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Shown above, Speaker Matt Rush addresses a packed room during his speech. Top right: Senator Annette Sweeney poses for a photo with Grundy County Farm Bureau President Jon Freese. Bottom right: Secretary of Ag Mike Naig visits with a guest during the Celebration of Ag event last Thursday night. (Michaela Kendall/The Grundy Register photos)

Suspect charged with attempted burglary of Reinbeck bar

By ROBERT MAHARRY
The Grundy Register
REINBECK - A 28-year-old Reinbeck man has been arrested and charged with attempting to rob the 405 Lounge last Monday.

According to court records, Austin Ditty, who had worked at the establishment, admitted to county law enforcement officials that he used a pre-paid Visa card twice to gain entry into the locked bar and steal food and liquor. Surveillance video identified him as a suspect, and 405 owner Jack Brandt, who stayed at the bar after it closed on the second occasion, apprehended Ditty.

Ditty is facing a Second Degree Attempted Burglary charge, a Class D felony, and he was released to pretrial services on March 13. An initial appearance has been postponed from March 18 to March 25, and a trial date has not yet been set.

Brandt told *The Grundy Register* that he didn't have much to add to the details included in the police report.

A Celebration of Ag

Locals, state leaders come together to celebrate National Ag Day

By MICHAELA KENDALL
The Grundy Register
GRUNDY CENTER - In honor of National Ag Day, over 300 members of the community came together to celebrate agriculture at an event hosted by the Grundy County Farm Bureau and Grundy Center Chamber-Main Street last Thursday night.

The evening included a trade show/networking hour, a catered meal using local ingredients, a keynote speaker and live music. Grundy County Farm Bureau Treasurer Sarah Rickelman says the celebration - which is held each year - is a way to celebrate the ag industry, and all of the people involved in it. "[Ag day] is a great time to come together and celebrate the richness and bounty that is Grundy County agriculture,"

Rickelman said. "It doesn't matter what business you're in, everything relates back to ag, and that means we're all in this together." A number of special guests were in attendance for the celebration on Thursday night, including: Iowa Secretary of Ag Mike Naig, State Representative Pat Grassley and State Senator Annette Sweeney. Addressing a packed room,

Secretary Naig took a moment to speak to those in attendance before the meal was served. "It's great to have everyone here together celebrating this day; it's a true testament to the fact that ag affects everyone and can truly bring a community together," he said. "I always tell everyone, I wish we could celebrate ag every day." Naig said that there are plenty of places in the world that

pride themselves on agriculture, but none of them are special like Iowa is. "There's plenty of places with good soil, and weather that cooperates most of the time," he said. "But, there's no place like Iowa, and what makes us special and what makes us unique isn't the soil or the weather - it's the people. Everyday, I get to meet

Supervisors open rock bids, discuss road priorities

By ROBERT MAHARRY
The Grundy Register
GRUNDY CENTER- The Grundy County Board of Supervisors opened three bids for rock resurfacing and considered scheduling for road projects during Monday morning's regular meeting.

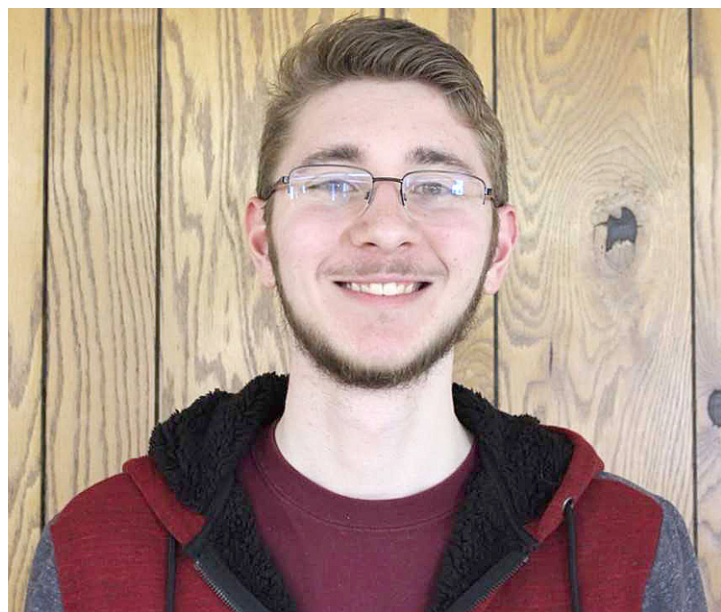
Bruening Rock Products of Decorah submitted the low bid at \$12,2499 per ton for a total cost of \$94,936.73, and PCI of Reinbeck bid \$13.85 per ton for a total cost of \$107,326.88. Paul Niemann Construction of Sumner submitted the high bid at \$14.67 per ton and a total cost of \$113,692.50. The initial estimate pegged the cost of the project at around \$116,000, and the board tabled action to allow County Engineer Gary Mauer to review the bids.

Supervisor Jim Ross presented a datasheet that included the annual budget for rock material as a percentage of the entire road department over the last 37 years, noting that the figure has trended downward from a high point of 29 percent in fiscal year 1985. In FY2018, rock made up just 17 percent of the budget, and Ross used the information to argue that the Grundy Road paving project along the eastern border of the county should be delayed to purchase more rock.

"We really need to take care of what we've got," he said. "I'm not saying about (the project), but delay it at the very least."

Ross, who represents the southwest corner of the county, and Barb Smith, who represents Grundy Center, have been fierce critics of the proposal, which Ross calls "a road to nowhere." Board Chairman Mark Schildroth of Reinbeck and fellow Supervisor Chuck Bakker of Dike, however, have supported paving a five-mile stretch (which is currently gravel) from county road D-35 north to Highway 20, and the approximately \$8 million cost will be split evenly with Black Hawk County.

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Grundy Center High School senior Zach Delfs is joining the Register staff as an intern for the spring semester through the Cedar Valley West program. He plans to study education and digital media at UNI in the fall. (Michaela Kendall/The Grundy Register photo)

Delfs joins Register staff as spring intern

By ROBERT MAHARRY
The Grundy Register
GRUNDY CENTER- Aspiring writer and Grundy Center High School senior Zachary Delfs is joining the staff of *The Grundy Register* as a spring intern to learn more about reporting and hone his skills before he heads off to UNI in the fall. Delfs was born in Georgia but moved back to Wellsburg shortly thereafter and has lived in Grundy Center since 2012, attending Grundy Center schools from kindergarten on. When he isn't busy with school, he works at Brothers Market and creates films with the Barking Vans collective that was profiled in *The*

Grundy Register in December. In addition, he hosts a YouTube interview series called "Zach Attacks" and has a passion for video games, which led him to a blogging contract with PC Gamer magazine that starts in October. Delfs has always found himself drawn to writing. "I hate reading, but I love to write. Pretty much my entire life, I've just been writing random stories or little fictional pieces," he said. At the Register, Delfs plans to focus on issues affecting high school students, shifts in education toward a more tech-centric

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Road conditions improving in Grundy County after heavy rain and melt

By MICHAELA KENDALL
The Grundy Register
GRUNDY COUNTY - The recent mix of warmer temperatures, melting snow and new rainfall wreaked havoc around the state last week, leading to flooded fields and a number of roadway closures throughout Grundy County. The good news, though, is that conditions are improving. "Road conditions are improving daily, and we're hoping to have the majority of the roads opened up by the end of the week," said Grundy County Engineer Gary Mauer. Last week, the Grundy County Secondary Road Department was forced to close six roads, which include: P Ave between 120th and 130th St; 150th St between C and D Ave; 140th St between D and F Ave; 270th St between S and U Ave; 300th St between Hawk and J Ave; and R Ave between 190th and 200th St.

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Many gravel roads around the county had ruts over eight inches deep as a result of last week's rain and melt. Shown above is Concord Ave. between Wellsburg and Steamboat Rock in the western part of the county. Shown below is the western edge of Reinbeck, where water flooded around the welcome sign late last week. (Photos by Lisa Bakker and Michaela Kendall/The Grundy Register)



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The Grundy County Farm Bureau donated profits of their cookbook sales to Grundy County Operation Threshold. Shown above is GC Farm Bureau Treasurer Sarah Rickelman (right), GC Operation Threshold Coordinator Jodi Rowe (middle) and GC Operation Threshold Office Assistant Gerald Anderson (left). (Michaela Kendall/The Grundy Register photo)

Ag Day

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people who inspire me, and it's a tremendous honor to work on behalf of you and to celebrate with you here tonight." After the meal, guests were treated to a keynote speaker, Matt Rush, who is a 4th generation farmer and cattle rancher

in New Mexico. Rush gave an inspiring message on how farmers and ag professionals need to be viable, valuable and visible in the community. In addition, the Grundy County Farm Bureau made a donation of \$267 to Operation Threshold of Grundy County,

which will help the organization replenish their local food bank. The funds donated were raised from sales of the Grundy County Farm Bureau Cookbook, which was compiled for last year's Grundy County Farm Bureau Centennial Celebration.

Roads

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With the closures, the county warned the public to minimize travel on gravel roads, particu-

larly with large vehicles. Many roads were flooded out, and as the water started to recede, deep mud and ruts up to eight inches

deep made travel on these roads less than favorable. Mauer says the warning against traveling on gravel has diminished as conditions improve.

After getting to work late last week, Mauer says his crew will be working throughout this week to add rocks and blade the roads back into shape, so they can get them opened up as soon as possible. "This was definitely worse, and a lot earlier in the season, than we've seen in the past," Mauer said. "But, we haven't had any major issues or any bridges out, so we're pretty lucky there."

Zinkula receives 2019 Iowa Bankers Association Student Athlete Achievement Award

JOHNSTON — Reegan Zinkula, a senior at Grundy Center High School in Grundy Center, was recently honored as the 2019 recipient of the Iowa Bankers Association's Student Athlete Achievement Award during the Iowa Girls High School State Basketball Tournament March 1-2 in Des Moines. The award recognizes a graduating senior student athlete who not only excels in athletics but also in the classroom and the community.

Zinkula was selected for the award based on her scholastic standing, leadership skills, community involvement and athletic participation.

John Schuller, Market Manager at Green Belt Bank & Trust in Grundy Center, presented Zinkula with a \$1,000 scholarship to the college of her choice. "I'm pleased to have the opportunity to present Reegan with this award, recognizing her outstanding achievements," Schuller said.

For more than two decades, the IBA has sponsored the Student Athlete Achievement Award program in partnership with the Iowa Girls High School Athletic Union and Iowa High School Athletic Association. The program includes awards to student athletes in basket-



Presenting banker John Schuller, Green Belt Bank & Trust in Grundy Center and Reegan Zinkula of Grundy Center High School, the 2019 Iowa Bankers Association Student Athlete Achievement Award winner for Class 2A.

ball, wrestling and football. The IBA has awarded more than \$250,000 in scholarships since the program began.

GC Council, DOT to hold public meeting on three-lane conversion

By MICHAELA KENDALL
The Grundy Register

GRUNDY CENTER - In an effort to get public input on the DOT-suggested three-lane conversion in Grundy Center, the city council and DOT have scheduled an informational public meeting to be held next month.

Community members are invited to come to City Hall on Monday, April 15 at 5 p.m., where the city council will be joined by representatives from the DOT and INRCOG, who will give a presentation on the details of the suggested conversion, and hold a Q&A session where community members can voice their thoughts on the project.

The conversation on the possibility of a three-lane conversion was sparked earlier this year, when the city received the results of a TEAP (Traffic Engineering Assistance Program) Study the DOT completed late last year. The study results not-

ed that speed was a concern on G Ave., and suggested that a three lane conversion would slow down traffic and improve safety of drivers and pedestrians.

During their Monday night meeting, the Grundy Center City Council listened to a presentation by Codie Leseman - a transportation planner with INRCOG.

In his presentation, Leseman discussed the pros and cons of a three-lane conversion in Grundy Center.

"The main benefit of [a three-lane conversion] is safety," Leseman said. "Data shows that three-lane roads have lower crash rates, especially rear end and sideswipe crashes, than four-lane roads. If you road is narrower and tighter, people tend to go slower, and it reduces risky behavior like racing, or unexpected turns."

Leseman added that a three-lane road is also safer for pedestrians and shoppers.

"With a three lane, it's safer for pedestrians because they have fewer lanes to cross, and traffic is traveling at a lower speed," he said. "It could also improve your downtown shopping area because it will give people parking there more space and a buffer zone from the traffic."

Drawbacks, Leseman said, would be getting stuck behind a slow vehicle and not being able to pass it.

As far as how the conversion might affect emergency responders, Leseman says that ideally, emergency vehicles would be able to travel past other vehicles by using the middle turning lane to go around them.

Leseman added that the DOT will be able to answer more questions and specific questions about a three-lane conversion during the meeting next month.

So far, the council agreed that they are undecided as to whether or not they are in support of the conversion.

"I think a lot of it will depend on public input," said Mayor Al Kiewiet. "We need to get some feedback from what people think about this."

Council member Dave Steff said that he has had a number of community members tell him that they are not in support of the conversion, and that he believes it is very important to have the public meeting, and give citizens a place to voice their opinions.

The public informational meeting will be held on Monday, April 15 at 5 p.m. at City Hall. Members of the community are invited to attend and voice their input.

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GC-DNH Ac Dec team claims second place

The Grundy Center-Dike New Hartford Academic Decathlon team claimed second place in the 2019 Iowa Academic Decathlon competition in Adel on Saturday, March 2. The second place finish has earned them the honor of representing Iowa small schools in the National Online Competition in April.

As the Grateful Dead have sung, "What a long strange trip it's been." It all started back in July. The Christie family organized a float based on the theme, the 1960s. Much tie-dye was in evidence. From there we moved on to the annual potluck which was graced by spiffy custom cookies from alumna Stephanie Riley and a performance of sixties classics by Janey and the Growlerz. More music and science were featured at an Academic Decathlon Study day hosted by Dr. Jessica Moon and the University of Northern Iowa Honors Program. Everything was looking good. And then we hit the holiday break.

The first two weeks of January were fine. Then Mother Nature got surly. School was cancelled on the day that Grundy Center was to host the regional competition. And the next day. And the next. It was a string of

eight consecutive snow days. Assistant coach Renee Gingery oversaw the Herculean task of reschedulings, and we finally managed to get the event done by letting everyone stay home and do the competition at their own schools. Whew!

GC-DNH did well enough to qualify for state. As always, the fight to finish at the podium (Top three schools) was intense. In the end, GC-DNH managed to eke past Union (La Porte City) to claim the runner up spot. The difference between second and third place was 120 points. That's six questions out of 335.

Junior Joseph Janssen lead the team in scoring. The team captured sixteen medals, six of them going to senior Zachary Delfs. Delfs also earned honors as the second highest scorer among Varsity participants. Sophomore Jack Nolder and junior Jack Kelley finished first and second in the competition for Honors alternates.

By scoring those 120 points, the GC-DNH scholars have qualified for the United States Academic Decathlon National Online competition. This will be the third time that the team has qualified for the event. The first time was in 2006 and the

second time was in 2014. Both of those teams finished in 8th place. Now it's time to see if this team can better those results!

GC DNH State Roster

Honors: Alex Christie, Jayne Eilderts, Joseph Janssen

Scholastic: Andrew Cox, Jared Melcher, Sean Woodman

Varsity: Parker Delfs, Zachary Delfs, Clarissa Lentfer

Alternates: Honors - Jack Kelley, Jack Nolder

Scholastic: Shaelyn Boudreau

GC-DNH Medalists

Alex Christie: Bronze Honors Interview, Bronze Honors Speech

Andrew Cox: Silver Scholastic Math, Bronze Scholastic Literature, Bronze Scholastic Science

Parker Delfs: Silver Varsity Speech, Bronze Varsity Math

Zachary Delfs: Gold Varsity Economics, Gold Varsity Interview, Gold Varsity Speech, Silver Varsity Essay, Silver Varsity Music, Bronze Varsity Art, 2nd Place Overall, Varsity Division

Jayne Eilderts: Bronze Honors Literature

Joseph Janssen: Gold Honors Social Science

Jared Melcher: Silver Scholastic Science

Intern

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classroom and artsy and creative people in the community.

As a gamer, he found his authorial voice in a rather unconventional manner: by doing the exact opposite of what the instructions told him, examining the motives of his characters as they took on new tasks and the impacts of their actions, and scribbling down full-length captain's logs in role playing games.

And with Barking Vans, he's found a new creative outlet as both an actor and a producer—specifically, he's the head accent coach, and his favorite is the imperial British pulled from "Star Wars." After the group completed the full-length film "Infinite," which co-founder Mike Barkhoff wrote, directed and starred in, Delfs interviewed him for "Zach Attacks" about the process of making an independent movie in a small town with limited resources.

"The way that I write has kind of been impacted by all these factors combined. If I write an essay, it just looks like I'm writing a piece for Barking Vans, or I'm writing a piece for a role-playing guild," Delfs said. "It kind of reflects me as a person."

At UNI, Delfs plans to study education with a double major in digital media, and while doubts he'll ever work in a traditional print publication setting, he's looking forward to the opportunity to improve as a writer and build his resume across multiple formats.

Delfs would also like to stay involved with Barking Vans and pursue both creative and journalistic writing, and he'll be with the Register for the remainder of the spring semester. His first project will focus on the one-to-one program at Grundy Center and what it's been like to grow up in the generation that transitioned from pen-and-paper, textbook learning to an almost entirely digital education.

Supervisors

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Bakker was absent from the meeting, and Schildroth, who still disagrees with Ross's opinion, indicated that he did not wish to make a decision on scheduling or delaying the purchase of right-of-way without all supervisors present.

"I find it hard to build a new road when we can't maintain the ones we have," Ross said. "Our carryover balance is next to nothing, and we're going to bond for this."

IN OTHER BUSINESS, the board:

- Approved a resolution authorizing the county engineer to embargo roads.

- Approved a low fuel quote (\$16,463.60) from Mid-Iowa Cooperative for 6,000 gallons of winter blend diesel and 2,000 gallons of gasohol.

- Approved the FY2018 annual report for Beaver Township.

- Approved an authorization for the chairperson to sign letters regarding budget requests.

- Approved the payment of bills.

New Hartford council seeks to purchase bulk water for new housing addition

By MICHAELA KENDALL

The Grundy Register
NEW HARTFORD - In an attempt to move things forward with the ongoing discussion of water rights at the site of the proposed new housing development in town, the New Hartford city council has decided to pursue the option of purchasing bulk water from the Iowa Rural Utilities Association (IRUA) to distribute at the new addition.

Detailed in a story in last week's Parkersburg Eclipse, the city of New Hartford recently annexed a plot of land into city limits, which would be used by a private developer who plans to build a new housing development. Recently, though, the city found out that a private utilities corporation - the Iowa Rural Utilities Association - had come forward to claim that they own water rights to the land, meaning the city cannot run water utilities out to the new addition and that water would need to be provided by the IRUA.

This poses an issue for the city, by locking them out of receiving any revenue for water

services at the new addition.

After looking at a number of different options and approaches during a special workshop meeting last week, the city has decided to pursue the option of purchasing bulk water from the IRUA to distribute at the new addition.

"The council decided that this was the most feasible option, and the best route for everyone," said City Clerk Shawna Hagen, adding that nothing is set in stone yet, and that the IRUA would still need to agree to this proposal.

If the IRUA does agree to allow the city to purchase bulk water from them to distribute to the addition, there would be costs to the city, just as there would be costs if the city were to be the sole provider of water to the addition.

To bring a water distribution system up to the property line, add hydrants, valves and meters, the cost would be over \$400,000, according to a report from City Engineer Jon Biederman.

By purchasing bulk water

from the IRUA to distribute at the addition, the city will still be able to make revenue off of water services, though the city would need to mark up IRUA's bulk rate.

The city would also provide sewer utilities at the addition, which would cost an estimated \$400,000, bringing the total cost to around \$800,000 for the city to bring water and sewer to the addition.

Hagen says the city plans to propose the option of purchasing bulk water to IRUA representatives, and that they hope to come to an agreement with the company soon.

"We do think this is the best route, and our best option for getting some revenue for the city," she said. "We hope to keep the ball rolling on this project and keep moving forward."

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Grundy Register Bulletin Board

Grundy Center

Chamber-Main Street to sponsor Business Bootcamp sessions

The Grundy Center Chamber-Main Street is partnering with Butler Grundy Economic Development Alliance to promote the Business Builder Bootcamp - a two-part series on Marketing, Branding, and Social Media.

There will be two sessions held.

The first session will be held on Tuesday, April 16 at 6 p.m. and will detail "Marketing & Branding 101."

The second session will be held on Tuesday, April 30 at 6 p.m., and will detail "Social Media 101."

Both sessions will be held at the Grundy Community Center.

Seating is limited and an RSVP is required. To RSVP call 319-267-2858. There is a small fee for each session, but fees will be covered for Chamber-Main Street members/investors.

