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THE BIG BREAK

Catching up with Beaman native and "Criminal Minds" actor Mike Kruse

By ROBERT MAHARRY

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LOS ANGELES- When 2008 BCLUW graduate Mike Kruse moved west to pursue an acting career in 2012, an acquaintance told him that he'd probably have to put in five to 10 years before landing a major part. As it turned out, her prediction was right on the money.

Kruse, who's starred in national ad campaigns with companies like Skechers and McDonald's and acted in a Hallmark Christmas movie, has finally scored a dream role on one of the most popular television shows of the 21st century. This fall, he'll play a suspect named Billy Hanes on an episode of "Criminal Minds."

The upcoming 15th season will be the final installment of the wildly popular FBI procedural on CBS, and although Kruse can't reveal much about the plot or the arc for obvious reasons, he recently spoke to *The Grundy Register* in a wide-ranging interview about the auditioning process, what lies ahead and how to make it in Hollywood. A transcript of the conversation, lightly edited for clarity, appears below.

Grundy Register: First off, big congratulations. (Landing the role) is a pretty cool achievement. We've talked previously about your spots in a national advertising campaign for McDonald's and the Hallmark Christmas movie. In your mind, is this your biggest role yet?

Mike Kruse: I think it's my biggest strictly in terms that it's my first major network TV show, and I've actually been auditioning for "Criminal Minds" since I moved to LA—so, five years now. I've gone to producers, and I've had some roles that I felt I was right for but just kept getting passed up on. So I'm very familiar with the casting team, and obviously, with the show. Finally, when I auditioned for this role earlier this year, I knew it was the right fit. I had a feeling that I could play it really

unique in a way that maybe other people in town couldn't, so I'm just grateful that they saw that as well.

"Criminal Minds" is one of the most watched shows on TV, and it's become kind of an institution in the crime show canon over the last 15 seasons. How exciting is it to act on a show like that, and how much pressure comes with it? How much pressure do you put on yourself to perform?

It's interesting because going into the audition, there's a little bit of the typical nerves prior to reading for a role, but this one was one that I knew I was right for it and I was super passionate about it. There's sometimes where I go into projects where I know that I'm probably not a right fit, so I audition and then I never expect to hear back from them. For this, I read for it, and I was kind of just waiting by the phone because I knew that this one might click in place.

Then, I got a call back, and the nerves kind of pick up more because I'm just getting closer to booking. The callback is basically the same scene except now you're reading for 10 to 12 more people at the audition, and you're meeting the director and the producers. The casting team likes you, but you're kind of just seeing if the network and the show runners think you're a good fit.

I thought it went well, and then they put me on hold, which means you're not officially booked, but you're one of the top options. I was on hold for a few days, and then they finally confirmed me and said I was booked. That's when the pressure kicked in because I not only was the right fit for it, but now I needed to perform and I needed to do this on the day when we're actually filming.

My mind kind of looks ahead and gets a bit more concerned about my performance. I know that I can do it, but I actually want to hold my own against all these veterans that have been working forever.

Tell us a little bit about the role in the upcoming season, and this is the final season, if I understand correctly.

This is the final season, and people are always talking about (how) maybe a different network will pick it up. That's kind of in the back of people's minds,



Actor Mike Kruse (pictured), a Beaman native and 2008 BCLUW graduate, recently wrapped up shooting on an episode of "Criminal Minds." The CBS show's 15th and final season will air this fall. (Photo courtesy of Mike Kruse)

but it's very unlikely that that will happen. So people are preparing (for the fact) that this will be the last of the show completely.

I'm not a regular watcher of the seasons of the past, but from reading the script, it seems that there's a lot of comedy in it that'll be maybe refreshing or new to people that have watched "Criminal Minds" religiously. My character, his name is Billy Hanes, and without saying too much, he's pretty cocky. He's arrogant.

He's one of the suspects, and he's good at what he does, so he kind of has a little chip on his shoulder. There are some nice twists around the episode with the arc of his character and how he interacts with new people that are in this season and also with the regular detectives like A.J. Cook, who plays J.J. And then I worked Aisha Tyler, who plays Dr. Lewis, and the character Penelope Garcia, played by Kirsten Vangsness.

As we've alluded to, the show has a pretty passionate following, and people that love the show are pretty excited about

actors bring to their roles. The executive producer said he was trying to get this episode written for the past five years.

The tone of this is going to be slightly different than the other episodes, and so it was hard to get everyone else on board with the style of this one.

I'm sure Ed brings a certain authenticity as an ex-cop, because that's something where, especially in a city like Chicago, you can't really fake having that experience the way he does.

Exactly. It was funny because he was trying to set up various interrogation scenes the way that he would interrogate an actual suspect, and then you have the people on the camera crew who are saying "Yeah, I understand that that's probably the right way to do it, but it's quite a big challenge for us to get lighting here (and) to get sound here." But they really catered to how Ed would do it. It took a little more work, but it's very authentic with how Ed actually performed his work as a police officer, which is really fun to see.

They actually had FBI consultants on set with us that day who were mostly interacting with series regulars, but they try to be as close to the real deal as they can, which I think is one of the perks of working on this type of project and being an actor, getting to not only observe super talented performers but also getting to meet really neat people in their actual law enforcement fields.

Speaking of the show, the star of the last few seasons has been Joe Mantegna. He's got a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame. He's been in "The Three Amigos" and "The Godfather Part III," big time movies. Have you interacted with him at all, and as a young guy trying to make a name for yourself, what's it like to cross paths with a guy who's as famous as he is?

My very first time meeting him, and actually the only time, was at the table read for the entire episode, so the entire cast and all the writers and producers and the director were in the room. And we basically just read through the entire script as your character.

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Supervisors approve budget, reject GNB courthouse request

By ROBERT MAHARRY

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GRUNDY CENTER- The Grundy County Board of Supervisors approved the fiscal year 2020 budget with an amendment to the general supplemental levy and rejected a request from GNB Bank for the use of the courthouse grounds during Felix Grundy Days during Monday morning's regular meeting.

The finalized budget includes projected revenues of \$17,584,628 and expenditures of \$18,711,521, with roads and transportation gobbling up the largest chunk of expenditures at over \$5.7 million. The only amendment came to the general supplemental levy, which will now be set at \$0.66261 per \$1,000 of valuation.

County custodian Mark Jungling spoke to the board about a request from GNB to access the courtroom during Felix Grundy Days and throw candy out of the window, and he recommended denying the request due to safety concerns. The board voted 4-1 to reject the request, with Barb Smith dissenting.

County Treasurer Brenda Noteboom explained a proposal for a 28E agreement from the city of Ackley that would allow Grundy County to collect on parking tickets in the city and refuse renewals to drivers who do not pay theirs. Ackley is located just across the Grundy County line in Hardin County. No official action was taken.

At the end of the meeting, the board went into executive session to discuss a pending litigation matter with County Attorney Erika Allen.

IN OTHER BUSINESS, the board:

Approved a management representation letter to the state auditor.

Approved the clerk of court's February report.

Approved a renewal worksheet for the IMWCA.

Grassley, Sweeney hold listening posts in Grundy Center, Dike

By MICHAELA KENDALL

The Grundy Register

GRUNDY COUNTY - Talk of healthcare dominated the discussion during State Representative Pat Grassley and State Senator Annette Sweeney's listening posts held in Grundy Center and Dike on Friday.

Local healthcare representatives showed out to both meetings to thank the legislators for their support of rural, critical access care hospitals like the Grundy County Memorial Hospital in Grundy Center.

In Grundy Center, Grundy County Memorial Hospital President Adam Scherling thanked the legislators for their support of rural hospitals, particularly through the Medicaid reimbursement program. In Dike, Helene Wertz - who is a member of the Grundy County Memorial Hospital Board of Commissioners - showed out to thank Grassley and Sweeney as well.

"I want to thank you for the restoration of medicare reimbursement for rural, critical ac-



Pat Grassley, above, speaks with a visitor during a listening post last Friday. (Michaela Kendall/The Grundy Register photo)

cess hospitals," Bovy said. "We need these hospitals, and the hospitals need help."

Across the state, a number of rural critical access hospitals (hospitals with 25 or fewer beds that receive reimbursement from CMS to compensate for lower patient volumes) are struggling to make ends meet due to increasing costs, declining patient volumes and insur-

ance reimbursements that don't always cover costs.

While some rural hospitals - like the Hansen Family Hospital in Iowa Falls - have had to cut services like the Obstetrics unit, the local hospital in Grundy Center is working hard to make sure they don't have to cut services.

"We've got a lot of great things going at the hospital,"

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In the eye of the storm

NWS meteorologist presents weather-spotting seminar in Morrison

By ROBERT MAHARRY

The Grundy Register

MORRISON- Jim Lee has been a weather nerd for as long as he can remember, and he loved it so much that he's worked for the National Weather Service (NWS) since he graduated from college. Lee, a meteorologist based out of Des Moines, spoke to a group of area residents about the keys to storm spotting during a free presentation at the Grundy County Conservation headquarters in Morrison last Wednesday night.

"For a lot of meteorologists and weather service employees, there's one event that's the big thing. I don't know that I really have one... (but) a lot of us are passionate about the weather," he said. "And

wherever I go, (whether it's a) spotter training, the doctor's office or a dinner party, everybody loves to talk about the weather. It's our whole lives."

Most of the attendees were involved in either law enforcement or emergency response teams in communities around Grundy County, and Lee stressed that safety is always the biggest concern: spotters should never put themselves in harm's way in pursuit of a storm.

"For the public that want to volunteer to do it, we're more than happy to train them up, and we appreciate their service," he said.

"But we don't want them to go out there taking chances on our behalf."

During the presentation, he laid out a few other basic principles: never assume that someone else has already called in a storm,

National Weather Service Meteorologist Jim Lee of the Des Moines office spoke to a crowd of area residents, law enforcement officials and first responders at a Grundy County storm spotting seminar in Morrison last Wednesday night. (Robert Maharry/The Grundy Register photo)

and time sensitivity should be factored into how weather damages are reported. For example, a tree damaged by severe weather several days ago isn't as urgent as a tornado on the ground.

In an interview with *The Grundy Register* before his talk, Lee recalled the story of chasers who died in Oklahoma after getting too close to a tornado, and he reiterated that the "Twister" mentality of following a storm at all costs isn't always the smart thing to do.

"It is a double-edged sword. The information that it provides us, both in real time and for scientific research, is very valuable, but then you run into the risks of a whole bunch of people distracted driving on roads near severe weather," Lee said. "It's something everybody has to choose for themselves. We don't ask people to go out chasing ever, so if somebody wants to go out, that's their own personal risk."

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said Brent Bovy, another member of the GCMH Board of Commissioners. "Our ER is booming and we're doing record numbers with that, so now we've had to focus on addressing some of those people that don't necessarily need to be at the ER because sometime with the coding and things like that we don't get paid because they don't necessarily need to be in [the ER]."

Bovy and Wertz explained that the Board is working to address some of these Medicaid

reimbursement issues by adding Saturday hours at the clinic now, with a nurse practitioner who will focus specifically on same day appointments to take some of the volume away from the ER and into urgent care at the clinic.

