application(s) as presented; seconded by Petersen. Motion carried 5-0.

Butler moved to approve a contract with Jessica Alldredge to serve as the Football Cheer Coach; seconded by Suntken. Motion carried 4-0, with Petersen abstaining.

Butler moved to approve a contract with Elyse Fredin to serve as a Volunteer Football Cheer Coach; seconded by Suntken. Motion carried 4-0, with Petersen abstaining.

Marzen moved to approve the resignation of Football Cheer Coach, Yolanda Pralle; seconded by Butler. Motion carried 5-0.

Marzen moved to approve the resignation of Denise Shreve, Administrative Assistant; seconded by Butler. Motion carried 5-0.

Marzen moved to approve the resignation of Natasha Thomas, Para Rockwell Campus; seconded by Butler. Motion carried 5-0.

Next Board meeting, October 20, 2025, in Sheffield, in the Media Center. Butler moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 pm; seconded by Suntken. Motion carried 5-0.

Board President – Holly Henricks Board Secretary – Lacey Pueggel

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H-D BOE Special Meeting 9.11.25

HAMPTON-DUMONT BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES 9/11/2025

1. The Hampton-Dumont Board of Education met in a Special Meeting on September 11, 2025, in the District Boardroom. President Erran Miller called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm. Board members Erran Miller, Matt Showalter, Elisa Van Wert and Steve Severs were present in person. Board member Stephanie Powers arrived at 4:39 pm during the Closed Session. Board members Brent Hansen and Mark Morrison were absent. Also present were Superintendent Tim Felderman, Human Resources Manager Anne Lewis and Secretary Amanda Heiden.

Contracts: Nicole Groff as Substitute Teacher; Ashley Hearst as High School Associate; Scott Hoegh as Substitute Van Driver; Marianela Holmes as Middle School Associate; Colleen Hovenga as Substitute Teacher; Judy Larson as Middle School Special Education Teacher; Stephanie Swier as Middle School Associate; and Jessica Toomsen as Substitute Cook.

Resignations: Hannah Sanchez as Middle School Associate effective 9/9/2025. All ayes. Powers was not present at time of vote.

7. Motion was made by Severs, seconded by Van Wert, to move into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5(1)(j) to discuss the purchase of particular real estate only where premature disclosure could be reasonably expected to increase the price the governmental body would have to pay for that property.

Roll was called: Van Wert aye; Severs aye; Showalter aye; and Miller aye. By a vote of four to zero the motion passed. The board entered closed session at 4:32 pm. Also present were Superintendent Tim Felderman and Secretary Amanda Heiden.

Board member Stephanie Powers arrived at 4:39 pm during the closed session.

8. Motion was made by Showalter, seconded by Van Wert to return to open session. Roll was called: Van Wert aye; Severs aye; Showalter aye; Miller aye and Powers aye. By a vote of five to zero the motion to return to open session passed. The board returned to open session at 5:10 pm.

9. Motion was made by Van Wert, seconded by Severs, to adjourn. All ayes. The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 pm.

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Special Election Sample Ballot 9.30.25

Official Ballot form for Franklin County, Iowa, Tuesday, September 30, 2025. Includes instructions to voters and a ballot box for the CAL Community School District.

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Notice of Special Election, 9/30/25

NOTICE OF THE Special Election for the CAL Community School District

Public Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of the CAL Community School District in the counties of Franklin and Wright County, Iowa, that a Special Election for filling a school board vacancy will be held on September 30th, 2025.

The polls for said election will be open from seven o'clock a.m. (7:00a.m) until eight o'clock p.m. (8:00p.m.) All residents in the CAL School District residing in Franklin County & Wright County will vote in the locations listed below. Find your precinct and take note of your location to vote. Please note changes:

Latimer Community Center 104 N Akir Latimer, Iowa 50452 Hamilton/Reeve Marion Oakland/Morgan/Lee Richland/Ross/West Fork Wisner/Scott

IDENTIFICATION: Voters are required to provide an approved form of identification at the polling place before they may receive and cast a ballot.