Summer Rec sign up

Summer Recreation Softball/Baseball, Junior Golf, and YMCA Tee Ball, Sports Camps, Y-Kids Day Camp Registration will be held at the Grundy Community Center, 705 F Avenue on Monday, March 25, from 5 to 7 p.m.

Softball/Baseball Grades 1st through 6th grades - fees based on uniform needs.

If anyone would like to donate slightly used equipment (gloves, bats, baseball pants, etc.), please feel free to bring to signups and drop in box.

Anyone interested in working as an umpire for softball or baseball may also sign up at this time or contact city hall.

GCP&CC to sponsor spring garage sales

Save your spring cleaning finds for Grundy Center's City-wide garage sale. The two-day event is scheduled for Friday, June 28th and Saturday, June 29th, and will be organized by the Grundy Community Preschool & Childcare Center (GCP&CC).

Residents of Grundy Center, Holland and the surrounding rural area are encouraged to hold garage sales as the organization will work to bring bargain lovers galore to Grundy Center.

Registered garage sales will be advertised and will be included on the sale map. Each sale will be allowed a brief listing of items, sale hours, sale hosts, and street address. Moreover, each sale will be assigned a number which will be promoted on the yard signs and on the map.

More details will be available in the coming weeks. For more information regarding the Grundy Center Citywide Garage Sale, or to pre-register your garage sale, please call Kim Brower at 825-3565.

Liscomb

Liscomb Church to hold revival meetings

The Liscomb Church of Christ will hold revival meetings Sunday, March 31 through Wednesday, April 3 with Chad Whitmore as the guest evangelist. The meetings will begin at 7 p.m. nightly. Whitmore is the pastor with Connections Christian Church in Clive, Iowa. Whitmore graduated in 1988 from BCLUW High School and in 1993 from Central Christian College of the Bible, Moberly, Missouri. He has been in ministry for 27 years, serving as pastor of Connections Christian Church for the past 19 years. Whitmore and his wife, Cheryl, have three children. He is the son of Marty Whitmore, Eldora and Jack Whitmore, Marshalltown. Each evening will feature congregational hymn singing and special music. An ice cream social will be held Sunday, March 31 at 6 p.m. with a longer longer Wednesday following the service. The public is invited to attend. For more information contact Ralph Norman, minister, 641-496-5424.

Conrad council passes FY2020 budget

By ROBERT MAHARRY

The Grundy Register

CONRAD- During a brief regular meeting last Thursday night, the Conrad city council passed its fiscal year 2020 budget as presented and authorized a transfer into the capital fund.

The budget includes a total of \$3,101,465 in revenues and \$3,101,335 in expenditures and transfers out, and the levy rate is \$11.05 per \$1,000 of valuation on regular property. The levy rate on agricultural land within city limits was set at \$3.00 per \$1,000 of valuation.

There were no public comments regarding the budget, and

the council voted unanimously to approve it as published. Later, council members agreed to transfer a total of \$160,614.31 into the capital fund.

The next meeting has been set for April 18 due to scheduling issues on April 11.

IN OTHER BUSINESS, the council:

- Approved a payment of \$30,908.85 to ICAP for annual insurance.

- Approved the pay rates for the upcoming fiscal year.

- Approved the consent agenda as listed.

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BCLUW board approves staff master contract

By ROBERT MAHARRY
The Grundy Register

CONRAD—The BCLUW board of education approved its staff master contract with a 1.5 percent raise in base pay for certified staff, support staff and administration and set a preliminary calendar for the 2019-2020 school year during its regular meeting on Monday evening.

According to Superintendent Ben Petty, none of the teachers will get a raise of less than \$650 in annual salary, and while he acknowledged that the 1.5 percent figure sounded low, he added that it's a product of the current environment in Iowa.

"We're not talking about a raise that's probably worthy of the folks that we have, but with the times and the SSA (Supplemental State Aid) where it's at the last one to two years, that's what we've had," he said.

After some discussion, the board voted 4-1 to set the calendar for the upcoming year with a shortened winter break. Classes will dismiss at 1:30 on December 20 and resume on January 2 with a 10:30 late start. The last day of classes will be May 27, two days after Memorial Day. Board member LJ Kopsa was the lone dissenter in his vote, and Mary Beth Neff and Lynne

Kock were absent.

"No one I talk to wants to go past Memorial Day," Kopsa said. "I'm not trying to be a jerk. It's just a principle thing."

The board later approved a plan to share a social worker with GMG and East Marshall beginning next year, and Petty noted that the expansion of operational incentives and the successful partnership between Grundy Center, Dike-New Hartford, AGWSR and Aplington-Parkersburg to the north could serve as a blueprint for other small districts. Social workers can conduct home visits and mental health assessments.

Sara Sharp Acker, a BCLUW alum, sent the board a letter asking to name the softball field after legendary coach Dave Lee, who led the Comets to two state championships and five state tournament berths, but no action was taken. Board members asked whether it made sense to name a field after someone who's still living, how much the community would support it and if it would encourage a "proliferation" of naming.

The concession stand at the softball field is named after the late Lynn Zern, and the baseball field in Beaman is named after

Byron Rhodes (who is still living). The high school fitness center is named after the late Jill Fiscus.

Joe Kaupaun attended the meeting to provide an update on the leaking cupola at the high school gym, and Mike Hayes showed off LED lights that he put in a classroom to see if they could be used elsewhere.

Julie Miller of the Central Rivers AEA spoke to the board about the services the organization provides, and PE teachers Jodi DeBoer and Kyle Fank gave the curriculum report.

A public hearing on the budget will be held on Wednesday, April 10 at 7:00 a.m.

IN OTHER BUSINESS, the board:

- Approved the purchase of 30 new staff computers at a total cost of \$29,070.
- Approved the budget guarantee resolution.
- Approved a \$5 increase in book fees.
- Approved the commendations as listed.
- Accepted the resignations of high school business teacher Landon Schrage and high school basketball coach Luke Higgins.

BCLUW elementary hosts career week

During the week of March 4, BCLUW Elementary hosted a career week and invited the following guests speak to our 3rd and 4th grade students: Brad Amthauer of Midwest One Bank and Les Coulter of GNB Bank discussed financial literacy, Todd Hinegardner talked about fish farming, Jeff Frank spoke about his career in the Marines, Times Republican News Editor Emily Barske discussed her job, Natural Grind Owner Natalie Kracht explained how she launched her new business, Joanie Grife talked about being a lawyer, and Dan Massoth, the owner of Full Press Inc. which runs restaurants like Fong's Pizza and Buzzard Billy's, talked about business.

On Monday, March 4, students dressed up in bright or neon colors and focused on the

endless possibilities students have after high school. On Tuesday, March 5, they wore BCLUW/black & gold, focused on the 7 Habits and how forming these good habits now will help students be successful in their future careers.

On Wednesday, March 6, the students represented their favorite college and focused on all the options students have for additional training/schooling after high school. On Thursday, March 7, students were encouraged to dress up in animal print and focus on goal-setting and the importance of exploring college and careers in elementary school. On Friday, March 8, students were encouraged to dress up as their dream career choice and focused on exploring careers students may be interested in. Third and fourth grade stu-

dents will listen to several guest speakers talk about their unique career journeys.

"Connecting with our Leader In Me program and Habit #2-Begin With The End In Mind, through the College and Career Exploration week, we hoped to educate our students about the opportunities they will have ahead of themselves and what it will take to secure quality jobs," Elementary Principal Mitch Parker said. "We had a wide range of career professionals speak to our students to encourage them to not limit themselves, and to dream big on what they want to be."



BCLUW drama department presents "Harvey"
The BCLUW drama department presented its spring production of "Harvey" on Friday and Saturday evening, featuring the talents of actors like Noah Cross, Lucas Halverson, Logan Backoff and Lane Schnathorst (top photo) and Megan Murty, Grace Purvis and Coby Willett (bottom photo). (Both photos by Robert Maharry/The Grundy Register)

Kept them warm all winter, grrrr!!

By NICK BUSEMAN
Grundy County Conservation
Operations Supervisor

Annoyed by the winter or loving every inch of it - take your pick. I personally love a snowy winter. Hunting and snowmobiling are a few things I personally enjoy. Seeing the pheasants, turkeys, deer, and many other animals struggle is hard for me to see. They are our next year's crop of game that I will love to pursue come this spring and fall. I think they may be in luck with the snow beginning to melt and temps warming. Spring seems to be getting closer.

With spring comes a few of my favorite activities - mushroom and turkey hunting. Many may think that with our thick blanket of snow draped across our landscape we will not have to worry about those tiny nasty arachnids - TICKS. Probably my least favorite creature that takes up residence here in the state of Iowa. Measuring at just

a few millimeters, ticks rank high on the fear factor for me and my coworkers.

As we snuggle under a layer of blankets to keep warm during these last few frigid months, the ticks have been buried under a deep layer of insulation (snow) most of the winter. As the snow melts and the land warms these nasty arachnids reemerge. A lack of feeding all winter causes them to look for a warm blooded host to latch onto for a meal. To be honest, writing this article is making my skin crawl.

Many of you are aware of Lyme disease which is transmitted by the Deer Tick bite, and can cause severe or fatal damage to humans. Massachusetts in 1990 had just a few hundred cases of Lyme; in 2013 there were 4080 confirmed cases and 1585 probable cases. Often disputed by the medical field, I believe Lyme to be a real threat to everyone. Not just to outdoorsman and women, but everyone. People are finding more and

more ticks that have made their way into homes, either by hitching a ride on a family member or pet, or just by finding a way into the house. Treat your pets for ticks and always examine your clothing and body when returning to the home. It is very common for our staff to arrive back at the shop after a long day of mowing to find a tick or two on them.

I personally will not go to the woods or tall grass areas without treating my pants up to my waist with some kind of aerosol product containing deet. Deet is commonly found in mosquito repellent. A can of OFF is always found in my truck and applied often, not for mosquitos but for Ticks. Now is the time to stock your truck, car, camper, house with a few cans of OFF to combat these small but mighty arachnids.

So if you have cursed the snow all winter, I will join you in doing so for protecting this year's Tick crop. But don't let them scare you from enjoying the outdoors. Take a few precautions and go see what the great outdoors has to offer.

PUBLIC NOTICE

City of Liscomb
Special Meeting
March 13, 2019

Mayor Pro-Tem Ted Gunderson opened the special meeting at 12:09 pm. Blake Matney and Esther Mosher answered roll call. Also present was City Clerk Kristi Schiebel.

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Matney, seconded by Mosher. Motion approved with roll call of 3 ayes.

Motion to approve insulation installation at the city maintenance shed was made by Matney, seconded by Mosher. Motion carried with roll call of 3 ayes.

Motion to adjourn was made by Matney, seconded by Mosher. Motion carried with 3 ayes. Meeting adjourned at 12:11 pm.

Ted Gunderson, Mayor Pro-Tem
Attest: Kristi Schiebel, City Clerk GR12-1

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Memory Lane

A look back through *The Grundy Register*
Compiled by Michaela Kendall

10 Years Ago This Week - 2009

Clark and Kelly Kinsman of Grundy Center have now been creating murals for about three years. For the past six weeks, the husband and wife team have been donating their time to the library to paint two elaborate murals. For six weeks, the children's department at Kling Memorial Library has resembled a painting studio as the Kunzmanns have transformed two solid-toned walls into works of art. "It's our gift to the library," Clark said. "It's really wonderful," said library director CJ Thompson. "There is no way the library would be able to afford something like this if it weren't donated." The mural depicts rolling hills with a tree house and swings, children playing and hot air balloons in the background.

It was hard to find snow in Grundy Center Tuesday. For the second day in a row the high temperature was over 65 degrees, although Spring does not officially begin until Friday. Grundy Center elementary students chose to wear shorts and T-shirts at recess Tuesday.

25 Years Ago This Week - 1994

Fire kept firefighters busy over the weekend and took its toll on property in Grundy County. Conrad Church: Fire heavily damaged the Assembly of God Church at 206 N Alice Street in Conrad on Saturday, March 12. The fire was reported at 8:41 a.m. by several residents. Initial reports indicated flames were shooting through the roof. Conrad Fire Dept. immediately requested assistance from the Beaman Fire Dept. Firemen had to battle intense smoke and heat while fighting to reach the source of the fire. Heavy damage to the attached living quarters was reported. The living quarters were occupied by Scott and Kathleen Popejoy, who were awakened, by the fire, but escaped without injury. The couple's cat was lost in the blaze. Monday morning, Church Pastor Jim Hartman met with Mike Keefe, from the State Fire Marshall's Office. Following Keefe's investigation, the official cause of the fire was listed as a short in the electrical wiring to an outside light. Rohwer Fire: Later Saturday afternoon, fire destroyed a mobile home and a farmhouse on the Harvey Rohwer farm located five miles southwest of Grundy Center. The Grundy Center Fire Dept was called to the scene at 3:15 p.m. The local department was assisted by Beaman and Holland Fire Departments. Rohwer was not at home at the time of the fire. Cause of the fire is not known and no damage estimate was available.

The Grundy County Conservation Board and Historical Collections of Grundy County will celebrate the 15th anniversary of the Grundy County Museum with an open house on Sunday at the museum facilities in Morrison. There are several special attractions scheduled for the afternoon. The Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation's "Wetland Heritage" photo exhibit will be on display in the downstairs aquarium room. This handsomely matted and framed collection of 20 prints highlight plants and animals found in Iowa's wetland habitats.

50 Years Ago This Week - 1969

Agreement on a teacher salary schedule for 1969-1970 was reached on Thursday of last week when the Grundy Center Education Association voted 31 to 23 to accept the salary proposal offered by the Grundy Center Board of Education at their regular meeting on March 10. The schedule revision for 1969-1970 represents a 9.8% increase over the 1968-1969 salary payments.

The largest road construction budget in Grundy county history - more than \$1.2 million in federal, state and local funds - will be spent on six paving and blacktop projects here this year. But that is not all. Several thousands of dollars in additional funds will be spent during 1969 on other projects involving both state and county roads. The biggest single construction project will be the widening and paving of 5.9 miles of Highway 214 in Shiloh and Melrose Townships from Highway 175 north to the Rock Island tracks in Wellsburg. The total cost of the paving will come to \$785,000.

75 Years Ago This Week - 1944

The new hemp mill at Grundy Center was formally accepted yesterday from the contractor, A. R. Coffeen. Acceptance was authorized by the War Hemp Industry, Chicago, who contracted for the erection of the buildings and the equipment. A resident engineer will remain here a few weeks to supervise some changes in machinery and safety devices. These, changes are expected to be completed within two weeks, after which the mill will be ready to go into continuous operation. While a two line equipment has been installed here, but one line will be in operation during the first few weeks. The crew that will be trained for their jobs in advance of the opening will, after a few weeks, be able to instruct others to take over the second line. Within a month the mill will probably be operating at full capacity.

The will contest case, against the will of the late John Rohwer, who died last August, has been settled without a court trial and the court on Tuesday approved the basis of settlement. Plaintiff in the case was Mrs. Edna Rowe, granddaughter of the deceased and a daughter of the late Albert Rohwer, a son of John Rohwer. The plaintiff also appeared for her minor brother, Howard Rohwer. They are the only children of Albert Rohwer. Before the death of his son Albert, John Rohwer in 1935 made a will in which he provided a life estate of his real estate for his wife, and that the final disposition of his property be equally divided among his five children, Albert and George Rohwer and his daughters, Mrs. Minnie Wood, Mrs. Olga Kitzman and Esther Rohwer. In July 1938 a codicil was made to the original will which disinherited the son Albert and his children. Grounds for starting action against the will was that John Rohwer was of unsound mind when the codicil was made and that he was unduly influenced. Basis of settlement approved by the court gives the two grandchildren \$7,000 in cash. Mrs. Amelia Rohwer, Howard's mother, has been appointed his guardian.



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My Three Cents Worth

A layman's guide to the 2020 clown car (Vol. 2)

The middle of the pack

Senator Elizabeth Warren- Warren, the firebrand former Republican from Massachusetts who made a name for herself in the aftermath of the 2008 financial crisis, hit the circuit in Iowa a few months back and seems to live here already, constantly campaigning for Democratic State Senate candidate Eric Giddens. Our beloved Congressman Steve King put out a borderline incomprehensible tweet attempting to use the names of the counties around Buena Vista to land a sick burn about the whole 'Pocahontas' controversy, and some MAGA guy got arrested for harassing everyone at the event in Storm Lake.



By ROB MAHARRY

In a way, she's Bernie-lite, with an anti-Wall Street message and a compelling backstory about how an Oklahoma girl became a Harvard professor. But it's hard not to feel like the self-made "23 and Me" fiasco has already torpedoed Warren's prospects, and she may have been better served running in 2016 - to put it bluntly, her moment has passed. Take that out of the equation, and she's in the first category. Trump doesn't forget.

Strengths- Would be first female president, smart on financial matters, could make for a strong ticket with Bernie if either were nominated.

Weaknesses- Stupid self-inflicted race controversy, visceral opposition among Republicans, Trump.

Will she run? Yes. Why else would she volunteer to spend so much time in Iowa?

Senator Kirsten Gillibrand- From here until she inevitably suspends her campaign three primaries in, I'll refer to the Senator as "Hillary 2.0" because they're politically indistinguishable.

Gillibrand is a classic chameleon who once bragged of being a moderate and embracing policies that now amount to blasphemy in liberal circles, and like her mentor, she'll throw anyone under the bus who gets in her way, loyalty be darned. She has nothing new to offer, and the best she can hope for is to parlay her bid into a vice presidential slot.

Strengths- Was on an episode of "Parks and Recreation" once, will probably have a ton of dark money behind her.

Weaknesses- Voting record, boring on the stump, aristocrat who can't relate to Iowans, married to a venture capital investment bro.

Will she run? Yes. In true #Resistance fashion, she announced it on the Stephen Colbert show and then announced it again a month later because everyone had already forgotten. Are you inspired yet?

Senator Amy Klobuchar- If Gillibrand is ED-209, then Klobuchar is Alex Murphy/Robocop. She certainly possesses human characteristics—like a passion for launching into uncontrollable screaming fits directed at her subjects, I mean employees—but at the end of the day, she's another vacuous middle of the road legislator ill prepared to take on the Godzilla that is Donald Trump.

Can anyone name a single thing that Klobuchar has actually done or stood for? I'm going to guess it's some combination of the terms 'tax credit,' 'health savings,' 'employee flex,' 'retirement benefit' and '401k advantage.' In a nation full of sadistic employee-boss relationships, the aforementioned quirk in her personality may actually work in her favor, but because she's a spineless moderate Democrat, the Senator will likely apologize and be super nice to all of her staffers from this day forward, thus violating the first rule of Post Trump campaigning: never admit to anything. They probably deserved it!

Once she flames out before the South Carolina primary, Klobuchar will join an impressive list of failed Minnesotan presidential candidates that includes Eugene McCarthy, Hubert Humphrey, Walter Mondale, Tim Pawlenty and Michelle Bachmann. Why can't those losers up north ever win anything?

Frances McDormand in character as Marge Gunderson is the only Gopher who can break the spell. Long live " Fargo."

Strengths- Minnesota accent, daughter of a beloved *Star-Tribune* columnist, assertive leadership, appeals to the psychotic

and toxic cutthroat insanity that pervades our national conscience.

Weaknesses- No real core values, uninspiring platform, I don't know, she's not going to win.

Will she run? Yes, and if you didn't watch her announcement, you'll be receiving a Post-It note in the mail about what a terrible person you are.

Senator Cory Booker- Another man who missed his moment. Booker was the next Obama before Beto and Kamala Harris stole the mantle from him, and now he's just an overly earnest 49-year-old bachelor (I could've sworn he was 35) who smiles, laughs and does everything in his power to avoid explaining why he loves charter schools and pharmaceutical companies so much.

Perception is everything, and despite laying claim to the third most liberal voting record of any Senator during his tenure, Booker inexplicably feels like a moderate in a field pushing so far into the ether that candidates are actually taking positions on banning circumcision.

Then again, he was mayor of Newark throughout the final five seasons of "The Sopranos," the North Jersey mob epic that still stands as perhaps the greatest show in the history of television, so let's give him a chance. It's not like smooth talking bald guys from the suburbs have ever caused any trouble before!

Strengths- Family ties to Iowa, dating Rosario Dawson, has the endearing but clueless dad routine down without having any kids (he broke up with sleep and is dating coffee, you guys!).

Weaknesses- Vegan, should've run four years ago, literally the textbook definition of a career politician, vegan.

Will he run? You bet. If he ended up as Beto's VP candidate or vice versa, they could form an immaculate tag team of "annoying guys you dated in college who think they're deep because they read a Tolstoy novel all the way through." Oh, shoot. I'm talking about myself again.

Stay tuned for the final two installments, "The Afterthoughts" and "Wait a minute, who?" Until then, read up on the history of Art Deco architecture, put in new gutters and downspouts or argue with your friends about MJ vs. LeBron. Anything but politics!