Both Bovy and Wertz thanked Grassley and Sweeney for their continued support of the Medicaid reimbursement program, and for their support of rural, critical access hospitals in Iowa.

Kruse

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I don't have any scenes with Joe for this episode, but the very first thing that he did when he showed up at the table read was he walked up to me and all the other guest stars of the episode. He said he was grateful for us to be there, introduced himself and just came off as the most genuine, down to earth, hardworking guy that I would've desired to work with, very humble, very funny. He and Matthew Gubler, who's one of the other series regulars, are just hysterical and can take control of a room with grace. It kind of just goes to show the qualities of that level of actor.

(Mantegna) is a Midwest guy. He's from Chicago, too.

He is. He has a pizza shop just down the road from where I live, and his wife runs it.

This is obviously a big step forward for you, and as you look forward, this is kind of considered the age of Peak TV. What kind of movies or shows would you really like to work on in the future? Is there a specific actor that you have a dream to collaborate with, and is there a specific director as well?

The director that comes to mind immediately is Peter Berg. He frequently works with Mark Wahlberg, and he's just that down to earth type of director that I think is refreshing. He's just like Ed (Bernero). They're the type of guys that are the workingman directors. He's into boxing. He does cool stories of heroism and of true Americans who have actually done something real. It's not all necessar-

ily artsy, so it would be a dream to work with him.

Some other actors that I really resonate with are Michael Pena—I think he's hilarious, and his style of performing is something that I aim for, and I'm also a big fan of Jon Bernthal (who most recently acted in Netflix's "The Punisher"). He just has a level of edge to him where you don't want to mess with him because he seems like a tough dude, but when you listen to him in interviews, you hear his life story and you hear him speak outside of the acting world. He's just a very genuine, down to earth and loving guy. That's kind of something I'd like to emulate. He kind of has those roles that I think, eventually, I'd kind of fall into.

I'm typically seen as the boy next door, likable, harmless, boyfriend type guy, but this role here is a much different on what I'm typically cast in, for "Criminal Minds." Ideally, I'd get to something more like that where I've got some ruggedness, but it doesn't help that I look 16 right now.

It's starting to kind of evolve a little bit where I'm starting to get some of the stuff that's more appealing to me. It gives my agents a lot more to pitch me on now that I'll be on a major network show for at least one episode. It kind of legitimizes you, and it stands out on the resume a little bit.

Other than that, I have a commercial for Lexus that's coming out soon. I just shot that a couple weeks ago, and then I have another commercial for an undisclosed company that I can't say, but it's for these smart glasses, kind of like Google Glass, but

that is not the company.

Most of your family is still back in this area, from your folks to (brother) Shane, (sister) Kierstin's a senior, and (brother) Colton's in the service. When you told them all that you were going to be on "Criminal Minds," how did they react? What was it like to break that news to them?

They're always the biggest supporters of basically anything I book, which is cool. None of them have really watched "Criminal Minds," and so, I don't think it was 'Oh, I can't wait to see you on that,' but my mom was constantly sharing it on Facebook. All of her friends who do watch the show religiously were really excited, and I think that just helped her share that joy with me.

They celebrate any role that I book, whether it's something like this or a small commercial or even a print gig. They're some of my biggest fans, and so I guess I'm saying that they didn't overreact. They react in a way that I like, and they're proud of me. This is kind of just another one for them.

For this, not only to be a part of it, but just to finally have a character who has several scenes throughout—he's involved with the major pieces of the plot. That's something that my family was excited about. There's so many projects that I've done where I have one line, or I'm just a tiny part in the entire script. This is something that they can actually watch in its entirety and get little pieces of me here and there.

Kierstin is quite a performer in her own right, and she probably has some future ahead of her in music. Have you two ever discussed your show business aspirations or a collaboration, and have you given her any advice?

She is the most talented person that I think I know, and I mean that not only in the way she can sing and dance. I think she's even a talented stage performer from the few projects she's worked on, and not only that but she has a brilliant mind and is super smart. She has so many things that she's good at, and I know that if she were to pursue a career in the entertainment industry, she would find success in one avenue or the other.

I promote to her to just continue to take advantage of her time doing sports and dancing and being completely involved in the community at school in Conrad right now. She has a bright future in modeling, acting, singing and dancing, but that can start without issue at 20 or 25 or 30, and you can work for many years. (But) your time playing softball with some of your best friends is very limited, and that's stuff that I miss more than anything.

As much as I enjoy doing this work now, I still would do anything to go back and play one more football game on a Friday night with all my buddies. I try to promote that into her, and I think she agrees. I think she buys into that. I just kind of also promote for her to put her heart into sports and activities while in school but continuing to build those (performing) skills.

I think she's doing it the right way. She's very busy, but she's already continuing to find success in those avenues even

while still being in high school.

You moved to Los Angeles in 2012, and you didn't become famous overnight. But you've worked and worked for gigs, and you've slowly but surely continued to climb the ladder. What have you learned from that experience?

Right when I moved here, I met somebody who was very successful, and she had a husband who was one of the most successful (people) in the stunt world. He works on all of the "Avatar" films, works with Jerry Bruckheimer on all the "Pirates of the Caribbean" films, so he's super accomplished. And she told me, she said 'Welcome to LA, but prepare to give it five to 10 years before some things start happening.'

That was like my first month in town, and I kind of just scoffed at it. In my head, I was thinking, 'No, it's not going to take me that long to start booking some work.' I think I was naive in understanding the process of people trusting you with their money and investing their money in you, because it's showbiz, ultimately.

I don't think I was even ready to book work my first three years in LA. I was just still trying to figure out things with my own life and my own insecurities, and I was going to audition rooms and coming off as desperate. I thought I had it all figured out, and I thought that I was bringing everything that was needed for the roles.

If I go back and watch my tapes now, I can't stand to watch them because I just think I've grown so much as an individual, and my acting, I think, is a bit stronger.

I wish I would've given more time and energy into training my first two years out here, but that came with just feeling like I was already good enough to start booking work. Most of my training, per se, has just come with experience, but once I did get into class, I learned many things that I was missing out on. And I started to collaborate with other actors and industry people, and that's a big part of the game as well.

It seems like LA is kind of just a place for everyone to be individualistic and selfish in their own careers, but when you continue to work on bigger projects and you start meeting these people who are very successful, you find out that they're literally the opposite of selfish. They're 100 percent collaborative and supportive, and they want you to do well. They're not there to steal the scene. They're there to help you look great and to promote the project as a whole.

If you have that ego, and you have that sense of a one-man show, people aren't going to want to work with you, and they aren't going to want to spend their money on you. And it's going to resonate with people that are watching the show as well. I think authenticity is one of the biggest things you can have as a performer—just being honest with who you are and what you represent, and then just bringing that to any role or project you may work on. It shows on camera.

The final season of "Criminal Minds" is set to premiere this fall on CBS. The airdates of specific episodes have not yet been announced.

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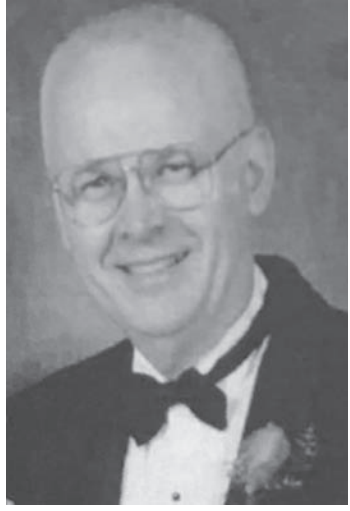
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Schuller receives leadership award



by MICHAELA KENDALL

The Grundy Register
GRUNDY CENTER - Though he may be gone, long-time Grundy Center resident Richard Smith's legacy lives on through the countless contributions to community development he and his wife Barb have made throughout Grundy Center.

During the Main Street Iowa awards ceremony held in Des Moines on Friday, Richard's work was recognized when he was honored as a Main Street Hero; an award from Main Street Iowa that recognizes an individual posthumously for having been an outstanding volunteer and visionary for community development.

Describing him as a visionary, and someone who saw the needs of town before others knew there was one, Barb said Richard was like a dog with a bone; when he got an idea in his head, he wouldn't let go of it until he had worked out every detail and made it happen.

"He was quite the visionary, and had more ideas than he could implement," Barb said. "He was willing to take risks and make commitments to the community no matter what other people thought. With a lot of his ideas, people thought he was crazy and that they would never work, but he never that let stop him."

After his time in the service and after graduating from college, Richard operated the local pharmacy and drugstore - Manly Drug - for many years, all the while dreaming about his next big idea for the community.

Throughout their marriage, Richard and Barb were constantly at work to make sure Grundy Center was growing and thriving. Together, they opened seven Hallmark stores around the state including the Hallmark As You Like It here in town, along with a women's apparel store they opened and operated in town. In addition to that, they built the town's only hotel (the AmericInn), built a subdivision and 25 houses along with it, built three apartments, built the local mobile home park, played an instrumental role in the renovation and addition of the second screen at the local theatre, and developed The Mill Convenience Store as a way to usher visitors into Grundy County, though Richard tragically passed before the project was completed.

Throughout his life, Richard was involved in the local school board, development corporation, several church boards, the hospital foundation board, the community center board, the Chamber board, the theatre board and the local Rotary Club - holding leadership positions on many of those boards.

In 1996, Richard and Barb were the first couple to be named "Citizens of the Year." In the nomination, Chamber of Commerce members cited their unending energy and willingness to give unbelievable amounts of their personal time to the community, through thick and thin.

When Barb found out this month that Richard was nominated for the Main Street Hero award, she says that even though Richard was never one to seek awards and recognition, he would have been proud to see how Grundy Center has grown and thrived over the years.

"He would be thrilled with Main Street and all of the positive momentum going on in town, and the great relationships with the City, the local development corporation and the Chamber-Main Street," Barb said. "There's a lot of positive things going on in the community, and I know he'd be involved, and ready to go on all of the projects."



by MICHAELA KENDALL

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GRUNDY CENTER - A driving force in bringing the Main Street program to Grundy Center, longtime community member John Schuller received a Main Street Iowa Leadership Award during a statewide awards ceremony held in Des Moines on Friday.

Each year, Main Street Leadership Awards are presented to individuals from Iowa's Main Street communities who demonstrate inspirational leadership and have made significant contributions to the local program's downtown revitalization mission.

Aside from helping Grundy Center to achieve a Main Street designation back in 2015, Schuller also served as the first president of the local board and has remained involved throughout the years.

With a commitment to see downtown Grundy Center grow and thrive, he and his wife Joan personally worked to restore a building in downtown Grundy Center, which is now home to one local business - 319 Decor and Design - and the town's only AirBNB location: Clocktower Suites.

"We're honored to have John's consistent commitment to our program and communi-

ty," said MSGC Director Lisa Bienfang. "His guidance is instrumental, and not only is he a volunteer but he walks the walk instead of just talking the talk by personally investing in improvements to our community. He and Joan's building is a keystone in our redevelopment efforts downtown."

In turn, Schuller said he would like to thank MSGC Director Lisa Bienfang and the board for nominating him for the award, and for their work in revitalizing Grundy Center's downtown district.

