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Grundy Family YMCA announces new location

GRUNDY CENTER - The Grundy Family YMCA has announced its plans to move to the building now occupied by the Grundy County REC on the east edge of Grundy Center. Grundy County Memorial Hospital recently purchased the building from the REC and will lease space to the YMCA.

"We are very happy to announce the new location for YMCA services," said YMCA Board President John Gordon. "The Grundy County Memorial Hospital is a great partner and we are looking forward to a new location and to even more shared programs that impact community health and wellness."

YMCA Director Andrew Peters said the new location provides more of what members want.

"It's conveniently located and will provide our members with increased hours of operation, which is something they've been asking for," Peters said. "The Y meets important community needs for individuals of all ages and abilities, and we're happy to be able to provide more access."

Grundy County Memorial Hospital announced in January that the hospital would purchase the REC building, which is located adjacent to hospital's campus.

"We're very pleased that the building meets the needs of the YMCA," said hospital CEO Jennifer Havens. "The mission of the Y to provide healthful activity for people of all ages is in perfect alignment with the hospital's increased focus on helping community members in our service area maintain good health. We're optimistic that the Y's new location adjacent to the hospital is the beginning of a long and beneficial relationship focused on health and wellness."

The Y plans to relocate to the REC building by July 1, 2016. YMCA Fitness Center hours will change to Monday through Friday from 5 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Current weekend hours at the YMCA are Saturday 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. and Sunday 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. YMCA members will be surveyed to provide input on expanding these current weekend hours.

An agreement between the hospital and REC allows the REC to continue to use the building while its new facility is constructed in the Grundy Center Development Park north of Grundy Center. During the shared use, YMCA services will be offered in the west side of the building. Members will access the facility and park on the west side of the building. REC services will be located in the north and east sections of the building, with a separate entrance for REC employees and customers.

Plans to maximize the facility for the YMCA's needs include removing walls to increase the floor space available for Fitness Center equipment and adding fitness flooring. Some of the current equipment in the YMCA Fitness Center at the Grundy Center High School will be moved to the facility and new equipment will also be purchased. New cardiovascular training machines will include treadmills, ellipticals, AMT, bicycles and an additional NuStep. Strength equipment will be available.

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What's Happening

Monday, April 11
BCLUW School Board
High School Media Center • 7 a.m.
Monday, April 11
Liscomb City Council
City Hall • 7 p.m.
Monday, April 18
Grundy Center City Council
City Hall • 6:30 p.m.

A league of their own

Grundy Center art students participate in mARTch madness

By MICHAELA KENDALL
The Grundy Register

GRUNDY CENTER - In honor of Youth Art Month, students at the Grundy Center Middle School-High School have been participating in their own version of March Madness, called "mARTch madness."

The idea came to art teacher Ronda Sternhagen after she received an art subscription that gave her access to thousands of images of art that could be used in the classroom.

"I thought, I have access to all these fantastic images, so what can I do with them?" Sternhagen said.

After some thought, she decided to put on her own version of March Madness - only with art.

Instead of forming brackets of basketball teams, students formed brackets made up of their favorite pieces of art, which are divided into four different categories: American realism, abstract art, pop art and impressionism.

Voting is held each week and the works of art have been slowly narrowed down to the Sweet 16, Elite 8, and now, the Final 4. Eventually, the two most popular pieces of art will face off in the polls, and the winner will emerge as Grundy Center's art champion. So far, she said the competition has



Ronda Sternhagen, the Grundy Center Middle School-High School art teacher, is hosting the first round of mARTch madness at the school this month. (Michaela Kendall/The Grundy Register photo)

been gaining more popularity as the weeks go on. The first round, she had 66 voters, and by the second round, she had 89 voters. She noted

that students were very enthusiastic about the competition, and some had even approached her with the idea to continue mARTch madness

next year, only with student created artwork instead - something she says she is seriously considering.

Currently, Grundy Center's

mARTch madness competition is down to the Final 4; a face off between William Baziotes' "Dwarf" and Joseph Raffael's "Paper Mill" for Abstract Expressionism vs. American Realism, and Claude Monet's "The Japanese Bridge and Water Lily Pond at Giverny" and Wayne Thiebaud's "Boston Cremes" for Impressionism vs. Pop Art.

"I've actually been a little surprised at some of the winners, but I have to think as a [student]; where their interests lie, and what they value and consider interesting in art," she said. "It gives me some insight into where their interests are, and it gives me an idea of where I need to be building some lesson plans that will build on those interests."

Sternhagen said that she predicts Baziotes' "Dwarf" will be the Cinderella piece, and win the competition.

"But you've got some heavy hitters, like Claude Monet's Water Lilies. I think we've got some competition going," she said.

Voting for the Final 4 will take place on Wednesday of this week, and the final vote for the art champion will be finished over the weekend. Keep an eye on next week's paper, as the Grundy Center art champion will be announced.

Hen and Chicks announces first ever Creative Harvest Festival

By ROB MAHARRY
The Grundy Register

CONRAD - Hen and Chicks owner Heidi Kaisand has a lot of ideas. Since the quilting, arts and crafts store in Conrad first opened almost five years ago, she has been working to expand and branch out with various programs, clinics and other activities, and she recently announced that Hen and Chicks will host the first ever Creative Harvest Festival, a four day event expected to draw visitors from across the Midwest, in downtown Conrad this September.

"We've had such great support from the community of Conrad



that we want to share that, to get more people involved and just show Conrad off to everyone that could possibly want to (see it)," Kaisand

said. The four-day event, which will begin on Wednesday, Sept. 21, and run through Saturday, Sept. 24, will feature a host of workshops and classes with Kaisand and seven other guest instructors - Gudrun Erla (stash using), Jenny Flieder (Zentangle), Amanda Herring (quilting and home décor), Ruth Hurd (crocheting), Roseann Kermes (wool) and Carolee McMullin (paper, fabric and thread) and keynote speaker Jo Packham, the editor of "Where Women Create" magazine. Other activities will include a community barbecue on the Thursday night of that week,

pumpkin decorating and several no-cost events and seminars.

"We can show off what we do best here," Kaisand said.

In addition to creative people from the local and surrounding areas who wish to participate in the festival, Kaisand is looking to draw in visitors who might not otherwise get to experience the small-town charm of Conrad - she has already received inquiries from as far away as Minneapolis and is working with the Americinn in Grundy Center, hotels in Marshalltown and local families willing to open their homes to provide adequate lodging for everyone who wishes to attend.

Camping accommodations will also be available at local spots like the Daisy Long Park near Union and Wolf Creek Park.

"To me, it's very exciting about how far out we can reach in our small community right here," Kaisand said. "When they say that the world is global, it becomes that very quickly."

For Kaisand, the idea of a fall festival has been in the works for over a year now, and she has worked hard to ensure that other arts and crafts experts would be able to attend, work out the details

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The show must go on: Community play students show appreciation to director in what may be last play

By MICHAELA KENDALL
The Grundy Register

GRUNDY CENTER - This year's community play, "For Better or Worse," kept the audience rolling with laughter throughout the two showings this weekend. Afterwards, students gave a special 'thank you' to director Steven Brunk for his dedication to the community play series, as Brunk celebrates what is possibly his last year directing the community play.

When the spring play was no longer offered by the school, Brunk and his family took it upon themselves to give students the opportunity to refine their acting skills and delight in another acting opportunity through a community play.

For the past seven years, Brunk has orchestrated the entire production while his school-aged sons were also involved. His elder sons, Adam, Issac and Aaron, were all heavily involved in theater and music, and have assisted with the productions of the Fall Musical and aided band and chorus teachers for a decade of performances.

Jack Beck Brunk, Steven's youngest son, is now a senior at GCHS - and is the last of Steven's children to graduate from the school. After Jack graduates, Steven said he is unsure of whether or not he will be back next spring to organize the



production. At this time, the future of the community play is undecided, though students have made it clear that the Brunk family's talent on and off the stage in assistance through directing, set design, construction, lighting, sound, and support in general for the music/theater departments is greatly appreciated by them, and by the community.

"I'm so incredibly grateful to [Steven], because it's been such a

great experience, and I hope that if he were to [direct the play] again, that more students would do it," said play participant and junior at GCHS, Jacob Waltersdorf. "What made this year so special for me is that I knew going into it that this could be my last community play, and not only that, it was also the last time I got to act with all of the seniors. I've sung with them for the past three years,

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Shown in the photo at left, from left to right, are as follows: Front row - Jeane Mackie, Sydney Hogle, Cora Saak, Courtney Kaufman, Josie Holke-Farnam and Director Steve Brunk. Back row - Nelson Sager, William D. Kirchmann, Kaleb Neher, Chloe Anderson, teacher Betsy Kuecker, Candice Meyer, Amber Laube, Jack Beck Brunk, Jacob Waltersdorf and Abrina Nicole O'Rourke. Not pictured are: Brody Mackie and Brad Siefken. (Photo courtesy of Tam Hogle)



Shown in the photo, from left to right, are: Jack Beck Brunk, Aaron Beck Brunk, Steve Brunk and Issac Beck Brunk. More community play photos can be found on page B1. (Photo courtesy of Tam Hogle)

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April 4	45	26	0.00	



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YMCA

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including squat racks, dumbbells and a new cable crossover machine that the YMCA is purchasing.

A two-phase plan to remodel the building for the YMCA's use will begin this month. Phase 1 includes construction of the second entrance, fitness flooring, and removal of walls to enlarge open spaces for fitness equipment. The project is being funded by the YMCA Founder's Campaign that helped give the YMCA its start in Grundy County in 2003, as well as the Sara Lee Yoder Charitable Trust, the Grundy County Community Foundation, and a contribution from Emerson Process Management in Marshalltown.

"As other plans for the future are discussed, we want to hear from our members," Peters said. "We'll be launching a survey for input on hours, programming, and amenities

that people wish to have available."

If you wish to take part in the survey, contact Peters at apeters@spartanpride.net.

Before and After School Care, Summer Day Camp, Youth wellness and Adult wellness programs will continue to be offered at the Upper Elementary School. The YMCA will continue to sublease space in the building from the City of Grundy Center. During the second phase of the Renovation Project, the YMCA will relocate youth and adult wellness programs to the new location.

Community members can activate a YMCA membership in the Fitness Center at the Grundy Center High School. Complete programming information can be found on the YMCA website at www.black-hawkymca.org under the Grundy Center tab.



Kathy Mock and her crew at the Grundy Center Pizza Hut have beat out 1,200 other Pizza Hut stores across the country to win the "Number One Scorecard" award. (Michaela Kendall/The Grundy Register photo)

Play

From page 1
and acted with them for the past four years, and I think we really connected through the arts. Having that last hurrah through the arts was a really great thing."

Waltersdorf said that the play has been a great experience for him; building his friend group, his after-school involvement and allowing him to practice acting in a way that he wouldn't have otherwise had the chance to.

Other students who participated in the play agreed with Waltersdorf.

Senior William Kirchmann, who gave his last high school play performance this weekend, said that the community play has allowed him to really explore his interest in acting, and work on his character development in a deeper way than he would have in a different activity, such as musical theatre.

"As a freshman going into it, it

was a way for me to become a better actor, without having to worry about singing," Kirchmann said. "I like the play a lot more because I can get into my character even more. It's there for people who don't feel that singing is their strong point."

Kirchmann and Waltersdorf both agreed that they would understand if Steven wouldn't want to direct the play next year since all of his children would be graduated, but they said that they would be extremely appreciative to Steven if he did direct it again; as it would give other students the chance to be a part of the community play.

"Even if we don't get to do it again, I think other people should have the opportunity to experience it," Waltersdorf said. "[Steven] knows that he will always have a casting company when he calls on one."

Correction

In a story about the Grundy Center school board meeting that ran in the March 31 paper, it was stated that a grant was given to Val Ehlers and Karah Spahn by the Grundy Center Community Foundation. The grant was given by the Grundy County Community Foundation. The Register apologizes for the error.

Local Pizza Hut presented with national award

By MICHAELA KENDALL

The Grundy Register

GRUNDY CENTER – Recently, the Grundy Center Pizza Hut team, under the management of Kathy Mock, was awarded the "Number One Scorecard" award – an honor reserved for the top performing Pizza Hut store in the nation.

The award, which is given out annually, ranks stores on a number of different criteria, from customer satisfaction to employee turnover to food portion control and more.

This isn't the first time that Mock, who has been with the store since it first opened in 1987, has received recognition within the company.

Several times, her store has been the Number One Scorecard in the region – which is Iowa – and two years ago, she came close when the store was the Number Three Scorecard in the nation.

But the competition wasn't easy – Mock and her crew of 20 employees had to beat out over 1,200 different Pizza Hut restaurants within NPC (the largest Pizza Hut franchisee in the world) to win the award.

To celebrate, Mock and her crew went bowling and had dinner as a team.

"We do try to celebrate, especially for the crew members because I don't do this alone, that's for sure" she said. "We have a great group of people here, and we have for many years."

In her 29 years of working for the Pizza Hut in Grundy Center, Mock said that she has probably hired around 700 different people, even generations of families; parents and then their children.

As Mock found out, in a small town like Grundy Center, going above and beyond for customer service is one thing that can separate a restaurant from the crowd.

"A gentleman came in the other day and said: 'I was just telling my three kids about how back when I was in high school, we would come in here before football games and you'd know exactly what all of us wanted, and you'd have it ready for us before the game,'" she recalls. "I could probably still remember what all those guys ordered."

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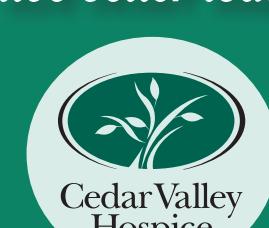
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Briefs must be received by 2 p.m. Monday for placement in that week's paper. Briefs submitted at the office must be on standard 8 1/2 x 11 paper (no half pages please!). Please type briefs if possible. The Register is not responsible for errors in hand-written submissions.

Grundy Center

Community Garden sign up underway

GRUNDY CENTER — Both new and experienced gardeners are invited to join the 'growing' community of the Grundy Community Garden, located on East G Avenue in Grundy Center, north of the Grundy County Memorial Hospital. Sign up is now underway for plots for the 2016 growing season.

The Community Garden makes it convenient for people to grow their own fresh vegetables throughout the summer and early fall. The garden is divided into four-foot plots that are pre-filled with soil. Watering spigots are located throughout the garden, which features a central gathering spot that includes seating and shade.

All a gardener needs to provide is their seed and plants, plus some hand tools for planting. Each garden plot can hold several varieties of plants. Individuals as well as groups and organizations are encouraged to sign up for one or more plots.

Garden plot sign-up is through the Grundy Family YMCA's website, www.blackhawkymca.org; under the Grundy Center tab, select Online Program Registration. Or, you may sign up for a garden plot in person at the YMCA, located in the Grundy Center High School. There is a small fee for garden plot rental to cover the costs of soil and water. Additional plots can be rented.

The Grundy Center Wellness Committee, which operates the garden, is a consortium of community members from the school district, public health, the hospital, health care, YMCA, and human service organizations dedicated

to promoting health and wellness within the community.

Hospital offers first aid, CPR class

GRUNDY CENTER — Grundy County Memorial Hospital will offer a 'Heartsaver First Aid CPR AED' class on Saturday, April 16 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the GCMH Education Room (enter at Door #3 on the west side of the hospital).

The class is a combined class that will cover first aid, CPR and AED (automated external defibrillator) use for those with little or no healthcare background. Participants will be issued a combined card and there is no written test. There is a charge for the class, which covers the cost of the card.

For more information, or to register, please contact Brenda Schmidt at (319) 824-4161 or Brenda.Schmidt@unitypoint.org, or you may register on the hospital's website: www.GrundyCountyHospital.org.

Preschool holds open house

GRUNDY CENTER — Registration is now underway for preschool classes for the 2016-2017 school year. The Grundy Community Preschool, located at the Upper Elementary School, offers preschool programs for three, four and five year olds. If your child is at least three years old and toilet trained on or before September 15, 2016, he or she is eligible to enroll. If you have not received registration paperwork in the mail and wish to register your child, please contact the Preschool.

An open house is scheduled for April 14 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. At that time, parents may tour the preschool with their children and register for the 2016-2017 school year.

In addition to providing quality preschool programs, the organization is also a fully licensed childcare center. The childcare program is available for infants six weeks of age to school aged children through fifth grade. Child care is provided year round.

Preschool classes are in session September to May. For more information about these early childhood programs, call the Preschool at 825-6257 and speak to Ronda.

Library to hold early bird book sale

GRUNDY CENTER — The Friends of the Library will be hosting their "Early Bird" membership drive book sale at Kling Memorial Library on April 13 from 5 to 7 p.m.

On April 16 through 18, during normal library hours, the library will be holding their used book sale.

Amateur radio group to meet

GRUNDY CENTER — The Iowa Wireless Amateur Radio Network (IWARN) will hold a meeting on Thursday, April 7 at 7 p.m. at the Grundy County Memorial Hospital Education Room (Use Entrance 3 - West Side of Hospital).

IWARN is a group of ham enthusiasts with the intent to bring the hams in six rural counties (Butler, Franklin, Hardin, Grundy, Marshall and Tama) together for the common good. Come sit in on one of our meetings. IWARN members will be willing to answer any questions that you might have. Guests are also welcomed to become a member of IWARN, which has no membership fees.

Boat renewal deadlines set

GRUNDY CENTER — All boat registrations must be renewed by April 30, 2016 to avoid penalty. Boats must be renewed in the county of the owner's residence and will be valid through April of 2019. Boats can be renewed in person at the County Recorder's office (Courthouse, 2nd floor) during normal business hours (8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. M-F) or by mail.

To renew by mail please contact the Recorders' office to obtain the correct registration fee. An additional \$1.00 postage fee per boat is required for mail in renewals. For any questions about boat registration, please call the office of the Grundy County Recorder at 319-824-3234.

Beaman

Beaman Lions sponsor weekly bingo

BEAMAN — Every Monday night starting April 4, the Beaman Lions Club will be sponsoring Beaman Bingo. The event is open to everyone and is held at the Beaman Memorial Hall on 215 Main Street. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. and games start at 6:15 p.m.

The Lions offer 13 different games each week, and there is a small fee to play. Cash prizes are paid out to the winner of each game, and nine free game

packets are given away throughout the evening. There is also food available for purchase. For more info, call 641-750-5465.

