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## OFFICIALS DELAY RELEASE OF LOWER GAR LAKE

### Pritts pleads to hold back water

*Decision deferred to closed session*

**BY TOM CULLEN**  
 The Dickinson County Board of Supervisors was considering releasing the outlet of the Lower Gar Lake, but deferred the decision to a multi-jurisdiction committee that met in secret on Tuesday.  
 In front of a crowd of around 150 at the Dickinson County Courthouse, the supervisors empaneled a 10-member committee that will

study modifications to the outlet at Lower Gar underneath 230th Street, just northeast of Milford. The supervisors opted against releasing the lake outlet, after over two hours of fierce protests from community leaders along the Little Sioux.  
 Spencer Mayor Steve Bomgaars said releasing the Lower Gar was ill-timed. The discussion was ill-timed. The discussion was ill-timed. The discussion was ill-timed.  
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**Cherokee County Emergency Manager Justin Pritts delivers extemporaneous remarks to the Dickinson County Board of Supervisors. Pritts received applause from a crowd of around 150 after pleading with the board of supervisors to reconsider releasing the Lower Gar outlet. TIMES PILOT photo by TOM CULLEN**

### Cherokee City Council seeks appointment for Ward 2 vacancy

*Special election possible*

**BY ERIN RYDGREN**  
 The Cherokee City Council plans to fill the Ward 2 vacancy left by the resignation

of council member Dave Wilberding, effective June 26.  
 The Council plans to fill the vacancy by appointment during a City Hall meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 13, at 6 p.m. The appointed individual will serve until the next scheduled city election. Any residents interested in the position are encouraged to submit a letter of interest to the city clerk by 10:30 a.m. Friday, Aug 9.  
 Citizens of Cherokee have the right to petition for a special election to fill the vacancy instead of an appointment. A valid petition must be filed with the City Clerk within 14 days of either the publication of an official notice or the appointment being made, whichever comes later.

Wilberding resigned last week after the council voted down his motion to grant Cherokee Parks Superintendent Duane Mummert an 8% raise. Wilberding had raised the suggestion that Mummert receive an additional salary increase above the percentage offered to all department heads for the upcoming fiscal year several weeks ago. He described Mummert's work ethic and expertise when promoting the additional increase, which would have set his salary at \$77,000.  
 Mummert, who had held the position for 38 years, subsequently resigned his post in protest. He told the Chronicle  
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## Iowa Supreme Court allows enforcement of six-week abortion ban

**BY ALLISON MOORE**  
 Iowa's highest court ruled Friday to prohibit abortions after six weeks.

In a 4-3 decision, the Iowa Supreme Court permitted a six-week abortion ban to take effect, adding to a chain of legal disputes over abortion access in Iowa.

The divided court removed a 2023 Polk County district court injunction, effectively blocking the enforcement of the state's "fetal heartbeat" law, which bars abortions after any "cardiac activity" can be detected in the fetus. Such activity most often presents itself at the six-week mark in a person's pregnancy. Most women discover they are pregnant around five and a half weeks gestation, according to a 2017 CDC study on the average timing of pregnancy awareness.

The law permits a few exceptions for incest, rape, un-survivable fetal abnormalities or to save the life of the pregnant person. To qualify for an exception, a rape resulting in pregnancy must be reported to law enforcement or a health professional within 45 days, and within 140 days in cases of incest.

Planned Parenthood of the Heartland, the Emma Goldman Clinic, the ACLU of Iowa

and Dr. Sarah Traxler, the chief medical officer at Planned Parenthood North Central States, brought forward the lawsuit. They named Governor Kim Reynolds and the Iowa Board of Medicine as defendants.

The ruling removes legal barriers for future abortion restrictions by undoing legal precedent of applying substantive due process — the standard that applies to abortion restrictions. Rational basis review is the lowest level of constitutional scrutiny, which the court's dissenting opinion noted is the same level of scrutiny applied to traffic camera laws.

On Friday the Iowa Supreme Court held that rational basis review, not substantive due process, is the standard that applies to abortion restrictions. Rational basis review is the lowest level of constitutional scrutiny, which the court's dissenting opinion noted is the same level of scrutiny applied to traffic camera laws.

Planned Parenthood made the case that Iowa should instead adopt the intermediate undue burden test, though the U.S. Supreme Court rejected that standard in the 2022 *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* case that overturned *Roe v. Wade*.

Justice Matthew McDermott, a Reynolds appointee, wrote Friday's majority decision.  
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## State Auditor lends a hand



**Iowa State Auditor Rob Sand was in Cherokee Tuesday, July 2, to help flood victims clean up their homes. He was joined by Kevin Virgil of Sutherland who ran against Randy Feenstra for the congressional District 4 seat at the home of Shirley and Don Bright, who have lived at their home on East Maple Street in Cherokee for over 30 years. Both Sand and Virgil expressed their deep condolences for the people who were affected by flooding in Northwest Iowa while getting hands on in the cleanup process. Left to right: Rob Sand, Shirley Bright, Don Bright, Kevin Virgil, Evie Virgil, Sam Virgil and Ellie Virgil. CHRONICLE TIMES photo by ERIN RYDGREN**

### CLEAN UP EFFORTS IN FULL FORCE



**Cherokee Washington High School students collecting sandbags from Trinity Lutheran Church.**



**A familiar scene around Cherokee. Personal belongings of flood-ravaged homes ready for the dump.**



**Volunteers assist at the Cherokee Public Library.**

### Republican convention set for July 8

#### DELEGATES WILL ELECT NOMINEE FOR DISTRICT 1 SUPERVISOR

**BY ERIN RYDGREN**

The convention that will name the Republican nominee for the district one supervisor seat is set for July 8 at the county courthouse, however, it will be closed to both the public and the media.

"The only ones there will be the central committee members, delegates, alternates and the candidates," Cherokee County GOP Chairman Mark Leeds explained. He indicated that the members of the central committee believed that there would be less pressure for both candidates and delegates to hold the convention in a closed setting. He assured that the winner will be immediately announced when the

convention is ended.  
 The race for district one, which contains northern Cherokee County with Afton and Cherokee townships, was too close to call after June's primary election.

Initial results for district one supervisor indicated that Republican Rick Mongan, R-Cherokee, was the top recipient with 456 votes, or 26.7% of the overall tally. Ray E. Mullins II, R-Cherokee, notched 450 votes, or 26.3% of the tally. Chad Brown, R-Cherokee, received 421 votes, or 24.6% of the vote. Phil Stowater, R-Cherokee, received 381 votes, or 22.3% of the voters.

Per Iowa Code, if no candidate receives at least 35% of the votes cast by their party, the primary is inconclusive. Therefore, with no candidates reaching viability, the Cherokee County Republican Party was tasked with selecting a nominee to fill the district one supervisor candidate in the general election set for November.

Leeds said that the county Republicans received guidance from the state when they organized the upcoming convention, but ultimately the  
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Spencer Mayor Steve Bomgaars pleads with the Dickinson County Board of Supervisors to relent on releasing the Lower Gar outlet. Bomgaars feared such a move would inundate Spencer again. TIMES PILOT photo by TOM CULLEN

## LOWER GAR: High water affecting Okoboji tourism

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sion, Bomgaars said, came a week after thousands in the path of the Little Sioux's floodwaters lost everything. Cherokee County Emergency Manager Justin Pritts said the Lakes area "is not suffering from the floods," an assertion that generated applause from the packed courthouse. He encouraged the board to tour Spencer, Sioux Rapids or Cherokee, where he believes the flood-related damage was more apparent than in communities like Spirit Lake and Okoboji.

"Get your butts in the car and drive an hour south and you'll know what suffering really is," Pritts told the supervisors during a special meeting on Saturday. "I'm telling you. People are hurting. I'm not trying to upset anybody here. I'm just being honest. There are people who are hurting from here all the way down (the Little Sioux River)."

Pritts pleaded with the supervisors to "hang on to your water" in the chain of seven lakes that includes West Okoboji, Big Spirit and the Lower Gar, which have swelled from torrential rains in recent weeks.

The Lakes tourism economy is suffering. Hence the discussion to breach 230th Street in the first place. At an emergency meeting of the Dickinson County Emergency Management Commission last week, owners of resorts and marinas pressured commission members to release Lower Gar. They claimed the lake levels, which crested as high as four feet above average, posed an economic catastrophe, according to Explore Okoboji. Boats have floated away from their hoists. Basements in Spirit Lake, Milford and Okoboji have flooded. Marinas and business owners who've staked their livelihood on tourism and lake traffic are suffering from a sudden, protracted economic downturn.

"Let's move this water," said Rich Meyers of Fillenwarth Beach Resort of Arnolds Park at an emergency management commission meeting last week.

The Lower Gar's outlet lies just under 230th Street, which is under the control of the Dickinson supervisors. The supervisors claim they need no higher authority to breach the road and release the flow down the Little Sioux. County Engineer Cole Budach said the county would need a permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers if the modifications to the Lower Gar outlet are permanent. Budach noted the supervisors are considering temporary measures under an emergency, where normal regulatory provisions are suspended.

"Nothing in detail has been discussed with the committee yet, so it's too early to say what we're considering yet," Budach

said Monday. "As far as any recommendations or anything that's going to be made to the Dickinson County board on action on this, that's what the committee was put together for."

The committee met in private on Tuesday at 1 p.m.

The public won't be invited to sit in on deliberations, according to Supervisor Bill Luepold, who noted representatives from Clay County, Cherokee County and the Iowa Department of Natural Resources will also be included. (Buena Vista County won't be represented.) Luepold said the purpose of the meeting is to synthesize years of research state authorities have done on the Lower Gar outlet and bring recommendations back to their respective boards for approval.

He said the board of supervisors would "heavily rely" on the committee's recommendations.

"Dickinson County has its solution," Luepold said Monday. "What can Spencer do about flooding in the future? What could Cherokee, Rock Rapids do? Whether that's huge grains, seawalls, I have no idea. That's up to the committee to figure out."

**LUEPOLD SAID** the committee would reopen a report by the Iowa Flood Center that explored the possibility of removing 230th Street. A list of committee members wasn't made immediately available. A list of meeting dates wasn't made available. Luepold believes the board can deliberate in private because it doesn't have a majority of a single jurisdiction represented.

"They're just representatives that will bring back information to their various boards and whatnot," Luepold said when asked whether the meetings will be open.

Iowa Freedom of Information Council Executive Director Randy Evans said he was "greatly troubled" by the decision to close Thursday's committee meeting. Evans believes the Open Meetings Law requires the county to open the meeting because the committee was formed by an official vote of the supervisors on a matter of public policy. Either way, Evans argued, the board should open the committee meetings. County Attorney Steven Goodlow didn't immediately respond to a request for comment on Luepold's claim.

"I'm greatly troubled that a committee by Dickinson County to look at water levels — a topic with huge public interest in and around the Iowa Great Lakes and downriver — would exclude the public from its meetings," Evans wrote to the ChronicleTimes via email. "Closing these meetings to the public sends a very clear signal that these officials do not want to be bothered by public comments, questions or criticism. And that is unfortunate."

**THE COMMITTEE IS** expected to

start from an exhaustive review of modifications the board of supervisors have considered in the past. The supervisors have been studying how to lower lake levels more efficiently for years.

In 2017, the board of supervisors commissioned a report from the Iowa Flood Center that found modifications to 230th Street would significantly lower lake levels during wet years, but have "minimal impact" during dry years. The report considered options ranging from removal of the road to lowering the culverts underneath it. Those options, if implemented today, would result in river levels between two to four inches higher in Spencer, said Larry Weber, director of the flood center.

The models don't exactly predict the future, Weber cautioned. The findings are estimated through water volumes, flow rates and weather conditions, all of which aren't precise.

And they're never politically popular. During drought, advocates for the lakes worry that modifying 230th Street will significantly lower lake levels. During high water, communities along the Little Sioux worry that the flooding will become more severe. The recommendations from the report seven years ago were never adopted.

"It's more of the same. On one hand, you had the folks that didn't want high water, and the other hand, you wanted folks that didn't want more water," Weber said. "At the time (the report was complete), there wasn't much of a conversation about passing flows through the Little Sioux into Spencer and Cherokee."

Weber said the lake system's "bottleneck" at the Lower Gar isn't "an ideal configuration" for seven lakes with nearly 13,000 acres in surface area. It could take months before the Great Lakes lower from recent rain. Slow drawdown happens every time rains become persistent, Weber explained. With climate change intensifying, the lakes bottleneck seemingly every five years, he added. Boat traffic slows. Marinas are flooded. And the tourism economy must play the waiting game before lake conditions abate.

Many of the Great Lakes could remain near their current levels until October if the rain doesn't abate, Weber noted.

Weber cautioned against using the report as a cause for lowering lake levels now. He said the report could be implemented when the Little Sioux falls. The Little Sioux has only been falling less than a half foot per day in some areas. Its waters were just underneath Spencer's downtown thoroughfare on Saturday, while all Cherokee's main roads were opened by Tuesday. Weber noted the board of supervisors opted against "pouring more water onto Spencer."

"Once it's back within bank, maybe there's a possibility of releasing more water and the lake area pulls back down," Weber said.

## ABORTION BAN: Very few exceptions allowed by law

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sion. He argued that "Planned Parenthood's substantive due process challenge fails" and that the district court "erred in granting the temporary injunction."

Justices Christopher McDonald, Dana Oxley and David May also ruled in favor of effecting the six-week abortion ban.

In ruling that the six-week abortion ban does not violate Iowa's constitutional substantive due process guarantee, the Iowa Supreme Court has effectively remanded the case back to district court, which is directed to dissolve the injunction. Under Iowa rules of appellate procedure, the injunction cannot be officially lifted for a minimum of 21 days, during which abortion up to 20 weeks will remain legal.

Justice Susan Christensen, another Reynolds appointee, wrote the court's dissenting opinion, stating that the ruling "strips Iowa women of their bodily autonomy." Justices Edward Mansfield and Thomas Waterman also dissented.

Christensen argued that the ruling is a "giant step backward" and "raises concerns about the stability of other rights we consider fundamental."

### Recent Iowa abortion legislation and rulings

Though each of the seven justices were nominated by Republican governors, since 2022 nearly all of them have expressed varying opinions and legal approaches regarding abortion access.

In 2018, the Iowa Supreme Court called abortion a fundamental right and blocked the so-called "fetal heartbeat" law under the strict scrutiny standard. However, the more conservative 2022 court reversed their prior precedent but did not indicate the appropriate constitutional standard for abortion access.

After the federal Dobbs decision, the state moved in 2023 to vacate the permanent injunction that blocked Iowa's 2018 abortion law. But the district judge refused, arguing that under the previous year's decision, undue burden still stands. (Undue burden guarantees that the legislature cannot create a law that is too restrictive of an individual's fundamental rights.)

Reynolds appealed the 2023 ruling. Soon after, the Iowa Supreme Court deadlocked 3-3, with Justice Oxley recused. Though she did not state the reason for recusal, Oxley previously worked at a law firm that represented an abortion clinic. The deadlock affirmed the district court's ruling and thus the injunction stayed.

Reynolds called an unprecedented one-day special session last summer in response to the tied decision. Iowa legislators again passed the abortion ban.

In the past eight years, there have been six cases labeled "Planned Parenthood of the Heartland v. Kim Reynolds." The governor remains staunch in her anti-abortion position.

"There is no right more sacred than life, and nothing more worthy of our strongest defense than the innocent unborn," Reynolds said in a statement following Friday's ruling.

"Iowa voters have spoken clearly through their elected representatives, both in 2018 when the original heartbeat bill was passed and signed into law, and again in 2023 when it passed by an even larger margin," Reynolds continued. "I'm glad that the Iowa Supreme Court has upheld the will of the people of Iowa."

### A "new reality" for Iowa

At the beginning of a press conference following Friday's ruling, the sentiment among the women's rights group representatives became clear: "Today's decision marks a dark moment in Iowa's history," said Ruth Richardson, president and CEO of Planned Parenthood North Central States.

Richardson added that the court has flexed their newfound power to strip women of their bodily autonomy in this "moment of manufactured chaos and confusion."

"I want to make it clear: Planned Parenthood isn't

going anywhere," Richardson said. The clinics will follow the new law once it takes effect, said Richardson, and will continue to provide abortion care if there is no detectable cardiac activity.

Both Richardson and Francine Thompson, executive director of the Emma Goldman Clinic, said they had been preparing for this moment since the overturning of Roe v. Wade. "We're angry but we're not blindly furious," said Thompson.

"The courts and politicians have no place in our exam rooms, no place in our bedrooms, or around our kitchen tables or wherever we make personal family decisions," Thompson continued. "My three granddaughters now have less reproductive access than I did."

Rita Bettis Austen, legal director for the ACLU of Iowa, said that the court's decision will result in "unjust obstacles to care" for pregnant individuals in Iowa who might leave the state to seek an abortion or face life-threatening health consequences.

"We are heartbroken by the court's decision," Austen said Friday. "This is not what Iowans want."

Lynn Evans has a different view. Evans, a state senator representing Iowa's third district, said he believes the courts ruled correctly on Friday. "Every child is a gift and I hope that more people would look at it like that," Evans told the Chronicle Times Monday. "We should be protecting that unborn child."

Evans added that "We have to continue to work for supports for women and young mothers so that it reduces the need for abortion." Evans said these supports might include making adoption services "easier and more available." He also advocated for the More Options for Maternal Support (MOMS) program, a faith-based nonprofit aimed at promoting "improved pregnancy outcomes, including reducing abortions, by helping women practice sound health-related behaviors and improve prenatal nutrition."

Gov. Reynolds has also championed family planning as a means to reduce abortions. "As the heartbeat bill finally becomes law, we are deeply committed to supporting women in planning for motherhood, and promoting fatherhood and its importance in parenting," she said. "We will continue to develop policies that encourage strong families, which includes promoting adoption and protecting in vitro fertilization (IVF)."