"I believe that Chamber-Main Street is in the best position today that they have ever been thanks to the director, board, volunteers, and all the support from the City and Main Street Iowa," Schuller said. "I see more life and more excitement in our downtown [since becoming a Main Street community], and I believe that Main Street is key to our continued progress as a community. We were starting to see empty store fronts and looming store closures, and now we see a transition to new businesses and younger business owners. There has been, and continues to be, significant financial investments into downtown buildings because owners are excited about the future of our community, and new funding sources that were not previously tapped into prior to Main Street designation."

Schuller said he is proud to be part of Main Street Grundy Center, and that he believes strongly in the Main Street mission.

"The Main Street designation provides a proven system for success for communities large and small throughout Iowa," he said. "A strong downtown means a strong community, and that is the ultimate focus and result."

Hillygus receives statewide recognition for Conrad Chamber-Main Street work

By ROBERT MAHARRY

The Grundy Register
DES MOINES- Jim Hillygus of Conrad was recognized with an Outstanding Volunteer Award at a recent Main Street Iowa ceremony in Des Moines and honored by Governor Kim Reynolds.

Hillygus has been on the Conrad Chamber-Main Street board for the last six years and served as president for the last three, and he's been noted for his sunny demeanor

and optimism on a day-to-day basis.

He has been in charge of many different projects while on the board. Hillygus had to step down from the board this year as his term is fulfilled, but he is still supporting CCMS by volunteering when he can.

"Jim, we thank you for all the hard work and time you put in over the last six years and also for agreeing to continue to be part of our program," Conrad Chamber-Main Street Executive Director Krista Grant said.

Grundy Register Bulletin Board

Grundy Center 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.

Grundy Center Woman's Club to meet

The Grundy Center Woman's Club will meet at Grundy County Memorial Hospital on Monday, March 18 at 12:30 p.m. Visitors may enter through Door 1 or Door 3. The club will select lunch from available options at the EJ Cafe and take it to the board room. Dessert will be provided.

Kristi Barnett will speak on Advance Directives: Health Care Decisions at the End of Life. Marcia Heronimus will have the Thought For the Day, and Barb Smith and Phyllis Modlin the member share.

Members will need to be prepared to register for the State GFWC meeting at the Best Western Regency Inn in Marshalltown, where the next meeting will be held on April 12 and/or 13.

Part Hauser is hostess and will be calling for reservations and can answer any questions. Guests are welcome.

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.

Wellsburg

TC to serve steak supper

Timothy Christian School will host their steak supper fundraiser dinner at the First Christian Reformed Church - just west of Wellsburg, 2.5 miles on the blacktop, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 19.

There will be swiss steak, mashed potatoes, homegrown sweet corn, jello, rolls, and homemade pie served family style.

Carry out only pickup at the United Reformed Church located at 608 S Adams St. in Wellsburg.

Free will donation. Questions call 641-869-3679.

Conrad

BCERT hosts fundraiser breakfast

BCERT will host their annual pancake breakfast on Saturday, March 16 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Conrad Fire Station.

The free will donation breakfast will raise funds for new extrication gear.

BCLUW Foundation to hold annual phone-a-thon

The BCLUW Foundation will be holding its annual phone-a-thon from Monday March 11 through Thursday, March 14 at PCA in Conrad.

Volunteers will be making calls from 6:30 to 9 p.m. The BCLUW Foundation appreciates the support of the community in helping out with this fundraising event.

Reinbeck

Knights of Columbus to host fish fry

The Knights of Columbus of Holy Family Parish (Dike-Grundy Center-Hudson-Parkersburg-Reinbeck) will be hosting a fish fry at St. Gabriel Church in rural Reinbeck on March 15 and April 12. Serving will be from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

St. Gabriel Church is located at the corner of T55 and D35 in rural Reinbeck.

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Memory Lane
A look back through The Grundy Register
Compiled by Michaela Kendall

10 Years Ago This Week - 2009

“Bank opening good news for the community.” That was the headline for an article in the March 15, 1934 issue of The Grundy Register anticipating the opening of Grundy National Bank on March 16. Exactly 75 years later, GNB has gone from three employees to over 60, and has had several major expansions. “I’m proud that the bank has been a strong and consistent provider of financial services to the community through good and troubled economic times,” said Arnie Schultz, past President of GNB. “Some people may not realize how lucky they are to have a strong, locally owned bank.” Schultz was the GNB Chairman, President and CEO from 1972 to 1997, and Chairman and CEO from 1997 to 1999. GNB has been a nationally-chartered bank for its 75-year history, and was founded in 1934 after 36 local investors gathered \$35,000 in start-up funds for the new institution. GNB began as a single building at 621 G Ave. (where Hallmark/As You Like It card and gift shop is now). In 1967, they moved to their current 603 Seventh St. location, which had been a livestock stable. Then, in 1987, they purchased their 529 G Ave. location, which had been Farmers Savings Bank. GNB Insurance had been a part of the business since the 1960s, and GNB investments was added in 1997. The GNB Investments and Insurance building was purchased in 2001 for those businesses.

25 Years Ago This Week - 1994

Three Grundy Center students have been selected to represent the United States as members of the East Central Iowa All-Stars Russian Tour. Megan Modlin, Alison Weichers, and Lynn Folkedahl have been invited by the Russian Basketball Federation to compete in the Red Army Shootout held in Moscow, Russia. This is a special competition for girls and boys age 15-18, and involves high school age teams from Russia, Lithuania, Italy, France and the United States. Megan is the daughter of Vicki Speicher and Dennis Modlin. Alison is the daughter of Kirk and Karen Weichers. Lynn is the daughter of Vern and Laurie Folkedahl. All three girls are sophomores. The three students will be given the opportunity to compete internationally, interact with foreign athletes the same age, and tour the historical attractions of Russia. This is an opportunity for the girls to share their culture and extend goodwill to student athletes from other countries. Traveling with the girls will be their basketball coach, Jody Bermel, and his wife. In order to participate in this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, the girls will be responsible for their own financing. No school funding will be used to offset the expense of the trip. To help with the financial burden, the girls are seeking sponsorship from individuals and businesses.

50 Years Ago This Week - 1969

A four year old boy from Holland and a 2 1/2 year old boy from Grundy Center had a delicate open heart surgery within 24 hours of each other last Thursday and Friday at University Hospitals in Iowa City. But one of the youngsters, Terry Lynn Creson, 3 1/2 year old son of Mr and Mrs. Donald

Cresol of Grundy Center, died at 2 a.m. on Sunday of complications. The other boy, Jeffrey Werkman, is reported to be doing fine following a five hour operation to close a hole in his heart, a condition which he has had since birth. Jeffrey was in intensive care from Thursday until Sunday when his condition improved enough so he could return to his hospital room.

A fugitive who had done time in Texas for murder was apprehended without a struggle in downtown Grundy Center early Tuesday morning by Police Officer Dennis Cornelius, after being stopped for a minor traffic infraction. The man, Raymond Leslie Buttons, alias “Bud” Buttons, 37, was wanted by Des Moines police for child stealing and contributing to the delinquency of a minor. The warrant on Buttons described him as “dangerous — approach with caution.” Cornelius stopped Buttons about 5:45 a.m. Tuesday after Buttons failed to dim the lights on his car when he met the police car west of town. The police officer turned his car around, gave chase, and finally pulled Buttons to the curb in downtown Grundy Center. When he learned Buttons was a potential killer, Cornelius drew his service revolver and ordered Buttons out to be frisked and cuffed. Buttons was not armed and gave up peacefully. He was taken to county jail, where a few hours later Des Moines police took custody of him.

75 Years Ago This Week - 1944

Toby, pet cat of the Harlan Springer family, wanted to join the army along with the master of the house. Harlan left here Friday morning with the group of new Inductees for Camp Dodge. The cat was put outdoors Thursday night as is the usual custom in the Springer household. Harlan went to the Legion hall early Friday morning to join the others who were leaving. While he was sitting around visiting he felt something rubbing against his ankle, and upon looking down he discovered Toby at his side. Harlan doesn’t know how that cat got up to the hall, as he went up in a car. Toby wanted to be a soldier, too.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kopsa of Washington township received a message from the War Department on Monday notifying them that their son Edward, or Sammy as he was generally known, was killed in action at the front in Italy, on, January 20th. Two weeks ago the family received an official message advising them that their son was missing in action. Since that time they had been hopeful that he might have been taken prisoner. The last letter his family received from him was written a week before his death. Edward Kopsa was 24 years old on the 6th of January. He was born on a Washington township farm and grew up there. He attended Grundy Center high school and was active in athletics. He enlisted in the National Guard at Waterloo and went to Claiborne, La., with them to train three years ago. He went overseas with one of the first groups of American soldiers and he was stationed in Ireland until he joined the African invasion forces. He was in the thick of the fight in Africa and later in Sicily and Italy. He was with the 34th Division.

Grassley Q&A

Q&A: Sunshine Week
With U.S. Senator Chuck Grassley

Q: What is Sunshine Week?

A: Sunshine Week celebrates open government and freedom of information. It coincides with the anniversary of James Madison’s birth on March 16. As the Founding Father wrote in Federalist 51: “If men were angels, no government would be necessary.” He further explained the challenge of forming a government and to “enable the government to control the governed; and ... oblige it to control itself.” Our system of checks and balances is a vital lever of limited government. Most of all, each branch of government is dependent on the people, the ultimate source of authority in our system of self-government. Upholding public access to public records protects the pulse of the republic. Freedom of the press also provides a critical check on government and abuses of power. Investigative journalism can expose corruption and misconduct in civic institutions of American life. Watchdog reporters and patriotic whistleblowers depend on First Amendment freedoms to step forward and share what they know about wrongdoing. For an informed citizenry, access to federal data about school, workplace, food, drug, and patient safety restores public confidence that government watchdogs are doing their jobs. Sunshine Week is a good opportunity to have a national dialogue about the importance of open government and freedom of information. It’s also a good opportunity to highlight the contributions of whistleblowers who put their livelihoods on the line to report wrongdoing. As co-founder and co-chairman of the Senate Whistleblower Protection Caucus, I will keep lighting the way for these brave truth tellers to come forward and report billing, kick-back and other fraudulent schemes that rip-off taxpayer dollars and harm public safety.

Q: What drives your long-time crusade in Congress for transparency?

A: An informed citizenry is vital to maintain a government of, by and for the people. Transparency is central to good government and good governance. It leads to accountability. Secrecy allows all sorts of shenanigans to take root throughout the federal bureaucracy. Weeding out wrongdoing takes vigilance and legal tools to keep it from cropping back up. Sunshine is arguably the best solution to scour systemic abuse. The light of day works wonders. Burying patient wait times at the VA, obfuscating data that undermines public health and patient safety or sloppy bookkeeping at the Pentagon are not in the public or taxpayer interest. As a taxpayer watchdog and oversight warrior in Congress, I use my constitutional legislative and oversight authority to make sure government operates as effectively and efficiently as possible. The government is a service organization, funded by the taxpayer. Taxpayers foot the bill to operate the U.S. military and protect national security, pay for public health, infrastructure and food safety programs and fund the federal judiciary, among many other services. Measures that help educate and empower the public to become an engaged and informed citizenry make government operate better.

As chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, the first in a series of hearings I scheduled this year examined the rising costs of prescription medicine in America. After hearing testimony from seven executives representing Big Pharma companies, I am convinced we need more transparency on how the pricing system works and how it affects what patients and taxpayers pay to fill a prescription. Transparency informs policymaking. Everyone agrees the system is complex. We can’t let Big Pharma hide behind a smoke-screen of complexity to shield the true cost of medicine. As I said at the hearing, the list price of a drug matters. I’ll be following up with another hearing to hear from the “middle men” in the drug supply chain, including pharmacy benefit managers.

Elder abuse, particularly nursing home abuse and neglect, is another area that benefits from transparency. Last year, I steered the Elder Abuse Prevention and Prosecution Act into law. It calls for federal agencies to collect more data about the prosecution of elder abuse cases and adult protective services. The Justice Department recently announced the largest-ever elder fraud enforcement action in U.S. history, charging more than 200 defendants in a nationwide elder fraud sweep. At a recent hearing I called to examine systemic failures in the nation’s nursing homes, an Iowan testified about her mother’s death in a long-term care facility due to neglect. It was a painful story to hear. My oversight revealed deficits in the government-backed website, Nursing Home Compare. That’s a problem, because Americans have come to depend on this information when choosing a nursing home for a loved one. That’s why I pushed for this online tool to be created to help consumers make informed decisions. Testimony from my hearing will inform policymaking as we consider policies. I will lead the effort for transparency for as long as it takes to prevent abuse and neglect of the nation’s nursing home residents.

Transparency matters. And so do the tools that allow the public to access the people’s business. I was glad to update the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) on the 50th anniversary of this historic law in 2016 with the enactment of bipartisan reforms I co-sponsored to sharpen this pivotal transparency tool. I have written sunshine laws that allow patients to track and compare information about nursing homes or learn about the financial relationship between their health care providers and pharmaceutical and medical device companies. And I will keep pushing for “cameras in the courtroom.” My bill would allow federal judges to throw open the sash of their courtrooms and enable Americans to watch the federal judiciary making decisions on issues that shape our livelihoods and way of life. Transparency is the North Star of good government. The American people have a right to know how their government conducts business and spends tax dollars.

Sunshine Week will be observed March 10-16, 2019.

An attack on Iowa’s public lands efforts



By Kevin Williams
Grundy County Conservation Director

It has been an interesting couple of weeks. Two pieces of IOWA legislation that would directly impact the acquisition of public lands for conservation raised their ugly heads. If you continue reading (which I certainly hope you do), you are going to hear what some would call a one-sided view on these. The conservation view. The first that was introduced down in Des Moines was HF542. County Conservation Boards weren’t the only target but they were a large target of this proposed legislation. Simply put, the bill sought to strip the ability of counties and the state to purchase land for conservation.

I kid you not that the black marker came out and the words purchase and land acquisition were stricken from every portion of IA Code 350 – County Conservation Law. The intent? To remove any chance of County Conservation Boards, cities, or the IDNR from purchasing lands for public conservation and outdoor recreation use. It went so far as to include stripping the use of Wildlife Habitat Grant funds from being used for this purpose. It attacked the Resource Enhancement and Protection program with the same language.

In my 39 years working for Grundy County, I have never seen such an attack on Iowa’s public land efforts. It would seem that the drafters and supporters of this would like to see Iowa go from somewhere around 47th to 50th in the amount of public lands avail-

able for wildlife, water quality, and outdoor recreation.

FYI – only five of all the lobbyists registered down there at the statehouse signed on as in favor of the bill. These were two for the Iowa Cattleman’s Association and three for the Iowa Farm Bureau.

I was in attendance at the statehouse on March 4 where hundreds of people gathered to watch the committee discussion of HF542 and voice our opposition. It was heartening to see so many people taking part in the process and letting these legislators know that it was not popular with them. As I understand it, many, many more sent emails voicing disgust for the bill.

The results from the House Committee reviewing it was that no action was taken to move it forward. Not moving this past the first funnel period means a victory for publicly owned lands in Iowa. Unless something resembling this attack gets attached to some other piece of legislation in the closing hours of the 88th General Session, this for the time being is stalled.

The Senate bill of concern last week was perhaps milder in comparison to the House but detrimental to public land efforts, as well. Sadly, SSB 1221 did advance out of the first committee. Now renamed SF 548, it seeks to strip public land acquisition from the State Revolving Loan fund. This very beneficial program provides federal monies to be used as up to 0% loans for projects benefiting a host of water quality improvements. Federal monies but they are administered by the state. I am encouraged that eliminated in the bill language was the portion of this that eliminated tax advantages for private landowners who wish to donate property or conservation easements for these public benefits.

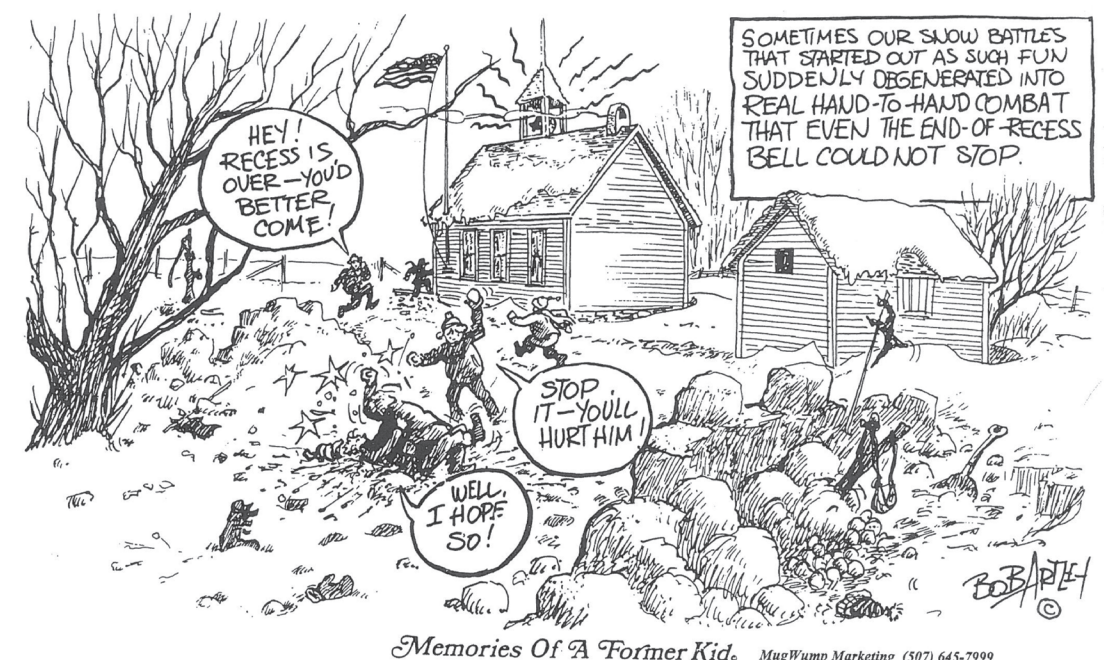
I attended the listening session that Rep. Grassley and Sen. Sweeney held in Reinbeck on March 8 and discussed these two items with them. I will make every effort to keep you informed if this SF 548 progresses. I urge you to contact your senator and make your feelings known regarding any legislation that seeks to hamper Iowa’s limited means to add valuable conservation lands to Iowa’s public management.

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Water rights dilemma arises with proposed housing development in New Hartford

by MICHAELA KENDALL
The Grundy Register
NEW HARTFORD - As the small town of New Hartford pushes to expand by ushering in a new housing development at the north edge of town, a dilemma over water rights is giving the city a run for its money.

It's a unique scenario facing the City of New Hartford: they have a plot of land that has been annexed into city limits, and they have a developer who wants to build on it. But, things became a little more complicated when a private utilities company recently came forward to claim that they own water rights to the land that was annexed into city limits, effectively locking the city out of receiving any future revenue for water utilities.

According to New Hartford's City Engineer Jon Biederman, the Iowa Rural Utilities Association - a private corporation that provides water to rural residents and small communities throughout central and north-east Iowa - has claimed water rights to the territory, saying they already have infrastructure in the area, which includes a water main on the north and west side of the development that serves existing homes, which the IRUA says would be adequate to serve the proposed new development.

"We had a meeting with representatives from IRUA (Iowa Rural Utilities Association) a few weeks ago and did some research into infrastructure," Biederman said, confirming

that the company has utilities in the area.

City Clerk Shawna Hagen says the IRUA's claim to water rights puts the town in a tough spot.

"We want to grow, and this direction is the only area we can expand in as a city, and now we're landlocked," Hagen said. "In my opinion, the city needs to work towards an option that maintains control of the water utilities. You get locked into a 'footprint' and all future options [for expansion] are completely gone."

Hagen said that already, the city cannot collect revenue on power because MidAmerican Energy has a franchise in town, while Mediacom has a franchise for internet.

"A lot of cities have an electricity revenue stream," she said. "The electric and gas revenue is a big deal as cities are faced with constant, new legislative restrictions depleting revenue options. Cities need to become creative in finding revenues for sustainability. New Hartford will never be able to tap into the electrical revenue with the exception of a franchise fee, which could possibly be up for future considerations. Deregulation of utilities will be the only time the city will be able to take advantage. With this being said, it is very important to keep control of the water utilities."

City Engineer Jon Biederman gave the council a number of different options on how they could handle the predicament.

The first option is that the

IRUA could provide domestic water service, with no special higher PSI flow for a fire emergency, which could potentially lower the city's ISO rating. With this option the IRUA would handle water services for the development and receive all the revenue, while the city would pay no costs and collect no revenue.

The second option is that the IRUA could provide domestic water service, while the city would provide special flow for a fire emergency which would need to be extended from the existing distribution center. This option would cost an estimated \$400,000 to extend the distribution system and add hydrants to the area, and the option could be infeasible for the city, though more calculations would need to be done.

The third option would be for the city to purchase bulk water from the IRUA to distribute to homes at the new development, while still providing fire flow in case of a fire emergency. In this case the city would mark up IRUA's bulk rate and still collect some revenue on service. This option would have to be agreed upon by the IRUA, and would cost about \$400,000 plus additional costs for the city to provide water meters.

Another option would be for the city to pursue purchasing the service territory from the IRUA and provide full service, which would be extremely expensive, and would need to be agreed upon with the IRUA. So far there has been no discussion

with the IRUA on the willingness or price of this option.

The final option is for the city to reject the IRUA's claim to the service territory and provide water service instead, which would likely result in litigation with the IRUA in federal court, due to federal statute being involved.

Biederman noted that the last option - rejecting the IRUA's territory claim and going to court with the company - would be risky. He added that if nothing else could be agreed upon with any of the options he described, the city could let IRUA handle the water while still collecting revenue on sanitary sewer collection.