Reinbeck

Reinbeck adult softball set to begin

REINBECK — Reinbeck Adult Co-ed Softball season is right around the corner, and the group is always looking for more players or teams.

League action begins Sunday, June 5 and ends on Aug 7. All games are played on Sunday afternoons. There are entry fees, and trophies go to the winners. Players must be 18 years of age and out of high school (not participating in a summer sport).

Anyone interested in getting a team together should contact Tyler Morgan at 319-415-3033. Entries must be submitted by May 17.

New Hartford

D-NH to hold 5K fund-raiser

NEW HARTFORD — On Saturday, April 30, the Dike-New Hartford School will be hosting a "Fund our Future" 5K for Dollars for Scholars.

The event will begin at 7 a.m. at the Dike-New Hartford Elementary School. There is an entry fee, and if paid by April 22, the runner will receive a shirt. If paid the day of the race, the runner will not receive a shirt.

Registration forms can be picked up at the school offices, local city libraries, and other local businesses around Dike and New Hartford.

Medals and prizes will be given out, and water, fruit and donuts will be provided.

D-NH calling volunteers for ensemble concert

NEW HARTFORD — Dike-New Hartford School will be hosting state solo/small ensemble contest on Saturday, April 9.

Many adult and teenage volunteers are needed. Community members who have volunteered and enjoyed this experience in the past are welcome.

Morning and afternoon shifts are available as well as two hour shifts in the concession stand.

Please contact Mrs. Jean Loger (substitute vocal instructor) or Mrs. Katie Slack (instrumental director) to volunteer. Email: jean.loger@dnhsd.org or katie.slack@dnhsd.org or phone 319-989-2485. DNH high school band and vocal parents can also access an online Google document to sign up.

Traffic issues on G Avenue arise at city council meeting

By MICHAELA KENDALL
The Grundy Register

GRUNDY CENTER — On Monday afternoon, traffic between the 400th and 500th block of G Avenue was disrupted after a truck driver parked in the westbound lane of the road, blocking the right lane of traffic.

At the Grundy Center city council meeting on Monday night, Chief of Police Doug Frost brought the event to the council's attention.

"Today I had to move a contractor parked on G Avenue, between the 400 and 500 block. He decided to park there to go work on a house," Frost said, noting that when he went to speak to the contractor, the man pointed out that there is no sign saying he couldn't park there.

Frost said that technically there is no sign or ordinance stopping people from parking there, but that common sense would say not to park on a major highway and stop in a lane of traffic.

"There's no signs that say 'No Parking' on the side of the street on that block. I talked to Dan [Bangasser] about it; we looked through the city ordinances, and there's nothing in the city ordinances saying there's supposed to be 'No Parking' signs there," he said.

Frost said that when he called the DOT, they told him it's up to the city to enact an ordinance to put up signs that prohibit parking on that

part of the road.

He added that on the rest of G Avenue, there are 'No Parking' signs on both sides of the road, but that between that block [400th and 500th block] there is not a sign.

"Last summer, we had a resident who lives along there that had garage sales all the time, and I went there three times and moved cars because they parked there as well," Frost said. "I see that becoming a problem again this summer. I think we should get signs put up there."

The council agreed to work on updating the ordinances to add 'No Parking' signs and they added the item to the agenda for the next meeting, which will be held April 18.

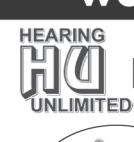
IN OTHER NEWS, the council...

- Approved Resolution 2016-22, a resolution approving the urban renewal amendment for Devries Properties 6, LLC.

- Approved Resolution 2016-23, a resolution to set a public hearing for Monday, April 18, to discuss the developer agreement for Devries Properties 6, LLC, dba Brothers Market, including annual appropriation tax increment payments in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.

- Approved Resolution 2016-24, a resolution authorizing Mayor Buhr to sign an agreement for the Grundy County Annex Urban Renewal Plan.

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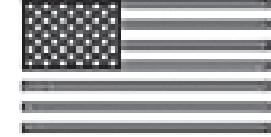
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Obituaries

Earl M. Wical Jr.

Earl M. Wical, Jr., 84, of Grundy Center passed away March 30, 2016, at UnityPoint-Allen Hospital in Waterloo. Visitation will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. on Thursday April 7 at the Engelkes-Abels Funeral Home in Grundy Center. A funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, April 8 at the United Methodist Church in Grundy Center. Burial will follow at the Rose Hill Cemetery in Grundy Center with military honors conducted by the Grundy Center American Legion Post #349 and AMVETS 17. Memorials may be directed to the family. Online condolences may be made at www.abelsfuneralhomes.com.



Earl was born on June 8, 1931, in Grundy Center. He was the son of Earl, Sr. and Goldie Wical. When Earl was seven years old he went into the loving care of the Severance family. He attended Grundy Center High School. Earl enlisted in the United States Army on December 14, 1947, and served in Alaska. He helped construct and operate the radar facility located north of Fairbanks, Alaska. He was honorably discharged in August of 1952. Upon his return to the United States he began working at the Grundy Produce and Hatchery. He then worked as the greens keeper at the Town & Country Golf Course in Grundy Center. Earl was united in marriage to Joyce Copeman on July 7, 1956; together they welcomed two sons into their family. In August of 1976 Earl began his career as a machinist with Viking Pump in Cedar Falls and retired in 1994. Upon retirement he enjoyed spending time on his farm with his Angus cattle.

Earl was a long-time member of the United Methodist Church in Grundy Center, where he served the church as an usher. He was a charter member of the Grundy Center Lions Club; where he remained active for many years. Earl was also a member of the Grundy Center American Legion. Earl loved to fish at his family cabin in northern Minnesota. He also enjoyed deer hunting in southwestern Iowa. His true joy in life came from spending time with his friends and family, especially his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Earl is survived by his wife Joyce; his sons Scott (Deb) and Steve (Jan) Wical; his grandchildren Tony Wical, Adam (Holly Musch), A.J. (Beth) Wical, Amanda (Mike) Nelsetuen and Matt Wical; his great-grandchildren Jackson Wical, Camden and Emslie Nelsetuen; his sister Rosemary Kennedy and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; four brothers and four sisters.

Wilma I. Wolthoff

Wilma I. Wolthoff, 93, of Grundy Center, passed away on Monday, April 4, 2016. A funeral service will be held on Friday, April 8 at 10:30 AM at the Bethany Presbyterian Church in Grundy Center. Visitation will be held on Thursday, April 7 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Bethany Presbyterian Church. Burial will be at the Rosehill Cemetery in Grundy Center.

Grundy County ranks among healthiest in the state

By MICHAELA KENDALL
The Grundy Register

GRUNDY COUNTY — In a recent study done by County Health Rankings and Roadmaps, Grundy County was named the sixth healthiest county in Iowa based on lifespan and quality of life.

This placing is a big step up for Grundy County, which was ranked as the 23rd healthiest county in 2015, according to the same study.

Wendy Monaghan with Grundy County Public Health said that she believes this jump is largely due to a community-wide effort made by health leaders throughout the county.

"I think our leaders have set a foundation for striving to get that health and wellness education out there to our residents," she said. "As a county, our five communities are very health oriented, and we've had the last two years to really come together as a community and strive towards that same goal for our residents."

Monaghan said that throughout the county, leaders are — and have been — pushing for wellness and prevention education for all ages through workshops, classes and other programs.

She noted that a new committee, Community Health Meeting of the Minds, has started meeting monthly to discuss community health needs, such as access to health care, prevention and treatment of chronic disease, healthcare funding and transportation.

Monaghan said that in the county's most recent Community

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The bride is the daughter of David and Michelle Addison of Smithville, Missouri. The groom is the son of Bill and Kathy Brown of Conrad.

The bride graduated from Smithville High School in 2011 and will graduate from Missouri Western University in May with a degree in early childhood education. She is currently applying for jobs around the Conrad area for employment this fall.

The groom graduated from BCLUW High School in 2007 and attended Kirkwood Community College. He is employed by Woosley Construction in Conrad.

The couple will exchange vows on May 28, 2016, at the Holiday Inn Downtown Mercy Campus in Des Moines.

Local student

on Luther Dean's List

DECORAH - Leah Barkema, Luther College junior of Conrad, Iowa, has been named to the 2015 fall semester Dean's List. Barkema is the child of Gayle and Kevin Barkema.

This fall's list includes 742 students: 93 first-years, 146 sophomores, 158 juniors and 345 seniors. To be named to the dean's list, a student must earn a semester grade point average of 3.5 or better on a 4.0 scale and must complete at least 12 credit hours with 10 hours of conventional grades (A, B, C, D).

TENTATIVE AGENDA BCLUW COMMUNITY SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION BCLUW HIGH SCHOOL - MEDIA CENTER

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2. Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum
3. Approve Agenda
4. Approval of Previous Minutes: 3/21/16
5. E-Rate information and approval of related technology quotes- Jason Freeseman
6. Review of Monthly Financial Reports
7. Approve Accounts Payable
8. Positive Sharing
9. Business
- a. 2016-2017 Budget Hearing - 7:15 a.m.
- b. Approval of 2016-2017 Budget
- c. Approval of 2015-16 Budget Amendment and set Budget Hearing & Time
- d. 2014-15 Summary of Activities
- e. Personnel
- f. Joint Administration Agreement
- g. Review of Policies 711.3, 711.4, 711.5, 711.6, 711.7, 711.8, 800, 801.1, 801.2, 801.3, 801.4, 801.5, 802.1, 802.2, 802.3, 802.4, 802.5, 802.6, 802.7, 802.8
- h. Commendations:

1. Coffee Concert: Mr. Bartling, Mrs. Willett, Mr. Wilson - Directors, Mrs. Hammers & Comet Cafe
2. Middle School Variety Show: Mrs. Chris Rhinehart, - Director
3. 5-12 Vocal Concert: Mr. Bradley Wilson & Mrs. Dee Seeman
4. 5-12 Band Concert: Mr. David Bartling, Director
7. Cast & Crew: "Ax of Murder" - Mrs. Jackie Stevens, Director
8. NHS Inductees: Brad Barkema, Alexa Callaway, Troy Dolphin, Allyvia Garza, Kate Goecke, Kaylee Goecke, Ashley Moore, Kaitlyn Moore, Lauren Mosher, Esmeralda Ralston, Gregory Schmitt, Sara Sharp, Kristen Selken, Jacinta Treft, Mackenzie Trinkle, Madison Trinkle, Brooke Vry - Mrs. Rungge: Sponsor
- Discussions/Reports/Upcoming Meetings:
- i. Superintendent's Comments
- j. Next Regular Board Meeting - May 16, 2016- 5:30 p.m. @ BCLUW High School
10. Adjournment

Festival

From page 1

and schedule the entire event. In all, over 600 seats will be available in the classes, and while she doesn't expect 600 unique visitors, Kaisand does believe she can bring in at least half of that. And for a first time event in a small town, that isn't half bad.

In the long term, the plan is to host the event every other year going forward, and Kaisand hopes to establish Hen and Chicks as a hub for creativity in both central Iowa and throughout the Midwest.

"I want people to express their creativity in a variety of ways, and I want them to know that we can help them do that, whether it's quilting, scrapbooking or something else," she said. "I really just want them to succeed in being creative however they choose to do that, and if we can be some small part of that, then I'll feel very successful."

The festival will also expose patrons to other businesses in Conrad's downtown area, and Kaisand is optimistic that it will provide a mutual benefit to those businesses as well as the community as a whole.

"As a community, we have a lot of great things going for us, and if we continue to commit to it and keep commit to building it, (people) will continue to come," she said.

For more information on the festival and a complete schedule, visit www.henandchicksstudio.com.

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My Three Cents Worth

Won't get fooled again?

There are entirely too many holidays in America. A cursory search of Facebook on any given day will reveal that it's "National Sibling's Day," "National Dog Day," "National Tequila Day" or "National Drink Tequila with Your Dog Who You Basically Consider a Sibling Day." I get exhausted just thinking about all of the celebrating.

Through the years, though, some of these days have inexplicably stuck around and become ingrained in our culture: Groundhog's Day, which, save for being the title of an excellent Bill Murray movie, is about as pointless as it gets; St. Patrick's Day, or everyone's favorite day to tout the fact that they're 1/64th Irish and drink Bud Light with green food coloring in it; Cinco de Mayo, which I've been told people in Mexico don't actually celebrate and equates to the holiday version of Taco Bell;

and of course, April Fool's Day.

I can still remember reaching for an Oreo as a child, hungry in the middle of the afternoon after a day at the park with my family, only to taste the tart filling of Crest toothpaste between my cookies. It was disgusting and scarring; I wasn't sure that I'd ever recover. Whom could I trust? I hated the holiday then, and I still hate it now. April Fool's is dumb.

Nowadays, the pranks have changed, but they're equally predictable: fake pregnancy announcements, fake personal tragedies or firings from jobs, athletes tweeting that they're leaving their teams, Google apparently adding a feature to Gmail that got some guy fired and Donald Trump's presidential campaign still being a real, legitimate thing. Sigh.

For the first time since I can remember, I was not pranked in any way on an April Fool's Day, and it went on like a completely normal day, which came as quite a relief for someone who positions himself as a staunch opponent of the holiday. Now if this trend could just continue for, well, ever, I could die a happy man. Like any other holiday or most other things that exist in the realm of American culture, it's just becoming another excuse for brands and companies to embarrass themselves, peddle their latest promotion and then later apologize when the internet at large reacts with its patented white hot outrage at everything.

The only way April Fool's could've been saved for me is if Trump and Hillary, along with Ashton Kutcher, had held a joint press conference to announce that the last year or so has all been a big joke, and America had just been punked. We could start this whole process over now and attempt to nominate candidates with at least the slightest shred of decency and consistency, but it appears that that ship has long since sailed. We get the world we deserve, and we must sleep in the bed we've made.

I did a quick internet search on the day I finished writing this column (Monday) and found out that it's National Chicken Cordon Bleu Day, National Hug a Newsperson Day (no one did, but I survived), National School Librarian Day and National Walk Around Things Day. This week alone, we have National Deep Dish Pizza Day and National Read a Road Map Day Tuesday, National Walking Day Wednesday, National Beer Day (ironically, National Alcohol Screening Day is the same day) and National No Housework Day Thursday and National Empanada Day Friday. National Encourage a Young Writer Day is also coming up on Sunday, so don't forget to mark your calendars!

With all of these worthy alternative holidays to celebrate, it makes me wonder why April Fool's has stuck around for so long. Maybe I'm just unnecessarily bitter, but it will always just evoke memories of taking one of my favorite snacks from childhood (Oreos) and ruining them forever. I can barely even look at one anymore, and though I still enjoy a nice Oreo fluff dessert, I can't even bring myself to eat a cookie. I'll celebrate National Glazed Spiral Ham Day (April 15), National Wear Your Pajamas to Work Day (April 16) or National Cheddar Fries Day (April 20) over April Fool's any day.

On a completely unrelated note, I'm switching over to a new e-mail address for both my Grundy and Hardin County news duties. If anyone needs to contact me with complaints, story ideas or anything else you might want to discuss, my new address is grundyhardinnews@midamericanapub.com. Thanks!

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Grassley Q & A: Senate Judiciary Committee

Question: What issues are handled by the Senate Judiciary Committee?

Answer: The Senate Judiciary Committee is one of the original standing committees of the United States Senate. With sweeping legislative and oversight jurisdiction, the 20-member committee examines social, economic, legal and constitutional issues that matter to everyday Americans. From government surveillance to immigration, bankruptcy, criminal and patent laws, the panel has broad legislative authority to shape public policy, write legislation and conduct oversight to ensure that the laws are faithfully enforced. In our system of checks and balances, the Senate Judiciary Committee serves as an important check against executive overreach across the sprawling federal bureaucracy and has exclusive jurisdiction of the federal judiciary. As a member of the Judiciary Committee since Iowans first elected me to the U.S. Senate, I currently serve as chairman. From here I have continued my campaign for a more accountable government and work to identify bipartisan solutions to strengthen American society, from border security to public safety and national security. The Judiciary Committee has made good progress on a number of issues that may not make headlines, but nonetheless hit very close to home for many families. For example, the committee passed a bipartisan bill to address the pain killer and heroin addiction gripping communities across America. We also cleared my bipartisan legislation to reauthorize for the first time in more than a decade the Juvenile Justice Reform Act to improve the fairness and effectiveness of grant programs that serve at-risk youth and those in custody of juvenile detention or correction facilities. The Judiciary Committee also conducted an oversight hearing and received compelling testimony from witnesses about lax enforcement of the nation's immigration laws. The flawed policies that have failed to deport criminal immigrants have created heartbreak and hardship for too many American families. Under my leadership, the committee is continuing to explore ways to solve misguided sanctuary policies that allow drunk drivers and gang members to put public safety at risk.

Question: What has the Judiciary Committee achieved so far this Congress?

Answer: There are those who would like people to believe that Congress isn't getting anything accomplished. Reality tells a different story. As Chairman, I've steered 24 bipartisan bills out of the committee and reported 49 nominees to the full Senate for consideration. So far, 16 bills have passed the full Senate and six have been signed into law. Between the full committee and subcommittees, we've held 68 hearings to consider criminal sentencing reform, justice for human trafficking victims, patent reform, and problems with civil asset forfeiture, among other matters. Although the President would like Congress to rubber stamp every proposal he suggests, that's not

the way our separation of powers works. In fact, I approach federal spending and regulatory regimes with a healthy dose of skepticism. It was from the Senate Judiciary Committee where I first launched an effort to empower whistleblowers to help expose waste, fraud and abuse. Lawmakers need all the eyes and ears we can get within the vast bureaucracy to stretch the value of every tax dollar and serve the public as effectively and efficiently as possible. As a family farmer holding the gavel of the Senate Judiciary Committee, I bring a unique perspective to issues that matter in Rural America. I make no bones about scrutinizing business practices and consolidation in the farm sector to help ensure independent producers capture a fair share of the food dollar. I've raised concerns about concentration in the seed, fertilizer and meat processing industries, for example. Again, despite outside efforts to fixate on raw partisanship that won't achieve common ground, I'm working to wrap up unfinished business, such as passing landmark criminal sentencing reform that would give nonviolent offenders and taxpayers a fair shake; strengthening the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) to greatly improve the public's access to government records and restore confidence and accountability in institutions of government; and, boosting our innovation economy by passing patent reform to bring an end to abusive patent litigation.

Question: What's something about the Judiciary Committee people are surprised to learn?

