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## SCOTT, SMITH SPAR OVER SHERIFF'S OFFICE LEADERSHIP

### Both question guns in school

BY TOM CULLEN

Just three weeks before the Cherokee sheriff primary, Zach Smith and Derek Scott sound more the same than different.

Smith and Scott have similar aims for Cherokee County's top policing authority. Both are open to posting a jail roster on the sheriff's website. Both want to find a way to keep the county's 911 dispatchers — many are leaving to neighboring counties and the state's communication system. Both agree the state's mental health system is broken and the sheriff's office can make improvements at the margins. Scott suggested reforming the mental health committal process so that two deputies aren't the first people

meeting a person in crisis.

Both said they have very high expectations for their employees — mistakes from law enforcement are tolerated less than ever, both candidates told a crowd of around 50 at Mud on Main.

Scott and Smith have different management visions.

Scott intends to continue what he's implemented in his four-year tenure. He feels he's making good on his main goal as sheriff: make people feel safe when they sleep at night in Cherokee County. He wants to pay 911 dispatchers more and offer more training to keep them interested in the job. He's created new schedules. He's created a policy to never deny a request for time off. Morale, the one-term

sheriff said, has improved.

"When anyone calls 911 it goes straight to the dispatcher, and you want that good help on the other end of that line," Scott said. "Retention has been an issue in the past and hopefully, it'll be addressed in the future."

Scott also wants to keep investing in new equipment and firearms. He wants to crack down on methamphetamine and other narcotics. And grow the department beyond its \$2 million annual budget. The department has purchased new body cameras, tasers, comm center programming, kevlar vests and tasers.

Smith said the department needs a chief deputy underneath the sheriff. Scott doesn't

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Cherokee County Sheriff Derek Scott (right) and challenger Zach Smith at the Cherokee Chronicle Times and KCHE sponsored candidate forum May 9 at Mud on Main in Cherokee. CHRONICLE TIMES photo by TOM CULLEN



Local photographer Spencer Bezoni captured this image of the aurora borealis near Aurelia on Friday.

## CELESTIAL SPECTACLE

### Northwest Iowa bathed in aurora borealis

BY ERIN RYDGREN

Residents of Northwest Iowa were treated to the rare sight of the aurora borealis, more commonly known as the northern lights, when it appeared across the night sky over the course of several nights last weekend.

The event was triggered by a G4 geomagnetic storm, a powerful eruption of charged particles from the sun. These particles collided with Earth's atmosphere, creating the vibrant colors of the aurora. Ac-

ording to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Space Weather Prediction Center, this was the strongest geomagnetic storm in nearly two decades, offering a unique opportunity for Iowans to witness this natural phenomenon.

The vibrant display was visible to the naked eye in many areas with minimal light pollution. Others were able to witness the lights by using their cell phone cameras. The northern lights are typically confined to the polar regions, but the storm was

powerful enough to push the sight to Iowa.

For Iowans, a glimpse of the aurora is a special occasion. Social media was filled with colorful photos captured by area residents who were thrilled at the opportunity to witness the light show.

Experts say this sighting could be a sign of things to come. According to NOAA's Space Weather Prediction Center, Iowa may experience a solar maximum this year, which could bring more frequent and intense auroral displays.



CORY EGE

## CHEROKEE CHAMBER WELCOMES NEW DIRECTOR

*Wants to 'make Cherokee a place where people want to come and stay'*

BY ERIN RYDGREN

Cory Ege is only a few weeks into his new role as director of the Cherokee Chamber of Commerce, and he's filled with enthusiasm for the community's future. A 2007 graduate of Cherokee Washington High School, Ege brings a wealth of local knowledge and a passion for seeing Cherokee thrive.

After attending the University of Nebraska, Ege returned to Cherokee, where he now

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## Chamber seeks water volunteers

The Cherokee Chamber of Commerce is seeking volunteers for Main Street flower watering throughout the summer months. The flower hanging baskets are provided by Blooming House and they require watering each day. Groups, businesses and individuals are invited to sign up for a week-long stint between May 27 and Aug. 26 by contacting Cory Ege at director@cherokeeiowa.com.

## Cherokee Supervisors busy with budget amendments, personnel changes

BY ERIN RYDGREN

The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors tackled a variety of issues during their meeting on May 14. They are now meeting every other Tuesday morning per their summer schedule.

### BUDGET AMENDMENTS PASS

### WITHOUT PUBLIC INPUT

The board unanimously approved an amendment to the current budget following a public hearing that received no comments. The amendment addresses the pass through of funds for environmental health local grants at \$17,500, well closures at

\$5,000 and conservation grants and cash reserves at \$135,154.

### SALARY STIPEND APPROVED FOR ROLLING HILLS COMMUNITY SERVICES

The board approved an additional salary stipend and benefits for Lisa

Bringle of Rolling Hills Community Services. The total amount approved was \$7,026.

### WEBER RESIGNS AS DISPATCHER

The board approved a separation of employment for dispatcher Emma

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# 'Keep the Kee Clean'

On Wednesday, May 8, the Chamber Leadership Cherokee County, Cherokee Washington High School National Honor Society, Cherokee Middle School and Cherokee Elementary School student councils, Cherokee Street Department, Parks and Rec and other volunteers joined forces for the "Keep the Kee Clean" community-wide clean-up day. The group also enjoyed a lunch provided by Cherokee Cattlemen. The event was organized as a collaboration between the CWSH National Honor Society and Leadership Cherokee County as a large-scale service project and in recognition of Earth Day.

## VOTING HOURS AND LOCATIONS FOR 2024 PRIMARY ELECTION

The Cherokee County Auditor's Office reminds voters that the polls will be open from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m. on Tuesday, June 4, for the Primary Election.

All residents in Iowa must vote in the precinct they live in on Election Day.

Voters are asked to carefully review polling location information as precincts and polling places have changed for many residents.

### POLLING LOCATIONS FOR CHEROKEE COUNTY RESIDENTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

**Precinct #1 Cherokee Community Center:** Upper level auditorium (City of Cherokee, Ward 1)

**Precinct #2 Cherokee Community Center:** Upper level auditorium (City of Cherokee, Ward 2)

**Precinct #3 Cherokee Community Center:**

Upper level auditorium (City of Cherokee, Ward 3)

**Precinct #4 Cherokee Community Center:** Lower level (Afton, Cedar, Cherokee, Liberty, Spring townships and City of Larrabee)

**Precinct #5 Aurelia Community Center:** (Diamond, Pilot, Pitcher, Silver townships and City of Aurelia)

**Precinct #6 Quimby Fire Station:** (Grand Meadow, Rock, Tilden, Willow townships and cities of Quimby and Washta)

**Precinct #7 Marcus Sawyer Center:** (Amherst, Marcus, Sheridan townships and cities of Cleghorn, Marcus and Meriden)

Call the Cherokee County Auditor's office at 712-225-6705 for more voting information or verify your voter registration and polling location online at [www.cherokeecounty.iowa.gov/elections](http://www.cherokeecounty.iowa.gov/elections)

## DEBATE: Smith and Scott take questions on arming teachers

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currently have one. He said it's the top goal he has as sheriff.

"Not having any supervisors, stuff like that, you know, it does make it hard for some of the other employees to be successful," Smith said in response to a question about how to make the sheriff's office more successful. "I believe you need to have passive supervisors in there to oversee their people and keep things going throughout the jail. We just have to have that person that's gonna help the sheriff's office become more successful."

Smith acknowledged he doesn't have much experience in managing employees — that's not part of his current job with the Cherokee Police Department. But he manages employees through a lawn care business he co-owns, Smith and West Lawn Enforcement. A saying in that business, he said, was to "do the right thing the first time. Do the right thing, period."

Smith's philosophy is to help people, first and foremost. He wants the county to see his department as proactive. The job of the Cherokee County Sheriff and its deputies, Smith explained, was upholding the laws and constitution. It isn't primarily about taking people to jail, he said.

Scott made no mention of

having a staff supervisor who would report to the sheriff.

The one-term sheriff instead highlighted the department's successes over the last four years. And that he has high expectations.

"I expect perfection, but I know that my employees are human and they cannot be perfect. This is what the community expects out of us. You have a very important job to do: when that 911 call rings in the comm center, they want that good help on the other end of that line," Scott said. "They want someone and be helpful. Same thing with the deputies. They have to be spot on all the time. It's a dangerous job that they do... I have very high expectations throughout the sheriff's office and my employees are aware of that and they know what I expect."

**SMITH AND SCOTT** differed on whether teachers in Cherokee County should be armed.

Scott was ambivalent on new state legislation — HF 2586 signed by Gov. Kim Reynolds earlier this spring — that would authorize school staff to carry firearms on school grounds. Scott said "the best way to stop a bad guy with a gun is a good guy with a gun."

But he declined to say the legislation bill was a step in the right direction.

"The legislation is a step. It's not necessarily a step in the right direction, but it's a step toward a process," Scott said in response to question

about House File 2586 — legislation that'll allow school employees to obtain gun permits through the Iowa Department of Public Safety and extend qualified immunity to permit holders. "I'm not totally against it. I'm not totally for it."

Smith was skeptical. He pointed to his experience as a SWAT officer, which requires training in clearing buildings and firearms proficiency, among other things. A law enforcement officer can be trained for an active shooter situation in a school setting, Smith asserted. He wondered about how a teacher would perform in a high-risk situation.

"My idea of arming staff, the expectations are gonna be crazy high," Scott said in response to a question about the legislation. "As a SWAT officer, and being on the team and doing those high-risk calls... They'd have to have the same training that we have. And I just think that's not really possible for schools to do."

Many school districts in Iowa have considered arming teachers for the purposes of stopping an armed intruder. Only Cherokee and Spirit Lake school districts have tried. Their insurance company frowned on the idea; a year ago, both school boards rescinded their weapons policies. A survey of superintendents in Cherokee and surrounding counties showed none of the school boards have expressed interest in the idea since the legislation was passed.

## SUPERVISORS: Table decision on appointment for housing authority

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Weber of the Law Enforcement Center. Weber secured other employment and received a final payout of \$2,020.14.

### LAKES POWER LINE UPDATE

Survey Engineering Technician Steve Zarr received approval for a right-of-way permit for Iowa Lakes to update power lines in Liberty Township. The project involves moving the lines from the south side of the road to the north side.

### COUNTY ENGINEER PROVIDES PROJECT UPDATES

Assistant County Engineer Kelly Puhmann presented final pay vouchers for two recently completed projects. Project L-82-73-18, involving a box culvert installation near Aurelia, came in slightly over budget at \$293,980.72 due to increased gravel costs. Project L-87-73-18, focused on a bridge on 620th Road west of Washta Road, finished under budget at \$671,740.60 but took an extra year to complete due to grass growth requirements.

### HOUSING AUTHORITY APPOINTMENT TABLED

The board decided to postpone a decision regarding the appointment of a representative to the NW Iowa Regional Housing Authority. The organization works with low-income families to secure affordable housing and utilizes the US Department of Housing and Urban Development's Section 8 Voucher Program. Bill Anderson, the former representative and Executive Director of Cherokee Area Economic Development, saw his term expire at the end of 2023. The Board will revisit the matter during their next meeting.

### AUDIT CONTRACT APPROVED

Hunzelman, Putzier & Co., PLC, secured a contract to conduct the FY24 audit for an estimated fee between \$16,000- \$17,000.

### CLOSED SESSION HELD

The board entered a closed session to discuss legal strategy with Chris White of Klass Law Firm concerning ongoing or potential litigation matters.

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## Hydration donation to Cherokee PD



Cherokee Hy-Vee retail store and the Cherokee Hy-Vee Distribution Center made a hydration donation to the Cherokee Police Department. "We wanted to make sure that the local officers had plenty of water to get through the summer." Pictured left to right: Antonio Resendez, Hy-Vee Assistant Store Manager; Cherokee Police Officer Zac Smith; Cherokee Reserve Police Officer and Distribution Center Employee Doug Goebel; Administrative Assistant Stephanie Werthman; Kim Robinson, Hy-Vee Assistant Store Manager; and Jake Vanderslice, Hy-Vee Store Manager.

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**KELLI IRWIN NAMED RECIPIENT AT TEXAS CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL 2024 NURSING EXCELLENCE AWARDS**

*Advanced Practice Nurse of the Year*

Marcus native Kelli Irwin received the Advanced Practice Nurse of the Year award from Texas Children's Hospital in Houston.

Irwin is the daughter of Marty and Kris Irwin of Marcus. She was a 2004 graduate of MMC High School. She graduated from Morningside College with a BSN. She received her Doctor of Nurse Practitioner degree from Rush University in Chicago.

Irwin is an instructor in the Critical Care Division of the Department of Pediatrics at Texas Children's Hospital and is described as "an exemplary role model dedicated to collaboration and providing excellent patient care. Her valuable contributions to our organization are evident through her consistent demonstration of clinical excellence and exceptional care."

The Texas Children's Nursing Excellence Awards program takes place each year during National Nurses Week, an observance that recognizes exceptional nurses and all that they contribute to patients, families and their community.

Irwin was among seven exceptional individuals selected for this honor out of the nearly 5,000 nurses across Texas Children's. Winners were recognized for consistently going above and beyond in patient care, collaboration with team members and for their overall contributions toward driving positive change and innovation in the field of nursing.

"In the field of nursing, excellence is the standard," said Dr. Jackie Ward, System Chief Nurse Executive and Senior Vice President at Texas Children's Hospital. "However, there are members of our team for whom that standard is surpassed day in and day out. Our Nursing Excellence Awards honor these individuals for their life-changing work and acknowledges an individual for their support of nursing as a Friend of Nursing."

The hospital stated "Kelli is committed to enhancing patient outcomes and has worked tirelessly on multiple quality improvement initiatives in the Cardiac Intensive Care Unit to ensure high-quality and safe patient care. Her work has been particularly integral in improving post-cardiac arrest care efforts. Whether taking extra time with families to explain an unexpected diagnosis or caring for the most critical patients, Kelli establishes meaningful connections with patients and families that foster trust, enhance the overall care experience and make lasting impressions."



**CMS students at Adventureland Festival of Bands**

Cherokee Middle School seventh and eighth grade band participated in the Adventureland Festival of Bands on Saturday, May 11. After performing their spring concert music for the judges, they received a Division 2 Excellent rating, 2nd place in class 2A. The students also enjoyed a day at the park.

**CHAMBER: Reaching out to the community a priority for Ege**

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lives with his wife and three children. Prior to accepting the position at the Chamber, Ege worked as a sales manager at Holzhauser General Motors.

He told the Chronicle Times that he is excited to collaborate with various committees and boards, working towards a shared vision of a vibrant and bustling Cherokee. "My goal is to make Chero-

keep a place where people want to come and stay," said Ege. He's relishing the opportunity to dive into the Chamber director's multifaceted role, from organizing events to supporting local businesses. Ege enjoys the variety and the fact that there's "something new every day," he remarked.

He's impressed by the existing events and initiatives organized by the Chamber, highlighting the Lunch & Learn series, behind-the-scenes tours, and the Leadership Cherokee County program. These successful programs will continue under his watch. Ege is pleased with

the number of successful retailers and respectable businesses that operate within the city and feels that there is plenty of room for growth.

While Ege acknowledges the chamber's strong foundation, he also has a vision for the future. He's interested in exploring new events, like a co-ed slow-pitch softball team and a youth baseball/softball tournament, leveraging his nine years of coaching experience in the sport.

His three key goals are member retention, fostering

collaboration with existing businesses and attracting new people and business to Cherokee. He encourages community members to actively participate by attending events and consider becoming Chamber members.

Reaching out to the community is a priority for Ege. He plans to use a blend of traditional and social media strategies to keep people informed and engaged about what's happening with the Chamber. He welcomes anyone with an interest, particularly those

with ideas for new businesses, to reach out.

He wants to showcase what Cherokee has while bringing things in that give the community something to look forward to and enjoy, all the while solidifying a reputation as a comfortable place to live and raise a family.

To stay connected, Ege suggests following the Chamber's Facebook page and tuning in to "Chamber Chat" every Tuesday on KCHE radio.

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I'm employed with the Cherokee County Engineering Department as a Roads Inspector. I own Wych DR Distillery in Cherokee. I'm on the Cherokee City Council. I will strengthen communication with constituents, colleagues, and the community.

I will foster transparency by sharing information about decisions, policies and community matters. I will build relationships with other local officials, organizations, and community leaders. I will seek opportunities for joint initiatives and shared resources. I understand the county budget and financial processes. Prioritize spending on essential services and infrastructure.

I will address community challenges promptly and efficiently. I will seek innovative solutions and involve stakeholders in decision-making. I will attend local events, town halls, and meetings and listen to constituents' concerns and actively engage with the community.

Thank you, Tim Wych

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## Obituaries



**Ardythe Irene Dunn**

Ardythe Irene Dunn, age 97, of Cherokee, IA, passed away Wednesday, March 27, 2024, at Accura Healthcare in Cherokee.

A celebration of life will take place at 11:00 a.m. Friday, May 17, 2024, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Cherokee, IA. Pastor Jonathan Riggert will officiate.

Burial will take place at the Meriden Cemetery, Meriden, IA. Visitation with the family will be held one hour prior to the service at the church.

The Greenwood-Schubert Funeral Home in Cherokee, IA is assisting the family with arrangements.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.greenwoodfuneral.com](http://www.greenwoodfuneral.com). In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed

to the family for dispersal to Lutheran World Missions.

Ardythe Dunn, born Ardythe Irene Schaller, on August 30, 1926, at home on a farm north of Meriden, IA, to Walter and Elizabeth (Heinl) Schaller.

Ardythe passed away peacefully on Wednesday, March 27th, 2024, at Accura Care Center, Cherokee, IA.

She was baptized on October 31, 1926, and confirmed on March 24, 1940, at St. Mark's Lutheran, a country church north of Meriden, where her grandfather had served as Pastor.

She attended Liberty #5 country school for five years, and then Meriden Consolidated, where she graduated as class valedictorian in 1944.

Ardythe worked as a legal secretary until her marriage to her high school sweetheart, James C. Dunn on August 31, 1947, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Cherokee.

She and Jim farmed south of Meriden until retirement, raising livestock, a large garden, and their five children with hard work, fun times, and always lots of love.

Ardythe was a very active member of Trinity Lutheran.

She always loved quilting and coffee time with her many friends, reading, and playing cards - competitively.

Ardythe was proud to have helped with decorating a float in the Rose Parade at age 80; and she helped with delivery of Meals on Wheels into her 90's.

She had a very strong faith; and if she knew you, then you know she prayed for you. She was a sweet, content and simply wonderful lady and we were blessed to call her ours.

She will be greatly missed by her children: Diane (Gary) Swanson of Sioux City, IA, Jim (Karen) Dunn of Laramie, WY, Debi (Cliff) Meylor of Okoboji and Estero, FL, and daughter-in-law, Shari Dunn of Cherokee, IA; 11 grandchildren: Jeff, Jon, and Justin Swanson, Clint and William Dunn, Jade Meylor, and Molly Meylor-Scott, Brent Dunn and Alissa Dunn-Hammond, and Angie Demaree and Amber Shriver; 23 great-grandchildren, and a great-granddaughter due in July; 2 nieces, 2 nephews, and many adoring cousins and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jim, in 2004, and precious children, Mary Elizabeth in 2015, and Mark in 2023; two grandchildren, Douglas Swanson and Kari Meylor; her brother Duane Schaller, and his wife Ann.