This would mean the city could maintain typical collection system (constructed by the developer) and provide infrastructure from the addition to the wastewater treatment plant to treat the water. This option would be about \$480,000 on the city's part, but Biederman suggested a possible consideration could be to increase sanitary sewer rates for the homes in the new development who are connected to the city's collection system but are not provided water by the city. He noted that this could help offset the revenue that the city is not generating from other sources.

No decisions were made by the council on which option to pursue, though council members agreed to discuss their options further during a special workshop at City Hall this Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.

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village to raise a child, is and African proverb that means that an entire community of people must interact with children for those children to experience and grow in a safe environment. The community looks out for the children. We don't help raise the children but we watch over and protect when necessary. It takes a village.

Reader Guide for Grundy County

by DIANE PAIGE
Dike Correspondent

April will be the month the 2019 Grundy County Visitor Guide will hit the news stand. The guide will go to all mail recipients. The guide is put together with information from each town in Grundy County. Starting with Beaman, Conrad, Dike, Grundy Center, Holland, Morrison, Reinbeck, Stout and Wellsburg. This collection of town statistics is useful all year long. It is a handy collection of town events, and local business telephone numbers. Better than a phone book.

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I will be watching and reading and placing my Visitors Guide next to my calendar. I will watch for dates of spring, summer, fall and winter events happening in all 9 towns. I like Dike activities, our Sport Complex schedule and Fox Ridge golf, but Reinbeck has a great 4th of July and Morrison holds interesting events. Read the guide and set your schedule for the events for each town. Our Grundy County Visitor Guide can provide valuable information all year long. Enjoy

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1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum
3. Approve Agenda
4. Central Rivers AEA Presentation
5. Approval of Previous Minutes: February 18, 2019
6. Curriculum Report - K-12 P.E.
7. Review of Monthly Financial Reports
8. Approve Accounts Payable
9. Positive Sharing
10. Business:
 - a. Potential Approval of Engineering Services
 - b. Consideration of LED Lighting Purchase
 - c. Personnel
 - d. 2019-20 School Fees
 - e. Budget Guarantee Resolution
 - f. Approve 2019-2020 BCLUW Tentative Budget and set Budget Hearing Date & Time
 - g. Public Hearing per Iowa Code regarding the 2019-2020 school calendar 6:00 p.m.
 - h. Approve 2019-20 BCLUW School Calendar
 - i. 28e Agreement - School Social Worker
 - j. Consideration of Quote for New Staff Computers
 - k. Consideration of Naming Softball Field
11. Commendations:
11. Discussions/Reports/Upcoming Meetings:
- m. Superintendent's Comments
- n. Next Regular Board Meeting - April 10, 2019 5:00 p.m. - High School
12. Adjournment

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Obituaries

Clint Miller

Clint Miller, 61, of Gladbrook, IA, passed away Friday, March 8, 2019. Memorial services will be 11:00 a.m., Thursday, March 14, 2019, at Peace United Church of Christ in Gladbrook. Visitation will be 9:30 a.m., until the time of the services, at the church. Arrangements are entrusted to the Gladbrook Chapel of Anderson Funeral Homes. Online condolences may be sent to www.andersonfh.com.



Clint was born January 14, 1958, to Warren and Charlotte (Buss) Miller in Dunkerton, IA. He graduated from Dunkerton High School. After high school, Clint served his country in the United States Marine Corp. Clint was united in marriage to Renae Stotz on June 23, 2017, in Tama, IA. He was employed as a truck driver for 27 years, most recently with PCI in Reinbeck. Clint enjoyed working on his home, vehicles, and wood working in his shop. Most of all, Clint loved spending time with the love of his life, his wife, Renae.

Clint will be missed by his wife, Renae; a son, Skylar Stotz of Waterloo, IA; three daughters: Shawntel (Trae) Woods of Waterloo, IA, Shayla Regner of Lincoln, NE, Shariah Regner of Grundy Center, IA; four grandchildren: Chase Woods, Kobe Woods, Caedyn Woods, Kinsley Kiewiet; three brothers: Gary Miller, Paul French, Terry French; six sisters: Jane Happel, Linda Whitmore, Andrea Wente, Reta Philleo, Mavis French, Marla Hudgins; his mother-in-law, Joan Coleman; two brothers-in-law: Darwin (Jodi) Stotz and Clayton Coleman; two sisters-in-law: Marnie (Brad) Wells and Darla (Chuck) Utesch. He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother-in-law, Tim Stotz.

Joan Peters

Joan Peters, 77, of Conrad, IA, passed away Friday, March 08, 2019, at her residence. Funeral Services will be 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 13, 2019, at the First Presbyterian Church in Conrad. Visitation will be 9:30 a.m., until the time of the services, Wednesday, March 13, 2019, at the First Presbyterian Church in Conrad. Private interment will follow a luncheon in the Conrad Cemetery in Conrad. Arrangements are entrusted to the Conrad Chapel of Anderson Funeral Homes. Online condolences may be sent to [https://www.andersonfh.com.%3Cbr%20/%3E] www.andersonfh.com.



Joan was born July 12, 1941, to Reuben M. and Gertrude M. (Otilie) Wood in Ida Grove, IA. She graduated from Spencer High School in Spencer, IA. Joan attended CE School of Commerce in Omaha, NE. She was united in marriage to Gerald F. Peters at the United Methodist Church in Marshalltown, IA, on February 8, 1968. Joan was a homemaker and engaged in farming along with her husband in the rural Conrad area. She especially liked running the combine bringing in the corn and bean crop. Joan liked to do puzzles, making cards, doing word find books and Sudoku. She also liked to go camping, fishing, and reading books. The love of her life was being with her grandsons and watching them grow into young adults.

Joan will be missed by her husband, Gerald; two sons: Bill (Stacey) Peters of Conrad, Shawn (Jamie) Peters of Pella, IA; three grandsons: Riley, Caden, Bodie; two step grandchildren: Jessica, Shane; three step great grandchildren: Austin, Izaiah, Elliott; a brother, Larry (Barb) Wood of Texas; one niece, and two nephews. She was preceded in death by her birth mother, Gertrude Otilie Wood, her mother that helped raise her, Agnes Otilie Wood, and her step mother, Claire Powell Wood.

Margaret Ohrt

Margaret Lucile Ohrt, 91, of Reinbeck, passed away on March 9, 2019, at Parkview Manor in Reinbeck. A visitation will be held on Wednesday, March 13, from 5-7 PM at French-Hand Chapel in Reinbeck. A Funeral Service will follow on Thursday, March 14, at 10:30 AM at Union Congregational United Church of Christ in Reinbeck with Reverend Joel Love officiating. Visitation will resume from the evening prior at 9:30 AM at the church. Interment will be held at Reinbeck City Cemetery. Abels Funeral And Cremation Service, French-Hand Chapel is taking care of Margaret and her family. Online messages of condolences may be made at www.abelsfuneralhomes.com.



Margaret Lucile Ohrt was born on December 12, 1927, in Dike, IA, to her parents Hans and Edel (Andersen) Johnson. She attended Dike High School graduating with the class of 1945, later attending Gates Business College in Waterloo. Margaret worked at Farmers Co-op in Dike briefly after graduating. She was united in marriage to Richard "Dick" Ohrt on September 2, 1948, at Fredsville Lutheran Church in rural Dike. Margaret and Dick had three sons Randall, Philip, and Brad. She worked part time in the 60's for the U.S. Census Bureau but most of her working life was spent alongside Dick on the farm. Margaret embraced being a "farm wife" and juggled all the chores and tasks that came her way along with tending to the house and caring for the children.

Margaret enjoyed gardening and canning the fruits and vegetables she worked tirelessly over. She also took pride in caring for her extensive flower gardens. Margaret and Dick enjoyed square dancing and traveling to many destinations, wintering in Florida for 22 years. She was a member of The Order of The Eastern Star, PEO, American Legion Women's Auxiliary, Oak Leaf Country Club, and the Union Congregational United Church of Christ

Margaret is survived by her son Brad (Lynn) Ohrt of Reinbeck; daughters-in-law Cynthia Ohrt of Cedar Rapids and Janice Ohrt of Reinbeck; 8 grandchildren; 4 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Dick, sons Randall and Philip, great-grandson Ian Felton, and her brothers and sisters.

Memorials may be directed to the Muscular Dystrophy Association at 3925 Fountains Drive #100 Cedar Rapids, IA 52411 or to the family to be donated to a local cause in Margaret's memory.

Erna Toomsen

Erna Toomsen passed away at the age of 82 on Saturday, March 9, 2019 at Scottish Rite Park in Des Moines, Iowa. She was preceded in death by her parents, George and Berdene and her brother, Berner and her grandson, Julian. She is survived by her brother Garyld (Lois) Harms, daughter Amy (Rino) Toomsen Chellis, grandchildren Tyle, Vaughn, Elsa, Haldan and Aubrey, and her son Eric and granddaughter Jessica.



Erna graduated from nursing school at Allen Memorial in Waterloo and spent the majority of her career as a rehabilitation nurse at the Younker Rehabilitation Center in Des Moines. She was a long-time member of Douglas Avenue Presbyterian Church in Des Moines, Iowa, serving as both a deacon and an elder.

Funeral services in Des Moines will be held at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, March 13, 2019 at Westover Chapel, 6337 Hickman Road, Des Moines, IA 50322. The family will be receiving friends at 9:00 AM prior to the service. A graveside service will be held in Holland, Iowa at Colfax Center Presbyterian Church Cemetery, 18935 K Avenue, Holland, Iowa, 50642 at 2:30 PM. Online condolences are welcome at www.ilescares.com.



Seven hospitalized after accident in Grundy County

by **MICHAELA KENDALL**
The Grundy Register

GRUNDY COUNTY - Seven people were taken to the hospital after a single-vehicle accident on Highway 20 near Wellsburg on Saturday afternoon.

According to the Grundy County Sheriff's Office, 20-year-old Raymond Abwe was heading west on Highway 20 about three miles northwest of Wellsburg around 3 p.m. on Saturday when he lost control of his vehicle on the slush-covered road.

The vehicle entered the median, rolled, spun around and

came to a rest on the eastbound inside shoulder.

Abwe, along with six passengers who are between the ages of 16 and 20, were taken to the Grundy County Memorial Hospital to be treated for unknown injuries. During the crash, one 16-year-old passenger was ejected from the vehicle, and was later transported to Iowa Methodist in Des Moines.

The Grundy County Sheriff's Office is handling the investigation. Agencies who assisted at the scene include the Wellsburg Fire and Ambulance.

Marvin Janssen

Marvin Henry Janssen, 87, of Wellsburg passed away on March 9, 2019, at the Grundy County Memorial Hospital in Grundy Center. A visitation will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 13 at the Abels Funeral and Cremation Service, Doyen Chapel, in Wellsburg. A funeral service will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 14 at the Cornerstone Presbyterian Church in rural Ackley. Burial will follow at the West Friesland Church Cemetery, with military honors conducted at the cemetery. Memorials may be directed to the family. Online condolences may be made by visiting www.abelsfuneralhomes.com.