Answer: Not surprisingly, many people typically equate the Judiciary Committee with having to do with the courts and law enforcement. To be sure, the committee conducts oversight of the FBI, U.S. Marshals Service and immigration agencies. However, the Senate Judiciary Committee also is a vehicle to ensure our system of free enterprise is operating as effectively and efficiently as possible. Keeping tabs on competitive business practices, cutting burdensome regulatory red tape and curbing frivolous lawsuits are issues that may not come to people's minds, for example. Everyday Americans are concerned about earning a paycheck, paying bills and saving for college and retirement. There is deep-seated frustration about a government that taxes too much, spends too much and borrows too much. The \$19 trillion national debt is a looming fiscal crisis that darkens the doorstep of our children and grandchildren. That's why I recently led a hearing to build support for a Balanced Budget Amendment to help restore fiscal discipline in Washington. Driven by the promise for prosperity and opportunity, people work hard and swing for the fences. That entrepreneurial spirit and boot strap work ethic are on display in neighborhoods across America. From the helm of the Senate Judiciary Committee, I will continue working to shape public policy that builds upon America's landscape of opportunity, mobility and prosperity. That includes policies that promote a fair and just society for law-abiding citizens and zero tolerance for terrorism, illegal drugs and human trafficking.

The Alternative..... Dealing with the criminal element

The urban crime culture is bleeding into our rural paradise, evidenced by the tagging that went on last summer around Hampton. When I was young in Southern California, tagging, which is spray painted graffiti referring to gangs, was rare. It was cleaned up soon after it was discovered. It wasn't long, however, until no one could keep up and the painted slogans were accepted as part of the landscape.

After awhile the culture degrades enough and the vandalism brings such small consequences that we will accept it too. In Hampton the cost to clean up the paint only on the public property was stated as \$15,000. The perpetrators were fined \$650, which was "suspended." I wonder if that means dangled in front of the faces of complacent taxpayers.

Granted, getting \$15,000 out of three teenagers would probably be like the proverbial blood out of a turnip. But a property crime presents opportunity for a demonstration of law based on restitution and accountability as opposed to law based on punishment for a violation of our management by a faceless government. A crime perpetrated against an individual puts the perpetrator in the position where he can relate to the victim as someone like himself.

Our system of law is failing because the whole idea of "victim" has been erased by the fallacious belief that a society can be regulated to perfection by an elite class with unique abilities. A simple system of law that draws a line at violation of property rights and nothing more would be more effective.

Nixon's EPA is a perfect example of where property crime with an actual victim has been replaced by a regulatory state. Mindless obedience to the EPA has wrought untold damage to the people of the world. In 1972 William Ruckelshaus, the first administrator of the EPA, banned DDT in spite of several hundred documents and 150 scientists that brought his examiner to conclude the insecticide should not be banned. There was no victim to the "crime" of DDT. But there are victims of EPA aggression on the 214 million people who needlessly contracted malaria in 2015 alone. Of those, 438,000

people died.

Well intentioned philanthropists, Bill and Melinda Gates spend \$200 million per year on malaria eradication while the tool to do it is readily available in DDT. Research has shown that there were many other causes responsible for the soft egg shells blamed on DDT. Every evil that DDT was blamed for has been debunked. The Gates' should redirect their research to include solving problems caused by politics.

Throughout the sixties, Milwaukee and three other Wisconsin cities substantially polluted Lake Michigan, the source of Chicago's drinking water. The state of Illinois sued Milwaukee but passage of the Clean Water Act in 1972 negated Wisconsin's responsibility to restrict its impact on Chicago by ordaining the EPA as sole regulator of water. The Supreme Court upheld the EPA. Chicagoans were certainly victims of these Wisconsin cities but the regulatory state prevented justice.

If every regulatory agency were abolished and property rights were fervently protected from trespassers, vandals, and thieves we might stand a chance against people like the city fathers in Wisconsin and the taggers and gangs in our neighborhood.

If these kids had to wear orange jumpsuits while they scrubbed sidewalks and signs until they were restored, the next violators would either go elsewhere or realize that the victims were people like themselves and treat them as they wished to be treated.

Consistent with the non-sentences these kids received, William Ruckelshaus was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom by Barack Obama in November of 2015. It is a world gone crazy. In the sixties, World Health Organization authorities believed there was no alternative to the overpopulation problem but to assure that up to 40 percent of the children in poor nations die of malaria. Always question authority.

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National Library Week

Next week, April 10 through 16th, we will be celebrating National Library Week at Kling Memorial Library with several events and activities for library users of all ages to participate in. This year's NLW theme is Libraries Transform.

First sponsored in 1958, National Library Week is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association (ALA) and libraries across the country each April. With nearly 120,000 libraries across the U.S. and more than 160,000 librarians, it is a time to celebrate the contributions of our nation's libraries and librarians and to promote library use and support.

One way we would like to encourage you to use and support the library during the week is to participate in our first ever, StoryWalk®! The Kling Memorial Library is partnering with Grundy County Conservation to provide a fun and unique reading experience in our community. During National Library Week we will have signs posted along Pioneer Trail, between county road T-37 and A Ave, displaying the book Sheep Take a Hike by Nancy Shaw. As you walk down the trail you'll be able to follow the misadventures of the silly sheep as they take their own walk.

The StoryWalk® Project was created in 2007 by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Vermont Bicycle & Pedestrian Coalition and the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. Now libraries throughout the country, in at least 39 states, have adopted her project in their own communities. This program combines the benefits of physical activity, time outdoors in nature, literacy, and family time. Please join us on the trail and in the library this coming week to enjoy all of our fun activities! For more details please contact the library at 319-825-3607.

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Tuesday April 12	• Grundy Comm. Center – Walking, 7 a.m. 4 p.m., Wilts Room Congregate Meals, 11:30 a.m. Wilts Room
Wednesday April 13	• Grundy Comm. Center – No Walking Grundy County Memorial Hospital 8 a.m., Legion Room Exercise, 9 a.m., Legion Room Congregate Meals, 11:30 a.m., Legion Room
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Rev. Paul Shaver was installed as pastor on Sunday, April 3. Guests present were Pastor Tim Button-Harrison, Kimberly and Annaka Shaver, Samuel Sarpaya, of Rockford, IL and Yakubu Bakwash, of Deerfield, IL. Music was provided by Pastor Tim and Rev. Paul and Jeff Overton and Myra Frantz with pianist, Keith Sheller.

SPRING FORUM

Congregational Forum will be held on Sunday, April 17 after noon potluck.

Please send your team reports in to Steve Brunk.

CAMP CLEANUP

Camp cleanup will be on Saturday forenoon on April 23. Please bring your rakes, gloves, saws and other tools to ready the area for campers.



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Theater

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Beginning at the Center Theatre on Friday, April 8 at 7 p.m. will be the mystery/thriller/suspense **10 Cloverfield Lane**, starring John Goodman, Mary Elizabeth Winstead and John Gallagher Jr. This movie is rated PG-13 for violence, running approximately 110 minutes in length. At 7:30 will be the faith-based/drama **Miracles From Heaven**, starring Jennifer Garner and Kylie Rogers. This movie is rated PG, running approximately 110 minutes in length. There will be no weekend matinees this week.

*FRIDAYS ARE 50 cent Fridays at the Center Theatre! receive your choice of MEDIUM popcorn or any drink for just 50 cents! *

The mystery/suspense **10 Cloverfield Lane** is the latest keep-you-on-the-edge-of-your-seat thriller from mastermind Producer J.J. Abrams. Following a car accident, Michelle (Mary Elizabeth Winstead) awakens in the basement fallout shelter of a conspiracy-crazed man (John Goodman) who claims to have saved her from the wreckage of the crash. He also informs her that a chemical attack has devastated the surrounding area, rendering the outside world uninhabitable. Emmett (John Gallagher Jr.), who barely made it into the shelter, corroborates this version of events, but Michelle remains suspicious. As the dynamics within the bunker continually shift, she begins to doubt the truth of both what's happening in the shelter and in the outside world. Don't miss the riveting, heart-pounding fun in **10 Cloverfield Lane**!

Based on an incredible true story, **Miracles From Heaven** focuses on a young girl, Annabel Beam (Kylie Rogers), who miraculously overcomes an incurable, debilitating, life-threatening digestive disorder. When Christy (Jennifer Garner) discovers her 10-year-old daughter Anna has a rare, incurable disease, she becomes a ferocious advocate for her daughter's healing as she searches for a solution. After Anna has a freak accident and falls three stories, a miracle unfolds in the wake of her dramatic rescue that leaves medical specialists mystified, her family restored and their community inspired. The story draws viewers into the life and drama of a little girl's illness and her family's desperation in a universally relatable way. It's a well-acted, well-directed and earnest film: Jennifer Garner and Kylie Rogers make us want to put an arm around them as we long for some kind of help to appear on the horizon. Questions about faith and the role it plays in our lives run throughout this film. **Miracles From Heaven** is a very human-feeling drama that shows God's priorities and God's perfect timing.

For the most up-to-date movie information, please check out our new website at www.grundycenter-theatre.com. If you are interested in gift certificates to the Center Theatre, they may be purchased at GNB bank locations during the day or at the Center Theatre during evening business hours.



The family of Marcella High want to extend our thanks and appreciation for the expression of sympathy extended to us at the time of mom's death. All the food, flowers, memorials, and support were deeply appreciated.

Pat High, Barb High, Bruce High and Laurie Folkdahl

AGWSR Middle
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3rd Quarter
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"*" = All A's

Seventh Grade: Derek Blackburn, Burke Dalton, Alyssa Hames, Haileigh Homeyer, Hannah Homeyer, Alayna Hunt, Alexis Johnson, Zachary Johnson, MaKenna Kuper, Ben Macy, Emersyn McGrath, Morgan Roelfs, Taylor Sperflage, Harlie Vaughn

Eighth Grade: Sammi deNeui, Ali Gerbracht, Whitanie Nederhoff, Ryleigh Schipper, *Jaiden Shahan, Rachel Sicard, Riley Sicard, Lucas Starr, Tanner Weichers

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Seventh Grade: Bryce Allen, Wyatt Benning, Jacob Haley, Alivia Hoodjer, Taylor Kruger, Jaden Penning, Cassidy Van Heiden, Josie Winterberg

Eighth Grade: Peyton Albrecht, Mersadez Minard, Monica Montes, Sammy Mucino-Baca

Nutrition site menu

Friday, April 8 – Country Fried Steak; Country Gravy; Whipped Potatoes; French Green Beans; Multi-Grain Bread with Margarine; Fresh Seasonal Fruit

Monday, April 11 – Chicken Cacciatore; Pasta with Garlic & Red Pepper; Italian Vegetable Blend; Bread Stick with Margarine Oranges

Tuesday, April 12 – Hamburger Patty; Baked Beans; Coleslaw; Hamburger Bun with Ketchup; Hot Spiced Fruit

Wednesday, April 13: BIRTHDAY MEAL – Roast Beef; Brown Gravy; Whipped Potatoes; California Vegetables; Wheat Roll with Margarine; Birthday Cake

Thursday, April 14 – Pork Loin with Gravy; Oven Roasted Potatoes; Green Peas; Wheat Bread with Margarine; Tropical Fruit

Each meal includes milk. All meals must be ordered by 9 a.m. the day before receiving a meal. For more information, to reserve a place or order a meal, call the Grundy Center Senior Center at (319) 824-3843.

Advertising deadline is:

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Saturday, April 9

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Memory Lane

A Look back through The Grundy Register

Compiled by Michaela Kendall

10 Years Ago This Week - 2006

April is traditionally the month for planting trees — and in Grundy Center, April is focused on raising money to boost future efforts to plant trees. The Grundy Center Tree Board raises funds and coordinates tree planting in the city, but its treasury is empty and the public is being asked to help. Grundy National Bank is coordinating the fund-raising for the Tree Board, and will match donations brought to the bank during April up to \$500.

Resurfacing 10.5 miles of asphalt road in four different locations in the county is likely to disrupt traffic patterns for area residents starting in May. Four county roads are scheduled for resurfacing in a \$1.2 million contract awarded to Fred Carlson, Co., Decorah.

Mary Schmidt, Grundy County Commissioner of Elections, announced that absentee ballots are now available for the May 2 Grundy Center Special Family Aquatic Center Election. Registered voters of Grundy Center can obtain an absentee ballot from the County Auditor's Office.

At the Center Theatre ... "She's The Man" and "Tyler Perry's Madea's Family Reunion."

Kraft Mac and Cheese ... 5 for \$3. Our Family tomato soup ... 3 for \$1.

25 Years Ago This Week - 1991

Factory workers at Ritchie Industries in Conrad went on strike at 4 p.m. Monday afternoon. Management chose to make a "no comment" standing during a telephone interview Tuesday morning. Reference was made to an article in the Conrad paper which ran last week. The article states: "At the risk of silence being assumed as guilt, Ritchie Industries has continued to refrain from making comments to the general public to counter the negative and misleading comments made by the U.A.W. We trust the people who live in Conrad and the affected communities in close proximity realize the views reflected in various printed form and newspapers are only those of a small minority of Ritchie employees and outside U.A.W. members and officials. They do not reflect the views of the majority of fine employees who work for Ritchie. Rather, these statements are part of U.A.W. propaganda techniques utilized to sway public opinion. Ritchie will continue to put its faith in the negotiations process and Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service to derive a mutually acceptable labor agreement. We trust you will understand our position."

April 1 marked a historic moment for Japanese consumers and the world's beef industry. Japanese beef import quotas were eliminated on April 1, creating what beef industry leaders believe will be a wealth of opportunities. As the largest foreign market for U.S. beef, Japan purchases nearly 70 percent of U.S. beef exports. Sales of U.S. beef to Japan have skyrocketed from \$150 million to more than \$1.2 billion since 1980.

A massive fund drive to raise \$225,000 for the Grundy County Memorial Hospital begins this Thursday. The campaign is under the direction of the hospital's Foundation Finance committee. At the Center Theatre ... "Awakenings."

Pork Steak ... \$1.39 per pound. Bacon ... \$1.49 per pound.

50 Years Ago This Week - 1966

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DIKE REGISTER

Dike Notes

By DIANE PAIGE

Soon to make 100

Samuel Schmitt was born and raised in rural Dike and still lives in Dike and on July 29 he will celebrate his 100th birthday. I wanted to sit and visit with someone getting ready to be 100. Monday, March 21 was the morning I made the visit to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Schmitt. Not wanting to forget to ask lots of good questions or forget some of the things Sam would share, Vern Sires and Darlys Wiese joined in.

Sam answered the door, took his seat in his favorite recliner and welcomed our 100 questions.

Sam grew up on the rural family farm, attended country school thru ninth grade and continued working the family farm until called into World War II, serving in the Aleutian Islands. Shortly before entering the service, Sam and Etta met, and she waited the four years for his military discharge in 1945. They were

united in marriage on Etta's birthday, March 29, 1946.

Farming for Sam and his family was done with teams of horses. Trips to Dike were made with the horse and buggy, and he remembers watching a movie or two shown outdoors on the side of a building. Sam and his Dad had to make a special trip to Dike to fix his broken arm caused when trying to start the Model T with the crank start. He well remembered Doc Moffet.

Sam and Etta moved onto the family farm and recalled buying his first John Deere tractor. He bought his first Chevy car from Herman Nielsen. Sam told Vern that he could remember taking cream to the Dike Creamery.

Life on the farm was good and there they raised one daughter Darlys. She attended Dike School and married Larry Wiese. Larry and Darlys built a house in Dike. In

1979, Sam and Etta decided to retire to town and a house swap was made.

His lifelong passion for farming continued, and he enjoyed helping on the farm for many years. Sam might have been at the farm everyday but would always return to town for lunch and dinner with Etta. Guess what I learned? This husband has always dried dishes for Etta, and at the age of 99 and 5 months he will continue as long as she washes them. The couple celebrated 70 years of marriage March 29, 2016 with Larry and Darlys Wiese, three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

The visit was a pleasure. I hope it brought back many fond memories for Sam and Etta.

Just in case I forgot, I want to wish a Happy Birthday on July 29 to a 100-year-old gentleman.

Dates for Dike

Thursday, April 7

5 pm Boys track and Field at Ind Dike Kind round up
4:15 JH T/F at NHH

Friday, April 8

4:15 girls tennis at Eldora
5 pm Boys T/F at Waverly
4:30 Girls track /Field at Eldora

Dike Kind round up

Saturday, April 9

ACT testing
State Music Festival
Solo and Ensembles contest

Sunday, April 10

Local church services

Monday, April 11

4:15 JH Girls T/F at Dike

Tuesday, April 12

Golf at Conrad
Tennis at Grinnell
Track at Hudson
Track at Waverly
4:15 Boys JH t/DNH Boys invite at Dike

Spring Flowers

I sat in on a conversation with two young gardeners trying to decide what to plant in their first flower garden. They love spring flowers and wanted perennials. The list went like this: daffodils, tulips, hyacinth, crocus, scilla the little blue flower in the very early spring and the creeping phlox. It will be fun to watch what grows for the beginning planters.

Ground temp is getting warmer, and yes we are already seeing the blue bells and tulips.

Now is the time for young gardeners to think about taking local classes to learn more about what, when, where and how to plant and grow flowers and vegetables.

There will be free programs held at the Grundy Center Library in May, June and August that will help beginning gardeners. The Extension Staff will also be set up at the Farmer's Markets that are held starting in May.

For more information on programs being offered call the extension office at 319-824-6979.

Diane Paige
Correspondant
319-989-2163

Birthdays

Thursday, April 7: Stacie Duden, Jamie Jones

Friday, April 8: Darcy Morgan, Jim Doorley, Duane Oltman, Rich Menken

Saturday, April 9: Art Beem, Deb Knudsen

Sunday, April 10: Jesse Juel, Kim Fischer, Matt Murphy

Monday, April 11: Kevin Oltman

Tuesday, April 12: Sharon Martin, Brock Bixby

Wednesday, April 13: Ashley Hensley

 News deadline is:
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10 a.m. Sunday School

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9:30 a.m. Worship
10:45 a.m. Sunday School

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641-366-2142
Sundays
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship

CONRAD

Alice Church of God
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641-623-5641
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9:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship Service

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6:30-8:30 p.m. 7-12 Grades

First Presbyterian Church
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641-824-2342
Sundays
8:45 a.m. Sunday School
11 a.m. Fellowship

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Sundays
8:30 a.m. Sunday School
9:30 a.m. Worship

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10:30 a.m. Sunday School

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6 p.m. Evening Praise Service

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1. Current RN license from the State of Iowa.
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Eligible entries must be completely original and be designed and created by the artist. Two-dimensional media including: oils, acrylics, watercolors, and other painting or drawing media, photography,

relief, intaglio or silkscreen prints, and giclee prints. Also, three-dimensional media including ceramics, jewelry, fiber, wood, glass, paper, basketry, cast iron, wrought irons, plaster, and other sculpture materials are accepted.