"Well Dunn, thou good and faithful servant". God has you in His keeping, we have you in our hearts.



**James R. "Jim" Prunty**

James R. "Jim" Prunty, 89, of Cleghorn, Iowa, passed away on Sunday, May 12, 2024 at Heartland Care Center in Marcus, Iowa.

Memorial services will be held on Friday, May 17, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church in Cleghorn, Iowa. Rev. Philip Beisswenger will officiate.

Burial will be held in the Oak Hill Cemetery prior to

the service at 10:00 a.m. on Friday morning.

Military rites will be performed by L.A. Wescott Post #2253 and the Cherokee American Legion.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, May 16, 2024 from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. with the family present from 5-7:00 p.m. at the Boothby Funeral Home in Cherokee, Iowa.

Online condolences may be left at [www.boothbyfuneral.com](http://www.boothbyfuneral.com).

Jim was born on May 31, 1934 at Cleghorn, Iowa to Ray and Vera (Hurd) Prunty. He graduated from Cleghorn High School in 1953.

He served in the United States Army from 1955-1957 as Spec. 3 of the 508<sup>th</sup> Military Police in Garmisch, Germany.

He was united in marriage on June 1, 1958 to Marilyn Springer at Cleghorn, Iowa.

He worked for Lundell Manufacturing and then was a farmer in rural Cleghorn.

Jim was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in

Cleghorn, Iowa. He served as an elder at the church.

He was also on the Cleghorn Elevator Board, served on the Meriden-Cleghorn School Board and the FHA Board.

In his free time he enjoyed cars, antique tractors, "bummin around" and going to coffee with his friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and his wife Marilyn in 2018.

Jim is survived by his three children: Kevin (Julie) Prunty of Cleghorn, Iowa; Kyle (Karla) Prunty of Cleghorn, Iowa; Karen Prunty (Robert Houck) of Plymouth, Minnesota; six grandchildren: Melissa (Rudy) Fors of Ankeny, Iowa; Amanda Prunty of Sioux City, Iowa; Nichole (Neil) Gustafson of Aurelia, Iowa; Jennifer (Mitch) Rock of Woodbury, Minnesota; Becca (Tony) Davis of Council Bluffs, Iowa; Tyler (Bailee) Prunty of Cleghorn, Iowa; 12 great grandchildren; and brother Larry Prunty of Cleghorn, Iowa.



**Jeffrey M. Hammen**

Jeffrey M. Hammen, 68, of Rockwell City passed away Friday, May 10, 2024 at his home.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 11:00 AM Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at St. Francis Catholic Church. Burial will follow in St. Francis Catholic Cemetery.

A Celebration of Jeff's Life was held Monday 5:00 to 8:00 PM at the farm, 2551

Langley Ave, Rockwell City. Lauffersweilers Palmer and Swank Funeral Home is serving the family.

Jeff is survived by his wife, Donna Hammen of Rockwell City; children, Troy (Jessica) Hammen of Manson, Tony (Amy) Hammen of Rockwell City, Wendy (Brandon) Slaughter of Cherokee, and Wade Hammen of Rockwell City; grandchildren, Tanner, Jacey, Keaton, Heidi, Holly, Payton, Teagan, Hunter, and Georgia; siblings, Rose (Paul) Kutz, Joan (Bob) Kidney, Annie (Gary) Errington, Ron (Dianne) Hammen, Randy (Kathy) Hammen, Marty (Barb) Hammen and sister-in-law, Kitty Hammen.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Kevan and Marcella (Gesy) Hammen, brothers, Duane and Francis Hammen and infant sister Theresa Louise Hammen.

Jeffrey Mickel Hammen was born February 29, 1956 in Storm Lake.

He attended Jolley schools and graduated

from Rockwell City High School in 1974.

He was united in marriage to Donna Kleemeier on April 20, 1979 at St. Francis Catholic Church in Rockwell City.

Jeff farmed southeast of Jolley for most of his life but also worked doing construction as well. He loved to restore, buy, and sell tractors.

He was a huge John Deere fan and loved acquiring antiques and other collectables.

Jeff spent 40 plus years organizing and running softball in Jolley and raising peacocks on the farm. He always participated in charity events and fundraisers whether it was grilling food or lending a helping hand.

He was always willing to help anyone in need and had a love for each and every child he encountered.

He was the most stubborn, generous asshole you'd ever met.

Memorials will be donated to the local food bank.

# WHAT'S HAPPENING

## On the Calendar

The following events take place at the same times, dates and locations throughout the month:

- **AA:** M 7 pm, W 8 pm, St. Paul's Methodist Church, 531 W. Main, Cherokee; Sat, 9 a.m., Crossroads Christian Church, 515 W. Main, Cherokee. Use the back door.
- **Sanford Museum and Planetarium:** W & Su, 4 p.m.
- **CAP Food Bank:** Tu & Th, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., IC Church, 709 W Cedar. Anyone in need of food is welcome to stop.
- **Cherokee Community Blood Drive:** the last Thursday of the month from 12 to 5:30 p.m. at the lower level of the Cherokee Community Center. Schedule a blood donation appointment online at [lifeservebloodcenter.org](http://lifeservebloodcenter.org) or call 800-287-4903. Thursday, May 30th is the next blood drive.
- **NA Recovery in Action:** Tu & Th, 7 p.m., First Church of Christ, 772 N. 2nd St., Cherokee. Park in the south lot.
- **Siouxland Food Bank:** the third Friday of the month at Trinity Lutheran Church, 230 N. Roosevelt, 5:30 pm. Please bring your own bags. If you are unable to come to the Food Pantry, but need assistance with food security, please call 712-229-4443 or 712-221-0350.
- **MMC Food Pantry:** Marcus Senior Center, 405 N. Main St., Marcus. Hours of operation are Wednesdays 6 to 7:30 pm and Saturdays 9 am to 10:30 am.

### Monday, May 20

- The Cherokee School Board will meet at 5:30 pm at the Washington High School library.

### Tuesday, May 21

- The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors will meet at the Cherokee County Courthouse at 9 am
- CRMC Embracing Hope group will meet at 5:30 at CRMC.
- Cherokee Quilt Batts will meet at 7:30 pm at the First Church of Christ

### Wednesday, May 22

- A community coffee will be held at the Aurelia Community Center at 9 am

### Thursday, May 23

- Aurelia Kiwanis will meet at the Aurelia Community Center at 7 am.
- Bethlehem Lutheran will host the Welcome Plate meal from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm. This is a free meal and everyone is welcome.

Stay up to date online with the calendar on our website: [chronicletimes.com](http://chronicletimes.com)

If you know of an event going on in Cherokee County and would like us to add it to our "What's Happening" please contact the Chronicle Times at 712-225-5111 or email [news@ctimes.biz](mailto:news@ctimes.biz).

## K of C Calendar Winners

• Saturday, May 11: Jackie Frantum

**GRAND PRIZE WINNERS:** Dean Korleski & Gary Johnson

## Kids are encouraged to enter Iowa State Fair art competitions

DES MOINES - Kids love winning ribbons, especially at the Iowa State Fair! At the 2024 Fair, kids of all ages can join the fun by entering their favorite foods, photos, crafts and artwork. One cool contest is the Ag Art Contest, split into four age groups: 3-4 years old, 5-6 years old, 7-8 years old, and 9-12 years old. Plus, there's a special category for folks of any age with intellectual developmental disabilities.

All you have to do is draw something related to the theme "Farm Fever" on a standard 8 1/2"x11" white paper using any colors or materials you like. Entries are due by July 10.

You can find the rules and entry forms for the Ag Art Contest at <https://www.iowastatefair.org/visit/kid-friendly-activities>.

Mail your entry to:

Ag Art Contest Iowa State Fair, PO Box 57130, Des Moines, IA 50317-0003

If you're into other creative stuff, there are plenty of other options too. You can showcase your art skills in Fine Art and Photography, or get crafty with seed art in the Floriculture department. In Creative Arts and Crafts, you can compete in building blocks (Legos), paper crafts and painting. Fabric and thread projects are also welcome.

Entering competitions is easy. Just head to [www.iowastatefair.org](http://www.iowastatefair.org), check out the categories and submit your entries by the listed deadlines.

You can find all the details, including rules, and other forms at <https://www.iowastatefair.org/participate/competition>.

Most entries are due by July 1, but some departments might have different deadlines, so make sure to double-check.

If you need any help with deadlines, competitions, or the online entry system, you can reach out to the Competitive Events Department at [competitiveevents@iowastatefair.org](mailto:competitiveevents@iowastatefair.org) or call 515/262-3111 ext. 207.

## Re-Elect Derek Scott

Cherokee County Sheriff - Tuesday, June 4

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- 10 year dedicated employee with the Cherokee County Sheriff's Office
- Honest - Trustworthy - Transparent

"I have lived in Cherokee County all my life and am raising my family here too. I want to continue to make Cherokee County a safe place to live work and raise families."

Paid for by Derek Scott for Sheriff.



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## CHEROKEE CITY WIDE GARAGE SALE DAYS

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In conjunction with:  
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- Ad Guide (1)
- Facebook (2)
- Green Saver (1)
- Aurelia Star (1)

## CHEROKEE CITY WIDE CLEAN UP

ON MAY 22nd

The City of Cherokee is sponsoring a city wide clean-up day on Wednesday, May 22, 2024. In order for your items to be picked up, you **MUST** contact City Hall (225-5749) no later than Monday, May 20, 2024 by 4:30 p.m. to put your name and address on a list. **YOU MUST CONTACT US AND GIVE US YOUR ADDRESS IN ORDER FOR YOUR ITEMS TO BE PICKED UP!** Appliances and tires can also be picked up but will need a sticker, which may be purchased at City Hall. Appliances will be \$10 and tires will be priced according to size. **ONLY STICKERED EMPTY APPLIANCES AND TIRES WILL BE PICKED UP!** The City Council encourages residents to take advantage of this to help you clean your property. This is a great chance to get your items hauled away and clean up your property prior to any nuisance citations being issued. Excludes Yard Waste. Thank you for your cooperation!



# OPINION

## Live-streaming gov't meetings should be the norm

BY RANDY EVANS

You don't often hear anyone extol the benefits of the Covid pandemic. But I did few weeks ago — when I stood before the Storm Lake Kiwanis club and talked about government transparency in Iowa.

I did not wade into the debate over masks, social distancing or vaccinations. It was a polite audience, but I was not silly enough to needlessly venture onto that thin ice.

What I said about the pandemic was this: State and local governments embraced, even if grudgingly, the benefits of live-streaming their board meetings during the pandemic so the public could watch from wherever they were.

When Covid closed government buildings and shut down most in-person gatherings, Iowa's cities, counties, school districts and state government agencies purchased video cameras and other technology to make it possible for them to carry their meetings using Zoom, Facebook, YouTube or similar internet or smart phone applications.

The benefits of these "virtual" meetings were quickly apparent. Many people were worried about their safety as Covid sickened or killed scores of Iowans every week. Although Gov. Kim Reynolds' emergency order directed officials to provide a way for the public to monitor these meetings from afar to protect public health, there was an unintended benefit, too — opening these meetings to more people than might otherwise attend.

The pandemic may be behind us. But live-streaming government board meetings should not be a thing of the past — although an Iowa school board demonstrated misplaced priorities last week when it decided to pull the plug on live-streaming its meetings.

The optics of the decision by the Clarion-Goldfield-Dows school board are terrible. The shortsighted decision should trouble residents of the district and should lead Iowans elsewhere to pressure their local elected officials to livestream their meetings if they are not already doing so.

The Clarion-Goldfield-Dows decision should also bother members of the Legislature and Gov. Reynolds, because, at its core, the decision shows school leaders want as few people keeping an eye on the board and school business — whether that involves local property taxes, the school curriculum, the choice of books or any other topic.

For more than 50 years, the public has been able to attend meetings of city councils, school boards and county supervisors. Most people never do. While some may have little interest in the decisions being made, there may be other factors involved. Some people may have a child-care conflict, health problems or a disability that keeps them away. They may lack transportation. They may be at work or be out-of-town when the meetings are held.

Live-streaming and keeping an online archive of past meetings gives more people a ready alternative for keeping tabs on what local boards are discussing and deciding. Here's an example: Three years ago, the Grundy County Board of Supervisors held a public hearing on a proposed wind turbine ordinance. The governor had lifted her emergency order, and the board decided to stop carrying its meetings online.

But the Grundy Center newspaper stepped in and live-streamed the hearing and posted the full video online afterward. More than 200 people were able to "attend" the hearing that way, and listen to comments for and against the ordinance, without needing to drive to the courthouse in Grundy Center.

The Grundy County supervisors offered no good reason for ending their live-streaming — other than saying it was inconvenient and is not required by Iowa law. Making the meetings more accessible to the public meant nothing to the supervisors.

The Clarion-Goldfield-Dows school board offered similar justification for ending live-streaming of its meetings. It is worth noting, though, the school district will continue to livestream athletic events.

School board members said if people truly want to know what the board is discussing, people can adjust their schedules and

attend the meetings in person. One more detail worth mentioning: The school board's meetings start at 4:30 p.m.

Another school board member said ending the livestream will take away the ability of board critics to record the feed and later edit members' comments to embarrass them or take their statements out of context.

Such logic is troubling. While Iowa's public meetings law does not require government board meetings to be live-streamed, the spirit of the law certainly suggests openness and transparency should be the norm, so people can better understand the basis and rationale for decisions government boards make.

Many of Iowa's 325 public school districts have found themselves under the microscope by parents, taxpayers and Iowa lawmakers. These people believe there has been inadequate transparency by school leaders and their governing boards.

Live-streaming these meetings is not a cost issue. In the Clarion-Goldfield-Dows district, the video camera, microphones and related technology already are in place. No additional employees are needed to run the cameras during meetings.

District administrators are to be commended for making student events available so parents, grandparents and others who are not able to attend the games can watch from home. What they fail to understand is that it sends an embarrassing signal to the tax-paying public when the school district is not equally committed to making it more convenient for people to view school board meetings where important issues get debated and decided.

If the Clarion-Goldfield-Dows board does not reverse itself, and if other hold-out local governments do not begin providing remote access to their meetings, perhaps the Legislature should step in and amend the public meetings law to require government boards to let the public watch remotely without having to be there in person.

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## Mighty Minis

### Climate costs

If you think climate change is a hoax, check with your insurance company. Insurers have lost money each of the last four years in Iowa, according to a New York Times analysis, and are fleeing the state. Just last year, insurers paid out \$1.44 in property claims for every dollar they took in from premiums in Iowa. As a result, they are leaving the Iowa market.

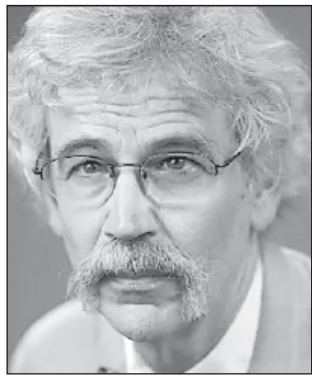
We just went through our annual business insurance and found our options limited to Grinnell Mutual Insurance, an Iowa company.

Insurance company executives and state regulators told The New York Times that Iowa's insurance market started to really erode in 2020 when the massive derecho tore through Cedar Rapids. Even the insurance agent Eldon Neighbor got cancelled by his own carrier when it left Iowa for the extreme costs. Homeowners profiled can't find property insurance at any price. That puts home loans at risk, and threatens to bankrupt homeowners should disaster strike.

Ten years ago insurers lost money in eight states. Last year it was 18.

Extreme weather will make other insurance much more expensive as damage adds up. Federal crop insurance costs will rise with flooding, hailstorms, barreling wind and drought.

The costs of climate change are here. Check your insurance quote, if you can get one. "We can't raise rates fast enough or high enough," Bill Montgomery, CEO of Celina Insurance Group, told The Times. Celina bailed out of Iowa last year.



Art Cullen

### Bird takes flight

Iowa Attorney General Brenna Bird is a woman of ambition. She gained the job by unseating Tom Miller, a Democrat who had grown comfortable in office after 40 years, and she has used it to burnish her right-wing bona fides. She is always talking about suing the Biden administration, and she drives Democrats as crazy as Gov. Kim Reynolds does.

Her latest was to show up at Donald Trump's trial in New York, a trip paid for by her fellow GOP attorneys general. Not that Trump necessarily needed her. There was Vivek Ramaswamy, Doug Burgum — anybody who wants to be somebody — even House Speaker Mike Johnson, along with Bird to stand behind Trump as he railed against the judicial system. What Trump was gagged from saying by the judge Bird, Johnson et al could say aloud for the TV cameras.

It was about being seen with Donald Trump.

Burgum and Ramaswamy would like to be vice president. If former Hawkeye tried star Matt Whitaker can aspire to be Trump's attorney general, so can Bird. She learned politics working with two masters, Terry Branstad and Steve King. Bird can operate with or without Gov. Reynolds, and appears set on eclipsing her. Bird is positioning herself on a fast track up, where unchecked ambition can lead to a hard fall. It is a story worth watching.

### What an Iowan

Iowans were a bit crestfallen when Hawkeye Coach Lisa Bluder announced she would retire after 40 years pacing the sidelines. Everybody loves Lisa Bluder — even Iowa State Coach Bill Fennelly. What is it that we love about her?

First, she is a winner. She won right out of college, coaching the Fighting Bees at St. Ambrose. She led the Drake Bulldogs to national prominence with the help of a star player, Jan Jensen of Elk Horn-Kimballton, who became her assistant at Drake and later Iowa. Bluder inherited a strong program built by C. Vivian Stringer and took it to the next level.

Second, she is loyal. It took a team of horses to pull her away from Drake. She probably could have made more money in a major TV market. Instead, she brought the market to Carver-Hawkeye Arena and would sell out in the days before Caitlin Clark. She was able to manage the Clark sensation and build a team around her.

Third, she appears friendly and humble courtside, at press conferences and during those TV hits in a timeout when other coaches display impatience. Pure class.

That's why Iowa loves Lisa Bluder. She leaves the program in Jensen's good hands, and goes out on top. Her goal is to do anything to promote women's basketball in Iowa. What's not to love?

## The outrage over White Rural Rage

BY ALAN GUEBERT

Early in my first year at the Big U, a new friend from Chicago's south side asked me what he thought was an innocent question. "You're from southern Illinois," began Vince, "so why don't you talk like a hillbilly?"

Like a what? I asked. "You know," he explained, "why don't you talk with a drawl and say 'ain't' a lot?"

When I told him no one I knew in southern Illinois spoke like that, Vince, a budding engineer, was unable to square his circle. For years thereafter he introduced me as "a farm boy from southern Illinois but not a hillbilly!"

Vince's unchanging understanding served his unchanging ignorance. Hillbilly, to him, was anything or anyone—including me—somehow connected to the word "southern."