Sweeney from the Iowa Senate

Week nine in the Iowa Senate included some of the first major debate of this year. Just this week, we passed over 30 bills out of the Senate chamber.

One of the bills the Senate passed this week was Senate File 274, protecting the freedom of speech on college campuses in Iowa. This bill, which passed the Senate 35-11, provides commonsense, proactive protections and safeguards for belief-based student organizations in Iowa. This was an important bill to pass as a number of universities not just in our state but across the country have been stifling free speech and the discussion of differing ideas on their campuses.

We also passed a bill aimed at improving the knowledge of Iowa students on U.S. government and history. Senate File 209 requires school districts and accredited nonpublic schools to offer all students in grades 9-12 opportunities to take the latest available U.S. citizenship and immigration services naturalization civics test. The goal of this bill is to provide high school students with knowledge of our nation's government and political processes and help increase civic engagement.

According to the National Assessment of Educational Progress, only 24 percent of U.S. high school students are proficient in civics, and studies by the Annenberg Foundation show a third of U.S. citizens can't name even one branch of our federal government. The bill passed the Senate 43-3.

The Senate passed Senate File 536 on Wednesday, which took out a restriction in the Iowa code that limited the operation of telepharmacies in rural Iowa. Current law set a ten-mile radius restriction for granting a special or limited-use pharmacy license to a proposed tele-pharmacy site. This bill provides more options for rural healthcare services, increases access to pharmacies in our rural communities, and ensures rural Iowans have access to medications and prescriptions they need. It passed the Senate 48-0.

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Cub Scouts have Raingutter Regatta races

Cub Scout Pack 3108 of Dike-New Hartford were blowing their hardest on Tuesday night making their Regatta Boats go as fast as they could in the raingutter track.

The races were separated by Den (grade). The scouts could paint their boats and sails any way they wanted. While racing, the scouts could not touch

the boat with their hands, only with their breath. Smoothie straws helped the scouts direct their air at the sails.

The results were as follows:
Lions (Kindergarten): Sawyer 1st, Oliver 2nd

Tigers (1st grade): Isaac 1st, Mason 2nd, Abel 3rd

Wolves (2nd grade): Kayden 1st, Tate 2nd, Joshua 3rd

Bears (3rd grade): Gus 1st, Ethan 2nd, Memphis 3rd

Webelos (4th grade): Lucas 1st, Xavier 2nd, Erhart 3rd

The Scout year is coming to a close with only a few meetings left and an end-of-year picnic in May where the scouts are presented the ranks in which they have worked for all year. Then it is summer camp time!!

Chapter AR meeting held

Members of Chapter AR, P.E.O. gathered on Thursday afternoon, March 7, 2019, at the home of Jane Wilson. Kathy Zeiner was the co-hostess and Carrie Smith assisted with the serving.

Linda Kemp showed a DVD program entitled "DNA is Not Destiny" which generated a lively discussion on the effects of an individual's genetics and environment in forming who he or she becomes.

The group will hold a social meeting on Saturday morning, March 23, 2019, at the Rusty Nail in Morrison. Janelle Onnen and Carrie Smith are in charge of the event.



New arrival

Big brother, Dane Ruebel, welcomes his baby brother, Leon Steven Ruebel. Leon was born March 11, 2019. He weighed an even 10 lbs. and was 22 inches long.

Parents of Dane and Leon are Josh and Alison Ruebel of Tiffin, Iowa.

Maternal grandparents are Steve and Cindy Gerhard of Grundy Center. Paternal grandparents are Rick and Bonnie Ruebel of Waverly. Great-grandparents are Leon and Mary Ruebel of Cedar Falls.



To celebrate 90th birthday

Holland - Adele (Eilers) Pruin will celebrate her 90th birthday Saturday, March 23 with a family get together and card shower.

Adele was born in 1929 in Grundy County with seven siblings. She married Bert Pruin (now deceased) in 1951. They celebrated 59 years together. She has four children, nine grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

Send cards to P. O. Box 515, Holland, IA 50642. No gifts please.

Groundhog Phil

Do you still like our friend Phil? The news is out that the robins and red wing black birds are in the area. If you don't believe me just step outside, and you will hear music to your ears.

Betty Fischer was the first to inform me of their arrival, and she is a real bird lover.

I know the snow is still hanging around, but in some of these warm sunny areas, there are some early tulips showing their heads.

Spring is in the air.

Dates for Dike

Thursday, March 21
Prayer Group 7:30

Friday, March 22
End of Spring Break

Sunday, March 24
Local Church services

Monday, March 25
All -State speech at UNI

Girls Track at BCLUW
5:30 DEPO

6:00 pm Board Meeting

Tuesday, March 26
Boys track at E Marshall

4:15 Boys track at BCLUW

Wednesday, March 27
All day school



Thank you to all my family and friends for the nice birthday cards, calls, visits, and emails to help me celebrate my 105th birthday. You made it a special day.

Robert Prosser

Thanks so much to the staff of Grundy County Memorial Hospital, Allen Hospital, the ambulance crew, and Home Health nurses who provided such great care following my two surgeries. Thanks also for all of the cards, phone calls, food and kind words. It is all greatly appreciated!

Gloria Kruger

CALENDAR OF EVENTS GRUNDY COMMUNITY CENTER

- Friday • Grundy Comm. Center – No Walking
March 22 Exercise, 9:00 a.m., Legion Room
Congregate Meals, 11:30 a.m. Legion Room
Haupt/Moore, Wilts Room
- Saturday • Grundy Comm. Center – Haupt/Moore Reception,
March 23 Wilts Room
- Sunday • Grundy Comm. Center – Haupt/Moore, Wilts
March 24 Room
- Monday • Grundy Comm. Center – Walking, 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.,
March 25 Wilts Room
Exercise, 9:00 a.m., Legion Room
Congregate Meals, 11:30 a.m. Legion Room
Summer Rec Sign Up, 5 - 7 p.m., Legion Room
- Tuesday • Grundy Comm. Center – Walking, 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.,
March 26 Wilts Room
Congregate Meals, 11:30 a.m. Legion Room
- Wednesday • Grundy Comm. Center – Walking, 7 - 10 a.m.,
March 27 Wilts Room
Exercise, 9:00 a.m., Legion Room
Congregate Meals, 11:30 a.m. Legion Room
Lenten Lunch, 12- 1 p.m., Wilts Room
ISU Extension, 6 - 10 p.m., Wilts Room
- Thursday • Grundy Comm. Center – No Walking
March 28 Congregate Meals, 11:30 a.m., Council Chambers
GNB Shareholder Meeting, Wilts Room

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Birthdays

Thursday, March 14: Lori Grill, Derek Johnson

Friday, March 15: Kevin Groote, Kim Menken, Michelle Weber

Saturday, March 16: Ben Biersner

Sunday, March 17: Mervin Meyer, Jana Middleswart, Pat Murphy, Marta Anderson

Monday, March 18: Sarah Dieken

Tuesday, March 19: Dave VanGundy, Jim Beninga

Wednesday, March 20: Steve Weber, Kyle Weber, Jamie Gerstenkorn, Dave Schreck, Kirk Christensen

Thursday, March 21: Katie Paar, Jenna Hensley

Friday, March 22: Kody Kruger, Laura Mesenbrink,

Chad Meester, Jane Campbell, Jada Oakes, Tenielle Stanbrough

Saturday, March 23: Tom Soska, Chuck Bakker, Jacob Beem

Sunday, March 24: Dawn Weber, Riley Ehmen

Monday, March 25: John Hill

Tuesday, March 26: Jim Jamie Erpelding, Erik Stansbery

Wednesday, March 27: Pete Kierman, Ron Bakker, Jacob Stockdale, Hubert Kopriva

Thursday, March 28: James Stage, Ron Greiner, Todd Bengen, Alan DeBerg

CENTER THEATRE'S Reel-to-Reel

Beginning at the Center Theatre on Friday, March 22nd at 7:00 will be the animated/family/sequel *How To Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World*. This movie is rated PG, running approximately 100 minutes in length. At 7:30 will be the true story/sports/comedy *Fighting With My Family*, starring Dwayne Johnson, Saraya Jade-Belvis and Nick Frost. This movie is rated PG-13 (language), running approximately 100 minutes in length.

Movies coming soon include: Disney's *Dumbo*, *Captain Marvel*, *Breakthrough*, *Wonder Park* and many more!

How To Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World is the latest animated family movie ranking in the top spots of the box office charts! What began as an unlikely friendship between an adolescent Viking and a fearsome dragon has become an epic trilogy spanning their lives. In this next chapter, Hiccup and Toothless face their darkest threat yet – as well as the appearance of female Night Fury. As their true destinies are revealed, dragon and rider will fight together and will test the bonds of their relationship like never before.

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Fighting With My Family, starring Dwayne Johnson, is a heartwarming comedy based on the incredible true story of WWE Superstar Paige. Born into a tight-knit wrestling family, Paige (Saraya Jade-Belvis) and her brother Zak (Jack Lowden) are ecstatic when they get the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to try out for WWE. But when only Paige earns a spot in the competitive training program, she must leave her family and face this new, cut-throat world alone. Paige's journey pushes her to dig deep, fight for her family and ultimately prove to the world that what makes her different is the very thing that can make her a star. **Fighting With My Family** is a family film that will deliver laughs, a little education on the WWE and a lesson in the realities of chasing a dream and learning to fail.

For the most up-to-date movie information, please check out our new website at [HYPERLINK "http://www.grundycentertheatre.com"](http://www.grundycentertheatre.com) www.grundycentertheatre.com.

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Palermo 4-H news

The March meeting was held on Sunday, March 10, 2019 at 3 pm at the home of Eileen Flatter. Vice President Ella Hommel called the meeting to order. MaKenna Steinmeyer led the Pledge to the Flag. Twenty-nine members, two leaders and two parents were present. The roll call was your favorite animal. We had a good variety. Reminders about signing up to volunteer for the omelet breakfast on April 7. Lauren Stohbehm led the 4-H Pledge.

Ella Hommel shared her experiences with the Robotics team at school. Haley Anderson shared how to make a Beta fish bowl and stand from a terra cotta pot. Taylor Launstein showed how to plant bulbs to force them to bloom. Abigail Butler with a little help from her dad shared how to make glitter slime. Savanah Gearhart shared how to make popsicle stick painted bracelets. The activities were on mental health with a booklet about "I am...". The clover kids made clothe-pin chicks and then joined the older members as they figured out a serving size, the carbohydrates, and the first two lists on 5 kinds of candy.

Hosts today were Hayley Anderson, Savanah Gearhart, and Taylor Launstein. Next months meeting on Saturday, April 13, at 9 am will have hosting Bailey and Skylar Reding, Anessa Smith and one more volunteer.

Giving presentations will be Autumn, Jazmyn, & Isaiah Clark. There is room for any Clovers who want to share



Ella Hommel giving her presentation on the ROBOTICS Clubs activities.



This is Abigail Butler demonstrating how to make "Slime."

along with Ellie Butler.

Keep selling those April 7, County 4-H Omelet Breakfast, and sign up to volunteer at the event.

Reporter: Alana Huisman.

News from Ivester

QUILTING
Quilting will begin at 1 pm on Wednesdays throughout Lent.

LICENSING
Thomas McMullen was licensed at the Ankeny-Stover Church on Sunday. Paul Shaver and Daniel Butler were partici-

pants in the service.

CEMETERY
The old fencing and arch will be removed from the Shell-er Cemetery. Renewed fencing and new arch will replace the old. Contact fencing committee Todd Button, Ken Hogle, and Norma Dinnes with questions.

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Obituaries

Mary Jane Luethje

Mary Jane Luethje, 87, of Gladbrook passed away March 13, 2019, at Westbrook Acres in Gladbrook. Funeral Services were March 18 at the Peace United Church of Christ in Gladbrook. Interment was in Oakland Cemetery in Beaman. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Gladbrook Chapel of Anderson Funeral Homes. Online condolences may be sent to www.andersonfh.com.



Mary Jane was born October 21, 1931, to Gus and Wilma (Bunch) Biggs, in Marshall, AR, and moved to Marshalltown in 1942. Mary attended grade school at Anson and graduated from high school with the Class of 1950. She then attended the Evangelical Hospital School of Nursing and graduated with the Class of 1954. Mary was united in marriage to Leonard C. Luethje on June 13, 1959, at the EUB Church. She worked at the Evangelical Hospital and then the Grundy Center Hospital until she retired in 1993. Due to Leonard's cancer, they moved to Gladbrook in August of 1996, where he passed away Sept. 1, 1996. They had lived in Beaman for 22 years, where Mary Jane participated in The Women's Club and Legion Auxiliary. Previous to this, she had changed her membership to the Peace United Church of Christ in Gladbrook where she became active in the church, joining the Afternoon Women's Fellowship and over the years had become treasurer, secretary, and president. Mary Jane sang in the church choir and was on the church board as an Elder. She was a chairman of the Care Review Committee and the Westbrook Acres Nursing Home in Gladbrook, belonged to the Alpha Study Club, and Pepper Club. Mary was also a member of the Evangelical Hospital Alumni Association.

Mary Jane is survived by her daughter, Lisa (Richard) Standal of Cedar Rapids; grandchildren Jeff Standal of Aiea, HI, and Danielle Standal of Cedar Rapids; brothers John (Chris) Bonnette of Dubuque, Jerry Bonnette of Harlingen, TX, Don (Jayne) Bonnette of Stuttgart, AR; brother-in-law Dennis (Barb) Luethje of Gladbrook; also many nieces and nephews.

Mary was preceded in death by her husband; daughter Susan in 2003; and a sister, JoAnn Tenney.

Bob Bouman

Celebration of Life for Bob Bouman, 71 of Tripoli, formerly of Dike, will be held on March 30. The service will begin at 1:00pm at the Tripoli Welcome Center, 100 North Main, Tripoli.

Mabel Lucille Nederhoff

Mabel Lucille Nederhoff, 99, of Wellsburg passed away on March 16, 2019, at Heritage Care Center in Iowa Falls while under the care of Compassus Hospice. A funeral service was held on March 19 at Wellsburg Reformed Church in Wellsburg with Pastor Mike Brost officiating. Burial followed at Wellsburg Reformed Cemetery. Memorials may be directed to the family. Abels Funeral And Cremation Service, Doyen- Chapel is taking care of Mabel and her family. Online messages of condolences may be made at www.abelsfuneralhomes.com.



Mabel Lucille Nederhoff was born on February 28, 1920, to her parents Jurgen and Harmke (Harms) Stahl on the farm outside of Holland. She attended country school and Colfax Center Church. Mabel was united in marriage to Coert C. Nederhoff on March 6, 1943. She and Coert had two children Carolin and Norman. Mabel worked as a homemaker alongside Coert on the farm, but also worked as a baker at U.N.I. for 18 years. She and Coert moved into town in 1982 from the farmstead.

Mabel had many hobbies including sewing, crocheting, cross-stitching, quilting, gardening, canning, and baking. She was known for her baking of a variety of goods and always had fresh baked bread. Mabel also enjoyed playing cards and was particularly fond of canasta. She cherished her time spent with her family, especially her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Mabel was a member of Wellsburg Reformed Church and was a former Sunday school teacher and a member of the Bible study group.

She is survived by her children Carolin (Rod) Raber of Plymouth, MN, and Norman (Mary) Nederhoff of Wellsburg; grandchildren Rachelle (Trevor) Nelko of Plymouth, MN, NiColle (Steve) Holland of Agoura Hills, CA, Jana (Adam) Raber-Flanders of Bloomington, MN, Jason (Dawn) Nederhoff of Richfield, MN, Courtney Nederhoff of Ackley, and Derrick (Deanna) Nederhoff of Wellsburg; 13 great-grandchildren; sister-in-law Mary Stahl.

Mabel was preceded in death by her parents; husband Coert; brothers John, Harm, Bernard, Herman, Edwin; and sisters Tena Paterni and Alice Bartling.

Duane A. Schipper

Duane A. "Dewey" Schipper, 75, of Dike passed away peacefully as the result of a stroke, on March 17, 2019, at the University of Iowa Hospitals & Clinics in Iowa City. Visitation for Dewey will be held on Wednesday, March 20th from 4 until 7 PM at the Dike United Methodist Church. Funeral services will begin following the visitation at 7:00 PM, at the church. Interment will be held privately by the family, where they will donate to a charity at a later time. Abels Funeral & Cremation Service-Dike Chapel is assisting the family. Messages of condolence or memories of Dewey may be left at www.abelsfuneralhomes.com.



Dewey was born on November 15, 1943, in Aplington, the son of George and Wilma (Boelman) Schipper. He attended school in Aplington and later began his lifelong career of farming. On May 1, 1964, Dewey was united in marriage to Carol Meester at Bethany Presbyterian Church in Grundy Center. Together, the couple welcomed a son and 2 daughters. In 1999, Dewey & Carol moved to town in Dike, where they currently reside.

He was a member of the Iowa Pork Producers, was a 4-H leader and was on church council, where he also served as treasurer. Farming was the staple of Dewey's life but above all, his family and spending time with them was the most important thing to him; his grandchildren especially! He was known as "Papa" to not only his grandchildren, but to many other children who knew him. On the Thursday night before his passing, the family was able to spend one last night having a family meal, and his family and grandchildren got in their last big hugs from "Papa." Dewey was a selfless man, putting everyone before himself and will be missed dearly by his family and friends he leaves behind.

Dewey is survived by his wife of 54 years, Carol, of Dike; daughter Wendy (Robert) Clauson of Highlands Ranch, CO, Jerry (Jody) Schipper & Jean (Tony) Bixby, both of Dike; grandchildren Chloe, Ella & Ava Schipper and Brock Bixby, all of Dike; siblings Dennis (Sharon) Schipper of Parkersburg and Elaine (John) Kiger of Benson, MN; many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; father & mother-in-law Henry & Jennie Meester; brother & sister-in-law Eugene (Nola) Meester.

Linda L. Asher

Linda L. Asher of Eldora died March 4, 2019, at Valley View Nursing Home in Eldora after a period of declining health.

She was cremated as per her request and there will be a burial ceremony at a later date.

Linda was born August 16, 1942, at the Eldora Memorial Hospital to Orville and Jean Elizabeth "Betty" Burgess, Asher.

After Linda graduated high school from Steamboat Rock in 1962, she attended Orange Coast Comm College in California. She returned to Steamboat Rock, where she worked at the Eldora Newspaper and married Richard Waugh of Conrad. Richard's career in the Navy let her live in numerous places in the United States as well as Cuba. When they returned to the family farm in Conrad, Linda was editor the Conrad Record. Later they divorced.

Linda moved to Denver, Colorado, for 10 years where she worked for a printing company. Upon her retirement she returned to the Steamboat Rock area. She has resided in the Valley View Nursing Home the past few years due to health issues.

Linda was a member of the Steamboat Rock Presbyterian Church.

She has two living children, Jolene Trotter of Ozark, Arkansas and Kyle Waugh, Grundy Center; nine grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; one brother, David Asher of Tucson, AZ; and one sister, Susan DeVries of Steamboat Rock. Also, she leaves her caring and loyal friend, Lois Luiken of Eldora who is the adoptive mom of Linda's fur babies, Baillie and Princess.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and a son, Sean Waugh.



Marlys Van Hauen

Marlys Ann (Struck) Van Hauen, 81, of Urbandale passed away on February 24, 2019, at Mercy Hospice, Johnston. A memorial gathering will be held Thursday, April 18 from 4-7 PM at Caldwell Parrish Funeral Home & Crematory, 8201 Hickman Rd. Urbandale. Memorials may be directed to the family or donated directly to Iowa Radio Reading Information Service (IRIS). Caldwell Parrish Urbandale Funeral Home is caring for Marlys and her family. Online condolences may be made at www.caldwellparrish.com.



Marlys (Struck) Van Hauen was born on April 4, 1937, in Waterloo to her parents Fred and Helen (O'Leary). She attended school in Waterloo, graduating with the class of 1955. After graduation, Marlys went on to Iowa Teacher's College, where she received her two-year teacher's degree in elementary education. She then began teaching at Dike Elementary, where she met Stanly Van Hauen. Marlys was united in marriage to Stan on August 9, 1958, and together they had three children, Ann, David, and Ellen. Marlys went on to complete her four-year college degree at UNI, and was later hired by AT&T, where she worked for nearly 25 years. Marlys and Stan divorced in 1985.

Marlys (Marly) prided herself on staying active and looking and acting much younger than she was. She looked forward to golfing in the Willow Creek Women's Golf Club yearly since the early '90s. She loved music, performing with the Urbandale Senior Singers at many events, and her weekly discussions with the Timely Talkers, where she started each meeting with a new joke. She could be heard reading the mid-week advertisements for the Iowa Radio Reading Information Service (IRIS) since 1997, was an active member of the Plumwood Board of Directors, and even found time to play cards weekly with the other residents. But most of all, Marlys loved her family. She surrounded herself with pictures from family events throughout the years: Christmas celebrations, weddings, graduations and even a body building show. She enjoyed attending as many family functions as she could, and loved to watch her grandchildren and great grandchildren grow.