Voters who are not pre-registered or who have changed precincts are required to provide proof of identity and residency. Any voter who cannot show ID may have their identity attested to by another registered voter in the precinct who has proper ID. Starting January 1, 2019, all voters will be required to present an approved form of identification.

VOTER ACCESSIBILITY: Any voter who is physically unable to enter a polling place has the right to vote in the voter's vehicle. For further information, please contact the County Auditor's office at 641.456.5622 or email at auditor@co.franklin.ia.us . NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, in accordance with Chapter 49.90 of the Iowa Code that any voter who is physically unable to enter a polling place has the right to vote in the voter's vehicle.

1. Katy A Flint, hereby certify that below is a correct copy of the ballot to be voted at the CAL Community School District Special Election to be held on September 30th, 2025.

The County Commissioner of Elections gives this notice pursuant to order of the Board of Directors of the School District

Certified By: Katy A Flint, Franklin County Auditor and Commissioner of Elections

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Jon Rieman Estate

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR Franklin COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Jon William Rieman, Deceased CASE NO. ESRP502057 NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Jon William Rieman, Deceased, who died on or about August 14, 2025: You are hereby notified that on September 17, 2025, the undersigned was appointed administrator of the estate.

Notice is hereby 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 the mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred. Dated on September 18, 2025.

Mary Peterson 1500 Sunset Drive Webster City, IA 50595 Administrator of the Estate

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

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CAL Minutes & Claims 9-16-25

CAL BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES 9/16/2025

1. The CAL Board of Education held its Regular Meeting on September 16, 2025, in the CAL CELL. President Beth Podolan called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. Board members Beth Podolan, Cathy Carlson Shon Osborn and Joe Campbell were present. Also present were Superintendent Todd Lettow, Principal Abby Meyer, Director of Academic Services Jen Koenen, Human Resources Manager Anne Lewis and Secretary Amanda Heiden.

2. Motion was made by Campbell, seconded by Osborn, to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes.

3. There were no visitors.

4. There were no communications or public comments.

5. A motion was made by Carlson, seconded by Osborn, to approve the consent agenda. All ayes. Minutes of the August 19, 2025, Regular Meeting and the August 25, 2025, Joint Meeting were approved. Financial reports for the month were reviewed. The summary listing of bills was approved. A contract was approved for Carolina Gomez as Cub Cadet Childcare Worker. The board reviewed and approved three open enrollment applications out of the district to Hampton-Dumont and one application out to Iowa Falls for Homeschool Assistance for the 2025-2026 school year.

6. There were no items removed from the consent agenda.

7. The board heard reports from the following: Academic Services - Jen Koenen informed the board the district is working through making sure all students are coded accurately for reporting; Principal Report - Abby Meyer informed the board of upcoming events at the school and let them know the first round have FAST testing has been completed; Superintendent Report - Todd Lettow informed the board the financial annual reports have been submitted and gave an update on Title funding.

8. There was no old business.

9. New Business

a. Motion was made by Campbell, seconded by Osborn, to call for sanding and snow bids pending further information as for the need of the bids. All ayes.

b. Motion was made by Carlson, seconded by Osborn, to approve a request for Modified Supplemental Amount for the Special Education Deficit in the amount of \$81,652.17. All ayes.

c. Motion was made by Campbell, seconded by Osborn, to authorize the district's administration to submit a request to the SBRC for a modified supplemental amount of \$29,384.79 due to excess costs of providing the EL program in the prior year. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0. The motion passed by a vote of four to zero.

d. Motion was made by Osborn, seconded by Campbell, to approve asking the proposed list of individuals to serve on the School Improvement Advisory Committee for the 2024-2025 school year. The individuals include: Alfonso Salazar; Lyla Hefti; Cathy Carlson; Genesis Reyes; Molly Johansen; Sarah DeBour; Brittany West; Joe/Anna Dunwald; Joe/Lili Alonzo; Abby Meyer; Kelsey Enslin; Todd Lettow and Jen Koenen. All ayes.

e. Motion was made by Carlson, seconded by Osborn, to approve the 28E Agreement with West Fork for Teacher Librarian as presented. All ayes.

f. Motion was made by Osborn, seconded by Carlson, to approve the lane advancements for 2025-2026 for: Kim Anderson; Bethany Currier; Kelsey Enslin; Riley Flint; Tara Lincicum and Krista State as presented. All ayes.

g. The board held second readings and a motion was made by Campbell, seconded by Osborn, to approve the following board policies: 503.09 Student Use of Personal Electronic Devices; 503.09R1 Student Use of Personal Electronic Devices Regulation. All ayes.