He wasn't alone. Canadian rocker Neil Young made a similar leap in his 1970 anthem "Southern Man." In his 2012 autobiography, Waging Heavy Peace, however, Young apologized for the mistake.

Others have made the jump and remain comfortable in their view of "southern" and "rural." J.D. Vance, a one-time venture capitalist and now U.S. senator from Ohio, won instant acclaim with his 2016 memoir, Hillbilly Elogy, set in Appalachia. The New York Times called it "one of the six best books to understand Trump's win" later that year.

Others—me included—read it and thought it was more Vince-like than Vance-like: hollow, shallow, and more commercial than cerebral. Vance's fellow Appalachian, economist William Easterly, called Elogy a "sloppy analysis of collections of people—coastal elites, flyover America, Muslims, immigrants, people without college degrees..."

I wouldn't have been so kind.

Now comes another presidential election year, another election featuring Donald Trump, and another book to explain why me and my extended, white rural family are so enraged at our position in life that we are not just "a" but "the" biggest threat to our nation's survival.

Like most books about rural, white folk these days, White Rural Rage: The Threat to American Democracy, is also a New York Times bestseller.

But dozens of critics, many whose research the book's co-authors, Paul Waldman and Thomas S. Schaller cite, are less thrilled. Several, like Nicholas F. Jacobs in his April 4 takedown of the book for Politico, have made clear that the book's use of their scholarly work has been "misinterpreted and misunderstood."

Jacobs, a political scientist at Maine's Colby College, continues: "What the authors get wrong about rural America is exactly what many Democrats have been getting wrong for decades... (T)hat rural political identity has morphed into resentment—a collective grievance against experts, bureaucrats, intellectuals, and the party that seeks to empower them, Democrats."

But resentment, Jacobs rightly points out, is not rage. "Resentment is rational, a reaction based on some sort of negative experience...." Rage, however, "implies irrationality, anger that is unjustified and out of proportion."

That's true for most rural voters that I know: they are rational, resentful, and Republican because they see the institutions at the center of their lives—churches, schools, families, and communities—rapidly changing with only one political party, the GOP, consistently acknowledging the changes.

To them, it's about politics, not policy; practicality, not philosophy; empathy, not

antipathy.

And, sure, many GOP politicians have made an art of telling rural Americans exactly what they want to hear. Unlike so many Democratic politicians, however, at least they show up to ask.

Former Speaker of the House Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neill often told the story of how after his initial election to Congress in 1952 he asked his mother if she had voted for him. Yes, she replied, but it was close.

Close? asked the wounded son. Why? "Because," she said, "you never asked me."

"I learned that night," O'Neill explained, "that all politics are local."

Any rural American can tell you the same thing. Just come by and ask.

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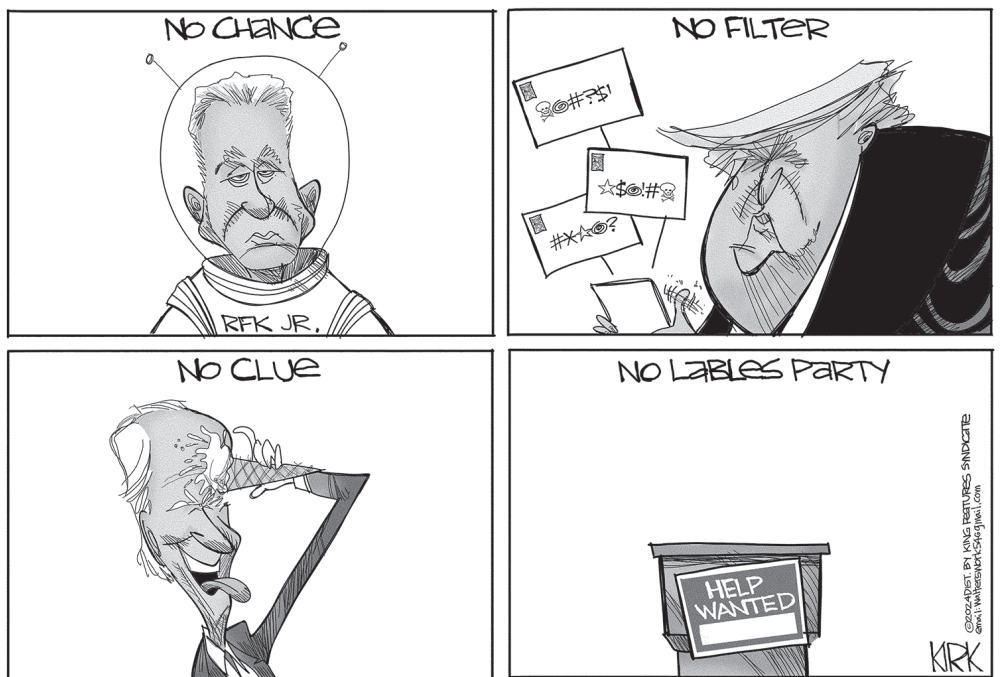


"You must start with a positive attitude or you will surely end without one."

— Carrie Latet

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# The Class of 1949

The graduating class of Quimby High School, 1949:

- Duane Zupp
  - Fern Rasche
  - Walter Benson
  - Marlys Becker
  - Lyle R Meyer
  - Carol McGee
  - Thomas Rupp
  - Rita Schmillen
  - Keith Corrington
  - Gerald Fassler
  - Lavonne Saxen
  - Albert Escue
  - Beth Pinkerton
  - Keith Fee
  - Leroy Dickman
  - Joan Ladwig
  - Virgil Schlinz
  - George Stieneke
  - Josephine Reinert
  - Wilfred Husman
  - Luwayne Swanson
  - Joanne Stevenson
  - Carl Thies
- Also pictured are  
**W.E. Barron,** Superintendent and Mrs.  
**O.B. Kraemer,** Class Sponsor



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## 75 YEARS AGO

### Board Approves Claims Against Cherokee County

County board of supervisors Monday approved four domestic animal claims and allowed \$500 damages for another Cherokee county resident.

The following domestic animal claims were approved:  
 John R. McGregor, Cherokee, \$20 for 20 chickens  
 Cherokee State Hospital, \$86 for 5 ewes and 2 lambs  
 Cherokee State hospital, \$73 for 73 chickens  
 Paul M. Peterson, Cherokee, \$240 for 15 ewes  
 The damage claim was allowed for Jerry Buckley, Willow township for a change in the channel of a creek on his farm.

### Proclamation

Whereas the season has arrived when all good men should change to a cooler top piece.

And Whereas it is fitting and proper to set aside a date for such an event.

Now Therefore I have designated Saturday, May 21st as the day and date for the change-over, to be known as Straw Hat Day.

Whereas there is no longer any need for men to melt in felt, I recommend that they visit their clothier and make proper adjustment.

**George Hicks, Mayor of the City of Cherokee**

### Old-time Barn Dance for Married Couples Club

Cherokee County Young Married Couples club will gather for a barn dance at the hayloft on the Ralph Patterson farm Friday, May 27. The site is located on the old Quimby road and the program will begin at 8 p.m. Verne Jewett, chairman of the county Young married Couples, said dancing will be from 9 to 12 p.m.

Refreshments will be served. Jewett pointed out that although this constitutes the monthly meeting of the couples, anyone outside the club is invited to attend.

### Memorial Day Parade to Feature Holiday As Cherokee Honors War Dead on May 30

Plans for a resplendent yet traditional Memorial Day program and parade were going ahead today with the date less than two weeks away. A parade will start near the Lincoln school building on East Main and proceed west to St. Paul's Methodist church is already in the formulative stage.

Scheduled to take part in the parade timed for 10 a.m. are veterans of Spanish-American War, World War I and World War II—including all service organization members. With auxiliaries to service organizations also to march, there'll be still other colorful features.

## 100 YEARS AGO

### Cleghorn Blast Shook The Town Precipitation of Broken Cement and Brickbats Wrought Damage on Several Business Places

Great excitement was caused Monday evening, about 5 o'clock, when the flag pole abutment in Main street was removed under the direction of M.E. Goodrich and J.H. Smith.

Three pounds of blasting powder was placed in the concrete base and fired by means of a fuse.

The explosion was terrific and being unexpected was the cause of great commotion.

A hail of bricks, from a pile near the concrete, was thrown through the large plate glass window of Hitchcock's hardware. Seven windows in all were broken.

At Robinson's store a large plate glass window was broken and the clerks thrown into a panic.

A window was broken at Anton Dahlgrens.

At the Montandon building a large piece of cement was thrown the roof and and one through the side.

The bank building was damaged and other buildings touched.

All persons by good fortune or miracle escaped injury.

### Dealers Demand Death Sentence -

*Allege That Superfluous Roosters Are Responsible for Heavy Loss in Local Egg Business*

Produce dealers are renewing their attempts to have all superfluous roosters on farms indicted and condemned for capital offense. The dealers cite in their complaints that many eggs offered for sale are unfit to ship or to pack. The roosters are blamed.



### A strong argument

Here is another strong argument in favor of the wets.

It is announced officially that hospitals and medical schools are in a serious predicament for want of cadavers with which to teach anatomy and all because prohibition has resulted in a decided decrease in the dying of hobos, bums, floaters and the ilk who are carved and finally come to rest in the potter's field.

Evidentially the situation is becoming serious when there are no bodies to give to the dissectors.

### Boys Are Warned

A number of boys, residents on the hill in the southwest part of town, have been offending by shooting at persons and animals with sling-shots, using bits of iron picked up around the Caswell foundry as ammunition.

They have been identified and repetition of their offense will result in their arrest and presentation to Judge Mulvaney in juvenile court.

### Farm Hand Mutinied

Sheriff Sangwin was called, Sunday at noon, at the home of G.W. Rae, southeast of Marcus to a rest a motinuous farm hand who had taken possession of the automobile and refused to allow the family to use the vehicle to come to town.

The man had been paid off Saturday evening, and had been given lodging and breakfast and the promise of free transportation to Cherokee Sunday morning.

Mr. Rae asked him to shovel some corn off a wagon. He refused to do it without pay and when Mr. Rae expressed the opinion that he had already been paid he took possession of the car.

Sheriff Sangwin brought him in and extended the simple courtesies of the homelike county jail.

## 50 YEARS AGO

### Aurelia Students Awarded

Joyce Gaudian, Grant Gustafson, Joan Hiemstra, Roger Johnson, Bonnie Mackay, Terry Tuttle, Bonnie Winterhof and Vicki Winterhof were named to the National Honor Society Thursday night at the annual awards night for Aurelia Community School. Winning scholarships were Mike Estes, the Young Men's Club of Aurelia award; Vicki Winterhof, the Farm Bureau scholarship; Roger Johnson and Gustafson, the FFA scholarships. The Iowa State Bar Assn. citizens award went to Gustafson. Bonnie Winterhof and Miss Tuttle were awarded the Auxiliary and American Legion awards. Miss Gaudian was presented the Iowa Federation of Women's award, and the Danforth Foundation awards went to Vicki and Brian Winterhof. Jody Engdahl was presented the Betty Crocker Homemaker award.

### Bravette JV's Record Win

The Cherokee junior varsity Bravettes golf squad defeated the Alta junior varsity here Wednesday by a 267-272 score. Jean Phipps of Cherokee and Lisa Delbridge of Alta tied for medalist honors with 61s. Along with Phipps' 61 came teammates Becky Hester, 62; Heidi Knapp, 68; Barb Thomas, 76 and Janie Jarratt, 84.

Individual scoring for Alta went as follows: Brenda Patten, 68; Nancy McGowan, 70; Terri Breecher, 73; Lynn Grundmeier, 78 and Jeannine Harms, 98.

### Probe Break-In At Restaurant

City police are investigating a break-in occurring at Kentucky Fried Chicken, 113 N. 2nd St., sometime late Friday or early today. The break-in was discovered about 7:25 a.m. today when a touring police officer noticed a broken window on the west side of the building. Taken in the break-in was an undetermined amount of cash.

### Car Fire

Cherokee's volunteer firemen had to travel only half a block to help extinguish a car fire occurring at the Second and Main Street intersection about 1:45 p.m. Wednesday. A vehicle owned by Charles Lear, 422 Ash St. was northbound on Second Street and stopped at the intersection when it caught fire in the engine wiring and the fire department was summoned. However, the blaze had been extinguished by passerby by the time the fire truck arrived.



Mrs. Mable Klingensmith shows the fourth-grade class from the Grand Meadow attendance center the art of quilting. She demonstrated how to "bury the know" and how the tiny stitchers make the design of the quilting pattern.

## 25 YEARS AGO

### Washta Public Library News

It has long been the goal of the Washta Public Library Board of Trustees to have a new, larger and more modern library. They are drawing closer to achieving this goal. An agreement has been signed between the City of Washta and the River Valley Community School District to house the Washta Public Library within the new elementary school building in Washta.

### RV qualifies 7 for state track

Seven River Valley girls representing four events have qualified for the Class 1A girls state track meet Friday and Saturday in Des Moines. Vanessa Wright, Kelly Mebius, Marissa Simmons and Kayla Lundt have qualified in the 4x200 relay, and Megan Jacobs, Mebius, Noelle Leonard and Wright comprise the 4x100 relay, which also made state. Lundt also qualified in the 200 meters and Ashley Todd and Jacobs qualified in the 100 hurdles. The team is coached by Chad Moseman.

**Do you have an old photo that our readers would enjoy seeing? Send photos and pertinent information such as dates, names, etc. to [news@ctimes.biz](mailto:news@ctimes.biz)!**



Cherokee Chronicle Times TV Times

May 19- May 25, 2024

SUNDAY MORNING

MAY 19, 2024

Table with 12 columns (Time slots: 6:00, 6:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 8:30, 9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 11:30) and 25 rows of program listings for Sunday Morning.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON

MAY 19, 2024

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SUNDAY EVENING

MAY 19, 2024

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MONDAY EVENING

MAY 20, 2024

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MAY 21, 2024

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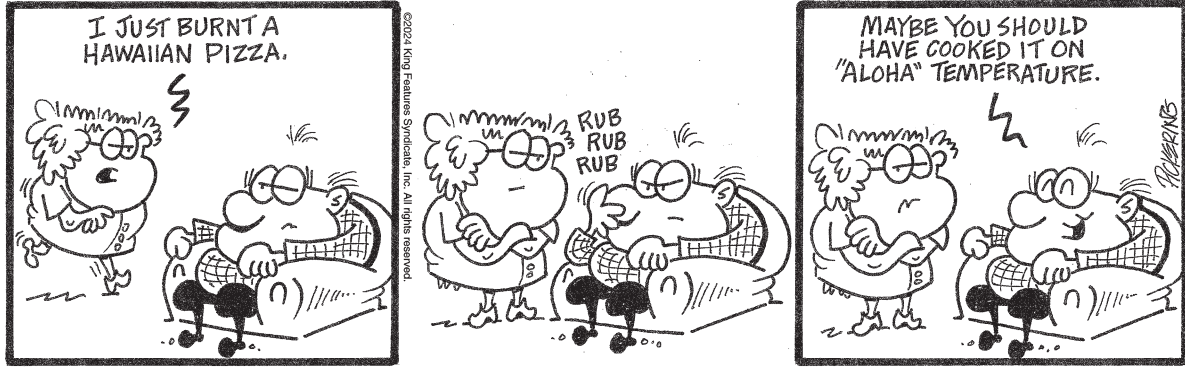


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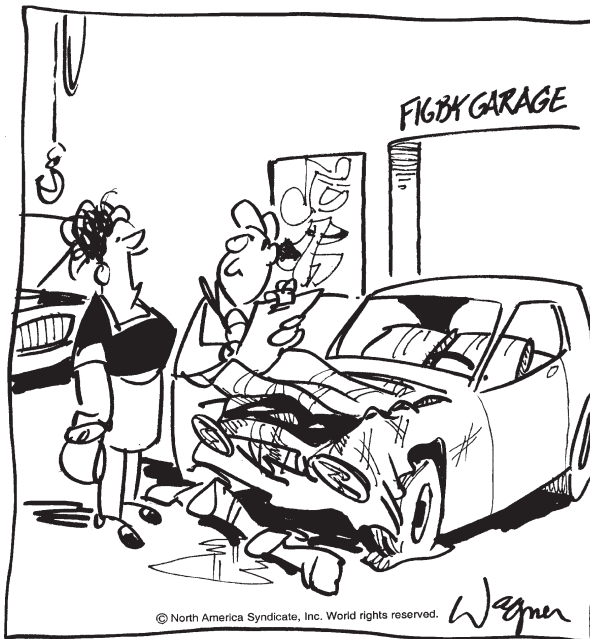
## Amber Waves



## The Spats



## GRIN THE BEAR IT



## Just Like Cats & Dogs



## MAGIC MAZE — KEEPER

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 I F D A X V G T Q O M J H F C  
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 I D E H F R H O E N D B Z Y T  
 W V N A T O I H O Z T I M E  
 R Q E U C C U T T O K O S N K  
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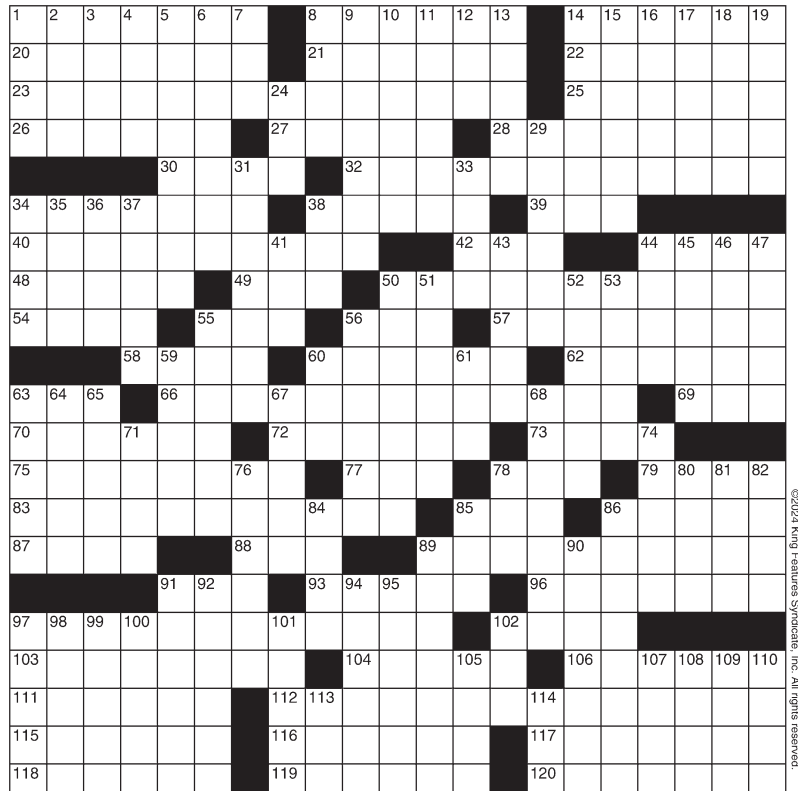
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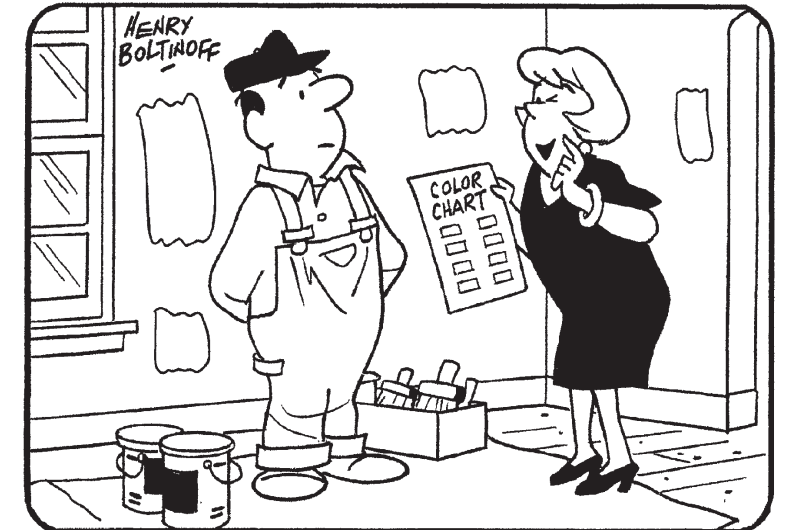
## Super Crossword