Interested artists should send contact information to waverlyartwalk@gmail.com or call Tiffany Schrage at the Waverly Chamber of Commerce at 319-352-4526 to be included in the mailing list.

Art Walk is co-sponsored by the Waverly Chamber of Commerce and Waverly Leisure Services.



Grundy Center Bowling

Classic League

Week 29

Van Wert Inc.	31.5	24.5
Grandview Heights	31	25
Tom's Car Care	30	26
BLOWF'S	28.5	27.5
Crystal Bowl	28	28
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GNB Insurance	31	25
Strohbehn Farms	30.5	25.5
Wild Wade's Women	28.5	27.5
Scotty's Saloon	23.5	32.5
Miller Time	17	39
High team handicap game — Strohbehn Farms 872.		

High team handicap series — Wild Wade's Women 2,418.

High individual scratch game

— Tina Hasselmann 213.

High individual scratch series

— Tami Craig 574.

Crystal Ette

Week 29

High team game, handicap — Eiten Farms 870.

High team series, handicap — Eiten Farms 2,471.

High individual scratch game

— Alyssa Sealman 213.

High individual scratch series

— Alyssa Sealman 513.

Commercial League

Week 29

Rust Racing 241 149

DeKalb 206 184

Myers Concrete 193 1 9 7

Roger's Boys 184 206

Jesco Welding & Mach 178 212

Crystal Bowl 168 222

High individual scores — Steve Schmitt 645-257; Eric Simon 606-210; Mike Christensen 597-213;

Blake Schmitt 591-208; Judd Lyons 580; Curt Buseman 580; Bret Baruth 579; Curt Stahl 567.

Grundy Family YMCA Notes

On Friday, April 29, the Grundy Family YMCA will celebrate the Y's Annual Healthy Kids Day! This event is a national initiative to improve the



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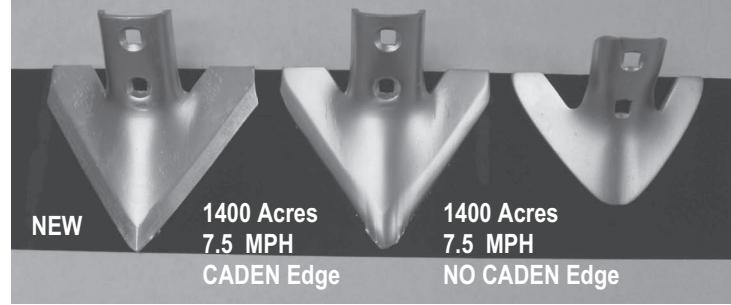
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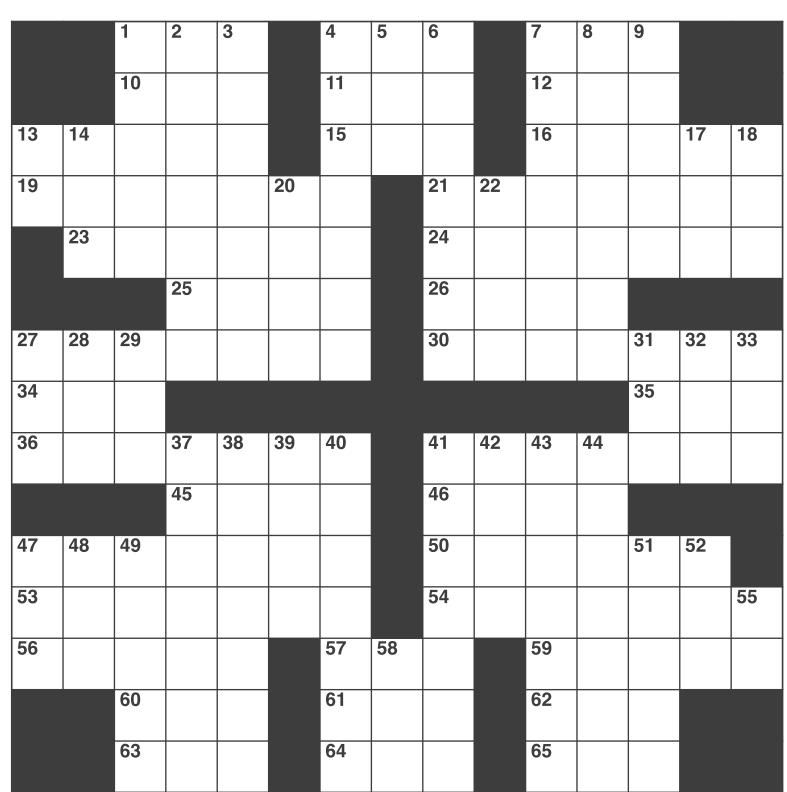


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66. Tooth caregiver
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69. Basketball player Ming

70. Say suddenly
71. Carbon isotope ration (abbr.)

72. Temindung Airport
73. Frasier Crane's brother

74. Provides shade from the sun
75. Framework over oil well

76. Edible mollusk
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78. Japanese banjo
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80. Double-reed instrument
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84. Herb
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88. American state
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93. Nikolai ___, Bolshevik theorist

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95. Dravidian language

96. Central nervous system
97. Male child

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99. London Southend Airport
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101. Lovable pig
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FAMILY FEATURES

Busy weeknights call for quick family meals, but with the right ingredients fast food can actually be good for you, too.

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For more deliciously quick dinner recipes, and to take the Dairy 3 for Me pledge, visit MidwestDairy.com.



Hot and Sweet Grilled Cheese

Servings: 4 | Total time: 16 minutes

Peach Jalapeno Jam

3 tablespoons peach preserves
1/2 fresh jalapeno, seeded and finely chopped (about 2 teaspoons)

Grilled Cheese

1 1/2 tablespoons unsalted butter softened
4 slices 12-grain bread, divided
2 slices white cheddar cheese, divided
2 slices pepper jack cheese, divided
2 slices smoked Gouda cheese, divided
1/2 small avocado, thinly sliced, divided
To make peach jalapeno jam: in small saucepan over medium heat, combine peach preserves and jalapeno. Stir mixture constantly until preserves are melted. Remove from heat and set aside.

To make sandwiches: heat large nonstick or cast iron skillet over medium heat for about 2 minutes. Butter one side each of 2 slices of bread. Turn buttered slices

over, buttered side down and spread peach jalapeno jam over second side of each bread slice. On top of jam side of each bread slice, layer 1 slice cheddar cheese, 1 slice pepper jack cheese, half the slices of avocado and 1 slice of Gouda. Spread jam on remaining slices of bread and place jam side on cheese. Spread remainder of butter on bread on top of sandwiches.

Place sandwiches buttered side down in pan. Partially cover with lid, allowing steam to escape, and cook for 1 1/2-2 minutes, or until bread is toasted and browned. Flip sandwiches over with spatula. Partially cover with lid and cook for additional 1 1/2-2 minutes, watching carefully for bread to brown and cheese to melt. Remove lid and check for doneness. Remove sandwiches from heat and cut in half. Serve warm.

Beef Burrito with Pepper Jack Cheese and Black Beans

Servings: 6 | Total time: 9 minutes

1/2 pound ground beef sirloin

2 teaspoons minced garlic

1 cup chunky salsa, divided

2 cups cooked brown or white rice

6 whole wheat flour tortillas (9 inches)

1 can (15 ounces) black beans, drained and rinsed, divided

1 can (11 ounces) corn kernels, drained, divided

2 cups shredded pepper jack cheese, divided

Sliced green onion, including green tops

In medium nonstick skillet, brown ground beef and garlic over medium heat, breaking beef mixture into smaller chunks with spoon. Drain fat and stir in 1/2

cup salsa; set aside.

Spread 1/3 cup rice in center of tortilla, leaving a 1/2-inch border. Scatter about 2 tablespoons of beans and 1 1/2 tablespoons corn over rice. Spread 1/3 cup beef mixture and 1/4 cup cheese over corn. Top with 2 teaspoons salsa and a few pieces of green onion.

Fold in two opposite edges of tortilla 1 inch each and roll up. Place, seam side down, on microwave-safe dish.

Repeat with remaining tortillas. Place burritos in microwave and heat 1 minute, or until heated through. Serve with remaining salsa.

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS
The Grundy County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on March 28, 2016, at 9:00 A.M. Chairperson Smith called the meeting to order with the following members present: Bakker, Ross, Riekena, and Schildroth.

Motion was made by Ross and seconded by Bakker to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Carried unanimously.

This being the time and place fixed for a public hearing on the matter of the adoption of the proposed Amendment No. 1 to the Memorial Hospital Urban Renewal Plan, the Chairperson first asked for the report of the County Auditor with respect to the consultation held with the affected taxing entities to discuss the proposed Plan. The Board was informed that the consultation was duly held as ordered by the Board, and that no written recommendations were received from affected taxing entities. The report of the County Auditor with respect to the consultation was placed on file for consideration by the Board.

The Chairperson then asked the County Auditor whether any written objections had been filed with respect to the proposed Amendment, and the County Auditor reported that no written objections thereto had been filed. The Chairperson then called for any oral objections to the adoption of the Amendment No. 1 to the Memorial Hospital Urban Renewal Plan and none were made. The public hearing was then closed.

Board Member Riekena then introduced the following Resolution entitled "RESOLUTION DETERMINING AN AREA OF THE COUNTY TO BE AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AREA, AND THAT THE REHABILITATION, CONSERVATION, REDEVELOPMENT, OR A COMBINATION THEREOF, OF SUCH AREA IS NECESSARY IN THE INTEREST OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY OR WELFARE OF THE RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY; DESIGNATING SUCH AREA AS APPROPRIATE FOR URBAN RENEWAL PROJECTS; AND ADOPTING AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL URBAN RENEWAL PLAN" and moved that the same be adopted. Board Member Ross seconded the motion to adopt. The roll was called and the vote was as follows: Ayes - Bakker, Ross, Riekena, Schildroth, and Smith; Nays - None.

Whereupon, the Chairperson declared the resolution duly adopted as follows: RESOLUTION NO. 41-2015/2016 - RESOLUTION DETERMINING AN AREA OF THE COUNTY TO BE AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AREA, AND THAT THE REHABILITATION, CONSERVATION, REDEVELOPMENT, OR A COMBINATION THEREOF, OF SUCH AREA IS NECESSARY IN THE INTEREST OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY OR WELFARE OF THE RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY; DESIGNATING SUCH AREA AS APPROPRIATE FOR URBAN RENEWAL PROJECTS; AND ADOPTING AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL URBAN RENEWAL PLAN. WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 40-2008/2009, adopted April 13, 2009, this Board found and determined that certain areas located within the County are eligible and should be designated as an urban renewal area under Iowa law, and approved and adopted the Memorial Hospital Urban Renewal Plan (the "Plan" or "Urban Renewal Plan") for the Memorial Hospital Urban Renewal Area (the "Area" or "Urban Renewal Area") described therein, which Plan is on file in the office of the Recorder of Grundy County; and WHEREAS, this Urban Renewal Area currently includes and consists of:

The overall ownership of the Grundy County Memorial Hospital located in Section 7 of Township 87 North, Range 16 West of the 5th P.M., being within the city limits of the City of Grundy Center, Grundy County, Iowa, is described as: Commencing at the Southeast Corner of Block One of Ady's First Addition to Grundy Center, thence South 90°0'0" East 80' along the north line of J Avenue to the point of beginning; thence North 01°10'16" West 276.51'; thence North 00°23'17" West 354.97'; thence North 88°20'48" East 399.64'; thence North 00°23'19" West 156.88'; thence North 00°26'22" West 150'; thence North 88°16'35" East 199.96'; thence South 00°24'12" East 200.01'; thence South 00°25'20" East 261.58'; thence South 00°24'13" East 479.43'; thence South 88°34'11" West 595.97' to the point of beginning. WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 1 to the Memorial Hospital Urban Renewal Plan ("Amendment No. 1" or "Amendment") for the Memorial Hospital Urban Renewal Area described above has been prepared, which proposed Amendment has been on file in the office of the County Auditor and which is incorporated herein by reference, the purpose of which is to update the description of proposed projects to be undertaken within the Urban Renewal Area; and WHEREAS, this proposed Amendment No. 1 to the Urban Renewal Area adds no new land; and WHEREAS, it is desirable that the Area be redeveloped as part of the activities described within the proposed Amendment No. 1 to the Memorial Hospital Urban Renewal Plan; and WHEREAS, by resolution adopted on February 29, 2016, this Board directed that a consultation be held with the designated representatives of all affected taxing entities to discuss the proposed Amendment No. 1 to the Memorial Hospital Urban Renewal Plan and that notice of the consultation and a copy of the proposed Amendment No. 1 to the Memorial Hospital Urban Renewal Plan be sent to all affected taxing entities; and WHEREAS, pursuant to such notice, the consultation was duly held as ordered by the Board of Supervisors and all required responses to the recommendations made by the affected taxing entities, if any, have been timely made as set forth in the report of the County Auditor filed herewith and incorporated herein by this reference, which report is in all respects approved; and WHEREAS, by resolution this Board also set a public hearing on the adoption of the proposed Amendment No. 1 to the Memorial Hospital Urban Renewal Plan for this meeting of the Board, and due and proper notice of the public hearing was given, as provided by law, by timely publication in The Grundy Register and Reinbeck Courier, which notice set forth the time and place for this hearing and the nature and purpose thereof; and WHEREAS, in accordance with the notice, all persons or organizations desiring to be heard on the proposed Amendment No. 1 to the Memorial Hospital Urban Renewal Plan, both for and against, have been given an opportunity to be heard with respect thereto and due consideration has been given to all comments and views expressed to this Board in connection therewith and the public hearing has been closed. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF GRUNDY COUNTY, STATE OF IOWA: Section 1. That this Board shall meet in the Board of Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, 706 G Avenue, Grundy Center, Iowa, at 9 o'clock A.M., on the 18th day of April, 2016, for the purpose of taking action on the matter of the issuance of not to exceed \$5,100,000 General Obligation Urban Renewal Bonds (the "Bonds") to evidence the obligations of the County thereunder for an essential county urban renewal purpose, the proceeds of which will be used to pay costs of aiding in the planning, undertaking and carrying out of urban renewal projects under the authority of Chapter 403, including purposes of loaning the funds to the Grundy County Memorial Hospital (the "Hospital"), a

the acquisition of the area for residential uses is an integral part of and essential to the program of the municipality; and that one or more of the following conditions exist: a. That the need for housing accommodations has been or will be increased as a result of the clearance of slums in other areas, including other portions of the urban renewal area. b. That conditions of blight in the municipality and the shortage of decent, safe and sanitary housing cause or contribute to an increase in and spread of disease and crime, so as to constitute a menace to the public health, safety, morals, or welfare, c. That the provision of public improvements related to housing and residential development will encourage housing and residential development which is necessary to encourage the retention or relocation of industrial and commercial enterprises in this state and its municipalities. d. The acquisition of the area is necessary to provide for the construction of housing for low and moderate income families. ii) Non-residential use is expected and with reference to those portions thereof which are to be developed for non-residential uses, such non-residential uses are necessary and appropriate to facilitate the proper growth and development of the County in accordance with sound planning standards and local community objectives. Section 3. That the Memorial Hospital Urban Renewal Area, as amended, continues to be an economic development area within the meaning of Iowa Code Chapter 403; that such area is eligible for designation as an urban renewal area and otherwise meets all requirements under the provisions of Chapter 403 of the Code of Iowa; and that the rehabilitation, conservation, redevelopment, or a combination thereof, of such area is necessary in the interest of the public health, safety or welfare of the residents of this County. Section 4. That Amendment No. 1 to the Memorial Hospital Urban Renewal Plan of Grundy County, State of Iowa, attached as Exhibit 1 to the resolution on file in the Office of the County Auditor and incorporated herein by reference, be and the same is hereby approved and adopted as "Amendment No. 1 to the Memorial Hospital Urban Renewal Plan for Grundy County, State of Iowa"; Amendment No. 1 to the Memorial Hospital Urban Renewal Plan of Grundy County, State of Iowa, is hereby in all respects approved, and the County Auditor is hereby directed to file a certified copy of Amendment No. 1 with the proceedings of this meeting. Section 5. That, notwithstanding any resolution, ordinance, plan, amendment or other document, Amendment No. 1 to the Memorial Hospital Urban Renewal Plan shall be in full force and effect from the date of this Resolution until the Board amends or repeals the Plan. The proposed Amendment No. 1 to the Memorial Hospital Urban Renewal Plan shall be forthwith certified by the County Auditor, along with a copy of this Resolution, to the Recorder for Grundy County, Iowa, to be filed and recorded in the manner provided by law. Section 6. That all other provisions of the Plan not affected or otherwise revised by the terms of Amendment No. 1, as well as all resolutions previously adopted by this Board of Supervisors related to the Plan be and the same are hereby ratified, confirmed and approved in all respects.

Todd Rickett, Regional Coordinator of Disability Services, and Daphne Schlamp, Grundy County Coordinator of Disability Services, reviewed department matters with the Board.

Motion was made by Bakker and seconded by Ross to approve low bid submitted by Brueing Rock Products of Decorah, Iowa, on rock surfacing Project No. FM-CO38(104) - 55-38 in the amount of \$100,742.25. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Riekena and seconded by Bakker to approve plans, specifications, and bid documents on Farm to Market Pavement Marking Project No. FM-CO38(105) - 55-38 for IDOT bid letting on June 21, 2016, and to authorize the Board of Supervisors to sign said plans. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Ross and seconded by Bakker to approve low quote from AgVantage FS of Waverly for supplying diesel fuel at their quote of \$1.5288/gallon for No. 2 grade for the Secondary Road Department shops in Buck Grove and Dike from April 1, 2016, through September 30, 2016. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Bakker and seconded by Ross to approve plans, specifications, and bid documents on Intersection Light Safety Project No. HSIP-S-CO38(98) - 6C-38 for IDOT bid letting on July 19, 2016, and to authorize the Board of Supervisors to sign said plans. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Riekena, County Engineer, reviewed department matters with the Board.