According to Megan Jones, an Iowa state representative for district six, Iowa is "a pro-life and pro-family state." Jones said she has backed many adoption bills during her time in the legislature, "including introducing the state's adoption tax credit and opening the State Public Defender's office to facilitate the legal fees for adoptions."

Jones said she supports the Iowa Supreme Court's ruling and will "continue the work we've already done to expand access to affordable childcare, extend postpartum coverage on Medicaid and improve our foster care and adoption systems."

Since the Dobbs decision, Richardson said Planned Parenthood North Central States has helped nearly 4,000 Iowans find abortion services. "It is really those who don't have the means or the opportunity to be able to travel for care that are going to be harmed the most by this," Richardson said.

Richardson, Thompson and Bettis Austen all said that following Friday's decision, they feared the costliness and often extensive travel now required to seek an abortion outside of Iowa.

"We reject this new reality," said Richardson. "It's unconscionable."

"We're focused and we're ready to continue the battle," said Thompson.

Eighteen states have banned all or most abortions, affecting more than a third of American women ages of 15-44, according to a Washington Post analysis. Voters in Florida, Colorado and South Dakota will consider abortion rights ballot measures during fall elections.

Leaders at the ACLU of Iowa, Planned Parenthood and the Emma Goldman Clinic refrained from stating whether or how they would take further legal action against the six-week ban.

## CONVENTION: A candidate must reach 51% of votes

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final call on how to run the meeting was in their hands. "The central committee met on June 18 and at that time we looked at all the options available and what's required for us to do," he stated.

Leeds outlined how the

convention will work, explaining that there are 34 delegates in total. The delegates are all volunteers who were elected at last February's caucus. Each precinct was able to elect a number of delegates and alternates per directions from the state.

The delegates will gather at the convention on July 8 and will hear each candidate speak for five minutes. Then, votes will be cast. If no candidate receives at least 51% of the votes, then a second

round of voting will be done. If there is still not a 51% winner, the candidate with the lowest number of votes will be dropped from the list before a third round of voting. If again, there is still not a winner with at least 51%, candidates will be allowed to speak for an additional three minutes before another vote.

Unfortunately, not every precinct was able to fill all of their delegate spots. Unfortunately, not every precinct has alternates. Leeds told the Chronicle Times that a complete list of delegates was "public record" and referred anyone interested to the County Auditor's office.

Leeds further explained that if a precinct is missing delegates, either by not having anyone elected at the caucus, or if a delegate is unable to attend the July 8 meeting and there are no alternates, that precinct will lose that same number of votes. "That's the process," he said.

Prior to publication the Chronicle Times received confirmation that candidates Rick Mongan, Ray E. Mullins II and Chad Brown will be in attendance at the convention, but had not heard from Phil Stowater. Please visit our website at [chronicletimes.com](http://chronicletimes.com) to check for post-publication

updates.

### The Chronicle Times received the following list of delegates:

**Precinct 1:** Holly Peck, Ted Peck, Ramona Nitz, Jonathan Caldwell (Alternates are Tim Rice and Melanie Rice)

**Precinct 2:** Zach Nixon, Keith Wells, Mark Donohue, Mary Wells (Alternates are Dave Ellis and Mark Leeds)

**Precinct 3:** Dale Springer, Beth Anderson, Ronald Honsbrech, Mark Bragg (No alternates)

**Precinct 4:** Bill Anderson, Mark Harmon, Angie Anderson, Matthew Royster, Kris Glienke (Alternates are Elizabeth Johnson and Rick Mongan)

**Precinct 5:** Wane Miller, Lynn Evans, Dave Fordyce, Vernon Winterhof, Dane Huseman, Keith Glienke (Alternates are Jackie Noble and Eric Krohn)

**Precinct 6:** Nathan Bush, Brent Kach, William Sokolowski (No alternates)

**Precinct 7:** June Pallesen, Terri McDaniel, Justin Walker, Anna Schmadeke, Darrell Downs, Dave Bierman, Sue Dettinger, Mark Wilcox (Alternates are Mike Mittelstadt, Brian Nelson, Joel Grauer, Greg Taylor and Alan Hoefling)

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# REYNOLDS, FEMA'S CRISWELL PROMISE RELIEF FOR CHEROKEE

*When the assistance comes, no one knows...*

BY TOM CULLEN

The State of Iowa and the Federal Emergency Management Agency have promised the full forces of state and federal governments to assist over 2,000 homeowners who were affected by historic flooding in the last week.

But assistance remains far away. Gov. Kim Reynolds and FEMA Administrator Deanne Criswell said direct assistance will soon be available to Cherokee residents who were affected by the flooding. Reynolds, R-Osceola, thanked the Biden Administration for recognizing "the scope of the devastation we're seeing in Northwest Iowa" and its prompt response, the third Presidential Disaster Declaration in as many months for Iowa. Reynolds said she was "honored" to have Criswell on a walking tour through flooded Cherokee on Thursday.

"I can't express how appreciative I am for (FEMA's) immediate response and just to be on the ground and understand what the need is," Reynolds said after a walking tour through flooded homes and businesses in Cherokee. "The move is to help us into recovery, which is a ways down the road, but we're going to be there before we know it."

Criswell thanked Reynolds. The two shared an embrace with Pete Snapp, a homeowner in the 200 block of East Elm Street whose basement foundation collapsed.

The two heard from Cherokee County Emergency Manager Justin Pritts, who told the administrators he slept in his office over the weekend. The floods overwhelmed his wildest expectations for what Cherokee could've experienced. The Little Sioux River cut off access to Cherokee via Hwy. 59 and Hwy. 3. Seven bridges were submerged. Gas stations ran out of fuel. Hy-Vee Distribution struggled to deploy trucks to its network of stores.

"It's been a record," Pritts said of the experience since Saturday night.

Criswell said she was moved by the damage.

She said she met "amazing people" in Cherokee, some who have lived in their homes for over 50 years and lost everything. She saw bands of volunteers filling sandbags and clearing areas where the floodwaters receded. The FEMA administrator assured a gaggle of elected officials in Cherokee that resources are moving into Northwest Iowa. And that she would "support the governor and her needs to help (Cherokee) and all the communities that were affected by this flood and their work to recovery."

Cherokee and a host of other communities along the Little Sioux are still divining what recovery looks like.

In an interview last Thursday afternoon, Pritts said he couldn't speculate on what assistance would arrive from the federal agency because Cherokee wasn't yet included in President Biden's federal disaster declaration. As of Thursday night, Buena Vista and Cherokee counties have been approved for public assistance from FEMA — in other words, governments can apply for financial assistance.

For now, homeowners and business owners can contact their flood insurance agent.

For those who don't have flood insurance, they'll have to wait until Biden declares both counties eligible for individual assistance. Pritts was hopeful Cherokee would be added to a list of five counties that are already eligible. (Clay and Plymouth are already there.) Buena Vista County Emergency Manager Aimee Barritt said she was "working very hard to try to make that happen."

To qualify, Barritt explained, a jurisdiction must demonstrate a minimum number of residences suffered either major damages or destroyed entirely, per FEMA's definition. Pritts believes that the damages Criswell witnessed on Thursday afternoon "went a long way" to deploying resources for homeowners. A federal disaster declaration with individual eligibility opens grants to disaster survivors who have "uninsured or underinsured necessary ex-



Gov. Kim Reynolds and FEMA Administrator Deanne Criswell hear from East Elm Street resident Pete Snapp on June 28, about flooding that collapsed his home's foundation. CHRONICLE TIMES photo by TOM CULLEN

penses or serious needs," according to FEMA's website. John Mills, an external affairs correspondent for FEMA, said the agency was working with Cherokee County on such a designation. Pritts encouraged those with flood damage to take pictures of high-water marks or other apparent flood damage in their homes.

Criswell noted that the disaster relief fund — which is scheduled to run a shortfall by August — won't affect resources that are deployed to counties that are under presidential disaster declaration. The disaster relief fund pays for individual and public assistance claims, the claims that Cherokee and Buena Vista are seeking.

"It's running short of money, as we are anticipating a shortfall come August, but we always put measures in place to ensure that incidents like this, we're helping people," Criswell told the Cherokee Chronicle Times after the tour. When asked if the shortfall could affect Cherokee, Criswell guaranteed it wouldn't. "We will always have enough money to support the individual assistance, life safety and lifesaving

operations. That's our priority."

Pritts declined to speculate how an individual assistance operation administered by FEMA would look like in Cherokee. He said hundreds of Cherokee residents have suffered damages, ranging from the minor to the catastrophic. In previous floods, localities in Cherokee have undertaken relocation programs underwritten by FEMA grants. Pritts said he expects buildings and houses to be taken down, but he said he didn't know how a relocation effort would happen this time, or if it would.

"We'd have to get a lot together, and we're not quite there yet," Pritts said of federal financial assistance Cherokee residents could receive.

"It's an incredibly tough situation to be in. People need and deserve answers, and I can't give them out right now," Pritts continued. "But at the same time, I couldn't imagine anything worse than telling someone 'Hey this particular program is coming and for whatever reason it doesn't.' That's how this stuff works at this point."

## Restocking homes after floods: Aunt Betty's to host free event in Aurelia

BY ERIN RYDGREN

Aunt Betty's in Aurelia will host a "Restock Your Home" event Friday, July 5, and Saturday, July 6, to aid those impacted by recent flooding. The event aims to provide essential items to those affected by the disaster.

### Free clothing, household goods and more

The event will run from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. on both days and will offer a variety of free items, including clothing, household goods, bedding and knick-knacks.

### Donations needed

The community is encouraged to donate usable items to support the cause. Anyone interested in donating can contact Pam Allen at 712-229-3156.

### Focus on children's needs

There's a special effort underway to collect items specifically for children. Organizers are looking for donations of books, crayons, snacks, stuffed animals and other age-appropriate items. They recommend donors create a designated "children's box," marked with a targeted age, for easy selection.

### Large item donations and pick-up

Many residents in the town of Aurelia have generously offered to donate larger items like beds and furniture. Weather permitting, these items will be placed in residents' yards with a "free" sign for those affected by the floods to pick up.

This event is a collaborative effort between Aunt Betty's and the citizens of Aurelia to help area residents recover from the recent flooding.



Views of Willow Street. CHRONICLE TIMES photos by CHRIS REED and ERIN RYDGREN

## Curb appeal: Willow Street project to begin

BY ERIN RYDGREN

Signs were posted on Monday indicating that Willow Street is closed. The city is undertaking a project to replace approximately 2,663 feet of curb and gutter along the street between North Sixth Street and North Ninth Street.

This project is driven by the need to address the deterioration of the existing curbs and gutters on Willow Street. In January 2024, the Cherokee City Council accepted a bid

for \$435,851 from Beck Excavating. Five bids had been submitted to the council for consideration, with the highest bid at \$609,700 from Hulstein Excavating. The council voted to go with Beck Excavating based on the lowest price offered.

Although the signs are out now, the project was scheduled to kick off on July 26. It is expected to be completed within 40 working days, weather permitting. Cherokee City Hall told the Chronicle Times that workers were not

expected to arrive on site until after the Independence Day holiday.

The project will include the removal and replacement of the existing curb and gutter, grading, excavation, and subgrade preparation to ensure a solid foundation, the installation of brand new concrete curb and gutter, sidewalks, and driveways in some areas and the removal of any damaged pavement sections. Additionally, improvements will be made to the storm sewer system.

## Crazy Days in Cherokee

The Cherokee Chamber of Commerce is excited to announce their annual Crazy Days sale event, taking place from Thursday, July 11, to Saturday, July 13. This three-day event is a fantastic opportunity to support local businesses and score incredible deals on a variety of items. Shoppers can expect deep discounts and special promotions at participating stores throughout Cherokee. To maximize your shopping experience, some retailers will be offering extended hours.

## COUNCIL: Submit letter of interest by Aug. 9

Continued from page one Times that "it came down to the principle of it" in regards to his decision.

Wilberding cast the sole "aye" vote on the motion at the June 25 meeting. He released a statement to the Cherokee Chronicle Times on Friday morning, which said, "If my belief is strong enough, I have no problem backing it up with actions. After reading the article about Duane's and my resignation in the paper, I've decided to take the High Road and issue no further comments."

When asked for additional information, Cherokee City Hall declined to comment.

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## Obituaries



**Trudy Jo Timmins**

Trudy Jo Timmins was born in Council Bluffs, Iowa on November 15th, 1943 to Thomas Joseph (Joe) Timmins and Lois Eleanor Calmer Timmins.

Her family moved to Cherokee, IA when she was 5 years old. She attended Immaculate Conception School and graduated in 1962.

Trudy married Ron Davis in 1965 and were blessed

with 4 children (Todd, Lonnie, Missy and Brandi). They divorced in 1991.

After graduating from Immaculate Conception, Trudy studied hairstyling in Fort Dodge, IA, and was a stylist in Cherokee for several years.

Since Ron was in the military, he and Trudy lived in a number of military locations in Europe and the US, and eventually settled in Lakewood, WA.

Trudy loved children (especially babies!) and owned/operated an in-home daycare for 40 years until she retired in 2016.

Trudy was a gentle nurturer and touched so many lives. She loved her family and friends, especially time spent together shopping, sight seeing and eating out.

She visited Iowa each summer and enjoyed meeting up with friends and family.

Trudy died June 25, 2024 in her home in Lakewood, WA surrounded by family.

She battled ovarian cancer for 1 month. We're thank-

ful she's at rest after fighting hard against this disease.

Trudy is survived by her children: Todd Davis (Seattle, WA), Lonnie (Susan) Davis (Monroe, WA), Missy Davis (Lakewood, WA and Brandi Davis (Algona, WA).

She has 8 grandchildren: Hannah, Jenna and Evan (Lonnie and Susan), Cody and Casey (Missy), and Kelsey Davis (Brandi).

She was preceded in death by her parents (Joe and Lois Timmins), brother Denny Timmins) grandson (Noah Davis) and granddaughter (Riley Fought).

Trudy is also survived by her brothers: Larry (Judy) Timmins of Cedar Falls IA, Tracy (Kara) Timmins of Victoria Falls, TX, sisters: Penny Timmins Nordstrom of Spirit Lake, IA and Heidi Timmins of Lakewood, WA and sister-in-law Linda Timmins of Cherokee, IA, and many nieces and nephews. Trudy considered her special friend of 40 years, Joyce O' Kane, a part of her family as well.

## Birth Announcement

### Alan Michael Mason

Alan Michael Mason was born on Friday, June 28 at 9:45 am. He weighed 7 lbs and 1 oz and was 21 inches long. His parents are Elizabeth and Devin Mason of Hartley.

## Cherokee County Veterans Appreciation Day held



The annual Cherokee County Veterans Appreciation Day event was held on Saturday, June 29 in Aurelia. The keynote speaker was State Senator Kevin Alons, pictured at left, and there were additional presentations made to the benefit of veteran attendees. The meat for the meal was provided and prepared by the Cherokee County Pork Producers. Next year's event will be held in Cherokee. Tom Kohn, the Cherokee County Director of Veterans Affairs, told the Chronicle Times that he wished to say "Thank you to all the volunteers and vendors who made this event great and thank you for the support of our Veterans."

## Peterson to celebrate Kirchner Machinery Museum anniversary

Multiple attractions will open to visitors including archeological dig, Jim's History Barn

Peterson Heritage members will host their second Summer Sunday opening Sunday, July 7 from 1-4 p.m. at Kirchner Park.

The highlight of the day will

be the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Kirchner Machinery Museum, which was erected in the summer of 1974.

The museum was origi-

nally erected for the purpose of housing the large restored collection of horse drawn farm implements donated by George and Rosamond Reed of Peterson.

The building was made possible by a donation from Jacob Kirchner of Fort Dodge and Peterson Heritage funds.

Heritage members will be serving birthday cake and lemonade at the museum.

Also on display in the park will be tractors from various eras of farming.

Another highlight of the day will be the opportunity to visit the archeological dig taking place at the Phillip Kirchner cabin, located on the Heywood/Booth farm site just outside of town.

Storm Laker Mark Anderson, archeologist at the Sanford Museum in Cherokee is in charge of the dig. He will be on site to explain findings of his group and the importance of the dig in relation to Peterson's early history.

Other attractions Sunday are the French Museum, the Park House, the Rock Forest schoolhouse and Jim's History Barn.



A guide in the Park House, one of the many historical attractions in scenic Peterson.

## Little Miss Marcus entries currently being accepted

The Little Miss Marcus Fair Contest will take place Thursday, August 8th at 6pm during the Marcus Fair. Girls ages 6-8 who are residents of the MMC school district are invited to participate. Each girl will be judged in a sport/casual outfit and a party dress.

They will be interviewed in their party dress. All contestants will receive a t-shirt, \$5 Marcus bucks and ride tickets and will be invited to ride in the fair parade and present ribbons during the fair.

Please send entries to Kristi Ames, PO Box 614 in Marcus no later than July 19. Include the child's name, age, birthdate, parents' names, phone number, address, a photo and t-shirt size.

Parents will be contacted to set up an interview time. Interviews will take place August 8th prior to the contest. The girls are able to pick an escort to walk her up on stage in her party dress.

An escort may be her father, grandfather, brother, uncle or any special someone in her life. Questions should be sent to tkks9801@gmail.com

## Round up at Fareway to support Variety, the Children's Charity

Fareway Stores, Inc. is partnering with Variety - the Children's Charity to conduct the eighth annual Round Up at the register from July 1-20 at all 139 store locations.

Customers will have the opportunity to round up to the next dollar or provide an additional donation on their grocery bill to help fund Variety's mission.

Dollars raised through the Round Up will provide mobility equipment to children

living with special needs, as well as fund and deliver effective programs and grants to care for children who are underprivileged, at-risk, critically ill, or living with special needs.

Variety works with physical therapists to identify children who would greatly benefit from a specialized bicycle or other piece of adaptive mobility equipment, such as gait trainers, standers, mobile standers and more.

Additionally, the funds raised through the Fareway Round Up will help Variety provide grants to nonprofit organizations serving children, as well as vans to help transport children to programming activities.