Marvin was born on the family farm north of Ackley, on April 16, 1931. He was the loving son of Henry V. and Henrietta (Kolthoff) Janssen. Marvin attended country school in rural Wellsburg and then began helping his father on the family farm. He entered the United States Army in 1952, and served in Korea until his honorable discharge in 1954. Upon Marvin's return to Iowa, he once more assisted his father on the family farm. Marvin was united in marriage to Ruth Riebkens on March 4, 1956. Together they made their home in rural Wellsburg and they welcomed three children into their family. Marvin worked his entire life on the family farm and retired in 1993.

Marvin was a long-time member of Faith Presbyterian Church, which has become Cornerstone Presbyterian Church, there he served the church as a deacon. He enjoyed music, played the piano by ear, and loved dancing with his wife. Marvin's true joy in life came from spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren.

Marvin is survived by his wife of 63 years, Ruth Janssen; son Keith Duane Janssen of Waterloo; daughters Sharon (Dean) Werkman of Waverly and Lisa (Ryan) Bakker of Steamboat Rock; grandchildren Clayton and Collin Werkman and Trevor, Haley and Morgan Bakker; and brother Vernon Janssen.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers Virgil, Delmer, and Kenneth Janssen; and sisters Agnes Ward and Carol Glenn.

Isabel George

Isabel George, 96, of Grundy Center and formerly of Grinnell died on February 17, 2019, at Creekside Western Home in Grundy Center.

A funeral mass has been scheduled for 10:00 a.m. Saturday, February 23rd, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Grinnell with Rev. Ross Epping officiating. Organist will be Al Ricks accompanied by the church choir. Vocalist will be Milton Severe. Pallbearers will be Michael and Janet Fitzgibbon, Anita George, Adam, Don and Geoff Osterhaus, and Nathan Schleuder. Burial will be in Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell.

Visitation with the family present will be held from 1:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Friday, February 22nd, at the Smith Funeral Home.

A Rosary will be said at 4:00 p.m. Friday and a Vigil service will be held at 6:30 Friday evening at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be designated to St. Jude's Children's Hospital, Iowa Public Television (IPTV), or Cedar Valley Hospice.

Isabel was born on March 30, 1922, in Eldora, IA, to Scottish immigrant parents William and Mary (Stewart) MacRae. She attended Eldora schools and graduated in the class of 1940.

She assisted in the chiropractic office of Dr. Lester Soli for nine years. On July 15, 1949, she was united in matrimony to James L. George at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Eldora, IA.

In 1951 they moved to Grinnell where she remained as a homemaker and mother of three daughters. Active in PTA and a Blue Bird and Campfire leader for several years, she was known by her friends for her beautiful cards and letters and delicious trays of decorated Christmas cookies.

She enjoyed working crossword puzzles, the daily Jumble and Jeopardy. She and Jim enjoyed playing cribbage and Cameroon. Perfume and flowers of all kinds brought her pleasure. She also enjoyed the quiet things in life – a sunset, the moon rising or a baby's smile. She wrote poetry for the amusement of family and friends and often recited classic poems while doing housework. A travel highlight was her 1973 trip to Scotland to meet relatives with whom she had long corresponded by mail.

She loved celebrating holidays, decorating the house and giving gifts. One of her gifts was her desire and ability to make others feel special. In later years, many told her they looked forward to the Christmas recollections she shared in her annual letter.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and infant daughter, Carolyn. The middle child of seven siblings, Isabel survived brothers Donald, William, Angus and Douglas MacRae and sisters Eunice Card and Margaret O'Leary.

Survivors include her daughters, Cheryl (Donald) Osterhaus of Grundy Center, Anita George of Altadena, California and Janet (Michael) Fitzgibbon of West Burlington. Grandchildren Geoff (Heather Stecklein) Osterhaus, Adam Osterhaus and Ellen Osterhaus (Nathan Schleuder) and great-grandchildren Amelia Osterhaus and Ella Stecklein.

If you are wondering what you can do in memory of Isabel, do something nice for someone – that's what she would have done. She spent her whole life helping others.

Tentative Agenda
Conrad City Council
City Hall / Council Chamber
Thursday, March 14, 2019, 7:00 PM

Opening / Pledge of Allegiance

- Roll Call
Business
1. Approval of Agenda
2. Approval of Consent Agenda - All items listed under the consent agenda will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a request is made prior to the time Council votes on the motion
a. Minutes from February 14, 2018
b. Clerk's Reports
c. Claims for payment
3. Citizens Forum – Citizens who would like to address the council should contact the Mayor prior to the meeting
Motions
4. Motion to change April 11th meeting to 18th due to the IMFOA spring conference
5. Approve payment to ICAP for annual insurance \$30,908.85
Resolutions
6. Open public hearing on Budget for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020
a. Resolution # 2019-03 approving budget for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020
7. Resolution #2019-04 transferring funds for fiscal year ending June 30, 2019
8. Resolution #2019-05 to approve pay rates for fiscal year ending June 30, 2020.
Motion to Adjourn

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Gene Kubli 641-366-2325 8:30 a.m. Sunday School 10 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 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 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 Randy Russom, Pastor 319-824-3152 www.facebook.com/grundycenter-firstpres 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 Methodist Church Sundays 9 a.m. Worship Celebration</p>	<p>Wednesdays 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 & 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 10:30 a.m. Sunday School</p>	<p>/ Adult Bible Class</p> <p>St. Henry Catholic Church Father Don Czapla Saturdays 5 p.m. Vigil Sundays 8 & 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 Stephen and Olga Shaffer, Pastors 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. 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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 Connection Between Generosity and Prosperity

Throughout the Old Testament, the Israelites are told that if they keep the Law and follow God's commandments, they will be prosperous. The Book of Joshua is clear on this connection: "Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful." (Joshua 1:8 NIV) The prophet Malachi tells the Israelites that they are robbing God when they fail to give the full tithe, and God promises to "open the floodgates of heaven" if only the people will "Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house." (Malachi 3:10 NIV) The promise which God makes is that our generosity will be repaid in full. Jesus summarizes this eternal law of human nature: "Do not judge, and you will not be judged. Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven. Give, and it will be given to you." (Luke 6:37-38 NIV) The apostle Paul reminds the Corinthians that stinginess and generosity have consequences as natural as the fruits which follow from their seeds: "Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously." (2 Corinthians 9:6 NIV) We should not, however, be generous as an insurance policy or an investment plan. Give from a pure motive to help others, and realize that the reward may be in a different coin, as it were.

-Christopher Simon



"You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God." 2 Corinthians 9:11 NIV

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
CASE NO. ESPR0102318THE 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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BOARD OF EDUCATION
Minutes

THE GRUNDY CENTER BOARD OF EDUCATION MET IN SPECIAL SESSION ON MARCH 4, 2018 IN THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING AT 4:00 PM.

Roll Call: Present: Gordon, Johanns, Kiewiet, Lebo and Yoder
Administrators: Mullen, Sammons, Vokes
Guest: Heather Gutknecht
President Lebo called the meeting to order at 4:05 PM.The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
Motion made by Director Gordon, seconded by Director Kiewiet to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously (5-0)
Gordon: Aye, Johanns: Aye, Kiewiet: Aye, Yoder: Aye, Lebo: Aye).President Lebo welcomed visitors.
Motion made by Director Yoder, seconded by Director Kiewiet to approve the opportunity to jointly employ and appoint a shared district Superintendent with Applington Parkersburg Community Schools starting July 1, 2019. Motion carried unanimously (5-0)
Gordon: Aye, Johanns: Aye, Kiewiet: Aye, Yoder: Aye, Lebo: Aye).
Motion made by Director Gordon, seconded by Kiewiet, to adjourn the meeting at 4:25 pm. Motion carried unanimously (5-0)
Gordon: Aye, Johanns: Aye, Kiewiet: Aye, Yoder: Aye, Lebo: Aye).
Andy Lebo, President
Becki Smith, Board Secretary

FULLER

D-NH's Fuller
on all-state teamBy JAKE RYDER
The Grundy Register

Dike-New Hartford's Cade Fuller earned second-team recognition on the Class 2A all-state team, as chosen by the Iowa Print Sports Writers Association in teams released this Tuesday.

Fuller was the leading scorer on the state-qualifying D-NH team, averaging 15.3 points, 3.7 rebounds, 3.0 assists and swiping 33 steals in 23 games with the Wolverines. Fuller was a first-team NICL East selection. The Wolverines ended their season in the state quarterfinals against Van Meter.

Bettendorf's D.J. Carton and North Linn's Jake Hilmer were named Co-Mr. Basketball. This marks the first time since 1999 that two players shared Mr. Basketball honors - Sioux City West's Kirk Hinrich and Iowa Falls' Nick Collison shared the award.

IPSWA All-State Boys Basketball Team

Class 2A

First team

Beau De Jongh, Boyden-Hull, sr.; Ben Heeren, Ogden, sr.; Conner Hill, South Hamilton, sr.; Cooper DeJean, OABCIG, so.; Jace Davidson, Pocahontas, sr.; Jake Hilmer, North Linn, sr.; Masen Miller, Iowa City Regina, jr.; Ryan Schmitt, Van Meter, sr.

Second team
(Area players only)

Cade Fuller, Dike-New Hartford, sr.



The AAU Super Pee Wee State participants from the Dirty Bird Wrestling Club. Front row, left to right: Zion Uhlenhopp, Kinnick Poage, Drake Shepard, Bentley Beenken. Second row: Coach Calley Kruger, Kenzie Wignall, Landry Johnson, Walker Murphy, Brayden Meester, Coach Brian Jorgenson. (Photo from EJM Portrait and Design)



The District 3 team that finished fifth at the District Team Dual. Front row: Zion Uhlenhopp, Breckin Wittenburg, Brady Abbas, Cain Rodgers, Easton Jorgenson, Talas Zimmerman, Gavin Carolan, Caleb Marr. Second row: Gage Miller, Riley Forbes, Gavin Gerbracht, Ethan Meester, Noah Beckett, Carter Ites, Maison Copp, Zach Boevers. Back row: Coach Brian Jorgenson, Coach Calley Kruger. (Contributed photo)

Dirty Bird Wrestling Club at AAU State

By JAKE RYDER

Mid-America Publishing

The Dirty Bird Wrestling Club had representatives at the 2019 AAU Super Pee Wee State Tournament earlier this month at Young Arena in Waterloo.

Bentley Beenken and Drake Shepard took sixth and seventh place, respectively, in the K-1st bracket. Zion Uhlenhopp was a fourth-place finisher in the 2nd-grade bracket at 52 pounds and Kinnick Poage finished 7th at 48 pounds in the 2nd-grade bracket.

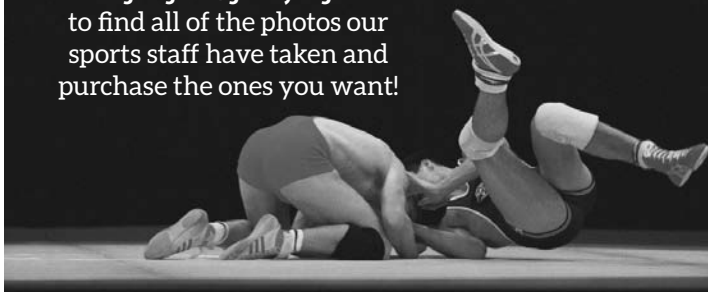
Dirty Bird wrestlers also competed in the District Team Dual tournament on a 3rd-4th grade team that finished fifth in Division A with a 2-2 record. Carter Liston and Jesse Brouwer competed with the District 3 B 5th-6th grade team.