Board Member Riekena introduced the following Resolution entitled "RESOLUTION FIXING DATE FOR A MEETING ON THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$5,100,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION URBAN RENEWAL BONDS OF GRUNDY COUNTY, STATE OF IOWA, AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION OF NOTICE THEREOF", and moved that the same be adopted. Board Member Ross seconded the motion to adopt. The roll was called and the vote was as follows: Ayes - Bakker, Ross, Riekena, Schildroth, and Smith; Nays - None.

Whereupon, the Chairperson declared the Resolution duly adopted as follows: RESOLUTION NO. 42-2015/2016 - RESOLUTION FIXING DATE FOR A MEETING ON THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$5,100,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION URBAN RENEWAL BONDS OF GRUNDY COUNTY, STATE OF IOWA, AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION OF NOTICE THEREOF. WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors previously has found and determined that certain areas located within the City are eligible and should be designated as an urban renewal area under Iowa law, and has approved and adopted the Grundy County Urban Renewal Plan (the "Plan") on April 13, 2009, pursuant to Resolution No. 40-2008/2009, and subsequent amendments to the same on March 28, 2016, pursuant to Resolution No. 41-2015/2016, (the "Amended Plan") for the amended Memorial Hospital Urban Renewal Area (the "Area" or "Urban Renewal Area") described therein, which Amended Plan is on file in the office of the Recorder of Grundy County; and WHEREAS, it is deemed necessary and advisable that the County should provide for the issuance of General Obligation Urban Renewal Bonds to the amount of not to exceed \$5,100,000, as authorized by Sections 331.443 and 403.12, Code of Iowa, as amended, for the purpose of providing funds to pay costs of carrying out an essential county urban renewal purpose project as hereinbefore described; and WHEREAS, before General Obligation Urban Renewal Bonds are issued to evidence the obligation of the County thereunder, it is necessary to comply with the provisions of the Code of Iowa, as amended, and the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code Section 147(f), as amended, and to publish a notice of the proposal and of the time and place of the meeting at which the Board proposes to take action for the issuance of the Bonds, to receive oral and/or written objections from any resident or property owner of the County to such action, and the right to petition for an election on the question. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF GRUNDY COUNTY, STATE OF IOWA: Section 1. That this Board shall meet in the Board of Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, 706 G Avenue, Grundy Center, Iowa, at 9 o'clock A.M., on the 18th day of April, 2016, for the purpose of taking action on the matter of the issuance of not to exceed \$5,100,000 General Obligation Urban Renewal Bonds (the "Bonds") to evidence the obligations of the County thereunder for an essential county urban renewal purpose, the proceeds of which will be used to pay costs of aiding in the planning, undertaking and carrying out of urban renewal projects under the authority of Chapter 403, including purposes of loaning the funds to the Grundy County Memorial Hospital (the "Hospital"), a

county hospital operating under the authority of Iowa Code chapter 37, as amended, for repairs, remodeling, and improvements to the Grundy County Memorial Hospital, including but not limited to the renovation of the 1952 second floor and the expansion and enhancements to the specialty clinic and radiology areas, including, without limitation, exterior and mechanical improvements and upgrades, expansion of the specialty clinic space and relocation of administration and other support function areas, the renovation of and improvements to the radiology department including a separate private area dedicated to women's health services, and other related land and site improvements, all of the foregoing located on the Hospital's campus located at 201 East J Avenue, Grundy Center, Iowa, 50638 (the "Hospital Campus"), said Hospital Campus is owned by the Hospital and managed by the Allen Health Systems, Inc., a 501(c)(3) organization, and pay costs of issuance and other associated costs and expenses relating to the Bonds. At any time before the date of said meeting, a petition, asking that the question of issuing such Bonds be submitted to the legal voters of the County, may be filed with the County Auditor in the manner provided by Section 331.442(5) of the Code of Iowa, as amended. At the above meeting the Board shall receive oral or written objections from any resident or property owner of the County, to the above action. After all objections have been received and considered, the Board will at this meeting or at any adjournment thereof, take additional action for the issuance of Bonds to evidence the obligation of the County thereunder or will abandon the proposal. This Notice is given by order of the Board of Supervisors of Grundy County, State of Iowa, as provided by Sections 331.441(b)(14), 331.443 and 403.12 of the Code of Iowa, as amended, and Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended. Dated this 28th day of March, 2016. Rhonda R. Deters, County Auditor of Grundy County, State of Iowa.

Board Member Ross introduced the following proposed Resolution entitled "RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE NECESSITY AND SETTING DATES OF A CONSULTATION AND A PUBLIC HEARING ON A PROPOSED GRUNDY COUNTY ANNEX URBAN RENEWAL PLAN FOR A PROPOSED URBAN RENEWAL AREA IN GRUNDY COUNTY, STATE OF IOWA", and PROVIDED FOR PUBLICATION OF NOTICE THEREOF. WHEREAS, it is hereby found and determined that one or more blighted areas, as defined in Chapter 403, Code of Iowa, exist within the County and the rehabilitation, conservation, redevelopment, development, or combination thereof, of the area is necessary in the interest of the public health, safety, or welfare of the residents of the County; and WHEREAS, this Board has reasonable cause to believe that the area described below satisfies the eligibility criteria for designation as an urban renewal area under Iowa law and has caused there to be prepared a proposed Grundy County Annex Urban Renewal Plan ("Plan" or "Urban Renewal Plan") for the Grundy County Annex Urban Renewal Area ("Area" or "Urban Renewal Area"), which proposed Plan is attached as Exhibit 1 to the resolution on file in the Office of the County Auditor; and WHEREAS, the Board has reasonable cause to believe that the area described below satisfies the eligibility criteria for designation as an urban renewal area under Iowa law and has caused there to be prepared a proposed Grundy County Annex Urban Renewal Plan ("Plan" or "Urban Renewal Plan") for the Grundy County Annex Urban Renewal Area ("Area" or "Urban Renewal Area"), which proposed Plan is attached as Exhibit 1 to the resolution on file in the Office of the County Auditor; and WHEREAS, the Iowa statutes require the Board of Supervisors to submit the proposed Grundy County Annex Urban Renewal Plan to the Planning and Zoning Commission for review and recommendation as to its conformity with the general plan for development of the County as a whole prior to Board approval of such Plan, and further provides that the Planning and Zoning Commission shall submit its written recommendations thereon to this Board within thirty (30) days of receipt of such proposed Grundy County Annex Urban Renewal Plan; and WHEREAS, the Iowa statutes require in certain circumstances that the Board of Supervisors notify all affected taxing entities of the consideration being given to the proposed Grundy County Annex Urban Renewal Plan and hold a consultation with such taxing entities with respect thereto, and further provides that the designated representative of

each affected taxing entity may attend the consultation and make written recommendations for modifications to the proposed division of revenue included as a part thereof, to which the County shall submit written responses as provided in Section 403.5, as amended; and WHEREAS, the Iowa statutes further require the Board of Supervisors to hold a public hearing on the proposed Grundy County Annex Urban Renewal Plan subsequent to notice thereof by publication in a newspaper having general circulation within the County, which notice shall describe the time, date, place and purpose of the hearing, shall generally identify the urban renewal area covered by the Plan and shall outline the general scope of the urban renewal project under consideration, with a copy of the notice also being mailed to each affected taxing entity. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF GRUNDY COUNTY, STATE OF IOWA: Section 1. That the consultation on the proposed Grundy County Annex Urban Renewal Plan described in by Section 403.5(2) of the Code of Iowa, as amended, shall be held on the 5th day of April, 2016, in the Board Room, County Courthouse, 706 G Avenue, Grundy Center, Iowa, at 9:00 A.M., and the County Auditor is hereby appointed to serve as the designated representative of the County for purposes of conducting the consultation, receiving any recommendations that may be made with respect thereto and responding to the same in accordance with Section 403.5(2). Section 2. That the County Auditor is authorized and directed to cause a notice of such consultation to be sent by regular mail to all affected taxing entities, as defined in Section 403.17(1), along with a copy of this Resolution and the proposed Grundy County Annex Urban Renewal Plan, the notice to be substantially in the following form: NOTICE OF A CONSULTATION TO BE HELD BETWEEN GRUNDY COUNTY, STATE OF IOWA AND ALL AFFECTED TAXING ENTITIES CONCERNING THE PROPOSED GRUNDY COUNTY ANNEX URBAN RENEWAL PLAN FOR GRUNDY COUNTY, STATE OF IOWA. Section 3. The notice of the proposed action shall be in substantially the following form: NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF GRUNDY COUNTY, STATE OF IOWA ON THE MATTER OF THE PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$5,100,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION URBAN RENEWAL BONDS (FOR AN ESSENTIAL COUNTY URBAN RENEWAL PURPOSE), AND THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE AUTHORIZATION AND ISSUANCE THEREOF. 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That the County Auditor is authorized and directed to cause a notice of such consultation to be sent by regular mail to all affected taxing entities, as defined in Section 403.17(1), along with a copy of this Resolution and the proposed Grundy County Annex Urban Renewal Plan, the notice to be substantially in the following form: NOTICE OF A CONSULTATION TO BE HELD

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PROPOSED DIKE-NEW HARTFORD SCHOOL BUDGET SUMMARY FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017			
Location of Public Hearing:	Date of Hearing:	Time of Hearing:	
Board Room, Dike, Iowa	04/18/16	7:00 PM	
The Board of Directors will conduct a public hearing on the proposed 2016/17 school budget at the above-noted location and time. At the hearing, any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget. This notice represents a summary of the supporting detail of revenues and expenditures on file with the district secretary. A copy of the details will be furnished upon request.			
Budget 2017	Re-estimated 2016	Actual 2015	Avg % 15-17
Taxes Leved on Property	3,020,574	2,957,660	2,945,047 1.3%
Utility Replacement Excise Tax	2	53,304	51,905 140,122 -38.3%
Income Surtaxes	3	375,148	387,261 338,518 5.3%
Tuition/Transportation Received	4	310,000	300,000 239,409
Earnings on Investments	5	27,500	26,600 37,076
Nutrition Program Sales	6	320,000	300,000 286,034
Student Activities and Sales	7	605,000	585,000 445,668
Other Revenues from Local Sources	8	236,100	225,510 226,894
Revenue from Intermediary Sources	9	1,700	1,681 0
State Foundation Aid	10	6,020,427	5,187,942 5,308,488
Instructional Support State Aid	11	0	0 0
Other State Sources	12	1,270,000	970,000 871,190
Commercial & Industrial State Replacement	13	25,426	29,112 16,234
Title I Grants	14	78,000	75,360 48,662
IDEA & Other Federal Sources	15	450,000	415,000 393,421
Total Revenues	16	12,793,179	11,513,031 11,296,763
General Long-Term Debt Proceeds	17	0	0 2,288
Transfers In	18	509,035	469,035 500,081
Proceeds of Fixed Asset Dispositions	19	1,000	1,000 0
Total Revenues & Other Sources	20	13,303,214	11,983,066 11,799,132
Beginning Fund Balance	21	3,358,957	3,673,682 3,557,120
Total Resources	22	16,662,171	15,656,748 15,356,252
*Instruction			
Student Support Services	24	375,000	315,000 166,089
Instructional Staff Support Services	25	730,000	522,000 490,866
General Administration	26	346,000	321,000 265,866
School-Building Administration	27	590,000	580,000 508,132
Business & Central Administration	28	186,000	176,000 154,198
Plant Operation and Maintenance	29	665,000	697,000 738,843
Student Transportation	30	555,000	481,500 507,681
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Total Support Services (lines 24-31)	31A	3,447,000	3,092,500 2,831,675 10.3%
*Noninstructional Programs	32	631,000	616,000 429,747 21.2%
Facilities Acquisition and Construction	33	250,000	250,000 321,607
Debt Service	34	624,706	618,956 617,862
AEA Support - Direct to AEA	35	442,990	384,051 383,849
Total Other Expenditures (lines 33-35)	35A	1,317,696	1,253,007 1,323,318 -0.2%
Total Expenditures	36	12,645,138	11,828,756 11,093,096
Transfers Out	37	509,035	469,035 589,474
Total Expenditures & Other Uses	38	13,154,173	12,297,791 11,682,570
Ending Fund Balance	39	3,507,998	3,358,957 3,673,682
Total Requirements	40	16,662,171	15,656,748 15,356,252
Proposed Property Tax Rate (per \$1,000 taxable valuation)		12.26366	

NOTICE TO BIDDERS, NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS HEARING OF TAKING OF BIDS FOR THE UPGRADE TO A 1 GHZ UPGRADE TO THE EXISTING HFC SYSTEM FOR THE GRUNDY CENTER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AT GRUNDY CENTER, IOWA.

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids for the construction, including the supply of necessary labor, materials, and equipment, to upgrade to 1 GHz the existing HFC Project known as 1 GHz UPGRADE, will be received by the Grundy Center Municipal Utilities at Grundy Center Municipal Utilities, 706 6th Street, Grundy Center, Iowa 50638 before 2 o'clock P.M., C.D.T., April 26, 20, 16, at which time and place the Bids will be publicly opened and read. The Project is located in the City of Grundy Center, Grundy County in the State of Iowa.

At 7:00 AM, C.D.T., April 27, 2016 at the Grundy Center Municipal Utilities, 706 6th Street, Grundy Center, Iowa 50638, the Board of the Grundy Center Municipal Utilities shall hold a public hearing on the proposed plans, specifications, proposed form of contract and estimated cost of the project. At said hearing any interested person may appear and file objections to the proposed plans, specifications, form of contract or estimated cost of said improvements. At said time and place, the bids will be considered and acted upon by the Board or at a later date as will be fixed.

System Upgrade
This project is for the replacement of active and passive elements of the existing HFC network to upgrade the operating frequency to 1 GHz. Existing tap and amplifier housings are being reused and new devices added to the housings. A small number of new line extender locations are added to minimize the moving of existing devices. New connectors are being installed. The headend transport and combiner network are being upgraded.

All of the above work shall be provided in accordance with the plans, specifications and proposed contract. The time for completion of construction of the Project shall be one hundred twenty (120) days from the date the Board of the Grundy Center Municipal Utilities approves the Contract and bond, which date shall be the commencement date for the construction of the Project.

The plans, specifications, and construction sheets together with all necessary forms and other documents for Bidders (the "Construction Documents") may be obtained from the Owner, or from Engineer, OAK HILL CONSULTING, INC., 1300 West Highway 13, Burnsburg, Minnesota 55337, Telephone (962) 895-8851. The first set is provided at no charge, additional sets may be purchased upon payment of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) which payment will not be subject to refund unless the complete set of Construction Documents is returned to the Owner in good condition within 14 days after award of the Contract. The Construction Documents may be examined at the offices of the

Owner or Engineer.

Bidders shall have on file with the Engineer's office at least five (5) days in advance of the scheduled bid date, the Bidder's qualifications on forms, copies of which can be obtained from the Engineer. Questions relating to Bidder's qualifications may be resolved prior to the opening of Bids. Bids will be accepted only from original recipients of the Construction Documents or from some other qualified Bidder to whom such a set has been transferred by the original recipient with the approval of the Owner.

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Each proposal shall be made out on a blank form furnished by Owner or the Engineer and must be accompanied by bid security as defined in Iowa Code Section 26.8, as security that the successful bidder will enter into a contract for the work bid upon and will furnish after the award of contract a corporate surety bond, in a form acceptable to the Grundy Center Municipal Utilities, for the faithful performance of the contract, in an amount equal to 100% of the amount of the contract. The bidder's security shall be in the amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the amount of the proposal and shall be in the form of a cashier's check or a certified check drawn on an FDIC insured bank in Iowa or on an FDIC insured bank chartered under the laws of the United States; or a certified share draft drawn on a credit union in Iowa or chartered under the laws of the United States; or a bid bond with corporate surety authorized to do business in the State of Iowa and satisfactory to the Grundy Center Municipal Utilities. A bid bond shall contain no conditions except as provided in Iowa Code Section 26.8. The bid shall contain no condition except as provided in the specifications.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a corporate surety bond in an amount equal to 100% of its contract price. Said bond shall be issued by a responsible surety approved by the Grundy Center Municipal Utilities and shall guarantee the faithful performance of the contract and the terms and conditions therein contained and shall guarantee the prompt payment of all material and labor, and protect and save harmless the Grundy Center Municipal Utilities from claims and damages of any kind caused by the operations of the contract and shall also guarantee the maintenance of the improvement caused by failures in materials and construction for a period of no less than two years from and after acceptance of the completed Project.

All proposals and bid bond shall be sealed in a single envelope and plainly marked, "SEALED BID FOR GRUNDY CENTER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES 1 GHZ UPGRADE TO EXISTING HFC SYSTEM". The envelope shall also show the bidder's name and date and time of bid opening. Any alteration of the proposal form may be cause for rejection of the proposal. Such bid security shall be forfeited to Grundy Center Municipal Utilities as liquidated damages in the event the successful bidder fails or refuses to enter into a contract within ten (10)

days after the award of contract and post bond satisfactory to Grundy Center Municipal Utilities insuring the faithful fulfillment of the contract. Payment for said work to be performed will be made from cash on hand or borrowed funds. Payment to the contractor will be made on the basis of eighty percent (80%) of the contract value of the material price of stored materials in Owner approved on-site storage and ninety-five percent (95%) of the contract value of the labor and material price upon completion and acceptance by the Engineer and Owner. The remaining five percent (5%) will be paid upon successful completion of the Project and submittal of all final contract documents.

Grundy Center Municipal Utilities reserves the right to defer acceptance of any proposal for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days after the date proposals are received and no proposal may be withdrawn during this period. Grundy Center Municipal Utilities reserves the right to reject any or all bids, waive any or all minor irregularities, and enter into such contract as it shall deem to be in the best interest of Grundy Center Municipal Utilities.

Grundy Center Municipal Utilities reserves the right to obtain low bid status by selectively bidding of multiple manufacturers low dollar products such that the cost of spares on inventories are similarly affected may be grounds for total bid rejection. The Grundy Center Municipal Utilities is interested in initial and long term system performance and consideration. The Contract may be awarded by the Grundy Center Municipal Utilities as it deems to be in the best interests of the City.

By virtue of the statutory authority, preference will be given to products and provisions grown and coal produced within the state of Iowa, and to Iowa domestic labor, to the extent lawfully required under the state statutes.