"Taking care of our neighbors goes beyond providing the best meat and grocery," said Reynolds Cramer, CEO of Fareway Stores. "By offering our support to local charitable organizations, we nourish and grow our communities with love. For more than 35 years we have partnered with Variety - the Children's Charity, donating our time, talent, and resources to change the lives of local children. This is a cause that is close to our hearts, and one that we are grateful our customers have helped us support for many years."



## WHAT'S HAPPENING

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, July 25th 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.

• **Washta Community Coffee:** Tuesday and Fridays from 7:30 am to 10:30 am at the Washta Community Center.

• **Aurelia Community Coffee:** Wednesdays at 9 am at the Aurelia Community Center.

### Saturday, July 6

• **Ke Kart Speedway** holds its "4th of July" Race starting at 1 pm at the Cherokee County Fairgrounds.

### Tuesday, July 9

• Board of Supervisors will meet at 9 am at the Cherokee County Courthouse

• Cherokee City Council will meet at 6 pm at the Cherokee City Hall

### PLAN AHEAD!!! Saturday, July 12

• Cherokee County Pork Producers and WA TAN YE Service Club will be serving pork burgers, chips and pop at the Fareway parking lot from 11 am to 1 pm. Pork burgers will be \$5 each. Add chips and pop for just a dollar!

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

## Cherokee monthly blood drive results

Monthly Blood Donation "Thank-You": "I have AML leukemia. I received a pint of your blood. I wanted to thank you for your donation. It made a big difference."

For over 15 years, Cherokee and surrounding communities have supported the local blood bank, LifeServe Blood Center, with at least one blood donation opportunity per month. Over the course of June, three blood drives were hosted to support 150+ local hospitals that LifeServe Blood Center serves. We successfully collected 80 units of blood that have the ability to save up to 240 local lives!

We also celebrate the fol-

lowing donor(s) who hit milestones with their most recent donation:

• KAYLA MORETZ - 1 Gallon

• SHELLICE DALY - 1 Gallon

• BRANDAN MALLISON - 1 Gallon

• PANDORA PHIPPS - 2 Gallon

• MAYLISSA WELLS - 2 Gallon

• RONNIE HATCH - 11 Gallon

• BRENT KOEDAM - 11 Gallon

• KRISTI JENSEN - 15 Gallon

• LYNETTE HYNDMAN - 17 Gallon

• TIMOTHY STOWELL - 18 Gallon

• RICHARD BIERMAN - 19 Gallon

### SAVE MORE IN 2024

We have three blood drives in Cherokee for the month of July:

Wednesday, July 10th - Cherokee Battle of the Badges @ Cherokee Community Center (12pm - 5pm)

Thursday, July 11th @ RJ Thomas (PRIVATE)

Thursday, July 25th @ Cherokee Community Center (12pm - 5:30pm)

Thanks to everyone who came out to show their support. Be sure to text 'LIFE-SERVE' to 999-777 to make your next appointment and we look forward to seeing you next time!

## Note hunting season changes

Hunters will notice a few regulation changes for the upcoming 2024-2025 hunting seasons. These changes could impact deer hunters, waterfowl hunters and furharvesters.

### Deer

• Due to a recent statewide effort to combine, clarify, and simplify regulations, Iowa's hunting regulations now clearly state that party hunting is not allowed for non-residents.

Party hunting, which allows anyone in the hunting party to use their own tag on a deer harvested by another member in the party, is only permitted for residents during the Gun 1, Gun 2, and January antlerless seasons.

Nonresidents may hunt as part of the hunting party, but must shoot and tag their own deer.

This language states more simply and clearly the differences that existed for years between resident and non-resident transportation tag uses in the former Iowa Administrative Code.

• Population Management January Antlerless Season will be available in Allamakee, Winneshiek, Decatur, Appanoose, Monroe, Lucas and Wayne counties if the number of unsold antlerless licenses on the third Monday in December exceeds 100.

• Monona, Harrison, Shelby, Pottawattamie, Mills and Fremont counties were added to the buck-only counties for first gun season.

• Antlerless quotas have changed in 12 counties.

### Trail Camera Use on Public Land

• The Iowa Department of

Natural Resources has tabled its proposed policy position regarding trail cameras on public land to allow for more public input on the issue during its wildlife rules meetings, held across the state in February.

There are no changes to how trail cameras can be used on public land during the 2024-25 seasons.

### Migratory birds

• HIP - All licensed hunters pursuing migratory game birds are required to register for HIP annually, either through the Go Outdoors Iowa app on their smartphone or through a link at [www.iowadnr.gov/waterfowl](http://www.iowadnr.gov/waterfowl). Non-licensed youth hunters are not required.

Migratory game birds include doves, ducks, geese, coots, woodcock and snipe.

You are invited to a  
**Come & Go Bridal Shower**  
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Bride-Elect of  
Gus Laursen  
**Saturday**  
**July 13, 2024**  
**4:00 - 6:00 p.m.**  
**at Matriarch's**  
**120 Main St., Aurelia**  
*The couple is registered at Target & Amazon*



# OPINION

## Anybody but Trump

If Joe Biden is using a walker with an oxygen tank attached, and if his eyelids are propped up by toothpicks, and if he cannot debate after supper time, we will vote for him on Election Day with gusto. Biden had his Mitch McConnell moment during the debate last week, freezing under an assault of lies and slander from convicted felon and philanderer Donald Trump.

Biden is running. He has enough pledged delegates for the Democratic nomination. Gavin Newsom does not. Neither does Gretchen Whitmer. Many Democrats, including those who participated in the Iowa Caucuses, preferred somebody else — namely, Pete Buttigieg or Bernie Sanders. Transportation Secretary Buttigieg is now the talk of Washington parlors. Biden was back in the Iowa pack, and Vice President Kamala Harris was even farther behind. For that, Biden and the Democratic National Committee told Iowa and its caucuses to get lost. Iowans in 2019 might have seen this day coming.

We are where we are: an elderly Biden with a competent vice president who is finding her footing. Biden has been a decent president, despite his many frailties. Trump

is a criminal who promises to seek retribution on his adversaries — all of them. When Trump was president, he destroyed ag markets and was forced to write huge checks to soybean growers for screwing things up. He is married to an immigrant but maintains that immigration “poisons our blood.” He was found liable by a jury for sexual assault, he was found guilty of fraud in another civil judgment, and he was found guilty by a jury of 34 felony counts for trying to pull the sheets over his soiree with a porn star.

If Joe Biden has a pulse, vote for Joe Biden. (The Constitution doesn't say he needs a pulse, does it?) If he doesn't, vote for whichever Democrat takes his place. Anybody but a criminal Trump back in the White House destroying our democracy and banishing our freedoms. We would suppose that to be Vice President Harris. We would be proud to vote for the daughter of immigrants, and the first woman president. Meantime, Biden is president and is running for re-election. He looked good enough the day after the debate, saying he hasn't lost it and he still knows the truth. It will just have to do.

Art Cullen

## Abortion ruling raises questions - lots of questions

BY RANDY EVANS

Through the years, justices on the Iowa Supreme Court typically avoid harsh or overzealous language in their decisions.

That is why two separate dissenting opinions jumped out Friday when the court issued its long-anticipated decision on the Legislature's latest attempt to ban nearly all abortions in Iowa.

By a 4-3 split, the Supreme Court decided the 2023 law is a rational response to a legitimate state interest, protecting the lives of unborn children. The law prohibits abortions once “cardiac activity” in the fetus is detectable by ultrasound, usually about six weeks after conception. The law provides exceptions for rape or incest, when the fetus has an abnormality incompatible with life, or when the pregnancy endangers the mother's life.

The authors of the two dissents were Chief Justice Susan Christensen of Harlan and Justice Edward Mansfield of Des Moines. They were joined by Justice Thomas Waterman of Davenport. Their 56 pages of analysis and commentary provide important insight into this divisive issue.

Christensen and Mansfield called the decision “simply wrong” and “a giant step backward.” They reminded colleagues on the court, and the public, “The rights of Iowans did not freeze once our state constitution took effect.”

The Chief wrote: “Is it any wonder why Iowa is not flush with legal history demonstrating that a medical procedure specific to women is a deeply rooted part of our state's tradition? ... There were no women members of the Iowa constitutional conventions, which occurred in 1844, 1846 and 1857 and no women members of the legislature during that period. While African-American males received the right to vote when the states ratified the 15th Amendment to the United States Constitution in 1870, women of all

races had to wait until 1919 for that right. It was not until 1998 that the citizens of Iowa voted to expressly include women in the language of the Iowa Constitution's inalienable rights clause.”

Christensen continued: “Unfortunately, this statute — and the majority's decision allowing it to take effect — not only brings that progress to a halt but also takes a giant step backward. ... Women are once again relegated to their traditional (and outdated) roles as only child-bearers and mothers, forced to live their 21st century lives by 19th century standards and mores.”

The court's majority pointed to Iowa history to conclude there is no fundamental protection for abortion. But Mansfield had this footnote: The 1857 constitutional debates lasted 39 days and filled 1,061 pages. “Yet the word ‘woman’ or ‘women’ appears only 16 times. By comparison, the debates contain 38 references to ‘horse’ or ‘horses.’ That Iowa no longer exists today.”

Mansfield added: “We can't ignore the morality code of mid-19th century Iowa as some sort of unconstitutional anachronism, while treating the abortion law of mid-19th century Iowa as some sort of constitutional guidepost for today.”

The legal debate before the court hinged on what legal standard the justices should use in judging the 2023 abortion law. The majority concluded the law can stand if there is a “rational basis” for showing the restrictions relate to “a legitimate state interest.” The dissenters believed the court should balance the government's interest in preventing abortions against the liberty interests of pregnant women by weighing whether the restrictions create an “undue burden” for women and girls.

“I fail to see how a woman's right not to procreate can have no constitutional protection,” Mansfield wrote. “The decision not to have children is as fundamental as the decision

to have children. Could the Iowa Legislature limit family size?”

He went on: “At the sixth week, a woman may not even know she is pregnant and has almost certainly not sought medical care for her pregnancy. The six-week mark does not allow enough time for a woman to make a decision whether or not to carry a pregnancy to term. ... So, the net effect of the six-week ban is that it forbids many women from ever making a truly voluntary decision to have children or not.”

Christensen was troubled by what she called the “proclaimed interests” of the statute, the government's vital interest in protecting unborn human life. “To a lesser degree, it also mentions the ‘protection of maternal health and safety,’” she wrote.

“While the statute outlines exceptions that allow for abortions in situations involving rape, incest, certain fetal abnormalities incompatible with life, miscarriages or medical emergencies, they are crafted in such a way that the application rings hollow,” the Chief wrote. “Frankly, in many of these situations, they serve as another example of how this statute prioritizes the unborn over the living, placing pregnant women in grave harm in the process.”

Christensen added: “The State offers no reason why pregnancies that result from rape or incest can be terminated after a fetal heartbeat is detected, while other pregnancies must continue. Terminating any pregnancy results in the loss of potential life, regardless of how those pregnancies were conceived.”

News in recent months has reported on problems pregnant women faced in states with a near-total ban on abortions when there are serious problems with the woman's health or the viability of her unborn child, she wrote. “Nothing promotes life like a forced hysterectomy preventing a woman from ever becoming pregnant again because she could not terminate a doomed pregnancy under the medical emergency exception.”

Christensen and Mansfield warned about further changes that could come to Iowa because of the court's decision and the legal reasoning the justices used.

Other states with near-universal abortion bans have seen a decline in the number of OB/GYN physicians who choose to practice there, she said. “This trend will affect all pregnant women in Iowa — not just those seeking an abortion.”

Christensen added: “Today's ruling casts doubt on the stability of rights like contraception, interracial marriage, and same-sex marriage should constitutional challenges to these rights come before us.”

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## The Fourth of July that saved the nation

BY ALAN GUEBERT

As an end-of-the-road farm boy growing up deep in southern Illinois, the Fourth of July was more of a shade-tree holiday from the alfalfa field than a noisy celebration of national independence. Besides, we were more partial to a local hero, Abraham Lincoln, than any frilly “Founding Father.”

That leaning was confirmed a half century later when, on July 4, 2021, I came across an essay by historian Ted Widmer that examined Lincoln's 1861 Fourth of July, his first as president. In the essay, Widmer explained how one of Lincoln's first acts as president, a 6,200-word letter to Congress calling it to Washington, D.C. for a special session, set the stage for his future greatness.

The bold act, just four months after his March 4 swearing in, Widmer thinks, was Lincoln using “democracy to save democracy... by asking that the session... meet on July 4” so it might link every American “to the Declaration of Independence, and the memory of a country that began in a most idealistic way.”

Lincoln needed to act boldly; six southern states had left the Union and four more were on the way. Also, Jefferson Davis, the “provisional” president of the fast-forming Confederacy, had already been in office a month longer than Lincoln.

More to the point, Lincoln knew he was no Davis; his single, two-year term in Congress was no match for

Davis's sterling career: West Point graduate, an officer in the Mexican-American War, a former U.S. senator, past secretary of war, and former son-in-law of President Zachary Taylor.

But, explains Widmer, Lincoln possessed something Davis didn't—an “expansive understanding” of the Declaration of Independence. Lincoln believed that America's “freedoms belonged to all Americans, including immigrants” and, “in the fullness of time, he expected those freedoms to grow stronger, and reach other peoples, living in what he called ‘the vast future.’”

In other words, all Americans then and now or, as the historian simply notes, “us.”

All that served as a backdrop to the letter itself, a masterpiece in “the way a Fourth of July oration should” be. Equally important, its principled arguments and classic Lincoln lyricism hinted at the greatness yet to come in both his time in the White House and his historical timelessness.

Lincoln, says Widmer, “argued that the war was ‘essentially a people's contest,’ and reminded Americans that democracy required a fundamental trust in others to work.”

And in language as relevant for today's red-and-blue politics as that of a nation about to tip into a blue-and-gray Civil War, “If ‘discontented individuals’ attacked the government every time they lost an election, with false ‘sophisms,’—misleading arguments—‘and other ways of

‘drugging the public mind,’ it would put an end to democracy everywhere.”

To ensure that all Americans north and south got his meaning, Lincoln added a punchline, “When ballots have been ‘fairly and constitutionally decided,’ there can be no appeal ‘back to bullets.’”

The letter was a triumph. “As members of Congress listened,” writes Widmer, “they often broke into applause, stunned that their new president had found a language so compelling.”

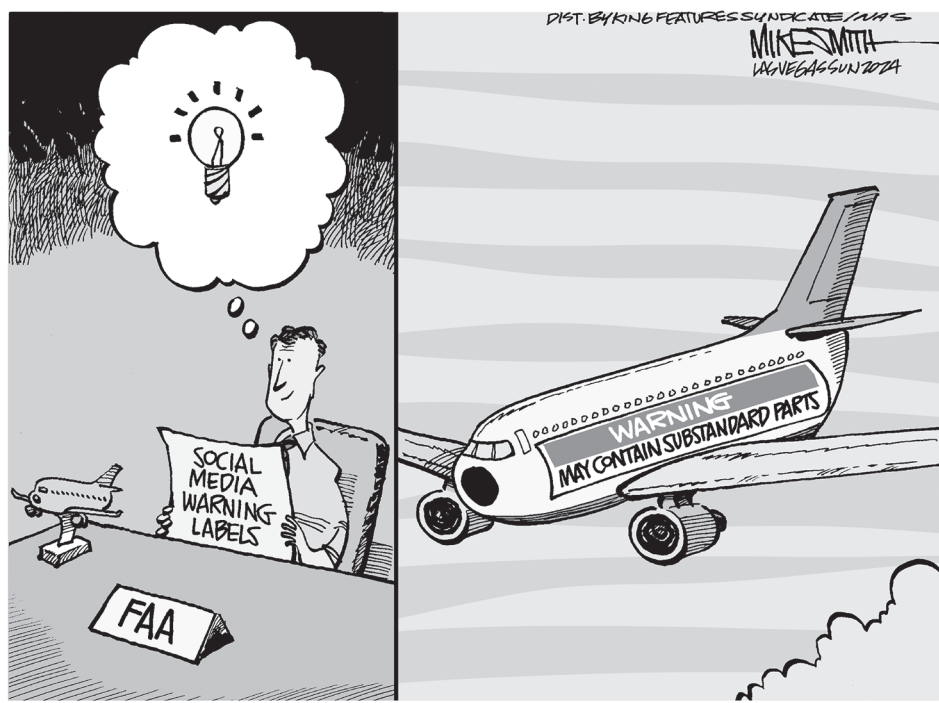
Later that same day, after reviewing Union troops on Pennsylvania Avenue, Lincoln “hoisted a flag himself, to the top of a tall flagpole.” Afterwards, soldiers did the same and, “The papers reported that the Declaration was read over and over again, throughout the soldier camps.”

One army regiment's leader, however, asked the new President to speak. Lincoln deferred, writes Widmer, “...by saying that the dignity of his position required that he say nothing at all for fear of mis-speaking.”

But, reminds the historian, “He had already spoken volumes through his message to Congress, and his unwavering belief in the Declaration. The real fighting had not started yet, but by winning the day, Lincoln began to win the war.”

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## This election is about choice

BY RITA HART

Chair of the Iowa Democratic Party

Voters will need to decide if they support the freedom to make their own health care choices, IVF

Friday's Iowa Supreme Court decision to uphold and implement Governor Kim Reynolds' and Iowa Republican's 6-week abortion ban is one of many ways Iowa Republicans are trying to control women's bodies and how they build their families.

Just last week, Iowa Attorney General Brenna Bird and Republicans from across the state gathered to protest abortion and IVF rights at the Iowa State Capitol.

They listened and clapped as Bishop William Joensen said, “The desire for a child cannot justify the production of offspring.”

To be clear, Republicans are telling us what they want to do next. They want to ban IVF in Iowa, and they have already introduced legislation at the statehouse that will ban IVF procedures.

Republicans want to control who can have a child in this state and determine how and when it is conceived.

Governor Reynolds is leading this fight, because she believes as we complete control over Iowa's government.