INITIAL CONDITIONS

- ACROSS**
- 1 Nineveh's empire
  - 8 Its capital is Kampala
  - 14 12-step affiliate
  - 20 New Guinea natives
  - 21 Renovates
  - 22 Ketchup ingredient
  - 23 It's used for outlining designs in embroidery
  - 25 Internet newsgroup
  - 26 Alloy that's mostly tin
  - 27 1990s Toyota model
  - 28 Grills in stoves
  - 30 Take a stroll
  - 32 Cheerful disposition
  - 34 Carrying of a boat
  - 38 View anew
  - 39 Nonsense
  - 40 American bird
  - 41 Alloy with all-white plume
  - 42 "So there!"
  - 44 Feels unwell
  - 48 Lawyers: Abbr.
  - 49 Dental floss coating
  - 50 Difficult matter to deal with
  - 54 Saw or sickle
  - 55 Implore
  - 56 Olympic skater
  - 57 Enumerating
  - 58 Oman locale
  - 60 One trapping
  - 62 Shrink back
  - 63 They may have jingles
  - 66 Passionate love affair
  - 69 Hairstyling goop
  - 70 "C'mon, help me out"
  - 72 "Finally finished!"
  - 73 St. Louis — Bridge
  - 75 Artifacts of Angola, e.g.
  - 77 Ares or Eros
  - 78 Greyhound
  - 79 Misfortunes
  - 83 The U.S. State Department, informally
  - 85 Sultry
  - 86 Filler
  - 87 Casual tops
  - 88 Fancy playing marble
  - 89 Even break
  - 91 "... do say so myself"
  - 93 "In all probability ..."
  - 96 Warned
  - 97 Bird that flies near the ocean's surface
  - 102 Utter failure
  - 103 Military base
  - 104 "The best is — come"
  - 106 Ancient rival of Athens
  - 111 Became inseparable
  - 112 Apt question for this puzzle
  - 115 Northern Spanish city
  - 116 Actress de Ravin of "Roswell and Lost"
  - 117 Pain greatly
  - 118 Person ripping things
  - 119 Key in anew
  - 120 Dwellers around
  - 121 Peru's peaks
  - 12 Yuletide mo.
  - 13 "Harold and Maude" director
  - 14 When it's 1600 hours
  - 15 "Blaze" actress
  - 16 "Scenes From —" (Bette Midler film)
  - 17 "And Bingo was his —"
  - 18 New Mexico county
  - 19 From Oslo's country, to its natives
  - 24 "Toll rd"
  - 29 "Number 10" painter
  - 31 Stockings, say
  - 33 Classic soda
  - 34 Jr.-year exam
  - 35 Savvy about
  - 36 — -Rooter
  - 37 Tharp of choreography
  - 38 Dinosaur in "Toy Story"
  - 41 Dusting cloth
  - 43 Capital of Ghana
  - 44 Fizzy wine, in brief
  - 45 Walt Whitman's "— the Body Electric"
  - 46 Fencer's attack
  - 47 Jason of "Bad Teacher"
  - 50 Celebrity status
  - 51 Doughnut or bagel's shape
  - 52 New Mexican succulents
  - 53 Common way to mark losses
  - 55 Place to dissect a frog
  - 56 Blue shade
  - 59 Actor Keach of "Mike Hammer"
  - 60 Caesar of old comedy
  - 61 CPR pro
  - 63 Toward a ship's stern
  - 64 Crusoe creator
  - 65 Platoon VIP
  - 67 Rodeo lasso
  - 68 Idling position
  - 71 Oinkers
  - 74 Indian lute
  - 76 Gratitude—prohibiting policy
  - 78 Young guy, in hip-hop
  - 80 Pre-Easter time
  - 81 Shoe securer
  - 82 Yukon vehicle
  - 84 Tease in fun
  - 85 Head cover
  - 86 Mark of TV's "Super-natural"
  - 89 Certain penpoint feature
  - 90 Seal, as a house-buying deal
  - 91 Hinder
  - 92 Novelist Dostoyevsky
  - 94 Deadpan humor
  - 95 "The Office" character
  - 97 Wood shoe
  - 98 Treasure pile
  - 99 "— vincit amor"
  - 100 Winona of "Black Swan"
  - 101 Once-popular anesthetic
  - 102 Rival
  - 105 You, of yore
  - 107 "Stop staring —!"
  - 108 Ostrich kin
  - 109 Ky. neighbor
  - 110 Part of B.A.
  - 113 Kipling's "Follow Me —"
  - 114 Org. founded by Billie Jean King



## HOCUS-FOCUS BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Leg is longer. 2. Tarp is moved. 3. Paint can is larger. 4. Window sill is different. 5. Foot is moved. 6. Top of doorway is different.

## SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Desire  
 CARVE  
 Entice  
 DEUCES  
 Permit  
 WALLO  
 Control  
 ANGAME

Boxed letters: T, D, N, J, C, T, O, R, G, T, V

TODAY'S WORD

## Even Exchange by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

1. What Cy Young did	___ T ___	Salt measurement	___ N ___
2. Architect's drawing	D ___	Call it quits	R ___
3. Mansion	___ N ___	Army officer	___ J ___
4. Cost	___ C ___	Group of lions	___ D ___
5. Political trip	___ T ___	Rundown car	___ R ___
6. Playful mammal	O ___	Speak	U ___
7. Bewilder	___ R ___	Noah's dilemma	___ D ___
8. Need for food	___ G ___	Orion, e.g.	___ T ___
9. Postage sticker	___ T ___	Mischief-maker	___ C ___
10. Get rid of	___ V ___	TV operation device	___ T ___

## MAGIC MAZE — KEEPER

W J G D Z W L T Q N K H D A X  
 U R P M J G I D A X V S Q N K  
 I F D A X V G T Q O M J H F C  
 A Y W U R P H N S L J H F D B  
 S P Z X V D T N R T R Q O M K  
 I D E H F R H O E N D B Z Y T  
 W V N A T O I H O Z T I M E  
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## Answers are on the Classified Page

### CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: Y equals T

KQZY HB FBT IZJJ Z  
 IVJVMUZYVH AEIYEBRZJ PXF  
 KQB'P XUBHTIERL YBRP BA  
 BTYXTY? Z QELQ-FEVJH MBRH.

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## SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆◆◆

◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

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• Football player Ronaldinho Gaucho lost a \$750,000 deal with Coca-Cola simply by taking a sip from a Pepsi.

• Some farmers started feeding their pigs waste products from the marijuana industry, such as plant stems, leaves and roots, saying it boosted the animals' appetites so they would bulk up to 30 pounds heavier than normal, also that it had the effect of making the meat taste "more savory."

• The fastest any human has ever traveled was during the re-entry of the Apollo 10 module, at a maximum speed of 24,830 miles per hour, or 7 miles per second.

• If you can convince yourself that you slept well last night, even though you didn't, your brain will be tricked into thinking you aren't tired. It's called "placebo sleep."

• When an astronaut working on the International Space Station needed a tool he didn't have, NASA came to the rescue by designing one with computer software and emailing the file to him. He then used a 3D printer to create the first object ever designed on Earth but made in space.

• Studies show that the human brain remains half-awake when sleeping in a new environment for the first time.

• Just before WWII, the U.S. created the Logan Bar, a chocolate bar that deliberately tasted "a little better than a boiled potato," as an emergency ration to prevent soldiers from snacking on it outside of emergency situations.

• Too much grape soda will make your poop turn blue.

• A shopping mall in China offers "husband storage" pods, where wives and girlfriends can leave their partners while they shop. Each pod is equipped with a TV, a gaming console and a leather massage chair.

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**Thought for the Day:** "A comfort zone is a beautiful place -- but nothing ever grows there." -- Anonymous

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### GLASS BACK

POP ROCK & SOUL TRIOS

Goodbye.)

5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "But they're cousins, identical cousins all the way, one pair of matching bookends, different as night and day."



# CLASSIFIEDS

Deadlines: Advertising Guide: 4 pm Thursday  
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## LEGAL NOTICE

**THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHEROKEE COUNTY**  
**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ROSEMARY E. FESSLER, Deceased.**  
**CASE NO. ES-PR017165**  
**NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
To: All Persons Interested in the Estate of Rosemary E. Fessler, Deceased, who died on or about November 23, 2023:  
You are hereby notified that on April 25, 2024, the Last Will and Testament of Rosemary E. Fessler, Deceased, bearing date of April 26, 2007, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Betty R. Ervin has been 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 decedent and devisees under the will whose identi-

ties 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 date of 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 April 25, 2024.  
Betty R. Ervin, Executor of Estate  
George W. Wittgraf, ICIS#: AT0008581  
Attorney for Executor  
Wittgraf Law Firm  
223 N. Pine Street, P.O. Box 535  
Cherokee, Iowa 51012  
Date of second publication: 17th of May, 2024  
(CT05-10, 17/L#55)

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## LEGAL NOTICE

**THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHEROKEE COUNTY**  
**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ROBERT ALLEN CHRISTENSEN, DECEASED.**  
**CASE NO. ESPR07163**  
**NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Robert A. Christensen, Deceased, who died on or about July 14, 2023:  
You are hereby notified that on April 21, 2024, the Last Will and Testament of Robert Allen Christensen, Deceased, bearing date of June 6, 2016, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that David Faust has been 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 decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever

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Dated April 21, 2024.  
Melissa S. Leeds, Co-Executor  
100 Park Ridge Dr.  
Cherokee, IA 51012  
Melanie L. Graybill, Co-Executor  
650 Meadow Ridge Blvd  
Marion, IA 52302  
Wally Miller Jr., ICIS#: ATT005418  
Attorney for Executor  
Miller, Miller, P.C.  
216 W Main St, Cherokee, IA 51012  
Date of second publication: 17th day of May, 2024  
(CT05-10/L#59)

### Tis the Garage Sale Season!


1 week in the Chronicle Times, Storm Lake Times Pilots, Aurelia Star, AD GUIDE and the Green Saver plus 2 signs! Up to 20 words!



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## LEGAL NOTICE

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - AMENDMENT OF CURRENT BUDGET**  
City of QUIMBY  
Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024  
The City of QUIMBY will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of amending the current budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2024  
Meeting Date/Time: 5/28/2024 05:00 PM Contact: Jeanette Beekman Phone: (712) 445-2319  
Meeting Location: 101 E 2nd Ave, Quimby IA 51049

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

REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	Total Budget as Certified or Last Amended	Current Amendment	Total Budget After Current Amendment
Taxes Levied on Property	79,553	0	79,553
Less: Uncollected Delinquent Taxes - Levy Year	0	0	0
Net Current Property Tax	79,553	0	79,553
Delinquent Property Tax Revenue	0	0	0
TIF Revenues	0	0	0
Other City Taxes	37,614	0	37,614
Licenses & Permits	1,500	0	1,500
Use of Money & Property	1,500	0	1,500
Intergovernmental	33,997	135,000	168,997
Charges for Service	172,080	0	172,080
Special Assessments	0	0	0
Miscellaneous	0	0	0
Other Financing Sources	0	0	0
Transfers In	0	0	0
<b>Total Revenues &amp; Other Sources</b>	<b>326,244</b>	<b>135,000</b>	<b>461,244</b>
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES			
Public Safety	24,473	1,000	25,473
Public Works	72,858	22,000	94,858
Health and Social Services	2,500	0	2,500
Culture and Recreation	32,349	8,000	40,349
Community and Economic Development	16,600	0	16,600
General Government	31,188	0	31,188
Debt Service	12,400	0	12,400
Capital Projects	0	0	0
Total Government Activities Expenditures	192,368	31,000	223,368
Business Type/Enterprise	95,018	232,432	327,450
<b>Total Gov Activities &amp; Business Expenditures</b>	<b>287,386</b>	<b>263,432</b>	<b>550,818</b>
Transfers Out	0	0	0
<b>Total Expenditures/Transfers Out</b>	<b>287,386</b>	<b>263,432</b>	<b>550,818</b>
Excess Revenues & Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures/Transfers Out	38,858	-128,432	-89,574
Beginning Fund Balance July 1, 2023	115,023	0	115,023
<b>Ending Fund Balance June 30, 2024</b>	<b>153,881</b>	<b>-128,432</b>	<b>25,449</b>

Explanation of Changes: Payment to the contractor for sewer project, increase in insurance cost for Fire Dept, replace roof on water plant, purchase mower, Ragbrai expenses.

## LEGAL NOTICE

The Cherokee County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, April 30, 2024 with Rick Mongan, Bryan Petersen, Duane Mummert, Cheryl Ellis and Dave Skou present. Erin Rydgren, Chronicle Times, represented the press.

Matt Todd, Kenny Schlegler, Ryan Kolpin, Sarah Tracy and Kelly Puhmann were also in attendance. Unless otherwise indicated, all votes were offered as follows: Ayes – Ellis, Skou, Mummert, Petersen, Mongan, Naves – none; Abstentions – none.

Chairman Mongan called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Skou, seconded by Petersen to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by Mummert, seconded by Skou to begin a summer meeting schedule on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month with additional meetings as needed. Motion carried.

The supervisors provided committee reports, reviewed meeting schedules.

There being no further business, Chairman Mongan called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion by Petersen, seconded by Mummert to approve Resolution #2024-08 "Notice for Destruction of Noxious Weeds". Roll call vote: Petersen-aye, Ellis-aye, Mummert-aye, Skou-aye, Mongan-aye. Motion carried and resolution adopted.

There were no right-of-way permits for consideration.

Sarah Tracy, County Engineer, requested a closed session to discuss right of way negotiations.

Motion by Skou, seconded by Mummert to go into closed session per Iowa Code Chapter 21.5(1)(j) "To discuss the purchase of particular real estate only where premature disclosure could be reasonably expected to increase the price the governmental body would have to pay for that property." Roll call vote: Petersen-aye, Ellis-aye, Mummert-aye, Skou-aye, Mongan-aye. Motion carried and regular session was closed at 9:03 a.m.

Regular session resumed at 9:40 a.m. with no action taken as a result of the closed session.

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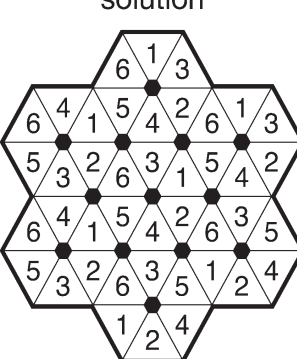
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**CRYPTOQUIP ANSWER:** The cereal fungus was rapidly encroaching upon the yearly crops of tye and wheat. Ergo, ergot.

**SCRAMBLERS ANSWER:**  
1. Verse 2. Forage 3. Design  
4. Hustle Today's Word: SELFISH

### SNOWFLAKES

solution

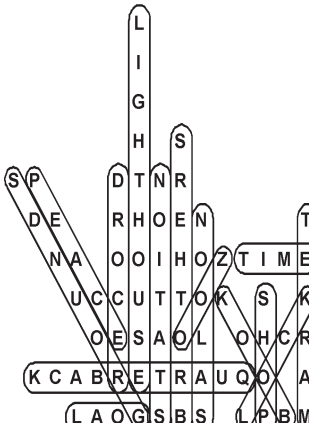


### Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

2	6	5	7	8	4	3	9	1
8	1	4	9	3	6	7	5	2
7	9	3	2	1	5	4	6	8
4	2	8	3	6	9	5	1	7
9	3	1	8	5	7	2	4	6
5	7	6	4	2	1	8	3	9
1	8	2	5	9	3	6	7	4
6	5	7	1	4	2	9	8	3
3	4	9	6	7	8	1	2	5

### KEEPER



## Super Crossword

### Answers

A	S	S	R	I	A	U	G	A	N	D	A	A	L	A	N	O			
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O	V	I	E	D	O	E	M	I	L	I	E	T	O	R	M	E	N	T	
T	E	A	R	I	E	R	E	T	Y	P	E	A	N	D	E	A	N	S	

## FLASHBACK ANSWERS

- "A Hard Day's Night," in 1964, had 13 songs, all written by John Lennon and Paul McCartney. The U.S. and U.K. versions differed in track listings and were released two weeks apart.
  - "The Poseidon Adventure," released in 1972. An ocean liner, on her last voyage before being scrapped, flips over in a tsunami, trapping the passengers in the upside down ship.
  - Percy Sledge, in 1966. The song shot to No. 1 on all the U.S. charts. Michael Bolton followed with a cover in 1991. His version also went to No. 1.
  - Gladys Knight & The Pips, in 1972.
  - "The Patty Duke Show" theme song, 1963-1966. Patty Duke played both parts, both the American cousin and her identical British cousin.
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- ### EVEN EXCHANGE ANSWERS
- Wafer, Wager
  - Elpect, Expert
  - Elate, Elite
  - Shore, Short
  - Kernel, Kennel
  - Limber, Lumber
  - Jerry, Terry
  - Retail, Retain
  - Local, Loyal
  - Pallet, Pellet



# Ridge View FFA holds annual recognition event



All of the Ridge View FFA members lined up for a group photo.



The 2024-2025 officer team: Ethan Dutler- Assistant Adviser, Jake Cougill- Sentinel, Tyler Friedrichsen- Vice President, Jordan Kluver- Reporter, Clara Todd- Treasurer, Alyssa Biede- Secretary, Nora Pickhinke- President, and our adviser Tyler Wingert.



Representives of several businesses and organizations that have worked closely with the Ridge View FFA this year.



Above, the 2024-2025 officer team: Jake Cougill, Ethan Dutler, Jordan Kluver, Clara Todd, Alyssa Biede, Tyler Friedrichsen, and Nora Pickhinke.

At left, the recipients of the greenhand award were Janna Friedmann, Lane Johnson, Clara Todd, Landyn Peterson, Jonathon Friedrichsen, and Leo Avina.