To the extent required by Iowa law, a resident bidder shall be allowed a preference as against a nonresident bidder from a state or foreign country if that state or foreign country gives or requires any preference to bidders from that state or foreign country, including but not limited to any preference to bidders, the imposition of any type of labor force preference or any other form of preferential treatment to bidders or laborers from that state or foreign country. The preference allowed shall be equal to the preference given or required by the state or foreign country in which the nonresident bidder is a resident.

In the instance of a resident labor force preference, a nonresident bidder shall apply the same resident labor force preference to a public improvement in this state as would be required in the construction of a public improvement by the state or foreign country in which the nonresident bidder is a resident.

Failure to submit a fully completed Bidder Status Form with the Proposal my result in the Proposal being deemed nonresponsive and rejected.

Issued upon order of the Board of Trustees of the Grundy Center Municipal Utilities, Grundy Center, Iowa.

Dated this 28th day of March, 2016.

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By General Manager

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THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT
GRUNDY COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Marjorie Ann Davis, Deceased.

Case No. 102043

NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF
APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR,
AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of

Marjorie Ann Davis, Deceased, who died on or

about 2/1st day of January, 2016:

You are hereby notified that on the 25th day

of March, 2016, the last will and testament of

Marjorie Ann Davis, deceased, bearing date of

the 13th day of May, 1993, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Rhonda M. Johanson was appointed executor of the

estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the deceased and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

Dated this 25th day of March, 2016.

Rhonda M. Johanson
9 Valley View Drive
Blue Grass, IA 52726

Executor of estate

Stephen P. Wing



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When you're the kind of person that won't settle for second best you definitely need to go to That Place at 33030 G Ave in Conrad. I can tell you from experience that no "servers" it up better than That Place Restaurant does. Go taste the truth for yourself.

I recommend you gather the family, or friends, and get out of the house and treat yourself to a great meal at That Place. Or, if you're wondering what you can do special for your sweetheart take her to That Place. A night out of the kitchen will be something she'll appreciate... and you'll love it too. They're the perfect place to take any company, that way you'll all get to enjoy yourself too. It will save you time and you'll get all the compli-

ments for bringing them to such a nice place.

You don't need a special occasion to go to That Place, any time you stop by and enjoy their scrumptious food it will be a great time. Good food just has a way of making you feel good. A scrumptious meal from That Place and some conversation with friends is a great way to spend time.

Call 641-366-2911 to make a reservation. They're so good they're always busy. You can also call for advance for carryout.

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I could go on and on about all the wonderful qualities That Place has, but now I'm getting hungry and I'm heading over to That Place in Conrad... see you there.

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Connor Neuroth runs in the 100-meter dash at the East Marshall Early Bird meet in LeGrand last Tuesday. Neuroth finished third with a time of 12.1 seconds. (Rob Maharry/The Grundy Register photo)

Wolverine boys second, girls third at Waverly Coed

WAVERLY — Dike-New Hartford's boys' and girls' track and field teams combined to win eight events on their way to top three finishes at the Waverly-Shell Rock Coed Invitational last Thursday.

The Wolverine boys finished behind only Mason City in a team race that saw the top three times separated by just 14 points while the D-NH girls were third in a race that saw just 19 1/2 points separating the top four squads.

Winning girls' individual events included Haleigh Durnin in the high jump and Haylee Luna in the 3,000. Josie Hill, Madison Lavenz, Allie Aalderks and Taylor Hedges combined to win the 4 x 400-meter relay while Baily Fettke, Madison Hedges, Josie Claude and Kadi Wright were the winning combination in the distance medley.

Runner-up Wolverine girls' finishes included Durnin in the long jump and the 4 x 800-meter relay squad.

Boys' winners included Ty Sohn in the discus, Connor Blough in the 200, as well as the 4 x 200 (John Crew, Blough, Connor Neuroth, Jakob Luna), 4 x 800 (Calvin Wildeboer, Nate Sharp, Broden Coulter, Ryan Moore) relay teams.

Waverly-Shell Rock Coed Invite

(at Waverly)

Girls' Results

Team scores — 1) New Hampton 122 1/2; 2) Waverly-Shell Rock 113 1/2; 3) Dike-New Hartford 104; 4) Charles City 103; 5) Waterloo West 73; 6) Hudson 37; 7) Mason City 29; 8) Columbus Catholic 1.

Individual results include winners plus local top-eight finishers

High jump — 1) Haleigh Durnin (DNH)

4.40; 5) Courtney Bolhus (DNH) 4.4.

Long jump — 1) Darian Wegner (NH)

15-9; 2) Haleigh Durnin (DNH) 15-3/4; 4) Alayna Kollasch (DNH) 14-3 1/4.

Shot put — 1) Sara Martin (CC) 37-11;

2) Sydney Petersen (DNH) 33-6 1/2; 8) Rylee Wessely (DNH) 31-1 1/2.

Discus — 1) Jordyn Shaw (WSR) 106-9;

2) Rylee Wessely (DNH) 7-11.

100-meter dash — 1) Kitra Bell (West)

12.86; 4) Jurane Lizer (DNH) 13.55; 7) Josie Claude (DNH) 13.86.

200-meter dash — 1) Madelyn Solomon (West) 26.94; 6) Jurane Lizer (DNH) 29.44;

7) Amber Rickert (DNH) 30.37.

400-meter dash — 1) Madison Sallee (Hudson) 1:05.12; 5) Jurane Lizer (DNH) 1:08.78.

800-meter run — 1) McKayla Cole (CC) 2:25.70; 5) Alayna Kollasch (DNH) 2:36.19.

1,500-meter run — 1) McKayla Cole (CC) 5:09.70; 5) Kadi Wright (DNH) 5:59.25.

3,000-meter run — 1) Haylee Luna (DNH) 11:45.00; 7) Lauren Vanderlind (DNH) 13:58.44.

100-meter hurdles — 1) Karlie Wosepka (WSR) 16.71; 3) Taylor Hedges (DNH) 17.06; 4) Haleigh Durnin (DNH) 17.57.

400-meter hurdles — 1) Abby Gossling (NH) 1:11.53; 3) Madison Hedges (DNH) 1:16.58.

4 x 100-meter relay — 1) Waterloo West 51.06; 4) Dike-New Hartford (Josie Claude, Sydney Petersen, Bailey Fettke, Jurane Lizer) 54.15.

4 x 200-meter relay — 1) Waterloo West 18.46; 4) Dike-New Hartford (Bailey Fettke, Madison Lavenz, Madison Hedges, Josie Hill) 1:57.73.

4 x 400-meter relay — 1) Dike-New Hartford (Josie Hill, Madison Lavenz, Allie Aalderks, Taylor Hedges) 4:18.33.

4 x 800-meter relay — 1) Charles City 10:38.04; 2) Dike-New Hartford (Taylor Hedges, Allie Aalderks, Olivia Eiklenborg, Alayna Kollasch) 10:46.93.

4 x 1,500-meter relay — 1) New Hampton 2:02.29; 4) tied Dike-New Hartford (Madison Lavenz, Sydney Petersen, Amber Rickert, Jenna Hensley) 2:08.15.

Distance medley relay — 1) Dike-New Hartford (Bailey Fettke, Madison Hedges, Josie Claude, Kadi Wright) 4:46.63.

Shuttle hurdle relay — 1) Waverly-Shell Rock 1:11.48.

Boys' Results

Team scores — 1) Mason City 111; 2)

Dike-New Hartford 101; 3) Denver 97; 4)

Waverly-Shell Rock 73; 5) Hudson 66; 6)

New Hampton 52; 7) Charles City 47; 8) Columbus Catholic 10.

Individual results include winners plus local top-eight finishers

High jump — 1) tie, Blake Deutmeyer (Denver) and Joe McNally (WSR) 5-8; 3) Nic Gronowski (DNH) 5-8; 7) tied, Isaac Jorgensen (DNH) 5-0.

Long jump — 1) Brandon Blum (CC) 20.9 1/2; 2) Nick Durnin (DNH) 20-6; 5) John Crew (DNH) 20-0.

Shot put — 1) Matt Mulford (NH) 50-1 1/2; 7) Ty Sohn (DNH) 40-3.

Discus — 1) Ty Sohn (DNH) 148-4; 4) Chase Arends (DNH) 126-10.

100-meter dash — 1) Xavier Senger (MC) 11.39.

200-meter dash — 1) Connor Blough (DNH) 23.26.

400-meter dash — 1) Keagan John (NH) 54.48; 5) Cole Wildeboer (DNH) 56.41; 7) Nic Gronowski (DNH) 57.50.

800-meter run — 1) Curren Matthias (Denver) 2:09.39.

1,600-meter run — 1) Curren Matthias (Denver) 4:53.05; 8) Tim Koop (DNH) 5:11.26.

3,200-meter run — 1) Gavin Connell (CC) 10:38.10; 8) Collin Vanderlind (DNH) 11:44.25.

1,600-meter hurdles — 1) Alex Sanchez (MC) 15.07; 2) Brody Goos (DNH) 15.16; 4) Nick Durnin (DNH) 16.30.

400-meter hurdles — 1) Nick Engel (Hudson) 57.92; 4) Tyler Duitsman (DNH) 1:03.04; 6) Grant Bixby (DNH) 1:04.99.

4 x 100-meter relay — 1) Mason City 44.57; 3) Dike-New Hartford (Brody Goos, Nick Durnin, Jakob Luna, Connor Neuroth) 46.21.

4 x 200-meter relay — 1) Dike-New Hartford (John Crew, Connor Blough, Connor Neuroth, Jakob Luna) 1:32.20.

4 x 400-meter relay — 1) Denver 5:38.31; 2) Dike-New Hartford (Connor Blough, John Crew, Ryan Moor, Connor Neuroth) 5:40.90.

800-meter relay — 1) Dike-New Hartford (Calvin Wildeboer, Nate Sharp, Broden Coulter, Ryan Moore) 8:57.27.

Distance medley relay — 1) Mason City 3:56.0; 5) Dike-New Hartford (Jacob Moore, Calvin Wildeboer, Jaxson Foster, Nate Sharp) 4:01.82.

Shuttle hurdle relay — 1) Denver 1:03.65; 3) Dike-New Hartford (Nick Durnin, Kody Kugel, Jaxson Foster, Nate Sharp) 4:01.82.

Boys' Results

Team scores — 1) Mason City 111; 2)

Dike-New Hartford 101; 3) Denver 97; 4)

Waverly-Shell Rock 73; 5) Hudson 66; 6)

New Hampton 52; 7) Charles City 47; 8) Columbus Catholic 10.

Individual results include winners plus local top-eight finishers

High jump — 1) Haleigh Durnin (DNH)

4.40; 5) Courtney Bolhus (DNH) 4.4.

Long jump — 1) Darian Wegner (NH)

15-9; 2) Haleigh Durnin (DNH) 15-3/4; 4) Alayna Kollasch (DNH) 14-3 1/4.

Shot put — 1) Sara Martin (CC) 37-11;

2) Sydney Petersen (DNH) 33-6 1/2; 8) Rylee Wessely (DNH) 31-1 1/2.

Discus — 1) Jordyn Shaw (WSR) 106-9;

2) Rylee Wessely (DNH) 7-11.

100-meter dash — 1) Kitra Bell (West)

12.86; 4) Jurane Lizer (DNH) 13.55; 7) Josie Claude (DNH) 13.86.

200-meter dash — 1) Madelyn Solomon (West) 26.94; 6) Jurane Lizer (DNH) 29.44;

7) Amber Rickert (DNH) 30.37.

400-meter dash — 1) Madison Sallee (Hudson) 1:05.12; 5) Jurane Lizer (DNH) 1:08.78.

800-meter run — 1) Xavier Senger (MC) 11.39.

1,600-meter run — 1) Xavier Senger (MC) 23.36; 2) Connor Blough (DNH) 24.43; 6) Troy Dolphin (BCLUW) 24.78.

400-meter dash — 1) Troy Dolphin (BCLUW) 54.35; 5) Nic Gronowski (DNH) 57.81.

800-meter run — 1) Josh Henrikson (Madrid) 2:13.50; 3) Nate Sharp (DNH) 2:17.03; 4) Clay Silver (BCLUW) 2:17.48; 6) Grant Baker (DNH) 2:22.75; 7) Dilan Cummings (DNC) 2:26.66.

1,600-meter run — 1) Carson Polich (Madrid) 4:57.62; 4) Grant Baker (BCLUW) 5:15.07; 5) Nate Sharp (DNH) 5:18.99; 6) Tim Koop (DNC) 5:23.72.

3,200-meter run — 1) Nick Melling (EM) 10:45.10; 5) Grant Baker (BCLUW) 11:09.0.

100-meter hurdles — 1) Cade Kirkpatrick (Madrid) 21-2 1/4; 2) Nick Durnin (DNH) 21-0; 3) John Crew (DNC) 19-6; 4) Ted Switzer (BCLUW) 19-5; 6) Jakob Luna (DNC) 17-7 1/2; 8) Cade Fuller (DNC) 17-1 1/4.

400-meter hurdles — 1) Coy Kirkpatrick (Madrid) 55-2 1/2. No local top-eight finishers.

Discus — 1) Cade Kirkpatrick (Madrid) 158-0; 2) Ty Sohn (DNC) 134-11; 6) Mason Dhyne (BCLUW) 107-1; 7) Chase Arends (DNC) 105.8.

100-meter dash — 1) Michael Santi (Madison) 11.24; 3) Connor Neuroth (DNC) 12.10; 7) Drew Carson (BCLUW) 12.30; 8) Dike-New Hartford (Jacob Moore, Kody Kugel, Jackson Lage, Tanner Smith) 51.50.

200-meter dash — 1) Michael Santi (Madison) 23.36; 2) Connor Blough (DNH) 24.43; 6) Troy Dolphin (BCLUW) 24.78.

4 x 200-meter relay — 1) Dike-New Hartford (Calvin Wildeboer, Nate Sharp, Broden Coulter, Ryan Moore) 8:57.27.

Distance medley relay — 1) East Marshall (Madrid) 1:01.69; 2) Brody Goos (DNC) 1:03.44; 4) Coby Willett (BCLUW) 1:04.76; 8) Ted Switzer (BCLUW) 1:05.80.

4 x 100-meter relay — 1) Madrid 45.19; 4) BCLUW (Colton Kruse, Ted Switzer, Logan Mann, Troy Dolphin) 48.01; 8) Dike-New Hartford (Jacob Moore, Kody Kugel, Jackson Lage, Tanner Smith) 51.50.

4 x 200-meter relay — 1) Dike-New

Relays life D-NH boys to second at East Marshall

LEGEND — Dike-New Hartford won four of the six relays on its way to a second-place finish at the East Marshall Early Bird Invitational last Tuesday in LeGrand.

The Wolverines won the 4 x 200, 4 x 400, 4 x 800 and shuttle hurdle events while finishing behind only Madrid in the team race. Madrid, which won nine of the 12 individual events and the 4 x 100 relay, finished with 186 points to outdistance the Wolverines by 63 markers. BCLUW was third with 57 points while East Marshall (55) and PCM (54) rounded out the top five.

Senior John Crew ran on three of the Wolverines

Field events lift D-NH to Comet Early Bird title

CONRAD — Dike-New Hartford scored three top-three finishes in field events on its way to the team championship at BCLUW's Comet Early Bird track and field meet last Tuesday.

Haleigh Durnin won the high jump and Sydney Petersen the shot put for the Wolverines, who finished with 124 team points to win by 25 1/2 over second-place Madrid, West Marshall (92), East Marshall (80) and BCLUW (59) rounded out the top five while Grundy Center/Gladbrook-Reinbeck placed sixth.

Taylor Hedges won the 100-meter hurdles for the Wolverines while D-NH also captured the 4 x 400-meter relay crown. Other local champions included BCLUW's Jenna Willett in the 400-meter hurdles, Grundy Center-GR in the sprint medley relay and BCLUW in the shuttle hurdle relay.

Grundy Center-GR's lone top-three individual finisher was Madison White's second-place finish in the discus, while the Spartans also took second in the distance medley.

Other BCLUW top-three individuals included Katie Thompson third in the long jump, Jorie Oaks third in the discus, and Nicole Lutes third in the 100-meter hurdles. The Comets were also third in the 4 x 800-meter relay. Other D-NH top-

three individuals included Jurane Lizer second in both the 100- and 200-meter dashes, Alayna Kollasch second in both the 1,500- and 3,000-meter runs and Courtney Bolhuis third in both the high jump and the 400-meter dash.

Comet Early Bird

(at Conrad)

Team scores — 1) Dike-New Hartford 124; 2) Madrid 98 1/2; 3) West Marshall 92; 4) East Marshall 80; 5) BCLUW 59; 6) Grundy Center/Gladbrook-Reinbeck 49; 7) GMG 33; 8) South Hardin 28 1/2; 9) South-East Polk 25.

Individual results include winners plus local top-eight finishers

High jump — 1) Haleigh Durnin (DNH) 4-11; 2) Courtney Bolhuis (DNH) 4-6; 5) Katie Thompson (BCLUW) 4-6; 8) Hannah Sams 4-4.

Long jump — 1) Rylan Santi (Madrid) 15-2 1/2; 3) Katie Thompson (BCLUW) 14-7 1/4; 5) Alayna Kollasch (DNH) 14-4 1/2; 7) Landry Luhring (GCGR) 14-2 1/2.

Shot put — 1) Sydney Petersen (DNH) 32-5; 4) Rylee Wessley (DNH) 30-11; 5) Hannah Sams (BCLUW); 7) Leah Yantis (BCLUW) 29-6.

Discus — 1) Hailey Gadbow (Madrid) 101-11; 2) Madison White (GCGR) 100-0; 3) Jorie Oaks (BCLUW) 96-11; 5) Jill Itzen (WM) 94-10; 6) Brittany Burroughs (GCGR) 86-0; 8) Rylee Wessely (DNH) 82-8.

100-meter dash — 1) Rylan Santi (Madrid) 13.23; 2) Jurane Lizer (DNH) 13.66; 6) Parker Scurr (BCLUW) 14.50; 8) Hana Edgerton (GCGR) 14.60.

200-meter dash — 1) Allison Hilleman (WM) 28.12; 2) Jurane Lizer (DNH) 28.19; 4) tied, Josie Hill (DNH) 28.96; 7) Samantha Ubben (BCLUW) 29.53.