At the same time last week, as we approached the two-year anniversary of the Dobbs decision, which stripped Americans of their nearly 50-year-old federal right to an abortion, Democrats were fighting for Iowans' rights and calling our Republicans on their extreme policies.

Senate Democratic Leader Pam Jochum was on Iowa Press, where she explained that Iowa Democrats have introduced legislation at the statehouse that calls for a constitutional amendment to make sure reproductive freedom is a constitutional right in Iowa.

Jochum and Iowa Democrats also introduced legislation to protect over-the-counter birth control and postpartum care for mothers up to 12 months after they give birth.

At the Iowa Democrats' State Convention last week, House Leader Jennifer Konfrst made the news when she declared Republicans are wrong on reproductive freedom.

“They're wrong, and I-

wans aren't with them,” Konfrst said. “Iowans are with us.”

Iowa Democrats will stand with Iowans and put people before politics as we oppose this dangerous anti-woman crusade that Republicans are leading.

We have already seen devastating consequences from similar legislation in Texas, where women are being forced to have miscarriages in lobby bathrooms, and are potentially facing the death penalty for having an abortion for any reason.

We've seen devastated families in Alabama fight for their ability to start and grow their families using IVF.

We know abortion bans put every woman's health in jeopardy because these confusing laws drive away OB/GYNs and doctors who care for women of all ages. These conscientious professionals don't want to lose their licenses because of this state's confusing and bad policies.

Abortion bans are bad for Iowans and are dangerous for women and for anyone who is trying to start a family. We truly need everyone to show up at the ballot box if we want to bring some common sense back to our state and put an end to these extreme laws.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Thank you to the road crew and others!

Dear Editor of the Cherokee Chronicle Times,

I want to say a big thank-you for all the hard work Kenny Schlenger and his county guys did and are doing with all this flooding we are having. Also, the fire departments and sheriff's department that worked day and night to keep us all safe. We appreciate you guys.

Thank you very much,  
Jerry Ebert

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## Americanisms



“If you're offered a seat on a rocket ship, don't ask what seat! Just get on.”

— Sheryl Sandberg

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**100 YEARS AGO**

**Town Pays Final Tribute**  
The funeral of Charles E. Salisbury, father of A.L. Salisbury of this city, was led from his home at Hampton, Iowa, Thursday and as a special tribute to his memory all business houses in Hampton were closed during the service and the flags decorating the streets were displayed at half mast.

**Asking For Bids**  
An advertisement in this issue of The Times is an announcement that the state is ready to proceed with the erection of the new building in connection with Cherokee hospital, the money for which has been allowed.

Work will be commenced as soon as the contract shall have been let. The new building will be similar in size to the psychopathic building at the left of the main drive and east of the south wing of the main hospital.

The architecture and construction will harmonize with the group and with the setting.

**Griffin To Make Big Improvement**  
W.R. Griffin has commenced work on an improvement that will make a great change in the appearance of West Main.

The two story building that has been occupied by Peterson Motor Co. is being demolished, the plan to remodel it having been abandoned.

Mr. Griffin has acquired possession of the old Swedish Mission church and the lot on which it stands and which adjoins the Peterson building on the west, extending to the alley east of the Court House square.

**Drifting Along**  
Thousands of tramps are now migrating, presumably in search of work, but in reality to avoid it.

They are going both in an easterly and westerly direction. On a recent Sunday 32 of them occupied the tops of box cars through Iowa over the Chicago & Northwestern railway.

The train crew made no effort to dislodge them because of their large enrollment.

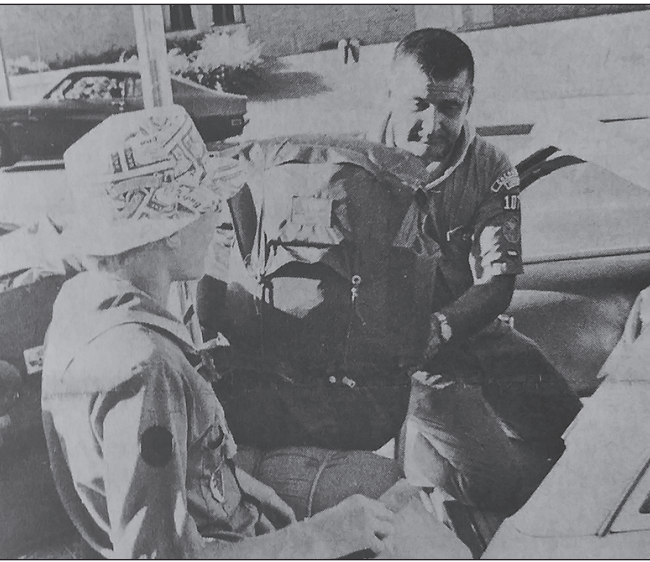
Harvest in the southwest is making appeals to this floating population and human driftwood may be seen hanging to box cars on all railway lines.

**For Postmaster at Aurelia**  
An examination for postmaster at Aurelia will be held in Cherokee, Saturday, July 26 to fill vacancy caused by expiration of commission of Arthur Dingman.  
The examination is open to all patrons of Aurelia postoffice, including rural routes. The salary is \$1900.

**50 YEARS AGO**

**Trapshoot Results**  
Ivan Golden and Roger Frisbee were top shooters at the Cherokee Gun Clubs competition Thursday. There was a four way tie for second place as Robert Vannatta, George Smith, Dan Gano and Sherald Grauer all broke 23 targets from 16 yards. Ray Brewer and Gano captured the 27-yard protection shoot while Ed Smith copped top honors in the Annie Oakley and Vannatta took first place in the miss and out competition. Ed Smith and Jim Peck teamed together to win the protection shoot and grocery shoot winners were Golden of Cherokee and Dennis Walling of Anthon.

**Makeup Game**  
The Braves will tangle with Spirit Lake at Spirit Lake Tuesday in Lakes Conference action with the junior varsity game slated for 6 p.m. Wednesday the Braves face Le Mars at Wescott Park. The first game will be a conclusion of a game played earlier this year that was called due to the lack of lighting facilities. Then the game was called in the eighth inning and the score was tied at 9-9, it was decided to resume the game with the same line-ups Wednesday, and then play another complete game following the conclusion of the make-up contest.



**75 YEARS AGO**

**It was a good day for fishin' at Spring Lake**



Donna Adolf, 14, and Gary Pierce, 15, both of Cherokee, were winners with the largest string of bullheads for girls and boys at the Spring Lake "Huck Finn" Fish day. Donna angled 16 fish. She spent most of the afternoon catching bullheads while standing in the water. Gary, the son of Mrs. Hazel Pierce, caught the top number of fish for the day - 31. They both received prizes.



Jim Eischen, 14, (left), Jack Hansen, 12, (center) and Phyllis Smith, 9, pulled in two of the largest bullheads at the "Huck Finn" fish day last week. All had fish measuring 13 inches. Eischen is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Eischen, Cherokee. Phyllis is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Smith, rural Cherokee. Hansen's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hansen, Aurelia. Another 13-incher which tied for top prize was hooked by Jim Light, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Light, Cherokee. He was not in the picture. Clauden Grienke caught a 13 3/4-inch fish. Prizes were awarded all winners.

**Craft Work Begins Tuesday At Playgrounds**

Craft work in the city playground summer session for youngsters will begin Tuesday, Otto Huebner, playground superintendent, said this noon. Those young people interested in crafts will meet Tuesday and Thursday afternoons at Garfield and Webster schools starting next week.

**C of C Booklet To Reveal 1949 Growth of City**

A 16-page special bulletin outlining Cherokee's growth in business and industrial fields plus activities in other varied fields will be released later this month. The booklet, entitled "Cherokee-First Six Months of 1949," is being published by Cherokee Chamber of Commerce under direction of Warren Reed, C of C executive secretary. Reed said the list of activities and progress in Cherokee will be practically all encompassing.

**Country Club Group Enjoys Golf Outing**

A large group of Cherokee Country club golfers "escaped" from business and professional worries last week long enough to go to Brooke's Beach club for a links outing. The group usually takes the trip en masse each year.

**Council Officially Approves City Restroom Project**

The city council last night officially put its stamp of approval on plans and specifications for a proposed new city restroom with auxiliary city offices in a new addition. The addition, according to present plans, will go up on the east side of the city hall.

**Brothers of the Brush Plan 'Court'**

"Brothers of the Brush," those fancy beard-growers extraordinary, tugged thoughtfully at their collective goatees today and conjured up some more stern warnings for county disbelievers.

There are now 375 members and applications for certificates

are being made daily. To begin with, Charles George, who at present has more hair on his face than on the top of his head, said that preparations for a "kangaroo court" to "punish" offenders are now underway.

George, chairman of the B of B, pointed out that the "court" will be set up in the downtown business district in the near future. Those men who don't possess beards or shaving permits will receive sentence at the location.

To Glen Curtis will fall the "honor" of setting up a special cattle chute which will serve as a temporary stockades for "culprits," added George.

A platform and microphone with a public address system will be installed near the "court" site in order that the public may watch the proceedings.

Fines ranging from a strip of three tickets to "Romance of the Plow" on up will be assessed offenders. The fines will be meted out depending upon the nature and "per sistence" of the violation, George said as he meticulously combed his beard.

Pulling out a pair of tight-clamping handcuffs, Sheriff Carl Schleaf growled that those men not complying with the rules of "Brothers of the Brush" will be "punished." Meanwhile George explained that he plans to get instruments for proper measurement of members' beards. The beard-growing contest is to be staged at Tomahawk field the night of Aug. 16.

**Farewell Courtesy for Miss Zarr**

Miss Harriet Mohror and Mrs. H.H. Ambrecht entertained 35 guests Wednesday evening as a courtesy to Miss Mae Zarr who has accepted a new position in Des Moines. Games and ping pong were the pastime for the group.

Light refreshments were served from a table appointed with garden flowers and centered with a cut-glass punch bowl. The hostess presented the honoree with a gift.

Miss Zarr left over the weekend to assume her duties as secretary to Howard Hill, state Farm Bureau president.

**1974 Fair Queen Candidates**



Orville Saxby, assistant scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 107, Cherokee, takes a pack from Mike Chase, center as seven members of the troop prepared Friday night to leave for Ely, Minn. and a week-long canoe trip. The Troop 107 members were joined by one Scout from another Cherokee troop and a scout from Sac City. Saxby said the boys will be on the water seven days and expect to cover 50 to 60 miles.

Eleven teen-agers all active in 4-H or FHA, are vying for the coveted title of 1974 Cherokee County Fair Queen. Queen candidates are:

Debra Cline, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Cline, Cherokee. Sixteen-year old Debra, interested in music, sings, plays the guitar, does needlepoint, refinishes furniture and enjoys sewing.

Corrine Carlson, daughter of Verona Kay Carlson of Cherokee and Phillip Carlson. Her interests include basketball, horses, sewing and baking.

Diane Carson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Carson, Cherokee. She enjoys horses, charcoal drawing, dancing and skiing. She is employed at Randall Discount Foods.

Marilyn Ferrin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Ferrin, rural Marcus. Her interests include music and refinishing family antiques and has had the lead in most school plays.

Barb Clark, employed at Hy-Vee Food Stores, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Clark, Quimby. She enjoys sewing and baking, was in mixed chorus, played softball, was in declaim, a cheerleader, served as student librarian and on the annual staff at Willow Community School.

Jill Haskins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Haskins, enjoys golfing, swimming, reading, bike riding and playing the guitar.

For the rest of the candidates, check TGB next week!



JILL HASKIN



Members of the Cleghorn High School class of 1939 present for their 35th year reunion were, from left, front: June McIntosh Finnerty, Faye Campbell Glass, LaVonne Wallin Rae, Geneva Ehlers Siljenberg. Back, Clifford Miller, Leonor Wester Lundell, Lawrench French and Lawrence French and Lawrence

**25 YEARS AGO**

**Up, Up and Away**  
Rod Ruppert has been building model airplanes since he was eight years old. The work is time consuming, but the finished product is magnificent. Like any other crafter the accomplishment is something to be proud of.

**Student attends training seminar**  
Leighton Smith, 18, a senior at Galva-Holstein High School is one of 96 high school students in America selected as Iowa delegate to American Legion Boys Nation at Marymount University, Arlington, Virginia.

**Spirit Lake 16, Cherokee 2**  
In game two for the varsity double-header, Cherokee was soundly beaten 16-2 as game one hero Mitch Case took the loss. Matt Husman was scheduled to start, but he pulled a hamstring in game one, forcing the change. Cherokee is 5-15 overall and 4-8 in the Conference.

**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)!**



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## SUNDAY MORNING

JULY 7, 2024

	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KTIV/NBC	News 4 Today (N)		Sunday Today With Willie Geist (N)		Meet the Press (N)		Play It (N)	Wild Child (N)	Sunnybrook Community Church		Paid Programming	Paid Programming
KTIV2/CW	Wild Child	Earth Odyssey	Tomorrow's World	In Touch With Dr. Charles Stanley (N)	Key of David		Catholic Mass	Perry Stone	Christian Worship Hour		Sunnybrook Community Church	
KCAU/ABC	Branson Country USA (N)		Good Morning America (N)		This Week (N)		Cleaning!	Ag PhD	This is the Life	Main Street Living	Destination France	Country Fix (N)
KTIV/PBS	Sit and Be Fit	Garden Smart	Lyla in the Loop	Wild Kratts	Daniel Tiger	Rosie's Rules	Sesame Street	Cyberchase	Wild Kratts	Iowa Life	Firing-Hoover (SP)	Weekend (SP)
KPTH/FOX	The Simpsons	Madison Brown	Designing Spaces	Big Deal	In Search	Diocese	Jack Hibbs	Sharyl Attkisson	FOX News Sunday (N)		Paid Programming	Movie
KPTH/CBS	Worship Hour	Midnight Cry	Tails of Valor	Recipe Rehab	CBS News Sunday Morning (N)			Face the Nation (N)		Real Green	H2O X5	Who Stole
A&E	Zombie House Flipping		Zombie Flip "Historically Challenged"		Zombie Flip "A Million Dollar Gamble"		Zombie Flip "The Partnership Project"		Zombie Flip "The Market Booster"		Zombie House Flipping "Oaks"	
AMC	★★★ "Ghostbusters" (84) Dan Aykroyd, Harold Ramis, Bill Murray.				★★★ "Zombieland" (09) Jesse Eisenberg, Emma Stone, Woody Harrelson.				★★★ "Constantine" (05) Rachel Weisz, Keanu Reeves.			
BIG10	Illinois Basketball Classic		Women's College Basketball Michigan at Ohio State				Classic Northwestern at Michigan State		Maryland 2003: Maryland at Florida		BTG Basketball in 60	
BRAVO	Below Deck "Demand & Supply"		Below Deck Mediterranean		Below Deck "Hasta Barista, Baby!"		Below Deck "Walking on Broken Glass"		Below Deck "Bizarre Love Triangle"		Below Deck "Panic at the Deck-o"	
BSN	Sportsman (N)	Week Trip (N)	MidWest (N)	A Fishing Story (N)	Larry	Due North	Hunt (N)	Rooster Tales	P1 Racing	P1 Racing	Offroad Odyssey	Nick's Wild Ride
CNN	CNN This Morning Weekend (N)		Inside Politics With Manu Raju (N)		State of Union (N)		America's		Inside Politics With Manu Raju		State of Union	
DISC	Air Jaws: Ultimate Breach Off		Air Jaws: Fin of Fury		Alien Sharks Greatest Hits		Island of the Walking Sharks		Crikey! It's Shark Week		Jaws Awakens	
ESPN	2024 Wimbledon Championships Round of 16 From the All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club in Wimbledon, England.						(N) Live					
ESPN2	SportsCenter (N) (Live)		SportsCenter (N)	Formula 1: Grand Prix Sunday (N) (Live)			(55) Formula 1 Racing British Grand Prix (N) (Live)				Don't Ever Give Up	
FS1	(4:30) MLB Baseball		2024 Copa America Quarterfinal: Teams TBA				2024 Copa America Quarterfinal: Teams TBA				Golf 2024 Armed Forces Cup	
FX	black-ish	★★★ "Iron Man" (08) Terrence Howard, Gwyneth Paltrow, Robert Downey Jr..					★★★ "Iron Man 2" (10) Gwyneth Paltrow, Don Cheadle, Robert Downey Jr..					
FXM	Movie	(40) ★★★ "Man in the Attic" (53) Jack Palance.		(05) ★★ "House of the Damned" (63)		(10) ★★★ "Devils of Darkness" (65) William Sylvester.	(10) ★★★ "The Other" (72) Diana Muldaur, Uta Hagen.					
FXN	FOX and Friends Sunday (N) (Live)		FOX and Friends Sunday (N) (Live)		FOX and Friends Sunday (N) (Live)		Maria Bartiromo (N) (Live)	MediaBuzz (N) (Live)			Fox News Live (N) (Live)	
HALL	(5:00) ★ "Christmas in Tahoe" (21)	★ "Snow Bride" (13) Jordan Belli, Susie		Abramowitz, Katrina Law.		★ "A Kiss Before Christmas" (21) James Denton, Marilu Henner, Teri Hatcher.	★ "Letters to Santa" (23) Katie Leclerc.					
HIST	The Men Who Built America "A New War Begins"				The Men Who Built America "Bloody Battles"				The Men Who Built America "Changing the Game"			
LIFE	Joseph Prince	Harvest With	Amazing Facts (N)	David Jeremiah	Joel Osteen	Paid Programming	★ "Have You Seen My Son?" (24) Catherine Lough Haggquist, Sarah Smyth.		★ "A Deadly Threat to My Family" (24)			
MSNBC	(5:00) Morning Joe: Weekend (N)		The Weekend (N)	David Jeremiah	The Weekend (N) (Live)		Velshi (N) (Live)		Velshi (N) (Live)		Inside With Jen Psaki (N) (Live)	
PARMT	Bar Rescue "Beach Rats"		Bar Rescue "Dalia's Inferno"		Bar Rescue "Rescue on the River"		Bar Rescue		Yellowstone "Keep the Wolves Close"		(1:10) Yellowstone	
RFD	Jackson Mini (N)	Jeffress (N)	Turning Point (N)	Hagee (N)	Youseff (N)	Shuttlesworth	Ray's Roadhouse	Porter	California	Reporter	Rancher	Equestrian Nation
SYFY	Paid Programming	Who Stole	Twilight Zone "No Time Like the Past"		The Twilight Zone	★★★ "Jaws 3" (83)	Bess Armstrong, Simon MacCorkindale, Dennis Quaid.		★★★ "Jaws the Revenge" (87) Lance Guest, Lorraine Gary.			
TBS	Modern Family	Modern Family	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	★★★ "Pineapple Express" (08) James Franco, Gary Cole, Seth Rogen.				Movie	
TCM	(5:00) ★★★ "The Swan" (56)		★★★ "Yolanda and the Thief" (45) Lucille	Bremer, Frank Morgan, Fred Astaire.		★★★ "Armored Car Robbery" (50) Charles McGraw.	★★★ "Caged" (50) Agnes Moorehead, Eleanor Parker.					
TNT	NCIS: New Orleans "Stolen Valor"		NCIS: New Orleans "Baitfish"		NCIS: New Orleans "The Abyss"		NCIS: New Orleans "The Walking Dead"		NCIS: N.O. "Careful What You Wish For"		★★★ "Hobbit: Battle of the Five Armies"	
TVL	Old Christine	Old Christine	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls
USA	Law & Order: SVU "Pixies"		Law & Order: SVU "Brotherhood"		Law & Order: SVU "Contagious"		Law & Order: SVU "Class"		Law & Order: SVU "Loophole"		Law & Order: SVU "Closet"	