Marlys is survived by her loving children: David (Gale) Van Hauen of North Liberty and Ellen (Dan Hesse) Rued of Elko, MN; grandchildren Matt, Josh, Justin, Chelsey, Erin, Lindsey and Colton; great grandchildren Jackson, Naomi, Jarek and Rhett; sister Ila Dineen of Woodbridge, CT.

Marlys was preceded in death by her parents, brother Jerry, and daughter Ann.

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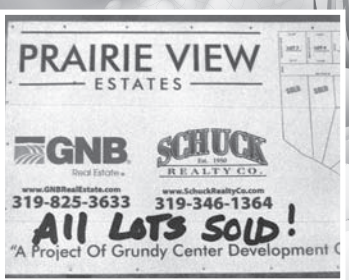
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<p>ALBION</p> <p>Albion United Methodist Church Cheryl Ridenour, Pastor Sundays 8:30 a.m. Worship Service</p> <p>APLINGTON</p> <p>Bethel Reformed Church 319-347-6219 Sundays 9 a.m. Worship Service 10 a.m. Sunday School</p> <p>BANGOR</p> <p>Bangor Liberty Friends Church Matt Bishop, Pastor office@blfchurch.org Sundays 8:30 a.m. Prayer Group 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Morning worship</p> <p>BEAMAN</p> <p>United Methodist Church 641-366-2142 11 a.m. Worship</p> <p>CONRAD</p> <p>United Methodist Church The Rev. Gene Kubli 641-366-2325 8:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship</p> <p>Alice Church of God Jim Hartman, Pastor 641-849-7473 Sundays 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Service Wednesdays 7 p.m. Bible Study</p> <p>Blue Collar Community Church 109 West Center Street Conrad, IA 9 a.m. Sunday Worship</p> <p>First Presbyterian Church Kerry Carson, Pastor 641-366-2342 Sundays 8:45 a.m. Sunday School 9:00 a.m., Adult Sunday School 10 a.m., Worship service 11 a.m. Fellowship</p> <p>DIKE</p> <p>Fredsville Lutheran Church The Rev. Lisa Dietrich, Pastor 319-989-2065 Sundays 9:30 a.m. Traditional Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday School</p> <p>Liberty Baptist Church (GARBC) 705 1st Street 319-989-2141 Sundays 9 a.m. Morning Worship 10:15 a.m. Sunday School</p>	<p>6 p.m. Evening Praise Service</p> <p>Untied Methodist Church Dan Ridnour, Pastor 319-989-2535 Sundays 9 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Worship Service</p> <p>Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church Mark Decker, Pastor 319-988-3967 Sundays 9 a.m. Worship 10:15 a.m. Sunday School</p> <p>GRUNDY CENTER</p> <p>American Lutheran Church Luther Thoresen, Pastor 319-824-3557 www.alcgc.org Sundays 8:45 a.m. Worship service 10:30 a.m. Worship service</p> <p>Bethany Presbyterian Church Al Polito, Pastor 319-824-5471 Sundays 10 a.m. Worship Service 11 a.m. Fellowship Time Wednesdays 4:45 p.m., J.A.M. Youth program with meal</p> <p>First Baptist Church (GARBC) Nathan Barkley, Pastor 319-824-3324 www.fbcgrundy.com office@fbcgrundy.com Sundays 9:15 a.m. Adult Small Group 10:20 a.m. Harvest Kids 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship Service 6:30 p.m. Sunday Evening Service Wednesdays 6:30 p.m., AWANA 7 p.m., Youth Group</p> <p>First Presbyterian Church 319-824-3152 www.facebook.com/grundycen- terfirstpres Sundays 9 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Adult Study in Chapel</p> <p>Orchard Hill Church Brian Steenhoek, Campus Pastor 1800 G Avenue, Grundy Center 319-266-9411 www.orchardhillchurch.org 9:15 a.m. services 10:45 a.m. services Nursery (0-3 yrs old) available during both services</p> <p>United Methodist Church Jerry R. Miller, Pastor 319-825-5408 Follow us on Facebook at: Grundy Center United Method- ist Church Sundays 9 a.m. Worship Celebration Wednesdays</p>	<p>WOW: 5:30 p.m., Family Meal 6 p.m., Classes pres-school thru adults 6:30-7 p.m., Children's Worship</p> <p>HOLLAND</p> <p>Colfax Center Presbyterian Robbie Grames, Pastor 319-824-5231 Sundays 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship (includes children's sermon, nursery available ages 0-3) 10:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship 10:55 a.m. Sunday School for all ages 6 p.m. Come-as-you-are Prayer Service</p> <p>Pleasant Valley Reformed Church Rev. Rick Vollema 319-346-1090 Sundays 9:00 a.m. Worship Service (Children's worship available)</p> <p>IVESTER</p> <p>Ivester Church of the Brethren Paul Shaver, Pastor 641-858-3879 Sundays 9:30 a.m. Adult Christian Education 10:30 a.m. Worship Service with Children's Church Noon Potluck</p> <p>LINCOLN</p> <p>Salem Church of Lincoln The Rev. Barb Muhs, Pastor 641-473-2450 Sundays</p>	<p>9:10 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Service</p> <p>LISCOMB</p> <p>Bethel Grove Church Scott Hand, Pastor Sundays 9 a.m. Worship</p> <p>Liscomb Church of Christ Ralph Norman, Pastor Sundays 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship</p> <p>MARSHALLTOWN</p> <p>Elim Lutheran Church – ECLA Sundays 8 a.m. Choir Rehearsal 9 a.m. Worship Service 10 a.m. Fellowship 10:15 a.m. Sunday School /Adult Forum</p> <p>Evangelical Free church Bob Kosbau, Pastor Sundays 9 a.m. Sunday School (all ages) 10:15 a.m. Worship</p> <p>New Hope Christian Church Saturdays 5:30 p.m. Worship Service Sundays 9 and 10:45 a.m. Worship in Chapel (Café Style) and Auditorium</p> <p>Redeemer Lutheran Church Sundays 9 a.m. Divine Service 10 a.m. Visitation</p>	<p>10:30 a.m. Sunday School / Adult Bible Class</p> <p>St. Henry Catholic Church Father Don Czapl Saturdays 5 p.m. Vigil Sundays 8 and 10:30 a.m. Mass Tuesdays 7:30 a.m. Mass Wednesdays 7:30 a.m. Mass Thursdays 8:45 a.m. School Mass Fridays 7:30 a.m. Mass</p> <p>St. Mary Catholic Church Father Greg Bahl Saturday Masses 4:30 p.m. in English 6:30 p.m. in Spanish Sunday Masses 9 a.m. in English 11:30 a.m. in Spanish 5:00 p.m., Mass</p> <p>PARKERSBURG</p> <p>Holy Family Catholic Parish The Rev. David Kucera 319-345-2006 Saturdays 5:30 p.m. Mass</p> <p>Reformed Church of Stout 319-346-1487 Sundays 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time 10:45 a.m. Sunday School</p> <p>REINBECK</p> <p>Holy Family Catholic Parish The Rev. David Kucera 319-345-2006 Sundays 9:30 a.m. Mass</p> <p>UNION</p> <p>Calvary Baptist Church Roger Crawford, Pastor Sundays 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Church Service 6:45 p.m. AWANA 6:45 p.m. Pro-Teens</p> <p>Church of Christ The Rev. Rick Schill Sundays 9:30 a.m. Sunda School 10:30 a.m. Worship Service</p> <p>Union Community Church The Rev. Rick Schill Sundays 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, Morning Worship</p> <p>WELLSBURG</p> <p>East Friesland Presbyterian Lynn Arends, Supply Pastor 641-847-2896 Sundays 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship</p>	<p>Cornerstone Presbyterian Church 641-847-3188 Sundays 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Sunday School www.cornerstone-pca-church.com</p> <p>First Christian Reformed 641-869-3305 Steve Mulder, Pastor Sundays 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship 10:45 a.m. Sunday School</p> <p>Pleasant Valley Untied Methodist Dot Geersema, Pastor 641-869-3637 Sundays 8:45 a.m. Morning Worship</p> <p>Reformed Church Sundays 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship 10:45 a.m. Sunday School 6:30 p.m. Evening Bible Study</p> <p>St. John Lutheran Church Bruce Zimmerman, Pastor Sundays 9 a.m. Morning Worship 9:45 a.m. Sunday School and Bible Class</p> <p>St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Victoria Shepherd, Pastor 641-869-3992 Sundays 8:15 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service</p> <p>St. Peter's Country Church The Rev. Michael McLane, Pastor 563-581-2866 Sundays 8 a.m. Morning Worship</p> <p>Steamboat Rock Baptist Church 107 2nd St. Harrison Lippert, Pastor Bryce Roskens, Associate Pastor 641-868-2456 Sundays 8:45 a.m. Traditional Service 10 a.m. Fellowship Hour – No S.S. 11 a.m. Contemporary Service</p> <p>United Reformed Church Pastor Joel Worries 641-869-3633 Sundays 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship 10:45 a.m. Sunday School 7 p.m. Evening Worship</p> <p>WHITTEN</p> <p>Whitten Community Church Jim Hartman, Pastor Sundays 9 a.m. Worship, Children Church 10:30 a.m. Sunday School</p>
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The Small Stuff

We have probably all heard the wise advice to not sweat the small stuff. The corollary to this advice is that in the grand scheme of things it's all small stuff. The exam you are fretting over or the bill to be paid probably won't be remembered in 10 years, and in the eternal scheme of things, almost nothing on this earth has any great importance, except perhaps the fate of our souls. This is why the great spiritual teachers have always told us to keep our eyes on eternity. It relieves us of the anxiety over our daily cares and woes, and puts things in their proper perspective. This doesn't mean that we shouldn't take care of our daily needs; food, clothing and housing are all important to a healthy life. But we shouldn't be overly-anxious about these things. An anxious mind that is constantly worrying about these minor things indicates that we have taken our eyes off of the eternal things. Trust in the Lord that things are unfolding as they should, and be at peace with the things you cannot change. It is always wise to work intelligently to improve our lives, while realizing that there are many things which we have no control over.

—Christopher Simon



"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes?"
Matthew 6:25 NIV

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PUBLIC NOTICE
DIKE-NEW HARTFORD SCHOOL

The Dike-New Hartford Board of Education met on March 11, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. in the HS Library for a budget work session with Lotts presiding and members Freese, Hinde and Nielsen. Tott was absent. Also present was administrator Stockdale.

The purpose of the work session was to discuss different options for the development of the 2019-20 budget. The work session was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Following the work session the board met for the regular monthly meeting at 6:00 p.m. with Lotts presiding and members Freese, Hinde, Nielsen and Tott. Also present were administrators Stockdale, Petullo and Textor.

Visitors present included Chad Bixby, Waylon Bern, Amy Seitz, Scott Connolly, Angie Callan, Teri Rawdon and several high school students.

Minutes of the February 20, 2019 regular meeting were approved as written on motion of Nielsen and second of Hinde. Vote all aye.

The agenda was approved as amended on motion of Tott and second of Freese. Vote all aye.

Lotts expressed appreciation to the high school students who helped with the recent funeral held at DNH. Their presence at the event was felt by the family and all involved.

Angie Callan and Teri Rawdon were recognized for their work on the State nutrition audit which was completed last week. The report was very good with only four minor citations which were corrected right away. The district has already closed the Nutrition Program review process with the State of Iowa.

Principal, Technology and Buildings & Grounds reports were reviewed with no action taken.

History Day at the junior high was this month's Focus on Learning. Scott Connolly discussed the processes involved with this project which begins in September and culminates with the DNH competition in February. There were 29 students who qualified for the regional competition at Grouse Museum in late March.

On motion of Nielsen and second of Freese, the 2019-20 student teaching agreement with UNI was approved. Vote all aye.

Policies 213, 213.1, 704.4, 705.1R1 and 707.5R2 were approved for the second reading on motion of Hinde and second of Nielsen. Vote all aye.

The first reading of policies 204, 401.6, 504.3, 504.3R1 and 505.8 were approved on motion of Tott and second of Nielsen. Vote all aye.

The 2019-20 sharing agreement with Cedar Falls for swimming, bowling and soccer was approved on motion of Nielsen and second of Freese. Vote all aye.

A public hearing was held regarding changes to the 2018-19 school calendar. Discussion was held regarding the process for making up our ten missed days due to weather and state football. Six days have or will be accounted for with adjustments to the calendar and by eliminating seven early dismissals for professional development. We have enough extra "student hours" to be able to make May 31 the final day of school for students, with certified staff coming back in June for professional development. In the absence of any oral or written comments, the hearing was closed. On motion of Nielsen and second of Tott, due to catastrophic conditions this winter, it was approved to forgive the remaining four student days and make May 31 the last day of school for students. Any additional missed student days due to weather will be added in June. During the April board meeting, plans will be presented outlining the professional development planned for June 3rd-6th. Vote all aye.

The resignation of Brandy Bingman - K-12 Librarian effective at the end of the 2018-19 school year was approved on motion of Hinde and second of Tott. Vote all aye.

On motion of Nielsen and second of Freese, a contract for Erika Lamp - 2019-20 ECSE Teacher was approved. Vote all aye.

Permission was given for an out of state

bus trip to Lanesboro, MN in May on motion of Nielsen and second of Tott. Vote all aye.

Bills of the General, Activity and Nutrition Funds, along with additional bills received next week, were approved to pay on motion of Hinde and second of Tott. Vote all aye.

Financial Reports of the General, Activity and Nutrition Funds were approved as presented on motion of Tott and second of Freese. Vote all aye.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Vendor Name	Vendor Description	Amount
Advanced Systems Copier/Printer Lease		80.44
Aflac, Insurance		382.15
B&B Lock & Key, Locks/Keys Supplies		13.80
Bern, Waylon, Supplies		120.00
Bixby, Chad, Supplies		330.00
Black Hills Energy, Natural Gas	8,661.97	
Bolton, Kevin, Supplies		60.00
Butler County Recorder, Recording Fee		13.60
Casey's General Stores Inc, Gasoline, Supplies		316.60
Central Iowa Distributing, Inc, Cleaning/Maint. Supplies		1,026.61
Central Rivers Aea, Services, Supplies		976.40
City Of Dike, Utilities	11,502.65	
City Of New Hartford, Utilities		140.45
City Sanitary Service Lic, Garbage Service		219.00
Compressed Air & Equipment Inc Co, Repair Service		421.12
Continental Research Corp, Maint Supplies		882.80
Dovonan Group Iowa, Pr Services		2,000.00
Dove, Burnette, Mileage		53.04
Eichmeier, Cody, Supplies		120.00
Grouse Museum District, Registration Fee		203.00
Gynzy Inc, Software		995.00
Harrison Truck Centers, Inc, Repair Parts		37.55
Hawkeye Bookstore, Textbooks		658.70
Hawkeye Community College, Tuition		9,451.20
Hensley, Linda, Supplies		47.35
Hilliard, Ann, Supplies		60.00
Hilliard, Jon, Supplies		60.00
Iowa Communications Network, Internet, Long Distance		763.94
Iowa Department Of Human Services, Medicaid		8,657.73
Iowa Direct, Repair Service		4,490.00
Iowa School Employee, Insurance		4,984.36
Isfis, Registration Fee		250.00
Johnson Controls Fire Protection, Bldg Maintenance		401.00
Knudsen, David, Supplies		60.00
Konken Electric, Inc., Electrical Repairs		144.54
Kwik Star Stores, Gasoline/Supplies		1,149.95
Larson, Mary, Mileage		53.04
Laube, Irv, Supplies		120.00
Lon's Plumbing & Heating, Plbg/Htg Supplies		142.63
Mastercard Corporate Clients, Supplies		4,988.32
Mid American Energy, Electricity/Natural Gas		6,427.76
Mid-America Publishing Co, Publications		189.74
Napa Auto Parts, Repair Parts		37.80
Northeast Iowa Choral Directors, Registration Fee		109.00
Northeast Iowa Intrepreting, Services		80.00
One Source, Background Checks	469.00	
Perma-Bound, Books & Periodicals		517.73
Petullo, Brian, Supplies		120.00
Plunkett's Pest Control, Pest Control		171.92
R&D Industries, Inc., Equip Repair	135.00	
Reinicke Construction, Repair Service		725.00
Rite Environmental, Garbage Service		258.00
School Bus Sales, Repair Parts		256.00
Service Roofing Co, Repair Service		3,937.50
Seymour, Joanna, Mileage		53.04
Stockdale, Justin, Supplies		120.00
Swisher & Cohrt, Legal Services		280.00

Textor, Thomas, Supplies, Mileage	189.42
Thomas Bus Sales, Repair Parts	187.91
Timberline Billing Service, Medicaid Claims	776.91
Ubben Building Supplies, Supplies	203.69
United Healthcare Plan, Insurance	72,004.92
Vips, Supplies	112.90
West Music Co, Music Supplies/Equipment	125.70
Woodman Controls, Repair Service	710.00
Woods, Tammy, Supplies	60.00
Fund Total	153,297.88

ACTIVITY FUND

Andymark Inc, Supplies	1,469.77
Atlantic Coca-Cola Bottling Co., Supplies	372.32
Bsn Sports, Athletic Supplies	350.00
College Community Csd/Registration Fee	54.00
Eichmeier, Cody Meals-State Basketball	834.00
Gcjbv Tournament, Entry Fee	250.00
Hulme, Josie, Supplies	26.68
Independence Aau Volleyball Club, Entry Fee	75.00
Iowa Girls High School, Awards	115.00
Iowa High School Music Assn., Registration Fee	180.00
Iowa High School Speech Assn, Entry Fees	165.00
Iowa Sports Supply, Athletic Supplies	218.00
Kerns, Al, Nicl Awards Speaker	100.00
Kwik Star Stores, Gasoline/Supplies	511.25
Martin Bros Distributing Co, Food Products/Supplies	164.01
Mastercard Corporate Clients, Supplies	4,345.39
Mcmaster-Carr, Supplies	400.84
Mh Advertising, Athletic Supplies	188.00
Northeast Iowa Choral, Registration Fee	133.00
Sam's Club, Supplies	1,573.94
Simpson College, Entry Fee	125.00
South Hardin High School, Nicl Banquet	1,330.00
Ubben Building Supplies, Supplies	101.05
Vex Robotics, Inc., Supplies	953.53
Wolverine Booster Club, Nfl Scramble Profit	533.59
Fund Total	14,569.37

MANAGEMENT FUND

Iowa School Employee, Insurance	192.43
United Healthcare Plan, Insurance	3,581.09
Fund Total	3,773.52

CAPITAL PROJECTS

Emergent Architecture, Architect Service	2,664.00
Fund Total	2,664.00

PHYSICAL PLAN & EQUIP LEVY

Frontline Technologies Group Llc, Software	7,071.60
Fund Total	7,071.60

DEBT SERVICE FUND

Canon Financial Services, Inc., Copier Lease	993.60
Fund Total	993.60

NUTRITION FUND

Aflac, Insurance	41.54
Anderson Erickson Dairy, Milk/Dairy Products	3,344.98
Atlantic Coca-Cola Bottling Co, Supplies	103.74
Crystal Adelmund, Lunch Acct Refund	24.60
Earthgrains Baking Co., Inc, Bread Products	595.80
Ems Detergent Services, Supplies	116.35
Lockey, Lunch Acct Refund	10.10
Martin Bros Distributing Co, Food Products/Supplies	12,255.06
Mastercard Corporate Clients, Supplies	185.00
United Healthcare Plan, Insurance	2,096.52
Fund Total	18,773.69

PRESCHOOL

Mastercard Corporate Clients, Supplies	23.79
United Healthcare Plan, Insurance	758.88
Fund Total	782.67
Checking Account Total	201,926.33

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PUBLIC NOTICE
CITY OF DIKE

March 13, 2019

The Dike City Council met in special session for a public hearing on Wednesday, March 13, 2019 at 6:30 PM regarding fiscal 2020 budget with Mayor Soppe presiding. Council present: Chad Cutsforth, Chris Bakken and Nick Cleveland. Absent: Sam Kollasch and Luke Osterhaus. Also in attendance: Joe Becker and Marv Geiken.

Mayor Soppe opened the public hearing regarding the approval of the budget for fiscal year 2020. There were no concerns or comments given regarding the budget. Cutsforth introduced Resolution #3132019, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 BUDGET AND THAT IT BE SUBMITTED TO THAT STATE. Seconded by Bakken. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Cutsforth, Bakken and Cleveland. Nays: None. Absent: Kollasch and Osterhaus. Whereupon the Mayor declared Resolution #3132019 duly adopted.