Below, the chapter award recipients were Raelynn Hanson, Brayden Blum, Cole Jochims, Blair Berends, Cody Wunschel, Alyssa Biede, Jordan Kluver, Caleb Hagen, Jake Cougill, Tyler Friedrichsen, and Tristan Werner.



## LEGAL NOTICE

### NOTICE OF FILING OF THE FINAL PLAT AND SCHEDULE OF ASSESSMENTS AGAINST BENEFITED PROPERTIES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE 2021 CITY OF CHEROKEE ROOSEVELT AVENUE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT, WITHIN THE CITY OF CHEROKEE, IOWA

TO THE PERSONS OWNING LAND LOCATED WITHIN THE DISTRICT DESCRIBED AS THE 2021 CITY OF CHEROKEE ROOSEVELT AVENUE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT, WITHIN THE CITY OF CHEROKEE, IOWA:

consisting of the properties which are described as follows:

- 1 0727483020 Lots One (1) and Two (2), Block One (1), Corbetts Addition to the Town of New Cherokee, Iowa
- 2 0727483009 Lot 17, in Block 1, of Corbett's Addition to New Cherokee, Iowa
- 3 0727483010 Lot 18, Block 1, Corbetts Addition to Cherokee, Cherokee County, Iowa
- 4 0727483011 Lot Nineteen (19), Block One (1), Corbetts Addition to the Town of New Cherokee
- 5 0727482034 Lot 6, Block 2, Corbetts Addition to New Cherokee, Iowa, except the West Eighty-Five (85) feet of said Lot Six (6).
- 6 0727482033 Lot 5, in Block 2 of Corbett's Addition to the Town of New Cherokee
- 7 0727482032 Lot 4, in Block 2, Corbett's Addition to the Town of New Cherokee, Iowa
- 8 0727482031 Lot Three (3) in Block Two (2), Corbett's Addition to New Cherokee, Iowa. (Commonly known as 215 North Roosevelt Avenue, Cherokee, Iowa)
- 9 0727482030 Lot 2, Block 2, Corbetts Addition to New Cherokee, IA
- 10 0727482029 Lot 1, Block 2, Corbett's Addition to New Cherokee, Iowa.
- 11 0727482013 Lot 44, in Block 3, in Huxford's Second Addition to New Cherokee, Iowa
- 12 0727482014 Lots Forty-five (45), Forty-six (46), and Forty-seven (47), in Block Three (3), Huxford's Second Addition to New Cherokee, Iowa.
- 13 0727481021 Lot 18 and 19 in Block 3 of Huxford's Second Addition to New Cherokee, Iowa
- 14 0727481022 Lots Sixteen (16) and Seventeen (17), in Block Three (3), Huxford's Second Addition to New Cherokee, Iowa.
- 15 0727481009 Lot 12, 13 and the West Half of Lot 14, Block 3, Huxford's Second Addition to New Cherokee, Iowa
- 16 0727481010 E1/2 of Lot 14, and all of Lot 15, Block 3, Huxford's Second Addition to Cherokee, Cherokee County, Iowa
- 17 0727432017 Lots 3, 4 and 5, in Block 2, of Huxford's Second Addition to New Cherokee
- 18 0727432016 Lot 18, Block 3, Huxford's Extension to New Cherokee, Iowa
- 19 0726305007 The West 87 feet of the South Half of Lot One (1) of Lot Seventy-five (75) in a subdivision of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) of Section Twenty-Six (26), Township Ninety-Two (92) North, Range Forty (40) West of the 5th P.M.
- 20 0726305008 The West 117 feet of the East 177 feet of the South 1/2 of Lot 1 of Lot 75 in a S/D of the NW1/4 of SW1/4 of Section 26, Township 92N, Range 40, West of the 5th P.M.
- 21 0726351007 The West 58 feet of Lot 3, in Block 4, Burroughs Magnetic Spring Addition to New Cherokee, Iowa
- 22 0726351001 The North Seventy-Seven (77) feet of Lot One (1) and the North Seventy-Seven (77) feet of the West Forty-nine (49) feet of Lot Two (2), all in Block Four (4), Burroughs Magnetic Spring Addition to New Cherokee, City of Cherokee
- 23 0726351002 Lot One (1), except the North Seventy-seven feet (N77') thereof; and Lot Two (2), except the North Seventy-seven feet (N77') of the West Forty-nine Feet (W49') thereof, all in Block Four (4), Burroughs Magnetic Spring Addition to New Cherokee, Cherokee County, Iowa
- 24 0726351003 The North Forty-one (41) feet of Lots Nineteen (19) and Twenty (20), Block Four (4), Burroughs Magnetic Spring Addition to New Cherokee, Iowa.
- 25 0726351004 The South Forty-one Feet (S 41') of the North Eighty-two Feet (N 82') of Lots Numbered Nineteen (19) and Twenty (20), Block Numbered Four (4) of Burroughs Magnetic Spring Addition to New Cherokee, Cherokee County, Iowa.
- 26 0726351005 The North 41 feet of the South 83 feet of Lots 19 and 20, Block 4, of Burroughs Magnetic Spring Addition to New Cherokee, Iowa
- 27 0726351006 The South 42 feet of Lots Nineteen (19) and Twenty (20) in Block Four (4), Burroughs Magnetic Spring Addition to New Cherokee, Iowa.
- 28 0726351017 Lot 18, in Block 4, Burroughs Magnetic Spring Addition to New Cherokee, Iowa
- 29 0726352002 The North 160 feet of the West 43 1/2 feet of Lot 3, in Block 6, Burroughs Magnetic Spring Addition to New Cherokee
- 30 0726353001 Lot One (1) in Block 2, Greer's Addition to the Town of Cherokee, Iowa
- 31 0726353002 Lot 2, in Block 2 of Greer's Addition to New Cherokee, Iowa
- 32 0726353003 Lot 3, in Block 2, Greer's Addition to Cherokee, Cherokee County, Iowa, a/k/ 204 North Roosevelt
- 33 0726353004 Lot 4, in Block 2 of Greer's Addition to New Cherokee, Iowa
- 34 0726354002 Lot Two (2), Dunkelberger's Addition to New Cherokee

The extent of the work completed on the 2021 City of Cherokee Roosevelt Avenue Reconstruction Project, is as follows:  
The City of Cherokee reconstructed Roosevelt Avenue beginning at the intersection of East Main Street and Roosevelt Avenue, North to the intersection of Magnetic Avenue and Roosevelt Avenue which consisted of reconstructing the roadway as well sanitary sewer, storm sewer, and water main improvements.  
You are hereby notified that the final plat and schedule of assessments against benefited properties within the District described as the 2021 City of Cherokee Roosevelt Avenue Reconstruction Project, for the construction of street, water main, sanitary sewer, storm sewer and other public improvements, has been adopted and levied by the Council of the City of Cherokee, and that said plat and schedule of assessments has been certified to the County Treasurer of Cherokee County, Iowa. Assessments of \$500.00 or more are payable in ten equal annual installments, with interest on the unpaid balance, all as provided

in Section 384.65, Code of Iowa. Conditional deficiency assessments, if any, may be levied against the applicable property for the same period of years as the assessments are made payable.  
You are further notified that assessments may be paid in full or in part without interest at the office of the City Clerk, at any time within thirty days after the date of the first publication of this notice of the filing of the final plat and schedule of assessments with the County Treasurer. Unless said assessments are paid in full within said thirty day period all unpaid assessments will

draw annual interest computed at six (6) percent (commencing on the date of acceptance of the work) computed to the December 1st next following the due dates of the respective installments. Each installment will be delinquent on September 30th following its due date on July 1st in each year. Property owners may elect to pay any annual installment semiannually in advance.  
All properties located within the boundaries of the 2021 City of Cherokee Roosevelt Avenue Reconstruction Project, above described have been assessed for the cost of the making of said

improvements, the amount of each assessment and the amount of any conditional deficiency assessment having been set out in the schedule of assessments and plat accompanying the same, which are now on file in the office of the County Treasurer of Cherokee County, Iowa. For further information you are referred to said plat and schedule of assessments.  
This notice is given at the direction of the Mayor pursuant to Code Section 384.60, Code of Iowa.  
Sara Lucas  
City Clerk, City of Cherokee, Iowa (CT05-17,24/L#253)

Cherokee Chronicle Times

## WARNING SIGNS

What they might say	How they might act	How they might feel
I want to hurt myself. I feel hopeless. I have no reason to live. I'm a burden to others. I feel trapped. I'm in pain.	Increased use of alcohol or drugs. Looking for ways to end their life. Withdrawing from activities. Isolating from family and friends. Sleeping too little or too much. Visiting or calling people to say goodbye. Giving away prized possessions. Aggression Fatigue	Depressed Anxious Loss of interest Irritable Humiliated Shameful Agitated Angry Relieved Suddenly improved

Help is available. Dial 988.

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Source: American Foundation for Suicide Prevention.



# Safety Tips for Hunting for Wild Mushrooms in Iowa

## Expert insight into when, where and how to find common mushrooms

### LEGAL NOTICE

#### Election Notice

Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of Cherokee County, Iowa, that a Primary Election will be held on Tuesday, June 4, 2024. The polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Pre-registered voters are required to provide an approved form of identification at the polling place before receiving and casting a regular ballot. Voters who are not pre-registered – such as voters registering to vote on Election Day – and voters changing precincts must also provide proof of residence. A voter who is unable to provide an approved form of identification (or prove residence if required) 1) may have the voter's identity/residence attested to by another registered voter in the precinct, 2) prove identity and residence using Election Day Registration documents, or 3) cast a provisional ballot and provide proof of identity/residence at the county auditor's office by 12:00 P.M. on June 10, 2024. Election Day Registrant attestors must provide an approved form of identification. For additional information about providing proof of identity and/or residence visit: <https://sos.iowa.gov/voterid> or phone (712) 225-6705. The ballots to be used at the Primary Election shall be as set out below.

Any voter who is physically unable to enter a polling place has the right to vote in the voter's vehicle. For further information, please contact the county auditor's office at 712-225-6705 or by email at [kglienke@co.cherokee.ia.us](mailto:kglienke@co.cherokee.ia.us)

A public demonstration of the voting equipment to be used in this election will be held at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 30, 2024, in the Election Office, next to the Auditor's Office in the Courthouse, Cherokee, Iowa. The public is welcome to attend.

Voters must vote in their precinct of residence. Please read this notice carefully to determine your correct voting location. Voting locations have changed for some voters. The precinct polling places and addresses for this election are as follows:

- Cherokee Community Center – Upper Level: 530 W. Bluff Street, Cherokee IA. (For voters in City of Cherokee Ward 1)
- Cherokee Community Center – Upper Level: 530 W. Bluff Street, Cherokee IA. (For voters in City of Cherokee Ward 2)
- Cherokee Community Center – Upper Level: 530 W. Bluff Street, Cherokee IA. (For voters in City of Cherokee Ward 3)
- Cherokee Community Center – Lower Level: 530 W. Bluff Street, Cherokee, IA. (For voters in Afon, Cedar, Cherokee, Liberty, Spring Townships & City of Larrabee)
- Aurelia Community Center – 235 N Main Street, Aurelia, IA. (Diamond, Pilot, Pitcher, Silver Townships & City of Aurelia)
- Quimby Fire Station – 102 N Main Street, Quimby, IA. (Grand Meadow, Rock, Tilden, Willow Townships & Cities of Quimby & Washta)
- Marcus Sawyer Center – 303 E Fenton Street, Marcus, IA. (Amherst, Marcus, Sheridan Townships & Cities of Cleghorn, Marcus & Meriden)

Dated this 17<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2024

Kris Glienke, Commissioner of Elections Cherokee County, Iowa

OFFICES ON THE 2024 PRIMARY ELECTION BALLOT- DEMOCRATIC	OFFICES ON THE 2024 PRIMARY ELECTION BALLOT- LIBERTARIAN	OFFICES ON THE 2024 PRIMARY ELECTION BALLOT- REPUBLICAN
<b>U.S. Offices:</b>	<b>U.S. Offices:</b>	<b>U.S. Offices:</b>
<u>United States Representative, District 4</u> (Vote for no more than ONE) Ryan Melton	<u>United States Representative, District 4</u> (Vote for no more than ONE) No candidate	<u>United States Representative, District 4</u> (Vote for no more than ONE) Randy Feenstra Kevin Virgil
<b>State Offices:</b>	<b>State Offices:</b>	<b>State Offices:</b>
<u>State Representative, District 005</u> (Vote for no more than ONE) No candidate	<u>State Representative, District 005</u> (Vote for no more than ONE) No candidate	<u>State Representative, District 005</u> (Vote for no more than ONE) Zachary M. Dieken
<u>State Representative, District 013</u> (Vote for no more than ONE) No candidate	<u>State Representative, District 013</u> (Vote for no more than ONE) No candidate	<u>State Representative, District 013</u> (Vote for no more than ONE) Travis M Sitzmann Noah Wieseler
<b>County Offices:</b>	<b>County Offices:</b>	<b>County Offices:</b>
<u>Board of Supervisors, District 1</u> (Vote for no more than ONE) No candidate	<u>Board of Supervisors, District 1</u> (Vote for no more than ONE) No candidate	<u>Board of Supervisors, District 1</u> (Vote for no more than ONE) Chad Brown Rick Mongan Ray E Mullins II Phil Stowater
<u>Board of Supervisors, District 2</u> (Vote for no more than ONE) No candidate	<u>Board of Supervisors, District 2</u> (Vote for no more than ONE) No candidate	<u>Board of Supervisors, District 2</u> (Vote for no more than ONE) Bryan Petersen
<u>Board of Supervisors, District 5</u> (Vote for no more than ONE) Stephanic Zarr	<u>Board of Supervisors, District 5</u> (Vote for no more than ONE) No candidate	<u>Board of Supervisors, District 5</u> (Vote for no more than ONE) Matthew Aguirre Jr. Shane Bellefy Craig Schmidt Timothy R. Wych
<u>County Auditor</u> (Vote for no more than ONE) No candidate	<u>County Auditor</u> (Vote for no more than ONE) No candidate	<u>County Auditor</u> (Vote for no more than ONE) Kris Glienke
<u>County Sheriff</u> (Vote for no more than ONE) No candidate	<u>County Sheriff</u> (Vote for no more than ONE) No candidate	<u>County Sheriff</u> (Vote for no more than ONE) Derek Scott Zachary L. Smith
<u>County Treasurer – To Fill A Vacancy</u> (Vote for no more than ONE) No candidate	<u>County Treasurer – To Fill A Vacancy</u> (Vote for no more than ONE) No candidate	<u>County Treasurer – To Fill A Vacancy</u> (Vote for no more than ONE) Jodi B. Mongan

AMES, Iowa – In Iowa, mushroom hunting is quite common. However, knowing the peak time to hunt for a particular mushroom can be challenging.

Chelsea Harbach, a plant disease diagnostician in the Plant and Insect Diagnostic Clinic with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach, shares helpful guidelines when hunting for common mushrooms.

Three common types of mushrooms are regularly sought out. While using the mushroom foraging calendar key, Iowans can find peak times to hunt for common, white, black or half-free morels in the Spring; Chicken of the Woods in late summer; and oysters May through September.

When hunting for mushrooms, you can determine whether the mushroom is edible or inedible by asking:

- Does the mushroom have a stem or cap?
- Does the mushroom have gills or pores?
- Where is the mushroom growing?
- How is the mushroom growing? Out of the soil or out of a tree?
- What is the time of year?
- Does the mushroom have spore prints?
- How does the mushroom smell?

A dangerous mushroom found in Iowa belongs to the Verpa species. These mushrooms look like morel mushrooms. However, these mushrooms have a wrinkly cap and similar stem, but when viewed closer, differences appear. The Verpa species will have a cottony pith in the middle of their stem, whereas morel stems are always hollow.

“When in doubt, throw it out,” said Harbach. “If you have any doubt about the identification or safety of the mushroom that you pick for consumption, it is not worth it.”

Mushrooms in Iowa enjoy rain without excessive heat. When searching, also avoid aged mushrooms. If a mushroom is of an older age, then you are more likely to find insects and decay. If the fungal tissue is degrading, this can make you ill. A common mushroom in Iowa is the dryad saddle, which is best found in its younger stages when it has a more fleshy outside. As this mushroom grows and gets older, it becomes woodier.

Since mushroom hunting is very popular in Iowa, Harbach holds a Wild Mushroom Certification course each spring. The dates for next year will be announced in January of 2025.



### LEGAL NOTICE

Washta City Council met in regular session Monday May 6th 2024 at 6:30 P.M. in the City Hall. The following Council was present: Ashley, Patterson, Joy, and Roepke absent: Stieneke. Also present: Paul Riggs, Sue Ritts, Mike Beaumier and Pat Edwards. Mayor Conner called the meeting to order, motion Ashley 2nd Patterson, ayes: 4/0 to approve consensus business which included the agenda, previous minutes, new bills, and all reports.

Fund Receipts	Disbursements
General 13,533.27	14,310.23
Sewer 2841.13	700.86
Road Use 1 682.67	1327.50
Water 6004.50	1616.77
Local Option 2251.30	1051.45
Debt Service 1599.21	00.00
	28,116.36
	19,006.81

80.92, fuel, 65.05, General: wages & taxes, 2448.87, Frontier, 262.15, electric, 42.60, LF, 1395.88, services & supplies, 3525.75,

The liquor license renewal was presented for the Washta Fire Dept., motion Patterson, 2nd Roepke, ayes: 4/0, approved.

Mike Beaumier was present asking permission to get chickens, motion Ashley, Patterson, ayes: 4/0 approved for up to 6 chickens only.

A letter from Sherri Ray was presented, she is asking to get 2 chickens until the fall, motion Patterson, 2nd Ashley, ayes: 4/0 approved.

Reminder for the City wide clean up is set for May 15th for the extra garbage pickup and appliance pickup is Saturday May 18th.

Discussion was held on nuisance properties around town, at this time the Council will readdress the issue after the City wide clean up is held.

There being no further business, motion to adjourn at 6:50 P.M. Jennifer Conner, Mayor Barbara Slota, Clerk (CT05-17/L#59)

List of the current bills allowed and ordered paid: Water: wages & taxes, 652.46, electric, 154.78, services & supplies, 535.92, Sewer: wages & taxes, 455.18, electric, 30.31, supplies & services, 928.95, Local Option: wages & taxes, 901.45, services, & supplies, 272.83, Road Use: wages & taxes, 1569.69, electric,

### LEGAL NOTICE

#### CITY COUNCIL MINUTES TUESDAY, MAY 14, 2024, 6:00 P.M. CHEROKEE CITY HALL

A regular meeting was called to order on this date by Mayor Schmidt. Roll call: Present: Councilpersons Loughlin, Nitz, Wilberding, Wych, City Administrator Letsche, and City Clerk-Treasurer Lucas. Absent: Pingel.

Motion by Wilberding, seconded by Wych to approve the agenda. Roll call: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

At 6:01 p.m., Mayor Schmidt opened the public hearing on the sale of a lot located at 400 N. 1st Street. As there was no oral or written comments, the hearing was closed at 6:02 p.m.