10. The board held quick discussion on the upcoming special and regular elections.

11. The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for October 21, 2025, at 5:30 pm in the CAL CELL.

12. Motion was made by Campbell, seconded by Osborn, to adjourn. All ayes. The meeting was adjourned at 6:42 pm.

GENERAL/MANAGEMENT/SAVE/PEPEL FUNDS VENDOR

VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT PAID
Advantage Administrators	Payroll Deductions & Withhold.	\$ 458.33
Agvantage Fs, Inc	Unleaded Gas	\$ 876.59
Ahlers & Cooney, P.c.	Legal services	\$ 138.00
Amazon Capital Services	Backpack and a Smile	\$ 3,019.66
CAL Child Nutrition Fund	Payroll Deductions & Withhold.	\$ 155.00
Central Lock Security	Need 8 FOBS for Franklin Co Sheriff Dept.	\$ 110.00
Central Rivers Aea	Overage amount of 40% flowthrough	\$ 421.79
Chemsearch	Water Testing and Chemical	\$ 664.95
Christian Larsen	August Lawn care	\$ 1,000.00
Column Software Pbc	Publications	\$ 289.25
Curriculum Associates, LLC	Workbooks	\$ 37.25
De Lage Landen Financial Services Inc	Copier Lease	\$ 1,750.02
Debour Electric, INC.	Electrical Services	\$ 1,478.41
Fareway Stores, INC.	Supplies	\$ 306.70
Franklin Rural Electric Coop.	Electricity	\$ 2,857.16

Frontier Communications	Phone	\$ 856.16
Hampton Dumont Insurance Fund	Medical Ins Payable	\$ 584.74
Hampton-Dumont Comm. School	Concurrent Enrollment FY25	\$ 16,024.70
Internal Revenue Service	FICA Payable	\$ 31,538.72
Iowa Assn Of School Business Officials	Membership Dues	\$ 250.00
Iowa Assn. Of School Boards	Membership Dues	\$ 1,621.00
Iowa Communications Network	Internet	\$ 100.11
Iowa Department Of Adm. Services	Annual Fee 403b	\$ 600.00
Iowa Department of Revenue	Payroll	\$ 2,975.54
Iowa Public Employees Ret Sys	Payroll	\$ 17,748.25
Iseba	Medical Ins Payable	\$ 26,422.27
Isfis	Membership Dues	\$ 518.70
Isfis	Background Checks	\$ 192.00
IXL Learning	Subscription	\$ 2,812.50
Latimer Insurance Agency	Commercial Property Insurance	\$ 109,634.00
M-G Floor Decor	Remodel- Flooring	\$ 675.06
Martin Brothers Dist. Co., Inc	Supplies	\$ 259.58
Mason City Community Sd	Open Enrollment Tuition	\$ 7,043.29
Mid-America Publishing Corp.	Subscription	\$ 95.50
Midamerican Energy Company	Bus Barn Electric	\$ 41.81
Midwest Alarm Services	Fire Alarm Repairs	\$ 59,278.50
Mort's Plumbing & Heating	Repairs & Supplies	\$ 4,544.40
Orkin LLC	Pest Control	\$ 777.32
ParentSquare, Inc	Website Migration & Annual Fee	\$ 8,340.00
R Comm	Annual Fee	\$ 425.00
Reliable1 Heating/Ac/Plumbing	HVAC Repairs	\$ 463.00
Rieman Music East	Instrument Repairs	\$ 165.00
Rochester 100 Inc	Supplies	\$ 336.20
Rural School Advocates	Membership Dues	\$ 550.00
Scholastic, INC.	Subscription	\$ 212.86
School Bus Sales Company	Transportation Parts	\$ 277.20
Schrader Construction	Construction	\$ 68,996.00
Stericycle, Inc	Shredding	\$ 96.51
Symmetry Energy Solutions, LLC	Natural Gas	\$ 315.85
The Electricians	Fire Alarm Electrical work	\$ 33,699.29
The Paper Corporation	Paper	\$ 1,301.60
Us Cellular	Phone	\$ 181.85
Visa (L)	Supplies & Subscription	\$ 1,870.90
Wheeler Construction	Roof Repairs	\$ 4,000.00
	TOTAL	\$ 419,389.12