Motion by Cutsforth to adjourn the public hearing. Seconded by Bakken. All ayes. Motion carried.

March 13, 2019

The Dike City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, March 13, 2019 at 7 PM with Mayor Soppe presiding. Council present: Chad Cutsforth, Chris Bakken and Nick Cleveland. Absent: Sam Kollasch and Luke Osterhaus. Also in attendance: Marv Geiken, Joe Becker, Jared Hartscock, Kim Adelmund, Zeb Stanbrough, Zach Andersen, Jeff with McClure Engineering and Austyn Wolfe.

Consent agenda: Motion by Cutsforth to approve the following on the consent agenda: sheriff's report, library report, approval of minutes presented and delinquent utility accounts. Seconded by Bakken. All ayes. Motion carried.

Fire/Ambulance report: The department had seven ems calls, two accidents and one fire call. Scott Bright resigned from the department. The fireman's dance will be held April 12 at Fox Ridge Golf Course from 8 pm-12 am. We hope to see you there.

Dike swim team: Kim Adelmund and Jared Hartscock updated the council on upcoming swim team season. They would like to name the team the Krakens; a kraken is a legendary cephalopod-like sea monster in Scandinavian folklore of giant size. The team would like to get matching swim caps with the new name. The diving blocks at the pool will need to be replaced over the next few years. Registration for swim team will be coming up soon.

McClure Engineering: Austyn Wolfe with McClure Engineering spoke to the council about the wastewater treatment project and the final stages of completion. The DNR needs to sign off on the plant to say it is 100% complete.

Resolution #03131901: Cutsforth introduced Resolution #03131901, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE STATEMENT OF COMPLETION FOR THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT. Seconded by Bakken. Roll call vote: Ayes: Cutsforth, Bakken and Cleveland. Nays: none. Absent: Kollasch and Osterhaus. Whereupon the Mayor declared Resolution #03131901, duly adopted.

Resolution #03131902: Bakken introduced Resolution #03131902, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FINAL PAYMENT TO WRH, INC FOR THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT FOR \$41,269.80. Seconded by Cutsforth. Roll call vote: Ayes: Cutsforth, Bakken and Cleveland. Nays: none. Absent: Kollasch and Osterhaus. Whereupon the Mayor declared Resolution #03131902, duly adopted.

Resolution #03131903: Cutsforth introduced Resolution #03131903, A RESOLUTION FIXING THE DATE OF WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2019 AT 6:30 PM FOR PUBLIC HEARING AUTHORIZATION OF LOAN AGREEMENT WITH GRUNDY REC. Seconded by Bakken. Roll call vote: ayes: Cutsforth, Bakken and Cleveland. Nays: none. Absent: Kollasch and Osterhaus. Whereupon the Mayor declared Resolution #03131903, duly adopted.

Sewer Rate: After discussion Cutsforth introduced Resolution #03131905, A RESOLUTION TO INCREASE THE SEWER RATE AS OF JULY 1, 2019 TO THE FOLLOWING RATE \$15 MINIMUM

FLAT FEE, \$5 FOR EVERY 1000 GALLONS AND \$5 WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT FEE FOR EVERY 1000 GALLONS AND BEGIN ORDINANCE CHANGES. Seconded by Bakken. Roll call vote: ayes: Cutsforth, Bakken and Cleveland. Nays: none. Absent: Kollasch and Osterhaus. Whereupon the Mayor declared Resolution #03131905, duly adopted.	
Resolution #03131904: Cutsforth introduced Resolution #03131904, A RESOLUTION FIXING THE DATE OF WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2019 AT 6:35 PM FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE NEW SEWER AND WATER RATES ORDINANCE. Seconded by Bakken. Roll call vote: ayes: Cutsforth, Bakken and Cleveland. Nays: none. Absent: Kollasch and Osterhaus. Whereupon the Mayor declared Resolution #03131904, duly adopted.	
Emergency Management & 911 Board: A motion by Cutsforth to appoint Luke Osterhaus to the boards. Seconded by Bakken. All ayes. Motion carried.	
Superintendent's report: Shane Metz was awarded the 2018 Community Operator of the Year by Iowa Rural Water Association. Congrats Shane.	
Financial reports: A motion by Cutsforth to approve the financial reports. Seconded by Bakken. All ayes. Motion carried.	
January 2019 Revenues	
General	\$13618.24
RUT	\$13072.30
Employee Ben	\$303.93
Emerg. Fund	\$42.14
LOST	\$7462.98
TIF	\$337.64
Debt Service	\$115.53
Water	\$13137.89
Sewer	\$26561.79
Electric	\$67977.66
Expenses	
General	\$29199.00
RUT	\$4740.55
Employee Ben	\$3289.68
Emerg. Fund	\$0
LOST	\$0
TIF	\$0
Debt Service	\$0
Water	\$15826.04
Sewer	\$12054.17
Electric	\$57309.17
Bills to be allowed and paid: A motion by Bakken to approve the bills to be allowed and paid. Seconded by Cutsforth. All ayes. Motion carried.	
Clerk Comments: Rec Sign up for baseball, softball and t-ball will begin March 18-29 at City Hall. Wednesday, March 27, 2019 from 4:30-7 will be a sign up evening.	
Mayors Comments: Watermelon day will be August 10, 2019.	
Adjourn: Motion by Cutsforth to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Bakken. All ayes. Motion carried.	
Michael Soppe, Mayor	
ATTES:	
Lindsay Nielsen, City Clerk	
Claims Report	
Vendor Reference Amount	
Justin McIlrath, Mailbox Repair	35
Justin Shores, Mailbox Repair	35
Advanced Systems, Copier	27
Airgas Usa,Llc, Gloves	170.81
Ann Hilliard, Mileage To Bank	10.44
Arnold Motor Supply, Equipment Repair	319.36
Black Hills Energy, Gas Bill	1,307.37
Brown Supply Co, Poly Broom Strip	329.61
Centurylink, Phone/Internet Bill	609.29
City Of Dike, Electric Bill	1,431.79
Demco, Library Book	207.37
Dike Fire Dept, Jan19 Meeting/Calls/Supplies	1,862.75
Internal Revenue Service, Fed/Fica Tax	884.45
Internal Revenue Service, Fed/Fica Tax	722.6
Grundy County Sheriff, Sheriff Contract	6,350.00
Hawkeye Community College, Bls Class	580
Robert Heerkes, Hsa- City Contr	228
Shane Metz Jr, Hsa- City Contr	285
La Dept Of Public Health, Swimming Pool License	105
Icap, Property Insurance Premiums	23,577.00
Ipers, Ipers	1,358.47
Kwik Trip Inc, Street Dept Fuel	148.17
Mediacom, Fire Station Internet	139.87

Menards, Rotary Barrel Pump	94.05
Mid-America Publishing, Legals	256.48
Momar Incorporated, Mosquito School Shane/Rob	50
Northeast Iowa Inspections, Sports Complex Cons. Permit	150
Purchase Power, Postage Machine Lease	273.99
Quill Corporation, Cleaning Supplies	449.37
Rite Environmental Garbage Pickup Feb19	4,417.65
Sandry Fire Supply, Fire Supplies Hose	1,560.00
Scott's Supply Co Inc, Pickup Repair	76.73
State Bank, Trail Loan Interest Pm	10
la Dept Of Revenue, State Tax	227
Superior Welding, Oxygen Ambulance	90
T & T Computers, Fire Station Computers	1,832.94
Us Cellular, Fire Dept Cell Phone	86.87
Wal-Mart Community Brc, Books/Dvds	364.89
Waterloo Oil Co Inc, Fuel	1,492.60
Xerox Financial Services, Copier Lease	142.18
Internal Revenue Service, Fed/Fica Tax	460.04
Internal Revenue Service, Fed/Fica Tax	396.86
Shane Metz, Hsa- City Contr	71.25
Robert Heerkes, Hsa- City Contr	114
Shane Metz Jr, Hsa- City Contr	114
Lindsay Nielsen, Hsa- City Contr	142.5
Icap, Property Insurance Premiums	3,300.00
Ipers, Ipers	546.05
la Dept Of Revenue, State Tax	148.75
Black Hills Energy, Gas Bill	31.35
Centurylink, Phone/Internet Bill	72.55
City Of Dike, Electric Bill	2,566.22
Internal Revenue Service, Fed/Fica Tax	435.71
Internal Revenue Service, Fed/Fica Tax	346.46
Shane Metz, Hsa- City Contr	71.25
Robert Heerkes, Hsa- City Contr	114
Shane Metz Jr, Hsa- City Contr	114
Icap, Property Insurance Premiums	4,000.00
Ipers, Ipers	546.04
Menards, Rotary Barrel Pump	27.91
Dike Post Office, Postage Utility Bills	161
la Dept Of Revenue, State Tax	148.75
Testamerica Laboratories Inc, Wwtp Testing	479.85
Ubben Building Supplies, Wwtp Supplies	77.53
Wellmark Blue Cross And Blue, Health Insurance Premiums	1,768.97
Mcclure Engineering Co., Wwtp Engineering/Admin	1,717.50
Alliant Energy, Street Lights Fox Ridge	357.91
Internal Revenue Service, Fed/Fica Tax	344.37
Internal Revenue Service, Fed/Fica Tax	297.77
Shane Metz, Hsa- City Contr	71.25
Lindsay Nielsen, Hsa- City Contr	142.5
Icap, Property Insurance Premiums	4,391.62
Ipers, Ipers	442.48
Grundy County R.e.c., Electric Bill Feb19	46,646.66
la Dept Of Revenue, State Tax	122.75
Wellmark Blue Cross And Blue, Health Insurance Premiums	2,500.00
Total Accounts Payable	193,001.65
Payroll Checks	16,269.81
Paid Total	209,271.46
Report Total	209,271.46

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PUBLIC NOTICE
CITY OF LISCOMB

Liscomb City Council Regular Council Meeting March 11, 2019

Mayor Hank Penner opened the regular council meeting at 7:03 pm. Council members answering roll call were Ted Gunderson, Blake Matney, and Esther Mosher. Ben Olson arrived at 7:04 pm. Also present were Marshall County Deputy Sheriff, 5 residents, Brett & April Stewart of Liscomb Lively Laborers 4-H Club, Maintenance Man Darwin Bracy and City Clerk Kristi Schiebel.

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Mosher, seconded by Gunderson. Motion carried with roll call of 3 ayes.

Marshall County Deputy Sheriff gave the activity report for February 2019. There were no questions or comments. He left at 7:05 pm.

Motion to approve the minutes of February 14, 2019 was made by Gunderson, seconded by Mosher. Motion carried with roll call of 4 ayes.

Motion to approve the financial report for February 2019 was made by Matney, seconded by Gunderson. Motion carried with roll call of 4 ayes.

Motion to approve the bill listing for February 12 to March 11, 2019 in the amount of \$8,913.81 was made by Gunderson, seconded by Olson. Motion carried with roll call of 4 ayes.

Residents Concern:

Stewarts stated that the 4-H Club will have new trash cans for the community building. They will also ask the club about washing the head stones.

Normans and Burggraafs stated that they would be willing to help with a city celebration.

New Business:

Discussion was held on the cleaning of the community building. Stewarts stated that they were interested in having the 4-H club do some of the cleaning; a person who cleans houses is interested and current staff. It was decided to talk to all interested parties and go from there.

Discussion was held on the possibility of a community garden handled by the Liscomb Lively Laborers 4-H Club. Two possible places to have it, the size of the garden, where the water will come from to water it when needed and what would be planted were discussed. Stewarts will discuss these items with the club and report back to the council. Stewarts also

stated that a food pantry will be put up next to the Little Library on Main Street that the 4-H club will keep it stocked.

Playground equipment was discussed on what to get and how much to spend. Matney will bring some options for purchase to the next meeting.

It was decided to have City Wide Clean up on May 9-11, 2019. It will be announced with the utility bills.

A person has contacted the City about planting a tree at the cemetery. Bracy will coordinate the placement with the person.

Motion made to approve the election of Blake Matney as Liscomb Volunteer Fire Department Chief was made by Gunderson, seconded by Mosher. Motion carried with roll call of 3 ayes with Matney abstaining. Other officers elected were Assistant Chiefs Hank Penner and Lance Mitchell, Captains Ben Olson and Milton Friedel and Secretary/Treasurer John Vry. Discussion was had on the community building gutters on the back. They are not in good shape. Bracy will bring bids to the next meeting.

Discussion was had replacement of traffic and street signs in town. They are 30 years old and are in need of being replaced. There is the possibility of a grant from Iowa DOT for the traffic signs. It was also discussed if more stop signs need to be placed in town.

It was noted that a display case was donated by Black Tire Bike Company in Marshalltown Iowa. Phil Gould was able to get the display case here. Thank you to both of them.

Old Business:

The RV dump possibility will no longer be discussed at this time.

There was no more discussion on the City Days.

Motion made by Olson, seconded by Matney to approve the 1st Responders Agreement. Motion carried with roll call with 4 ayes.

Nuisances were discussed. It will be noted that the City Wide Clean Up is a good time to take care of those nuisance items in yards for free.

It was decided that Matney will contact someone about replacing the motor on the siren.

Discussion was had on trailers/travel trailers in town. The clerk is to contact Iowa Codification about options that other towns have done.

The public hearing for the 2019-2020 budget was opened at 9:39 pm by Mayor Penner. There were not any written or oral comments concerning the budget presented. Hearing closed at 9:40 pm.

Motion made by Gunderson, seconded by Mosher to approve Resolution 19-01 2019-2020 Budget. Motion carried with roll call of 5 ayes.

Committee Reports:

Fire Department – They are working on purchases.

General & Utilities – A response from IRUA to the water issues on March 10 was given. An energy audit was done on the maintenance shed. It was reported that a rebate would be received if the work was done by the end of the month. A special meeting was called for March 13 at 12:00 pm to further discuss it.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Olson, seconded by Gunderson. Motion carried with 4 ayes. Meeting adjourned at 9:55 pm.

Hank Penner, Mayor

Attested: Kristi Schiebel, City Clerk

Bill Listing for February 12 to March 11, 2019 in the amount of \$8,913.81:

PUBLIC NOTICE
CITY OF DIKE

NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DIKE, IOWA, ON THE MATTER OF THE PROPOSED AUTHORIZATION OF A LOAN AGREEMENT AND THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$110,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL LOAN NOTES OF THE CITY (FOR GENERAL CORPORATE PURPOSES), AND THE HEARING ON THE ISSUANCE THEREOF PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Dike, Iowa, will hold a public hearing on the 10th day of April, 2019, at 6:30 P.M., in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 540 Main Street, Dike, Iowa, at which meeting the Council proposes to take additional action for the authorization of a Loan Agreement and the issuance of not to exceed \$110,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes, for general corporate purposes, bearing interest at a rate of not to exceed nine (9) per centum per annum, the Notes to be issued to provide funds to pay costs of the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, extending, remodeling, improving, repairing and equipping all or part of the Municipal Electric Utility, including renovations to a diesel engine. Principal and interest on the proposed Loan Agreement will be payable from the Debt Service Fund. At any time before the date of the meeting, a petition, asking that the question of issuing such Notes be submitted to the legal voters of the City, may be filed with the Clerk of the City in the manner provided by Section 362.4 of the Code of Iowa, pursuant to the provisions of Sections 384.24A and 384.26 of the Code of Iowa. At the above meeting the Council shall receive oral or written objections from any resident or property owner of the City to the above action. After all objections have been received and considered, the Council will at the meeting or at any adjournment thereof, take additional action for the authorization of a Loan Agreement and the issuance of the Notes to evidence the obligation of the City thereunder or will abandon the proposal to issue said Notes.

This notice is given by order of the City Council of the City of Dike, Iowa, as provided by Sections 384.24A and 384.26 of the Code of Iowa. Dated this 13 day of March, 2019. Lindsay Nielsen City Clerk, City of Dike, Iowa GR12-1

BOARD PROCEEDINGS
GRUNDY COUNTY

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS The Grundy County Board of Supervisors met in regular session in the Supervisors' room at the Grundy County Courthouse on March 11, 2019, at 9:00 A.M. Chairperson Schildroth called the meeting to order with the following members present: Smith, Bakker, Nederhoff, and Ross.

The Board opened the meeting by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Motion was made by Ross and seconded by Smith to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Carried unanimously. ENTRY RECORD OF THE HEARING AND DETERMINATION OF THE BOARD: Be it remembered this 11th day of March, 2019, the County Supervisors of Grundy County, Iowa, met in session at 9:00 A.M. for the purpose of a hearing on the budget estimate as filed with this Board. There was present a quorum as required by law. Thereupon the Board investigated and found that the notice of time and place of hearing had been published, according to law and as directed by this Board, on the 28th day of February, 2019, in the Grundy Register and on the 1st day of March, 2019, in the Reinbeck Courier, official newspapers published in Grundy County, and affidavits of publication thereon were on file with the County Auditor. No one attending the meeting desired to be heard in favor of or against the budget. The County Auditor reported that no written comments had been received. The chairperson closed the hearing.

Motion was made by Smith and seconded by Nederhoff to introduce Resolution #28-2018/2019 as follows: WHEREAS, the Grundy County Compensation Board meets annually to recommend a compensation schedule for elected officials for the fiscal year immediately following, in accordance with Iowa Code Chapters 331.905 and 331.907, and WHEREAS, the Grundy County Compensation Board met on January 10, 2019, and made the following salary recommendations for the following elected officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019:

Elected Official	Current Salary	Proposed Increase	Recommended Salary
Auditor	\$58,840.02	\$1,912.30	\$60,752.32
County Attorney	\$63,011.06	\$2,047.85	\$65,058.91
Recorder	\$58,840.02	\$1,912.30	\$60,752.32
Sheriff	\$83,033.20	\$2,698.57	\$85,731.77
Supervisors	\$26,523.26	\$862.00	\$27,385.26
Treasurer	\$58,840.02	\$1,912.30	\$60,752.32

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Grundy County Board of Supervisors approves the following salary adjustments for the following elected officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019:

Elected Official	Approved Salary	Approved Increase
Auditor	\$60,608.90	\$1,768.88
County Attorney	\$64,905.32	\$1,894.26
Recorder	\$60,608.90	\$1,768.88
Sheriff	\$85,529.38	\$2,496.18
Supervisors	\$27,320.61	\$797.35
Treasurer	\$60,608.90	\$1,768.88

The vote on the resolution was as follows: Ayes – Smith, Bakker, Nederhoff, Ross, and Schildroth. Nays – None. Resolution adopted.

Motion was made by Bakker and seconded by Ross to introduce Resolution #29-2018/2019 as follows: WHEREAS, the Grundy County Board of Supervisors has considered the proposed Fiscal Year 2020 county budget and certificate of taxes, and WHEREAS, a public hearing concerning the proposed county budget was held on March 11, 2019. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Grundy County Board of Supervisors that the General Supplemental levy contained in the proposed county budget and certificate of taxes for Fiscal Year 2020 as published in the county's official newspapers on February 28, 2019, and March 1, 2019, be reduced to .66261 and that the balance of the levies as shown on the proposed county budget be approved and adopted as published. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Grundy County Auditor is directed to properly certify and file said budget and certificate of taxes as adopted. The vote on the resolution was as follows: Ayes – Smith, Bakker, Nederhoff, Ross, and Schildroth. Nays – None. Resolution adopted.

Motion was made by Ross and seconded by Bakker to introduce Resolution #30-2018/2019 as follows: WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors is responsible for the preparation and review of the Fiscal Year 2020 Secondary Road Budget and the Secondary Road Construction Program for the accomplishment of maintenance work and construction projects on county roads in accordance with the Code of Iowa. AND WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors is responsible for approving the Fiscal Year 2020 Secondary Road Budget and the Secondary Road Construction Program. AND WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has reviewed and has discussed at length with the County Engineer the proposed Fiscal Year 2020 Secondary Road Budget and the Secondary Road Construction Program. AND WHEREAS, all the requirements have been met, as set forth by the Code of Iowa, for funding the maintenance work and construction projects on the county roads in Grundy County, Iowa. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Fiscal Year 2020 Secondary Road Budget and the Secondary Road Construction Program dated this date, are hereby approved and adopted by the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Grundy County, Iowa. The vote on the resolution was as follows: Ayes – Smith, Bakker, Nederhoff, Ross, and Schildroth. Nays – None. Resolution adopted.

Brenda J. Noteboom, County Treasurer, reviewed the proposed 28E Agreement with the City of Ackley. Motion was made by Smith and seconded by Ross to accept and order filed the County Treasurer's February 28, 2019, Investment Report. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Ross and seconded by Nederhoff to deny the request from GNB Bank for access to the courthouse during the Felix Grundy Festival. The vote on the motion was as follows: Ayes – Bakker, Nederhoff, Ross, and Schildroth. Nays – Smith. Carried 4-1.