Motion by Wilberding, seconded by Wych, to approve Resolution 2024-19, a Resolution Approving Sale and Purchase Agreement Concerning Real Estate on what was formerly known as Millard Street. Roll call: AYES: Nitz, Wilberding, Wych. NAYES: None. Abstained: Loughlin

Motion by Loughlin, seconded by Wych, to table Resolution 2024-20, a Resolution Setting Wages for Regular Part-time Employees, effective July 1, 2024. Roll call: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

Motion by Loughlin, seconded by Wych, to approve Resolution 2024-21, a Resolution Adopting and Levying Final Schedule of Assessments, and Providing for the Payment thereof for the 2021 City of Cherokee Roosevelt Avenue Reconstruction Project. Roll call: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

Motion by Loughlin, seconded by Wych, to approve Resolution 2024-22, a Resolution Ordering Preparation of Final Plat and Scheduling of Assessments for the 2021 City of Cherokee Roosevelt Avenue Reconstruction Project. Roll call: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

Motion by Loughlin, seconded by Wych, to approve Resolution 2024-23, a Resolution Adopting and Levying Final Schedule of Assessments, and Providing for the Payment thereof for the 2021 City of Cherokee Roosevelt Avenue Reconstruction Project. Roll call: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

On a motion by Loughlin, seconded by Wilberding, the following was approved under Consent Agenda. Roll call: AYES: All. NAYES: None. Approve City Council Minutes of

April 23, 2024. April Police Report. Approve SCE Bill. Approve Class B Retail Alcohol License for Cherokee Locker, Inc. Approve Veenstra & Kimm Bill. Library Board Appointment. Approve SplashTacular Bill. Agreement with Cherokee County-FY25 Magnetic Trail Funding. April Treasurer's Report and Receipts as follows: General \$294,261.31; Police Forfeiture \$0; County Library \$1,433.23; Road Use \$64,679.76; Employee Benefits \$47,687.57; Emergency \$0; Other Street Monies/Local Option Sales Tax \$0; Hotel/Motel Tax \$0; Tax Increment Financing \$0; Wilson School Reserve \$0; Library Memorial \$3,233.51; Park & Rec Capital Improvement \$0; Cemetery Special Care \$0; Debt Service \$0; 2016 Capital Projects \$0; Floods of 2018/19 \$1,300.00; Flood Buyout Program \$0; Roosevelt St. Prj. \$1,883.33; Willow St. Bridge \$4,905.00; American Rescue Funds \$0; Emergency Set-Aside \$0; Oak Hill Perpetual Care \$0; Water Utility \$110,507.71; Water Utility – Industrial \$0; Water Main Project Bond & Interest \$0; Water System Maintenance \$507.94; Sewer \$111,550.97; Sewer Facility Bond & Interest \$0; Sewer System Maintenance \$291.90; Beech St. Lift Relocation \$25,356.40; CDBG Sanitary Sewer Euclid/Spruce \$0; Aviation Authority \$25,424.44; Solid Waste \$29,316.42; Landfill \$29,688.51; Storm Sewer Utility \$6,897.97; Self-Insurance \$0; Police Dept. Special Act \$0. Bills totaling \$415,397.52 AGSTATE FUEL \$2,868.10 ALLIANT ENERGY NATURAL GAS \$659.10 ASHTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOK \$14.79 AURELIA LUMBER COMPANY FLOOD SUPPLIES \$548.95 BAKER & TAYLOR INC. BOOKS \$847.67 BARCO MUNICIPAL PRODUCTS PARKING SIGNS \$314.13 BECK ENGINEERING, INC. LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE/CURB IMP. \$1,878.75 BENSON CONSTRUCTION MAIN ST. CORNER TREATMENT \$1,008.00
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BLAINE'S WATER CONDITIONING COOLER RENT, WATER, SALT \$230.75 BLOOMING HOUSE PLANTERS \$305.00 BOMGAARS OPERATING SUPPLIES \$1,156.49 BUILDERS SHARP. & SERVICE REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE \$317.15 C-M-L TELEPHONE PHONE & INTERNET \$1,019.41 CASEY CARPENTER 5/24 CELL PHONE REIMBURSEMENT \$35.00 CENTRAL IOWA DIST. INC. OFFICE SUPPLIES \$329.00 CHEM-SULT, INC. CHEMICALS \$1,505.40 CHEROKEE CHRONICLE TIMES LEGAL PUBLICATION & SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL \$1,467.84 CHEROKEE CO. SOLID WASTE 4/24 ASSESSMENT \$29,688.51 CHEROKEE FIRE DEPARTMENT VOLUNTEER FIREMAN PAYROLL \$1,530.00 CHEROKEE NAPA OPERATING SUPPLIES \$77.40 CHEROKEE POLICE RESERVES UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS & ISR-LOA CONF. & TRAINING \$2,448.85 CHEROKEE REGIONAL MED. CEN RANDOM SELECTS & HEARING TEST \$329.93 CHEROKEE ROTARY CLUB MEALS \$117.00 CHEROKEE TRUCK & TRAILER TRUCK REPAIRS \$1,390.39 CHRIS HORTON 5/24 CELL PHONE REIMBURSEMENT \$35.00 CHOUA KHANG UTILITY DEPOSIT REFUND \$13.02 CORE & MAIN LP HYDRANT KITS \$3,349.92 COUNTRY TIRE & SERVICE VEHICLE MAINTENANCE \$443.95 CRAIG SCHMIDT MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT \$73.70 DEMCO, INC. OFFICE SUPPLIES \$138.35 DETAILS CUSTOM PRINT STUDIO OPERATING SUPPLIES \$279.30 DIAMOND VOGEL, INC. TRAFFIC PAINT \$1,094.20 DUANE MUMMERT 5/24 CELL PHONE REIMBURSEMENT \$35.00 FAREWAY STORES, INC. OFFICE SUPPLIES \$191.23 FELD FIRE FIRE JACKET NAME TAGS \$380.00
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Advisory Board as follows: Approve: Cherokee Skatepark-\$5,000, CYS-BA-\$2,500, Cherokee County Fair-\$1,000 Deny: Cherokee Historic Preservation and Cherokee Rodeo, Inc. Roll call: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

Motion by Wilberding, seconded by Nitz, to approve the Pollution Liability Insurance renewal. Roll call: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

Motion by Loughlin, seconded by Wilberding, to approve a Wage Authorization for Luke Dobson (\$24.72) for obtaining his Waste Water Grade 1 Certificate, effective May 3, 2024. Roll call: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

Motion by Loughlin, seconded by Wilberding, to approve an amendment to the WRF Nutrient Reduction Improvements Agreement with no additional cost. Roll call: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

Motion by Loughlin, seconded by Wych to approve the quote from Tyler Technologies for the Time & Attendance Software. Roll call: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

Motion by Wilberding, seconded by Nitz to approve Change Order #3 for the Wescott Park Relocation Project to include a water meter, water meter pit and larger gates. Roll call: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

Motion by Nitz, seconded by Wilberding to table Change Order #4 for the Wescott Park Relocation Project to allow for more discussion on the size of the Restroom Building. Roll call: AYES: All. NAYES: None

City Attorney Alyssa Herbold has submitted her letter of resignation effective June 30, 2024. Motion by Loughlin, seconded by Wilberding to advertise for a new City Attorney. Roll call: AYES: All. NAYES: None.

Council discussed several nuisance properties in town and the need to start enforcing the nuisance code. Loughlin request that Shawn Foutch attend the next meeting to give an update on the old Wilson School Building.

On a motion by Nitz, seconded by Wilberding, the meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Media Present: None  
Craig Schmidt, Mayor  
ATTEST: Sara Lucas City Clerk-Treasurer (CT05-17/L#



# SPORTS



## END OF THE BENCH

By Denny Holton

### Creston honors Cherokee's Larry Goodrich

Larry Goodrich, longtime Cherokee educator and former school board member, recently was a keynote speaker at an event in his hometown of Creston, honoring former basketball greats from the school.

Goodrich, a guy who never toots his own horn, was a special kind of basketball talent in high school at Creston and later at UNI. We felt it appropriate to give a deserving 'tip of the hat' to Larry, an outstanding citizen of our community who gave so much to Cherokee's youth in so many ways for so many years.

We picked up the story from a Creston News publication written by Larry Peterson and we certainly appreciate him sharing the good news.

So, a couple weeks ago, Goodrich was one of the featured speakers at a gathering featuring many of Creston High's prep greats. From Creston teammates from a 21-2 Hawkeye Eight championship team in 1961 were present along with others attended the celebration in a public reveal of the new display of historical photos, the actual hardwood floor gym center circle from days gone by, and lists of All-State players at Anson's Bar and Grill in Creston.

Goodrich was a 1962 Creston grad and the oldest living Panther All-State basketball player in attendance. When it was time for Larry to address the crowd, he pointed to the old, wooden circle of the old

gym hanging on the wall and spoke of his fond memories of playing on three Hawkeye Eight title teams under coach Maury Geist. He and fellow all-stater Ron Jessen were a standout pair in the realm of all-staters Kyle McCann and Ben Gerleman from the Cres-



Larry Goodrich, second from left, poses for a photo with his family, from left, Garth, Joyce and Kelsey.

ton 1997 state championship team.

Goodrich, who coached middle school and high school basketball for 31 years, went on to play at State Teachers College of Iowa (now UNI) with Jessen and

Jerry Waugh of Mount Ayr. They were members of the 1963-64 team that went 20-2 with a deep run in the NCAA postseason tourney. That team was inducted into the UNI Athletic Hall of Fame in 2022.

Peterson quoted Goodrich,

"This spot," he said, pointing to the old high school's center circle, is where it all began. When we closed the Pit (1989) Ron Jessen was there. He told me he was ill and that's the last time I saw him. He was one of the greatest all-time,

all-around athletes Creston ever had."

"Wearing the Creston jersey, does it get any better than that?" Goodrich asked. "There's something about wearing that jersey with the word 'Creston' imprinted on it. It meant something far bigger than you. It represented the community and the pride in our town. It represented the people before you and

after you."

Now that's classic Larry Goodrich, always humble, always passing on the accolades to others.

Goodrich continued, "All of this is like a circle," he said. "I was at that circle waiting for the official to throw up the ball for the tip when we played, and now I'm back here with Jack Davis and Joe Wilson,

my teammates, 62 years later. Thank you, Jack, for saving that circle, and thank you John Walters for everything you've done. This is truly a special day for me."

Cherokee is so blessed to have Larry and his lovely wife, Joyce, as part of our community where they raised their family, Stacey, Garth and Kelsey.

### Royals head to State Meet

By Adam Dublinske

The Alta-Aurelia and MMCURU boys golf teams competed in a 1A sectional meet in Onawa on Wednesday before the district Meet in Anita on Monday where the Royals took second to qualify for the State Meet.

At the sectional meet on Wednesday, the Warriors won with a 330 while MMCURU followed in second with 334. Jack Bloom led the Warriors with a 77 while Cale Brechwald followed with a 79. Lucas Baker shot an 86, Isaiah Segovia and Kadin Greene each carded an 88 and Cameron Stites hit a 95.

Brayden Olsen led the Royals with an 82, Kyler Bork shot an 83 and Cayden Olson carded an 84. Kamden Bork hit an 85, Michael Schmillen shot an 87 and Owen Schroeder had a

90.

At the district meet, MMCURU took second with a 329 to qualify for State while Alta-Aurleia placed fifth with a 332 and Sidney won with 323. Olsen led the Royals with a 78 while Schmillen followed with an 82. Kamden Bork hit an 83, Kyler Bork carded an 86, Olson shot a 91 and Schroeder had a 92.

"The fact that we just stayed consistent throughout the meet went well," said MMCURU head boys golf coach Mark Schuttler. "Individually this year all six of my players shot some great scores at one time or another, rounds 36 and 37, but as a team we had a run late in the year that we shot in the mid 150s for several meets in a row and that was fun. I think the kids gained a lot of confi-

dence during this time. This has been a great group of kids to coach. The three seniors will be missed next year but they are the ones that got this ball rolling four years ago. The three sophomores will keep it moving in the right direction."

Jack Bloom led the Warriors with a 78 while Braden Aronson followed with an 82. Brechwald and Baker each carded an 86, Stites shot an 87 and Segovia shot a 91.

"This was a tough one for us," said Alta-Aurelia head boys golf coach Mark Henningsen. "We just could not put it together today. It was a great season just the same."

MMCURU will compete at the State Meet at Ames Golf and Country Club on May 20 and 21.

### South O'Brien girls golf at regional meet, Einck competes in final

By Adam Dublinske

The South O'Brien girls golf team competed at the regional meet in Hull on Friday where Lindsey Einck moved on to the regional final in Storm Lake on Wednesday.

On Friday the Wolverines carded a 547 to placed fifth while Central Lyon won with a 409 and Harris-Lake Park came in second with 446. Lindsey Einck tied for sixth place with a 107 to move on to the regional final. Chloe Hustedt carded a 133, Reagan Plagge shot a 152 and Shayli Johnson hit a 155.

"Einck shot a 49 on the front, which set her up to get on the leaderboard," said South O'Brien head golf

coach Kristine Faust. "However, she struggled with the first few holes on the back, finishing with a 58. Lindsey always seems to find a way to get on the leaderboard. She's competitive and resilient and can compete with the top golfers in Northwest Iowa. We are a young team and have only four players to report scores, so they must all play well for us to be competitive as a team. Today wasn't our day, and it was hard to watch our golfers struggle in their last tournament of the season. Hopefully, they will see it as a challenge to improve and work on their game this summer."

At the regional final, Einck shot a 105 to tie for 12th place, but still fell short of qualifying for the State Meet. Einck hit a 52 on the front nine and a 53 on the back half.

"Einck led the Wolverines playing in the number one spot all season," said Faust. "She had a great season, finishing on the leaderboard in 10 meets and earning first team all-conference honors. In her second season in the varsity lineup, Lindsey showed incredible leadership and gained tremendous experience. Look for her to be a leader in the War Eagle Conference and post-season play in the coming years."

## Royal boys win 1A district track meet

By Adam Dublinske

ARMSTRONG - The Alta-Aurelia, MMCURU and South O'Brien track teams traveled to Armstrong on Thursday for a Class 1A State qualifier meet. First place finishers qualified for the State Meet with others qualifying with an at-large bid.

The MMCURU boys won the meet with 133 points while Alta-Aurelia came in third with 91 and South O'Brien placed fourth with 90.50. Sibley-Ocheyedan took second with 102. For the girls, Alta-Aurelia took second with 127 points while South O'Brien came in sixth with 56 and MMCURU placed eighth with 31. West Bend-Mallard won with 129 and Bishop Garigan came in third with 102.

#### MMCURU Boys

For the Royal boys in the individual events, Lucas Braun won the long jump with a leap of 20-05.75, and the high jump with an MMCURU school record jump of 6-04, and Kaden Galles got the gold in the 3200 meter run at 10:47.70. At-large State qualifiers were Wyatt Alesch in the 800 meter run with a second place time of 2:05.04, Gage Johnson, who took second in the 400 meter hurdles at 56.47 seconds, and Mitchell Schnepf in the discus with a toss of 154-11 to take second. Schnepf also took second in the shot put at 45-03.25, Galles came in second in the 1600 meter run at 4:44.51 and Xander Tentinger placed second in the long jump at 19-05.75. Clint Staab took second in the 3200 meter run at 11:15.35, and fifth in the 1600 meter run at 5:04.87, Brandon Dreckman came in fifth in the 800 meter run at 2:10.37 and Brayden Dunn placed sixth in the discus throw at 126-01. Luke Kintigh came in seventh in the 110 meter hurdles at 18.87 seconds, and Michael Peterson placed eighth in the 100 meter dash at 12.13 sec-

onds.

In the relays the 4x800 meter relay team of Braun, Alesch, Dreckman and Jace Colling took second with a time of 8:34.79 to qualify for the State Meet and the 4x400 meter relay crew of Braun, Alesch, Johnson and Colling came in third at 3:35.44 to qualify. The distance medley team of Tentinger, Brayson Mulder, Colling and Galles took third at 3:47.78, the sprint medley squad of Peterson, Mulder, Blake Barinsky and Tentinger came in fifth at 1:41.74, the shuttle hurdle team of Johnson, Kintigh, Pick and Gavin Poeckes placed fifth at 1:12.38 and the 4x200 meter relay crew of Tentinger Barinsky, Peterson and Mulder got sixth at 1:38.90.

"I am extremely happy with the team's performance," said MMCURU head boys track coach Colin Youde. "We were able to win the district team championship which doesn't happen with a complete team effort. The North Union qualifying site was incredibly competitive. Our boys had to fight and claw in every event. I am proud of the way we responded to the pressure."

#### Alta-Aurelia Girls

In the individual events for the Warrior girls, Nora Peterson picked up three individual gold medals, winning the 800 meter run with a time of 2:26.96, the 1500 meter run at 5:11.61 and the 3000 meter run at 11:01.42. Also qualifying for the Warriors were Allison Watts in the 100 meter hurdles and 400 meter hurdles, as she took second in both with times of 16.02 seconds in the 100 meter hurdles and 1:10.58 in the 400 meter hurdles, and Hayden Berkland in the 800 meter run with a second place time of 2:29.01. Ellie Bloom came in third in the long jump at 13-07.75 and Eva Kaskey placed third in the 400 meter dash at 1:07.84 while Breyer

Anderson followed in fourth at 1:08.01. Melanie Gaes took fourth in the 100 meter hurdles at 17.67 seconds and fifth in the 400 meter hurdles at 1:13.84, Elsie Peterson came in fifth in the 200 meter dash at 29.39 seconds, Lainey Buckendahl placed seventh in the 3000 meter run at 14:00.91 and Berkland got eighth in the high jump at 4-06.

In the relays the distance medley team of Kadence Langschwager, Watts, Jaci DeGroot and Nora Peterson won with a time of 4:32.98. Also qualifying, the 4x200 meter relay crew of Langschwager, DeGroot, Clare Gunkelman and Watts came in second at 1:52.24, the 4x800 meter relay team of Elsie Peterson, Anderson, Kaskey and Berkland took second at 11:00.96 and the 4x400 meter relay crew of Berkland, Kaskey, Anderson and DeGroot placed fourth at 4:23.40. The sprint medley squad of Langschwager, Elsie Peterson, Gunkelman and DeGroot came in fourth at 2:02.36 and the 4x100 meter relay crew of Langschwager, Gunkelman, Caitlyn Mattson and Elsie Peterson placed fifth at 55.92 seconds.

"We had a great night overall," said Alta-Aurelia head girls track coach Tim Galvin. "The girls competed hard. We knew if things went well, we would be competing for the district title. We came up just a couple points short, but I am very proud of the effort our girls gave."