## SUNDAY AFTERNOON

JULY 7, 2024

	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30
KTIV/NBC	Cars.TV	IndyCar Pre (N)	IndyCar Racing Honda Indy 200 at Mid-Ohio (N) (Live)				NASCAR Cup (N)	NASCAR Cup Series Grant Park 165 (N) (Live)				
TMZ	TMZ (N)		Chicago P.D. "43rd and Normal"				Chicago P.D. "Now I'm God"		Highway Thru Hell		WOW - Women Of Wrestling (N)	Family Guy
KCAU/ABC	2024 Wimbledon Championships Singles Fourth Round (N) (Live)								To Be Announced		World News (N)	KCAU9 News (N)
KTIV/PBS	Iowa Press	Market to Market	Roots of Comedy	Comedy (F)			Great Performances at the Met "La Forza del Destino" Verdi's tale of ill-fated love, vendetta and family strife.					Actors on Actors
KPTH/FOX	(11:30) ★★ "A Smile Like Yours" (97) Greg Kinnear.		★★★ "Push" (09) Dakota Fanning, Camilla Belle, Chris Evans.						★★★ "Paddington" (14) Sally Hawkins, Julie Walters, Hugh Bonneville.			
KPTH/CBS	BIG3 Basketball Week 4 (N) (Live)				PGA Tour Golf John Deere Classic, Final Round From TPC Deere Run in Silvis, Ill. (N) (Live)						CBS News (N)	Walk/Fit!
A&E	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars
AMC	(10:30) ★★★ "Constantine" (05)		★★★ "John Wick" (14) Michael Nyqvist, Alfie Allen, Keanu Reeves.				(15) ★★★ "John Wick: Chapter 2" (17) Common, Laurence Fishburne, Keanu Reeves.					
BIG10	Wisconsin Nebraska at Wisconsin		Iowa Basketball Classic		Iowa Basketball Classic		Volleyball 2021: Minnesota at Purdue		Penn State Volleyball Classic		Michigan 1995: Ohio State at Michigan	
BRAVO	Below Deck "Hannah, Hannah, Sandy?"		Below Deck "Mo' Euros, Mo' Problems"		Below Deck "Take This Job and Stew It"		Below Deck "We Used to Be Friends"		Below Deck "Stew Coup"		Below Deck "One Million Percent"	
BSN	The Card Life	Twins Live (N)	MLB Baseball Houston Astros at Minnesota	Twins From Target Field in Minneapolis. (N) (Live)			(N) Live		Postgame (N)	Offroad Odyssey	In the Spotlight	Focused
CNN	CNN Newsroom (N)		CNN Newsroom (N)		CNN Newsroom (N)		CNN Newsroom (N)		CNN Newsroom (N)		CNN Newsroom (N)	
DISC	Jaws Awakens: Phred vs. Slash		Legend of Deep Blue		Great White Battleground		Serial: Killer: Red Sea Attacks		Mako Mania: Battle for California		Monsters of the Bermuda Triangle	
ESPN	ESPN Films		APP Tour Pickleball Newport Beach Open (N) (Live)		WNBA (N)	WNBA Basketball	Dallas Wings at Las Vegas Aces (N) (Live)		All-Star (N)		Baseball Tonight (N) (Live)	
ESPN2	ESPN Films		APP Tour Pickleball Newport Beach Open (N) (Live)				UFC Top 10	PFL 2024 (N)	SC Featured The Speech		The Last Dance Episode 1	
FS1	Horse Racing America's Day at the Races (N) (Live)								2024 UEFA European Championship			
FX	★★★ "Iron Man 3" (13) Gwyneth Paltrow, Don Cheadle, Robert Downey Jr..						★★★ "Captain America: The Winter Soldier" (14) Scarlett Johansson, Samuel L. Jackson, Chris Evans.					
FXM	(10:40) ★ "Other" (25) ★★ "Phantom of the Paradise" (74) Paul Williams.		★★★ "Antlers" (21) Jesse Plemons, Jeremy T. Thomas, Keri Russell.				(55) ★★ "Death on the Nile" (22) Gal Gadot, Armie Hammer, Kenneth Branagh.					
FXN	Fox News Live (N) (Live)		FOX News Sunday		Maria Bartiromo		Fox News Live (N) (Live)		Saturday Night		Fox Report With Jon Scott (N) (Live)	
HALL	(11:00) ★ "Letters to Santa" (23)	★ "Take Me Back for Christmas" (23) Corey Sevier, Vanessa Lengies.		Built America "Breakfast That Pops"		Built America "The Kings of Burgers"	Built America "Let Them Bake Cake"		★ "Mystery on Mistletoe Lane" (23) Victor Webster, Fred Henderson, Erica Cerra.		★ "A Merry Scottish Christmas" (23)	
HIST	The Men Who Built America "When One Ends, Another Begins"				Built America "Breakfast That Pops"		Built America "The Kings of Burgers"		Built America "Let Them Bake Cake"		Built America "All American Marinara"	
LIFE	(11:00) ★ "A Deadly Threat to My Family" (24)	★ "Blood, Sweat and Cheer" (23) Monroe Cline, Tammin Sursok.		★ "Devil on Campus: The Larry Ray Story" (24) Tedra Rogers, Billy Zane.					★ "Amish Affair" (24)			
MSNBC	Alex Witt Reports (N) (Live)		Alex Witt Reports (N) (Live)		Alex Witt Reports (N) (Live)		Prime: Weekend (N) (Live)		PoliticsNation (N) (Live)		The Sunday Show (N) (Live)	
PARMT	(15) Yellowstone "No Such Thing as Fair"		Yellowst. "Grass on the Streets and Weeds on the Rooftops"				Yellowstone	(20) Yellowstone "The Sting of Wisdom"			(35) Yellowstone	
RFD	St. Paul Rodeo Performance 6 (N)				FFA Today		U.S. Farm Report		Gentle Giants	Jimmy	Mollie B Polka Party	
SYFY	Movie	★★★ "The Purge: Election Year" (16) Elizabeth Mitchell, Mykelti Williamson, Frank Grillo.					★★★ "The Shallows" (16) Oscar Jaenada, Brett Cullen, Blake Lively.				★★★ "Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory"	
TBS	(11:45) ★★ "Anger Management" (03) Jack Nicholson, Adam Sandler.		★★★ "The Other Guys" (10) Mark Wahlberg, Eva Mendes, Will Ferrell.				★★★ "My Cousin Vinny" (92) Marisa Tomei, Joe Pesci.				★★★ "Double Indemnity" (44)	
TCM	(1:15) ★★ "What Ever Happened to Baby Jane?" (62) Joan Crawford, Victor Buono, Bette Davis.	(45) ★★ "Psycho" (60) Janet Leigh, Vera Miles, Anthony Perkins.										
TNT	(11:00) ★★ "The Hobbit: The Battle of the Five Armies" (45) ★★★ "Star Wars: The Force Awakens" (15) Mark Hamill, Carrie Fisher, Harrison Ford.								(45) ★★ "Star Wars: The Last Jedi" (17) Mark Hamill.			
TVL	Mike & Molly	(35) Mike & Molly	(10) Mike & Molly	(45) Mike & Molly	(15) Mike & Molly	(50) Mike & Molly	"Mind Over Molly" (25) Mike & Molly		Mike & Molly	Mike & Molly	Mike & Molly	Mike & Molly
USA	Law & Order: SVU "Personal Fouls"		Law & Order: SVU "Spiraling Down"		Law & Order: SVU "Gridiron Soldier"		Law & Order: SVU "Spousal Privilege"		Law & Order: SVU "Intimidation Game"		Law & Order: SVU "Catfishing Teacher"	

## SUNDAY EVENING

JULY 7, 2024

	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KTIV/NBC	(3:30) NASCAR Grant Park 165 (N)		The Wall "Rachel and Chris"		American Ninja Warrior				News 4 at Ten (N)	InvestigateTV (N)	The Song	Opry
KTIV2/CW	I Am Evel Knievel				The Conners	The Conners	The Liquidator	The Hill Sunday With (N)		WOW - Women Of Wrestling (N)		Moviefone TV
KCAU/ABC	America's Funniest Home Videos		America's Funniest Home Videos		★★★ "Homeward Bound: The Incredible Journey" (93) Don Ameche.		KCAU9 News (N)	(35) SEAL Team				(35) The Rookie
KTIV/PBS	Celebrity Antiques Road Trip		Professor T "A Little Drop of Poison" (N)		Grantchester on Masterpiece (N)		D.J. Ray "A Test of Will" (N)		Astrid "Golem"		As Time Goes By	Keep-Appear
KPTH/FOX	MasterChef "Baby Boomers Auditions"		Beat Shazam "School's Out!"		Name That Tune "Eyes on the Prize"		Big Bang	Big Bang	Two Half Men	Two Half Men	Modern Family	Modern Family
KPTH/CBS	60 Minutes (N)		60 Minutes (N)		Tracker "Into the Wild"		The Equalizer "Legendary"		Sharyl Attkisson		The National Desk	The Armstrong
A&E	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	(05) Storage Wars	(35) Storage Wars	(05) Storage Wars	(35) Storage Wars
AMC	★★★ "John Wick: Chapter 3 - Parabellum" (19) Halle Berry, Ian McShane, Keanu Reeves.						Orphan "Pegasus Girl" (N)		Orphan Black: Echoes "Pegasus Girl"		(05) ★★★ "John Wick" (14)	
BIG10	Michigan Illinois at Michigan		Ohio State Football Classic		Ohio State Football Classic		Penn State Football Classic		Indiana 1993: Indiana at Purdue		Indiana 2000: Michigan State at Indiana	
BRAVO	Below Deck "Definitely Not Prague"		Below Deck Mediterranean		(15) Below Deck "Sneak, Sip, and Sink"		(15) Below Deck "Drifting Standards"		(15) Below Deck "Greeking Havoc"		(15) Below Deck Mediterranean	
BSN	Lights Out Xtreme Fighting LXF 14				UNEF UFA 378 - Shamrock FC 354		Swing Clinic	Made for the	Offroad Odyssey	Due North	The Card Life	Twins Live
CNN	CNN Newsroom (N)		CNN Special Program		CNN Special Program		CNN Special Program		CNN Special Program		CNN Special Program	
DISC	Jaws vs the Meg		Belly of the (N)		(05) Jaws vs. Leviathan (N)		(05) Makozilla (N)		(05) Sydney Harbor (N)		Belly of the	
ESPN	MLB Baseball Boston Red Sox at New York Yankees From Yankee Stadium in the Bronx, N.Y. (N) (Live)						SportsCenter (N) (Live)		SportsCenter (N)			
ESPN2	The Last Dance Episode 2		NBA Summer League Basketball Teams TBA (N) (Live)				NBA Summer League Basketball Teams TBA (N) (Live)				Formula 1 Racing British Grand Prix	
FS1	2024 UEFA European Championship				2024 Copa America				2024 Copa America			
FX	★★★ "Guardians of the Galaxy" (14) Zoe Saldana, Dave Bautista, Chris Pratt.		★★★ "Guardians of the Galaxy" (14) Zoe Saldana, Dave Bautista, Chris Pratt.		★★★ "Guardians of the Galaxy" (14) Zoe Saldana, Dave Bautista, Chris Pratt.		★★★ "Avengers: Age of Ultron" (15)					
FXM	Movie	(35) ★★ "Amsterdam" (22) Margot Robbie, John David Washington, Christian Bale.		(20) ★★ "Amsterdam" (22) Margot Robbie, John David Washington, Christian Bale.			(20) ★★ "Amsterdam" (22) Margot Robbie, John David Washington, Christian Bale.					
FXN	The Big Weekend Show (N) (Live)		Life, Liberty & Levin (N)		Sunday Night (N)		The Big Weekend Show		Life, Liberty & Levin		Sunday Night	
HALL	(5:00) ★ "A Merry Scottish Christmas"	★ "To All a Good Night" (23) Mark Ghanimé, Luisa D'Oliveira, Kimberly Sustad.		Built America "Planet Earth"		Built America "Lunchbox Legends" (N)	(05) Icons-America "Shock Jocks" (N)	(05) America "Soup of the Century"	(05) Built America "Lunchbox Legends"		(05) Built America "Lunchbox Legends"	(44)
HIST	Built America "Pasta Party"		Built America "Planet Earth"		Built America "Lunchbox Legends" (N)		(05) Icons-America "Shock Jocks" (N)	(05) America "Soup of the Century"	(05) Built America "Lunchbox Legends"		(05) Built America "Lunchbox Legends"	(44)
LIFE	(5:00) ★ "Amish Affair" (24)	★ "Couples Retreat Murder" (24) Rib Hillis, Natalie Daniels, Jessica Morris. (P)		Prime: Weekend		(05) "Daddy's Deadly Secret" (24) Steve Byers, Steve Belford, Sarah Allen. (P)			★ "Couples Retreat Murder" (24)			
MSNBC	Ayman (N) (Live)		Ayman (N) (Live)		Prime: Weekend		Inside With Jen Psaki		Ayman		The Sunday Show	
PARMT	(5:35) Yellowstone (50) Yellowstone "Horses in Heaven"		Yellowstone "Watch 'Em Ride Away"		Muldown-Rou. "On the Record"		FarmHer	This Week in AgriBusiness	Farm Monitor (N)	Gentle Giants	Pulling	
RFD	Cowboy Church	Marty Starout Show	Daniel O'Donnell "In Concert - Pt. 2"		Muldown-Rou. "On the Record"		FarmHer	This Week in AgriBusiness	Farm Monitor (N)	Gentle Giants	Pulling	
SYFY	(5:00) ★ "Willy Wonka & the Chocolate F..."	(15) ★★ "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" (05) Freddie Highmore, David Kelly, Johnny Depp.		(45) ★★ "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory" (71) Jack Albertson, Gene Wilder.				(45) ★★ "Captain America: Civil War" (16) Robert Downey Jr., Scarlett Johansson, Chris Evans.		★★★ "The Way We Were" (73) Robert Redford, Barbra Streisand.		Movie
TBS</												



WEDNESDAY EVENING

JULY 10, 2024

Table with 12 columns (6:00 to 11:30) and 20 rows of TV listings for Wednesday evening, including channels like KTVI/NBC, Dish Nation, and various news and entertainment programs.

THURSDAY EVENING

JULY 11, 2024

Table with 12 columns (6:00 to 11:30) and 20 rows of TV listings for Thursday evening, including channels like KTVI/NBC, Dish Nation, and various news and entertainment programs.

FRIDAY EVENING

JULY 12, 2024

Table with 12 columns (6:00 to 11:30) and 20 rows of TV listings for Friday evening, including channels like KTVI/NBC, Dish Nation, and various news and entertainment programs.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

JULY 13, 2024

Table with 12 columns (12:00 to 5:30) and 20 rows of TV listings for Saturday afternoon, including channels like KTVI/NBC, LIV Golf, and various sports and entertainment programs.

SATURDAY EVENING

JULY 13, 2024

Table with 12 columns (6:00 to 11:30) and 20 rows of TV listings for Saturday evening, including channels like KTVI/NBC, Chicago P.D., and various news and entertainment programs.