ACTIVITY FUND VENDOR

Visa (L)	AMOUNT PAID	\$ 608.58
Visa (M)	PBIS Supplies	\$ 24.08
	TOTAL	\$ 632.66

CHILD NUTRITION VENDOR

Anderson Erickson Dairy Co.	Milk	\$ 1,058.19
Burtek Dry Ice	Dry Ice	\$ 766.48
CAL General Fund	Payroll Reimbursement	\$ 9,439.46
Martin Brothers Dist. Co., Inc	Food Supplies	\$ 4,682.41
	TOTAL	\$ 15,946.54

CHILD CARE FUND VENDOR

Tuition Express - Procure	Tuition Express Fees	\$ 244.84
Amazon Capital Services	Childcare Supplies	\$ 663.08
CAL Child Nutrition Fund	Lunch Reimbursement	\$ 1,841.75
CAL General Fund	Summer Field Trips & Payroll Reimb	\$ 30,557.86
Franklin Rural Electric Coop.	CC Electric	\$ 300.52
Martin Brothers Dist. Co., Inc	Child Care Snacks Reimb	\$ 519.91
MCI	Phone	\$ 52.06
Rockwell Cooperative Telephone	Internet	\$ 34.95
Visa (M)	Licensing Application Fee	\$ 289.29
	TOTAL	\$ 34,504.26

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PERFORMANCE: FROM PAGE B2

are strong student growth in Math achievement and in English Language Proficiency (ELPA21) growth.

Hampton-Dumont Middle School received a score in the "ACCEPTABLE" category, and due to specific measures was moved to a designation of "Needs Improvement." Despite the same diligent efforts as the rest of the district, several measures on the ISPP require more attention.

The middle school team is committed to continuous improvement with a focus on supporting struggling learners and reviewing math curriculum to better meet student needs. Particular areas of celebration from the ISPP for H-D Middle School are strong student growth in English Language Arts and English Language Proficiency (ELPA21) growth.

"We are proud of every student and staff member across Hampton-Dumont Schools," said Tim Felderman, Superintendent of Hampton-Dumont CSD. "The designations show where we are excelling and where we must focus more deeply in the near future, but across every building we see staff who care deeply about the learning and well-being

of each student. These recognitions affirm the good work already underway and the right work we will continue together."

The Iowa School Performance Profiles measure multiple indicators of student success, including proficiency and growth in reading, math, and science; student attendance; and—for high schools—graduation rates and postsecondary readiness.

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Franklin Co Budget Amendment FY26 #2

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - AMENDMENT OF CURRENT BUDGET
Board of Supervisors of FRANKLIN COUNTY
Fiscal Year July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026

The Board of Supervisors of FRANKLIN COUNTY will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of amending the current budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2026

Meeting Date/Time: 10/6/2025 10:00 AM Contact: Katy A Flint, Auditor Phone: (641) 456-5522