#### Alta-Aurelia Boys

For the Warrior boys in the individual events, Parker Buckendahl qualified for the State Meet with two second place finishes, one in the 200 meter dash with a time of 23.33 seconds, and the other in the 400 meter dash at 51.17 seconds. Mason Barnes took second in the 110 meter hurdles at 16.43 seconds, Jacob Launderville came in third in the 1600 meter run

at 4:57.15 and Peyton Meyer placed third in the long jump at 19-01 and fifth in the 110 meter hurdles at 17.52 seconds. Launderville came in fifth in the 400 meter dash at 55.85 seconds, Preston Miller-Jackson placed fifth in the shot put at 43-09.75 and Gavin Sleezer took fifth in the discus throw at 132-06. Ledger DeMuth came in seventh in the 3200 meter run at 12:02.87 and Gabe Olsen placed seventh in the 800 meter run at 2:12.36.

In the relays, the sprint medley squad of Joe White, Camden Reinert, Sleezer and Buckendahl took second with an Alta-Aurelia school record time of 1:37.08 to qualify for the State Meet, the 4x800 meter relay team of Blayke Johnson, Launderville, Hayden Garlow and Olsen came in third at 8:35.87 to qualify, and the shuttle hurdle squad of Barnes, Reinert, White and Meyer placed third at 1:05.55 to punch a ticket to State. The 4x400 meter relay crew of Buckendahl, Barnes, Garlow and Sleezer came in fourth at 3:38.47, the 4x100 meter relay team of White, Reinert, DJ Rodriguez and Garlow placed fourth at 47.45 seconds and the 4x200 meter relay group of White, Rodriguez, Sleezer and Reinert got fifth at 1:38.62.

"It was a beautiful night and the Alta-Aurelia boys had many outstanding performances," said Alta-Aurelia head boys track coach Wendell Larson. "I am so proud of how we gave that extra effort in so many events. The boys really showed up and showed out on the biggest meet of the season to date. It has been a great season."

#### South O'Brien Boys

In the individual events for the Wolverine boys, Brennan Billick won the 110 meter hurdles with a time of 16 seconds even while Willie Conley won the 400 meter hurdles at 56.04 seconds, and took second in the high jump with a

leap of 6-01 to qualify in both events. Cole Tjossem came in third in the 100 meter dash at 11.63 seconds, Damian Villarreal placed fourth in the long jump at 18-06.75 and the 100 meter dash at 11.99 seconds, and Josh Gnade took fourth in the shot put at 44-11.25. Brody Van Beek placed fifth in the high jump at 5-06, Trayton Cobb came in fifth in the 3200 meter run at 11:50.57, Brett Evans placed seventh in the 200 meter dash at 24.60 seconds and Billick got eighth in the long jump at 17-07.25.

In the relays the shuttle hurdle squad of Billick, Van Beek, Cole Cox and Conley won with a time of 1:04.56 while the 4x100 meter relay crew of Villarreal, Caden Wittrock, Cox and Tjossem took third at 45.91 seconds to qualify for the State Meet. The distance medley team of Tjossem, Wittrock, Evans and Conley came in second at 3:47.23, the 4x800 meter relay crew of Jaden Kreber, Gabe Moermond, Corbin Warnke and Austin Negus placed sixth at 9:59.32 and the sprint medley squad of Tjossem, Wittrock, Evans and Van Beek got sixth at 1:44.13.

"We had some of our best times of the season in our relays," said South O'Brien head boys track coach Brant Goodchild. "Winning an event helps with the confidence of the team. It's good to see our kids having success."

#### South O'Brien Girls

For the Wolverine girls, Camryn Strubbe won the long jump event with a leap of 13-10.75. Taylor Wulf took fifth in the discus throw at 89-05 while Marissa Ebel came in sixth in the 100 meter hurdles at 17.83 seconds. Tawni Wulf placed seventh in the discus throw at 85-11, Taylor Wulf came in seventh in the 800 meter run at 2:53.52, Maeci Stevens got eighth in the 400 meter hurdles at 1:23.44 and Kelsey Warnke took eighth in the 200 meter dash at 29.81 seconds.

In the relays the shuttle hurdle squad of Ebel, Abigail Nelson, Tawni Wulf and Stevens took second with a time of 1:14.08 and the 4x100 meter relay crew of Warnke, Addison Hedberg, Avery Halverson and Strubbe came in third at 55.01 seconds. The 4x800 meter relay team of Reese Farquhar, Abby Woodall, Taylor Wulf and Elodie Wilson took fourth at 11:30.97, the sprint medley squad of Warnke, Hedberg, Strubbe and Halverson came in fifth at 2:03.76, the 4x200 meter relay crew of Warnke, Hedberg, Halverson and Strubbe got fifth at 1:55.67 and the distance medley team of Tawni Wulf, Ebel, Farquhar and Woodall placed fifth at 5:02.81.

#### MMCURU Girls

In the individual events for the Royal girls, Tia Tentinger came in fifth in the 400 meter dash with a time of 1:10 and Alisa Pajazetovic took fifth in the 3000 meter run at 13:07.18 while Audrey Etter followed in sixth at 13:17.53. Tentinger placed seventh in the 200 meter dash at 29.69 seconds, Kara Moos came in seventh in the 400 meter hurdles at 1:21.07 and Ashley Hurtado placed seventh in the shot put at 26-06.50. Etter took eighth in the 1500 meter run at 6:01.37, Chloe Alesch came in eighth in the discus throw at 81-06 and Autumn Sanow placed eighth in the shot put at 25-08.75.

In the relays the shuttle hurdle squad of Riley Groves, Moos, Brielle Lux and Patience Nissen came in fifth with a time of 1:22.87 and the 4x800 meter relay team of Kierra Cosgrove-Eide, Lux, Alesch and Aleah Lux placed sixth at 12:41.21.

The State Meet started on Thursday and will run through Saturday at the Drake Stadium in Des Moines.



## SPORTS

# Raptor girls, Cherokee boys take second at district meet

By Adam Dublinske

MANSON - The Cherokee and Ridge View track teams ran in a 2A State qualifying track meet at Manson on Thursday where both teams send multiple events to the State Meet. First and second place finishes qualified for the State Meet with others qualifying with an at-large bid.

The Ridge View girls took second place with 75 points while Cherokee came in seventh with 63. Forest City won with 145 and Kingsley-Pierston took third with 73.5. For the boys, the Braves took second with 93 while Ridge View came in eighth with 53. Forest City won the boys as well with 109 points while Greene County came in second with 70.

## Cherokee Boys

For Braves in the individual events, Blake Lovell won the shot put event with a throw of 51-07.75 and Jaxon Paulsrud got the gold in the 200 meter dash with a time of 22.70 second while Jon Jenness followed in second at 22.78 seconds. Paulsrud took second in the 100 meter dash at 11.31 seconds and Jenness came in fifth at 11.42 seconds to qualify for the State Meet, while Jenness also placed third in the high jump at 6-03, to qualify and Logan Thorson came in third in the discus throw with a toss of 136-09 to make it to State. Logan Stowater came in fourth in the 800 meter run at 2:07.89, Henry Lugar took fourth in the 400 meter hurdles at 59.36 seconds and Connor Mahnke placed fourth in the 110 meter hurdles at 16.42 seconds while Wyatt Johnson followed in eighth at 17.01 seconds.

In the relays the shuttle hurdle squad of Lance Pingel, Alec Schossow, Wyatt Johnson and Connor Mahnke won with a Cherokee school record time of 1:01.69. The distance medley team came in fifth with a time of 3:55.14 and the 4x800 meter relay crew placed fifth at 8:36.50. The 4x100 meter relay team took fifth at 44.66 seconds and the 4x400 meter relay crew came in sixth at 3:43.39.

## Ridge View Girls

In the individual events for the Raptor girls, Rowan Jensen took second in the 100 meter hurdles with a time of 15.73 seconds and Madison Stowater came in second in the high jump with a leap of 5-02. Jaycie Vohs placed fourth in the 1500 and 3000 meter runs with times of 5:21.57 in the 1500 and 11:30.06 in the 3000, Stowater came in fourth in the 400 meter dash at 1:06.33 and Tatum Shepherd took fourth in the 100 meter hurdles at 16.42 seconds and fifth in the 400 meter hurdles at 1:13.27.

Addison Tesch placed sixth in the 1500 meter run at 5:24.52 and Taya Phillips came in eighth in the 100 meter dash at 14.12 seconds.

In the relays the shuttle hurdle squad of Shepherd, Faith Freese, Gabi Mason and Jensen won with a time of 1:06.61, the current leading time in Class 2A. The 4x800 meter relay team of Tesch, Alyssa Biede, Vohs and Stowater took fourth at 8:28.80, the 4x200 meter relay crew of Phillips, Kretlow, Dutler and Mason placed fifth at 1:51.89 and the 4x100 meter relay team of Phillips, Shae Dutler, Jensen and Mason came in sixth at 53.13 seconds. The sprint medley squad of Phillips, Dutler, Jensen and Kretlow placed sixth at 1:58.42, the distance medley team of Jayley Endrulat, Freese, Lilly Whitmer and Tesch came in sixth at 4:51.02 and the 4x400 meter relay crew of Vohs, Stowater, Shepherd and Dutler placed sixth at 4:34.80.

"Our girls team did a great job Thursday night," said Ridge View head girls track coach Angie Kohn. "I put kids in events to try to get our best performances and it turned out to score a lot of points for the team. We knew it would be a very competitive meet and that we would have to qualify on time or place for many of our events. This was a tough season for us, we had some major injuries to get through for some of our best athletes. It was a great season to see Shae Dutler and Gabi Mason be able to return to the track and compete at such a high level. We have a group of 10 seniors who will have been such a large part of our program. They will be missed."

## Cherokee Girls

For the Braves, Laney Wolfswinkel won the 400 meter hurdles with a time of 1:06.63, a new school record for Cherokee. Sabrina Valentin came in fifth in the 100 meter dash at 13.77 seconds and Payton Reinert took fifth in the 100 meter hurdles with a school record time of 16.72 seconds, and sixth in the 400 meter hurdles at 1:13.78. Deidra Doeden came in seventh in the 400 meter dash at 1:08.04, Macy Gravenish placed seventh in the 800 meter run at 2:43.22, Stefi Beisswenger came in seventh in the 3000 meter run at 12:07.15 while Grace Woodall placed eighth in the 1500 and 3000 meter runs at 5:25.56 in the 1500 and 12:11.67 in the 3000.

In the relays the 4x400 meter relay crew of Kalexis Hyndman, Wolfswinkel, Ellana Mortenson and Megan Courtright took second with a time of 4:11.31, the distance

medley team of Jada Timmerman, Mortenson, Hyndman and Wolfswinkel came in third at 4:26.17 to qualify for the State Meet, and the 4x200 meter relay crew of Kate Maves, Mortenson, Timmerman and Wolfswinkel placed fourth at 1:48.56 to punch a ticket to State. The 4x800 meter relay team took third at 10:24.17, the 4x100 meter relay crew came in fifth at 52.82 seconds and the shuttle hurdle squad placed sixth at 1:15.22.

"We coaches can not be any prouder of the efforts all year by our kids," said Cherokee head track coach Matt Hoskinson. "They performed at a high level all year but more importantly, they were great kids and even better teammates. When we started the season we had an idea of how things would go and the kids brought into our goals and exceeded our expectations."

## Ridge View Boys

In the individual events for the Raptor boys, Kellen Jensen won the 400 meter dash with a time of 51.41 seconds while Jack Todd followed in second at 51.47 seconds, and Isaac Goettsch took third in the 100 meter dash at 11.38 seconds to qualify for the State Meet. Cayden Clausen placed fourth in the shot put at 45-03.50, Carter Todd took sixth in the high jump at 5-10, Lucas Heilman came in sixth in the discus throw at 129-08 and Raif Jensen got eighth in the long jump at 18-08.

In the relays, the 4x800 meter relay team of Kellen Jensen, Cole Jochims, Carter Todd and Jack Todd took fourth with a time of 8:28.80 to qualify for the State Meet. The sprint medley squad of Goettsch, Raif Jensen, Kellen Jensen and Jack Todd came in third with a RidgeView school record time of 1:37.07 and the 4x400 meter relay crew of Kellen Jensen, Zach Kolpin, Asher Endrulat and Jack Todd placed fifth at 3:33.59.

"The day was actually one of the better days we have had to run," said Ridge View head boys track coach Dale Tokheim. "The sun came out for a while and the wind was not as strong as it has been, but it was in our faces as we headed down the home stretch. We had some guys that had their best performances of the year and we had some guys that struggled. Unfortunately for us the guys who struggled were in some of the events we thought had a chance of making it to State."

The State Meet started on Thursday and will run through Saturday at the Drake Stadium in Des Moines.



Above, Connor Mahnke leaps over the last hurdle before taking first in the shuttle hurdle relay at the State qualifier meet in Manson on Thursday. Below, Madison Stowater competes in the high jump. Photos by Adam Dublinske



Isaac Goettsch runs in the 100 meter dash at the State qualifier meet on Thursday.



Macy Gravenish hands the baton to Megan Courtright during the 4x800 meter relay at the State qualifier meet on Thursday. Photo by Denny Holton



Jon Jenness, left, and Jaxon Paulsrud run side-by-side in the 100 meter dash at the State qualifier meet in Manson on Thursday.



# SPORTS

## Cherokee's Julia DeVos punches ticket to State

By Adam Dublinske

The Cherokee and Ridge View girls golf team tee off at a 2A sectional meet in Holstein on Friday before the regional meet in Carroll on Wednesday.

On Friday the Braves placed fourth with a team score of 409 while Ridge View came in sixth with a 436. East Sac County won with 386 and Hinton came in second with a 397.

For the Braves, Amelia

Brown was the runner-up with a 91 and Julia DeVos carded a 95 to place fifth and move on the regional meet as individuals. Allie Shea shot a 102, Hayley Frey and Whitney Johnson each hit a 121 and Aurora Christensen had a 122.

Zoey Aschinger led the Raptors with a 104 while Madilynn Maruska followed with 107. Emma Mentzer shot a 111, Savannah Cudaback carded a 114, Claire Wandrey

hit 120 and Brooklyn Lukins had a 136.

At the regional meet in Carroll on Wednesday, DeVos hit a 45 on the front nine and a 42 on the back nine for an 87 overall to qualify for the State Meet. Brown hit a 43 on the front nine and a 51 on the back for a 94.

DeVos will golf at the State Met at the Cedar Pointe Golf Course in Boone on May 23 and 24.



Amelia Brown putts the ball during the regional meet in Holstein on Friday.



Above, Julia DeVos chips the ball onto the green at the regional meet in Holstein on Friday. Below, Emma Mentzer hit the ball at the regional meet. Photos by Adam Dublinske



Maggie Bloom putts the ball at the regional final in Storm Lake on Wednesday. Photos by Jamie Knapp



Avery Westphal hits the ball at the regional meet in Aurelia on Friday.



Caitlyn Mattson hits the ball at the regional meet in Aurelia on Friday.

## Warriors, Royals compete at regional meets this past week

By Adam Dublinske

The Alta-Aurelia and MMCURU girls golf teams competed in the first regional meet in Aurelia on Friday before the second meet in Storm Lake on Wednesday where Alta-Aurelia's Maggie Bloom and Avery Westphal qualified for the State Meet.

On Friday the Warriors won with a 385 while MMCURU took third with a 425 to move both teams on to the second meet. Avery Westphal led the Warriors and took second overall with an 85 while Maggie Bloom followed in third with an 89. Addy Fritz carded a 102, Caitlyn Mattson shot a 109, Eva Kaskey hit 113 and Kamdyn Diischer had a 123.

Alyvia Olson led the Royals with a 101 while Cassie Weiler followed with 105. Sidney Krier carded a 107, Ella Draper and Jady Young each hit a 112 and Gracie Schroeder shot 134.

A the regional final on Friday the Warriors placed fourth with a 421 while MMCURU

came in fifth with 443. Central Lyon won with 403 and Akron-Westfield took second with 410. Maggie Bloom took third overall with a 93 while Avery Westphal shot a 97 to place fifth overall as both girls qualify for the State Meet. Fritz carded a 113, Mattson had a 118, Kaskey hit a 125 and Kenna VanOort shot 130.

"I'm very proud of what this team accomplished this year even with falling short of making State," said Alta-Aurelia head girls golf coach Jill Byers. "Maggie and Avery will move onto State as individual medalists and I couldn't be more excited for them and all the work they have put in this season."

Olson led the Royals with a 105 while Draper followed with 111. Young carded a 112, Krier shot 115, Weiler hit a 116 and Schroeder had a 125.

Bloom and Westphal will compete at the State Meet at American Legion Golf Course and Lounge in Marshalltown on May 23 and 24.



## SPORTS

## Braves girls tennis ends season in regional tournament

By Adam Dublinske

The Cherokee girls tennis team started regional play on Friday with a pair of home wins before a road loss at Bishop Heelan on Tuesday.

In their first round the Braves took a 5-0 win over LeMars at home on Friday. Parissa Barnes took a 6-4, 6-1 win in the number one spot while Paris Mendez won 6-1, 6-3 in number two singles. Elise Anderson took a 6-3, 6-2 win in number three singles. Kaden Volkert won 6-0, 6-1 in

number four singles and Ava Anderson took a 6-4, 6-2 victory in the number five spot for the 5-0 win.

The Braves took a 5-2 win in the second round over Sergeant Bluff-Luton. Barnes lost her first set 6-4, but won the second 6-1 and the third 10-2 for a 2-1 win. Mendez took a 6-3, 6-3 win and Elise Anderson fell 6-3, 6-4. Volkert won 6-4, 7-5, Ava Anderson fell 6-4, 7-5, and Sophia Patterson won her first set 6-0, but fell

5-7 in the second for a 10-6 win in the third. Elise and Ava Anderson took a 6-4, 6-1 win in doubles play to end the meet with a 5-2 Braves win.

In the third round, the Braves traveled to play Bishop Heelan on Tuesday and lost 5-3. Cherokee ends their season 7-5 and graduates eight seniors, Ava Anderson, Parissa Barnes, Valentina Baroni, Nicole DeVos, Allison Gunn, Violet Hopkins, Paris Mendez and Emma Patterson.



Parissa Barnes competes in a singles tennis game during the Braves match against LeMars on Friday in Cherokee. Photo by Erin Rydgren

## Wolverines compete at sectional as Paulsen moves on to district

By Adam Dublinske

The South O'Brien boys golf team golfed in a Class 1A sectional meet in George on Wednesday where Derek Paulsen moved on to the district meet in LeMars on Monday.

At the sectional meet the Wolverines placed fourth with a 354 while Boyden-Hull won with 300 and Gehlen Catholic took second with 331. Derek Paulsen shot an 82 to place ninth overall and qualify for the district meet as an individual. Carter Halverson carded an 88, Alex Griebel hit a 90, Jace Kleinwolterink had a 94, Aaron Funkhouser carded a 100 and David Bottjen shot 101.

"Derek stayed dialed in and

reaped the reward for managing his play and the course," said South O'Brien head golf coach Kristine Faust. "The Wolverines faced some of the best players in Northwest Iowa today, particularly from the Boyden-Hull team. The experience the Wolverines gained today will be valuable next year. Juniors Carter Halverson and Jace Kleinwolterink and sophomore Alex Griebel all played well for the Wolverines carding several pars. Senior David Bottjen, struggles with the OB on one hole, but he has provided some great leadership this season for the Wolverines."