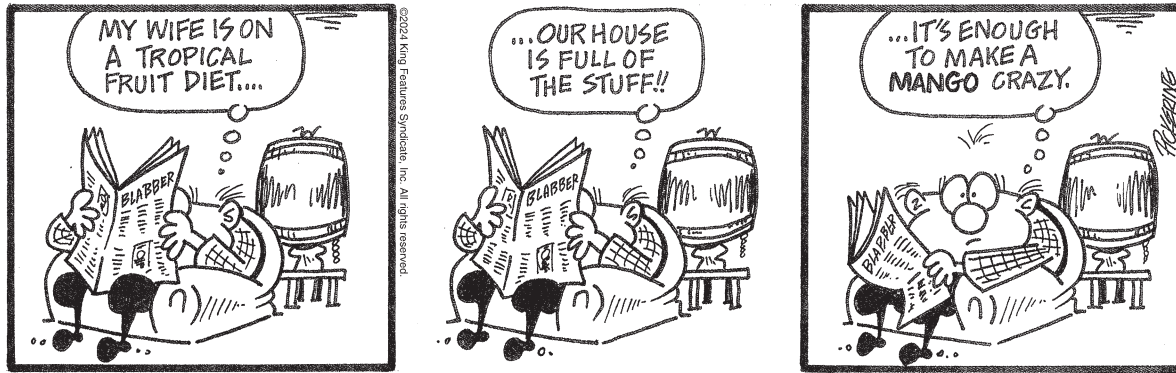


# The Lighter Side

## Amber Waves



## The Spats



## GRIN THE BEARD IT



## Just Like Cats & Dogs



## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ◆◆◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging  
◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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## MAGIC MAZE ● SPANISH

ENISIUCXUROLJGD  
 AXOVSPNTKIFDCAX  
 VSQIOLEAJHEOCAX  
 VTRPTLMN LJUMHF  
 DBYXEIOE VTRBPLO  
 MKIMGNSREROLPXE  
 ERODATSIUQNOCDC  
 AKIRPAPCUBIOZXI  
 WUCTRQOANQONLJR  
 IHEGAUGNALNSGFD  
 SCAADAMRAWLIVIC

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally. Unlisted clue hint: Fried and Folded Beaten Eggs

American Cuisine Inquisition Onion  
 Armada Doubleons Language Paprika  
 Civil War Elm Monarchs Rice  
 Conquistador Explorers Moss

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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: Z equals S

TQJP ZQHSSL RBMJRHP MJHZRZ  
 SJR RCSJRQJE HPF RHDG  
 PCPZRCV, B TCWDF ZHL  
 RQJL'EJ LHGGBPS BR WV.

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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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\* In October 1969, in a forest in the Palloneva region of Finland, farmer Heino Seppi split an aspen log and discovered its middle was rotten, forming a hollow that contained a dry fish around 1.3 feet long. No one knows how the fish got there.

\* Christopher Columbus' first transatlantic voyage traveled at a rate of around 2.8 miles per hour.

\* Several of Aristotle's writings have survived thanks to the men of a Roman army who invaded Asia Minor around 80 B.C., found a number of his manuscripts in a pit, and took the papers to their general, Sulla. It turned out that no other copies of many of them existed, and Sulla had them taken to Rome and recopied.

\* Queen Berengaria of England, the wife of Richard the Lionheart, was the only English queen who never actually set foot on English soil.

\* The Eiffel Tower in Paris, the City of Light's best-known monument, was saved from demolition in 1909 only because there was an antenna of great importance to French radio telegraphy mounted at the top of it.

\* Allergy sufferers will not be surprised (nor like) to hear that pollen is one of the few natural substances that does not deteriorate.

\* British Rail's engineering division applied for and received a patent for a flying saucer capable of carrying 22 passengers in 1972, but apparently lost faith in the feasibility of the project just four years later, and allowed the patent to lapse.

\* Although "Shoeless Joe" Jackson was barred from baseball's Hall of Fame for his alleged role in the 1919 Black Sox Scandal (he pleaded innocent), his spiked, black leather shoes can still be found there.

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**Thought for the Day:**  
 "Don't count the days, make the days count."  
 -- Muhammad Ali  
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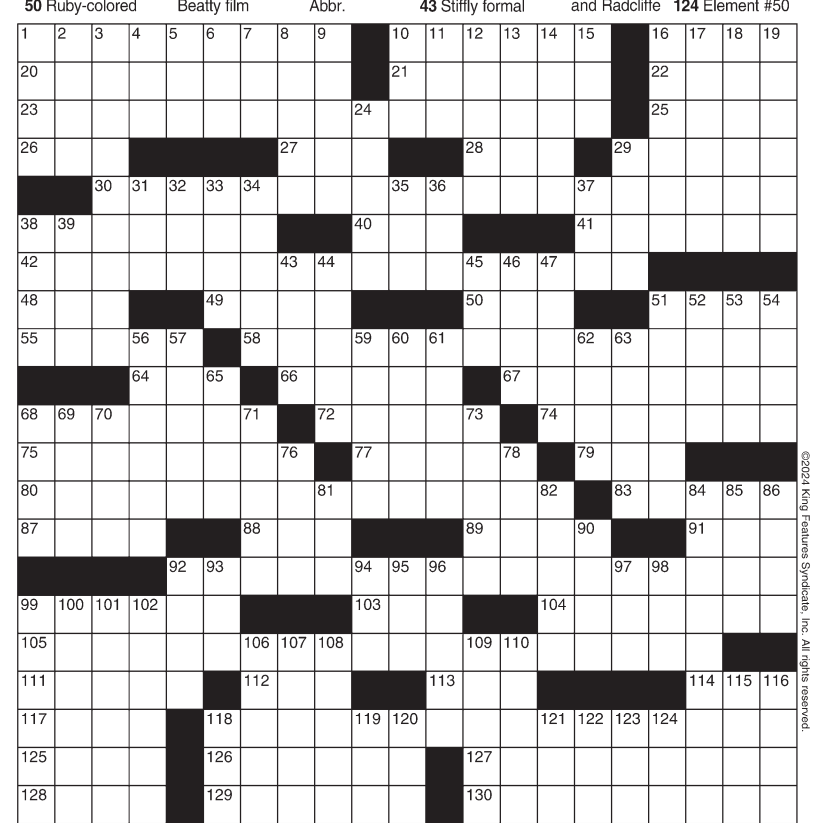
### FLASHBACK

POP ROCK & SOUL TRIVIA BY HARPER

**We're on Facebook!**  
**The Chronicle Times**

## Super Crossword

- ACROSS
- 1 Small order of greeds
  - 10 Weighing devices
  - 16 Hostility halter
  - 20 Preach from place to place, perhaps
  - 21 Arm bones
  - 22 Nights before
  - 23 People who yearn to take part in a lunar landing?
  - 25 "Tall" story
  - 26 Wd. division
  - 27 Scratch, e.g.
  - 28 Give help to
  - 29 Divvy up
  - 30 An award-winning new device?
  - 38 With little space in between
  - 40 Crosswalk user, in brief
  - 41 "Hear, hear!"
  - 42 "I refuse to repeatedly forgo this rule for you?"
  - 48 Scratch (out)
  - 49 Cartoon "Explorer"
  - 50 Ruby-colored
  - 51 Notes after sol
  - 55 Boxing weapons
  - 58 Wild, irrational talk of the highest quality?
  - 64 Be a suitor of
  - 66 Great delight
  - 67 New Delhi-based flag carrier
  - 68 Greek city near Athens
  - 72 Traffic tangle
  - 74 Symbolize
  - 75 Plan to pay later, as for bar drinks
  - 77 Go very fast
  - 79 Gaming cube
  - 80 Vacillate about building a hydroelectric structure?
  - 83 Spandex brand
  - 87 Polar vehicle
  - 88 Age
  - 89 Couples
  - 91 "Inferno" director Howard
  - 92 Venue for a large conference?
  - 99 1987 Hoffman-Beatty film
  - 103 Mex. matron
  - 104 Gofers' tasks
  - 105 Football passer who hasn't eaten all day?
  - 111 Swing's Shaw
  - 112 Liquid in un lac
  - 113 Wee bit (cellphone standard)
  - 114 4G—
  - 117 Wee bit
  - 118 Booking to stay at a humble hut?
  - 125 Sacked out
  - 126 Tot's bodysuit
  - 127 Entered surreptitiously
  - 128 That gal's male
  - 129 Letter-shaped metalworking grooves
  - 130 Alienates
  - 1 Unleashes (on)
  - 2 "That's my goal"
  - 3 Telephone sounds
  - 4 Stamped thing: Abbr.
  - 5 Look at
  - 6 Part of ETA: Abbr.
  - 7 "Leaving— Vegas"
  - 8 Wee particles
  - 9 Make lean, as meat
  - 10 "Quiet down!"
  - 11 Actor's nudge
  - 12 Jordan's capital
  - 13 Pope before Benedict III
  - 14 Eat away at
  - 15 Ungodliness
  - 16 Oinker kept at home
  - 17 "Elena of —" (Disney series)
  - 18 Pop diva Dion
  - 19 Fearsome fly
  - 24 Common motif
  - 29 Antlered male
  - 31 Pres. after FDR
  - 32 Comics cry
  - 33 Flan, as colors
  - 34 "Beauty is in the beholder"
  - 35 Not many
  - 36 Lupino of old Hollywood
  - 37 Writer Anaïs
  - 38 B-G linkup
  - 39 Trickster god
  - 43 Stiffly formal
  - 44 R&B singer Staples
  - 45 Writer Levin
  - 46 Aloe —
  - 47 Actor Elba
  - 51 Actress Laura
  - 52 Me, myself —
  - 53 9-to-5er's cry of relief
  - 54 "Oho, old chap!"
  - 56 Interwoven
  - 57 Sub tracker
  - 59 Painter Max
  - 60 Pathogenic bacterium, for short
  - 61 Factor of nine
  - 62 Rainless
  - 63 Night watch
  - 65 Filmmaker Preminger
  - 68 Dairy animals
  - 69 Iridescent gemstone
  - 70 Dream, in French
  - 71 "— got a deal for you!"
  - 73 Caused
  - 76 Swiss capital
  - 78 Sunup
  - 81 Maze-running rodent
  - 82 U-Haul renter
  - 84 Sounding like a potato chip bag
  - 85 Big crucifix
  - 86 Writers Rule and Radcliffe
  - 90 Belgrade native
  - 92 Cover with tar
  - 93 "... — quit!" (threat ender)
  - 94 Columbus sch.
  - 95 Monkly title
  - 96 — blanche
  - 97 Gun rights org.
  - 98 Tic-toe linkup
  - 99 Book before Jeremiah
  - 100 Disco flasher
  - 101 "Mad" man of Wonderland
  - 102 Basic chords
  - 106 Some garish lights
  - 107 Disco flasher
  - 108 Spanish for "cheese"
  - 109 French for "cup"
  - 110 Parades
  - 115 Carry along
  - 116 Baseball Hall of Famer
  - 118 Peppery
  - 119 Eng. course
  - 120 Apt., e.g.
  - 121 Road furrow
  - 122 Outmoded
  - 123 RCA product
  - 124 Element #50



## HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Leg is moved. 2. Wheel is different. 3. Fence is not as wide. 4. Sleeve is added. 5. Release lever is missing. 6. Hair 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!

Order

SIGNAL

Cherub

GLEAN

Brief

TREES

Fairy

PRIEST

"Didn't you inform her she had the right to remain \_\_\_\_\_?"

**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. Cast member	— L — — —	Religious request	— R — — —
2. Pursue	— A — — —	Opted	— O — — —
3. All those geese	— A — — —	Snicker	— I — — —
4. UK unit of weight	S — — — —	Make amends	A — — — —
5. Staff of life	— — — — D	Pause	— — — — K
6. Tote	— A — — —	Spicy Indian food	— U — — —
7. Food store section	— — — — R	Monday thru Friday	— — — — L
8. Gale Storm role	— — — — E	Page border	— — — — N
9. Horse seat	S — — — —	Ping pong racket	P — — — —
10. Round map	— — — — B	Catcher's gear	— — — — V

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**A quote from Library Director Tyler Hahn: "On Sunday I was advised that with flood predictions of a crest of 35-37', that the library could be impacted with water. By 4PM that afternoon after talking with archives volunteers, we made the decision to relocate all materials from our meeting room, the heritage room (our local history collection and yearbooks), the DVDs and puzzles, as well as the whole of Cherokee Area Archives to upper levels of the library. Within 30 minutes, we had 50+ volunteers respond immediately and work towards saving the materials. After posting that online, it has been seen by over 20,000 people with librarians and people reaching out from across the state, US, and even as far away as New Zealand for suggestions about how to go about reorganizing and reopening the facility. We're so grateful for the many community members who responded to our desperate call for assistance. This response is one of the many reasons small communities like Cherokee are great places to live and thrive."**



**Dozens up people of all ages turned up to volunteer to fill sandbags in Cherokee and many returned to help retrieve the bags after the waters had retreated.**



**Tristan Whaley and Leo Swick, Cherokee 11th graders cleaning out a basement that had been flooded.**

**LEGAL NOTICE**

**THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR CHEROKEE COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GLENN W. CAVE, Deceased CASE NO. ESPR017181 NOTICE OF PROOF OF WILL WITHOUT ADMINISTRATION**

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Glenn W. Cave, Deceased, who died on or about April 17, 2024:

You are hereby notified that on June 27, 2024, the Last Will and Testament of Glenn W. Cave, deceased, bearing date of July 19, 2011, was admitted to Probate in the above named Court and there will be no present administration of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the District Court of the 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 barred. Dated: June 28, 2024  
Duane K. Cave, Proponent Attorney for Estate: Dennis A. Brady, ICIS#: AT0001137 224 S. Washington Street P.O. Box 85, Remsen, Iowa 51050 (712) 786-1141 (phone) (712) 786-2450 (fax) kblaw@midlands.net Date of second publication: 12th day of July, 2024 (CT07-05-12/L#37)

*Many hands make heavy work lighter*



**LaKoda and Raelyn Rodgers and as they volunteer at clean up efforts.**



**Meriden Church @ Raspberry Beret - A portion of MEFC's youth group and other adult members (some not pictured) helped Paula Bainbridge clean out flood damage at Raspberry Beret Boutique & Consignment on Thursday.**

**LEGAL NOTICE**

**CHEROKEE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT REGULAR MEETING JUNE 17, 2024**

The Cherokee Community School District Board of Education held a regular meeting on Monday, June 17, 2024 at 5:30 P.M. The meeting was held in the CWHS Library, 600 W. Bluff St., Cherokee, IA.

The meeting was called to order at 5:33 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance and Mission Statement were recited.

Moved by Mullins, seconded by Freed to approve the agenda. All Ayes

Roll call of board members was taken. Present were Jared Barkley, Brian Freed, Ray E. Mullins II, Jodi Thomas, Jocelyn Riggert

All board members were present. Visitors were welcomed. Thomas referenced board policy 213, Public Participation in Board Meetings.

Moved by Riggert, seconded by Mullins to approve the consent agenda. All Ayes

- Minutes of the public hearing/regular meeting – [5/20/24]; special meeting – [6/3/24]
- Monthly Bills
- Financial Statements
- Resignations – Tim Feller – Bus Driver
- Retirements – Cindy Sizeland – Bus Driver; Harry Sizeland – Bus Driver
- Contract Extensions – Angela Carver – CWHS Wrestling Cheer Coach; Julie Paulsen – CMS/CWHS Nurse; Streeter Johnson – CMS Interventionist

Principal and Superintendent reports were given.

Moved by Mullins, seconded by Freed to affirm policies 804.6 - Use of District Owned Recording Devices on District Property; 804.6r1 - Use of District Owned Recording Devices on District Property

Regulations; 805 - Naming of School Property; 900 - Principles and Objectives for Community Relations; 901 - Public Examination of School District Records; 902.1 - News Media Relations; 902.2 - News Conferences and Interviews; 902.3 - News Releases; 902.4 - Live Broadcast or Videotaping; 903.1 - School - Community Groups. All Ayes

Justin Mohning and Bruce Dagele, Central Insure, gave insurance up-

dates regarding the district's property and liability insurance coverage. Moved by Riggert, seconded by Freed to approve insurance with EMC for FY25 with the additional umbrella coverage through Vantage Risk Specialty. All Ayes

Moved by Mullins, seconded by Barkley to affirm board policy 711.10 – School Bus Passenger Restraints. All Ayes

Moved by Freed, seconded by Riggert to approve the renewal of the contract with Donovan Group School Communication for the 2024-25 school year. All Ayes

Moved by Freed, seconded by Riggert to approve the renewal of Option 1 for the SU Equipment Breakdown Insurance. All Ayes

Moved by Freed, seconded by Mullins to approve the dairy bid from Prairie Farms and the bread bid from Pan-O- Gold for the 2024-25 school year. All Ayes

Moved by Mullins, seconded by Barkley to approve the fuel bid from Cherokee Country Store for the 2024-25 school year. All Ayes

Moved by Mullins, seconded by Riggert to approve donations for special classroom projects and supplies from the Cherokee Education Foundation. All Ayes

Moved by Mullins, seconded by Barkley to approve a resolution of acknowledgement for the Cherokee Education Foundation and Foundation Donors/Supporters for providing \$56,000 for special classroom projects, field trips and supplies. All Ayes

Moved by Barkley, seconded by Freed to approve the following legislative priorities for the 2024-2025 school year: Public School Innovation, Mental Health, School Safety, Supplemental State Aid and At-Risk. All Ayes

Moved by Mullins, seconded by Freed to accept Certified and Support Staff Employee Handbooks for the 2024-25 school year. All Ayes

Moved by Riggert, seconded by Freed to table action on the Activities Handbook until July. All Ayes

Building Principals reviewed changes to the CES, CMS and CWHS Handbooks for the 2024-25 school year. The handbooks will be on the July agenda for approval.

Ryherd updated the board on the progress of the 2024 board projects.

Ryherd will send out a self-assessment form to each board member to complete.

Moved by Freed, seconded by Barkley to enter into closed session at 7:26 P.M. to conduct the evaluation of the Superintendent as provided in section 21.5(1)(i) of the open meetings law. Roll call vote. Ayes: Freed, Riggert, Barkley, Mullins, Thomas

The board resumed in open session at 8:10 P.M.

Moved by Riggert, seconded by Mullins to adjourn the meeting at 8:11 P.M. All Ayes

Regular Meeting – July 15, 5:30 P.M.