Dirty Bird Wrestling Club members Carter Liston and Jesse Brouwer wrestled on the District 3 5th-6th grade dual team. (Photo from EJM Portrait and Design)

PUBLIC NOTICE Grundy Center CSD

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Proposed Grundy Center School Budget Summary Fiscal Year 2019-2020				
Location of Public Hearing:	Date of Hearing:	Time of Hearing:		
Administration Office 1301 12th St Grundy Center, IA 50638	03/27/19	6:00 PM		
The Board of Directors will conduct a public hearing on the proposed 2019-20 school budget at the above-noted location and time. At the hearing, any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of, any part of the proposed budget. This notice represents a summary of the supporting detail of revenues and expenditures on file with the district secretary. A copy of the details will be furnished upon request.				
	Budget 2020	Re-est. 2019	Actual 2018	Avg %18-20
Taxes Levied on Property	2,985,617	2,853,724	2,665,174	5.8%
Utility Replacement Excise Tax	33,696	34,242	116,771	-46.3%
Income Sources	222,961	381,997	259,025	-7.4%
Tuition Transportation Received	432,272	442,583	420,311	
Earnings on Investments	14,500	14,000	11,709	
Nutrition Program Sales	210,000	210,000	244,943	
Student Activities and Sales	375,000	375,000	320,077	
Other Revenues from Local Sources	218,900	224,030	231,702	
Revenue from Intermediary Sources	0	0	0	
State Foundation Aid	4,519,029	4,393,698	4,465,768	
Instructional Support State Aid	18,946	0	0	
Other State Sources	677,433	676,999	643,923	
Commercial & Industrial State Replacement	40,076	34,684	36,811	
Title I Grants	52,133	52,133	62,823	
IDEA & Other Federal Sources	250,154	252,875	268,043	
Total Revenues	10,049,759	9,945,675	9,747,089	
General Long-Term Debt Proceeds	0	0	74,566	
Transfers In	0	315,377	350,812	
Proceeds of Fixed Asset Dispositions	0	0	37,998	
Total Revenues & Other Sources	10,049,759	10,261,052	10,210,464	
Operating Fund Balance	2,369,629	2,715,184	3,186,191	
Total Resources	12,419,388	12,976,236	13,396,659	
Instruction	6,300,800	6,052,152	5,745,012	4.7%
Student Support Services	252,400	242,700	259,469	
Instructional Staff Support Services	398,200	382,845	597,817	
General Administration	296,000	284,862	327,436	
School Building Administration	572,400	595,232	566,155	
Business & Central Administration	41,500	59,669	67,741	
Plant Operation and Maintenance	878,400	924,537	672,971	
Student Transportation	308,400	296,198	295,198	
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Total Support Services (lines 24-31)	2,767,300	2,785,434	2,787,788	-0.4%
Noninstructional Programs	413,000	385,000	426,600	-1.6%
Facilities Acquisition and Construction	450,000	450,000	815,081	
Debt Service	0	315,377	301,223	
AEA Support - Direct to AEA	225,244	302,267	303,090	
Total Other Expenditures (lines 33-35)	775,744	1,088,644	1,419,393	-26.1%
Total Expenditures	10,256,844	10,291,230	10,378,294	
Transfers Out	313,402	313,377	302,682	
Total Expenditures & Other Uses	10,570,246	10,604,607	10,681,475	
Ending Fund Balance	1,849,142	2,369,629	2,715,184	
Total Requirements	12,419,388	12,976,236	13,396,659	
Proposed Property Tax Rate (per \$1,000 taxable valuation)	13.34294			

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Season in Review: Wrestling

By JAKE RYDER
The Grundy Register

AGWSR

In a winter where teams in *The Grundy Register* area had a tough time breaking through to the state tournament, AGWSR wrestling put together a couple of memorable moments, with Ali Gerbracht winning the first-ever high school girls state wrestling title in Iowa and Trey Lashbrook finishing third for the Cougar sophomore's second state medal.

Gerbracht defeated Ella Schmit of Bettendorf at the IWCOA's Girls State Tournament in Waverly, the first of 10 girls to win a state title in the different divisions contested at the event.

Lashbrook, coming off an eighth-place medal in his freshman season, exacted a bit of revenge in matchups with Denver's Jacob Moore all season long, including a win over Moore in the state quarterfinals. West Sioux's Adam Allard bested Lashbrook in the semifinals, but the AGWSR 120-pounder finished his second trip at state with two wins on Saturday morning and a third-place spot on the podium after a 7-6 decision victory over Interstate 35's Casey Baker.

AGWSR fielded just five wrestlers at the NICL tournament earlier this winter. Lashbrook was third at 120 pounds and Brody Roder finished fourth.

The Cougars bring back Gerbracht (35-13) and Lashbrook (42-2) next season, in addition to Zach Johnson (28-19) and Roder (30-16).

A-P/GC

Brier Uhlenhopp represented the Falcons as the lone district qualifier. The junior finished fourth at 145 pounds in his second trip to the district tournament after placing second at a sectional tournament at A-P High School.

Zach Klachsen and Nathan Klachsen finished with win-loss records of 20-17 and 12-2, respectively. Both finished third in their division at the sectional tournaments; Zach at 113, Nathan at 138.

Ben Ogle, who joined the team around the midseason mark, finished third at sectionals at 160 pounds.

Uhlenhopp added a third-place finish at the NICL Tournament, leading the Falcons as the only wrestler to reach the podium at that particular tournament. A-P/GC finished 11th in the NICL team standings with 49 points, with only eight wrestlers competing.

Ogle and Austin Knaack were the team's only seniors. Grundy Center also hosted a junior varsity meet this season, the first time wrestling high school wrestlers had battled in the gym in years.

Dike-New Hartford

The Wolverines sent six wrestlers to the district tournament in Independence, but left empty-handed.

Nathan Graves and Jacob Leohr led D-NH with third-place finishes at 182 and 285 pounds. Jace Petersen (138), Aidan Walters (170), Zach Starbuck (195) and Daniel Graves (220) were the other district qualifiers for D-NH. Petersen and Walters were part of a small group that came over from Gladbrook-Reinbeck, in the first year of a sharing agreement between Dike-New Hartford and the Rebels.

Daniel Graves was a runner-up at 220 pounds at the NICL Tournament this year as the best finisher in D-NH's group. The Wolverines finished fourth in the team standings with 140 points. Leohr, Starbuck, Nathan Graves and Grant Bixby all finished fourth in their respective weight classes at the league meet.

D-NH will return five of those six district qualifiers next year – all but Daniel Graves – for what will be a nice-sized senior class in 2019-20. Dylan Ohrt will also be a key part of D-NH's team next winter after a 24-11 season that ended with a fifth-place finish at sectionals.

South Hardin-BCLUW

The Storm sent four to the district tournament in Independence, but like the Wolverines, SH-BCLUW couldn't break



AGWSR's Trey Lashbrook was the only Grundy Register-area athlete to qualify for the traditional state tournament in Des Moines. (File photo)



Aplington-Parkersburg/Grundy Center's Austin Knaack was one of just two seniors on the Falcons' squad this season. (File photo)

through to the state tournament.

All four saw their season come to an end in unfortunate fashions: Carter Kolthoff, Taylor Kolthoff and Coby Willett couldn't come out on top in wrestleback matches and Owen Fuller lost a scramble with D-NH's Nathan Graves to finish fourth in his bracket.

Carter and Taylor Kolthoff will return next season from the district qualifying group, with senior Taylor aiming for a return to state after medaling as a sophomore but coming up short

in a 35-3 junior season. Willett bows out as the team's all-time pins leader.

SH-BCLUW finished 7th in the NICL team standings at the league tournament this season with 102 points, led by a conference title for Kolthoff, the only area wrestler to bring home gold in the event this season.

The Storm is still young, and will likely be in position to send another decent-sized group into the postseason gauntlet next winter.

D-NH duo on league 1st team

Moore named top coach

By JAKE RYDER
The Grundy Register

Dike-New Hartford's Colton Harberts and Cade Fuller led the Wolverines as first-team selections on All-NICL East boys basketball teams released last week.

Harberts led the league champions in league scoring with 15.1 points and was third in league rebounding with 8.7 per game. Harberts also distributed 23 assists and blocked an NICL East-high 15 shots. Fuller scored 13.9 points with 4.1 rebounds and added 46 assists and 28 steals.

Second-team honorees included Dane Fuller and Tim

Koop from Dike-New Hartford. D-NH's Derek Kinney received honorable mention.

D-NH coach Greg Moore won the Coach of the Year honors for the Wolverines, who qualified for the state tournament this season in Class 2A. The Wolverines finished 21-2 and won the league title by a half-game over Aplington-Parkersburg.

A-P senior Carter Cuvelier earned NICL East Player of the Year honors. Cuvelier averaged 17.3 points and 6.0 rebounds in 15 league games this season for the Falcons. He also distributed 44 assists with 20 steals and 10 blocked shots.

All-NICL East Boys Basketball

Player of the Year: Carter Cuvelier, Aplington-Parkers-

burg

Coach of the Year: Greg Moore, Dike-New Hartford

First team

Carter Cuvelier, Aplington-Parkersburg, sr.; Colton Harberts, Dike-New Hartford, sr.; Cade Fuller, D-NH, sr.; Bryce Phelps, Denver, so.; Tyler Matthias, Denver, so.; Cade Nolan, Jesup, sr.; Paul Rundquist, Wapsie Valley, sr.; Aaron Price, A-P, sr.

Second team

(Local players only)
Dane Fuller, D-NH, so.; Tim Koop, D-NH, sr.

Honorable mention

(Local players only)
Derek Kinney, D-NH, jr.



Grundy Center's Reegan Zinkula accepts the Student Athlete Achievement Award from the Iowa Bankers' Association. (Jake Ryder photo)

Zinkula receives IBA award

By JAKE RYDER
The Grundy Register

Grundy Center senior Reegan Zinkula received an Iowa Bankers Association Student-Athlete Achievement Award during the Iowa Girls High School State Basketball Tournament in Des Moines earlier this month. The award grants a \$1,000

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BCLUW's Garber wins hurdles gold

Spartan boys get started

By JAKE RYDER
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CEDAR FALLS—BCLUW senior Jack Garber started his season with a win in the 60-meter hurdles at the Dickinson Relays in the UNI-Dome last week. Garber posted matching times of 8.23 seconds in the prelims and finals to take the gold medal in the event. He begins his senior season in pursuit of an elusive state title in the 110 high hurdles—Garber was third at Drake Stadium last season.

Caleb Silver added a 24th-place finish in the 3,200-meter run in 10:38.03 to round out the small BCLUW group in attendance.

Bringing a much larger crew was the Grundy Center boys track team, with head coach Chris Conger excited to get the season underway again after a strong finish at state last spring.

The decision to even head to the UNI-Dome, however, was a bit last second—the Spartans had only participated in one practice before heading over to Cedar Falls.