At the district meet Paulsen ended his season as he shot

an 85. He hit 40 on the front nine and 45 on the back half.

"Paulsen had a great season for the Wolverines, finishing with a 43.9 average," added Faust. "He found his way on the leaderboard in six meets and earned second team all-conference honors this season. Paulsen struggled with some penalties today, but he played some impressive golf. He chipped really well—even landed one in the hole from over 45 yards out, and that's a tough part of the game to master."

South O'Brien ends their season and graduates three seniors, David Bottjen, Trevor Fiddelke and Aaron Funkhouser.



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## Raptor's Robert Forristal moves on to State Meet

By Adam Dublinske

The Ridge View boys golf team took third at a sectional meet in Carroll last Wednesday but fell short at the district meet in Orange City on Monday, as Robert Forristal qualified for State as an individual.

At the sectional meet the Raptors shot a 342 to place third while Kuemper Catholic won with 299 and Cherokee

came in second with 335. Kellen Clausen led the Raptors with an 80 while Drew Burk followed with 84. Gavin Vohs and Robert Forristal each carded an 89, Luke Whitmer shot a 91 and Gabe Chance hit a 95.

At the district meet, the Raptors tied for second with Cherokee as each team shot a 320, but lost a fifth score tie-

breaker to placed third and miss the State Meet. Forristal took third overall with a 76 to punch a ticket to the State Meet. Vohs shot a 78, Clausen carded a 79, Burk hit an 87, Whitmer had an 88 and Chance shot a 92.

Forristal will compete at the State Tournament in Ames at the Coldwater Golf Links on May 20 and 21.



The Cherokee boys golf team poses for a photo after qualifying for the State Tournament on Monday. Photo contributed

## Cherokee boys golf move on to State Tournament

By Adam Dublinske

The Cherokee boys golf team took second at a sectional meet in Carroll last Wednesday and placed second again at the district meet in Orange City on Monday to punch a ticket to the State Meet for the first time since 2008.

At the sectional meet on Monday the Braves posted a team score of 335 to take second while Kuemper Catholic won with a 335. Drew Spooner led the Braves with a 75, good for third overall, while Brock Kannegieter followed with 81. Coy Lewis carded an 86, Caden Frederiksen shot a 93, Mason Campbell hit a 94

and Christian VanderBroek had a 97.

"It was a beautiful day for golf in Carroll and the Braves battled very wet course conditions to earn a trip to the 2A district meet at Landsmeer Golf Course in Orange City," said Cherokee head boys golf coach James DeVos. "The Braves played some resilient golf and overcame some rough starts to punch their ticket onto the next round."

On Monday the Braves shot 15 strokes lower than at the sectional meet with a 320 to take second while Kuemper won again with a 312. The Braves tied the Raptors in team score and won a fifth score tie breaker to move on to the State Meet. Spooner shot a 77 to place sixth while Kannegieter followed with a 78. Lewis shot an 82, Frederiksen carded an 83,

VanderBroek hit an 85 and Campbell had a 101.

"The Braves have sure picked the right time to play their best golf of the season," said DeVos. "I cannot be more proud of this team! Their hard work and dedication started in June of 2023 when all of these boys worked relentlessly at their craft during the summer months. It carried over into this spring and they are reaping the fruits of their time spent practicing. We talk about the importance of making every round as low as it can possibly be, even on the days when it's not going your way. The boys did just that and punched their ticket to the 2A State Tournament."

The Braves will compete at the State Tournament in Ames at the Coldwater Golf Links on May 20 and 21.

## Braves boys tennis finish season in substate

By Adam Dublinske

The Cherokee boys tennis team traveled to Spencer last Wednesday for the district singles and doubles tournament before a first round substate loss at Spirit Lake on Saturday, 5-0.

On Wednesday, Henry Retleff and Rastin Dublinske competed in the singles tournament. In his first match Retleff won the first set 6-3, but lost the second 6-3 to LeMars' Kyle Khemraj. He fired back and took the third set 6-2 to move on, but fell 6-0, 6-0 to Bishop Heelan's Brady Shultz. Dublinske drew the short stick and faced the number one seed right off the bat, and fell 6-0, 6-1.

"Rastin drew the short straw and ended up paired with the number one seed," said Cherokee head tennis coach David Zelle. "He played very respectably, sustaining numerous nice rallies and managing to win one game. Henry turned in a Herculean effort in a grueling first-round match that lasted over two-and-a-half hours. He did not have a lot left in the tank when he came up against the number three seed in the next round, and fell 6-0, 6-0."

In doubles play, Tyler Kohn and Thomas Ruschmann took a 6-0, 6-2 win in the first round, but fell 6-0, 6-1 in the second. Gerrit DeVos and Trae Hoskinson also won the first round match, 6-0, 6-0, but lost 6-2, 6-0 in the second round to the top seed.

"Both of our doubles teams cruised through their opening round matches but then fell pretty hard in the second round to high quality, seeded teams," added Zelle. "Overall, we did about as well as we could have hoped. So much depends upon the luck of the

draw if you are not one of the four seeded players in these tournaments. If we had still been keeping team scores, as was done up until two years ago, we would have tied for fourth place with Spencer."

In the season-ending loss to Spirit Lake, Retleff fell 6-0, 6-3 to Spirit Lake's Alex Profit in singles number one while Kohn lost 6-1, 6-2 to Indian Luke Schneider in the number two spot. Ruschmann faced Spirit Lake's Evan Beck in singles number three and fell 6-3 in both sets, Dublinske lost 6-1, 6-0 to Spirit Lake's Bennett Stecker in the number four spot and DeVos fell 6-2, 6-1 to Indian J.D. Schneider in the fifth spot. Hoskinson was up 5-4 in singles number six over Spirit Lake's Owen Riphagen, but they didn't finish the match as Spirit Lake took the 5-0 win.

"Spirit Lake dominated the conference this year and they are the number two seed in our substate, so we knew it would be a struggle," said Zelle. "It was the third time we played them this year, and, though some of the matches were closer than the scores indicate, the results have been painfully consistent. Everyone played very well in stretches, but the confidence and consistency were not there in sufficient quantity and we dropped the meet 5-0. We have a fantastic core of young players. They have shown dedication, enthusiasm, and good basic skills and 'tennis sense'. I'm excited to see where they will be after another year of maturity and lots of hours on the courts this summer."

The Braves end their season 3-8 and graduate two seniors, Rastin Dublinske and Henry Retleff.



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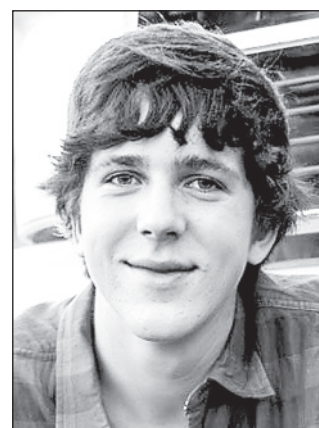
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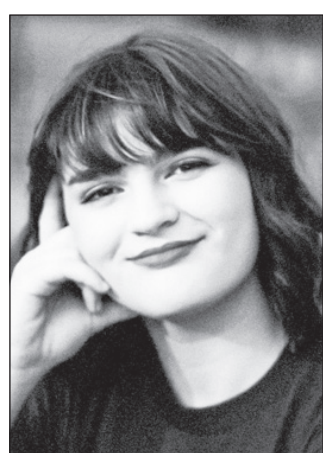
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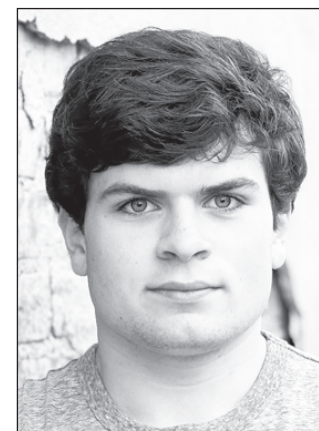
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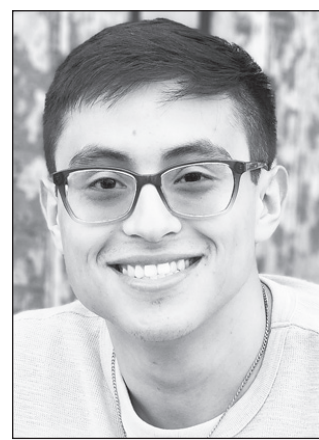
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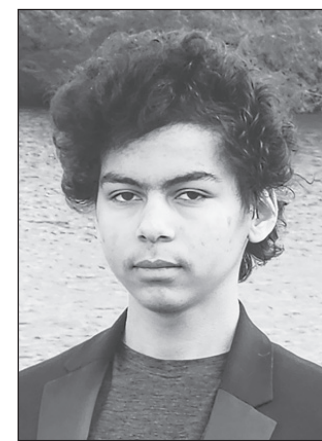
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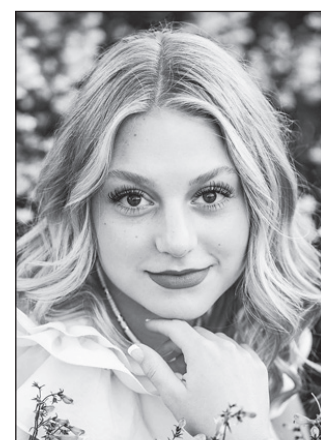
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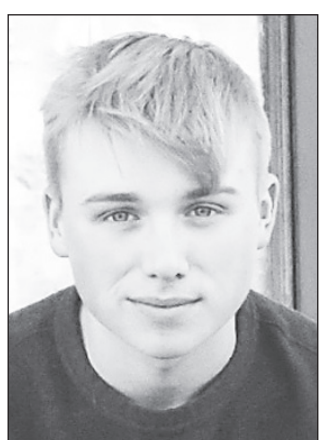
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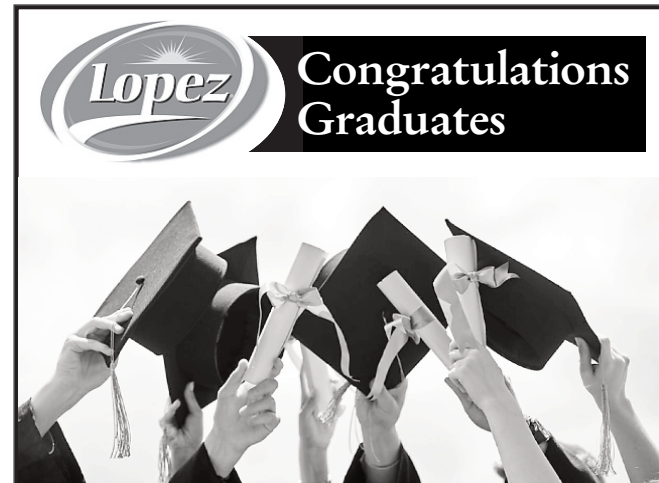
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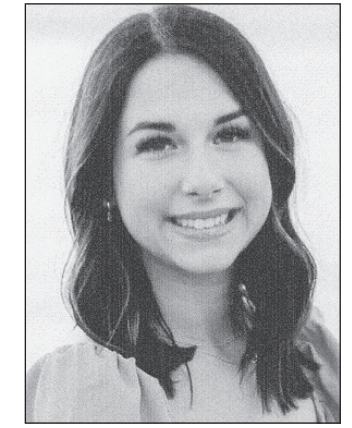
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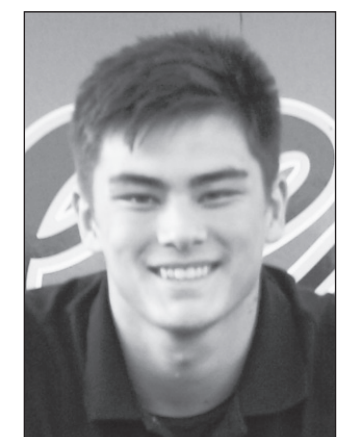
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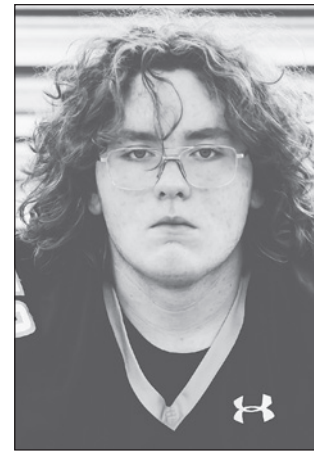
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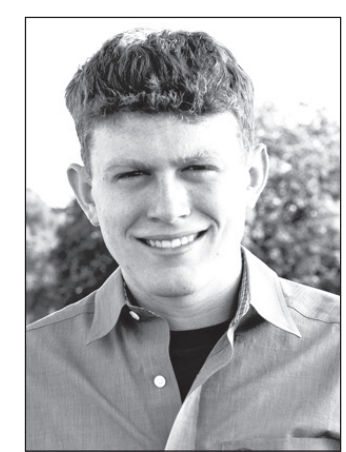
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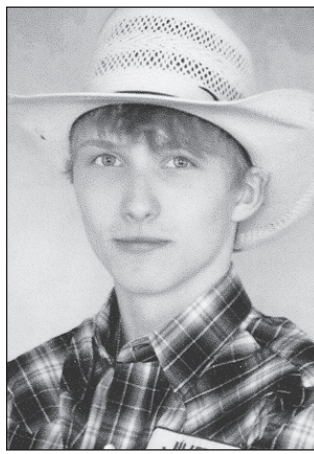
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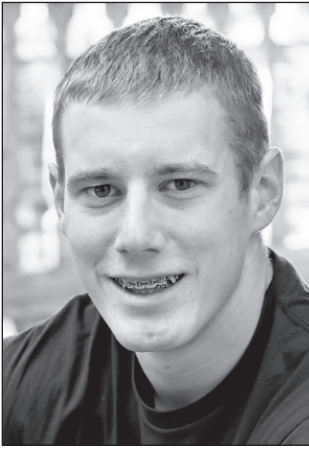
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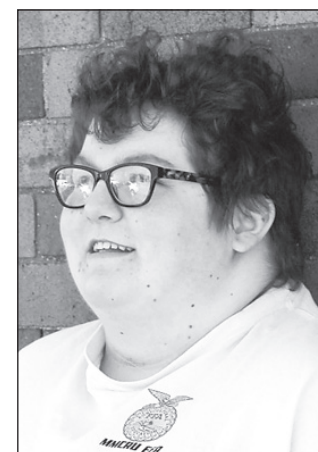
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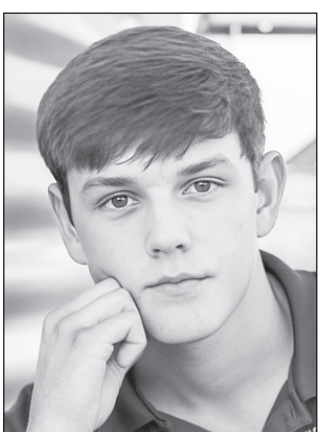
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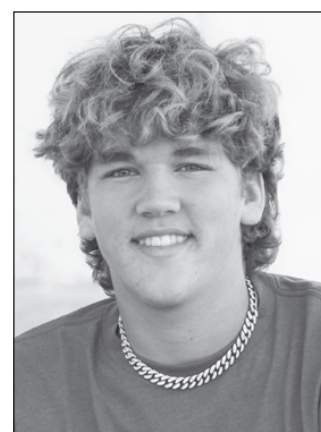
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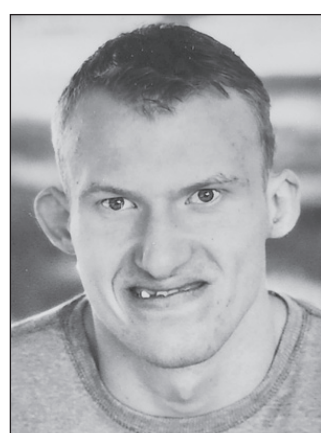
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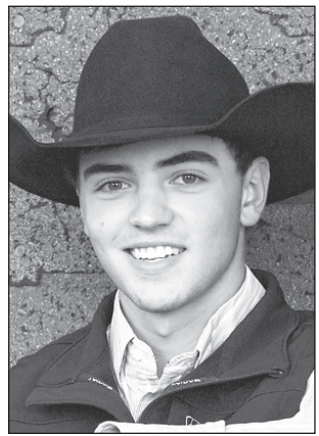
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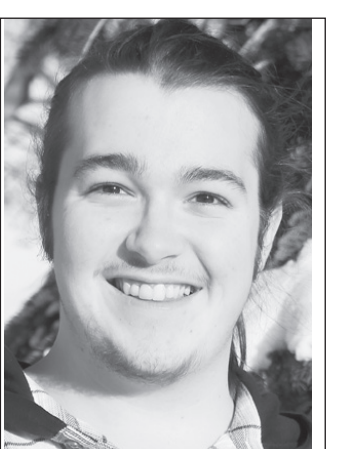
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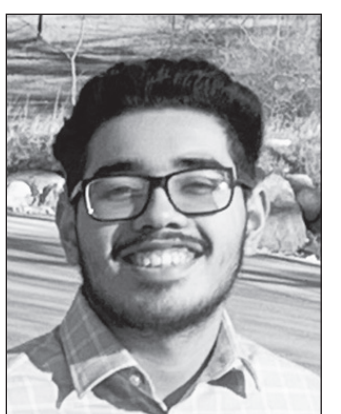
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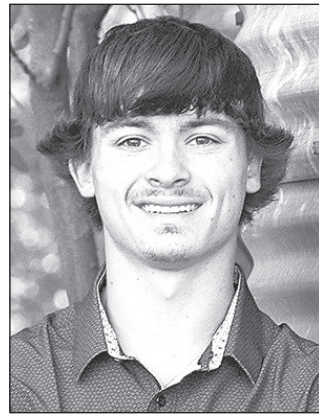
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**Where and when  
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**Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm**  
River Valley High School  
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**Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm**  
Alta-Aurelia High School  
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**What Those  
Graduation  
Cords Might  
Mean**

Graduation day is known for certain traditions whether it be Pomp and Circumstance, speeches urging youth to follow their dreams, and the ubiquitous cap and gown ensemble.

But for some graduates, they drape colorful cords around their necks. These cords signify academic achievement, extracurricular dedication, and community service.

But what do the colors mean?

Deciphering the cords can be tricky, as specific colors can vary by school district. However, some general trends hold true.

Gold cords frequently represent academic excellence, with darker shades indicating the highest honors.

Silver cords often symbolize dedication to community service, reflecting a commitment to giving back.

Red cords might signify leadership roles in student government or clubs.

Blue hues can point to academic success in specific areas like science or history.

Purple cords sometimes acknowledge excellence in technical or vocational programs.

Green can represent environmental initiatives or participation in related clubs like 4-H.

For the artistically inclined, pink cords might symbolize achievements in music or theater.

Black or white cords could stand for dedication to business or the humanities.

Double or multicolored cords can represent membership in specific honor societies or a combination of accomplishments.

Understanding these meanings adds another layer of appreciation to graduation day. As graduates walk across the stage, the cords become a visual testament to their hard work and dedication, not just in the classroom, but also in their passions and commitment to the community.