400-meter dash — 1) Madie Streeter (WM) 1:04.78; 3) Courtney Bolhuis (DNH) 1:07.92; 5) Easton Swanson (BCLUW) 1:09.08; 7) Alayna Kollasch (DNH) 1:09.45.

800-meter run — 1) Hayley Fye (EM) 2:30.13; 5) Allie Alderks (DNH) 2:42.72; 8) Katie Thompson (BCLUW) 2:45.75.

1,500-meter run — 1) Haleigh Fye (EM) 5:18.89; 2) Alayna Kollasch (DNH) 5:21.61; 6) Lily Ehlers (GCGR) 5:40.67.

3,000-meter run — 1) Haleigh Fye (EM) 11:09.10; 2) Alayna Kollasch (DNH) 11:20.38; 4) Lily Ehlers (GCGR) 12:07.89; 7) Tiana Saak (GCGR) 13:08.65.

100-meter hurdles — 1) Taylor Hedges (EM) 17.24; 2) Haleigh Durnin (DNH) 17.90; 3) Nicolle Lutes (BCLUW) 18.05; 4) Olivia Hughes (BCLUW) 18.15.

400-meter hurdles — 1) Jenna Willett (BCLUW) 1:14.82; 5) Mellina Wrage (GCGR) 1:17.78; 7) Amelia Tonner (BCLUW) 1:18.77.

4 x 100-meter relay — 1) Madrid 53.10; 3) Dike-New Hartford 54.81; 8) Grundy Center-GR 57.22.

4 x 200-meter relay — 1) Madrid 1:53.06; 3) Dike-New Hartford 1:57.32; 5) Grundy Center-GR 2:01.04; 6) Grundy Center-GR II 2:06.

4 x 400-meter relay — 1) Dike-New Hartford 4:24.20; 2) Dike-New Hartford 4:36.62; 3) Grundy Center-GR 4:37.10; 5) BCLUW 4:38.20; 7) Dike-New Hartford III 4:38.67.

4 x 800-meter relay — 1) West Marshall 10:38.87; 2) Dike-New Hartford 10:47.86; 3) BCLUW 11:15.58.

Sprint medley relay — 1) Grundy Center-GR 2:00.53; 7) BCLUW 2:09.01.

Distance medley relay — 1) West Marshall 4:35.38; 2) Grundy Center-GR 4:40.01; 5) Dike-New Hartford 4:47.11; 8) BCLUW 5:13.11.

Shuttle hurdle relay — 1) BCLUW 1:14.82; 4) Grundy Center-GR 1:18.52.

the 4x400 relay with Brandt and Haley Bakker part of the 4x800 relay.

Frazier, who captured the NICL West shot put crown, had a season-best effort of 36-8 1/2 a year ago, while Lippert led the team's times in the 3000 (11:18), 1500 (5:15) and 800 (2:35).

"We expect to be the best in the individual distance events, the shot put and numerous relays," said AGWSR coach Laurie Gann. "We feel we can field a strong distance medley team, 4x800, 4x400 and sprint medley team."

She added, "Bethany is a great leader on the track and Rachel gives us a great start to meet's in the shot put."

In addition to the state returners, Gann listed Aubrie Fisher and Carson Hunt as top newcomers.

"Fisher will fill some of the spots vacated by seniors on our mid distance relays and run the open 800. Carrington is a strong sprinter and will help in our sprint department," noted Gann.

Fisher and Lippert enjoyed banner cross country seasons last fall as Fisher was the North Central Conference champion and both qualified for the state meet.

The AGWSR girls open the season at the South Hardin Invitational in Eldora Friday, April 8.

Elite talent, unprecedented experience found in GCGR boys' golf roster

Coach Dirks reflects on past, future as he enters 30th season

By PATTI RUST

The Grundy Register

Longtime Grundy Center boys' golf coach Dennis Dirks counts the 2015 season as one of the most enjoyable in all his years of coaching golf. Dirks described last year's team as self-motivated, driven to succeed, and more than willing to do whatever it took to improve the team's chances of winning.

"It was an absolute great group to work with," Dirks said. "It was a complete team effort – everyone contributed throughout the season toward our success. It was a line-up filled with solid players, all capable of shooting in the 40-43 range per nine hole round. This team had everything it needed except that knock-out punch. Nobody had the potential to post that really low score to separate ourselves from the elite competition."

The 2015 team closed out the season with a fifth place showing at the Class 1A boys' state tournament and graduated three seniors – Tanner Pelzer, Nick Saak, and Sam Thompson. They return an equal number of players to the course this season in senior Austin Burroughs, junior Jesper Holke-Farnam, Matt Roeding, and sophomore Jake Bangasser.

"I know the fifth place state finish was disappointing to this team – but it wasn't because of lack of effort," Dirks said. "This group put their heart and soul into the preparation of each meet throughout the spring including, and especially, the state meet. I was proud to be associated with the 2015 team. They represented Grundy Center with class."

Looking ahead to 2016, Grundy Center and Gladbrook-Reinbeck will team up as GCGR boys' golf,

combining for a roster of 17 players with over half of them (10) returning letter winners from last season. Coach Dirks thinks this year's team may just be the most talented and experienced he's ever coached. Considering he is in his 30th year of coaching, that's saying a lot.

"When looking at the resumes of the players from the Gladbrook-Reinbeck district, you see a group of extremely talented athletes," Dirks said. "Many have been part of the state football championship team, the state basketball championship team, and also participated in last year's state baseball tournament. They join a Grundy Center team with state tournament experience on the golf course, having earned berths the past three years and 16 times in the past 22 years. Between the two schools, it makes no difference whether the competition is held on a field, a court, or a course. This collection of athletes has competed at the highest level on the biggest stage. We would like to think we have the potential to be competitive in every meet this year."

Coach Dirks expects the leadership this season to come from the upperclassmen, including seniors Austin Burroughs, Tyler Eiffler, Jared Freeman, and Cameron Murphy, and juniors Braiden Buhrow, Jesper Holke-Farnam, Matt Roeding, and Joe Smoldt.

"These eight juniors and seniors are experienced players with proven track records, and those successes have not come by accident," he said. "They know what it takes to achieve goals and will set that tone for our underclassmen. Each will serve as outstanding role models."

This season offers a unique challenge in addition to the opportunities found in the blending of two schools, two coaches, and many quality athletes.

"The hard truth will find some

(returning letter winners) playing lower than varsity level," Dirks said. "It makes for great competition, but in the end it turns out to be a numbers game with only six being able to fill the varsity line-up."

"We're dealing with seven athletes who have already participated at the elite level at a state tournament," Dirks said. "As a result, we're talking about athletes with high expectations. Their ultimate goal is to again reach another state tournament. For years our goals have included winning our own Spartan tournament, winning the conference tournament, and playing on the last day of the year (which means qualifying for the state tournament)."

Dirks believes developing a positive relationship between athletes from two rival schools will be essential to building a successful team this season. While the revolving door phenomena of losing senior leaders and building a new team chemistry with new leaders each season is always a challenge for coaches, he points out that creating a new partnership with a neighboring district creates an even greater challenge. And while the debut season of GCGR boys' golf team holds great potential, Dirks is quick to point out that the game of golf offers few guarantees, and it is no secret that this part of the state is filled with strong golf programs that will provide tough competition week after week.

GCGR opens the 2016 season hosting East Marshall at Town and Country Golf Course in Grundy Center on Friday, April 8. They will host South Hardin on Monday, April 11, with the boys playing in Reinbeck and the girls in Grundy Center. Both teams play BCLUW Thursday, April 14, with the boys at Conrad and the girls at Union.

Legacy of success inspires new era for GCGR girls' golf

By PATTI RUST

The Grundy Register

The 2016 season brings with it a lot of firsts for the GCGR girls' golf team. It is the first time Grundy Center and Gladbrook-Reinbeck join rosters as GCGR, the first time co-coaches Kassi Nelson and Jocelyn Onnen share the lead coaching role, and the first time the players will compete in Class 3A. That said, the future looks bright for the nine girls who make up this year's team, as they look to make their own bit of history while continuing the tradition of the winningest high school girls' golf program in the state. Many of the players, as well as both coaches, have had the privilege to be a part of past elite Grundy Center golf teams, and one of them had the opportunity to both play and coach the game under the guidance of legendary girls' golf coach Rick Schupbach.

"I had a great experience being an assistant coach for Rick Schupbach from 2011 through 2014," Jocelyn Onnen said. "Having the opportunity to learn from him and watch the way he really connected with the girls was the best experience."

Learning from the best of the best seems to have rubbed off on Onnen, whose thoughts about her team are

remarkably similar to those shared by Schupbach in past seasons.

"Each one of them is going to contribute in their own way," she said. "I think one of their biggest strengths is how much they support one another and how unselfish they are. If they continue to be happy for one another and want one another to play well, I believe it will be a successful season."

Coach Kassi Nelson shares a similar outlook, pointing out the importance of each individual member of the team, particularly this season as they work to gel amidst the many changes.

"We have all been around golf for many years," Nelson said. "(But) we are all newcomers this year with the sharing between the two schools and new coaches. This year we are all playing a key role in this team."

As for the makeup of this year's team, Nelson describes them as young, but with the potential to be very competitive.

"We are going to look to our two seniors this year as leaders," she said. "Katie Ross and Jill Itzen have been in the program and know what meets are like and how to achieve success."

Both coaches were encouraged in

what they saw during early season practices, and have no doubt some of the newcomers will also have an impact.

"Josie Holke-Farnam, a freshman, will definitely benefit the team and has a lot of potential to become a great player," Coach Onnen said.

Among the goals for the season, the coaches hope to instill a love for the game of golf in each player as they continue to learn and work toward reaching their full potential. The belief in confidence, a strong work ethic, a trust in coaches and teammates, and a dedication to the game are all key factors in making the season a success.

"I believe it'll be a successful season if we can look back and see that the girls had fun, that they learned from us coaches, and that they learned a game they can play for a lifetime," Onnen said.

The GCGR golf teams will take to the course for the first time of the 2016 season on Friday, April 8, when they host East Marshall in Grundy Center. They will then host South Hardin on Monday, April 11, (girls at Grundy Center, boys at Reinbeck), and will go on the road to BCLUW on Thursday, April 14 (girls at Union, boys at Conrad).

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GCGR girls' track roster shows strength in numbers

By PATTI RUST
The Grundy Register

After a successful 2015 track and field season that ended with five events competing at the Class 1A state meet, this year the Grundy Center girls' track team combines with Gladbrook-Reinbeck as the GCGR Spartans competing in Class 2A. With a roster of 36 athletes strong, head coach Todd Rohler has a lot of options at his disposal for putting together a full field of events.

"We have very good numbers, and a nice mix of upperclassmen and underclassmen," Rohler said. "This will give us a lot of flexibility as far as what events each person will run this season."

The Spartans have a strong returning contingent, with 18 letter winners back from last season. Rohler, a veteran track coach of 23 years, has been the head coach at Grundy Center for the past nine seasons. During that time he has identified a formula for success as he works to make the most of the opportunity to interact with young track and field athletes.

"I believe that the essential factors to having a successful program are the willingness to work hard, the ability to support everyone, and the flexibility to compete in numerous events," Coach Rohler said. "The most rewarding thing I get from coaching is the interaction that I get to have with my athletes. It's very rewarding to watch these athletes improve during each season, as well as throughout their high school careers."

This week the GCGR runners hosted their own co-ed early bird meet on Tuesday. They were scheduled to go on the road to compete in the South Hardin meet at Eldora on Friday, April 8, followed by meets at Hudson on Tuesday, April 12, and Dike on Thursday, April 14.

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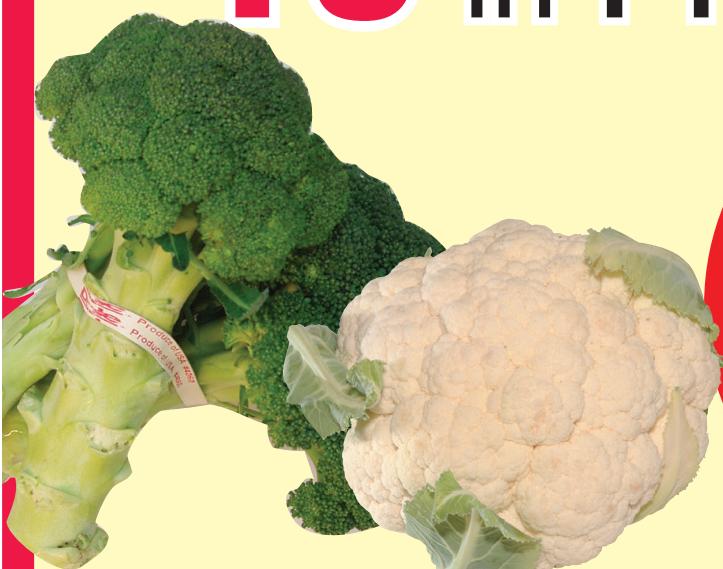
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By MICHAELA KENDALL

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GRUNDY CENTER – Relay for Life of Grundy County has recently announced the evening entertainment for this year’s Relay. During the event on Friday, June 10, a band called StraitRun will be performing for relayers at the Grundy Center High School track.

StraitRun is a family band from Vinton, Iowa, that is made up of Victor Schmidt and his three sons: Stephen, Samuel and Gabriel. Victor is an instructor at Kirkwood Community College and performed with Johnny and the Rockers for years before forming StraitRun with his sons. Victor plays guitar and sings in the band. Stephen is 18 years old, a high school senior and the drummer/lead singer in StraitRun. He has performed with other bands from his school, the jazz band, the marching band and pit bands in the

local community theater and high school plays. Samuel is 17 years old, a high school junior and a talented guitar player. He has also performed with bands made up of high school students, performed with the high school jazz band and marching band and was an All State guitar player last year. Samuel also performs with pit bands for the local community theater and high school plays. Gabriel is 14 years old and in the 8th grade. Gabriel is the bass player and one of the lead singers in StraitRun. He is currently in both the middle school and high school jazz bands and has performed with pit bands locally.

StraitRun has been performing around Iowa for over 10 years at weddings, anniversary parties, town-wide events and even at the historic Surf Ballroom in Clear Lake. StraitRun performs classic rock dating back as far as the 40’s and 50’s

About Relay for Life

The American Cancer Society Relay For Life movement is the world’s largest and most impactful fundraising event to end cancer. It unites communities across the globe to celebrate people who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost, and take action to finish the fight once and for all. With the support of thousands of volunteers, the American Cancer Society is helping save more than 500 lives a day. So far, five teams and 15 participants have raised \$860 for the 2016 Relay for Life of Grundy County, according to the Relay for Life website.



StraitRun is a family band out Vinton that will be performing at this year’s Grundy County Relay for Life. (Photo courtesy of StraitRun)

Grundy Center community play a hit with audiences



Oh my! Millionaire Otto Meyer’s business manager Cosmo (Nelson Sager) is discovered deceased in the trunk, as Mrs. Meyer (Candice Meyer) shouts: “Are you okay, Cosmo?” (Photo courtesy of Tam Hogle)



The murderer is discovered, and it’s none other than the Butler - Gibbons (William D. Kirchmann)! (Photo courtesy of Tam Hogle)



The Dike-New Hartford Robotics robot (No. 6164) docks with the case during the FIRST® Robotics competition at The University of Northern Iowa’s McLeod Center Friday. (John Jensen/Mid-America Publishing photo)

First-year robotics team sees Regional success at Dike-New Hartford

By JOHN JENSEN

Mid-America Publishing

CEDAR FALLS — The Dike-New Hartford High School robotics team entered last Friday’s FIRST® Robotics competition at the University of Northern Iowa with little if any expectations for great success. Yet there D-NH was after two rounds, Team No. 6164, ranked No. 1 in the competition despite being a rookie team among a McLeod Center and UNI-Dome filled with veteran teams with setups far more elaborate than their own.

“That was exciting,” Team co-captain Alex Lewis said after the first round. “We were expecting to go out and have a lot of fun and play some awesome defense and do that well.”

Though the team’s position atop the standings did not last, as it faded to the middle of the pack by the end, that did not dampen the excitement that advisor Joanna Seymour had for what her kids had accomplished.

“The kids learned so much about being a team,” she said Monday. “That, in itself, is a win.”

FIRST® robotics came to Dike-New Hartford earlier this year after a group of students from Cedar Falls High School came to talk to students at the school.

“They showcased their robot and they showed us how awesome it could be and we jumped in both feet,” Lewis said.

“Our kids came to us and said ‘Could we do this? Could we make this happen?’” Seymour said last Friday. “Mrs. (Chelsea) Slaba and I are like, ‘We’ll find a way to make this happen.’”

Grants from John Deere and FIRST® gave D-NH the \$10,000 it needed to get going and by the first of the year, just as the veteran teams were beginning to build, Dike-New Hartford had its robotics group.

Co-captain Isabella Dietrich said it wasn’t hard to find students interested in the program.

“We kind of put out that we were

doing this and everybody was so excited that even if they didn’t do it the kids at the school were incredibly supportive,” she said.

“We’re a real tight-knit community at Dike, so we have a lot of the people who don’t get into a lot of the sports, but at the same time we have the people who do play basketball, that do wrestle and that do cross over to robotics with us – it’s an all-inclusive sport,” Lewis said.

The first step in build the robot was determining what it would do. As they do in real life, robots perform different roles in FIRST® competition.

“We went back and forth for awhile about whether we wanted to be shooting or what fences we wanted to be able to cross,” Dietrich said. “And we ended deciding that we just wanted a really durable robot that we can beat it up on the field and that nothing’s going to go wrong with and that we could work on crossing the fences with.”

Some of that strategy, she admitted, came down to funding. For every additional part the students wanted to put on their robot they needed to raise more funding.

“And the more time we spent fund-raising was less time that we had to spend on the robot,” Dietrich said. “It was kind of a time issue because we only had about six weeks to do this.”

Only once during the building process did the team get truly stuck. At that point they called their friends from Cedar Falls who had encouraged them to join the competition.

“Their programmer and one of their engineers came over for an afternoon to help us get out of what we were in,” Seymour said. “They would have helped whenever, but I think our kids felt ‘We want to do this without all sorts of help from the outside.’”

She said the spirit of helpfulness extended all the way to the competition, which featured teams from across the Midwest as well as Brazil

and China. When D-NH broke a part in its second round of competition, members of other squads offered advice about how to fix it.