“We sought it out as a chance to go compete, and opportunity to get on the track and an intensified practice,” Conger said.

Grundy Center had no shortage of competition from across the spectrum of Iowa high schools, but performed well. The best running finish belonged to Will Grames in the fast heat of the 200-meter dash, running 24.04 to finish 16th out of over 200 total competitors in the event.

Logan Knaack posted a 7.49 in the 60-meter dash prelims in his first high-school race. That was the third-best time for a freshman at the event and also third among Class 1A competitors, finishing 46th out of 225 overall.

Caleb Kuiper turned in a 55-second flat run of the 400, finishing 35th overall and completing the run ahead of all other 1A competition.

In the relays, the 4x200 crew of Matt Jansen, Austin Knaack, Caleb Kuiper and Will Grames ran



Grundy Center's Will Grames (left) rounds the corner in the final leg of the 4x200 relay at the Dickinson Relays in the UNI-Dome last Tuesday. (Kristi Nixon/Mid-America Publishing)

1:39.14 for 28th out of 75 teams competing in the event, the best placement of the Spartan relay teams competing in Cedar Falls. The field events also held some strong performances: Grames finished 13th, starting with a 20-foot-6 leap to start his sophomore campaign after winning a state medal in the event as a freshman. Nick Ascher added a 19-foot mark for 44th.

In the shot put, Payton McMartin had an impressive debut in his senior season, finishing 21st with a 44-foot, 5-inch put. Sophomore Kolby Muller came out of the gates with a 38-2.5, his new personal best in the event.

“I was really quite pleased with how our guys responded to the competition,” Conger said. “We were in some big-time heats, and although we are not quite to that level yet, I think they understand the outlook and opportunity in front of them.”

The Spartans run at Central College's indoor meet on Friday, March 15.

Dickinson Relays At UNI-Dome

Event-by-event results (Winner and local athletes)

- 60-meter dash finals—1. Harrison Waylee (Urbandale) 6.93.
- 60-meter dash prelims—46. Logan Knaack (Grundy Center) 7.49; 69. Matt Jansen (GC) 7.59; 148. Austin Knaack (GC) 7.90.

- 200-meter dash finals—1. Darien Porter (Bettendorf) 22.30; 16. Will Grames (GC) 24.04; 49. Logan Knaack (GC) 24.95; 151. Austin Knaack (GC) 26.44.
- 400-meter dash finals—1. Gabe Caruthers (ICW) 50.89; 35. Caleb Kuiper (GC) 55.00; 150. Cole Heide-man 1:00.70.
- 60-meter hurdles finals—1. Jack Garber (BCLUW) 8.23.
- 60-meter hurdles prelims—1. Jack Garber (BCLUW) 8.23; 96. Jesse Mackie (GC) 10.47.
- 800—1. Aniey Akok (Ames) 1:58.31.
- 1,600—1. David Holesinger (Dubuque Hempstead) 4:31.94.
- 3,200—1. Max Murphy (Pleasant Valley) 9:34.71; 24. Caleb Silver (BCLUW) 10:38.03; 31. Derek Ciddio (GC) 11:25.61.
- High jump—1. Braeden Hoyer (Northeast) 6-5.
- Long jump—1. Kaleba Jack (Iowa City High) 22-3; 13. Will Grames (GC) 20-6; 44. Nick Ascher (GC) 19-0.
- Shot put—1. Kaseam Domond (Ames) 54-4.5; 21. Payton McMartin (GC) 44-5; 86. Kolby Muller (GC) 38-2.5; 115. Austin Engelkes (GC) 34-11.
- 4x200 relay—1. Waukee 1:33.30; 28. Grundy Center (Matt Jansen, Austin Knaack, Caleb Kuiper, Will Grames) 1:39.14.
- 4x400—1. Dowling 3:34.34; 31. Grundy Center (Grames, Cole Heide-man, Jensen Clapp, Kuiper) 3:49.05.
- 4x800—1. Dowling 8:23.56; 46. Grundy Center (Clapp, Mitchell Munson, Soren Cleveland, Derek Ciddio) 9:38.88.



D-NH's Grant Bixby crosses the finish line in the 200-meter dash at Wartburg College last Tuesday. Bixby was second in the event. (Kristi Nixon/Mid-America Publishing)

D-NH's Bennett wins in Wartburg

Bixby 2nd in 200

By JAKE RYDER
The Grundy Register

WAVERLY — Dike-New Hartford's Jadyne Bennett won the 200-meter dash at an indoor meet at Wartburg College last Tuesday.

Bennett finished in 1:05.11 to lead the D-NH girls. The Wolverine girls added a third-place finish in the 4x200 in 1:58.73 with relay members Katryna Hauser, Bennett, Alana Barrett and Eden Barrett.

Eden Barrett was a finalist in the 55-meter dash, finishing seventh in 7.98. Barrett added an eighth-place finish in the 200 in 28.80.

The Dike-New Hartford boys were led by Grant Bixby's second-place run in the 200 in a time of 24.17. Cade Bennett added a fifth-place finish in the 55-meter dash finals in 7.04.

In the field events, Devon Kollasch had D-NH's best finish, placing fourth in the high jump after clearing 5-8.

D-NH's 4x800 relay team of Conlee Lyons, Sawyer Loger, Kollasch and Jake Starbuck finished fourth in the event in 9:19.89.

Wartburg Indoor At Waverly, March 5

- Girls 55-meter dash prelims—1. Emma Cooper (Iowa City High Red) 7.63; 7. Eden Barrett (D-NH) 8.00.

- 55-meter finals—1. Cooper (ICHR) 7.54; 7. E. Barrett (D-NH) 7.98.
- 200—1. Mia DePrenger (Iowa City Red) 27.44; 8. E. Barrett (D-NH) 28.80; 22. Alana Barrett (D-NH) 30.71.
- 400—1. Jadyne Bennett (D-NH) 1:05.11; 19. Zoie Callan (D-NH) 1:14.27.
- 800—1. Tatum Frazier (Iowa City Red) 2:37.21; 23. Asia Klingenberg (D-NH) 3:06.79; 26. Olivia Woodley (D-NH) 3:09.82.
- 1,500—1. McKenna Weaver (West Fork) 5:13.67; 23. Sierra Loger (D-NH) 6:39.63; 28. Hailey Wenzel (D-NH) 7:29.08.
- 3,000—1. Rowan Boulter (Iowa City Red) 11:11.04; 13. Kaity Houts (D-NH) 14:00.37; 14. Alana Corwin (D-NH) 14:18.15.
- 55-meter hurdles prelims—1. Caroline Schaeckenbach (ICHR) 8.92.
- 55-meter hurdles finals—1. Schaeckenbach (ICHR) 8.99.
- High jump—1. Stacey Slaven (South Tama County) 5-2.
- Long jump—1. Schaeckenbach (ICHR) 16-10.
- Shot put—1. Abby Marr (Riceville) 36-11.
- 4x200—1. ICHR 1:54.18; 3. Dike-New Hartford (Katryna Hauser, Bennett, A. Barrett, E. Barrett) 1:58.73.
- 4x400—1. ICHR 4:09.80; 15. D-NH (Callan, Klingenberg, A. Barrett, Bennett) 5:06.43.
- 4x800—1. ICHR 10:24.26; 16. D-NH (Houts, Corwin, Loger, Woodley) 12:56.82.

- Boys 55-meter dash prelims—1. Isaac Cechota (Marion) 6.91; 3. Cade Bennett (D-NH) 7.06; 25. Jacob Thompson (D-NH) 7.47.
- 55-meter dash finals—1. Cechota (Marion) 6.93; 5. Bennett (D-NH) 7.04.
- 200—1. Nick Gerard (Clear Creek-Amana) 24.03; 2. Grant Bixby (D-NH) 24.17; 22. Brady Huff (D-NH) 26.18.
- 400—1. Austin Jones (Ankeny Centennial) 54.03; 20. Brewer Eiklenborg (D-NH) 1:02.13; 33. Drew Boldt (D-NH) 1:07.39.
- 800—1. Nathan Skala (CR Xavier) 2:07.98; 22. Gabe Skornia (D-NH) 2:23.74; 30. Nathan Graves (D-NH) 2:30.12.
- 1,600—1. Harrison Vanderlinden (Marion) 4:44.84; 17. Seth Wibben (D-NH) 5:20.21; 28. Ian Steffen (D-NH) 5:46.94.
- 3,200—1. Chandler Douglas (North Fayette) 10:17.89; 32. Sawyer Wibben (D-NH) 13:30.19.
- 55-meter hurdles prelims—1. Carson Hennings (CRX) 8.38; 8. Isaiah Woodley (D-NH) 9.04; 11. Carter Sherwood (D-NH) 9.25.
- 55 hurdles finals—1. Hennings (CRX) 8.13; 7. Woodley (D-NH) 8.72.
- High jump—1. Junior Bodden (A-P) 6-2; 4. Devon Kollasch (D-NH) 5-8; 8. Carter Sherwood (D-NH) 5-6.
- Long jump—1. Morgan Knock (A-P) 20-9; 17. Jake Starbuck (D-NH) 16-10.50.
- Shot put—1. Dru Dobbins (Marshalltown) 44-11; 18. Graves (D-NH) 36-7; 23. Cale Jensen (D-NH) 35-0.
- 4x200—1. Edgewood-Colesburg 1:38.21; 6. D-NH (Brady Huff, Bennett, Woodley, Tristin Cleveland) 1:42.31.
- 4x400—1. Clear Creek-Amana 3:45.27; 7. D-NH (Bixby, Sawyer Loger, Kollasch, Conlee Lyons) 3:52.08.
- 4x800—1. Ames 8:52.93; 4. D-NH (Lyons, Loger, Kollasch, Starbuck) 9:19.89.

Willems named ICCAC Player of the Year

By JAKE RYDER
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Mandy Willems, an AGWSR alum now in her freshman season with North Iowa Area Community College, was named the ICCAC Division II Player of the Year in All-Region XI teams released on Monday.

Willems is a four-time ICCAC women's basketball player of the week and has claimed the NJCAA Division II women's basketball player of the week award twice this season. She's averaging 24.6 points this season and is also a 92.8 percent free-throw shooter. She is second in the nation in overall points scored in Division II, with 787 so far. NIACC won the Region XI

tournament on Sunday, with Willems named the All-Tournament MVP.

Willems set an NJCAA Division II record with 13 3-pointers in a 92-61 win over Southeastern Community College on Saturday, March 2.

Willems finished with 45 points in addition to the 13 treys, which is also a team record. She owns three of the four highest single-game scoring totals in school history with 46 points against Ellsworth and 45 against Southeastern and Bay College.

Trudy Peterson holds the single-game school record with 51 points in the 2015-16 season.

Betts earns year-end coaching award

By JAKE RYDER
The Grundy Register

Dike-New Hartford head coach Don Betts was named the Class 1A Coach of the Year by the Iowa Football Coaches Association.

This is the second team Betts has won the award — he claimed the honor in 2012 as well.

D-NH finished 12-1 in the 2018 season with the only loss coming to West Sioux in the Class 1A state championship game.

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