Motion was made by Bakker and seconded by Nederhoff to approve the management representation letter to the Auditor of State and to authorize the chairperson to sign the same. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Ross and seconded by Smith to approve the renewal worksheet for IMWCA and to authorize the chairperson to sign the same. Carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Bakker and seconded by Nederhoff to accept and order filed the Clerk of Court's February 2019 Report. Carried unanimously.

At 9:26 a.m., motion was made by Bakker and seconded by Smith to enter into executive session by authority of Chapter 21 of the Code of Iowa and pursuant to the County Attorney's request for the purpose of discussing strategy with counsel in matters where litigation is imminent and where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the county in that litigation. Roll call vote was as follows: Ayes – Smith, Bakker, Nederhoff, Ross, and Schildroth. Nays – None.

Motion was made at 10:01 a.m. by Ross and seconded by Smith to adjourn the executive session and return to regular session. Roll call vote was as follows: Ayes – Smith, Bakker, Nederhoff, Ross, and Schildroth. Nays – None.

Motion was made by Ross and seconded by Bakker to adjourn. Carried unanimously. Mark Schildroth, Chairperson Rhonda R. Deters, County Auditor GR12-1

PROBATE NOTICE

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT GRUNDY COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Irmgard Moeller, Deceased.

Probate No. ESPR102325 NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Irmgard Moeller, Deceased, who died on or about 4th day of December, 2018: You are hereby notified that on the 18th day of March, 2019, the last will and testament of Irmgard Moeller, deceased, bearing date of the 14th day of September, 2018, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Tommy L. Moeller and Ricky D. Moeller were appointed executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred. Dated this 13th day of March, 2019.

Tommy L. Moeller
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Ricky D. Moeller
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Conrad, IA 50621

Executors of estate

Jennie L. Wilson-Moore
ICIS#: AT0003676
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Date of second publication 28th day of March, 2019. GR12-2

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS 1. Sealed Bids will be received by the Auditor of Grundy County at his/her office in Grundy Center, Iowa until 9:05 A.M. on March 25th, 2019 for the various items of construction work listed below.

2. A certified check, made payable to the County, or a Cashier's check, or an acceptable Bid bond, made payable to either the County or to the contractor, drawn upon a solvent bank shall be filed with each proposal in an amount as set forth in the proposal form. Cashier's check, made payable to the contractor, shall contain an unqualified endorsement to the County signed by the contractor or his authorized agent. Failure to execute a contract and file an acceptable bond and certificate of insurance within 15 days of the date of the approval for awarding of the contract, as herein provided, will be just and sufficient cause for the denial of the award and the forfeiture of the proposal guarantee.

3. Plans, specifications and proposal forms for the work may be seen and may be secured at the office of the Grundy County Engineer, 22580 M Ave., Grundy Center, Iowa 50638.

4. All proposals must be filed on the forms furnished by the County, sealed and plainly marked. Proposals containing any reservations not provided for in the forms furnished may be rejected, and the County Board of Supervisors reserves the right to waive technicalities and to reject any or all bids.

5. Attention of bidders is directed to Special Provisions covering the qualifications of bidders and subletting or assigning of contract.

6. As a condition of precedent to being furnished proposal forms, a prospective bidder must be on the current Iowa Department of Transportation list of qualified bidders; except that this requirement will not apply when bids are received solely for materials, supplies, or equipment.

PROJECT #: L-RCBF15-73-38, RCB REPLACEMENT, TRIPLE LOCATION: 1 Ave. 0.8 MI. NORTH OF D35/205th St. Sec. 20-88-17 A COMPLETE LIST QUANTITIES AND THE CONSTRUCTION PERIOD IS LISTED ON PROPOSAL FORM PROPOSAL GUARANTEE: \$8000 Monday, March 4th, 2019, Board of Supervisors of Grundy County By Rhonda Deters, County Auditor GR 12-1

PUBLIC NOTICE

GRUNDY COUNTY LANDFILL COMMISSION

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, January 10, 2019 Location: Grundy County Courthouse Annex

Members Present: Melcher, Pres., S. Smith, Secretary, Juchems, Eberance, Riekena, Neff, Folkerts, A. Smith, Minter, Metz and Ross. Additional attendee: Schoolman. The quarterly meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 6:30 PM. The minutes of the December meeting were read and approved on a motion by Juchems, seconded by Metz.

An election of officers was held. On a motion by Minter, seconded by Severance, the current officers were reelected for the ensuing year: Greg Melcher, Chm, Jim Ross, Vice Chm, Barbara Smith, Secretary. There was discussion regarding the tractor hydraulic pump seal that is leaking. Schoolman will see if either the Secondary Road Dept. can work on it or approach Roland Hydraulics about repair of the 1983-85 tractor. An ICAP representative visited the site to take photos for insurance purposes.

Business Items: The meeting was adjourned at 6:48 PM. Respectfully submitted by Barbara Smith, Secretary Greg Melcher, Chairman GR12-1

PROBATE NOTICE

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT GRUNDY COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Vanessa M. Wilson, Deceased.

Probate No. ESPR1023190 NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Vanessa M. Wilson, Deceased, who died on or about 6th day of February, 2019: You are hereby notified that on the 27th day of February, 2019, the undersigned was appointed administrator of the estate.

Notice is hereby given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred. Dated this 4th day of March, 2019.

Jesse L. Paris
Administrator of the estate
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Timothy M. Sweet
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Date of second publication 28th day of March, 2019.

PROBATE NOTICE

NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS CASE NO. ESPR102318

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT GRUNDY COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GILBERT MOELLER, Deceased.

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Gilbert Moeller, Deceased, who died on or about July 7, 2018:

You are hereby notified that on March 8, 2019, the Last Will and Testament of Gilbert Moeller, deceased, bearing the date of September 16, 2003, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Tommy L. Moeller and Ricky D. Moeller were appointed executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is hereby given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred. Dated February 18, 2019

Tommy L. Moeller and Ricky D. Moeller
Executor of Estate
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Date of second publication March 21, 2019

PROBATE NOTICE

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT GRUNDY COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Mary Lou Hippen, Deceased.


Probate No. ESPR102323 NOTICE OF PROBATE OF WILL, OF APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Mary Lou Hippen, Deceased, who died on or about 5th day of March, 2019:

You are hereby notified that on the 14th day of March, 2019, the last will and testament of Mary Lou Hippen, deceased, bearing date of the 16th day of February, 2015, was admitted to probate in the above named court and that Ashley Bell was appointed executor of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred. Dated this 14th day of March, 2019.

Ashly Bell
Executor of estate
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Parkersburg, IA 50665

Dale Hansmann, ICIS #AT0003251
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Klinkenborg, Hansmann & Petersen
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Date of second publication 28th day of March, 2019. GR12-2



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Spring sports schedules

AGWSR Girls Golf
Apr. 5 at Hampton-Dumont-CAL
Apr. 8 vs. BCLUW and Hudson
Apr. 9 at IF-A (w/ South Hardin)
Apr. 12 at Tripoli (w/ North Butler)
Apr. 15 vs. Gladbrook-Reinbeck
Apr. 18 vs. West Marshall
Apr. 23 at Aplington-Parkersburg
Apr. 29 at BCLUW (Union)
Apr. 30 at South Hardin (Hubbard)
May 2 vs. East Marshall
May 6 NICL West Meet at Eldora

AGWSR Boys Golf
Apr. 2 vs. Aplington-Parkersburg and H-D/CAL
Apr. 8 vs. BCLUW
Apr. 9 at IF-A (w/ South Hardin)
Apr. 12 at Tripoli (w/ North Butler)
Apr. 16 vs. Gladbrook-Reinbeck
Apr. 18 vs. West Marshall
Apr. 22 at Aplington-Parkersburg
Apr. 29 at BCLUW (Conrad)
Apr. 30 at South Hardin (Hubbard)
May 2 at East Marshall
May 6 NICL West Meet at State Center

AGWSR Girls Track
Mar. 25 at BCLUW
Apr. 5 at South Hardin
Apr. 9 at Hudson
Apr. 11 at Dike-New Hartford
Apr. 12 at South Hardin
Apr. 15 at Hudson
Apr. 23 at Aplington-Parkersburg
Apr. 26 at Grundy Center
Apr. 29 at Aplington-Parkersburg
May 2 NICL West Meet at Eldora
May 6 at Denver

AGWSR Boys Track
Apr. 4 at Hudson
Apr. 8 at East Marshall
Apr. 9 at Iowa Falls-Alden
Apr. 11 at Hudson
Apr. 16 at Dike-New Hartford
Apr. 18 at BCLUW
Apr. 23 at Aplington-Parkersburg
Apr. 26 at South Hardin
Apr. 29 at Denver
May 2 NICL West Meet at Eldora
May 6 at Aplington-Parkersburg

BCLUW Girls Golf
Apr. 8 at AGWSR, Ackley
Apr. 9 Comet Co-Ed, Conrad
Apr. 11 at North Tama (w/ Baxter)
Apr. 15 at Grundy Center
Apr. 16 at West Marshall
Apr. 18 vs. Grundy Center, G-R (Union)
Apr. 22 vs. S. Hardin, Roland-Story (Conrad)
Apr. 23 at East Marshall
Apr. 25 at West Marshall (w/ Baxter)
Apr. 29 Comet Invite at Union
May 2 at West Marshall (w/ G-R)
May 6 NICL West Meet at Eldora

BCLUW Boys Golf
Apr. 8 at AGWSR, Wellsburg
Apr. 9 Comet Co-Ed, Conrad
Apr. 11 at North Tama (w/ Baxter)
Apr. 13 at Grundy Center Invite
Apr. 15 at Grundy Center
Apr. 18 vs. Grundy Center, G-R (Conrad)
Apr. 22 vs. S. Hardin, Roland-Story (Union)
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Baxter)
Apr. 29 Comet Invite at Conrad
May 2 at West Marshall (w/ G-R)
May 6 NICL West Meet at State Center
BCLUW Girls Track and Field
Mar. 18 at ISU Indoor
Mar. 25 Comet Girls Early Bird
Apr. 2 at South Tama Co-Ed
Apr. 5 at South Hardin
Apr. 8 at GMG, Tama
Apr. 11 at East Marshall
Apr. 15 at Hudson
Apr. 18 at Grundy Center
Apr. 23 at Dike-New Hartford
Apr. 25 at West Marshall
Apr. 29 at Denver
May 2 NICL West Meet at Eldora

BCLUW Boys Track and Field
Mar. 19 at ISU Indoor
Mar. 28 Comet Boys Early Bird
Apr. 2 at South Tama Co-Ed
Apr. 4 at Marshalltown
Apr. 8 at East Marshall
Apr. 11 at Hudson
Apr. 16 at BGM
Apr. 18 Les Penick Relays, Conrad
Apr. 23 at North Polk
Apr. 26 at Dike-New Hartford
Apr. 29 at Denver
May 2 NICL West Meet at Eldora
May 6 at Aplington-Parkersburg

D-NH Girls Track and Field
Mar. 25 at BCLUW
Mar. 28 at Waverly-Shell Rock
Apr. 2 at Jesup
Apr. 9 at Hudson
Apr. 11 Home Meet
Apr. 15 at Hudson
Apr. 18 at Waterloo West
Apr. 23 Home Meet
Apr. 26 at Union, La Porte City
Apr. 29 at Aplington-Parkersburg
May 2 NICL East Meet at Denver
May 6 at Denver

D-NH Boys Track and Field
Mar. 26 at East Marshall
Mar. 28 at Waverly-Shell Rock
Apr. 4 at Clear Creek-Amana
Apr. 5 at Waverly-Shell Rock
Apr. 9 at Waverly-Shell Rock
Apr. 11 at Hudson
Apr. 16 Home Meet
Apr. 18 at Cedar Falls
Apr. 22 at Cedar Falls
Apr. 26 Home Meet
May 2 NICL East Meet at Denver
May 6 at Aplington-Parkersburg

D-NH Girls Golf
Apr. 4 at Waterloo Columbus
Apr. 8 at Sumner-Fredericksburg
Apr. 9 at BCLUW (Conrad)
Apr. 11 vs. Wapsie Valley
Apr. 16 vs. Union
Apr. 18 vs. Hudson
Apr. 22 vs. Denver
Apr. 23 at Aplington-Parkersburg
Apr. 25 at Aplington-Parkersburg (w/ East Marshall)
Apr. 29 at Jesup
May 6 NICL East Meet at Fairbank

D-NH Boys Golf
Apr. 4 at Waterloo Columbus
Apr. 8 at Sumner-Fredericksburg
Apr. 9 at Conrad
Apr. 11 vs. Wapsie Valley
Apr. 16 vs. Union
Apr. 18 vs. Hudson
Apr. 22 at Aplington-Parkersburg
Apr. 23 vs. Denver
Apr. 25 at Aplington-Parkersburg (w/ East Marshall)
Apr. 27 at Waterloo Columbus

Apr. 29 at Jesup
May 6 NICL East Meet at Sumner

D-NH Girls Tennis
Apr. 9 vs. Aplington-Parkersburg
Apr. 11 vs. Grinnell
Apr. 15 vs. South Hardin
Apr. 18 at Grundy Center
Apr. 22 vs. Independence
Apr. 23 at Osage
Apr. 26 at Union, La Porte City
Apr. 29 vs. Iowa Falls-Alden
May 2 vs. Hampton-Dumont/CAL
May 6 at Oelwein
May 9 at Charles City
May 13 NICL Meet at Byrnes Park

Gladbrook-Reinbeck Girls Golf
Apr. 8 at East Marshall
Apr. 11 vs. South Hardin
Apr. 16 at AGWSR (Wellsburg)
Apr. 18 at BCLUW (Conrad)
Apr. 22 at A-P Tournament
Apr. 26 at North Tama (Traer)
May 2 at West Marshall
May 6 NICL West Meet at State Center

Gladbrook-Reinbeck Girls Golf
Apr. 8 at East Marshall
Apr. 11 vs. South Hardin
Apr. 15 at AGWSR (Ackley)
Apr. 18 at BCLUW (Union)
Apr. 23 at A-P Tournament
Apr. 26 at North Tama (Traer)
May 2 at West Marshall
May 6 NICL West Meet at Eldora

Gladbrook-Reinbeck Girls Track and Field
Mar. 28 at Union, La Porte City
Apr. 2 at Grundy Center
Apr. 8 at Baxter
Apr. 12 at South Hardin
Apr. 15 at Hudson
Apr. 22 at Wapsie Valley (Oelwein)
Apr. 26 at Union, La Porte City
Apr. 29 at Denver
May 2 NICL West Meet at Eldora

Gladbrook-Reinbeck Boys Track and Field
Mar. 26 at East Marshall
Mar. 28 at BCLUW
Apr. 4 at Hudson
Apr. 8 at Baxter
Apr. 12 at South Hardin
Apr. 18 at BCLUW
Apr. 22 at Wapsie Valley (Oelwein)
Apr. 26 at Union, La Porte City
Apr. 29 at Denver
May 2 NICL West Meet at Eldora
May 6 at Aplington-Parkersburg

Grundy Center/Gladbrook-Reinbeck Girls Soccer
Apr. 2 at Waterloo Columbus
Apr. 5 vs. Grand View Christian
Apr. 9 at Cedar Valley Christian
Apr. 11 at Decorah
Apr. 16 vs. Hudson/D-NH
Apr. 18 at Denver
Apr. 23 vs. Hampton-Dumont/CAL
Apr. 25 at Union, La Porte City
Apr. 30 at Waverly-Shell Rock
May 4 at Vinton-Shellsburg Tournament
May 11 at Waverly-Shell Rock Tournament
May 16 at Hudson
May 21 at Aplington-Parkersburg
May 23 vs. Denver

Grundy Center/Gladbrook-Reinbeck Boys Soccer
Apr. 2 vs. Waterloo Columbus
Apr. 9 at Cedar Valley Christian
Apr. 15 vs. Denver

Apr. 16 vs. Collins-Maxwell
Apr. 18 vs. Decorah
Apr. 23 vs. Hampton-Dumont/CAL
Apr. 25 vs. Waverly-Shell Rock
Apr. 30 at Denver
May 4 at Vinton-Shellsburg Tournament
May 7 at Waterloo Columbus
May 10 at Hudson
May 13 at Iowa Falls-Alden/AGWSR

Grundy Center/Gladbrook-Reinbeck Girls Tennis
Apr. 4 at Waverly-Shell Rock
Apr. 8 vs. Hampton-Dumont/CAL
Apr. 11 vs. Aplington-Parkersburg
Apr. 12 at Webster City
Apr. 22 vs. Iowa Falls-Alden
Apr. 23 vs. South Hardin
Apr. 26 at Fort Dodge St. Edmond
Apr. 30 at Union, La Porte City
May 6 at Charles City
May 7 at Aplington-Parkersburg
May 13 NICL Meet at Byrnes Park

Grundy Center/Gladbrook-Reinbeck Boys Tennis
Apr. 4 at Waverly-Shell Rock
Apr. 8 at Hampton-Dumont/CAL
Apr. 15 vs. Union, La Porte City
Apr. 18 vs. South Hardin
Apr. 22 at Webster City
Apr. 25 at Waterloo Columbus
Apr. 26 vs. Fort Dodge St. Edmond
Apr. 29 at Iowa Falls-Alden
Apr. 30 at Independence
May 2 vs. Aplington-Parkersburg
May 14 NICL Meet at Byrnes Park

Grundy Center Girls Track and Field
Mar. 25 at BCLUW
Apr. 2 Spartan Co-Ed
Apr. 5 at South Hardin
Apr. 9 at Hudson
Apr. 11 at Dike-New Hartford
Apr. 12 at Aplington-Parkersburg
Apr. 18 Home Meet
Apr. 22 at Wapsie Valley (Oelwein)
Apr. 23 at Dike-New Hartford
Apr. 26 Home Meet
Apr. 29 at Iowa Falls-Alden
May 2 NICL West Meet at Eldora
May 6 at Denver

Grundy Center Boys Track and Field
Mar. 28 at Belle Plaine
Apr. 2 Spartan Co-Ed
Apr. 4 Home Meet
Apr. 9 at Jesup
Apr. 11 at Hudson
Apr. 12 at Aplington-Parkersburg
Apr. 15 at North Butler
Apr. 16 at Dike-New Hartford
Apr. 18 at Denver
Apr. 22 at Wapsie Valley (Oelwein)
Apr. 26 Home Meet
Apr. 30 at Sumner-Fredericksburg
May 2 NICL West Meet at Eldora
May 6 at Aplington-Parkersburg

Hudson/D-NH Girls Soccer
Apr. 1 at Waterloo West
Apr. 2 vs. Western Dubuque
Apr. 5 vs. Aplington-Parkersburg
Apr. 9 vs. Waterloo Columbus
Apr. 11 at Denver
Apr. 16 at Grundy Center/Gladbrook-Reinbeck
Apr. 18 vs. Union, La Porte City
Apr. 26 at Iowa Falls-Alden
Apr. 27 at Garner-Hayfield-Ventura
May 2 vs. Iowa City Liberty
May 7 vs. Denver
May 9 at Cedar Valley Christian
May 11 at Waverly-Shell Rock Tournament
May 16 vs. Grundy Center/Gladbrook-Reinbeck
May 21 at Waverly-Shell Rock

Iowa Falls-Alden/AGWSR Boys Soccer
Mar. 28 vs. North Polk
Apr. 4 at Hudson
Apr. 8 at Garner-Hayfield-Ventura
Apr. 11 at Gilbert
Apr. 12 vs. Webster City
Apr. 20 at Boone
Apr. 22 at Mason City
Apr. 25 at South Tama
Apr. 29 vs. Hampton-Dumont/CAL
May 2 at Nevada
May 4 at Waverly-Shell Rock Tournament
May 6 at Humboldt
May 10 at Webster City
May 13 vs. Grundy Center/Gladbrook-Reinbeck
May 17 at Clear Lake

Girls

From page 16
Senior Bailey Ashton received honorable mention.

BCLUW finished 2018 with a 4-7 record but salvaged a .500 season with six wins in eight tries to start the new year.

Points per game
Madison Ubben, jr. - 11.7
Katie Thompson, sr. - 7.3
Bailey Ashton, sr. - 6.8
Rebounds per game
Madison Ubben, jr. - 7.6
Easton Swanson, sr. - 6.5
Bailey Ashton, sr. - 3.4

Dike-New Hartford (20-3, 14-2 NICL East)
The Wolverines had another strong season this winter, but couldn't get past a familiar foe at the state tournament as Cascade ended D-NH's season in the state quarterfinals for the second consecutive year.

D-NH rolled over Panorama, 50-15, in the regional final, but fell to Cascade 52-43 at Wells Fargo Arena in Des Moines.

Battling back from an early-season injury, Ellie Foster finished her junior season as a first-team all-state selection by the Iowa Girls Coaches Association and a second-team pick by the Iowa Print Sports Writers Association.