“That’s of the great things about FIRST® Robotics – there’s a theme of gracious professionalism,” Seymour said. “It’s not about winning, it’s about being the sort of character we want to be. Of course we want to have our robot work, but we want everybody else’s to as well, so if you need a part or need some help, share your professionalism with others so we make everybody a winner.”

THE DESIGN OF D-NH’S ROBOT determined its role in the competition. While many robots had parts designed to pick up and shoot balls into the goal, Dike-New Hartford’s robot had so such devices. Before each match, the D-NH students would meet with other teams they were allied with to set strategy. It was that strategy that paid off early in the competition.

“We talked with our other alliance (partners) and figured out who was going to tackle which defense,” Dietrich said. “That way we could get ranking points because even if you don’t win you can get ranking points, which helps give your overall ranking. We really had a great plan with our alliance to set us up for success. We had really great other teams we were working with.”

“I thought we did an awesome job of just getting into our court and just defending,” Lewis said after the first match. “All three other robots were just shooters and we did a great job of getting in the way of them, being that annoyance on the field, preventing points from being scored against us.”

“We were so thrilled with the first match,” Seymour said. “To that I attribute to our students went around and talked to the teams that they were going to be in an alliance with and realized the strengths of the teams and theirs and came up with a strategy of how they would use each others strengths to do well in that match.”

Grundy County Fair Board announces grandstand entertainment

By MICHAELA KENDALL

The Grundy Register

GRUNDY CENTER – The Grundy County Fair Board recently announced the entertainment line-up for the 2016 Grundy County Fair, which includes several live music performances and new, exciting events to keep fair-goers busy.

On the list of entertainment is the brand new “Tuff-N-Nuff Miniature Rodeo,” which will be held at 7 p.m., Thursday, July 21, in the Grandstands. Following the Mini Rodeo, country singer and Neva-da-native Neil Hewitt will perform

in the Grandstands Bar.

On the schedule for Friday, July 22, is the Old School Figure 8 Races at 7 p.m. in the Grandstands, with Illinois-based country band Madd Hoss Jackson performing after the races, around 9 p.m. The band will play through 1:30 a.m. in the Grandstands area.

Saturday entertainment consists of the Dirty Open Mud Volleyball Tournament at 10 a.m., PrairieLand Pullers at 10 a.m., followed by the Farm Bureau State Fair BBQ Cook-Off at noon, Small Town Throw Down Bean Bag Tourney at 4 p.m.,

the Trailer Races & Demo Derby at 7 p.m., followed by the Fireworks at dark. Des Moines based singer and songwriter Damon Dotson will close the entertainment after a full day of events with a performance at 9 p.m. following the fireworks. Dotson will perform through 1 a.m. in the Grandstands area.

The entire 2016 fair schedule for July 19 through 24 is set to be released soon. For more details, visit the Grundy County Fair website at www.GrundyCountyFair.com.

(See band photos and bios on page 3B)

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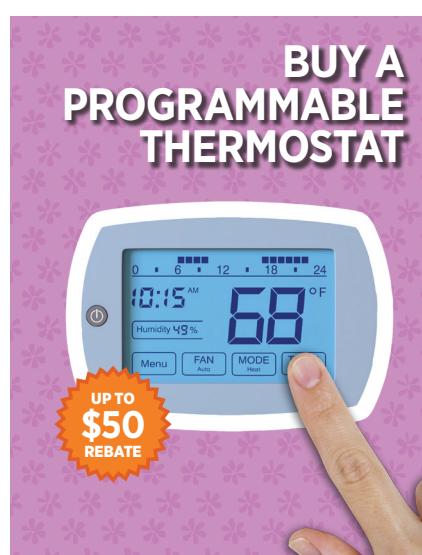
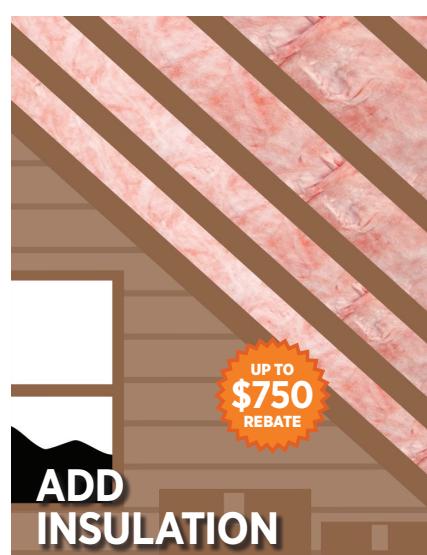
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Grundy Center Sports Hall of Fame Flashback

Max Appel

By DAVID PIKE
Special to The Grundy Register

Max Appel represented the first athlete from the decade of the 1940s to be elected to the Grundy Center Sports Hall of Fame. This was a decade that spawned

so many significant world events from the bombing of Pearl Harbor in 1941, the defeat of Nazi Germany, the Empire of Japan and the dropping of atomic bombs in 1945, and to the rise in world communism

that started the Cold War. Max served his country in WW II and was part of the "Greatest Generation" that national news anchor Tom Brokaw wrote about so passionately.

In sports, Army was a national football powerhouse that had Heisman trophy winners Doc Blanchard and Glenn Davis as Mr. Inside and Mr. Outside. In 1941, Ted Williams was the last baseball player to hit .400 and Joe DiMaggio hit safely in 56 straight games as they sparked on the baseball diamond.

In Grundy Center, Max Appel was a local star on the football field as an end and playing center on the basketball court. The games were different then. They were lower scoring, more conservative. Max and other Spartan athletes had no off-season camps to improve their skills. But in that era, Max Appel carved out an outstanding high school career and then went on to play on the best Legion teams the State of Iowa had to offer.

Max didn't move to Grundy Center with his parents until he started his freshman year in high school. He played both football and basketball, but basketball was his first love.

Max and his parents lived four miles southwest of town and Max would tell his kids how he would have to walk home after practices and games. One winter evening, the weather was so bad, he got lost in a snow storm and barely found his way home.

On the football field, Max was an end and lettered 3 years for the Spartans. Their best season was Max's sophomore year in 1941 when Grundy won the North Iowa Cedar League championship and had a 7-2 record. As with many of our great athletes from earlier decades, statistics are hard to come by, but Max was impressive

enough on the gridiron that he was recruited by and had the opportunity to play football at the University of Iowa.

As noted earlier, Max first love was basketball and Grundy Center was exceptionally strong with Max at 6' 5" and a foreboding figure leading the team as the center as well as the Spartans' leading scorer. During the 3 years the Max lettered, the Spartans had a combined record of 57-8.

During the 1940-41 season when Max was a sophomore, Grundy finished the year 16-3 winning the NICL and the county tournament.

The following season, as the nation plunged into World War II, Max led the Spartans to a 21-4 season repeating as conference champions. The also won the league playoff championship, repeated as county champions, and ram-rodded their way through State playoffs winning Sectionals and Districts before losing in the finals of sub-State. They were just one game from the State tournament, which in those days was only one class.

That set the stage for a great senior campaign in 1943 when Max once again led the Spartans to one of their best seasons ever. Grundy went through the regular season undefeated and repeated as the NICL and county champions. But after winning all 20 of their games to that date, the felt the agony of defeat with a two point loss in the Sectional championships, a bitter disappointment and hard way to end Max's high school basketball career.

Even though Max turned down a chance to play football at Iowa and to play basketball at the University of Colorado, his basketball career did not end. While staying home to farm with his brother, Raymond, Max played forward for Grundy's Legion ball team.

Those Legion teams Max played on were so good that fans around Grundy were saving up their gas stamps in 1946 to see them when they went to the State Legion championships. The Grundy team didn't quite make it that year, but they came back the following year and were State champions in 1947!

One of the highlights of Legion basketball was playing against the Van Dyke House of David, a traveling black team of the era. Grundy defeated them once in Grundy Center 42-32 and the David's wanted a return game on a neutral floor in hopes of avenging the loss. They played the second game in the old Marshalltown Coliseum. Grundy won that game in even more dominating fashion 46-23 led by Max Appel with eighteen points. He nearly outscored the whole House of David's team!

Max Appel passed away about 3 weeks before his induction in 2006. However it brought the Appel family some comfort because Max was informed about this honor for the last month of his life. His wife, Lillian, accepted his award in his honor with daughter Maxine and sons Jerry and Larry at her side.



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Grundy County Fair lineup



Damon Dotson is a singer/songwriter based out of Des Moines, and originally from Northwest Iowa. Dotson has opened for legendary performers like BB King, Willie Nelson, The Beach Boys, as well as modern artists like Matt Nathanson, Edwin McCain, and The Lone Bellow. Dotson has sustained his career for 10 years, and has released four original albums, and performed countless shows throughout the Midwest without a record label or management. (Photo courtesy of Damon Dotson)



Founded in 1987, Madd Hoss Jackson is a band based out of Illinois that performs country, rock, and everything in between. Musicians include Jim Jennings on Drums and Vocals, Matt Bullard on Guitar and Vocals, Mark Behymer on Bass and Vocals, Chris Ratcliff on Guitar and Vocals, and Ed Bourrell on Guitar, Fiddle and Steel. Madd Hoss Jackson has had the opportunity to share the stage with many current and classic artists including Eric Church, Montgomery Gentry, the Charlie Daniels Band, Jake Owen, Hunter Hayes, the Kentucky Headhunters, Blackberry Smoke, Jerrod Niemann, Confederate Railroad and many more. (Photo courtesy of Madd Hoss Jackson)



Neil Hewitt is a Nevada-native country singer and winner of the People's Choice Award at Iowa State's "Cyclone Idol." Hewitt has traveled across the USA to perform with stars such as Granger Smith, Kellie Pickler, James Otto, and Confederate Railroad. Neil is happy to perform country's best covers, or something out of his own stash of songs. (Photo courtesy of Neil Hewitt)

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Grundy County turkeys

By NICK BUSEMAN
Grundy County Conservation
Operation Supervisor

Growing up in Grundy County and now working for the Grundy County Conservation Board for just shy of 15 years, the sight of a wild Eastern turkey was just about like seeing a black squirrel scurry up a large ash tee. Prior to the last three years, traveling to what few wild areas that are left in Grundy County, I could recall seeing just as many black squirrels as wild turkeys – which I could easily say was less than five.

Recalling my college courses that told us wild turkeys need large tracts of continuous timber, early research stated that it had to be at least 10,000 acres to allow turkeys to survive. In later years, they had amended their data to say that to sustain a turkey population you needed a mature timber tract of 1000 acres with at least a 50/50 mix of mature hard woods and open grass land or crop ground. Since the reintroduction of the wild Eastern turkeys to Iowa, many conservation researchers and enthusiasts have noticed populations of birds in small 2-3 acre woodlots. If you are familiar with Grundy County, you know that you're not going to find 1000 acre stands of mature timber – let alone 200 acre chunks of mature hardwood lots.

In the past three years or so, many residents along with our staff have noticed a shocking population increase of turkeys in our parks and other narrow woodlots in the county. In my early years of being employed here, I recall seeing a lone hen a few times while working in a chunk of timber, only to fall to a predator or shortly migrate back to where she came from. This time seemed different. We finally had hens and toms migrate up the different creek corridors and establish a small population. As of right now, we know of several different flocks that have produced young and are slowly increasing their populations. This is fascinating and awesome to see. The populations seem to be located along the Wolf Creek, Black Hawk Creek, and North Fork of the Black Hawk Creek. Logically these are the areas we would see birds because of the continuous tracts of habitat leading from the Cedar River and or connecting to the Iowa River corridor, and these areas are basically our only tracts of habitat.

With turkey seasons creeping up on us, many residents have inquired about turkey hunting in our wildlife areas. We discussed allowing turkey hunting at our last Conservation Board meeting, and they have decided to keep the areas closed to turkey hunting this year, but to review it again prior to next year's seasons. The board came to the conclusion that they would like the populations to become more established before harvesting birds. We know that having a large flock inhabiting our parks is a long shot, but giving them every chance to succeed is a high priority of the board. To be able to see a tom strutting in one of our mowed areas and to hear a thunderous gobble ring through Wolf Creek's oak ridge is amazing, and something we hope can be here to stay.

By NICK BUSEMAN

Grundy County Conservation
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Ice is out and the water is starting to gain a few degrees, and as the water warms, a new crop of fish are getting ready to enter the world. This time of year is referred to as spawning. As the water warms the different species of fish begin to feed aggressively up until it is time for them to lay their eggs. So the pre spawn can be a dynamite time to fish.

During the pre spawn the females are feeding heavily and trying to gather up as much nourishment as possible prior to laying her eggs. She seems to slow down and almost shut down her feeding during the spawning process. To me, the pre spawn can be a great time to hit the rivers in our neighboring counties.

One of the first fish to spawn in Iowa are the Northern Pike. They usually begin their pre spawn before the ice is completely out. When the water reaches around 35 degrees the female will find her way into shallow marshy area or streams, accompanied by a couple much smaller males. Pike are random spawners; laying her adhesive eggs across the bottom and on submerged vegetation. The male Pike fertilize the eggs as they are dispersed from the female. After completing this process, the adults head back to the main channels while the eggs lay there. The eggs will hatch in 12 to 14 days. If you have ever butchered a female fish prior to spawn and noticed the thousands and thousands of eggs, seeing this lets you know that sur-

vival percentages are very small. If you can fish a clean stream dumping into a larger river at the perfect time it can be a blast. Setting your hook in a large hungry Northern Pike is something I look forward to each spring.

The next species of fish, and probably the most popular species anglers pursue, is the Walleye. With the Northern Pike peak fishing probably complete, the Walleye, I believe, is just ramping up. Walleyes prefer a little bit warmer water to spawn in; usually between 42 and 54 degrees. As the water begins to warm the females are gaining nourishment and heading to their spawning grounds. Like the Pike they prefer shallow water, but clean water. Also Walleyes are night



Nick Buseman and his son Clay with a 10# Northern Pike they caught this spring.



Exploring Iowa's unsolved murders

This is a weekly feature highlighting some of Iowa's unsolved homicides in the hopes that it will lead to new tips and potentially help solve cases. The project is a partnership between this newspaper and other members of the Iowa Newspaper Association.

Charles Francis Jaeger

On August 29, 1984, Charles Jaeger was found in a pool of blood in his bed at his Dyersville home. He had been shot in the back of the head with a rifle or a handgun. Jaeger's wife, Eileen, reportedly found his body, surrounded by splattered blood. He was rushed to the University of Iowa Hospitals in Iowa City, where he died at 8:23 p.m.

Law enforcement officials say the doors were locked and there was no sign of forcible entry. The murder weapon was never found. Jaeger's two sons were in a bedroom next to their parents' room the night of the slaying. They said they didn't hear the shot or the ambulance sirens, and that train roaring past, practically in the home's backyard, muffled any sound. Eileen, who told investigators she was sleeping downstairs, reportedly heard some sounds coming from her bedroom, noises that apparently got her attention.

The crime scene was compromised from the beginning, by necessity. Paramedics moved Jaeger from the waterbed where he was presumed to have been shot. The crime scene wasn't sealed once the victim was found. The Division of Criminal Investigation wasn't called in until after Jaeger was flown to Iowa City.

There are conflicting reports about the cooperation of Jaeger's wife and children in the investigation.

During a search of the residence, investigators collected 133 items, including numerous personal letters and love letters sent to Jaeger from women in the Philippines, Hong Kong, Memphis, Atlanta, Chicago, New York and small towns in Nebraska, South Carolina, Missouri, Florida, North Carolina and Wisconsin. Charles Jaeger's brother, Ed, said Charles had asked his wife for a divorce, but she refused. Ed Jaeger said there was a lot of tension in the house that summer. Charles had planned to leave Eileen and had moved some of his possessions to a rented apartment and had opened his own checking account, evidence shows.

Investigators hold differing theories about who was involved in the murder, but possess little evidence to prove or disprove any theory. The first step in solving the crime would be finding the gun. DNA evidence, which wasn't commonly used in 1984, could also play a role in solving the crime.



CHARLES FRANCIS JAEGER

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Anyone with information about Charles Jaeger's unsolved murder is encouraged to contact the Iowa Division of Criminal Investigation at (515) 725-6010 or email dciinfo@dps.state.ia.us.



The Ackley Boy Scout Troop 338 helped with the racing itself, pictured at the starting gate, Zachary Crain, troop senior patrol leader and Andrew Cox, troop patrol leader. They helped Kaden Abbas and Elijah Coan make a start.



A group photo with all gathered up at the new elementary gym in Ackley included those shown: (Front l-r) Brady Abbas, Luke Buchhart, Kader Brekunitch, Elijah Coan, (second row) Noah Linthieum, Isaiah Clark, Ryder Slifer, Peter O'Donnell, (third row) cub master Marcia Gehriner of Grundy Center, Kaden Abbas, Caleb Knutson, Luke Laughlin, Remington Tack, Keelon VanHeiden, and cub master Vernon Miller of Ackley. (four) Tanner Lindaman, Cale Culver, Trey Metzgar, (five) Matthew Cox, Stuart Whitehill, Lane Abbas, and not pictured were Zachary Crain and Andrew Cox.



Among those coming in for citations were Trey Metzgar, Kader Brekunitch and Kaden Abbas, who took home best of show awards along with third place trophy winner Keelan Van Heiden, second place, Ryder Slifer and first place, Brady Abbas.



Scouts also awarded two open class trophies sponsored by the two Legion groups, first place to Cole Culver and second to Josh VanHeiden.

Local scouts participate in annual Pinewood Derby

By RICK PATRIE
Mid America Publishing

ACKLEY – The kids and parents poured in to the new elementary gym in Ackley last month, as local Scouts gathered for the annual Pine Wood Derby.

On March 10, boy scouts and cub scouts from and Ackley, Grundy Center, Wellsbury, Holland and Steamboat Rock took home trophies and more in the traditional scouting-racing event, which involves the kids, and their moms and dads, in the construction of the small, wooden, gravity-powered racers.

Everyone creates and works under some strict specifications and then the small racers are pitted against each other in what has become a signature event in the scouting year.

The local American Legion Post 252 of Ackley and the Grundy Center Legion Post 349 made the event possible, and all the kids went home with some kind of recognition of their participation.

There was a lot of ceremony, too. It included the presentation the American Flag, along with the troop flag for area boy scouting, plus the Ackley cub and Grundy Center Pack flags. Everyone recited the Pledge of Allegiance, and repeated the scout oath.

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