President, Board of Education Cherokee Community School District Secretary, Board of Education Cherokee Community School District

**GENERAL FUND**

Advanced Network Professionals, 106.80, Tech Ahlers and Cooney, PC, 1,189.00, Legal

Amazon Capital Services, 1,467.46, Instr Materials

AndyMark, 219.30, Instr Materials

Ascendance Trucks Midwest, LLC, 286.00, Outside Labor

Barkley, Natalie, 83.79, Mileage

Basten, Dusty, 80.66, Gasoline

Blaine's Culligan, 486.20, Water

Blooming House, LTD, 64.00, Supplies

Bomgaars Supply, 1,131.68, Instr Materials

Book Vine, The, 293.26, Books

Brad's Tire Service, 98.84, Outside Labor

Builder's Sharpening and Service, 31.08, Parts

Champion Electric, 1,423.36, Outside Labor

Cherokee Chronicle Times, 195.63, Publication

Cherokee Comm School Food Service, 26.00, Refunds

City of Cherokee, 2,415.34, Water & Sewer

Cornwell, Frideres, Maher & Associates, P.L.C., 6, 100.00, Audit Services

Country Tire and Service Inc., 386.52, Outside Labor

Department of Education, 900.00, Bus Inspections

Department of Inspections, Appeals & Licensing, 160.00, Boiler Inspections

Diamond Vogel, 2,238.18, Maint Supplies

Donovan Group I, 500.00, Comm Services

Elan Financial Services, 847.54, Curriculum Supplies

Fareway Stores, Inc., 990.69, Instr Supplies

Field Fire, 1,062.50, Equipment Repair

Fifty-Nine Grind, LLC, 158.20, Teacher Appreciation

Flinn Scientific, 777.68, Microscopes

Graham Tire Storm Lake, 200.58, Tires

Haaack, Brenda, 141.79, Supplies

Hare, Lisa, 64.05, Play Supplies

HD Supply Formerly Home Depot Pro, 704.40, Maint Supplies

Hoskinson, Matt, 60.00, Gasoline

Hy-Vee Food Stores, Inc, 490.74, Climate/Culture

Hy-Vee Pharmacy, 8.77, Prescription

Iowa Department of Human Services, 11,522.19, Medicaid

Iowa High School Athletic Association, 25.00, Admin Card

Iowa Lakes Community College, 30.00, Bus Driver

Iowa Pupil Transportation Association, 350.00, Conference

ISFIS, Inc., 84.00, Background Checks

J.W. Pepper and Son, Inc., 191.98, Instr Materials

Jostens, Inc., 192.86, Graduation

LETSCHE, JULIA, 192.50, Temp Help

M & S HVAC Services, LLC, 230.00, Equipment Repair

Marcus Lumber, 1,363.32, Maintenance Supplies

MARTIN BROS. DISTRIBUTING CO., INC., 155.17, Food/Supplies

Marzano Resources LLC, 3,196.00, Conference

MidAmerican Energy Company, 10,318.19, Electricity

MidBell Music, Inc., 140.95, Instr Supplies

Modern Heating and Cooling, Inc., 486.08, Equipment Repair

Motor Parts Sales, 55.90, Repair Parts

Omaha's Henry Doory Zoo and Aquarium, 98.50, AP Bio class

Piper Sandler & Co., 1,000.00, School Bond Services

Plains Boiler Service, 386.66, Outside Labor

Plunkett's Pest Control, Inc, 175.00, Pest Extermination

Point C Health, 234.00, Admin Fee

Quandiant Finance USA, Inc., 500.00, Postage

Ryherd, Tom, 32.99, Supplies

Sanitary Services, Inc., 2, 307.40, Supplies

SARGE Collection

SCB, LLC, 271.50, Building Repair

School Specialty, LLC, 390.36, Laminating Film

Staples, 308.94, Printing & Binding

Stoneking, Tim, 389.00, Mileage

SUBWAY, 164.99, Teacher Appreciation

Timberline Billing Service LLC, 1,647.85, Medicaid Billing

Time Management Systems, 351.52, Attendance Software

Trivista-Iowa, 122.52, Outside Labor

Van Holland Lawn Service, Ltd., 1,770.85, Sprinkler

Verizon Wireless, 616.53, Cell service

VESTIS, 152.15, Mop Service

Wall of Fame, 105.00, Coach's shirts

Western Iowa Tech Comm College, 27,354.00, Instruction

Your FleetCard Program, 6,250.49, Fuel

Fund Total, 98, 554.43

SELF-INSURANCE FUND

Mid-American Benefits LLC, 1,850.00, Admin Fees

Fund Total, 1,850.00

Local Option Sales and Service Tax Fund

Engineering Design Associates, 22,280.00, HVAC Retrofit CWHS Gym

Pilot Rock Signs, 30,260.00, Sign for CWHS

Fund Total, 52, 540.00

PHYSICAL PLANT & EQUIPMENT

Access Systems Leasing, 1, 001.53, Copier Lease

Elevate Roofing, 1, 246.39, Building Improvement

M & S HVAC Services, LLC, 1, 045.00, Building Improvement

Fund Total, 3, 292.92

DEBT SERVICES FUND

UMB Bank, NA, 900.00, Agent Fee

Fund Total, 900.00

STUDENT ACTIVITY FUND

Blooming House, LTD, 50.00, Prom

Bomgaars Supply, 15.99, Supplies

Cash and Joyce Lundsgaard, 30.00, Meal Money-Golf

Creative Services, 917.40, Shirts

Crow, Richard, 130.00, Official

De Vos, James, 182.20, State Golf Team Meal

Details Custom Print Studio, LLC, 72.00, Softball Fundraiser

Dinn Bros. Inc., 378.00, Camp Awards

Eddie, Steve, Official

Elan Financial Services, 1,316.44, Efla

Evans, Lynn, 180.00, Official

Fareway Stores, Inc., 1,235.28, Concession Supplies

Fry, Mike, 130.00, Official

Galva-Holstein Schools, 300.00, Tirming equipment rental

HARRIMAN, WADE, 220.00, Official

Hartley-Melvin-Sanborn Schools, 90.00, Track Meet fee

Hewitt, Dan, 150.00, Official

Hy-Vee Food Stores, Inc, 122.94, Prom

Hy-Vee Pharmacy, 466.00, Senior night

Iowa Girls High School Athletic Union, 5.00, Postage

Jessica Brees Photography, 100.00, Graduation Photo

KINGSLEY-PIERSON CSD, 90.00, Tournament Fee

Koehlmoos, Eric, 150.00, Official

MARTIN BROS. DISTRIBUTING CO., INC., 334.86, Concessions

McCoy, Preston, 150.00, Official

Meyer, Daryl, 130.00, Official

Meyer, Teagan, 150.00, Official

Needs, Darwin, 150.00, Official

Pizza Hut, 685.25, CMS Student Council

Rogue Fitness, 595.71, Weightroom equipment

Schilling, Matt, 300.00, Official

Shea, Mark, 130.00, Official

Sotabeer, Nate, 300.00, Official

Thompson Propane & Supplies Inc., 32.71, Concessions

Trinity Christian High School, 100.00, Tournament fees

Van Gelder, Brett, 150.00, Official

Vietor, Grant, 150.00, Official

Walsworth, J, 896.07, Yearbook

Wessling, Doug, 130.00, Official

WHITEING, DEVLUN, 390.00, Official

Wiener, Arnie, 130.00, Official

Fund Total, 14, 349.21

SCHOOL NUTRITION FUND

Benson, Melanie, 150.35, Refund

Christensen, Tiffany, 52.50, Refund

Courtright, Heidi, 6.30, Refund

Dublnske, Steve & Brandi, 12.65, Refund

East Side Jersey Dairy ESJD, 2,142.68, Milk

Fuhrman, John & Valery, 51.05, Refund

Grauer, Jaryl, 41.30, Refund

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# SPORTS

## Wolverines lose three games

By Adam Dublinske

The South O'Brien baseball team dropped a trio of games this past week, first a 9-4 home loss to Sheldon on Thursday, a 5-3 road loss to Trinity Christian on Friday and a 13-6 home loss to West Sioux on Monday.

Against Sheldon, the Wolverines scored two runs in the first, but the Orabs responded with six runs in the second. South O'Brien scored one run in each the third and sixth, but Sheldon scored three runs in the sixth for the 9-4 final.

South O'Brien had four hits, three singles and a home run, with four RBIs. They were walked twice, hit by a pitch and struck out 10 times. Senior Mitchell Enger hit the home run and had two RBIs while senior Ben Woodall scored a run, hit a single and had an RBI. Sophomore Damian Villarreal scored twice and hit two singles while junior Ryan Fuller had an RBI.

Villarreal stole two bases in the game. Sophomore Alex Griebel pitched five innings and allowed seven hits, seven runs, six earned, walked six, hit one batter and struck out three. Sophomore Jaden Kreber threw for two innings and allowed two runs, walked

four and struck out one.

In the loss to Trinity Christian on Friday, the Wolverines scored a run in the first, but the Tigers put up one run in the second and four in the third to lead 5-1. South O'Brien scored a run in each the fourth and fifth, but fell 5-3.

South O'Brien had eight hits, seven singles and a double, with two RBIs. They were walked three times and struck out eight times. Enter hit a single and a double for two RBIs while Villarreal scored a run and hit two singles. Sophomore Brady Riedemann scored a run and hit a single, sophomore Gabe Moermond hit two singles and Woodall scored a run.

Villarreal and Fuller stole three bases each while Woodall and Moermond each took one. Senior Trevor Fiddelke pitched for five innings and allowed two hits, four runs, one earned, walked four and struck out five. Fuller threw for an inning and allowed one hit and struck out one.

On Monday against West Sioux, the Wolverines scored a run in the first, but West Sioux put up four in the second. South O'Brien scored a run in the third and West Sioux

scored seven in the fourth. In the sixth and seventh innings, the Falcons scored one run and the Wolverines put up two for the 13-6 final.

South O'Brien hit six singles and had four RBIs. They were walked eight times, hit by a pitch and struck out 12 times. Woodall scored three runs and hit a single while Villarreal scored a run, hit two singles and had an RBI. Fuller scored a run, hit a single and had an RBI, Kreber scored a run and hit a single and Moermond had two RBIs.

Moermond stole two bases in the game while Villarreal, Woodall and Fuller took one each. Woodall threw for three innings and allowed four hits, seven runs, two earned, hit four batters and struck out two. Fuller threw for three innings and allowed four hits, five runs, four earned, walked three, hit two and struck out five. Senior Willie Conley took the mound for an inning and allowed two hits, one run and struck out one.

South O'Brien is now 5-16 and was scheduled to face Gehlen Catholic on Wednesday. They will travel to take on 9-11 Harris-Lake Park to start the postseason on Saturday at 7 p.m.



Mitchell Enger catches the ball at first to force an out during the Wolverines game against West Sioux.

## Alta-Aurelia softball falls to Falcons, Hawks

By Adam Dublinske

The Alta-Aurelia softball team suffered a pair of losses this past week, a 9-3 road loss to OABCIG on Wednesday and 11-8 to Hartley-Melvin-Sanborn at home on Thursday.

Against OABCIG, the Falcons scored three runs in the first before the Warriors put up a run in the top of the third. OABCIG added six more in the bottom of the third and Alta-Aurelia scored one run in each the fourth and sixth for the 9-3 final.

Alta-Aurelia had seven hits, six singles and a double, with one RBI. They were walked seven times and struck out three times. Junior Nora Peterson hit a double and had an RBI while sophomore Kadence Langschwager scored a run and hit two singles. Freshman Elsie Peterson scored a run and hit a single,

junior Caitlyn Mattson scored a run, and eighth grader Quimby Kies, sophomore Peyton Kies and senior Addison Fritz each hit a single.

Langschwager, Elsie Peterson, Quimby Kies and sophomore Clare Gunkelman each stole a base in the game. Sophomore Hayden Berkland pitched the whole game and allowed five hits, nine runs, one earned, walked two, hit one batter and struck out five.

On Thursday against HMS, the Warriors scored a run in the first but the Hawks put up two in the second. Alta-Aurelia scored another run in the fourth and HMS added one in the fifth and fired off for seven in the top of the sixth. The Warriors scored six runs in the bottom of the sixth, but HMS added another run in the seventh for the 11-8 final.

The Warriors had eight hits, seven singles and a double,

with eight RBIs. They were walked six times, hit by four pitches and struck out nine times. Fritz had four RBIs while Langschwager scored two runs, hit a single and a double, and had an RBI. Nora Peterson scored a run and hit two singles, senior Jaci Degroot hit a single and had two RBIs and junior Savannah Johnson scored a run, hit a single and had an RBI.

Peyton Kies stole two bases in the game while Nora Peterson took one. Berkland pitched all seven innings and allowed 12 hits, 11 runs, seven earned, walked four, hit four batters and struck out six.

Alta-Aurelia is now 5-16 and was scheduled to face Lawton-Bronson on Wednesday. They will travel to take on 9-14 East Sac County on Monday for the first round of postseason play at 7 p.m.

## Raptors beat Raiders, Titans

By Adam Dublinske

The Ridge View baseball team won a pair of games this past week, first a 12-1 home win over East Sac County on Friday before a 6-1 road victory at South Central Calhoun on Monday.

On Thursday the Raiders scored a run in the first, but the Raptors followed with two runs in the second and five in each the third and fourth innings.

Ridge View had 11 hits, six singles, four doubles and a triple, with 12 RBIs. They were walked once and hit by two pitches. Junior Kyle Burk scored a run and hit two doubles for four RBIs while junior Noah Struck hit a triple for three RBIs. Eighth grader Aiden Myrtue scored three runs, hit two singles and had

an RBI, sophomore Blake Myrtue scored twice, hit two doubles and had an RBI and sophomore Owen Worthan scored two runs and had an RBI.

Sophomore Kinnick Jensen and Aiden Myrtue stole two bases each while junior Gavin Vohs, Worthan and sophomore Eli Franken each took one. Eighth grader Ryan Barry pitched the whole game and allowed two hits, one run and struck out seven.

In the win over South Central Calhoun, the Raptors scored a run in the first and the Titan tied it up with a run in the fourth. Ridge View added five more in the sixth inning to take the 6-1 victory.

Ridge View had eight hits, six singles and two doubles, with six RBIs. They were

walked five times and struck out nine times. Blake Myrtue scored a run, hit a double and had two RBIs while Barry hit two singles and had an RBI. Burk scored a run, hit a double and had an RBI, junior Conner Jacobson scored a run, hit a single and had an RBI and Struck and Aiden Myrtue each scored a run and hit a single.

Barry, Jacobson and Blake Myrtue each stole a base in the game. Jensen pitched all seven innings and allowed three hits, one run, hit one batter and struck out nine.

Ridge View is now 14-8 and was scheduled to face Akron-Westfield on Wednesday. They will host 6-17 MVA-OCOU on Saturday at 7 p.m. for the first round of the substate tournament.



Ben Woodall sprints to third during South O'Brien's home game against West Sioux on Monday. Photos by Adam Dublinske

## Warrior baseball wins four, drops one

By Adam Dublinske

The Alta-Aurelia baseball team went 4-1 this past week. First they took a 6-1 road win at OABCIG on Wednesday before a pair of varsity wins in a varsity double-header at West Monona on Thursday, 14-4 and 16-7. They lost a 9-5 home game to Spirit Lake on Friday but beat MMCRU 4-3 on the road on Monday.

Against OABCIG on Wednesday, the Warriors scored two runs in the first and third, but the Falcons put up a run in the bottom of the third. Alta-Aurelia added another two runs in the fourth for the 6-1 win.

Alta-Aurelia had six hits, five singles and a double, with three RBIs. They were walked three times, hit by a pitch and struck out seven times. Junior Gavin Sleezer scored two runs and hit a single and a double while sophomore Sam Sennert scored a run, hit three singles and had an RBI. Senior Cale Brechwald scored two runs and had an RBI while junior Peyton Meyer hit a single and had an RBI.

Brechwald, Sleezer, Meyer, sophomore Camden Reinert and freshman Jaxson Page each stole a base in the game. Sennert pitched all seven innings and allowed four hits, one run, walked four and struck out three.

In the first win over West Monona, Alta-Aurelia scored four runs in the first while the Spartans followed with one in the bottom of the first. Alta-Aurelia put up another three in the top of the third while West Monona scored a run in the bottom of the third and fourth. The Warriors added one run in the fifth and six in the sixth as West Monona found one more in the sixth for the 14-4 final.

Alta-Aurelia had 10 hits, eight singles and two doubles, with eight RBIs. They were walked five times, hit by two pitches and struck out nine times. Page scored three runs and hit three singles with two RBIs, Meyer scored three times, hit two singles and had two RBIs, sophomore Brayden Marshall hit a single and had two RBIs and freshman Maddux McCoy hit a

double for two RBIs. Sennert scored thrice and hit a double, Sleezer scored twice and hit a single and sophomore Gabe Olsen scored once and hit a single.

The Warriors stole a staggering 19 bases in the game, led by Sleezer with four while Sennert, Reinert, Meyer and Page had three each, Olsen had two and sophomore Payton Syndergaard stole one. Eighth grader Tilman Bern pitched just over three innings and allowed four hits, three runs, two earned, walked two, hit three batters and struck out one. Meyer pitched just over an inning and struck out one and Sleezer threw for an inning and allowed one hit, one run and struck out one.

In the second game against West Monona, Alta-Aurelia scored a run in the first while the Spartans put up four in the second. The Warriors added five runs in the fourth and both teams scored a run in the fifth. Alta-Aurelia put up five runs in the sixth and four in the seventh and West Monona found two in the bottom of the sixth for the 16-7 final.

Alta-Aurelia had 12 hits, nine singles and three doubles, for nine RBIs. They were walked seven times, hit by three pitches and struck out seven times. McCoy scored three runs and hit a single and a double with two RBIs while Brechwald scored thrice and hit two singles for a pair of RBIs. Reinert scored three runs, hit three singles and had an RBI, Page scored twice, hit a single and had an RBI, and Olsen scored three times, and hit a single and a double.

The Warriors stole nine bases as Reinert took three, Olsen and Brechwald stole two each and Sleezer and Page stole one each. Reinert pitched for five innings and allowed one hit, six runs, two earned, walked seven, hit two batters and struck out seven. McCoy threw for two innings and allowed one hit, hit one batter and struck out one, and Olsen scored some time on the mound where he allowed one run and walked two.

In the loss to Spirit Lake on Friday, the Warriors put up all five of their runs in the bottom of the first inning while the Indians scored four in the second inning. The Warriors held the one-run lead until the top of the seventh where Spirit Lake scored five more runs to take the 9-5 win.