Foster also repeated as the NICL East's Player of the Year. Foster, Katie Knock and Morgan Weber were all first-team all-league selections, with Carlee Dove receiving honorable mention. D-NH and A-P split the season series and also shared the NICL East title.

D-NH will once again be expected to reload for next year, with Rylee Wessely and Carlee Dove as the teams' only seniors. Both seniors stepped up with Foster out of the lineup in early games and the team was noticeably well-rounded upon Foster's full-time return.

Points per game
Ellie Foster, jr. - 15.6
Katie Knock, jr. - 13.0
Morgan Weber, jr. - 12.1
Rebounds per game
Morgan Weber, jr. - 7.4
Jill Eilderts, jr. - 5.0
Katie Knock, jr. - 3.4

Gladbrook-Reinbeck (10-12, 3-8 NICL West)
All-NICL West first teamer and 1,000-career-point scorer Taylor Gienger led the Rebels to a respectable finish this season, including a nice postseason victory against Janesville.

The Rebels avenged a 69-51 loss to Janesville earlier in the year with a 52-44 win against the Wildcats at Janesville on Feb. 13, advancing to the regional semifinals before falling

to Central Elkader, 55-46, on Feb. 15. G-R won seven of its final 10 games after a 3-9 start to the season.

Saari Kuehl earned second team All-NICL West honors and Belen Ellenberger was given honorable mention.

G-R tied with East Marshall for fifth in the NICL West. The Rebels played plenty of young talent this season with only two starting seniors in Gienger and Rachel Cooley.

Points per game
Taylor Gienger, sr. - 16.1
Reagan Skovgard, jr. - 7.8
Saari Kuehl, so. - 5.6
Rebounds per game
Saari Kuehl, so. - 7.0
Taylor Gienger, sr. - 4.9
Belen Ellenberger, so. - 4.5

Grundy Center (24-1, 12-0 NICL West)
The Spartans returned to the Class 2A championship game this season, but couldn't come away with the state title in an otherwise massively-impressive season for the Spartans.

The senior-heavy group, ranked No. 1 in Class 2A from beginning to end, rolled through the NICL West, beating opponents by a continuous-clock average and notching victories over Unity Christian and Cascade in the first two rounds of the state tournament to set up a state final with Treynor in Des Moines.

However, the Cardinals locked in for a 48-30 victory over Grundy Center, denying the Spartans a chance at a perfect season.

Nonetheless, Hailey Wallis, Brooke Flater, Kylie Willis, Sydney Mathews, Maddie McMartin, Reegan Zinkula, Sarah Lindeman, Cora Saak and Brittany Burroughs put together an incredible run.

Wallis finished her high school career as a first-team all-state selection by the IPSWA and IGCA. Spartans head coach Matt Lindeman also was named IGCA's 2A Coach of the Year. Flater and Wallis earned first-team All-NICL West recognition and Kylie Willis was a second-teamer. Sarah Lindeman received honorable mention.

Changes are afoot for the Spartans next winter in a variety of sports but this cohesive senior group will leave an impression for years to come.

Points per game
Hailey Wallis, sr. - 17.9
Brooke Flater, sr. - 10.0
Kylie Willis, sr. - 9.6
Rebounds per game
Brooke Flater, sr. - 6.0
Hailey Wallis, sr. - 5.4
Kylie Willis, sr. - 5.1

Higgins resigns as BCLUW basketball coach

By **ROBERT MAHARRY**
The Grundy Register

CONRAD- After four years at the helm of the BCLUW boys' basketball program, Coach Luke Higgins recently announced his resignation in a letter to the district's board of education.

Higgins, a BCLUW alum, compiled a record of 18-68 (.209) during his tenure and served as an assistant coach for three years prior to taking the head job.

"It has been my passion for those seven years to help shape and mold the future of the young men in our community. Unfortunately, my passion is being pulled hard between our kids and the young men I work with," he wrote in his letter. "As my children grow, I feel like they need me to be a big part of their lives."

Later in the letter, Higgins

referred to "alleged allegations made against me toward the end of the 2018-2019 season" and reiterated that they played no part in his decision to step down.

"This has been rumored as the reason I am resigning, and that is not the case," he wrote. "It has been investigated and findings showed no wrong doing (sic) by me, and the problem was resolved without incident."

Superintendent Ben Petty declined to elaborate on the allegations, describing them as a personnel matter and adding only that they involved a disagreement between Higgins and one of his players.

The board voted unanimously to accept the resignation on Monday evening, and a replacement has not yet been named. Higgins could not be immediately reached for comment.

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The Dirty Bird Wrestling Club competed at the Corn Cob Nationals over the weekend. (Contributed photo)

DBWC wraps season at Corn Cob

By JAKE RYDER
The Grundy Register

The Dirty Bird Wrestling Club had 10 placewinners at the Corn Cob Nationals wrestling event at the Iowa State Fairgrounds on March 16-17, the final event of the season for the DBWC.

Last season, DBWC had no place winners at this event. This season, the club had the largest presence of a club team at the event with 22 participants out of the 1,500 athletes competing

from 16 different states – 491 teams registered at least one wrestler.

The DBWC is coached by Calley Kruger and Brian Jorgenson.

Placewinners at Corn Cob are the following:

Youth
2nd place: Kenzie Wignall, 10-and-under, 55 pounds; Jaelynn Poage, 11-14, 84 pounds; Maison Copp, 9-10, 105 pounds.

4th place: Ryder Slifer, 9-10, 105 pounds.

6th place: Easton Jorgenson, 9-10, 65 pounds; Ethan Meester, 9-10, 85 pounds; Riley Forbes, 9-10, 95 pounds.

Adults
1st place: Nathan Boege, 35-and-up, heavyweight.
2nd place: Justin Uhlenhopp, 35-and-up, 215 pounds.
6th place: Calley Kruger, 35-and-up, 215 pounds.

Grames wins 200 in Pella

By JAKE RYDER
The Grundy Register

PELLA – Grundy Center's Will Grames won the 200-meter dash at a large indoor meet held at Central College in Pella last Friday.

Grames' winning time clocked in at 23.77 seconds, outrunning over 300 other competitors in the event. He also notched a top-10 finish in the long jump with a best leap of 6.04 meters.

The 4x400 relay team of Logan Knaack, Jensen Clapp, Caleb Kuiper and Will Grames finished ninth in 3:47.57. Kuiper was 11th in the 400-meter run in 55.41.

Dike-New Hartford's Parker Kiewiet was the runner-up in the long jump with a best leap of 6.50 meters. Mount Pleasant' Rylan Seberg won with a 6.68-meter leap.

Payton McMartin added a

23rd-place finish in the shot put with a 12.90-meter distance on his best throw.

Central College Indoor Meet

At Kuyper Field House
Event-by-event

60-meter dash prelims–35. Matt Jansen 7.60; 38. Logan Knaack 7.62; 133. Austin Knaack 7.93.

200–1. Will Grames (GC) 23.77; 38. Jansen 25.29; 92. A. Knaack 26.05; 118. Nick Ascher 26.31.

400–1. Mason Whitlatch (SE Polk) 53.48; 11. Caleb Kuiper 55.41; 116. Logan Strickler 1:03.30; 115. Camerin King 1:03.28; 142. Connor Koch 1:06.21.

800–1. Joe Simon (Grinnell) 2:03.07; 101. Ethan Sadler 2:40.13; 104. Donny Pruisner 2:40.86.

1,600–1. Kolby Greiner (IC

West) 4:31.57; 25. Derek Ciddio 5:05.69; 103. Ethan Sadler 5:59.08.

3,200–1. Bennett Ryken (Ames) 10:16.63; Derek Ciddio 10:49; 55. Kenny Day 12:27.71.

Long jump–1. Rylan Seberg (Mount Pleasant) 6.68 meters; 2. Parker Kiewiet (D-NH) 6.50; 8. Grames (GC) 6.04; 17. Ascher (GC) 5.67; 21. L. Knaack (GC) 5.63; 26. Jansen (GC) 5.55.

Shot put–1. Landon Green (IC West) 16.11 meters; 23. Payton McMartin 12.90; 30. Kolby Muller 11.87; 49. Wes Willis 11.29; 76. Austin Engelkes 10.25.

4x200–1. CR Prairie 1:36.96; 17. Grundy Center (Jansen, A. Knaack, L. Knaack, Grames) 1:42.14.

4x400–1. Mount Pleasant 3:37.75; 9. Grundy Center (L. Knaack, Jensen Clapp, Kuiper, Grames) 3:47.57.

Boys

From page 16
Grundy Center
(12-11, 4-8 NICL West)

The Spartans put together an incredible postseason run that ended one game short of the state tournament against Montezuma.

Along the way, Grundy Center notched a 68-53 victory over Gladbrook-Reinbeck in the district quarterfinals, a 46-44 squeaker over Hudson in the semis and a shocking 79-63 win over West Fork to win the district title. The Braves escaped an early first-half Spartan surge for a 64-55 win in Marshalltown to finally end the Spartans' season.

Grundy Center started 2019 with losses to South Hardin and Gladbrook-Reinbeck, falling to 2-8 on the season. From there, the Spartans won 10 of their next 12 games to get to the substate final.

The numerous seniors for the Spartans simply refused to lose, with players like Mitchell Munson, Travis Kuester, Joe Johnson, Tanner Appel and Matthew Sternhagen each coming up with their own big games in that stretch to help the team succeed. Along with Drake Thran, Trevor Winger, Brady Jacobsen, Derek Ciddio and Landon Graham, this year's senior squad is a massive one that will likely leave an impression on future classes of how to deal with adversity for what was a complete 180-degree midseason turnaround.

Tanner Appel and Joe Johnson earned second-team slots on the All-NICL West team, with Travis Kuester receiving honorable mention.

Points per game
Mitchell Munson, sr. – 9.5
Cale Hendricks, jr. – 9.0
Tanner Appel, sr. – 8.8
Rebounds per game
Joe Johnson, sr. – 7.2
Tanner Appel, sr. – 6.1
Travis Kuester, sr. – 3.6

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Grundy Center's Joe Johnson signed with Ellsworth Community College men's basketball on Thursday. Front row: Joe Johnson, ECC head coach Troy Muilenburg. Second row: Grundy Center head coach Joe Nelson, Emilee Johnson, Shelly Johnson, Randy Johnson. (Jake Ryder photo)

Johnson commits to Ellsworth

By JAKE RYDER
The Grundy Register

Joe Johnson always wanted to follow in his father's footsteps.

The Grundy Center senior's decision to commit to Ellsworth Community College men's basketball team is Joe's latest effort in emulating the past of his father, Randy.

"My dad's always been my hero," Joe Johnson said. "I knew Ellsworth had great basketball so I figured that's where I could start out. Not too far from home, figured that's a good place for me."

Johnson, measuring at 6-foot-6, averaged 8.7 points and 7.2 rebounds this season as part of a district-championship winning Grundy Center team.

Grundy Center head coach

Joe Nelson figures Johnson's best basketball is ahead of him.

"He's got great size, a ton of ability, and his ceiling is wide open right now," Nelson added. "He's coachable and will do anything you tell him to do and there's no doubt with all those qualities, he'll be a great player at the next level."

Ellsworth men's basketball finished 9-21 overall this winter, 4-10 in the Iowa Community College Athletic Conference. Johnson will join a couple of familiar faces – South Hardin's Kevin Rewoldt will enter his sophomore year this upcoming winter, while Aplington-Parkersburg's Junior Bodden will join Johnson in the freshman class.

Johnson is undecided on

what he'll study while on the basketball team at Ellsworth. But he's ready to get to work.

"I'm one of those kids that's undecided right now," Johnson said "If something catches my fancy, we'll see where it goes from there. ... As long as you have great work ethic, patience and the persistence to try your best, something always seems to work out."

Nelson saw that first-hand as Johnson stepped up into a senior leadership role for this season.

"He wanted to be the guy to do the little things to be successful, and he gained a lot of confidence," Nelson said. "He's got a huge heart and you can't help but like him. There's a lot more out there for him to accomplish and I'm looking forward to seeing his progress."



Seth Wibben



Tristin Cleveland with D-NH Football Head Coach Don Betts (Contributed photos)

Two more Wolverines ink college plans

By JAKE RYDER
The Grundy Register

Dike-New Hartford students Seth Wibben and Tristin Cleveland recently signed their letters of intent to participate in athletics at the collegiate level.

Wibben will run cross country and track for Hawkeye Community College out of Waterloo. Wibben qualified for the 2017 state cross country meet and just missed joining last fall's field in Fort Dodge. He finished 13th at the NICL Cross Country Championships in Waverly to finish with all-NICL honors.

"Seth will be competing close to home, which gives us the added benefit of watching him run over the next few years," said Cody Eichmeier, D-NH's activities director. "I

wish him the best as he takes his academic and athletic careers to the next level."

Cleveland, a second-team all-district football player for the state runner-up Wolverines this fall, signed with Coe College's football team and will join the Kohawks this fall.

Cleveland averaged 5.6 yards per play in D-NH's offense last season, rushing 28 times for 104 yards and five touchdowns and catching nine balls for 102 receiving yards.

"We are incredibly proud of Tristin and all his accomplishments over his athletic and academic career here at Dike-New Hartford," Eichmeier said. "We know he will go on to do great things at Coe College."

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Veteran AGWSR boys basketball coach Russ Banzhaf (center) watches the action as long-time assistant coach Brad Hames (right) yells words of encouragement during a game this past winter. Both are retiring from coaching basketball - Banzhaf after 33 years as the head coach at A-G and AGWSR and Hames 24 years as an assistant. (Scott Bierle/Mid-America Publishing)

A humble loyalty

AGWSR's Banzhaf retires after 33 years as head coach

By SCOTT BIERLE
Mid-America Publishing
ACKLEY - Russ Banzhaf amassed 423 career wins as a basketball head coach but says it has been a team effort.

Banzhaf noted his success was a combination of dedicated players and assistant coaches along with a supporting school and communities.

"I have been blessed with all the support over the years," said Banzhaf, who recently announced his retirement from coaching.

"The continuity of the assistant coaches and players willing to put the time in during off-season. And the support of the communities and the school administration. Our fans have done a good job of filling the gym, even when we go on the road, and the administration has always backed me and the program."

Banzhaf registered a record of 423 wins against 310 losses as head coach for first the Ackley-Geneva Raiders and then the AGWSR Cougars when Ackley-Geneva and Wellsburg-Steamboat Rock combined.

His 33-year head coaching career began in 1986 after serving as an assistant coach at A-G for five seasons.

"It has been a very positive experience. I have had some good days and some bad days which is expected in coaching, but the good days far outweigh the bad ones," smiled Banzhaf.

Brad Hames, an assistant to Banzhaf for the past 24-years, said his footprint at Ackley would be remembered. "The thing that sticks out to me is getting 423 wins all at one school. He didn't chase the talent and he had his opportunities, but he won here in Ackley."

He added, "Russ is one of the most organized guys I have

been around and was ready for any situation. He always had a game plan. He was very respected around the league."

Like Banzhaf, Hames is hanging up the whistle and retiring from coaching basketball.

Banzhaf led teams finished with more wins than losses 19 times, were crowned conference champions six times, league runners-up four times and twice were state tournament qualifiers. AGWSR was the state runner-up in 2001 and placed third in 2005.

Banzhaf experienced both the thrill of victory and agony of defeat. His teams posted 20-plus wins five times in a six-season span in the early 2000s, while also coaching a 1-19 campaign back in his early days at A-G.

Ryley Schipper, a current assistant coach and former player for Banzhaf, has learned to find the positive in things. "Russ does a great job of looking for the positives and building on those instead of harping on the negatives. He wants the team to build on what they did well. I like that he also lets his assistants have an input."

"As a player, he could be hard, but he just wanted everyone to get better. The goal was to be playing your best basketball at the end of the season," said Schipper.

Schipper was a member of the third-placing 2005 state tourney team and a senior on the 2006 team that was top-ranked much of the season and finished 24-1, losing to a good St. Edmond team in a substate contest.

"That St. Edmond game was one of the toughest losses I remember. We had a very good senior class and to finish one game from state was tough after placing third the season before," said Banzhaf.

Two of many, many fond memories listed by Banzhaf were the win to advance to state in 2001 and the 2014-15 season. Evan Willms sank a buzzer-beating three-point goal to beat South Hamilton, 58-55 at the Marshalltown Roundhouse in the substate final, and the underdog '14-15 team reaching

substate.

"The play to beat South Hamilton was Adam (Viet) the number one option and if he was double-teamed, to go to Evan, and it ran just like we drew it up. The 2015 season I felt was one of our best coaching years. We started the post-season tournament the fifth-seed and reached the substate," he said.

Banzhaf had no real system, but instead adapted to the team's personnel, except for defense.

"As a coaching staff we just adapted to what we felt were the team's strengths that season. We liked to play up-tempo, but not every team could do that. We did stress defense and 50 was the number. If we could hold teams to give or take 50 points we should be in position to win," Banzhaf stressed.

Pressed to name the best player to go through A-G and AGWSR-Nation in his three-decades, Banzhaf stated Adam Viet, Viet, who later played at the University of Northern Iowa, scored 2,100 points (from 1999-'00 to 2003) and was a three-time first-team all-state cager.

"Adam was a very consistent player. You knew what you were going to get from him every night out. And he was so clutch; you needed a big play or shot, and he was there," said Banzhaf.

Viet was one of five first-team all-staters that played for Banzhaf along with younger brother Corey Viet (two-time first-team) and Josh Meyer, Cody Eichmeier and Jory McDowell. Nathan Karsjens was second-team, and son Matt Banzhaf and Josh Bagley were third-teamers.

"We have had some very good basketball players go through the program. On top of that we have had a lot of good student-athletes go through the program," he added.

Banzhaf said year-round basketball and the three-point arc have changed the game. "When I started we played basketball from November to February and now you have to have a summer program and be dedicated to the weight room to be competitive. And the three-point shot is a game changer. Leads are not as safe now and the kids love the shot."

Banzhaf noted he didn't want to retire and leave the cupboard bare. "I have debated retiring and just felt it was the right time. Next season's team returns a good nucleus and a good place for the next coach to start."

Grothoff, Jahr new BCLUW track head coaches

Expectations unchanged for Comet athletes this spring

By JAKE RYDER
The Grundy Register
"Tradition never graduates" was a staple motto that defined how Les and Theresa Penick approached coaching at BCLUW High School.

Dustin Grothoff and Anthony Jahr are striving to show it never retires, either.

Grothoff and Jahr are stepping in as new head coaches for girls and boys track and field at BCLUW after the Penicks' retirement at the end of last season.

"That's kind of our motto this year, too," Jahr said. "We'll continue the high level of expectations for our track and field teams."

Grothoff is moving up in the coaching ranks, a middle school girls coach in the BCLUW system for the last four years. He's been in close discussion with the Penicks in the past as athletes transition from middle school to high school. The current group of BCLUW athletes competed under Grothoff's coaching at the middle school for at least one year.

The shuttle hurdle team of Kierstin Kruse, Payton Peckarek, Lizzie Garber and Olivia Hughes all return with aspirations of doing more at the state meet this season. The group finished 23-hundredths of a second out of a spot in the state finals last spring. Garber also had a



Dustin Grothoff



Anthony Jahr

close call with making the 100 hurdles finals as a freshman, missing the qualifying time by 0.15 seconds.

"It's a good group to be around," Grothoff said. "We've got very few seniors but a lot of girls that have leadership capabilities. Some of these girls fell short of their goals last year but I think as a team, we'll put up some points this year across the board."

Les Penick approached Jahr last season about taking up the mantle this spring. As BCLUW's throwers coach in recent seasons and the current football coach, Jahr has enjoyed the opportunity to not only work with a lot of familiar faces from the football team, but also those on the cross country team that he doesn't cross paths with as often.

Jack Garber returns after winning four state medals last spring, but is still chasing his primary goal - a state title in the 110-meter high hurdles.

Four of the Comets' five

medals came in short-distance events last season - 110 highs, shuttle hurdle, sprint medley, 4x100 - but the most returning experience will be in some of the longer distance races, including state cross country medalist Caleb Silver, who helped lead the Comets to the state meet in Fort Dodge as a team. Jahr also shouted out Neifer Ralston as an athlete looking to step up this season.

"We were definitely a sprint-heavy team last year and our strengths have shifted to the middle distance," Jahr said. "We've been able to get a little bit done outside, but the kids are working so hard no matter what. ... We've got a lot of seniors and quite a few sophomores that are starting to come into their own."

BCLUW's girls team is scheduled to start the outdoor season at a home Early Bird meet on Monday, March 25 in Conrad. The boys' early bird comes three days later on Thursday, March 28 in Conrad.

Gutknecht new Grundy golf coach

By JAKE RYDER
The Grundy Register

Heather Gutknecht is ready to help the Grundy Center girls golf team achieve its goals this spring.