Meeting Location: Supervisors Meeting Room, Franklin County Courthouse

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

REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	Total Budget as Certified or Last Amended	Current Amendment	Total Budget After Current Amendment
Taxes Levied on Property	10,252,436	0	10,252,436
Less: Uncollected Delinquent Taxes - Levy Year	750	0	750
Less: Credits to Taxpayers	290,883	0	290,883
Net Current Property Tax	9,960,803	0	9,960,803
Delinquent Property Tax Revenue	165	0	165
Penalties, Interest & Costs on Taxes	0	0	0
Other County Taxes/TIF Tax Revenues	970,922	0	970,922
Intergovernmental	11,057,344	0	11,057,344
Licenses & Permits	36,450	0	36,450
Charges for Service	505,665	0	505,665
Use of Money & Property	370,585	0	370,585
Miscellaneous	90,360	3,000	93,360
Subtotal Revenue	22,992,294	3,000	22,995,294
Other Financing Sources:			
General Long-Term Debt Proceeds	0	0	0
Operating Transfers In	3,717,789	8,450	3,726,239
Proceeds of Fixed Asset Sales	35,000	0	35,000
Total Revenues & Other Sources	26,745,083	11,450	26,756,533
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES			
Operating:			
Public Safety and Legal Services	2,690,046	10,950	2,700,996
Physical Health and Social Services	1,619,980	0	1,619,980
Mental Health, ID & DD	0	0	0
County Environment & Education	1,007,174	0	1,007,174
Roads & Transportation	7,650,500	0	7,650,500
Government Services to Residents	866,609	3,650	870,259
Administration	9,716,128	25,000	9,741,128
Nonprogram Current	0	0	0
Debt Service	0	0	0
Capital Projects	480,000	0	480,000
Subtotal Expenditures	24,030,437	39,600	24,070,037
Other Financing Uses:			
Operating Transfers Out	3,717,789	8,450	3,726,239
Refunded Debt/Payments to Escrow	0	0	0
Total Expenditures & Other Uses	27,748,226	48,050	27,796,276
Excess of Revenues & Other Sources over (under) Expenditures & Other Uses	-1,003,143	-36,600	-1,039,743
Beginning Fund Balance - July 1, 2025	14,831,094	0	14,831,094
Increase (Decrease) in Reserves (GAAP Budgeting)	0	0	0
Fund Balance - Nonspendable	0	0	0
Fund Balance - Restricted	8,848,951	0	8,848,951
Fund Balance - Committed	0	0	0
Fund Balance - Assigned	1,630,861	0	1,630,861
Fund Balance - Unassigned	3,348,139	-36,600	3,311,539
Total Ending Fund Balance - June 30, 2026	13,827,951	-36,600	13,791,351

Explanation of Changes: K9 expenses, special election expenses, new HVAC for Community Resource Center, IT Expenses

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Homecoming Community Parade

The H-D-CAL homecoming parade, which started at the court house and ended at the high school, was held on Friday, Sept. 19. Photos by Jennifer Burnham and Evan Pharr.



The H-D-CAL marching band performing for community members during the parade.



Local veterans proudly making their way through the parade.



Some of the H-D-CAL football players were among those in the annual parade.



The H-D-CAL cheerleaders adding some pep to the parade.



The youth football players smile and wave for the crowd.



The Halsne family ready for the parade fun to begin.



The Treanor family was all smiles as they waited for the fun to begin.



The Robles family ready to cheer on their friends and family in the parade.



The Zárate family pose for a quick photo before the parade kicks off.



The Koenig family found a nice spot to watch the parade, right in front of the courthouse

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Homecoming Community Tailgate

The H-D-CAL student council hosted a community tailgate at the high school on Thursday, Sept. 18. Photos by Leslie Pralle Osborn and Kari Subbert.



Young children made the most of the indoor games at the tailgate.



The bounce houses all ready for a night of fun.



Student council members putting their face painting skills to the test.



There was no shortage of food at the tailgate.



The H-D-CAL cheerleaders didn't let the bad weather rain on their parade.



Drawing was one of many indoor activities at the community tailgate.



The bounce houses were a big hit at the tailgate.



Waiting for their turn in one of the bounce houses.



The H-D-CAL cheerleaders give it their all during the community tailgate.

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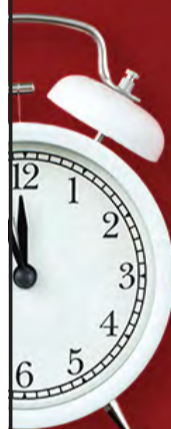


During this busy harvest season, please remember to **be watchful of farmers** as they travel Iowa's roadways. If you approach a tractor, combine or other farm vehicle, **slow down and be cautious.** Let's join Iowa's farmers as they work to keep the roadways safe for all Iowans!

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