Alta-Aurelia had seven hits, four singles and three doubles, with five RBIs. They were walked three times, hit by a pitch and struck out nine times. Meyer scored a run and hit a double with two RBIs while Brechwald scored a run and hit two singles. Reinert scored a run and hit a single with an RBI, Olsen hit a double with an RBI and Page had an RBI.

Sleezer had the team's only stolen base in the game. Marshall pitched six innings and allowed seven hits, four runs, walked four, hit one batter and struck out four. Meyer and Sleezer combined to pitch an inning where Sleezer hit one batter and struck one out, and Meyer allowed two hits, five runs, one earned, and walked three.

Against MMCRU on Monday, Alta-Aurelia scored a run in each the second and third innings before MMCRU took the lead with three runs in the bottom of the third. Alta-Aurelia put up a pair of runs in the sixth for the 4-3 win.

Alta-Aurelia had five hits, four singles and a home run, for three RBIs. Sleezer hit the home run and had an RBI while Olsen hit a single and had an RBI. Page scored a run and had an RBI, Reinert and Meyer each scored a run and hit a single and Sennert hit a single.

Reinert and Meyer each stole two bases while Sleezer, Sennert and Page each took one. Sennert pitched six innings and allowed five hits, three runs, walked one, hit one batter and struck out seven. Brechwald threw for an inning where he allowed one hit and struck out two.

Alta-Aurelia is now 19-7 and will host 2-14 Graettinger-Terril/Ruthven-Ayrshire on Saturday for the first round of the substate tournament.



# SPORTS

## Braves win two before loss to Blackhawks

By Adam Dublinske

The Cherokee baseball team took a pair of victories, 12-2 at Western Christian on Wednesday and 4-3 over Storm Lake at home on Thursday, but lost 5-3 at home to Hinton on Friday evening.

At Western Christian on Wednesday, both teams scored a run in the first inning before the Wolfpack added a second in the fourth to lead 2-1. The Braves responded with three runs in the fifth, and four in each the sixth and seventh innings to take the 12-2 victory.

Cherokee had six this, four singles and two doubles, with eight RBIs. They were walked five times, hit by two pitches and struck out six times. Junior Henry Lugar scored two runs and had three hits, a single and two doubles, with three RBIs. Senior Alex Kohn scored a run and hit a single with two RBIs while senior Logan Thorson scored twice and hit two singles. Junior Logan Stowater and sophomore Cameron Kohn each scored two runs and had an RBI while senior Kael Miller scored a run and had an RBI.

Lugar, Alex Kohn, Lovell and freshman Mallon Malausky each stole a base

in the game. Miller pitched all seven innings and allowed four hits, two runs, walked five and struck out five.

In the win over Storm Lake, the Tornadoes scored a run in the second and top of the fourth before the Braves put up three in the bottom of the fourth, helped with a two-run homer from senior Drew Spooner. Storm Lake tied the game up with another run in the top of the fifth, but the Braves added another run in the sixth for the 4-3 win.

Cherokee had six hits, two singles, three doubles and a home run, with four RBIs. They were walked once and struck out seven times. Spooner hit the home run and had two RBIs while Alex Kohn scored two runs, hit a single and a double, and had an RBI. Lugar scored a run and hit a double, Kruse hit a double and had an RBI and Thorson hit a single.

Lovell and Malausky each stole a base in the game. Kruse pitched most of the game as he allowed four hits, three runs, walked three, hit two batters and struck out eight in just over six innings. Alex Kohn came in to pitch late in the game and allowed one hit and struck out one.

Against Hinton on Friday, the Blackhawks scored three runs in the top of the first while the Braves found two in the bottom half of the inning. Hinton scored another run in the third while the Braves added one in the fifth, and Hinton scored a final run in the sixth for the 5-3 final.

Cherokee had four hits, three singles and a double. They were walked five times, hit by two pitches and struck out 12 times. Lugar hit a single and a triple while Miller scored a run and hit a single. Alex Kohn and Kruse scored a run each, and Stowater hit a single.

Alex Kohn stole three bases while Lugar, Stowater, Miller and Lovell took one each. Alex Kohn pitched five innings and allowed one hit, four runs, one earned, walked four and struck out six. Sophomore Noah Rapp threw for two innings and allowed one run, walked five and struck out one.

Cherokee is now 9-13 and was scheduled to finish out the regular season at Woodbury Central on Tuesday. They will host the first round of the postseason against 1-16 Western Christian on Saturday at 7 p.m.



Above, Carter Kruse pitches the ball during Cherokee's home game against Storm Lake on Thursday. Below, Henry Lugar launches the ball to the infield from shallow center. Photos by Adam Dublinske



Above, Drew Spooner rounds the bases after hit a two-run homerun during Cherokee's home win over Storm Lake. Below, Logan Thorson throws the ball to second base after catching a fly ball in right field.



Alex Kohn sprints to third base and heads home during Cherokee's game on Thursday.



# SPORTS

## Cherokee softball falls to Wolfpack, Tornadoes

By Adam Dublinske

The Cherokee softball team lost a pair of games this past week, first a 4-2 road loss to Western Christian on Wednesday and a 14-2 home loss to Storm Lake on Thursday.

Against Western Christian on Wednesday, the Wolfpack scored three runs in the third before the Braves put up one in the fourth. Western Christian added a run in the sixth and Cherokee pushed across a run in the seventh, but lost 4-2.

Cherokee had six hits, five singles and a double, with two RBIs, and struck out six times. Senior Parissa Barnes scored a run and hit two singles while sophomore Sophie Thorson hit a single and a double.

Freshman Sabrina Valentin scored a run, freshman Mahren Malausky and eighth grader Ava Kremer each had an RBI, and junior Addison James and eighth grader Taelyn Reuter each hit a single. Malausky pitched the whole game and allowed six hits, four runs, one earned, walked two and struck out two.

On Thursday against Storm Lake, the Tornadoes put up four runs in the second and fourth for an 8-0 lead, before Cherokee added two runs in the fourth off a two-run homer from James. Storm Lake scored a run in the sixth and five in the seventh for the 14-2 final.

The Braves had three hits, two singles and a home run, with two RBIs, and struck out

seven times. James hit the home run for two RBIs while Thorson scored a run. Barnes and junior Olivia Fox each hit a single.

Thorson had the team's lone stolen base in the game. Malausky pitched five innings and allowed 11 hits, 10 runs, four earned, walked three and struck out one. Reuter threw for two innings and allowed three hits, four runs, three earned, and walked five.

Cherokee is now 6-16 and was scheduled to face Woodbury Central on Tuesday and MVAOCOU on Wednesday. They will host 15-7 MOC-Floyd Valley on Monday at 7 p.m. before kicking off the postseason at 15-8 Southeast Valley on Thursday at 7 p.m.



Above, Olivia Fox tags a Storm Lake baserunner at home for an out during their game on Thursday. Below, Kaitlyn Miller catches the ball in left field for an out. Photos by Adam Dublinske



Above, Olivia Fox hits the ball during Cherokee's home game against Storm Lake on Thursday. Below, Taelyn Reuter pitches the ball.



Katlyn Miller grabs the ball for the out during Cherokee's game on Wednesday.



Above, Parissa Barnes dives to second base for an out during Cherokee's game against Western Christian last Wednesday. Below, Taelyn Reuter snags the ball for an out in right field. Photos by Reta Todd





# SPORTS

## South O'Brien softball falls to Tigers, beat Falcons

By Adam Dublinske

The South O'Brien softball team split a pair of games last week, first a 3-2 road loss to Trinity Christian on Friday before an 8-1 home win over West Sioux on Monday.

On Friday, the Tigers scored a run in the second before the Wolverines put up two in the third to lead. Trinity Christian put up two runs in the bottom of the seventh for the last second comeback 3-2 win.

South O'Brien hit two singles and had an RBI. They were walked once, hit by a pitch once and struck out five times. Sophomore Tawni Wulf scored a run and hit a single while junior Ashlynn Gunneron had an RBI. Senior Brooklyn Edwards hit a single and sophomore Lindsey Einck

scored a run.

Sophomores Kelsee Warnke and Avery Halverson each stole a base in the game. Edwards pitched the whole game and allowed six hits, three runs, walked one, hit one batter and struck out one.

In the win over West Sioux, South O'Brien scored two runs in the first, one in the second, two in the fifth and three in the sixth before the Falcons scored their one run in the seventh for the 8-1 final.

South O'Brien had nine hits, seven singles, a double and a home run with six RBIs. They were walked five times and hit by a pitch. Senior Jinger Nieuwenhuis hit the home run and had two RBIs while Edwards hit a single

and a double with three RBIs. Junior Abby Nelson scored a run, hit two singles and had an RBI. Wulf scored a run and had two singles, and Einck and sophomore Reese Farquhar each scored a run and hit a single.

Warnke, Halverson and senior Marissa Ebel each stole a base in the game. Edwards pitched all seven innings and allowed five hits, one run, walked four, hit one batter and struck out two.

South O'Brien is now 10-10 and was scheduled to face Gehlen Catholic on Wednesday. They will host 18-8 Woodbury Central on Friday at 7 p.m. before they start the postseason at home against 4-15 Harris-Lake Park on Monday at 7 p.m.



Above, Abby Nelson fields the ball during South O'Brien's home game against West Sioux on Monday. Below, Reese Farquhar throws the ball to first for an out. Photos by Adam Dublinske



Jinger Nieuwenhuis hits the ball during South O'Brien's game on Monday.

## Royals beat wolves, fall to Orabs

By Adam Dublinske

The MMCRU softball team split a pair of games last week, first a 5-3 win at Harris-Lake Park on Wednesday before a 14-2 home loss to Sheldon on Thursday.

In the Wednesday win, MMCRU scored a run in the first and four in the third to lead 5-0. HLP put up a run in the fifth and two in the sixth, but the Royals held on for the 5-3 victory.

MMCRU hit eight singles and had an RBI. They were walked twice, hit by a pitch and struck out four times. Senior Kaleigh Gravenish hit two singles and had an RBI while junior Breanna Staab scored two runs and hit a single. Freshman Tia Tentinger scored a run and hit two singles, and freshman Chloe Alesch, and juniors Cassie

Weiler and Isabelle Richardson each hit a single.

Staab Weiler and freshman Brielle Lux each stole a base in the game. Gravenish pitched just over five innings and allowed one hit, three unearned runs, walked six, hit three batters and struck out nine. Richardson threw for just over an inning where she didn't allow any hits, runs or walks.

In the loss the Sheldon on Thursday, the Orabs fired off for nine runs in the first inning before the Royals scored one run in the second. Sheldon put up five in the third as the Royals found one more in the bottom of the third, but lost 14-2.

MMCRU had three hits, two singles and a home run, with one RBI. They were

walked once, hit by a pitch and struck out three times. Tentinger hit the home run while senior Mykin You hit a single for the RBI. Staab scored a run and Gravenish hit a single.

Staab and Gravenish each stole a base in the game. Gravenish pitched just over an inning and allowed five runs, one earned, walked three, hit one batter and struck out two. Richardson pitched an inning and allowed eight hits, nine runs, seven earned and walked two while Alesch threw for a bit and walked one and struck out one.

MMCRU is now 9-13 and will next host 4-15 Central Lyon on Wednesday at 7 p.m. for the first round of the regional tournament.

## Royal baseball drops two to end regular season

By Adam Dublinske

The MMCRU baseball team lost a pair of close games this past week, first 3-2 at Harris-Lake Park on Wednesday before a 4-3 home loss to Alta-Aurelia on Monday.

Against HLP on Wednesday, The Royals scored a run in the first before the Wolves tied it up with a run in the fourth. MMCRU took the lead back with another run in the top of the fifth, but HLP scored two in the bottom of the fifth for the 3-2 final.

MMCRU hit eight singles for two RBIs, were walked twice and struck out three times. Juniors Mason Grage and Lucas Braun each hit a single for an RBI while senior Mitchell Schnepf scored a run and hit two singles. Sophomore Gage Johnson scored a run and hit a single, and sophomores Parker Glassmaker

and Michael Schmillen, and junior Michael Peterson each hit a single.

Johnson, Braun, Schmillen, junior Xander Tentinger, freshman Luke Kintigh and sophomore Brandon Dreckman each stole a base. Peterson pitched just over five innings and allowed four hits, three runs, one earned, walked two, hit two batters and struck out three. Tentinger threw just over two innings and hit one batter and struck out one.

On Monday against the Warriors, Alta-Aurelia scored a run in each the second and third innings before the Royals put up all three of their runs in the bottom of the third to take the lead. The Warriors added two runs in the sixth to take the 4-3 win.

MMCRU had six hits, five

singles and a double, with two RBIs. They were walked once, hit by a pitch and struck out nine times. Braun scored a run, hit two singles and had an RBI and Glassmaker scored a run, hit a double and had an RBI. Johnson scored a run and hit two singles and sophomore Eli Schlenger hit a single.

Johnson stole two bases in the game. Senior Cody Evans pitched for four innings and allowed two hits, two runs, walked two and struck out six. Sophomore Cayben Olson threw three innings and allowed two hits, two runs, walked two and struck out five.

MMCRU is now 12-8 and will start the postseason at home against 3-17 Hartley-Melvin-Sanborn on Saturday at 7 p.m.

## Raptor softball wins four, loses to Panthers

By Adam Dublinske

The Ridge View softball team went 4-1 this past week. They beat Graettinger-Terrill/Ruthven-Ayrshire 11-1 at home on Wednesday, but lost 7-6 to Kingsley-Pierson at home on Thursday. On Friday they hosted Emmetsburg and won 5-2, they traveled to face Lawton-Bronson on Saturday and won 16-7 and they beat South Central Calhoun 17-1 on the road on Monday.

On Wednesday, the Raptors scored a run in the first before the Titans tied it up with a run in the top of the third. Ridge View fired off to score two runs in the bottom of the third, and four in each the fourth and fifth innings for the 11-1 win.

Ridge View had 14 hits, 11 singles and three home runs, with 10 RBIs, and were walked once. Senior Tatum Shepherd scored three runs and hit a single and two home runs for seven RBIs while junior Emma Mentzer scored twice and hit a single and home run for two RBIs. Senior Faith

Freese scored four runs and hit three singles, sophomore Reese Hawthorne scored twice and hit a single and senior Delainey Hansen hit two singles. Sophomore Zoey Aschinger pitched the whole game and allowed three hits, one run, walked two, hit one batter and struck out five.

"The coaches were very happy with how well we bounced back from last night's loss," said Ridge View head softball coach Scott Phelps. "If we continue to pitch well, hit the ball well and play good defense we have a chance to win many games down the road."

In the loss to K-P on Thursday, Ridge View had 10 hits, eight singles and two doubles, with six RBIs. They were walked twice, hit by a pitch and struck out six times. Mentzer hit a double and had two RBIs while senior Morgan Wright scored a run, hit a double and had an RBI. Sophomore Leslie Avina scored a run, hit three singles and had an RBI, freshman

Savannah Cudaback scored once and hit two singles and Hawthorne scored a run, hit a single and had an RBI.

Shepherd and Hawthorne each stole a base in the game. Shepherd pitched all seven innings and allowed seven hits, seven runs, one earned, walked nine and struck out 10.

Against Emmetsburg on Friday, the Raptors scored one run in the second and two in each the third and fifth innings. The E-Hawks scored a pair of runs in the seventh as Ridge View won the game 5-2.

Ridge View had six hits, five singles and a home run, with three RBIs. They were walked three times and struck out thrice. Avina hit the home run and had an RBI while Shepherd hit three singles and had two RBIs. Hawthorne scored two runs and hit a single, Mentzer scored twice and Hansen hit a single.

Hawthorne stole two bases while Mentzer took one. Aschinger pitched the whole

game and allowed five hits, two runs, one earned, hit one batter and struck out eight.

"The coaches were happy with the effort and we got solid pitching again from Zoey and the defense was strong which we need," said Phelps.

In the win over Lawton-Bronson on Saturday, Ridge View had 12 hits, nine singles and three doubles, with five RBIs. They were walked 14 times, hit by a pitch and struck out three times. Hansen scored a run, hit two singles and had two RBIs, Shepherd scored two runs, hit two doubles and had an RBI and Wright scored three runs, hit a single and had an RBI. Aschinger scored two runs and hit three singles, Avina scored twice and hit a single and Eighth grader Cora Tesch scored a run, hit a single and had an RBI.

Avina stole three bases, Tesch took two and Mentzer and Wright stole one each. Shepherd pitched just over three innings and allowed

six hits, seven runs, walked one and struck out seven. Aschinger threw for just over three innings and walked two and struck out three.

"The coaches were happy with the win but disappointed in how we played, especially our defense needs to improve but we liked how we hit and scored with two outs," added Phelps.

Against South Central Calhoun on Monday, the Titans scored their one run in the bottom of the first inning, but the Raptors scored two in each the first and second, seven in the third and six in the fifth for the 17-1 win.

Ridge View had five hits, four singles and a home run, with six RBIs. They were walked nine times, hit by three pitches and struck out three times. Hawthorne scored two runs and hit the home run for four RBIs. Cudaback scored three runs, hit a single and had an RBI, Wright hit an RBI and freshman Madelynn Horan scored twice and hit a single.

The Raptors went 13-for-13 on stolen bases led by Freese with three, Aschinger, Avina and Tesch had two each, and Hawthorne, Shepherd, Horan and Cudaback with one each. Shepherd pitched for four innings and allowed one hit, one run, hit one batter and struck out seven. Aschinger threw for an inning and struck out all three.

"The coaches were happy with the effort again," Phelps said. "Our pitching was very good again as we only gave up one hit all night. We are seeing improvement in our batting approach and our defense so if we can continue that good things will happen."

Ridge View is now 16-11 and were scheduled to face Akron-Westfield on Wednesday. They will travel to take on 9-14 East Sac County on Friday at 7 p.m. and 19-2 West Lyon on Monday at 6:30 p.m. before starting the postseason at 14-13 North Union on Wednesday at 7 p.m.