A volunteer assistant coach for the last two seasons, Gutknecht has stepped into the head coaching role for the Spartans in place of Jocelyn Onnen.

"We have really great girls that are lifelong learners of the game," Gutknecht said. "I fell in love with coaching and working with these girls when I started helping out with the team and when the opportunity arose, I applied for it and was really excited to get it."

Grundy Center returns its top six golfers from a team that missed qualifying for state by eight strokes. The Spartans sent an individual qualifier, Frannie Brown, who finished 59th overall at the 1A meet at American Legion Golf Course in Marshalltown.

Lauren Dirks, Josie Holke-Farnam, Jessica Ayers, Claire Verly and Lauren Buhrow also return from the six that golfed in the regional final in Nashua.

"One thing [Brown] said last year that really drove it home for us was that she said state wasn't that fun without her teammates," Gutknecht said. "The girls are coming into the season very driven, very focused."

The Spartans will add Shay Teckenburg, who transferred in from BCLUW this year.

Practice began on Monday, March 11, the snow not yet melt but the Spartans getting some swinging practice in at the south gym at the school.



Heather Gutknecht

Situations like that underscore Gutknecht's excitement about taking over a program like Grundy Center's.

"There's snow on the ground, and yet we're able to get in there and start swinging. Our facilities are pretty amazing," Gutknecht said. "We're also so close to the golf course (Town and Country Golf Club), and the course has been so inviting to the community with programs that were set up with the junior association to get the kids in there young."

A determined, experienced, and still relatively young group will be on the links this spring, looking to be the first Grundy Center state-qualifying group since 2015.

"We had a really nice climb halfway through our season last year," Gutknecht said. "There's things that as you mature through high school, you become more comfortable with the game, the rules of the game, or just having the confidence to go out there and play the game. Younger girls will be more nervous in competition. But we've got a nice, cohesive, veteran lot."

IBCA names postseason stars

By JAKE RYDER
The Grundy Register

The Iowa Basketball Coaches Association selected All-Region and All-Substate teams to recognize girls and boys basketball players' efforts during the postseason.

Girls

Class 1A Region 3: Aubrie Fisher, AGWSR; Taylor Gienger, Gladbrook-Reinbeck.

Class 2A Region 3: Hailey Wallis, Grundy Center; Brooke Flater, Grundy Center; Madison Ubben, BCLUW.

Class 2A Region 7: Ellie Foster, Dike-New Hartford; Morgan Weber, Dike-New Hartford.

Boys

Class 1A Substate 5: Alex Hames, AGWSR; Jackson Kiburis, Gladbrook-Reinbeck.

Class 2A Substate 6: Colton Harberts, Dike-New Hartford; Cade Fuller, Dike-New Hartford.

Wallis, Fisher named IBCA All-Stars

By JAKE RYDER
The Grundy Register

The Iowa Basketball Coaches Association will hold girls and boys all-star games at Dallas Center-Grimes High School on March 23.

Games begin at 10:15 a.m. in Grimes, with players selected to four geographically-based all-star teams.

Grundy Center's Hailey Wallis and AGWSR's Aubrie Fisher will play for the Northeast Iowa All-Stars.

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Season in Review: Boys Basketball

By JAKE RYDER

The Grundy Register
AGWSR

(13-8, 8-3 NICL West)

The Cougars finished in a tie for second place in the NICL West in head coach Russ Banzhaf's final season at the helm for the Cougars.

Alex Hames emerged as a force in his senior season as AGWSR reached the district semifinals before a 64-46 loss to West Fork.

Hames was named the NICL West's Player of the Year and was joined by Luke Starr on the first team of the all-league selections. Tanner Weichers received honorable mention All-NICL West.

Hames, Josh Bartling, Trevor Clawson and Zach Crain played their final games for AGWSR, but a talented junior class will give Banzhaf's to-be-named successor a core to build around for the 2019-20 season.

Points per game

- Alex Hames, sr. - 17.9
 - Luke Starr, jr. - 14.9
 - Tanner Weichers, jr. - 9.7
- Rebounds per game**
- Luke Starr, jr. - 5.7
 - Alex Hames, sr. - 5.6
 - Tanner Weichers, jr. - 5.0

BCLUW

(5-15, 2-9 NICL West)

The Comets fought to keep their season alive with a 77-69 win at GMG in a district opener, but injuries to Mason Yantis and Jonny Neff ultimately doomed BCLUW in a difficult stretch for the Comets.

West Fork eliminated BCLUW, 93-65, in the district quarterfinals.

Neff and Jack Garber powered the senior contributions for the Comets, but BCLUW went into the holiday break at 2-7 and didn't win a league game the rest of the way.

Garber and Neff were recognized as second-team All-



The Dike-New Hartford Wolverines returned to the state tournament for the first time since 2016 this winter. (File photo)

NICL West selections, with Mason Yantis earning honorable mention.

With Luke Higgins tendering his resignation at the end of this season, the Comets will be in search of a new head coach but will have talent to build around, with returning starters in Yantis, Treye Teske and Eric Knott.

Points per game

- Jonny Neff, sr. - 14.7
 - Jack Garber, sr. - 13.1
 - Mason Yantis, jr. - 10.1
- Rebounds per game**
- Mason Yantis, jr. - 6.9
 - Jonny Neff, sr. - 5.9
 - Treye Teske, jr. - 5.7

Dike-New Hartford

(21-2, 14-1 NICL East)

The Wolverines returned to the state tournament for the first time since 2016, but met their end in the state quarterfinals against Van Meter.

D-NH won the NICL East title by a half-game over Aplington-Parkersburg, sweeping the Falcons in the season series and brushing off a Dec. 14 loss to Hudson with a 17-game winning streak leading up to the 43-32 meeting with Van Meter in Des Moines. The Wolverines thumped Madrid, 81-53, in a regional

final to reach the state tournament.

Leading the way was senior Cade Fuller, a second-team IPSWA all-state selection. Colton Harberts also made significant contributions in the paint for a senior-heavy team, including Tim Koop, Ryan Moore, Isaac Jorgensen, Jake Landphair, Mason Dietrick, Colton Harberts and Owen Goos.

Harberts and Fuller were first-team All-NICL East selections. Dane Fuller and Tim Koop received second-team nods and Greg Moore was named NICL East Coach of the Year.

Points per game

- Cade Fuller, sr. - 15.3
 - Colton Harberts, sr. - 15.1
 - Dane Fuller, so. - 9.9
- Rebounds per game**
- Colton Harberts, sr. - 9.5
 - Derek Kinney, jr. - 5.3
 - Cade Fuller, sr. - 3.7

Gladbrook-Reinbeck

(12-8, 8-4 NICL West)

The Rebels were caught in the momentum of Grundy Center's remarkable postseason run, which brought G-R's postseason hopes to a halt after a strong season behind seniors Jackson Kiburis, Colton Clark,

Tyson Creswell and Alex Whitney.

Kiburis and Tyler Tschertter received first-team All-NICL West honors, with junior Eli Thede named to the second team and sophomore Dylan Riffey earning honorable mention.

Grundy Center upended G-R 68-53 in Reinbeck on Feb. 14 after G-R had defeated Grundy Center in both regular season meetings.

The Rebels finished in fourth place in the NICL West behind a tie for second between AGWSR and South Hardin. G-R had a nice run of 11 wins in 13 tries prior to a four-game skid to end the season.

The good news is the Rebels accomplished what they did playing no more than seven players a game most nights, and will have several good returning pieces between Tschertter, Thede and Riffey.

Points per game

- Jackson Kiburis, sr. - 17.5
 - Tyler Tschertter, jr. - 14.4
 - Dylan Riffey, so. - 12.3
- Rebounds per game**
- Jackson Kiburis, sr. - 7.0
 - Colton Clark, sr. - 4.0
 - Tyler Tschertter, jr. - 3.8

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Grundy Center upended West Fork for a district title as the Spartan boys basketball team turned its season around - a wild finish for the 10 Spartan seniors. (File photo)



AGWSR's Alex Hames earned top honors as the NICL West's Player of the Year. (File photo)

Season in Review: Girls Basketball

By JAKE RYDER

The Grundy Register
AGWSR

(13-8, 6-5 NICL West)

Aubrie Fisher and Laurie Gann celebrated milestones this season in the Cougars' final home game of the season. Fisher, an AGWSR senior, scored her 1,000th career point with her school-record 12th 3-pointer of the game against North Tama, a 74-21 win in the regional quarterfinals. Gann, AGWSR's head coach, celebrated her 400th career win in the process.

The Cougars would later bow out to defending champs Springfield and fall short of returning to the state tournament, but youth is on the Cougars' side heading into 2019-20.

Fisher was a second-team all-state selection by the IPSWA and a third-team selection by the Iowa Girls Coaches Association. She also earned first-team honors on the All-NICL East team. Alyssa Hames earned second-team recognition in her sophomore year and Rachel Sicard, a junior, received honorable mention.

AGWSR finished fourth in the NICL West after a busy final week of the regular season.

Fisher was the only starting senior graduating off this year's team. Andrea Finger and Mackenzie Kielty also wrapped up their AGWSR basketball careers.

Points per game

- Aubrie Fisher, sr. - 15.4
- Alyssa Hames, so. - 11.7
- Rachel Sicard, jr. - 9.3



Dike-New Hartford girls basketball returned to the state tournament for the second-consecutive season this winter. (File photo)

Rebounds per game

- Alyssa Hames, so. - 9.7
- Rachel Sicard, jr. - 8.3
- Aubrie Fisher, sr. - 3.9
- Grace Finger, fr. - 3.9

BCLUW

(10-10, 7-4 NICL West)

The Comets had a strong late-season surge come to an abrupt end at the hands of Hudson in a regional opening-round game.

Nevertheless, BCLUW zoomed to third in the NICL West after winning five of its last six league games behind the strong post play of Madison Ubben and Easton Swanson.

The Pirates halted the Comets' momentum, 39-28, on Feb. 9.

Ubben earned first-team All-NICL West recognition, with senior Katie Thompson garnering second-team accolades.

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AGWSR's Aubrie Fisher passed the 1,000-point mark for her career before wrapping up her senior season this winter. (File photo)



Grundy Center's Hailey Wallis was a first-team all-state selection by the IGCA and the IPSWA this season. (File photo)

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Creswell, Ashton earn All-Star MVP awards

By JAKE RYDER
The Grundy Register

REINBECK – Tyson Creswell had been preparing for Friday night.

His practice during physical education classes at Gladbrook-Reinbeck paid off during the NICL Senior All-Star Game, sinking three 3-pointers, including a crowd-pleasing half-court 3-pointer that made him a solid choice for Most Valuable Player for the NICL West in the series of games on Friday night in Reinbeck.

In the boys game, the East came away with a 93-80 victory, led by NICL East MVP Junior Bodden of Aplington-Parkersburg, who scored a game-high 22 points.

Creswell didn't get much playing time during the winter, so he took advantage of his time to shine with the rest of the seniors from the East and West divisions of the league.

"I planned this out a few days ahead of time," Creswell said. "Tonight was the right time. The [half-court shot] felt long, but it happened to bank in."

The crowd gathered in Creswell's home gym erupted in delight with the nonchalant nature of Creswell's bomb. The West and East teams scored 13 3-pointers each in the game.

"We decided as a team that we were going to let it fly," Creswell said.

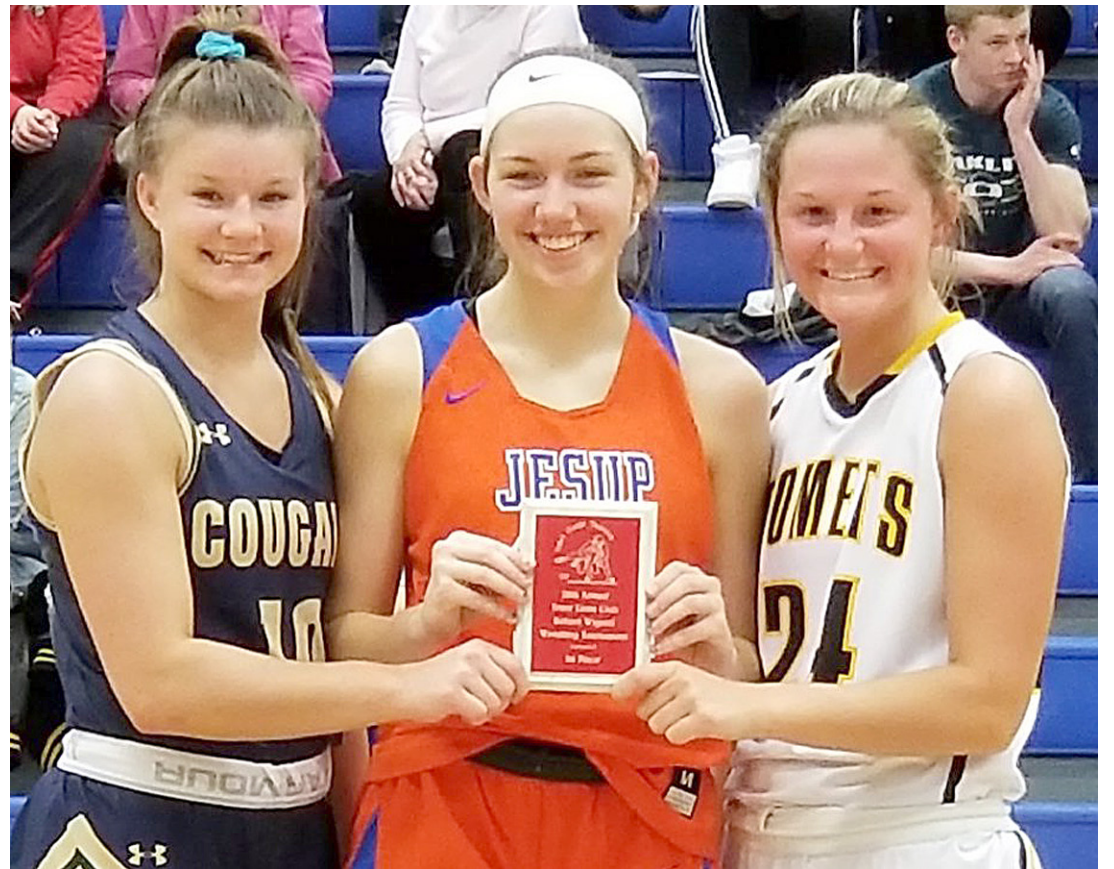
AGWSR's Josh Bartling won the 3-point contest at halftime, making six of 10 attempts. In the dunk contest following the boys game, Grundy Center's Joe Johnson shared the win in the contest with Bodden.

"I was honored to even be in that," Johnson said. "Tying for first place was pretty cool in my opinion. It was about everything I expected."

Johnson also rocked the rim during the All-Star Game, enjoying the experience after a rough-and-tumble season playing against a lot of these West teams.

"We've played against each other ferociously this season, and it's nice to all come together and play the game we love," Johnson said.

Dike-New Hartford's Tim Koop scored 14 points to contribute to the East's victory.



BCLUW's Bailey Ashton (right) was the NICL West MVP for the NICL Senior All-Star Games played in Reinbeck last Friday. (Jake Ryder photo)



Dike-New Hartford's Sawyer Loger takes the baton from Devon Kollasch for the final exchange in the 4x800 at Wartburg College last Tuesday. (Kristi Nixon/Mid-America Publishing)

Kiewiet wins at Wartburg

By JAKE RYDER
The Grundy Register

WAVERLY – Dike-New Hartford's Parker Kiewiet claimed first place in the boys long jump at an indoor track meet at Wartburg College on Tuesday, March 12.

Kiewiet brought home gold for the D-NH boys with a best mark of 22-feet even in the long jump. Dunkerton's Brady Stone took runner-up at 21-8.5.

Kiewiet also teamed up with Grant Bixby, Conlee Lyons and Ryan Moore for the D-NH boys' best finish in a relay on Tuesday, taking second in the 4x400 in 3:38.44. Waukee won the event in 3:35.06.

Seth Wibben finished 12th in the 3,200 in 11:23.81 and Grant Bixby was 13th in the 200 in 24.56.

On the girls' side, D-NH freshman Taylor Kvale placed 14th in the 1,500-meter run in 5:34.38 as the Wolverine girls' top individual placemaker. In the field events, Rylee Wessely placed 25th in the shot put with a top throw of 29 feet, 6 inches.

The best-placing relay for the Wolverine girls came in the 4x400. Alana Barrett, Taylor Hoehns, Kvale and Alexis Jensen combined for a 4:48.36 time, good for 18th place in the event.

Wartburg Indoor

At Waverly, March 12
Event-by-event results
(Events with D-NH athletes only)

Girls

55-meter dash prelims—1. Melina Hegelheimer (Ames) 7.54; 40. Crystal Kennet 8.47; 61. Ashawntae Brown 9.12.

200—1. Sophia Jungling (A-P) 27.23; 39. Margaret Nielsen 31.05; 42. Alana Barrett 31.20.

400—1. Natalie Clement (SE Polk) 1:01.73; 17. Alexis Jensen 1:09.16; 19. Taylor Hoehns 1:09.80.

800—1. Jessica Caraway (Waukee) 2:19.47; 42. Olivia Woodley 3:09.87; 49. Emily Ballhagen 3:26.54.

1500—1. Ashley Bloomquist (Fairfield) 5:09.85; 14. Taylor Kvale 5:34.38; 40. Emily Ballhagen 6:59.05.

3000—1. Sydney Schaffer (Waukee) 10:54.48; 20. Kaity Houts 13:47.42; 26. Hailey Wenzel 16:30.27.

Shot put—1. Jade Hard (Mount Vernon) 42-4; 25. Rylee Wessely 29-6; 28. Taylor Wessely 28-6.

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4x200 relay—1. Waukee 1:51.58; 26. Kennet, Brown, Nielsen, Eden Barrett 2:05.72.

4x400—1. SE Polk 4:07.08; 18. Alana Barrett, Hoehns, Kvale, Jensen 4:48.36.

4x800—1. SE Polk 9:42.49.

Boys

55-meter dash prelims—1. Aaron Smith (Waukee) 6.63; 28. Cade Bennett 7.12; 57. Jacob Thompson 7.62.

200—1. Trevor Sauerbrei (WV) 23.44; 13. Grant Bixby 24.56; 41. Reece Harrenstein 25.77.

400—1. Bernard Bell Jr. (Ames) 52.03; 35. Gabe Skornia 1:00.11; 45. Sawyer Loger 1:01.01.

800—1. Garang Akok (Ames) 2:02.46; 23. Giacomo Gilardo 2:24.47; 31. Jake Starbuck 2:31.29.

1600—1. Aniey Akok (Ames) 4:32.52; 43. Ian Steffen 5:47.22; 51. Sawyer Wibben 6:04.74.

3200—1. Nate Mueller (ADM) 10:03.23; 12. Seth Wibben 11:23.81.

55-meter hurdles prelims—1. Zach Gaines (Waukee) 7.90; 18. Isaiah Woodley 8.78; 19. Carter Sherwood 8.82.

High jump—1. Jannah Kellogg (Ames) 6-6; 20. Sherwood 5-6; 24. Devon Kollasch 5-6.

Long jump—1. Parker Kiewiet (D-NH) 22-0; 50. Jake Starbuck 16-8.

Shot put—1. Kaseam Domond (Ames) 55-1; 25. Nathan Graves 39-1; 54. Cole Graves 30-10.

4x200—1. WDM Valley 1:33.04; 17. Bennett, Brady Huff, Woodley, Harrenstein 1:42.02.

4x400—1. Waukee 3:35.06; 2. Bixby, Kiewiet, Conlee Lyons, Ryan Moore 3:38.44.

4x800—1. WDM Valley 8:24.58; 10. Lyons, Moore, Kollasch, Loger 9:00.35.

tribute to the East's victory. Grundy Center's Travis Kuester scored 11 for the West and Johnson added six points. Jackson Kiburis and Alex Whitney of Gladbrook-Reinbeck added eight and three points, respectively. AGWSR's Alex Hames scored six points and Bartling added two points.

In the girls game, BCLUW's Bailey Ashton claimed NICL West MVP honors as one of three West players scoring 11 points each, along with West Marshall's Kayla Cripps and Gladbrook-Reinbeck's Taylor Gienger. The East defeated the West, 56-44.

D-NH's Rylee Wessely and Carlee Dove scored two points each for the East team.

Grundy Center's Cora Saak and BCLUW's Katie Thompson added two points each for the West.

"It was fun to play one last time after getting to know the other girls in the conference," Ashton said. "We really just winged it, we wanted to play together and have fun. And it was fun to represent one last time."

Cripps won the 3-point contest at halftime with five of 10 3-pointers made.



Gladbrook-Reinbeck's Tyson Creswell was named NICL West Most Valuable Player in the Senior All-Star Games played in Reinbeck last Friday. (Jake Ryder photo)

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